

REBERSBURG

Lagrippe has made its appearance in this vicinity. Clarence Long is confined to his bed with a severe attack of tonsillitis.

The horse sale held at this place on Monday by Yoder, of Kansas, brought many people from a distance.

Mrs. Whitman, of Illinois, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Waite, at this place.

Charles Walte, who is employed at Lewisburg, is spending this week under the parental roof.

At the two public sales held last week in this vicinity live stock and farm implements did not bring the prices they did a year ago.

Since the coal dealers at Coburn are out of coal quite a lot of fuel is being hauled from Spring Mills to this place.

Elmer Bierly is making preparations to move his portable shingle mill to Madocburg where he will operate the same for several months.

In less than one and one-half hours Yoder sold his car load of horses on Monday, at an average of \$218.00 per head.

Last week while Allen Brungart was crossing the mountain on his way to Sugar Valley his buggy slid over the bank and upset at the time the road was one sheet of ice.

The freecing and painting will be handled by a Williamsport firm of interior decorators, part of the work being the reproduction in full color of the Vinci's noted painting, "The Last Supper."

Aeronsburg.

Mrs. J. J. Fiedler is suffering from pneumonia.

A. J. Harter, of Rockford, Ill., is visiting his sister, Mrs. Lewis Mensch. Walter Orwig, who is employed in Hill, on, spent a week with his family here.

Mrs. George McCormick and Little, from Potters Mills, are spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Mudge.

Mrs. T. C. Weaver returned to her home on Friday, having taken sick while with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Bowersox, at Walls Chapel.

Mrs. Harvey Charles, of Hartleton, is the welcome guest for a week at the home of her son-in-law, Claude Ender.

Miss Ella Boyer, after spending a month or more at the John Haines home, returned to her father's home at Pine Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Guisewite gave a party in honor of their daughter, Miss Sarah and Mar, on Thursday night, in the form of a dance. Music was rendered by Elmer Hill, violinist.

PENN HALL

Harry Ulrich and family, from Spring Mills, spent Sunday with Mrs. Ulrich's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Musser.

William Rockey from Tusseyville visited his friend, Clarence Musser, over Sunday.

Mrs. William Hettinger and Mrs. Allen Kramer spent Tuesday at the home of Warren Spover.

Harvey Rachau, who is employed at Hollidaysburg, is visiting his wife for a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. John Detwiler of near Centre Hall spent Thursday with the latter's sister, Mrs. Ephraim Shook.

Georges Valley

Mrs. John Vonada spent last Wednesday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Lingie.

Mrs. S. W. Decker and daughter, Miss Nottie, spent Friday afternoon with Mrs. John Auman.

Harvey Vonada has returned home after spending a week with friends in Hublersburg.

F. M. Ackerman caught a large red fox in one of his traps on Saturday.

Quite a number of people in this section are housed up with the grip.

STATE AGRICULTURAL NOTES.

One tobacco grower in Lancaster county averages \$40 an acre for the tobacco crop recently sold.

In Lebanon county a great deal of female labor was employed to help husk the corn.

In Cumberland county limestone sand sells from \$1.50 to \$1.72 an acre and slate land for from \$60 to \$75 an acre.

It is estimated that insect damage to the cereal and fruit crops on the Pennsylvania farms amounts to over \$25,000,000 each year.

Thousands of farmers from all sections of the State will attend the Pennsylvania Corn, Fruit, Dairy Products, Vegetable and Wood show to be held at Harrisburg, January 22 to 26.

Pennsylvania ranks seventh in the value of its farm crop, leads all States in buckwheat production, is second in hay and apple production and third in wheat, rye and potatoes.

George L. Bazlet, aged nineteen, died in the Lewisburg hospital last Tuesday night from an abscess of the lungs.

From a California Subscriber.

C. W. Stahl, Esq., of the firm of Stahl and Sayles, attorneys at law, Los Angeles, California, in remitting to the Reporter, says: "It has been a good many years since I subscribed for the Reporter and I am the only one of my family of course, who enjoys its weekly contents, as the balance of my family never have lived in Pennsylvania, but it is like a letter from home to me so I trust you will give me credit with the enclosed check for \$1.50 which is payable to your order, and keep the paper coming this year."

"With kind regards to yourself personally and all my Pennsylvania friends and acquaintances and wishing you abundance of success for the coming year I beg to remain, Yours very truly, C. W. STAHL."

Working on Yeagerstown Lutheran Church. A staff of about a dozen carpenters and finishers are at work under the direction of contractor John Stetler in placing the interior woodwork of the new Lutheran church at Yeagerstown in position.

