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ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS.

A BRUTAL MURDER.—On Thursday morning of last week the badly mutilated body of John Hurley was found on the Pennsylvania railroad tracks near Graham Station, just over the Centre county line in Clearfield county, and naturally it was at first supposed that he had been struck by a train and killed. But an examination disclosed the fact that he had been shot in the head and his lifeless body placed upon the railroad track to cover up the crime.

Hurley lived the life of a hermit in an old house near Graham Station and supported himself by cultivating a five acre farm and raising chickens. He came into the limelight over twenty years ago when living at Anita, Jefferson county. He ran away and left his wife and child, going to the State of Washington. Several years later he returned and kidnaped his young son, taking him to the Pacific coast and placing him in a good school to be educated. In the meantime Mrs. Hurley remarried and several years ago young Hurley came east and located his mother in Punksutawney, where she was living with her second husband. Some time later Mr. Hurley came east and learning that his wife had remarried bought the little farm near Graham Station where he had since lived.

When the fact was learned last Friday that Hurley had been murdered a search of his home was made which showed that the house had been ransacked, evidently on the hunt for money. It is not believed, however, that Hurley had any money about the house. The search, however, disclosed the fact that the murderer had evidently carried off a bag of corn, and a hole in the bag left a trail of corn for almost a half mile, where the bag, corn and all had been thrown into the creek. There the trail ended. Suspicion points to a tramp who had been seen in that vicinity for two or three days previous but who had completely vanished when the murder had been discovered. A search, however, is being made for him. Hurley's remains were buried in the Catholic cemetery at Morrisdale on Saturday afternoon.

The Presbyterians held a congregational meeting on Wednesday evening after prayer meeting at which the treasurer submitted his annual report for the past year and a statement of the contributions was distributed among the congregation. F. H. Thomas and James C. Furst Esq., were re-elected trustees for another term.

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GATES.—Following an illness of a year or more Uriah Gates, a well known farmer of Warriorsmark valley, died at one o'clock on Wednesday afternoon.

He was born at Gatesburg, this county, on October 20th, 1849, making his age 65 years, 4 months and 11 days. From boyhood up he followed farming all his life and for a number of years farmed in Benner township. Twenty-three years ago he moved to Warriorsmark valley where he lived ever since. He was a member of the Lutheran church for many years and for some time past had been an elder in the Warriorsmark church.

He is survived by his wife and the following children: Mrs. H. F. Confer, Mrs. A. A. Weidley and Mrs. H. R. Stover, of Altoona; Mrs. J. W. Nearhoff, of near Tyrone; Wallace C. Gates, of Warriorsmark; Henry F., Willis W. and Roy A., at home. He also leaves one sister and two brothers, Mrs. Henry Harpster and Isaac, of Tyrone, and John, of Medina, Ohio. The funeral will be held at 1:30 o'clock tomorrow (Saturday) afternoon, burial to be made in the Warriorsmark cemetery.

PRATT.—Mrs. Harriet Belle Pratt, wife of David R. Pratt, of Tyrone, died last Friday evening. She had been ailing for more than a year and about a week prior to her death was stricken with paralysis from which she never rallied. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Williams and was born at Madera, Clearfield county, forty-two years ago. She was married to Mr. Pratt in 1899 and most of their married life was spent at Unionville. Six years ago they moved to Tyrone. In addition to her husband she is survived by four children: Frances, David, Riley and Charles, all at home. She also leaves her mother, one sister and brother. Burial was made in the Grandview cemetery, Tyrone, on Monday afternoon.

LIMBERT.—Miss Jennie Elizabeth Limbert died on Tuesday morning at her home at Madisonburg as the result of a paralytic stroke sustained seven weeks previous. She was a daughter of Jackson and Caroline Long Limbert and was 41 years, 2 months and 12 days old. She is survived by four brothers, Alfred, in Ohio; Harvey, of Rebersburg, and Daniel and William, of Madisonburg. The funeral will be held at ten o'clock this (Friday) morning, burial to be made at Madisonburg.

