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TROXELVILLE ITEMS.

Phunny Pheter, the correspondent of the "Tribune" from this place takes up the doleful lamentation of the "Brown old grass-hopper."

The winter is past, spring time is here,
But poetry is low, rain and mud;
Which causes people to drink whisky instead of beer.

He puts it in this wise: "Since Daisy of this place has taken up a space in "Middleburgh Post" as big as a potato patch on a six-horse farm, there is not much news left for any one else to write, so I will only give what I caught below his dam in shallow water." He must, surely be a Phunny Pheter, what ever that signifies, or he takes his "Drag net" and casts it right into the "Freeburg Courier" and "hauls" out some of "Gertie's" items, excepting Esquire Middleswarth's exhibition with "Jordan's bear," which is original. Evidently "Phunny Pheter" is not a good swimmer, as he is afraid to reach out into deep water. I suppose he sets upon the motto: "Small craft should keep near shore while larger ones dare venture more."

But, Mr. Editor, the bear story is so good that I have a mind to cast my "drag net" right into the "Tribune" and haul it out and cart it to your office.

"One day last week while Jordan's menagerie was in town, the animals were left in the care of Squire Middleswarth, while the famous animal trainer had business elsewhere. During the absence of the manager the Squire thought this a splendid opportunity to display some of his abilities at handling wild beasts, so he immediately took a bear from his cage, took him to the house of Mrs. Troxel, and made him play tricks in the room. Everything went along smoothly till the performance was over and he was getting ready to leave—the bear being on the carpet—and—well, I don't know the rest—but half a minute later, the Squire, bear and all, came out."

This is a true story and no mistake—but I think Phunny Pheter might have told the readers of the "Tribune" that Millard Schambach sold three horses; that John Zechman sold his splendid little gray mare to Wm. Smith of Northumberland to mate another which Mr. Smith had gobbled up somewhere. John got a good price. She is a good driver. And that Squire Middleswarth had a flax-seed court one day last week; that Robert Fees moved on Josiah Kline's farm instead of moving in with Aurand until his new house is finished; that Josiah Kline is building a new house at the X roads near Simon Benfer's saw mill, and he moved in with Jas. Aurand, his brother-in-law, until his new house is finished; that widow Snook moved in with Irvin Fetterolf, being Mrs. Fetterolf's sister; that W. B. Beam purchased ten bushels "Mammoth Pearl" potatoes, and that Millard Schambach, his farmer, went down to New Berlin and brought them home ready to plant. He is going to raise "whoppers." I think they will take up more space on the farm than "Daisy" took up in the Post. He also might have told the readers of the Tribune that Wagner agent for some firm, did not sell a Burglar Proof Safe to Gross & Manbeck, merchants in Troxelville. Gross & Manbeck never kept store in Troxelville, as the Beavertown correspondent stated some time ago, and which has never been corrected until now. He might also have stated George Smith is laid up with rheumatism and that Dr. John Calvin Shuman is attending him; that there are a great many sick people in this neighborhood, and that Dr. Shuman is kept very busy; that the doctor wears his hat on one side of his head, not that he has wheat for sale, but that a little girl has come to stay.

On Friday Owen Goss, Alf. Troxel, and Charles Mattern, attended the horse sale at Freeburg. Owen bought a fine looking horse at $170. James Mattern handled the yardstick during Mr. Goss' absence.

Prudie and Vickie, J. G. Moyer's little girls, spent Sunday with their old friends and school-mates.

"Charles," the pedagogue, has been won't to go fishing down to Herringer's mill every Saturday afternoon during the six last six years and never got a "nibble." Dr. Shuman was called down that way not long since and caught a ten-pounder the first time he cast his net. The doctor is a successful fisherman.

In looking over the Post of last week I read the closing exercises of the McClure school, in West Beaver, J. Irvin Howell, teacher, and was pleased with the commendable efforts of the pupils of said school in trying to write compositions, with one exception; and yet, some people may probably think she excelled them all. The composition was the best one, it is true, but she should have signed the "Author's" name to it instead of her own. I delivered that address, found in "Kirkham's" Grammar *fifty years ago!* All my pupils in many schools during twenty years committed that speech as an oration. But no one tried to palm it off as original. The teacher should not have permitted to sign her name to it. It is a discredit to the teacher as well as to "Minnie" in the eyes of all intelligent people. I never permitted any of my pupils to palm off a copied composition as an original. She might so change it that very few persons, at least, who do not know about her cleverness, would not detect the fraud. I will say to the pupils, go on; your effort is a laudable one. Study history, biography, newspapers, gather knowledge from every source—only not from dime novels, laying in your minds a rich store of knowledge. Write and tell what you learn as fast as you learn it, so as to retain what you have learned, and by and by you will be able to write upon any subject. By all means become learned and you shall, surely be great: but above all else, love God and serve Him and you shall be happy.

The ladies of the Troxelville new school Lutheran congregation, gave their organist, Mrs. Dr. Shuman, a surprise "pound" party to the number of twenty five, besides Jacob Bingman, Jr., and his twin babies. The ladies pounded Mrs. Shuman with all sorts of good things, and pounded the doctor with their fists. The reason they did this was because he was too cute for them. He is a sly fox and was not surprised worth a cent. That just made these ladies *mad*. I once heard a man say he did not believe there were any women in heaven. I was astonished, when he cooly replied: "We read in the Bible, 'there was silence in Heaven for half an hour,' and don't you know a woman can't keep her tongue still that long?" Well, I knocked under.

