

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?

Spring Mills.

The preliminary meeting called by the former pupils of Dr. D. M. Wolf to meet in our Academy building on the 30th, to consider and make arrangements for his "Golden Anniversary"—fifty years as preceptor—was exceedingly interesting and quite largely attended, and no doubt from the great interest taken in the proceedings by all his pupils both former and present, the Golden Anniversary will be an event of such magnitude and character, that evidently it will not be very soon forgotten.

New Years Day, here, was celebrated as usual by the merrymakers, who paraded through the village streets attired in the most absurd costumes and a few mounted on jaded animals caparisoned far beyond the ridiculous. It kept the riders very busy to prevent their animals from running in the direction of a feed store.

Our merchants are now very busily engaged in figuring up the business of the past year—particularly profit and loss accounts. The volume of business has been larger than usual, but our merchants say the profits will prove exceedingly light, competition is very strong here, and of course the margin frequently verges on the danger line—cost.

The children connected with the M. E. Sunday school of our village, were treated to their usual Christmas gift of candy, and the candy too was of a very superior quality, unlike most gift candy which generally contains in each package a sufficient quantity of gum to make the recipient a pair of second grade rubbers.

Miss Ida Condo left on Wednesday last on a ten-day's visit to Williamsport and Montgomery. At the latter town she will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Rishel formerly of this place.

Mrs. Charles Miller died at her home in our village on Saturday evening last in the 75th year of her age, and was interred in the Spring Mills cemetery on the following Tuesday morning, Doctor Haven, Dr. Wolf and Rev. Fenchertmacher officiating. No death in this community has occasioned more profound sorrow and regret than that of Mrs. Miller. A loving wife, kind and indulgent mother, and all seasons were summer to her when called upon to aid and comfort the weary and unfortunate.

Mrs. Miller was a member of the Methodist church from her childhood, and as long as she was able took an active part in all the proceedings connected with the church, and was a beloved and conscientious Christian lady. Mrs. Miller was a great sufferer for quite a number of years, and her ailment was beyond the power and aid of medical skill to alleviate or remedy, and for the past five months had been confined to her bed the greater part of the time, yet she bore all her sufferings and troubles with Christian fortitude and patience begotten by an abiding faith in the strong power of the Redeemer. She is survived by her husband Charles Miller, and the following children: A. E. Miller, Middleburg; M. N. Miller, Potters Mills; H. B. Miller, Spring Mills; Mrs. C. C. Cummings also of Spring Mills and Mrs. T. Stealy, Sunbury.

Linden Hall.

Lost—by several persons in this community a great many golden hours each set with sixty diamond minutes. No reward offered as they are gone beyond recall.

Mrs. Samuel Ripka, spent a short time visiting with friends at Coburn, returned last week.

Tommy Coble, who is employed at Altoona is visiting his parents and friends.

Miss Mattie Long, an accomplished young lady, of Centre Hall, visited friends here during the week.

S. D. Gettling, of Bellefonte, visited here last week.

The new grist mill is now in good running order and is giving good satisfaction. This is a great convenience to the people of this community and should be liberally patronized.

Look out for that wedding on Main street.

Philip Bradford and family spent Sunday with Mrs. Bradford's parents, at Colyer.

We are informed that Samuel Ripka sold his farm to Geo. Miller, at Houserville, for \$2,500.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Sossman and Marie Wagner, of Tusseyville, visited friends at this place last Wednesday.

On Tuesday J. H. Ross and family had an elegant dinner in honor of Ross Louder and bride. They at the same time also entertained some friends from a distance.

Henry Zeigler and family entertained some relatives from Illinois on Monday.

William Cummings and charming bride, Miss Edith Prazier, arrived home from their "honeymoon" last week, and thus ends another delightful romance.

GREATLY ALARMED.

By a Persistent Cough, but Permanently Cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

Mr. H. P. Burbago, a student at law, in Greenville, S. C., had been troubled for four or five years with a continuous cough which he says, "greatly alarmed me, causing me to fear that I was in the first stage of consumption." Mr. Burbago having seen Chamberlain's Cough Remedy advertised, concluded to try it. Now read what he says of it: "I soon felt a remarkable change and after using two bottles of the twenty-five cent size, was permanently cured." A persistent cough is one of the first symptoms of consumption, and his fear of that disease was well founded. He exercised good judgment in selecting a remedy, as this preparation is one of great merit and is famous for its cures. Green's Pharmacy sell it.

It is a little early yet for the groundhog to make his appearance, but the Murry scribe poked his nose to report the news of our beautiful valley. Geo. D.—I would try a new plan, if that fellow would not keep his distance.

