

PERSONAL MENTION.

Coming and Going.—Visitors in and out of town.

—Rev. I. P. Neff, of Middleburg, Pa., is visiting among friends in Centre Hall and vicinity.

—Ex-County Commissioner John D. Decker, of Potters Mills, is a frequent visitor in town.

—E. E. Couser, of Loganton, was in our community last week, buying grain and clover seed.

—Mr. Alfred Bird, of Mt. Carmel, Pa., was entertained at the home of Rev. F. F. Christine last Friday.

—S. Paul Dinges, of Williamsport, the hustling young insurance solicitor, spent Sunday with his mother here.

—Charley Weiser, superintendent of the power department in Boob's shops, is taking his little dose of the measles.

—Misses Emilie and Grace Alexander came home last week after a visit with their friend Miss Bertha Scott, in Tyrone.

—J. F. Emerick, one of our Farmers' Mills patrons, gave us a call, and had his label set to '98, and reports all well down there.

—Our esteemed friend, M. F. Rossman, of Tusseyville, was a pleasant caller, and has his label to shine for '99. Reports health good over there.

—George Smull, the very-much alive insurance agent of Rebersburg, was in town Tuesday putting up some stiff arguments for his company. He has been very successful.

—Jas. W. Runkle, of Middleburg, was up to see his old neighbors and, as usual, favored the Reporter with a call. He thinks sleighing wasn't as good in Snyder as in Centre county.

—Charley Shiffler was in town for a few days the last week, shaking hands with his friends in his old home. Charley is located at Big Run, Jefferson county, where he has a very good position.

—Jacob P. Bible, of Potters Mills, was a welcome visitor a few days ago. Mr. Bible is one of Potter township's good farmers, and a very pleasant gentleman in every way. He is the present secretary of the township school board, a position which he satisfactorily fills.

Letter's Wheat Shipments.

Young Leiter is offering the railroads 1 million bushels of wheat, if they will take it at 12 cents from Chicago to New York. The rate paid the Lehigh Valley for 500,000 bushels was 15 cents. The Grand Trunk will haul it from Chicago to Buffalo, and cars have been ordered, but are not at Armour's elevator yet. The receipts were turned in to Armour a few nights ago. It is said that 500,000 bushels more will be shipped within a short time, and there are rumors that the Nickel-Plate will get it. The only story that can be positively confirmed is that 500,000 bushels will be shipped, but it is intimated that before the end of May, Leiter will ship out 4,000,000 bushels by rail to the seaboard in addition to the 1,500,000 bushels wheat he has afloat. The general impression is that the wheat has been consigned to Liverpool, as it goes on a through rate of 32 cents from Chicago. Foreign bids have been advanced 2 cents. They are afraid at Chicago that Leiter will put the market up. The shorts are being run in, and Leiter for the present is master of the situation.

Over 15,000 Miles of Railroad.

Chief Engineer Brown, of the Pennsylvania railroad, has just completed his report for the year 1897, and furnishes some interesting information regarding the physical condition of that corporation, which, it is believed, is the largest in the world. If all the tracks of the Pennsylvania company were laid in a straight line they would reach from London to San Francisco and return and have something for sidings at the big cities. They would reach from Hudson bay to the strait of Magellan and part of the way back. The total length is 15,766 miles.

An Aged Editor.

Samuel J. Row, of Clearfield, died at his home in Clearfield last Saturday, 29th, at the ripe age of 75 years. Mr. Row went into the newspaper work at the age of twenty, and with but slight intermission continued it until 1890. He was associated with his brother, S. B. Row, in publishing the *Raftsmen's Journal* and finally succeeded to its entire control, only giving up the work at an advanced age.

Not Generally Known.

The members of the last Pennsylvania legislature enacted a law which is not generally known. The act of July 9, 1897, gives to the school boards everywhere in the state the right to purchase and pay for, out of the school funds, an American flag staff and all the necessary appliances.

Oscola Klondikers.

A. C. Blowers, Hiram Cramer, Wm. Speedy and ex-burgess J. H. Stoddard, all of Oscola, Pa., started Tuesday morning for the Klondike gold fields. They expect to locate on the American side of the Copper river. Wesley Kiser, also of Oscola, will join this party early next month.

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AARONSBURG.

An Interesting Letter from Our Correspondent Down the Valley.

George Korman leaves the toll gate on the first of March and goes back to Rebersburg. Who will succeed him at the gate is still a question.

Billie Korman bought a farm in Brush valley, formerly owned by Jonnie Y. Stover. He has been tired of shoemaking for the last year and has been wanting to go to farming.

The operation performed on Mr. George Bright's eyes was not successful, and the old gentleman at times suffers a great deal of pain. He is in his 87th year, and is the oldest person in town. The next oldest is Mrs. Simon Rote, who is 84 years old.

Clayton Wyle and his uncle, James Holloway, started for Akron, Ohio, on Monday morning. They expect to remain there about two weeks and bring home with them several horses, that Frank Holloway is bringing to Akron from Northern Illinois.

One of the largest funerals ever held in this section was that of John Long, on last Sunday, in the Reformed church. The church was packed, and there wasn't even standing room. He was an Odd Fellow and the order had charge of the funeral. Consumption was the cause of his death, yet he never suffered any pain. His age was 74 years.

The REPORTER some weeks ago in an article referred to certain characters who years ago tramped around in this neighborhood. The name of the party who did the funny spelling was Tom Morton. He was arrested in Sunbury for arson, found guilty and sentenced to imprisonment in the county jail, where he died. Abe Lacy (nicknamed Lazy) died at Richfield, Juniata county, a pauper. Another queer fellow was "Johnny Whipcracker," we have forgotten his right name.

SPRING MILLS.

Throwing a Chicken Head into a Neighbor's Yard.

