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THE IOWA PARSON.

Rev. George B. Shoemaker Writes Interesting Letter From Middle West.

"EVERLASTING HILLS," ALL RIGHT.

A bright boy once while out on the icy sidewalk, fell down. A gentleman passing at that moment said, "How did you come to fall down, my boy?" The lad responded, "Notwithstanding." Well, "notwithstanding" I have not spoken in or to the large "News" family for some time, I have not failed to be a constant reader of the "Old Home" paper.

I notice in last week's issue a letter from Miss Stevens, who is now a resident of Kansas, in which she confesses to a hungering for the mountains of old Fulton. I have been away from them five times as long as she has, but the "hunger" does not die, nor does it grow less. There are many things in this great western country to satisfy the desire of the heart, and to please and satisfy the eye, but I have found nothing yet to take the place of the "everlasting hills." I would consider it a pleasure to day to climb to the top of "Big Rock" on the ridge west of town and enjoy the scenery from that point of advantage. The Psalmist knew his own heart and its needs when he said, "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help." Some day I hope to see the mountains and hills of my old home again.

The winter season in Iowa has been rather remarkable. There have been no prolonged periods of extreme cold, not many bright days, but little snow, and only a few days of thawing and mud.

To day is a beautiful, clear and moderately warm day. The fall was damp and cloudy. We did not have nearly as many beautiful fall days as we usually have in Iowa. We feel now that we are so nearly through February, that the most of our severe winter weather is over. The mercury went low enough to freeze the water in the creeks, so that the men are harvesting ice twenty inches thick, and that beats "Old Fulton" according to reports I read in the reliable "News." My ancient friend (I beg her pardon) my friend of former days, Mrs. Cook, nearly took my breath away, by her criticism on my proposed "home coming week," but I have recovered, and still insist that it would be a splendid thing if, during a certain time in the fall, the wanderers from "Old Fulton" would turn their faces homeward.

One of my neighbors brought to myself and wife, this morning, some splendid winter apples, raised on his farm a few miles west of Geneva. There were two varieties—Northwestern Greening, and one that looked much like a Golden Pippin.

The fruit men will conquer yet and produce an apple that will stand the severity of our Iowa winters, and be good keepers. When that is done a long felt want of this country will be filled.

I am thinking some of starting an Apiary this spring. I am about persuaded that the experience I gained, when John Sheets, George Hays, John Irwin, Otis Rexroth, Bill Teeter, myself, and many others I do not at present recall in bare feet, and with brush and straw hat, used to fight "Bumble Bees," will be of great value to me in my new undertaking. I may recount to you later some of my experiences, if I have any.

While at Reinbeck during the Christmas holidays, I had the pleasure of meeting Miss Beckie Hess, a Fulton county "liss." We had a pleasant visit, and, of course, talked about the old days and old friends of our far away youth.

Mr. Editor, I should miss very much the weekly (do not spell it weekly) visits of the "News."

STATE PENSION BILL.

Measure of Interest to Every Veteran in the Commonwealth.

A new pension bill in which many Fulton county veterans will be interested has been introduced before the State Senate by Senator J. Henry Cochran, of Lycoming county. The bill is relative to the pensioning by the State of the soldiers and sailors who served from Pennsylvania in the Civil War. The conditions imposed are that the veteran shall have been a resident of Pennsylvania at the time of his enlistment and shall be at the time his application for the benefits of the pension is made. The full text of the measure follows:

"That any person who has served in the army and navy of the United States in the Civil War of one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one from Pennsylvania, who was a resident of this state at the date of the commencement of his service and shall be a resident of this state at the time of making application for pension as hereinafter provided, shall be entitled to a pension from this state at the rate as hereinafter stated; provided, however, that such person shall have been honorably discharged from said service.

"Section 2. The amount to be paid as a pension for each soldier and sailor as set forth in section one hereof shall be as follows:

"To those who served for one year or less five (\$5) dollars per month:

"To those who served more than one year and not more than two years seven and fifty one hundredths (\$7.50) dollars per month:

"To those who served over two years ten (\$10) dollars per month:

"Section 3. It is understood that this act does not include any soldier or sailor who was not a resident of this state at the time of entering the service, and who does not reside in this state at the time of making application hereunder.

"Section 4. All applications for pensions made hereunder shall be made to the auditor general of the State of Pennsylvania under such reasonable rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by him, and the right to such pensions upon such application shall be finally determined by the said auditor general whose decision as to the granting or refusal of said pensions shall be final.

