

LOCALS.

Rev. J. M. Bearick will be absent for a week or more at his former home at Beaver Springs.

If you want to buy a mortgage on improved real estate, write George H. Smull, Smullton, Pa.

Mrs. James Wagner, of Millinburg, visited in Penns Valley for a short time, returning home Tuesday.

The festival held on Grange Park by a Sunday school class of the Reformed church was quite a success. The gross receipts were about \$100.

Miss Cora Brown, of Potters Mills, returned from Bellefonte, Friday, where she had been a guest at the home of her uncle, Commissioner J. L. Danlap.

P. Bliss Meyer, the Boling Green, Virginia, lumber manufacturer, in sending a remittance to the Reporter, expressed the kindest feeling for the paper. That kind of letters makes the writer feel all the more for gathering local news.

After being employed for forty-two years in the blacksmithing department of the Altoona car shops, Gottlob Klink was placed on the retired list and pensioned. He is a native of Wurtemberg, Germany, and came direct to Altoona. He has the honor of having made the first "cow-catcher" constructed in the Altoona shops. While in Centre Hall, last week, Mr. Klink was the guest of H. G. Stronmeier, who is also a native of Wurtemberg.

The first visit to Pennsylvania was made by Earnest Stadel, wife and family, of Hazel Green, Wisconsin, and Mrs. Gottlieb Stadel, of Schapville, Illinois, a short time ago, their destination being Centre Hall to visit Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Wilson. Mr. Stadel is a brother of Mrs. Gottlieb Stadel the mother-in-law of Mrs. Wilson. The Stadels are Germans, and belong to that class who early settled Northern Illinois and developed the state. Earnest Stadel is engaged in the mercantile business.

Hon. Harry W. Shoemaker, president of Herald Publishing Company, of Jersey Shore, accompanied by his cousins, James W. Quiggle, 2d, and Edmund B. Quiggle, of McElhattan, and Misses Sara and Mary Meyer, of Rebersburg, and Miss Marie de H. Chatham, of McElhattan, were visitors in town Tuesday having driven over from Penns Cave on their way back to Rebersburg. Mr. James Quiggle graduated at the head of his class at Pennsylvania State College last month, and Edmund Quiggle was first honor man at the Maryland Law College in Baltimore. Mr. Shoemaker is a member of the Banking firm of Shoemaker & Bates, 24 Broadway, N. Y. He is now traveling more to divert his mind from the sad accidental death of his business partner and brother, William Brook Shoemaker, who was instantly killed in an elevator.

A Surprise.

A number of people gathered at the home of George Nearhood Monday evening, 2d inst., to celebrate the fifty-sixth anniversary of his birth. It was a surprise to Mr. Nearhood, and a pleasant evening was spent. The following people were present: Mr. and Mrs. John Puff, son Roy, Joseph Lutz and daughter Edith, Jerry Stump and daughter Mamie, Mrs. Lucy Henney, Misses Florence Rhone, Ada Hill and Bertha McCormick, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Bland, Clayton Wagner, D. B. Brislin, Mrs. Lou Sunday and children, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wilson.

Keith's Theatre.

"Primary No. 23" is the title of the number presented by Gus Edwards' School Boys and Girls, at Keith's Chestnut Street Theatre, Philadelphia. It is making a hit. Ye Colonial Septette, is a grand musical company, a star feature of the week. Another attraction is Jack Norworth, the college-boy wit. The comic opera-star, Edwin Stevens, assisted by Miss Marshall present "A Night Out." Others completing this week's bill are, the Three Hickman Brothers, Barry and Johnson, Stanley and Wilson, John and Bertha Rich, Daly and Reno. An extra added attraction is Melnotte, LaNole and Melnotte, greatest of all comedy wire acrobats.

Sober.

W. D. Zerby, of Bellefonte, last week spent a few days with his father, A. P. Zerby.

A valuable cow belonging to John McCool was killed by the train, Monday.

Farmers in this vicinity are through making hay and are now cutting grain.

B. Bron, Tuesday morning, returned to Hyner where he is engaged in the lumber business.

Benjamin Wolf, sold his driving horse to a drover.

