

LETTERS FROM SUBSCRIBERS.

Short and Interesting Communications from Western People.

Editor of the Reporter:

The year 1912 has passed which necessitates a change of figures on the Reporter's label, and for that change I herewith inclose you a money order.

Our winter so far has been mild. The temperature for December 1912, averaged at the noon hour, 35 degrees above zero, and the grand average for the year was 51.5 above zero.

Yours truly, HENRY DASHER.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Jan. 6th, 1913

THROUGH CONFEDERATE PRISONS.

Dr. Zion Will Lecture at Centre Hall, Tusseyville, Linden Hall and Lemont.

Dr. Zion Will, D. D., will give a series of lectures under the auspices of the young people of the United Evangelical church, Wednesday evening, 15th.

The admissions are ten and twenty cents at all points.

Box Factory Burned.

The Ruhl and Watson box factory at Millmont was totally destroyed by fire. The building was 60x150 feet.

Grange Fire Insurance Co.

The Centre County Mutual Fire Insurance Company, P. O. H., held its annual session in Bellefonte on Tuesday.

Marriage Licenses.

George Houser, State College Catherine Runkle, State College Edward Mayes, Penn Furnace Nancy Heberling, Penn Furnace

County Auditors at Work.

The board of county auditors are at work on the accounts of the various county officials.

Blue Rock Shoot.

The Sportsmen's League, at Potters Mills, will hold a blue rock shoot on Saturday afternoon, one o'clock, and will give an opportunity for those inclined to do so to exercise their skill.

Representative Gramley voted for Alter for speaker of the house.

ALTER ELECTED SPEAKER.

Five Ballots Required—Gerberich President Protem of Senate.

The upper and lower house of the state legislature elected their officers without the usual party caucus, and as a result George E. Alter, of Allegheny, who styles himself a Progressive Republican, was elected speaker of the house on the fifth ballot.

Philadelphia's Independents at first delayed the Alter movement, and then hastened it, Frank Gray being the first to break the ice in that direction on the third ballot.

Dr. Daniel P. Gerberich, of Lebanon, was elected president protem of the senate on the second ballot.

Auronsburg.

Sumner Musser, is at present employed by his uncle, at George Miller, at Mill Hall, in the bakery.

Mrs. Emma Bachman, of Ocoola, is visiting her friend Ruth Crouse, where she is very pleasantly entertained.

Babe Nevin Feldler Krape, son of merchant I. F. and Mayne Krape, four weeks old, was buried in the Lutheran cemetery on Sunday.

Potters Mills

Clayton McKinley was here from Altoona to visit his family.

Mrs. Confer, of Millheim, is seriously ill with pneumonia at the home of Howard Confer.

Mrs. Charles Bitner and four children left this place to join Mr. Bitner at Joliet, Ill.

P. O. Stiver, of Freeport, Ill., and brother, Dr. Roland Stiver, of Lena, Ill., spent Tuesday evening calling on friends at this place.

Leslie Miller, of Bellefonte, teacher of the Grammar school at this place, has been sick, and there has been no school for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Ashbridge Thomas gave a dance at the hotel last Friday evening. Among the guests were George Thomas, of Brooklin, N. Y., Lowell Alexander and Howard Cummings, of Bellefonte.

Cupid a Bit Lax.

Cupid was a bit lax in Centre county during 1912, as compared with 1911. There were issued in 1912 two hundred and ninety-six marriage licenses, or six less than the year before.

Governor Tener named Deputy Sheriff M. M. Bricker to be sheriff of Mifflin county, that office having been made vacant by the death of Sheriff Allen Fultz.

DEATHS.

Jared Lytle, son of Laura Bell Lytle, died Monday, at 4:30 P. M. Six years ago he had a severe attack of kidney trouble and had not been strong since, although able to do light work.

Monday forenoon Edward K. Rhoads died at his home in Bellefonte after an illness of but a few days. His age was forty-five years.

Charley C. Hess, a native of Snyder county, but a resident of Philipsburg since 1873, died in the latter place, aged almost fifty-eight years.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Krape, of Auronsburg, are mourning the loss of their son, Nevin Fiedler, aged twenty-five days.

LOCALS

The postoffice department writes it "U. S. Parcel Post," so we will have to follow and omit the plural form of parcel.

When there is an inch of snow the crossings are cleaned, but two inches of mud fall to attract much attention from those whose duty it is to perform such work.

George Earhart, of Old Fort, one of the auditors of Potter township, was a caller at this office, one day this week, to transact business pertaining to his position as auditor.

The parcel post division of the mail department is being liberally patronized locally. The packages mailed contained a great variety of goods—from umbrellas to beans.

If the Clearfield Syndicate comes into possession of the Bellefonte Electric light plant, it is thought the chances for a trolley line between Bellefonte and State College will be enhanced.

Nathaniel Zeigler, of Linden Hall, will follow William E. Phillips as tenant on the Foster farm, west of Spring Mills, now owned by I. J. Zaubler.

David F. Kapp was made treasurer of the Farmers' Trust Company, at State College, as well as cashier of the First National Bank in that place.

Mrs. Lenard Wilson, at Linden Hall, is very seriously ill, suffering from what appears to be a light stroke of paralysis, and other complications.

In its New Year message the Altoona Tribune, recently purchased by Hon. Henry W. Shoemaker, announced that it would hereafter be independent in politics.

