

Correspondents' Department

Continued.

CENTRAL CITY.

Mrs. Annie Joice, of Jersey City, spent an afternoon one day last week at the home of Mrs. Lee Green, of this place.

George Quick, of Moose Run, has been very ill the past few days, and on Monday morning was not expected to live.

Mrs. William Woomer and son Joseph, of Pitscairn, are visiting at her sister's, Mrs. Howard Heaton's, on Pike street.

Mrs. Sue Swires took very ill one day last week at her home in Milesburg Boro, and on account of her living alone she was brought to the home of Mrs. Maude Green's of this place, and after a few days' care she was able to be out and around again.

Ward McKinley, who has been employed at Zion, is spending a few days vacation at home here.

Lester McClellan and Miss Blanch Stank, of Bellefonte, were pleasant callers at the home of Mrs. Maude Green's on Sunday evening.

On Sunday evening Rev. Dean, of Runville, preached at Yarnell, after which he and his wife departed for their home at Runville; when they came across the divide they decided to water their horse at the watering trough at John Watson's, and Mr. Dean had gotten out of the rig to un-rein his horse, and noticing that the horse could not drink very well with the bit in his mouth he removed it.

After drinking the horse got frightened at some object near by, got away from Rev. Dean and made a dash down the road with Mrs. Dean in the buggy; she grabbed the lines but on account of the bit being out of the horse's mouth she was unable to stop it and instead of the horse turning toward home which was a short distance from where the horse started, it had a long grade to go up, and the wife which was still in the buggy might have had a chance of getting out, but she did not.

After the animal kept the road toward Milesburg, and when it got near the Brady place along Moose Run the buggy struck a fence post throwing Mrs. Dean out of the buggy over the dash board, injuring her very badly. The horse tore loose from the buggy and still kept the road to the railroad at this place and came to Kohlbecker's Hotel, where the racket drew their attention and Frank Kohlbecker got out in time to catch the animal and took it to the stable where it remained until the next day. The buggy was entirely wrecked.

We are promised two games of ball this week, one on Thursday and one on Saturday; Central City vs. Milesburg, Thursday; Central City vs. Altoona on Saturday.

Any one wishing a lady's bicycle should call on our obliging trike operator; he will either hire, lend or sell; this would be a good chance for a certain young lady of this place who is fond of cycling but this bicycle is not built for two.

SNOW SHOE.

Birthday Party—The home of Mrs. Mary Shank, of Snow Shoe, was the scene of a very pleasant gathering on Thursday last week, it being her 70th birthday, and as she has sold the old home—she has moved to a new one in the near future, the children planned to have a reunion at the home of their childhood; and as each one grows older and engrossed with the cares of life, the home of our childhood ever remains fresh in our hearts, and the most beautiful adornment the home can possess is mother. There were about fifty people present including the grandchildren, which numbered seventeen, as follows: Two brothers of Mrs. Shank, Evans Hoover, of Pennfield; Israel Hoover and wife, of Gillentown; James Hoover, of DuBois, a nephew; Mrs. Mary Hoover and daughter, Mrs. Morrison, of Fleming; Miss Beryl Hoover, Karthaus; there were six children present namely: Mrs. Thille Gross, of Karthaus; and wife, Roland and wife, Rosa and Jas. of Snow Shoe; Jonathan Packer and wife and Alfred Shank and wife, of Yarnell, brothers and sisters-in-law of Mrs. Shank. When the clock pointed to the noon hour, all sat down to a sumptuous meal to which all did justice, but George, who was sorry his appetite was so poor. It was amazing how those chickens did disappear, but Mrs. Heaton says she never did care for chicken—not a great way off at least. Excellent music was furnished by the Ringgold orchestra, of Karthaus, composed of Mr. George Gross and children, son-in-law and grandchildren of Mrs. Shank and was enjoyed very much by all. Mrs. Shank received some pretty and useful presents. The day will be remembered with pleasure by all, for years to come. As the sun began to creep behind the hills all departed to their several homes wishing Mrs. Shank many more happy birthdays.

