

DEATH'S DOINGS.

SCHWEIKART.

The death of Mrs. Philip Schweikart, an account of whose death was given in last week's PRESS, we supplement with the following facts:

"Mrs. Philip Schweikart, formerly Miss Mary Beatrice Miller, was born at Clear Creek, N. Y., Aug. 16, 1878; only child of Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Miller. When only a few years old the family moved to Buffalo, where she attended school; after leaving the school she served as nurse to a Mrs. Hall; then came to Emporium in 1899 as a nurse in Hon. Josiah Howard's family; served here for several years, then left to take a position in the Lock Haven hospital, returning to Buffalo, she was married to Philip Schweikart at the Grace M. E. Church, Buffalo, April 7, 1904, after which she came to this county, where she and her husband resided until last September, when they moved to Watoga, W. Va. She died in the Marlinton, W. Va., hospital, March 11, 1907. Her remains were brought to Emporium and funeral services held at the M. E. Church, last Thursday afternoon, interment being made in Newton cemetery.

She is survived by a husband and little daughter, three weeks old, mother, grand-mother and aunt, her father having died many years ago.

Those present from out of town: Mrs. F. G. Osborne, Ellington, N. Y., (mother), Mrs. Georgia Millspaw, Ellington, N. Y., (aunt), Miss May Briehl, Buffalo, N. Y., and Mr. H. H. Cloyes of Watoga, W. Va.

Before her death she left her child in the care of Mrs. Peter Schweikart of this place. The child will be brought here about May 1st. The floral offering were beautiful, especially those of the Epworth League of M. E. church also those from Buffalo, Lock Haven and Emporium friends.

The casket bearers were S. E. Murry, F. F. Hilliker, Carl Blair, Julius Rousseau, Henry Farr, Ray Husted.

Keep it Mum.

We are reliably informed that the marriage of Mr. Forrest Pye, as per advance information in last week's PRESS, is a fact. However, as Forrest wishes the matter kept a profound secret, we trust that any one who reads this item will kindly treat it as confidential.

Bound for the Park.

MR. EDITOR:—I saw a bear west of the Mississippi, a few days ago making his way for the Yellowstone National Park so that his slumbers would not be disturbed until spring. It was lame and the hair all worn off his back. It must be one of those First Fork or Carthaus bears they use for hauling logs.

A. M. BURFIELD.

Pine River, Minn.

Change in Clerks.

John M. Bergin, who has very acceptably filled the position of day clerk in the office of New Warner, left on Tuesday for Meadville, where he expects to engage in business with his father. He made many friends here who regret his leaving. Mr. Chas. Wenzel, the night clerk is now on duty "trick" and Carl Mumford former bell boy, takes the night clerkship. Sylvester Ritchie is bell boy.

Petite Marie Hylands, who is the soubrette of "The Beauty Doctor" which comes to the Emporium Opera House, Friday, March 22, combines cleverness of acting with a dancing ability far in excess of the ordinary, and has with an English dialect which is very telling in the big musical hit of the piece, "On a Paper and a Comb," which is given by the entire chorus in coster costume with Miss Hylands as the bright particular costermongers girl.

Stock Food, Etc.

Ashland Stock Food for horses, cattle, hogs and sheep, 3 lbs 25c, 7 lbs 50c 25 lb pail \$1.60. Healing Powder for horses and cattle. Worm Powder and Lice Killer for cattle and poultry. For sale at

HENRY JAEGER'S Harness Shop, 5-4t. Emporium, Pa.

Little globules of sunshine that drive the clouds away. DeWitt's Little Early Risers will scatter the gloom of sick headache and biliousness. They do not gripe or sicken. Recommended and sold here by R. C. Dodson.

For Sale.

One meat wagon for sale. Call on Wm. Hackenberg, trustee for Geo. H. Gross & Co., bankrupt.

If you want a suit that suits, try BEDARD THE TAILOR. 2-tf.

The Other Side of the Question.