ANOTHER PROMINENT DEMOCRAT PASSES AWAY.—William Uhler Hensel, of Lancaster, a former Attorney General of Pennsylvania, died last Friday night in Savannah, Georgia. Mr. Hensel became ill several months ago but recovered to such an extent that three weeks ago he accepted an invitation of Sen. J. Donald Cameron to spend some time with him on his house boat in southern waters. He continued to improve until several days before his death when he suffered a relapse and was removed to a sanatorium in Savannah, where he breathed his last. The remains were taken to Lancaster for interment.

Mr. Hensel was born in Quarryville, Lancaster county, in 1851, and after attending the Lancaster schools, entered Franklin & Marshall College where he was graduated with honors in 1870 with the degree of A. B.

In 1873 the degree of A. M. was conferred on him by the college. Subsequently both Dickinson College and Washington & Lee University conferred on him the degree of LL. D., and in 1912 Franklin & Marshall, his alma mater, conferred on him the degree of Litt. D. as an honor for his services as a member of its Board of Trustees, of which he was president. He was admitted to the bar of Lancaster county in 1873, having while studying law, been a reporter on the Lancaster Intelligencer.

Mr. Hensel through all his life continued active in journalism, although in recent years had not been identified with any particular newspaper. He was a legislative correspondent in 1883, and quit daily newspaper work in 1887, when he formed a law partnership with J. Hay Brown, at present Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania.

All his life he was active in politics, being considered one of the Democratic leaders for years. He was a delegate to the Democratic National conventions of 1880, 1884, 1888 and 1892, being chairman of the Pennsylvania delegation at the latter convention. In 1882 he was chairman of the Democratic State committee and conducted the campaign that resulted in the election of Robert E. Pattison as Governor. In fact the Democratic victory that year was largely owing to his personal hard work and many brilliant speeches made throughout the State. He repeatedly refused nominations for office on his party State ticket, and the only State office he ever held was Attorney General under Governor Pattison during the latter's second term from 1891 to 1895.

Mr. Hensel was president of the Pennsylvania State Editorial Association and president of the State Bar Association and vice president of the American Bar Association. When the Pennsylvania Historical Commission was created several years ago Governor Tener appointed Mr. Hensel a member, and he took a great interest in its affairs up to the time of his death.

When Justice Brown was elevated to the Supreme Bench Mr. Hensel came to the front as the leader of the Lancaster bar. He was attorney for many corporations. As a pleader he was recognized as among the foremost in the State. Especially was he renowned as an orator, both at the bar and on the political stump.

Mr. Hensel was one of the most genial and companionable of gentlemen. He had a delightful home in Lancaster and a beautiful summer residence just outside of that city, the former home of James Buchanan, former President of the United States. Mr. Hensel was known and admired by hundreds of people throughout the State, irrespective of politics, and his death is deeply deplored by all. He was a member of the Hamilton Club, of Lancaster; the Knickerbocker Club, of New York, and one of the active members of the Pennsylvania Society of New York city.

SUTHULAND.—David Suthuland, a Scotchman, died at the Bellefonte hospital last Thursday evening as the result of a fractured skull and other injuries sustained in a fall of forty-five feet from the top of the new mining building at The Pennsylvania State College. Suthuland was a stone mason and was engaged in placing the stone coping at the top of the building. A large stone had been hoisted and put in place, but the pin that held it gave way and Suthuland lost his hold and fell. His skull was fractured and other bones broken. He was brought to the Bellefonte hospital the same evening but died shortly after being admitted. Suthuland came to the College from Philadelphia and as far as could be learned had no relatives. In fact very little could be found out about the man, whose appearance indicated that he was about fifty-five years old. The remains were taken to the College on Friday and on Saturday were buried in the White Hall cemetery.

