

AWARDED THE DEGREE OF M. A.—The Somerset Herald has the following to say concerning an honor that has lately been conferred upon a native of Centre county.

The many friends of Rev. Calvin F. Gephart, pastor of the Lavansville Lutheran church, will be pleased to learn that he has been officially notified by the board of trustees of Pennsylvania college that at a meeting of the board on June 13th the honorary degree of Master of Arts (M. A.) was ordered to be conferred upon him.

Rev. Gephart is a son of the late Jacob Gephart, of Millheim, this county.

THE PLEASANT VIEW CHAPEL FUND.—The efforts of the faithful christian workers who have been striving to raise funds with which to build themselves a little chapel at that place were handsomely rewarded through the contest, which closed on the 26th ult. Mrs. James Wilson and Miss Mary Gordon were the contestants for the couch and the chair and their combined solicitation yielded \$90.25, leaving a net balance, after paying for the articles, of \$78.75 for the fund. E. Korman, the treasurer, has banked this nice starter for the fund and the people down there are quite encouraged over it.

FOSTER'S WEATHER PREDICTIONS.—A cool wave is due over the Eastern States to-day, Friday.

The temperature of the week ending 8 a. m., September 11th, will average about normal in the great central valleys and below near the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. Rainfall for the same period will be below normal in the great central valleys and above normal on the Pacific and Atlantic coasts.

September will be a warm month as an average, but a great fall will occur between the 9th and 25th. The month will come in cool with rising temperature. A high wave will reach meridian 90 near the 9th, and then begin a general decline, fluctuating but falling relative to the normal.

First week in the month will have indications of drought, but showers will be the rule after the first ten days have passed.

The most severe storms of September will occur near the 9th on meridian 90, a little earlier west of that line, later east.

THE GOLDEN ROD DANCE.—The last of the third series of summer dances was given in the army Friday night and attracted many strangers to Bellefonte. As is well known the last of these dances each year is given as a "Golden Rod" affair and then the rich fall flower takes prominence in all the decorations. The armory could not have looked prettier than it did Friday night and in consequence there seemed to be more spirit in the dancers than there had been at either of the preceding ones. It was oppressively hot, but the floor was in splendid condition and Chappell's orchestra played well, so that the heat only served as a topic of conversation between dances.

The patronesses were Mrs. J. M. Dale, Mrs. Wilbur F. Reeder, Mrs. Frank Warfield, Mrs. Jos. L. Montgomery, Mrs. H. S. Cooper, Mrs. Jno. M. Shugert, Mrs. M. D. Burnet and Mrs. W. Fred Reynolds. The committee in charge of the series included Henry C. Quigley, Edward L. Hoy, Hardman P. Harris, Wallace Reeder, Edmund Blanchard, Harry Keller, Fred Blanchard and Richard Lane.

BURNED BARN BECOMING NUMEROUS.—The number of barns that have been burned in Centre and the adjoining county of Clinton during the past year has been a matter for serious consideration. Last fall a veritable wave of incendiary swept over these districts with so much disastrous consequence that in many communities farmers were actually uneasy from the time night fall came until daylight would break; showing that their barn had escaped the torch up to that time.

Coupled with the great number of fires that are known to have been of incendiary origin there have been numerous accidental fires and when to these are added the ones that have been caused so frequently of late by lightning there is a total that is almost incredible.

One of each of the latter kind occurred within twenty-four hours last week. ROBERT CONFER'S BARN NEAR HOWARD DESTROYED.

On Friday evening the fine large barn belonging to Robert Confer whose farm adjoins that of Colonel Woodward was struck by lightning and totally destroyed with all contents save two horses, one colt and one calf. Mr. Confer carried insurance on his property but the amount will by no means cover the loss he sustained, which is quite heavy.

The stable at the Syracuse house in Howard was struck by lightning during the same storm and a cow that was in her stall at the time was killed, but no other damage was done.

A BARN BURNED IN FERGUSON TOWNSHIP.

The large barn on what is known as the back farm owned by former county commissioner H. C. Campbell, near Fairbrook, in Ferguson township, was totally destroyed in an accidental way last Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Glasgow the wife of the tenant was fumigating the chicken house by burning sulphur on hot coals and during her absence from the place fire broke out, spreading to the barn. The building, which was full of grain and hay was entirely destroyed. There was no stock in the barn at the time. Mr. Campbell's loss is covered by insurance in the Centre Hall company. The barn was built in 1862 by John Glenn.