To the Editor of the PRESS:
I notice of late there has been a number of articles in the PRESS on mail-order buying, but they have always been all on one side. Will you kindly publish the enclosed article which was published in the Farm and Fireside of Feb. 1st, showing the other side of the question:

CHAS. EDGAR.

MAIL ORDER DISCUSSION.

Mr. N. R. Hicks, of Greene County, Illinois, sends us the following letter regarding mail order business:

"When our home merchants tell us that by trading with them we keep our money at home, we seldom stop to consider how too true this often is. They should keep at home only a legitimate profit. They tell us they are selling just as cheap as they can come out whole. Also, most of them tell us they lose hundreds, and even thousands, of dollars yearly through the credit business.

"From these facts we may form certain conclusions: First, if our merchants' books balance on the right side, we undoubtedly pay for the delinquent credit man's goods. Second, if they are selling on cash basis, they should keep at home only their profit on the goods sold. The remainder should go to our wholesale city merchants.

"I recently received a bill of goods from one of the firms advertising in Farm and Fireside and was well satisfied with every article. If your editor will allow me space, I will give some plain figures. The goods delivered to me at my nearest railroad station cost \$14.39, including everything down to my stamps. On pricing the goods with my local merchant I found I had saved \$3.81 clear. I feel as though I can keep that saving at home just as well as my home dealer."

From practical experience Mr. Hicks has found out some of the reasons for the marvelous increase in mail order business. Mail order merchants buy and sell for spot cash. They have, therefore, a great advantage over local merchants who sell on credit. In order to enlarge their trade the mail order merchants share the advantage of the cash system with their customers, by selling them goods at lower prices than the local merchants demand. The credit system necessarily means higher prices all around than the cash system.

Again, the credit system usually involves bad debts. Unless the local merchant can make his good customers pay enough extra to cover his losses from delinquent customers, he fails in business. Cash customers are getting tired of paying their local merchants for goods delivered to people who don't pay. In fact it is contemptible meanness for a merchant to saddle his losses on honest customers who pay for what they buy. Under such a system of business, pay customers are up against the dishonesty of both deadbeats and of debt-shifting merchants.

Of course, the local merchants are up in arms against the mail order houses, parcels post and new conditions that tend to relieve cash customers of the double burden imposed on them under the credit system. Under this system, honest customers feel that they are actually being cheated, and they are more than justified in buying where they can save money to keep at home where it belongs—in their own pockets.

J. C. BARNETT.

Married.

Forrest Pye has finally come to the captain's desk and owned up that he was married at Olean, N. Y., by the pastor of the Lutheran Church, March 2d, to Miss Elsie Morrison, daughter of Mr. Clarence Morrison, an excellent West Creek young lady. Forrest is electrician with the Eastern Dynamite Co., industrious and steady. Here's to your health—may your troubles be few.

Attention K. O. T. M.

The Review to be held by Tent No. 46, on first meeting night in April, will elect the delegate to the District Convention which meets at Emporium May 18th. Let there be a full attendance.

Easter Millinery.

Mrs. E. S. Coppersmith will have her Easter Hats on exhibition this Friday and Saturday. Come and see. Prices to suit all.

E. S. COPPERSMITH.

Harry Bewley, who plays the part of Solomon Cohen in "The Beauty Doctor," is one of the cleverest of the parody singers of the day. To show his wonderful ability, he writes all the parodies he sings, himself, adding to the strength of his specialty. Emporium Opera House, Friday, March 22.

Postponed.

The Directors Convention has been postponed to Saturday, March 30th, at Court House.

Subscribe for the PRESS, and read the county news.

Another Big Explosion

6 Men Blown to Atoms Emporium Powder Co's Mixing House Again Goes Up.

At 2:10 o'clock, yesterday afternoon the mixing house of Emporium Dynamite plant, situated on West Creek, about two miles west of Emporium, went up in smoke killing six men and injuring many others.

