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Decoration Day.

Decoration Day services will be held at this place at six o'clock, p. m. Hon. W. C. Heinle will be the principle speaker; the Ministers of the town are also expected to assist at the services.

Decoration services as follows, by the Spring Mills G. A. R. and Sons of Veterans, assisted by the Sunday schools and citizens. They will decorate Union soldiers graves, at Green Grove, Saturday; May 27, at 6 p. m.; Mountain, May 29, 5.30 p. m.; Georges valley, 10 a. m., Union 2 p. m.; Spring Mills, 5.30 p. m., May 30. Speakers have been secured for each place. A full attendance is requested.

Installation Services.

The Installation services of Rev. H. C. Salem, as pastor of the Rebersburg Lutheran pastorate, will take place as follows: May 21, 1899 10 a. m., the charge to the pastor will be delivered by Prof. E. J. Wolf, D. D., of Gettysburg. 2.30 p. m., the pastor will hold regular services at Brungart's; 7.30 p. m., the charge to the people will be delivered by Rev. C. L. McConnell, of Millinburg. To all of these services the public is invited. There will be no services in the charge May 23, as the pastor will be out of town.

H. C. SALEM, Pastor.

Prisoners Can be Put at Work.

Under a recent act of the legislature the judge, sheriff and county commissioners constitute a board which has authority to put prisoners in the county jails at work on the streets and roads and use them at any work which can be done without the aid of machinery. All labor done by prisoners is required to be manual labor.

Appointed Postmaster.

Ex-County Commissioner James B. Strohm, has received the appointment as postmaster at Centre Hill, the position his father the late Michael Strohm occupied for many years.

REPAIRING THE RESERVOIR.

The Council Taking the Work Off the Contractor's Hands.

The council has concluded to repair their reservoir themselves and accordingly started a gang of men to work on the basin last week. The contract was given to the Malone brothers to build the basin. The job was to cost about \$1200, nearly all of which was paid the contractor. From the first the council found fault with the job, claiming that the reservoir would not hold water and leaked at several places. When they settled with the contractors the council withheld about \$150 until the basin was repaired to their satisfaction. Three or four weeks ago contractor Malone was in town, and sizing up the situation, concluded to allow the council to make the repairs themselves, which was considered a wise move on his part by many.

The stone facing and clay tamping on the west end has been removed, and that on the south side will also be taken out. The work to be done is enormous, and some of our citizens are already beginning to find fault with the recklessness and incompetency shown. The council is partly at sea as to how they can make the repairs and are considering doing away with the stone fence idea and use planks instead for the sides. Some citizens filed a vigorous kick against this idea, claiming that one reservoir was constructed on this idea and that the town had enough of it.

The Spring Mills Coal Prospect.

Spring Mills is still hopeful on the signs of coal found on the Snavely lot, while drilling for water. The water, we are informed, since drilling deeper, has a film of oil on top, if this does not come from the oil about the tools it might indicate oil in the bottom.

Samuel Burrell, it appears, impelled by public spiritedness, has purchased over a hundred acres on Egg hill, upon which a half dozen shafts are being sunk, one on the top of that mountain, with a view to getting down to the black diamonds. We would be pleased to learn that Mr. Burrell's labors and investment will richly reward him as he deserves.

The Reporter has also been informed that samples of this coal have been submitted to experts and pronounced anthracite of an inferior quality. Perhaps the No. 1 will be found down deeper.

Reformed Delegates to Synod.

The following delegates to the Pennsylvania Synod of the Reformed church were elected by the West Susquehanna Classis, in session at Boalsburg, last week: Ministerial, Revs. J. L. Barnhart, W. A. Haas, A. A. Black; Elders, A. Luckenbach, W. T. From and J. L. Ream. The reports denoted a flattering increase in church work, membership and contributions.

Miss Helen Hastings to Wed.

On Saturday the announcement was made in Bellefonte of the engagement of Miss Helen Rankin Hastings to Ross Hickok, of Harrisburg. The prospective bride is the eldest daughter of ex-Governor Hastings, while the groom is the son of the late W. O. Hickok, who was at the head of the firm of W. O. Hickok Manufacturing Company.

More Bogus Stamped Cigars.

Deputy Revenue Collector Brosius is still finding cigars bearing the Jacobs counterfeit stamp. At Hubersburg he found 250 and at Phillipsburg 4,100 were reported to him. Under instructions received from the principal office, the merchants holding these seized cigars are paying for stamps furnished by the government. The cigars are restamped by the deputy collector and are then released.

Recent Mills County Deaths.

Bratton, David Harshbarger, age 62 years. Wayne, Margaret Jamison, age 87ys. Oliver, widow of Henry S. Price, age 83 years. Siglerville, James Ramsey, age 25ys. Armagh, William Reed, age 93ys.