Rebersburg.

In our last week items we reported the illness of Master Charles Rupp, who died on Monday afternoon, buried on Thursday morning, at Aaronsburg. Services held by Rev. Harmon.

Ammon Walker, who had been working at Pittsburg, is at home at present being affected with malaria.

Measles are still holding sway over the school children. The primary school of this place began work on Monday with an attendance of thirty percent.

Messrs O. C. Frank, V. I. Walker and Henry Meyer left for school again on Wednesday.

A few brilliant fantasies passed through town on New Year's Day.

Miss Mary Meyer left for Lock Haven where she will attend Central Penn's State Normal. The best wishes of friends and neighbors follow her.

Dwight Wolf left for Lewisburg where he attends Keller's Business School.

Prof. E. M. Brungart and Miss Violetta Wolf left this place on Saturday for Cross Forks, where they are engaged in teaching.

Prof. C. L. Gramley and his choir attended the funeral of Charles Rupp, who was a member of the Sunday school of which Prof. Gramley is Superintendent.

Reno Walker, who is working for the P. R. R. Co., at Pittsburg is at present at home.

Hauling ice is the next on program with most people in this valley.

Scott Stover, in South Philipsburg, is improving his home by weather boarding his house.

Eira Krape is visiting his many relatives and friends of our burg this week.

The first of the union services held in the United Evangelical church, on Sunday evening was well attended—the house was crowded.

Curtis M. Bierly, who was enjoying the comforts of the paternal fireside for two weeks, has again returned to Keller's Business College, at Lewisburg.

A surprise party was given on Saturday evening in honor of Charles Weber, the promising son of Willis Weber.

A sled load of young people from this place took in the oyster supper at Madisonburg, given under the auspices of the United Evangelicals.

C. J. Crouse took a stroll again for a job. All success to him.

Ferguson Twp.

J. A. Decker sold his hotel and farm to Reed Randolph, of Manor Hill.

A young son came the home of James Hoover about the time Santa Clause gets around. The same kind of a present was left at the home of S. E. Wason.

At the Odd Fellows' feast in their new hall, on New Year's night, over 100 were seated. The lay-out was fine—turkey, oysters, celery, ice cream, cake and many relishes. J. B. Heberling was toast master. Rev. Aikens paid a tribute to the order and his workings from his observations. J. G. Heberling reviewed the history of the lodge and N. T. Krebs took for his subject the sociability of the order. M. E. Heberling talked on the benefits of Odd Fellowship and J. W. Kepner ended up the program, subject "The requisites of a good Odd Fellow." Kitty Roush and Sadie Goss recited some impromptu speaking.

The entire entertainment was a great success under Dr. R. M. Krebs, J. W. Fry and A. J. Tate as committee.

Mrs. R. W. Illingworth and her three children left Monday morning, 30th, on their journey for Arizona, to join her husband, Rev. Ralph Illingworth in his new mission field.

On the sick list are: Mrs. Geo. Behrens, of Pine Hall, with bronchial trouble, John N. Bailey with carbuncles on his neck; Frank Fishburn and his entire family with grip. Mrs. Eliza McCracken with biliousness and Geo. McWilliams, who has just returned from Philadelphia, with jaundice.

The old democratic war horse, Capt. Jacob M. Kepner, started on his usual winter's pilgrimage to the Hot Springs in Ark., where he hopes that he will be permanently cured.

Janie, the little three-month old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sheehart, died Christmas morning of whooping cough and bronchial trouble.

The family reunion at Christmas of H. C. Campbell's, who now resides at State College, was a merry time and after dinner were photographed in a group on the front porch. Mrs. Campbell was the recipient of a beautiful silk dress from her children.

The many friends of Rev. C. T. Aikens, of Pine Grove Mills, one of the most widely known Lutheran ministers in this district, will be sorry to hear of his serious illness with pleurisy, and hope for a speedy recovery.

Brushvalley.

Last week W. W. Rachan and Edwin Long made a flying trip to Millroy, in search of work, but came home unemployed.

Grenoble Bro's are operating their sawmill at full blast. They expect to employ several hands.

Robert Haugh, who was severely injured a few weeks ago, has fully recovered.

The singing class recently organized in the Murray School house is about over.

Last week Supt. Gramley visited some of our schools.

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Bronchitis

may mean a mere cold or a chronic incurable inflammation of wind pipes.

The quickest relief, for a cold, is also the most effective for the worst condition of wind-pipes and lungs.

It takes the edge off a cold in a night, and relieves it progressively—one forgets it after a little.

