

# The MIDDLEBURGH Post

## AND COUNTRY.

anutt's New Winter, p. 3. Beachler, deputy post-messenger, made a trip last week.

Mattie and Josie Mills of Middlesboro, Ky., visited their many Middleburgh friends last week.

Mrs. Anna Mensch and Anna L. Orwig of Union county were the guests of Mr. Orwig during the past week.

Miss McGee sister of Mrs. Orwig died of consumption at Lewisburg on Monday.

A man ventures an opinion that some one who opposes a man without opposition is without opinions.

The highest cash price was paid for 4 1/2 to 5 weeks old. JAMES ESTERLINE, Middleburgh, Pa.

Mr. Orwig had the second of his left hand cut off at the stump by a sausage grinder while at work for A. Kreeger on Friday.

We are sorry to learn that the late Henry Moyer, Esq., of Lewisburg, aged upwards of 80 years, died on Monday and broke one of her legs. *—Tribune.*

Buffington of York, Pa., is the author of the Post, has a winter article in this issue "Winter Quarters." John has something of interest in his "The only objection to a woman's 'seldom'."

The best man in the world lives in Middleburgh. He weighs 792 pounds, and is 6 feet 4 inches in height. His head of flesh and bones was cut off two years ago, and when he died at Church he puts \$1 into a box and takes a piece to himself.

Some have discovered that a woman's income is possible by keeping the country and complaint against farmers to comply with the law relative to cutting down of Canada. Half the penalty goes to the farmer.

Mr. Orwig had a slight fire on Thursday night, and now the Post, agitates the opinion of a Hook & Ladder at that place. Harter is right, and the citizens of Lewisburg should follow in his footsteps. *—Millheim Journal.*

The total wealth of the country is \$45,000,000,000. No one has any definite idea of the amount—it is simply imagination. The distribution of this wealth is unequal, that while a few are rich in wealth, there are many who have the severest tug-of-war their daily bread.

The *Gazette* in a recent issue illustrated the heroic action of a woman of near Seiglerville by publishing a doe's throat, as publishing a doe's throat. To show the imaginary powers of metaphors, artists, they picture the doe having five-pronged horns, the doe a camel and the body of a doe. This is the first instance of a doe having horns.

Some time ago there appeared in the paper an item to the effect that a woman saw a paragraph in a newspaper in her house and did not rest until she procured a paper to see what had written out. A young man married by his brother, cut a paragraph referred to, and the satisfaction of seeing his brother for another copy of the paper. That is a woman's curiosity. If any man cuts out this paper and gives the paper to his neighbor and by another she will certainly go to the neighbor and by another she will certainly go to the neighbor and by another she will certainly go to the neighbor.

Joel Grohs, one of the Post's old stand-bys brings us a new subscriber nearly every week. Would that the world had more such kind hearted, honest old gentlemen.

Some fellows whose appetite for whiskey overpowered their fear of the law, broke into the salesroom of the Shade Mountain Distillery on Sunday night and stole five one-gallon and one two-gallon jugs of whiskey.

**MATRIMONIAL MARKET.**—The following marriage licenses have been granted by the clerk of the Orphans' Court of Snyder county during the last week:

J. C. Mechtly, Hummels Wharf.  
Annie Heiser, Jackson twp.  
Charles DeLong, Penns Creek.  
Sarah J. Kuhns, " "

Sheriff Brown is now "entertaining" an amorous villain who is charged with assaulting his mother with the intent to commit a rape. He hails from Hartley Twp. but will doubtless be absent from that section for a period to be designated by Judge Bucher at the coming session of court. *—Lewisburg Local News.*

The reunion of the 131st Pennsylvania Volunteers, at Shamokin, Pa., on the 13th of December promises to be a very interesting affair. The officers in charge are making every arrangement, and we expect by next week to give the program of the day. Francis Hoover, Kimber Farrow, W. W. Evert, Henry Shipp, J. R. Boughtner, and all the old boys will work it up in good shape. *—Sanbury News.*

**Goshen News:** "The use of common flour of sulphur—a teaspoonful mixed in a wineglassful of water and give as a gargle, is said to be an excellent remedy for diphtheria. Sulphur destroys the fungus. In extreme cases where the gargle cannot be used, dry sulphur can be introduced into the throat through a quill or burned in the room where the patient can inhale it.

