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Centennial Celebration

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church Reaches the Century Mark.

FORMER PASTORS PRESENT

Rev. J. E. Byers, pastor of St. Matthew's Evangelical Lutheran church inaugurated the centennial anniversary exercises of the church on Sunday morning last by preaching an appropriate sermon, his subject being "Remembering, but Pressing on."

On Wednesday evening an address was delivered by Rev. F. P. Manhart, D. D., on "Separated Unto the Gospel." Dr. Manhart was pastor of St. Matthew's from 1881 to 1889, and is now Professor of Systematic Theology at Susquehanna University. Rev. U. Myers, D. D., of Catawissa, made an address on "Lutheranism in Columbia County."

Tonight, Thursday, at 7:30 o'clock Rev. Dr. B. F. Alleman, of Lancaster, will be the speaker, his subject being "The Debt Which I Owe My Mother." He was pastor of the church from 1867 to 1872. Mrs. F. H. Jenkins will read a brief history of the Women's Missionary Society.

On Friday evening at 7:30 Rev. M. E. McLinn, of Apollo, Pa., will speak on "The Power of a Purpose." He was the pastor of the church from 1896 to 1903. The other exercises of the evening will be an address on "Our Brotherhood" by the president, C. O. Frank, and a history of the Ladies' Aid Society, by Mrs. C. B. Gunton.

On Sunday, November 24th, at 10:30 a. m. the sermon will be preached by Rev. P. A. Heilman of Baltimore, who was pastor from 1890 to 1896. His subject will be "The Triumph of the Church Sure."

At 2:30 p. m. there will be a platform meeting, when greetings will be extended by the clergy of the town.

At 6 p. m. the Christian Endeavor Society will have anniversary exercises, with a history of the Society by Mrs. Ralph Keller, and addresses by Revs. Heilman, Dimm and Byers.

Rev. Dr. J. R. Dimm, pastor from 1850 to 1867, will preach at 7 o'clock on "God's Love for His Church."

There will be special music by the choir at all the services.

MARRIED IN MAY.

Miss Zella, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Thomas, and Charles E. Mericle, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Mericle, all residing near Jerseytown, were united in wedlock at Pottsville on May 18th last, by Rev. Mr. Driesbach. They had gone to Pottsville on a visit.

The marriage was kept a secret, however, and it was not divulged until last week, and then it was discovered by an accident. The bride had thoughtlessly left a letter from her husband lying on a table, and in it he called her "wife," and it so happened that Mrs. Thomas saw the letter.

The bride lived in Bloomsburg for a time, and resided with the family of N. U. Funk, Esq. Later she attended the Normal School, and graduated in 1906, and since that time she has been teaching.

MRS. WILLIAM WEBB.

After two years of intense suffering Hannah, wife of William Webb, passed to her reward on Sunday morning. As the bells of St. Paul's Episcopal church were ringing for the Holy Communion service at eight o'clock her spirit departed. For many years she had been a devoted member of St. Paul's, ever ready to do all in her power for its best interests. Until failing health prevented, she rarely missed a service, and was connected with the various organizations of the parish, whose work always received her willing assistance.

Mrs. Webb was a daughter of William and Anna Whitenight, and was born on February 12, 1843 in Bloomsburg where her whole life was spent. She was married to William Webb on July 4, 1864. Her husband survives her.

On the death of Mrs. Webb, many years ago, Mrs. Webb took the three daughters, Ella, now Mrs. J. S. Gilbert; Margaret, and Annie Fox to her home, and was a mother to them until they arrived at an age to support themselves and help her. They were her cousins, and the two latter have continued to make their home with the Webbs up to the present time, and the three sisters have practically maintained the home for some years past, thus repaying in full measure the loving solicitude Mr. and Mrs. Webb had shown for them in their childhood. During the past two years their devotion has known no limit, and their unceasing ministrations to their invalid cousin have been the admiration and the wonder of all their friends.

The funeral was held in St. Paul's church on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock, Rev. J. W. Diggles, the rector, officiating. It was the request of Mrs. Webb that her obsequies should be conducted in the church that she loved so well, and for which she had given her time and her energies for so many years.

The floral tributes were numerous and beautiful, among them being one from Friendship Fire Co., of which Mr. Webb is one of the oldest members, and in which Mrs. Webb has always been deeply interested.

A large concourse of friends were present to pay their last tribute to the deceased.

The remains were interred in Rosemont cemetery.

MRS. HENRY C. HARTMAN.

Mrs. Martha F. Hartman died at her home on Market street on Saturday morning at eleven o'clock. She had been sick for a long time. She was a daughter of Joseph McClure, and was born on her father's farm on the river road, now the Hughes farm, on March 20, 1825, and was therefore past eighty-two years of age. She was the last surviving member of the McClure family in this section. This family was among the early settlers here.

