

Correspondents' Department

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HOWARD.

Pastors' Appointments. Reformed—Rev. H. I. Crow will preach and administer the communion at Hubersburg at 10 A. M., and will preach at Mt. Bethel at 2:30 P. M., and at Salona at 7:30 P. M.

The sweet calm sunshine of October, now Warns the low spot, upon its grassy mound. The purple oak-leaf falls; the birchen bough Drops its bright spoil like arrow-heads of gold.

Comfort and Convenience in Farm Home

R. P. Confer, one of the enterprising and successful farmers of the township, has spent a good deal of time and some money this season in making improvements in and about his home, which, when finished, will make it one of the most desirable in the township. Immediately in front of his house is what was in the old days a much frequented "deer lick," at which the first settlers, among whom was Robert's grandfather, secured samples of venison, but which by reason of the encroachments of civilization has degenerated into a mere swamp. This has been filled and graded, and now constitutes a considerable portion of what will in the near future be a handsome large lawn. On the west side of the house a substantial concrete retaining wall keeps the new grade from slipping down into the road, and concrete footwalks make both the front and back approaches to the house comfortable in all sorts of weather, and a set of high, but easy, steps make access to the big front porch easy. The sodding and planting which are to come a little later, will greatly beautify the place. Just now the steam heating plant, which is to warm the whole house, is being planned and arranged for.

Mrs. Bechdel Passes Away

Early on Sabbath morning Mrs. Mary Ann Bechdel crossed the dark river, after an illness of about five weeks. If she had lived until the first day of November she would have been eighty-three years old, and until within a few weeks she had borne the burden of her years remarkably well. Mrs. Bechdel was born Mary Ann DeLong, and was a sister of James I. DeLong, who was well known as a hotel man at Eagleville for many years. She married Samuel Bechdel Sept. 11, 1845, and became the mother of two children, both of whom are now dead. The son Alfred married Miss Jennie Mitchell, and died some years ago leaving her a widow. With this daughter-in-law Mrs. Bechdel has made her home since the death of her husband. The funeral took place on Tuesday at ten o'clock, and interment was made in the Bechdel family cemetery, at the home of James Bechdel, on Marsh Creek.

Council Meeting

Council met at the usual time and place, all present excepting Messrs. Fox and Wetzel. Minutes of last meeting were read, corrected and adopted. The street committee reported progress in the matter of flag-poles, crossings and street repairs, all ordered having been completed excepting one sidewalk which was under way. They also reported complaints as to the grades which had been used in some places, and the matter was referred to the street committee for adjustment. The water committee reported one or two minor leaks which had been repaired. Permission was granted to sundry persons to use some of the old street lamps for lighting the streets near their own residences, the citizens maintaining the lights at their own private cost. Bills for street repairs and crossings, amounting to \$58.50 were presented and ordered paid.

John Meese's Death Felt Here

In the taking of John Meese, of your town, death drove sharp sorrow into many hearts. For the short time of a year lived here during his boyhood and school days, he naturally turned this way for a wife, and married Miss Lucas, and one of his sisters became the wife of Shuman H. Fletcher, still living here. He was thus a member of two of the large and prominent families of our vicinity, the members of which appreciated his worth and mourn his absence. Because of these relationships Mr. Meese was a frequent visitor and familiar in our town.

A Peach of a Story

A cluster of six peaches very much alike as to size, all of good form and well developed, weighing in toto nearly twelve ounces, growing upon exactly three inches in length of a twig which is just three-sixteenths of an inch in diameter, found its way to the table of the writer last week through courtesy of Squire A. A. Fletcher, upon whose lot it was grown. A sample of what a peach tree can do in this latitude; it was interesting.

Township Supervisors Reorganized

The Board of Supervisors of the township met on Saturday last and elected Franklin Confer president, and W. B. Fletcher secretary. This action was made necessary by the resignation of Theophilus Fletcher, and the appointment of W. B. in his place. After the organization such routine business as had accumulated was taken up and disposed of, putting the road authority of the township in working shape again.

On Tuesday last Col. John A. Daley delivered the first new corn of the season to C. W. McMurtre, of the Howard House. In driving out of the alley, after unloading the corn, the Col. because of his impaired vision, drove over a street post, and was violently thrown from his wagon. He is somewhat bruised up, but fortunately sustained no serious injury.

Jackson Kline is practicing daily with his new automobile. Runs all our merchant princes will be equipped with flyers.

Skillful carpenter Joseph Schenck is working at State College.

