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LOCAL ITEMS.

The coming lion of the day is the dandy-lion. Our constable makes frequent visits to Rising Springs.

Dear Fiedler, what is your weight since the delegate election? Yury Deininger has several front street lots for sale near the station.

Angaline Tobias' sale of household goods, April 14, at 1 o'clock at Centre Hall.

Hastings made a clean sweep and the state administration is sustained in Centre county.

The story of a female teacher outraged by traps in Clearfield county and her tongue cut out, is not true.

Harry Baney has opened a fine grocery on the corner just as you go around the Brockerhoff house.

As soon as it gets a little warmer the lightning rod agent, the tree man and the book peddler will pay you a pleasant call.

Philippburg now has a daily paper, published by Mr. Bair, of the Journal. A town like Philippburg needs a daily and it should be well supported.

D. F. Luse speaks of having a four week's western trip in contemplation. Hope he will purchase it and give us enough for a potato patch.

The boro treasury will get \$75 out of landlord Meyer's \$150 license. The balance goes to the county. Centre Hall is the only boro on this side that is so lucky.

Last year's town council's list of expenditures was put in such shape as not to show what money was spent for. How soon the boro got sick of the delectable "citizens organization."

Mr. and Mrs. Bairfoot of Bellefonte are having their home here (the Dr. Neff residence) put in order, to be occupied again by them in a short time. We will be pleased to have them reside in our town again.

The smoke from the stacks of the roller flouring mills and Lucus new planing mill, at the station, now make that locality look business like, added to which are near a dozen of the finest houses in this neighborhood.

Mr. Bechdol, living near Eagleville, this county, took Rought on Monday night and died before the proper antidotes could be administered and prove efficacious. He has shown, for some time past, that he was depressed in spirits.

The young folks of this place contemplate organizing a tennis club, and are patiently awaiting for better weather to commence practice. They undoubtedly have the finest and best court in the county, tho' the surroundings might be a little pleasant.

Unfortunate and fortunate seemed to have been ex-sheriff Spangler within the last ten days. Unfortunate in losing his pocket book no less than three times. Fortunate in finding it himself every time. Unfortunate to lose a pair of valuable gold eyeglasses. Fortunate to have them found by Will Kurtz, minus a glass.

Mr. Geo. Hoffer, who formerly kept the old Juniata House in Alexandria, has taken charge of the Hallman House, on corner of 3rd and Millin streets, opposite the jail at Huntingdon, and is ready to accommodate regular customers.

Mr. Hoffer was a former citizen and native of Centre Hall.

Our former neighbor, Mr. Smith, now of Williamsport, son-in-law of H. Witner, dec'd., we are informed is about to become a citizen of Bellefonte, having purchased Mrs. Whitman's fancy dry-goods store. Bellefonte will thus add a pleasant and agreeable family to its population, as well as an experienced business man.

The Presbytery of Huntingdon met at Bellefonte on Tuesday. This Presbytery is one of the largest in its territorial limits the counties of Bedford Blair, Centre, Clearfield, Huntingdon, Juniata and Millin. It numbers 55 ministers, 73 churches, 9,700 communicants and about 9,000 Sabbath school scholars.

The thunder storm which set in last Thursday morning was a regular old fashioned one. The lightning was vivid and the thunder loud and rolling. The shower continued most of the day with short intervals when there was no rain, and in the evening just about dark, another and heavier shower with fierce lightning set in. The rain had a good effect on vegetation.

Mr. and Mrs. Himes have returned from their trip to Mexico. They enjoyed it immensely. Mr. Himes embraced the opportunity to witness a big city fight in the city of Mexico, but does not wish to see another. They speak highly of the fruits, flowers, etc., of that tropical country, with the most delicious oranges which are as plenty as apples here in the best season and rot on the ground.

The board walk is getting some dangerous holes. Remember, Altoona three weeks ago had to pay a man \$4000 for injuries sustained by a defective board walk, and if through a blunder of last year's council the board walk is added on our boro, contrary to the council's ordinance and rules, then the boro will not have any one but taxpayers, instead of negligent lot owners, to fall back on—do the citizens know what danger they are placed in for damages, by the stubborn course of the late council?