"Section 5. The pensions to be granted shall begin as of January first anno domini one thousand and nine hundred and eight, and shall be payable quarterly thereafter on the first days of April, July, October and January of each year, but such pensions shall only begin at the quarter yearly period after same shall have been granted.

"Section 6. The necessary blanks for application and proof for pensions under this act shall be furnished by the auditor general, and the expense of printing and distributing the same shall be paid out of the treasury of the state and no charge shall be made by the auditor general to such applicant for pension for services or fees in the matter of said pension.

"Section 7. The sum of one million dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby specifically appropriated for the purposes of paying the pensions created hereby for the two fiscal years beginning June first anno domini one thousand nine hundred and seven."

I read it with much enjoyment, and am only glad, if by my occasional letters, I may help to make a bright spot in the lives of some of your many readers.

With kind wishes to all the friends.

Very truly
GEO. B. SHOEMAKER.
Geneva, Iowa,
Feb. 13, 1907.

RECORD OF DEATHS.

Cornelius Diehl, One of Whips Cove's Most Respected Citizens, Among The Number.

DOUBLE FUNERAL IN HOKE FAMILY.

HOUCK.
Susan Houck died Monday evening at the home of her son, Ephraim Houck, of the Cove, of diseases incident to old age, aged 91 years. The remains were taken to the Little Cove Tuesday, where interment was made in the Lutheran cemetery Wednesday.

BOLINGER.
The two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Bolinger, of Dublin Mills, notice of whose illness was mentioned in the News last week, died of pneumonia Monday evening. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of their many friends in this dark hour of sorrow.

BARE.
Miss Diana Bare, of Maddensville, died February 16, 1907, from a paralytic stroke on the 12th inst. She was unconscious when found by the side of her bed in the home of H. K. Locke, with whom she was temporarily residing, and never regained consciousness.

Deceased was the widow of Henry Bare, a brother of the late D. K. Bare of Fort Littleton, to whom she was united in marriage on the 16th day of January 1862, and her husband departed this life on November 11, 1864, aged 27 years.

The deceased was a daughter of the late Robert Madden of Maddensville. One son, C. S. Bare, of Buffalo, N. Y., survives her, also one sister, Mrs. D. Ashton, of Maddensville; and three brothers, Isaiah, of Maddensville; H. C., and W. S. Madden of Altoona—all of whom were present at her funeral on the 18th inst—the anniversary of her 71st birthday. Interment at Walnut Grove.

She was a member of the Church of God at Walnut Grove, having been converted under the labors of Elder P. D. Collins, in 1864, and baptized by Elder Winbigler later, and was a consistent member to the time of her death. Two brothers preceded her to the better land.

A FRIEND.

CORNELIUS DIEHL.

Cornelius Diehl died at his home in Whips Cove on Saturday, February 2, 1907, aged 74 years.

By his passing away the community in which he lived loses one of its most aged and highly respected citizens, a kind neighbor and a sympathetic friend.

A faithful member of the Christian church for more than half a century, he served as deacon in the Whips Cove Christian church ever since it was organized and was always faithful in the discharge of his religious duties until prevented by failing health.

Interment was made at the above named church on the 5th, Rev. Powers conducting the funeral services. Mr. Diehl is survived by four brothers—James, Moses, Samuel and Urah—all of the Cove, and also by three sons and four daughters, namely, Dr. John Diehl of Hancock, Md.; Barton, of Illinois; Mrs. Eliza Margaret, of Illinois; Mrs. Belle Shaffer, of Windsor, this state; Mrs. Amanda Pee, of Breeswood, Bedford county; and George B. and Annie at home.

WILLIAM YOUNG.

William Young, familiarly known as "Uncle Billy," an aged respected and widely known citizen of Sherman's Valley, died at his home on Friday evening, February 8, 1907, in his 83rd year, after an illness of a week's duration. The deceased was born on the farm where he died.

He is survived by his aged wife and fifty-four descendants who mourn his demise.

The funeral services were held in Sherman's Valley Presbyter-

ian church, and were conducted by the Rev. Edward L. Kennedy, of Everett. Interment was made in the cemetery near the church.

Mr. Young had a record of kill ing 112 deer during his life time. He was a crack shot and took great delight in hunting wild game.

DOUBLE FUNERAL.

