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A FEW SPECIALTIES.

We have recently made an addition to our stock of summer goods and would call the attention of the ladies to some of the goods which we are sure will please them and offer them at rare bargains.

We think we can show you the finest line of Parasols to be found in the county. We have them in best quality of silk with deep lace trimmings and in different styles and colors.

In this our stock is complete and have a line of the following goods adapted for summer wear: Seersuckers, Batiste, Satins, etc.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Huckleberries are plenty at 5cts. per quart. —Eug. Houseman and David Henry, citizens of the south side, gave our sanctum a call.

Father Sweetwood, of Georges valley, is still quite ill, with a ripe old age against him.

—Will Rankle lectured on Monday to attend Prof. Hosterman's select school at Spring Mills this summer.

—Our old Democratic friend, Benj. Kerstetter, of Coburn, spent an hour in our sanctum, Tuesday.

—Mr. Hagen this week, with a force of carpenters, will get to work on the new house of W. L. Kurtz, near the station.

—The Reporter premises were voted the best decorated on the Fourth, and our rockets went up higher than any others.

—Adam Winkelblech, one of the oldest citizens of Haines, now in his 89 year, is not enjoying his accustomed good health.

—Subscribe for the Reporter, it is outspoken for the right, and never muzzled to shield scamps or hired to help the opposite party.

—Centre county tramps will hereafter keep shy of the Williamsport railroad office. Lying ain't a success when on a fool's errand.

—If the Republican folks want to put some good timber on their ticket, they can do it by nominating John Decker for commissioner.

—Andrew Ocker's name appears among the announcements as a candidate for sheriff. Mr. Ocker is one of the working Democrats of Miles, and always true.

—Judge Walls, of Lewisburg, well up to 90, remarkable to tell, still is possessed all his natural teeth, minus one, and he tells us they are in excellent condition.

—At a meeting of the directors of the Bald Eagle Valley railroad company held in the city of Philadelphia on Tuesday, the 12th inst., a semi annual dividend of five per cent, upon the stock of the company was declared.

—John T. Potter, 2 miles west of here, gets no wheat from his farm, this year. This is the case with some others. Some one, who has been a close observer, gives it as his opinion, that from the field along the railroad, between this place and Linden Hall, a distance of four miles, there will not be 100 bushels of wheat.

IMPRESSIONS OF THE WEST.

LETTER NO. 4.

To return to the Denver excursion, let me say that our car was at our request, side tracked at McCook on Saturday, about 255 miles east of Denver. Our party preferred not to travel on Sunday, so we put in the night on the sleeper, after meeting our missionary, the Rev. J. W. Kimmel, and sending out a committee to secure boarding over the Sabbath. The committee reported boarding at 25 cents a meal, (reduced rates), and the report of the committee was unanimously adopted.

Some of our party evinced a little uneasiness at the idea of sleeping on the prairie in a sleeper, but after a fervent prayer by Dr. Conrad before going to rest, everybody felt easy. We sometimes forget that God is with and over us and any and everywhere. On Sunday morning Dr. Conrad preached for our mission at McCook from the text found in Ps. 137 vs. 5-6. It was a most felicitous theme under the circumstances, and will give to mission and the missionary a new impetus in the work.

Every state of the way in these regions is replete with interest. There is lacking the checker-board primness of the artist's hand. You find no policeman in brass and blue to say "Hands off." You are a child of the wild-wood now, and you exercise your unquestioned prerogative of liberty. We all longed to get a dive at the snow, but a raging rain of water lay between us and it, with no means of crossing over. The altitude here gives warmth without oppressive heat. The dryness, being strengthened by light and sunshine, cannot be equaled away from the Rocky mountains, as a health restorative, at any point the searching individual has yet discovered.