Miss Nettie Zahn, an accomplished young lady, from Erie, Pa., who in her travels, during the winter visited this section, gives nearly a col. of a well written description of Bellefonte and its enterprises, in the Erie Gazette, of March 31. The lady winds up her letter by paying the REPORTER a handsome compliment:

"A description of Bellefonte would not be complete if mention of her many excellent newspapers were to be omitted. The Wachman, Keystone Gazette, Democrat, Republican and Daily News, while a few miles south of the city, in a town of probably six hundred inhabitants, is printed as breezy a sheet as the country can boast of, the CENTRE REPORTER, at Centre Hall."

TRIPLETS.

Last Sabbath night the wife of Mr. George Loneberger, of this place, gladdened her worthy spouse with triplets—three lively, healthy little girls—mother and triplets are getting along nicely. Before the three little sisters made their appearance, Mr. Loneberger's family counted seven children—now it's a full ten, and there's no telling, it may reach a baker's dozen. Triplets in a family is rare, and therefore worthy of note as well as reward. We think that the President of the United States and the Governor of the Commonwealth should at once be informed of this extraordinary increase in our population, and these dignitaries would no doubt give the event proper recognition. Really Centre Hall is having a boom. The REPORTER trusts that Providence will take special care of Mr. Loneberger and his family.

MURDERER SHAFFER BURIED.

The body of murderer Shaffer, who was executed for the killing of the Colbys, of Cherry Run, was viewed by a large number of persons. The face of the dead man had no repulsive or distorted appearance, but bore a calm and peaceful expression. The coffin plate bore the words, "At Rest, Francis J. Shaffer." The deceased when in life, upon being baptised into the Catholic faith last Sunday, having adopted the name Francis, as a substitute for Luther, in conformity with the rules of the church. At 9 o'clock Thursday morning the body was taken to St. Agnes church where mass was celebrated for the repose of the soul of the dead, after which the interment was made in the Catholic cemetery.

20 MURDER TRIALS.

It is peculiar enough to be remarked that the execution of Shaffer was the first that ever occurred in Clinton county. Since its formation there have been twenty trials for murder in the county, but only one case in which the murderer or accused murderer has suffered death for his crime. Only once before was a man sentenced to hang in Clinton county. At the February session of Court 1884 William Gaines was found guilty of the murder of Robert Gaines and on May 20 of the same year he was sentenced to be hanged. Upon motion a change of venue was granted and the case removed to Centre county, where Gaines was tried and acquitted.

BURNED WHILE MAKING WHISKY.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., April 9.—Mrs. Mary Sharp, of Wexham, was engaged in the manufacture of whisky this afternoon, when the pot containing the same tipped over in the hot fire. The fluid blazed, setting fire to her clothing, and she was burned to death in a few moments. Three of her children who tried to save her were also burned and will die. The husband and father, John Sharp, who was at work at the time, is reported to have become insane.

PREACHING HIS OWN FUNERAL SERMON.

Athens, Ga., April 8.—Two thousand people witnessed an event never before heard of in the history of Clark county. Rev. Dr. Bridges, 84 years old, preached his own funeral sermon to-day in a small country church six miles from here. He had his grave dug and a coffin made for this occasion. He and his assistants sang the first song, "Shall we gladly meet?" He then gave his text, Second Cor., eighth verse, and gave the large crowd a short talk in a very faltering manner.

STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.

During the thunder gust on Thursday last, lightning struck the wagon shed attached to the barn on Reynold's farm, at Earl'stown (formerly Dau'l Durst's) and set it on fire. Fortunately the fire was discovered immediately after the flash, and a ladder standing against the shed enabled the men to put the fire out before it could get any headway. The fire started at a point on the shed quite close to the barn. Sam'l Durst is the tenant on the farm.

ENOUGH OF FLORIDA.

Robert and Mrs. Duncan, who moved to Ariando, Florida, some two years ago, and kept a house for the entertainment of northern tourists to that land of heat, beauty and flowers, we are told will return to good old Pennsylvania again, and not give us a very opinion of that state as we are so wont to hear. Florida may have its beauties, but it has its uglies, roses, too, but not without thorns.

PROHIBITION CONVENTION.

The Prohibitionists of Centre co. will meet in convention in the Court House, Bellefonte, on the 19th of April, for the purpose of electing delegates to attend the state Convention which meets at Harrisburg on the 2nd of May; and to transact such other business as may properly come before them.

