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THE NEW LAW.

Mercantile Tax to be Collected from Large and Small Dealers.

Merchants will find a great change in the mercantile tax next year, when the tax bill passed by the last legislature will be enforced for the first time. Under the old act of assembly, which has been in force for many years, only those whose annual sales amounted to \$1,000 or over were subjected to the payment of tax, but under the new bill, the one which will soon go into force, there will be no exemption whatever.

Every man or woman engaged in business, no matter how small their sales may be, will be compelled to pay tax on the same. The change will add largely to the work of the mercantile appraisers.

Blanks will be printed, a copy of which will be given to each individual, firm or corporation engaged in business in the county, and each will be required to state thereon the whole volume of business which has been transacted during the preceding year, that being the basis upon which license will be rated.

Foster's Weather Outlook.

My last bulletin gave forecasts of the storm wave to cross the continent from the 28th to December 2, and the next will reach the Pacific coast about December 3, cross the west of Rockies country by close of 4, great central valleys 5 to 7, eastern states 9.

Warm wave will cross the west of Rockies country about December 3, great central valleys 5, eastern states 7; cool wave will cross the west of Rockies country about December 6, great central valleys 8, eastern states 10.

Temperature of the week ending 8 a. m. December 11 will average above normal in the great central valleys, below in Atlantic states and on Pacific slope. Rainfall will be about normal in the great central valleys and below on the Pacific slope and in Atlantic states.

December will come in with a cold wave in the great central valleys and warm waves on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. High temperature wave will cross the great central valleys about 8 and 23 and low temperature waves about 4, 12, 19 and 29.

Another Hunting Accident.

A party of seven hunters from Jersey Shore had an unfortunate experience on Monday. While shooting a mark Peter Cook pointed a gun at William Marks, supposing it was not loaded. The gun went off and mortally wounded Marks, who died in the hospital at Williamsport on Tuesday. In the excitement following the accident the guns were handed over to a boy to carry. One of the guns fell and was discharged, sending a heavy load under the arm of Christopher Jackson.

Died in Union County.

Mrs. Margaret Hilands Knarr, of Laurelton, died at the home of her son Morgan, at Buffalo X Roads, Union county, last Friday. She was aged about 88 years, and leaves four children, twenty grand-children, and twenty-six great-grand-children. Harrison Knarr, of the Branch, and Jasper Knarr, of Milesburg, this county, are sons. The family some years ago, resided in this valley.

Pardoned.

Emanuel Stark, a young man whose home is in Snow Shoe, and undergoing imprisonment in the Huntingdon Reformatory, for an assault upon John Uzzie, was pardoned last week by Governor Stone. Col. Reeder, of Bellefonte, appeared before the pardon board in his behalf.

SIMON RIPKA KILLED.

Struck by a Car at the Bellefonte Furnace and is Horribly Crushed.

Simon Ripka, one of Centre Hall's young men, met with a horrible accident last Monday evening in the yards of the Empire Furnace Company, this side of Bellefonte, in being knocked down, while crossing the tracks, by a car loaded with iron, the wheels passing over him, crushing both his legs and the left arm, and death resulted in a short time afterwards.

The accident occurred at about six o'clock in the evening. Simon left his father, Jacob Ripka, during the day, and started for Bellefonte with the intention of trying to secure employment at one of the works in Bellefonte. By dusk he reached the Empire Furnace, the old Valentine plant, and entered the yards of this plant with the apparent intention of going into the casting house. There are a number of railroad tracks in the yards of the company over which Simon had to pass to reach the casting house. By this time it was quite dark, and a shifting engine was working in the yard taking out a car load of iron from the stock house. The tracks leading into the stock house have a very sharp curve, it being impossible for a locomotive to enter the stock house and pull out the car. To get out the car the locomotive pulls along side on another track and with a pole pushes out the car over the sharp curve. The shifting crew were pulling out a loaded car Monday evening while Simon was crossing the tracks. The engine and car were under good headway when the engineer saw Simon on his track, and whistled shrilly. Simon stepped off the track directly in front of the on-coming car, and was struck down and the wheels passed over his legs and arm.

Men working near heard Simon's screams, and ran to his assistance. The men on the car which passed over his body were not aware that an accident had occurred until later. He was carried into the machine shop of the Standard Scale works, and Dr. Hayes was summoned at once from Bellefonte.

