

Correspondence

(Continued)

HOWARD.

Be sure you know what you are going to talk about before you begin—and then keep quiet.—Farm Journal.

In Our Churches Next Sabbath.

United Evangelical—Pastor M. J. Snyder will preach in Howard at half past ten, and at Jacksonville at half past seven.

Methodist Episcopal—Pastor James Edwin Dunning will preach at Beech Creek at half past ten, at Hunter's Run at half past two, and in Howard at half past seven.

Reformed—Dr. A. M. Schmidt, of Bellefonte, will preach "Harvest Home" services in Howard at half past ten, and at Jacksonville at half past two.

Presbyterian—Rev. Joseph Kelly, of Sunbury, will preach in the old Lick Run church at Jacksonville at half past ten, at which time the communion of the Lord's Supper will be observed. At the close of this service a congregational meeting will be held. This meeting will be an important one, and all members are urged to be present if possible. At half past seven in the evening Mr. Kelly will preach in the Christian chapel in Howard.

An Opportunity.

The commendable action of the board of directors of the township, in establishing a school in the borough to temporarily take the place of the two known as "Furnace" and "Pletcher" as noted last week, is at once highly suggestive of an opportunity which we have in the school facilities of our community which is greatly needed, and should not be permitted to pass by unimproved. Let us consider it a little:

The new line of railroad, in its course through the township, passes through two school sub-districts, Furnace and Pletcher, which adjoin the borough on the east, west and south sides. It passes through the school grounds in both instances, and while the buildings are not damaged, the proximity of the railroad renders them impracticable for permanent school purposes, and a new location must be sought in each case, though the old ones might have been used for the present term with little or no inconvenience.

The number of pupils, who attend these schools, is quite small, and the two combined would not make one very large one. These two districts constitute all the school territory in that portion of the township south of the creek, excepting Mt. Eagle, which has a good remodeled school building, is not affected and need not be considered. Route No. 219 of the new State Highway passes, and in a practically straight line, through the township and borough, and right by the doors of the school buildings in each of the districts mentioned, as well as that of the borough.

The borough school building which is a good one, and when built was quite sufficient for its purposes, is now found to be too small, and the project of enlarging it has received considerable attention in the talk of the town for some time past.

In article eighteen of the new school code, which treats of "joint schools," the first section reads as follows: "The boards of school directors in any two or more adjoining school districts may establish, construct, equip, furnish and maintain joint elementary public schools, high schools or any other kinds of schools or departments provided for in this act. The cost of establishing, constructing, equipping, furnishing and maintaining such joint schools or departments shall be paid by the several districts establishing the same, in such manner and in such portions as they may agree upon."

The enlargement of the borough building as it has been talked of, namely by an addition which shall have two rooms below and one large one (or two smaller ones, with a removable partition,) above, will provide all the room needed for the borough schools with the addition of the pupils from the two township districts added, and permit the division of the whole into six grades, instead of the paltry four grades we now have, thus securing a larger appropriation from the state, and giving the combined school very much greater advantages than either has ever enjoyed before. The advantages of a school large enough to be properly graded are so manifest that they need not be discussed at this time; but the cost of enlarging the borough building, and lack of sufficient pupils to make the more complete grading have been considered as obstacles too great to be overcome; and the physical difficulties of centralizing the pupils of the township in sufficient numbers to make it practicable have stood in the way of securing the advantages for them. Here we have an opportunity for making an advance in this direction for all concerned, by a joint action of the two districts, already authorized by the new code.

The money which the township districts will probably receive from the railroad company for the taking of the two school properties will go far toward paying its share of the cost of the addition to the borough building, and the annual cost of maintenance of the schools heretofore has probably been greater than would be its share of the cost of maintaining the larger and greatly better joint school in the borough. The project is submitted to the thoughtful folk of both districts who are interested in securing better schools for their children at little or no increase of cost, an easily available opportunity for which has been thrust upon us by the march of events.