An old bronchitis, however, is obstinate. Nothing restores the tissues, when once destroyed; and an old bronchitis has gradually impaired and partly destroyed the lining of those small pipes between throat and lungs.

Scott's emulsion of cod-liver oil is the best; it soothes if it cannot restore.

Colyer.

The dead are alive; the lost is found, and wanderers are coming home; and so have we dear sister scribe, we are aware of thy mourning and lamenting for us during the past few weeks of our absence; but we have only been on our holiday vacation, and have now returned to this our post of duty.

Sleighting during the past week has been splendid, the roads being one coat of ice.

Colyer's teams are taking advantage of the good sleighting by hauling logs from Colyer's lumber track back of P. C. city to the station.

Rev. Shultz is holding protracted meeting in the U. E. church and thus far with good success.

Christmas passed very quietly with the exception of the numerous turkey dinners to which everybody seemed to do ample justice.

George B— from the stone mill, that lovely miss of yours at this place is greatly pleased with your Xmas treat; how about New Years, did you do likewise? if not get around or you'll be left.

Katie, what did you say was in that narrow, long box you got me for a Xmas gift? "A baby," oh! excuse me, you didn't say it yet.

Miss Carrie Bodorf gave a delightful party to a number of her friends on Wednesday evening.

C. S. Bodorf returned Friday after spending two weeks visiting his son at Jersey Shore.

W. A. Reiber left on Monday for Philadelphia where he has secured a prominent position, and in a short time will have his wife to follow and start housekeeping.

Jonas Smith with the Union Traction Co., at Philadelphia, visited his parents at this place.

Wm. Stump had quite an accident last week by upsetting with a load of logs and pinning him against a post, spraining his back.

Squire J. S. Housman made a trip to Oak Hall last week.

Misses Gertrude Ishler, of Philadelphia, and sister Effie, from Tusseyville, spent New Year with their grandmother and uncle Mrs. Julia and John Ishler at this place.

Mrs. C. Cooney was the guest at Squire Housman's last week.

Gurney Smith and Miss Ella Smith, from Potters Mills; Mrs. J. H. Moyer and daughter Blanche, were the guests of Mrs. Katie Reiber New Year's day.

Mrs. Samuel Slack visited friends at Linden Hall and Boalsburg.

Lemont.

Mrs. Ellen Moore has gone away to spend the winter. She expects to go to her sister in Clearfield first, and from thence to her son Robert, of Philipsburg.

Gola Osmand, of Altoona, is spending a few weeks with his parents, at this place; while here is very pleasantly entertained by Miss Johnson, his cousin.

The entertainment at Boalsburg on New Year's night was good, but it was very much surpassed by the one given by the institution of public instruction in this town on Saturday evening, Jan. 4th. Prof. Krise, Principal, D. B. Getz, assist.

James Glenn returned to his school at New Berlin on Tuesday.

Elmer Ross is away attending the funeral of his uncle, in Stone Valley.

F. H. Cota, of Pittsburg, but formerly Secretary of the Bellefonte Y. M. C. A., spent Saturday at the home of Mrs. J. C. Baigstad.

Services will begin in the Presbyterian church on Sunday evening, January 12. Rev. Hepler, pastor, invites all members of other churches to help him and bring forth a great revival in this community.

There was a sled load of young ladies and gentlemen went to the home of Mr. Wilby, of Linden Hall, on Friday night. The sleighting was very this some places, but positively, we had a very nice time, notwithstanding the scarcity of snow.

Hannah.

Not dead only enjoying Xmas; sleighting at last in our vicinity to the great joy of our young folks.

Larry Moore is seriously ill at this writing.

Henry Melcher is seriously ill at Philipsburg, being too ill yet to be removed.

Mrs. Margaret Sharer, also Miss Dora, received from a lady friend in Philadelphia beautiful as well as useful and ornamental box of Christmas gifts, which they certainly appreciated highly.

The young folks of this vicinity took advantage of Xmas by getting married.

Miss Dora Sharer has returned home after a prolonged visit to friends and relatives in and about Philipsburg. She was accompanied home by Miss Margaret Alyn.

Revival has closed at Black Oak after several conversions.

Mrs. Jerry Sharer paid a visit to her son, A. L. Sharer, who resided at Sandy Ridge recently.

Potter Twp.

Grandpa G. L. Goodhart, had business at the county seat Saturday.

Some sleighting the past two weeks in this vicinity.

Frank Bible arrived last week and expects to spend the winter under the parental roof.

Jacob Sharer lost a valuable mare recently from the effects of colic.

Ivy Bariges killed a porker last week that dressed 535 pounds.

W. W. Royer is improving after some week's illness of a dropsical nature.

There has been a fair ice crop on the dams.

