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**CHURCH APPOINTMENTS.**

Presbyterian—Centre Hall, morning; Spring Mills, afternoon.

United Evangelical—Lemont, morning; Linden Hall, afternoon; Egg Hill, evening. Services each evening during the week at Egg Hill.

Lutheran—Tusseyville, morning; Centre Hall, afternoon; Spring Mills, evening. Christmas service; George Valley, December 24th, evening. Christmas service; Tusseyville, Christmas night, Christmas service.

**Harris township.**

George D. Fortney attended court last week as a juror.

Mrs. Jessie Gilman, of near Millheim, is visiting in this place this week.

James Irwin, of Pleasant Gap, made a business trip, to Boalsburg on Monday.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hazel, D. D. P., and sister, Mrs. Smith, of Bellefonte, were present at the installation.

Miss Lizzie Bloom attended the funeral of her uncle, Joseph Carter, at Green Brier last Thursday.

Boalsburg merchants and grocers have their store rooms beautifully decorated with Christmas gifts.

George C. Hosterman visited his brother John Hosterman at Millheim from Saturday till Monday.

Mrs. Hunter Stairs, of Youngwood, spent a few days with relatives at Boalsburg, her former home.

A Christmas service will be rendered by the Reformed Sunday school on Christmas eve, at 7:30 o'clock.

A. W. Dale attended a meeting of the State Grange held at Clearfield last week as a delegate from Victor Grange.

Mrs. G. H. Widder, of Harrisburg, and Mrs. Mervin Arney, of Centre Hall, were the guests of Mrs. Homer Barr on Friday.

The entertainment in the Boal hall on Saturday evening was one of the most pleasing events of the season. \$32 were realized.

Mr. and Mrs. William Stover and son, Eugene, attended the funeral of Mrs. Stover's mother, Mrs. John Stover, at Shiloh, on Tuesday forenoon.

The members of the Lutheran Sunday school will have their Christmas treat and exercises by the children in their Sunday school room on Sunday morning.

Charles Stamm with his daughter Mrs. Edna Gramley and her little boys were visitors from Altoona at the home of John W. Stamm, from Saturday until Tuesday.

William Myers, Oscar and Ralph Rishel, Mr. and Mrs. John Stamm and daughter Caroline, attended the play, The New Minister, at Pine Grove Mills on Friday evening.

Dr. L. E. Kidder with his wife and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wieland attended a Christmas service held in the Methodist Church at State College on Sunday evening.

The members of the Theodore Davis Boal Band are hereby notified that hereafter they will meet for practice in the room on the first floor of the Malta Temple, Tuesday and Thursday evenings of each week.

The following officers were installed by the Tussey Rebekahs on Wednesday evening, December 11: N. G., Miss Nora Miller; R. S. to N. G., Homer Barr; L. S. to N. G., Mrs. Margaret Kuhn; V. G., Mrs. Maude Williams; R. S. to V. G., Miss Beulah Fortney; L. S. to V. G., Miss Verna Snyder; Chaplain, Mrs. Clara Rupp; Conductor, Miss Mary Reish; Secretary, Mrs. Ella Rothrock; Treasurer, Mrs. Ella Barr; Pianist, Miss Della Ishler; Guardian, D. E. Snyder.

**Potters Mills**

John Beltzer, of Coburn, spent several days here last week at the F. A. Carson home.

James Hanns, of Wellstuney, is visiting his children at the home of William Blauer.

Alexander McCoy shipped a load of fine cows to the eastern market Thursday.

Miss Caroline McClaskey is spending a few days in Bellefonte with her friend Miss Hutchinson.

The meeting at Sprucetown has been postponed on account of Rev. Lantz not being in his usual good health.

