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E. P. IRVIN.

TO OUR CORRESPONDENTS:

Next week no paper will be issued from this office and for that reason our correspondents should take note of the fact by omitting the customary letter. The issue that will be omitted is on December the 27th. The next paper will be on January 3rd, 1907. Kindly bear this in mind for the reason that your contributions next week will be of no use to us. Try and start in the new year with a brisk and spicy correspondence, something that is appreciated by your community and the many friends living at a distance who depend on this department to keep track of the happenings at their former homes.

MILES TWP.

WEST BRUSHVALLEY.

We had quite a little snow on Sunday. Mayme Wert spent Sunday at the home of Benj. Libbert. Quite a number of our young folks went on a trip down the valley to Spalding gap, on Sunday.

R. E. Wert and wife left for Coburn, where they expect to spend part of the winter with the latter's father, Mr. Rider. The San Jose scale sprayer was at the home of Benj. Libbert on Monday to show the people of this vicinity how to spray and prepare the liquid and put it on the fruit trees.

James Beck and Josiah Rossman took a load of produce over to Burnham last week. G. D. Orndorf spent Sunday with C. E. Duck.

George Zittler and wife spent Sunday at Spring Mills, at J. J. Taylor's. Bessie Phillips spent Sunday at Jas. Beck's.

The members of the K. G. E., of Madisonburg, are going to have an oyster supper on Xmas; all are invited to attend to make it a grand success. Hello! dear readers of the C. D. Guess you thought the scribe was gone, but he is still among the living. C. I. Greenoble & Co. are still sawing wood in this vicinity.

AARONSBURG.

Miss Mable Crouse returned to her home after an absence of a few months at Lewistown. Mrs. Harriet Cronemiller, who has been ailing for the past month, is improving at this writing.

Thos. Weaver, who was employed at Vintondale has come to spend the winter with his mother. Mrs. Sarah Wyle will offer her house and woodland for sale on Saturday; any one wanting to buy a home should attend the sale.

Mary A. Thomas died at her home on Thursday night, of pneumonia; funeral services were held on Tuesday forenoon in the Reformed church by Rev. Gress, of Centre Hall; she will be missed in the Sabbath School, and all services in the Reformed church. Among those who were at the funeral were Mrs. Annie Groves and son, of Oak Grove; Adam Thomas and son Will, of Renova; Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas of Logantown; and Aaron Thomas, of Centre Hall. To all the readers of the Centre Democrat a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year.

PENN TWP.

PIKE.

Sunday was a snowy day. Harry Meyer visited his parents, J. B. Meyers, Sunday. Harvey Bailey and wife spent Sunday at John Zeroy's, at Spring Mills. Adam Jordan visited at Elias Stover's.

Communion services were largely attended at Salem, conducted by Rev. Gress, of Centre Hall. Jacob Spangler called at Robt. Youngs Sunday. Robt. Young spent some time at Emanuel Center's. Albert Stover visited with his friend, Frank Bailey, Sunday. The vaccination talk is being forgotten now, and it is the best, too.

MARION TWP.

UPPER MARION.

Nevin Harter had been home on the sick list, but has returned to Altoona, where he expects to fire on a locomotive. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

There will be an oyster supper in Coopers town, at Cyrus Shopes', on Saturday evening, Dec. 22; all are invited to come. Butchering is all over in this vicinity.

There will be a Christmas entertainment in the U. Ev. church Monday evening, Dec. 24. Frank Mackey spent a few days at home, but returned to Tyrone, where he is employed.

POTTER TWP.

EARLYSTOWN, NO. 2.

George Shirk and wife, of Millin county, made their wedding trip to Geo. Michaels on Sunday.

Those who went to Penn Hall on Sunday were: Edward Bettleyon, Rufus Bettleyon, Bertha Martz, Annie Shirk, Rhoda Shirk and James Shirk and wife.

Elmer McClellan and family spent Sunday at Linden Hall, at C. Stam's. Those who visited at George Michaels on Sunday were: Fannie Knoffsinger, Mrs. D. N. Bradford, Mrs. Miller, James Shirk and wife and Rhoda Shirk.