An exchange remarks: A great deal is said about what newspapers ought to do for the people. It now and then might be quite proper to hint that the people ought to do something for the newspapers. If the people would do half as much for their home papers as their papers do for them, it would not only insure a first-class paper in every community, but would more rapidly advance every other interest.

List of letters remaining uncalled for in the Post Office at Middleburgh, Pa., Dec. 1st 1888.

L. W. Brazee, S. G. Simon, Geo. Shipley, Fred Leitzel, Wesley Lizer, Geo. W. Atherton, Atty., Wilson Arbogast, John Aumiller, Messrs. Boman & Co., E. Grant Koontz, Jessie Hykes, Peter R. Graybill, Mrs. Virgie Rauch, Miss Easter Bills, Miss Annie E. Autanson, Mrs. A. M. Pfahler.

I. GRIER BARBER, Post Master.

Grant Shuck of Shamokin Dam spent a few days in Middleburgh last week. Grant is a good fellow though he is something of a dude and hankers after the Antique. He wore a pair of wide, broad-striped pantaloons of the Antique style, and an old lady of Middleburgh seeing Grant cross the street, remarked to a neighbor: "Gook amole der Grant Shuck, Dare muss gewiss sporesome si. Are wart nach fun da gousa olda sort straficha hussa. Dare gebt ocht uff sigeld."

A District Teachers' Institute was organized in West Beaver township, Nov. 28, with T. A. Wagner, Pres., L. C. Wagner, Vice President., W. H. Kanwell, Sec., Miss Mary Young, Asst. Sec. The first meeting will be at McClure Dec. 8, at 9 A. M. Subjects for discussion: Arithmetic, making interest a specialty, R. E. Steimling. How would you teach Physiology? L. C. Wagner. Primary number, Miss Mary Young. Spelling, W. H. Kanwell. Essay, Miss Cora C. Gearhart. Select Reading, L. C. Wagner.

Indian Summer lasts long this year and makes our "December as pleasant as May."

Robert Burdette, on conversation, says sarcastically: Do not continually interject "you know" and "you see" into your conversation. Say, rather, "Savvy, John?" "ketch on to that, cull?" or "Dye tumble, Shortly?" Then the people will know that you have been to college away from home. Never listen to a remark the first time it is made. This will give you an opportunity of saying "Beg pawd'n" at intervals. Then everybody will know that you have been abroad—in your mind.

A young lady may mark it down as a fact that if she flirts and associates with "pick ups," she will soon have no others for associates. No matter how unjust it may be, there will always be the suspicion that those who are not above making acquaintances in this way are not as pure in heart and mind as they ought to be. It would be unjust to say that no pure minded girls flirt. They do, and many of them lose their purity by so doing. Others, although not so unfortunate, subject themselves to suspicions which every woman should be above.

As the gunning season is now open in earnest, sportsmen will do well to thoroughly post themselves in regard to the law of trespass in order to avoid the trouble with the farming community upon whose grounds they may enter in quest of game. There are several acts covering different violations of the law on trespass. Wilfully carrying off or destroying any property—a fine not exceeding \$50 and imprisonment not exceeding 60 days. A destruction of property, tramping down grain, grass, etc., a fine from \$5 to \$100, one half to the informer, the other half to the owner.

Never did the Middleburgh band receive higher compliments for services rendered than it did during the recent Snyder County Teachers' Institute. It used to be considered a "bore" to have band music before a promiscuous audience in a public hall, but the time has come when even our own people assist in applauding the boys to their feet. The novelty and style of their music takes like a whirlwind of late. They have thus far beaten their pathway through the barriers of opposition by unflinching resolution, and a brighter star is dawning, when their services will be appreciated, and, we hope, their labors rewarded.

