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ORANGEVILLE.

Items of Interest About the Nob Mountain Borough—Its Schools, Churches, Business Men and Industrial Enterprises.

Six miles north of Bloomsburg, nestled among the hills at the foot of Nob Mountain, lies the pretty village of Orangeville. It is located near Fishing Creek, and is on the line of the Bloomsburg & Sullivan Railroad which connects with the D. I. & W. and Philadelphia & Reading Railroads at Bloomsburg; and the C. P. & W. Railroad which connects with the Pennsylvania system at Watsonstown, thus affording it excellent shipping facilities. The original proprietor of the land where Orangeville now stands was Clemuel G. Kicketts, who opened a store there in 1822. He was a man of culture, and traveled extensively in the Orient, and published an interesting book narrating what he saw there. He was a brother of Elijah G. Ricketts, in his day one of the leading men of that section. Elijah was the father of Col. R. Bruce Ricketts of Wilkes-Barre and Col. W. W. Ricketts and Frank Ricketts. Col. R. B. Ricketts made a proud record for himself in the civil war, as an officer of Battery F, 43rd Regiment. Col. W. W. Ricketts went out with the famous Iron Guards in 1861, and was soon made Colonel of his regiment. He died at his father's house in Orangeville in 1862.

Frank Ricketts, for many years the proprietor of the Ganoga Lake Hotel, now resides in Orangeville, where he conducts the Ricketts House, a most delightful resort. The building is one of the prettiest in the village, the exterior with its pretty surroundings more like a country seat than a hotel, while the interior is handsomely furnished and complete in all its appointments.

As to the settlement of Orangeville Freeze's History says:

"Although the first store was opened in Orangeville in 1822 the place was settled very much earlier. Mr. John McHenry, an old and respected citizen who died in Benton township, March 17, 1868, at the age of 82 years, 6 months and 4 days, and who was born at Stillwater, a few miles above Orangeville, in the year 1785, says that at the time of his birth, two or three shanties stood where Orangeville now stands. Mr. McHenry was the first white child born north of Orange on the famous Fishingcreek, and he spent his whole long life upon its waters. He was a most successful and accomplished hunter, and killed during his career more than two thousand deer. He was what was called a still hunter. No dogs ever tracked the game through the forest for him. A nice ear, a quick eye and an unerring rifle made success certain. Although deer were his principal sport, yet all kinds of game, especially wild turkeys, were among those whose chase was most exciting, and whose capture was most satisfactory, on account of the delicious flavor of the flesh, as well as the skill required to secure them."

SCHOOLS.

Orangeville's educational facilities have always been good. At one time the Orangeville Male and Female Academy had quite a reputation. It was incorporated by an act of Assembly of March 11, 1858, and was conducted by well-known educators of that day. After a somewhat checkered career it was abandoned as an academy, and the building is now occupied by the public school with three grades, high school, secondary and primary departments.

CHURCHES.

There are three church buildings. The Presbyterians have a pretty brick structure, in charge of Rev. James Martyn. The Methodist church, also of brick, is under the pastoral care of Rev. John Grimes. The Union church, used by the Lutheran and Reformed congregations conjointly, is now undergoing extensive repairs. The floor has been relaid, and the interior arrangement will be entirely changed. The pulpit, formerly located near the entrance, will be placed at the other end of the church, and new pews will replace the old ones. Rev. E. A. Sharretts serves the Luth-

erans and Rev. A. Houtz ministers to the Reformed congregation.

HOTELS.

Three good public houses furnish accommodations for the traveling public. The old brick hotel, kept for many years by Samuel Hagenbuch, is now owned and conducted by J. W. Turner. The Heckman house was formerly known as the Snyder stand, and was the property of the late John Snyder who was its landlord for a long time. Frank Ricketts, at the Ricketts House, furnishes unusual accommodation for private parties rather than for the general public. The old Unangst stand has not been licensed for some years, and is used as a private residence.

BUSINESS HOUSES.