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 F. J. 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 is made in Cincinatti, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co., Testimonials Free.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Nittany.

We have had good sleighting and cold weather the past week.

The Evangelical Sunday school was treated to candy on last Sunday and all the scholars also received a large chart picture.

Wilber M. Williams, of Johnstown, is visiting his sister and many friends here. Wilbar was formerly a Centre county boy.

Miss Clara Yearick, who had been living at Mackeyville, has returned home for a short stay.

Mrs. William Weber was very ill last week, but at this writing is somewhat better.

Miss Telitha Hoy and sister, of Hubersburg, visited the Messes Mary and Ada Gonsaulis, on Sunday.

Newt Greobie, of near Pleasant Gap, visited, his many friends around here, last week.

William Mauck and family visited friends at Roy, over Sunday.

Mrs. Sam Hoy, of Hubersburg, was called to the bedside of her sick sister, last week, at James Gonsaulis's.

Our blacksmiths are kept busy this icy weather.

Mrs. Sarah Long, of Huntingdon, has returned home after spending several weeks visiting her sister, Mrs. William Garbrick, of this place.

Mrs. Drake and little daughter, mother and sister, of Columbia county, spent the past week visiting at the hospitable home of H. P. Zerby.

Mrs. William McKibben and baby, of Mackeyville, spent New Years day with her mother and brother's families of this place.

Perry McCaleb, Charles Shaffer, Corman Yearick, William Garbrick, Jr., and J. W. Tubert were to Howard one day last week on business.

Our young men celebrated New Years day by having a fantastic parade. They went to Lamar where they were joined by the Lamar and Clintondale boys, having with them a first class band of music. They visited the town of Lamar, Clintondale, Mackeyville, Salona, Mill Hall and other places. They were greeted with a hearty welcome everywhere they stopped, especially the school along the route. The boys were dressed with up-to-date suits made especially for that occasion, which were secured in the city. The boys report having had a good time and say next year they mean to come out with a better parade all around, such as suits and music.

DEATH:—Mrs. Catherine Heaton was born Aug. the 3rd, 1837, died January the 5th, 1902, at the home of James Gonsaulis at this place. Age 65 years, 5 months and 2 days. The family has the sympathy of the community in this sad bereavement.

Boalsburg.

Mrs. S. H. Bailey left last Wednesday for an extended visit with her daughter Mrs. Robert Merea, of Pittsburg.

Earl Muser one of Ferguson twp's brilliant young school teachers was seen driving through our burg on Saturday. Just ask Gertie if he was not seen on the pike near our town.

Mrs. Bruce Lomebarger accompanied by her sister Miss Susie Reitz, of Walnut Grove, spent Saturday among friends in this place.

Miss Margaret Mothersbaugh spent Saturday with her friend Miss Bessie Weber at Oak Hall.

The choir of the Reformed church of this place sang at the funeral of Mrs. Keichline, of Rock Springs, last Saturday.

Misses Maggie Stuart and Eva Miller, of State College, spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. E. A. Fisher.

Tom Weber returned home on Saturday from a brief visit among friends in Altoona.

Capt. W. H. Fry and son, of Pine Grove, made a business trip to our town on Monday.

Mrs. Frank Maves, of Lemont, spent New Year's day with her grand parents Mr. and Mrs. David Keller.

Mr. Gamel, Sec'y of the Y. M. C. A., of Bellefonte, preached a very fine sermon in the Presbyterian church on Sunday afternoon.

Geo. had a long wait for his (Long) on Monday eve. Just have a little patience George and Bessie will blanket your horse for you once more.

Tylersville.

Miss Myrtle and Regina Miller have gone to Lock Haven where they intend to spend the winter.

There will be local institute, Jan. 10th and 11th, in the St. Johns Lutheran and Reformed church. Friday evening, Saturday forenoon and Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Aquilla Ruhl has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Day.

Those on the sick list are Philip Wolfe, Harrison Lutz, Roy Weaver.

Lee Nicholas has been visiting friends and relatives for the past two weeks.

G. D. Miller, who has been working at Mahaffy for the last few months, has come home and expects to stay a while.

Tylersville is all worked up on account of Mr. Wolfington having been here working up the interest of the proposed R. R. from New York to Chicago, to pass through Sugar Valley. He wants them give free right of way and then the road would be constructed. Whoop-er-up.

The P. O. S. of A., of Washington, camp 418, of Tylersville, will install their new officers on Jan. 11th; I. T. Weaver, pres.; T. L. Sweetwood, vice-pres.; V. E. Yongender, master of forms; O. A. Caris, financial sec.; George Wolfe, treasurer.