ALBRIGHT SWINEFORD died at his home in Middleburgh, Nov. 29, 1888, aged 92 years, 1 month and 18 days. He was born in Middleburgh, then Swinefords Town, October 11, 1796. He was the youngest of ten children. After arriving at a mature age he learned the carpenter trade, which occupation he followed until an advanced age, when he opened hotel at the place he resided until his death. When the war of 1812 broke out he enlisted as a private and served to the close of the war. He served as Captain and Major of Battalions for many years. He was married twice. First to Mary Haines and after her death to Mrs. Catherine Wetzel. He was a man of rare ability, very intelligent, honest and religious—never taking advantage of a person knowingly. Up to within three months of his death he superintended his own affairs—even to the extent of repairing his property—which he did with marked ability. He was buried in the honors of war by G. A. R. Post 364, of Middleburgh—the Middleburgh band furnishing the music. The funeral services were held in the Court House, Sunday fore-noon, Dec. 2, where Rev. S. P. Orwig delivered a suitable oration. There remain to mourn his death three children, 9 grand-children, 21 great-grand-children, and two great-great-grand-children—one of them bearing his full name, Albright Swineford Hoch, being the son of John Hoch, Jr., of New Berlin. Thus ended the career of an aged, respected and kind citizen. Peace to his ashes.

"But ah; mankind is unco weak, And little to be trusted. If self the wavering balance shake 'Tis rarely right adjusted." —BURNS

The fountain of perpetual youth was one of the dreams of antiquity. It has been well-nigh realized in Ayer's Sarsaparilla, which purifies the blood, gives vitality to all the bodily functions, and thus restores to age much of the vigor and freshness of youth.

"I use Ayer's Cherry Pectoral freely in my practice, and recommend it in case of Whooping Cough among children, having found it more certain to cure that troublesome disease than any other medicine I know of."—So says Dr. Bartlett, of Concord, Mass.

The sixteenth Annual Convention of the Freeburg Musical College will be held commencing Monday evening, Jan. 14 and continue during the week. Four grand concerts will be given. Prof. Geo. F. Tyrrells Band and Orchestra of Reading are engaged. For information address F. C. MOYER, Freeburg Pa.

The Snyder County Teachers' Institute last week was a success throughout, and ended with one of the grandest treats the people of Middleburgh ever had. We refer to the address of Hon. Henry Hauck, on the "Old and the New." It was Talleyrand who said, "men speak to conceal their ideas," which is too often the case, but in Mr. Hauck we find an exception. He has evidently had the advantages of poverty, at least a farmer boy's experience, and his comparisons were so natural, his *bon mots* so convincing and his eloquence so captivating that the people simply fell in love with him—girls and all. His early experience in school and on the farm was so full of Nature's touches that he made us all kin, and when he was done we felt as though it was just what we all could have said and were surprised that we had never done so.

Six years ago to-day, the first issue of the Post appeared under its present management. Reader, can you see any improvement on the paper since that time? If so, have you shown your appreciation of the improvement by paying up your subscription? We have received lots of wordy encouragement from some but not a cent of money, while others have kindly paid us as promptly as they could and given us the use of the money. Next week is court. Either you or some of your friends will come to town, when you can bring or send us a part of your indebtedness. It cost us nearly one thousand dollars for presses, type, etc., this summer to give you a good paper, and it is not all paid. Will you do your duty to us? We need the money—it is ours—and if you owe us anything on job work, advertising or subscription, please let us have it now.