H. V. Gentzel, who is working in Millinburg, spent Sunday with his family.

Mrs. Andrew Zerby, who had been spending a few months with her son, at Oak Grove, returned to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Berj Brown.

Miss Dora Gentzel is employed at the home of John Heckman.

C. K. Sober, of Lewisburg, made a brief visit here.

Read the Reporter.

BURNS DIED PENNILESS.

His First Obituary Notice Called For Help For His Family.

When Robert Burns died the following obituary appeared in the Edinburgh Advertiser of July 26, 1796: "On the 21st inst. died at Dumfries, after a lingering illness, the celebrated Robert Burns. His poetical compositions, distinguished equally by the force of native humor, by the warmth and the tenderness of passion and by the glowing touches of a descriptive pencil, will remain a lasting monument of the vigor and versatility of a mind guided only by the lights of nature and by the inspiration of genius.

"The public, to whose amusement he has so largely contributed, will learn with regret that his extraordinary endowments were accompanied with frailties which rendered them useless to himself and his family. The last months of his short life were spent in sickness and indigence, and his widow, with five infant children and in the hourly expectation of a sixth, is now left without any resource but what she may hope from the regard due to the memory of her husband.

"The public are respectfully informed that contributions for the wife and family of the late Robert Burns, who are left in circumstances of extreme distress, will be received at the houses of Sir William Forbes & Co., of Messrs. Mansfield, Ramsay & Co., and at the shops of the Edinburgh booksellers. It is proposed to publish some time hence a posthumous volume of the poetical remains of Robert Burns for the benefit of the author's family. His friends and acquaintances are requested to transmit such poems and letters as may happen to be in their possession to Alexander Cunningham, writer, George street, Edinburgh, or to John Syme, Esq., Ryedale, Dumfries. It is hoped that in the meantime none of his original productions will be communicated to the public through the channel of newspapers or magazines so as to injure the sale of the intended publication."

CARE OF THE EAR.

Never put anything in the ear for the relief of toothache.

Never wear cotton in the ears if they are discharging.

Never apply a poultice to the inside of the canal of the ear.

Never drop anything into the ear unless it has been previously warmed.

Never use anything but a syringe and warm water for cleansing the ears.

Never strike or box a child's ears. This has been known to rupture the drumhead and cause incurable deafness.

Never wet the hair if you have any tendency to deafness. Wear an oiled silk cap when bathing and refrain from diving.

Never scratch the ears with anything but the finger if they itch. Do not use the head of a pin, hairpins, pencil tips or anything of that nature.

Never meddle with the ear if a foreign body enters it. Leave it absolutely alone and have a physician attend to it.

All He Needed.

A number of Wall street men at luncheon one day were discussing the remarkable ability of a certain operator in the street to weather any financial storm.

"Why," said one of the financiers, "that chap's a wonder. I don't know how many times they've had him against the wall, yet he always contrives to get away."

"I have heard it said," observed another, "that Blank is resourceful enough to make a living on a desert island."

"Yes, he could do that, too," affirmed the first speaker, "if there were another man on the island."—Harper's Weekly

Mr. Houser Improving.

Abraham Houser, of Peru, who was operated on for appendicitis at a Williamsport hospital, Saturday, June 30th, is improving. His condition previous to and for a week after the operation was very serious. He is the son of James Houser, and a very excellent young man.

Lincolnton Complete Ticket.

The Lincoln State Convention Tuesday completed their ticket by substituting Black for Blaukenburg; Creasy for Merrick; Green for Coray. Thus the Lincoln and Democratic tickets are the same.

Smith, the Photographer.

W. W. Smith, the Photographer, will be in Centre Hall Friday July 20, from 8 to 2:30 o'clock.

Woodward.

C. B. Musser, C. W. Eby, J. D. Snyder and daughter, Miss Mary, left for Yagertown, Saturday.

James Smith spent the Sabbath with his family.

Prof. Edgar Stover and family left for Buffalo, N. Y., on Tuesday.

C. W. Hosterman, wife and daughter, Miss Lida, spent Sunday at Rebersburg.

Miss Marion and Earl Hosterman, having spent some time with their grandparents, returned to their home in Buffalo, N. Y., this week.