D. D. Jones, of Pittsburg, who is a half brother of G. Harvey Mann, now critically ill at the home of his father-in-law, Shuman Fletcher, was a Sunday guest at the Fletcher home; as was also R. H. Rutherford, of Zanesville, Ohio, and Mrs. Hollar and Mrs. Hiltry and daughter, and Mrs. L. H. Meek, of Pittsburg, and Mrs. Jones, of Beech Creek.

Miss Edith Rhoads had the pleasure of playing hostess last Saturday evening to a little coterie of her young friends from Marion township: Miss Kiling and her brother Samuel R. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Yearick and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Yearick.

Jacob Welsh, of Romola, has taken his little six-year-old daughter, Zella, who was unfortunate enough to be born deaf, to the Mt. Airy school, where her naturally good mind can be developed without the use of the faculty of hearing.

Miss Sue Wallace, of Bellefonte, spent several days of last week with her friend, Miss Minnie Heverly. On Thursday evening a large number of the young people assembled and had a genuine old-time taffy-pulling in her honor.

Miss Helen Bension left on Sunday for Williamsport, where she joined the Reading Railway ten-day excursion which left that city on Monday morning for Philadelphia, Washington and other points of interest.

New roofs upon the town barn and adjoining sheds of Jackson Kline, and upon the house belonging to the Lucas Brothers estate, at corner of Grove and Maple streets, are among the improvements of the last week.

On last Sabbath the U. E. congregation here chose their pastor, Rev. W. W. Rhoads as delegate to the convention of the State Sunday School Association which will meet in Harrisburg next week.

Ambrose Thomas left on No. 51 Monday morning for Tyrone to prepare the foundations for some heavy monuments which J. Will Mayes is about to erect in the cemetery at that place.

Our near proximity to Lock Haven makes it easy for the girls who are attending the Normal school to spend the week end at home, and nearly all of them manage to do this frequently.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bousie and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kunen, all of Johnsbury, left for their homes on Friday last, after a two weeks' visit with their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Green.

Charles Sumner Wolf, of Kline & Wolf, is enjoying a visit from his brother Thomas Wolf and family, who drove over from their home in their auto, on Sunday evening.

Mrs. William Resides, of Bellefonte and her brother, John H. Jacobs, of Boalsburg, visited their venerable father, Mr. George H. Jacobs, Thursday of last week.

Dr. Charles Sumner Musser, who devotes himself to the care of the health of the good people of Aaronsburg, was a guest of A. A. Fletcher, last week.

A couple of Main street improvements now in progress are the fine new porches being erected at the homes of Thomas E. Thomas and Isaac R. Williams.

Mrs. John Thompson, of Tyrone, the daughter of a former pastor of the Evangelical church at this place, Rev. Gross, was a last Friday visitor in town.

Miss Maud Hopkins, of Tyrone, accompanied by M. C. Hamer, of Birmingham, were visitors at the home of John B. and Mrs. Holter, Sunday. The picture show has arrived in Howard and is being fairly patronized at ten cents per. The pictures are said to be of good class.

Daniel W. Schenck, who moved from here to Hagerstown, Md., several years ago, spent several days of last week among his old home friends.

Mrs. Wm. H. Fletcher visited her aged parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter Miller, and her sister, Mrs. Shuman Holter, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Schwab, of Loretto, the father and mother of Mr. Charles M. Schwab, are guests of Mrs. Caroline Connerford.

Miss Tessie Confer, of the township, and her sister, Mrs. Leonard Confer, of the borough, were shopping in Bellefonte last week.

H. M. Wetzel, of Lock Haven, ran up to spend last Sunday with his brother, foundryman and lumberman John B. Wetzel.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Spayd and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Yearick were entertained at dinner at the home of C. E. Yearick on Sunday.

William Turner, of Keating Summit, made a brief visit with his brother and sister, John and Miss Martha last week.

Miss Norris, of Bellefonte, and her brother, John B. Norris, of Scranton, called upon friends in town last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Lucas, of Bellwood, were Sunday guests of Mrs. Lucas' father, Thomas Daughenbaugh. Miss Vion, of Bellefonte, was a guest of Prof. and Mrs. Joseph Weirich on Saturday and Sunday last.

Mrs. T. J. Allabaugh, of Lock Haven, came up on No. 55 to have a little visit with her cousin, Mrs. C. C. Lucas.

Former sheriff D. W. Woodring paid our town a short visit and some nice compliments on Monday.

Mrs. Milton Kern, of Bellefonte, was a Wednesday guest of her friend, Miss Jennie Hartholomee.

Edward McIntyre, of Williamsport, was looking after business matters in town last Wednesday.

Adam Kline and wife had Mr. and Mrs. David Sweely, of Beech Creek, as week end guests.

