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Improvement Funds for Academy Grounds.

The WATCHMAN takes pleasure in reporting the following subscriptions to the fund now being raised for improving and beautifying the ground about the Academy:

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A Word to the Business Men.

A couple new names appear this week in the WATCHMAN'S list of subscribers to the Bellefonte Academy grounds improvement fund, but the list is not growing any ways near as fast nor as large as it should. There is a woeful lack of interest in the movement shown by many of the business men of Bellefonte, who surely cannot have given the subject any consideration, else they would see how much to their benefit it will be to help build up the institution. The Academy now has in the neighborhood of thirty young men from a distance as boarding students. This in itself naturally requires a large quantity of food-stuffs which, bought in Bellefonte, puts money in the pockets of the grocers, the butchers and others. Then all the young men spend more or less money in the town so that most every business man here is either directly or indirectly benefited by the presence of the Bellefonte Academy; and as it grows in importance and size and its student body increases the benefit to the town will increase correspondingly. And now, when there is an opportunity to put the Academy in a condition to advertise itself more fully, by having its surroundings beautified for its coming centennial anniversary in June, the business people of the town in general should subscribe as liberally as possible to the movement, and that would be an incentive to outsiders to do likewise. And it should further be remembered that subscriptions should be made at once, as the time is nearly when work will have to be begun in order to have everything in shape for the June centennial.

Roosevelt's Inauguration.

Scenes of Splendor Attend This Great Event. It was Very Imposant, as Well as the Most Interesting Event of the Kind in the Nation's History. Story of Eventful Day.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—President Roosevelt on Saturday took the oath of office before a vast gathering of the people he had been elected to serve. The attendant scenes were not unusual. Inauguration from the time the east front of the capitol first became the setting of the ceremony have been much the same. Many of the central figures have officiated in like capacity on other occasions when presidents have ascended to the highest office in the gift of the American people. Chief Justice Fuller, in administering the oath, repeated a solemn function he has repeated four times—this his last. Yet, with all this repetition, nothing was faded and everything appeared new.

The great crowd assembled for the crowning event of a day full of features, cannot be estimated even by comparison. It extended far beyond the reach of the voice and was so densely packed as to carry the stage out of the sight of many. The capitol plaza, resplendent in accommodating the thousands eager to view the ceremony, was completely filled. People came by its numerous streets and avenues, which, like so many yawning, ravenous maws, greedily swallowed the throng, until every nook of vantage was occupied. The trees, barren of foliage, carried their human burden on limbs capable of bearing the weight of man or boy, and so far away as the terrace and marble steps of the Library of Congress thousands stood.

THE GREAT CROWD.

Hours before the ceremony could be expected to take place the people sought the most advantageous positions. They came by every means of conveyance, carriages discharged their occupants blocks away, and cars in steady streams unloaded their passengers within the prescribed area from which the unlicensed vehicles were excluded. The number of conveyances of all kinds was totally inadequate to meet the demands of the public.

Some time before the beginning of the inaugural ceremony several thousand persons holding tickets entitling them to seats on the stand began to take their places. By 12 o'clock, the main garden which had first furnished in the Senate and House galleries, was transplanted in the open air amphitheater. The brilliant costumes of the women gave to the scene the finishing touch of color. Added to the scene of people seated, who looked down upon the scene standing, were hundreds of people upon every projecting ledge of the capitol and filling the windows.

ENTRANCE WAS DRAMATIC

At about 1 o'clock the official party came through the main door. Cheers were sent up from the enthusiastic multitude, all eyes were directed that way and strained to get a glimpse of the President. Shouts of "There he is" were heard fre-

quently, but nearly every time the cry was sounded in false alarm. The official entrance was dramatic. All except those who were participating in the ceremony were seated. When the justices of the Supreme Court, except Chief Justice Fuller, emerged from beneath the Corinthian pillars and marched down the rooping carpeted aisle to their station, they were greeted with applause. The justices wore their robes and skull-caps. Then came the members of the diplomatic corps in their gorgeous uniforms and they evoked thunderous applause. Led by Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador and dean of the corps, and followed by the others in order of precedence, they took seats on the right of the stand. Strolling after them came members of the Cabinet, Senators and Representatives in Congress.

