

# FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

Bright, Sparkling Paragraphs—Selected and Original.

## SOME NEW LIMERICKS.

She always addressed him as Mr. Until he took courage and Kr. But now that they've wed Like a brute he has said That he wished to goodness he'd Mr. A young lady who lives in Adair Tried to sneak out of church during prayer. But the squeak in her shoes Annoyed those in their pews, So she sat in the aisle in despair. There lived a young lady in Lynn, Who was so excessively thin, That when she essayed To sip lemonade She slipped through the straw and fell in. A girl who was wearing a sheath— Her name, I believe, was Miss Keith— Said, "If this thing should split I will sure throw a fit. For there's not very much underneath."

Force of Habit.—"You know that pretty salegirl I took home from the dance?" "Yes." "Well, I stole a kiss." "What did she say?" "Will that be all?"

Postscript.—Little Johnny—"Dad, there's a girl at school whom we call Postscript." "Postscript! What do you call her Postscript for?" Little Johnny—"Cos her name is Ade-Me Moore."

Opened With Prayer.—A man about to be operated on for appendicitis asked that a minister be sent for. The surgeon inquired why he wanted a minister present. He replied: "I wish to be opened with prayer."

Wanted an Excuse.—"Why did you break your engagement with that school teacher?" asked the friend. "If I failed to show up at her house every evening she expected me to bring a written excuse, signed by my mother."

Heavy dabs of powder. Ample wash of hair. Serve to set off beauty. When it isn't there.

Wanted to Know.—"What is it?" the drugist sleepily inquired from his bed room window. "This is a drug store, ain't it?" asked the man who had rung the night bell. "Yes. What do you want?" "Want to look in your city directory a minute and see where I live."

Lived There, Too.—An American tourist, traveling in Ireland, was being shown the sights, and among the places visited were the Devil's Gap and the Devil's Bowl. "The devil owns a good deal of land in Ireland," remarked the tourist to the jarvey, "he must be an important person in this country." "Yer honor's right," was the prompt reply, "but like the rest of the landlords' his home is in England."

Her Aim in Life.—A teacher asked her class to draw a picture of that which they would like to be when grown up. The pupils went diligently to work, some drawing pictures of soldiers, policemen, fire ladies, etc. They all worked hard except one little girl, who sat quietly holding her pad and pencil in hand. The teacher, observing her, asked: "Don't you know what you want to be when you grow up, Annie?" "Yes, I know," replied the little girl, "but I don't know how to draw it. I want to be married."

Couldn't Tell Which.—A brewer in Philadelphia says that one morning he observed an unusually expansive smile on the face of the jovial German who is foreman at the establishment. An interesting event had occurred at the house of the foreman the night before. "I congratulate you, Hans," smilingly said the employer. "Of course the new arrival is a wonder?" "Of course it is!" was the emphatic reply. "Dis baby vays more than fifteen bounds!" "Splendid! And is it a boy or a girl?" "Ty golly!" he exclaimed in chagrin. "In der excitement I half forgotten to find out velder I was a grandfather or a grandmudder."

The Wrong Man.—"Now, see here, porter," said he briskly, "I want you to put me off at Syracuse. You know we get in there about 6 o'clock in the morning, and I may oversleep myself. But it is important that I should get out. Here is a five-dollar gold piece. Now, I may wake up hard. Don't think hard if I kick. Pay no attention if I'm ugly. I want you to put me off the train no matter how hard I fight. Understand?" "Yes, sah," answered the sturdy porter. "It shall be did, sah!" The next morning the coin-giver was awakened by a stentorian voice calling: "Rochester!" "Rochester!" he exclaimed, sitting up. "Where's the porter?" "Hastily slipping on his trousers, he went in search of the negro, and found him in the porter's closet, huddled up, with his head in a bandage, his clothes torn, and his arm in a sling. "Well," says the drummer, "you are a sight. Why didn't you put me off at Syracuse?" "What!" gasped the porter. Jumping up, as his eyes bulged from his head. "Was you de gemman dat giv' me a five dollar gold piece?" "Of course I was, you idiot!" "Well, den, befoah de Lord, who was dat gemman I put off at Syracuse?"

Had Felt so Himself.—"Dockey," the custodian of the team of a physician in an Ohio town, was a small, talkative individual with a receding chin, and a two for five grin on, all the time, and who was very familiar at all times with everybody's business but his own, drove the physician into the country one night where the physician's services were needed in a confinement case, at the home of one Mr. Blank. Next morning the physician ascertained by phone the status of his case, then sent his man "Dockey" with some medicine and directions. Dockey, through no fault of his own, conceived the notion that the patient had the grippe, so with a world of confidence in himself and armed with the medicine, and, as he thought, a great deal of responsibility, and sure she had the grip, never stopped until he was at the bedside of the patient. "Well, how are you this morning?" he asked. The patient, of course, hesitated. "Oh! I know you feel pretty tough," continued "Dockey." "I know just exactly how you feel, Mrs. Blank. I was up again the same thing twice last winter myself. I sympathize with you. I know just how you feel."