Change in Roads.

Upon petition of citizens of Howard and Liberty townships, a board of view was appointed to decide upon the propriety of laying out a new road from the end of what is known as the Fairview road, in Howard township, to a point near the homes of Daniel Sullenberger, in the road leading from the junction of the public highway, near the farm buildings of C. M. Muffy to Marsh Creek. The board of view met on the ground, June 21, and surveyed the proposed new road. Another petition to view and vacate the old road, last described, was granted, and this board met August 15, and made that survey. These two petitions and the actions upon them will be readily understood as intended to complement each other, and that both or neither should be granted, as both the roads are unnecessary, though one or the other is important. At the regular quarterly hearing of the board of viewers, held in the Court House last Monday, the prescribed hearing was

had, and testimony taken as to the desirability of the change asked for. Both petitions were granted, and in due time the old one will be abandoned and the new one built. This runs practically east and west, through the lands of C. M. Muffy, Albert Schenck and Daniel Sullenberger. Mr. Sullenberger deemed the change of advantage to him and released all damage. Mr. Muffy and Mr. Schenck were allowed seventy-five dollars each. The probabilities seem to be that in the near future Liberty township will ask to have the new road continued eastward to Hunter's Run, thus making a practically level and straight back road from the north end of the iron bridge over Bald Eagle Creek at the John Robb farm, to the Hunter's Run road. An important improvement.

Our Brick Works.

It is most gratifying to learn that this local enterprise is sharing the general prosperity. An apparently inexhaustible supply of the finest sort of clay has been developed, which requires no stripping to make it available, and from it they are making better brick than ever before, and more of them. To lessen cost of transportation they are building a plane and putting in a drum, so that the loaded cars on the down grade will draw the empty ones up to the mine. With this betterment installed and in operation they will be able to make brick at less cost. Under these conditions, and the added fact that they have orders ahead enough to keep them running all winter, it seems safe to prophesy an era of business success for this valuable little industry.

Mrs. Ambrose Thomas visited her sister at Mill Hall Sunday.

Miss Carrye Butler spent Saturday with her sister, Mrs. Bennet at Mill Hall.

Claude R. Moore is improved so that he is getting about the home comfortably.

George L. Williams, of New York, spent last Sunday with his family here.

Mrs. Hoffman and Sheldon spent Saturday in Lock Haven taking a one-day vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Foster Gardner, of Mill Hall, are home visitors with Franklin Confer and wife.

Miss Kate Sanderson, of Mill Hall, was a between-trains guest of Miss Woodward last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Shawver are enjoying a week's rest with friends at Dalmatia, Northumberland county.

Mrs. W. H. Rumberger, or Renovo, was a Sunday guest of her friends, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Pletcher.

Mrs. H. S. Pletcher spent the early part of the week with her sister, Mrs. John Meese in the county seat.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Moore and little daughter journeyed to Martha for a week end visit with their friends.

John A. Krumrine, of State College, and his friend, Mr. Boswell, were business visitors, between Monday's trains.

Mrs. Koons, of State College and Mrs. Ward Schenck were passengers eastward bound on No. 59 last Wednesday.

Miss Ruth Freeburn, of Northumberland, spent a day or two of last week with her friend, Mrs. Jesse T. Leathers.

Mrs. John G. Love and son John were in town Friday last, visiting with the family of their uncle, Squire Samuel F. Kline.

Deputy rural mail carrier, Ward Confer has bought himself a new buggy, and is more popular than ever with the girls.

It is good to see assistant agent "Dan" Holter about again after a week's rest cure, even if he does look a little bleached.

Mr. and Mrs. Batchlet of Beech Creek, and Mr. S. J. Crossgrove, of New Berlin, were week-end guests at the C. E. Yearick home.

During Mrs. Jordan's absence at the Grange picnic last week, Mrs. Edward Green very efficiently conducted the popular grocery for her.

