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E. P. IRVIN.

UNIONVILLE.

Ten car loads of Christmas trees passed through our town during the past week, going westward.

Mrs. W. B. Parsons spent several days of last week visiting friends at Jersey Shore.

Five fine, large wild turkeys came down off the hills to within a few rods of S. K. Emerick's barn and poor Sammy went to the house and withdrew the charges from his gun for fear he might be tempted to shoot one.

Mrs. Blanche Dorn and Mrs. Myrtle Bissett, of Jersey Shore, spent a happy week at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James McClincy, returning home on Saturday.

The citizens of Unionville and vicinity have no need to go to Bellefonte to buy Christmas presents for the little folks as well as for the older kids. Just walk into Johnny Stere's store any day and see the grand display of toys and fancy Christmas goods he has on hand and you will not want to go farther.

Nathaniel Lindemuth, a septuagenarian, of Upper Dick's run, eloped with his own wife on last Saturday. He bought a ticket for Paxina, a small station in Northumberland county, and if they are not arrested, they will visit friends in that county as well as friends in Columbia, and other counties east, until next spring.

The other little twin girl baby, born to Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Holt, of which mention was made in last week's items, died on Sunday evening, thus leaving them childless. The combined weight of the two was only five pounds.

Harry, the eighteen-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Will Krep, died on last Saturday, the cause of its death being diphtheritic croup, and was brought to this place for interment on the 7:57 p. m. train, by its father and was at once taken to the upper cemetery for interment. The child was placed in an hermetically sealed coffin on account of the contagious disease with which it died. Will Krep, the child's father, after arriving here, was so weak and ill that he had to be taken to his mother's home in a conveyance, where he is now lying seriously ill.

As to my auto trip, I am again obliged to postpone it indefinitely. You see, I got John Trafford to give two coats of gold bronze paint and now it shines and glitters until it fairly dazzles your eyes, and I did not want to run it while the roads were muddy. Why, goodness me! Capt. Mingle's roustabout is nothing but an old wheelbarrow compared to mine. I got G. W. Hall & Co. to place one of their finest graphophones in the interior of my auto and have it so arranged that I can start it to play by simply moving a lever with my foot and stop it at pleasure. Never mind, Pringle, we'll have some fun when I go up the valley.

COBURN.

Below zero Wednesday morning. Reuben Harter spent Saturday at the home of Michael Fiedler.

Mrs. Pearl Linn, of Three Bridges, N. J., and Mrs. Annie Braucht, of Lewarts, are visiting their parents, Emanuel Kerstetter's, this week.

Minnie Grimes went to Aaronsburg on Monday to make her home with John M. Stover.

Mrs. Minnie Everett, of Madisonburg, spent several days with friends here.

Mrs. J. C. Krumrine, of Weikert, spent a few days with her parents.

F. O. Hosterman and family, of Millheim, spent Sunday with A. B. Moyer. Prof. P. S. Meyer, of Centre Hall, organized a singing class at this place, on Tuesday evening, with 37 members. This will be an old-fashioned singing school, to continue 13 weeks, of one session a week, and we hope some more of our young people will join the class and learn an art which was not taught here for many years. Recently it was demonstrated that some of our people could pray effectively; now let us all learn to sing harmoniously.

Geo. Keen, of Illinois, is paying a visit to his parents, Alfred Keen, and other relatives in this section.

The only deer killed by our hunters was a 16 lb. buck, shot by J. H. Vona-wala.

PENN TWP.

Frank Wingard and Calvin Auman who were working over at Burham, came home to stay.

Andy Hironimus and wife of Pardee, are visiting at the home of Simon Rotes.

George Hosterman, wife and children from Fiedler, spent Sunday at the latter's home.

Mrs. Frank Wingard and son, Coleman, left on Monday for Nittany Valley, where she will spend a couple of weeks with her parents.

Miss Sadie Wingard is keeping house for Jacob Sanders at present.

William Auman who was working in West Virginia, came home to stay.

Alfred, looked awful downhearted over Sunday.

Wild oats seems tame to some men.

POTTER TWP.

COLYER. Roy Swartz spent some time with his mother at Hubersburg. Miss Eva Fleisher returned home after spending some time with her sister, Mrs. James Wagner, of Millburg. Ella Philips, of Milroy, is paying her parents a short visit.

Mary Feese, of Philadelphia, is visiting friends and relatives here.

Mrs. J. H. Moyer is ill. Mrs. P. S. Boal, as she was doing her evening's work, slipped and fell, spraining her left knee in such a manner that it prevents her walking or using it in any way, hope for her speedy recovery.