## OVER THE COUNTY.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. William Colyer, east of Old Fort, on Tuesday morning of last week.

Mill Hall is to have a national bank in the near future. A new building is to be erected for its occupancy.

Clarence Swartz, of Saville, narrowly escaped death from ptomaine poisoning caused by eating canned oysters at a sale.

Miss Elizabeth Bottorff, after spending the winter at Scotia, returned on Wednesday, of last week, to Phillipsburg, to remain permanently.

Mrs. Sarah J. Kerlin, of Centre Hall, is thinking of moving to Havertown, Mass., where her daughter, Miss Nellie, and son Edwin, are located.

Oscar Bowersox has moved from Greensburg to State College, taking possession of the Ewing property which he purchased some time ago.

Henry Hoover, a well known Tyrone stock dealer, was in Pine Grove Mills last week, and succeeded in buying up a bunch of nice fat cattle.

Mrs. Mary McClellan, at the age of 85 is one of the most active and preserved ladies in Phillipsburg, or any other town, for that matter, says the Ledger.

G. H. Miller, the successor of Harry Barrack as miller in the Weber flouring mills, moved his household goods from Linden Hall to Centre Hall, last week.

The smoke house belonging to R. B. Hosterman, of Aaronsburg, was totally destroyed by fire recently, in which was stored Mr. Hosterman's entire stock of winter meat.

By reason of a severe spell of sickness Miss Emily Alexander has been confined to her bed at the home of her sister, Mrs. Mary Ross, in Centre Hall, for some time past.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Heckman, who for the past year or more lived on the Dr. Frank farm, near Millheim, departed last week for Lena, Ill., where they will reside on a farm.

Miss Juanita Hoyt, of Phillipsburg, has been elected to fill the vacancy as teacher of the school at Casanova, occasioned by the death of Miss Beesie McCord, and has entered upon her duties.

A slight fire from a defective flue caused considerable excitement at the Methodist parsonage at State College recently, but the prompt action of the firemen prevented any serious damage being done.

It is reported that Miss Sadie Griferer still continues to be confined to her bed at her home in Centre Hall. She is being cared for by her sister, Mrs. James S. Stahl, and sister-in-law, Mrs. Frank Griferer.

The Yearicks, having completed sawing the timber on the Luther Royer farm, near Spring Mills, have moved their mill to near Madisonburg on the Louis Roush timber tract, which is owned by the McNitt-Huyett company.

Charles Clobin, of Pine Grove Mills, who recently rented the Ewing farm, had the misfortune to lose a valuable horse last week. He had just purchased a team, and before he could remove them from the place one of them expired.

The Rev. Robert M. Campbell will lecture in the Baileyville Presbyterian church, Tuesday evening, March 14, on American Women; their strength and their danger. Admission 10 and 20 cents. Proceeds for benefit of weak churches.

Miss Martha Bates, a young lady residing at Pine Glen, was admitted to the Lock Haven hospital on Wednesday, 1st, suffering from appendicitis and an operation was performed immediately after her admission to that institution.

Miss Laura Rankle, of Centre Hall, is slowly recovering from her recent fall in the bath room at the Centre Hall Hotel, in which she sustained a severe bruise of her side. Most of the time since the accident she has been confined to her bed.

Mrs. Rev. W. K. Shultz and children, of Woodlawn Station, Baltimore, Maryland, spent last week in Centre Hall with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Keller, while her husband was in attendance at the sessions of conference at York.

George Smith, of Union county, who has been employed at Spring Mills for some time past, and Gardner Long, a son of Samuel Long, of Farmer's Mills, departed on Monday of last week for Freeport, Ill., where they expect to engage as farmers.

Harry Klaz, of Phillipsburg, was enlisted in the United States army at the recruiting station in the post office building on Thursday. He was a teamster by occupation and has been assigned to the cavalry service and sent to the Columbus barracks for training.

The junior and senior classes of the Pine Grove Mills high school will hold a chicken and waffle supper in the I. O. O. F. hall, on Saturday, March 18, for the benefit of the public library. Big Chief Powhatan will be present and can be seen in his wigwam.

The reception given by the official board of St. Paul's M. E. church and its pastor, the Rev. J. McK. Kelley, in the assembly room of the new church at State College recently, was attended by over 200 students of the college and Methodist men and women of the church.