From the first Simon did not lose consciousness in spite of his terrible injuries, and requested that his father in Centre Hall be summoned at once, and he was notified by telephone. Mr. Ripka was awaiting supper for his son when he received the message, and he started at once for the scene of the accident.

An examination by the physician who quickly arrived disclosed that both legs were crushed and mangled from the below the knees to the hips, and the left arm ground up from the elbow to the shoulder. He could live but a few hours, all that could be done was to relieve him as far as possible in his sufferings.

Mr. Ripka arrived after eight o'clock and Simon was yet able to recognize his father and converse with him. He breathed his last about nine o'clock. The remains were taken in charge by a Bellefonte undertaker, and prepared for burial. They arrived at Centre Hall on the 3.00 o'clock train Tuesday afternoon, and were taken to the home of R. D. Foreman, a relative.

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon from the home of R. D. Foreman, and was largely attended. Six young men, Earl Fleming, Domer Emerick, John Hosterman, Fred Christine, John Miller and Will Sanboe were the pall bearers. Rev. J. M. Reerick, of the Lutheran church, officiated at the services. The interment was made in the cemetery where the mother is buried.

Simon was the only child of Mr. Ripka, and was aged 20 years, 9 months and 22 days. After the death of his mother he was in the orphan schools at Lloydsville, Pa., for several years, where he received his education. During the last two years with his father, they have had rooms in the Delinger building out near the railroad station (Legan House.)

Come Here.

Centre Hall presents an excellent location for industrial purpose, all needed conveniences; living cheap; material, stone, wood, iron, etc., in plenty. No spot in the world more healthy. The Reporter's continued pointers in this direction have done much towards making Centre Hall known abroad, and aiding the growth of the town. Let all work in the same line.

Price of Brooms Increased.

The price of brooms has been advanced more than fifty per cent. This action was decided upon at a recent meeting of the National Broom Manufacturers' Association of the United States and Canada, in Chicago. This advance is made necessary, the broom manufacturers say, by the advance broom corn has made during the present year.

Insurance Company Insolvent.

The Dauphin county court has just made a decree declaring the Susquehanna Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Harrisburg, insolvent, and appointed a receiver. The liabilities are \$46,000, including unpaid claims of \$22,000, and borrowed money amounting to \$19,000. This company caught some people in this section.

Finest holiday lunches and oysters, Harrisons, Bishop st., Bellefonte.

Death of Geo. M. Kepler.

The death of George M. Kepler, a pioneer oil man, occurred at the residence of his son, on Terrace street, Oakland, near Pittsburg, on Thursday night, of last week. Mr. Kepler was in his 70th year and went to the Pennsylvania oil regions from his home at Pinegrove Mills, this county, in the early sixties, and was then well-known to all in Centre county, handsome and affable, kind and sociable. Farmer Jacob Kepler, of Ferguson township, is a brother. The deceased operated in Venango, Forest, Butler and Clarion counties. Two years ago he was prostrated from a stroke of paralysis and had since been in enfeebled health. He is survived by a son, J. C., a traveling salesman; a brother, Jacob M., and a sister, Mrs. Mary Shadman, of Conneaut, O. The remains were taken to Tionesta, Pa., for interment.

Sudden Death of an Aged Lady.

Nancy, the wife of L. B. McEntire, died very suddenly at her home at Bellefonte on Saturday evening, from a hemorrhage caused by a blood vessel bursting in her stomach. She was apparently well and was stooping over raking the stove, when there was a gush of blood from her mouth and she died in a few minutes. She was a daughter of Rev. Martin Houser, a prominent United Brethren minister, and was born at Houserville. Her age was near 69 years. She leaves to survive her a husband, four sons and two daughters. The children are: Dr. J. C. McEntire, of Bellefonte; Dr. O. W. McEntire, of Howard; Edward C. and Harry H. of Williamsport; Mrs. A. B. Cowher, Elizabeth, Pa., and Miss Ella McEntire, at home. Her remains were interred at Houserville on Tuesday.

Season Ends Today.

