

We extend to our patrons and the public at large our best wishes for the year now commencing, and hope the season may bring them even greater prosperity than they have enjoyed in the one just ended.

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The vacancy occasioned by the resignation of W. M. Longenberger as post-master of Mainville, has been filled by the appointment of Jeremiah Kester.

Charles Cotner, of Strawberry Ridge, was thrown from his sleigh while driving to Washingtonville Saturday afternoon. He escaped unhurt, but the sleigh was reduced to splinters.

A writer states that a teaspoonful of finely grated nutmeg in a teacupful of cold water taken night and morning the first day and then missing a day, repeated on the third day, is a sure cure for boils.

The engagement of Garret Cochran son of Senator J. Henry Cochran, of Williamsport, to Miss Eleanor McNeely, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert K. McNeely, of Walnut street, Philadelphia, is announced.

John H. Cromley, a widely known resident of Montour county, died after a four-days' illness at his home in Cooper township on Saturday. He was sixty-seven years old and leaves a wife and one daughter.

William Jennings Bryan, the distinguished Democratic leader, is scheduled to lecture on "A Conquering Nation," at Williamsport in January. He will appear under the auspices of the Young Men's Democratic club of that city.

John O. Eyerly, has purchased the Danville Gem. After founding and conducting successfully the publication of the small, but none the less newsy little sheet, Mr. Richard W. Eggert retires from the business. The new owner is a practical man. We wish him success.

Robbers have committed depredations of late on the skunk farm of Francis Woll, Montour Ridge, near Danville. Returning home to add two of the little animals, whose fur is valuable to his lot, he found all the skunks gone, with the appearance as if dogs had been turned in on them. He will now employ a watchman.

Simon Long, who for many years past has been recognized as one of the leading business men of Wilkes-Barre, died at his home in that city Tuesday morning. Death was the result of injuries sustained from a fall at the time of the recent disastrous conflagration which partially destroyed his business place. Mr. Long was aged about seventy-five years.

After lighting a cigar in a certain drug store the other day, a young man carelessly threw the flaming match toward the waste basket. Luckily it fell short. Too much precaution cannot be exercised, and especially at this time of the year. Fire in zero weather is doubly dangerous, and once thoroughly under headway is bound to create havoc, no matter how efficient the fire department may be.

Josiah Hess, a prominent citizen and farmer of Huntington Valley, died Sunday Dec. 22 near Register of cancer of the stomach, aged 62 years. Mr. Hess had lived in Huntington Valley all his days where he was recognized and respected for his exalted qualities as a man. He was one of the leading members of the M. E. Church and was active in promoting the work of the denomination. His five sons and a wife survive. The funeral was held Thursday morning at Register, burial at Dodson Chapel.

Traffic on the trolley road is good in spite of the winter season. A great many people predicted that there would be a big falling off during the cold weather, but such is not the case, at least the officials appear to be satisfied with the business they are doing.

Edward Remaley, aged twenty-eight years, died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Levi A. Remaley, in Centre township on Sunday. Last winter he fell from a load of lumber, receiving a bruise on the right thigh which developed into a tumor. He was taken to Philadelphia where an effort was made to remove the morbid swelling but the operation proved unsuccessful. The funeral with interment in Whitmire's cemetery near Orangeville took place on Tuesday.

Resolutions of Espy Odd Fellows.

In the chronicle of the two deaths below we are reminded of the fact that these two brothers had lived as neighbors almost their entire lives, and, though engaged in different walks of life, were called from Time into Eternity within a few hours of each other under entirely different circumstances, and we are again taught the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death.

The beautiful home circle of Brother Clinton B. Garrison, of Almedia, was rudely broken by the great and sudden calamity which fell upon it on December 26, 1901. While at the daily toil of life, the subject of this brief sketch was ruthlessly cut down in the prime of life, and literally crushed and torn. Being conscious for a few hours, however, he was permitted to speak to his companions and fellow workmen until the taper of life began waxing dim and was finally extinguished. "And he was not, for God took him."

Also on the same date as above stated, after a short illness, Brother Burton G. Waples, of Grovania, was summoned to his last resting place. Although well advanced in years he had enjoyed a reasonable degree of health until within a few months, and up to the time of his death the keen intellect which he possessed was not dimmed.

