

Spring Mills.

John Heckman has been the champion sucker fisher with hook and line. Mrs. D. H. Ruhl and son Baker have been spending the past two weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Willis Rishell, at Montgomery.

Windom Gramley, son of T. M. Gramley, spent a week with his parents. Windom is a student at Gettysburg College.

Some sneak thief stole a bucket of oysters from O. T. Cornan's store. If the thieves are discovered they will get their just dues.

Rev. Kooztz is conducting a protracted meeting in the United Evangelical church. Rev. Kooztz preached some very able sermons; there have been several conversions.

Hon. William M. Allison, while on the way to the station with his daughter Mabel, having considerable speed on as he made the turn at Smith Bro's furniture store the ice caused the sleigh to swing around and strike a plank, throwing the occupants to the ground. They received several bruises. It takes an expert driver to upset on the level road.

Last Saturday evening a sled load of young people went to Madisonburg to attend a festival. O. T. Cornan and Edward Jamison were at the head of it.

The Y. M. C. A. held a song service Sunday afternoon in the Methodist church, which was well attended.

Mrs. Annie King, of Sugar Valley, spent Sunday with her mother. Mrs. Mary Krabe.

The preliminary meeting called by the former pupils of Dr. D. M. Wolf, to meet in the Academy building on the 30th ult., to consider and make arrangements for his Golden Anniversary, fifty years as preceptor—was exceedingly interesting and quite largely attended, and no doubt from the great interest taken in the proceedings by all his pupils both former and present, the Golden Anniversary will be an event of such magnitude and character, that evidently it will not be very soon forgotten.

New Year's day here was celebrated as usual by the Mummies, who paraded through the village streets attired in the most absurd costumes and a few mounted on jaded animals caparisoned far beyond the ridiculous. It kept the riders very busy to prevent their "skeltons" from going in the direction of a feed store.

The merchants are now very busily engaged in figuring up the business of the past year—particularly profit and loss accounts. The volume of business has been larger than usual but the merchants say the profits will prove exceedingly light. Competition is very strong here, and of course the margin frequently verges on the danger line—cost.

Dr. P. W. Leitze appears to be constantly driving up or down the road with almost the rapidity of the wind. The doctor has obtained by his professional skill and ability, also his agreeable demeanor in the sick chamber, a very extensive practice, not only in the village, but for miles in the surrounding country.

Wm. Ruhl, proprietor of the livery establishment at this place, is doing an excellent business and says that while sleighing lasts he could easily use a dozen more teams, as at present he is able to comply with only about half the demand. Mr. Ruhl is fully equipped for the ordinary livery business, but when the extraordinary arrives, sleighing for instance, he is left.

The children connected with the M. E. Sunday school of this place, were treated to their usual Christmas gift of candy, and the candy too, was of a very superior quality, unlike most gift candy, which generally contains in each package a sufficient quantity of gum to make the recipient a pair of second-grade rubbers.

Miss Ida Condo left on Wednesday for a ten day's visit to Williamsport and Montgomery. At the latter town she will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Rishell, formerly of this village.

John L'oyd, Democrat, has announced himself a candidate for congressional honors. Orvis Beatty is a candidate for the same office. Both these gentlemen are well known, sound Democrats, and either one would be a credit to Gregg township.

Michael Shires, the popular insurance agent, remarked a day or two since, that if his business continued to improve and accumulate like it has for the last month or two, he would be forced to employ an assistant to keep matters even. Mr. Shires is doing a very large insurance business, and only with the best companies in the United States and Europe.

C. P. Long in addition to his general store, is heavily engaged in the lumber business. At present he has twelve teams employed in hauling in Spring Mills from his several mills, 7,500 feet of lumber per week. Of course these extensive operations of Mr. Long means employment to a large body of men, who otherwise would be indifferently employed or idle. Now they have plenty of work and at fair wages.

Colyer.

Protracted meeting at the United Evangelical church at Zion, which began Sunday evening one week ago is still in progress and is very successful, having three seekers.

Mrs. Peter Phillips and daughter Miss Ella, also Mrs. Calvin Cooney, spent New Year's day at the home of J. S. Housman.

John Houtz, of Freeburg, Snyder county, passed through this vicinity one day last week. He is dealing in cigars, etc., and stopped with merchant G. R. Meiss, leaving him a good supply of the same.

Among the guests at Mrs. Kate Reiber's on New Year's day, partaking of a splendid roast which was served were, Gurney Smith and aunt, Miss Ella Smith, Mrs. J. H. Moyer and daughter Blanche, Mrs. Peter Boal, and Mrs. James Runkle.

Miss Nannie Meiss was presented with a gold watch, a gift from her father.

Play and taffy parties are again in progress, there being a taffy party at the home of Calvin Bottorf on New Year's evening, quite a number of young folks being present, who enjoyed the evening eating good things.

Miss Ruth Bower, of Potters Mills, spent several days with her friend, Miss Blanche Moyer.

William Reiber's had an excellent turkey dinner on New Year.

On New Year's day there was a bag race at the store of G. R. Meiss, something new in this vicinity. They were compelled to walk a certain distance with their feet tied together, the prize being a box of cigars. Two only won prizes.

The sad news reached this place of the death of Ralph, youngest son of Wm. Cooney, of Yeagertown, formerly of this place.

Calvin Bottorf returned home Friday after spending several weeks with his son John, at Jersey Shore, and also other points in that section.

Wm. Moyer spent several days the past week with his sister, Mrs. Ezra Ripka, at Lewistown.

