

CHURCH APPOINTMENTS.
Presbyterian—Spring Mills, morning; Centre Hall, afternoon.
Reformed—Centre Hall, morning; Tusseyville, afternoon.

SALE REGISTEK.
Thursday, March 14—D. W. Bradford.
James C. Goodhart, stock sale, Saturday, March 23.

SYNDICATE WANTS JOB.
Would Reduce Postage Rates one-half and Pay Government 7 Per Cent on Capital.

A Chicago syndicate, headed by W. D. Boyce, has made a proposition to take the entire postal service out of the government's hands.

The proposal includes agreement immediately to cut postage rates in half. There could be no deficit under such an arrangement for the Government to meet, because the corporation would have to make ends meet.

Mr. Boyce wants the postal corporation under a postal commission which shall be the regulating and supervising agency of the Government.

He proposes to pay Uncle Sam rental for all postoffice quarters occupied in public buildings, and over against this he designs to charge the Government regular rates for all services performed for it. These Government services he now estimates at \$25,000,000 annually. At half the present rates this would be cut to \$12,500,000.

Applying business methods to post-office affairs would result in immense economies in transportation. Mr. Boyce figures that the expenditure for railroad haulage would be cut from \$50,000,000 to about one-half that sum.

Hog Weights.
Forty cent corn is producing heavy hogs, to wit: D. K. Keller, three hogs, combined weight 1650; heaviest, 610. Alfred Durst, two hogs, 522 and 550. C. D. Bartholomew, 468. W. A. Alexander, 442.

Reduced Rates to Dubois, Pa.
Via Pennsylvania Railroad, account meeting Penn's State Grange, Patrons of Husbandry. Tickets sold December 8 to 14, good returning until December 17, incl., from all stations in Penn'a. Consult nearest Ticket Ag't.

Pastor's Family Afflicted.
The family of Rev. H. T. and Mrs. Searle, of Loganton, is sorely afflicted, and one daughter, Izora, aged five years, died last week of typhoid fever. One child just recovered, another is convalescing, and a son is still confined to bed. Rev. Searle is pastor of the United Evangelical church at Loganton.

From North Dakota.
Please find herewith * * *, writes Lot R. Evans, from Mott, North Dakota, November 27th. Continuing he says: The Reporter gives me the latest news from my old birthplace. We are having wintry weather here now, having had a small blizzard, which did some damage to stock. Also had several snows. The thermometer registered at zero several mornings, but mercury rose during the day.

Campbell's Holiday Announcement.
As the holidays are approaching every person is at a loss to know what to buy for a Christmas or New Year present. I invite you to come to my store and I will try and help you decide, as you will find I carry the largest and best assortment of Rockers, Chamber suits, Couches, Side boards, Extension tables, Iron and Brass Beds—in fact a general line of furniture and carpets—in the eastern part of the county.

S. M. CAMPBELL, Millheim, Pa.

The Pensioning of Teachers.
The report of Superintendent Schaefer has put new fire into the movement to pension old school teachers, but the state constitution is in the way. That instrument forbids money being appropriated for such causes. The only way retired school teachers will be able to obtain a pension is for the teachers to organize and create a fund from their own salaries for such a purpose. With this well understood, the question of pensioning retired school teachers would soon be a subject not found agreeable in assemblages of teachers.

Transfer of Real Estate.
Margaret Bradley, et. al., to John L. Shultz, Oct. 20, 1906; premises in Mitesburg. \$550.

John Q. Miles, treasurer, to Charles Smith, July 28, 1894; 443 acres, 153 perches in Rush twp. \$50.
N. B. Spangler, et. al., to Wm. Whitmer & Sons, Nov. 10, 1906; two tracts of and in Potter twp. \$200.
Martha Hearsh, et. al., to Catharine Heath, Nov. 14, 1906; premises in Rush twp. \$100.
A. M. Kerstetter, et. al., to H. V. Hile, Sept. 22, 1906; 104 perches, 35 sq. ft. in Spring twp. \$37.50.
Christian Armstrong, et. al., to W. B. Sellar, Nov. 20, 1906; 143 acres, 11 perches in Gregg twp. \$2000.

IMPOSING ON YOUNG HENS.

Drover Mitterling Discovers How to Increase the Supply of Eggs.
With eggs, no matter as to size, bordering at thirty cents per dozen, one would do almost anything to make the critters lay an egg a day, or more, if he could. Drover Will Mitterling has been working a scheme during the past week that has proven wonderfully successful, the only objection being that it takes several hours continuous watching each day.

