

**MEET TO FORM CHAPTER
OF THE EASTERN STAR.**

A Sister Masonic Fraternity to be Instituted Here as a result of Enthusiastic Meeting Monday Night.

For several months past there has been more or less agitation in local Masonic circles over the prospect of organizing and instituting a Chapter of the Eastern Star, a sister organization of the Masons, at this place. Several weeks ago a committee consisting of Messrs. H. F. Bitner, F. M. Fisher, and W. Lloyd Stover, members of Old Fort Lodge, F. & A. M., was appointed to ascertain with what success such an undertaking would meet. A canvass among the mothers, sisters, wives and daughters of Masons, who only are eligible to membership in the Eastern Star, proved that a great number would be ready to affiliate with the order, and a meeting was called to take place simultaneously with the regular Masonic meeting night of Old Fort lodge, which was Monday night. A large number of maslms from all parts of the valley, a majority of whom were accompanied by the feminine sex, came to Centre Hall in automobiles. While the Masons met in their hall the rooms of the Odd Fellows across the hallway were being used for the assembling of the women folk. The turnout was better than was expected for the lodge rooms were filled with ladies who expressed a desire to join a Chapter of the Eastern Star. At the meeting a petition for a charter was signed by the maximum number of petitioners—forty-four women and six Masons, and this was sent to the secretary of the Grand Chapter at Pittsburg. It is designed to give the local Chapter the name of Centre Chapter of the Eastern Star.

The names of Mrs. Anna Fisher, of Penn Hall, for Worthy Matron; Mrs. Annie Puff, of Centre Hall, for Associate Worthy Matron, and Dr. H. F. Bitner, of Centre Hall, for Worthy Patron, were recommended and must need be ratified by the officials of the Grand Chapter.

The time for instituting will be made known as soon as the instituting officer decides on a date, which in all likelihood will be in the near future.

Those at the head of the movement feel confident that it is possible to secure a hundred charter member. The nearest Chapter to Centre Hall is located at Millburg.

CLOSE OF COURT.

February term of Court closed Saturday morning, practically the entire week having been taken up with a trespass case. This case came on for trial Monday forenoon and verdict was reached Friday forenoon. The suit was brought by Wilber Wining against Wilson G. Frantz for timber alleged to have been cut on plaintiff's land. The latter claimed the cutting done, of timber, he had bought from Mr. Eiler, Eiler having bought from Kelley, and Kelley from Laird. After the suit was brought Laird, Kelley and Eiler interpleaded on the record, and became defendants with Mr. Frantz; Mr. Laird being the owner of the title to the real estate by virtue of his warrant survey and patent claiming the land North to the Harris and Gray line, while the plaintiff claimed that the Laird land did not come to the Harris and Gray line by forty rods, thereby leaving a vacancy between the Laird and Harris and Gray land of something over twenty acres, which was included within Wining's warrant surveyed in 1900. The contention of the plaintiff was that within the lines of the Laird warrant as claimed by Laird there was more land than Laird was entitled to receive from the Commonwealth under his warrant, and produced a surveyor, who made the survey of the Laird tract, and testified that he included more land than he was allowed under the warrant in his preliminary survey and then plotted lines on the draft to bring it within the amount of land allowed to be taken under the warrant, but no testimony showing that Laird had notice of the plotting and the survey was returned to the land office at Harrisburg as extending to the Harris and Gray line. The real action in the case, however, being to recover the value of the timber, which the plaintiff alleges was not cut on the Laird land, but on his, by virtue of his warrant, and asked for treble damages, under an Act of Assembly which provides for treble damages where a person cut timber trees on the lands of another. The case was strongly contested and resulted in a verdict for the defendants at the time stated.

The Auditors' Statement for the County.

The Auditors' statement of the receipts and expenditures of Centre county for the year 1915 appears in supplement form in this issue. Every tax payer should give it a careful reading. Figures show that the balance in hands of Treasurer Miller on Jan. 3, 1916 was \$41,864.12, which is more than \$9,500 in excess of the amount a year ago. The indebtedness of Centre county has been reduced year by year during the term of the present Democratic Commissioners until at the present time it is only a trifling over \$8000.

