

TERMS.

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SHORT LOCALS.

Christmas Friday a week. Still yet a few farmers are husking corn.

Miss Jennie Banks is housed with rheumatism.

Miss Belle Rothrock has been quite ill with throat ailment.

Harry Copeland of Greensburg, spent Monday in town.

John Rowe of Mahontonga has had his pension increased.

Be temperate, industrious and economical and you'll succeed.

One-third of the females of France over 14 years are farm laborers.

Mr. and Mrs. John Thrash are visiting at his home in Lewistown.

Miss Jennie Auker is visiting her uncle Brady Caveny in Harrisburg.

A good deal of plowing has been done for next summer's crop of corn.

A number of choice building lots for sale. For particulars call at this office.

Charles Hollobaugh of Pittsburg, is visiting his parents and relatives in his place.

The place to buy the best and cheapest of clothing is at Hollobaugh & Son's store.

The young people who have learned to overcome difficulties are on the road to success.

Mrs. Anna Jackson of Altoona is visiting at the home of Caroline Lay or, on 5th street.

A pugilist fight may not be as reputable as a foot ball game, but it is a great deal safer.

Sunday was a grand day. Sunlight and a pleasant atmosphere made it delightful.

How uncomfortable envy and jealousy make people who give way to such bad qualities.

Miss Kate Stewart of Coalreign, Pa., spent Thursday last at the home of the Misses Irwin.

The New York Merino sheep breeders association want Congress to restore the duty on wool.

Maceo the Cuban insurrectionist leader had five brothers killed in battle for the independence of Cuba.

Christmas holiday clothing in the latest styles and at the lowest prices, and of the best quality at Harley's.

Professor Dyringer is getting his affairs in shape to commence the erection of an Academy building east of town.

Someone says:—If snow don't come before the middle of January there can be little sleighing after that date.

From the Lick observatory in California a new comet has been discovered coming, but it is not visible to the naked eye.

Colonel Moorehead and ex representative J. C. Crawford traveled to Selinsgrove along the proposed railroad route last week.

Boies Penrose has brought suit in a number of counties against men who have been circulating defamatory reports about him.

E. O. McClellan, formerly superintendent of the Pennsylvania Railroad Middle Division, died at German town last week, aged 47 years.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Mr. Martyn Payne Crawford and Miss Mary Ely Howe, to take place on Wednesday, December 30, 1896.

Oneman—Music hath charms to soothe the savage beast.

Otherman—Yes, and I suppose that's the reason Carrier put a brass band around his dog's neck.

"The hypnotist put Booser under his spell, and then convinced him it was raining very hard outside."

"Well!"

"Booser went home soaked."

Teddy Hale an Irishman won the six days' bicycle race in New York last week. The number of miles traveled in the six days was 1910. Hale is badly used up physically.

Subscribe for the SENTINEL AND REPUBLICAN, a paper that contains choice reading matter, full of information that does the reader good, and in addition to that all local news that are worth publishing find places in its columns.

A colored revivalist female preacher in Baltimore is so eloquent that many of her hearers after each sermon go forward and white people among them and press upon her lips kisses of religious joy. Some worldly minded person in Baltimore said the kissing is not all born of religious joy.

The Perry County Freeman of the 9th says:—A catamount or wild cat was stoned to death by a number of boys at Scotland on Friday. It had evidently been worried in a conflict with dogs, and when discovered in some bushes it made no effort to get away or show fight. It weighed 9 lbs and was 34 feet long.

A marriage at Rhinebeck, New York State on Saturday beats all wedding for difference in age. Jacob Ackert the groom is 90 years old and his bride Miss Margaret Patterson is 24 years old. They met by chance two years ago at a summer hotel, and last June renewed their acquaintance and on Saturday were married.

"While Otis French of East Durham, N. Y., who is over 80 years old, was in a field with his son-in-law, Charles Place, a bull charged at him and he clambered over a fence to escape it. While he was looking at the bull an old buck charged suddenly and struck the old man in the back, knocking him down and breaking one of his legs."

William Ginitin aged 16 years was saved in two at Miller's saw mill at Newton Hamilton last Saturday. By some means his right foot was caught by the circular saw and in a twinkling his right and left legs were cut off, and he was ripped up the back from the crotch to neck. He died in 20 minutes. It was a horrible accident.

Quite a number of patrons of the SENTINEL AND REPUBLICAN paid their subscription last week for the best paper in the county. How many others will do likewise soon. During the coming month of January a bill will be sent to everyone in arrears. Make yourself happy and the paper happy by sending at once. Newspaper people get little time on their purchases.