—The hot spell broke on Tuesday with a clouded day. —Salicy plow, advertised in Reporter, came tonight at a bargain by applying at this office. —Carpets of every grade, style and price, an entire new lot, largest and handsomest in the county, at S. & A. Loeb's. —Ice cream every day and evening at Shirke's ice cream parlor. —A large assortment of fly nets suitable for all classes of work at Bartholomew's store. —Oil-clothes, every pattern and width new and beautiful stock, at S. & A. Loeb's, and very low in price. —Read what S. U. Thompson has to say of big bargains in another column. —Go to Loeb's, if you want to see the finest lot of dry goods in Central Penna. All the latest and most handsome styles—assortment complete, and can suit any taste. A special bargain offered in handsome dress goods at Loeb's. —All kinds of home furnishing goods, best assortment ever brought to Centre county, and at a bargain, at S. & A. Loeb's. —Examine D. A. Booser's stock of fly nets before purchasing first class goods, at exceptionally low prices. —Thanks to the few brief notices which the Reporter generously gave for the 4th of July celebration and the extra train of cars we allowed, to all of which it was owing that a crowd was here at all. —"We whipped the bear," say it? —Rev. J. M. Reimensnyder, of the Lewistown Lutheran church, has received a call to Milton. At the election the vote was almost unanimous in his favor, there being only three ballots against him. —Chambersburg Public Opinion: B. F. Patterson, of Letortertown, has been very successful in keeping pumpkins of last year's growth over winter and even up to the present time. The plan is by no means a difficult one. They are simply kept in a warm room during the winter months, and in a cool room or place during the warm weather. —Gov. Curtin thinks Centre Hall has the best system of water works of any town in the county, that he knows of, and, that it is one thing the town can be truly proud of—water fresh and pure and never failing.

FROM REBERSBURG.

DEAR ED:

I have not seen any items in your paper in regard to the 4th of July at Rebersburg this year, but we had a little jubilee of our own. When I talk of 4th of July, my mind invariably carries me back some twenty years when all would turn out to celebrate the nation's great holiday in a patriotic manner. In those times all the church bells were ringing when the last stroke of the clock announced the arrival of the 4th. This custom was observed by all the churches in this section, except for two years when a man by the name of Lewis Long, had the idea of celebrating the day in a different way. He moved here from Pennsylvania; was a Republican and didn't like to hear the 4th celebrated, so he locked the building and refused to allow the bell to be rung by any one on this occasion. The young men of the town then went to work and got another key and rang the old bell in true patriotic style. This was too much for Long who immediately had the intruders numbering 25 and at Millheim; result was that Long lost the suit and had to pay forty dollars costs. When this church was built an article was inserted in the constitution to the effect that the bell was to be rung every 4th of July. The same year the Evangelical bell was not heard but our old Democratic friend, George Gramley immediately came to town and soon his clear tones sounded through the valley. This was done twenty years ago. Now we have four bells in our town but I failed to hear a single one announce the birth of the "glorious fourth" this year. Are we losing our patriotism? In the morning the school marched through town and rendered several patriotic airs. An abundance of fire crackers during the day, rockets in the evening filled the program for the 4th at Rebersburg which passed off very quietly.

Mrs. John Gramley who accompanied by her three children moved to Cedarville, Ill., some twenty years ago, is visiting friends in this section; she is looking well, and reports a dry spell in their section which has ruined most of the fall crops. We must acknowledge that we were blessed with good crops this year. The grain is cut and hauled in, and farmers from Rebersburg to the eastern end of the valley had heavy grain, only some fields were badly tangled and beaten down by the rain. Brushvalley is noted for good crops. In talking with two of our old citizens Messrs. Jonath. Kresner, now in his 83rd year, and Jonath. Spangler, they told me they can remember of but three failures of the grain crop since they have farmed. We are sorry to hear of the bad crops in the upper part of our valley. It certainly must try a man's patience, after working hard from morn till eve for one and even two years and not even get as much as the seed sown. Over in Walker twp. they have a bad wheat crop, also caused by the ravages of the fly. C. L. Gramley's school opens this week with a large attendance. The citizens of this place are anxious to have Cephas take the grammar school this winter and for some reason, one is desperately down on him. Cephas is a good instructor and has the intelligence and ability for such work. He has offers from other places to teach and at better wages but prefers to remain with us, if desired. We as citizens of Rebersburg and vicinity hope the directors will keep him. Mr. Henry Weber of Venango Co., is visiting in this section. Distemper is among the horses in our valley. Last Thursday afternoon, a child about two years old of Charley Rachaus' family was misad and in a short time after was found drowned in a pool of water near the house, whither it had wandered and fallen in when no one was near. J. I. G. Rebersburg, June 18.

