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**CHURCH APPOINTMENTS.**

Reformed—Tusseyville, morning; Centre Hall, afternoon.

Methodist—Centre Hall, morning; Spruce town, afternoon; Spring Mills, evening.

Lutheran—Centre Hall, morning; Union, evening; Georges Valley, afternoon.

United Evangelical—Egg Hill, morning; Tusseyville, afternoon; Centre Hall, evening.

**Second Week of Court.**

The second week of December court adjourned Wednesday morning. There was no business transacted of interest to south side residents, except the sentencing of John Taylor, noted elsewhere in this issue.

**Marriage Licenses.**

Fred Brown, Colyer  
Blanche Moyer, Colyer  
William Stover, Zion  
Catherine Bathurst, Curtin  
James Liddick, Hublersburg  
Carrie Smith, Axe Mann  
George J. B. Fike, Bellefonte  
Isadora R. Williams, Lemont.

**Some More Hogs.**

Mrs. Rebecca Murray killed two hogs the dressed weight of which was 475 and 409 pounds.

Rev. S. A. Snyder, on August 5th, purchased two shoats averaging in weight 162 pounds. They were killed December 7th, and dressed 329 and 312 pounds.

C. F. Emery killed the largest porkers in Centre Hall. The weights were: 48½, 37½ and 258 pounds.

There was a close contest in Rebersburg for the best porkers, thus: Hon. C. L. Gramley, two, 928; H. H. Miller, two, 918; T. A. Ocker, two, 914.

**Will Pennsylvania Ratify?**

If the coming session of the Pennsylvania Legislature is as progressive as progressive newspapers say it will be, then undoubtedly it will ratify the income tax amendment to the constitution of the United States. The proposed amendment is of Democratic parentage and provides for a very fair tax. The revenue resulting from the imposition of the tax will go a great way toward simplifying the problem of supporting the government.

The ratification of only two additional legislatures is necessary for the amendment. Thirty-four states have already approved the proposition and it is reasonable to believe that of the ten states which have not taken final action at least two will act favorably. The states which have not acted finally are Virginia, West Virginia, New Mexico, Massachusetts, Florida and Delaware. Recent Democratic successes in a number of these states give assurance that ratification will ensue in several of these. A few of them already have had action in one or the other branch of the legislature, but as new legislative bodies have come up they may have to begin over.

**Spring Mills**

Andrew Shook purchased an automobile.

William Smith, the furniture man, was quite ill on Saturday.

Mrs. Lucloda Runkle has been quite ill again.

The different Sunday-schools are preparing Christmas services.

William Bones, who is employed at Waddle, is home for a few days.

Daniel Corman and wife are attending a Grange meeting at Clearfield.

Miss Rosie Smith is visiting William Brown and family in Huntingdon.

Bruce McCormick went to Sunbury to take an examination to enter the railroad service.

Dr. W. H. Schuyler was making calls on the members of his church on Tuesday afternoon.

Jacob Lee and wife were to Centre Hall on Friday evening to see the play, "The New Minister."

Harry Haney, who was burned so severely a week ago, is recovering under the skillful care of Dr. Brauch.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Gramley and Mrs. Hazel attended the funeral of Mrs. Hazel's brother, Ellis B. Shaffer, at Madisonburg, on Tuesday.

G. H. Long, of Newark, Ohio, accompanied his sister, Miss Ida, to her home at Spring Mills. She was in the Newark hospital for six weeks.

The neighborhood was shocked to hear of the death of Joseph Carter, of Penn Hall. He was a good neighbor, always cheerful and had a kind word for every one.

The Pink Label appears this week.