Mrs. Charles Mander, of Lewistown, visited her uncle, Lawson Burris, last week.

DEATHS.

Daniel Washington Garbrick, a respected citizen of Boalsburg, died on Monday morning at his home following a second stroke of paralysis. Ten days previous Mr. Garbrick was stricken down while in the act of oiling his buggy at his home, and since that time he had been in a more or less serious condition.

Deceased was born October 5, 1847, and was therefore aged sixty-eight years, six months and eight days. In early years he became a member of the Reformed church at Houserville, of which he was a Deacon; he also served as a school director of Harris township. In 1874 he was united in wedlock by Rev. A. J. Hartsack, to Miss Mary Corman. To this union the following children were born: John Mitchell, Cora Therress, Irene Della (married to Mr. Stewart), and George Thomas Garbrick. The following children also found a home with them, Albert Garbrick, Daniel Kuhn and Nellie Kuhn. He is survived by his wife two brothers and all of the children. Mr. Garbrick was a good and respected citizen, and endeavored to live a constant Christian life. He will be buried on Thursday morning at Boalburg, Rev. N. C. Stover, his pastor, conducting the funeral services.

Miss Mary Margaret Woods, a respected maiden lady of Gregg township, died at her home in Spring Mills early Sunday morning after a two weeks' illness with pleurisy. Miss Woods for a number of years lived alone and during her sickness she was cared for by her niece, Miss Rose Woods, of Boalsburg.

Deceased was a daughter of Mary and Samuel Woods and was born in Spring Mills, January 20th, 1839, consequently was past seventy-seven years. For many years she was an active worker in the Presbyterian church and her death removes one of the oldest and most respected citizens of that town.

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at 9:30 o'clock and interment was made in the Presbyterian cemetery. Rev. R. B. Jones, of the Reformed church of Centre Hall, officiated at the services because of the Presbyterians being without a pastor at this time.

LOCALS.

Mrs. C. G. Barnes left on Monday for a two weeks' visit with her daughter, Miss Stella Barnes, in New York city.

Miss Ruth Smith, a student in the Bloomsburg State Normal School, is spending this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Smith.

On Tuesday Maynard Meeker moved his household goods from the farm and occupied the Old Fort hotel, which he will conduct in the future.

A purse of about twenty-five dollars was raised this week among members of the local lodge of Odd Fellows for the relief of John Armstrong, a lodge brother, at Potters Mills.

F. V. Goodhart, the undertaker and desler in furniture, sold his hearse team a few days ago to a Millin county party. Mr. Goodhart will depend almost entirely upon gasoline as a motive power for both branches of his business.

Just because there were two Andrew Greggs, and both living in Altoona, was the cause for a great many expressions of sorrow when in some mysterious manner the news of the death of Andrew Gregg reached this place, Monday evening. The individual by that name for whom there was all this unnecessary display of sorrow is alive and in the best of health, and continues to hold down a responsible position with the Bell Telephone Company. This assurance was made to the Reporter in a telephone message from Mrs. Newton C. Yarnell, near Linden Hall, a sister of Mrs. Gregg, on Tuesday. Mrs. Yarnell said that Mrs. Gregg had anticipated this supposition, owing to sameness of names, and in order to forestall the conclusion, wired her sister to the effect that an Andrew Gregg had died, but not "her Andrew." This is a bit of news that is pleasant to write, while at the same time the family of the deceased Andrew Gregg has our sympathies.

Here is what one of the Scranton papers say concerning the business ability of a man who claims Penns Valley as his old home: One of Scranton's most energetic and highly esteemed citizens is M. Shires, the district manager of the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance company, of Newark, N. J. Although he has been with the company for twenty years, Mr. Shires has been in Scranton but six years, but during that time he has built up an extensive acquaintance in this city and vicinity. He is a member of the Scranton Board of Trade, possesses much civic pride, and has shown himself to be a genuine "booster." He expects to abide here for the remainder of his life. Mr. Shires has put his company on the local map since he has been here, more than tripling its Scranton business since he has had charge of the district. He has a very attractive personality. His friends expect to see him go much higher up in the company's employ.