John Love, who for the past several years was employed in Oklahoma, is visiting his many friends here.

Miss Ida Kinefelter, of Centre Hall, is spending a few days at home.

G. M. Cooney is the proud papa of a bouncing baby boy.

J. S. Housman is in Snyder county attending court.

EARLYSTOWN, NO. 2.

Sam'l Royer and family moved to Texas hill again.

James Lytle and wife spent Saturday in Bellefonte.

Look out for the wedding bells to ring in Earlystown.

Miss Fannie Knoffsinger spent Friday at Oak Grove farm.

GREGG TWP.

TURKTOWN. John Bair killed three porkers last week; weight, 1,200 lbs.

The party at W. H. Bailey's was largely attended on Thursday evening. Butcherings are all the go this week.

Emanuel Crater, wife and two daughters, were the guests of Jerry Albright's last Friday.

The goldfish agent passed through our town last week.

Mable Bair spent Sunday afternoon at Katie Crater's.

John Crater killed the largest porkers in this section; combined weight of two, 1,153 lbs.; beat that, if you can.

PINE GAP.

Miss Celesta Beck spent Sunday very pleasantly with her friend, Miss Sadie Houtz.

C. A. Houtz and wife spent Sunday at B. F. Jackson's.

Artie Keller, who is employed at Millheim, spent Sunday at home.

Spending Sunday at B. F. Jackson's were: Ruth Mowery, Chas. Wert, Geo. Jackson, Ella Slegel and Domer Rachau.

Charles Beck and Lloyd Miller spent Sunday at C. A. Houtz's.

MT. UNION.

Miss Mary Baney, of Millheim, is spending some time at home.

Mrs. E. H. Crader and daughter, Blanche, spent Thursday afternoon at John Messmer's.

Spending Sunday at James Crader's were: Allaman Burrell, Geo. Shook and Elmer Confer, wife and son Willie.

Henry Wagner, wife and daughter Blanche, Daniel Weaver and Rose Kritzer, called at Joe Messmer's on Sunday afternoon.

SOBER.

Mrs. Mary Zerby visited at the home of Uriah Auman.

John Ebert and wife visited at Bellef't. Liddie Ebert Sunday at Ben. Breons.

David Breon of Wolfs Chapel spent Sunday at Ben Breon's and U. Auman's.

Lizzie Wolf and sister Furl spent Sunday afternoon with Dora Gentzel.

Mrs. Oscar Auman spent Sunday at U. G. Auman's and Mrs. Johanna Genzel was a caller on Mrs. Goss.

PORT MATILDA.

Although the law says hunting season is over, you can yet hear the report of Winchester on the mountain.

H. H. Osman met with a painful accident this week by having a vicious horse tramp on his foot.

Jacob Woodring killed and dressed a hog a few days since, that weighed 159 1/2 lbs., net; no guess; who has a better one, let us hear.

Larry Moore has finished his farm work for this season and is now working for Blair Bro's at Retort Coal mines.

Dr. Thompson has his new residence completed and now occupies it; it is a model of comfort and beauty.

The members of the M. E. church have announced their annual entertainment on Christmas, at the M. E. church.

Mrs. James Jordan has returned home from Lock Haven, where she was called on account of the sudden illness of her daughter, who, we are pleased to note, is recovering rapidly.

Our merchants are making preparations for a grand showing of Christmas goods, selling goods at away down prices to make room.

G. M. Mar's is slowly coming around after a serious spell from heart disease and rheumatism.

Christ Sharer is opening up a paying vein of No. 1 coal at the six Mile run.

PINE GLENN.

In general speaking, some of our people are generally speaking.

The natural gas is still escaping.

Vandora Mecker was a Williamsport visitor last week.

Floyd Daugherty has gone to Corning N. Y., where he is employed as fireman on the R. R.

We believe that if some of our people took one-half the interest in our protracted meeting as they take in a game of cards, we would have a grand revival; now this is meant just for the one it may concern.

If you want to know the difference between a Christian Scientist and a lean woman, just ask Harry B.

Our hustling merchant, Wm. Watson, says that he has for sale a smokeless tobacco; it is chewing he says. That's right, there are no flies on you.

YARNELL.

Mrs. Nellie Pownell is quite ill at this writing. Dr. Kurtz, of Howard, is in attendance.

Earl Brown, who has been employed at Eddy Lick, is home again.

Edw. Burd and family, of Divide, visited last week at J. A. Confer's.