The K. of G. E. had the installation of their officers here on Saturday evening last. The attendance was quite large.

Mrs. Samuel Krape of our village, has been very seriously ill for several weeks. The venerable mother of W. P. Alexander, who has been ill for some time is improving. Mrs. W. P. Alexander was mending quite rapidly, but unfortunately met with a relapse and is again confined to her bed. Coughs and colds seem quite prevalent here at present.

I was informed very positively a few days since, and on good authority, that C. P. Long, the enterprising and popular merchant of our village, would be a candidate before the next Republican County Convention. Having some doubts about it, I referred the matter to Mr. Long himself, who smilingly replied: "A candidate you ask, why my dear sir, the 'woods are full of them,' unquestionably when the time arrives, the convention will nominate capable and competent gentlemen for all the offices, whom it will be a pleasure to support. Yes sir, I repeat it, the woods are full of them." Of course this was no answer to my question. Unfortunately for Mr. Long he is not a Democrat, and this year Centre county will return to the Democratic fold and remain there.

Two young ladies of our village, apparently have innocently involved themselves into a law suit of considerable magnitude. It appears that one day last week the young ladies secured an unusually fine chicken, with which no doubt, they made an excellent pot. Shortly after the decapitation, a favorite pet cat, of course with a bright ribbon neatly tied around its neck with a bell attached, was discovered eagerly gnawing at the head, evidently regarding it as no everyday feast, when one of the young ladies hastily observed, oh no pussy dear, you must not eat that nasty thing, and at the same time taking up the head carelessly tossed it away, but unfortunately landed in a neighbors barn yard. This shocking sight was soon discovered by the neighbor, whose wrath knew no bounds. His barn yard to be polluted by a vile chicken head, was an offense too outrageous to be quietly born, consequently complaint was entered at the Squires, and now these young ladies may soon discover that throwing a chicken head recklessly, even with no malice, and it lands in some barnyard, possibly on the manure pile, is an offense, in some eyes, next to sacrilege. Seriously, the whole village is laughing at it, and regard the proceedings as exceedingly small business.

POTTERS MILLS.

News Items from Across the Valley, as Gathered by Our Correspondent.

Lots of mud! Don't save it. Lowell Smith is at present visiting friends here.

Will Smith returned home to see the twins.

Joe Carson wears a broad smile. He says he is papa.

Any one desiring to play checkers should come to Potters Mills.

John Wilkinson has commenced the sawing of lumber on the Thompson mill.

The Atlantic Refining Co's agent made another trip through here last week, delivering oil.

John Wilkinson caught another fox. He is an old hand at the business and just knows how to get them.

James Markle, of Boalsburg, is working for Emory Shires; he expects to go with him to Roaring Springs.

Valentines were trump on Monday evening. Well, that is a good way for people to expose their ignorance.

Charles Sweetwood has given up going west. He expects to take Will Harshbarger's place in Carson's store.

Church Statistics.

A reader of the Reporter desires us to give the number of communicants of the churches in the United States. The following is a list in alphabetical order:

Table with 2 columns: Denomination and Number of Communicants. Includes Adventists (77,293), Baptists (4,153,857), Brethren (3,427), etc.

Then there is a score of other churches which we omit, the membership of these foots up, from 20,000 down to less than 100. The membership of all denominations in the United States is a total of 25,424,333, which is about one half of the adult population.

TROUBLE IN THE CHURCH.

From the New York Weekly Witness, a religious journal, we make the following extract:

The newspapers are continually bearing witness to the fact that instead of promoting brotherly love, our church organizations often become fountains of bitterness. We copy on another page the Sun's description of two typical church quarrels, but any reader who has had much opportunity for observation will probably be able to testify that mutual concession and kindly forbearance are almost as uncommon in the churches as out of them.

No clearer evidence could be desired to prove that the churches have in some way lost their true character than the fact that discord among the brethren and sisters is so common; so easily excited and so persistent when once started.

"See how these Christians love one another!" was said by the heathen onlookers in the early days of the Church. But now, onlookers might often exclaim, "see how these Christians quarrel!"

What is the matter? Is it that the religion of Christ has not the same power over men's hearts now as it had eighteen centuries ago? Are we become so hard hearted that the love of God cannot subdue our natural propensity to unkindness?

The root of the evil seems to lie in a lowering of the standard of Christian obligation. Since religion has become a fashionable thing, patronized by fashionable people, humility, and reverence, and submission to the will of God, and faithful obedience at the expense of personal comfort or advantage—these and all other really Christ-like virtues have lost caste in the estimation of church-going people. They have been relegated to back seats and often well high crowded out of the church.

Recent Millin County Deaths.

At Lewistown Junction, Ellen Cornelius, aged 51 years.

At Granville, A. Z. Brought, aged 36 years.

In Kansas, the widow of Lewis Piba aged 86 years, formerly of Bratton tp.

In Wayne twp., Harry Forgy, aged 16 years.

In Belleville, the widow of Miles Hafly, aged 70 years.

In Lewistown, Wm. Johnson, aged 79 years.

Near Siglerville, Noah Romig, in his 55 year.

In Derry twp., Ada Johnston Sigler. At Lewistown Narrows, Lewis C. York, aged 38 years.

Weekly Weather Report—Centre Hall (Government Service).

Temperature: Highest. Lowest.

Feb. 10 51 33 clear.

" 11 51 36 cloudy.

" 12 41 33 clear.

" 13 38 25 part cloudy.

" 14 32 24 cloudy.

" 15 34 26 part cloudy.

" 16 26 14 clear.

Rain, night of 10th, .03 inch; forenoon of 11th, .03 inch. Snow, morning of 13, 1 inch; on forenoon of 15, 1 1/2 inches. Violent storm on night of 15 and on 16.

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