J. ZIEGLER, Chairman.

GREAT LUMBER FIRE AT WILLIAMSPORT.

Williamsport, Pa., April 6.—Fire this evening gutted the lumber yard of Brown, Clark & Howe, covering a territory of over five acres. Between 4,000,000 and 5,000,000 feet of pine and hemlock lumber and pickets were burned, involving a total loss of about \$70,000; insurance, \$85,000.

\$5 REWARD.

Any one who can tell from the manner in which the late town council, of the citizens organization, printed its list of expenditures, how much it paid for shoveling snow from the board walk, we will owe him five dollars, for his ability of seeing through mud. How many—who can tell, for shoveling snow?

LUMBER INTEREST SOLD.

We are informed that the Nippeness lumber interests of Rev. J. K. Miller, dec'd, formerly of Centre Hall, consisting of steam sawmill and timber tracts, have been sold for \$11,000. The estate still owns a house in this town and timberland in the 7 mountains.

The long talked of new book introduced by Rose E. Cleveland is being published by the J. L. Hester, Pub. Co., St. Louis, Mo. The reputation of Miss Rose Cleveland as a writer is such as to guarantee a large sale for anything coming from her pen. The Publishers offer a rare opportunity to agents. See advertisement in another column.

IMPORTANT LITTLE THINGS.

The fellow who was in our railroad station, on Sunday, (?) must have got in through a knot hole and out through a keyhole.

Neighbor Kennedy had his toes severely bruised by a ladder falling on them at Coburn. Coburn is a dangerous place.

The grain fields have worked up wonderfully under the recent pleasant weather, and fields everywhere look very fine.

Farmers are busy plowing and the soil is in fine order.

Subscribe for the REPORTER for the campaign at 10 cents per month—send us three names and you get a fourth copy free.

The roller mill is about putting in a corn breaker, for chopping corn in the cob, and will attach a large storehouse to the mill to accommodate the increasing trade.

Cream patent and Calla Lily, extra straight, are among the best brands of flour in the United States.

Bricklayers are busy on the new Presbyterian church, and Bro. Kerr will soon see his edifice completed, the erection of which is principally owing to his energy and activity.

Landlord Meyer went to Reading last week, and will see that the Democratic majority is swelled about 1000 next fall.

SANTA FE SWITCHMEN QUIT.

Kansas City, April 2.—At 5 o'clock this afternoon the switchmen and firemen in the Santa Fe yards here quit work. The company has been handling Burlington freight and this action was taken in pursuance of the policy determined upon at the general meeting of yardmen last Saturday night. The men have no other complaint and will go to work on the condition that they are not required to handle "Q" freight.

THE THREE HOTTEST DAYS IN 1888.

In his article on "Where to Spend the Summer," in Scribner's for April, Gen. Greely, chief signal officer, makes a prophecy as to the hottest days in the year 1888. The Detroit Journal, taking the matter up, has offered a prize of \$500 to the person guessing correctly, before June 1st, what the 3 days will be. Gen. Greely immediately telegraphed his guess to the paper, in accord with his reasons in Scribner's for April.

LOCAL SQUIBS.

Garden digging is going on lively all around. Jas. Lingle, farmer, near this place, is quite ill.

D. J. Meyer took a trip to Berks county this week.

Boozer keeps the very best kind of harness oil, try it.

Don't fail to visit Pearlstone's new store when in Bellefonte.

J. W. Wolf and family spent several days of this week in Williamsport.

Das Hess won't he'll not go fishing this summer—cause, he don't like to get wet.

A Mr. Leaser has rented the Z-rby property down town and will move in this week.

"Are you making garden?" Daily News. Well that's none of your business is a private family affair.

Jack Dale, of Oneyia, formerly of this place, was here on a flying visit and gave the REPORTER a call.

Oscar Emerick we hear will teach a select primary school at this place and will start in on Monday next.

W. Mover has opened a new dry goods store at Bellefonte in the room vacated by McFarlane's hardware.

Spring and summer stock of ready made clothing is being unpacked at the Rochester clothing House, Bellefonte.

Sidney Bairfoot was well enough to reach here by train on Monday. The change will, no doubt, be for the better.

