

Correspondents' Department

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HOWARD.

"A man never learns much when he is afraid of his mistakes."

In Our Churches Next Sabbath. United Evangelical—Pastor W. W. Rhoads will preach at Fairview at half past ten o'clock at Jacksonville at half past two and in Howard at half past seven.

Christian Scientists—Services at ten o'clock at the home of Mrs. Thomas Mann.

Methodist Episcopal—Pastor R. S. Taylor will preach in Howard at half past ten, at Kennedy at half past two, and at Curtin at half past seven.

Reformed—Pastor E. F. Faust will preach at Salona at ten o'clock at Mt. Bethel at half past two, and in Howard at half past seven.

Church of Christ—Elder A. J. Bachman will preach morning and evening.

"The Good Roads Train" will arrive at Howard siding at half past three o'clock on the afternoon of next Thursday, Feb. 16, and will remain until five o'clock. It will be composed of four coaches, two of which are lecture rooms, and in them from four to six lectures upon as many phases of the good roads question will be delivered by men who know how to make good roads. It is managed by The Pennsylvania State College, in co-operation with the Pennsylvania Railroad company, the Pennsylvania State Highway Department, and the office of Public Roads of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Howard will be the only stop between Bellefonte and Lock Haven. Parties west of Howard can come down on the forenoon train, hear one half of the lectures, see all the exhibits and return at 4:17. Parties east of Howard can come up on the 4:17, hear one half of the lectures and see all the exhibits (or better yet, come at 12:40 and hear all the lectures) and return in the evening. The exhibits consist of road machinery, models of road construction and lecture slides. What a pity it will be if this combined effort of the forces of the greatest railroad in the world, the greatest state itself shall fall short of all the good it can do by failure to have a hearing. Let everybody within reach see this half day to this vital subject of good roads. It will cost you nothing but your time.

Congratulations. For the first time since his had fall of nine weeks ago and the consequent dislocation of his left hip, Mr. Charles E. Yearick appeared on the street last Thursday, carefully picking his way with the aid of a pair of stout crutches, and the sight of him, with the promise it gave of complete recovery, so gladdened his friends that they assembled at his home last Monday evening in large numbers to congratulate him on the event. It so happened that the day was the fifty-second anniversary of his birth, and this fact had leaked out, and had its influence in the selection of the day. The ladies took with them the best of their stews and their brews, their cakes and their cakes, and set out a feast which was worth walking a long way in the snow to see, and much better to eat; and everybody took home a lot of good wishes and good humor, therefore the evening passed away delightfully and all too quickly, brightened with song and music, sweetened with friendly intercourse, and closed with a feeling of "Auld Lang Syne" pervading every heart. Following are the names of those present: Mr. and Mrs. H. T. McDowell, Mr. and Mrs. Will Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. M. Miner, Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Pletcher, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. John Weber, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Cooke, Mr. and Mrs. T. Pletcher, Mr. and Mrs. W. Weber, Mrs. Henry Confer, Mrs. H. A. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. E. Green, Mrs. George Williams, Mrs. Nan Lucas Schenck, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Moore, Mrs. Mary DeHaas, James Leathers, Miss Marion Cooke, Mrs. W. L. Harvey, I. D. Jordan, Herbert Pletcher, and Miss Nettie Swartz.

Next Tuesday. Will be almost exactly (one minute more than) eleven hours long. It will also be the fourteenth day of the month, the forty-fifth day of the year, and the day held sacred to St. Valentine for more than seventeen hundred years. Common custom has set it apart for unknown years for the mating of birds and the choosing of sweethearts. Five hundred years ago Chaucer wrote: "For this was on Seint Valentine's Day when every bird cometh there to choose his mate" and Shakespeare says of it, in Hamlet: "To-morrow St. Valentine's day. All in the morning betime, And I a maid at your window, To be your Valentine."

The modern methods of celebration are described by Praed, an English poet, who, in the first third of the last century wrote: Apollo has peeped through the shutter, And awakened the witty and fair; The boarding-school belles in a flutter, The two penny poets in despair. The breath of the morning is flinging A magic on blossom, on spray, And cockneys and sparrows are singing.