New Round the World Ticket.

The Pennsylvania railroad has placed a "round the world" ticket on the market. Its cost is only \$585, and it includes meals and berths whenever the travel is on the water. The average rate is considerably less than three cents a mile.

Postmaster Bon's Gown.

It is reported that postmasters of the United States will be required by the department to wear a uniform hereafter, consisting of light blue trousers with red braid running down the legs, a white blouse with gold shoulder straps and a skull cap with a silver star in front.

New Pension Law.

Under a new pension law a wife of a soldier drawing a pension may make application before a justice of the peace or authorized court, and have half said pension set aside for herself and family.

A Live Town.

Building has been begun at Middleburg for a shoe factory which will employ 100 hands. They have also raised \$25,000 for a gun factory.

"Owe No Man Anything"

"Owe no man anything, save to love one another," Rom. 13:8. These words were the subject of a discourse by Rev. Rearick, in the Lutheran church, last Sabbath evening, and riveted the attention of his hearers, to the timely and forcible words of reproof of the prevailing sin of dishonesty. Intentionally do men buy with no intention to pay, and wear the stigma of having cheated a neighbor. Many flowers are worn upon hats and fine clothes upon the person which are never paid for and fraudulently obtained at another's expense. This spectacle we behold daily and proves that the divine injunction, to love one another and owe no man anything, is despised by some people and they prefer to stamp themselves with the bad odor of dishonesty. The text implies there is no heaven for one who will not pay his honest debts and whose transactions are with a view to get something and never intending to pay for it.

The pastor proceeded to mention a few of the many devices made use of by dishonest men to cheat their fellow men, viz: Pleading the limitation to escape paying an honest debt; pleading the \$300 law to defraud your fellow man; putting your property in your wife's name to escape paying your honest debts—these plans to be dishonest may help you out under the civil law, but under the laws of God never. Better to wear no flowers and fine apparel than to have yourself pointed at with the remark, "There goes one wearing flowers and fine apparel which were bought and never paid for." Far better be without these and be clothed in the garb of honesty before God and men.

This is only a meagre synopsis of Rev. Rearick's discourse which occasioned much favorable comment during the week. This text should be used two or three times each year in every pulpit throughout the land.

Bethany Church, Philadelphia.

Rev. Samuel G. Shannon, pastor of Bethany Lutheran Church, on Sunday, 7th, celebrated the tenth anniversary of his pastorate. The following will show the actual work done by him during the ten years: Sermons preached, 1,229; lectures delivered, 699; pastoral visits made, 4,165; people buried, 279; children baptized, 214; adults baptized, 39; couples married, 104; admitted into church, 420. Bethany is one of the flourishing congregations of Philadelphia, for which the pastor, our former townsman, deserves great credit.

Bounties on Foxes and Minks.

The act of 1897, which provided for the payment of bounties for foxes and minks, and which was declared unconstitutional owing to a defect in the title, was so amended by the recent legislature as to overcome the defect. Bounties on foxes and minks killed since April 11, 1899, will be paid by the county commissioners. These payments have been suspended for about two years.

Reduced Rates to Altoona.

On account of the parade of the Knights Templar, State Grand Commandery, at Altoona, Tuesday, May 23, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets from points on its line in the state of Pennsylvania, to Altoona, at rate of single fare for the round trip (minimum rate, twenty-five cents).

Tickets will be sold on May 22 and 23, good to return until May 24, inclusive.

Rohn's Body Found.

The body of John Rohn, the wealthy lumberman of Three Runs, near Kart-haus, who has been missing for four weeks, was found under a pile of saw dust near his saw mill a few days ago. The several hundred dollars he had with him are missing, and he was evidently murdered. Detectives are at work on the case.

Saving in Forest Fire Losses.

In a recent address, State Forestry Commissioner Rothrock stated that a comparison of the losses of Pennsylvania by forest fires of \$1,000,000 in 1889 and \$550,000 in 1898 is convincing evidence that the laws are right, and that they have saved the state thousands of dollars.

Starting a Laundry.

W. H. Zong, who intends starting a steam laundry in town, received part of his machinery this week. As soon as the balance arrives, the plant will be started. He will locate it in Colyer's building, at the station. Mr. Zong has been employed in the laundry at Howard and has had much experience in the business.

Barbers Must Pay.

The new mercantile license law which goes into force next year, embraces all those barbers who have for sale soaps, perfumeries, hair oil, cosmetics, etc. The license they will be called upon to pay amounts to two dollars a year.

Grange Meeting.

The Centre county Pomona Grange will meet in the hall of Victor Grange at Oak Hall, on Friday, May 26, at 10 a. m.

