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CHANGE IN ROAD LAWS.

Three Supervisors for Each Township Next Year. Serve Like School Directors.

Under the new road law which goes into effect this year there will be three supervisors for each township, who will have general supervision of the district, and a number of roadmasters under whose direction the actual work will be done. Some of the provisions are as follows:

The new law provides that in every township of the second class (and every township in Fulton county is of the second class) at the regular spring election this year, 1906, there shall be elected three persons, one for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, who shall be styled road supervisors, and at each township election thereafter one person shall be elected for three years.

This board of supervisors shall meet on the first Monday of March, where the township auditors meet, and after taking the oath of office shall elect one of their number chairman and one secretary, and shall appoint one person, not a member of the board, treasurer. They shall then proceed to levy a road tax, not to exceed ten mills on each dollar of valuation, and shall assess each taxable one dollar in addition to the millage tax.

Immediately after organization the board of supervisors shall divide the township into road districts, with not less than five miles of road to each district, and shall employ a roadmaster for each district, who shall work upon the roads himself and see that the work is done according to the plans and specifications furnished him by the supervisors. He shall oversee the employed, keep their time, and report under oath to the supervisors as often as required.

Roadmasters shall at times be subject to removal by the board of supervisors. The supervisors shall fix the wages, per hour, for roadmasters and laborers.

The board of supervisors shall meet once each month for the transaction of business, and will be allowed for necessary expenses, including office rent, stationery, light and fuel. There is no provision in the act of 1905 for compensation for supervisors, other than mentioned above, and presumably they must act without compensation as do school directors.

All vacancies in the board of supervisors will be filled by the court upon petition.

No supervisor shall be interested, directly or indirectly, in any work done, purchase or contract relating to roads or bridges, nor furnish any materials therefor, under penalty of a fine not exceeding \$500, or imprisonment not exceeding six months, or both.

THOUSAND-DOLLAR BABIES.

Stork a Money Bringer into the Home of Western Farmer.

With every visit of the stork to his home, George Cramer, a farmer, of Eldora, Ia., gets a check for \$1000 from his father in Germany, and the stork has paid twelve visits. Although he has not been more than ordinarily successful at raising crops, Cramer has cleared \$12,000 raising babies.

When the first little one came to the Cramer home the old father in Germany was so well pleased that he forwarded his check for \$1000 and declared he would duplicate it with each visit of the stork. Cramer has invested the stork money from the fatherland, until to day he is the possessor of a comfortable bank account.

After having spent the holidays very pleasantly at the home of her parents, Daniel Mock and wife, Miss Minnie E. Mock returned to the home of her parents yesterday.

ECLIPSES IN 1906.

There Will Be Five, First of The Moon February 8th.

There will be five eclipses in 1906, three of the sun and two of the moon. The first will be a total one of the moon on the night of February 8th, and will be visible in North and South America. The beginning will be at 1:57 o'clock on the morning of the 9th and ending at 3:36 o'clock. The second is a partial eclipse of the sun on February 23d, invisible in the United States. The third is a partial eclipse of the sun on July 21st, not visible in the United States. The fourth is a total eclipse of the moon on August 4th, invisible in the United States. The fifth is a partial eclipse of the sun on August 19th, not visible in the United States, except in Alaska.

Kicked by A Horse.

Last week's Mercersburg Journal says that Frank Fore, son of D. E. Fore, Esq., of Tod township, was badly kicked by a horse on the evening of the 22nd ult. Mr. Fore was leading the animal to water when a sudden plunge of the horse broke the halter. The animal turned about and kicked Fore, striking him above the eye and in the cheek. Fortunately, the animal wore no shoes, otherwise might have been killed. He was taken to Lemaster, where Dr. Lantz dressed the injuries.

TEA IN TABLETS.

One of Them Dissolved in Hot Water Will Make Beverage.

Washington, Dec. 28.—The latest novel experiment to be made by the department of agriculture is that of compressing tea into tablets, one of which will make a delicious cup of tea. The tea is grown at the department's experimental tea gardens at Summerville, S. C.

The department has been engaged in this experiment for some time, and last week a large box of sample packages of tea tablets was received by Dr. Galloway, director of the Bureau of Plant Industry, for inspection. Each little box of compressed tea contains twenty tablets about the size of a penny, but about twice as thick. They are dark green. Dr. Galloway states that the most favorable reports have been made by those who have tried the tablets.

The tablets are said to contain no adulterant.

It is claimed that the taste of the tea is in no way bettered by the form of tablets, but the chief value lies in the fact that it is compressed and takes up less room.

It has been the object of the department for some time to find means of providing food for the army and navy, which could be prepared in such a way as to save space, but so far all attempts have proved unsatisfactory. It is now believed by the officials of the department that these tablets will fill not only government requirements, but those of general merchandise and family use.

The Week of Prayer.

Union services for the Week of Prayer will be conducted in the churches of town as follows:

Monday January 8th, 7 P. M., in the Reformed church. Theme: "Believers Purified and Quickened." Tuesday evening in the M. E. church at Green Hill is going on. Two seekers so far.

A. M. Garland and wife visited Sheridan Hann's last Sunday.

H. E. Austin and John E. Moore are cutting cord wood for W. H. Baumgardner at Wells Tannery.

A heavy windstorm passed over this section last Friday night doing much damage. Uncle John Hann's wooden was blown to pieces.