Mr. Stetler was obliged to import most of the workmen from Snyder county and elsewhere in order to accomplish the task. The probabilities are that the edifice will not be in readiness for occupancy much before spring and it is likely that dedication services cannot be arranged until some time in April a year from the time building operations were started.

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Favors Increase in Teachers' Salaries. The state board of education on Friday adopted resolutions favoring an increase of \$50 per year in the present salaries of all teachers in the public schools of the state and favoring an appropriation of \$18,500,000 to the elementary and high schools of the state for the coming biennial period.

The board spent considerable time discussing normal and vocational schools and arranged with representatives of the University of Pennsylvania, State College and the University of Pittsburgh to establish summer schools for training continuation school teachers. Secretary J. George Becht was instructed to take up the matter of securing the state's share of the appropriation for vocational education carried by the bill just enacted by congress.

State Wool Clip Was Valuable. Statistics gathered by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture show that there were 630,500 fleeces clipped in the State during the year that were valued at approximately \$1,350,531.

The average weight of each fleece is estimated at 6.3 pounds, a trifle heavier than the average of a year ago while the average price of wool per pound was thirty-four cents as compared with twenty-seven cents in 1915. It is estimated that the total clip amounted to 3,972,150 pounds.

There has been a decided increase in interest in the sheep industry during the past six months and several thousand sheep have been brought into the State through the efforts of the Department of Agriculture.

Butter and Milk at State Show. Over one hundred dollars in prizes for the best butter and milk exhibited at the Pennsylvania Corn, Fruit, Dairy products, Vegetable and Wood Show at Harrisburg, January 22 to 26 have been offered and many samples are expected to be shown from all sections of the State.

There were two classes for butter, a creamery and dairy class and prizes in each will consist of ten dollars or silver cup for first prize, eight dollars or silver cup for second prize, five dollars third prize and three dollars for fourth prize. The competition is open to all butter makers in Pennsylvania and it will be quite a distinction to some farmer's wife to carry away the butter championship of the State.

Two rectangular one pound prints must be offered for exhibition and competition, in both the creamery and dairy classes.

The milk classes are for certified and market milk and four quarts of certified milk are required for entry and either four pints or four quarts of market milk comprises an entry. The milk must have been milked on the evening of January 17 and must not be pasteurized or contain any preservative. The same prizes that are to be given in butter classes will be duplicated in the milk competition. Information concerning the shipping of milk and butter and entry blanks can be secured by addressing the Department of Agriculture at Harrisburg, Pa., or E. K. Blusham, State College.

Transfers of Real Estate. W. J. Shultz et al. transfer to Reformed Cemetery Association, tract of land in Marion twp.; consideration \$35.

Nannie B. Mothersbaugh et al. to Harry C. Bailey, tract of land in Harris twp.; consideration \$1750.

John H. Krumbine et al. to Clifford B. Thomas, tract of land in Centre Hall; consideration \$100.

ANIMAL TO BE LEFT ALONE

Porcupine Strictly Defensive, but a Dreaded Foe When it Comes to Close Quarters.

Perhaps you will come to the conclusion that this animal is more interesting to read about than to meet in the woods, the Philadelphia North American says. But don't worry—there are not many of him left. If he were common he might become, along with the rattlesnake, the emblem of the apostles of preparedness, for he carries a veritable arsenal around with him on his back. He is called the porcupine.

The only American member of the family is the Canadian porcupine, which occasionally wanders southward into the mountains of Pennsylvania.

Covering his body from head to foot are sharp spines, or quills, varying from one to four inches in length. When the porcupine is undisturbed the quills lie flat against the body like hair. Approach him, and the spines become erect, pointing outward like a thousand bayonets.

Ancient writers handed down fanciful stories about how the porcupine could throw one of these quills from the body. He doesn't possess this power, however. He's wholly a defensive animal.

Sometimes a dog, unacquainted with this terror of the forest, will pounce upon him like he would on a rabbit. Immediately there's a howl of pain—from the dog, not the porcupine. The quills are covered with barbs, and once they are imbedded in another animal they work their way farther in, sometimes causing death.

The quills of the Canadian porcupine are hidden by a covering of hair. He makes his home in hollow trees or in caverns, and eats vegetables and bark from trees.

Web-Footed Animal Can Climb Trees and Go Fishing; Also is Valuable Prey.

Very talented is the animal. He can climb trees like a squirrel, swim like a fish, dig like a mole and kill chickens like a weasel. In addition he is endowed with an unusually fine fur, which makes him valuable prey for the hunter. He's more or less common along woodland streams, and altogether too common in the neighborhood of the farmer's poultry yards.

