The Millheim Journal.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8., 1883.

DEININGER & BUMILLER,

Editors and Proprietors.

Local Department.

PUBLIC SALE REGISTER

February 19th, Henry Long, near Madisonburg, farming implements and household goods.

March 3rd, J. H. Reifsnyder, trustee. Valuable farm of Michael Kreamer, deceased, Haines township.

March 9th, Jacob Gobble, Snydertown, live stock and lot of farming utensils.

—Ex-Gov Curtin has our thanks for public documents.

—Sugar Valley thinks she will get a railroad. Hope she may.

—Uriah Moyer's execution in Snyder county would have come on court week and was therefore postponed one week, to Wednesday March 7th.

—Well yes, the *Watchman* aught to know—whether there is anything in it or not.

FOR SALE.—Rev. C. F. Deininger offers his valuable property in Millheim at private sale. For particulars inquire of H. K. Luse, on the premises. tf

Communicated.

CONUNDRUM.—What are the main points of difference between the CENTRE *Hall* REPORTER and the MILLHEIM JOURNAL? Answer next week.

Subscriber to both.

—J. H. Reifsnyder, trustee, will offer at public sale Saturday March 3rd the valuable farm of Michael Kreamer, late of Haines township, deceased. See notice in another column.

—Dr. Stam has opened a store in the new building adjoining his residence. Dry goods, Groceries, Hardware and general line of goods all sold at bottom prices. A share of public patronage respectfully solicited.

—It affords us pleasure to state that Dr. John F. Harter was recently confirmed as Notary Public for Millheim. The doctor is certainly big enough to handle the "seal" and has the other qualifica tions besides.

—Just received at the JOURNAL STORE a fine lot of stationery—especialy for the dear ladies—scratch books, pen cases, fine envelopes, photograph and autograph albums, bibles in great variety, &c, &c.

—Last Friday was dox day and Mr. Dox did see his shadow sure, according to which there will be six additional weeks of winter weather if what the weather prophets say is true. We don't pretend to understand this kind of *doxology* and must depend on others to regulate our weather.

—On Sunday we had considerable of a flood in our stream, consequent of rain Saturday night. The ice on Elk creek was very thick, but broke and floated away without doing any harm. On Sunday night there was a slight fall of snow, which has been sufficient to afford good sleighing ever since.

—Next Monday the Rebersburg Musical Convention begins and will continue during the week, closing with a grand concert on Saturday evening. The committee have secured some first grade musical talent and everything seems to indicate full success. Going?

—J. A. Limbert is really one of the most accommodating and reliable fellows that ever drove a stage. Throughout the year he carries a very large amount of express goods all along the route, and delivers them in person.

Everything is always right and his charges are really moderate. You can safely entrust your business to him. tf

—Last but by no means least Millheim comes in for "*The Great Musical Convention of the season.*" The bills are out, giving full details. Read them, keep your pocket money together and come. It promises to be a rich treat and you will not regret it. The convention begins Monday the 19th, instant.

—What every paper says ought to be true—or at least come true—and every paper we take up says that Maj. Forster will have a good clerkship under Secretary of Internal Affairs Africa. We only hope the papers many have guessed right this trip.

ATTENTION COLLECTORS FOR 1881.—All unsettled duplicates for the year 1881 will be placed in the hands of the attorney for immediate collection if not settled by the first day of April 1883.

JOHN WOLF,
H. C. CAMPELL,
A. J. GRIEST,
Commissioners.

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—The firm of Dr. E. J. Deshler & Son is dissolved by mutual consent. The books and accounts are in the hands of E. J. Deshler for settlement, where all who know themselves indebted are requested to call without delay. Dr. E. J. Deshler will continue the practice of the profession.

E. J. DESHLER,
J. J. DESHLER.

Aaronsburg, Jan. 18, 1883 3t

—It makes us feel a trifle sad that circumstances over which we have no control compel us to decline the pressing invitation to attend the Centre Hall Musical Convention this week. We know that we have some very warm friends up there, who as an inducement promised to furnish us all the *sausages, ponhoss* and *sulz* we could do away with—and yet we can not go. Excuse us, please, too busy on the *Journal* even to think of it.

—Messrs. S. K. Sankey & Co. desire to inform the public that they have obtained patents and filed a caveat on certain improvements as applied to the Keystone Cultivator, formerly manufactured by the late firm of John D. Foote & Co. Not having authorized any other parties to build the Keystone Cultivator with our improvements, we shall call on all such MANUFACTURERS and USERS of such machines to settle for improvements.

—THE TEACHERS' LOCAL INSTITUTE which meets in the Evangelical church here on Friday evening is intended to be a practical affair. The exercises will embrace lectures, discussions, readings, recitations, essays and class drills. Some important educational questions will be considered. A spelling match will be had. The exercises will be interspersed with music. Directors, teachers and citizens are most respectfully and urgently requested to attend. Teachers will be entertained free of charge.