MANN.—Mrs. Catharine Mann died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. William Quay, in Howard, at four o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, of general infirmities, aged eighty-seven years. She was a native of Clinton county and spent a good part of her life at Flemington. Her surviving children are as follows: Rowland and George B., of Howard; James, in West Virginia; Harry, of New York; Robert, of Coudersport; Mrs. Jennie Nestlerode, of Blanchard; Mrs. Catharine Chapman, of Mill Hall; Mrs. William Quay, of Howard, and Mrs. G. B. Hill, of Flemington. The funeral will be held today.

BALL.—Bellefonte friends of Dr. F. P. Ball, of Lock Haven, sympathize with him in the death of his wife, Mrs. Mary Louise Ball, which occurred Saturday morning. Blood poisoning following a severe attack of erysipelas caused her death. She was a daughter of the late Hon. L. A. Mackey, of Lock Haven, and was fifty-seven years old. She was prominently identified with the church and charitable organizations all her life. In addition to her husband she is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Calvin R. Armstrong. Burial was made in the Highland cemetery on Tuesday afternoon.

OSWALT.—Mr. and Mrs. James Oswald, of Milesburg, are mourning the death of their three year old daughter, Lucille Oswald, who died on Wednesday morning, after a few days illness with diphtheria. The funeral was held at 1:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, burial being made in the Bellefonte Union cemetery.

WILLIAMS.—Wilson Williams, an aged resident of Huston township, died on Friday of last week, just two weeks and two days after his wife had passed to her last reward. Grief over the death of his wife and the infirmities of age were the cause of his death.

Deceased was born near the place of his death on March 27th, 1831, hence had reached the advanced age of 83 years, 11 months and thirty days. As a young man he helped in developing the land of Worth township into good farming land, and most of his life had been spent in tilling the soil. He served two years and one month in the civil war as a member of Company G, 143rd regiment Pennsylvania volunteers. He fought in twelve of the important battles of the Virginia campaign, including Spotsylvania, the battle of the Wilderness and Petersburg, being wounded at the latter place.

Almost sixty years ago he was united in marriage to Miss Ellen Ardery, whose death occurred three weeks ago. Surviving him are one son and six daughters, namely: A. C. Williams and Mrs. B. C. Erhard, of Phillipsburg; Mrs. Benner Turner, of Port Matilda; Mrs. Margery Bumgardner, of Greenville, Ohio; Mrs. Sadie Melcher, of Swissvale; Mrs. Margaret Calhoun, of Unionville, and Miss Ida, at home. He also leaves two brothers and two sisters, as follows: J. Williams, of Altoona; George W., of Martha; Mrs. Jackson Hoover, of Kylesburg, and Mrs. Joseph Harpster, of Port Matilda.

Funeral services were held at his late home at two o'clock on Monday afternoon, after which burial was made in Brown's cemetery, near Martha. In accordance with the wishes of the deceased his body was wrapped in the flag he fought to defend and he was buried with the honors of war. Captain W. H. Brown and a squad of eight men from Troop L, Bellefonte, firing the military salute over his grave.

The family wish to thank the many friends who rendered every possible kindness during the long illness of their parents and in their bereavement.

Hess.—Following a long illness with heart trouble and dropsy Miss Mary Hess, of Pine Grove Mills, died on Tuesday morning, though the direct cause of her death was pneumonia. She was a daughter of Daniel and Nellie Weaver Hess and was born at Aaronsburg, October, 1833, hence was in her eighty-second year. When she was a child her parents moved to Pine Grove Mills where she made her home ever since. Aunt Mary Hess, as she was more familiarly known, had a reputation for good deeds and kind acts that extended throughout the whole community. She was the last surviving member of her father's family. From girlhood all through her life she was a faithful member of the Lutheran church. Funeral services were held in the Lutheran church at ten o'clock yesterday morning by Rev. L. S. Spangler, after which burial was made in the new cemetery.

