

Local Department.

Our thanks are due and hereby tendered to Speaker Randall for valuable public documents.

—\$2.50 will buy a pair of good cassimer pants at the Philadelphia Branch Store, Bellefonte, Pa.

—If you want a first class sewing machine the Journal store is your place to buy one, cheap for cash.

—Job printing—in the best style and at lowest prices—at the Journal office. Bring in your orders.

—A splendid line of Boys' Clothing cheaper than the cheapest at Lewin's Philadelphia Branch.

—A good second hand horse wagon for sale cheap for cash or on short time. Inquire at the Journal office.

—Subscribers to the Journal who expect to change their post office addresses will please notify us of the fact.

—Lewin's spring suits are all the go. Don't fail to see them when you go to Bellefonte. They will fit and suit you to a T.

—Several brand new sewing machines of the best standard makes, for sale at the Journal store, cheap for cash.

—The question whether cows should be allowed to run at large or not is now shaking up Lewisburg from centre to circumference.

—Union county has an elopement sensation. A. H. Supplee, an unmarried young man of 20 years ran off with the wife of Mr. Jere. Yeager, age 124. The parties resided near Lewisburg.

—Victims to Constipation and its untold miseries can keep in good condition, by a moderate use of Ayer's Pills, the surest, safest and most reliable Cathartic.

—A fine lot of Family Bibles, Pocket Bibles, Presentation Bibles—at the Journal Store. We furnish Bibles with names stamped on the outside in gilt letters if desired.

—It affords us pleasure to see that our neighbor Squire Musser is out again after having been confined to the house by a spell of indisposition lasting several weeks.

—W. H. B. Eisenhuth (we all call him Willie, for short) is back home again from the Bradford oil regions. He looks well and reports the oil business booming up there.

—Mr. Samuel Otto will have sale of all his personal effects on Saturday April 9th, after which he expects to leave these parts and make his home with some of his children.

—If you want an extra fine article in the line of tooth powder—and every body should use such an article—Dr. John F. Harter is the man to supply you. We have tried it and know whereof we speak.

JUST AS WE EXPECTED.—The new cash store of Whitmer & Co., at Spring Mills, is doing a rushing business. Last Saturday the store was crowded with people picking up bargains.

—The appointments of President Garfield have not the slightest effect—one way or the other—upon the prices at Philadelphia Branch Clothing Store. The Branch can not be undersold anywhere in the state.

—If the big ash piles in front of our stores and dwellings were placed there only for ornamental purposes they have served their purpose and should be removed at once. The town should have a general and thorough cleaning up this spring. Please see to it, gentlemen of the council, that it is done.

—An election for officers of Millheim Lodge No. 955 was held on Saturday evening resulting as follows: Noble Grand—R. B. Hartman; Vice Grand—B. F. Stover. Secretary—C. W. Hartman; Asst. Secretary—W. L. Bright; Treasurer—John Long. The installation of these officers will take place on next Saturday evening.

—Mr. Henry Bollinger, who has been sick for some time, is improving. He is making preparations to move to Dakota territory as soon as the state of his health will permit. A brother and a son have already preceded him to new El Dorado. We wish him much success.

—Mr. Noah E. Otto, of Orbisonia, Pa., Mr. Wm. Otto, of Cochran, Pa., Mr. Daniel Otto and Mrs. Geo. W. Lolloway, of Barbank, Ohio, have all been here to pay their last sad tribute of respect to their departed mother. They have always been dutiful children, for which Providence will certainly bless them according to His own promise.

—J. W. Snook and John Geisweit bought the old Philip Gramley farm below Rebersburg, and a tract of mountain land, at public sale, the other day, for a gross sum of \$15,650. The farm contains 282 acres, of which a large portion is covered with fine timber. The mountain tract contains 218 acres, all timberland. We understand that they expect to go into the lumber business on a large scale.

—Samuel M. Ulrich, who left here for Illinois a few weeks ago writes us that he is well pleased with the west. They had a fearful snow storm out there the other Saturday and Sunday and the roads are still almost impassable. Shall be glad to hear from Samuel again.

—By the Bellefonte Watchman we learn that our friend Mr. C. C. Zeigler, of Rebersburg, has taken his departure from Centre county for Philadelphia, where he expects to engage in the high and honorable calling of journalism. Mr. Zeigler has fine talents as a writer and we have no doubt will make his mark Glueck zu.