Ralph Rickert, of Centre Hall, spent a day last week at the home of Wm. Ishler.

Miss Sallie Wright, of Tusseyville, visited her friend, Miss Myrian Moyer Sunday.

John Ishler had a roast New Year's day to which a number of his friends were invited.

Calvin Ruhl and Aaron Detwiler left for Yeagertown, where they are employed in the axe factory.

Alfred Reiber left Monday for Philadelphia, where he has secured a position as stenographer. Mrs. Reiber will follow in a short time when they will start house keeping.

One evening last week Messrs. Robert Glasgow and George Kline, of Linden Hall, and Misses Katie Boal and Carrie Bottorf, of this place, had an upset which spilled them all out; fortunately not any of them were seriously injured.

Jonas Smith, formerly of this place, but now of Philadelphia, where he has a position on a street car and was unfortunate in injuring his leg, which turned into scrofula, after a ten day's visit at the home of his parents, will again return to his position.

La grippe is again in this vicinity.

Potters Mills.

The Sportsmen's League, of this place, had a shooting contest Christmas day; the prize was a gun and Landford Reish was the lucky man.

The following persons from this place spent the holidays at Altoona: Mrs. John Harper, Cora McClennahan, Alice Decker, and Lizzie Fou-t.

Mrs. J. T. McCormick was in town nursing her aunt, Miss Nancy Pierce, who fell and sustained some painful bruises.

The sick in and about town are William Smith, Malinda Heaton, Nancy Pierce, Mrs. Perry McKinney, Mr. Mattern, Bessie Harshbarger. Grandma Smith, who has been very ill at the home of her son-in-law, Dr. H. S. Alexander, is slowly improving.

You can buy a first-class blanket at a low price from Boozer, Centre Hall.

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GRAIN MARKET.

Old Wheat, 70¢ New	50
Rye	55
Corn	42
Old Oats	45
Barley	50

PRODUCE AT STORES.

Butter	22
Eggs	18
Lard	19
Potatoes, new	15
Side Meat	12
Shoulder	8
Ham	14

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Eggs	21	Side	12
Butter	20	Tallow	10
Lard	19	Huckleberries	10
Chickens, 71994	6	Apples	10
Duck	7	Dried Apples	10
Hempberries	11	Potatoes	10
Ham	14	Layer Onions	10
Shoulder	8	Beef Hides	10

LINDEN HALL MARKET. Collected weekly by J. H. Ross.

Wheat, red	90
Wheat, white	85
Barley	65
Shelled Corn	65
Rye	60
Oats, NW	45
Barley	63
New Potatoes	70
Butter	25

ENGLAND'S SEA GYPSIES.

A Strange Little Tribe That Lives Always on Boats.

A strange and almost unknown part of the population (if it can be called that) of the British Isles is the queer semi-wild folk known as sea gypsies. Real gypsies they are, differing from their fellow gypsies in the fact that they always live on the sea and that, never having mingled with landmen, their type is much purer and more nearly resembles the original.

There are about 500 sea gypsies in Britain. They cruise along the coast, seldom touching the land, but always close to it, in old and weatherbeaten craft that may have carried their grandfathers.

When the tide is out, the old craft will often drop anchor by a sand bank island far out at sea, and her crew will grub for cockles with their hands, filling a score of baskets, but saying nothing to each other, for they are almost out of the habit of speech. They find fifty shellfish where the ordinary fisherman finds one, but they rarely do the same thing two days running, and in the next hour they may be snaring rabbits on a headland miles away.

The sea gypsies are wild eyed and thickset. Their hair is always either jet black or golden. They are still of almost pure Norse or Danish descent, never having used the land and mixed with the shore folk to any extent. Their hands seem to be all thumbs instead of fingers, so powerful and stubby are the digits, because they have done nothing but haul ropes and dig in the wet sand.—New York Press.

Of a Large Class.

Simkins—Billkins junior strikes me as being a very promising young man.

Timkins—Yes; more promising than paying.—Chicago News.

Woodward.

A. Treaster and wife returned from Yeagertown last week, where they spent a week visiting his brother. He reports business booming in that section and talks of moving over next spring.

Monday morning five of the young men from this place left for Yeagertown. Some of them were home on a vacation and the others are going to try axe grinding.

C. M. Stover after spending a few weeks at his old home left on Monday morning for West Virginia, where he is engaged in lumbering on the Motz, Stover and Hosterman tract.

Sunday morning Rev. A. Doerstler, of Madisonburg, preached an able sermon in the Evangelical church. His subject was "Life is short."

Sunday evening C. W. Hosterman and B. F. Gentzel each took a load of people, mostly members of the Evangelical church, up to Paradise church, west of Coburn, to attend the protracted meeting held by Rev. Burley. There are four converts and only one member. Rev. Burley needs help and was very glad to have the people come and take part in the meeting.

Sunday there were a great many visitors in town from Coburn and other places. It was owing to the good sleighing so many were out, they came by the sled load.

The ice crop is ripe and the people are taking advantage of it, the ice is about six inches thick; along the side of the pond it is about ten inches thick but it is not fit for use on account of the muddy water running over it during the last rain.

Measles have broken out among the children; St. Paul's school closed last week on account of them. It may close the schools at this place as the measles are spreading rapidly among the children.

The Fultz boys have the Motz saw mill ready to saw any kind of timber, shingles, etc.

John J. Orndorf is on the sick list; look out for the measles.

C. W. Hosterman and Frank Richard took a load of pork to Hartleton Monday evening.

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