

WANDERED FROM HIS HOME.

John Bitner Found Two Miles West of Centre Hall.

John Bitner, who Monday night wandered from his home near Tusseyville, was found in the fields about two miles west of Centre Hall, by Tax Collector J. B. Spangler, a neighbor, Wednesday noon.

The young man's mind was temporarily deranged, and Monday night instead of going to bed left the house, and his absence was not discovered until morning, when immediate search was made for the young man, but he was totally lost to the world. Not a trace of him could anywhere be found Wednesday morning as the westbound train was speeding along in the vicinity of Gregg Station, Thomas Swartz, of Tusseyville, on his way to the World's Fair, saw a man, through the car window, wandering aimlessly in a field, and although he was at too great a distance to be positively identified, he felt confident that the person was his friend and neighbor, Bitner. On reaching Bellefonte the word was telephoned to Tusseyville, and with this bit of information to spur them on, a number of persons started out to search the locality about Gregg Station. The result has been noted above.

Mr. Bitner is nineteen years of age, and a man of spotless character. He is employed as teacher in the Colyer public school, and Monday taught as usual. Monday evening he attended religious services at Tusseyville, and nothing unusual was noticed in any of his actions. When out of the school room he devoted his entire time to study, and not being physically strong it is supposed that the temporary derangement was due to overstudy.

Sights in the Government Building.

The United States Government building at the World's Fair occupies an elevated site just south of the main picture of the Exposition. The great central dome of the Government building is visible from the very center of the Fair, looking across the picturesque sunken garden that lies between the Palaces of Mines and Metallurgy and Liberal Arts.

The hill slope in front of the Government building is terraced with broad stairways almost completely covering the slope. The building is 800 feet long by 250 feet wide and is the largest structure ever provided at an exposition by the federal government. It is distinguished from all the other large buildings at the Exposition by the steel truss construction, the entire roof being supported by steel arches, forming a splendid domed ceiling.

In this building are installed the exhibits of all the executive departments of the government. The building is a vast storehouse of an endless variety of treasures dear to the heart of every true American. Precious documents are to be seen here, and the autographs of our great men of the past are on display. Relics of famous statesmen and soldiers, carefully preserved through generations, are exhibited. Each governmental department has installed an exhibit showing its official character and mode of operation.

Entering the Government building from the eastern end, the visitor sees at his left a railroad postoffice car. This is not a mere coach standing idle, but is one of the most improved mail cars, in which men attached to the United States railway mail service are actively engaged in "throwing" the mails. Here you will see the postal clerks at work, just as they work while speeding along a railroad track.

A curious collection of old time relics from the postoffice museum at Washington illustrates as no verbal description can do the crude beginnings of the postal system. One of these relics is an old fashioned stage-coach that once carried United States mails through a portion of the Louisiana purchase territory. President Roosevelt, who once inspected it, examined with a rough rider's interest the bullet holes which stage robbers and mountain brigands shot through its stiff leathern curtains. Generals Sherman and Sheridan and President Garfield rode in this old coach during the strenuous days of frontier life.

Among the collection of documents showing the primitive postal methods in vogue in the early days is to be seen the old book of accounts kept by the first postmaster general, Benjamin Franklin, all written by hand. There is a rare collection of stamps, including ancient Filipino, Porto Rican and Cuban stamps. The postoffice department's exhibit occupies 12,469 square feet.

Across the aisle, at the right, is the exhibit of the new Department of Commerce and Labor, occupying 1,966 square feet. This exhibit shows what the new executive department stands for and what it is accomplishing. Mr. Carroll D. Wright, United States Commissioner of Labor, had charge of the preparation of the exhibit. Charts arranged by him, showing the rapid growth of the nation in agriculture, arts, manufacture, population, etc., are of special interest to sociologists and all students of the labor problem. The Census Bureau exhibit is made in this section. It shows the tabulating machines used in compiling the census reports. The Lighthouse Board, also operating under this department, shows the great revolving lenses in light-houses, with other interesting appliances.

The space in the projecting northwest corner of the building is devoted to the Library of Congress. The edifice which houses this library at Washington is held by many architects to be the most beautiful building in the world. When a woman pauses for reflection it's usually before a mirror.



CHARLES W. SHAFFER.

