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Country Correspondence

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

PLEASANT GAP.

Tax payers should bear in mind that five per cent will be added on all unpaid taxes February 1st. Miller, collector, will be at the Garman hotel Saturday, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Quite an interesting party and entertainment was given on Friday evening last at the home of Harry Bilger, it being the occasion of Harry's birthday. A number of friends and neighbors were present and all were delighted with the happy event.

It is a foregone conclusion that kindness will go farther, and yield more happiness in this world than all the haughtiness and asperity we can possibly assume. How much easier, too, it is to act kindly and naturally to our fellow men, and even to the domestic useful and faithful animals about us, than to affect a rude and boisterous demeanor, which is sure not only to make others despise us, but on reflection, cause us to despise ourselves. Kind, sympathizing words from the lips, fall like oil upon the ruffled waters of the human breast. This is the great secret of happiness and success. Try it as an experiment and see if I am not correct. Cheerfulness and kindness travel harmoniously together.

Mrs. Samuel Noll entertained last Wednesday evening at her home here. The program was a new departure for Pleasant Gap. Two tables of five hundred were in play. The guests were asked to meet Mrs. Fred Gelhaus and Mrs. Henry Thompson. Mrs. H. J. Griffith assisted in serving. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Noll, Mrs. Hugh Cramlish, Mrs. Harry Bilger, Mrs. Fred Witmer and Mrs. Henry Noll. Amusements of this character have a tendency to clear away gloom, bring about cheerfulness, and dispel the blues. I don't know but an innocent game of this character among neighbors, when properly conducted, is in most instances beneficial. All know that gloom and shadows that pass over the mind have a tendency to make us wretched and miserable; but the influence of a little cheerfulness passes over the mind like pleasant summer breezes, making creation glad and worth living for. The heart would be cold and desolate were it not occasionally warmed by genial sunny rays, hilarity and cheerfulness; but under no circumstances let it lead you to gamble for gain.

Rev. Piper, our distinguished divine of the Methodist church, has very wisely postponed for one week the beginning of his revival services. He was prompted to do so on account of the prevailing epidemic of measles, and the adjacent by-roads are still almost impassable on account of the recent fall of snow. We hope and trust our minister will have a very successful meeting, since religion is a most cheerful and happy thing to practice, and a sad and melancholy thing to neglect. How much wiser and better should we be if we could carry along with us from infancy to old age, the full conviction that happiness is the substantial cultivation and exercise of the Christian virtues, and realize that piety is the foremost basis of morality, securing first God's claims, and by so doing securing our own! The beauty of a religious life is one of its greatest recommendations. It teaches peace to all mankind. It teaches us those ways which will render us beloved and respected, which will contribute to our present comfort as well as our future happiness. Christianity enters the hut of the poor man and sits down with him and his children; it makes them contented in the midst of privations, and leaves behind the everlasting blessing. It adds dignity to the noble, gives wisdom to the wise and new grace to the lovely. The minister, the patriot, the poet and the eloquent man all derive their sublime power from religious influences. A man without religion in his heart is to be pitied.

It is a well known fact that our Dr. Bartlett is quite a joker and pulls off some excellent stories, and the best of all is, he does it so scientifically. He never even smiles no difference how laughable the proposition he evidently thinks the other fellows should do the laughing where necessity demands it. The doctor was some time ago appointed medical examiner of some forty of our public schools, as per our stringent requirements of public school system. The doctor is accompanied by an efficient nurse and the examinations are most thorough. A few days ago he and the nurse called at our High school on their tour of examination. The professor very politely saw that his distinguished guests were seated before proceeding to examine the thirty-three nervous aggregation. On occasions of this character the pupils as rule usually become slightly embarrassed. The doctor sized up his class carefully, then asked the professor if he could furnish him with a little step-ladder. The professor sent a detail to Noll's store and procured the ladder, after which the doctor placed it in position. It happens that we have a student from Peru aged sixteen years who measures six feet and three inches in his stocking feet. The Doc. singled out this young giant and stood him up in front of the ladder, then he proceeded up the ladder, ordered the pupil to open his mouth which as per instruction underwent a thorough examination of teeth, etc., after which all present, the Doc. excepted, indulged in a hearty laugh. It was a novel but unreasonable procedure.

