

Country Correspondence

Items of Interest Dished Up for the Delectation of "Watchman" Readers by a Corps of Gifted Correspondents.

PLEASANT GAP.

The Methodist presiding elder, Rev. Buck, will preach in our church next Sunday evening.

Mrs. Harold Kerstetter returned home after a most enjoyable visit among friends in Altoona.

Miss Mary Hile, teacher of the Gentzel school, closed her school for a few days, from necessity, following the deep snow.

William Hoover's Methodist Sunday school class of young ladies were royally entertained a few evenings ago at the home of Miss Edith Herman.

Mrs. Elmer Musser and daughter, of Cleveland, Ohio, arrived at the Gap a few days ago and will in all probability prolong their stay here until the early spring.

This week is surely an eventful one in the annals of history. Ben Franklin was born January 17th, 1706. Daniel Webster was born January 18th, 1782. Robert Lee was born January 19th, 1807, and Stonewall Jackson was born January 21st, 1824.

A new cut rate drug store will be established in Bellefonte April 1st, or as soon as a suitable room can be obtained. Articles of agreement were signed last Saturday. Two individuals with an abundance of capital will constitute the new firm.

Milliard Schreffler has secured work at the Titan Metal works, adding one more to the happy Pleasant Gap congregation who are fortunate in holding down a job in this substantial corporation. It goes without saying that Milliard will make good.

Married life, when it hits, is a great success, but there is a terrible mess when it misses. Better a thousand times live and die single than make a mistake. Webster must have been pretty well booked up or he could never have been so explicit as this:

"What do you think of marriage? I take it as those that deny purgatory; It locally contains a heaven or hell; There's no third place in it."

The unexpected deep snow of twenty inches was a complete disappointment to many of our people. Even our energetic assistant postmistress, Miss Marion Getig, remained at home with her mother for forty-eight hours after the unexpected fall—fortunately her absence did not interfere with the distribution of the U. S. mail as second assistant Samuel was on the job. It would require a fall of at least ten feet to deprive Sam of his daily duties.

Charles Rimmey, the Potter township farmer, spent several weeks with two of his sons at Olcott, N. Y., who are located there. On his return home he dropped off at Pleasant Gap and is dividing his time here for a few days with his brother and sister, David Rimmey and family and the M. M. Keller family, Mrs. Keller being a sister, and incidentally is looking over his recent purchase here, the former holdings of Mr. E. H. Zeigler, of Madisonburg.

Grant Dunkleberger was telling the gang at the store last evening that he regretted exceedingly to be humiliated, since he was expelled from the P. G. Lazy club for non-payment of dues. Grant never was eligible to membership in this renowned club until this winter, being a stone mason by trade, and a good one. But since winter set in there has been nothing doing in his profession, and he joined the club for sociability sake more than for benefits to be derived. He now feels like a "duck out of water," as he was always heretofore regarded as a thrifty, industrious mechanic.

Girls, you can't catch a man on a hook of flattery unless he is a gudgeon, but you can shut his eyes most effectually by catering to his tastes, providing you appear not to be doing it. Men are as contrary as the very devil but comparisons are odious. He does not think he is, and will not calmly lie under a charge to that effect. Be specially careful not to allow him even to suspect that you have noticed a sign of perversity in his nature. But for goodness sake don't let him know you are trying to work him. Don't tip the fat into the fire by telling him that it was your suggestion, but rather kiss him and tell him he is a man of rare thoughtfulness and faultless taste. Study your hubby's peculiar tastes and cater to them. This is diplomacy. Do it naturally and with such apparent indifference that he can never suspect that you have an object in it. This is strategy. However, the majority of women are well posted on this topic, hence don't require my counsel.

The rich and poor were never bearing such burdens of rivalry as at present. Let them help each other instead of piling them higher by wicked contention. A little liberality and generosity shown towards the poor at this time will go a great way toward alleviating suffering. We should remember that when all around is dark, and want and wretchedness stare us in the face, when in the future there is no ray to light the wanderer in his pilgrimage, there is still a ray of hope within him, teaching him to gather the few flowers that yet remain within his reach, though they be fading beauty and dying fragrance. The Christian and philanthropist, and those who may be found with a bounteous store of the goods of this earth, should at this time exercise charity toward the needy suffering from the effects of want and poverty. Benevolence is a part of religion; it falls like the dew from heaven on the drooping flowers, in the stillness of night. The benevolent man is the truly happy man; and more so when aiding the poor and needy.

There is quite a bunch of disgrun-

ted men about Pleasant Gap who are continually harping and denouncing our new western penitentiary and its management. They allege that but few of our people are employed there. It should be remembered that the new institution is yet in its infancy and much may be expected from it as the years roll by. In the first place, these knockers would not have a job any length of time should they secure an appointment. In the second place, I think the Gap and vicinity is highly favored, something like a quarter of a hundred men from this section hold lucrative situations in the new institution. They receive sufficient salary to support and maintain their families royally, and a number are saving money for a wet day. Taking the actual facts into consideration the new institution is a great benefit to our community, the knockers notwithstanding. State College had but three houses sixty years ago, and just see what a beautiful little city exists there now. State institutions are not built up in a year or two; it requires time and patience. Selfishness is the dominant trait in humanity, and jealousy is the fiend of human happiness.

