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CORRESPONDENT DEPARTMENT

CONTINUED FROM 7th PAGE Lemont.

James E. Lenker received several car loads of coal last week. All the teachers are looking forward to next week when they will receive instructions, instead of instructing.

Rev. Reamer, presiding elder of this district of the United Evangelical church, held communion in the Evangelical church on Sunday.

Rev. Hepler had services all last week in Boalsburg, in the Presbyterian church. Thomas Williams and wife, of Pleasant Gap, spent Sunday at the home of Ed. Armstrong.

George Hamer, Loella Evcy and Elsie Peters Sundayed at D. M. Tate's on Main St.

Miss Nellie Herman returned home from Howard where she was visiting for a couple of weeks.

ODD FELLOWS BANQUET:—The I. O. O. F. held their annual banquet in their rooms last Thursday evening, and had quite an enjoyable evening. N. G. Williams and E. Grove, called the meeting to order, and the following programme was gone through: Music Home Sweet Home by orchestra. Reading 22 chapter 1st Samuel followed by prayer by G. R. Roan. The N. G. then gave a cordial welcome to all in a neat little speech which was well received. Responded to by Rev. Summers who cited several facts that proved that the I. O. O. F. were not isolated and selfish. Everyone enjoyed the response. This was followed by music. Then Frances Martz recited a recitation entitled "The Angel of the Helping Hand," which was well rendered. Helen Dreese then sang a song entitled Dolly Vardin which brought forth applause. D. M. Tate read a paper to explain why we are Odd Fellows, which brought forth several points unknown to the outside world. Music followed. After they were through with the programme they all repaired to the other rooms where every person did justice to the oysters and other delicacies which were served by the ladies in sympathy with the order. George Roan did ample justice to the oysters as it required three men to lead him away from the table. The pleasant 8 were all seated at a table, where James seemed to be toast-master.

LECTURE AT LEMONT:—Prof. Geo. P. Bible, of Stroudsburg, Pa., will deliver his interesting and instructive lecture, "The Progress of the Nineteenth Century," in the Presbyterian church at Lemont, Friday evening, December 22nd. Prof. Bible needs no introduction in Lemont as that is the place of his boyhood days, and we bespeak for him a large audience.

Nittany. Wendell Bartholomew is still very low with typhoid fever. Miss Hattie Winkleman, of Mackeyville, spent Sunday with friends at this place. The Disciples are holding a series of meetings at present. Butchering is about all over at this place. N. C. Shaffer carries the banner. He killed four that dressed four hundred apiece.

We are glad to note that John Tolbert is able to be up again, after being confined to his bed several weeks with pneumonia. Mrs. B. F. Guiser spent several days with friends in Bellefonte the past week. Mrs. Brant is home making preparations to go to housekeeping at Mt. Joy.

William Mauck and family, of Millheim, spent last Saturday in this place. Mrs. Hettie Tate was to Hubersburg last week, to help her daughter butcher. We think A. A. P. will fatten up now since butchering, as we don't think a yard of sausage at one meal will hurt a school teacher.

Mrs. Kremer, of Milesburg, returned home, having spent several weeks with her son Robert and family. N. A. Yearick has returned home from Cross Fork, where he had been employed.

The death angel has been in our midst again and bore away the spirit of Miss Hattie Irena Bartholomew, on last Friday, the 8th inst, after being sick several weeks with typhoid fever, aged twenty-three years, six months and 28 days. She leaves to mourn her early death a father, mother, one brother and one sister. The bereaved family have the sincere sympathy of the community.

Milesburg. Edward Jones, of Renovo, was in town on Wednesday of last week. He came to attend the funeral of his aunt, Mrs. J. C. P. Jones.

"Squire" Grassmyre received a letter from his son James, of Co. G, 47th Reg. U. S. V. He was at Malta when he wrote it; on his way to the Philippine Islands.

Robert Holmes, Sr., a former resident of this place, but now of Lock Haven, was a visitor in town last Thursday. Irvin Rhinehart, a popular traveling man, was in town last week.

That was quite a stunner that the "Our That Column" man of the Gazette gave Milesburg last week. Try your luck again; we enjoy reading your nonsense.

Miss Mary Confer, who has been employed in Bortentown, N. J., has returned to her home in this place. Miss Gertrude Bouse, of Tyrone, spent Sunday with her friend, Miss Lorene Mattern.

