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### EVENING ENTERTAINMENTS

During Grange Encampment and Fair, the evening entertainments during the Grange Encampment and Fair, on Grange Park, will be far superior to any heretofore held. The management has gone to great expense to secure these entertainers, and they will be very fortunate if the receipts are sufficient to meet the contract price to say nothing of profits.

A brief sketch of the entertainers is here given, so that the reader may have some idea of the class to which they belong:

Mrs. Cora Robertson, the distinguished English musical entertainer, whose powers as a musical entertainer are most remarkable, comes to us from London, where she and her late husband, who was the younger Tom Robertson, were stars in their own comedy company. She is, therefore, the daughter-in-law of the famous English dramatist, T. W. Robertson, and the niece of the celebrated actress, Mrs. Madge Kendal. Her grandfather was the noted Baptist clergyman, the Rev. Jabez Burns, D. D., L. L. D., whose elocutionary powers she inherits. One of her greatest successes has been the English "Coster" songs, such as "My Old Dutch" and "My 'Eary 'Awkins," which she sings in her own inimitable "Coster" style. Her monologues and recitations are given with thorough artistic ability, power and pathos. With a powerful and sympathetic voice, a winning personality and charming manner, she possesses magnetism which never fails to impress her audience most favorably, keeping them amused and interested for more than an hour.

John G. Scorer well merits the title, "The Mirthful Philosopher." The philosophy he teaches is neither new nor mysterious—simply the old, old one of sunshine and sense, which makes sweet the soured milk of human kindness. He knows human nature—its foibles and its failures, its sorrows and discouragements. With his cheerful philosophies, his homely truths and his refined humor, he routs the demons of despair that feed upon man's happiness and impoverish his soul. He lifts man from the slough of despondency and despair to the solid footing of courage and hope. He shows the brighter side, points out opportunity and reveals the way to better conditions.

If you enjoy a pleasing personality, an optimistic spirit, wholesome truths entertainingly presented; if you believe in the gospel of mirth and laughter, you should hear Mr. Scorer.

The Dietrics—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dietric—offer varied programs, including magic—mystery, laughter; music—classical and popular, novel instruments; readings—impersonations and child studies; whistling—solos and novel effects; character plays—humor, pathos and drama.

With a repertoire of one act plays, in which both Mr. and Mrs. Dietric participate, this lady and gentleman demonstrate conclusively their ability as entertainers. The plays are well presented and the acting artistically good, presenting various phases of humor, pathos and drama.

### Harvest Home Services.

Dr. W. H. Schuyler will preach the anniversary sermon on the occasion of the Harvest Home Celebration, on Grange Park, on Sunday, September 11th, at 2:30 p. m. It is a customary usage of the members of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry to celebrate this important event in symbolism of the "Feast of the Harvest," celebrated annually by the chosen people of Israel, in the autumn season of the year. All are cordially invited to join in this interesting event during the Grange Encampment and Fair.

### Church 100 Years Old.

The Lutheran church, at Salona, of which Rev. J. M. Reaick is the pastor, celebrated its one hundredth anniversary last Sunday. The first pastor was Rev. J. A. Igen, who came to Nittany Valley in 1810, and located near Salona. He did missionary work in that section by visiting from house to house, and at his death the Rev. J. G. Abele took up the work. A regular organization resulted in 1829, when the Rev. Abele issued a call to those of the Lutheran faith to meet with him. A meeting was held under an apple tree south of Salona, where the Salona Evangelical Lutheran congregation had its birth.

"It—an Exposition of the Sovereign Political Power of Organized Business." This is the significant title of a new series of articles by Lincoln Stephens beginning in the September Everybody's.

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### DEATHS.

At the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. M. Glasgow, at Bellwood, Mrs. Sarah G. Boozer died at 145 p. m., Saturday, August 13th, of diseases incident to old age. She was born in Boalsburg, February 4, 1825, being at her death aged eighty-five years, six months and nine days. Her maiden name was Price. On January 28, 1851, she married John Boozer, to which union were born three children—William Henry, Anna Marjory and Frances Isabella, now Mrs. Glasgow. They lived in Centre county, for the greater part of the time at Potters Mills, until 1876, her husband being for many years one of the proprietors of the woolen mills at that place. After sojourning in Ohio for a short time, they returned to Pennsylvania, and located in Philadelphia, later moving to Milroy, where her husband died April 20, 1877. She resided in Milroy six years, and since she has made her home with her children. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Glasgow (her son and other daughter having preceded her to the grave), six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

When quite young, Mrs. Boozer began to live a Christian life, and for many years she and her husband were consistent members of the Sprucetown Methodist Episcopal church, and for over thirty-three years she had been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church at Milroy, which membership was severed only when her Heavenly Father said, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." The funeral services were held Monday, August 15th, at 1 p. m., at the Glasgow home, and interment was made in the Logan Valley Cemetery, at Bellwood.