In chorus on Valentine's Day. The High School Literary Association. Held its third public meeting for the season last Friday evening, and the exercises were of general interest, sufficient to attract many of the patrons of the school and other adult citizens. The debate upon the question, "Is the world growing morally better" was lively and indicated a good deal of thought and careful preparation upon the part of the disputants. Neither side had much advantage over the other, but the decision of the judges in favor of the negative won the commendation of the audience. The several recitations and papers gave evidence of careful work and considerable research. Perhaps the "stunt" which met the most cordial reception was the reading of the Society's paper, "The Sentimentalist," by its editress, Miss Elfreda Confer. It carried many bright little mots and skits which were received with appreciation. As a whole, the exercises indicated progress and commendable work of the association.

Council Meeting. The regular meeting was held, with all the members present excepting A. A. Schenck. Minutes were read and approved without criticism. Street committee reported permission granted to Wm. H. Long to extend his electric wire line up Main street to the new house of W. H. Thompson. Water committee reported progress in the matter of granting water rights to F. S. Dun-

ham for printing power to the Hustler office, but it was held over for further information. The terms of Dr. McEntire and L. H. Neff as members of the board of health having expired, the question of their successors is advanced, and president Jackson Kline said he would appoint them after further consideration. Complaint was made of filthy water in the short alley between the houses of Henry and William Thompson, and the nuisance committee was directed to abate it. Bills amounting to one whole dollar were ordered paid.

Francis Willard Memorial. At a meeting of the W. C. T. U. held at the home of Mrs. E. F. Faust, last Friday evening, arrangements were made for a memorial meeting in honor of Miss Francis Willard. The meeting will be held in the Reformed church at half past seven on Friday evening of next week, February 16th. The date has been selected because of the reception at the High School building, which had already been fixed for the 17th, which is the anniversary of Miss Willard's death. All who would do honor to the memory of this sainted woman, who by her beautiful character and self-sacrificing ministrations, did more than any other woman for the cause of world-wide womanhood, are cordially invited to be present. All the ministers of the town are expected to be present and take part.

Good Business. The supervisors of Howard township whose names are Franklin Confer, J. Lynn Pletcher and Ralph Schenck, are taking advantage of the "groundhog winter" which fell upon Sunday and Monday, to place several hundred loads of stone at a point near the buildings of Robert P. Confer, on the road leading to Romola, which will be crushed in the spring, and used to repair a section of road at that place which has long been a burden to all traffic.

The Annual Reception. To the Seniors of our High school by the Juniors will be tendered in the evening of Friday of next week, Feb. 17, in the second story rooms of the school building. A pleasing program of music and speaking has been prepared and will be well carried out. Light refreshments will be served, and the patrons of the school are invited to be present.

Samuel Walizer was a Bellefonte visitor on Saturday.

Craig Eckley, of Mill Hall, was the Sunday guest of Charles DeHaas.

Mrs. Wesley Henry, of Jersey Shore, visited among her friends here last week.

Do not forget the special service in the Christian chapel to-morrow, Friday evening.

Ralph D. Eschbach, of Milton, Pa., was in our town on a business errand last Thursday.

Elery Tice has returned from Juniata, and will again take up his residence in Howard.

Harry Wetzel and Robert Rothrock were westward bound passengers on No. 51 last Saturday.

C. Lucas, who was confined to his house with illness for a few days, is again looking after his store.

A. A. Schenck is at Pittsburg in attendance upon the convention of hardware men in session there this week.

Mrs. John Earl, who has been in attendance upon her sick mother, Mrs. William Rimert for some weeks, returned to her home in Chicago last Friday, leaving her mother much better.

Wm. H. Long is setting posts for a street extension of the electric line up Main street from the crossroads to the new house of Wm. H. Thompson, which is to be occupied by Cashier Matthew H. Rogers, Jr., after April 1st.

Professor Pletcher, principal of our High school, will deliver a lecture upon Shakespeare in the upper room of the school building, tomorrow, Friday, evening. Professor Pletcher has been reading, studying and teaching Shakespeare for some time, and his lecture will doubtless be illuminating to many.

Our school board, at least one of our churches and a few, very few, of our private citizens, were somewhat dilatory about cleaning the snow from their sidewalks this week. Step lively, brethren! Keep up with the long and active procession! Let us maintain the reputation of our town for good, clean streets and sidewalks.

William Rimert, Jr., has entered the orphanage of the Lutheran church at Loyville, Perry county, where he will be carefully looked after and taught until he becomes sixteen years of age. William is a bright little fellow, and if he shall study well and work hard under the instruction of that valuable institution he will come out prepared to make a good and useful man of himself.