Mr. Mitterling purchased a dozen of fine young leg-horn hens, and fed them well, and made a pet of each. For three days he sat in the hen house to catch a young hen on the nest for the first time. Finally his patience was rewarded by a hen jumping from his shoulder to a nest. She turned herself around several times and then nestled closely to the straw. In the meantime her keeper had gently slipped his hand under the hen, and when the egg was laid the hand was removed with the egg in it. True to nature the hen gave a jolly cackle, looked for the egg, but on not seeing it, she again squatted in her straw nest, and Mitterling repeated his part of the program. When the hen had laid her third egg, she looked much fatigued and so crestfallen that Mitterling actually took pity on her, and showed up, with the result that the hen went off in a corner and cackled until she went into spasms.

Eleven of the twelve birds were fooled in this manner, each one showing a different disposition upon laying the first egg. Some of the hens became visibly angry, and these were dismissed after laying two eggs each. After five hours of patient effort, Mitterling counted his egg, and found there were just twenty-nine eggs in the basket. Seven hens had laid three eggs each, and four two eggs each.

There was yet a defaulter. Mitterling coaxed the largest bird on his knee, talked to it about the price of cows, sheep and hogs, and told how these were bought by him and shipped far, far away from their home, and finally slaughtered. His listener grew attentive, squatted in his apron-lap, and actually shed tears. The bird was cautiously raised by Mitterling and slipped to a nest; but it never moved. "She's fooling me," thought Mitterling, "I'm ready for you," and acting with his thoughts, his hand was thrust under the bird. Soon there was a bit of commotion, the drover withdrew his hand with the cunning of a magician, and there was in it an egg that would not be worth more than at the rate of a dollar for a two-horse load. Mitterling was dumb-founded when he saw the bird perch on the edge of the nest, and in the language of a full-fledged cock, burst a blood vessel in saying "you can't fool me, Billy!"

Rebersburg.

Edwin Fehl, of Aaronsburg, was in town on Friday.

Orvis Frank spent a few days visiting relatives in town.

Edwin Brungart and family spent a few days among relatives here.

The funeral of Mrs. Sarah Deibler on Sunday was largely attended.

Mrs. Forest Emerick spent a few days with her parents at this place.

William Shultz, of Sugar Valley, was in town one day last week.

Jerry Brungart is unable to work, as he is suffering from a very sore hand.

Edwin Royer and brother Kline spent their Thanksgiving vacation with their parents.

Friday evening William Bair had a light paralytic stroke, but at this writing he is almost entirely recovered.

Jacob Gephart sold his farm, one day last week, to Jacob Winkleblech, for \$4000.

Jared Harper, of Bellefonte, spent a few days last week at the home of George Weaver.

Samuel Bierly and brother Curtis visited their parents a few days last week.

Ammon Walker, who was accidentally shot some time ago, went to the Williamsport hospital Monday.

Miss Lola Stover, of Aaronsburg, spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Amy Stover, at this place.

Miss Anecada Royer, who is attending the Normal school, at Lock Haven, spent last week with her parents.

Allen Zeigler, of Hazleton, was the guest of his brother, William, for a few days.

Aaronsburg.

Paul Swabb and family were guests of Mrs. Kizzie Swabb over Sunday.

Rev. Dorant will preach a trial sermon in the Reformed church, Saturday evening.

Mrs. Nellie Brown and baby, of Salona, are the guests of her father, James Weaver.

Mrs. Mary Yearick Conley, of Lock Haven, is spending a few weeks at the home of E. Stump.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Bower, of Renovo, are visiting his father, John Bower, on North 2nd street.

Rev. Haas, pastor of the Evangelical Association, took supper with Grandmother Stambach Thursday evening.

Mrs. Hettie Sauters, of State College, and Mrs. Kathryn Meckley, of Milton, are visiting their mother, Mrs. Christie Wert.

Mr. Durst, of Potters Mills, accompanied by W. C. Mingle, teacher of the Grammar school at that place, spent the Sabbath in town.

LOST SIBERIAN RAILWAY.

How First Steel Road of Northern Asia Mysteriously Disappeared.
Near Irkutsk, in central Siberia, is a series of rapids on the Angara river. After many disasters the river transport companies decided in the early seventies of the last century to build a short railroad for transshipment of freight around the rapids. The twelve mile road was probably the first railroad built in Asia outside of India, and certainly the first one built in northern Asia.