STINE.—Samuel George Stine died at his home in Huntingdon on Monday morning of paralysis, after being ill since last October. He was born in Halfmoon township, Centre county, on March 28th, 1826, being at his death 88 years and 11 months old. He followed farming in Halfmoon township for a quarter of a century then moved to Huntingdon where he lived until his death. He is a veteran of the Civil war and in addition to his immediate family leaves a number of relatives in this county. Burial was made in the Riverview cemetery at Huntingdon on Wednesday.

MILLER.—William Miller, a well known resident of Phillipsburg, died quite suddenly on Sunday evening. He was conducting the Christian Endeavor services in the Lutheran church; had made a short talk, announced a hymn and sat down, when he collapsed in death as the result of heart failure. He was a native of Fulton county but had lived in Phillipsburg since 1882, following the occupation of a tailor. He was fifty-seven years old and is survived by his wife, six sons and two daughters. Burial was made in the Phillipsburg cemetery on Wednesday afternoon.

HOOPER.—John Hooper, a brother of Alexander Hooper, of Julian, died on Monday evening at his home in Bellwood, aged almost seventy years. He was a native of McAlevy's Fort, Huntingdon county, but had lived in Bellwood twenty-two years, where he conducted a meat market. He leaves a wife and three children. Burial was made in Logan Valley cemetery yesterday afternoon.

DETER.—Mrs. Ruth Hampton Deter, wife of Perry Deter, died at Union Furnace, Huntingdon county, last Thursday morning, aged fifty-eight years. Her maiden name was Hampton and she was born at Colerain Forge. Among her surviving brothers and sisters is William Hampton, of Bellefonte. Burial was made at Franklinville on Sunday afternoon.

BECHTOL.—Harvey Bechtol, of Bellefonte, and Miss Mary Gettig, of Pleasant Gap, were married on Thursday last week by Squire W. H. Musser, at his office in the Cridler building.

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DOINGS OF THE BOROUGH FATHERS.—There were only two absentees at the regular meeting of borough council on Monday evening, and no verbal or written communications presented.

Chairman Harris, of the Street committee complained about the carelessness of the draymen in hauling away refuse. They load their wagons too full and leave a trail of paper, tin cans, etc., along the street. The police will be instructed to caution the draymen to be more careful. The Water committee reported various repairs and the Fire and Police committee presented the check of Burgess Blanchard for \$16.00, for fines and licenses collected.

Burgess Blanchard was present and called attention of council to a request made by councilman Shope that the pool rooms in Bellefonte be required to close at midnight. President Walker suggested that if the police would enforce the law prohibiting boys under eighteen years of age from frequenting the pool rooms it would probably have a good effect. The burgess also spoke of law-breaking on the Sabbath and stated that with the cooperation of the district attorney they had succeeded in restricting the Sunday business at all restaurants to the sale of lunches, sandwiches or something to eat. Luxuries like candy, cigars, sodas, etc., having been cut out.

Mr. Shope, of the Sanitary committee, stated that James R. Hughes wanted permission to keep hogs at a place near the old glass works, where he has a man in charge of a property he owns or has leased. Borough solicitor J. Thomas Mitchell stated that under the law any man can keep a hog or hogs, as long as he keeps the pen in a sanitary condition and the hogs from becoming a nuisance, and that such ownership was under the control or jurisdiction of the Board of Health. Mr. Shope was instructed to refer Mr. Hughes to that organization.

Mr. Seibert presented a lengthy and somewhat complex proposition from the State-Centre Electric company to do away with the steam pump at the water-pumping station and allow them to install an electric pump and pump the water by electricity. According to their figures it is now costing the borough approximately \$231.00 a month to operate the steam pump and keep up the water supply. They offer to install an electric pump with a capacity of 1,296,000 gallons in twenty-four hours, and pump the water for \$18.00 a million gallons. As figured out by them the steam pump does not average over 13,000,000 gallons a month and figuring on this basis to pump by electricity would cost \$234.00 per month. The matter was referred to the Water committee for further investigation and report.