The legal season for deer hunting in Pennsylvania ends today and the game will have a rest for another eleven months. The number killed this year by hunting parties has somewhat exceeded that of the last few years, but there was many a hunting party out who never had a crack at the nimble footed animal. Old hunters say that the forest fires are responsible for fully one-half of the deer killed each year. The animals are caught by the flames and burned to death. They also say that without a mountain fire for three or four years, game would become as plentiful as in the days the old hunter loves to tell of.

Barns Burned.

Thursday night the extensive barns and outbuildings of the John T. Fowler stock farm, in Bald Eagle Valley, in this county, now the property of Mrs. A. T. Francine, Philadelphia, were entirely destroyed by fire with all their contents of crops, implements, etc. Owing to the fact that of late numerous thefts have been perpetrated at the barns and that several times the thieves were driven off at the point of a pistol, it is believed that the fire was the work of an incendiary. The loss is \$8,000, with about a two-thirds insurance.

Died in Bellefonte.

Miss Ma. Wallace Petriken died in Bellefonte Thursday night, after an illness of only a few days. Miss Petriken was the only survivor of the family of the late James M. Petriken, formerly a prominent member of the Centre county bar and a member of the family of one of the earliest settlers in Centre county.

To Relocate the Districts.

The next legislature will have before it a bill for the relocation of public school districts. One of the features of the measure will be that school districts need not necessarily conform to the ward, borough or township lines. The idea is to make each school district responsible only for the children living within its limits.

A Costly Icy Sidewalk.

The Merile Osborn damage case against the borough of Mansfield has been settled by the borough paying the plaintiff \$300, which included the judgment awarded at the April term of court, the interest on same and one-half of the plaintiff's costs. Mrs. Osborn brought suit for damages against the borough for injuries sustained by falling on an icy sidewalk.

Teachers' Institute.

The 53rd annual session of the Centre county teachers' institute will be held in the court house, Bellefonte, beginning December 18th to 22nd inclusive. County Superintendent Gramley has secured a competent corps of instructors for the week, and for the evening entertainments has secured high class attractions.

Holiday Notice.

The old reliable grocery always furnishes families with the freshest and best, and is now unpacking its holiday supply of groceries, in teas, coffees, and canned and pickled goods, finest dishes, lamps, China ware, confections, green and dried fruits, oysters, etc., all No. 1, at Seehlers, Bellefonte.

Fresh bread and cakes, finest candies, nuts, etc., for the holidays. Festivals supplied with the best at lowest rates, Harrius, finest rooms in Bellefonte. Give them a call.

WEDDED YESTERDAY.

A Pretty Wedding at the Home of Hiram Durst at Spring Mills.

A very pretty wedding was solemnized yesterday noon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Durst, at Spring Mills, at which their daughter, Miss Estey, and Mr. Albert Musser, of Peale, Clearfield county, were united in wedlock.

The ceremony was performed promptly at twelve o'clock, and was witnessed by a small assemblage—only the immediate friends and relatives being present. Rev. S. H. Eisenberg, now of Millersburg, Pa., officiated in the services. The bride and groom were attended by Dr. Peter S. Leitzell, of Spring Mills, and Miss Mabel Zeigler, of Millheim. After the congratulations had been showered upon the newly-wedded couple, the guests sat down to a sumptuous dinner which had been prepared for them.

Mr. Musser with his bride departed on the 3.15 train for a trip to Philadelphia and Washington, and on their return they will reside at Peale, where Mr. Musser holds a responsible position in the pay office of a large coal firm. His bride is a young lady well and popularly known in this place, where she has many friends. For several years she was one of the instructors in the State Reformatory at Morgantown, which position she resigned recently.

Buckwheat vs. Canada Thistles.

Ex-sheriff John Spangler, of this place, has destroyed Canada thistles, he informs us, by a profitable method that deserves a trial by all having this harmful pest on their fields.

Mr. Spangler has a farm about 2 1/2 miles south of here, and one of the fields was packed with Canada thistles. Four years ago the field was plowed and sown with buckwheat. The thistles weakened, and he repeated the sowing of buckwheat until this, the fourth year. Each season the Canada thistle turned up less, until this season when there is no sign of the weed left, and, instead, he had a crop of buckwheat each year. To help the destruction along the thistles were mowed before going to seed.

Playing Smash.

