

CORRESPONDENTS' DEPARTMENT

Happenings of a Week Over Centre County

THE PEOPLE'S POPULAR PAGE

What Has Transpired in the various Loca ties—Compiled by a Corps of Alert and Able Writers—Is Your Section Represented?

Nittany.

Sunday was a very stormy day, but the rain was very welcome as nearly all the cisterns in town were low and a number were dry.

Boyd Emerick has returned home from Johnstown, where he spent the summer, and will remain at home for a short time; his many friends were glad to welcome him into our midst again.

The Messrs. J. W. Tolbert, J. E. Rossman and Wm. E. Garbrick were at Lock Haven on Saturday on business.

Our hustling butcher, W. J. Mauck, was busy putting away ice the past week for the summer's use.

Where did you spend Xmas? will be the gossip for several weeks.

The taffy party held at A. C. Young's on last Wednesday night was well attended; all those present enjoyed them selves at pulling and eating taffy; the pop-corn was fine.

Free Graphophone entertainment at C. E. Emeret's store every night; it must be heard to be appreciated.

The taffy party at Harry Kessinger's on Tuesday night was well attended; those present report having had a fine time.

Robert Border stopped off here several days last week on his way from Philadelphia to his home in Altoona.

S. Peck was at Bellefonte one day last week on business.

Oscar Kramer came down from Bellefonte on Saturday on business.

C. E. Emeret was at Lock Haven one day last week on business.

David Williams was at Bellefonte one day last week on business.

The ice cream social held at W. J. Mauck's on Saturday night was a success; quite a number of the Hublersburg and Mackeyville young folks were in attendance and all report having had a fine time. The ladies of the Evangelical church wish to thank the people for their patronage.

Mr. Diebler, of Snyder county, is spending several days with his father-in-law, S. W. Showers, at this place.

Miss Mary Dorman and daughter of Jersey Shore, is spending several weeks with her sister and brothers at their place. Mrs. Dorman has been in poor health for the past month.

Mrs. H. K. Allison and daughter Yerna and Mrs. B. F. Guiser were in Lock Haven one day last week on business.

Zion.

Sunday's rain was a welcome visitor to many as water was getting scarce; cisterns were empty and some farmers had to haul water for their stock.

Everybody has butchered, made their liverwurst, pouhos and sausage, and are happy.

There is a rumor that there will be a sawmill at the ridge in the near future.

Sales and fittings around this place will be as plenty in the spring, as flies around a molasses barrel in August.

The regular scribe from this place must be off duty as we have not heard from him for several weeks. Guess there is too much attraction at Hublersburg.

On Sunday the 12th while sitting in the house and not thinking that anything was going wrong, Harve Shaffer's three year old Poland sow broke in the pen to his four month old Chester-white boar and killed him. Harve says he was mad enough to kill the old sow. But she has a litter of pigs two weeks old, he didn't dare do it. The Chester pig was a pedigreed pig and came from Chester county.

The annual meeting of the Zion Union cemetery association will be held in the Grange Hall, at Zion, on Dec. 31st, at 1 o'clock p.m.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all.

Ferguson Twp.

Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Scott Bailey celebrated their wedding anniversary on the 23rd.

Penns valley lodge 276, of Ferguson, held their 55th annual banquet in their new hall on Tuesday evening the 22nd inst.

Rev. Walter Harnish, the new pastor, preached in the Presbyterian church at Pinegrove Sunday evening last.

Hess and Musser threshers have hulled out 51,540 bushels of the golden grain.

Charley Kuhn killed the heavy weight porker, which dressed 530 lbs. J. H. Weber followed close with one that weighed 523 lbs. and another that was a trifle less.

Centre Hall.

Very cold weather this month; ground is frozen deep.

The Franklin and Marshall Glee and Mandolin Club will give a concert on the evening of Jan. 1, for the benefit of the Bellefonte hospital.

A Christmas entertainment will be given in the Reformed church, on Christmas eve.

Will Smith is getting among the big pork raisers—his granter scored 474.

Catawbach Cannot be Cured

With local applications, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease, CATARH is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quick medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarrh. Send for testimonials free.

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High Valley.

Cold, high gale, so high that the east enders heard the mush pot dance at the west end stove; well, I don't doubt it.

Christmas is next on the program, but the scribe is in the dark, unless the Mt. Hill scribe will send him some of his kuttelfleck; the Georgetown scribe may remember him; send some of his side-whiskers, if so the scribe will start for east end and then run to Cherry valley, as they are great believers in spooks.

