

Correspondents' Department

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HOWARD.

In Our Churches Next Sabbath. United Evangelical—Rev. W. W. Rhoades will preach at Fairview at 10:30 A. M.; at Jacksonville at 2:30 P. M. and at Howard at 7:30 P. M. Methodist Episcopal—Rev. R. S. Taylor will preach at Howard at 10:30 A. M.; at Kennedy at 2:30 P. M., and at Curtin at 7:30 P. M. Church of Christ—Elder J. H. D. Tomson will preach at Howard in the morning and evening, and at Mt. Eagle in the afternoon. Christian Chapel—Rev. W. H. Patterson will preach at 7:30 in the evening.

Brick Company Meeting

The annual meeting of the Howard Brick Company was held last Wednesday and arrangements for the coming season's business completed. Directors chosen were, A. Weber, H. A. Moore, John Fearon, John Weber, J. King McLanahan. Mr. McLanahan takes the place on the board from which Edward Henderson resigned because his business interests elsewhere prevented him from giving this work proper attention. The board met later in the day and elected the following officers: President, John Weber; vice president, John Fearon; secretary and manager, H. A. Moore; treasurer, A. Weber.

The Old Folks' Social

Held in the school rooms by the class of 1910 of our High school, on Saturday evening last, was a most gratifying success, notwithstanding old folks howled and roared as he has not howled and roared this winter. Everybody attended who could get out, at all; the "feed" was all that could be desired; the attempts of those who took part to look like their own or some other person's grand or great-grandparents, were as distracting as they were diverting, and the "Quaker Shillings" and "Pine Tree Shillings" gotten in amounted to nearly twenty-seven dollars. In truth Saturday was a field day for our public school interests in Howard, and they won out on all sides.

The Primary Caucuses

Of both political parties were held in the lower rooms of the school house last Saturday evening, while the big social was in full blast overhead. The republicans nominated for Judge of Elections, Isaac R. Williams; Inspector, Samuel Holter; Assessor, Jas. L. Holter; School Directors, J. H. Mokie, J. H. Schenck; Overseer of the Poor, D. W. Holter; Council, three years, W. M. Neff, and L. C. Thompson; two years, William H. Thompson; Treasurer, Frederick Schenck; Auditor, C. C. Cooke; High Constable, W. O. Wagner. The Democrats selected for the same places:—Judge of Election, Wm. J. Wilson; Inspector, Charles M. Confer; Assessor, John H. Wagner; School Directors, John Weber, John A. Woodward; Overseer of Poor, John Layton; Council, 3 yrs., C. M. Fox, H. A. Moore, 2 yrs., H. T. McDowell; Treasurer, M. L. Beck; Auditor, B. Weber; High Constable, W. B. Henderson.

A Militant Inheritance

Alex W. Duke, who died at Woodland on Wednesday night of last week, at the advanced age of ninety-four, was a soldier of both the Mexican and the Civil Wars, and fought through the whole of the latter under McClellan and Hancock, until he was wounded at Gaines Mills and discharged because of disability from his wound. His grandfather on his father's side was killed at the battle of Monmouth; his grandfather on his mother's side died from wounds received at the battle of Cowpens; and his father came home and died in 1817 from a shot through both lungs at the battle of the Thames. Mr. Duke was the father of sixteen children, nine of whom outlived him; the grandfather of twenty-one yet living, and the great-grandfather of fifteen. Mr. A. Duke Gleddhill, chief operator at the B. & O. tower here, is one of the grand-children, and his bright little ones count for two among the fifteen great-grandchildren.