—That pleasant, chatty gentleman, Mr. J. A. Aikens, of the firm of Bunnell & Aikens, the enterprising music firm of Bellefonte, gave us a friendly call last week. Mr. Aikens assures us that their firm sells the same kind of instruments for less money than any other establishment in this part of the State. For example they sell a fine octave four sets of reed organ at \$65. Those who contemplate buying an organ or piano would do well to call and see them before purchasing elsewhere.

—“We are happy to inform the public that our worthy Prof. D. M. Wolf has at last consented to have his name announced as a candidate for County Superintendent. The Professor is a gentleman of such marked ability and long experience as a teacher, and his reputation is so well known throughout the county that no words of ours can add anything to them. Our schools under the management of such a competent man could not help but prosper.”

—Report of Millheim Grammar School for the week ending March 25, 1881.

No. of pupils, males—26, females—18, total—44. No. attending, males—18, females—14, total—32. No. tardy, males—10, females—8, total—18. No. present every day, males—14, females—7, total—21. Average attendance, males—16, females—11, total—27. Per cent. of attendance, males—59, females—70, total—84.

D. L. ZEBBY, Teacher.

—Tomorrow is the first of April—all fools' day, as it is commonly called. Guess there will be the usual amount of fools and fooling throughout the county, although money is less tight than it has been for several years past and there should be less fooling on that score than people have been used to latterly. Wish about several hundred of our subscribers named “fool” by forking over about a dollar respectively and respectfully. Such fooling would make our poor heart rejoice.

—“\$326,132.67 lying in our banks subject to check.” That's what a Lewisburg paper says, and adds that it is entirely too big an amount of cash to be lying idle in bank vaults. So brother Cornelius, and if you just arrange the matter with your bankers to have our check honored for about half the amount we agree to draw it out instantly and put it to “lively use,” too. Please advise us by return mail.

—JUDGE H. W. WILLIAMS, President Judge of the district embracing Potter county, gives a flattering account of the public morals, economy and comfort of the people of the county that is yet without a railway and is the paradise of the sports who seek the deer and the fowl. He says: “In twenty years there has not been a licensed hotel or restaurant within the confines of the county. There are enough of both at all suitable places for the accommodation of the public, but in none of them is there a public bar. The sale is conducted therefore at great disadvantage, clandestinely, and is very limited in amount. As to results, I can say that while the country is steadily growing in population and business, pauperism and crime have steadily decreased. For the past five years the county jail has been fully one-half the time without any other inmate than the keeper and his family. Twice within the past ten years I have, at the regular terms of court, discharged the jury on the second day of the term without their having been called to consider a case of any description. The effect of this system is felt in many ways: taxes are reduced, the business of the criminal courts greatly diminished, industry and sobriety take the place of idleness and dissipation, and intelligence and morality are advanced.”

In one year C. G. Knight of Northampton county has sold \$1,500 worth of butter from fifteen cows.

The sheriff of McKean county, above all expenses, clears \$10,000 a year.

Lock Haven saw mills have orders ahead for all the lumber they can supply this year.

What Venor has to say for a Year.

Mr. Venor, the weather prophet, says that the coming spring will be fairly hot and dry and the midsummer cool and wet. The autumn promises to be open, dry and fine. There is likely to be a great deal of sickness during the year, but the weather, except in a few isolated sections, will be favorable to agricultural pursuits. The winter of 1882 bids fair to be open and generally mild, with but few, and those short lived, storm periods.

In the whole History of Medicine.

No preparation has ever performed such marvelous cures, or maintained so wide a reputation, as AYER'S CATHARTIC, which has been recognized as the world's remedy for all diseases of the throat and lungs. Its long continued success is attested by the fact that it is universally known as a safe and reliable agent to use. Against ordinary colds, which are the forerunners of more serious disorders, it acts speedily and surely, always relieving suffering, and often saving life. The production of a healthy action in the throat and chest disorders, makes it an invaluable remedy to be kept always on hand in every household. No person should be without it, and those who have once used it never will from their knowledge of its composition and effects. It is sold by all druggists. Extensively in their practice, and clergymen recommend it. It is absolutely certain in its remedial effects, and will always cure where cures are possible.

—An infirm old lady near Millersburg, Dauphin county has insurance on her life to the amount of \$175,000.

LETTER FROM RUSSIA.

The following interesting letter sent from Russia by Mr. J. A. Frank to Mr. Willis J. Weber, of Rebersburg, was handed to us for publication. Mr. Frank is a nephew of Mr. Thomas Frank, of this place, and is well remembered by many of our people.