Homer, how many papers did you sell at the lime kilns on Sunday. Rubber. It was laughable to see one of our young business (?) men try to run on the railroad ties on Sunday. Keep it up young man, you will make a fine sprinter by practicing a little more.

Geo. W. Gray, of this place, has departed on a visit to relatives in Loganton, Clinton county.

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Moshannon. Miss Sarah and Margaret Loy made a short visit in town last week, on their way home from Williamsport where they had been visiting relatives.

The widow McGowan is very sick at present. Ed. Williams was visiting his brother, Charlie, of this place, one day last week. Clarence Weaver, who has resided on Wian street about two months, has moved up on Park street.

Rev. Foresman, of Marion Centre, visited his sister, Mrs. Molly Kankin, a few days during the past week. Herman Viehdorfer, of Jersey Shore, formerly of this place, was seen walking down Broadway on Friday last.

Frank Viehdorfer who has been employed as driver for J. T. Lucas for some time, has quit and is going to work in the mines. Mr. Lucas has employed a new man by the name of Reed Bierly. John T. Lucas has returned home from Bellefonte, where he had been attending court as jurymen, for the past week.

Miss Rosa Yandes and sister spent Sunday at Howard with their mother, who is talking of moving back to her former home. Last Tuesday a large flock of wild geese was seen near this place on their way south.

Sugar Valley. Jerry Feidler is very sick at his residence on Main street. Mrs. A. D. Karstetter has been ill for the past two weeks, but is improving now. John Bierly is happy. A little boy came to his house last night to stay. Rev. C. D. Russell has closed his meeting at Loganton and commenced a series of services at Tylersville.

Charles H. Myer, who has been employed by the Philadelphia millling company is home on a vacation till spring. The Harter Brothers have purchased a large lumber tract in Little Sugar Valley, from J. Bailey, of Philadelphia, Pa., consideration \$10,000. The tract contains 4,016 acres.

Globe Barner & Co., lumber manufacturers, have moved their saw mill onto the lands of J. W. Mark, 2 1/2 miles east of Loganton, and are now ready to commence sawing timber. A fire on the mountains on Saturday night on the premises of Newton Bower burned his wood house, smoke house, hog pen with one hog and chicken pen with 40 chickens. Origin of the fire unknown.

Benton Reigard, who has been away for the past six months, returned last week to his family and will stay at home until after the holiday season when he will return to his work again in Indiana county, this state.

Beech Creek. Mrs. Mary Montgomery has returned from a month's visit with relatives in Philadelphia. A house belonging to John Kunes, in Eagleville, burned to the ground last Sunday evening. The house had been vacated a short time previous and there were no furnishings to be destroyed. The building was not very valuable and was fully insured. The fire is supposed to have caught from a stove in the house in which a fire had been built during the day for some purpose.

John Robb is ill with typhoid fever being compelled to take his bed last Saturday. He is the fourth one of his family to suffer from that disease. His son Harry is now able to be up and around. Serious fires were narrowly averted two evenings last week in the residence of J. S. Hall and Mobley's store. In each case coal oil lamps became uncontrollable and blazed to the ceiling. They were thrown into the street and burned up.

Woodward. H. F. Yearick and W. T. Williams made a flying trip to Millheim, on business, last Saturday. On Tuesday C. E. Boob moved from the house he occupied on the Avenue, to the house on Main street, opposite the school house.

N. W. Eby, who had been ill last week, is able to be about again. Our three teachers are looking forward to a pleasant and profitable time at the institute. During the cold weather last week, nature covered the mill dam with a layer of ice, which furnished fine skating for the young folks.

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Timely Meditations.

We see many times even the godly couples to jar when they are married, because there is some unfitness between them, which makes odds. What is odds, but the contrary to even! Therefore, make them even and there will be no odds. Hence came the first use of the ring—for if it is smaller than the finger, it will pinch, and if it be wider than the finger it will fall off; but if it befit, it neither pincheth nor slippeth. The DIAMOND being the fittest stone for a ring, is closely followed by the glorious OPAL, not that lazy, sleepy Mexican but the one which has for countless ages lain in its matrix like a miniature volcano under the mountains of Hungary, whose light flashes through every pore, as though its fiery heart was struggling to be set free by the bursting of the bonds which alone compels her to bend her knee to her only rival—the peerless diamond whose sparkle is like dew drops in the early dawn.—(That aint so bad, is it?)

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