R. P. Confer, W. B. Pletcher, William Rossman and C. Edward Confer were among the passengers who took No. 59 for Bellefonte Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. McMurtrie, late of the Howard House, took their final departure last Sunday, driving in their handsome turnout, to their home in Tyrone.

A pair of handsome and stalwart brothers, James Rishel, of Johnstown, and Charles, of Emporium, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Yearick last Friday.

John Gladis, who has been in the employ of the contractors all summer, and is brother of Michael, manager of their team force, left on Sunday for his home in Austria.

In the absence of the Misses Edna and Laura Williams at the Altoona celebration this week, Miss Alice Kline acted as temporary saleslady in their restaurant and confectionery.

Mrs. Carrie DeLong Fore drove her handsome horse up from Eagle Hill Sunday afternoon to look over the railroad developments, and brought her friend, Mrs. Mabel Gardner with her.

Mrs. W. L. Harvey enjoyed last Sunday with her two "boys," J. Ellis and Ives Harvey, the managers of the brick works at Orviston, who drove over the mountain to spend the day with her.

Dan A. Holter, W. H. Thompson, Ruth Thompson, Harry Bechdel, W. H. Sheats, Ida Daughenbaugh, George Erle and Burns Hannon constituted the party which took the Gettysburg excursion from here last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carr, of Altoona, have been spending some vacation days at home with Mrs. Carr's parents, and on Wednesday started for a jaunt which will take in Watkins Glen, Niagara, and other places of interest.

Mr. Zara Welsh has just returned home from a two week's visit among old friends in the valleys round about, and reports his former hosts, including those he met at the grange picnic and county fair, as enjoying prosperity.

Realizing that grandma Hopkins had been absent from home a long time, Mrs. John B. Holter and little Carrie visited her over Sunday at Birmingham, where she has been spending the summer with another daughter, Miss Maud.

Mrs. Carl Garman, who with her husband, an employee of the railroad contractors, boards with Mrs. Burdine Butler, had the misfortune to fall from a wagon last Wednesday, and break her right arm. Dr. Kurtz has it in charge and she is going about comfortably with it.

Close observation of the effects upon our roads of the heavy loads of stone carried in the contrary directions, upon four inch tire, would have a much to be desired informing effect upon everyone who appreciates good

roads, and wants to know the cheapest and best way to keep them.

Why Mr. Domino, I think that when the reverend gentleman of Canton, Ohio, tells you that he saves back your "Unionville Items for posterity," he means to pay you a deserved compliment. As a clergyman and reader of the Book, he is undoubtedly familiar with the last clause of John 2, 10.

Those who attended service in the Methodist church Sabbath morning, heard an excellent sermon, and if they happened to be early enough to hear the tenor solo, "His Eye is on the Sparrow," with which Rev. Dunning closed the Epworth League service, they had a double pleasure.

Last Monday some one either accidentally spilled or purposely dumped a large number of rusty old nails on one of our streets and left them there. Fortunately they were seen by a careful citizen who had them removed. The danger of ruining a horse or several horses by rubbish of this kind is so great that everyone should be aware of it, and even if the spill was the result of an accident, the carelessness of leaving them there might well be ranked as criminal.

UNIONVILLE.

Mrs. Myrtle Shively and Miss Elizabeth Williams, of Martha, and James Robinson, of Port Matilda, were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hoover.

Mrs. Julia Welsh and two children, Lewis and Nadine, of Coudersport, were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Holt.

Mr. H. T. Eckert and daughter Luella, of Ardara, are enjoying the hospitality of her brother, Chas. R. Eckert.

Genevieve, the dear little 8-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Peters, of Pittsburgh, died after a brief illness on last Friday evening. The little child's mother was formerly Miss Julia Eckert, of this place. The bereaved parents have the sympathies of their host of friends in and about Unionville.