The home of Mrs. Laura M. Hoke in Latrobe, Pa., was the scene on Thursday evening of last week of a double funeral. One of those, over whose body the last rites were being performed, was her brother Henry H. Hoke, aged fifty years, who had died after an illness of only two days, and the other was her son William H. Hoke, aged 34 years, 11 months and 13 days, whose illness started with an attack of grippe about a month ago. Mrs. Laura M. Hoke is the widow of Lewis Hoke who at one time lived in the house in which John W. Greathead now resides, and was partner in the dry goods firm of Hoke & Nace, who during the war, did business in the room now occupied by the Racket Store. The Nace member of the firm was D. B. Nace, now of Chambersburg. Laura is a niece of G. Newton Hoke of this place.

This is an unusual affliction of Divine Providence and the bereaved mother and sister, has the sincere sympathy of her many McConnellsburg friends.

PECK.

Charles W. Peck, of Thompson township, aged 53 years, died on Friday, the 15th inst., after a few weeks' suffering with pneumonia. Mr. Peck leaves a wife and six children to mourn the loss of a loving husband and father. His remains were taken to Damascus on the Sunday following, where his funeral was conducted by Rev. A. G. B. Powers, and he was laid to rest in the cemetery at that church.

BATDORFF.

Mrs. Sarah Anne Batdorff, relict of William Batdorff, departed this life at the home of her daughter Mrs. Allison Brant, near Harrisonville, on the 15th inst., aged 69 years, 2 months and 2 days.

Interment on Sunday, the 17th, at the Cemetery at Bethlehem. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Reber, of the U. B. church. Mrs. Batdorff had been a member of the Lutheran church for about 50 years and was always present at services as long as health would permit. Some time ago she was attacked by grippe which later developed into pneumonia which caused her sudden demise.

Mrs. Batdorff, whose maiden name was Murdock, was born in Lebanon county, December 13, 1837, and in March 1857 she was united in marriage to William Batdorff, who preceded her to the spirit world about nine years ago, and after residing in Lebanon for eight years, came to this county where she has since resided.

This union was blessed with five children, namely, Alice, wife of A. F. Brant, of Harrisonville, Tama, wife of H. C. Reiber of Hummelstown, Pa., Francis, wife of Z. P. Brant, Mercersburg, Harvey of Harrisonville, and Ellsworth, at home, near McConnellsburg.

Mrs. Batdorff was an affectionate mother and kind and loving neighbor and will be greatly missed by all who knew her. But in this hour of sad bereavement may they be comforted by the promise that "God doeth all things well."

"The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh, blessed be the name of the Lord."

A Wedding.

A beautiful wedding took place on Wednesday, the 13th, at the home of the bride's parents, in Thompson township, by Rev. A. G. B. Powers, who united in marriage, Mr. Walter Shaw and Miss Alice B. Eader. The event was much enjoyed by those present.

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FEBRUARY ELECTION.

Names of Those Who Were Chosen to Fill the Township and Borough Offices.

TOWNSHIPS FAVOR CASH ROAD TAX.

Ayr—Judge of election, J. Crouse; inspectors, William Bishop and George W. Bain; assessor, U. G. Lambert; school directors, D. A. Nelson, and D. L. Rinedohar; supervisor, John Heinbaugh; overseers of the poor, James M. Gordon, and Robert W. Mellott; auditor, Leonard Bivens; township clerk, Biddis Lynch; treasurer, Lewis Crouse. On the road tax question, work tax had fifty three, cash tax, seventy-four.

Belfast—Judge of election, Amos Plessinger; inspectors, Wm. Bard and F. M. Mellott; assessor, W. R. Palmer; supervisor, John Bishop; school directors, Job P. Garland and Aaron M. Garland; overseer of the poor, Anderson Mellott, auditor, J. W. Lake; township clerk, G. J. Mellett; collector, Oliver Mellott; Justice of the Peace, Jas. A. Truax.

Brush Creek—Judge of election, Ross Walters; inspectors, Jno. M. Lodge and O. R. Duvall; assessor, E. E. Selby; supervisor, Levi D. Smith; school directors, Geo. O. Lynch, J. C. Barton, 56; Jesse Diehl, 59; overseer of poor, Jacob H. Garlick; auditor, S. E. Walters; clerk, P. V. Barton; collector, E. A. Hoopengardner; justice of the peace, Frank M. Lodge.