Lyon & Co. have unpacked an immense line of Spring and summer goods and quote prices on same in another column.

Our neighbor, Andy Reesman, is not enjoying the best of health, and has been confined to the house several days already.

Tuesday morning brought a change of weather. It was cloudy and a ground moist with a light rainfall during the night.

The "Reformed Church Record," is a new paper published at Reading by Daniel Miller. We have the first issue on our table.

Stop in at Flemings, fashionable tailoring establishment, Bellefonte, and see the new styles in gents clothing for spring and summer.

A. C. Mingle has something to say in another column in regard to boots and shoes. Don't fail to visit Mingle's shoe store when in Bellefonte.

Stover & Mott, the marble men, at Getlefonte, received recently a carload of marble and are offering tombstones and monuments at reduced rates.

The frog concert will soon begin—free to all for the entire season—music begins at dusk. Crickets and katydids will join the frog troops in the fall.

Fleming the tailor, Bellefonte, has opened up his new stock for suitings, for spring and summer wear. New styles will be worn this year and he has them in stock.

AARONSBURG.

Jerome Stambach has moved his family to Mrs. Rosehouse and has gone back to Somerset Co. to take charge of a steam saw mill.

John H. Muser is tearing down the old Kuriz shop and George Bright is removing his old shop, two old land marks that have stood for many years.

Miss Mary Fry, who had gone to Reading with H. G. Shaffer has returned and with her mother will go to Williamsport where they expect to make their home in the future.

Andrew Immel has moved into Homan's house, lately purchased of Fry, where he keeps "bachelors hall" and carries the mail.

Oscar Wolf and his brother John, last week left for Kansas City, Missouri. Oscar expects to follow his trade, that of a blacksmith, while John will work on a farm.

Samuel Diehl will in a few days take the road to Clearfield with a lot of bran new boggies.

George Homan sold his Clydesdale colt to Mr. Schrock of Sugar Valley who has one to mate it in very particular.

Mrs. T. J. Kiester starts for Scranton this week, where her husband has charge of a printing office.

Frederick Reager sold one of his squares to G. M. Knapp for \$200.00.

D. H. Dentler and D. H. Rose are each running an incubator and raising their chicks in broods.

NEW GOODS AT THE STONE MILL.

A. S. Kerlin is in Philadelphia this week selecting a stock of goods for the spring and summer seasons and will be opened up at Arthur Kerlin's store at the Stone Mill in a few days. Look out for the new goods.

M. Fauble, proprietor of the celebrated Rochester Clothing House, in Reynolds new building Bellefonte, was in the city this week and brings back the finest line of ready made clothing and gents furnishing goods ever seen in this county.

The best fence wire ever used in the county is the link barb wire sold at McFarlane's mammoth hardware store, Crider's Block, Bellefonte. A heavy stock of this wire has just been received and will be sold at prices to suit. It is the easiest put up and the nicest to handle. Don't forget Crider's Block, Bellefonte. Look for "Hardware" on the roof.

Please call and examine our large stock of cloths and cassimeres suitable for any garment in men's wear—a full assortment of overcoats "READY MADE." The largest line of hats, caps and furnishing goods in the county—all work guaranteed to fit or no sale.

MONTGOMERY & Co. Brockerhoff Row & Humes Block.

The Millinburg Telegraph says Mr. Wm. Young, formerly of that place, now of Phila., gets a verdict in the Philadelphia Courts for \$39,500 against Jas. E. Reber, of Reading, Pa., after spending 5 days trying the case. In 1881 Mr. Young purchased 426 shares of the stock of "The Pennsylvania Graphite Mining and Manufacturing Co.," in the purchase of which he claimed that he had been deceived and defrauded out of his money and brought suit therefor, and recovered a verdict as above stated.

James Houghton, of Lewisburg, died very suddenly on Sunday. After leaving his bed in the morning he felt a slight pain on his left shoulder, but this was nothing unusual, as he had been rheumatic for years. Otherwise, he was in fair health. When he set down to breakfast he was eating the second egg, when his wife saw his head drop, and he rested it on his plate. She called her son, J. W. Houghton, who lives in a little house, who raised his father's head. He gasped several times and died. He had evidently been a ricken with an attack of neuralgia of the heart. He was in his 78th year.—Chronicle.