The remains of our friend Nicholas Metzler were laid to rest in the cemetery at Greenhill Presbyterian church on Monday.

John Haun has been suffering from a sprained back during the past week.

FROM REV. GEORGE B SHOEMAKER.

Having a Pleasant Winter in Iowa. Corn Plenty, and Apples Scarce.

Eldora, Iowa, Dec. 28.—The long and lonesome summer came suddenly to an end, and the bright and beautiful fall of Iowa dawned upon me about the first of September. The change was not due in any way to the influence of the heavenly bodies, but solely to the safe return of my wife and daughter from their extended visit in the East. The sun has been shining ever since their return, and the weather is perfect.

The Bishop returned me to Eldora for another year, three months of which have already passed.

Thus far our winter has been very pleasant. With the exception of a cold snap about Thanksgiving time, we have had no severe weather. November and December have passed practically without storm. Some snow has fallen, but not enough to make sleighing. It is remarkable that in some portions of this country they had snow, enough so it could be plainly seen in the furrows in plowed fields, before there was a killing frost. The corn matured perfectly before the frosts came, and Iowa is rejoicing because of what Kansas would call a "bumper" crop of corn. One year ago, about this time, we had the worst snow storm of the whole season, but to day the sun shines brightly, and the temperature is nearer that of spring than winter.

We are mourning some out here because apples are so expensive. Five dollars for a barrel that lacks a peck of holding three bushels; or, in smaller quantities, fifty cents a peck, comes pretty close to being two dollars a bushel, and then they are not first class when you get them. Cabbage sells at three cents a pound, Canada turnips, two and a half cents a pound; beans, five cents—or six pounds for a quarter, etc. But, then, we manage to live, and are happy.

Is this the time of year when, in the stores in the old town, the topic of conversation is "hogs and butchering and sausage making and pudding meat and Ponhouse (?). (Mr. Editor, you spell that word right for me.) Yes, and souce (?). My! how I would like to have some of these, if I could have along with them the boy appetite I possessed in those early days. I am looking through each copy of the "News" to see who has the biggest hog in all the town.

By the time you receive this letter we will be in a Union Revival Meeting, all the churches of the city uniting under the leadership of C. C. Smith, of Chicago, and his singer, Mr. Holden.

Meetings begin December 31, 1905, and close January 21, 1906.

I will be glad to have all Christians who may read this, offer sincere prayer for us that many may be converted to God.

If I am not too late, I wish you all a Happy New Year.

Yours truly,
GEO. B. SHOEMAKER.

SALUVIA.

The holidays passed off quietly here.

The protracted meeting at the M. E. church at Green Hill is going on. Two seekers so far.

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HOLIDAY WEDDINGS.

Cupid Has Been Busy with His Little Bow and Arrows, During the Festal Season.

SHIMER—LARGENT.

Miss Mary E. Largent and Robert M. Shimer were united in marriage at the parsonage of the Thirteenth street Methodist church, Harrisburg, by Rev. Samuel D. Wilson, pastor of the church.

The bride has been a compositor in the News office during the past four years, and the groom is a practical tailor, employed during the last two or three years in Harrisburg.

GLASS—PROSSER.

At Hagerstown on Friday, John B. Glass and Miss Emma Prosser, both of Gettysburg, were married by Rev. Dr. Conrad Clever, of Christ Reformed church.

Rev. Father Rabbia, of St. Mary's Catholic church, refused to officiate because the couple did not live in his parish.

Miss Prosser is a daughter of V. H. Prosser, formerly of McConnellsburg. The groom is clerk in a hotel conducted by the bride's father, now in Gettysburg.

It is said the bride's parents objected to the marriage.

Miss Prosser was visiting her sister, Mrs. D. T. Lester, in Williamsport. She went to Hagerstown and met the groom according to previous arrangement.

SURPRISED.

There are different kinds of surprises. Some cheer the heart and some fill it with sad forebodings. Some remove the veil of darkness and let in the full joyous light; others oppress and draw closer yet the evil bands.

St. Paul's Lutheran congregation and its friends know how to surprise that will aid one both to say a happy adieu to the departing year, and to offer a joyous welcome to the new.

On last Saturday evening the parsonage was invaded by a goodly number of members and friends, a surprise to us all. They came with cheerful voices, open countenances, and happy hearts, laden with many things for larder and crib.

Songs of praise mingled with the social hour, made the occasion one long to be remembered. The pastor and family unite in seeking the divine benediction upon the donors, and thereby express their gratitude to all present and represented in the happy surprise.

A. G. WOLF, Pastor.

TO DESTROY SCALE.

Waynesboro Man Applies for United States Patent.

W. H. Baumgardner, of Wells Tannery, has applied for a United States patent on a powder which he has invented for the destruction of San Jose scale. The powder has been tested on a number of Waynesboro trees and is said to do all that its discoverer claims for it. In addition to this it can be sold so cheaply that its cost is less than that of the famous lime-sulphur-salt mixture.

The powder is applied by boring

one or two half-inch holes in

an affected tree about a foot from

the ground and filling them with

the powder, which the saparies

to every limb and branch. Trees

so treated, it is claimed, will not

only be effected by the scale

but will be abandoned by other

insects.

Notice.

The annual meeting of the Fulton County Mutual Fire Insurance Company will be held at Needmore on Tuesday, January 9, 1906, at 10 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. All policy holders invited.

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