There was no regular service, about two trips each way being made a week, as cargo offered. With the improvement of the roads through this region by the Russian government traffic on this part of the river was gradually abandoned and the railroad finally fell into disuse. The locomotive was acquired by a farmer to be used once a year to drive a thrashing machine, the cars were taken off on barges and towed away and the line abandoned.

Some fifteen years later the locating engineers of the Siberian railroad, entering this part of Siberia, heard rumors of a railroad which had existed many years previously. This is a vast region of sierra, forest, tundra, steppe and—here and there—of rice (untranslatable—literally "quick mud"), and presented great difficulties for railroad construction. News of an abandoned line which had been successfully operated was, therefore, received with much interest and search was made for the road.

The freight sheds were finally discovered and then the line of the road marked by the clearing in the forest, but no trace of the rails or roadbed could be found. The right of way was much overgrown with underbrush and bordered with the dense forest and was almost as black and cold as a mountain tunnel, the sun being just visible lighting up the topmost branches of the giant firs. The railroad itself had completely disappeared—not a rail, not a sleeper, only an occasional suggestion now and then of what had once been rude cross drainage ditches.

In an effort to find the track picks were driven as far as they would go into the earth, only to bare masses of tangled roots. The railroad was lost. It could not have been burnt up, because there had been no fires, nor stolen and carried off piecemeal, for the region was totally lacking in population. Moreover, the old freight houses remained with their locks intact and packages of overlooked goods in good condition within them. It is believed to have been a case of gradual subsidence.

The unballasted track through the forest, gradually depressed by a few years' traffic, naturally became a drainage conduit for the surface water of the forest, rendering in time the subsoil spongy throughout. The significance of the fact that the line was much overgrown is most curious, in that this undergrowth probably owed much of its origin and profusion to the taking root of the submerged tree length ties. There was never any ballast and in some unusually warm summer it is probable that the water soaked tree sleepers, weighted down by the cumbersome pig iron rails, sank beneath the surface and there sprouted.—Electrical Review.

Trained to See a Joke.

Can the sense of humor be cultivated? I think of a boy with the literal directness of a small Briton, the despair of his humorous father. A systematic course was begun, in the hope that the child's life might be broadened and brightened. Each week one or two evenings were devoted to a careful explanation of the jokes as they appeared in three of the humorous weeklies of the better class. Puns were avoided, as they were more easily detected and often enjoyed, while the father had no desire for a punster son. At first the evenings were strenuous, disliked by both; to the humorous side, so potent to the onlooker, father and son alike were oblivious. But at twenty-five, while he is not an original joker, none can excel this young man in the ease and quickness with which he detects a hidden meaning. The initiative seems not to be granted him, but a fund of enjoyment is his which undoubtedly would have been lost but for his consistent training.—Good Housekeeping.

"Turn to the Right."

Residents of the United States are very apt to fall into the error of believing that it is the custom for drivers and pedestrians the world over to "turn to the right." That such is far from being the truth is easily proved. In China, "the land of opposites," everybody turns to the left. The same is true in Persia, Hindustan and Tartary. In Turkey and Egypt no general rule is observed. In England and throughout Great Britain the rule is the same as in China—"turn to the left"—and the same is true of the greater portion of Europe in general. Even in the United States the custom of turning to the right is not universal, for there are many places where the majority of the population are foreign born, where "turn to the left rule" prevails.—St. Louis Republic.

The Ideal Ear.

An ear to be perfect should be daintily and delicately formed, with the curves all artistic and pretty. It should be neither too thin nor too fat, but a pleasing medium between the two. It should be delicate rose color on the inside and pure white on the outside. The lobe of the ear should be small and well shaped and should curve up toward the cheek, not hang down in an inelegant manner. A small ear is usually a sign of birth and good breeding, but, like everything else, there are vast exceptions to this rule.—New York World.

THE CHURCH OF ST. SOPHIA.

One of the Most Daring Conceptions in the Record of Building.
The Church of St. Sophia at Constantinople is, next to the Pantheon at Rome, the most central and historic edifice still standing erect. It is now in its fourteenth century of continuous and unbroken use, and during the whole of the last epoch it has never ceased to be the imperial fame of the eastern world, nor has it ever, as the Pantheon, been desolate and depopulated its influence over eastern architecture has been almost as wide as that of the Pantheon over western architecture, and it has been far more continuous. It was one of the most original, daring and triumphant conceptions in the whole record of human building, and Mr. Ferguson declares it to be internally "the most perfect and beautiful church ever yet erected by any Christian people." Its interior is certainly the most harmonious, most complete and least faulty of all the great domed and round arched temples. It unites sublimity of construction with grace of detail, splendor of decoration with indestructible material.