Spring Mills.

G. C. King was to Union county on Tuesday.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ammon Decker on March 13th. The stock sale of W. O. Gramley, held on Tuesday was well attended and everything brought good prices.

Prof. W. B. Jones and wife, and Rev. W. H. Williams are attending conferences at Altoona.

Prof. Cephas Gramley of Rebersburg was circulating among his many friends on Monday evening.

Mrs. G. N. Wolfe left for Philadelphia on Tuesday to purchase her spring stock of millinery goods.

The body of John Zerby was brought here from Youngstown, Ohio, on Tuesday and taken to the Salem cemetery for interment. Mr. Zerby was born and raised in this vicinity. About seven years ago he moved to Ohio. He was well liked and respected. The I. O. O. F. had charge of the funeral, he being a member of that order, and also a charter member of the Rebeckahs.

The death of Miss Mary Woods on Sunday morning was a sad blow to her many friends. He will be missed by almost everyone. In every home in the village she was a welcome visitor, and as she went about everyone she came in contact with was benefited by her cheerful, patient manner. She was a loyal member of the Presbyterian church for sixty some years and a teacher in the Sunday school for fifty years.

Centre Hill.

Charles Foust and Miss Mary Byers spent Saturday in Bellefonte.

Mrs. Robert Smith is spending a few days with her friends in Coburn. Charles Smith has been on the sick list.

A large flock of wild geese passed over here last Monday.

Frank Bible and family and mother spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Daniel Rosman.

Mrs. Loyd Smith spent a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Brown, last week.

Howard Foust and grandson, Chester, have been spending a few days at the home of Harry Cummings.

Get a hustle on, milkmen, and don't keep the milk wagon waiting at Centre Hill so long.

Charles Bartges, who last week made sale of his farm stock and implements, will move from his farm near Penn Hall to that village and will assume the right hand man position in the Fisher store, so that the owner—Frank M. Fisher—will not need to give so much of his time to the business.

The weather on Wednesday led no one to believe that spring was less than a week distant, for it was one of the most wintry days of the season, a cold raw air being accompanied by four inches of snow.

C. F. Deininger, who has been holding down a position at Burnham, came home the beginning of the week.

H. Gasaway Davis Dies at 93 Years.

Henry Gasaway Davis, former United States senator from West Virginia and vice presidential candidate on the Democratic ticket in 1904, died in Washington, Saturday morning, after a brief illness, aged ninety-three years.

Rollings as to subscriptions.

We clip from an exchange the following decisions of the United States Supreme Court in regard to newspaper subscriptions:

Subscribers who do not give express notice to the contrary are considered as wishing to renew their subscriptions.

If subscribers order a discontinuance of their periodicals the publisher may continue to send them until all dues are paid.

If the subscriber refuses to take the periodicals from the postoffice to which they are directed, he is responsible until he has settled his bill and ordered the paper discontinued.

If subscribers move to other places without informing the publisher, and the papers are sent to the former address, the subscriber is held responsible.

The courts have held that refusing to take periodicals from the postoffice, on removing and leaving them uncalled for is prima facie evidence of intention to defraud.

If the subscribers pay in advance they are bound to give notice at the end of the time if they wish to discontinue taking it, otherwise the publisher is authorized to send it and the subscriber will be responsible until express notice with payment of all arrearages is sent to the publisher.

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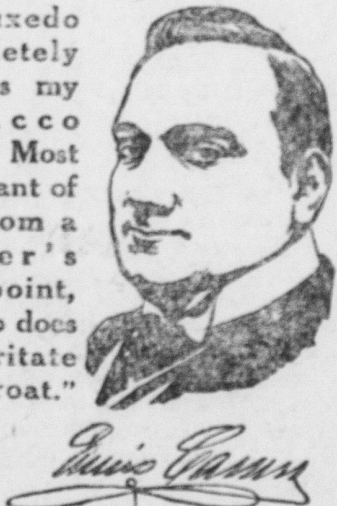
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