President Roosevelt came forth from between the massive pillars quietly and composedly. He was escorted by Chief Justice Fuller. With measured tread in harmony with the dignified step of the Chief Justice, the President advanced in state down the long aisle of distinguished guests. By this time all were standing and nothing could be heard above the roar of thunderous welcome. Immediately following came, arm in arm, the members of the committee on arrangements. As the President passed down the aisle he bowed his head with characteristic sweep of hat bowed in acknowledgment of the salutations from the stand and the ovation from the people. His manner was not that of a man incurring onerous responsibilities, three years in the White House having familiarized him with the duties of the high office to which he was to be inaugurated.

TAKING THE OATH

At a sign from Chief Justice Fuller the clerk of the Supreme Court stepped forward holding a Bible. A hush fell over the crowd. The President raised his right hand and the oath to support the laws and constitution of the United States was reverently taken amid deep silence. When this had been concluded there was practically no demonstration and the President began his inaugural address. As soon as he finished speaking he re-entered the Capitol and as he disappeared within the building a signal was flashed to the navy yard and the roar of twenty-one guns was begun in official salute to the President.

Russians in Retreat.

Japanese Have Achieved a Great Victory and the Russian Army Retreats North.

General Kuropatkin is giving ground before the armies of Japan and yesterday he abandoned positions south and southwest of Mukden, burning such of his supplies as he could not carry with him. The Japanese artillery is thundering at the very gates of Mukden, which position the Russians still hold but which they are admittedly prepared to evacuate, changing their base to Tie pass which is forty miles north of Mukden. So far as the retreat has progressed it has been very orderly. What the Japanese may have in store for the defeated army in its retirement northward remains to be disclosed. There are reports that General Rennenkampf, the foremost cavalry general of Russia, in Manchuria, is seriously threatened, and Japanese troops are said to be in considerable number at Tie pass. The result has cost the Russians dearly in supplies and heavy guns. Neither commander nor correspondents have yet ventured to estimate the number of killed or wounded. The Russian casualties in the fighting on Tuesday on the left flank are said to have been fully 7,000.

Field Marshal Oyama has once more proved himself one of the greatest masters of offensive strategy since Napoleon, while General Kuropatkin is now engaged in endeavoring to defend his title as a master of successful retreats and bring off his army, with its immense train, safely to Tie pass where a position was long ago prepared with contingencies in view. The problem before the Russian commander-in-chief is much more difficult than the one he met successfully at Liao Yang, since now he is threatened on both flanks. His left wing being entangled in a mountainous region far from the railway. Nevertheless Russian military men express a fair degree of confidence in General Kuropatkin's ability to once more extricate his army and avoid a Russian Sedan. Besides his skill in rearguard action, they base their hopes on the physical condition of the Japanese soldiers, who, though they are conceded to be the greatest marchers in the world, are well nigh exhausted by their strenuous endeavors of the last fortnight.

The Latest Bulletin Issued by the Pennsylvania State College Experiment Station.

Bulletin No. 70 of the Pennsylvania Experiment Station, by Dr. William Frear, deals with the subject of condimental tonic and other stock foods, containing the results of both chemical and biological examinations of a considerable variety of these materials. The results are indicated in the following statement:

"Whatever claims may be advanced for the tonic effects of the usually minute quantities of tonic substances in condimental foods, or for the shell-producing qualities of the line of the poultry powders, it is clear that well known materials are used in compounding these proprietary articles, that the farmer can make for himself, simple tonic mixtures, and that the prices asked for these proprietary preparations are enormously beyond their commercial worth."

Analyses are also reported of corn protegrin, apparently dried brewer's or distillery grains, of sorghum horse feed, a molasses feed, and of "dry feed" obtained in the process of making malt vinegar.

Costly Pointers.

Miss Fancier—A pure blooded terrier like Buttons is about as costly a dog as there is, Jack. Her Escort—No. There is one that is much more expensive, the Wall street pointer that a friend gives you.—Puck.

Cause For Alarm.

Pennibus—Poor Scribbles is worried. Inkerton—What's the trouble? Pennibus—He's afraid he has lost his cunning as a humorist. The English magazines are beginning to copy his jokes.—Atlanta Constitution.

Family Objections Respected.

Old Friend—Why didn't you marry Mr. Nicefello? Sweet Girl—His father objected. Old Friend—I shouldn't have cared for that. Sweet Girl—Yes, but he said he would cut him off with a shilling.—Good News.

Anger begins in folly and ends in repentance.—Pythagoras.



THE CANADIAN JUBILEE CONCERT COMPANY (COLORED.)