**A Wonderful Moss.**

One of the most wonderful specimens of vegetable life known to the botanist is the "life moss" of Jamaica, Barbados and other of the West Indian islands. There are several species of tropical plants which have remarkable tenacity of life, but the "life moss" and the story of its vitality are almost beyond belief. Its powers to live under adverse circumstances being certainly beyond that of any other known plant. It appears to be absolutely indestructible by any means except by immersion in boiling water or the application of a red-hot iron to its roots and branching vines. It may be cut up and divided into infinitesimal particles, and then the very smallest shred will throw out roots and soon grow and form new branches and buds. Specimens of this extraordinary plant have been suspended in the air in a dry, hot room; they have been placed in close, air-tight dark boxes, without moisture of any sort, and yet they lived, grew and flourished.

**A Sundial That "Struck."**

Paris is said to possess more sundials than any other city in the world. In the eighteenth century the sundial was popular in Paris. Every day at noon the sundial of the Palais Royal was the center of interest of an eager crowd. A writer tells of a "great crowd in the corner of the Palais Royal garden, standing motionless, with their noses in the air." Each was waiting for noon, having his watch in hand, ready to set at 12 o'clock. When the Duke of Orleans was altering the palace in 1782 the Parisians were much disturbed, thinking that they were to be deprived of their favorite sundial. But the duke not only preserved the sundial, but added to it a little powder magazine, which was so arranged that it exploded when the sunlight fell upon it, thus notifying every one who heard the explosion that the hour of noon had arrived. Later a cannon, which was discharged by the sun at noon, gave the signal.

**Information Not Needed.**

A middle aged woman went into a shop and without hesitation made straight for the crape counter. The girl who handled this funeral material was extremely affable.

"We have a large stock of crapes," she explained. "Let me show you some new French goods, very popular at this time for every kind of mourning and designed to express every degree of grief. If you will tell me for whom you are in mourning I can fix you out in exactly the right thing."

"Husband," replied the customer briefly.

"In that case," said the girl graciously, "I can tell you just what"—"Young lady," interrupted the older woman angrily, "you needn't bother yourself. This is the fourth husband I've buried, and I know all about it."—St. Paul Dispatch.

**Harlem in New York.**

In 1636 there was a settlement at the foot of a little hill in New York city which the settlers called Slang Berge, or Snake Hill, but which is now called Mount Morris. As the settlement grew each Dutchman who lived there wanted to name it after his native town. But as each one had come from a different place in Holland they could not agree. Governor Stuyvesant made careful inquiries, and finding that no one had come from Haarlem, he nipped all neighborly jealousies in the bud by naming it Nieuw Haarlem.

**Anchoring a Lightship.**

A very effective method is employed to keep a lightship always in practically the same position. The ship is moored by three anchors which rest in the sea bed in the form of a triangle. When the tide alters its direction the vessel, of course, swings with it, but only to a limited extent. The ship cannot change right over, as it would if only one anchor were used. For the three anchors each fix it in a different position and do not allow it to move more than a few yards.

**The Boy's Mistake.**

The teacher asked, "When did Moses live?" After the silence had become painful she ordered: "Open your Old Testaments. What does it say there?" A boy answered, "Moses, 4000 B. C." "Now," said the teacher, "why didn't you know when Moses lived?" "Well," replied the boy, "I thought 4000 B. C. was his telephone number."—Pearson's Weekly.

**The Other One.**

"What is the meaning of 'alter ego'?" asked the teacher of the beginners' class in Latin. "The other I," said the boy with the curly hair.

"Give a sentence containing the phrase."

"He winked his alter ego."

**She Works at Home.**

Hicks—I understand Mrs. Bias has learned how to keep her husband at home. Wicks—Nonsensel Bias is out with "the boys" nearly every night. Hicks—You misunderstand me. I mean the work she does at home keeps him. She's a dressmaker, you know.—Philadelphia Ledger.

**Economy a la Mode.**

"There's an economical girl for you!" "As to how?" "Eats a five cent lunch every day." "Yes; she's trying to save \$30 to buy a new hat."—Pittsburgh Post.

The Sicilian tyrants never devised a greater punishment than envy.—Juvenal.

A desirable gift to a friend—The Centre Reporter for one year.