AARONSBURG.

Miss Ardenna Harmon and Mrs. Miriam Coldren spent one day last week with friends at Feldler.

Wm. Hatley, who is employed at Bealsburg, spent the Sabbath with his wife at the home of his father-in-law, Benj. Stover.

Owing to the illness of Rev. W. D. Donat, there was no services in the Reformed church on Sunday.

Mrs. Will Summers and children, of Clearfield, are visiting her mother, Mrs. Sara Letzler.

Miss Jennie Gramley and Miss Jennie Ream, of Millheim, were welcome callers of Mrs. Effie Weaver on Sunday.

Mrs. Nora Bower Kremer has been under the Doctor's care for the past week; at this writing she is slowly improving.

Miss Ruth Crouse spent part of the Sabbath with her friend Stella Stamm, at Wolf's chapel.

Mrs. Stahl attended the funeral of her brother at Milton; she returned again on Saturday.

Mrs. Albright, of Penn Hall, visited at the home of her son-in-law's, Thomas Stover's.

Mrs. Stover, of Berrien Springs, Mich., visited at the home of James Roush's.

Mrs. Em. Musser died on Thursday and was buried on Monday; a husband and five children survive. She was a patient sufferer for many years. Her pastor Rev. Geesey preached a very impressive sermon to a large congregation of friends and relatives, who gathered to pay their last tribute of respect to a faithful wife and a loving mother.

The Centre Democrat prints the most news and the publisher is not a cringing, fawning sycophant to any political boss.

COST OF LIVING LEAPS UPWARD

WHAT UNITED STATES INVESTIGATION SHOWS.

A 46.7 PER CENT INCREASE

Last Year Surpassed All others of a Decade in High Prices—Inquiry Based on 257 Commodities—Some Extraordinary Variations.

The high cost of living is no myth. An investigation by the bureau of labor of the prices of 257 commodities in 1910 shows that wholesale prices were 4 per cent higher than in 1909 and 4.6 per cent above the average of 1907, which was the year of highest prices since 1890.

In view of the Canadian reciprocity discussion, an interesting item in the bureau report shows that the wholesale prices of farm products were 7.5 per cent higher in 1910 than in 1909.

Wholesale prices in 1910 were 19.1 per cent higher than in 1900, 47.6 per cent higher than in 1897 (which was the year of lowest prices between 1890 and 1910), 16.6 per cent higher than 1890 and 31.6 per cent higher than the average high prices between 1890 and 1899.

The highest prices in this decade were reached in October, 1907, when a general decline began, which continued until August, 1908. A rise then set in, and there were monthly increases, without a break, up to March, 1910, when wholesale prices reached the highest point in twenty years.

They were then 21.1 per cent higher than the average of 1900, 49.2 per cent higher than the yearly average of 1897 and 38.8 per cent higher than the average prices of ten years between 1890 and 1899.

Then followed a slight decline, and from June to December, 1910, prices remained nearly level, and at the close of the calendar year 1910 they were still 10 per cent higher than the ten-year average between 1890 and 1900 and 45.4 per cent higher than the record set by the low price year, 1897.

Of the 257 commodities considered in the investigation, 148 showed an average increase, 26 showed no change and 83 showed decreases.

Prices of lumber and building materials increased 10.7 per cent; farm products, 15 per cent; drug, 4.1 per cent; foodstuffs, 3.2 per cent; clothing, 2.7 per cent, and the miscellaneous group of commodities, 5.7 per cent. House furnishings decreased 0.1 per cent, and fuel and light 4 per cent.

Some extraordinary variations were recorded in 1910. Potatoes increased 300 per cent; eggs, 90 per cent; mess beef, 35 per cent.

Deer Doing Damages. Aaron Woodring, a Port Matilda farmer, has a grievance against the great state of Pennsylvania, but doesn't know just who to go to for redress. Farmer Woodring has a fine field of corn on his farm, which was more than "knee high on the Fourth of July."