Mrs. Reuben Lucas entertained her nephew, Harry Allen, and his wife, of Hazleton, last week.

Mrs. Frank Wetzel, of Millsburg, spent last Sabbath with her friend, Miss Grace Schenck.

Owen Underwood, as bright and cheerful as ever, looked over our town last Wednesday.

Mrs. Wm. P. Lucas repaired the porch on the Walnut street side of her home last week.

Rev. W. W. Rhoads is entertaining his niece, Mrs. T. C. Holtz, of Philadelphia.

Clarence Daley and wife, of Tyrone, spent Sunday with friends here.

MOUNTAIN.

GEORG TWP.

A wild man was seen by a party of two boys and two girls on their way to prayer meeting on Sunday evening of last week. People have since been on the lookout for him.

D. P. Weaver went to Solomon Lingle's Monday to show the people how to top corn fodder.

The P. R. R. Co. have made some fine abutments about the branch.

Farmers, if you want the value of your grain in chop, call on H. H. Eisenbath.

J. Cleveland Zecby is home again.

Warnings are here to get out your overcoats—smoke out the moth—keep warm—save doctor bills—winter is knocking at the door—see to your coal bin—times are hard—be saving, but not at the expense of comfort.

UNIONVILLE.

Sarah Margaret Armesat died at her home in Benner township, near Fillmore, on Thursday, Sept. 30, from a complication of diseases that baffled all medical skill. For four weeks she suffered intensely but she bore it all with the patience and meekness of the true christian till death finally relieved her of her suffering. She was born August 16, 1855, and was consequently 53 years, 1 month and 14 days old. On Feb. 18, 1878, she was married to John Armasgat which proved to be a most happy union. No children were born to them. She leaves to survive her husband, her venerable father, Amos Koch of Benner township, one brother, William Koch of Illinois, and the following sisters: Mrs. Ellen Stover, of Spring Twp.; Mrs. Chas. Rimmey, Mrs. Samuel Cramer and Mrs. Wm. Bode, of Benner township; all of whom were present at the funeral.

Funeral on Sunday at 3 o'clock; interment in Meyers cemetery. Services in Buffalo Run Presbyterian church were conducted by her pastor, the Rev. Dr. Platts, of Bellefonte. This is one of the saddest cases of bereavement that has ever come to my knowledge. For 31 years, these two traveled life's rugged journey, happy in the sunshine of each other's love. She was a woman of spotless character, and the immense throng that attended her funeral was an evidence of the high esteem in which she was held by her friends and neighbors. Her last latch string was always out and no one was ever turned away hungry. Like a pair of doves she and her husband were happiest when enjoying each other's society. Her husband, while standing beside her casket and gazing on the beautiful face of his deceased companion while great drops of grief chased each other down his cheeks said "My heart is in you," yes, his very heart and soul were wrapped up in her. No wonder then, that his own heart is racked with sorrow. But, "do not mourn as one without hope," she has entered the higher life, and you will meet her again. She was a consistent member of the Presbyterian church, having joined the church about 23 years ago at Unionville; afterward she connected herself with the church at Buffalo Run by card from the Rev. Jacob Hughes, who was then pastor at Unionville.

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PINE GLENN.

Rev. W. S. Jones, of Baltimore, Md., a former pastor of this place, preached a fine sermon in the M. E. church Sunday morning, having come to join Mrs. Jones and son Stanley, who have been spending several weeks with their many friends in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. William Steele, of Bellefonte, are visiting Mrs. Steele's parents, Robert Askey and wife, and Mr. Steele is assisting in the erecting of that new house which is progressing finely.

Curt Askey spent several days at home last week.

George Vallimont and wife, of Montour Falls, N. Y., visited their mother, Mrs. N. Vallimont, who has been confined to her bed for many months.

Mrs. R. B. Daugherty was on the sick list last Sunday.

A crowd of our finest looking young ladies went chestnutting on Saturday, but they won't tell how many chestnuts they found.

Miss Lyon, of Howard, is visiting Miss Hazel Lewis.

Ralph Hipple, wife and children, of Baltimore, are visiting at the home of William Hipple.

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The Post Office Department has decided to discontinue Star Route No. 39125, between Dodgeville and Mineral Point in Illinois. The carrier has been offered as high as \$20 for his Government order paying his yearly stipend, but has thus far resisted the souvenir hunters.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Spicher, of Elwood, Ill., after traveling around the most of the eastern states, landed in Penna. and paid a short visit with Tuesday, accompanied by Michael Spicher and family, spent a very pleasant time with Calvin Grove, near town, after which Mr. and Mrs. T. Spicher took the 4 44 train for their homes in Ill.

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