After her father's death she and her two sisters purchased the home in which she died, in 1845, where she has since resided. She was married in May, 1852, to Henry C. Hartman, who died in 1889. Since his death she has continued to live there with an adopted daughter, Miss Annie Elliot.

Mrs. Hartman united with the Presbyterian church when a young girl, and was always a regular attendant until a few months ago, when declining health prevented.

The funeral was held at the house on Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock, Rev. Dr. Hemingway officiating.

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JAMES SCARLET EMPLOYED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

Special Counsel to Prosecute the Powder Trust.

James Scarlet, Esq., of Danville, chief counsel for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the capitol graft cases, has been retained by the United States government as special counsel to assist in the prosecution of the powder trust.

Upon reaching his office in Danville last Saturday Mr. Scarlet was surprised to find upon his desk an appointment as special assistant to Attorney General Bonaparte, he being employed as special counsel of the department of justice to conduct suits in all the courts of the United States arising under the interstate commerce and anti-trust laws.

We understand that Mr. Scarlet was called to Washington last week in consultation on the Powder trust cases and has been assigned to take immediate charge of these suits.

Mr. Scarlet is to be congratulated on the above appointment, as it takes him up a step higher and is indeed a splendid recognition of his skill and learning as a lawyer, his untiring industry and incorruptible character—distinguishing traits, which have shone in such a strong light during the time he has been engaged in probing the capitol scandal and instituting suits against the alleged looters.

Under Mr. Scarlet the State has brought thirty-two prosecutions, on which indictments have been found. Mr. Scarlet says these cases will all go on trial January 27th. There are fourteen defendants.

As special assistant to Attorney General Bonaparte Mr. Scarlet's sphere will be greatly enlarged. His peculiar ability will be employed in breaking up gigantic and well fortified combinations that have long defied the law. That he shall give a good account of himself in this enlarged field no one who knows the man will for a moment doubt.

It is pretty certain that in the performance of his duties henceforth Mr. Scarlet will be called to many distant points and that his reputation, which already extends beyond his own State, will in a short time become national.

—Morning News.

GOSPEL MEETINGS.

A series of gospel meetings are being held this week in the Presbyterian church, under the auspices of the Men's Bible Union. These meetings are undenominational, and are intended to be a practical help to the men of Bloomsburg, without regard to church lines.

Fred Ikeler, Esq., was the speaker on Monday and Wednesday evenings, and he will speak again tomorrow night. Dr. Hemingway made the address on Tuesday. The interest taken in these meetings is shown by the fact that 300 men have been attending nightly. The addresses have been strong and helpful, and no doubt much good will be accomplished.

CLUB WOMEN ENTERTAINED.

The members of the Ivy Club charmingly entertained the members of the Wednesday and Century Clubs on Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Eugene F. Carpenter on Market street. A delightful musical program was rendered, the participants being Miss Housel, Miss Letson, Miss Smith, Miss Waldron and Miss Clara Waldron.

FAIR FINANCES.

In order to receive an appropriation from the State the Columbia County Agricultural Society has filed with the commissioners a statement of its receipts and expenses. The receipts were \$19,240.54, and the expenses \$18,434.44; leaving a balance of \$806.10 in the treasury.

The itemized statement is as follows:

AMOUNT RECEIVED.

Balance from former year, \$688.83; from sale of admission tickets, \$8374.75; from entrance fees on trials of speed, \$1995.00; from grandstand, \$1702.20; from entrance fees on poultry, \$354.05; from hay sold, \$74.41; from check room, \$19.35; from membership dues, \$54.00; from drayage, \$1.00; from bond sold, \$4000; total receipts, \$19,240.54.

EXPENDITURES.

For real estate purchased, \$4000; for interest paid, \$880; for trials of speed, \$4100; for salaries, \$859; for attractions, \$535; for band music, \$367.72; for judges and their expenses, \$183.17; for straw and feed, \$135.26; for police, watchmen and help, \$575.40; for postage, telegrams and expressage, \$109.66; for assistants to Secretary and Treasurer, \$129.00; for National Trotting Association dues, \$65.00; for electric light and repairs, \$71.00; for water rent, \$14.75; for printing and advertising, \$818.90; for labor, repairs and improvements, \$1556.50; for materials, \$551.93; for detective, \$44.60; for State Board and expenses, \$17.46; sundry expenses, \$16.88; for premiums paid upon products of county, \$1,284.75; for premiums paid upon products outside county, \$2,029.75; bills unpaid, \$88.71.