You will find that druggists everywhere speak well of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. They know from long experience in the sale of it that in cases of coughs and colds it can always be depended upon, and that it is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

**Beethoven and "Adelaide."**

Beethoven in his maturity would have been glad if he could have destroyed some of his early works, among them the septet and the song "Adelaide," the great popularity of both of which annoyed him because he had written so much better things for which he would have preferred that popularity. It now seems that he was not pleased with "Adelaide" at the time when he composed it. Richard Batka has found an anecdote indicating that this was the case in the memoirs of Beethoven's friend Pixis, who died in 1874. A man named Barth, who had a beautiful tenor voice, one morning called on Beethoven. He found him in a bad humor, on the point of the moment the visitor entered of tearing up a manuscript. Barth asked him what was the matter, and Beethoven answered, "Oh, I wanted to write a song, and I succeeded in finishing it, but now I don't like it and want to destroy it." "Let me look at it," exclaimed the tenor. He sat down at the piano and sang it at sight so effectively that the composer's face beamed with joy. A fortnight later this song—it was "Adelaide"—was being sung all over Vienna.

**Banting on Banting.**

William Banting, who has given his name to a verb, held that fat people who want to grow thin should eat five meals a day. In his "Letter on Corpulence," which ran into ten editions and was translated into French and German, Banting states that "low living brings the system into an impoverished state without decreasing corpulence. I have discovered that quality in food is the chief desideratum and that the question of quantity is mere moonshine. I take the most agreeable and savory viands, meat and game pies that my cook can concoct, with the best possible gravies, jellies, etc., and drink sherry, claret, brandy, gin and whisky. I endeavor, however, to abstain as much as possible from bread, butter, milk, sugar, beer and potatoes." On this regime Banting brought down his weight forty-six pounds in twelve months.—London Chronicle.

**No Gentlemen Crooks.**

Dr. Bertillon, the French expert on criminal mensuration, has discredited one of the pet ideas of the novelists and playwrights. The gentleman criminal, he says, does not exist in real life; Arsene Lupin and Raffles are inventions and nothing more. No matter how expensively they may dress or live there is always something which betrays the professional crooks to the trained observer. Crooks, he says, are mostly specialists. And not only do they find it impossible to pass as gentlemen, but gentlemen for the most part would find it exceedingly difficult to make a living as crooks. So it seems that even if a gentleman has all the will in the world to be a crook, or a crook to be a gentleman, early training will prove stronger than desire and the two things cannot be made to mix.—New York Sun.

**Where He Drew the Line.**

The Duc de Raguse once explained to the Countess de Bolgne the nature of his connection with the emperor in a phrase which is more or less applicable to whole nations. He said: "When the emperor said, 'All for France,' I served with enthusiasm; when he said, 'France and I,' I served with zeal; when he said, 'I and France,' I served with obedience; but when he said, 'I, without France,' I felt the necessity of separating from him."—Argonaut.

**Squelched.**

He was trying to make an impression on a pretty nursemaid who had a little boy out in the park. "I wish you were my governess," he simpered. "So do I," said the girl. "What would you do?" "I'd take those cigarettes away from you and get your hair cut." Then he passed on.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

**Cheering Her Up.**

Molly—I was so put out and cross at the party last night! Kate Green had on a dress exactly like mine. Polly—Yes, but how it must have disgusted her to see you with a dress like hers! That ought to make you happy, I should think.

**Rapt in His Art.**

Musician—I tell you, ladies, we artists cannot succeed unless we give up our very souls to our art. Why, last week I was so rapt in a composition which I was playing that a thief stole the violin from under my chin and I never noticed it.

**Where Divorce Was Futile.**

"In ancient Greece when a man was divorced the law provided that he must not marry a woman who was younger than his first wife." "Did they ever have a divorce case in ancient Greece?"—Chicago Record-Herald.

**Old Fashioned.**

"How old fashioned they are!" "So?" "Yes; they still keep their fathers' and mothers' pictures hanging in the living room."—Detroit Free Press.

**Too Big a Meal.**

Tramp—Madam, could you spare a poor man something to eat? Mrs. Stinky—I will call my husband, Tramp.—No, thanks, madam. I am no cannibal.

Patience is the support of weakness; impatience is the ruin of strength.—Colton.