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God in His wise providence, to remove from our midst these Brothers:

WHEREAS, The absence of these Brothers, their good cheer and faithful efforts will be long felt in our Order

WHEREAS, The home circles have been broken, and hosts of friends made to suffer the loss of their presence and companionship.

Therefore be it resolved:

1. That we bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well.

2. That the charter of our Order be draped in mourning for thirty days.

3. That we tender our sympathies to the families and the sorrowing friends in their sad bereavement, and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to their homes.

W. H. HARTMAN, W. R. GROH, H. E. HARMAN.

FROM EAST BENTON.

We visited the Pine Creek Coal Oil Company's works last Monday afternoon. We had not been there since 1865. On last Tuesday the balance of the boring machinery was brought there from Shick-shinny. The derrick was raised to a height of 56 feet, 16 feet is still to be added to the height of the derrick. The old Salt Well is near the edge of Pine Creek, and there is an obstruction in the shape of a dam between the creek and the water flowing down the old race which was used for drilling and pumping purposes when prospecting in 1865, has caused the water to dam up over the well to the depth of 18 or 20 inches. Bubbles of gas are continually coming up from the size of a hen's egg down to hickory nuts. J. W. Rickerson, superintendent for Mr. Sheerer, the contractor, speaks very flatteringly concerning the prospects for oil. If the weather permits boring will begin inside of a week. For the last 35 years we have felt dead sure that petroleum exists in that locality, and we shall never believe anything else until a thorough test proves the contrary.

A SCHOOL FOR WAGE-EARNERS.

On Monday evening next, January 6, the Young Men's Christian Association will open an educational department to be conducted four nights in each week, in connection with the regular association work. The purpose of this evening school is to provide for the needs of young men who in earlier life, either through neglect or failure to appreciate did not secure a liberal education. The branches to be taught are nine in number and are as follows:

Grammar, Arithmetic, Spelling, Reading, U. S. History, Shorthand, Mechanical Drawing, Free Hand Drawing, Penmanship and Book-keeping.

The best teachers have been secured, those who are specialists in their particular branches, among whom are the following:

W. P. Meigs, Supt. Bloomsburg Car Co., Mechanical Drawing and Arithmetic; A. Bruce Black, Penmanship; H. H. Shultz, Graduate of Bath Institute, Shorthand; Wm. Evans, Teacher in High School, Academic Studies; W. A. Evert, Attorney, U. S. History; Mrs. W. A. Evert, Artist, Free Hand Drawing.

The following is the schedule of classes: Monday Evening.—Elementary Grammar, Arithmetic, Spelling, Reading, Advanced Grammar, and U. S. History.

Tuesday Evening.—Room A, 7:30, Shorthand; Room A, 8:30, Book-keeping; Room B, 7:30, Mechanical Drawing; Room B, 8:30, Mechanical Drawing.

Thursday Evening.—Room A, 7:30, Elementary Grammar; Room, B, 7:30, Advanced Grammar, Arithmetic; Room A, 8:30, Penmanship; Room B, 8:30, Penmanship.

Friday Evening.—Room A, 8:30, Book-keeping; Room A and B, Academic Studies.

In the spring an examination will be held by the international committee, and to all who pass successfully there will be issued certificates which are accepted by one hundred and ten colleges and universities. This is sufficient that the work is thorough, complete and on a grade with any high school. No better opportunity has ever been offered to the young men of this town. Not only can they add to their learning by enrolling, but the feelings are to be disciplined, the passions are to be restrained, true and worthy motives are to be inspired, a profound religious feeling is to be instilled and pure morality inculcated under all circumstances. All this is comprised in education.

The cost connected with it is very trifling and only aggregates \$3.00, a membership fee of \$2.00 and tuition of \$1.00. This gives all the privileges of the association including physical work, classes in which will be regularly conducted in the building by a competent director.

The Educational committee is composed of the following gentlemen: W. H. Brooke, chairman; Prof. G. E. Wilbur, J. K. Miller and William Evans.

Notes.

Four different forms of notes have just been printed at this office. They are, a common promissory note, promissory with waivers, judgment, and judgment with waivers. Neatly bound in books of twenty-five, 10 cents.

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A Departing FOR THE Departing PRICE WEEK 1901 Coats, Capes, Suits, Skirts, Shirt Waists and Furs.