Since Foster Smith [illegible] he has no more use for him, therefore traded him off for a beautiful black to his brother, Isaac. Now Isaac, I suppose, will try his luck with the sorrel. Foster is going to farm his father's farm.

Paul Ettinger started out with his show. He carries it on his back in a box. The box contains two beautiful wild ducks, a rare species. It's a sight worth seeing. The price of admission is five cents. He thinks that pays better than labor at $1 a day and "roast beef."

The Rev. W. H. Landis held communion services yesterday in the Troxelville Reformed church and added seven new names to its membership through confirmation—one of whom he baptized, Mrs. Jonas Benfer. Two of them were married, Mrs. Benfer and Mrs. Charles Bingaman. The church was crowded. He preached an impressive sermon. A large collection was raised for benevolent purposes. Good for the Troxelville congregation. About 70 members convened. REPORTER.

Col. Quay, State Treasurer-elect, returned home from Florida recently. In speaking of the good time he had, he said: "We shot hundreds of deer, killed thousands of alligators and caught millions of fish."

Brother Cornelius of the Lewisburg *Chronicle* announces himself a candidate for the Legislature on strictly temperance principles. Our brother would no doubt make an excellent representative and we hope he will make the nation.

Uncle Sam is just putting the finishing touches on four 12 inch guns which measure 30 feet in length and weigh 54 tons. The powder charge will be 265 pounds; weight of projectile 800 pounds; muzzle velocity 1,800 feet per second; penetration of iron plate 23 inches.

The Democratic members of the Committee on Ways and Means of the House estimate that if the tariff bill as prepared should pass, it will make a reduction in revenue of about $24,000,000. That $3,000,000 will be on account of placing wool on the free list. $11,000,000 on woolen products, $5,000,000 on sugar.

Important to Jury Commissioners.

Judge McPherson of Lebanon county has just rendered a decision in a case of an ex jury commissioner against Lebanon county the basis and result of which interests the jury commissioners all over the state. The facts of the case are these: The jury commissioner who brought the suit, when making up the bills against the county made a *per diem* charge for services not only for filling the wheel at the beginning of each year and drawing panels during the year but also for days in which he was engaged in securing names to be placed in the wheel. The commissioner had traveled over the county into various townships to make inquiries concerning the persons whose names had been handed to him, and to ascertain whether they were "sober, intelligent and judicious persons," as the law requires.

The county commissioners disallowed this portion of his bill and refused to pay him for traveling over the county. In his decision, Judge McPherson says that the selection of proper names to be placed in the jury wheel is a duty of the highest importance, that the names submitted to them should be subject to thorough inquiry and judicious sifting, and that it is not only the right of the jury commissioners but a part of their duty to go into the various districts and townships to make these inquiries.

The decision will be read with interest and will doubtless be the cause of an improvement in the manner of filling jury wheels. Jury commissioners will now know that they will be paid for doing their work well.

The election in Pennsylvania in 1886 will be for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Auditor General, and Secretary of Internal Affairs, twenty-eight members of Congress, one at large and one in each of the twenty-seven districts, twenty-five State Senators to represent the even numbered districts, and two hundred and one members of the lower house of the Legislature. The Legislature, which will meet in January following, will chose a sucessor to United States Senator Mitchell.

A most horrible railroad accident of 1886 occurred near Lichfield, Mass., on Wednesday of last week. A passenger train fell down an embankment 200 feet, and only three persons escaped uninjured. To add to the horrors, the cars caught fire

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G. M. Shindel.

We should have Better Preaching if the preachers were all sound and healthy men. Calvin may have had the dyspepsia, but it did him no good as a theologian. A Methodist minister, of Hartford, Conn., writes that Dr. Kennedy's "Favorite Remedy" cured him of chronic liver disease and indigestion. His brethern of all denominations are respectfully invited to note the fact. Sick preachers are in poor condition to proclaim the gospel news. Sound bodies are wanted.

April.

☞Pure Rye, Copper Distilled Mountain Dew Whiskey at $2.00 per gallon or 60 cents per quart.

THEOS. SWINEFORD,
Eagle Hotel, Franklin, Pa.

Candidate Cards.

T. H. HARTER.—Pleasure mention in your paper that we are pleased to inform the Republican voters of Snyder County, that ELVIN M. SAXTON, Esq., of Jackson, has finally decided to be a candidate for the LEGISLATURE at the coming Primary Election. We deem him fully competent, qualified for the position and worthy of the voter's patronage.

JACKSON.

ADMINISTRATORS' NOTICE.—Letters of Administration on the estate Reuben Delong, late of Adams township, Snyder Co., Pa., deceased, having been granted to the undersigned all persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, while those having claims will present them duly authenticated so

JOSIAH NEFHOOD,
April 8, '86. Administrator.

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DAVID GROSS,
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April. 3m. WM. H. SPECHT, Beavertown, Pa.

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