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Stitzer-Zones.

Samuel Stitzer and Miss Mable Zones, both of Spring Mills, journeyed to some unknown point (presumably New York state) Friday of last week, and Tuesday returned man and wife. Further than that the young couple are keeping their own counsel. The groom is employed in the blacksmith shop of Floyd Bowersox. Success and happiness to the young people.

300 Telephone Poles Wanted.

Three hundred telephone poles, twenty feet long, six inches in diameter at small end, are wanted by Branch Company No. 7, The Patrons Rural Telephone Company. Apply to F. E. Wieland, Linden Hall; Samuel Durst, Richard Brooks, D. L. Bartges, Centre Hall.

Miss Salome Fishburn Dead.

Miss Salome Fishburn, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fishburn, of near Bellefonte, died Wednesday of last week, aged about twenty-two years. Her death was due to pneumonia, her first sickness being an attack of measles.

Married Almost 69 Years.

Mr. and Mrs. George Weaver will celebrate their sixty-second marriage anniversary in April. Mr. Weaver is eighty-five and Mrs. Weaver is eighty-two years old.

1876.

The news of 1876 will be resumed next week.

LOCALS.

FOR SALE—A good two-horse wagon Enquire of H. W. Dinges, Centre Hall.

Examine the label on your Reporter. Perhaps you will want a six, if you see a five there.

Mercury stood at eight above zero Tuesday night. The high wind made the cold penetrating.

John Wirt, of Aaronsburg, recently purchased the Moses Gilbert property at Wolf's Store, and will be employed by Thomas Brungart.

Walter Ruppe, Michael Fiedler, Wilber Wilkins and Lowell Acker, left Aaronsburg for South Dakota where they expect to engage in farming.

Andrew Zettle called at the Reporter office Wednesday. This spring he will move from Penn Hall to the farm that at time will be vacated by D. W. Bartges, at Coburn.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bitner, of Tusseyville, attended the funeral of Mrs. John Badger, at Millinburg, she being an aunt of the former, and an aged lady. Mr. Badger is also quite aged and is in delicate health.

The county bridge at Colyer was inspected by the county commissioners Wednesday. W. Boyd Muser, of Scranton, a representative of the company that repaired the bridge, accompanied the commissioners. The work done on the structure was to substitute iron girders for wooden ones.

Rev. James W. Boal, D. D., of Centre Hall, will fill the appointment in the State College Presbyterian church, Sunday morning and evening. The pastorate at that point is vacant, and it is possible that Dr. Boal will preside at a congregational meeting which will take steps to secure a pastor.

There is a good deal in the March McClure's that you don't want to miss. Miss Ida Tarbell's "Commercial Machiavellism" brings home the lax morals that have built up great corporations and business houses, showing how the axioms of Machiavelli's "Prince," although pretty strong even for Italy of the Medici, form the catechism of the modern captain of industry.

The readers of the Reporter will regret to learn that Mrs. G. Y. Meek, of Tyrone, has been confined to the Nason Hospital, at Roaring Spring, since last November. She is being treated for a nervous affection, her left side being almost helpless. Mrs. Meek is the mother of Mrs. Henry E. Homan, east of Centre Hall, and recently the lady paid her mother a visit. At that time Mrs. Meek was at her home, but after two weeks was obliged to return to the hospital. Her condition is reported as improving slowly.

The dreamer who is up in the clouds doesn't always live high.

The life line in the hand is worth two wrinkles in the face.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE.—The undersigned offers at private sale his house and lot, located in Boalsburg. The structure is built of brick, two story, three rooms down and four upstairs. There is also a frame addition, 20x30, the lower part of which may be used for a business place and the second floor for a hall. The stable has lately been remodeled. The out-buildings, including a wash house, old fashioned bake-oven, are all in good repair. There is also a well, cistern and running water on the premises. The location is as good as can be had in Boalsburg. For further information apply to
J. P. WEBER,
Boalsburg, Pa.