On Saturday, Dec. 13, Chas. L. Rowe, will sell at public sale at the residence of Isaac Rowe on the Parker Farm 1 mile south of Mifflintown, Pa., a car-load of Western Penna. cows, all fresh and of good breeds and standard sizes. Sale at 1 o'clock P. M. No postponement on account of the weather. For terms, etc., see bills.

H. H. Snyder, Auctioneer.

The Philadelphia Record Almanac for 1897 has been introduced. It is a book of 134 pages, bristling all through with valuable information and almanac data and weather prognostication and base ball and bicycle records, party platforms, election returns, foot ball records, planetary conjunctions and a great deal of matter too tedious to mention, but which the reader can best appreciate by getting an almanac.

Butcher Samuel Fisher of Millford township while driving his horse and wagon on Railroad avenue, Patterson on Thursday, had the horse frightened at a freight engine. The animal started to run away, and when turning a corner upset the conveyance and threw Mr. Fisher out. Fisher however escaped injury but the shafts of the wagon were broken and the horse being freed ran up Main street and down Juniata until caught.

James N. Groninger returned from the wilds of Milliflu county last Thursday with other Port Royal hunters having two deer. Groninger shot the two bucks. The one weighed 123 lbs. The other weighed 140 pounds. The deer came within the range of his rifle at one and the same time. He drew one and shot it, and quickly aimed at the other one and before it recovered from the surprise of the drop of its companion, he popped the second one.

Mrs. Estly and daughter of Spokane Falls, Washington State, rested on Monday at the National House in their long walk of almost five thousand miles to New York City. They are almost to their journey's end having only about two hundred miles yet to travel to the last named city. They left Washington State last May and have been constantly on the walk since then, excepting here and there a day was spent where they could get a day's work to secure funds to help them pay for little articles such as may be required on so long a journey.

A great revival meeting has been going on in the Methodist church, and many profess to have a change of heart and desire to lead a better life from this out to the end of their days. "Railroad men" have been coming from Harrisburg to attend and participate in the meetings. On Monday evening a meeting was held at the intersection of Main and Bridge streets. Joe Kerwin as he is familiarly called made quite a speech, giving his experience in changing from a lover of things of time and sense to a lover of spiritual things, and a worker in the vineyard of the Lord.

The Cuban leader Maceo is dead. It is said that Spanish military men high in authority proposed a conference with Maceo within Spanish lines with the view of the cessation of hostilities, looking to a settlement of the trouble by the insurgents paying an indemnity fund and having the freedom of the Cubans enlarged. The conference was to be held under a flag of truce and Maceo and 35 of his staff were all on their way inside the Spanish lines under flag of a truce when a certain place a large body of Spanish troops appeared. Their commander ordered Maceo to surrender. He refused. The Spaniards opened fire, and in the battle that took place Maceo and all his escort were killed.

Blair county finds unpleasant in some cases distressing excitement this week in the hundred thousand dollar fire in Altoona and in the failure of the First National Bank at Hollidaysburg and in the failure of the Martinsburg Deposit Bank, and in the failure of the Williamsburg Bank. A hundred thousand dollar fire and three broken banks is enough to cloud the Christmas holidays for many people in Blair county.

On the 15th Henry Hower of Susquehanna township, had Joseph Marks and Edward Marks and John Frank Patterson before Justice J. Marks and Edward Marks on a charge of stealing a cow and converting it to their own use. They killed the cow and took such parts of the animal that they liked and left the balance. The Justice required bail for a hearing to take place next Friday the 18th. Barker gave bail, but the Marks brothers not being able to give bail were sent to jail.

"Returning home, Mrs. H. H. Bradford of Iron Mountain, Mich., betthought herself of a large washing left on a clothesline. It was gone. She started to alarm the police, when she discovered her pet cow slowly and contentedly munching a pair of stockings. Investigation showed that the animal had swallowed twelve napkins, a dozen handkerchiefs, several towels, three night robes, several pairs of trousers and was making a dessert out of stockings. The cow's banquet cost Mrs. Bradford from \$20 to \$30."

The Newport News of the 10th inst., says:—Secretary Hoopes was instructed to adopt legal measures for the collection from Oliver township school district of the tuition in dispute arising from the attendance at school here of children of soldiers of the late war residing in that township. The amount is about \$30. The school directors of the township contend that their district should pay for only six months, the length of their term, while the borough school directors demand pay for 12 months, the length of the term in the borough.