Although he can dig as good a burrow as any other animal, the mink sometimes chooses to steal a muskrat's home rather than build one for himself, a writer in the Philadelphia North American states. To avoid future trouble with the ousted muskrat, the mink kills and eats him.

Usually he prefers to make his home along the banks of a stream or at the foot of a waterfall. Sometimes, when his taste for poultry becomes cultivated, he will establish himself under the farmer's barn to be near his food supply. He can track his prey like a hound. Besides poultry, he has a taste for rats, mice, fish and frogs.

To sid him in his fishing, the mink has partly webbed feet. His sharp claws help him in climbing trees, and sometimes he will attack birds in their nests. He is a little more than twelve inches long, has a dark brown fur and a light spot on his throat. Before seal skin became popular a single skin of the mink was worth from \$10 to \$12.

Seemed a Good Proposition. "Yes," sighed the beautiful heiress, "my romance has been shattered beyond all repair. And the cruel parent was responsible for all my suffering."

"We sympathized and begged her to go on."

"My suitor was young and handsome, clever. True, he had no money. But he had everything else, and oh! how he loved me. My father couldn't see him. Father is a business man, and he could not understand that true worth and poverty are not incompatible. He demanded that I dismiss my lover, he fretted and fumed whenever he called."

"I told him all my father had said against him. I repeated to him my father's remark that he would give \$5,000 if I would never see him again."

"And what did he say to that?"

"He—he asked when father could be found in his office."

"Metaphysicianess."

Mary Mitford appears to have had a weakness for coining words with unnecessary female terminations. On one occasion she writes about "a young creature full of grace and beauty, living in London like a hermitess and teaching her little brothers Greek."

And elsewhere she tells of "a most elegant young woman, negotiatrice of the forgeries." Worst of all is a passage in a letter to Sir William Elliot, in which she says: "I believe, my dear Sir William, that you will not need 'one to come from the grave' to inform you that I am a metaphysicianess (is there such a word?)"

Putting It Up to Father. After several unsuccessful attempts to draw her husband into conversation at the restaurant, the wife discovered the cause of his abstraction to be a beautiful girl dressed in black and seated at a nearby table.

"An attractive widow," observed the wife, coolly.

"Yes, indeed, a very attractive widow," agreed the husband, enthusiastically.

"Yes," sighed the wife. "I wish I were one."—Ladies' Home Journal.

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Sale Register.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20th, at one o'clock, Mrs. Mary Ripka, at Tusseyville, will sell her residence property and stable, also household goods.

THURSDAY, MARCH 1st, at 10 o'clock a. m., 1 mile north of Potters Mills, Homer R. Trostler will sell farm stock and implements; some household furniture. A clean-up sale. L. F. Mayes, auct.

MONDAY, MARCH 5, all day sale, 1-1/2 mile east of Centre Hill, by Trostler and Danberman: clean up sale of farm stock and implements.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7th, at 10 o'clock a. m., J. T. Potter and Jas. Callahan, will sell on the old Potter homestead, four miles west of Centre Hill: Farm stock, implements, etc.; clean up sale of everything.

THURSDAY, MARCH 8th, at 10 o'clock, Martha Wesley, on the Allison farm, 1-1/2 miles east of Spring Mills, will sell farm stock and implements. A clean-up sale.

FRIDAY, MARCH 9, at one o'clock, G. W. Trostler will sell at his residence, 1 and 1-1/2 miles east of Centre Hill: Farm stock, implements and household goods.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14th, at ten o'clock, a. m., L. B. Lingle, one-half mile west of Old Centre Hill, by Shaver & Keller: Clean up sale of farm stock and implements. This will be a clean-up sale of everything on the farm.

THURSDAY, MARCH 15th, two miles east of Centre Hill, by Shaver & Keller: Clean up sale of farm stock and implements.

SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 1 o'clock p. m., to the rear of Reporter office, Centre Hall: Five pairs of mated snipes, two years old at time of sale. These snipes will be trained and hatched on forenoon of sale day. Also a lot of cows, fresh and springing.

TUESDAY, MARCH 20th, 9 o'clock a. m., W. F. Stover, one-half mile east of Penn Hall, on the Hill farm, will sell farm stock, including 30 head of Holstein cattle, also farm implements. A clean-up sale of everything.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21st, 10 a. m., about two miles west of Tusseyville, will sell: Clean up sale of farm stock and implements.

THURSDAY, MARCH 22nd, at 10 o'clock a. m., R. D. Musser, one mile north of Spring Mills, will sell farm stock, including 30 head of Holstein cattle, also farm implements. A clean-up sale of everything.