A COLORED JUBILEE CONCERT.—The Colored Canadian Jubilee Concert company will give one of their inimitable entertainments in the court house, Saturday evening, March 18th, under the auspices of the Ladies Aid society of the M. E. church. This company is considered one of the best in the country and, as their appearance here is in aid of a worthy cause they should be greeted by a large audience. In speaking of their work the Alliance (O.) Review says:

The company consists of all negro members who as singers are among the best imaginable. Their choruses were fine, and delighted everyone. The solos and read-

Rev. Mr. Hicks on March Weather.

In his prognostications for March Rev. Mr. Hicks does not anticipate the angle worms crawling up out of the ground, the singing of blue birds, or the chirping of robins, but instead we are to have more real winter weather in the form of blizzards, snow, sleet, rain, cold, freezes, thaws and so on. His predictions for the first week were partially fulfilled. Continuing, he says:

The second storm period is from the 7th to the 12th, central on the 9th, the earth's equinox, the mercury period, the vulcan force with moon in apogee and on the equator all combining to produce disturbances.

Unsettled and threatening conditions will prevail at the beginning of this period, but marked indications of severe and general storms will increase by the 7th. The barometer will fall to low readings, and furious storms of rain, turning to sleet and later to blizzards will pass over the country generally about the 8th to the 11th. Equinoctial tempests will rush northward from the equatorial region, striking many waters and coasts lying in the path of such storms, all around the globe. These storms from the South seas will have their counterpart in sweeping boreal storms from the northwest. The third storm period is central on the 15th, 16th and 17th, with moon at first quarter and north declination, the vulcan force and earth's equinox nearing its centre, as disturbing causes. Under strains of the vernal equinox there is continued tendency all through this month to storminess, sporadic, precipitation in cold, rain, sleet and snow. But this tendency rises to a maximum at the regular and reactionary storm periods, such a maximum will appear on the 15th, 16th and 17th, bringing fall of barometer, higher temperature and more decided rains and snow storms.

Several days of high barometer, and an approach to fair; cold weather will succeed this period but the weather that calls for the care of life and well being of man and beast.

The fourth storm period covers the 19th to the 25th, inclusive, being coincidentally central with the earth's equinox on the 21st. The moon at full, on the celestial equator and in perigee, adds its influence to those of vulcan and earth at this period. The indications are that some of the most general and severe disturbances of the month will appear during this period. Early in the period the barometer will indicate possible danger in many parts on land and sea, and as early as the 20th well defined storm areas will take up their march from west to east across the country. General rains with moderate temperature, electrical displays and tropical storms will prevail up to about the 21st. South sea hurricanes and inland tornadoes to the south are quite probable with downpours of rain amounting to local floods. About the 21st rains will turn to snow and sleet and cover all sections central to north-west, and phenomenally high barometer from the northwest will precipitate violent north-westerly gales and blizzards from the 21st to the 24th, all winding up progressively by a great March cold wave.

The fifth storm period is central on the 27th, 28th and 29th. The vulcan reactionary and the moon at last quarter and south declination, being added to earth's equinox as disturbing causes. The prevailing cold which followed the preceding period will relax at this time, the barometer will fall moderately, and more storms of rain and snow will appear, passing eastwardly and shift of winds to cold northwesterly will follow these disturbances.

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ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

—Harry Kessinger, one of the men arrested on the charge of robbing the two old Eby brothers, was released on bail the latter part of last week.

OLD AND NEW COUNCIL.—The borough council of 1904 held its last meeting at 10 o'clock Monday morning and wound up the business for the year, which consisted principally in approving bills. Every member was present but not one of the committees had anything of importance to report. Burgess Walker submitted his reports for the past year which showed that the borough executive department was run on business principles as well as in accord with the best judgment of right-thinking people. On motion of Dr. Kirk an order was drawn placing \$2,000 in the sinking fund.

The following bills were approved and orders drawn after which the old council adjourned sine die:
Street pay roll..... \$20.75
Police pay roll..... 50.00
Bellefonte Gas Co..... 48.00

ings were also of the first water, the tutor, C. T. Mosley, being superb. He is perhaps one of the best artists on the road to-day. Miss G. E. Fowler, the soprano soloist, rendered several selections in response to encores all of which delighted her hearers. E. S. Thomas, basso, has the deepest bass voice ever heard in Alliance without doubt. He sings classical music as well as melodies and is pleasing in both. One of the very best selections was a solo by J. A. Cookbin, "The Laughing Song," which was rendered by special request, and was not on the program. This was a difficult number but was ranked among the very best of the evening. Mr. Cookbin has sung in Europe and before the very highest music critics in this country, and received commendation.