Fannie Knoffsinger helped Mr. Sheffer butcher, Monday.

COLYER.

Edw. Bubb and wife are spending some time in Millin Co., visiting their son Ammon.

Calvin Bodtord and wife spent Saturday visiting at the home of Andrew Jordan.

George and Rufus Bedlyon and lady friends, of Yeagertown, spent Sunday at the home of the former's brother, John, here.

Roy Miller, who is employed in W. Va., is paying his family a visit.

Sara Horner spent Friday with her lady friend, Miss Blanche Moyer.

The sawmill at Colyer is booming again.

GREGG TWP.

FARMERS MILLS.

It seems like winter, as everything is covered with the beautiful snow.

Tessie Dunkle, who spent a few weeks at State College, is home for a short time.

Verna Hagan left Monday for Bellefonte.

Mr. Geo. Barner spent a week visiting with her sister, Mrs. Chas. Stamm, whose daughter died Dec. 7; she was a highly respected girl.

Wm. Karstetter and son Glenn spent Sunday at the home of G. W. Barner's. Mary Barner came home to spend the winter.

Maurice Long, of Burnham, came home to spend a few days with his parents.

The giant comes to Farmers Mills pretty often.

Verna Hagan spent Sunday with her friend, Mary Barner.

MURKYSVILLE.

Sunday was a very unpleasant day.

Daniel Weaver spent Sunday at H. A. Weaver's.

Della Ocker, a seamstress, of Madisonburg, spent last week at Frank Emerick's.

Mayme Zerby, of this place, accompanied by her friends, Misses Kathryn and Verna Rachau, spent Saturday and Sunday in Nittany with the former's parents, Misses Kathryn and Verna also spent Sunday at Clintondale with their uncles.

Mt. Union. Mr. and Mrs. John Messmer spent Sunday at the home of Samuel Reeder, at Rock Grove.

Henry Wagner and wife and daughter Blanche visited at the home of John Wagner.

Wm. Musser, of Greenburr, assisted his father to butcher on Wednesday.

Evans Yearick and wife and son, Roy, of Phillips Creek, visited the lady's father in Brushvalley.

HOUSERVILLE.

Strohmeyer, the marble man, of Centre Hall, erected a handsome monument to the late Jacob Houser, of this place.

C. B. Houser is seriously ill at present; disease incident to old age is the ailment.

Owing to the inclemency of the weather on Sunday morning, the attendance at the U. B. church was small.

Daniel Keller and wife spent Sunday at the home of George Martz, at LeMont.

Mrs. David Wagner spent a week with her sister, Mrs. Harrison Klise.

Work in the woolen mill has been suspended for the winter, after a successful season.

The weaving of carpets and rugs a specialty at U. G. Coble's.

Alfred Wirts is visiting friends in this section.

George Wirts, of Warriorsmark, is touring the country, selling nick-nacks and novelties.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all the readers of the Centre Democrat.

HAINES TWP.

WOLF'S CHAPEL.

Snow all day Sunday and Monday. The United Brethren thrashing outfit baled hay for Mr. Tomlinson, this week.

Oliver Stover and wife, of near Rebersburg, spent Saturday with his mother, Mrs. Moses Stover, who is ill.

Mrs. T. L. Zerby is spending a week with relatives and friends in Brush Valley.

Elmer Bartley and wife, of Nittany, spent several days last week visiting relatives and friends at this place.

Death has again come and taken from our midst an aged and respected lady, Mrs. George Wolfe, aged 78 years, 6mo. and 1 day. She has left to survive her one daughter, Mrs. R. B. Hosterman, of this place, and one son, George, interment on Wednesday at Wolf's Chapel.

YARNELL.

R. S. Confer and wife, of Milesburg, spent Sunday evening at J. A. Confer's. A number of people attended the funeral of Mrs. Hannah Lucas at Fairview, Sunday p. m.