It avoids the conspicuous faults of the great temples of Rome and of Florence, while it is far richer in decorative effect within than our own St. Paul's or the Pantheon of Paris. Its glorious vesture of marble, mosaic, carving and cast metal is unsurpassed by the richest of the Gothic cathedrals and is far more enduring. Though twice as old as Westminster abbey, it has suffered less dilapidation and will long outlast it. Its constructive mass and its internal ornamentation far exceed in solidity the slender shafts, the paintings and the stained glass of the Gothic churches. In the masterly type the mind is aroused by the infinite subtlety of the construction, and the eye is delighted with the inexhaustible harmonies of a superb design worked out in most gorgeous materials.

For Justinian and his successors ransacked the empire to find the most precious materials for the great church. The interior is still one vast pile of marble, porphyry and polished granite, white marbles with rosy streaks, green marbles, blue and black, starred or veined with white. The pagan temples were stripped of their columns and capitals. Monoliths and colossal slabs were transported from Rome and from the Nile, from Syria, Asia Minor and Greece, so that, with the Pantheon at Rome, this is the one example of a grand structure of ancient art which still remains unruined. The gilded portals, the jewels, pearls and gold of the altar, the choir adornments of cedar, amber, ivory and silver have been long destroyed by the greedy soldiers of the cross, and the mosaics above, with seraphim, apostles, prophets and Christ in glory, have been covered up but not destroyed by the fierce soldiers of Mohammed.—Fortnightly Review.

The Quality of Sleep.

There are good sleepers and bad sleepers—light sleepers, disturbed by the least light or sound; heavy sleepers, who rest calmly through a thunderstorm. Some fortunate people fall asleep almost as soon as the head rests on the pillow every night; others, less fortunate, must woo sleep patiently. The quality of sleep also varies. The neurosthenic wakes tired after a long night's sleep; the after dinner sleep of undue repetition is unrefreshing and sometimes stupefying. On the other hand, a brief nap may dismiss at once the fatigue and languor of a busy man. The greatest foe of sleep is perhaps terror; suspense and anxiety come next. Speaking generally, emotional excitement relating to the future and to action is a greater cause of wakefulness than grief and regret for the past. Grief, however, often gives rise to protracted sleeplessness indirectly; it affects the digestion, and then dyspepsia interferes with sleep. When cold feet interfere with sleep, it is by an influence on the cerebral circulation.—London Practitioner.

The Hunter's Moon.

The hunter's moon is the full moon next following the harvest moon, which is itself the full moon nearest the autumnal equinox. At the period of the hunter's moon the full moon (which is necessarily opposite the sun) is at that point in the ecliptic near enough to Aries to make an extremely small angle with the earth when rising. On that account there are several successive nights during the October full moon when the rising is nearly at the same hour. In some cases the difference is only a half hour in four nights. In old times the harvest moon was supposed to be a special provision of the Almighty to allow the husbandman to care for his grain, and when it was noticed that the October moon also gave more than the normal amount of light some one named it the hunter's moon, arguing that it was a special interposition of Providence to prolong the day in order that the nimrod could do better execution.

Bird Friendship.

A curious case of friendship between birds most strangely assorted is reported from Rosenberg, in Prussia. A hen had just hatched a single chicken, when one morning, nobody knows how, there appeared in the nest a young sparrow, just beginning to wear its first fluff of feathers. The chick and the sparrow became fast friends at once, and the parent hen, taking kindly to the changing, gave equal care to both alike, the sparrow hopping about the nest at first and the hen never going far away and sheltering both her young at night, until, as the sparrow's wings grew stronger, he at first indulged in little flights, returning to the sheltering wings at night, and finally disappeared altogether into the sparrow world.

When to Go Home.

From the Bluffton, Ind., Banner: "When tired out, go home. When you want consolation, go home. When you want fun, go home. When you have reformed, go home and let your family get acquainted with the fact. When you want to show yourself at your best go home and do the act there. When you feel like being extra liberal go home and practice on your wife and children first. When you want to shine with extra brilliancy go home and light up the whole household." To which we would add, when you have a bad cold go home and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and a quick cure is certain. For sale by The Star Store, Centre Hall; F. A. Carson, Potters Mills; C. W. Swartz, Tusseyville.

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