Dublin—Judge of election, G. W. Lodge; inspectors, T. C. Gillis and Irwin Wilson; assessor, Chas. Fields; supervisor, D. M. Barnett; school directors, Clel. Cisney, S. W. Cline, and S. L. Buckley; overseer of the poor, H. H. Hertzler; auditor, Sylvester Cunningham; clerk, Bruce Woollett; collector, S. C. Burkhardt.

Licking Creek—Judge of election, Anthony Mellott; inspectors, F. R. Shivas, and E. W. Swope; assessor, E. W. Swope; overseer of the poor, G. W. Sipes; school directors, W. R. Mellott, N. I. Finiff, and R. R. Sipes; supervisors, E. H. Fohner, and E. H. Sipes; auditor, Nevin Laidig; township clerk, L. R. Swartz; collector, I. W. Schooley.

McConnellsburg—Judge of election, J. K. Johnston; inspectors, W. S. Black, and Watson Lynch; assessor, Jacob Rotz; school directors, M. W. Nace, and John Comer; town council, Albert Stoner, H. U. Nace, Harry Hamil for three years; D. L. Grissinger and George W. Reinsner for two years; and D. E. Little and John A. Irwin for one year; overseer of the poor, Henry A. Comer; auditor, J. S. Harris; high constable, George Suders.

Taylor—Judge of election, John Hess; inspectors, Sheridan Strait, and John G.acey; assessor, J. V. Deavor; overseer of the poor, H. B. Huston; school directors, A. N. Witter, and J. F. Bolinger; supervisors, A. M. Corbin, and David Gladfelder; auditor, A. J. Lamber; township clerk, C. J. Barton.

Thompson—Judge of election, Reason Yonker; inspectors, Elijah Souders, and Grant Brakeall; assessor, J. P. Waltz; overseer of the poor, David Gordon; school directors, W. R. Myers, and Emanuel Keefe; supervisors, Ross Fite, J. H. Brewer and Frank Shives; auditor, George Snyder; township clerk, W. C. Peck; justice of the peace, Warner W. Hewett; treasurer, David Gregory.

Todd—Judge of election, John C. Tice; inspectors, Daniel G. Evey, and Harvey Marshall; assessor, Daniel Peffer; overseer of the poor, William Buterbaugh; school directors, Samuel Scott, Enoch Kerlin and Clark McGovern; supervisor, George B. Meek; auditor, J. P. Peck; township clerk, John Barmont; justice of the peace, D. W. Kelso.

Union—Judge of election, A. F. Hill; inspectors, J. U. Deneen, Nelson Baity; assessor, C. A. Sigel;

NUPTIALS.

Louie Kerlin Becomes Bride of Bert Winegardner on the 7th Inst.

Mr. B. S. Winegardner and Miss Louie G. Kerlin, both of Clear Ridge, Pa., were married at Mercersburg by Rev. Oyler, Thursday February 7th at 10:30 o'clock.

The bride is a daughter of J. P. Kerlin and the groom is the only son of Jacob Winegardner. Both the bride and groom have the kindest wishes of their many friends for a safe and prosperous journey through life.

BIRTHDAY PARTIES.

The Homes of Irwin Cromwell at Clear Ridge, and D. H. Wible, Knobsville, the Places.

A surprise party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Cromwell, near Clear Ridge, in honor of their daughter, Miss Eva; and as her sister Elsie's birthday comes only a week later, they thought it would be nice to surprise both of them at one time. It was a great surprise to both girls, but as Eva had gone for a drive with a friend, she was surprised, when she got back, to find both parlor and sitting room crowded with guests. After a while of laughing and talking, the dining room door was thrown open, where a table with ice cream and cake was groaning under its load, to which they all did ample justice. After many games were played, and at a late hour, all left for their homes, wishing for many more such joyous occasions. The girls received many beautiful and useful presents.

Last Wednesday will be a red letter day in the memory of the family of D. H. Wible, near Knobsville. It was a birthday occasion, and forty-three persons—all relatives of Mr. Wible, assembled to extend greetings and incidentally to partake of the usual sumptuous dinner served on such occasions, which in this instance was superb. Mr. Wible is not usually caught napping, but on this occasion he had to admit that he was surprised—but agreeably, of course.

Announcements for the M. E. Church for Sunday, Feb. 24, 1907.

Ft. Littleton—Sabbath school, 9:00 a. m.; Preaching service, 10:30 a. m.—Subject—Knowledge by Fruitage; Epworth League, 7 p. m.