J. Ed. Confer transacted business at Snow Shoe, Tuesday.

Christmas services will be held at this place Tuesday evening, Dec. 25. L. P. Croft is a frequent caller at Fairview. Must be some attraction.

Wm. Fetzer expects to move into his new house in a few weeks.

Miss Adeline Smoyer of Butts Station is spending some time at this place. Quite a number of our people were to Bellefonte on shopping expeditions, the past week.

Mrs. Rebecca Watson, of Bush Hollow, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Pownell.

Man of 73 Shoots Himself.

Henry J. Hunsicker, aged 73, committed suicide at his home in Laurelton Monday night, by shooting himself in the mouth. Disposition over ill-health was the cause. He was an inventor and a good pattern maker. He leaves a wife and 15 children.

UNIONVILLE.

The yard space of the railroad, at this place, being too small for the immense quantity of lumber, mineties and props that are being shipped from this place, the company have put a siding at Dick's Run, a mile above town, and superintendent Joe Gill will take a crew of men to that place to load cars. Joe thinks of starting a town there and wants it called Gillvillan.

For any information concerning railroad lore, signs, grips or pass words, ask foreman P. J. McDonnell. He is the latest edition of the railroad digest.

On Tuesday morning, operator Jim Snyder on handing a telegram to the engineer of a freight train while the train was moving at the rate of 30 miles an hour, got too close to the train, his hand was struck by the engineer's hand with such force as to dislocate his shoulder blade. He decided to go to the Bellefonte Hospital, but at the station three big, stout, robust fellows—R. T. Comley, Wm. Summers, Billy Parsons—undertook to put the shoulder in place and in less than a minute they succeeded in their task, just one minute before the passenger train pulled up to the station in which Jim intended to go to the hospital. You ought to have seen the change in Jim's countenance—one would think he had just received a Christmas present. Don't get so close to the engine next time, Jim.

Logan M. Decker, of Spring Mills, came to Bellefonte the other day for the express purpose of telling Charley Kurtz to put his cap's Centre Democrat on top of the package of Democrats he mails to Spring Mills, so that he can get his paper first. Logan is one of Spring Mills' representative young men, and will make a first class catch for some nice young lady. We would suggest to Yeager & Davis that they erect a still factory in our town to supply our citizens with some sort of a patent still with which they can wade the mire of some of our most prominent payments—the candidates of which in wet weather, is a disgrace to our beautiful town. This is a matter that interests about 300 citizens, and if the town council haven't sand enough to compel citizens to have the walks in front of their respective residences in proper condition, I would advise them to get a car load of sand from ex-sheffir Cronister's sand bank in Blair Co. Brick pavements are not very expensive and if made of hard-burned brick will last three generations. Climb on the band wagon, all ye citizens who have mud pavements, and give us good pavements! There, now! I feel better.

"Aunt-took a trip in my auto up the valley as far as Port Matilda this week to gather up my anticipated Christmas presents, but owing to the snow and other circumstances, I can't get there. Send in your presents by mail or express. Please do not send any \$20 bills as I could not get them changed here. Will report all received in the first issue after the holidays."

COBURN.

Joseph Condo and wife, who were both reared in eastern Pennsylvania, but many years ago moved to Moccasin, Ill., and have lived there since, arrived at this place on Saturday, spent the night with the latter's brother, T. B. Motz, who conveyed them to Woodward on Sunday to visit their aged father, Samuel Motz, whose health is rapidly failing. Joseph will return to his home this week while Agnes will remain several weeks to visit relatives.

On Sunday the following officers were elected to conduct the affairs of the United Evangelical Sunday school during 1907: Supt., James F. Vonada; Asst. Supt., T. A. Hosterman; Sec., Paul S. Kerstetter; Treas., T. W. Hosterman; Librarians, Katie Kerstetter and Laura Kaler; Organists, Nora Hosterman and Esta Rishel.

C. H. Meyer and wife spent Sunday at the home of the latter's brother, W. F. Winkleblech.

On Tuesday evening, Dec. 25, being Christmas evening, the ladies of the United Evan. Sunday School will serve an oyster supper, sell lunch boxes filled with dainties prepared by the ladies, and will have other good things in Mrs. Kerstetter's ice cream parlor. All are invited to come hungry and go home filled. Meyer Bros. have finished cutting timber on the Jos. Meyer tract in Brushvalley, are moving their mill to Sober.

