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OWN AND COUNTRY.

There is talk of establishing a bank at Millinburg to be called 'The Farmer's Bank.'

Wanted.—A wagon maker, apply to W. H. COLEMAN, Beavertown, Pa.

Men don't forget the sale of sled stock at the farm of Philip... on March 5.

Several fine Bed Comforts left that were sold at one-half the price. If you want them come quick.

W. H. FELIX, Snyder county cast 934 majority for Local option in 1873. Where she stand next June?

Only three Eider down, Satin-finished Bed Quilts left. Look at them at half price. W. H. FELIX.

Rev. S. G. Shannon of the Lutheran church has resigned his charge and accepted a call near Philadelphia.

We have several thousand old newspapers at the printing office, which we will sell at five cents per copy.

County Superintendent Herman... has been confined to his house for weeks from a severe attack of... He is out again.

Ms. S. Campbell of Millheim stopped off with her brother, the editor, on her return from a visit to friends in Thompsettown.

Ms. Horace Alleman of Selinsgrove spend a week with her many Middleburgh friends—returning Monday.

Boards are in the lead now, especially bargaining at my rooms. W. H. FELIX.

W. Ulsh, the wide awake little merchant is handling a fine lot of salt fish. He presented us a two pound trout on Tuesday which he had caught with a silver hook of Lake Erie.

If you want to buy a new Sewing Machine, see the Light-running Double. All the latest improved attachments. No extra cost. See W. H. FELIX.

For the restoration of faded and worn hair to its original color and gloss, Ayer's Hair Vigor remains unequalled. This is the most popular and valuable toilet preparation in the world—all who use it are perfectly satisfied that it is the best.

Think of it and be quick about it! A Room Suit, eight pieces and bedding and soft-top mattress, all in wood, only \$35.00.

W. H. FELIX, Lewistown.

A beautiful young lady became so disfigured with pimples and sores that it was feared she would never be able to marry. A friend recommended Sarsaparilla, which she took, and was completely cured. She is now one of the fairest of the fair.

South Penn Railroad is dead in the hands of its undertakers, and it is no doubt say, public be d—l, as usual. We have not yet heard anything of the railroad, but may at last be awakened by the shrill cry of the locomotives.

WORK.—The undersigned has taken a course of instruction in the art of hair work in Baltimore, and desires to inform the public that he will be in the Commercial office, Middleburgh, on Friday, February 16, 1889, to receive orders. Waves, bangs and all work manufactured. Venetian hair work a specialty.

C. E. DORSE, Middleburgh, Pa.

TAX NOTICE.—The undersigned collector of Franklin county desires to inform the public that he will be in the Commercial office, Middleburgh, on Friday, February 16, 1889, to receive orders. Waves, bangs and all work manufactured. Venetian hair work a specialty.

AUSTIN GIBB, Collector.

Next Tuesday is Spring election. Send in your orders for tickets.

Second-hand Sewing Machines—any make you want at \$5 to \$10, at W. H. Felix', Lewistown, Pa.

It is announced that the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and "other non-partisan temperance organizations" will hold an Amendment State Convention in the Opera House, in Harrisburg, on Feb. 19.

FOR RENT.—The eastern half of my dwelling house in the town of Franklin (Swineford) situate on Main Street, a few doors east of S. & L. R. R. Station. For particulars call on or address, S. B. WALTER, Middleburgh, Pa.

How pleasant to sit beside the parlor stove and press the maiden's tiny hand and talk of love.

The hours swift winged unnoticed glide. And every care has fled. Until her mother shouts down stairs. You—Jane—come up to bed.—Ez.

"This is the last of a fortune of ten thousand dollars. Beware of rum, cards and women" written on a one dollar note, with red ink was received at West Branch Bank at Williamsport one day last week. This would be a good text for some divine's sabbath sermon.

The following bit of intelligence is going the rounds of the newspapers. We have not heard of it and cannot vouch for its authenticity:

A watch lost by a Snyder county farmer two years ago was found in the throat of one of his cows which choked to death the other morning. She had found it in a straw stack. Instead of that cow winding up the watch the watch wound up the cow.