The amount of "dope" in the mixing room, in addition to the glycerine, is placed at 2,500 pounds. The report was sharp and heard for many miles. The great smoke was caused by the building firing the soda house. The excitement, of course, was great, owing to the telephone connection being broken. Many false reports were circulated. J. W. Norris drove to the scene and brought the first correct report.

THE DEAD.

Chas. Eckles, age 25, from Pennsylvania, W. Va.

Jas. Thomas, age 24, a native of Emporium. The young man was foreman of the powder line and went into the mixing house when the explosion occurred.

John Mauder, aged 28, who came here from Ridgway.

Tony Monico, Valentine Monico, Jos. Dominic, the last three being Italians.

A horse that was attached to the dope car was also blown to atoms.

INJURED.

Miss Mary Garvin, clerk in the office at works, cut in face by flying glass. Frank Glazel, severely cut on head, while escaping from packing room. He was treated by Dr. Bardwell.

Fred Ostrum, teamster, was standing on his wagon, sixty feet from the mixing house when the explosion took place. He was thrown under his wagon, escaping injury. His horses were thrown, uninjured except being stone deaf, as was also the teamster.

Of course the cause of the explosion will never be known, none being left to tell the story.

The Company will repair the damage and expect to have the mixing house and machinery in place for work within two weeks.

The funeral of Jas. Thomas, will be held from St. Marks Church, to-morrow (Friday) at nine a. m. The deceased was a quiet unassuming young man and of great help to his widowed mother, Mrs. Jas. Thomas. He was a member of A. O. H., and also of the Citizens Hose Co. The balance of the victims were all strangers and no doubt have dear friends who will mourn their untimely death.

Emporium has indeed been sorely afflicted. These deaths make, we think, 27 deaths from explosions within two years. The causes are not accounted for and possibly never will be known.

The fragments of the six men, gathered together are now at B. Egan's undertaking rooms, the funerals possibly taking place on Friday. The directors of Emporium Powder Co., met this morning and took prompt action to inform the friends of deceased men.

Sad, indeed, are these horrible catastrophes, and the PRESS hesitates to report only the facts.

What it Costs to Run a Church.

Last Sunday evening Rev. N. E. Cleaver, pastor of Methodist Episcopal church read a statement to his congregation, giving the amount paid for the conference year, for support of pastor, bishop, presiding elder, and the various benevolent enterprises of the church, which amounted to something over \$3,000. In addition to the above the Ladies Aid Society raised \$415.

Will Philbrick, who is the principal comedian of "The Beauty Doctor" which comes to the Emporium Opera House, Friday, March 22, has the best singing voice of any of the comedians now in musical comedy, to which he adds a versatility that allows him to sing topical songs, "straight song," and makes him one of the best singers on the American stage.

Norris' Livery on Fire.

Early last Friday morning, about four o'clock, Ray Robinson, night hostler in J. W. Norris' livery stables was awakened from his slumbers by the pawing of the horses and discovered the barn to be on fire. He rushed to the fire whistle and gave the alarm, which soon brought out the fire department. By hard work the horses, fifteen in number, were finally gotten out, but not until two or three were seriously burned. John A. Johnston's horse that was boarded there, was terribly burned before it could be removed. The loss on building and contents is about \$1,000. Loss covered by insurance. The cause of the fire was undoubtedly of incendiary origin. The fiend who set fire to the barn knowing the danger to the lives of the poor dumb animals, should be electrocuted if detected.

Marvin Boy Not Produced Thus Far.

ERIE, PA., March 19—Despite the high hopes created by the positive statements of A. P. Howard, a lawyer, that he can at any minute lay hands upon Horace Marvin, Jr., the kidnapped Delaware boy, the authorities have not been able so far to secure the child. In verification of his story Howard tonight said he would be produced as soon as Dr. Marvin arrives.