CLEAN OUT THE CREEK.—Several months ago council issued an order to have Spring creek cleaned out from the Lamb street bridge to the L. & T. trestle. At that time the condition of the water made the work extremely difficult and it was abandoned, after an unsuccessful attempt to work in the water as high as it was then.

The stream is about as low now as it can very well get and it seems a most excellent opportunity of putting it in, at least, presentable condition. The logs, stumps and drift ought to be removed and the stones graded off on either shore. A few men could do this work nicely in a couple of days and it is to be hoped that the committee in charge will take enough interest in our town's beauty-spot to see that it is done at once.

PROGRAM FOR THE GRANGER'S PICNIC.—The annual encampment and picnic of the Pomona Grange of Centre county will open at Grange park, Centre Hall, on Friday, September 15th. The program is published below and will be carried out as nearly as possible as advertised.

Friday, Sept. 15, opening of camp. Saturday, Sept. 16th, Veterans club annual reunion and picnic.

Sunday, Sept. 17th, 10 a. m., services by the Y. M. C. A., of Bellefonte; 2 p. m., Religious services; 7 p. m., religious services by the Evangelical association, conducted by Rev. Rhoads.

Monday, Sept. 18th, completing the arrangements of camp and the exhibition which will be the opening day of the poultry and live stock department.

Tuesday, Sept. 19th, 2 p. m., opening exercises by the County Grange; 7 p. m., entertainment in the auditorium.

Wednesday, Sept. 20th, 10 a. m., addresses by W. F. Hill, master of the State Grange, and J. T. Ailman, secretary of State Grange; 1:30 p. m., address by Hon. W. T. Creasy, the former candidate for State Treasurer, and others that will be announced later. 7 p. m., entertainment in the auditorium.

Thursday, Sept. 21st, 10 a. m., addresses by W. B. Packard, lecturer of the State Grange, Hon. Frank Moore, of Bradford county, and Mrs. Helen Johnson, of Erie. 1:30 p. m., address by Hon. Mortimer Whitehead, New Jersey, past lecturer of National Grange. Recitation by Miss Emma Brewer, of Delaware county. 7 p. m., entertainment in the auditorium.

Miss Emma Brewer is a professional elocutionist and will no doubt give recitations at nearly every meeting. Friday, Sept. 22nd, closing of the exhibition and camp.

THE CENTRE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION IN SESSION.—The sixty ninth anniversary meeting of the Centre Baptist association was held in Altoona last week. The association includes Mifflin, Bedford, Centre, Huntingdon and portions of Clearfield and Cambria counties.

The reports of the statistical committee showed the following condition of affairs in the district.

MEMBERSHIP—INCREASE	
By baptism.....	159
By letter.....	23
By experience.....	23
By restoration.....	13
By errors in church letters.....	13
Total.....	271
DECREASE	
By letter.....	66
By exclusion.....	27
By transfer.....	84
By death.....	31
Total.....	208
Present membership.....	2,811
Membership last year.....	2,748
Net sum.....	63

Number of churches.....	29
Number of pastors.....	16
Pastorless churches.....	7
Pastors with more than one church.....	3
Other ordained ministers.....	7
Licentiates.....	7
Number of meeting houses.....	3
Number of parsonages.....	8
Number of Sunday schools.....	31
Number of scholars.....	3,271
The contributions were as follows,	
Home expenses.....	\$14,277.98
Foreign missions.....	563.65
Home missions.....	247.46
State missions.....	215.26
Publication.....	114.62
Education.....	148.83
Womans' foreign missions.....	226.16
Womans' home missions.....	152.33
Building.....	7,751.64
Church poor.....	149.59
Orphanage.....	33.07
Miscellaneous.....	816.20
Minutes.....	65.51
Total.....	\$25,163.35

S. S. Miles, of Port Matilda, was elected treasurer of the association as well as a member of the missionary committee. Rev. E. C. Houck, of Milesburg, was chosen to preach the doctrinal sermon next year and also read the report of the work of the American Baptist publication society; Miss S. P. Gregg, of Milesburg, was elected treasurer of the Womans' missionary society, and Mrs. A. Z. Myers, of Philipsburg, was made one of the committee of two to prepare reports on the home and foreign mission work.