Local Teachers' Institute

The blizzardish weather of last Friday prevented the meeting from being the marked success which it undoubtedly would otherwise have been, but it was not a failure by any manner of means. There were not many from outside the borough in attendance on Friday evening, and it was a distinctly Howard audience which greeted the few who were there, and the church was fairly well filled. Saturday morning found the roads closed in many places, and the attendance was small, though such of the teachers as could come by rail, were on hand and contributed their full share to the interest of the occasion. In the afternoon the house was filled, and the exercises were particularly interesting. It is to be greatly regretted that weather conditions were so adverse, as all the indications are that this was the only cause which prevented the institute from being the best yet held in the district. Careful preparations had been made by the committee in charge and by nearly all of the teachers to whom active parts had been assigned. Perhaps the most gratifying feature of the convention, to the interested and thoughtful observer, was the abundant evidence which appeared of an advanced degree of preparedness for their work by the teachers, their enthusiasm in it, and their earnestness in its prosecution. At the close of the afternoon session it was voted that another meeting of the institute be held in the near future at Yarnell, and Miss Florence Leathers was appointed chairman of the committee to organize it, with the assistance of Wm. DeLaney and Prof. S. M. Robb.

A Second Track

Engineers within the last year or two laid several preliminary surveys for a new track, from as many different points east of here to a point near Mt. Eagle, the purpose of which is to get around, instead of over, the hill which has its summit a few rods west of our station. All of these surveys aimed to deal with the problem from a viewpoint which saw only the south side of the present track, and do not seem to have worked out satisfactorily. For the past week or so a corps of bright young fellows under the leadership of A. N. Anderson, have been making a reconnaissance on the north side of the town, and from the energy and care which they have put into their work one might gather some assurance that the work of double tracking the road would begin in earnest with the coming of spring weather. The route which they have staked

out leaves the old tank on the north side just west of the rolling mill, about a mile east of town, follows the general line of the old track at some little distance, and a much better grade, to a point not far from the wagon road below the brick works, and turning northward crosses Lick Run and the main road to Lock Haven, between the Furnace school house, and the residence of Rudolph Fletcher, where it strikes the farm of A. M. Butler, and passes through that and the farm of Burdine Butler north of town. It crosses the road leading to Romola, three or four rods north of the residence of Thomas Egwes, and then makes almost a straight line for the sharp curve west of Mt. Eagle, when it again joins the old track. To the eye of the layman this seems an entirely feasible and easily constructed line, and would reduce the grade to one easily negotiated by the heaviest rains that the road might see. We have no knowledge upon the subject (railroad men do not often tell what they are going to do until after they have done it) but are willing to hazard a "guess" that this is about where the new line will be run, and that the work upon it will begin before very long. From the railroad point of view it will be a great improvement, and justify a large expenditure. If this should be done it does not follow, necessarily, that the present track will be moved, and it would seem to be good railroading to leave it with its conveniences, where it is.

Christian Holter is one of the few surviving members of his generation of that numerous family, and while he is still strong and active, and able to hold his own in any ordinary work, this is notwithstanding the fact that he has already wound up a half dozen years of life over and above his allotted three score years and ten. He has been a farmer all his life, and is particularly proud that for sixty-six years in unbroken succession he has taken his place and carried his full share of the work in the harvest field. A record not many men can equal.

The fearfully icy condition of our streets during a part of last week brought mishaps and minor disasters to many of our people, and serious accidents to others. Miss Carrie Strunk suffered a severely sprained ankle a week or more ago, and is still uncomfortably lame with it. On Saturday morning last Mrs. John Knarr fell and broke an arm. The same morning W. E. Confer, agent on Route No. 1, fell, and catching himself on his left hand ruptured his ligaments about his left shoulder, making a severely painful and troublesome wound.

The business interests of Leathers Brothers at Northumberland require the presence of one or more of the members at that point all the time, and Mr. A. C. Leathers has rented a good, furnished house there, and are settling themselves there this week. We had hoped they would assume the responsibilities and enjoy the pleasures of making their new home among us, and are still hoping that this is only postponed.

The ladies of the S. S. S. Club secured the services of Leonard Confer and his fine team and organized a sleighride to Bellefonte last Wednesday evening, where Mrs. A. O. Yerger, formerly Miss Elsie Long of this place, extended the hospitalities of the occasion. W. L. Cooke and Marjorie Miner coaxed their wives to take them along—otherwise it was a very enjoyable trip.

Mrs. John Brooks, of Waterville, and Miss Tanner, of Bellefonte, were the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. D. Johnson, last Wednesday. The presence of these two young ladies brought together the full quartette of daughters in whom their parents rejoice, the other two, Miss Lulu and Mrs. John Foresman being residents here.

