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CHURCHES FOR LOCAL OPTION.

The Various Church Bodies Declare Their Position on this Subject.

On May 22, 1907, this action was taken by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church:

"Resolved, That the General Assembly, U. S. A., most heartily commends the American Anti-Saloon League as a safe, sane and efficient organization in the advancement of the great cause of temperance, and pledges thereto the fullest co-operation consistent with the constitution of the church."

The Synod of the Presbyterian church of Pennsylvania, at its session in Philadelphia last October adopted the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the Synod of Pennsylvania express hearty sympathy with the work of the Anti-Saloon League, and all organized work for the overthrow of intemperance, and all forms of business connected therewith."

The Pennsylvania Methodist Episcopal Conference on March 27th, 1907, declared, "That we deprecate the action of the House of Representatives of our Legislature in failing to place the Craven Local Option Bill, on the calendar for consideration in open session; that while we are disappointed we are not finally defeated; that we urge the Anti-Saloon League to continue the fight for the destruction of the saloon in our state, and that we support it in its great struggle, by our prayers, sympathy, means and votes."

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Central Pennsylvania, at Rebersburg, this county, in September, 1907, made this deliverance on temperance:

"It is a great pleasure to note the advance that is being made along all lines of temperance reform for the overthrow of the traffic in strong drink. In our national Legislature the forward steps in recent years have been marked. It behooves all Christians to aid in every move for the overthrow of this monstrous sin."

"Resolved, That this Synod most heartily endorse the work of the Anti-Saloon League and commend it to the sympathy, support and co-operation of our people."

The General Synod of the same church at its session at Sunbury, in May, 1907, passed the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church reiterate its declaration of hostility to the traffic in intoxicating liquors and urge our ministry and laity to wage a relentless warfare against this great curse of human kind."

The United Evangelical conference which met at Reading, within a month, made a strong declaration for local option and pledged the co-operation with the Anti-Saloon League.

The Reformed denomination takes as strong ground against the traffic in intoxicating liquors as any of the churches but as the General Synod only meets once in three years it has made no recent deliverance on the question.

Those who are members of any church, no matter what the denomination who fail to aid at the coming primaries in selecting men who can be honestly relied upon to both work and vote at the next session of the Legislature for a "Local Option Bill" are no better than the inhabitants of Meroz and deserve the same fate, and as sure as the Lord lives it will follow. "Curse ye Meroz, said the angel of the Lord, Curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they came not to the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty."

Will go to Harrisburg.

The following is from the Reedsville correspondent of the Lewistown Democrat and Sentinel:

Harry Headings has purchased the entire property of W. E. Detwiler, the grocer, consisting of house, lot and store and everything else pertaining thereto. This property is situated on Main street a few doors from the bank, and has been occupied by Mr. Detwiler for twelve years, he having come here from Penns Valley, Centre county. It is not due to the continued difference in business circles that causes Mr. Detwiler to dispose of his store at this time, but to resume the same on a much larger scale and in a much larger place. His new location will be on Thirteenth street in Harrisburg, to which place he will shortly remove. During his residence here Mr. Detwiler has built up quite a trade in his line, has taken such an interest in church work and other matters pertaining to the town's welfare, that his friends and customers will be loath to see him depart.

Wolford-Barner.

Calvin Wolford, of Rebersburg, and Miss Laura Barner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Barner, of Salona, were quietly married on Sunday evening at Salona by Rev. J. M. Reareck, of the Lutheran church.

The Centre Reporter has now practically been put on a pay-in-advance basis. The editor feels grateful to the many subscribers who promptly remitted, and as a rule paid their subscription for a year or more in advance.

There yet remain a few delinquents, but remittances are expected from these within the next week.

Those who have paid no attention to the appeals sent them must not complain of the measures that will be adopted within the next month.

NOTE—The lifting of a newspaper regularly from the postoffice, or carrier, no matter to whom the paper is addressed, makes the person who lifts such paper liable for the subscription price. This question has been decided time and again by the courts.

DEATHS.

JOHN S. DAUBERMAN.

John S. Dauberman, born on Sinking Creek, October 26, 1832, died Tuesday evening, March 17, and interment was made Friday forenoon following, at Egg Hill, United Evangelical church, which church found John Dauberman—the father of this sketch—the principal donor when the church was organized.