### LOCALS.

The Methodists will hold their annual picnic on Saturday, on Grange Park. All who care to take their picnic baskets with them are invited.

Hon. W. H. Berry will be at the Boalsburg picnic, in McFarlane's woods, on Friday of this week. A general invitation is extended to this gathering.

Miss Phebe Packer, of Avis, was the guest of Miss Ruth Thomas from Thursday until Monday afternoon, at which time she went to Bellefonte where she will continue her visit with Mr. and Mrs. James Clark.

Every farmer in Centre county should have something on the exhibition tables or in the stalls at the Grange Encampment and Fair. This feature of this farmers' gathering can be made profitable if the farmers see fit to make it so.

Mrs. Cora Burchfield and daughter Marion, of Tusseyville, are spending several weeks at the home of Daniel Keller, at Houserville. A little daughter came to their home, and is greatly appreciated by the little brothers, Hayes and Dean.

The New York World stakes its reputation on the prediction that Col. Theodore Roosevelt will be the Republican nominee for governor of New York. The World, no doubt, has the situation pretty thoroughly in hand and did not make the prediction in a haphazard way.

A special service for old people was held in the United Evangelical church, in Millheim, Sunday morning. Some of the familiar hymns to the members of that denomination were sung in German language. Rev. W. J. Dice is the pastor, and he was assisted by Rev. M. I. Jamison.

Just now when poultry is so much in demand, every farmer's son and daughter will have a fine opportunity to sell the surplus stock, at the top figure, if they are put on exhibition at the Grange Encampment and Fair. It only costs the effort to take the birds there, and then you are sure of a premium for every bird you bring.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Decker, of Pine Grove Mills, were among the callers at the Reporter office Thursday of last week. They were on their way to Potters Mills to visit the former's father, John D. Decker. It will only be a short time until Mr. Decker will temporarily live in Centre Hall, as he will again keep the boarding house on Grange Park during the Grange Encampment and Fair.

The fall term of the Lock Haven State Normal School begins September 6th. Rooms can be reserved now. Careful parents are ranking this institution as one of the best Normal Schools in the state. Its graduates are successful as teachers and they show the effect of the splendid social life of the school. It does not seek numbers and therefore it will only accept such students as are serious minded and who are willing to conform to the ideals of the school. Its beautiful location and splendid faculty and fine equipment are among its many commendable features. Address the Principal for its illustrated catalog.

### EXTINCTION OF THE NOBLE HORSE.

The Thirty Million Horses in the United States Represent a Total Value of Almost three Billion Dollars.

The automobile was destined, it will be remembered, to extinguish the horse. As the buffalo is maintained in small herds in the interests of the study of natural history, or as the gnu and the giraffe are exhibited in "zoos" to satisfy the idle curiosity, so it was proposed that a few horses should be saved, if possible.

How well the few have been saved is shown by the Year Book of the Department of Agriculture. On January 1, 1900, there were nearly 14,000,000 horses in the United States, of a total value of \$1,000,000,000. On January 1, 1909, the number was nearly 30,000,000, of a total value of nearly \$3,000,000,000. The average value of horses in 1900 was \$44.61; the average value in 1909 was \$95.64. When the figures for 1910 are compiled the average value of the horse will be shown to have reached a record during the past year.

What is the explanation of the high prices of horses? Feed has risen in price, farm labor has gone up, and every charge incidental to the farm is higher than it was, but this does not account for the sudden and sharp increase in cost of horses. The farmer has long been an eleemosynary institution, and he is just discovering the truth. If the cost of raising a colt, including all its food, stabling and the labor incidental to its care and training be taken into account, it will be found that any horse three years old has cost at least \$200.

The Hooven Mercantile Company. The directors of the Hooven Mercantile Company have declared the regular quarterly dividend, No. 79, of one and one-half per cent. on the preferred stock and one per cent. on the common stock payable on September 1st to stockholders of record August 20th. Checks will be mailed.