Bellefonte Electric Co.	353.85
Logan Fire Co.	14.40
W. T. Kelly, clerk	15.80
L. C. Bullock	6.00
J. S. Knisely	1.70
J. S. Knisely	1.25
Water Works pay roll	98.65
Bellefonte Electric Co.	4.35
W. B. Rankin	23.00
F. K. Foster	25.00
A. Allison	11.91
W. F. Reynolds	175.00
G. M. Malloy	70.00
Sinking Fund	3000.00
	\$274.79

After the adjournment of council Burgess W. Harrison Walker administered the oath of office to councilmen W. H. Derstine, of the North ward; Henry Brown, South ward, and Dr. M. A. Kirk, West ward, the men elected at the February election; as well as to James K. Barnhart, the new borough treasurer; Thomas Howley, overseer of the poor, and Maurice A. Jackson, auditor.

The new council was then called together for organization by clerk Wm. T. Kelly. W. R. Jenkins was re-elected president for a second term and Kelley was chosen clerk for the third time. Following the organization Mr. Jenkins made a graceful little speech in which he thanked council for the honor conferred in electing him to the chair for a second time, after which council adjourned until 7 o'clock in the evening.

THE NEW COUNCIL.

When council convened Monday evening every member was present and president W. R. Jenkins appointed his various committees, as follows:

Street.—Derstine, Fenlon, Brown.
Water.—Fenlon, Wise, Seibert.
Fire and Police.—Wise, Keioblinc, Keller.

Finance.—Keller, Kirk, Seibert.
Market.—Keichline, Derstine, Wise.
Sanitary.—Brown, Fenlon, Derstine.
Village Improvement.—Keller, Keioblinc, Brown.

Water Improvement.—Fenlon, Brown, Keioblinc, Wise, Seibert.

Dr. Kirk was originally appointed on the Village Improvement and Water Improvement committees, but declined to serve and Mr. Brown was substituted.

D. F. Fortney, Esq., was re-elected borough solicitor. Samuel Rine water superintendent, J. Henry Wetzel borough engineer and Thomas Shaugbensey street commissioner, all without opposition. When it came to the appointment of policemen for the ensuing year four candidates were presented, namely: Amos Mullen, George Jodon, George Eberhart and J. W. Rightmire. As the Fire and Police committee could not agree on any recommendation the appointment was held under consideration until the next meeting night.

The Yeager Swing company submitted a proposition to lease a part of the Phoenix mill plant for a period of five years, agreeing to pay \$300 a year rental for the first two years and \$400 a year thereafter. Council accepted the proposition with the proviso that if for any reason the borough lease of the Phoenix plant should be cancelled then this contract would become null and void.

The Fidelity and Deposit company's bond in the sum of \$3,000 for Thomas Howley, overseer of the poor, was offered and accepted by council. H. B. Kerns submitted his report as fire marshal for the past six months.

Mr. Wise moved that a committee of three, with president Jenkins as chairman, be appointed to meet a committee from the Tyrone council to inquire into the provisions of the will of the late E. J. Pruner in regard to establishing an orphan's home, in the old homestead on Logan street, this place. The motion prevailed and president Jenkins appointed members Wise and Kirk to serve with himself. (The committee appointed by Tyrone council, Monday evening, is composed of the president, John E. Grazier, members F. S. Armstrong and L. W. Beyer and borough solicitor W. L. Hicks.)

There being no other business presented council adjourned.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—Following is the list of marriage licenses granted by orphan's court clerk, A. G. Atchey:

Samuel V. Guiswhite and Emma Lambert, both of Bellefonte, Pa.
Andrew Doch and Brochko Meri, both of Clearcut, Pa.
Robert H. L. Haugh and Elizabeth G. Murray, both of Spring Mills, Pa.
Reuben C. Phillips, of Tunnelton, W. Va., and Ethel J. Bolger, of Phillipsburg, Pa.
Dallas C. Duck, of Spring Mills, and Mazy S. Roush, of Penn Hall.
Earle W. Yeavick and Rosa A. Kling, both of Walker.
Wm. I. Hazard and Mary Erich, both of Phillipsburg.

Five Grove Mention.

Spring is coming and the robins and blue birds are here.

Homer Decker, a High school pupil, is laid up with pulmonary trouble.

J. E. Ard, the coal dealer, is suffering with tonsillitis and is confined to bed.

Mrs. John Strouse has been sick with pulmonary trouble the past week.