A wonderful interest has been shown throughout the West in Prof. James Baldwin's paper, "The Centre of the Republic," in Scribner's Magazine for April. It is an inspiring account of the rise and progress of the Ohio Valley, suggested by the Centennial celebration soon to take place at Cincinnati. Prof. Baldwin's account of what has been accomplished produces a glow of patriotism and makes his readers proud of their birthright.

The soft coal miners in the mountain between Gallitzin and South York, 4000 to 5000 in number have decided not to accept a reduction of ten per cent on the paying price of 45 cents per ton net, and a strike is expected. The operators say that they cannot compete with the coke producers about Pittsburgh, and that the action and subsequent break of the Connellsville Coke Syndicate reducing coke to \$1 per ton means ruin to them at present rate. The cokers at Coalport, Irona and Punksutawney are now idle, involving 22000 ovens and 4000 men, and the situation is serious.

MARRIED.

On April 5, by the Rev. J. Horner Kerr, Mr. Michael N. Miller and Miss Lide A. McElroy.

It was at the home of the bride's cousin, Miss Emily Alexander, whose graceful hospitality has cheered many hearts, where the wedding bells had called a number of guests to share the festivities of the marriage. After the handsome couple were tied, all were welcomed to the tables loaded with richly prepared and bountifully provided viands. A post-prandial was furnished by the town band, whose members are always ready to do the agreeable on important occasions.

After a few days' absence in the east, the happy couple will return, when Mr. Alexander will combine to render them a valued acquisition to Spring Mills society. M.S.

DIED.

Near Tusseyville, on March 18th, Mrs. Ada L. Lee, wife of John Lee, aged 28 years and 27 days.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria, When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria, When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria, When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

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MR. CONKLING VERY ILL.

A CRITICAL OPERATION PERFORMED ON THE EX-SENATOR'S HEAD.

Roscoe Conkling, who has been suffering for several days with an abscess of the ear and inflammation of the membrane of the brain, became delirious on Sunday. Dr. Fordyce Baker and Dr. D. Hayes Agnew were hastily summoned; also Mrs. Conkling hurried from Utica.

New York, April 9.—Ex-Senator Roscoe Conkling is lying to-night very near death's door and slight hopes are entertained of his recovery. An operation was performed by making an incision in the squamous portion of the temporal bone and raising the base of the brain by the aid of a mallet and chisel. About an ounce of pus flowed out. The patient was under the influence of ether but he rolled and tossed so that it was only with difficulty that the operation was performed. Dr. Barker said that while the recovery of the patient is not assured, he stands a much better chance than before. After the operation Mr. Conkling arose, walked into an adjoining room and returned.

Now is the time to buy a cheap pistol or revolver as we are selling off our stock to make room for new goods. A 22 calibre revolver for \$1.25 and up, 32 calibre as low as \$2.25. BUSHMAN & KREAMER.

"Dr. Sells' Cough Syrup." Without exception has given satisfaction. Our readers give it a trial. Druggists keep it. Price 50c. a bottle. ap.

COMMISSIONERS' SALE OF UNSEATED LANDS.

In pursuance of an Act of Assembly approved the 29 day of March, A. D. 1884, the County Commissioners will sell at public sale at the Court House in the Borough of Bellefonte on Thursday, the 10 day of May, 1888, the following tracts of unseated lands which had been sold to the county for unpaid taxes under Treasury Sales, and which have remained in their hands unredemmed for five years or more to wit—

Table with columns: No. Acres For, Warranted, Township.

H. H. SCHREYER, BISHOP ST., Bellefonte, Pa.

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CARPETS.

In order to make room for our Big Spring Stock we are offering some patterns, ends, etc., at Greatly Reduced Prices.

We have carpets as low as 20cts. per yard—and right good at that. Rag carpet 25 cents per yard up. We are also headquarters for heavy and light draperies, curtain poles, etc.

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WALL PAPER

Having Just purchased the largest stock of wall paper ever brought to Central Pennsylvania, at such prices that it cannot be manufactured for.

We are ready to sell at equally low prices such as will astonish you when you see them.

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Come and let us give you prices.

Remember, the prices we give on carpets are only for ends and such patterns as we carried over from last year.

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