Laundry goes out next Wednesday

**Etiquette on British Warships.**

Etiquette plays an important part on a modern battleship, and the British navy enforces many little forms and customs.

In the wardroom, where the officers and midshipmen dine, the commander does not sit at the head of the table. That place is reserved for the president of the mess. The commander invariably sits at his right hand, while the former changes every month.

Evening dress is a steadfast rule, so much so that the man who has to take a watch after dinner and who has no time to change sits at a table by himself. The toast of "The King" in the navy is drunk sitting. Tradition has it that a certain king once proposed a toast and, jumping up, hit his head against a beam above. Orders were given, the story goes, that all toasts were in future to be drunk sitting.

The "middy" on a warship is just like a fag at a public school, with the officers as his prefects or monitors. Midshipmen have to make themselves generally useful to the latter.—London Answers.

**Burning Cold.**

One who has been reared in either the temperate or tropic zones and who is unacquainted with the mysteries of the chemical laboratory can hardly imagine a degree of cold that would reduce the temperature of any known substance to that point where, if the hand were brought in contact with it, the result would be the same as if he had received a burn. But that such things are possible are well known to chemists and other experimenters. One noted experimenter with liquid air gases, which require wonderful degrees of cold for their success, says that a heat burn is a luxury when compared with burns he has received from cold substances. A drop of liquid gas on his hand made a bluish blister, which changed into an ulcer which did not heal for six months, while a heat burn five times as large healed in twelve days.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

**A Tenor and His Beard.**

Mario, the famous tenor, was excessively proud of his fine beard. One day in Russia, where he had become the favorite of the court, the Emperor Nicholas ordered him to sing in an opera dealing with an episode in the eighteenth century and necessitating a clean shaven face. Mario refused to obey. The emperor became angry. It was in vain that the empress tried her arts of persuasion. Mario was inflexible.

"I am ready," he said, "to give my life for your majesty, but not my beard—never!" Nicholas would not stand any crossing of his will.

"Sing or go!" he said. Without more ado Mario threw up all his engagements, packed his trunks and went.

**Buttons and Women's Clothes.**

"Why does a woman button her garments on the left side?" The question is discussed in the London Tailor and Cutter by several correspondents, one of whom advances this theory: "For ladies to have the buttonholes in the right side of their garments has its origin in the times when it was necessary for a lady when going out at night to have a gentleman escort, who supported her upon his left arm, leaving his right or sword arm at liberty. Thus the lady's left hand would be free to fasten or unfasten her cloak at her own pleasure and without inconvenience."

**Charles V. Liked Mechanics.**

Charles V. of Spain, like Louis XVI. of France, was particularly fond of timepieces and had a decided taste for mechanics. When in Germany he invented a carriage for his own accommodation, and after his abdication he would amuse himself in making little puppets—soldiers performing their exercise, girls dancing with their tambourines and little wooden birds that would fly in and out of the window.

**Sam Houston's Retort.**

General Sam Houston was a master of stump speaking and bitter invective. Once while addressing a large audience he was interrupted and asked what he thought of a certain politician. Without hesitation he replied: "He has every characteristic of a dog except fidelity."

**Advantages of Kilts.**

The London Tailor and Cutter observes with its usual keen insight into human nature: "No one has yet suggested the utility of kilts. They never bag at the knees, nor do they ever require patching at that part, and their hygienic properties are proverbial."

**Fixing the Value.**

Jones—So the price of that "old master" is \$5,000. It doesn't look to be worth \$10. Art Dealer—Yes, but remember it was painted in 1249. Just think what \$10 at compound interest would amount to for that length of time!—Exchange.

**Helping the Cause.**

She—I am almost baked. I have been shut up in a close, stuffy room for two hours. He—What was the occasion of that? She—A meeting of our Fresh Air society.—Lippincott's Magazine.

**A Catty Retort.**

"My husband considered a very long time before he proposed to me. He was very careful." "Ah, it's always those careful people who get taken in."

He will never accomplish anything who dreams of what he will do instead of showing what he can do.

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