T. J. Confer, of the township, with his wife and little boy, started on Monday last for a trip of recreation, which will take them to Niagara Falls, Buffalo and on into several parts of Canada. "Tom" is not quite sure as to the effect of President Taft's reciprocity programme upon his butter and egg market the coming season, and is going over to have a personal look at the prospects.

Even the stork is beginning to economize in transportation expenses in these high-priced days, and is now delivering his prize packages in lots. Last week he made a trip to our burg, and brought three of them with him, distributing them quite impartially. Mrs. Adelbert Confer received a fine little boy; Mrs. James McCloskey one a little barker, and Mrs. William Knarr a dear little girl. Everybody is well and happy.

Mrs. T. J. McCallion was the leading spirit in a surprise party tendered Mrs. Christian Schenck at her home, Friday evening, which is said to have been a pleasing success by those who were privileged to be present. They were: Mrs. Clara McCallion, Mrs. J. Will Mayes and daughter Mary, Mrs. Lida Pletcher, Mrs. Alta Pletcher, Mrs. Wilbur Hall, Mrs. Mary Long, Mrs. Susan Loder, Mrs. Lou Holter, Mrs. Anna Holter and daughter Carrie, Mrs. Kate Lucas, Mrs. Ethel Schenck, Mrs. Clara DeArms, Mrs. Annie Smith, Mrs. Lizzie Weaver, Mrs. Mary Confer and daughter Marie, Mrs. Carrie Confer and daughter Pearl, Mrs. Lizzie Hannah, and Miss Virginia Weber.

The ministerial Association held its regular monthly meeting last Monday at the Evangelical parsonage, and, in addition to the routine business, listened to a valuable paper for one of its members, and gave it thorough discussion. It also took action of some importance to ministers, and all young people expecting to be married throughout the state. It seems that the original marriage license act of 1885, required the parties in interest to secure the license in "the county the marriage ceremony is performed."

This was found to be troublesome and even burdensome in many cases, and in 1893 the first section was amended to read, "in the county which either of the contracting parties resides, or in the county where the marriage is performed," which, in a great many cases, was a much needed relief. In the session of 1909, parties a good deal more interested in increasing the fees of office-holders an hundred per cent, than in catering to the comfort and convenience of the people, offered and secured an amendment making the fee of the clerk issuing the license one dollar in place of fifty cents, but granted the section to be amended from the original act of 1885, probably thus practically working a repeal of the liberalizing clause, and again compelling the contracting parties to secure the license "in the county where he marriage is performed." This inconvenience had been brought home to members of our ministerial association, and they framed a petition to Senator Joseph Alexander and Representative J. C. Meyer, asking them to take such action as would reinstate the more liberal requirements of the act. The elder Judge Orvis once said: "There is too much carelessness and ignorance wrapped up in our legislation."

UNIONVILLE.

Rah! for the Hon. Woodrow Wilson, Governor of New Jersey and the next President of the United States! Mark that "deown."

Ex-Recorder John C. Rowe, of Bellefonte, made a business trip to our town a few days ago. Aside from locking up their smoke houses and chicken pens on the part of our citizens, no further annoyance resulted. Even this would not have been necessary had we been able to procure a guide to escort him through the city.

Forest Gill, of Sandy Ridge, and Miss Iona Gill, of Altoona, were home several days recently and visited their father who is seriously ill at the Bellefonte hospital.

A sturdy young lad came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Robison who expects to make that his future home—its boy sure.

That republican standpatter, the Hon. Cyrus W. Hunter, of Stormstown, made a business trip to our city on Saturday. "Cy" says he has got it in for Al. Dale, Esq. It appeared that Al. sold him a bottle of his capillary compound or hair restorer and "Cy" says that with all the rubbing, greasing and coaxing he did, he could not persuade his hirsute covering to return.

A dear little bird arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claire Bird, and its little girlie bird, too.

Last fall Corney Brugger went to Colorado to recuperate his health. Recently he took a trip on horseback armed with a 22 caliber rifle, about 20 miles from the town of Evans, where he "found" into the sage brush plains and had the good luck to kill an eagle that measured 8 feet from tip to tip of its wings, and he declares it wasn't a blind one either. As a proof of this statement he sent home one dozen of its largest and prettiest tail feathers and a number of our young ladies are now sporting them on their head gear.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Parsons attended the funeral of their little nephew, Reuben Richards, 9 years old, son of Rolland Richards of Jersey Shore, on Monday. The little lad was killed by being in contact with a live wire.

