

The Home Circle

Pleasant Evening Reveries as They Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

Home and Politics.

We are now in a great political throe watching every trend of national issues and exultant over our favorite champion's prospects for a popular victory. Yet in spite of all the various party leaders, there are great questions to be settled by the American people around their own heartstones, far more momentous in the perpetuity of nations than the issues which are to be settled by the ballot. The greatness of any nation that ever existed was due to influences and circumstances of the home and social life, rather than the great issues settled by the council of the nation. You may, if you please, promulgate the greatest issues or principles ever advocated by man, but if the true principles of human conduct and justice are judiciously inculcated into the minds of the youths while under the parental influence of the home, then there will be less need of political strife in the national arena. We are living in an age of political unrest, with the pendulum of political affairs swinging in utter doubt. Are we alive to the needs of our country? The political field is full and running over with candidates now. We hardly dare to commit ourselves in one's favor lest the next minute another candidate, (who is a personal friend) for the same office will appeal to us, and, unless we are careful, we will lose sight of the principles at issue and the fitness of persons who seek the office. In the present campaign let us, in the interest of genuine good government and protection, study the fitness and character of the office-seekers before we decide which one shall be our choice. This is a serious proposition of committing our sacred interest to a few men to safeguard the interest that they cheerfully entrust to representatives is the vital source of life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness. Should we not then, as individuals, be extremely cautious and slow in deriving at who the best candidate for office? The home of genuine honesty and duties of a good citizen should be taught to our children, then when the responsibility of citizenship falls upon them they will be amply schooled in the art of good government; then citizens will no longer play with politics for amusement and to gratify their own selfish interest, but will take the good of all the people into consideration before contributing their vote to anyone. Then, after all, a good government protects the interest of all most rest entirely with the home. Without good homes our political institutions would soon crumble and decay. Look to the source of all things for the cause of all ills. If there is a weakness in our

form of government, trace it back to the home and there you will find the cause of the trouble.

No Place Like Home.

One of our most valued exchanges very timely remarks that the best of us are like animals—we rush into holes for shelter. Home is just against the hardness of the world.

Margery Bell, the Cleveland girl, who ran away, said on her return home: "You'll never know how much you want and need your mother, or your brother, or your father, until you're away from them."

Ah, how strong, how unerring, are the fundamental instincts of human nature; we can never outlive them. The joyous child allured by the bright flowers, the butterflies, the rainbow, may forget and wander far. But when the feet are bruised and the limbs weary and the heart sore, and it seems naught but strangeness, it cries for home.

Men and women have a little stronger limbs and a little stronger hearts; they can chase the butterflies and the rainbows a little farther, and then they, too, like the little child, must see the mocking folly of it all and, weary, heartsick, cry for refuge—home.

For many of us the old home may no longer exist except in memory. But if in memory it is enshrined, then, whatever the disappointments, the deceptions, the dispirits of life, we still may turn for new hope, new courage, and new inspirations, as did this poor girl, back to the home where love glows against the world's coldness.

Misfortune has its recompense when it turns us back to set our lips once more to the spring of love that is pure and undefiled.

Amid joys and successes our surroundings seem not near to us; they are remote in their unreality; their glitter and abundance. And when sorrow comes it finds us sick with loneliness. It is then that in the lowly home of childhood every table and chair and picture seems to take tongue and call and call, and call to us. And the call comes through the distance and through the years like strains and deep-loved and never-forgotten music, filled with multitudes of sweet associations that make the heart beat quick.

Maybe, after all, one lot in life is not much better or worse than another, so far as happiness goes, but there are some things in life that seem very necessary to us, big and little, great and small, and that little corner in God's creation which call home is one of them.

Pay the printer and the preacher. They eat, drink and wear clothes like other people. The printer gives you the news about this world and the preacher about the other one to come.

FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

Bright, Sparkling Paragraphs—Selected and Original.

Youthful Observance.—Miss Violet had taken an interest in teaching a four-year-old habits of cleanliness, which his parents neglected. "If I send you a tooth brush, will you clean your teeth?" she asked. "I can't take 'em out," answered the child unexpectedly.

He Was Immune.—A little boy had been invited to dine at a neighbor's house. As soon as he was seated at the table he said, "Pass the 'taters." The head of the house replied, "Johnnie, just wait a minute, we always say something before we begin a meal." The boy said with a grin: "Say all you are a mind to, you can't turn my stomach."