Mrs. Blanche McClincy and two children, of Chestnut Grove, are visiting here.

Mrs. Anne Brown is visiting Bellefonte friends.

Arthur Confer, after spending the past five weeks here has returned home.

H. O. Miller spent Sunday with his family here.

Thomas Poorman and wife spent a couple days of last week, with friends at Orvis.

RECENT WEDDINGS.

FLEMING-BEATTY. Nov. 29, Edward Fleming, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fleming, of Bellefonte and Miss Katherine Beatty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Beatty of Altoona, were married. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. Murray Kleper, in the Eighth Avenue M. E. church, in the evening, in the presence of only a few invited guests. Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Fleming left for a brief wedding trip to eastern cities and last week were in Bellefonte visiting his parents. They will be in their own home at 205 Second street, Altoona, after December 15th.

ARDELL-BRACHBILL. A wedding that was a surprise to most people of Bellefonte was that of T. A. Ardell, of Julian, and Mrs. Margaret Brachbill, of Williamsport, which occurred at the home of Mr. Ardell's daughter, Mrs. Mattern, wife of Dr. Gray Mattern, of Philadelphia, on Wednesday evening of last week. Both people are well known in Bellefonte and Centre county and their many friends wish them many years of happiness together.

MIDDLE-PHILIPS. O. Paul Biddle, in the employ of the Pennsylvania Telephone Co., and Miss Sarah A. Philips, both well known young residents of Philadelphia, tied themselves to Morrisdale on Wednesday evening of last week and were married at the M. E. parsonage, Rev. A. P. Warton, officiating.

THOMPSON-LEATHERS. Bessie May, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Leathers, of Howard township, and David H. Thompson, of the Ridges, were united in marriage Tuesday evening, Dec. 14, at the Methodist parsonage, by Rev. E. M. Ailer.

RUNVILLE, NO. 2.

Mrs. Mollie Cox and children, after a pleasant visit with friends at this place, returned to their home.

Mrs. James Smoyer and two children on their way home from Polk Venango, spent a few days among friends here.

Mrs. Mary Witherite, of Snow Shoe, spent a few days at John Walter's at this place.

Miss Leathers spent Sunday at Mt. Eagle.

Butchering is all the go. Miss Mame Smoyer, of Mt. Eagle, spent a few days with her aunt at this place.

Mrs. L. J. Heaton spent Sunday at Altoona.

Rev. Bingham is at present holding protracted meeting at Fairview.

Mrs. Claud Lucas and wife and children spent Sunday among friends at this place.

Meriel Lucas and Norris Shope, who have been employed near Snow Shoe, spent Sunday at this place.

Miss Mel Kelly, who has been employed at E. Poormans, returned to her home at Fairview.

H. A. Witherite killed a chicken hawk that measured 3 ft 8 in. from tip of one wing to the tip of the other.

Some of our boys, or rather young men, had best stay at home on Sunday instead of playing tag with the little boys.

Mr. Eagle scribe, why don't you wake up! We are always glad to hear from you.

Some people don't take any interest in church any more. There was quite a crowd of young people there on Sunday eve and only one member. Why don't you wake up and have the meeting prove a success?

If some of our members would read the book entitled "Sermons by the devil" I think they would take interest in the meeting. Now you church members don't forget Prayer meeting on Sunday eve, also Y. P. C. E.

You will soon hear, "Hello, Central! give me —?"

John Lucas spent Sunday at his home at this place.

Mrs. William Johnson returned to her home at Wallaceton.

W. T. Shirk spent Sunday at this place.

GREENBURR.

Erada, daughter of Ellis Walizer, aged 15 years, one month, and a few days, died Sunday morning about 9 o'clock; buried the same afternoon, in the Reformed cemetery, Rev. F. Wetzel, officiating. The father and daughter were attacked with that dread disease, typhoid fever, at the same time and very little hope for the daughter's recovery entertained all along. Mr. Walizer is still quite low.

Butchering is still the go.

Cold weather is hard on mankind, when the change is as sudden as it was last week.

One week more, and our teacher's will have to start for county Institute; we hope they will enjoy the good things of food, and gain new inspiration for their work. We have a good corps of teachers who try to improve themselves with every opportunity and it behooves every good citizen to stand by our teachers in order to gain satisfactory results.

It is reported that Fred Stam's little daughter has pneumonia.

W. S. Kahl returned to his home, from Yeagertown, last week, on account of ill health.

John Snyder, of Salona, paid his parents a short visit last Friday.