FLIES.

The trout season is over and the creeks are literally fished out. Don't let your Canada thistles go to seed. Jim Durst says that last year 50 bushels of corn were stolen from his field near town, during roasting season. A number of balloons were sent up in good order, Friday evening. Democrats get the honor for the campaign, it is not likely to support the enemy's ticket. Some fellow at Selingsgrove is frowning some big bricks at a fellow citizen of our town. It now comes to us from two of the victims themselves, that the B. O. agent warned some against the oats and took in others—proof that the rascality was intentional, and makes a clear case against the agent any day. Wednesday 13, was the hottest day all over the country. We had more orders for trains for the glorious Fourth than we could fill and that's why some fellows didn't get any. How often the same simpletons get on a wild goose chase.

QUIT FROWING BRICK AT CENTRE HALL.

From the Selingsgrove Times, July 14. The broad-creed journalist, of Centre Hall, formerly of this place, made his appearance on our streets, last week and when asked for a settlement of his ruins, remarked, "I will have you dismissed from the mail service, on my arrival at Centre Hall." If T. Benton controls the Postmaster General now, what power will he display at the beginning of Cleveland's next term. Centre county had better keep an eye on him, as he is a controlling power. When a candidate for Chief Burgess, in this place, he received seven votes, and for Chairman of Democratic County Committee, did not get a scratch. Hoop'er up, T. Benton, you are a terror!

THE ACCIDENT AT PINE GROVE.

Emanuel Thomas was instantly killed by a tree falling upon him near Pine Grove Mills, this county, on Friday last. A number of men were cutting timber on Hyette & Co.'s land, when a tree was lodged and another was cut to throw it to the ground. It was too light to perform the desired object, and sliding along the tree fell to the ground, striking Mr. Thomas and killing him instantly.

DEATH OF JUDGE DOPP.

The venerable Judge Dopp, an ex-associate judge of Centre county, died on Monday morning 11, at 10 o'clock. He was about 80 years old, and widely known. He lived in Curtin township and had a large farm. He was interred at Curtin's works yesterday afternoon. His wife died some years ago.

ALL KINDS OF GRAIN.

White and red wheat, rye, shelled corn oats and barley wanted at the Centre Hall Roller Mill for which the highest market prices will be paid. Grain taken on storage.

LOCAL PENCILINGS.

Wheat in Philadelphia, 81 cents.