### Punctured S. S. Case.

Mrs. Gardner Grove, one of the teachers in the Union Sunday-school at Farmers Mills, gave her scholars a day's outing by entertaining them at a picnic at her home, Saturday. The children were these: Margaret Scholl, Carrie Rote, Sarah Rishel, Lizzie Graden, Ruth Rachau, Sarah Zorby, Nellie and Helen Moyer, Helen Brungard, Margaret Gress, Catharine and Mabel Long, Libbie and Lea Calwell, Elizabeth Saunders, Robert and John Rishel, Elmer Long, Guyer and Russell Grove.

### Centre County U. E. Union.

To Christian Endeavorers of Centre county and all others who are interested we desire to announce that the 18th annual convention of the Centre County U. E. Union meets at Pine Grove Mills, August 31st, at 2 p. m., and continues through September 1st—five sessions in all. A splendid program is being prepared, and a grand time is anticipated. All Christian Endeavor workers and others are requested to be present; everybody is invited. Societies are urged to compete for the banners by sending the largest delegation. The manager of the Bellefonte Central Railroad has kindly consented to run trains to and from Pine Grove Mills to suit the delegates.

### Transfers of Real Estate.

S. B. Pringle to T. O. Wiser, June 14, 1910, tract of land in Worth twp. \$75.

John M. Thompson et al assignee to Sarah J. Snyder, September 6, 1893, tract of land in College twp. \$806.

Frank Bruno et ux to Emma Dan, August 1, 1910, tract of land in Spring twp. \$1.

Emma Dan et bar to Rosy Bruno, August 2, 1910, tract of land in Spring twp. \$1.

Mollie C. Jones to First Baptist church of Phillipsburg, July 30, 1910, tract of land in Phillipsburg. \$3500.

George B. Johnston et al to John Blanchard, July 22, 1910, tract of land in Bellefonte. \$3250.

Josephine B. Brew et bar to John P. P. Sebring, July 30, 1910, tract of land in Bellefonte. \$24900.

William P. Humes et al to C. Y. Wagner, August 4, 1910, tract of land in Jenner twp. \$11000.

A. A. Plotcher et al to W. H. Yearick, March 28, 1909, tract of land in Howard twp. \$3100.

Jennie L. Homan et bar to Samuel S. Homan, July 6, 1910, tract of land in Walker twp. \$300.

George H. Anderson to John G. Dubbe, August 1, 1910, tract of land in Spring twp. \$100.

William L. Foster et al to J. A. Henderson, May 11, 1910, tract of land in State College. \$300.

Charles F. Cook et ux to Rosy Bruno, July 23, 1910, tract of land in Spring twp. \$225.

E. L. Graham et ux to Della Fishel, August 2, 1910, tract of land in College twp. \$600.

### LETTERS FROM SUBSCRIBERS.

Reporter Subscribers' Correspondent Column—New Department.

Sharpsburg is located in the lower end of Cumberland Valley, a valley which extends from the Susquehanna to the Potomac. Its length is ninety miles, and in places, is twenty five miles wide. Most of the valley is composed of limestone soil and is very productive. Large crops of wheat, hay and corn are grown. Farm machinery is up to date. The tillers of the soil have become wealthy. Most of them own farms and many have retired. Very few farms are sold, as one or the other of a family retains possession after the father's death. They own some of the finest horses and vehicles to be seen. Farmers and their wives work hard, early and late, but on Sundays and on public occasions, they appear as neatly dressed as town people, and in these southern towns they certainly follow the styles. This is true of many, while a considerable number dress modestly and to suit themselves, which those who conform to the tyrannical and senseless demands of fashion cannot do. There are quite a number of colored people here and it sometimes falls to my lot to officiate at their funerals. They are generally as civil and religious as the whites. There are many pious people here, devoted to the churches, but many, too, who do not regard the church, Sabbath, or any of the proprieties.

Hagerstown, the county seat, is one of the most prosperous cities, but to its discredit it has seventy five saloons. There is a saloon in almost every little town in the county and not a few tragedies and other evil deeds can be traced to their influence.

This country, like Virginia, is noted for its beautiful women, and in this community they are the best of housekeepers, and among them the most skillful cooks. Even the homes of the poor are tidily kept.

Just across the Potomac, less than two miles distant, is a continuation of this valley, called the Shenandoah valley. It is in West Virginia and is famous as the scene of General Philip Sheridan's memorable raid during the civil war. Our valley is skirted on the north by Tuscarora Mountain, on the south by Blue Ridge Mountain. At the base, on the slopes and often on the summit of Blue Ridge, peach orchards and raspberry beds, comprising thousands of acres are planted. This is a source of wealth to the owners, and the poor man, with four or five acres in fruit, supports his family well and has some left. These mountain people lead a simple life, the best way for any one to live. They have good health, large families, and seem to be always happy.