—DEININGER & MUSSER now have the largest and most complete stock of marble on hand—both in the rough and in finished work—ever brought to Centre county. At their works can be seen no less than twenty monuments, ranging in price from $14 to $200, and about two hundred head stones, plain or carved, from $3 to $75. They are prepared to suit all tastes as well as all means. They have also accepted the sole agency for the largest part of the county including Bellefonte, for the sale of the celebrated White Bronze Monuments, Head Stones Statuary, Vases, &c., manufactured by the extensive White Bronze Company, Bridgeport, Conn.

Thankful for past favors they respectfully solicit the continued confidence and patronage of the public.

D. L. Zerby is their authorized soliciting and collecting agent. tf

THE COUNTY FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—This week we furnish our readers in the form of a supplement the Commissioners' annual statement for the year ending Decbr. 31st, 1882, and we again advise them to preserve it for future reference and comparison. A few general comparisons may not be out of place here, although every tax-payer can do the work for himself just as well, perhaps better, provided last year's statement was preserved.

The county tax levy for '81 was $41,44.169, while for '82 it is $53,055.48—an excess of $11,613.79. Last year the county indebtedness after deducting all assets collectable were given at $21,558.74, and this year the commissioners figure out on the same basis a balance in favor of the county, of 1,748.75. Last year there was paid on the county debt only $45.64, while this year $20,523.95 where liquidated. The estimate of the commissioners made in the beginning of '82, embraced the payment of $10,000, but they did better by over a hundred per centum, besides paying $3,455.98 *extraordinary* expenses on indexing account. The taxes collected during '81 aggregate the sum of $45,417.73. In '82 $51,307.46, were collected. The outstanding taxes are about the same at the end of both years, $60,232.97, Jan. 1st, 1882, and $61,319.58, Jan. 1st, 1883, but as many of the old duplicates were collected and settled this account is in better condition than it was a year ago.

It will also be noticed that there is a saving of $1,351.55, on interest account, $425.85 on scalp account, $526.67 on printing account, $342.35 on "fish basket" account and $238.48 on jail account. In fact there is a general reduction of expenses all around, but we will pursue the matter no furth er. Our board of commissioners deserve much credit for faithful service and good management, and especially for publishing a full, itemized statement of the county's financial status, and placing the same at a comparatively small expense into the hands of every tax-payer, without regard to party, who is a subscriber to any of the six newspapers in the county. This is eminently proper and fair to all concerned.

There is one item specially in the list of "assets" that seems to be an elephant on the hands of the commissioners. It is the *claims against thirteen districts in the county for keeping insane, now in process of settlement but not yet decided*, covering a gross amount of $1,602.48. This matter has been hanging fire in court for some years and should be disposed of without further delay. It involves the question whether townships and boroughs must reimburse the county for expenses incurred in maintaining insane paupers sent to state asylums by our courts.

—Mr. Morrison, the efficient teacher of our Grammar School, has consented to open a select school in spring, provided he gets proper encouragement and support. Millheim has not had a summer school of this kind for some years, although there is no good reason for not having one every summer. A little enterprise, possibly a little self-denial in some cases, on the part of parents, will insure us just such a school as we ought to have the whole year round. We hope our citizens—not only of the town but also of the near vicinity—will take the matter in hand without delay, in order that the school may be assured.

Der Friederich, der Friederich,
Der bitterboese Dieterich!

Without stopping to reply to what Freddy said of us last week as absolutely too silly for notice we proceed to give the history of the old CENTRE BERICHTER, as far as necessary to our purpose.

Just when the Kurtzes—father and three sons, of whom "Unser Fritz" was the youngest and by all odds the *smartest*—took charge of the BERICHTER, we do not know, neither is it material to the point, but it must have been about the year 1844. It never had much standing as a newspaper, although as the German advertising medium for sheriff's sales, register's notices, election and court proclamations, &c., and as the only paper in Penns Valley, it enjoyed a fair support. Ever since we remember anything about the BERICHTER it was nicknamed the "Schmutzblatt," (*Greasepaper*) and this name was so general that neither the publishers nor any one else connected with it ever thought of taking offense over it. Freddy no doubt was asked hundreds of times for "mei' Schmutzblatt" during the time he was Post Master at Aaronsburg. The paper lost the blackguard name since Freddy ceased to be its publisher.

The general tone of the "Schmutzblatt" was coarse and low while the Kurtzes controlled it, as far as its little original matter was concerned, for it was very generally considered as a rehash on a small scale of the *Readinger Adler*, (Berks County Bible) and it was currently said that whenever the *Adler* failed to make time, by reason of the slow and often uncertain mails of that day, no "Schmutzblatt" could issue following week. Its abuse of ministers and temperance men and measures was notorious and knew no bounds. It was a disturber of the peace in church and society, as every citizen in this community old enough to know can fully substantiate.

