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Tuesday's Borough and Township Elections.

Had the weather man done his utmost he hardly could have made more disagreeable weather than that of Tuesday, election day, and as a result the vote in both the boroughs and townships was a light one, hardly more than one-half the total.

The main contests in Belleville were between G. Hunter Kinsley and Thomas Howley for overseer of the poor, and W. B. Rankin and W. T. Speer for treasurer.

Four townships in the county voted on the question of substituting a money tax for road purposes instead of a work tax and the measure was defeated in each township by big majorities.

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A freight wreck on the Bald Eagle Valley railroad yesterday delayed the noon trains several hours.

The annual conference of the Pittsburgh district of the A. M. E. church will be held in Belleville some time during the month of May.

Horton S. Ray has decided to equip the Brockerhoff house throughout with electric light and workmen this week began the wiring of the building.

The house occupied by a Mr. Emmerling and family, on Marsh Creek, was totally destroyed by fire on Wednesday. The family also lost all their furniture and belongings.

A local Legion of the National Protective Legion was organized in the Undine hall last evening with about seventy members, under the instruction of state organizer R. H. Merritt.

The Saxon home on Bishop street has almost the appearance of a hospital at present. Mrs. Saxon is in bad health and in addition her mother, Mrs. James Gettleman, is lying quite seriously ill.

This evening a complimentary dinner will be given the members at the Country club. Each member will have the privilege of taking one guest and following the dinner there will be dancing and cards.

Wilbur Hoover, of the lumber firm of Hoover and Washburn, of Philadelphia, is authority for the statement that one day last week the last large marketable pine tree in the Philadelphia region was cut and prepared for market. The tree made fifteen logs, the first one of which scaled 1323 feet. The entire tree scaled a little over five thousand feet.

The autos are not having it all to themselves these days and the horse still has its inning as was evidenced by the fact that a horse auction was held in one of the hotels of the town on Wednesday afternoon. Of course only one animal was up for sale but the bidding was spirited between ten gentlemen until the horse was finally knocked down to one of the party for the sum of twelve dollars; and he got the horse, too.

On Friday of last week Robert F. Hunter made a trip up Buffalo Run in his automobile and on his way home met with an accident which considerably damaged his machine. In turning out to leave a team and farmer's wagon pass he got into a ditch about two feet deep. One axle was split, the brake broken and some of the other machinery damaged. However, he tied the broken parts together with rope and ran his machine home all right.

When L. H. Hunter and W. V. Larimer had their horse sale on Tuesday of last week only about six horses were sold, as the bidding was rather slow and disappointed and the men would not sacrifice their stock. Since the day of the sale, however, they have sold every animal they had at private sale and at far better prices, and so pleased are they at the result that they expect to leave Belleville tomorrow for Chicago to buy a second car load.

The Colonial tea at the residence of Mrs. D. H. Hastings last evening, given under the auspices of the Daughters of the American Revolution, drew a large crowd. As it was one week ago, the house was very appropriately decorated for the occasion in colonial design and colors, and illuminated with candles. Of course the tea was plentiful enough to answer for a meal. Some of the guests were exceedingly becoming in colonial costumes and the crowd was as charming a picture as it was gay in spirit. One of the features was an artificial cherry tree laden with cherries with the historic hatched standing alongside it.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—The following marriage licenses were issued the past week by Register E. C. Tutten: Domer C. Raouan and Katie E. Jackson, both of Madisonburg. Porter J. Beringer, Tyrone, and Amanda Spotts, Fleming. Joseph C. Miller, Howard, and Ida Sheats, Nittany. Edward S. Elder and Jesse C. Walker, both of State College. Clarence Conter, Port Lookout, and Bertha Merriman, Chester Hill. Toner Kyle Dunlap and Noami Pearl Kern, both of State College.

Governor PENNYPACKER calls the "Palace of Graft" the "most beautiful building in America," and forgets the indignities of its construction in contemplating the beauties of its architecture. But one would be regarded as a poor mentor who held a debased wanton as the perfect type of womanhood because cosmetics and fine raiment made her appear handsome.

Another month and then for the fittings. A. E. Strayer is busily engaged in painting vehicles. C. H. Bierly is busily engaged in hauling his lumber to Coburn. Preaching service in the M. E. church next Sunday, the 24th. Mrs. Chas. Mallory is spending a few days with her parents at Millheim. Geo. A. Walte's family will have sale this spring and move to Wilkesbarre, where Mr. Walte has employment at the carpenter trade.

Among the sick of our town are Robert Haackenberg, T. D. Stover, mother Detweiler, E. A. Walizer, Mary Parks and little son of Maggie Harry. Ineugh and wife and Clayton Brungart and wife spent Friday at Madisonburg.

and while there visited the school taught by Mrs. Haugh's daughter, Miss Mayme. Newton Brungart bought a western horse at the sale of Gentzel & Bezar, at Millheim, recently. Valentine day was a lively one here, quite a number got their photographs in colors and in different poses.