Five Pinkerton men this evening searched the building in which Howard has his office, but to no avail. Chief of Police Wagner and the detectives then secured an audience with Howard and he was put through the third degree tonight, but he would not divulge information other than that he would produce the boy when the proper parties arrived here to complete the identification. He said he has taken proper precaution to prevent the boy's disappearance or the escape of those who have him directly in charge, and insisted upon an indemnifying bond in the sum of \$10,000 before he will give him up.

New Saw Filer.

J. Vine Hanscom, for many years employed in Barclay Bro's mill at Sinnamahoning, has contracted with C. B. Howard Company, at this place, commencing Monday morning. Mr. Mason, "Old Reliability" has decided to try a rest on his N. Y., farm. We dislike to have him leave us, for he has proven himself a gentleman in every way. Mr. Mason has been in the C. B. Howerd Co., employ for five years this April. Mr. Hanscom is well and favorable known to most of our people, a jolly good fellow and No. 1 filer.

Mr. Hanscom will keep Mr. Joe Boutain as filer, the same as Mr. Mason did. There is no better help than Mr. Boutain, who is a first class filer on any kind of saws—band or round.

Wreck at Tunnel Hill Bridge.

A rear end collision occurred just east of Tunnel Hill bridge Tuesday morning between two east bound freight trains. The cabin and rear car of the first train caught fire and were totally destroyed. The engine and four cars on the second train were quite badly wrecked. Fortunately no one was hurt. Traffic was delayed about seven hours.

Theatrical Entertainment.

C. E. Decker and other St. Marys business men, commencing this week, will conduct, at the opera house a Theatrical entertainment. Continued performance. Admission 5c and 10c.

Easter Flowers.

Of all kinds. Potted Plants, Lilies, Hydrangea, Hyacinths. Also cut flowers, roses, carnations, etc. Leave orders at store. 5-2t. JOHN SCHLECHT.

Flowers and Plants.

Mrs. Frank M. Overhiser will sell potted plants for Easter day. Will also receive orders for cut flowers for Easter and Easter ball. 5-1t.

Piano Tuning.

W. B. White, of Warren, Pa., will be in Emporium on Wednesday, March 20th. Tuning orders will be received at Lloyd's stationery store. 4-2t

For Sale.

Buff Wyandotte Eggs for hatching. Satisfaction guaranteed. 5-tf. CHAS. A. NEWTON.

Base Ball.

The base ball meeting held at City Hall, Thursday evening, March 14th, was well attended and much interest taken.

The meeting was called to order by John Cummings, who is never weary in his efforts to keep the great American game rolling in Emporium.

Moved by John Cummings, seconded by J. Farrell, that E. D. Mumford act as chairman. Carried.

Moved by W. Clark, seconded by Geo. Narbey, that R. T. Overturf act as secretary. Carried.

The purpose of this meeting was to find out if it is possible for Emporium to maintain a ball team in the Tri-County League, composed of Kane, Johnson, burg, Ridgway, St. Marys and the other to be Emporium.

After the workings of this League was explained by the Chairman is was moved by John Cummings, and seconded by Jos. Gayney, that Emporium accept the proposition. Carried.

Moved by Jos. Gayney, seconded by Ed. Ashbaugh, that a committee of three be appointed to canvass the town and solicit all financial help possible. Carried.

Moved by John Cummings, seconded by O. Hemphill, that a committee of four, namely, Geo. Narby, Jos. Gayney, Ed. Ashbaugh and Clyde Fisher, see the managers of opera house as to holding a ball, for benefit of ball team. Carried.

On motion the meeting adjourned until Friday night, March 22nd, when a meeting will be held to elect manager and captain and the fixing of the grounds. Everybody invited to attend this meeting.

R. T. OVERTURF, Sec'y.

Dancing Academy.

Lock Haven Express.
Miss Stella Ubil, eldest daughter of Mrs. Margaret Ubil of this city left on Friday for Emporium where she will conduct a select children's dancing class. Miss Ubil was induced to embark in the venture through the influence of Mrs. Josiah Howard, one of the society leaders of Emporium who will chaperon the little folks. The assemblies will be held in the public library building.