FRIDAY, MARCH 23rd, at 10 o'clock a. m., John Harter, at Spring Mills, will sell live stock and implements. A clean-up sale. L. F. Mayes, auct.

SATURDAY, MARCH 24, 12 o'clock, at Centre Hall, by Shaver & Keller, consisting of home, cows, cows, young cattle, dogs and sheep. Mayes, auct.

TUESDAY MARCH 27, the undersigned will offer at public sale the following live stock and farm implements: Seven head of horses, including 2 head of young cattle; 22 head of sheep; 11 head of dogs. Farm implements—3 Syracuse plows, 2 Perry barrows, 6 tooth barrows, disc harrow, land roller, Evans corn planter, Albright corn waker, 2 mowers, side delivery rake, hay loader, hay fork, rope and pulleys, Conklin loader, 2 buggies, New Holland seed grinder, lot of harness and Sandwich Hay Press and Power. Sale at 10 o'clock sharp. L. Frank Mayes, auct. C. W. FISHER, auct.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by J. C. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by J. C. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists. Price 75c per bottle. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

CYRUS BRUNGART JUSTICE OF THE PEACE CENTRE HALL, PA.

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE FARMERS MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF CENTRE COUNTY, PA.

BELLEFONTE, PA., JANUARY 6, 1917. In compliance with the provisions of their charter the Sixtieth Annual Statement of the Company is hereby presented.

RECEIPTS

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Balance in treasury January 10, 1916: \$249.64. Cash premiums received during year: 4085.72. Cash received on assessment No. 27: 6504.82. Total: \$10840.18.

EXPENDITURES

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Mary C. Fisher: \$1688.40. G. F. Miller: 42.18. John Decker: 1296.00. Jonas Stover: 1226.40. M. H. Spicher: 1471.00. Robert Glasgow: 712.79. Elmer W. Evey: 109.38. Foster W. Evey: 37.46. Dr. C. S. Musser: 100.00. B. F. Stover: 100.00. Mrs. James Alexander: 93.96. Elmer C. Ross: 300.00. Small losses: 96.65. Total: \$7178.22.

RECAPITULATION

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Assessment No 27 in course of collection: \$2956.58. Outstanding premiums in course of collection: 345.23. Cash balance in treasury: 245.66. Sale in office: 15.00. Total: \$3602.47.

At an election held the same day the following were elected as directors for the ensuing year: H. E. Duck, Col. W. Fred Reynolds, Frank McFarlane, E. M. Hayett, R. H. Reed, John H. Beck, John B. Goheen, Z. D. Thomas, G. P. Gentzel, George Mitchell, George B. Haines and Frank M. Fisher.

The board reorganized by electing H. E. Duck president, Col. W. Fred Reynolds vice president, Frank M. Fisher secretary, and J. B. Brungart treasurer.

Attest: FRANK M. FISHER, Sec'y H. E. DUCK, President

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS

Stove for Sale—Good, Sunshine Oak heater with 18-inch fire box; just as good as new. Reason for selling is that a Monitor Caloric pipeless furnace has been installed in the home—D. W. BRADFORD, Centre Hall, Pa.

WANTED—Man past 30 with horse and buggy to sell Stock Condition Powder in Centre County. Salary \$70 per month. Address 9 Industrial Bldg., Indianapolis, Indiana.

FOR SALE—Two good six-room houses, situated on East Curtin Street, Bellefonte, Pa. One has bath and the other electric light. Good location. Sale on SATURDAY, JANUARY 20th, 1917 at 2 o'clock p. m., at the Court House. See bills. H. E. ZIMMERMAN, Bellefonte, Pa.

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Surgeon's Case Contained a Set of Thieves' Tools, of Which He Had Made Use.

Two detectives in East New York, searching a neighborhood from which had come a report of burglars, encountered a distinguished looking man with a Van Dyke beard, a professional air and a black surgeon's bag with gold letters on it. "Good morning, gentlemen," said he, offering an engraved card. "I am Dr. Leo Brewster, and am unable to find a house on this street from which I received a telephone call to attend an urgent case. Could I ask you to direct me?"

The detectives replied that they were sorry not to oblige, but were too busy hunting burglars to look for sick people. The doctor walked briskly on his way. Before he got far the detectives saw a man look out of his front door, as if he might have been expecting a doctor. They shouted at Doctor Brewster. In stead of stopping he began to run away. After a vigorous chase the detectives captured him and found that his surgeon's case held a fine outfit of burglar's tools.

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