Elias Stover on last Thursday moved into Robert Young's property in Millheim. Ralph Haines will move into W. H. Musser's home, vacated by Mr. Stover. O. E. Heckman vacated the Dr. Frank farm, and left for Illinois on Monday. Harry Gilmore, of near Rebersburg, will occupy the Dr. Frank farm.

Dr. George Rishel, son of Mr. John Rishel, of Benner township, has been quite ill at his home in Philadelphia. In a recent letter received by Mr. Rishel it was learned that his condition was somewhat improved, which we hope may be continuous. A general breaking down of the system is attributed as the cause of his ailment.

On Friday evening of last week, a sledload of the respected citizens of Rebersburg, enjoyed a sledride to the home of Calvin J. Weaver (Miller) at Wolves Store. The evening was spent in a very pleasant manner. Before retiring Mrs. Weaver served the refreshments for the evening, which consisted of ice cream, cake, candy and fruit. The party was royally entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Weaver, and invited back again. The music

of the evening was furnished by Kenneth Haines and Walter M. Weaver.

John B. Hess, an old Centre county boy, has been appointed post-master at DuBois.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Struble, of State College, are rejoicing over the arrival of a young son, which came there on Tuesday evening.

Miss Nellie Struble, near Rock, is now down taking care of her sister, Mrs. Wm. Fishburn, who is confined to her bed with inflammatory rheumatism.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Disciple church of Blanchard will serve a chicken supper at the home of Mrs. Thomas Bechtel in that place Saturday evening, March 11, beginning at 5 o'clock.

Mrs. Grant Blowers, of Phillipsburg, but now of Steubenville, Ohio, is spending a few days at his brother's, Hiram Blowers, of Altoona, and his brother-in-law, Calvin Sharer, of Tyrone, with a view of locating there, or near there soon.

Frank R. Olding, a veterinary surgeon, of Philadelphia, arrived at Howard this week and will locate there permanently for the purpose of practicing his profession in that community. There was a good opening there as C. M. Fox, the former veterinarian, has retired from the field. Mr. Olding is regarded as a skilled man in his line of work.

Jonathan Shaffer, of Lock Haven, who has been ill for some time, has so far recovered as to be about again. Mr. Shaffer is 81 years of age, and has been a resident of Lock Haven for a good many years, says the Democrat. He is a native of Madisonburg, and a genial old gentleman whom we frequently meet and have a chat with in Bellefonte.

The Williamsport Sun says, "In the death of Charles W. Scott, this city loses a man whose long and high, successful career as a salesman of public school books did much to keep the name of Williamsport before the people of this section of Pennsylvania. There have been few, if any, that were more successful as a salesman of books than was Mr. Scott and, in the management and promotion of his business he made and kept a broad circle of acquaintances." Mr. Scott was well known in Bellefonte and over the county as a book agent in the past twenty years.

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

H. W. Sheffer et al to A. S. Williams, March 10, 1906, tract of land in Worth Twp.; \$300.

Mary C. Harris et al to H. L. Curtin, Jan. 10, 1911, tract of land in Centre Co.; \$100.

John H. White et al to H. M. Deltrich, Dec. 22, 1910, tract of land in Walker Twp.; \$769.80.

N. B. Spangler et ux to Geo. R. Meek, Feb. 7, 1911, tract of land in Spring Twp.; \$7500.

Deborah E. Valentine et al to N. B. Spangler, Jan. 28, 1911, tract of land in Spring Twp.; \$7500.

Florence R. Dunkle et bar to Jennie R. Bathurst, March 30, 1901, tract of land in Howard Twp.; \$425.

J. J. Orndorf to Fletta Orndorf, June 18, 1904, tract of land in Haines Twp.; \$25.

Sophia Hale to Wps. Riddle, April 12, 1910, tract of land in Phillipsburg; \$115.

W. F. Hainer et ux to Hugh Moore, Nov. 21, 1908, tract of land in Rush Twp.; \$300.

Lawrence E. Eckley to Annie M. Rider, Feb. 21, 1911, tract of land in Spring Twp.; \$550.

W. P. Courter et al to J. R. Reamer, March 12, 1896, tract of land in Liberty Twp.; \$12.

## Who Shall Decide?

During the last two or three years the Quarter Sessions Court of Mifflin county has held that under the law it is within its discretion to refuse to grant any licenses at all, and on Monday it rejected all applications, as it had done in previous years. The Quarter Sessions Court of Dauphin county has just ruled that it is not within its discretion to refuse a license to a man who will not obey a direction of the court to close his bar at midnight or any other hour. All of which shows that judges as well as doctors sometimes disagree and that the court that wants a precedent can generally find one to its taste.

## Summer Normal.

The Blanchard Summer Normal will open April 17th, and continue for a term of eight weeks. Special attention given to teachers, and those preparing to teach. Inquire for future information of S. S. Williams, Blanchard, Pa. x13

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