Harvey Vonsada of Gregg township, attended the funeral of his cousin John Emerick. Harvey is a very nice man and a representative citizen of his township.

There will be preaching services in the M. E. church on next Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The junior choir, that sang so prettily several weeks ago, will again furnish the music. Everybody invited.

The lecture delivered in the Grange Hall on last Saturday evening by the Hon. J. McCreary was very able and scholarly argument in favor of the Grange.

A very serious railroad accident occurred just opposite the bay window of the station on last Friday morning. Just a few minutes before the 9:16 a. m. passenger train arrived, William Bonfert, 24 years old, of Tyrone, a member of conductor John Woodring's work train went in front of the derrick for the purpose of fixing the "knuckle" so that it would couple when the detached part of the train was backed up against it and while he was thus employed, the train backed down unnoticed by him and he was crushed between the two sections in a space of six inches breaking his right arm above the elbow and sustaining internal injuries of a more or less serious nature. It was feared that he had sustained fatal injuries. Dr. Irwin was sent for but did not have time to diagnose the case as the passenger train arrived and the railroad men placed the victim on a stretcher and took him to the Bellefonte hospital where reports says, he is getting along nicely and the doctors say he will recover.

The venerable Wm. Spotts, one of Union township's most respected and honored citizens, passed over the great divide and was laid away to rest on Monday of last week. He was an earnest and zealous member of the Christian church and the summons, "well done good and faithful servant come up higher" was to him a welcome one. We failed to get full particulars.

Two deaths and funerals occurred in our town during the past week. The first was that of Miss Susanna Sedgewick, an aged maiden lady who died on last Wednesday night at 10:30 p. m. of diseases incident to advanced age. Aunt Susanna, as she was familiarly called, was born in Juniata county 82 years ago on last Christmas day. She came with her parents to this place many years ago and has practically lived alone in the house occupied by her parents since their death which occurred many years ago. She has been in feeble health for several years. She was a kind and companionable lady, innocent and harmless as a child, loved and respected by everybody. Funeral on Saturday 10 a. m. Interment in upper cemetery. She is survived by two sisters: Mrs. Margaret M. Finch, of Unionville; and Mrs. George Williams, of Martha. Services were held at her home and were conducted by the Rev. R. S. Oyster. The relatives of the deceased express their sincere thanks to the neighbors and friends for the many kindly acts and services rendered during her long illness and for assistance at funeral.

The other was that of John Emerick whose death occurred at 3:20 o'clock a. m. Thursday morning. Mr. Emerick was born in Georges Valley, Gregg township on Aug. 23rd, 1846 and was consequently aged 65 years, 2 months, 10 days. He has lived here since 1876. He was a skilled workman being at once mason, carpenter and bricklayer, and was for many years employed by the P. R. R. company as foreman mason which was his forte. In 1879 he was united in marriage to Sarah Morrison, who survives him with the following children: Mrs. Wilbur T. Peters and Mrs. E. P. Dunkle, of Pittsburg and Miss Wilmina and Clark at home. Also the following sisters: Mrs. Mary Sower, of Pine Station, Clinton county, Mrs. Angeline Houseman, of Illinois; Mrs. Isaac Hettrick, of Milroy; and Mrs. Reuben Clark, of Clarksburg, West Va. He has been a member of the Christian church nearly all his life. In his younger days he joined the Evangelical church, but about 13 years ago he was taken into the Methodist church with which he worshipped up to the time of his death and was a most prominent and consistent member. He was a member of the Board of Trustees and a member of the school board at the time of his death. He was one of our most beloved and respected citizens and a loving, affectionate husband and a loving, indulgent father. He died with the full assurance of a home beyond the grave. His and was calm and peaceful as the setting of a summer's sun. His funeral occurred from the house on Sunday, 2 o'clock P. M. and was one of the largest that occurred here for many years. Services by the Rev. R. S. Oyster; interment in upper cemetery. Rest in peace, brother.

Valentine Social. The Ladies' Aid society of the Reformed church, of Jacksonville, will hold a social in Yearick's new store room on February 14th. Ice cream and other delicacies will be served.

Elmer-Stevens. The following marriage license was sent us for publication: Miss Elsie Elmer, of Coburn, and Mr. Willis Stevens, of Rochester, N. H., the latter a son of Dr. Stevens of Farmington, N. H.

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