Knobsville—Sabbath school, 1:30 p. m.; Preaching service, 2:30 p. m.—Subject—Earnestness always finds an Opportunity; Prayer and Praise service, 7 p. m.; Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening, 7 o'clock.

McConnellsburg—Sabbath school, 9:30 a. m.; Class meeting, 10:30 a. m.; Jr. Epworth League, 2:00 p. m.; Sr. Epworth League, 6:15 p. m.; Evening sermon, 7 o'clock—subject—A. Moral Coward; Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening, 7 o'clock.

Adjourned Quarterly Conference to be held in the Church, Monday afternoon, March 4th, at 2 o'clock.—John Conley Grimes, Pastor.

Rev. Dr. West was visiting among his Greenhill parishioners in the vicinity of Laidig, and West Doble, Monday.

overseer of the poor, John Harrison; school directors, S. E. McKee, and Howard Deneen; supervisor, Albert May; auditor, T. E. Shaak; township clerk, Wm. Ward, 47; Joseph Brady, 47; justice of the peace, George Spriever.

Wells—Judge of election, F. G. Mills; inspectors, F. E. Cunningham and H. E. Rowe; assessor, L. L. Cunningham; supervisor, J. L. Grissinger; school directors, Levi Truax and W. L. Sprout; overseer, J. B. Horton; auditors, J. C. Kirk and E. W. McClain; clerk, C. L. Schenck; justice of the peace, J. A. McDonough. Cash tax 42; Work tax 25.

ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Snapshots at Their Comings and Goings Here for a Vacation, or Away for a Restful Outing.

NAMES OF VISITORS AND VISITED

Mrs. Peter Scheideman, of Tod, spent last Thursday visiting friends in town.

C. B. Stevens, of this place, was in the lower part of the county Friday, on business.

Mrs. Harry Meek, of Altoona, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Rebecca Snyder, of this place.

W. F. Stoutagle took Reed Ray back to Everett last Sunday, and returned home Monday.

John B. Runyan was called to Needmore Thursday, by the continued illness of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ahimaz Runyan.

Miss Bess Irwin, of the Shippenburg Normal, spent a day or two at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Jno. A. Irwin, last week.

Norris E. Hoover, the efficient bookkeeper for the Junata Oak Extract Company, of Mount Union, Pa., spent Tuesday night and Wednesday in McConnellsburg.

Mr. Clarence Palmer and Miss Grace Lake, and Mr. and Mrs. Hayes Morgret, all of Needmore, cousins of Miss Rhoda Lake, spent Wednesday at her home on Spring street.—Everett Press.

Miss Anna Comer, who had been spending ten days very pleasantly with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Comer, at this place, returned to Chambersburg, Monday, where she is employed.

Prof. G. Gailey Chambers, of the University of Pennsylvania, returned to Philadelphia, last Saturday, after having spent a few days with his grandfather, Rev. Lewis Chambers, at Big Cove Tannery.

Miss Florence Mowers, of Fayetteville, Pa., and Miss Helen McLaughlin, of Chambersburg, both teachers in the Scotland Orphans' Industrial School, spent the time from Saturday until Monday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Harris, at this place.

Saturdays.

There is a Spanish saying, "If you are in search of a wife, hunt her on Saturday." Then is when the true nature of the girl is made manifest. Saturday is full of household duties—cleaning, cooking, getting things ready and turning life longings into matter of fact. The true awkwardness of a person doesn't always show up in fashionable clothes and company intercourse. One needs to learn if another can turn the discordant notes of Saturday's duties into a melody; to see what beauty she shows in a plain gown and a large apron; to know if there is grace in her motions when she fondles the pie crust or brushes out her parlor; to discover if she still has her radiant smile when she helps mother peel the potatoes.

She doesn't do these things, eh? Then you cannot find out, and you run a risk. If you call Sunday night, or when you are expected, you are kept in the dark. The glamor of appearances obstructs your vision. That is what the Spanish proverb means. We only attempt interpretation. All proverbs have a deal of sense back of them. This one teaches that Saturday, especially in the morning, when duty crowds, reveals more of a girl's tendency and outcome than any other time in the week. If she is lolling, and frowny, and tired, and good-for-nothing, looking over faces and turning no helping hand to the joyful duties of the day—if that is the kind of dear sweet girl the searcher is searching for, he will very likely find her on Saturday. So the proverb says. We don't know. We can hardly believe it. But we must be faithful to the proverb.—Franklin Repository