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Sabbath School at 9 A. M.
Prayer Meeting every Thursday, at 7½ P. M.
Communion Service, first Sabbath of every month, at 10½ A. M.

Presbyterian Church—Rev. H. S. Butler.—Sabbath services morning and evening—Sabbath School at 3 P. M.—Prayer Meeting Wednesday evening.

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OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

TIME FOR HOLDING QUARTER SESSIONS COURT.

Second Monday of January.
Fi'rd Monday of March.
First Monday of June.
Fourth Monday of September.

TIME OF HOLDING COMMON PLEAS.

First Monday of June.
Second Monday of November.

PUBLIC OFFICERS.

President Judge—Hon. Charles A. Mayer, of Lock Haven.
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Our *Special* column is decidedly interesting in a local point of view, and profitable reading to outsiders who want to save money.

"She stoops to conquer" was evidently written before the advent of the pin-hook.

Norristown churches are "raising the wind" through the agency of apple dumpling suppers.

The new fifty cent notes are much larger than the old ones, but they are just as hard to get hold of.

The times are so hard that a number of Williamsport girls have found it necessary to quit chewing gum.

A visit to Charley Watson's drug store will assure you that, despite the panic, Santa Claus is getting ready for his annual game of "old sledge."

As an argument in favor of the cash system it is said that no one thinks of buying a postage stamp or railroad ticket on credit. It is pretty much owing to habit.

Lost!—The "bob" of a gold earring was lost on the street in this borough, on last Saturday. The finder will be suitably rewarded for leaving it at the St. Charles Hotel.

Oh, Dear!—All the hands in the Williamsport *Sun* office, from the devil down to the editor, were "invited out" to dinner at the Henry House, in that city, on Thanksgiving Day.

Jos. Shilling, who was arrested and lodged in the Bellefonte jail some time ago, for setting fire to a barn in the seven mountains, was tried at the Bellefonte court last week and acquitted.

It cost Clearfield just $152 to hold its last election.—*Elk Advocate.*

Nonsense; just substitute a figure seven for your one, and then you will impart correct information.

A Williamsport editor says it is harder to keep track of a sermon when you sit in the back part of a church, but then you get out first and have the best chance to select a good umbrella from the pile at the door.

John H. Fulford, Esq., who is about to leave for Florida, where he expects to remain until the first of June next, requests us to say that a competent person will at all times be found at his office to attend to his legal business.

Lumbermen Interested.—Read the advertisement in this paper headed "Lumber." Messrs. Mellon Brothers are among the most reliable business men in the city of Pittsburgh and deal extensively in the lumber trade.

Mr. A. W. Mulhollan, formerly a teacher in our public schools and a native of this county, read an essay on "The Sciences as a Means of Education," before the Juniata county Teachers' Institute, in session at Mifflin last week.

The headquarters of literature just now are the drug stores. The boy who doesn't bring home at least ten medical almanacs and read aloud marvelous cures for fever sores to his father, who is eating supper, is not much of a boy.

A Poor Show.—The Clinton *Democrat* says that the assets of Thomas & Mason are reported at $121,000; the liabilities at $257,000. The creditors of Ross, Rockey & Co. had a meeting last week. Liabilities are reported at $50,000. Assets not definitely estimated.

Crooked Practices.—It appears from recent developments that the crooked whisky and beer business has been carried on rather extensively over in Altoona, although those engaged in plundering the government are not quite as aristocratic as those at Washington and St. Louis. The principle, however, is the same.

He Still Sees Them.—That old veteran, looking through two pairs of spectacles, (we mean the editor of the Williamsport *Sun*) in his last issue says, "From the number of ladies we see on the streets now-a-days, we judge that the most of them have bought their new fall and winter hats." Just as he was fifty years ago, says an old soldier printer.

The County Institute.—Next week we will publish Superintendent Gregory's programme for conducting the Institute, which convenes in this place between the holidays. The session opens at 1 o'clock on Monday and continues for four days. An unusually large number of teachers have given notice that they will be present to participate in the proceedings.

Saw Mill Burned.—A Williamsgrove correspondent informs us that the portable steam saw mill located near Bigler station, in Bradford township, was destroyed by fire on the afternoon of the 2d. The fire caught while the hands were at dinner, and was discovered too late to prevent the destruction of the mill. We believe it was the property of Wm. Porter, Esq., of this place.

Morris District Institute.—The teachers of Morris district will convene in the Kylertown school house, on Saturday, December 11th, for the purpose of holding the third meeting of their institute. The exercises will be very interesting, and all teachers and friends of education are invited to be present. The programme of exercises was furnished us, but the crowded state of our columns prevents its publication.