There are a number of well appointed general stores. Among them are ex-county treasurer G. W. Fleckenstein, A. M. DeWitt, and E. H. Sloan. J. B. Harman has a well stocked drug store, and C. M. Cooke deals in groceries. Amos Neyhard keeps furniture, tinware, etc., and conducts an undertaking establishment. Customers for stoves and kindred goods can be supplied by J. B. Delong, G. N. Smith, or C. E. Hutton, and M. L. Kline deals in harness etc. H. B. Low has a coal yard, and also sells fertilizer, seeds, grain and ties.

Those in need of a physician's services are attended by Dr. G. L. Jolly or Dr. Vance. For the first time in some years Orangeville has a resident lawyer in the person of Clinton Herring, son of A. B. Herring. He is a bright young man, recently admitted to the bar. His home is in Orangeville, and his office there is open on Wednesdays. The rest of the week he is in Bloomsburg, where he has an office with Hon. Grant Herring.

Although not actually engaged in business at present, Capt. H. J. Conner is one of Orangeville's most useful residents. He is a justice of the peace and a director of the B. & S. R. Co., also secretary and a director of the Bloomsburg National Bank. His military record is one that he is justly proud of.

LODGES.

The following secret societies have organizations in Orangeville: Masons, Odd Fellows, American Mechanics, and Pealer Post G. A. R.

INDUSTRIES.

F. W. Jones & Co., occupy the shoe factory building where they manufacture soles and heels. A number of hands are employed.

In the same building C. B. White has a creamery. He makes about 600 pounds of butter a week, and his product meets with ready sale. Much of it is sent to Philadelphia.

The farm implement factory of J. W. Conner is the largest industry in Orangeville. It consists of several large buildings, and has a foundry, machine shop, planing mill, paint shop, office, and other departments. A handsome illustrated catalogue just issued by him shows that he is manufacturing plows, harrows, threshing machines, horse powers, separators, circular saws, cleaners, and nearly all kinds of farm machinery. He has also a general line of repairs. An ingenious little machine made by him is a harness riveter. It is small, but a very handy thing for every owner of a harness to have. With it a broken strap can be mended quickly and surely. It is just as good for mending belts or any kind of leather. Mr. Conner is a hustler, and his business has grown rapidly in a few years past, and is still growing. He employs twenty hands now, mostly skilled labor. Such industries as his are a benefit to any community.

THE BOROUGH.

A petition was presented to the court on December 4, 1899, asking that the village of Orangeville be incorporated into a borough, which was ordered filed, and published for thirty days before February court. On February 5, 1900, the court made a

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MEETING OF SYNOD

Composed of Evangelical Lutheran Churches of Five Counties in Session at the Lutheran Church.

Many Notable Divines In Attendance.

The thirty-third annual convention of the Susquehanna Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church convened in St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Market street, this town, Tuesday evening at 7:45 o'clock.

The sermon was delivered by Rev. U. Myers of Catawissa, the President of Synod, from II Timothy, 3:16. The roll was called by the Secretary, Rev. A. O. Mullen, of Watsonstown, and about 40 ministers and delegates responded. It is expected that about 110 persons will be here in attendance upon the Sessions of the Synod, covering a territory of about six counties and reaching from Jersey Shore on the West Branch, to Scranton on the North Branch, and up to Bradford county on the north.

The work of the Synod in its sessions is mainly the transaction of business in connection with the affairs of the church.

The evening are devoted to sermons or addresses by prominent members of the Synod, on matters pertaining to the educational or mission work, &c. These meetings are all open to the public and are entirely free to all. It is to be hoped that the people will turn out and hear and enjoy what is said and done. The Synod will continue in session until Sabbath evening at least, closing with the solemn services of ordination.

The Synod convened Wednesday morning at nine o'clock, and was opened with devotional exercises, led by Rev. J. B. Lake, D. D. of Montgomery, Pa., followed by the reception of delegates, and commissioners and organization.