What's the Use.—His fellow workmen gathered around him when the news became public property, and extended congratulations. "But," said one man, "I understand the girl you're engaged to is a twin. How do you tell the difference between her and her sister?" "Well, it's a mighty nice family," said the candidate, "and I don't bother very much."

She Knew.—Two young ladies who had been brought up in the city, while visiting at a farm in Ohio last summer, were much interested in the milking of cows. "Which is the cow that gives the buttermilk?" innocently asked one of the girls as she inspected the herd with a critical eye. "Don't make yourself ridiculous," replied her cousin, who had boasted that she had been in the country before, "goats give buttermilk."

Before or After.—"I thought that in the 15 years of my practice of medicine," said a physician, "I had answered almost every possible 'fool' question; but a new one was sprung on me recently. A young man came in with an inflamed eye, for which I prescribed medicine to be dropped into the eye three times a day. He left the office, but returned in a few minutes, poked his head in the doorway, and asked: 'Shall I drop this in the eye before meals or after?'"

Of no Account.—Pedestrian—What's all this fuss about in that house—a wedding? Resident—No. A new baby arrived last night, and all the women in the neighborhood are going in to ecstasies over it. "Who is that tall man all the women are crowding around?" "He is a minister, come to fix a day for the christening." "And who is that short man who attracts so much attention?" "He is the doctor." "Ah, I see! That insignificant fellow, who is being pushed out of the way or snubbed, is the butler, I presume?" "No he is the father."

Doesn't Even Hesitate.—The true glory of the palace or sleeping car attendant, his pride in his train, its magnificence and speed, is most strikingly manifested in the South. Take a trip some day on a swell "special" and watch the tall, Nubian-like figure and mien of the porter in his dazzling white garb. Then hark as he strides through the aisle, his full, baritone voice proclaiming this psalm: "Memphis special, gentlemen! This am de Memphis special; get your tickets ready. This train doesn't even hesitate between Charlottesville and Memphis!"

For His Trouble.—An attorney in one of the western counties of North Carolina in civil action brought for the recovery of a mule worded his

OVER THE COUNTY.

A little daughter was born to Dr. and Mrs. F. E. Gutelius, of Millheim, recently.

T. J. Stover, of Penn town, has invested in a farm near Millheim Union county.

Mrs. Emily McCalmont, of Centre College, is paying her son, Edward, a visit in Juniata.

A little son was born recently to Dr. and Mrs. J. V. Foster, at their home in Centre Hall.

Allen Auman, of the Coburn P. R. office, has been promoted to the Northumberland office.

The E. L. Auman Milling Company, of Millheim, were recently granted a charter by Governor Tener.

John W. Reifnyder, of Linden Hall, is reported to be seriously ill at his home suffering with an affliction of the kidneys.

G. Warren Keen has returned to his home in Mendota, Ill., after a several months' visit with relatives in Haines township.

Miss Tacy Kreamer, who makes her home with her sister, Mrs. Heckman, in Johnstown, is visiting her parents in Centre Hall.

Frank Allison, son of Hon. William Allison, of Spring Mills, will become a student in the Mercersburg Academy, at the opening of the fall term.

P. Gross Yearick, of Philadelphia, is making his annual visit to Pennsylvania and has been a guest of his sister, Mrs. W. B. Mingle, in Centre Hall.

The frame work of the new store room of R. B. Daugherty at Clarence, was raised last week and when finished will be used as a store and dwelling combined.

J. Emory Hoy, of Philadelphia, is in Centre Hall on a brief visit with his wife and daughter, who for some time have been at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Mingle.

The farm in Haines township belonging to the estate of the late Emanuel Musser, was sold recently at public sale for \$5,000. W. T. Winkle being the purchaser.

Stanton Funk, of Wilkesbarre, who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis, came to Centre Hall to recuperate, and is now a guest of Rev. Barry and sisters, at the Lutheran parsonage.

J. Leonard Price, who for a number of years past conducted a jewelry store at Snow Shoe, has gone to business with his brother-in-law, Mr. Hoy, as a partner.

Randall Miller, an ambitious young man whose home is at Beavertown, has been spending some time with Dr. and Mrs. G. S. Frank, in Millheim, and upon the opening of Penna. State College he will enter the freshman class.

