

CORRESPONDENTS' DEPARTMENT

Happenings About Centre County Briefly Told by

A CORPS OF ABLE WRITERS

Our Alert Correspondents Note Many Important Events in Different Localities—What is Transpiring—Is Your Section Represented?

Port Matilda.

On Sunday evening, May 7th, between 4 and 5 o'clock, two of Abeneid Laird's children, aged 6 and 8 years, wandered from their home near Flat Rock. As soon as they were missed by the parents search was instituted, hunting until dark; when in the early Monday morning about 50 people had been gathered together the search was renewed and diligently kept up until about 6 o'clock, when word came that they were found at the home of a man by the name of McDonnell, living at the foot of the Allegheny mountain 9 miles from where the little wanderers started. They traveled all that distance from home thinking that they were returning to their home from a ramble in the woods. When the children were found and returned joy filled the breast of the sorrow stricken parents.

In our notes of last week we promised the readers of the Centre Democrat a full account of the raising of Samuel Hoover's barn at Hannah, Pa., which event was on May 8, 1900, on the historic spot where his large barn was destroyed by fire one year ago the 4th of this month. The raising of the new building was a success, the framing of which was a masterpiece of workmanship, every part fitting neatly, and with about one hundred willing men, the four great frames stood erect before 12 o'clock. Mr. Hoover not being physically able to take an active part in the work, busied himself in distributing hay and corn among the many horses of those coming from a distance to assist; he was also watching the rapid progress the women were making in getting up a sumptuous feed for the men, which was announced by head carpenter Jerre. Sharer, when quickly all hands started for the house where they found a table with a capacity to seat one hundred, which was filled to its utmost with the best that could be procured for the occasion. It exceeded many wedding dinners in both quality and getting up, for which credit is due Mrs. Hoover and daughters Sallie and Linnie, assisted by Mrs. Kate McGrady, Mrs. Margaret Sharer and daughter. After all hands did good work at the table and feeling fully refreshed, they returned to the frame work and set about weatherboarding and putting up the rafters which work concluded the raising of the barn which was 50 by 70 feet on the wall, not quite so large as the one burned, which was raised 61 years ago, so we are informed by the venerable William Miller, who participated in the raising of it which was 50 by 90 feet on the wall. Mr. Miller was the only survivor of that ancient job who attended Mr. Hoover's raising; he spoke of the burning which at that early day was no object. John Rowen did the mason work; Davy Allen and Allen Moore did the carpenter work—all three then resided in Halfmoon valley, but are now deceased. In speaking of the destructive fire as we are informed on good authority, is as follows: Between the hours of 4 and 5 o'clock Friday morning May 4, 1900, Mr. Hoover and family were aroused from their morning slumbers by a great light shining in their bed chambers, quickly learning the cause they rushed to a frightful sight. Mr. Hoover in making a daring but fruitless attempt to save the horses and cattle from the flames, was painfully burned—8 head of horses and 3 head of cattle perished, also burning 30 bushels of wheat, 300 bushels of oats, 200 bushels of corn, a large quantity of baled hay and straw, all harness, hay baler, fodder cutter, wind mill and clover hailer and all the other implements which were in the barn. Next the wagon house was destroyed with all the farm wagons, spring wagon, buggies, plows, barrows, cultivators, etc. A large corn crib filled with corn was next destroyed; we almost omitted saying that a large chicken house standing near the barn, well filled with choice fowls, was also destroyed. Each and every thing as mentioned above was destroyed without one penny of insurance, except the barn building alone which had but a small insurance on it. A heavy loss to Mr. Hoover who will hardly attempt to replace it with his age and disabilities against him.

Philipsburg.

The Presbyterians are feeling satisfied over the acceptance of the call extended Rev. R. P. Miller, of Homestead, to become pastor of the church in this place.

Drs. G. W. Wood and E. M. S. McKee, of Houtsdale, left for the Texas oil field. W. D. Strunk, of Julian, is a recent addition to the population of Philipsburg.

Sam Cross is swearing vengeance on rats, since a rodent with unusual financial instinct dragged off a ten dollar bill of Sam's to help make a home out of it. The next time Mr. Cross uses the kitchen cupboard as a pocket book he'll be a good many years older than he is now.

The old Swan hotel, corner South Centre and Pine street, Philipsburg, which was re-opened April 1st, by Mr. Enoch Hugg, formerly of Milesburg, but a resident of Philipsburg since November last, has been re-christened the Farmer's Hotel.