A valued friend of our youth who for many years resides in the west writes us under date of Jan. 25th on this point as follows:

"In reading your paper of a few weeks ago you brought back fresh to my mind the times and scenes of long, long ago, by using the term "Schmutzblatt," a name then so common in the good old town of Aaronsburg. And how appropriate the name. What an ungodly paper that was. No wonder that a pious old minister on a certain occasion refused to touch it with his hands but asked that *two chips* be brought to him on which to carry the vile thing out of the house. I am glad that the JOURNAL takes a better and higher stand than the old "schmutzblatt," although I disagree with its politics altogether."

We remember the occasion and circumstance alluded to very well, for we lived in Aaronsburg at that time, and there are no doubt others who distinctly recollect it.

Verily the old BERICHTER was not a paper that any one should be proud of now. We do not feel the slightest tinge of pride for being Freddy's successors as publishers of the BERICHTER. As well might Queen Victoria be proud of Henry VIII, as one of her predecessors on the British throne. We cheerfully waive all honor, merit, reputation or benefit constructively due us as publishers and editors of the *same* paper that Freddy Kurtz published for some years, save only the prestige of venorable age That is all—utterly and absolutely all. That however we do claim, and are justly entitled to, both in law and equity, and we may yet sometime take the notion, even at this late day, to enforce our righteous claim against impostors, in a court of law. Meanwhile we will give Freddy ample time to study the legal definition of the terms *mandamus* and *perpetual injunction*. More anon.

Happenings in Union County.

From the Telegraph.

We learn with much pleasure that Mr. Mark Halfpenny, Jr., of Lewisburg, is about to establish a Foundry and Machine Shop at Millmont Station on the Lbg. & Tyrone Railroad, in Lewis Twp., this county. The building will be frame, large and convenient, and supplied with the very best improved machinery. The construction of the building will be commenced immediately and completed by May 1st, ready for the transaction of all business in his line—the manufacture of Engines, &c., and repairing of all kinds. Mr. Halfpenny is a practical, first-class machinist.

Thieves captured a set of harness belonging to Mr. John Yarger of Hartleton on Friday night of last week. Same night we are told, two sets of harness were stolen from the stable of Mr. D. O. Bower of Hartley township.

Mr. James R. Ritter bought the old Inhoff hotel property and again sold it out to J. D. S. Gast, A. Heiter and Henry Strunk. The old tavern must go to give place for two new store buildings and a barber shop.

The Sufferers by Flood.

BERLIN, February 5.—The emperor William has instructed Prince Bismarck to forward a letter to German consuls and diplomatic agents in the United States expressing his gratification and thanks to all concerned in the collecting of subscriptions for the relief of the sufferers by the recent floods.

Church Troubles at Ashland.

ASHLAND, Pa., January 25.—Yesterday one of the male members of the German Catholic Church buried an infant child in his mother's lot in the graveyard connected with the church. The parent being behind in his dues the priest instructed an assistant to remove the body outside of the burial ground, which was accordingly done. To-day the priest had the father arrested for trespass, while he in turn charged the priest and assistant with grave robbing. All three were bound over to court. The affair has caused much excitement in town.

MARRIED.

On the 2nd ult., by Rev. W. M. Landis, Mr. Nathan M. E. Bechtel to Miss Alice Doebler, both of Penns Valley, Centre Co., Pa.

On the 25th ult., by the same, Mr. Adam Bierly to Miss Cordia Bressler, both of near Tylersville, Clinton Co., Pa.

On the 4th inst., by the same, Mr. George W. Winkelblech of Haines township, to Miss Mary A. Grenninger, of Miles township.

On the 1st inst., by Rev. Z. A. Yearick, at the home of the bride and in the presence of a large company of friends, Mr. J. A. Grenoble, of Spring Mills, and Miss Clara V. Stover, daughter of Mr. John C. Stover, of Haines township.

At the same time and place by the same, Mr. J. W. Buckle, of Haines township, and Miss Lizzie M. Stahlnecker, of Watsontown, Pa.

Millheim Market.

Corrected every Wednesday

Wheat, old	1.00
" new, No. 2	1.00
" " No. 3	85
Corn	65
Rye	70
Oats White	45
Buckwheat	
Flour	4.50
Bran & Shorts, per ton	25 75
Salt, per Bbl	1.90
Plaster, ground	9.50
Cement, per Bushel	45 to 50
Barley	70
Timothyseed	
Flaxseed	
Cloverseed	7.00
Butter	28
Hams	15
Sides	10
Veal	
Pork	
Beef	
Eggs	25
Potatoes	60
Lard	12
Tallow	
Soap	5
Dried Apples	
Dried Peaches	
Dried Cherries	

COAL MARKET AT COBURN.

Egg Coal	$5.25
Stove "	5.25
Chestnut	5.00
Pea	3.50
Pea by the car load	3.40

Fifty cents per ton additional when delivered in Millheim.