It looked very comfortable to see Mr. N. H. Yearick using the big new crane on Monday, to take whole loads of new green, heavy ties, from thirteen to fifteen in number, from the sleds at one "hand full," and fling them across the platform to the car with seemingly no exertion. A great economy of hand work.

Harry Krape, whom everybody will remember as having lost a hand by having it caught in a machine he was working a few years ago, is now located at Greensburg, Pa., where he has a permanent and comfortable position. He came home with his wife to spend last week.

George H. Leathers returned from a brief business trip to Salt Lake city last Thursday evening. En route homeward he wired Mrs. Leathers to meet him at Pittsburg, Thursday evening, and they spent a day or two in the city of noise and smoke together.

Ward Confer, a seventeen-year-old boy, and quite small for his age, is driving Route No. 1 for his father during his lanchness. He is alert, energetic little fellow, full of business, and is quite competent.

Aged Mrs. John White, an old resident of the township, is now seriously ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. P. B. Swartz, in the borough. Her sons, Joseph and Charles, of Beech Creek, have spent much of their time at her bedside.

E. King McLanahan, of Hollidaysburg, as active an octogenarian as one often sees, spent a couple of hours in looking after his business affairs on Wednesday.

A little baby girl came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Comer Shope, Friday of last week, and grandpa Edward smiles very brightly.

Rev. W. W. Rhoades has so far recovered his strength and health that he was able to preach in his own pulpit last Sunday evening.

Capt. S. H. Bennisson is not quite so well this week as he has been. His friends are again concerned for his health.

Mrs. Irvine Reber is entertaining her sister and niece, Mrs. and Miss Stutzman, of Williamsport, this week.

Toner Lucas, rotund, well-groomed and Democratic as ever, looked in on us for a few days last week.

Mrs. D. N. Noel, of Altoona, spent Wednesday and Thursday with her mother, Mrs. A. J. Walizer.

Mrs. Benjamin Wyland entertained her friends, A. Kunes and family, of Blanchard on Sunday.

Miss Lena Gardner, of Eagleville, was a guest of Mrs. John Lyons, over Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Eda Reber of Bridgeport, N. J., is spending a portion of her winter at home with her family.

Miss Susan Worrick, of Mill Hill, was a guest, over Sunday of her friend, Miss Helen Bennisson.

J. Kennedy Johnston, of Bellefonte, with his two sons, were home visitors last Sunday.

Misses Minnie and Annie Robb were Lock Haven visitors on Wednesday.

PORT MATILDA.

We have had all kinds of weather here during the last week; snow, sunshine, rain, and then more snow and wind to blow it all around. On Thursday everything was running over with them, and drains frozen up, so that the water could not escape. Along Plank Road street the water was nearly three feet deep, and the yards on the one side were covered with water. Had the rain lasted much longer, we would have been flooded. The ice on the Bald Eagle broke up and bridge down stream. At the P. R. R. bridge between here and Martha it became jammed and formed a jam of ice at least a mile long. What wonderful power there is in the forces of nature, to move and pile up such piles of ice as the waters did here.

Boys show very little principle or good breeding by snow-balling people's horses while they are passing along the streets. Why is it our boys and girls are found running the streets and loafing in stores, instead of being at home with their active parents? Is the home lacking in entertainment for the young, or are we as parents too careless and unconcerned about the welfare of our children? Let us face this matter and ask ourselves if we are training the character of these children to become what we wish them to be.

On Thursday A. B. Williams and wife, who are living at Fowler, where he is engaged as sawyer for Williams & Woodring, had the pleasure of entertaining in the Fowler House, their capacious mansion (of one room) the following people from our town and community: W. H. Williams, A. R. Woodring and wife, Abe Woodring and wife, W. S. Crain and wife, C. W. Crain and wife, Mrs. G. R. Price, Mrs. Jacob Woodring, Mrs. W. J. Woodring, Mrs. Media Johnson, Mrs. W. T. Hoover, Mrs. Nora Laird, his mother Mrs. G. R. Williams, Misses Ethel Crain and Mildred Woodring, and Jacob Williams, Bernard Williams and Ralph Williams; also Dr. Bill and dog, who took care of the sick ladies. They had a very pleasant time together, and all seemed to enjoy themselves except A. R. W., who could not get enough to eat. He is pretty big, and I guess he had not eaten anything for this day, and was therefore pretty empty and hard to fill.