AARONSBURG.

Mrs. E. J. Hines invited Mrs. Otto to go with her for a sleigh ride to Millheim and Coburn.

Mrs. Jacob Stover is in Selingsgrove, having gone down on hearing that her father was not in his usual health.

Mrs. W. J. Krape, who has been ill for several weeks, is slowly improving and her family and friends wish her a speedy and full recovery soon.

James Weaver, who early in the fall was stricken with paralysis, has been growing weaker for the past week or two. Not much hope is entertained for his recovery.

Mrs. M. A. Kennelly, of Lewistown, spent a week with her brother-in-law, John P. Condo. She left on Saturday, being called to Spring Mills by the death of her aged mother-in-law.

Mrs. Robert Hackenburg, of Smulton, has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. E. Musser. Since selling her home and household goods she has been living with her son, John Hackenburg.

Paul Stover, of Duncannon, spent a short time Saturday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Stover. Mr. and Mrs. Stover were called to Coburn by the death of Mrs. Stover's nephew, Lester Hosterman.

Miss Emma Brown, after having been ill for several weeks, is slowly improving and it is hoped she may soon be able to look after her own wants again. A heavy cold which threatened pneumonia, was the illness with which she was afflicted.

Six of our local high school students spent Friday at State College, returning home Saturday morning. Leslie Beaver, Paul Krape, Ralph Bame, Ward Hosterman, Franklin Haines and Harry Burd were the students who made the journey to gain more knowledge on the lines along which they have been working, under the able and efficient leadership of Mr. Payne, the agricultural man who has been visiting the schools regularly about once a month. These students met with success in the attainment of that for which they went.

RUNVILLE.

Ellis Irwin, of Sagamore, Mich., visited among old friends in this place. We are having zero weather; fourteen degrees below Tuesday morning.

L. J. Heaton spent the week-end at Pleasant Gap, at the home of Orin Brooks.

James Walker, of Wingate, spent Sunday at the home of his sister, Mrs. Ida Witmer.

A sled load of our young folks attended meeting at Yarnell last Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Elias Hancock spent last week at Wingate, at the home of Toner Fisher.

Wilson Lucas, of Milesburg, spent Saturday night with his father, Edward Lucas, in this place.

Mrs. Etta Robertson, of Philadelphia, spent last Thursday night at the home of Mrs. Earl Kauffman.

Miss Edna Rodgers, who is teaching school at Snow Shoe, spent Saturday with her mother, Mrs. Alice Rodgers.

Mrs. Clair Poorman and two children, of Hornell, N. Y., after spending some time with her parents in this place, departed for her home last Tuesday evening.

The best job work can be had at the "Watchman" office.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hoy visited the John Glossner home on Sunday.

Mrs. Resides and daughter Helen were recent visitors at the home of Clyde Yearick.

Mrs. H. B. Wright is not improving in health as rapidly as her friends would like to see.

Notwithstanding the deep snow many people in this section are busy cutting ice and storing it for next summer.

Mrs. John Lucas and daughters, Lucille and Doris, and son James, spent Sunday at the Tyson home back of Howard.

Last week's deep snow kept the rural mail carrier from making his regular delivery for several days, and the milkman was compelled to abandon his route for several days.

The Stork visited the home of Mr. John Glossner on January 4th, and left two little girls, Mary Kathryn and Pearl Elizabeth, to the care of Mrs. Loder. Mother and babes are getting along fine.

Callers at the H. B. Wright and Glossner homes on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Yearick and family,

Mr. and Mrs. William Weaver and daughter Pearl, and Mrs. John Lucas and daughter Doris.

Mackey.—Mrs. Mary Mackey, wife of James Mackey, died at her home in Little Nittany valley on January 4th, at the result of a paralytic stroke, aged 64 years, 10 months and 2 days.

She was a daughter of George and Mary Pratt and was born at Forge, Pa. She was married to Mr. Mackey on December 24th, 1878, and he survives with the following children: Mrs. Sue Hazel, of Niagara Falls; James, of Rochester, N. Y.; Frank, of Cameron, Pa.; Mrs. Mary Miller, of Howard; Mrs. Rachael Fultz, of Axe Mann, and Albert, of Nittany. She also leaves four sisters, Mrs. Carrie Showers, of Bellefonte; Mrs. Lena Miller, of Buffalo, N. Y.; Mrs. Belle Jackson, of State College, and Miss Jodie Pratt, of Nittany. Funeral

services were held in the Reformed church at Zion by Rev. Gass and burial made in the Zion cemetery.

As the result of his wife's death Mr. Mackey has temporarily closed his home in this place and gone to Cameron to spend some time with his son Frank, but anticipates returning here next summer when his daughter, Mrs. Fultz and family, will move into the old home.

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