Our young friend, Chester McCormick, is convalescing from an attack of pneumonia.

Miss Ethel Everts has been confined to bed the past week with pulmonary trouble.

During the illness of J. B. Ard, J. R. Smith has charge of his coal office and sheds.

Messrs. Walker and Zeigler, of Centre Hall, were here on Monday in quest of horses.

Joseph Holter, P. S. Gray's boss farmer, has been confined to bed with pneumonia the past ten days.

Lot W. Kimport was a victim of grip the beginning of the week, which kept him in doors a few days.

Orlando Thomas and John Kuhn, two of Shingletown's aged men, are sick but are reported as better now.

Miss Isabel Miller is suffering from a painful injury on her left leg caused by a fall, last Friday morning.

John Neese, one of Pennsylvania's successful stock raisers and farmers, with his family visited friends at Fairbrook.

Aaron Tressler, the creamery man at Baileyville, is under Dr. Wood's care suffering with an attack of lumbago.

Mrs. Hannah Burchfield came over from Centre Line to spend some time amid the scenes of her youth at Boalsburg.

The venerable Malon Haven, who has been confined to his house the past week slowly, but we trust surely recovering.

Jacob McClellan moved from Scotia to J. M. Kepler's farm where he will be the captain's right hand man this season.

Mine host Tom Frank, of the Red Lion hotel at Rock Springs, is on the sick list with a bad cold and stomach trouble.

Our old comrade and friend, Will Tate, is handling the ribbons over a pair of donkeys he bought at Lewistown last Saturday.

J. Wesley Miller's flitting passed through here from the Knoche farm to the W. N. Miller farm near Boalsburg, on Tuesday.

Many people are on the sick list and among them was Dr. Woods, in the beginning of the week, but he is on his rounds as usual now.

Ross Gregory and John Bumgardner, of Neff's Mills, were scurrying around among the farmers in quest of stock this week.

H. M. Krebs, our hustling carriage maker, transacted business about McAlevy's Fort, on Tuesday, pertaining to his big summer trade.

Miss Helen Lytle, who has been a very sick lady with pneumonia the past week, is so much better that her recovery seems to be assured.

Harris Brown is a very sick man at his home at Bloomsdorf, suffering from a fatty degeneration of the heart and other complications.

Rev. E. M. Illingsworth returned home from Scotland last week and is now with his family at the H. M. Snyder home, just north of town.

Tom Jackson, one of the first-class farmers over at Ennisville, was here last week circulating around for fat cattle and got 'em, but at top-notch prices.

Rev. and Mrs. C. T. Aiken entertained a party of young folks from State College, at the parsonage on Wednesday evening, when all present had a joyful good time.

G. Wash Garbrick passed through town Friday from over the mountain, where he purchased a fine horse—the kind Dick Gregory raises on his farm at Cottage.

The many friends of Mrs. Jacob D. Wagner will be sorry to hear of her misfortune in falling and breaking her right arm. Her mother, Mrs. Fortney, is giving her motherly care.

John A. Kline's sale, at Oak Hall on Wednesday, brought out a big crowd of quick bidders who ran the sale to near the two thousand dollar mark. Stock of all kinds brought top-notch prices.

Will Bradford, our obliging miller, is receiving congratulations. That famous bird, the stork, left a nice boy baby at his home on Main street, on Tuesday evening. Both baby and mother are doing nicely.

Mrs. W. C. Patterson is quite a sick woman at her State College home. She had not been in good health for some time, but on Sunday evening pneumonia developed causing her family and friends much concern.

N. E. and E. W. Hess, two of our busy farmers and stock raisers, spent the beginning of the week in Altoona with their brother, Ir. Hess, who handles the throttle on one of Pennsylvania's big express trains on the Pittsburg division.

Hullersburg.

Calvin Hoy, while wrestling on Saturday, had the misfortune to cut his arm.

Miss May Winkelman, of Nittany, spent Sunday with her friend, Annie Weaver.

Mrs. Sholl spent a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Harry Noll, of this place.

Miss Grace Miller, of Lock Haven, spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Geo. Hoy, of this place.

Mrs. James Rathmell, of Philadelphia, circulated among friends in this vicinity last week.

Mr. Edward Myers, of Milesburg, spent Saturday night at the home of Mr. Frank Miller.

Mrs. Mary Cain and children, of Bellefonte, were guests at the home of John Weaver over Sunday.

Messrs. George Meek and Bert Robb, both of Bellefonte, were in town Saturday afternoon between trains.