An Attack of Pneumonia Warded off.

"Some time ago my daughter caught a severe cold. She complained of pains in her chest and had a bad cough. I gave her Chamberlain's Cough Remedy according to directions and in two days she was well and able to go to school. I have used this remedy in my family for the past seven years and have never known it to fail," says James Prendergast, merchant, Annato Bay, Jamaica, West India Islands. The pains in the chest indicated an approaching attack of pneumonia, which in this instance was undoubtedly warded off by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It counteracts any tendency of a cold toward pneumonia. For sale by Green's Pharmacy.

Unionville.

Those having ice houses to fill are harvesting 10 to 12 inches clear ice.

Joe Hoover, son of I. W. Hoover, of Altoona, is visiting friends in town and vicinity. Joe is only 12 years of age; is about 5 feet 6 inches tall, and weighs 193 lbs. by the scales.

Misses Carrie and Polly Hall, two of Zion's bright young damsels, spent the holidays in this neck-o-woods.

On Tuesday of last week Mrs. Cleaver's house caught fire from a defective flue, creating quite an excitement for a while, and causing considerable damage to carpets and furniture. The fire was extinguished before it had attained much headway.

Local items being somewhat scarce we will fall back on

SPASMODICS.

"A little nonsense now and then, Is relished by the best of men."

ED. CHAMBERS.

Say, Charley, I had a very funny experience. It happened one warm, sunny day last September. I took a volume from the library entitled Gulliver's Travels, went over to the Island just above the iron bridge that spans the Bald Eagle creek and sat down under a large button wood tree; leaning against its massive trunk, I opened the book and was soon absorbed in reading of his exploits with the Lilliputians. I hadn't read long when I felt a drowsiness stealing over me and was soon wrapped in the arms of Morpheus. I had not slept long when I was awakened by sharp, stinging sensations in my face. When I opened my eyes I was dumbfounded, all nature seemed changed; the houses in town looked like miniature toy houses; Muncy mountains seemed to be almost level and covered with rag weeds instead of trees; the sun, in the zenith, looked like a silver dime shining in the sky; the tree under which I had taken shelter, had almost melted away; looking down to the earth around me, I saw the cause of the stings in my face. There was a score of men and boys no larger than clothespins with fire arms trying to kill me, their shots taking effect in my face, but the bullets were no larger than a grain of mustard seed and the distance so great that they did no harm. I could hear their voices distinctly and recognized every one of them. The bridges were crowded with men, women and children who came to see me. It seems that Boyd Comly was the first to have seen me when he was returning from taking the cows to pasture, and frightened almost out of his wits, scampered over to town giving the alarm, saying that an enormous giant was sitting on the Island fast asleep. In a short time everybody in town knew it, and the excitement was most intense, all the stores were closed. John Wagner stopped his mill and locked the doors. Taking in the situation I stood up. The women on the bridge screamed as if an innocent little mouse was running at their feet and a general dash for town was made, but I admonished them to be calm and told them I would not harm them. After I had raised on my feet, Joe Gill, Archie Van and Clay names) fired another volley at my head, but their little pellets only reached to my vest pocket. I stooped and caught Clay and Joe by the back of the neck and held them up, as you have seen persons hold a mouse, gave them a little shaking and said "now will you be good," pale and trembling, from head to foot, they promised to cease shooting, so I set them down more dead than alive. Looking up street I saw Will and Jesse Hall and Martin Brower coming down toward the Island, each with a two-horse load of straw. I stood still waiting to see what they were up to. In a few minutes they surrounded me, the crowd joining in dumping the straw off the wagons around my feet with evident intent to burn me to death. When they had taken their teams to a safe distance, Charley Greist struck a match and set fire to the straw on the one side and I've Stere did the same on the opposite side. I waited until the fire had gotten considerable headway and began to sing the lilt on my clothing when I stooped down and blew it out with one breath, scattering the straw and fire in every direction—more screams from the women. Just then I heard a faint sound as of an approaching train, so I started for the station, the whole crowd, which had grown to more than a thousand persons, came scampering after me shouting and crying not knowing what was going to happen then. I got to the station long before the crowd did. I stood on the track, when the engineer saw me he whistled down breaks and applied the air breaks, but he could not stop his train and dashed against my right foot, derailing the engine and giving the passengers a good shaking up, but no one was hurt. I stooped down and set his engine on the track and picked up one coach after another to see whether I recognized any of the passengers. In the smoker I saw John Q. Miles with a basket full of acorns which he had pressed to resemble chestnuts, presumably taking them to market. On another seat sat ex-sheriff Cromster with a bundle of cones made from mullin stalks