Israel Dauberman, founder of the family in America, was a native of the German Empire. The first of the family to locate in Centre county was John Dauberman, the grandfather of the deceased. He located along Penns Creek, and acquired considerable land. John Dauberman, 2d, also remained on the Dauberman homestead where he was born in 1800.

John Dauberman, 3rd, the subject of this sketch, like his forefathers, remained on the homestead. December 27, 1859, he was married to Mary E. Goodhart, who died December 31, 1903. Two children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Dauberman—John G., now a meat dealer in Centre Hall, and Laura M., wife of Charles Kuarr, who died March 9, 1885, leaving one son—John H. Kuarr.

Mr. Dauberman moved to Centre Hall in the spring of 1887, where he built a substantial home, and about three years later became successor of William R. Camp, furniture dealer and undertaker, but in a few years retired from business.

In politics Mr. Dauberman was a firm believer in the principles of the Democratic party, and voted his convictions at all elections. Religiously he held to the Evangelical church, and was one of its main supporters at Egg Hill and later at Centre Hall. He was also a prominent member of the Grange.

In 1898 the editor of the Central Pennsylvania History, in closing the sketch of the life of Mr. Dauberman, used this sentence:

"His career has been straightforward and manly in all the relations of life, and he well deserves representation in any history of Centre county."

Samuel Loder, a former resident of Centre county, died at Montoursville, aged seventy-six years. He was born in Howard township, and became a member of Company F, 189 Regiment, New York Infantry. Two daughters, Mrs. C. C. Woolever, of Montoursville, and Mrs. W. F. Wright, of Virginia, survive, as do also the following brothers and sisters: John and William, at Howard; Philip, Pittsburg; George, in Union township; Mrs. George Shilling and Miss Lizzie, Bellefonte.

George Weaver, a native of this county, died at Dix, after an illness of diabetes of over five years. He was unmarried, and is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Jerry, of Altoona; Samuel of Lemont; Wesley, of Dix; Mrs. Anna Sharrab, of Tyrone; Mrs. Sarah Johnson, of Dix; Mrs. Ella McAllister and Mrs. Harriet McAllister, of Jersey Shore, and Mrs. Alice Irvin, of Braddock.

William Dawson died at his Bellefonte home after an illness of some few months of Bright's disease. He was born in Spring township, November 14, 1839, and for twenty-five years was a resident of Bellefonte. A wife and the following children survive: James H., of Axe Mann; Mrs. Thomas Moore, of Philadelphia; and Mrs. T. Clayton Brown, of Bellefonte.

Anna Elizabeth, the 10-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allison Houseman, of Altoona, died of pneumonia. The funeral took place from the home of Mrs. Houseman's parent's Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cori, at State College. Interment was made at Pine Hill cemetery.

John Hull, who recently moved from near Milesburg to the Brockerhoff farm, near Filmore, while in the corn crib getting corn, fell dead as a result of heart failure.

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LOCALS.

A son was recently born to Mr. and Mrs. Bruce W. Ripka, at Centre Hill.

Joseph Alters was selected a policeman in Bellefonte by the council of that town.

At Reareck's furniture store will be found new kitchen cabinets, and you are invited to come to see them.

William Thompson, formerly clerk in the State College postoffice, and A. J. Rice, a former mail carrier for Pennsylvania State College, have exchanged positions.

A business conducted behind screened doors and windows is not one that is of credit to a community. If liquor selling is such an honorable business, why not knock off the screens and leave the public look in?

The Presbyterian congregation of Birmingham has extended a call to Rev. Jay Woodcock to become their pastor. He is a son of the late Rev. J. A. Woodcock and for the past year or more has been located in Philadelphia as an assistant pastor.

State Treasurer William H. Berry is having the fight of his life in Chester county. The liquor interests have \$20,000 up against him, but Mr. Berry hopes to win, and thousands of his Democratic friends throughout the state wish for his success.

In a letter to the Reporter, James Spicher, of Crescon, makes this kind remark: "There is no paper we appreciate as much as the home paper—the Centre Reporter." To impress the editor that he really believed what he was saying, he enclosed a check to advance his subscription to April, 1910.

A number of boroughs in Pennsylvania are taking advantage of the state road law, and are having state roads built in them. A state road from Centre Hall station to the foot of Nittany Mountain would look good to all taxpayers, because built under the new road law, it would be as cheap as dirt.