Twelve miles from here is Harper's Ferry, memorable as the place of John Brown's raid, and where he was captured. He was hanged at Charlestown, West Virginia, afterward. We are eighty-seven miles from Harrisburg, and sixty-five miles from Washington. We have been here about fourteen years. My charge, consisting of two churches, lies wholly on the Antietam battlefield. The National Cemetery is near town, on an elevation, overlooking the scene of that terrible struggle, the bloodiest one day battle of the civil war, and from which the mountains in four states are visible, Maryland, West Virginia and Pennsylvania.

The battle of Antietam was the turning point in the civil war. While the battle was raging Lincoln said: "If Gen. McClellan wins, I will issue an emancipation proclamation," and he did. Yet McClellan was seduced by another shortly afterward, for whose success men and money were given lavishly. Some people here have not forgotten what they believe to have been an act of ingratitude, and believe that if McClellan's political views had been the same as his successor's, he would have been permitted to continue as the commander of the army of the Potomac.

The houses in which McClellan and Lee had their headquarters are still in good condition. Lee's is in town, McClellan's is in the country two miles distant.

The army of the Potomac consisted largely of those in their teens, from fourteen to eighteen years of age, whom their mothers, with sad hearts and tearful eyes, kissed before they left home. Many never returned. Nearly 6000 sleep here in the National Cemetery, which is one of the most beautiful and well kept in the country.

Near town is the old Dunkard church with its battis scars and surrounded by lofty monuments. Within the radius of a mile, 16,000 men fell on the day of battle. No wonder Sherman said: "War is hell." In Bloody Lane the dead lay five deep. The fields around were covered with dead and wounded men and horses.

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### Wild Carrot.

One of the most obnoxious weeds that during the past few years has appeared in almost every small section in this county is wild carrot. The law forbids that these weeds be permitted to go to seed, but many fields and roadsides are now so polluted that it will be a struggle for any one to keep the weeds from spreading over his or her possessions. The plants are difficult to cut with a scythe or mowing machine, and therefore it is necessary to resort to pulling the weeds by hand, if they are to be totally destroyed. This is done but by few, and the result is that many fields are literally covered with the carrot plants, which will be permitted to go to seed, and the seed from one crop will furnish trouble for a generation to come.

It is a delicate matter for one to insist upon the observance of the law by his neighbor, especially when the road supervisors neglect to perform their duty in cutting these weeds. The Reporter has been requested to call the attention of the road officials to this matter, the argument being that if the roads were kept clean, many individual owners would be in a much better position to prevent the spread of the pest.

### Pomona Grange Meets.

An interesting session of the Centre County Pomona Grange was held at Millburg, Thursday of last week. The sessions, which were largely attended, were presided over by Worthy Master Willard Dale. The routine business was gone through, as well as new subjects taken up.

It was decided to hold a special session of the body in October at the time of the meeting of the Bald Eagle Grange, with a view of conferring the Fifth degree upon applicants from Bald Eagle Valley. The next regular meeting of the Pomona will be held at Centre Hall in November.

The members of the order from Centre Hall who attended the meeting are these: Hon. Leonard Rhone, David K. Keller, George L. Goodhart, Mrs. John Conley, Mrs. Samuel Durst, Miss Florence Rhone, George W. Gingerich and W. A. Kries.

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Trenches were dug and into these the bodies of the men were thrown, pressed in compactly with poles and covered with ground. Will finish this subject in another letter.

A. A. KERLIN, August 19, 1910. Sharpsburg, Md.

In your issue of August 11th inst., I noticed that another of my old friends and neighbors has passed away from our midst and left us to mourn the loss of an old companion in former years. I refer to James A. Keller, who always took an active part in singing and spelling schools conducted by the writer in the old Plum Grove school house. Having been raised among the Hoffer and Keller families causes unusual sadness to hear of their passing away. Mr. Keller was a kind hearted neighbor and a good citizen. He enjoyed playing harmless jokes on others, as Mike Condo will remember when butchering at Jim's home. Mike was wrathful for a while, but it did him no harm. A few weeks ago I noticed mention of the death of George W. Sweeney, who was a schoolmate of the writer's in the old Mt. Pleasant school house before Centre Hall was known. This sad notice causes the writer to think of the good old times we used to have and the willingness with which George would lend a helping hand in sport around the old loft and chimney outside of school hours.