Try the Reporter for all job printing.

A FISHERMAN GETS LOST.

Harry Harper Wanders the Seven Mountains all Tuesday Night.

Last Tuesday night, Harry, son of Simon Harper, of this place, had an experience which he will not soon forget. In company with Mr. Straub he put up at Garrity's to do some fishing in the mountains. Following the main stream Harry reached the little meadow in the evening where Rev. Miller once had a sawmill. Here the Tuesday evening's terrific thunder storm burst upon him and no shelter being within three miles, Harry was at the mercy of the demonic play of the elements which frightened and bewildered him as darkness was opening its mantle. His intention was to climb the steep and rocky gully to reach the pike on top of the mountain where a little run crosses the pike. Bewildered, he took an opposite direction and climbed the wrong mountain, and now it was quite dark and Harry did not know where he was and he wandered about all night, tumbling over rocks and logs, getting bruises and scratches, and at one time he fell between some huge rocks which rendered him unconscious for a short time; recovering, his wandering began again, wet, the chill made his teeth chatter all night. He struck the stream several times, but the water always seemed to be running in the wrong direction.

After daybreak yesterday morning Harry struck the gully he intended to climb the evening before and reached the pike and by 6:30 a. m. he reached Garrity's when Pat at once put him to bed, and in the afternoon he appeared pretty well repaired, considering.

When the boy did not return Tuesday evening Walter Garrity and Straub started down the stream on a search, until 10 o'clock, but darkness rendered their efforts futile, and the roaring of the stream made it impossible to hear calls or cries, and they returned, starting out next morning, searching to within two miles of Milroy, returning at noon, overjoyed to learn that the boy had returned. Harry lost his trout, 34 out of 40, during his tumbings, but was compensated in seeing a deer close to him.

Killed in the Wreck Near Reading.

In the awful wreck at Exeter, on the Reading railroad, in which 29 lives were lost on Friday night, was Franklin Sowers, of Norristown, a brother-in-law of Col. James P. Coburn, of Aaronsburg. The widow of the unfortunate man was Margaret, only daughter of Dr. Charles Coburn, dec'd, of Aaronsburg, and sister of James P. Coburn.

Mr. Sowers was returning home that night on the excursion train, from the unveiling of the Hartranft monument at Harrisburg.

Mr. Sowers was killed almost instantly and the only mark on his body was a bruise on the back of his head. Interment at Norristown yesterday.

The deceased was in his 71st year, and long in the book and stationery business in Norristown. His wife survives him.

A Heavy Storm.

Tuesday evening a big wind and thunder storm passed over our valley, doing considerable damage to trees, fences, etc. The storm struck the town about six o'clock, and was of only a few minutes duration. There was a heavy blast of wind which wrecked trees and blew down several small buildings in the town. The thunder and lightning was terrific. There was some hail with the storm, the down pour of rain was heavy but it quickly passed over. The Commercial telephone service was knocked out in the valley, and nearly all their phones disabled in the town. The Bell system was not interrupted and suffered little damage. The storm passed off to the south east. Considerable damage was done in other parts of the county.

Bicycle Side Paths.

Judge Love has granted the petition for the appointment under the new law of three bicycle side path commissioners for Centre county. R. F. Hunter and G. R. Meek, Bellefonte, and A. V. Hoyt, Phillipsburg, were the ones appointed. The board organized by electing Hunter president, and Meek as secretary. A dollar tax will be assessed on bicycles. Steps were taken for holding a convention of the various county side path commissioners to arrange for building a grand trunk line path from Williamsport, through the West Branch, Bald Eagle and Juniata Valleys, to Harrisburg.

Important Railway Rumor.

In connection with the big deal at Bellefonte by which the Collins furnace and a large area of ore lands pass into the hands of a syndicate of capitalists, there are important railroad rumors afloat. One story is in effect that the starting of these works will mean the building soon of the long-talked-of Bellefonte and Clearfield road, as well as the eastern extension of the Central Pennsylvania.

Salt Kills Grub Worms.

Some farmers put salt on their corn as they plant it to keep the grub worms from destroying the young plants.

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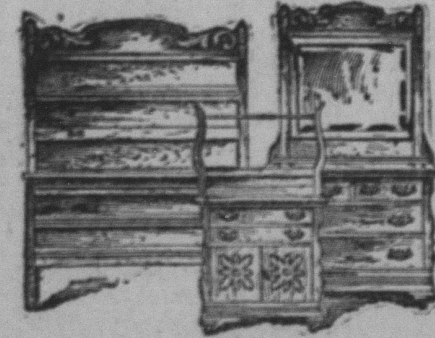
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