The one-half of the Witmer orchard, on Church street, the property of Mrs. Anna Wolf, deceased, was sold to Miss Grace Smith, a niece, consideration, \$145. The garden to the rear of the recently acquired property of Prof. H. F. Bitner, also the property of the same, was purchased by Mr. Bitner for \$40.

The National Agricultural Department has taken up the matter of storage eggs which are being placed on the market as "strictly fresh" when the product of the hen is up in price. The Secretary of Agriculture claims that storage eggs are neither "strictly fresh," nor "fresh." And that is the truth.

A few students can yet be accommodated in the dormitories of the Lock Haven State Normal School for the spring term beginning April 6th. The school has been practically filled during the entire year, hence the number of rooms are limited. You will make no mistake if you select this thoroughly established school.

"We are having dull times here," is the way Jared Mowery, of Lewistown, puts it, and continues: "A year ago there were not nearly enough houses to accommodate mechanics, etc., but now it would be no trouble to find two hundred tenement houses. I cannot complain, having had work every day with the Lewistown Planing Mill Company."

C. H. Smith, son of W. W. Smith, of State College, has now located in Centre Hall, and will be at the studio in Kreamer's store building. Mr. Smith is also a paper hanger, and will be ready at all times to do work in that line. A large number of wall paper samples may be seen at his studio from which customers may select. See his advertisement in this issue.

The Reporter readers will be pleased to learn that Willis W. Rishell, formerly of Potter township, has made a change in business, having sold his hotel property in Montgomery and is now in the furniture business, being the successor to the George E. Shaffer Furniture Company, dealers in wood and leather chairs, rockers, couches and tables. Mr. Rishell is also one of the directors in the Farmers and Citizens National Bank, at Montgomery, an institution opened last fall.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Paragraphs Picked from Exchanges of Interest to Reporter Readers.

Millheim Journal—Dr. Stitzer, of Millheim, spent Sunday with friends in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. George Musser, of Yeagertown, are visiting their parents here.

Mrs. M. I. Jamison, of York, visited relatives and friends in this place and vicinity the past week.

Mrs. E. J. Swanger, who had been living at Millmont since last October, returned to her home in this place last week.

Meyers Brothers, the butchers, have just put into use a new meat wagon for delivery purposes. It makes a fine appearance and shows that the firm are up-to-date in their business methods.

Wilbur Braucht, who had been spending the winter with his uncle, E. B. McMullen, left for Pittsburgh Saturday morning, where he has secured employment.

Absalom Harter will leave this (Thursday) morning for Harter, W. Va., where he will be employed on the Harter Brothers lumber job. He will be accompanied by F. M. Stevenson, who is also employed on the job.

Bellefonte Daily News—A meeting of the Centre and Clearfield county commissioners was held at Philipsburg in regards to the new bridge over Moshannon creek.

Among the coming nuptials are those of John Blanchard and Miss Adelaide Merriman and J. M. Curtin and Miss Adaline Burris. These weddings will take place in the Episcopal church, April 21st but no invitations will be issued.

The old reliable shoe firm of Yeager & Davis have mutually dissolved partnership, and the business will hereafter be conducted by H. C. Yeager. This firm has been doing business in Bellefonte for a number of years and they have always been thorough and up-to-date business men.

Democratic Watchman—Col. and Mrs. Hugh S. Taylor are rejoicing over the arrival of a nice little daughter, who made her advent into their household Saturday night.

About a month ago Mrs. Andrew Brockerhoff, of Philadelphia, slipped and fell breaking a bone at the end of her spine. Her condition for a time was serious though at this writing she is some better.

William F. Shope, who for the past six weeks has been employed as collector for the Pennsylvania Telephone Company, in this place, has been promoted to the position of solicitor and stationed at Lock Haven.

From Oklahoma.

From Mountain View, Oklahoma, comes this report through S. T. Kradner, known to many of the Reporter readers:

I have been sick for nearly two months from pneumonia and other diseases. I have now recovered somewhat, but suffer great pain in my right limb, the muscles of which have contracted, and when not in proper position cause me the severest pain. I think this trouble is due to an accident I had when I was thirteen years old, at which time my ankle was crushed. I have a good appetite, but I am tired of being house up.

We have had fine winter weather, and alfalfa clover has been green all the time, and since the last of February has been making a fine growth.

Time to Clean Up.