The threshing machine owned by Samuel Shillings broke down one day recently while threshing in the barn of C. C. Royer at Lamar. The shaft in the cylinder was bent, the boxes broken and the cylinder thrown out, causing serious damage to the outfit.

Arney Lee with his son and daughter, Robert and Dorothy, of Pittsburgh, have been visiting the former's mother at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Breon, in Centre Hall. Mr. Lee holds a good position with the Pittsburgh branch of the Atlantic Refining Company.

Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Hosterman and children, George and Frances, of Lancaster, are on a two weeks' vacation at the home of Dr. G. W. Hosterman, in Centre Hall. Mr. Hosterman is one of Lancaster's leading attorneys and a prominent member of the city school board.

R. D. Killam, of Lewisburg, made a trip through Penna valley a short time ago in quest of walnut timber which he wished to prepare for foreign shipment. The scarcity of this species of wood is manifested by the fact that he was able to secure only about a car load.

Serving unusually good ice cream from an attractive wagon has brought John Snavely, of Spring Mills, enviable popularity along the line of his daily route through Penna valley. The ice cream is manufactured from cream produced on his farm, and is excelled by none.

Nine graduates of the State Forestry Academy at Mont Alto have just been added to the State's forestry force, making the number of the men in charge of the preserves of the Commonwealth fifty-four. G. W. Sheeler, of Reading, has been assigned to Centre county.

Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Brungart, of Columbus, Ohio, are visiting friends and relatives in Centre county, and last week were the guests of the former's uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Harpster, at their home in Centre Hall. They will visit a number of places throughout Penna valley before returning to their home in Ohio.

After a pleasant visit of several months with Centre Hall friends, Mr. and Mrs. William W. Harpster returned last week to their home in Freeport, Illinois. Mr. Harpster is a native of this county and thoroughly enjoyed renewing the acquaintances of those who were his associates more than thirty years ago.

The Snow Shoe Times states that work on the new parsonage of the Roman Catholic church at Clarence is progressing rapidly, and is now ready for the roof which is to be of slate and will be laid very soon. The building is of tile, cased with brick, and will be a very excellent structure—a credit to the town.

Two more Centre Hall residents will shortly possess new dwelling houses. C. D. Bartholomew purchased a portion of the Logan house from Clement Luse, and will have it moved onto one of the lots on the new street laid out by Mr. Bartholomew. Samuel Shoop will erect a home for himself opposite the school house, on the lot now occupied by S. H. Knepley's blacksmith shop.

Just sixty years ago on Monday of this week Mrs. Mary (Wolfe) Condo was married to Jacob Condo, now deceased, at Aronsburg. In the fall of the same year she began housekeeping in the same house in which she now lives, namely, the home of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Hosterman, at Beavertown. The aged lady was her 79th year and is blessed with fairly good health.

Millheim folks turned out in large numbers and were well pleased with their picnic held in the woods near that place recently. In addition to the good "eats" and the enlivening music of the band there was a ball game in the afternoon between Millheim and Beavertown teams which was won by the former, 9 to 2. A number of interesting races were also pulled at a great rate. The astonished Irishman driving contest for women, Mrs. Clyde Boob; tug of war, J. H. Maize and assistants.

Mrs. H. M. Wentz, of Spring Mills, was admitted to the Lock Haven hospital on Sunday as an operative patient.

Hile A. Wolf is putting up a fine brick house for Daniel Hall at Unionville. They have a large one at Snow Shoe. They hustle the work out.

The members of the United Evangelical church of Upper Marion will hold a festival on Saturday, August 24th. Proceeds for the benefit of the pastor.

It is almost settled that the trolley line from Moshannon to Phillipsburg is to be extended to Osceola. Chester Hill and South Phillipsburg would like to be counted in.

The Adult Bible Class of the U. B. church at Valley View will hold a festival on the lawn, on Aug. 24; proceeds to go to pay the pastor's salary. All are invited to come; remember the date.

P. E. Williams, a former Centre countyman, now residing at Fort Worth, Texas, is visiting friends and relatives at Martha Furnace. The trip was planned at this time to enable Mr. Williams to attend the annual Williams reunion.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Arthur Peters et ux to Wm. J. Wolf, premises in College twp.; \$600.