Abbie Glantz, a young lady afflicted with epileptic insanity, created much excitement in Tylersville, Saturday of last week, by declaring war upon the citizens. Arming herself with a huge club and screaming with all her might she went from one house to another breaking windows and threatening to slay anyone who interfered. She soon fell into the strong hands of Wallace Cooney and Philip Wolf, who intercepted and prevented her from doing further harm. The township authorities will remove her to the Danville asylum.

Their Golden Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. John Weaver, of Dix, this county, celebrated their golden wedding last Wednesday. They received a number of presents, among them being forty dollars in gold. Mr. Weaver is aged seventy-two years and Mrs. Weaver seventy-six years.

Tried Suicide.

Miss Matilda Shearer, the 18-year-old daughter of Thomas J. Shearer, living at Axemann, attempted to commit suicide last Monday by taking an ounce of laudanum. Prompt arrival of a physician saved the girl's life. Disappointment in love affairs is the cause attributed to the deed.

Union County Accidents.

James Spotts, of West Buffalo twp., was found along the road with a broken leg. He says the accident occurred from making a mis-step. The party who brought Frank Blair home from the mountains discovered Mr. Spotts on the road near Millinburg.—Lewisburg Journal.

Got a Fine Specimen.

Tuesday morning Jim Sandoe, our crack shot, went out in the mountains after a flock of turkeys he had heard of. Instead his dog raised a fox which Jim brought down and he quit hunting for the day. It was a fine specimen and measured 40 inches from tipto tip.

Union Services.

Union Thanksgiving services will be held in the Lutheran church this morning. Rev. A. A. Black, of Boalsburg, will deliver the sermon. The scholars in the schools will attend these services in a body, and in the afternoon school will not be called until 1.30.

A Former Resident Dead.

Samuel Youtz died at Millinburg last Sunday morning, aged over seventy years. He was a farmer and leaves several children to survive him. In the early days of Centre Hall, Mr. Youtz was a resident of this place.

Services Recalled.

The services in the Presbyterian church at Centre Hall and Spring Mills are recalled for December 3rd. Preaching at Centre Hall Dec. 10th, at 10.30 a. m. and at Spring Mills 2.30 p. m. F. F. CHRISTINE, Pastor.

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Did you ever take notice that we are always first to reduce and last to advance prices?

Do you know that we bought our Rubber Goods from factories not in the trust, therefore can quote you one of the lowest prices that can be found in Centre County?

Our store is headquarters for

Felt and Knit Boot Combinations

Men's Felt Combinations go at \$1.85, 2.10, 2.25 and 2.40.

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JOHN SMITH & BRO.,

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Annual Christmas Opening

AND

White Fair.

Saturday, Dec. 9th to 24th.

...Grandest Exhibition of Holiday Goods ever displayed in Centre County.

Marvelously

Low Prices.

Garman's Store.

Bellefonte, Pa.

Holiday Goods

...We are in position to show the best line of goods suitable for the Holidays than any store in Penns Valley. We shall make a specialty this season of that line, which will comprise any and everything for a useful present. And the price is another consideration, but all our patrons say they cannot buy as cheaply elsewhere. We have news for you later.

H. F. Rossman,
SPRING MILLS.

For One Week

Jumbo Jersey Sweets, peck, - 17c
Medium Jersey Sweets, peck, 15c
Special price by the bushel or barrel. Don't miss them.

12 pieces Key Soap, Laundry, 25c
A few Ladies' \$1.00 Hats, that must be sold, now at 88c
Table Oilcloth, best quality, 5-4 at 13c., 6-4 at 19c., which are wholesale prices.

Coal Screened
And delivered at yard prices. Pea, 15c, others 22c.

Spray Flour still leads.

G. H. LONG,

Spring Mills, Pa.

COME AT LAST

But too late for Fall trade.

A Car Load

Chamber Suits and Side Boards

From The Luce Furniture Co., Grand Rapids, Mich.

They were bought August 5th, before the advance in prices, and must be sold at once to make room for Holiday Goods.

Don't miss it as there are but

50 CHAMBER SUITS AND 20 SIDE BOARDS.

Store will be open until 9 o'clock, P. M., until after the Holidays.

W. R. Brachbill,

BELLEFONTE, PA.