Though these have passed away they still live in our memories of the past. The writer hopes to hear through the "Subscribers' Column" in the Reporter of other boys and girls who used to attend the old Mt. Pleasant school.

The writer's fondness for sport is still continued, and for the past six years he has conducted the Kalamazoo City Baseball League, which has furnished material for minor leagues and a few are now with the National and American League teams. Our schedules closed last Saturday when the Cubs and Merchants' Publishing Company teams played for a silver cup valued at \$50, the winner to take two out of three games. The prize was received by the Merchants winning two games, the first by a score of two to one, and the second by a score of one to nothing.

This section of the country is suffering for want of rain. Potatoes are ruined. Corn is suffering, but prospects are fair if the drought does not continue too long. The fruit crop was injured by May frosts. Will not trespass further on your space this time.

HENRY DASHER, August 17, 1910, Kalamazoo, Mich.

### TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

The borough schools will not open until September 19th.

Simon P. King and family, of Millheim, moved to State College, where Mr. King is engaged in the Inn.

Harry N. Meyer, the Millheim insurance man, last week, made a trip to Clinton county on insurance business.

Mrs. Rebecca Floray, who has been ill for some months, is not recovering to any noticeable extent. She is able to sit up but for a very short time during the day.

Mrs. I. Y. Moyer and daughters, Misses Ruth and Helen, are back to Centre Hall again, after having paid the former's brother, W. O. Rearick, at Milroy, a visit.

R. C. Palmer, of Linden Hall, was a caller Friday. Mr. Palmer is a wool dealer, and says farmers are holding much of the wool crop with the expectation of a rise in price.

The date of the opening of the Grange Encampment and Fair this year is about as early as it ever comes, and this will hustle the farmers somewhat to have their seeding done before that time.

John Baudis killed himself by shooting while in Williamsport. He was formerly of Benore, this county, and will be recalled as having had a merry-go-round outside of Grange Park a few years ago.

J. Paul Rearick sold his interests in the undertaking business to his partner, Benton Heberling, and will locate elsewhere, but he has not given out where. He will make sale of his personal property on the 30th of this month, at State College.

Harvey F. Musser, of Centre Hill, has so far recovered from an operation for appendicitis that he is able to be about the house and walk around the buildings. He is regaining strength gradually, and is altogether hopeful that he will fully recover.

James Herring, of Altoona, and Edward A. Herring, of Coplan, near Braddock, were in the valley last week. They first visited the agd Mrs. Herring at Penn Hall, and later came to Centre Hall where they were among friends for a few days.

The woods meeting on Zion hill, near Colyer, advertised for last Sunday, for some reason was not held by the colored folk. Some of the colored gentlemen and their ladies drove to Centre Hall, where they discovered the postponement or recall of the meeting.

Keep in mind the fact that Hon. William H. Berry will be at the Boalsburg picnic, in McFarlane's woods, Friday of this week. This is a basket picnic, and everybody is invited. Mr. Berry has something to say to the people of Centre county that is worth the hearing. He has been telling the unpublished facts concerning the capitol steal, and that is an interesting chapter to all honest people.

The Lewistown Trust Company has broken ground at Brown and Market streets for a modern bank building. The contract has been awarded George C. Tate, of Yeagerstown, formerly of this county, for \$30,000. The Citizens' National Banking Company has purchased the Zerbe and Jackson properties on the opposite side of Market street for \$25,000, and will break ground in a few days for a building. When the new buildings are completed the four banking houses in Lewistown will be on the corners of one square.

One of the most attractive features of the Grange Encampment and Fair is the large display of exhibits, the product of the farm, the orchard and the garden. These exhibits can be made, like in the past, a great credit to the institution and the individuals who furnish them. A representation of the farm on the tables in the various departments of the large exhibit building, or in the stalls, shows, first, an interest in the farm work and in the great organization welding together the farmers in the country; second, the effort to produce something better than the ordinary.

The recent commencement of the Lock Haven State Normal School is noteworthy for several reasons; one being the fact that the school graduated the largest class in its history and the other that a very satisfactory lecture and entertainment course was completed during commencement week by a splendid presentation of Shakespeare's "As You Like It" on the front campus by the famous Ben Great Players of England. The educational value of this performance was in itself sufficient to warrant the large outlay. It will pay you to see the beautiful catalog of this first-class school.