J. C. and H. W. Crider to J. M. Kryder, tract of land in Gregg twp.; \$50.

Abram F. Markle to The Penna. State College, tract of land in College twp.; \$411.50.

Thomas Smoke et ux to Eva May Smoke, premises in Moshannon; \$100.

Daniel C. Callahan et ux to Commonwealth of Penna., 17 acres of land in Benner twp.; \$400.

Henry H. Houser et ux to Commonwealth of Pa., 60 acres of land in Benner twp.; \$640.

J. B. Irish et al to The Centre & Clearfield R. W. Co., 1 acre of land in Rush twp.; \$68.

William Dumbleton to John Zewald, premises in Rush twp.; \$725.

Benjamin Weaver et ux to Improvement B. & L. Assoc. of Tyrone, Pa., premises in Taylor twp.; \$1.

Fergus Potter to Samuel Glingery, 5 acres of land in Benner twp.; \$50.

John Blanchard et al to Susan E. Havers et ux, 10 acres of land in Benner twp.; \$1.

Sarah Stover et bar to Commonwealth of Penna., 16 acres of land in Benner twp.; \$800.

J. A. Hoover et ux to Commonwealth of Penna., 9 acres of land in Benner twp.; \$500.

Emma Smith to Joseph E. Swabb, three lots in Liberty twp.; \$200.

William Pealer et ux to J. A. Treaster, 1 acre of land in Haines twp.; \$21.

DISTRICT CONVENTION.

Sunday School Workers to Meet at Gatesburg Next Thursday.

Next Thursday, August 29th, Ferguson District Sunday Schools will meet in convention in the Lutheran church at Gatesburg, and during the day three sessions will be held. The following program has been prepared which no doubt will prove very interesting:

Forenoon Session 10:30—Devotional Exercise by Leasie Rider. Music. Address of Welcome by Rev. L. S. Spangler. Response by Rev. Runyan. Music. Appointing of Committees and report of delegates.

Afternoon Session, 1:30—Devotional and song service by C. O. Whipple. Address, Home and the Children, by A. M. Campbell. Address, How to Interest Parents to Attend the Sunday School, by Rev. C. J. Stover. Music. Address, What Benefit is the Home Department to the School, by Rev. I. W. Samsaman. Address, Elementary Work in the Sabbath School, by Mrs. L. W. Nuttall.

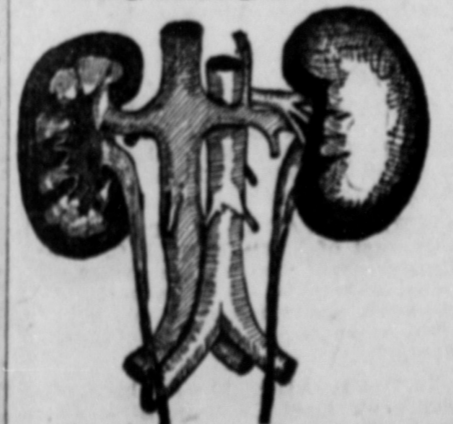
Evening Session, 7:30—Devotional exercise by Wm. Ward. Address, The Adult Bible Class and Christian Citizenship, by Rev. S. J. Pittinger. Address, Should Every School Have an Adult Bible Class, by Rev. L. S. Spangler. Music. Address, Benefit of Teachers' Training Class to the School, by Rev. John E. Reish. Music. Election of officers. Offering. Benediction.

Lost Her Hair.—George L. Shonk, one of Atlantic City's champion life guards, was discussing his profession. "Funny things happen to us guards sometimes," said Mr. Shonk. "A funny thing happened to my friend, Tim, last week. 'A society belle from Spruce street went in the water wearing one of those fashionable wigs. A big wave went over her, and when she came up, the wig was floating out to sea. She turned and ran to Tim. 'O save my hair,' she yelled. 'Save my hair.' 'Pardon me, lady,' said Tim, 'I am a life saver, not a hair restorer.'"

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Tuesday the Socialists will occupy the platform.

Wednesday—Woman's Suffrage Association, of Pennsylvania.

Thursday—Hon. Wm. T. Creasy, Master Pennsylvania State Grange, and other prominent Grangers. Governor Woodrow Wilson will participate in the present and make his opening speech of the campaign.

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