DR. DIXON'S PLEA FOR VACCINATION

State Health Commissioner Earnestly Appeals to Parents to Protect Their Children From the Horrors of Small-pox.

SAYS PEOPLE ARE MISGUIDED

Anti-Vaccinationists Fill Parents' Minds With Prejudice, But In Spite of Opposition the Law is Being Enforced in Thousands of Schools.

Dr. Samuel G. Dixon, state commissioner of health, has given out the following interview in reference to the enforcement of the vaccination law:

"While the United States government licenses and holds under supervision the vaccine farms of the country in order that our people may have vaccine virus produced in the purest state for protection against the most terrible and loathsome disease known to man, and while the Prussian empire by compulsory vaccination has practically exterminated small-pox, the great state of Pennsylvania has depended largely on the intelligence of her people to guard against the disease by voluntary vaccination.

"To the credit of our citizens this precaution has been widely taken, but the 17,000 cases of small-pox that have occurred in Pennsylvania during the last few years, and which have given this state a black mark among her sister commonwealths, show the need of enforcing the laws that have been passed by our legislatures for the purpose of getting our people vaccinated.

"One of these laws, the act of June 18, 1905, provides that our children in the schools must all be vaccinated, and that if the parents of the children refuse to permit their children and the community to be thus guarded against small-pox such children shall not be permitted to attend the schools.

"Thousands Being Vaccinated. "While thousands of school children throughout the state are being vaccinated with the consent of their parents, who desire to protect their little ones against the ravages of small-pox, I am ashamed to say that certain men are going about the state seeking for self-advertisement to incite the ignorant against vaccination and to influence our school teachers to become law-breakers.

"The wildest literature is circulated depicting alleged horrors of vaccination. In some districts you will find that the death of nearly every child in the community is being laid to vaccination.

"Danger of Small-pox. "I realize how a parent will oppose the vaccination of his child when the mind of such parent has been filled with blind prejudice and ignorant superstition. If this parent could only realize the crime he or she commits against the child by leaving it exposed to the horrors of small-pox.

"The anti-vaccinationists go into a community and they say to the parents: 'You have no small-pox around here now. There is no danger from small-pox. Why then submit your children to vaccination?' These men know that small-pox lurks in the handshake, that a victim of the mildest form of the disease may come into a community that has never known small-pox, and that the infection thus introduced may quickly attack an entire unvaccinated district, carrying off hundreds of children and adults before the epidemic has been checked. The very tramp that comes along the country road and asks alms of your child may in return for the little one's kindness infect it with deadly small-pox.

"These are facts, and, therefore, the vaccination law is wise when it requires that unvaccinated children shall be debarred from school in the rural district as well as the crowded city."

A Strong Personal Plea. The following letter has been sent by Health Commissioner Dixon to a leading citizen of a district where anti-vaccinationists have stirred up opposition to the enforcement of the law:

My Dear Sir—The fact that your people are misguided worries me much. They do not realize how I sympathize with those who are in imminent danger and yet refuse to protect on vaccination, which fact is inconsistent with their faith in antitoxin for diphtheria, demonstrated by the fact that they receive from one hand of the commonwealth the antitoxin which is produced in the horse, while they refuse to accept from the other hand of this state vaccine which is produced from the cow.

This alone convinces me that their minds have been poisoned by some charlatan's statements. I wish I could influence them to listen to the facts which have convinced the medical profession of the great blessing that vaccination has been to humanity. Unchain the horrible monster—small-pox—by taking away vaccination, and inside of two generations our prosperous state would have her industries paralyzed and her cemeteries overcrowded with the victims of that dread disease.

Your people say they have not had small-pox for 49 years. Do they ever stop to realize the fact that many of them have owned their homes for a longer period without having had them reduced to ashes by fire, and yet during that entire time they have been wise enough to keep up their fire insurance? Why is this? Because they know that fire may come at any time and leave them homeless.