The above is a portrait of Charles W. Shaffer, of Cameron county, the Democratic nominee for Congress in this, the Twenty-first Congressional District, composed of the counties of Centre, Clearfield, Cameron and McKean. He is thoroughly capable, and, if elected, will creditably represent the district in the lower house of Congress.

OUT MAKING PROMISES.

Chairman Foster Makes Election Promises He Cannot Fulfill.

Republican County Chairman Phil. Foster held a conference with Republicans on the South side of Potter township, Monday evening. His mission was to make further promises that the Potters Mills postoffice would be restored, a promise made heretofore and not fulfilled, and one that will not be fulfilled in the future.

It seems a very strange turn of affairs to appoint Mr. Foster to do this service for Judge Love. Mr. Foster, at the time the Regulars turned down Insurgent McCoy for postmaster, was himself an Insurgent. At that time he was very much enraged that Judge Love, while a judicial officer, should endorse the papers asking the appointment of Clark Bible as postmaster at Potters Mills, when he [Foster] and Governor Hastings were using their influence to have Mr. McCoy appointed. The Judge at that time was evidently playing double, for he wrote Mr. Bible that he should keep quiet and not tell any one that he [Love] had endorsed his petition.

The people of Potters Mills, knowing the above facts, are taking the promises of their former betrayers with a grain of salt.

Transfer of Real Estate.

Philip D. Foster Treasurer to Jacob Krider, Sept. 12th, 1904; land in Ferguson twp., \$519.

H. T. Zorby, et. ux., to A. A. Stover, May 1st, 1904; 10 acres 136 perches in Halves twp., \$43.40.

Green Decker, et. ux., to Commonwealth Penna., Aug. 24th, 1904; 91 acres in Potter and Gregg twps., \$160.12.

Eliza Bland's adm's, to Frank E. Naglney, Sept. 1st, 1904; lot in Potter twp., \$110.

Della N. Angel, et. bar., to Sue A. C. Markle, Oct. 7th, 1904; lot in Rush twp., \$100.

Eleanor Taylor, et. bar., to Anna I. Taylor, Sept. 6th, 1904; house and lot in Milesburg, \$400.

Wm. H. Barlow, et. ux., to Geo. W. Barlow, April 6th, 1904; land in Penn twp., \$100.

Catharine Squires, et. bar., to Emma Buckwalter, Feb. 23rd, 1904; lot in Rush twp., \$100.

Simon Hazel to Mrs. Abigail Spayd, Feb. 1st, 1903; two lots in Madisonburg, \$400.

J. D. Kremer, et. ux., et. al., to Wm. F. Stover, May 14th, 1890; 10 acres in Haines twp., \$20.

Frank M. Ream, et. ux., to Samuel Ream, Feb. 20th, 1904; lot in Millheim, \$650.

John P. Harris receiver to John Jenkins, et. al., June 1st, 1904; two tracts in Howard twp., \$5,900.

Edward F. Foreman, et. ux., to Mary J. Goodhart, June 30th, 1904; house and lot in Centre Hall, \$1075.

The Hyner Gas Field.

Since a test well is to be sunk near Centre Hall in the near future, the progress made at Hyner, in the northeastern section of Clinton county, will be of interest to Reporter readers. The Hyner gas field has now four producing wells, and the fifth one is being sunk. Pipes are being laid in Hyner and the town will in a very short time be using natural gas for fuel and light. It is only a few years ago that the Interstate Development Company was thought foolish to spend its good money in search for oil or gas in that locality, but the company went on, put down a well and was rewarded.

The operations at Centre Hall may prove equally successful. The oil may be an abundance of oil, gas coal or valuable mineral underneath the crust of lime stone, but without searching it will never be found.

Marriage Licenses.

Samuel F. Stump, Centre Hall. Anna M. Stump, Centre Hall. Wm. Poorman, Yarnell. Mollie M. McKinley, Milesburg. Charles D. Fulton, Runville. Isabella C. Hall, Rockview. James Blankley, Phillipsburg. Mira Hall, Unionville.

DEATHS.

MRS. JOHN WHITMER.

Mrs. John Whitmer died at her home at White Hall, Sunday afternoon. She had been a sufferer for over a year from a cancerous affection of the stomach. The funeral services were held Wednesday at her late home, at twelve o'clock. Interment was made in the Boalsburg cemetery.

MRS. REBECCA MUSSER.