The people of Emporium are fortunate in securing the services of Miss Ubil who is proficient in the graceful art of dancing, having been a pupil of some of the best dancing masters in the profession.

The young people's dancing class is not an entirely private affair, as many seem to think. It is open to all children wishing to learn to dance. The charges are twenty-five cents a lesson, and the class meets every Friday evening in the hall in the rear of the reading room.

NOTES OF INTEREST.

Watch Bedard's window for late Spring suitings. 2-tf.

Get busy! Go to Bedard the Tailor, for your spring suit. 2-tf.

Board and room with use of bath for two young men. Inquire; J. Newton.

For Catarrh, let me send you free, just to prove merit, a Trial size Box of Dr. Shoop's Catarrh Remedy. It is a snow white, creamy, healing antiseptic balm that gives instant relief to Catarrh of the nose and throat. Make the free test and see. Address Dr. Shoop, Racine, Wis. Large jars 50 cents. Sold by all dealers.

Those who saw "The Beauty Doctor" will find on its visit to the Emporium Opera House, Friday, March 22, that many new and varied numbers both of a singing and dancing nature, have been added to the lot of good things served up by the Beauty Doctor when last she held open house. Manager Wright announces this year "The Beauty Doctor" as the "second edition", and promises some big special numbers that are hits of magnitude. "Myron Brown, Farewell," sung by Will Philbrick, the principal comedian of the show, aided by the pretty chorus, and many other features will be seen.

A visit of "The Beauty Doctor," Fred E. Wright's big musical comedy, is to be made at the Emporium Opera House, Friday, March 22, and the indications are that this really funny musical comedy will be given a ready welcome. Manager Wright's term for this season's play is the "second edition" of "The Beauty Doctor," and a great many changes in the way of new musical numbers, new faces and new comedians is promised, while all the prime favorites of last season have been retained.

Notice L. O. T. M.

All members of L. O. T. M. are requested to be present at regular review next Tuesday night. For the purpose of transacting special business.

MABEL I. HEMPHILL, R. K.

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The cast better than ever, but still headed by that awfully funny comedian,

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Prices, \$1.00, 75c, 50c and 25c.
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SENATOR COCHRAN'S STORY OF HIS PENSION MEASURE.

Lycoming Man Credited With Accomplishing an Unusual Thing in the Senate.

J. Henry Cochran, of Williamsport has the reputation on Capitol Hill of being the most modest and unassuming of the older members of the senate, and he did what no other member of that body has ever been able to do when he obtained the passage, with only one dissenting vote, of his bill providing a pension of \$5 to \$10 a month, for the Pennsylvania soldiers and sailors of the Civil war. This bill is a copy of the law now in force in the senator's notice state of Maine, except that those who are entitled to a pension are paid through the county offices, while in this state it is proposed to pay through the state officials. When the bill was under consideration in the senate Senator Cochran told the following story in explanation of what prompted him to introduce the measure:

"I was up in Maine hunting last fall and one man I met there from the old town where I lived I knew when I was a boy in Williamsport. He was working on the streets to earn a living, in addition to the pension he received from the government. I said to him:

"Jim, how does it come you are over here? Isn't this a pretty poor place for a man to live in?"

"Not for me," he said, "because the state of Maine, a couple of years ago, passed a pension bill to permit all the soldiers living in the state who served in the Civil war, to have a pension from \$5 to \$10 a month."

"Now that is where I got the idea of this bill," said the senator, "and I think it is a shame if Pennsylvania does not do the same for her soldiers."

Easter Opening.

We will have on display a large assortment of fine pattern hats and novelties Wednesday and Thursday, and invite the public to come and see them.

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C. E. Howard & Co., have the only large stock of shingles in the county at the present time. RED CEDAR from the Pacific Coast and WHITE CEDAR from Wisconsin.