—Mr. Runk, of Spring Mills still continues quite low. —U. B. Quarterly meeting at Millheim, next Sunday. —Mr. I. G. Greenoble, of Spring Mills was in town this week. —Meyer's hotel is threatened with a shower of summer boarders. —Joseph Mauch, a native of Millheim, died at Freeport, Ill. —Brush valley will have a short apple crop; so will Union county. —The Reformed M. S. of Aaronsburg, will hold a festival, Sat. 30. —Rev. Bouse and son Harry, of Milesburg, were in town yesterday. —There was a heavy thunder shower on Wednesday, which was welcomed by all. —For a chance to make a good investment read ad. of Cyrus Luse, in Reporter. —The Luth. Ladies' Missionary Society, at Rebersburg, will hold a festival, Sat. 30. —Gov. Beaver and wife are traveling through Erie and other northwestern counties. —A fire on Wednesday destroyed ten thousand barrels of oil for the Standard company. —Miss Aallie Hoffer, of Bellefonte, is spending a few days in the town, visiting her cousin, Miss Aggie Murray. —Insurance agents are getting as plenty as lice on a bull dog pup. Let us rest anyhow during the hot weather. —Messrs. Chas. and Michael Dersatine accompanied a party from Lewistown, who visited the cave, on last Friday. —A little child of Charles Rachau, near Madisonburg, was drowned, a few days ago, by falling into a small stream of water. —Andrew a son of J. H. Musser, of Aaronsburg, sustained some injuries by having a horse fall on him, which he was riding. —A child of Mr. John Martz, living at the Old Fort fell into the cistern at the house one day this week and would have drowned had it not been discovered by the mother. —Among our callers this week was Mr. R. J. Smetzler of Potters Mills whose efforts did much to organize the drum corps at that place. Mr. Smetzler has the push and when he undertakes anything it goes. —Commissioner John Wolf lost a valuable cow the other day, which he had sold to D. Rankle for \$60. As he was about to drive her off for delivery, some time after being sold, the cow began to stagger in the barn yard and fell over dead. —Frank E. Bible, editor of the Centre Democrat, will, it is said, be admitted to the Centre county bar next court. We predict that he will develop into one of the brightest, keenest lawyers in this county and will add one more to the eminent names for which it is famous, in which we agree with the News. —Joseph Smith, of Gregg, one of the candidates for treasurer, has met with a serious misadventure. Over a week ago, while a little group of his neighbors were in social conversation in a grain field, a young man in the party said he could throw the best man among them. Mr. Smith playfully took up the challenge, and the two had a tussle, in which Mr. Smith was thrown, and had a rib broken. As the fracture will not remain set, it has resulted in Mr. Smith's being laid up, and serious results are feared. We hope he may get out speedily enough to have out his tussle for a successful nomination. —On Tuesday Messrs. Howard Wilson and Will Hayes, two bright young gentlemen paid us a short visit. Mr. Wilson resides in New York city, and is a member of the Junior class of Amherst college; he is at present spending the summer vacation at the Wilson homestead at Spring Mills, with the other members of the family. Mr. Hayes, who is at present the guest of Mr. Wilson, hails from Lewisburg, and a member of the Senior class of Bucknell university at that place. They were pleased with the improvements and general appearance of our little village, which surpasses most country towns in this respect. While here they indulged in a game of lawn tennis and gave our boys some pointers on the popular game. —The mention we made in the Reporter, recently, of churches in the valley, has caused one of our oldest Presbyterian citizens to mention the fact that a good many years back, Centre Hill had the only church of that denomination in this valley, and the congregation extended as far down as Aaronsburg. Members from that locality, the Fosters, Duncans, and others, would go to Centre Hill, on Sundays, to worship, when two sermons were had on the same day, and then only about one Sabbath in every month. This was appointed in order to give the members every possible benefit for the distance traveled, and they brought their lunch with them, which was eaten between the morning and afternoon service. If our Presbyterian brethren would hold an anniversary, something like that of the Methodists, two weeks ago, many points of interest could be gathered, connected with the history of that church in this county. —Owners of timberland in our county, and throughout this state, will be interested to know that at last the law steps in and commands what good citizenship should have taught all many years ago. It calls a peremptory halt in the wanton destruction of growing timber, and it offers a proper incentive to all to begin the good work of restoring our forests. Hereafter all who plant forest trees, or protect cut forest lands to enable them to furnish a new forest, will be paid for their labors by the abatement of ninety per cent. of all the taxes assessed upon such lands for the first ten years; an abatement of eight per cent. for the next ten years and an abatement of fifty per cent. for the third ten. The only limitation is that the abatement shall not exceed forty-five cents per acre for the first ten years; forty cents for the next ten and twenty-five cents for the third ten. Considering the taxable value of lands fitted for forest culture, the abated taxes will practically amount to the full percentage named in the law.

FOR ONE DOLLAR.

Parties desiring bills printed for picnics, festivals etc., can get them done at this office in fine style and at exceedingly low prices. We print quarter sheet bill, same size as a page of the Reporter, for one dollar, and other sizes accordingly, see quarter sheet bill printed this week for the Potters Mills Drum Corps. Send manuscript containing dates and important items, and we will attend to display. We are prepared to execute all kinds of job work in first class style and at short notice.

DRUM CORPS FESTIVAL.