On Wednesday, November 7th, the day after the recent election, and when it became known that Harrison and Morton were beyond dispute elected President and Vice President, some of the loyal Millheim Democrats drew up a petition and had it signed by 36 of their political brethren, pledging and vowing themselves not to patronize Mr. Springer, the Millheim barber, because he voted the Republican ticket. If we mistake not, Mr. Springer was a soldier in the late war and stood up and stopped Democratic bullets, while some of these self-same 36 "loyal citizens," remained at home and bemoaned the defeat of Uncle Robert E. Lee at Gettysburg. The citizens of Millheim don't need to stop and inquire "what are we coming to?" but "where have we been staying?" They should rise up with one accord, brush the dust from these thirty-six century-entombed toads, get them photographed and have a copy sent to each state to represent the thirty-six cardinal points in the compass of American political stupidity.

**Snyder County Teachers' Institute.**

The 31st Annual Session of the Snyder County Teachers' Institute assembled in the Court House at Middleburgh Nov. 26, 1888.

At 1:45 P. M., County Sup't Herman called the Institute to order. The election of officers resulted as follows:

Vice President, J. F. Keller.  
Secretary, H. S. Stetler.  
Asst. Secretary, G. W. Sierer.  
Treasurer, D. S. Thursby.

The Roll was called by the Secretary, 61 teachers present at the opening of the session. Reporters were appointed from among the teachers for the several newspapers of the County, by the Superintendent.

The Superintendent appointed the following committee on General Resolutions: Jas. C. Shaffer, Juno, A. Strause, Miss Anna Lombard, Eli Portzline, J. E. Rohrer.

Singing by Institute.

Sup't Herman then outlined the work of the week. Sup't Johnson of Union county was then introduced who gave a talk on the benefit of county institutes.

Dr. Horn of Allentown spoke on the subject "weather." He showed that there was reason for the prophecies or signs held by people regarding the weather.

After singing Prof. Noetling of Bloomsburg Normal School addressed the Institute. At a second Roll call, 100 responded.

Monday Evening.—Meeting opened with music by the Middleburgh Band.

Lecture.—Subject, Self Improvement by Prof. Johnson.

Song, Duet.—Master Roswell Gilbert and Miss Jessie Freyman.

Dr. Horn addressed the Institute on the Past, Present, Future.

Tuesday Morning.—Devotional Exercises conducted by Dr. Horn.

The same gentleman then took up the subject of memory culture. He gave illustrations of how he would try and improve the memory of pupils. Prof. Johnson discussed the subject of Grammar, and Prof. Noetling, Primary Numbers.

Tuesday Afternoon.—Session opened at 1 o'clock by Sup't Herman.

Singing. Dr. Horne talked on the subject of Physiology. Miss Anna Lombard of Selmsgrove read a paper on the teacher as a student. Prof. Johnson continued his talk on Grammar and Prof. Noetling on Numbers. At roll call 110 teachers responded.

Tuesday Evening.—Session commenced at 7 o'clock. Music by the Middleburgh band. Rev. Klepfer of Selmsgrove was then introduced and delivered a lecture on "A Family Quarrel and What Came of It." Singing by male quartette.

Wednesday Morning.—Institute convened at 9 o'clock. Devotional exercises were conducted by Dr. Horne. Roll call. Prof. A. M. Wonder then presented the subject of a Professional Reading Course for the County. The question was discussed by Prof. Johnson, Prof. Noetling and H. K. Gregory. It was resolved that a committee be appointed consisting of a member from each district to devise means for a reading course. Committee appointed as follows: Adams, Aurand; Beaver, Aigler; Beaver West —; Centre, Sherry; Chapman, Hendricks; Evidale, Gordon; Franklin, Hernum; Jackson, Snyder; Middleburgh, Stetler; Middlecreek, Musser; Monroe, Strauser; Penns, Custer; Perry, Haas; Perry West, Sierer; Selmsgrove, Gregory; Spring, Shirey; Union, Shaffer; Washington, Wonder.

After the appointment of the committee, Dr. Horne spoke on General Information, and Prof. Noetling on Arithmetic.

Wednesday Afternoon.—Institute opened with singing. Dr. Horne spoke on Habits and Morals. Supplementary Reading was discussed by Prof. Noetling. Singing. Prof. Johnson then gave the Institute an interesting address on the use of a Globe. Hon. Henry Hauck, Deputy State Superintendent, was then in-

duced and by his pleasing remarks immediately brought sunshine with him into the Institute. Dr. Everett of Harrisburg was introduced to the teachers and also made some very pleasing and instructive remarks.