On Friday evening the band was found at the home of A. S. Price, where they had gone to furnish some music for his step-son, Charles Richards and wife, who were married last week. They had their best to give them a genuine serenade. After playing several pieces outside the boys were invited in where they found a table already spread, and they then were served with oysters. Aaron Woodring said he was manager of the band so he was permitted to partake also. After the serving of oysters, and all were well filled, the usual treat of cigars was passed. Then the bridegroom made the band boys' eyes bulge by presenting to them a piece of green paper with a V on it. They then played until they were about played out, thanked the bride and groom, wished them many long, happy years together, and left for their several homes. The boys state that they were treated royally, and that they would like to serenade them every night. Sam told them he would need them next, over on the corner by the postoffice. Hurry up, they are ready whenever you say the word.

PINE GROVE MILLS.

Mrs. E. S. Bierly and son, have been suffering from an attack of the grip. Mrs. John Miller spent a few days last week with her sister at State College.

The festival was continued on Monday night, owing to the unfavorable weather on Friday and Saturday nights. The L. O. O. F. held their banquet in the hall on Thursday with an attendance of one hundred and forty-four and all report a very pleasant time. Miss Maud Decker returned home on Monday, after spending several months at Altoona.

Walter Woods and family are visitors with Dr. and Mrs. G. H. Woods. J. A. Decker visited his daughter in Altoona last week.

Prof. U. A. Mover will meet his singing class in the Hall tomorrow evening.

Mrs. Maurice Smith and son, of Axeman, visited with James Smith and family over Sunday.

Tomorrow evening the L. O. A. will hold their annual banquet at the hotel here.

Wm. Thompson and wife were callers in town on Monday.

Wm. Dale spent Sunday with friends in Bellefonte.

AARONSBURG.

Mrs. Lenker and daughter have gone to spend an indefinite time at the homes of James Lenker's at Lemont and Wm. Houser's at Bellefonte.

Mr. and Mrs. James Roush attended the funeral of the former's father at Pottsville on Monday.

Guy Coll returned home after an absence of a few months with his aunts, at Clintondale.

Mr. and Mrs. Luke Swabb, of Monacco, visited the former's mother and sister.

Frederick Limbert is under the doctor's care at this writing, and has a serious case of pneumonia.

Mary Stahl has gone to spend a few days with friends at Milton.

Chickencox has entered the homes of C. H. Stever and Harry Coll's, but the little ones are not seriously ill.

Benj. Limbert, of Madisonburg, came to see his sick brother, Fred Limbert.

The sewing circle of the Reformed church will have a sociable at Mench's Hall, Feb. 19th. Ice cream, cakes and oysters will be served. All are invited.

ROMOLA.

ROBB.—Mrs. David Robb, of Pittsburg, fell on the ice and sustained fatal injuries, last week. On last Friday morning at 7:45 o'clock, she died. The body was taken to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Miller, at Beech Creek, from which place it was conveyed to the Robb burial plot in the Reformed cemetery at Romola on last Sunday where it was met by scores of former friends and amid flowers, sighs and tears were consigned to the tomb. Rev. Crow, of the Reformed church officiated, assisted by the Elder Patterson of the Disciple church, who had been her former pastor. On recently she took her letter to the Williamsburg Reformed church where Rev. Robb was her pastor. She was a good, kind christian wife, mother and friend, and will be greatly missed by scores of sorrowing friends. The deceased is mourned by her father and mother, sisters and brothers, as well as her husband, David W. and the following children: Percy, Josephine, Frederick. She was aged 31 years, 10 months and 29 days.

WOODWARD.