Mrs. Cora Hoover Resides boarded the west-bound train on Sunday evening for an indefinite visit to relatives and friends.

"I would like to forget" I would remind the tax payers that after next Monday, 5 per cent will be added to all school taxes that remain unpaid after that date.

I would, likewise, at the request of the town treasurer, Mr. John D. Miller, give notice that there is more or less Road, School and Poor tax in the hands of the treasurer, due to every township in the county, all of which is payable on demand. Treasurers of school boards, treasurers of road funds, and overseers of the poor are requested to call at the office or send in an order for the respective taxes.

Owing to the "slowness" of the borough funds in paying to completion, the water plant that has been on the string for so long, Dr. W. U. Irvin has had a compressed air plant installed in his residence and now he has every water convenience that attaches to the most modern water works. The doctor very courteously took the writer "around" and explained every detail of his new plant and the verdict we passed on it was that it is "perfect." Bath tub and sink are equipped with hot and cold water pipes and the workings of the plant in every detail is most satisfactory.

Say, Charley, Harry Lindemuth is real mad at me because I broke his iron crow bar in prying out a big "noxiol" potato. Betchur life it was a big one.

The apple butter crop will be a very light one this season.

"Tomatoes to burn" is the expression used by most of the Unionvillians. Mr. T. J. Eckenroth is feeding his to his porkers. Gardens are red with juicy fruit.

Miss Bess Green and Mrs. Stanton, with Henry Huey as chauffeur, autoted to Unionville in a two-horse carriage on Sunday afternoon.

ZION.

The autumnal equinox was ushered in with a warm rain from the south, which is an indication that we will have a wet warm fall.

Sunday, as usual, was noted for its pleasure-seeking automobilists.

Thomas Homan, who spent several days at his home near here, has returned to Trenton, N. J., where he holds a lucrative position with an automobile factory.

The writer has the pleasure of a cordial hand shake the other day with an old time friend and neighbor in the person of Amos Garbrick, from Pittsburgh. Mr. Garbrick was born and raised on his father's farm, a short distance up the pike. When quite a young man he engaged in teaching school during the winter and worked on the home farm during the summer for several years. He then went to Pittsburgh and has made that city his home. Apparently he has prospered in the several lines of business in which he has been engaged. He is a guest of his brother, J. M. Garbrick, and called on quite a few of his old time friends and neighbors who were glad to see him.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Reish, their son Orin and little baby daughter and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Weaver and son Earl took a hike down the valley on Saturday, returning on Sunday evening very much pleased with their trip.

Harry Grove and Billy Smith's threshers and Gentzel's hay baler are all bumped on a pile. Each fellow wants to get his threshing done or his hay baled first. Have patience, boys, and give the other fellow a chance and the whole business will be cleaned up in a short time.

Orvis Yarnell and Charley Rocky were out driving on Sunday and while coming up the road, this side of Wm. Clavenline's the horses became unmanageable and started to run. He ran to the side of the road and threw Yarnell out and Charley got out by jumping. The horse had a clear right of way and he made good use of it. At Karletters he left the main road and ran up to Hockman's and landed in his wagon shed between the wall and a manure spreader, where he was caught by Mr. Hockman. The buggy was broken some but the boys came out of the fracas all right.

The following were late arrivals at the Centennial House: Gen'l. B. F. Fisher, Valley Forge, Pa.; H. H. Rothrock and family, and Essie Kline, of Lock Haven; Charles Fisher, Mary Pleasant, and Frank Fisher and wife, of Penn Hall; Mrs. Wm. Smeltzer, of Pleasant Gap; John M. Fisher, John Martin, Joseph Ceader, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Showers and son, Miss Margaret Wion, W. G. Runkle, and Dr. Rodgers, of Bellefonte; James Witmer, of Fillmore; C. M. Fisher, Lella and Mahlon Robb, of State College; Mrs. Catherine Struble, Howard Struble, John Eby, J. M. Garbrick and Mrs. Boyd Noll, of Zion; Mrs. Philip Frederick, Lewisburg; D. A. Deltrick, Jas. Deltrick and wife, and Lewis Yocum, of Hubsburg; Jas. Kane and wife, Miss Oboyle and Ward Yarnell, of Renovo; Amos Garbrick and wife, of Pittsburgh.