Mrs. Ruelke and daughter, Miss Flossie, returned home Saturday. They had spent a week with friends in Union county.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Stover, of Cuddy, are visiting Benjamin Stover, of Potters Mills, and other relatives and friends in Potter township.

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WHEN THE DUNES WALK.

A Sand Storm Experience in the Desert of Sahara.

To flee from a sand storm in the midst of a drenching rain seems an absurd performance. The Arab, however, experienced in the ways of Sahara, knows that when the rain stops the dunes are apt to begin their most terrible "walking." He seeks shelter while there is yet time.

Our worst experience of the desert in one of its mad fits, says the author of "In the Desert," was on a morning when, luckily for us perhaps, we were nearing the large oasis of Nefta, near the Tunisian frontier. The flapping of the tent and the drumming of raindrops upon it awoke us, and Ahmeda, in some excitement, hurried our departure. He explained that so long as the rain lasted it would keep the sand quiet and that this was our opportunity. Accordingly, in a very short time we had struck tent, loaded camels, saddled ponies and were under way.

It seemed to us a somewhat purposeless proceeding. The rain was and had been heavy. The ground was saturated. There seemed no prospect of its drying in a hurry. As Nefta was only half a day's march away it seemed unnecessary to start in frantic haste in the middle of the night in a pouring rain. Ahmeda, however, made no answer to our protests. The other Arabs seconded his efforts with all their energy.

Morning broke wan and sickly. As the light grew the rain slackened. The big warm drops became less frequent and at last ceased. The dull, opaque sky was pasty white and the air hot and oppressive, but the wind still blew as hard as or harder than ever.

Hardly had the rain stopped when I tasted between lips and teeth the familiar, gritty texture of sand. Hardly had the light increased sufficiently to disclose to view the drifts when all their edges and crests could be seen crawling and flickering in the gale. Already there was the droning sound in the air which meant that the dunes were walking. We saw at last the reason for the hurry. The rain cannot hold the sand for more than the instant it is falling. As soon as it strikes the earth it sinks in. One moment you may be streaming with water like a drowned rat, the next you are choking in clouds of sand.

The air grew darker and darker, and the roar of the sand as it rushed along the desert made speech, except by shouting, impossible. I could just distinguish our tall camels in the gloom, their ungainly action giving them something the look of ships pitching and tossing in a gale.

Ahmeda led the way by some mysterious instinct to us totally incomprehensible. We followed as best we might, breathing sand as we went, our heads bent to protect our faces. My recollection of the next two hours is no more definite than would be the recollection of being rolled over and over by a huge breaker. A singing and roaring in the ears, almost total blindness, a sense of suffocation and the feeling that I was in the hands of elements more powerful than myself are the vague impressions that remain.

When we at last got to Nefta we could not have been more saturated with sand had we been buried in it and dug up again. Hair, ears, clothes were full of it. Our cheeks were scarlet and gaped with the ceaseless battering, and on them had formed hard crusts of sand, cemented by the water that had streamed from our eyes.

The Bloodstone.

Almost every Jew has superstition of some sort attaching to it, and the bloodstone is not wanting in this particular. The story is told of it that at the time of the crucifixion some drops of blood fell on a piece of dark green Jasper that lay at the foot of the cross. The crimson crept through the structure of the stone, and this was the parent of this beautiful jewel. The dark red spots and veins were supposed to represent the blood of Christ, and many wonderful properties were attributed to preserve its wearer from dangers, to bring good fortune and to heal many diseases.

Great Men Have Been Erect.

The first object of physical methods should be to straighten and expand the body. The world may in a broad, general way be divided into two great classes—the erect and the inerect, the strong and the weak. The epoch makers—the Cromwells, Luthers, Napoleons, Wellingtons, Washingtons and Websters—have been men marked by a straight spine and a broad, high, deep chest. The mastered millions, the defeated ones, have been the inerect—Outing.

Extenuating Circumstances.

A woman was charged with stealing a dozen cases of silver. She appeared before the second judicial chamber. Said the judge, "Come, tell us the truth." Said the woman: "The truth, my good judge, is that I have not been able to resist the temptation. Consider, your honor—they all bore my initials!"—L'Independance Roumaine Bucharest.

No Wonder.

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