A Correction.—We inadvertently stated last week that all county officers entered upon their duties on the 1st of January. We should have said the *first Monday*, the 3d. Moreover, many of our exchanges state that Governor Hartranft has been elected for four years. This is a mistake. Lieut. Gov. Latta was elected for four years last fall, but in 1878 we elect a Governor and a Lieut. Governor, according to the new Constitution.

In Error.—Mr. Endres informs us that we were mistaken in stating a few weeks ago that his brewery took fire from a deposit of ashes. The fire was caused by a defective flue. A girder had been built into the flue, with only one thickness of brick, and the excessive heat in the flue, occasioned by shutting the register, caused the wood to ignite, and hence the fire. The blunder was ours and the builder of the flue's and not Mr. Endres's.

Another Gone.—Died, in Lawrence township, on the morning of the 1st, Philander Smith, aged 42 years, 1 month and 26 days. In his death Clearfield county has lost one of her most enterprising agriculturists, whose energy and enterprise in the way of improving his farm attracted universal attention. Had he lived ten years longer to complete his enterprises, he would have had many imitators in the way of putting old farms in order. We hope he may still have. Mr. Smith was born in Bradford county, and settled in this county near Newburg, after the close of the war, where he married. From there he removed to the Goodfellow farm, at the north end of the bridge, two miles above this place. His remains were consigned to their last resting place on Friday, accompanied by the Odd Fellows, Patrons of Husbandry and neighbors generally. A widow and five children survive him.

A merchant in Philipsburg, named Flegal was arrested, brought before Tim Burgess and fined for driving upon his own sidewalk to unload coal. Mr. F. refuses to pay the fine, and the courts will decide the matter.—*Bellefonte Times*

We will explain: Philipsburg is a queer town. Owing to the peculiar plan of the borough streets there is not an alley in the plan of the town, and as a consequence stables, ice and coal houses are built upon the streets, necessitating driving upon the pavements to unload coal, ice or hay, with any kind of convenience. The dwellings are generally erected between the buildings named. Hence the conflict. Hence the contest. Flegal however is already ahead, just as he is in his business. The borough authorities have passed an ordinance allowing him and all others to do just what he demanded.

The editor of the Clearfield *Republican* omitted in his last issue to correct the statement he lately made in his journal, to the effect that Mr. McCormick had stumped the county of Lycoming in the interest of the Republican party. We have no desire to see a neighbor misrepresented, and especially by a journal of the influence and respectability of the *Republican* and hope friend Goodlander will yet make the *amende honorable.*—*Williamsport Sun.*

All right, brother Tate. We overlooked the matter last week. Having been born in Washington township, between the McCormicks and Foresmans, we happened to get the names mixed. Mr. McCormick is all right, anyhow. But the other fellow has played the prodigal, besides denying the political faith of his father. Foresman is the fellow who did the thing. He will feed on husks yet before he gets through.

The N. Y. Observer.—This best of family newspapers is as fresh and interesting now, in its fifty-third year, as ever before; and, indeed, we think it more so. Its letters alone are worth more than the subscription price of the paper. It repudiates all sorts of premiums, pictures, &c., and sends to its patrons a splendid family newspaper of the largest dimensions, containing all the desirable news, religious and secular, and an endless variety of reading for young and old. The *Observer* is the leading religious journal in this country, Presbyterian throughout in its theological views, besides being a good secular newspaper, which can be read fully and freely in the family circle. For specimen copies, address S. I. Prime & Co., New York.

Shoving Business.—On the afternoon of the 1st instant, Mr. D. D. Woods, for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, appeared at the saw mill of Messrs. McCauley & Remey, at Houtzdale, and inquired whether they could deliver him 10,000 feet of sawed lumber, consisting of 100 pieces, 10x12 inches and fifty feet long, by the 5th. Not a stick on hand. But an affirmative answer was given and everybody in reach took to the woods, and by the aid of lanterns, torches, etc., the work of cutting, hauling and sawing went on the whole night, and the evening of the next day a train of cars, with the 100 sticks of timber on them, passed Osceola, for the new Market street bridge in Philadelphia.

Tribute of Respect.—At a meeting of Centre Grange No. 695, held December 4th, 1875, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God to remove by death Philander Smith, a charter member and Worthy Overseer of this Grange, therefore,

Resolved, That we deeply regret the dispensation of Providence which called one from our order who was endeared to us all by his sterling worth and by the congeniality of his intercourse, and we tender to the relatives of our departed brother our heartfelt sympathy in this, their sad bereavement.