HUBLERSBURG.

Mrs. Rev. W. M. Hoover has returned home after a very pleasant visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bingham, near Harrisburg.

Charles Carner instead of being at Indiana University, is located at Roaring Branch with his uncle, John Allison.

Mrs. Cella M. Holmes, of Baltimore, a former resident of our town, is a very pleasant visitor in our midst.

On account of the inclemency of the weather some of our farmers are not done sowing.

Lewis Markle is noticed daily traveling to and from Bellefonte, where he is attending high school preparing for college.

Among the many who attended the Granger picnic were, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hoy, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Emerick, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Emerick, E. S. Bergstrosser, Ross Rumberger and sisters and Mr. and Mrs. Holaway Hoy, who all reported a fine time.

Miss Regina Hubler, the pleasant hostess at Hotel Hubler has not been well for some time. We hope for her speedy recovery.

Miss Jessie Hackman visited in Bellefonte over Sunday.

Mrs. Courtney Carner is improving slowly.

Jacob Bergstrosser was home from Altoona for a short visit with his parents last week.

David Zimmerman, of Pittsburg, is recuperating his health at the home of his brother, Shuman Zimmerman, at Hecla Park.

Mrs. L. H. McAuley and son John drove to Bellefonte recently and report the state road in fine condition.

Mrs. Catharine Yocum and Mrs. W. H. Markle were to the hospital at Lock Haven Thursday, to see Mrs. Fred Yocum who is slowly recovering.

Mrs. G. F. Hoy made a pleasure trip to Howard on Tuesday.

STORMSTOWN.

Rain! rain! rainy days we are having, but it will make the fall crops grow.

F. H. Clemons is seriously ill in the Bellefonte hospital. We all hope for a speedy recovery.

Daily day service at Stormstown was well attended and we think every one enjoyed it as it was a very nice program.

There were three young ladies who went out for a drive on Sabbath afternoon. They drove down the back way to see that road, or the young men, we forget which they said.

Mr. and Mrs. Nearhoof have taken a week off for a little recreation and have gone to Altoona.

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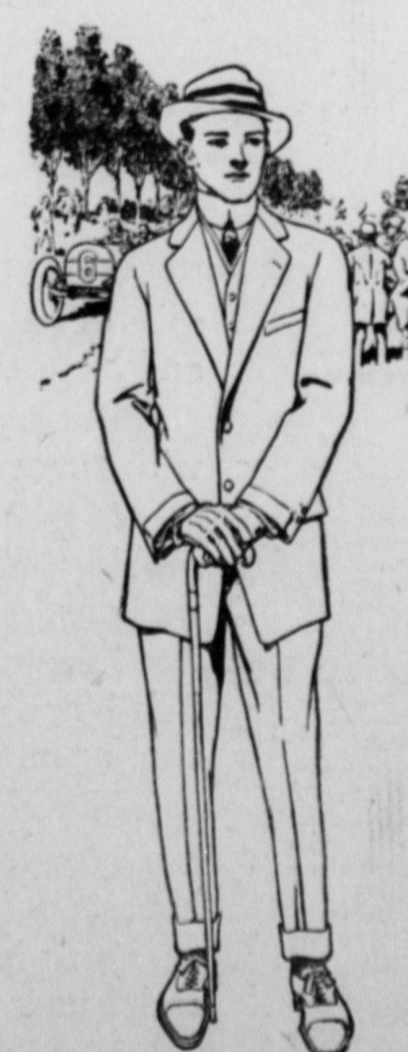
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