William F. Miller and wife were guests of Noah Kahl's, on Thursday of last week. Mr. Miller is treasurer of our school board, and is a good officer.

RELIGIOUS EVICTION.

The Catholic church in France now becomes homeless and awaits eviction. Twenty-six thousand churches under the law are declared the property of the state. Bishops, and priests' houses, seminaries and schools fell under the same ownership. By direct orders from Pope Pius X provisions of the law by which, by forming lay associations, the churches may be kept for religious use, are disregarded by the Catholics. "No compromise" is the last word of both the church and the state.

Today the churches are still open and the priests continue their functions. The next move must come from the government and this move is awaited with intense uneasiness. Cardinal Richard's palace in Paris, will be one of the first buildings to be taken by the government. It will probably be used by the ministry of labor. The cardinal is very old and infirm. His eviction therefore will be exceedingly pathetic and the attending emotion is likely to shorten the aged prelate's life. Private contractors may stop supplies of water, gas, and other commodities to churches as by failing to conform to the law the priesthood ceases to be a legal body.

OVER THE COUNTY.

Mrs. Joseph Strouse, of Pine Grove Mills, lost two valuable cows.

Rev. Mellnay is having a revival in the Methodist church at Millheim.

S. P. Gray, of Pennsylvania Furnace, who has been seriously ill, is improving. G. W. Barner, of Farmers Mills, will move to the farm near Salona, next Spring.

Joe Mateer, who for several years farmed the Boal farm, near Pine Grove Mills, will move to the G. W. Keichline farm after April 1st.

Miss Grace Meyer has been appointed a supply in the Bell telephone exchange, and Miss Minnie Beaver in the Commercial exchange at Millheim.

On January 1st, W. E. Confer, of Howard, will become mail carrier on route No. 1, the mail of which is made up at the Howard Postoffice.

Prof. Angel the well known eye specialist, will treat weak eyes, headaches and fit glasses at the Musser House, Millheim all day Wednesday Dec. 19.

A Pine Grove Mills correspondent says J. N. Ritter, at private sale, got the Hannah Royer farm for \$2000, and will get possession April 1st, 1907.

Harry Griffith and Dun Herman, of Pleasant Gap, have opened up a shooting gallery at State College. The indications are that they will do a good business.

Miss Rhue DeHaas, of West Chester, who has just recovered from a siege of typhoid fever, is at present visiting her mother Mrs. J. L. DeHaas at Howard.

Santy Claus is already hitching up his six reindeer team up at the north pole and has quite a stock of toys and other good things for good boys and girls.

Philip H. Meyer, of Centre Hall, held a large meeting in Millheim, last week, for the purpose of organizing a singing class. In this business Prof. Meyer has few superiors.

Since the continuous service has been in operation at the Bell exchange at Centre Hall, it became necessary to secure a supply operator, and Miss Clara Krape is serving in that capacity.

"Fun in a Photograph Gallery" "Out in the Streets" will be rendered in the Grange Arcadia, at Centre Hall, Saturday evening, December 22nd, by the young folks of the Epworth League of the M. E. church.

J. E. Reish and lady friend, of Pine Grove Mills, had a narrow escape while out driving recently. The horse became unmanageable and ran into the fence smashing the buggy and giving them a bad shaking up.

Here is the way they fatten hogs over in Centre Hall. D. K. Keller killed three the combination weight being 1650 lbs; heaviest, 610. Alfred Durst, two hogs 320 and 310. C. D. Bartholomew, 469. W. A. Alexander, 442.

W. O. Reaick and wife, of Milroy, were recent visitors among friends in Pennsylvania. He reports a sale of fifty lots from the Treaster farm opposite the railroad station in Milroy; he, Mrs. Reaick and son Rufus being the purchasers of five of them.

There was a missionary entertainment held Saturday evening in the United Evangelical church at Howard. Mrs. S. P. Reamer, of Williamsport, delivered a good Missionary lecture, and the young ladies of the church furnished an excellent entertainment.

Mrs. Fannie Frantz, of Tylersville, of whose breaking two ribs we mentioned last week, was the result of a stroke of paralysis, causing her to fall over a chair. It is feared she will not recover being almost 78 years of age and the widow of the late Isaac Frantz.

Rev. Ralph H. Bergstresser and bride, after a ten day's wedding trip, arrived at their home in Pine Grove Mills last Thursday and the pastor's loyal friends and supporters gave them a royal welcome. The people of the town were out in full force to receive them.