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered in the minutes of the Grange, and a copy be furnished to each of the Clearfield papers for publication.

The Government Under.—In the case of the President of the Bank of the Republic, in Philadelphia, for five hundred dollars penalty for refusing to allow Supervisor Tutten to search the bank for mistamped checks, the Judge said that the Supervisor was not the proper officer to make the examination. The verdict was for the defendant. The wrong attack came to the front. It is mortifying to know that every branch of the public service is now conducted by spies and detectives. There seems to be no confidence any more between the government and the people. Why should this be so, in a free country?

Dangerous Things.—Everybody in a house in which a loaded pistol or gun is kept is in constant peril. Whether it be a revolver kept for protection against thieves, or a fowling piece, or the musket of a volunteer soldier, or the pistol of some thoughtless young man who thinks it the style to carry the weapon—there is nevertheless danger so long as it is about the premises with a load in it. Any innocent child may get hold of it—any careless and awkward person may attempt to handle it—any foolish, reckless person may attempt to make fun with it—any desperate person may be tempted by it.

Church Dedication.—The new M. E. Church in Howard, Centre county, will be dedicated on the 19th of this month. Rev. I. C. Pershing, D. D., of Pittsburg, will preach the morning sermon, other preachers will be present. The building is a beautiful faced-brick structure, 35x60; spire 40 feet high. The organist, Miss Ada G. Hoover, volunteered to raise money sufficient to furnish a new organ, and by her untiring efforts she has mastered the situation and will have an excellent instrument in the new church by the time of dedication.

The organist of a Meadville church fell asleep during the services on a recent Sunday. After some trouble he was awakened and before he had collected his wits struck up the tune of "Yankee Doodle." Perhaps there may be an idea in this after all. It is possible that some such stirring air might make the feet of the congregation step quickly to time, and thus do away with that tedious crawling along the aisles that we are compelled to experience after the service is over. The experiment is worth trying, anyway.

To Correspondents.—"P. U. L. B. A. C. K." The numerous initials to your name, and confessing that you are "a stranger in a strange land" is pretty conclusive evidence that you are poorly qualified to write up locals. We do not wish to dictate your views, but when you start out again be more *local* and less *general*.

"Smith." You forgot your name. We have so many like the one you sent us, that we would like to have something else to hitch to your communication. Can't do it.

The Premium Corn Raiser.—Chest, although it has not a very high reputation for agricultural products, takes the corn premium this year. A correspondent informs us that Joseph H. Breth raised a field of corn this year which yielded 136 bushels to the acre, ears being ten and a half inches long, nine inches around the butt and seven inches at tip, with eighteen rows of grains. The stumps had all been removed from the ground a few years before, and the whole surface was therefore in use. Previous to that one-fourth of the ground was taken up by stumps.

Mr. W. W. Cramer, who has had charge of the ticket office at this place ever since the advent of the railroad, has, we are sorry to learn, resigned his position, to take effect on Friday next, the 10th inst. He will be succeeded by a gentleman named Reynolds, from Tyrone. Mr. Cramer was an obliging and efficient officer, and in his retirement he leaves here a host of warm friends who regret his departure, and wish him unbounded prosperity in the future.

Professor Hetz, of piano notoriety, and Miss Martin, likewise a fine musician, were married in this place one day last week. They have our blessing.

We clip the above from the Parker *Journal*. The professor spent some time in this place, a year or two ago.—*Indiana Messenger.*

What Professor was it that left a heavy small-pox bill rest on our borough, several years ago? Who recollects?

R. R. Change.—The Reynoldsville *Herald*, of last week, says:

A new schedule of the Valley railroad and its branches will take effect next Monday. The Reynoldsville Accommodation will be abandoned and the mail trains will take its place. The run will be about as follows: Leave Driftwood about noon, pass eastward bound mail at Reynoldsville, run to Red Bank and return to Reynoldsville in the evening. Next morning between seven and eight train will leave Reynoldsville and run to Red Bank, making connection with Pittsburg bound trains, and return in the afternoon in the capacity of the regular mail train. Captains Boggs and Leslie will have the additional run.

A LEAKY PLACE.

Mr. Editor: Permit me, through the columns of your paper, to allude to a matter which, I think, may be called a "Leaky Place," and which I do not doubt leaks away vast sums of public school money in this great Commonwealth.