The doctor says too cold to travel with a satchel, as medicine may burst the vials; that is so.

The Plumgrove scribe made a call on the High valley gas-well for some news. The High valley scribe will try and give him a pointer; here it is: when your news is all take a bag and go to a high place and stretch the mouth of the bag wide-open, and you will soon have a bag full of elfertrickline; this would have been a splendid week, and if none come until 12 o'clock you put your own head in the bag, then you can mention in your next item you have done more than anyone has done—you have caught a baboon head in a bag.

Barney Eisenhuth shipped a car load of oak poles that beat the record; he had 22,000 on a 60 capacity.

Jack Elmer is still on the sick list.

The Georgetown scribe was hauling ice; the scribe is always at something that brings in the spoonfuls.

Samuel Alter still has his corn crop in the valley. He will hold it for higher prices. The scribe is not fixed in that way.

Travelers Gap.

Hello, you Sober scribe, look for your answer to your weekly reports, you are so very anxious to know whether I am in Poe valley; sometimes I am and sometimes it is necessary to go there for this reason, as there is so much unseasoned gas blown around here, it makes the air impure, and for that reason I go to Poe valley to get a supply of fresh air, as dilberry stalks are not high it makes a person come down pretty low, and the air not being pure, and the dampness of the frozen ground gives people pink-eye; if you would like to know what makes Poe valley so pure, I tell you, they use Old Kentucky Rye.

L. P. Smith, Willis Bron, L. G. Snyder, John Ebert, were pleasant visitors at Jamison's on Sunday.

Very bad weather on Sunday makes bad roads again.

I seen brother High valley came out in full blast last week; I would like to call his attention, to the last war in or at Drum station about 29 years ago, about the number wounded in that battle, were six in place of one; I think they would be entitled to pensions, but Jacob claims the drum major said that revenue is too low he could not afford it; Jacob get your fiddle in order, the call may soon come and you are not ready.

Farmer's Mills.

The rain last Sunday was very much welcomed as the waters were very low.

John Auman, from Poe Valley, staying with Moses Stover at present.

Mary Barner is visiting with friends at Centre Hall.

C. B. Stover and A. H. Homan attended protracted meeting at Green Grove on Saturday night.

Blanch Hagan has again returned to Long's, at Spring Mills.

Don't forget the Lutheran entertainment at Spring Mills, Dec. 24th.

Dan says Tessie is a fine skater.

The Penn Cave scribe has contracted a very bad cold from being out trapping skunks and muskrats along the dam. He says skunk fat is very valuable.

Gertie Hagan had been working for Daniel Keller's a few days last week.

Mrs. Samuel Weise, from Sinking Creek, is very ill at this writing.

Rev. Reaick's regular appointment at the Union is Sunday evening, Dec. 27.

The scribe wishes a happy Christmas and a good dinner to all.

Santa Claus might have a cold trip.

Mt. Eagle.

Jacob Garthoff returned home from his work at Bellwood, where he has been since last August; he reports having a good job.

A. A. Aikey took a trip to Tyrone this week to look for a job for the winter.

Miss Anna Gramley and Miss Mary Gramley were guests at J. P. Dietz's a few days last week. They are cousins of Mr. Dietz.

W. T. Leathers' handle factory was not running last week, as they had quite a break down; the engine very near got away with them, but will soon be in repair again.

W. F. Leathers took a business trip down the country last week.

The sick in this vicinity are all on the mend at this writing.

Our merchant, E. E. Heverly, has got in his Christmas goods; come and see them before you buy elsewhere. Times must be getting better again as there are more loaded trains running on Sunday than any other one day in the week.

Pleasant Gap.

With the wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

A good sample of cold weather the past few weeks.

Anna seems to be enjoying the "sights" of Ohio.