It is in order, now that spring is here, for the removal of ash piles and rubbish littered about the alleys and back yards. Of course, Centre Hall has the minimum number of dumps in public places, but these few are contrary to law—both state and local. No one will be disposed to cause trouble provided those who dumped their refuse in the alleys will now take steps to clean up and have the same hauled away. This is absolutely necessary, not only from the standpoint of civic pride, but because the health of the people demand it.

New Idea Manure Spreader.

This is the name of a manure spreader built on new principles. If you contemplate buying a spreader, call and examine the "New Idea" before making your purchase. Its main new features are lightness of draft; large bed and low cost.

Also a full line of farm machinery of all kinds.

J. H. & S. E. WEBER.

The April number of the Ladies' World, which has just reached the Reporter's desk, has made an unusual departure for a household magazine, and in connection with its puzzle department—which seems rather appropriate—has obtained the opinions of its readers on the presidential possibilities.

Real estate is not going begging in Centre Hall. No, not by any means.

TESTING CORN.

Its Importance Not Fully Recognized by Farmers—An Expression from Prof. Holden.

The testing of seed corn has been discussed for several weeks in Progress Grange, yet it is the general belief that the importance of testing corn is not fully appreciated. Those most skilled are unable from examination to select seed corn, and if those who have made it a study would not trust themselves to do this, how much less should the farmer depend upon his judgment without testing.

Prof. P. G. Holden, of the Iowa Agricultural College, in an address made these remarks:

"Lay out the ears to be tested side by side on a table or on the floor, remove one kernel from near the butt, another from the middle and another from the tip of the ear; turn the ear over and take three kernels from the opposite side in like manner; place the six kernels at the end of the ear from which they were taken, using care that they do not get mixed with the kernels from the ear next to it. Boards may be laid over the rows of corn to keep them in place until the germination is known.

"A germination box may be made of any shallow box filled about half full of thoroughly moistened sawdust. A cloth ruled off into blocks or squares is placed on the sawdust and fastened at the corners and edges with tacks. Place the six kernels from ear No. 1 (in the row of ears) in square No. 1 of the germination box, and the kernels from ear No. 2 in square No. 2 and so on with all the ears. Then place over this a cloth considerably larger than the box, cover with about two inches of moistened sand, earth or sawdust and keep in a warm place. The sitting room is suitable. When the kernels have germinated, in four to six days, remove the cover carefully to avoid displacing the kernels in the square. If a piece of thin cloth is placed over the kernels before the covering is put on it will prevent them from sticking to the upper cover. If one or more kernels in any square failed to grow, find the ear from which they were taken and throw it out. The ears showing weak germination should be rejected the same as worthless ears.

"In ninety-nine cases out of one hundred, when farmers see the root sprout start out in germinating a kernel of corn, they will say it is all right. In many tests at Ames we found that when the stem sprout failed to grow, the root started well. This germination box, when opened, is a perfect picture of prophecy of what these grains, and the ears from which they were taken, will do when planted in the field."

From Idaho.

W. C. Sweetwood, a carpenter and farmer, and a native of Potter township, writes from American Falls, Idaho, thus:

Building operations have commenced this spring after a two months' lay-off. The weather is fine at present, and the winter has been a good one for farmers, as there was plenty of snow to protect the winter wheat.

I have twenty-five acres of winter wheat which I am trying to grow without irrigation, or by the "dry farming" process. I will leave you know of my success at harvest time.

I also want to put in ten acres of spring wheat, and see what I can make of it without irrigating. If I find the spring season too dry, I will cut it for hay. My irrigated land is five miles from here.

This week I am putting up my house on the homestead, two miles out of town. I will keep you booked on my success in farming in the Northwest.

Transfer of Real Estate.

Verna M. Zittle et al to F. P. Auman Feb. 5, 1907, 40 acres in Gregg Twp.; \$40.

C. J. Finkle et al to Vera M. Grove, March 31, 1903, 40 acres in Gregg Twp.; \$12.

Sarah Auman to C. J. Finkle, et al, Feb. 23, 1903, 50 acres in Penn Twp.; \$1.

Rachel M. Noll to Edward M. Noll, Feb. 11, 1908, premises in Pleasant Gap; \$1100.

Jas. W. Swabb et ux to R. G. McClellan, Feb. 15, 1908, 49 acres in Harris Twp.; \$1300.