Chas. Knarr, of Lewistown, spent sometime at the home of J. D. Snyder, during this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Wolfe, of Fielder, spent Sunday afternoon at Chas. Musser's.

The new officers of W. C. No. 251, P. O. S. of A. were installed to their respective offices for the ensuing term, viz:—E. F. Orndorf, Past Pres.; M. O. Stover, Pres.; J. H. Bowersox, Vice-Pres.; Geo. W. Sheesley, Master of Forms; E. H. Musser, Fin. Sec.; Edw. J. Sheesley, Conductor; Chas. B. Musser, Rec. Sec.; C. S. Haines, Inspector; Geo. Fultz, Guard; M. O. Stover, Treasurer.

W. E. Reffner returned home from Lewistown last week after spending almost two weeks seeking employment, he being unsuccessful in his errand.

On account of the heavy rain on last Thursday, the water in Pine Creek was higher than it has been for a long time.

J. J. Orndorf and Emanuel Orndorf, who have been on the sick list for some time, are both somewhat improved.

John Sheesley employed at Carroll, Clinton county, spent a few days with his family here during last week.

Milton Barner and family, of Carroll, spent a few days among friends in this vicinity last week.

"Millic Jakes" says, "He'll be sorry when revival services close.

J. C. F. Motz, formerly of this place, but of late of Monessen, Pa., was a caller in town on last Tuesday, looking after his property in this place.

E. M. Boone, of Scotland, S. D., departed for his home on last Thursday, after spending a few weeks with his many friends in this place and the surrounding community.

Quite a number attended the cattle sale at Millheim, on Saturday, and the horse sale on Monday.

COBURN.

Drake's comet, of which you can read in almost every newspaper and through whose brilliant tail the earth will pass in May, is already visible to the naked eye. On Tuesday evening it was seen by James Vonada and the writer in the western sky, some distance to the north of the bright evening star and nearer the horizon. It's light is more red than that of the evening star and it's trail extends upward. Look for it early in the evening and tell us whether we are right or wrong.

On Monday a large number of friends gathered at the home of John M. Weaver to celebrate the 80th birthday anniversary of his father-in-law, Jacob Bower, who has had his home with his daughter for many years.

The aged gentleman enjoyed the event exceedingly and was very thankful for the presents received which amounted to about \$10. Those present were: Scott Stover, wife and daughter Lizzie Wance, of Rebersburg; Mrs. Reuben Harter, Mrs. Jacob Meyer, Mrs. A. B. Meyer, Mrs. W. E. Braucht and daughter Orpha, Mrs. L. P. Korman, Mrs. T. A. Meyer, Mrs. S. Ard, Mrs. Mary Brindle, Mrs. Andrew Vonada, Mrs. Thos. Kaler, Lloyd Luse and family and Zwingli Weaver and family and A. J. Stover.

On last Friday Martin Stover accompanied Edward Boone on a trip to South Dakota, where Martin intends to make his future home.

It pays to advertise your sale in the Centre Democrat.

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Now in Progress.

Everything in white at greatly reduced prices. Our special display this season of muslin underwear has never been equaled by us before.

A splendid inducement to buy sheets this week is our special drive in this department

TWO SPECIALS

Largest size sheets made of a fine quality of bleached sheeting, size 81 by 90 inches at 69c. each reg. \$1.00.

150 Ladies' Cloth Skirts, just received, at a bargain price. Worth \$5.00, \$5.50 and \$6.50 all at one price : : : : \$2.98

This particular sale ought to make you inquisitive to look.

SALE OF SKIRTS ON SECOND FLOOR.

Katz & Co. BELLEFONTE, PA.

There's Just Eight More Days

Left for you to take advantage of the greatest REDUCTION SALE we have ever inaugurated. Plenty of wearing time ahead this winter for these superb clothes, and for the man who would not need them, it is a wise policy in buying for next winter's needs.

Saturday, February 5th Positively ends the sale

Table with 2 columns: Price and Item. Items include Suits and Overcoats, now cut to \$7.50, \$12.50, \$15.00, \$18.00, \$20.00, \$22.50, \$25.00.

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