The afternoon session was taken up largely with Synodical business. The treasurer of the Synod, Mr. George Deppen of Sunbury, made a very satisfactory report of the financial affairs. Several reports were heard from the educational and charitable institutions of the church.

Dr. Macknight of Pennsylvania College gave a cheering report of the work of that institution. Rev. F. P. Manhart of Baltimore spoke earnestly of the work of the Deaconess Mother Home of that city, and Rev. Dr. L. E. Albert gave a pathetic statement of the needs of the Pastor's Fund for old and disabled Ministers, stating that more than 100,000 dollars had passed through his hands during his term of office and the appreciation of those helped was delightful. Reports on the state of religion by the pastors were very encouraging.

At the close of the afternoon session a reception was tendered the visiting clergymen by the ladies of the church, in the Sunday School room to which the ministers of town were invited. The music for the occasion was furnished by the Sunday School orchestra. There was a large and beautiful display of plants and cut flowers. The affair was happily presided over by Rev. U. Myers of Catawissa, Pa., President of the Synod.

After a reception, "The Creed of the Bells" by Mrs. Grant Herring, in the rendition of which she displayed rare elocutionary talent. Toasts were given and responded to as follows: "Our Church," Rev. J. M. Ansbach D. D. of Williamsport; "The Sunday School," Rev. E. A. Sharretts, of Fowlersville; "Our Clergy," Rev. C. W. Hosier, President of Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove, and "Our Laity," by Geo. B. Remensnyder, Esq. of Sunbury.

The evening session was in the nature of an address on education by Rev. Prof. O. G. Klinger of Gettysburg College. Rev. Dr. J. Wagner presided and read the Liturgical Service, assisted by Rev's. Lohr of Williamsport and Brosius of Sunbury. The address was very fine and intensely logical.

The program for the remainder of the Synod is as follows:

THIRD DAY, THURSDAY, MAY 10th.
MORNING SESSION—9.00.
Half hour Devotional Exercises, led by Rev. J. B. Focht, D. D., of Selinsgrove, Pa.
Reports of Directors and Delegates.
Reports of Committees.

AFTERNOON SESSION—2.00.
Education of Directors and Delegates.
Educational Institutions.

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THE CIVIC CLUB.

Bloomsburg Ladies Meet at the Tabernacle and Form a Society for Village Improvement.

Officers Elected and Constitution to be Adopted.

Pursuant to a call, sixty ladies met at the Tabernacle last Saturday afternoon to organize a Civic Club. The object is for improvement along many lines that affect the public welfare. Mrs. C. W. McKelvy was elected chairman, and Mrs. I. K. Miller stated the object of the meeting. The following officers were elected:

President, Mrs. Margaret P. Meigs; Vice Presidents, Library Department, Miss Waller; Educational, Miss Breece; Charity, Mrs. H. Mont. Smith; Municipal, Mrs. Judge Ikeler; Town Improvement, Mrs. J. G. Harman; Home, Mrs. J. D. Hummer; Secretary, Mrs. Carlton A. Caswell; Treasurer, Mrs. Geo. S. Robbins; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Anna Levritt.

The following directors were elected: Mrs. H. H. Grotz, Mrs. R. F. Colley, Miss Unangst, Mrs. G. E. Elwell, Miss Esther Cohen, Miss Margaret Casey, Mrs. W. H. Slate, Mrs. M. I. Caswell, Mrs. O. W. Cherrington, Mrs. J. J. Brown, Mrs. Agnes Smith, Miss Vance. A meeting of the Directors will be held at Miss Waller's on Saturday, May 12, to frame a constitution, and the next regular meeting of the club will be held in the Tabernacle on May 19th, at 3 o'clock.

Membership dues are, for active members 50 cents a year, and \$1.00 for honorary members. Such an organization is capable of doing much good, and it should receive liberal encouragement.

MUSICAL RECITALS.