Noah Lynch has been preaching the coming of another deluge and succeeded in converting 150 men and women to his belief. They have four Noah's arks afloat at Norfolk, Virginia. The arks are stocked with provisions to last two months. They will enter the arks on the 20th of December—next Sunday. By Christmas day the world will be covered with water. If you believe Lynch and want to escape drowning, you'd better hasten to some seaport and take passage on an ocean steamer or hurry to Norfolk and get on an ark before the 20th of present month.

The cotton dress of Samuel Wertz, a 12 year old boy who was representing Santa Claus in the Christmas store window of F. M. Morrow on Eleventh street in Altoona, took fire from a gas jet in the window at 7:30 on Monday evening. The boy was pulled out on the street and the Santa Claus dress was torn off, but he was considerably burned. The 12 employees in the store escaped with difficulty. The cashier did not have time to take the day's money with him so he rapidly sped the flames. A great congregation followed describing neighboring property to the extent of almost \$100,000. It was midnight before the fire was extinguished.

This deer story is related by the Philadelphia Times of December 11. While W. O. Workman & Lock H. and his son were driving down Bald Eagle Valley near Beech creek, on the morning of the 10th inst., a deer dashed out of the woods and sprang into the wagon. Workmen caught the deer about the body and a terrible struggle ensued, during which he was dragged headlong to the ground by the frightened animal. Workman held on to the deer and he finally threw it. He then held it to the ground with his knee and one arm while he reached in his pocket with the other and drew out a pen-knife which he opened with his teeth and cut the deer's throat. The deer weighed 125 pounds.

In another column the reader may find the topics for consideration for the week of prayer. It seems like the proper thing to have a program for that important week so that the mind of praying church people and others may be concentrated, and it is published so far in advance that praying people may know what to pray for each day. It is no common thing for one who drops in of an evening during prayer week to hear members pray and never touch the subject for which that evening calls for. They may hear prayers that have been prayed right along for a quarter of a century and with which the prayer meeting going people can almost repeat word for word brother and sister's prayer. By reading the program of subjects for the week of prayer everyone may know what is the topic for prayer for every meeting.

People who are intelligent enough to take a newspaper and read it and follow its advice, scarcely ever make mistakes, for a newspaper during the course of a year has occasion to point out mistakes and tricks of all kinds of people and the intelligent reader can learn of the traps that are set to catch the unsuspecting, and having learned of the tricks can be on his guard. For example here is a fraud that has been practiced on men in certain parts of the state. Read it and keep a look-out for the frauds—Swindler No. 1 calls upon a farmer with a patent wagon tongue and informs him that he is on his way home, having made a good thing of it and has only this county to sell. He tells the farmer he can have it for \$250, and if he wants it to write him. In a few days Swindler No. 2 comes along. He has heard that the farmer has the right of the county for the patent wagon tongue, and as he has made a big thing out of it in Pennsylvania, he wants to buy the right of the county for the patent wagon tongue, and as he has made a big thing out of it in Pennsylvania, he wants to buy the right of the county, and offers the farmer \$400 and pays \$10 to bind the bargain. The farmer writes to No. 1

and sends to him his note for \$250. He never hears of the men again, but his note comes up for collection in a neighboring town, and he is out \$240.

Pennsylvania's Crop.

HARRISBURG, December 11.—The Secretary of Agriculture has authorized the following estimates for the average and yield of crops for 1896: Wheat, 1,127,000 acres, 16,900,000 bushels; corn, 1,300,000 acres, 42,500,000 bushels; oats, 1,250,000 acres, 38,500,000 bushels; potatoes, 230,000 acres, 18,750,000 bushels; hay, 2,750,000 acres, 2,500,000 tons. He estimates a deficiency of wheat in Pennsylvania this year of 8,250,000 bushels.

Santa Claus Candy.

The time of "peace upon earth and good will to man," is not only for spiritual refreshment, and a reconsecration to the teachings that came with the babe in the manger, but it is a time when people look well to supplying the inner man and inner children with the things that are of the spirit. The time of the year when the choice assortment of the best candy "going in these days of improved candy-making." Be certain to give him a call. When you come to town ask for his place. Everyone knows that his place is opposite Court House square on Main street. Don't miss the place. Ask if you can't find it. It will pay to buy at his place.

The Week of Prayer.