The Street committee presented a blue print of a survey made of south Potter street, and reported progress thereon.

The Fire and Police committee stated that the new electric fire alarm had been ordered and the order acknowledged, but it was not known whether it had yet been shipped.

The Finance committee presented the auditor's report for the year 1914, which was accepted and ordered placed on record. The committee also asked for the renewal of notes for \$1,000 and \$700 for six months from March 4th. Bills to the amount of \$1,293.59 were approved and council adjourned.

HARKER—STRUBLE.—Last week's WATCHMAN contained a personal item stating that Miss Mona V. Struble had gone to Olean, N. Y., two weeks ago to visit her brother. It now develops that she went there to meet her husband, Mr. Bertré Harker, of Johnsbury, to whom she was married in Wilkes-Barre on August 29th, 1914, over six months ago. A Methodist minister performed the ceremony. The couple kept their marriage a secret until this time, not even their most intimate friends learning of their romance. Mr. and Mrs. Harker spent a week honeymooning through New York State and are now located at Johnsbury, where in a month or two they expect to go to housekeeping.

The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Fannie Shultz, of this place, and spent most of her life in Bellefonte. During the past two years or more she had held the position of office nurse for Dr. Coburn Rogers. Mr. Harker is a well known resident of Johnsbury, and holds a responsible position in the management of the Johnsbury mill of the New York and Pennsylvania Paper company. He is a member of a number of secret and fraternal organizations and is well known throughout Elk county.

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CENTRE COUNTY FIRES.—On Friday night of last week fire destroyed the old Cartwright property, in Holt's Hollow, owned by H. A. Ellis, of Buffalo Run. The building was unoccupied and partially insured. The barn on the same property as well as some outbuildings, owned by W. Grow Runkle, were also destroyed. They were uninsured.

On Tuesday afternoon an old log house in Curtin township, formerly the home of Joseph McCloskey but lately occupied by Charles M. Weaver and family, was burned to the ground with all its contents. The house and contents were partially insured.

On Tuesday evening the saw mill of Jacob Meyer and Andrew Vonada, about a half mile east of Coburn, was destroyed by fire. The loss is \$1,500, covered by insurance.

—Harry Holz is having a front porch built on the front of the residence portion of the Joseph block on Allegheny street.

Marriage Licenses.

Harvey Bechtol, Bellefonte, and Mary Gettig, Pleasant Gap. Harry R. Homan, Aaronsburg, and Mabelle Elmore Fiedler, Madisonburg. Steve Canter and Lizzie Roskey, Cato, Centre county. John Greno and Margaret Maurer, Moshannon.

PINE GROVE MENTION.

George Saul visited friends at Pleasant Gap over Sunday. J. F. Kimport, of Walnut Grove, was in town on business Monday.

Winter still hangs on "in the lap of spring," with freezing weather. W. H. Glenn and wife spent Saturday on a shopping tour in Bellefonte.

Verna, the baby girl of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith, is ill with pneumonia. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Meyers, of Pittsburgh, are visiting friends at Gatesburg.

J. B. Whitmer has the fever, and nothing but an Overland car will cure him. Mrs. J. H. Bailey spent Saturday at the home of Isaac Campbell, at Fairbrook.

Ernest Trostle spent the Sabbath with his friend, Fred R. Fry, at Fairbrook. J. Frank Weiland shipped a car load of straw from Fairbrook station last week.

Farmer Lloyd Frank, was a Tyrone visitor Saturday. Pleasure with business. Mrs. Alice Weaver, of Altoona, is greeting old friends in and out of town this week.

Rev. U. L. Lysle will preach in the Presbyterian church Sunday, 10 o'clock a. m. Wm. Jennings Bryan Smith, of Altoona, is visiting his parental home on Main street.

Mrs. George Porter and son William have been visiting relatives at Spruce Creek the past ten days. Rev. A. A. Price is holding a revival meeting at Meek's church. Much interest is being manifested.