The Philipsburg Board of Health has organized by electing C. E. Murray president, Thomas G. McCausland secretary and Sam. Sankey health officer.

John Todd returned from a two week's trip to West Virginia.

George G. Parker lost a valuable horse by death. The animal was only recently purchased.

Epworth League Convention.

The International Epworth League Convention will be held in San Francisco, Cal., July 18-21, 1901. Rev. G. W. Stevens, Lewistown, Pa., a member of the committee and having charge of the central part of the state will be pleased to answer any inquiries with reference to the tours.

Milesburg.

Why is it that the man in the moon never marries? Because it takes his last quarter to get full.

Miss Eva Patterson returned home to Clearfield on Saturday, after a pleasant visit with her aunt, Mrs. Houck, of this place.

Rev. Houck, of the Baptist church, preached in the Presbyterian church on Sunday morning.

Miss Rhoda Green arrived home from Philadelphia, where she was employed as a stenographer.

Wm. B. Mills and son with their families went to Lock Haven on Sunday to visit Mrs. Elizabeth Stricklin who is lying very ill at that place, Oscar's mother-in-law.

Mrs. Hannah Grove purchased the Kephart's farm, in Holt's Hollow, for \$800 recently.

Carlton McKinley and wife, of Howard, spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Mary McKinley, also her daughter Levicia and husband, Harry Martin, of Bellefonte.

Charles Adams, on Saturday noon, was taken suddenly ill, caused by heart trouble and a rush of blood to the head.

Miss McKee returned home to McKeesport, on Tuesday, after a pleasant visit with Miss May Wharton.

Miss Lizzie Johnson, of Bellefonte, spent Sunday with Miss Lorene Jones.

Mrs. Eli Erhart was a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Eckenroth, a portion of last week.

The Geo. L. Potter Post No. 261 G. A. R. has secured the Rev. Richard H. Wharton, of the M. E. church of this place, to preach the Memorial sermon on the 28th, also the Rev. W. P. Shriner, of Bellefonte, to deliver the address on Decoration Day the 30th.

Squire W. B. Grafnyre had a letter from his son James, who enlisted with the Bellefonte boys and is serving in the Philippines. The letter was written the 17th of March. James was sick in the hospital then, but was getting better. This was the first time he was sick since he left home; he is a member of the 47th Reg. Co. G.

Two small boys on Saturday were playing with an air gun, one shot the other in the face. The father of the one, picked him up, carried him to Dr. Huff's office. The ball did not enter the face, the parties interested were badly scared. Both little fellows cried, and were more scared than hurt. The father grabbed the gun and broke it to pieces.

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Unionville.

Our good merchant friend, L. B. Ba-thurst, had eight fine, large, fat hens stolen from his coop recently by some recreant biped or bipeds. It would have been a bad day for those chicken thieves if "Larry" had caught them at it.

Joseph Stover, son of landlord John H. Stover, has moved from Chester Hill, Clearfield Co., to his father's farm, a mile east of town, and will now direct his attention to raising taters and sich, instead of making fire brick. Joe was born and reared on this farm and what he don't know about farming aint worth knowing.

Harry Turner, the huckster who lives about two miles north-west of town, is so badly poisoned that he has been confined to the house for more than a week. His face is so much swollen that his eyes are almost closed. He became poisoned by coming in contact with wild ivy while plowing his oats ground.

Mrs. Susie Taylor and Mrs. B. F. Leathers left last Wednesday on the 10:11 train for Washington city where they will visit their children, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Leathers, respectively for several months and see the wonders of the capital city. It is hoped they will not fail to see President "Mac" before they return and give him a few pointers as to "How to run the Government."

John McDonnell, son of P. J. McDonnell, has been confined to the house for the last three or four days with quinsy. As an evidence, however, that "Mickey" is convalescing, he emerged from his lair with his throat enveloped in flannels and cloths and wearing an overcoat looking somewhat paled from his suffering.

The leading question now is, What time are you going to be put off at Buffalo? Not "Are you going to Buffalo?" Say, Charley, while speaking of Buffalo, what does "Pan-American" mean? We thought we knew everything but this is about the only thing we don't know—we know what an American pan is but are stuck on Pan-American. Please explain in your local columns.

"Billy" Parsons, Paul Shipley and Joe Gill went fishing one night last week and all they caught was a cold. A few days afterward, however, they were more successful. Paul and Joe threw their lines within a few feet of each other near the bridge and both were soon rewarded with a vigorous pull at their lines and both thought they had 'im, and they had. They drew him gently to grass, landing an immense catfish measuring nearly sixteen inches in length, but as catfish have no scales, they could not report his weight, but Joe thought he would weigh three and a half pounds, more or less. The singular part of this fish story is—the fish had swallowed Mr. Gill's bait and hook, while Shipley's hook was fastened to the body near the first fins. Whose fish was it?