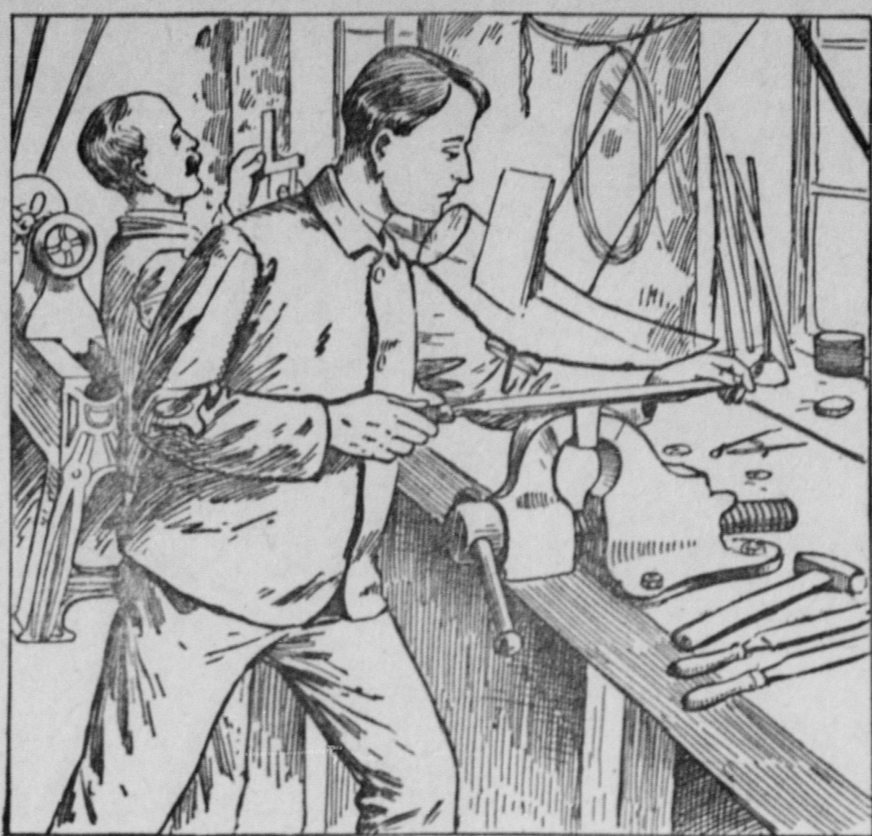
Among those that will spend their Christmas at home at this place are, viz: Harry Hill, Wm. Johnson, E. Wood Brooks, Archie Irvin and Harry Sine, Garman Mills; Ammon Kerstner, Wm. Forey, Harry Twitmyer and Geo. Noll, of Winburn; H. N. Twitmyer, of Grass Flat; Wm. Bell, of Tyrone.

A Christmas cantata will be rendered in the M. E. church on Christmas evening, Friday, Dec. 25th.

What Shall We Have for Dessert?

This question arises in the family every day. Let us answer it today. Try Jell-O, a delicious and healthful dessert. Prepared in two minutes. No boiling! No baking! Simply add boiling water and set to cool. Flavors—Lemon, Orange, Raspberry and Strawberry. Get a package at your grocery today. 10 cents.

PICTORIAL PUZZLE.



FIND HAMMER, SAW AND PINCHEES.

ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE—Oar is in side of stringpiece on which smoker sits, the end of its blade touching upright log at end of wharf. Girl is in water to the right of boat's stern, when picture is held with left side down. Invert picture. Head of fisherman is outlined by right shoe and leg of man on wharf.

Buffalo Run.

Miss Lytle and Miss Cori, of State College, are visiting friends here.

Mr. Bricker spent Sunday at Salona.

Sam'l Stine and his brother are visiting their grandfather, Jerry Kelley.

W. D. Marshall butchered some fine porkers recently to export to Phillipsburg market.

Wm. Furst and son Carl are spending the holiday season in Altoona visiting friends.

Francis Masser, of Pittsburg, and Miss Meek, of Waddie, expect to be united in holy matrimony on Tuesday, Dec. 22nd, at his father's residence.

Clarence Furst, who has been absent from our little town for some time, paid a visit to some of his old friends, and the expression depicted on his countenance when he departed indicated that it was rather up hill business to say good bye to him — for another season.

Oliver Brungart was in Bellefonte, Saturday and then ended Saturday at Mr. Shivery's home. How about it Gertrude?

Leroy Jackson is very ill with typhoid pneumonia.

Lizzie Hartsock is visiting her brother John C. Hartsock.

We are enjoying good sleighing.

Edna Stine visited Stony Point school last Friday.

Skunktown.

The famous old trapper is still alive.

The grass would need a good coat of snow.

I think the West Bush valley scribe would better come home in time. I wonder where he is; suppose he was in Pleasant valley, starvation hollow, and he forgot to write.

H. M. Wert and C. E. Duck will start out to saw wood and shred fodder next week.

James Wert and wife were to Wolf's Store last week.

H. Wert, of Sober, spent several days with his parents last week.

The protracted meeting was well attended during the past week.

The people are filling their ice houses.

The Hoy school district scribe says that there are some cross dogs along the road.

J. E. Werts has put his saw mill up at home where he will transact business.

Harvey Long paid a visit with R. E. Wert, Saturday.