The Rossman brothers came in one day last week with three red foxes, shot in old Sandy region. Dent Peterson is handling the ribbons over a handsome stepper, he recently bought of C. M. Trostle.

Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Meek, of State College, were here Tuesday arranging for the Mary Hess funeral. Judson Neidigh and sister Esther were over Sunday visitors with the Lytle family at Rock Springs.

Alvin Corl on Saturday purchased the Bloom farm at Bloomsdorf, to take possession April 1st, 1915. George Behrens is shy a good cow, that died Tuesday evening before veterinary aid could be summoned.

A. C. Kepler and Hinman Everts took a spin to the county capital Tuesday, in the former's new Hudson car. Ed. Weaver and Geo. Searson, of Linden Hall, spent the Sabbath with Prof. C. A. Weaver, at Rock Springs.

Mrs. Ralph Illingsworth, of Tyrone, has been a visitor this week at the home of her father, Mr. H. M. Snyder. A class of twenty-two applicants is on the slate to swell the membership of Washington Grange, P. O. H.

Charley Saul, of Pleasant Gap, on his way over Tusey mountain, tarried awhile among friends in town Saturday. Tomorrow evening the High school will serve a chicken and waffle supper in the I. O. O. F. hall. Everybody is welcome.

Donald Ferguson Potter, little son of Mr. and Mrs. I. O. Campbell, is ill with bronchial trouble, so that his young life is despaired of. Benjamin Bodle received quite a shock on Saturday by coming in contact with a live wire. Fortunately the shock was not serious.

Major John R. Lemon departed Monday for a visit among old friends in Morgantown, W. Va., where his son is engaged in the hardware business. This Friday evening the Junior American mechanic Council No. 515, will banquet themselves and friends at the J. A. Decker home on east High street.

For the fourth time Ed. Harpster has gone to the University hospital in Philadelphia to undergo an operation. His many friends hope that his life may be spared. The appointment of our popular young merchant, Newton Titus Krebs, as mercantile appraiser met with the approval of the Democrats hereabouts. He is the right man in the right place.

The venerable Emanuel Beck Roan celebrated his 75th birthday quietly at his home in Pine Hall Tuesday. During the day old neighbors and friends called to greet him and wish him many more years of life. B. Frank Davis and family are moving back to Centre county. Two years ago they sold their beautiful home at Baileyville and went to Montgomery county where they bought a farm. They sold out recently and upon their return here will locate on the Wertz farm.

The Peterson Troupe, the I. W. T. band, will render the Mother Tubbs play in the I. O. O. F. hall on Saturday evening, March 13th. Everybody is cordially invited, and inasmuch as the proceeds are for the benefit of the Presbyterian church there should be a large attendance. While farmer Robert Campbell was in the barnyard on Saturday morning he was attacked by a vicious bull. The animal knocked him down, pawed and made vicious lunges at him with its horns, but was driven away by Mr. Campbell's son with a pitchfork. Fortunately aside from a few bruises he was uninjured.

—Have your Job Work done here.

With the Churches of the County.

Notes of Interest to Church People of all Denominations in all Parts of the County.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY. Service Sunday 10:45 a. m. Wednesday 8 p. m., 9 1/2 E. High street.

THE BANKER'S MESSAGE IN THE LUTHERAN CHURCH.

The third "Voice from the Pew" will be expressed in the Lutheran church next Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock by one of our bankers.

The topic of the pastor, Rev. W. M. B. Glanding, in the morning will be, "Can One Be a Real Christian Outside of the Church?" Last Sunday evening Professor Reiter, of the Bellefonte Academy, gave a very instructive and scholarly address on the church from the educator's viewpoint. His wise advice to "prove all things and to hold fast to that which is good" was timely. These lay-sermons have awakened much interest. The audience does not know who the layman is until the services begin. Come and hear the message from one of our citizens, who will speak from the money standpoint. Lenten services on Wednesday and Friday evenings at 7:30 o'clock. Wm. M. B. GLANDING, Pastor.