Dry rot had almost totally destroyed the foundation timbers in the vestibule of the Lutheran church, and it is a wonder that the floor did not fall under the weight of those who assembled there in groups before entering the church or leaving it.

The firm of J. H. and S. E. Weber has been dissolved, the latter retiring from the firm, at the same time taking over the ware house, coal yards, stock, etc., of the firm located at Oak Hall station, and the former retaining the business at Centre Hall, which includes the Centre Hall Roller Flouring Mills, coal yards, implement business, etc.

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Optical Illusions.

Professor Stirling explained a variety of optical illusions, including the after effects of seen movements and entasis or convexity in curvature.

In dealing with colored shadows Professor Stirling demonstrated the great difficulties that occasionally beset the designers of dress materials.

African Superstitions.

Concerning the superstitions that are rife in Nigeria, Africa, a traveler says: "The bird which flies in at your open door in the sunlight, the bat which circles round you at night, the small bush beasts which cross your path while hunting, all may be familiars of witch or wizard or even the latter themselves disguised to do you hurt.

The Two Ways.

A hunter of the old school, who lives among the foothills of the Alleghenies, was teased into making a wager of \$10 that his antiquated gun would shoot a bullet through a railroad cross tie.

The bet was to be decided in the lumber yard back of the depot. The old hunter arrived at that place in advance of the others.

"Flatwags! Are you daffy, man? Turn them endways!"

Deadly Snakes.

The deadliest of snakes is said to be the mamba, an African cobra. It flies at everybody and everything; it goes out of its way to quarrel; it will even come down from a tree to solicit an interview.

August and July.

"August," the name of the month, is accented on the first syllable. "August," the adjective, is accented on the second syllable.

Woodward.

Edson Fultz left for Philadelphia last week.

Those on the sick list are Miss Mary Snyder and Daniel Stover.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaiah Boob spent Saturday with their son William.

John Eisenhuths entertained company from Coburn on Sunday.

Miss Mabel Boob spent Sunday with her friend, Miss Lida Hosterman.

Messrs. Joe Atid, L. L. Weaver, Edward Sheesley and Roy Bowersox transacted business in Millheim Saturday afternoon.

A Lucky Home Run.

"The funniest home run that ever my peepers were laid on," said an old time player during a fanning bee, "happened in Chicago some years ago.

Immensity of the Swiss Glaciers.

The glaciers united to form the great Gornier glacier above Zermatt have a width of ten miles. Soon after they have joined the width is reduced to two miles and farther on to one mile.

The Bread of Mexico.

Tortilla is the universal substitute for bread in Mexico. It is a flat cake made of coarse cornmeal and baked on a hot sheet of iron or a slab of stone.

SOFT SHELL CRABS.

They Don't Remain Soft Very Long After the Sheddling.

The supply of soft crabs for market is obtained by catching hard crabs and keeping them until they shed their shells.

For this purpose large rectangular floats, made of laths and plank, are employed, and three or four times every day the stock on hand is carefully inspected, all the soft crabs being picked out and packed without delay.

When the packing is done carefully the occupants may be kept alive from sixty to seventy hours after leaving the water.

Crabs have been shipped all the way from the Chesapeake to Canada, arriving at their destination in good condition.

But where soft crabs are concerned it is necessary that they shall reach the market quickly, because their new shells harden with great rapidity.

Laundry goes out next Wednesday.

Persons troubled with partial paralysis are often very much benefited by massaging the affected parts thoroughly when applying Chamberlain's Liniment. This liniment also relieves rheumatic pains. For sale by all dealers.

NOTICE IN DIVORCE.

Dora M. Moyer vs. J. Madison Moyer. In the Court of Common Pleas of Centre County, Pa. No. 142, Sept. Term, 1912.

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Kathryn Meckley vs. James M. Meckley. In the Court of Common Pleas of Centre County, Pa. No. 168, Sept. Term, 1912.

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Anna L. Wilder vs. Marion E. Wilder. In the Court of Common Pleas of Centre County, Pa. No. 46, Sept. Term, 1912.

Sale Register.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 8:30 o'clock, on the Van Tries farm, one mile south of Linden Hall, by Charles W. Weaver: Seven horses, 45 head of cattle, 30 hogs, full line of implements.

SATURDAY, MARCH 22, one o'clock, at Centre Hall, by S. W. Smith: six horses—three are rising four years; one rising three years, and one rising two years; one driving mare.

TUESDAY, March 25, twelve o'clock, at Centre Hill, on the Ström farm, by James C. Goodhart. Full line of farm stock and implements, a clean up sale for that farm. F. L. Mayes, auctioneer.

When you want a reliable medicine for a cough or cold take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE.

The undersigned offers for sale her house and lot on Main street, in Centre Hall. Dwelling house contains eight rooms, and has just been remodeled throughout and has all the modern improvements—heat, light, bathroom, etc.

Letters testamentary on the estate of Samuel W. Moore, late of Centre Hall borough, deceased.

Letters testamentary on the above estate having been duly granted to the undersigned, she would respectfully request any persons knowing themselves indebted to the estate to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same to present them duly authenticated for settlement.

Coughs Hard coughs, old coughs, tearing coughs. Give Ayer's Cough Factorial a chance. Sold for 70 years. Ask Your Doctor.

A line of Blankets A line of high-top Rubber Shoes Boys' and Men's Caps Men's Heavy Corduroy Coats KREAMER & SON CENTRE HALL