Some people are always in trouble; they seem to have been born to it. One man has no luck with horses, another's hens don't lay when the price of eggs is the highest; another is constantly getting bills when he has no money to pay them. Their lives are rendered even more miserable by seeing others around who always happen

to have the necessary funds at hand when a bill comes in, and their horses die only of old age. One woman has sour bread, another is sure to have the headache on the night of her favorite opera, and another never hears the latest gossip until it is old and stale. This is all bad enough, but it drives the iron deeper into their souls to know other women who get all the gossip while it is fresh and fragrant, are always looking their very best when there is an opera ticket around and who have won fame in broad making with the same brands of flour and yeast they use. The man with a family of boys curses the luck that sent them. If they were only girls, he would have a fortune within his grasp. He looks at a dude of a boy and says to himself: "Now, if that fellow was only a girl, see where he might be. Look away back, at Mary Anderson and Patti coining money and rolling in wealth. Why there would be thousands of chances for him to bring the sons of wealth to his feet if he were only a girl. As it is he barely makes enough to clothe himself, and I am obliged to board him. His neighbor, who has a prolific crop of girls, goes around pulling his hair and asking the gods what he has ever done to merit their displeasure. He is willing to trade two girls for one boy, because he can find something for the boy to do whereby he will save his board. Possibly he succeeds in trading a girl off and gets a young man in the family, only to find that he still has the girl to keep, likewise the young man and his family. Rather think mixed families are the best; even then there is a prevailing dissatisfaction.

CENTRE HALL.

A number of our local Grangers spent last Saturday at Spring Mills.

Mrs. Roy Corman, of Cressona, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Fisher.

Guy W. Jacobs, wife and two children arrived at the home of his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Jacobs, on Saturday.

A number of Masons and their wives went to the annual Masonic celebration in Williamsport on Wednesday.

Dr. James K. Hosterman, brother of Thomas Hosterman, arrived in town from his home in Crystal City, Mo., on Wednesday.

The pictures in the Grange hall, put on by the P. O. S. of A. and described by Rev. M. C. Drumm, were greatly enjoyed by a full house.

Mrs. Cleveland Mitterling and daughter Miriam started for Hot Springs, Kansas, where they will spend the winter with Mr. Mitterling, who is there for his health.

Rev. W. R. Pickens left home on Tuesday for medical treatment, and will be away for several weeks. Mrs. Pickens will spend the time at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. P. Campbell.

BOALSBURG.

Dr. William Woods is visiting at the Zebley home.

Miss Gladys Hazel was home from Penn State for several days.

Samuel Kaup, of Altoona, spent several days at his mother's home.

Howard Bricker spent the weekend among friends in Unionville.

The I. O. O. F. entertained their friends at a banquet Thursday evening.

Mrs. James Irvin spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Krumrine, who is ill at State College.

A. W. Dale and daughter Ellen attended a meeting of the county Grange at Spring Mills on Saturday.

After a visit of several months with her sister, Mrs. Barr, Miss Harper returned to her home in Harrisburg on Saturday.

Mrs. Seman, Mrs. Wetzel, Mrs. Engle and little daughter, of Sunbury, spent several days last week at the home of their uncle, Henry Reitz.

War's Effect on Domestic Animals.

Even the cats and dogs of Central Europe have degenerated as a result of the war, says Prof. Balkanyi, director of the veterinary school of Budapest who is investigating how the habits of domestic animals have been influenced by that cause. Most of the town-bred cats in this part of the world refuse to drag mill because it is unknown to them, due to lack of milk during the war, the professor asserts.

Both dogs and cats are relapsing to the savage ways of their untamed ancestors, he says. "The vagrancy of dogs is startling. Pet dogs escape from heart-broken mistresses, joining packs of many village dogs, where they live in communist equality."

The same authority says that, besides hydrophobia, nervous diseases are very frequent among animals. I am afraid domestic animals in eastern Europe are degenerating and that the stock must be replenished from overseas.—Ex.