Iliskay, in Russia, Feb. 13, 1881. Dear Cousin Willis,

I have been thinking of writing to you this long time but did not know rightly where you were. Last week I received a letter from Uncle George Weber, of Tompseytown, Venango county, who informs me that you are back again to Rebersburg, and that you had invited the Dempseytown boys to come down there and have a trial shooting with you. According to that you have not yet forgotten how to shoot. If you were here you could engage in your favorite sport to your heart's content—not in shooting matches though, but in hunting game, which is very abundant. Wild hens, deer, wolves, foxes, lynx, wild geese and ducks are plenty. You could shoot more geese and ducks in a short time than you could carry. Wolves are so numerous that they are a great annoyance to the people. If cattle and swine are left to roam without being herded some of them are sure to become a prey to the wolves. Last week two Cossacks passed our Derrick with a wild boar which they had killed. I bought the head for thirty kopecks (15 cents) and then paid another man one ruble (50 cents) to take out the tusks, which I expect to take with me to America.

Of course you heard of my coming to Russia last winter. I left home on the 2nd day of February 1880, and was eleven days on the ocean. We had much storm for eight days in succession. At times the waves would wash clear over the ship. I got one good ducking of the salty brine and had my hat washed off into the sea by a huge wave that rolled over the ship and washed off everything that was not tied down. Some of the passengers were badly scared and cried and prayed for the preservation of our ship and a safe landing.

My contract was for the period of one year from the time I left Oil City until I would reach Oil City again. At the expiration of our time (I say our as there are four of us Americans) Mr. Tweedie, our employer, desired us to remain longer and raised our salary to \$135 per month. We all agreed to remain four or six months more.

I have been working at a place called Ketzlar until New Year. On that day we four Americans started for Tama to settle with Mr. Tweedie. From Tama we went to Kertch. Both Tama and on the Strait of Kertch between the Black Sea and the Sea of Azoff. The distance from Ketzlar to Tama is ninety miles, which we had to travel in drogys, (a kind of a wagon) one of the most uncomfortable conveyances imaginable. We made the trip in two days. From Tama we went across the strait which is about twenty miles wide, by steamer to Kertch. Here we remained about four days and had quite a good time. We are now at Il-ky, about forty miles from the Black Sea, on the north side of the Caucasus mountains. In clear weather we can see the tops of the Caucasus, but when the weather is cloudy they are hid in the clouds.

At present there are three pumping wells at this place, and quite a number of old wells that are not now in running order. Our wells produce about 25 barrels per day each, and are from 300 to 300 feet deep.

We have a very mild winter here. Had only two snaps of cold weather of about a week each. The ground does not freeze as much as in our time. Mercury sometimes goes up to 68 degrees. I never saw such a mild winter in my native country.

This part of Russia is broken and hilly, but north from here it is level and the soil is black and rich. Large crops of wheat are raised even with very poor farming. The sun never shone on finer lands than some parts of Russia that I have seen. The steppes are very much like our American prairies and the soil is very productive. The Crimean war was very beautiful land. If Russia was free like the United States it would be a grand county indeed. But what are the lands, rich soil and other great resources under an oppressive government?

The working classes here are ignorant and live in miserable huts of the rudest construction. The ground constitutes the floor, the roofs are made of straw or reeds and the walls of sticks and mud. There are no barns. Grain and hay are all stacked. Threshing is done on the ground, the grain being tramped out by horses or cattle. The cleaning is done by throwing up the grain into the air and letting the wind blow out the chaff. Most of the farming and teaming is done with cattle, and you can see as many women as men driving oxen. Women help to do all outdoor work except mowing and chopping wood. It is a very common thing to see a young lady driving an ox team in her bare feet and short dress. How would such work suit your young ladies of Rebersburg?

My health has been very good since I am in Russia, with slight exceptions. I am quite fleshy and weigh 160 pounds. I am not much like the little chap I was when I went to school at Rebersburg fifteen years ago. Do you remember some of the good times we had there? Give my warmest respects to those who were our associates then.

I expect to start for home about the first of June, but if I should happen to take theague, which is very bad here, I will leave sooner. In the mean time I remain your true friend and cousin.

J. A. FRANK.

But for fear you will be offended, Mr. Editor, and will feel like cuffing old Pete a little with your boxing gloves—I very reluctantly say au revoir or au revoir. I forget which is the more proper of the two.

PETE ROLEUM.

MARRIED.

On the 24th inst., at the Lutheran parsonage, Arcsburg, by Rev. John Tomlinson, Mr. B. M. Post, and Miss Eva Rickard, both of Coburn, Centre Co.

DIED.