The people of Selinsgrove are almost "beside themselves" with delight over the rendition in their townhall of the popular drama, entitled "The Turn of the Tide," which will be produced in Seebold's Hall, Middleburgh, Friday evening, Feb. 15th. All should see it.

The Lewisburg Local News published the Post's article of last week about the robbery of Mr. Trutt and gave the proper credit as becomes a gentleman and scholar, but the typo in setting it up said that "Mr. Trutt was too fleet-footed and came home at a quarter stretch of his clothing soaked with perspiration." The question now arises, what is the quarter stretch in a man's clothing? Bro. Focht be careful of your "outs."

"Money is tight," is a remark frequently heard at this time. Not that there is a scarcity of it, but those who have it seem to hold on to it more firmly now than ever before. "Plenty of money to come but none coming," seems to be the cry. What should be the cause of this trouble? There is none, unless that there is a general looking forward to the opening of the spring trade. Every business man seems to think that the prospects are very good for a brisk spring trade.

Congressman Atkinson in common with other Pennsylvania Congressmen has this to say on the question of Prohibition to be voted upon June 18th: "I believe that the Prohibition amendment will be carried in my district by a larger majority than the usual Republican majority, which is about 4,700. I should not be surprised to see a majority of 5,000 for Prohibition. If I remember rightly, all the counties in the district except Snyder gave a majority for local option. The temperance sentiment in all the counties is strong, and the temperance people are generally in favor of Prohibition. They do not think much of the political Prohibitionists, however. The Third party is not strong in the district as a separate organization. The size of the majority for Prohibition depends in my district, I think, largely upon whether the canvass is managed by the temperance people or the Prohibitionists. Two calls have been issued, one by the Prohibitionists and one by the temperance people who do not believe in a separate Prohibitionist party. The temperance party can carry the district for Prohibition by a larger majority than can the political Prohibitionists themselves."

The Musical Convention

The musical convention under the auspices of the Middleburgh Band which closed on Saturday evening, was a success, financially and otherwise. The following is a list of the class:

- PROF. PAUL BILLHARDT, CONDUCTOR. CHAUNCEY KEELEY, PIANIST. SOPRANO: Mrs. Kate E. Bartz, Mrs. Alice D. Schuch, Miss Mary E. Stetler, Miss Nora Kautzsch, M. K. Hassinger, Jennie Bilgshaus, Florence Rhoads, Julia Bilgshaus, T. H. Harker, Rosa Ayres, Mrs. Salie A. Hoffmann, Nabel Grimm, Rosa Vanzant, Lydia Prutzman, Irene Bevier, Middleburgh, Veredilla Steiner, Miss Libbie Dinkler, Irons Reigie, Swineford, Lilla Greig, Miss Lizzie Mousch, Miriam Orwig, Virgie Booth, Ella Bolender, Middleburgh, Maggie Bolender, Miss Hattie Swartz, Lilla Stetler, Townville, Bertie Wittmeyer, Miss Maggie Spangier, Nabel Wittmeyer, Ella Schewe, Mattie E. Prada, M. H. Rosenthal, Mills, Mamie Stetler, Mrs. W. H. Grimm, Carrie Bachmann, Freeburg, Laura Smith, M. H. Rosenthal, Victorie Kehler, Adamsburg, Emma Stetler, Mr. M. K. Hassinger, Jennie Pryor, John Snyder, Maggie Swartz, Charles Graybill, Elsie E. Matzova, Middleburgh, Lilla C. Smith, Mr. W. H. Grimm, Mollie Leuninger, Philip Meyer, Stella Franke, Freeburg, Annie Bawerser, Mr. Frank A. Lohr, Savilla Bawerser, Herndon, Middleburgh, Mr. J. H. Kline, Mrs. G. W. Erhart, Adamsburg, Miss Ella Custer, Mr. H. H. Lottz, Rosa Scherer, Middleburgh, Hattie Kroeber, Mr. H. S. Spangier, Swineford, Emma, Miss Minnie Bowers, Bass, Carrie C. Mousch, Mr. H. S. Stetler, Middleburgh, Mr. J. H. Kline, Miss Mary E. Weist, J. F. Bulch, Kate Bawerser, Charles H. Ayres, Annie Grimm, Arthur Aurand, Freeburg, Miss Lilla Bevier, Mr. C. A. Rathbone, Dry Valley & Roads, Phares Kratzer, Miss Emma Ayres, Swineford, Hartleton, Mr. Frank Reigie, Mrs. H. Alleman, Henry Brown, Miss Lizzie Bevier, William Bawerser, Kratzerville, Mr. J. M. Reigie, Miss Alice Pawling, Middleburgh, Miss Lilla Smith, Mr. Edward Bawerser, Kreamer, M. L. Wagenseil, Middleburgh, Miss Salie Walters, Selinsgrove, Centralville.