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PINE GROVE MENTION.

George C. McWilliams is suffering with an attack of pneumonia.

W. E. McWilliams is visiting friends in Johnstown this week.

Edward B. Felty, of Altoona, spent Monday among old friends in town.

The venerable Jacob Keller is recovering from a fall on an icy pavement.

Mrs. Samuel Rudy is quite ill with diabetes at her home at Pine Grove Furnace.

Our state road is now open for travel and the busses are being run on schedule time.

Mrs. W. E. Reed is ill with tonsilitis and Mrs. Hannah Hoy has a bad case of the grippe.

Mrs. Embry, who was seriously injured in a fall, is recovering in the Bellefonte hospital.

Guyer & Louck are erecting a 20x30 foot addition to their garage in order to handle all their trade.

Mary Albright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Albright, is suffering with an attack of appendicitis.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank V. Goodhart, of Centre Hall, spent Sunday at the McWilliams home at Rock Springs.

J. D. Neidigh last week bought and shipped several car loads of wheat for which he paid \$1.05 per bushel.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Abramson, of State College, were entertained at dinner on Sunday at the S. E. Ward home.

W. K. Corl last Friday submitted to the amputation of all of his index finger, at the Glenn sanatorium, at State College, and is now getting along nicely.

Dr. Charles T. Aikens, president of the Susquehanna University, will fill the pulpit in the Lutheran church here next Sunday at the usual hour, and administer the Holy Sacrament.

A rare treat will be afforded the people of Spruce Creek valley this evening when Rev. D. S. Curry, of Mt. Union, will deliver his lecture, "The Emerald Isle," in the Graysville church. Admission will be 30 cents.

Farmer Samuel G. Elder and daughter Sadie, came up from the Glades on Monday, the latter to do some shopping while Mr. Elder completed some arrangements for his big public sale on the J. M. Watt farm on March 21st. The Elders will quit farming in the spring and retire to their home at Millbrook.

Mrs. J. W. Henszey, of State College, accompanied by Miss Harnish, enjoyed sleigh rides to our town on Tuesday, coming here on a business trip. Mrs. Henszey has just returned from a trip to Florida where all is sunshine and flowers, and coming back in this kind of weather is almost like journeying to the frozen north.

This section is well represented at the State farm show in Harrisburg this week. Among those in attendance are J. D. Neidigh, L. O. Campbell, C. H. Meyers, J. W. Miller, H. E. Grubb, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Kepler, J. H. Bailey, J. M. Campbell and Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Miller. The latter will continue their journey to Chester to visit Prof. S. C. Miller and family.

The Hon. J. Will Kepler family moved to Johnstown on Wednesday where Mr. Kepler holds a good government position. Inasmuch as they have been practically life-long residents in this vicinity they will be greatly missed by their many friends.

In Johnstown they will be located at 5083 Napoleon street. As an interesting fact it might be said that it is

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the first time in one hundred and twenty years that there is not a Kepler on the voting list in Ferguson township. After visiting Centre county friends the past month Boyd Jordan left on Monday morning for his home in South Dakota, expecting to stop in Chicago to purchase a car load of Holstein cattle as well as a Dodge car. One of the first things he will do on arriving home will be to put on the market one hundred head of fat hogs and a car load of beef cattle.

750,071 were of native parentage, 2,294,805 of foreign or mixed parentage; 1,162,119 foreign born white. The total negro population was 284,568. The foreign born white were from these countries: Italy, 222,764; Poland, 177,770; Russia, 161,124; Austria, 122,755; Ireland, 121,601; Germany, 120,194; England, 90,666; Hungary, 71,880; Czechoslovakia, 68,869; Jugoslavia, 36,227; Lithuania, 30,227; Scotland, 28,448; Wales, 21,167; Sweden, 19,486; Canada, 14,828; Greece, 13,893; France, 12,805; Rumania, 11,230; Switzerland, 6,875; Syria, 5,312; Belgium, 4,695; Denmark, 3,065; Norway, 2,446; Spain, 2,183; Finland, 2,818.

There were 337 Indians, 1,829 Chinese, 255 Japanese in Pennsylvania.

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