**Tales the Scribe Tell.**

"They say you can read character in handwriting," remarked the paying teller of an important branch bank in Harlem, "and I dare say it's true. But I read more in the extraneous matter written on checks that pass through the bank than I do in the signature. I had a sample check today. It was drawn by a saloon keeper and along the margin he had written, 'against prohibition every time.' The size of the check indicated a prosperous man. The fact that he did more than sign his name suggested that he is not over-worked or pressed for time. And the nature of the inscription was evidence of a lively sense of humor—of a certain sort. Another check bore this line: 'I hate to let go of it.' I'll wager something that the writer is a jolly chap and a good companion. But the meanest citizen that indulges in this sort of literature—and he is quite numerous—is the divorced man who periodically writes across a check drawn in his ex-wife's favor the words 'for alimony,' so as to embarrass her in presenting it anywhere. He ought to be kicked, you know."—New York Globe.

**Japan's Royal Oxen.**

The black oxen employed to draw the funeral car of the late mikado are of a select genus which for centuries has been employed solely for the use of the Japanese imperial family. No other race of draught animals can show such a record of exclusiveness.

The cream colored horses reserved for the English royal family run them close, but some of these had once to wear the yoke of a foreign ruler. When Napoleon occupied Hanover he seized all the cream colored horses in the royal stables and took them to Paris. The state carriage at his coronation was drawn by eight of these animals, which the Parisians called "les chevaux cafe au lait." Their employment on this occasion so irritated George III, that he gave up using the others of the breed stabled in London. Until the fall of Napoleon the state coach was always drawn by black horses when George or his son opened parliament.—London Graphic.

**Resourceful.**

The resourcefulness of some men at times furnishes a surprise even to those who know them well. A fair illustration is a certain New Yorker of wealth who bought a costly steam yacht. He is very fond of the water, but his chief object in the purchase was to please his wife. Then he found she did not care at all for that sort of thing, and as a result she remained at home whenever he went off on a cruise. His wife died, and after a reasonable period he married again. "It's all right now, old man," he said to an acquaintance who congratulated him some time later. "You see, I looked around till I found a woman who would rather live on a yacht than in a house, and I married her. Now the yacht's worth while."—Exchange.

**Keeping Up With Time.**

The city chap who had hired out as extra farm hand during the harvest was not quite able to respond to the 4 o'clock pounding on his bedroom door the first morning as promptly as he had anticipated. He huddled with the pillows for a quarter of an hour past the appointed time and then dragged himself out, and by half past 4 he was stumbling across the field where the old farmer was hard at work. "Fine morning," said the newcomer briskly.

The old fellow looked up sourly. "Yes," he grunted; "it was."—Lippincott's Magazine.

**Beards and Battles.**

Shaggy locks and patriarchal beards have proved highly inconvenient things on the battlefield. Does not history record that Alexander ordered the Macedonians to be shaved lest their beards should give a handle to their enemies? Peter the Great was also a friend of the barbers, for he not only ordered all ranks to be shaven, but caused officers to go about to cut off the beards of offenders by force.

**Benton Did Not Quarrel.**

A senator in his speech in the senate one day referred to "a quarrel" of Benton's. "Mr. President, sir," said the Missouriian, sternly, "the senator is mistaken, sir. I never quarrel, sir, but I sometimes fight, and whenever I fight sir, a funeral follows."

**A Woman's Letter.**

"Cholly received a letter this morning from Gladys Maud. He consumed an hour in reading it."

"Was the letter very long?"

"Not very long. He spent most of the time looking for page 2."—Birmingham Age Herald.

**Never Again.**

"This portrait doesn't resemble me at all."

"Pardon me, madam, but I once made a portrait of a lady that resembled her."—Flegende Blatter.

**Tantalizing.**

She (getting ready to go out)—What are you looking at?

He—I'm just watching whether that house opposite will be finished first of you.—Flegende Blatter.

**Expensive.**

"Why don't you marry Evelyn?" "Don't you think you could support her?"

"Support her? Why, I couldn't even pay for her complexion."—Satire.

Bear the best humbly and the worst resignedly.—Homer.

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