U. B. CHURCH NOTES.

The Ladies' Bible class of the U. B. Bible school will hold its monthly business meeting on Friday evening of this week: Lady! you're invited; especially are the members of the class urged to be present. Next Sunday will be communion at the U. B. church, morning and evening. All members, old and new, as well as prospective members, are expected to be present. Sunday Service—Bible school, 9:30 a. m.; worship and sermon, 10:45 a. m.; followed by the Lord's Supper and receiving members. Juniors, 2:00; Seniors, 6:30; worship and sermon, 7:30. All non-church goers invited.

Teachers' Training class will meet on Tuesday evening, March 9th, in the Aid room of the U. B. church. If you would like to take the course you are welcome. Come. Rev. A. B. SPRAGUE, Pastor.

Dr. Hawes left on Tuesday for a trip through the West and South. He goes to Richmond, Ind., and Fair Haven, Ohio, this week. On Sabbath he preaches before the students of the Western College, located at Oxford, Ohio. From there he goes to Florida. During his absence the pulpit will be occupied by visiting ministers. March 7th, Dr. L. M. Colfelt is the preacher. March 14th, either Dr. J. M. Kelso, or Dr. J. H. Snowden will be in charge. March 21st, the man has not been selected, but will be announced later. Last Sabbath the congregation presented Dr. Hawes with a well-filled purse to be used on his vacation. It was a token of appreciation of the work he has done in the congregation during his pastorate. The feeling of many is that the church was never in better condition than it is today.

In the absence of the pastor, Rev. E. Fulcomer, of the United Evangelical church, over Sunday, March 7th, Rev. C. C. Shuey will fill the pulpit both morning and evening. The pastor left on Wednesday to attend the annual conference of his church and be away until March 10th. E. J. Teaman is the lay delegate who will also attend the conference with the pastor at Carlisle, Pa., from March 4th to 9th.

House Leaders in Washington.

From the Washington Star. Mr. Mann has been confronting Mr. Underwood. He will now confront Mr. Kitchin—a man of different temperament. A suave, unemotional majority leader gives place to a man direct and oratorical, and "warm" under pressure. There may be more work for Mr. Mann in the next than there has been in the present House. Moreover, there seems reason to believe, the majority of the Chamber will be strengthened by occasional suggestions from a source too much and too long neglected. The Democrats are rousing to the importance of Mr. Clark. They will not invest him with the power that should be his as Speaker, but they show a disposition to profit by his wide knowledge as politician and legislator. The President is beginning to confer with him. The caucus the other night obeyed him. This will the interest be increased. As Mr. Mann's staff will be strengthened by Mr. Cannon, Mr. Kitchin's will be strengthened by Mr. Clark. The experience of a former Speaker will be available to the one side, and that of the existing Speaker to the other. The two leaders will work the harder because of the prominence of their names in the speculation about the future. Mr. Mann is mentioned for the Presidency and also for the Vice Presidency, while Mr. Kitchin is mentioned for the Senate. As Mr. Underwood made the House leadership a stepping stone to the Senate, Mr. Kitchin, it is suggested, may try to repeat the performance. Undoubtedly, there will be something doing in the next House. The prediction is made, indeed, that there will not be a dull moment at the first session.

LEMONT.

Mrs. Henry Evay has been on the sick list the last few days. John R. Schreck's youngest child has been very ill this last week. Many of the people in this community are housed up with the measles. The wild geese were winding their way to the northern seas, last Wednesday. Rev. Foss preached his last sermon last Sunday, before going to annual conference. Harry Kustenbender and Charles Grove visited among friends near Altoona, last week. Wallace Musser and men are busy building Orin Williams' house on the lot near John Schrecks.

David Houser is having the foundation dug out for the house he intends building near William Mulbarer's home. Mrs. Malcolm Waite and child are visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Cobe, this week. The bluebirds and robins were singing the first part of last week, which is a promise that Spring will soon be with us again.