The topics suggested for the week of prayer from January 3 to 10, 1897, by the Evangelical Alliance for the United States are as follows:—A large number of sub-topics are given only by way of suggestion. It is expected that each leader will make selection.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 3.—Sermons.—"The Lord is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him."—Lamentation iii:25. MONDAY, JANUARY 4.—Humiliation and Thanksgiving. Confession of personal, social and national sins.—Psalm xvi:1-18, Joel ii:12-14. Thanksgiving for the blessings of the year.—Psalm ciii:1-9, Psalm cxlvi:1-9, Ephesians i:3-7. TUESDAY, JANUARY 5.—The Church Universal. Praise for the reality of Christian unity, and for its increasing recognition.—I Corinthians xii:12-27. Prayer for the Holy Spirit; for a pure Gospel; for the fellowship of believers; for the fulfillment of the church's mission.—Acts i:1-18, I John i:3-7, Matthew xiii:33. WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6.—Nations and their rulers. Praise for the general prevalence of peace; for the happy issue of the Venezuelan dispute; for the progress of arbitration; Matthew v: 9. Prayer for all in authority; for courts of justice and legislatures, that righteousness may prevail in them; for the complete triumph of the principle of arbitration for perpetration and all other needed reforms for the brotherhood of men, that all sectionalism, class prejudices and race antipathies may cease.—Romans xiii:1-7; Proverbs xiii:1-23; Isaiah ii:4; Acts xvii:26; Psalm 133. THURSDAY, JANUARY 7.—Foreign missions. Praise for the progress of the year; for the assurance that the will of God will yet be done in earth as it is in heaven.—Revelations xi:15. Prayer for a revival of the mission spirit; for the inspiration of the Holy Spirit in the inter-denominational meetings the coming week in the interest of foreign missions; for the interest of missionary treasuries; for missionaries especially those exposed to peculiar perils; for Armenians, Students and all who are persecuted for Christ's sake; for the conversion of the world.—Matthew xxviii:18-20; Matthew v: 10-12; Isaiah 35. FRIDAY, JANUARY 8.—Home Missions. Praise for increasing apprehension of the social mission of the church; for the growth of municipal reform.—Isaiah lvi:17-25. Prayer for missionary societies burdened with debt; for home and city missionaries; for increased co-operation; for neglected populations, both city and rural, and for a divine urgency that shall impel to effort in their behalf.—Luke xvi:46, 47; Luke x: 1, 2; Luke xiv:23. SATURDAY, JANUARY 9.—Families and Schools. Praise for families united in Christ, and for the increasing number of Christian youth. Prayer for parents, children and servants; for a more general observance of family worship; for all schools, colleges, seminaries and universities; for Sunday Schools and for religious societies for young men and women.—Colossians i:12-25; Deuteronomy xi:18-21; Joel ii:28, 29. SUNDAY, JANUARY 10.—Sermons.—"All power is given to me in heaven and in earth."—"Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."—Matthew xxviii:18-20. The Evangelical Alliance for the United States represents the spiritual oneness of believers, cultivates fellowship and co-operation between different churches, defends liberty of conscience, and pleads for applied Christianity. Churches which sympathize with its aims are invited to take a collection for its work some time during the Week of Prayer. Contributions may be sent to Peter Donald, treasurer, and information as to the work may be had of the general secretary, Office: United Charities building, Fourth avenue and Twenty-second street, New York.

The pastors' notes, first issued last year, were found very helpful, and were again added this year. They will be furnished gratis to any pastor on application. Address, Evangelical Alliance, United Charities building, Twenty-second street and Fourth avenue, New York.

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Full preparation has been made to fit your gift-giving needs. The store has done its holiday attire and bids you kindly welcome.

Dress Goods, Dolls, Toys, Games, China, Glass, Silver, Albums, Flash Sets, Stationery, Jewelry.

Handkerchiefs, Umbrellas, Mufflers, Kid Gloves, Aprons, Leather, Goods, Fur Sets, Nobby Neckwear, Fine Shirts, etc., &c.

HOLIDAY HANDKERCHIEFS.—A Christmas without handkerchiefs is about as interesting as a country dance without a fiddler. We've more than doubled our selling space; nearly doubled the stock and shall make a bold push to fully double the sales over any previous season.