The cold weather fixed the ice dams. I hear of a good many that are busted and they cannot get new ice.

Hublersburg.

The rain and snow on Sunday caused the lowlands to be covered with water, thus spoiling the fine skating which the young folks enjoyed.

Palrie Shaeffer, of Zion, who has been attending High school at this place, has gone to Philadelphia, where she expects to visit among friends and relatives.

DIED:—Susan Stager passed away after a short illness from a complication of diseases. Interment took place in the cemetery at this place last Thursday.

Tonsillitis started to make its rounds in this place but by proper attention all have about recovered.

Nellie Rathmell, of this place, departed for Williamsport, where she expects to spend the holidays with relatives.

These being the last items till after yuletide, we set our typewriter aside after wishing all the readers a "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

Penn Hall.

The good rain on Sunday was much needed, before winter sets in, as many were scarce of water.

Mrs. Sarah E. Musser is visiting with friends at Williamsport.

Frederick Meyer, who has been housed up for some time, is improving slowly.

James Keller, of Centre Hall, spent a few days last week with his daughter, Mrs. P. M. Fisher.

Do not forget the Xmas entertainment which will be held in Salem Reformed church, Sunday evening, Dec. 27.

Dr. Slagle, of State College, was in town on Monday afternoon.

J. C. Coeds has on hand a nice lot of sleighs, which are all up-to-date.

Protracted meeting at Green Grove, is still in progress, and is well attended.

The Centre Democrat and Tribune-Farmer one year for \$1.25.

Millheim.

Saturday was a lovely day, most of them did their Xmas shopping.

W. E. Gann, of Oval, Pa., who twenty-seven years ago conducted a music store at this place, was in town Thursday night looking for some timber land; he is farming and dealing in lumber.

F. A. Yearick, John Reish, Ben. Jackson and John Wert, of West Brush valley, were in town on Saturday.

Hml. Eisenhuth and son James, of High valley, spent Saturday in town; they report the lumber business brisk.

Mrs. Mary Waliser was brought here on Thursday evening from Johnstown where she died, accompanied by her daughters, Mrs. Jacob Workman and Mrs. J. C. Dutweiler; she was interred in the Union cemetery Friday forenoon; she was aged 79 years.

Miss Emma Bair, of Rebersburg, had business in town, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Zerby are spending Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Buck, at Berwick.

Mrs. Elias Ritzman, of Sunbury, was called here on account of her mother's funeral.

Jan. W., and Jennie K. Reifsnnyder, visited with their uncle, George Armbruster, at Farmers Mills, Sunday.

The ice crop was splendid and the most got their horses filled last week.

Frank Hartman returned to Baltimore after spending several weeks with his parents, C. W. Hartman's.

J. A. Brungart and son Charles, of Rebersburg, were in town on Monday.

The time is drawing nigh when it will be necessary to select proper persons to take charge of the municipal affairs and it is of the utmost importance for the taxpayers that the grafters and boodlers of the public money and franchises be discarded; public officials who make contracts for and with themselves should be punished for their malfeasance in office; it had generally been supposed that virtue had been driven from the big cities to smaller ones where the boodler could not drive her out, but it seems wherever there is a franchise to give away there is boodling whether the town be large or small, the only communities which are strictly honest are those whose municipal officers have no privilege to grant which tempt the boodlers.

Wm. Snavely, of Zerby, was in town on Monday.

Jerome Gephart is shipping a car load of baled hay.

And now in concluding the year 1903, the scribe wishes the Centre Democrat, its correspondents and readers a merry Xmas and a happy New Year. Hoping that the press in 1904 will yield such a mighty influence against the corruption of the country as to drive out or imprison all grafters, boodlers and municipal thieves and continue to muzzle the muzzlers.

Rebersburg.

Rev. Samuel Smith is able to be around and thinks of filling his appointments in two weeks. Rev. Confer, from Millmont, preached for him on Sunday.

Jonathan Spangler started his farm-hand, Mr. Garrett, with nine fat hogs to Mackeyville last Thursday morning and till he got over five of the biggest and dearest. They crowded on each other and smothered, loss from \$50 to \$100. He brought them back and fried them out for dirty lard next day.

Joseph E. Gramley came home on a surprise to his father and mother, James J. Gramley, from Freeport, Ill., where he was doing farm work for three years; he is going west again in a few weeks.

Mrs. Joseph E. Spangler, formerly of Centre Hall, is now in Freeport, Ill., hospital, where they operated on her and removed two tumors. Last Monday when her brother, Joseph Gramley, left for home he went in to see her and she was as well as could be expected under the circumstances.