Miss Mary Felty and Mrs. G. W. Potter are among the sick. Mrs. Elly Parsons has been a very sick woman with typhoid fever. Our mutual friend, Andy Lytle, is confined to bed with pneumonia. Mine host Randolph, of the St Elmo, is housed up with a bad cold. Paul F. Musser, after a months illness, is recovering but very slowly. Miss Nannie Bailey, who has been ill with sciatica, is slowly recovering.

Geo. W. Keichline is still indoors with a severe attack of rheumatism. The venerable Samuel Markle is visiting relatives in and about Lock Haven this week. Our young friend W. P. Ard is becoming quite an expert typewriter on a new Hammond. D. B. Linder and Henry Geringer came over the mountain last week with three fine horses.

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Ward are now at home to their friends at their new home on Main St. Little Fay L. Randolph and Sarah G. Sautter have both been ill with tonsillitis but are better now. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Walker, of Johnstown, are here for a few days visit among their many friends.

While chopping wood last Monday J. F. Sausserman had the misfortune to have an ugly gash cut in his lip. Harry Miller came in from a fox chase on Nittany mountain last week with two fine specimens, a red and a gray one. Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Reitz are now residents of Alto where Mr. Reitz will be one of Geo. B. Thompson's right bowlers in the lumber business.

Thos. Jackson and Harry Arks, of McAlvey's Port, were here last Saturday in quest of good horses and were willing to put up the boodle. That famous bird, the stork, was quite busily leaving a big boy at the home of Alfred Albright, little daughters at E. W. Hess and Wm. Randolph's homes. All are doing nicely.

After thirteen years service with the Houserville woolen company Samuel Hazell has severed his connection therewith and is now distributing goods from one of S. M. Bell's tea wagons. Rev. E. McKelvey, of Hastings, a brother of Rev. McKelvey, of this place, gave an illustrated lecture on Lincoln in the M. E. church Monday evening, which was a treat to all who heard it.

George Smith with his chum Harry Hartsock came down from Altoona, with Miss Mable Smith and Miss Maud McManis. They spent Sunday in Belleville and report having had a good time. One of the pleasant social events of the season was the hop in the town hall at Boalsburg last Friday evening. Thirty couple were present. Frank McFarlane called off and John Jacobs played the gike.

Sleighing and sledding is about used up. The season is now most too far advanced to expect sleighing to last any length of time. Orris Beatty, of our village, having secured a desirable position in the car repairing department at Avis, will move his family there this week. We regret to lose Mr. Beatty as he is a very pleasant gentleman and a good citizen.

Why is not a plaster, wash or composition invented for the interior of flues to prevent soot from adhering and taking fire? We all know that frequently fire occurred from the sparks falling on the roof when the soot becomes ignited. We are inventing most everything else and why not something of this character? On Wednesday evening last quite a large sleighing party from up the valley arrived at the Spring Mills hotel and enjoyed an elegant and substantial supper, which Mr. Wood, the affable proprietor, knows exactly how to furnish. After supper dancing was indulged in till quite a late hour. The party reported the occasion a most delightful one.

The A. B. C. club of this village, an organization of young ladies exclusively, gave a grand Valentine soiree at the home of Miss Helen Weaver on Friday evening last which was quite an event of the season. It proved a most delightful occasion and was largely attended by the young folks. The ladies of the club were determined to have an entertainment of one continual round of mirth, pleasure and enjoyment, and succeeded admirably in their efforts. The committee of arrangements are to be congratulated on their skillful management and the admirable manner in which everything was conducted. The parlors were brilliantly illuminated and very artistically decorated with garlands of wonderful profusion of hearts and love knots of red ribbon, presenting a very pleasing and attractive appearance. The dining room was also handsomely decorated for the occasion. The tables were beautifully set and furnished with a profusion of dainties of a choice and substantial character. Mirth, music, dancing and games consumed the evening. At rather a late hour all retired to their respective homes, regretting that the Valentine party of the A. B. C. club with all its pleasures and enjoyments was at an end. Among those present were Misses Eleanor and Mable Long, Mable Fink, Irene Mages, Grace McClellan, Katharine Meyer, Katharine Stover, Ferna Rossmann, Rosie Smith, Loda Rischel, Estella Wolfe, Ruth Musser, Leona Ralph, Shook, Robt. Musser, Samuel Leitzel, Charles Rossmann, Hen Finkle, Charles Hagan, Roy Kreider, Rufus Finkle, Wm. Rossmann, Austin Long, John Foreman, Elmer Rossmann and Elmer Weaver.

PAINTERS ELECT OFFICERS.—At their regular meeting on Thursday evening of last week the Painters Union of Belleville elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Harry Stevenson; vice president, Willis Williams; secretary, John Hosner; treasurer, Michael Lamb.