Why, therefore, do they not realize that small-pox may come at any moment and take away from them those nearest and dearest to their hearts, robbing them of all that is in life to make them happy?

Unjust Criticism. I have suffered much by having a people like yours criticize me when I

BARN BURNED AT BOALSBURG.

Horses, Cattle and Hogs, Implements, Grain and Stover Go Up in Smoke—Heavy Loss to Tenant, Joseph Meyer—Fire Likely of Incendiary Origin.

What is familiarly known as the Ishler barn, immediately west of Boalsburg, with all its contents, was totally destroyed by fire Thursday afternoon of last week, at 2:30 o'clock. The fire is generally supposed to have been of incendiary origin. The tenant, Joseph Meyer, a young man, was absent from home when the fire occurred. Mrs. Meyer and several small children, who were unable to leave the house, were at home on the afternoon of the fire. Mrs. Meyer had been at the barn at noon, and several men passed by along the road, but no one discovered any one or any thing unusual about the premises.

Grave suspicion rests on an individual who is said to have written Mr. Meyer an anonymous letter a few days prior, but up to this writing no arrest has been made.

The barn, which was the property of the Peter Hoy estate, was in fairly good condition and was insured in the Centre Hall fire insurance company for \$900, and the grain for \$160.

The personal property burned was that of Joseph Meyer, and was insured in the Centre County Mutual Fire Insurance Company, P. of H., in the sum of \$775. Secretary James A. Keller adjusted the loss Saturday. Mr. Meyer's insurance will not nearly cover the loss.

Among many other things burned for Mr. Meyer were four work horses, two colts, six head of young cattle, four hogs, all the farming implements, corn, grain, hay, harness, wagons, etc. Six cows escaped the flames, they being in the barn yard when the fire occurred.

Engraved Cards.

Orders for engraved cards, invitations, etc., taken at this office. The highest class work.

am working day and night to try and save their lives. It is not pleasant to me to work for myself and give up the comforts of a home life at this age.

Two-thirds of my stay on this earth has been spent in scientific laboratory work, wallowing in communicable diseases to try and discover prophylactics in other diseases, such as Jenner found for small-pox, and this without money reward.

It is, therefore, under these circumstances, discouraging to read the articles in your local papers, which almost incite your people to believe that I delight in doing their children harm. This is a great mistake. I have but one child and she has been vaccinated about every five years of her life. Why? Because I know the horrors of small-pox, the innocence of vaccination, and its great preventive quality.

Prussia has exterminated small-pox from the empire by vaccination to such an extent that she has done away with her small-pox hospitals. In the Municipal Hospital in Philadelphia we have had 9000 cases of small-pox spreading over a series of years, during which time not a single doctor, nurse or attendant who was successfully vaccinated contracted small-pox.

Such statistics as these I could cite you at great length, but it would be tiresome. Where vaccination is not carried on we get the opposite result. In the city of Valparaiso, Chile, there were 11,000 cases of small-pox during the year of 1905, with more than 5000 deaths. During the last half of the year 1894 the record of deaths from small-pox in the United States of America was 606, of which number 404 were charged to our own state.

You ask if time cannot be given before legal action is taken to punish those who defy the beneficent law to guard the health of our people in this commonwealth. The resistance to vaccination alone demonstrates the importance of having a law to require the vaccination of those who desire to take advantage of the schools supported by the commonwealth.

It is evident that if we had no such a law our innocent people would constantly be thrown in contact with a disease which is sickening to even the medical man, let alone those who are not constantly thrown in contact with diseased persons.

Effects of Epidemics. The law has been on the statute books for ten years, during which time it has not been enforced, with a result of two or three severe epidemics, which cost the state and different municipalities thousands and thousands of dollars and many precious lives, independent of paralyzing industries in certain centres.