Wednesday Evening.—Music by Middleburgh Band. Dr. Everett of Harrisburg was introduced by Sup't Herman to the audience. He delivered a well prepared and instructive lecture on "Our Girls."

Thursday Morning.—Singing. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. Orwig. Roll call. Prof. Noetling spoke on the subject Spelling, and Prof. Albert on Primary Geography. The speaker advocated strongly the use of Sand Modeling. Prof. Wm. Moyer of Freeburg also spoke on the subject of Geography. Mr. H. S. Stetler, Principal of Middleburgh schools, presented the subject of School Libraries and how to obtain them. It being Thanksgiving Day, the Institute united in singing "America." Hon. Hauck then spoke on school programs.

Thursday Afternoon.—Institute convened at 1:30. The election of the Permanent Certificate Committee resulted as follows: J. H. Willis, H. S. Stetler, M. I. Potter, A. M. Wonder, H. K. Gregory. Rev. Brown addressed the Institute on duties of School Directors. Hon. Henry Hauck talked on Teachers' Salaries. Rev. Brown answered the preceding speech, talking from a Director's standpoint. Prof. Albert continued his talk on Geography.

Thursday evening.—Music by Middleburgh band. Hon. Henry Hauck was introduced and lectured on the subject, "The Old and the New." The lecture was most interesting and enjoyed by the audience present.

Friday Morning.—Session opened with singing. Devotional exercises conducted by Dr. Groff, President of Bucknell University. Prof. Johnson talked on School Room Jottings. Prof. Noetling gave a very plain and practical talk on Psychology. Dr. Groff spoke on the moral training of pupils.

Committee appointed to devise a plan for organizing a Teachers' Reading Circle reported that they had drafted a Constitution and by-laws.

Resolution committee reported as follows:

WHEREAS, We, the members of the Resolution Committee, appointed by the President of this Institute, holding in esteem the dignity of the profession and recognizing the assembling of teachers as an important factor in the cause of education, thereby receiving instruction from exchange of views, do highly appreciate the work accomplished at the 31st Annual Institute of Snyder county. Therefore

RESOLVED, That in our County Superintendent Chas. W. Herman, we recognize an efficient, zealous, active and courteous official, and ever alive to the responsibility of his calling and in the highest degree worthy of the confidence and hearty support of directors and patrons and teachers.

RESOLVED, That we most gratefully acknowledge the services rendered by Dr. Horne of Allentown, Prof. Noetling of Bloomsburg, Prof. Johnson of Union county, Prof. Albert of Bloomsburg and Dr. Groff of Lewisburg, and tender our thanks for their efforts in our behalf.

RESOLVED, That our thanks are due to the following lecturers, Prof. Johnson, Rev. Klepfer, Dr. Everett, Hon. Henry Hauck for their highly instructive and entertaining addresses.

RESOLVED, That we cherish kind feelings to the citizens of Middleburgh for their kind hospitality.

RESOLVED, That as years go by it is more and more recognized as a leading factor in education, therefore we, the teachers of Snyder county in Institute assembled hereby extend hearty appreciation for the excellent music rendered by Stetler's Cornet Band.

RESOLVED, That our thanks are also due to Prof. William Moyer and Mrs. Herman for the management of the choir.

JAS. C. SHAFER,  
J. A. STRAUSE,  
ELI PORTZLINE,  
ANNA LOMBARD,  
Committee.

The Permanent Certificate Committee then reported that they would meet in Middleburgh the last Saturday in February for the purpose of holding examination. The same standard is maintained as last year. Each applicant required to have a thesis of not less than 700 words.

It was resolved that the Institute make some provision for payment of the expenses of Permanent Certificate Committee.

After some remarks by Superintendent Herman, Institute adjourned.