Having myself had nearly three years experience in handling public funds, as District Treasurer, and by carefully watching the ducks and crooks in the way of doing business, I find there is great confidence placed in a District Treasurer, and more so than I think is right; for although we Treasurers and higher officers, who handle public moneys, are bound by a solemn oath to perform the duties assigned to us, how often do we read in the newspapers of the peculations of some county or State Treasurer, who once had the confidence of the people and who also had been bound by an oath. But who knows how many more such officers have been peculating perhaps on a smaller scale, and their sets and dirty deeds yet remain covered and which will forever remain so, unless I can point out the way to more carefully watch where the public funds go to.

My motto always has been, and always will be, while I perform such a responsible duty, "Let every one watch my doings, and I will watch the doings of those with whom I associate in business." I find no fault with School Directors, for as far as our school board is concerned, they do their duty well; nor do I know of any District Treasurer peculiating in the way I wish to point out, but see here—

Section 30th, page 28, School Laws of Pennsylvania, says, "He (the Treasurer) shall receive all State appropriations, district taxes and other funds of the district," &c. And section 115, page 105, says, "He (the State Superintendent) shall sign all orders on the State Treasurer for the payment of such moneys to the Treasurers of the several school districts as they may be entitled to receive from the State," &c. Looking over this at a glance, without taking a sober second thought, and with an honest Treasurer, it is all right: but now we will look at it carefully in detail. Of course, when the Directors place a duplicate in the hands of a Treasurer to receive taxes, the amount of those taxes can be summed up, and if properly done, there is no way of going behind it, for the Directors can know all about it. But where the money comes from "other sources," State appropriations, fines, etc., how can the Directors know what amount he receives, but only to take the statement of the Treasurer for it.

I have consulted with our Directors, and also with men who have served on School Boards in days and years gone by, and to know the School Board is to know what amount a Treasurer receives as State appropriation, and the answer is invariably, "All we know about it is what the Treasurer says he receives." Very well. That is all right if the Treasurer is right and honest; but it seems to me too much of a one sou power, and that is what I call the "Leaky Place."

By way of illustration, I will here give the amounts I have received from State appropriation for the three previous years:

In 1873	$287 34
In 1874	214 33
In 1875	568 23

You see the increase in State appropriations from one year to the other, and especially the increase from 1874 to 1875, an increase of $253.90 over 1874. Suppose the different School Boards in this Commonwealth have been aware of a small increase in State appropriations from year to year, (as I suppose it increases about the same in other districts), and suppose a Treasurer cares more for the "almighty dollar" than he does for his oath, (as we have too often heard that they do). And taking the case of our district for example. If I had charged myself this year with, say $568.23, instead of $568.23, there would have been a clear gain of $280 by changing one figure, and there would still have shown a larger increase than there was between 1873 and 1874, and would not likely have been found out unless through the State Superintendent. I make this comparison very large, but I will make it smaller. If half the School Treasurers in this State would each only deduct a few dollars from the sum, it would make a very large amount of money stolen in this State alone.

The way I would propose to keep this matter straight in the future, and shut up a hole which might in some places "leak," I would say that when the State Superintendent fills out the State draft and sends it to a District or School Treasurer, he ought at the same time make out a statement of the same amount and mail it to the Secretary of that School District, which would effectually stop the leaks, if any, heretofore, in that quarter, and enable the aldermen or justice of the peace, when he pays over fines, &c.

Until that plan is adopted, I shall never get a State draft cashed until I first show the draft or order to some of the directors in office in my district, who shall take a note of it, which can be compared with my account at the settlement. I will close by hoping this may come before State Superintendent Wickersham, who may, perhaps, and I hope will, take advice from an humble servant.

David Reams,
Dist. Treas. of Brady Twp.

Luthersburg, Dec. 1, 1875.

[Mr. Reams in the main is right. The State draft should be issued in the name of the District Treasurer, as now, but the draft should be mailed to the Secretary of the School Board, and after charging the Treasurer with the amount, hand it over to him. This would fix the *time* as well as the amount of money which came into his hands. To cure this defect, we have for several years made out a list of our school districts and mailed it to the School Department to fill in the amount due each district, and when received we published the list in the Republican, so that all could see what each District Treasurer received.

We mailed a list of this kind to the Department last August, but it has not come to hand yet. Why, we cannot tell.

A LETTER FROM UNION.