On the nation's birthday, while the farmer and his family were in town celebrating, three deer vaulted nimbly over the fence into the cornfield and proceeded forthwith to make a meal on the growing corn. They seemed to enjoy their surroundings, when they had eaten their fill, selected a soft spot and, theoretically at least, "pulling the draping of their couch about them, lay down to pleasant dreams." When roused out by the irate farmer on his way "back to the farm," the deer had destroyed a great part of the corn. Farmer Woodring, or another man who will argue with State Game Commissioner Kalbfus, says that deer are more numerous in Pennsylvania now than they have been before in twenty years, only the farmer goes a little bit further than Doctor Kalbfus by saying that they are too darned plenty by far, and points to his damaged cornfield as proof of his statement.

A Modern Solomon. Alderman John F. Donohue, of Wilkes-Barre, solved a dispute over the ownership of a goose in a novel manner recently. Mrs. Alice Breiger, of Shickshinny, charged Mrs. Louis Pelinus with stealing her goose. Both own large flocks. Mrs. Pelinus said the bird in dispute was her goose, and as the evidence on each side was of equal weight, the alderman was in a quandary.

"There is but one way to settle it," he announced finally; "each of you women will go back to Shickshinny and bring the gander of your flock here. Then we will place one gander on one side of the room, the other gander on the opposite side and the disputed goose in the middle, and will let her choose to which flock she belongs, although, being feminine, she might prove to be a flirt."

The women objected to this solution, because the railroad fare was more than the value of the bird.

"Then," declared Donohue, "the defendant is sentenced to take the goose home, kill it, divide it in half and give one-half to the prosecutrix. The case is ended."

Drank Five Quarts of Water. Earl McDow is the winner of a water-drinking contest at Burtlett college in Uppur Altoon, Mo. The cup was passed 30 times. When it reached the thirty-first round McDow emptied his glass and was overcome. The four other seniors who drank with him declare he won on a technicality but they do not wish to repeat the contest.

Estimating that the cup held a third of a pint of water each of the young Baptists swallowed five quarts of water. After the drinking ended they rolled on the guns and practiced every device known to rescue men from drowning before they obtained relief. All five are ill.

Ward Reunion. The Ward family held a big reunion on July 4 at the spring back of Pine Grove Mills. The day was delightfully spent among the congenial old Tussy. This, coupled with generous provisions for the inner man, made everyone feel happy. Dr. J. E. Ward delivered an historical address in which he reviewed the family history. His great grandfather, he said, settled in the valley in 1500 when but three houses and a sawmill comprised the sole habitation of Pine Grove Mills. He also related some interesting facts about the old academy, of which the town is so proud.—Times

To Arrange for Williams Reunion. The officers and all persons interested in the Williams Reunion Association will hold a meeting at O. D. Eberle's Store near Martha Furnace, on Friday evening, July 14, 1911, at 8 o'clock p. m. E. J. Williams, President.

Spoiled It All.

A farmer went to hear John Wesley preach. Wesley said he would take up three topics of thought. He was talking chiefly about money. His first was, "Get all you can." The farmer nudged a neighbor and said: "This is strange preaching. I never heard the like before. This is very good." Then Wesley discoursed on "Industry," "Activity," "Living to Purpose," and reached his second division, "Save all you can." The farmer became more excited. "Was there ever anything like this?" he said. Wesley denounced thriftlessness and waste, and he satirized the willful wickedness which lavishes in luxury, and the farmer rubbed his hands, and he thought, "All this I have been taught from my youth up," and what with getting and what with hoarding it seemed to him that "salvation" had come to his house. But Wesley advanced to his third head, which was "Give all you can." "Ah, dear; ah, dear," said the farmer; "he has gone and spoiled it all!"

A Deceptive Fish. A naturalist who is familiar with Ceylon writes: "In the clear water of Colombo harbor it is not uncommon to see fallen and faded leaves of the jak tree floating a short distance below the surface or sinking slowly to the bottom. Certain small fish, commonly known as sea bats, mimic these leaves both in form and color in order to escape detection. Both in shape and color they look when in the water like waterlogged leaves, but when removed from their native element this resemblance is immediately lost. They float in the water half side ways and all swim in the same direction, turning simultaneously. On one occasion Mr. White attempted to capture one of these sea bats in a rock pool and directly he made a plunge with the hand net saw nothing except what he took to be a jak leaf slowly and inertly sink to the bottom. To his astonishment, as he withdrew the net the supposed leaf righted itself and darted away."