The sale of Mrs. Lucinda Dorman's household effects was well attended and everything brought good prices.

Samuel Stover had his collar bone broken and a gas cut in his head by falling from a wagon on Friday.

Mr. William Decker, who was just recovering from an attack of erysipelas, is now suffering with pleurisy.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Vonada, of Walker, attended Reformed church service at this place on Sunday morning.

Harry Rocky and Murel Showers, of Zion, attended Young People's meeting at this place on Sunday evening.

Mr. Elias Makle returned on Saturday after spending some time with his daughter, Mrs. A. P. Weaver, of Cornwall.

Rev. H. I. Crow was in Hollidaysburg on Friday and Saturday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Berg, who was an aunt of Mrs. Crow.

Rev. H. I. Crow and Mr. John Hoy Jr., attended a special meeting of West Susquehanna Classis, held at Centre Hall, on Monday.

Wm. Whitman and wife were arrivals in town on Monday evening; having been called here by the illness of Mr. Whitman's father.

Prof. John S. Hosterman, a graduate of Franklin and Marshall college, and now the successful principal of the Hullersburg High school will conduct a summer school at this place, opening April 10th and continuing for eight weeks. The work taken up will range from grammar school work to work preparatory to teaching.

Jacob Klinger is still in raving owl.

Grant Houser and family Sunday at the home of James C. Williams.

Cornelius Kline and family are all confined to their home with grip.

Otterbine Dale returned home Saturday from a pleasant journey to Pittsburg.

W. W. Schreck is on the sick list with the grip and it is feared he is taking pneumonia.

Rev. David Davis and brother spent Saturday at the home of Mrs. Behrer, of Honesville.

Henry Evey is at present enjoying the comfort of the eighth Job's comforter, for this winter.

John Kline's sale was well attended Wednesday, it being the first in the community.

The snow that fell Friday night was the spilling bender the old settlers say must fall before we can look for fine weather in the spring, so spring must be near at hand.

Celebrated Her 92nd Birthday Anniversary.

[Contributed.]

The residence of A. H. Hoover, on Muncy mountain, was the scene of quite an interesting gathering last Saturday. It was the 92nd birthday anniversary of Mrs. Christian Reese, mother of Mrs. A. H. Hoover. Besides the neighbors, quite a company of relatives and friends from elsewhere were present to enjoy the occasion and partake of an elegant dinner which was served promptly at 12 o'clock noon. One of the specially prepared articles for the celebration was a large white cake, made by Mrs. Kate Burket and Mrs. A. H. Hoover, daughters of Mrs. Reese. They called it "Our Mother's Cake."

After the elegant dinner was over the balance of the afternoon was spent in singing familiar hymns, reading from the Scripture, prayers and addresses by a number of those present. Miss Lizzie Hoover quite efficiently served as organist. Among those who spoke was Henry Earon, and he surely eclipsed all his former efforts in that line. He dwelt particularly on the advantage it would be for all of us to scatter more flowers along the pathway of the living instead of harboring them all to be placed on the casket.

Mrs. Reese, in whose honor this anniversary was given, is a remarkable lady in more respects than one. She is a great reader and consequently more than ordinarily intelligent. Besides reading a great deal in the Scriptures, she reads all the daily and weekly papers that come her way, in consequence of which she is thoroughly posted on all that transpires from day to day. She is the mother of six teachers, one physician, one carpenter and one cabinet-maker. The Reese and Cambridge families, both from the top of Muncy mountain, have done as much for education as any two families in Centre county.

Mrs. Kate Burket, sister of Mrs. Reese, is another example of health and vigor. Although 73 years old, she doesn't look to be more than 50, full of fun and equally highly respected by all who know her.

Truly this day will long be remembered by the Reeses, the Burkets, the Earons, the Cambridges and the many others who participated in the day's enjoyments. Before departing the entire company heartily joined in that favorite hymn, "God be With You 'Till We Meet Again."

In addition to her daughter, Mrs. A. H. Hoover, her husband and family, where the celebration was held there were present her other daughter, Mrs. Kate Burket, her son, Aaron W. Reese and wife, Mrs. J. F. Reese and daughter Caroline, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Earon, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Wasson, Mr. and Mrs. William Tressler, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Stine, Miss Sarah Eckley, Mrs. Fogleman and son Harry, Mr. Anthony Wise, Mrs. Mary Hunter, Mrs. Philip Resides, Mrs. Emanuel Rean and Jas. A. Felder.

A GUEST.