Wm. Hazel Jr., and family, of Ohio, arrived at this place on Tuesday and will spend some time with relatives in Penns and Brushvalley.

We have a fat lesson in hogology to give this week which shows that our people know how to grow fat on hogs and Milchheim, which boast of wearing the belt in raising heavy porkers must take back-water when they look at the following "Greasy tale":

Father Jacob Kerstetter heads the list with 3 hogs.....1560
J. W. Kerstetter, 3.....1412
S. Ard, 2.....960
Em'l Kerstetter, 1.....487
D. Meyer, 4.....1680
C. H. Meyer, 3.....1366
A. J. Stover, 3.....1217
J. E. Harter, 2.....1618
Total weight of the above 23 hogs, 30,300 lbs. Average weight 44 1/2 lbs. 14 degrees below zero on Wednesday morning is a fact.

HARRIS TWP.

SHINGLETOWN.

Butchering is over and most of us are pleased, especially Ernest Hess, who had to sell some of his hogs twice to keep up the price of pork.

Will Leech is about recovered from his recent illness, but, by the way he ate at a couple butchering dinners, we all expect him to have a relapse.

Some of the men of this town, instead of using cold cream on their faces, had greased them with sausage meat.

Jno. Smith, wife and daughters Maggie and Clara, are visiting at Howard.

Mrs. John Olewiewe spent Saturday evening with her aunt Mrs. Reed.

Those who spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Leech were Andy Settle, wife and daughter Nellie, Mrs. Orianda Thomas and Mrs. Duff and Eric Martz.

Farmers' Week.

During the week beginning Dec. 27, there will be held at the Pennsylvania State College a conference of farmers of the state. The principal object of the gathering will be to discuss the practical problems of farming. No fee or tuition will be charged, and every farmer who can attend will be made welcome. The railroad have made a rate of one fare for the round trip for the occasion. Prof. H. E. Van Zornan of the Agricultural department, will be glad to give any desired information.

ADJOINING COUNTIES.

Contract for the erection of the Burnham Young Men's Christian association building has been awarded to George C. Tate, of Yeagertown, at \$22,800.

Thieves succeeded in getting \$1 from the cash register at the Hotel Clinton Mill Hall, on Saturday night. They also regaled themselves at a restaurant.

Diphtheria is dwindling down in Tyrone and only some half dozen homes were quarantined at the beginning of this week, from the number of thirty a week ago.

The first annual Teachers Institute of Clinton county is the attraction in Lock Haven this week. County Superintendent D. O. Eppers, and other Centre countyans are in attendance.

Fourteen fine registered Jersey cows belonging to Farmer Joseph Wood, of Lycoming county, affected with tuberculosis, were killed on Tuesday. This means a big loss to their owner.

Application will be made December 31st for the Freeburg and Selingsgrove Electric Railroad. The incorporators are persons interested in the Middlecreek Electric Company. This is the first step toward a trolley from Selingsgrove to Millintown.

A wreck occurred at Halifax, near Harrisburg, Saturday morning, which delayed traffic for nearly four hours. A freight engine ran into a coal train and six cars were thrown across the tracks. The engineer escaped injury by jumping but the fireman was seriously hurt.

J. D. Maffet, of Hawk Run, who failed in the attempt to take his own life when an officer called at his home to arrest him on the charge of assault and battery with felonious intent on an 11-year-old girl, was found guilty at Clearfield last week, and sentenced to jail for six months.

Mrs. Mame Singer, of Sunbury, was awarded fifty dollars by the Northumberland county court in a case the first of its kind ever tried in that section. The suit was brought against Wm. Mann, proprietor of the Mann hotel, Sunbury, who had been warned not to sell her husband any liquor, in defiance of which she brought suit for damages, and got the above verdict. Similar measures enacted would do much to solve the much-mooted liquor problem.