Pine Grove Mention.

Bella, daughter of J. P. Pifer, is ill with typhoid fever.

Prof. George Weaver's many friends will be glad to know that he is able to be out.

J. M. Keichline and Paul Fortney, of Bellefonte, enjoyed Sunday with their relatives in this place.

Our young friend David Tate must have the matrimonial bee buzzing in his hat as he has secured the cage.

While stabling his cow last Sunday evening Charley Wagner had his arm broken below the elbow.

Ethel daughter of Clyde Thomas was taken to a Philadelphia hospital on Tuesday last by Mrs. Jackson of State College.

Charley Smith and wife and D. T. Miller are representing this section at the great meeting of the veterans in Philadelphia this week.

Frank Bohn had a fine mare killed by lightning on Saturday evening, the 26th ult., next morning when she was found her half-grown twin colts were by her side.

Harris Bloom's new house is ready for the plasterers and when completed will be a most comfortable dwelling. Krebs and Donlap are the contractors.

Farmer George Bell is rejoicing over the advent of a young daughter. She weighs eight pounds and he is so delighted that he has already been initiated as a night of labor.

An operation was performed on Emanuel Sunday in the German hospital in Philadelphia on last Saturday and it was expected that he would be able to be brought home this week.

Fletcher E. Meek, of Altoona, is spending some time with his daughter, Mrs. J. F. Harter, at State College and his numerous friends here, where most of his life has been spent.

Isaac Martz has purchased one of the McBurney farms over near McAlevy's Fort. It is said to be one of the best farms of that section and now Isaac's next need is a good frau to help him manage it.

At the executors' sale of the Tressler estate, on last Saturday, the farm on which Michael Duck lives was bid in at \$31.25 per acre. Martha Tressler secured the old home at \$801; J. J. Tressler the mountain property at \$150 and the tract of timberland was held over.

Mr. Charley Hess, one of Philipsburg's representative men, accompanied by his wife and family enjoyed a drive over the Alleghenies and are now visiting among their Pennsylvania friends. They are out on a regular coaching trip and will drive home by the way of Lewistown, McVeytown, Huntingdon and Tyrone.

Madisonburg.

Sowing wheat is the principal work of the farmer at present.

The carpenters have resumed work on E. H. Zeigler's house and shed. D. C. Caris left for Nittany Valley, to take charge of the Parvin school on Monday.

S. B. Shaffer, who was home on a visit with G. Z. Kern and J. F. Miller, returned on Monday to Cambria county.

Mrs. William Ruhl, of Mill Hall, spent a week with her sister Mrs. Caris and returned home on Monday.

William Stegal returned from the woods last week a sick man. His condition is about the same at the time of this writing.

While working in the field Scott Rachen caught a black snake measuring about four and one-half feet. He expects to kill the reptile by etherizing it but will preserve it.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Bald Eagle Baptist Sunday school at Marthas Sept. 3rd, 1899.

WHEREAS, Almighty God in his infinite wisdom has seen fit to remove from our midst our beloved Sister Esther Robinson. We realize that by her death our Sunday school has lost a zealous and useful member and while we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well be it

Resolved, That we strive to follow the example given us by her loving service and sincere devotion to the cause of Christ.

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered on our Sunday school record. A copy be handed to the bereaved family, and be sent to the county papers for publication.

ALLA ARDERY,
MATTIE WILLIAMS,
R. D. ARDERY,
Committee.

New Advertisements.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.—The undersigned executor of the last will and testament of Simon Harper, late of Centre Hall borough, Centre county, Penna., deceased, hereby notifies all persons having claims against said estate to present same, properly authenticated, for payment, and those knowing themselves indebted thereto to make immediate payment.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF JOHN A. RUPP.—The undersigned, having been appointed auditor to make distribution of the balance in the hands of W. Gale Morrison, assignee of John A. Rupp, to and among the creditors of the said assignor, will meet all parties in interest at his office in Bellefonte, on Monday, the 25th day of September, A. D. 1899, when and where all persons having claims against the said estate will present the same or be forever barred from participating in said fund.

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