A singing class was organized in Grange Arcadia, with George H. Emerick, president; Prof. W. A. Krise, secretary, and Hon. L. Rhone, treasurer. Prof. P. H. Meyer is the instructor. The class will meet every Friday night. Parents of scholars are always welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gussallus, of Nittany, have issued invitations for the wedding of their daughter Miss Ida H. Gussallus to J. W. DeLaney which will take place Thursday Dec. 20th at the home of the prospective bride at Nittany. It will take place at 12 o'clock noon.

Pretty cold several mornings within the last eight days, mercury lingering within half dozen degrees above zero—some sections reporting below zero, which we think was misleading or an unreliable thermometer. Roads are fine, corn about all husked, and killing porkers the main enjoyment among house-keepers.

Charles McCormick, of near State College, met with what might have proved a very serious accident the other day. He was struck in the eye with a piece of board in which a nail had been driven. As it was he got off with a badly lacerated eyelid which is keeping him housed up for the present and under the charge of Dr. W. S. Glenn.

O. H. Bathgate, inspector of electric power stations for the Pennsylvania R. R. company line east of Pittsburg with headquarters at Altoona, has been transferred to the New York City extension of the Pennsylvania R. R. as assistant mechanical superintendent of the Long Island City Power plant. Mr. Bathgate's home is at Lemont and he is a graduate in electrical engineering, class of 1904, of the Pennsylvania State college.

The newly remodeled Reformed church at Pine Hall was rededicated Sunday Dec. 2 with most impressive services. Rev. A. A. Black, of Boalsburg, had charge of the services. The sermon in the morning was preached by Rev. Stein, of Lock Haven, and in the evening by Rev. Groh, who was pastor on that charge fifty years ago. Fifteen hundred dollars were pledged in the morning and in the evening enough was secured to wipe out the debt of a little over seventeen hundred dollars.

Ammon Walker, of Rebersburg, who was shot with a load of buckshot by a fellow hunter, while out hunting in October and whose condition has been serious ever since, was taken to Lock Haven and submitted to an X-ray examination at the Normal school for the purpose of locating the shot. Several years ago the young man had part of his arm torn off in a corn shredder, and by an X-ray machine one of the shots was easily located in the stump of the arm. Another shot is imbedded in the man's head and one in his throat, but these could not be located.

Joseph Meyer moved from Boalsburg to Millheim and has an interest in the meat market down there.

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The Phillipsburg Journal says that past Commander, S. B. Miller, of Bellefonte, was here Monday evening inspecting John W. Geary Post No. 90, G. A. R. He also made a very interesting address, embracing patriotism and religion which was followed by fitting addresses, by Capt. C. T. Fryberger and others. There was also some good music, and a treat of good apples that were enjoyed by all.

Recently the real estate belonging to the Green estate was purchased by Edward Green, of Mill Creek, Huntingdon county. The land is located principally in Milesburg and Boggs township, and is valuable on account of the excellent water power found in Milesburg. This estate is one of the oldest in this section of Pennsylvania, and has always been in the hands of the Greens. Among the present heirs are Frank P. Green, of Bellefonte, and squire Miles Green, of Milesburg.

The Weaver hunting party, of Romola, camping at the head of Big Run, had unusually good luck this season, having killed five deer and two large bear, none of the deer weighed less than 110 lbs. The following were members of the party: George Weaver, captain of the party; Harry and Henry Weaver, Charley Weaver and Allen Edy, Jacob Beightol, all of Romola; Tom Fletcher, David Robb, Mitchel Weaver of Howard; Harry Weaver, of Hubersburg; Charley Weaver, of Orvis.

PETER RIDER

MAKES A CONFESSION

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"Esawyes" Rider but could not say how many brothers and sisters he had, the family was large. Twelve years ago was married to Belle Corman. When asked as to how many children they had, he was confused and, after a moment's deliberation and slow calculation, he came to the conclusion with some uncertainty that there were about five. By occupation was a woodsman and had farmed some; has labored hard and been knocked about a great deal in his life. Never had any trouble with the Aumans, or any grudge against any of them. Had no motive for committing such a deed.

Citizens of that section describe him as a peaceful, inoffensive man, never known to have harmed any one and never displayed a wicked, revengeful disposition. Rather the opposite, a shiftless, illiterate man, who spent most of his life in the mountains. He is an object of pity. The humble station in life he fills is hardly his fault, for he has utilized what few talents he possesses. His brother John Rider was also arrested and brought to Bellefonte in the evening. He was carefully questioned on all points, after which the District attorney concluded not to hold John and he was sent home.

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