NEW PAPER COMPANY.

The J. M. Shew Paper Company was organized at Pittston, Tuesday, which will operate the Huntington Mills plant. Pittston has furnished a large part of the capital required by the company. The officers elected are as follows: President, George F. Buss; vice president, William C. Monie, of Moosic; treasurer, George Evans; secretary, Charles Fowler; general manager, J. W. Shew, of Bloomsburg.

The paper manufactured will be water proof and is protected by a patent. Not only will waterproof paper be manufactured for use in making powder cartridges, but paper will also be manufactured for cement bags, packing, and other purposes. It is expected that the remodeled plant of the company will be ready for operation about January 1st.—*Shickshinny Echo.*

AN AGED LADY DEAD.

Mrs. Sarah Rhinard died at her home in Espy on Monday morning at the advanced age of 93 years. She was born in Orangeville in 1814, and always enjoyed good health until about three weeks before her death. She was a member of the Methodist church, and an exemplary Christian woman.

DEATH FROM MEASLES.

James Boyd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Reece Keller, died at his home on Catharine street last Saturday morning, from measles. His age was six years, and he was one of a pair of twins, the other being a daughter, Pauline. The funeral was held on Monday afternoon.

Miss Margaret Mutchler is clerking in Roys' jewelry store.

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THE HARTMAN WILLS.

The will of Mrs. Martha F. Hartman was proved on Wednesday before Register Frank W. Miller. It was made on April 14, 1903, and A. N. Yost is the executor. Mrs. Hartman gives a number of articles of personal property to different friends and relatives, and a bequest of \$100 to the Presbyterian church. She gives to Miss Annie Elliott, who has lived with her since infancy, the sum of \$100, and several articles of personal property. The balance of her estate is to be sold by the executor, and the proceeds distributed equally among her nephew, Benjamin Bieber, her niece, Sarah B. LaRue, and her grand niece, Myrtle Stickwell.

Mrs. Hartman's husband, Henry C. Hartman, died May 13, 1889. In his life time he had purchased the two-thirds interest in the real estate, the homestead on Market street, Mrs. Hartman owning the other third.

In his will he made several bequests to relatives, and gave \$500 to Miss Annie Elliott, which by a codicil was increased to \$1000, the latter to be paid after his wife's death.

He gave to his wife the interest due on all his real estate and personal property after the payment of bequests and debts. At her death the balance of all his property goes to his brothers and sisters, or their legal heirs. Edwin V. Hartman and Jasper E. Wilson were appointed the executors of Mr. Hartman's will.

D. A. R. TEA.

At the home of Miss VanTassel on Fifth street a tea was served by the members of Fort McClure Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, last Thursday afternoon. The guests were received by Mrs. Judge Ikeler and Miss Stewart, and tea was poured by Mrs. J. C. Rutter, Jr., and Mrs. R. R. Zarr. There were more than one hundred ladies present, and about \$20 were the receipts, which will go towards paying for the marker on the site of Fort McClure on the Hughes farm.

DIED SUDDENLY.

While talking with his family on Monday evening Benson H. Creveling was stricken with paralysis, and died at half past eleven without regaining consciousness. He was seized with severe pain in the head, and medical aid was summoned, but he was beyond help.

The deceased resided on his farm near Light Street. He was a son of the late Andrew Creveling, and was born in Scott township on February 18, 1817. He was twice married, the first wife being Miss Dorothy Wolf, and the second, Miss Elizabeth Shultz. By his first wife he had three children: Mrs. Laura Hendershot, of Bloomsburg; Clyde Creveling, of Light Street Road, and Russel Creveling, of Berwick, and five by the second wife: Mrs. Lettie Brobst, of Berwick; Miss Delilah Creveling, of Bloomsburg; Benjamin Creveling, of Berwick; John Creveling, of Sterling, Ill., and Miss Dorothy Creveling.

There are also two brothers: Harry and William Creveling, of Bloomsburg, and one sister, Mrs. Delilah Hagenbuch, of Centre township.

The funeral will be held tomorrow.

EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

The third monthly meeting of the Columbia County Educational Association was held in the Court House on Saturday afternoon. Superintendent M. J. Lloyd of Taylor, Pa., delivered two excellent addresses. Various subjects were discussed by Miss Vera Snyder, Carl Dreibeis, Miss Blanche Hartman, Miss Josephine Pursel, and Superintendent S. H. Dean of Mt. Carmel. A number of teachers were present, but not many parents availed themselves of the opportunity.

PARISH HOUSE SUPPER.

The members of St. Margaret's Guild will serve a supper in the Parish House on Saturday, beginning at 5 o'clock. Supper 15 cents. Ice cream and cake extra.