Mr. Editor:—I am nearly beside myself about our School matters. The enormous amount of money our school directors are spending is alarming. We have only about 108 scholars in this township, yet, look at our tax bill. At the settlement in June there was $1,871.72 in the Treasurer's hands, according to the Auditor's settlement. The valuation of our township is as follows:

Seated valuation	$62,600
Unseated valuation	153,180
Total	$215,780

The Board assessed 10 mills for 1874, which would yield two thousand one hundred and fifty-seven dollars. For 1875 the Board socked on sixteen mills. This, on the above valuation, will make three thousand four hundred and ten dollars and forty-six cents. I will now restate the bill, viz:

Balance in Treasurer's hands	$1,871 72
Amount assessed for 1874	2,157 57
Amount assessed for 1875	3,410 46
State draft	100 00
Total tax	$7,539 98

Now, how is that for school tax? About $8,769.00 a year, in a township where we have only about 100 pupils! On the first of July next there should be forthcoming at least SEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS. This is not all. I am told that while the settlement showed that there was a balance of over eighteen hundred dollars in the school treasury, the tax-payers were paying the interest on more than a thousand dollars of outstanding school orders. What awful mismanagement! But Reckless against the county. If this outrageous scheme of taxing us so enormously is kept up for two years more, we will all be bankrupt, or rich. Less than 100 voters in our township, and we pay $8,000 school tax—or at the rate of three hundred and fifty dollars apiece. I do not care what other people call it, but to my mind there is either a great deal of ignorance, or rascality behind this kind of official work. I would like to hear something from our Board on this school tax question.

Tax Payer.

Reckton, Dec. 1st, 1875.

Clearfield Coal Trade.—Statement of Coal and other freights sent over the Tyrone & Clearfield Division, Pennsylvania Railroad, for the week ending Nov. 27th, 1875, and the same time last year:

COAL.	TONS.
For the week	20,214
Same time last year	11,717
Increase	8,497
Previously during year	812,663
Same time last year	590,146
Increase	222,517
Total in 1875	832,877
Same time last year	601,863
Increase	231,014

OTHER FREIGHTS.	
Lumber	62 cars.
Miscellaneous freights	85 "

We, the undersigned, merchants and business men of Clearfield, being desirous of keeping a holiday, and of giving our employes the same privilege, agree to close our respective places of business on Thanksgiving day and Christmas, and further, that notice of the same shall be given two weeks before each holiday, in both the town papers.

E. W. Graham,	Peter McGeorge,
A. Gainsburg,	Sackett & Schryver,
J. A. Stewart,	Weaver & Betts,
Jas. H. Lytle,	Powell & Morgan,
F. G. Miller,	T. A. Fleck & Co.,
William Reed,	John McGaughey,
J. P. Showers,	Kratzer & Lytle,
A. G. Kramer & Co.,	Jas. Kerr.

Clearfield, Nov. 24, 75-3t.

Wanamaker & Brown, clothiers, of Philadelphia, are a responsible firm. They make up men's and boy's clothing and make them right. Their prices are remarkably low, and the wonder is how they can be so low. The best of all is, however, they have but one price for each article, and that price all must pay alike. There is no such thing as "jawing" allowed. If you buy there you always know that you are getting your money's worth and nobody can buy cheaper.

Christmas.—The Ladies' Aid Society of the Penfield Presbyterian church will hold a Fair and Festival on Christmas day—afternoon and evening. Dinner, 12 to 2 P. M.; oysters, 5 to 10 P. M.; Fair, 12 to 10 P. M. They solicit contributions of money or of articles to sell—from house farm or store—to be sent to the Secretary, Mrs. L. Bird. Mrs. H Woodward, Pres.; Mrs. L. Bird, Sec.; Mrs. A. Scofield, Treas. 3tf

List of letters remaining unclaimed in the Postoffice at Clearfield, for the week ending Dec. 6th, 1875:

Cochran, Miss Emma	Shaw, P. A.
Coffman, John	Stahley, Edwin
Caplee, Allen	Thompson, Fred S.
Donnelly, Ellen	Warkerman, John K.
Lee, Mr. (colored)	Warfel, W. H.
Ogden, John (2)	Workman, John
Rassel, Elliot	

P. A. GAULIN, P. M.

Dec. 8, 1875-1

Philipsburg Escapes.—The *Journal* of Saturday thus details two miraculous escapes from fire and death in that borough:

A kerosene accident occurred at the residence of Mrs. Matilda Richards, on North Centre street, on Monday evening which not only endangered the building but the life of at least one of the inmates. Miss Effie, daughter of Mrs. Richards, entered the pantry, adjoining the kitchen, with a glass lamp in her hand, and reaching up for a lamp hanging against the wall dislodged an iron ring—used by the ladies to set their flat-irons upon, when in use—which broke the lamp into atoms and saturated her clothing and the floor with kerosene, which in an instant blazed up to the ceiling. The room was narrow and the young lady, with her clothing already blazing above her head, was obliged to pass through the flames springing from the floor, in order to escape, and reaching the kitchen she was on her way out of doors when seized by her mother and thrown to the floor. Fortunately the carpet of the kitchen was in tatters and Mrs. Richards had the presence of mind to wrap the burning girl in the folds of the carpet, and smother the flames, while another daughter, Miss Dora Richards, threw water upon them both. The clothing of Miss Effie Richards was almost burned from her person, scarcely a remnant being left of the dress she wore, and yet, strange to say, beyond the slight burning of one wrist, she was not injured in the least. Her mother by the efforts to prevent her from escaping out of doors—which she realized would prove fatal—was burned about the wrists and throat, the ruffle on the neck of her dress having taken fire and burned off without putting her dress on fire. The fire in the pantry was quietly subdued, and although there were none but women in the house, there was no screaming done, and none of the neighbors knew of the danger until it was all over. Altogether it was a marvelous escape, and is due to the prompt action of Mrs. Richards and the presence of mind of the former unquestionably saving the life of her daughter and her residence from the flames.

On Thursday afternoon, between the hours of three and four o'clock, the agent for a patent self-lighting burner, who occupied Room No. 5 at the Lloyd house, went to his room, in which he had left three lamps burning, about half an hour previous, and was struck dumb with astonishment when he found the room full of dense smoke and saw the three lamps broken and fused by the heat of the fire, which had subsided of itself. The cause of the accident was the falling of a tin cap from the hole in the chimney, upon the lamps standing upon the table beneath. The oil extracted the woolen cover of the table, and after burning away, destroying a mirror that hung above it, and smoking the walls, ceiling and bedclothes in the room, although not enough to fuse the glass of which the lamps were composed, as stated above, went out without doing further damage. It hardly seems as if such a thing were possible, as the contents of three kerosene lamps could suddenly be freed and set on fire without communicating to the combustible material of a bed chamber and setting the house on fire, yet it did so. One reason why the flames did not do more serious work was because the room was tightly closed and no air could find its way in to feed the flames.

Webster's Unabridged Dictionary.—It has now stood the test of time, and received its approval not only that popular verdict which in the United States has called for over fifty million copies of the Webster series, but the thorough endorsement of our best scholars, as put forth individually, and in the pages of the authoritative periodicals. It is not only, to quote Professor Stowe, "in many respects the greatest literary work which American has ever produced," but it is in many respects the greatest literary work produced in any nation or age.—*N. Y. Mail.*

"Poor" Corn.—The Bedford *Gazette*, in alluding to big crops, says:

The home field of corn was raised on the poor house farm. Sixteen acres yielded twenty-one hundred and twenty bushels of good sound ears of corn. There was also raised on the same farm from ten acres seven hundred and thirty-five bushels of peerless potatoes, the labor all performed by the inmates, except the plowing.

Specials.

WM. REED'S LOCALS.

This space is for Wm. Reed's locals. You will find items of interest in it, so do not forget to read it every issue

Receiving to-day, a new assortment of Holiday Slippers, Patterns, Zephyrs, and Germantown Yarns.

A very fine assortment of men's and boys Cassimeres, very cheap.

A splendid Beaver Cassting, for ladies, at $2.50 per yard. dec. 8, 75-1f

T. A. Fleck & Co. have this day received a large stock of new goods for the holidays, which will be sold low for cash. dec. 8-tf

New Dress Goods at FLECK & CO'S. dec. 8-tf

New Muslins at FLECK & CO'S. dec. 8-tf

New Ginghams at FLECK & CO'S. dec. 8-tf

Hats and Bonnets, at reduced prices, at FLECK & CO'S. dec. 8-tf

The first thing you do when you come to town, is to go to FLECK & CO'S. dec. 8-tf

Pay Your Taxes.—The County Commissioners have given me emphatic notice that if my duplicate for 1875 is not settled up by the 1st of January, that the Sheriff will be after the money sooner after that time. Those, therefore, who have not paid me their county tax for 1873 and 1874, or 1875, had better pay up if they want to do the fair thing and save costs beside, as I am determined not to pay other people's debts or keep the county out of its just dues coming from others.

JOHN McCLELLAN,
Clearfield, Dec. 1, 1875-3t. Constable.

REMEMBER THIS.