On the 20th ult., in Boalsburg, Daniel Kimport, aged 81 years, 5 months and 1 day.

On the 13th inst., in Potter township, Mr. Uriah Slack, aged 87 years, 2 months and 11 days.

ITEMS FROM OILDOM.

Galloway, Pa. March 25, '81.

The session of the Pittsburg Evangelical conference, which was held in our city, Franklin, this year, closed last week. Bishop Dubs presided. The oleaginous regions seemed to be a great curiosity to most of the reverend gentlemen, for the way they visited the wells, whenever they had any leisure moments was a caution. Every day while the conference lasted, a number of the preachers came up here, to “view the landscape o'er,” and learn all they could about Petroleum, and one of the Bishops truly said, that it was so wonderful, “(meaning the way it was brought from the earth, as well as the many other curious things, such as the economical contrivances and inventions it had given rise to)” that it would take a long time to understand, even a very little about it.

The Galloway Heavy Oil District, contains over two thousand acres, beginning at Franklin, and extending over three miles in length, and more than a mile in breadth, and the amount of oil that has been obtained here alone, seems almost incredible. The village or town, is situated about the middle of the district, on an eminence from which it is often called Galloway Hill.

A new well here was torpedoed just a few days ago, and since the debris has been cleared out it has pumped over fifty barrels, and it is not more than ten hours yet since it began. This kind of oil, as stated in a previous letter is always worth from \$3.50 to \$5 per barrel. Just now it is \$4.50. Consequently, the owner of this well, need have no fear of going to the Poor House, for some time yet, at all events, especially as he is the possessor of more than a hundred others in active operation, and is constantly putting more down.

After a well has been drilled here it is always torpedoed, which has the effect of bursting open the rock which contains oil, or through which it flows. A torpedo is a receptacle or pocket made of iron, and filled with Nitro-glycerine, or sometimes dynamite is used; and it is sealed over with sealing wax. The greatest care is necessary in making or handling these torpedoes, as the slightest jar will cause them to explode, dealing death and destruction to everything in their vicinity. Hence when putting one into a well it is very carefully done, for were it to strike accidentally anything, it would explode. After getting it down to the proper place a very small piece of iron, (it need not even weigh a fourth of an ounce,) is dropped down after it, and the one who does this, generally the agent, immediately starts off on the double quick, so as to get as far away as possible before the explosion occurs. In a few moments a dull thud is heard, and almost simultaneously a quantity of mud, dirty water, oil, etc., comes dashing up with such force, that it flies sometimes fifty or a hundred feet above the top of the derrick, and then returns to “Mother earth again in the form of mist or spray. The next thing is to clean out the well, that is to remove all the particles of sand, rock and mud from the bottom, which the explosion of the torpedo caused, and then it is ready to begin pumping out the grease.

To clean out wells a sand-pump is used, and this is lowered into the orifice in the same manner as are the tools for drilling. And this is the reason those high derricks are built, on the tops of which pulleys are inserted, and over these the rope or cable, at one extremity of which the tools that are to be lowered are attached, runs, while the other end is fastened to, and coiled around a ponderous wheel, called by the not very euphonious name of “Bull-wheel,” and as the wells are from one to two thousand feet in depth, one can scarcely imagine what a great quantity of cable must necessarily be coiled around it.

And now let us imagine we are all ready to send the sand-pump down. We start the wheel which soon begins to revolve with frightful velocity, causing the cable to uncoil itself very rapidly, and making a deafening noise, until, at last, it reaches the bottom, and having filled itself with sand, mud, etc., as it descended, is ready to begin the ascent to terra firma, again. Hence, the wheel is started once more, but now it goes much slower, yet coil after coil of the rope is again winding itself upon the wheel and before very long the pump is above ground, ready to be released from the cable and dismissed of its contents.

My factory has all the machinery and facilities of a first class establishment of its kind. My experience in the business extends over many years, both in this country and in Europe, and an therefore qualified to do strictly first class work at moderate prices.

THE JOURNAL STORE, Millheim, Pa.

has accepted an agency from me. All goods brought there for drying will be returned free of extra charge.

IRVIN HOUSE, (Most Central Hotel in the City), COR. MAIN AND JAY STS., Lock Haven, Pa., S. WOODS CAL WELL, PROPRIETOR

Go to Simple Rooms for Commercial Traveler on first floor.

DR. D. H. MINGLE, PHYSICIAN & SURGEON, Main Street, Millheim, Pa.

Millheim Market.

Table listing market prices for various commodities including Wheat, Corn, Oats, Rye, Bran, Flour, and other goods.

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