Now notwithstanding that the new department has been in active existence since June 6 there has not been a law suit brought by it to punish anyone. The person made responsible for the executive work has trusted to the intelligence of our people and tried to educate them and disabuse their minds of the fallacies that they have been taught by the charlatan.

From the fact that the department has given out on request over 450,000 blank certificates and that it takes about 2000 a day to supply the present demand, it is evident that vaccination is going on most satisfactorily in the greater part of our community. Therefore, I still have hope that those in your community will come to their senses and take advantage of the great protective—vaccination—without the department being forced to punish anyone for violating the law which was created for the public good.

The law reads that no child shall be admitted to school without producing a certificate of successful vaccination, or of having had small-pox. Therefore, it is not in the power of any one in this form of government to set aside the law of the commonwealth.

No one will ever succeed in doing away with a vaccination law in this state, leaving us a prey to one of the most horrible diseases that can invade our commonwealth. While other states and the federal government are passing laws to protect the health of their people we certainly will not take a step backward toward the dark ages.

Asking you to make any suggestions that you believe I could follow out to influence your people to take advantage of vaccination, I am
Yours very truly,
SAMUEL G. DIXON.

AN ARGUMENT THAT CANNOT BE ANSWERED



During the recent epidemic of Small-pox in Pennsylvania a family of four, a mother and three children were taken to the Municipal Hospital in Philadelphia, the mother seriously ill with Small-pox. As there was no one to take care of these children, and as they had all been exposed to the disease and were liable to spread the infection, it was absolutely necessary to take them with their mother to the hospital. Two of these children being old enough to attend school had, the year before, been vaccinated under the so-called "tyrannical" law requiring

teachers to forbid the admission to school of children who could not present a certificate of successful vaccination. The third child being younger, the mother, yielding to the persuasion of foolish neighbors, refused to have vaccinated. The result is shown in the illustration taken from a photograph.

Contrast the beautiful, soft, healthy skins and placid faces of the two children on the outside, protected by vaccination, with the horrid condition of the little unvaccinated sufferer between them, evidently in torture from the loathsome eruption and scarcely able to see out of its swollen eyes. This poor

little victim of prejudice was infected by its mother and broke out with the disease soon after entering the hospital. The two others remained several weeks in the hospital and, although living all this time in an infected atmosphere, continued perfectly well.

Is it possible that a mother lives so cruel that, after gazing upon this picture, she will be willing to deny her darling children the benefit of protection against this terrible infection?

SAMUEL G. DIXON,
Commissioner of Health,
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

LOCALS.

Miss Virna Geiss is visiting relatives at Coburn.

We are apt to regard our own faults in the light of afflictions.

Dr. J. F. Alexander has been confined to bed for the past week or ten days.

Jerome K. Jerome, the eminent novelist, will lecture at State College, Friday evening, March 9th.

The hospital aid meeting will be held at the Evangelical parsonage, Monday evening, March 5. Perseverance is the scripture subject, and Washington Irving is the author for the evening.

Prisoner's Food Bill to be Cut Down. County Commissioner J. G. Leshner took a look into the Snyder county jail, and as a result the bill of fare will be cut down to plain prison rations. Leshner says that each prisoner's board is costing the county fifty cents a day. He thinks this charge is excessive and will take steps to reduce expenses.

Marriage Licenses. Alfred Mattern, Bellwood. Ella May Stone, Bellwood. Patrick Lorigan, Sandy Ridge. Margaret Sullivan, Sandy Ridge.

Advertisements.

Champion Liniment for Rheumatism. Chas. Drake, a mail carrier at Chapinville, Conn., says: "Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the champion of all liniments. The past year I was troubled a great deal with rheumatism in my shoulder. After trying several cures the storekeeper here recommended this remedy and it completely cured me." There is no use of anyone suffering from that painful ailment when this liniment can be obtained for a small sum. One application gives prompt relief and its continued use for a short time will produce a permanent cure. For sale by C. W. Swartz, Tusseyville; F. A. Carson, Potters Mills.

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