A series of music recitals will be given in the Normal Auditorium by the students of the Music Department, beginning on Monday evening, May 14, when Miss Mary Bogenrief and Miss Hettie Cope will appear in a pianoforte and voice recital. On May 21st, the performers will be Miss Mary Albert and Miss Hester Burr Lewis. On May 24th, Miss Ethel Hartman, Miss Edith Maize and Miss Julia Sharpless. On June 1st, Miss Margaret Evans and Miss Martha Nash. On June 8th, Miss Grace Housel and Miss Florence Stump. Excellent programs have been arranged and the selections will be enjoyed by all lovers of music. This department has reached a high standard.

Normal School Election.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bloomsburg Normal School, last Monday, the following persons were elected trustees for the next three years: John Wolf, L. E. Waller, N. U. Funk and P. E. Wirt. They have all been trustees for some years past, so there is no change in the board. C. W. Miller, C. C. Peacock, F. P. Pursel and J. G. Wells were nominated as trustees on the part of the state, and from these the Superintendent of Public Instruction will select two to serve for three years. Messrs. Miller and Peacock are the old members, and will probably be re-appointed.

EPISCOPAL CONVENTION.

The annual convention of the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania, will be held at St. Luke's Church, Scranton, on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 15th and 16th. The division of the diocese will be one of the most important matters before it. St. Paul's Church of this town will be represented by the Rector, Rev. D. N. Kirkby, Col. J. G. Freeze, Chancellor of the Diocese, and lay deputies, John R. Townsend, Paul E. Wirt, Geo. S. Robbins and Geo. E. Elwell.

Going to Italy.

Signorina Rubina Ravi, of the Normal School, shortly after Commencement, will leave for her home in Florence, Italy. She will be accompanied by Miss Vida Bowman, also of the Normal music department, and Miss Hettie Cope, all of whom will take a course in music before returning home.



Nobby Styles

If you want something new and different from the ordinary run of clothes, come in and try on the new Hart, Schaffner & Marx styles.



They're the kind advertised in the leading magazines and worn by good dressers everywhere.

Blue Serge Coats, Bicycle Trousers, Belts, Caps, Summer Underwear. Don't forget us when you want a trunk, valise, dress case, or telescope.

BEN. GIDDING.

Come in and see us—we'll treat you right.

Baby Caps.

From 10c. to \$1.00. Take the one for 10c. Neatly trimmed, well made. Why you couldn't make the ruffles for the price, let alone the other materials.

Hats.

One of the most attractive and moderate priced assortments in the city. Prices range from 50c. to \$1.75.

Shirt Waists.

The man who invented shirt waists ought to have a monument erected in his honor. Cool and comfortable, and withal, tasty and stylish. A woman with a dark skirt and several waists has a whole wardrobe. Our line has all the season's latest colorings and weaves.

For those who wish to have their waists made to order, we have a tasty line of allover embroideries—50c. to \$3.00 per yard. Laces, from 1c. to 75c. per yard.

Have you seen the line of bust perfectors? No other place in town carries them.

Carpets and Furniture.

You know the old adage about the proof of the pudding. We have been telling you that our stock is larger than all others combined, our qualities the best, and our prices the lowest. Well, you must have found these assertions to be true, FOR OUR BUSINESS FROM JANUARY 1ST TO MAY 1ST,

In Carpets and Furniture,

was more than all of 1899 put together. Doesn't that tell the story? Where else can you get a wool velvet

Made, Laid and Lined for 90c.?

Our competitors are hunting around for a piece of goods to take its place. They cannot do it.

We handle the Hartford Axminsters, the best made, Whittall Body Brussels. In fact, only standard makes are here. Ingrains, we show you 25 patterns, from 12c up. You will make a mistake if you buy your carpets without consulting us.

Groceries.

We don't claim to do all the business, but we think we do more than any other store in town. There must be some good reason why our business increased four-fold in 1899 and is increasing more rapidly since January 1st. May we serve you?

THE LEADER STORE COMPANY, Ltd.,

4TH AND MARKET STS., BLOOMSBURG.