David Kyler, a Blair county farmer, was tried in court at Hollidaysburg, Tuesday on the charge of shooting a bear out of season. Kyler testified he was out gunning for foxes and not for bear. Bruin was the aggressor, he said, and it was nipped and tucked between Kyler and the bear. Kyler shot two loads of birdshot into the bear and then killed it with a club. The jury acquitted Kyler and imposed a portion of the costs on V. W. Finnegan, the state game warden, who had instituted the suit.

Our neighbors over in Millin county will have a multitude of sales this season; running from Dec. 16 to March 28, the Belleville Times has twenty-eight sales in its register already, with, no doubt, others to be added. This indicates as lively a season for sales as we usually have in Centre county. Does it mean that farming don't pay, amid all the cry of "prosperity"? That what the farmer says, "Prosperity" has been legislated for others and not at all for farmers. When will the farmers begin to see the trick, and catch on to the false promises and lying assurances.

Tuesday's Lock Haven Democrat says that a party of surveyors and engineers who are working in that section presumably in the interest of a connecting line for the Wabash system, engaged vehicles at Beck's livery and went up the other side of the river Monday, their destination the vicinity of Glen Union. The party is composed of C. A. Fritz, C. P. Moore, P. H. Brakely, E. F. DeHuff, E. H. Cartice and E. D. Strouse, all of Pittsburg. From arrangements made, it is believed the men will remain there for some time. They are very uncommunicative, and will not divulge who their employers are or what they have in view.

Large Forest Preserve.

A deed was filed at the Recorder's office in Williamsport transferring a large tract of land from Monroe H. Kulp & Co., lumber dealers, of Shamokin, to the state of Pennsylvania. The properties comprise 12,780 acres. The tract extends over portions of four counties—in Hartley, Lewis, West Buffalo and White Deer townships in Union county; in Washington township in Lycoming county; in Green and Crawford townships in Clinton county, and in Miles township in Centre county. The consideration stated is \$30,971.31. It is understood the state will use the land for a forest preserve. New trees will be planted on the land denuded by the lumber operation of the Shamokin lumbering firm.

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	Our Price.	Reg. Price.
Oyster Crackers.....	.05	.08
Prunes, 3 lbs for.....	.25	30c lb
Rice per lb.....	.06	.10
Table Syrup.....	.35	.50
Table Salt, 25 lbs for.....	.21	.25
Loose Coffee, per lb.....	.15	.18
5 gal. Headlight Oil.....	.60	
6 cakes of Laundry Soap.....	.25	
Macaroni.....	.08	.10
Baker's Chocolate.....	.18	
Pure Baking Molasses.....	.15 a qt.	.18
Tea.....	.30	.40
1 lbs Oat Flake with china.....	.21	.25
Banner Lye, 3 boxes for.....	.25	

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Imprisoned by Tree he Cut.

John Mayes, son of James Mayes, of Mackeysville, met with an accident in the woods near Lamar, that may yet cost his life. Mr. Mayes was employed by Harter & McCormick, lumber dealers, and was engaged in getting out timber when the accident occurred. He had cut a large tree, but in falling it lodged in the branches of a nearby tree instead of coming to the ground. In order to extricate it Mr. Mayes climbed the standing tree, but in some manner became entangled with the branches and fell, the big tree falling upon him and pinning him to the ground. He was unable to help himself and being all alone his only hope was in calling for help, but his feeble cries brought no response, and benumbed by the cold he sank into an unconscious condition. After several hours he was found and taken to the boarding house without recovering consciousness. Dr. Painter was summoned and after examining the young man's body found him to be suffering from internal injuries. One side at first seemed partially paralyzed, but later became normal although the young man still remained in a comatose condition. He was taken to the home of his father at Mackeysville, where he is being tenderly cared for.

A physician took it into his head to go rabbit shooting. About 4 o'clock in the afternoon he returned, telling his wife that he hadn't killed a thing. Thereupon she remarked: "I told you so. If you had stayed at home and attended to your legitimate business you might have been more successful."

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