Now is the time of the year for Pneumonia, Lung Fever, Coughs, Colds, and fatal results of predisposition to Consumption and other Throat and Lung Diseases. Boschee's German Syrup has been used in this neighborhood for the past two or three years without a single failure to cure. If you have not used this medicine yourself, go to your Druggist, C. D. Watson, and ask him of its wonderful success among his customers. Two doses will relieve the worst case. If you have no faith in any medicine, just buy a Sample Bottle of Boschee's German Syrup for 10 cents and try it. Regular size Bottle 75 cents. Don't neglect a cough to save 75 cents. mch17, 75-eowly.

Have You Dyspepsia, with its train of disorders, billiousness, constipation, water-brash, loss of appetite, headache, distress after eating, &c? If so, go to C. D. Watson, Druggist, and get a bottle of Dr. Costa's Radical Cure. Take it and be well. It acts as no other medicine ever did, and cure relief is guaranteed in every case where directions are followed. It tones up the stomach, restores the natural appetite, strengthens the weak, and as a liver regulator it has no equal. A Clergyman of Philadelphia says "It is the very foundation of health." To all who are suffering from a disordered stomach or liver, we say try it. A few doses will relieve and a little perseverance cure the worst cases. Trial size 10 cents. Sold also by P. Curley & Co., Williamsgrove; T. H. Forney, Grahamton, and P. Moyer, Kylertown. mch17eowly

Pin this on your collar when you come to town, and don't forget to call and examine Fleck & Co.'s extensive stock of new goods, cheap for cash. oct20-tf

Buggies For Sale.—R. Newton Shaw keeps a full supply of Fredonia Buggies and Platform Spring Wagons for sale. To be seen at the Shaw House yard. Call on or address him at Clearfield Pennsylvania. may 13-tf.

Married.

On Tuesday, October 26, 1875, by Rev. Father Berbiger, Mr. Peter Beaucigneur and Miss Lizzie McGovern, both of Girard township

On Tuesday, November 9th, 1875, by Rev. Father Berbiger, Mr. Lewis A. Locant and Miss Mary Gormont, both of Frenchville

On Tuesday, November 16th, 1875, by Rev. Father Berbiger, Mr. Eugene Gormont and Miss Felicie Coudriet, both of Frenchville.

On Tuesday, November 23d, 1875, by Rev. Father Berbiger, Mr. James Frelin and Miss Kate Getty, both of Frenchville.

On Tuesday, November 23d, 1875, by Rev. Father Berbiger, Mr. James Conley and Miss Mary Page, both of Karthaus.

On Sunday, November 26th, 1875, by Rev. Father Berbiger, Mr. Antles Verbeck and Miss Mary Merat, both of Girard township.

At the residence of the bride's parents, on Tuesday, November 9th, 1875, by Rev. R. F. Stevens, Mr. Alfred Calhoun, of Philipsburg, and Miss Florence Whitehill, of Clearfield.

On Monday, November 29th, 1875, by Rev. Wm. M. Burchfield, Mr. Wm. H. Thompson and Miss Josephine B. McDowell, both of Curwensville.

At Harrisburg, on Tuesday, November 23d, 1875, by Rev. Joel J. Swartz, Mr. P. K. Sprenkle, of Curwensville, and Miss Lillie A. Shelly, of Harrisburg, Pa.

Died.

On Wednesday morning, December 1st, 1875, Mr. Philander Smith, of Lawrence township, aged 42 years, 1 month and 26 days.

On Wednesday, November 24th, 1875, of Diphtheria, Minnie Lorena, daughter of J. C. and Elizabeth J. McCloskey, of Karthaus, aged 7 years, 5 months and 3 days.

Auditor's Notice.—In the matter of the estate of Andrew Hunter, dec'd.

The undersigned Auditor, appointed by the Orphans' Court, to distribute the moneys in the hands of the Administrators of Andrew Hunter, deceased, will attend to the duties of his appointment at the office of Murray & Gordon, on Thursday, December 30, 1875, at 1 o'clock p. m., when and where all parties interested may attend.

CYRUS GORDON,
Clearfield, Dec. 8, 75-3t Auditor.

Notice of Incorporation.—Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Court of Common Pleas of Clearfield county, Pa., for a charter of incorporation for the M. E. Church of Bentendale, on the first day of January Term next, being the second Monday of January, 1876.

BARTLETT BENNETT,
JOHN ARGYLE,
JAMES RANDOLPH,
WM. MOORE,
S. D. SPROUT.

Dec. 8, 1875-3t

New Advertisements.

Pennsylvania Railroad

TYRONE & CLEARFIELD BRANCH.