On Friday and Saturday of this week, the drum corps recently organized at Potters Mills, will hold a festival during each day and evening. A basket picnic will be held on same grounds on Saturday to which all are invited to participate. Refreshments in all shapes and forms will be served, and an interesting program of amusements and sports will be carried out. Music will be furnished by a brass band, orchestra and drum corps. A desirable grove on Pinehill has been arranged for the occasion, and a royal good time will be in store for all. For particulars see posters.

LOST.

A golden seal was lost from a watch chain, by Gov. Curtin, between July 4 and 8, the finder, by leaving same at Reporter's office, or returning it direct to Gov. Curtin, will be suitably rewarded. Lost in Centre Hall during the last week, a ladies' gold watch chain. Finder will be rewarded by leaving same at this office. JAMES GORDON KILLED. The sad news comes that James D. Gordon, of Bellefonte, was struck by the day express at Wilmerdine, or Hillsboro, near Johnstown, and instantly killed. The young man went away from this place to Johnstown several months ago, to join a surveying corps. His widowed mother and numerous other relatives reside here.—News, 19. PROSTRATED BY THE HEAT. On last Monday, Mr. Wm. M. Harper, of Tyrone, while at his work, was overcome by the heat, and died shortly after. The deceased was a brother-in-law of Mrs. Jas. Boal, of this place, and was a resident of this place in 1859 when he was one of the instructors in our public schools. Mr. Harper was some fifty years of age, and leaves a wife and several children. MARRIED. On 14th inst., by Rev. M. L. Deitzler, Mr. Allison S. Stover, to Miss Anna M. Yarger, both of Aaronsburg. On 7th inst., in Dayton, Pa., by Rev. J. G. Shoemaker, Mr. W. B. Marshall to Miss Lizzie Shoemaker, daughter of the officiating clergyman. DIED. In Millburgh, on the 2nd July, R. becca, widow of John Stamm, late of Limestone Township, aged 80 years, 10 months, and 21 days. In Millburgh, on the 11th July, Capt. Wm. Fichtorn, aged 45 years, 6 months and 22 days. Drowned near Madisonburg July 14. Annie Nora, only daughter of Charles and Caroline Rachau at the age of 2y. 8 m. 3 days. Lodie Ray, daughter of Calvin and Alice Funk; died at Spring Bank July 15, aged 2y. 20 ds. On the 17th inst., at Millheim, Mrs. Margaret Stover, aged 65 years, 11 months and 24 days. STORE STAND, DWELLING, AND SMITH-Shop, at private sale. A two-story dwelling house, No. 1 store stand with stock of groceries, and one of the best blacksmith stands in the valley, is offered at private sale by the undersigned. All kinds of choice fruit and a cistern and a well of water on the premises. Also, if desired, ten acres of excellent timberland. Apply to CYRUS LUSE, Farmers Mills. BIG BARGAINS IN SUITS. Owing to the fact that we have a large stock on hand, and rather than carry it over, we have decided to make up suits for the next thirty days at about cost. These prices will be for CASH ONLY. To those in need of clothing this is an opportunity not to be missed. We mean just what we advertise. Don't miss this chance; we can save you money. Also hats, shirts, etc., at greatly reduced prices. Next door to post-office, S. U. THOMPSON. BELLEFONTE, PA. CENTRE HALL MARKETS. PRODUCE AT THE STORES. Butter..... 10 Eggs..... 15 Wheat, red..... 12 Oats..... 8 25 Wheat, white..... 12 Rye..... 7 Corn, shelled..... 40 Barley, No. 1..... 46 Barley, No. 2 mixed with oats, bought at oats weight and price. Wheat mixed with Rye bought at rye weight and price. FLOUR AND FEED. Fancy Pat. Flour, 1 45 Bran per ton..... 15 00 Best Roller Flour, 1 25 Oats..... 22 00 2d Best Roller Flour, 1 25 Chop per ton..... 20 00 Middlings per ton, 15 00 retail per cwt 1 25 COAL MARKET. Broken..... \$5.00 Egg..... 3.50 Small Stove..... 3.50 Chestnut..... 3.50 Pot..... 3.50 Woodland..... 4.00 Soft..... 2.75 The above prices are for cash only. KURTZ & SON.

later became second wife of merchant, Henry Gramm