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Julian.

Versie Henderson has been quite ill, but must be improving as we noticed he was able to be out on Sunday.

Miss Myra Cronister, the charming daughter of Ex-Sheriff C., of Martha, spent Sunday with her friend, Miss Ella Alexander.

Arthur Irvin has completed his course at the Williamsport Commercial College, and we are very glad to see him back again.

Mrs. Miller Herman, nee Fleck, of Axe Mann, is visiting her parents at Julian.

Alfred Irwin left last week for Buffalo, where he has secured a position. We are sorry to see him go, because we miss him very much, but not so much as the Unionville girls.

Edgar Austin and family, of Milesburg, spent Sunday with his mother who has been seriously ill, but is recovering at this writing.

Howard Turner, of Walls, is visiting his many friends at Julian.

Gessler & Sons, of Philadelphia, put up a very fine monument in the cemetery below town, for Mason and Andrews.

Gorden's patience was tried to its utmost on Saturday night, on account of the rain, but he made up for it on Sunday, as he started before breakfast.

Mrs. Stuart Reed returned to her home in Johnstown, after spending a short time with her parents at this place.

Mr. Ellenbarger has been quite ill, but is improving at this writing.

The Free Methodist meeting is still in progress; the pastor, Rev. Mumaw, of Unionville, preached a very interesting sermon Sunday morning.

Mrs. Gilbert Eller transacted business in Bellefonte, on Monday.

Mrs. John Tallhelm left on Monday for a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Anderson, at Altoona.

George has been such a good little boy since A. F. left, that we haven't anything to write about him this week.

Park Irvin and son, David, of Sandy Ridge, were visitors at Julian, recently.

Miss Eva Barr, one of Patton's bright and vivacious young ladies, spent a few weeks visiting relatives at Julian and vicinity.

Wolf's Store.

Ascension. Cool nights. Headquarters for lies, Harry Waite.

Jonathan Sheatz and wife, from near Millheim, spent Saturday in this vicinity visiting.

William Gilbert has a contract to peel a lot of bark for Harter Bros.

People are almost daily seen coming from Sugar valley to John P. Condo's cash store, at this place, for their groceries.

Our registration assessor, O. H. Wolfe, is this week making the May assessment.

Miss Mable Klinefelter has gone to Centre Hall to assist in cooking at Douty's lumber camp.

Wirt's saw mill is this week being moved to Ming's gap, where they will do some sawing for Harter Bros.

Daniel Wolfert is on the sick list.

Sugar Valley.

William F. Moyer, of Loganton, has been appointed notary public by Gov. Stone.

J. C. Berry sold his store building to Thomas R. Harter recently; consideration \$1,000, cash.

J. C. Harper, a prominent young attorney of Bellefonte, transacted business in Loganton last week.

Ralph Hauck, of Mazeppa, purchased Constable Petteerhoff's timber tract and will move a portable saw mill on it in a few days to manufacture the timber into railroad ties, bill stuff and tiling.

The Booneville Lutheran church, in Sugar valley was dedicated, Sunday, 5th. The entire cost of the building was \$3,500, of which amount \$450 was the balance to be raised.

Charles Kutz, died at Cold Stream, near Philipsburg, Wednesday 8th, of pneumonia, aged 68 years.

Axemann.

House cleaning is an occupation of the past to most of our people.

Frank Beck, of near Bellefonte, was seen on our streets on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Atkey and children, of Mt. Eagle, spent Saturday with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hile, of Pleasant Gap, sojourned at the home of Elias Breen, on Sunday.

Ed. Witmer, of Buffalo Run, spent Sunday with relatives.

Mrs. Julia Tate, of Bellefonte, tarried at the home of her sister, Mrs. Boyd Hunter's on Monday.

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Nell—"Did the wedding pass off nicely?" Belle—"Oh, beautifully. I believe nearly every woman there was crying."

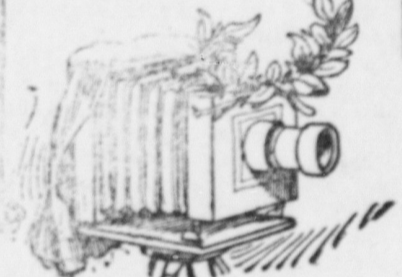
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