Mrs. Rebecca Musser, widow of the late W. L. Musser, died at her home in Millheim, Friday evening, aged about seventy-eight years. She leaves to mourn her loss one daughter and one son, namely; Mrs. John Toner, of Philadelphia, and William S., with whom she had been living. She was an affectionate mother, a kind neighbor and a consistent member of the Methodist church. Funeral services were held at the house, Tuesday morning, conducted by Rev. G. W. McInay. Interment was made in the family lot in Fairview cemetery, Millheim.

Smith, the Photographer.

W. W. Smith, the photographer, will be in Centre Hall on Friday of this week, until 2:30 p. m.

Went to St. Louis.

The South side of Centre county will be represented at the World's Fair by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Feidler, and Samuel M. Campbell, of Millheim; Thomas Swartz, of Tusseyville.

Dillon and Green Case Argued.

An appeal for a new trial for Ira Green and William Dillon, convicted at the last term of court of the killing of Jerry Condo, was argued before Judge Love Tuesday morning. Their attorney, A. O. Furst, Esq., presented a long list of testimony and made a strong argument for his clients. Judge Love took the papers and will give the case consideration.

Mrs. Rhone in Hospital.

Hon. Leonard Rhone accompanied Mrs. Rhone to Philadelphia, Monday morning, where she entered the German Hospital for treatment.

A letter from Mr. Rhone states that it will require a week's time to decide the course to be taken by the physicians. The opinion of the hospital authorities as to Mrs. Rhone's condition is similar to that held by Dr. S. C. Musser, of Aaronburg.

The Reed Barn Burned.

The large barn on the Jacob Reed farm, two miles southeast of Aaronburg, was totally destroyed by fire Monday evening at seven o'clock, at which time the tenant, William Homan, and family were eating their supper. The feeding had been done without the aid of a lantern, and it is presumed that the fire must have been of an incendiary nature. The loss is quite heavy on Mr. Homan, who had no insurance. Among other things that burned were 400 bushels of wheat, 400 bushels of oats, sixteen head of sheep, two calves and all the harness but one set. Mr. Reed has an insurance of \$1000 on the barn, placed by Mr. Breen in the Annville company.

LOCALS.

Mrs. D. J. Meyer, of Centre Hall, and Mrs. Ellen Bower, of Bellefonte, Wednesday went to Danville, where they will visit a niece.

Buy Cannel coal from J. H. & S. E. Weber, 18 cents per hundred. Less gas and soot and more economical than soft coal. The Webers have exclusive sale of this coal at Centre Hall and Oak Hall.

There will be a social held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Meyer, of Boalsburg, Wednesday evening of next week between the hours of seven and eleven o'clock. A general invitation is extended.

John Noll, one of the Democratic nominees for assembly, is a veteran of the war of the rebellion; a mechanic, a gentleman of good moral character; J. W. Kepler, the other Democratic candidate for that office, is a farmer—not in name, but in fact—both know the needs of the common people and can conscientiously be supported at the polls by the tradesmen and farmers.

To Representative Kepler is due to a large extent the credit of securing the appropriations for the Bellefonte and Phillipsburg Hospitals. These institutions are a benefit, in a direct or indirect way to every inhabitant in Centre county. It was looking after home interests that induced Mr. Kepler to use his influence in securing for these hospitals the state aid that was given.

Joseph Meyer, of near Rebersburg, was in town Wednesday.

Too much "dough" sometimes makes a man crusty.

Some men live too fast, but the dyspeptic fasts to live.

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A man in a million is apt to meet other men out a million.

A chance shot is one that it doesn't do to take chances with.

LOCALS.

It doesn't retard the mailed letter to be left at the post.

Dr. J. F. Alexander Monday went to Oesola and Tyrone to be gone for a few days.

John Corman, east of Centre Hall, purchased several colts at the sale in Bellefonte.

Thomas Swartz, of Tusseyville, Wednesday morning started for the World's Fair, St. Louis. He purposes seeing the great fair from beginning to end.

Mrs. Frank Bible, of near Centre Hill, who has been seriously ill for some weeks, is not improving. Mrs. Henry Royer, of near the same place, is also in a precarious condition.

Messrs. George W. Bower and Wm. C. McDonald, of Allegheny, and Harry Harper, of Centre Hall, captured two wild turkeys on Nittany Mountain Saturday. The latter two did the killing.

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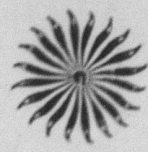
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