Calamities of Authors. Homer was a beggar; Plautus turned a mill; Terence was a slave; Cervantes, the author of "Don Quixote," died of hunger; Bacon lived a life of meanness and distress; Raleigh died on the scaffold; Spenser, the charming died in want; the death of Collins was through neglect, first causing mental derangement; Milton sold his copyright of "Paradise Lost" for 15; Dryden died in poverty and distress; Orway died prematurely and through hunger; Lee died in the gutter; Steele lived a life of perfect warfare with bailiffs; Goldsmith's "Vicar of Wakefield" was sold for a trifle to save him from the grip of law; Savage died in prison at Bristol, where he was confined for a debt of £8; Butler lived a life of penury and died poor; Chatterton, the child of genius and misfortune, destroyed himself.

Early Horse Race Prizes. Prizes for winners of horse races hundreds of years ago took curious forms. The earliest was the "brigalia dor," or golden bridle. After this the prize in England was a bell. This idea was taken from the custom among owners of pack horses of decorating the best horse, which led the cavalcade, with a bell, so that on dark nights and in dangerous places the whereabouts of the leader might be known and the others follow oodily. At Carlisle silver bells were raced for by the moss troopers and daisymen, and specimens of these bells are still retained in the town hall.—St. James Gazette.

Card Playing. Card playing began in India in the ninth century. It was introduced into Europe by orientals some time prior to the thirteenth century. Saracens popularized the amusement in Spain and Italy. The taste for the game afterward spread to Germany, where it commenced to be indulged in about 1275. Its appearance in France was mentioned in the records of that country in 1303. Heraldic cards were first known in England in 1600.—New York Telegram.

His Trade. "And you say you have a trade?" asked the kind lady at the door. "Yes'm," said the tramp; "I'm a worker in precious metals and stones."

"Indeed! And can't you get any thing to do?"

"No'm; de perlice and de jewellers are all on to me."

Dog Luck. Police Officer—in order that the villain who caught and kissed you in the dark may be tracked, we must set our police dog after him. So to trace the scent you must give Nero a kiss. Fliegende Blatter.

And That Came Near Being Right. "Johnny, correct this sentence on the board: 'He drunked a number of toasts.'"

Johnny went to the board and wrote, "A number of toasts drunked him."—Houston Post.

Only Wanted a Chance. Mother—Perhaps the young man needs a little encouragement. Daughter—Yes, mamma; I wish you would keep out of sight more while he is here.

Had to Talk a Lot. Mrs. Naylor—You seem rather horrid this morning dear Mrs. Lushman. Well, my husband came home rather late last night.—Boston Transcript.

It is the cause and not the death that makes the martyr.—Napoleon.

Woman's World

Opinions on the Harem Skirts Are Divided Like the Garment.

Opinions are divided, like the garment itself, concerning the beauty and utility of the harem skirt. Already the curious combination of skirt and trousers has appeared in the large cities of America as well as the old world. In truth it must be said that the women who have worn the harem skirt, or the joupe culotte, to give it a name that comes from Paris, were actresses who were eager to have their names and pictures in the papers.

One of the features of the zoo in New York's Central park is Hattie, an elephant that plays the harmonica. Hattie does not get much made out of the instrument—who can?—but she makes a noise, and she usually has an audience when she performs. On a recent Sunday afternoon Keeper Snyder brought out Hattie and her harmonica and prepared to entertain the crowd.

Just then a woman wearing a harem skirt appeared, and the concert was called off. The crowd cared much more for the entertainment offered by the wearer of the trouserette than for an elephant playing a mouth organ. Keeper Snyder and Hattie returned to the elephant house, and the sightseers followed off after the harem skirt and its satisfied wearer.

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