CUT PRICE SALE. thing you have taught us this Holiday Season, and that is that you are prepared and willing to buy double the quantity that we expected you to buy. When the styles and qualities are exclusive and our prices lowest, you know it. Our merchandise success for past three years, has placed us in a position to buy at factory prices. Our experience of a life time among you has educated us to buy such goods as suit the people of Columbia county, and as a result, new customers are coming every business day of every week. DRESS SKIRTS. New garments at prices to sell this week: \$7.50 Skirts, \$5.95, \$5.00 Skirts, \$3.95, \$3.50 Skirts, \$2.75. CLOTH CAPES. Navy, Castor and Red Capes, extra long, good cloth, well lined. Reduced from \$15.00 to \$10.00. GOLF CAPES. \$7.50 Capes, \$5.95, \$6.00 Capes, \$4.95, \$5.00 Capes, \$3.95. PLUSH CAPES. Good plush, fur collar and front edge. \$12.50 now \$8.95, \$10.00 now \$7.95. LADIES' SUITS. Mostly black, but all good. \$17.50 Suits, \$12.50, \$15.00 Suits, \$10.00, 10.00 Suits, 7.50, 7.50 Suits, 5.95. FUR COATS. Several Electric Seal Coats reduced from \$30.00 to \$24.50, \$35.00 to \$27.50. Fur Collars and Muffs almost gone. Will sell at very low prices. PLUSH CAPES. Good plush, fur all around collar and down front, reduced from \$10.00 to \$7.95, \$7.50 to \$5.95, \$5.00 to \$3.95. CHILDREN'S COATS. Long and short coats, in all colors and sizes. New this season. Long coats reduced from \$9.50 to \$5.00, \$7.50 to \$5.95, 5.00 to 3.75, 3.95 to 2.75. LADIES' LONG COATS. The newest garments in our store, but they must leave us at once. Black and Tan Kersey, 42 in. coat, reduced from \$17.50 to 13.75. AN APOLOGY of this matter is but just from us to the public but it grates hard against the lining of our purse. LADIES' LONG COATS. Black and Tan Kersey, 42 in. coat, reduced from \$10.00 to \$7.95. LADIES' JACKETS. Black and Tan Kersey Coats, 27 in. long. All new this season. Well made and lined. \$10.00 coats 7.95, \$7.50 coats 5.95, \$5.00 coats 3.95. SHIRT WAISTS. The biggest line we have ever shown must now be closed out. \$3.95 waists 2.95, \$3.50 waists 2.50, \$2.95 waists 1.95, \$1.50 waists 1.00, \$1.00 waists .75, .75c waists .50. I. W. HARTMAN & SON, Bloomsburg, Pa.

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Pleasantly Entertained. The home of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Fairman, of Orangeville, was the scene of a pleasant dinner party on Xmas. About thirty invited guests assembled at their home, among them were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hartzel, of Delaware, the latter a sister of Mrs. Fairman, whom she has not seen for four years, it being quite a surprise as they came unexpectedly; Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Siler, father and mother of Mrs. Fairman, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Keller, of Light Street, Charles Lee and wife, of Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Siler, Ambrose Siler and wife, F. P. Hagenbuch, of Centre, Mrs. Susan Fairman, of Bloomsburg, John Burlingame and wife, of Almedia, Warren and George Welsh, of Orangeville, Rollie Siler, Lulu Siler, Arthur Hartzel, Lillie Siler, Nora Siler, Alva Burlingame, Merrill and Greta Siler. A GUEST. Vaccination certificates for physicians, for sale at this office. 21

Accused of Desertion. George Sorely Arrested in a Theatre at Norristown. Two Norristown policeman, says Sunday's Philadelphia Press did a "turn" before the audience assembled at a matinee in the Norristown opera house yesterday, when they walked down the aisle of the parquet and arrested George Sorely. He is wanted at Nescopeck. A detective from that place was in waiting and took him off. The pair were accompanied by a woman, who was enjoying the theatrical performance in a seat beside Sorely and who says she is his wife. Sorely is charged with desertion and non support by his wife. While under bond to answer these charges he disappeared and his arrest here was made on a bench warrant. Sorely and the second woman who claims him as her husband have been boarding in a hotel at Norristown since last August.

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