Here are a few Special things:—Ladies' & Children's Embroidery & Hats for 50c, 75c, 1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 12.00, 15.00, 20.00, 25.00, 30.00, 35.00, 40.00, 45.00, 50.00, 60.00, 70.00, 80.00, 90.00, 100.00, 120.00, 150.00, 200.00, 250.00, 300.00, 350.00, 400.00, 450.00, 500.00, 600.00, 700.00, 800.00, 900.00, 1000.00, 1200.00, 1500.00, 2000.00, 2500.00, 3000.00, 3500.00, 4000.00, 4500.00, 5000.00, 6000.00, 7000.00, 8000.00, 9000.00, 10000.00, 12000.00, 15000.00, 20000.00, 25000.00, 30000.00, 35000.00, 40000.00, 45000.00, 50000.00, 60000.00, 70000.00, 80000.00, 90000.00, 100000.00, 120000.00, 150000.00, 200000.00, 250000.00, 300000.00, 350000.00, 400000.00, 450000.00, 500000.00, 600000.00, 700000.00, 800000.00, 900000.00, 1000000.00, 1200000.00, 1500000.00, 2000000.00, 2500000.00, 3000000.00, 3500000.00, 4000000.00, 4500000.00, 5000000.00, 6000000.00, 7000000.00, 8000000.00, 9000000.00, 10000000.00, 12000000.00, 15000000.00, 20000000.00, 25000000.00, 30000000.00, 35000000.00, 40000000.00, 45000000.00, 50000000.00, 60000000.00, 70000000.00, 80000000.00, 90000000.00, 100000000.00, 120000000.00, 150000000.00, 200000000.00, 250000000.00, 300000000.00, 350000000.00, 400000000.00, 450000000.00, 500000000.00, 600000000.00, 700000000.00, 800000000.00, 900000000.00, 1000000000.00, 1200000000.00, 1500000000.00, 2000000000.00, 2500000000.00, 3000000000.00, 3500000000.00, 4000000000.00, 4500000000.00, 5000000000.00, 6000000000.00, 7000000000.00, 8000000000.00, 9000000000.00, 10000000000.00, 12000000000.00, 15000000000.00, 20000000000.00, 25000000000.00, 30000000000.00, 35000000000.00, 40000000000.00, 45000000000.00, 50000000000.00, 60000000000.00, 70000000000.00, 80000000000.00, 90000000000.00, 100000000000.00, 120000000000.00, 150000000000.00, 200000000000.00, 250000000000.00, 300000000000.00, 350000000000.00, 400000000000.00, 450000000000.00, 500000000000.00, 600000000000.00, 700000000000.00, 800000000000.00, 900000000000.00, 1000000000000.00, 1200000000000.00, 1500000000000.00, 2000000000000.00, 2500000000000.00, 3000000000000.00, 3500000000000.00, 4000000000000.00, 4500000000000.00, 5000000000000.00, 6000000000000.00, 7000000000000.00, 8000000000000.00, 9000000000000.00, 10000000000000.00, 12000000000000.00, 15000000000000.00, 20000000000000.00, 25000000000000.00, 30000000000000.00, 35000000000000.00, 40000000000000.00, 45000000000000.00, 50000000000000.00, 60000000000000.00, 70000000000000.00, 80000000000000.00, 90000000000000.00, 100000000000000.00, 120000000000000.00, 150000000000000.00, 200000000000000.00, 250000000000000.00, 300000000000000.00, 350000000000000.00, 400000000000000.00, 450000000000000.00, 500000000000000.00, 600000000000000.00, 700000000000000.00, 800000000000000.00, 900000000000000.00, 1000000000000000.00, 1200000000000000.00, 1500000000000000.00, 2000000000000000.00, 2500000000000000.00, 3000000000000000.00, 3500000000000000.00, 4000000000000000.00, 4500000000000000.00, 5000000000000000.00, 6000000000000000.00, 7000000000000000.00, 8000000000000000.00, 9000000000000000.00, 10000000000000000.00, 12000000000000000.00, 15000000000000000.00, 20000000000000000.00, 25000000000000000.00, 30000000000000000.00, 35000000000000000.00, 40000000000000000.00, 45000000000000000.00, 50000000000000000.00, 60000000000000000.00, 70000000000000000.00, 80000000000000000.00, 90000000000000000.00, 100000000000000000.00, 120000000000000000.00, 150000000000000000.00, 200000000000000000.00, 250000000000000000.00, 300000000000000000.00, 350000000000000000.00, 400000000000000000.00, 450000000000000000.00, 500000000000000000.00, 600000000000000000.00, 700000000000000000.00, 800000000000000000.00, 900000000000000000.00, 1000000000000000000.00, 1200000000000000000.00, 1500000000000000000.00, 2000000000000000000.00, 2500000000000000000.00, 3000000000000000000.00, 3500000000000000000.00, 4000000000000000000.00, 4500000000000000000.00, 5000000000000000000.00, 6000000000000000000.00, 7000000000000000000.00, 8000000000000000000.00, 9000000000000000000.00, 10000000000000000000.00, 12000000000000000000.00, 15000000000000000000.00, 20000000000000000000.00, 25000000000000000000.00, 30000000000000000000.00, 35000000000000000000.00, 40000000000000000000.00, 45000000000000000000.00, 50000000000000000000.00, 600000