Most of the ice houses were filled last week with ice about 8 in thickness as clear as crystal.

Clark Gramley has got his machine shop back again and is at work, ready to accommodate his old customers.

Henry Meyer, Jr., came home from Bucknell college, Lewisburg, Pa., to spend Christmas under the parental roof.

Mrs. Albert Detwiler is improving; she had tramped upon glass about six weeks ago and it was feared blood poison would set in, but she is out of danger now.

Albert Detwiler sold his home on Saturday to Mr. Hackenburg from Penn township for \$1,265. He intends to go to Florida in the spring.

John Royer sold his farm to Mrs. Jonathan Walker and is now in Ohio looking after a farm to rent for a year, and if he likes the country will buy; but he wrote last week the chances to rent are scarce.

John Harter shipped a large amount of turkeys, chickens and ducks Monday to the eastern market.

Aaronsburg.

Miss Eliza Summers, of Williamsport, is spending a few weeks' with her parents.

Eva Meyers, of Philadelphia, is the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. John Musser.

Stella Kahl, of Livonia, is visiting her sister Mrs. Ida Wyle.

Wesley Wyle spent a week with friends at Millifinburg, returning home again on Wednesday.

David Summers, of Pittsburg, has come to spend Xmas under the parental roof.

Thos. Weaver, who is working at Ebersburg, is spending this week at home.

Hoy's School District.

H. S. Lambert and W. Rachau were to Rebersburg on business on Saturday.

Quite a number of our young folks attended protracted meeting at Penn Hall X Roads, last Saturday evening.

Wm. Musser was busily engaged in hauling oats to Spring Mills last week.

The saw and stave mills are running at full blast, in this locality.

H. D. Hagan, of Farmer's Mills, was in our midst last Friday.

John Taylor moved from Plumgrove to this place into the Brian homestead last Thursday.



Don't forget the old man with the fish on his back.

For nearly thirty years he has been traveling around the world, and is still traveling, bringing health and comfort wherever he goes.

To the consumptive he brings the strength and flesh he so much needs.

To all weak and sickly children he gives rich and strengthening food.

To thin and pale persons he gives new firm flesh and rich red blood.

Children who first saw the old man with the fish are now grown up and have children of their own.

He stands for Scott's Emulsion of pure cod liver oil—a delightful food and a natural tonic for children, for old folks and for all who need flesh and strength.

SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, 409-415 Pearl Street, New York. 50c. and \$1.00; all druggists.

John Gramley, of Penn Hall, was noticed in this section selling medicine last Saturday.

A. Lambert and G. D. Orndorf were to Greengrove last Sunday evening.

Homer Zerby and lady friend, of Spring Mills, were in our section on Sunday evening.

Hello, you North Gregg scribe, where was you last week that we failed to see your items?

Pine Creek.

Adam Bowersox and wife, of Patton, visited at Wm. Bowers' last week.

One of our sports likes to go to a little town nine miles from here. How about it, Eddie?

A sympathizing man will take care that his good wife need not get jealous about him.

Adam Martin's cornet can be heard over the whole neighborhood, so there is some kind of life when the katydid and whippoorwill are out of season.

A fellow that has a girl should not think to go with others.

Mr. Ritter, of Union county, and Warren Bower, of this place, bought some nice fat cattle up the valley last week.

—Lincoln J. Carter's great scenic production "The Darkest Hour" comes to the opera house next Tuesday evening.

Woman's Ills

How rare a thing to find a woman who is perfectly healthy. Fully seventy per cent. of the sex suffers from ailments which often render life a burden. These ailments cause nervousness, irritability, melancholia, hysteria, etc. They entirely use a woman for life's work and deprive her of most of its joys.

AUNT DINAH'S OLD VIRGINIA

Herb Tea

WOMAN'S SAFE GUARD.

These suffering with disordered menstruation, female weakness, prolapsus, etc., will find immediate relief from the use of Aunt Dinah's Old Virginia Herb Tea and in the majority of cases it will bring about a complete cure. It is a positive cure for chronic constipation, sick headache and indigestion. In case of nervousness and sleeplessness this tea will be found indeed a boon. It has a soothing and quieting effect on the nerves, and invariably induces sound, refreshing sleep. A cupful at bed-time is all that is necessary to make a woman well and keep her well.

Prepared by Hamilton Wiser Oil Co., Chicago, Ill.

Two years ago I suffered with female complaint and used your Aunt Dinah's Old Virginia Herb Tea with great success. I have just begun taking it again and I feel much younger and stronger.