Chas. McClellan et ux to Harry A. McClellan, Dec. 10, 1907, land in Potter Twp.; \$800.

John H. Detwiler et ux to Wm. Johnson Krape, March 2, 1908, premises in Aaronsburg; \$1800.

Mary J. Gates et al to Minnie G. Rowler, Feb. 29, 1908, 125 acres and 50 perches in Huston Twp.; \$500.

A. P. Luse et ux to John W. Nesse, April 7, 1908, lot in Centre Hall; \$150.

F. W. Crider et ux to John Pease, Aug. 25, 1907, two lots in Boggs Twp.; \$1150.

S. Jane Musser to Frank Whiting, March 7, 1908, premises in Spring Twp.; \$3000.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

The funeral of Mrs. Henry Stoner was largely attended. Mrs. John H. Strouse, of near State College, formerly of near Linden Hall, has been ill.

Hon. J. W. Kepler, of Pine Grove Mills, bought a mated team at the Hartwick sale for \$441.

Philip A. Auman, of Georges Valley, was in Centre Hall Saturday, and favored the Reporter with his presence.

Two sudden deaths are recorded this week—that of Mrs. Henry Stoner, of Centre Hall, and Jacob Nese, of Farmers Mills.

In giving the account of the death of John Frazier, of Potter township, last week, the name of the youngest brother, Foster W. Frazier, of Tusseyville, was omitted.

The farm of the late Henry M. Swartz, in Penn township, was sold by the administrator to Geo. Secrist for \$3850. The timber tract was sold to Ammon Snook and William Swartz.

Charles M. Sheats, who had charge of the mail route from Madisonburg to Millheim, has sold his interests to N. O. Vonada, of Madisonburg. Mr. Sheats will move to Union county this spring and engage in farming.

Few magazines will brave a scientific presentation of so-called "spirit" phenomena, but Everybody's has made public this month a realistic account of Hamlin Garland's experiments in occultism, entitled "The Shadow World."

Alvin Stump, of near Centre Hall, was a caller Saturday. Mr. Stump is making his first trip out since the middle of January at which time he was taken ill of grip. His son, Bruce Stump, drove the cream wagon for him during his illness.

In an opinion given to State Superintendent of Public Instruction Schaeffer, Deputy Attorney General Fleitz decides that county, city and borough school superintendents do not come within the purview of the corrupt practices act of 1906.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has decided to stop the use of profanity among its employes and has posted notices to that effect. No specific penalty has been set forth but it is understood that violation will be punished by enforced vacation.

"Fred," the McClenahan dray horse, which did service for a number of years, died last week. The animal had slightly hurt one of his hoofs, and was left stand for a week to rest, during which time it is presumed he was fed too liberally. It will require \$250 or more to replace him.

Mrs. Albert Barger, nee May Stump, of Martha Furnace, was to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Stump, near Centre Hall, remaining for a week. Her husband, who is the station agent at Martha Furnace, did not accompany her, because his duties with the railroad company required him to remain at home.

N. B. Spangler, Esq., is a candidate for delegate to the National Democratic Convention, Mr. Spangler has served as county chairman, and for years has been active in county politics, and always for the best interest of the party. To elect him a delegate to the National Democratic Convention would be an honor well merited.

Messrs. W. J. Decker and F. K. Simpson, of Altoona, took a run to Penns Cave Saturday, returning the same day. Mr. Decker is the son of Harry A. Decker, who went to Altoona from the Dauberman farm, along Penns Creek. Both young men are employed in the repair shops of the Pennsylvania Railroad shops, and made the trip on passes granted by the company.

Roy Miller and son Elmer, of Colyer, were in Centre Hall Saturday, and called at this office. Mr. Miller is the woods foreman on the Kryder & McLeffresh lumber job, near Covington, Virginia. He has been with Mr. Kryder for five or six years. He likes the south as a place to work, and stated that when he came north a short time ago, farmers were plowing and doing farm work. He will return to Virginia the latter of this week.

G. B. Harshbarger, who has had his home with Miss M. Rhoda Potter, on the Potter homestead, near Linden Hall, for a number of years, is at Fisher, Illinois, where he is employed on a farm. Mr. Harshbarger spent last winter in Huntingdon county, but sometime during February he concluded to cast his lot with a western farmer. In order that he might keep fully informed with the local events in Centre county, Miss Potter kindly had his name placed on the Reporter subscription list.