On and after Monday, Dec. 6, 1875, the Passenger Trains will run daily (except Sundays) between Tyrone and Clearfield, as follows

CLEARFIELD MAIL.
W. C. Irwin, Conductor.

LEAVE SOUTH.		LEAVE NORTH.	
Curwensville	3.15, P. M.	Tyrone	9.05, A. M.
Clearfield	3.40, "	Osceola	10.20, "
Philipsburg	4.49, "	Philipsburg	10.37, "
Osceola	5.07, "	Clearfield	11.45, "
Tyrone	5.35, "	Curwensville	12.07, "

CLEARFIELD EXPRESS.
W. S. Plummer, Conductor.

LEAVE SOUTH.		LEAVE NORTH.	
Curwensville	5.00 A. M.	Tyrone	7.00 P. M.
Clearfield	5.21 "	Intersection	7.37 "
Philipsburg	6.30 "	Osceola	8.20 "
Osceola	6.50 "	Philipsburg	8.37 "
Intersection	7.50 "	Clearfield, ar.	9.45 "
Tyrone	8.07 "	Curwensville	10.07 "

BALD EAGLE VALLEY BRANCH.

Exp. P. M.	Mail. A. M.		Mail. P. M.	Exp. P. M.
8.45	8.55	leave Tyrone arrive	6.35	1.05
7.01	9.14	Bald Eagle	6.13	12.46
7.44	9.57	Julian	5.35	12.08
8.10	10.25	Milesburg	5.10	11.45
8.22	10.40	Bellefonte	5.00	11.37
8.35	10.50	Milesburg	4.44	11.25
9.02	11.22	Howard	4.19	11.03
9.42	12.05 arrive	L. Haven	leave 3.35	10.30

TYRONE STATION.

EASTWARD.	A M	WESTWARD.	A M
Pacific Express,	7.57	Pittsburg Exp'ss,	2.07
Harrisburg Acc'm,	8.40	Pacific Express,	8.24
	P M		P M
Mail Train,	3.22	Way Passenger,	1.13
Atlantic Express,	6.45	Mail Train,	6.41
Phila'da Express,	10.13	Fast Line,	8.48

PHILIPSBURG & MOSHANNON BRANCHES

On and after Monday, October 25th, 1875, Accommodation Trains will run over the Philipsburg and Moshannon Branches, as follows:

LEAVE SOUTH.			LEAVE NORTH.	
P. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
1.25	7.28	Morrisdale,	7.15	12.31
1.40	7.46	Philipsburg,	7.00	12.16
1.44	7.45	Steiner's,		12.12
1.50	7.50	Dunbar,		12.06
1.58	1.30	8.00	Osceola,	11.55
2.13	10.42	8.15	Moshannon,	11.41
2.19	10.49	8.21	Sterling,	11.33
2.23	10.53	8.25	Houstdale,	11.27
2.28	10.58	8.29	McCauley,	11.24
2.33	11.03	8.35	Kendricks,	11.20

FARE FROM CLEARFIELD, TO

Bellefonte, Pa	$2 05	Middletown	$3 00
Lock Haven	2 70	Marietta	3 30
Williamsport	3 60	Lancaster	3 85
Huntingdon	1 80	PHILADELPHIA	7 95
Lewistown	2 00	Altoona	1 65
Marysville	4 50	Johnstown	2 80
HARRISBURG	4 75	PITTSBURG	5 15

Close connections made by all trains at Tyrone and Lock Haven.

S. S. BLAIR,
my17-tf. Superintendent.

Allegheny Valley Railroad.

LOW GRADE DIVISION.

EASTWARD.—Day Mail leaves Pittsburg 8.25 a. m.; Red Bank 11.30; Sligo Junction 11.50; New Bethlehem 12.50 p. m.; Marysville 1.07; Troy 1.33; Brookville 1.53; Fuller's 2.18; Reynoldsville 2.34; DuBois 3.10; Summit Tunnel 3.26; Penfield 3.35; Westville 4.12; Benezette 4.43; arrives at Driftwood at 5.10.

WESTWARD.—Day Mail leaves Driftwood 12.20 p. m.; Benezette 1.08; Westville 1.31; Penfield 1.55; Summit Tunnel 2.15; DuBois 2.30; Reynoldsville 3.00; Fuller's 3.20; Brookville 3.47; Troy 4.08; Marysville 4.37; New Bethlehem 4.53; Sligo Junction 5.25; Red Bank 6.00; arrives at Pittsburg at 9.15 p. m.

Close connections made with trains on P. & E. Railroad at Driftwood.

DAVID McCARGO, Gen'l Sup't.

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