- INSTRUMENTS: Mr. Chauncey Keeley, Selinsgrove, Piano; H. H. Hassinger, Middleburgh, Cornet; H. H. Grimm, Middleburgh, Cornet; C. A. Millership, Middleburgh, Cornet; Alvin Gift, Middleburgh, Clarinet; J. F. Scherer, Middleburgh, Trombone; C. Stetler, Middleburgh, Trombone; P. M. Schewe, Middleburgh, Trombone.

CONVENTION NOTES. H. H. Grimm, Esq., was a regular attendant at the convention and greatly assisted the Alto in the heavy chorus work.

Prof. Chauncey Keeley of Selinsgrove won the admiration of the class by his diligent service and skillful performance on the piano.

Jennie Fryman and Charles Rathfor of Freeburg, and Carrie C. Mousch of Middleburgh proved themselves fine performers on the piano.

Frank Lohr of Herndon gave the audience one of the most appreciated treats on Saturday evening that they had during the week. Frank is immense on the cornet.

It would be hard to find two more skilled young cornetists than Herman Hassinger and Clarence Graybill. They are continually winning new laurels for the Middleburgh band.

Among the most appreciated features of the convention was the inimitable performance of Alvin Gift on the clarinet. Mr. Gift is a brilliant young musician and has a bright future.

The band netted upwards of \$50 through the convention. They earned every cent of it and deserve tribute the amount. No one worked harder for its success than the leader, John F. Stetler.

M. K. Hassinger has the "lung power" of a steam engine or he could not get the music out of that old Tuba horn that he does. We hope the band will soon be financially able to buy him a new horn, and they will have a specialist on that instrument that is hard to equal.

Judging from the many calls for P. M. Schoch, and the applause that followed each of his performances on the slide trombone, his return to his native hearth on the eve of the convention was an auxiliary to its success. "Bobby" is a drawing card at every occasion where people appreciate fine instrumentation.

Prof. Billhardt expresses himself surprised with the musical talent he found among the members of his class during the week. They were diligent, faithful, and obedient, and he was delighted with their work. The class, in turn, entertain the kindest feelings toward the Professor and pronounce him a thorough musician and a skillful director.

An object of general admiration at our Musical Convention was the upright Piano, placed here by the Schomaecker Piano-forte manufacturing Co., Philadelphia. The sweetness and volume of its tone pleased the ears of all good musicians present. It is certainly one of the finest ever heard in this community and proved its durability and perfect mechanism by not showing the least effect of the hard usage it underwent.

CENTREVILLE.—We have a variety of weather—rain, sleet, snow and thaw.

Miss Alice Shinkel of Illinois is visiting relatives here.

J. H. Long and family of Beaver Springs, were the guests of H. K. Sanders, Sunday.

Aspirants for township officers are looming up.

W. H. Hartman and wife of Vieksburg were the guests of John Mohr's family on Sunday.

William Sholly, a wide awake farmer and business man of Jackson township, was in town on Saturday.

J. M. Hartman who is salesman in a large dry goods store in Williamsport got a week off, came home on Saturday and joined hands with his old friends, clapping with exceptional vigor the paw of his lady love.

Rev. S. I. Shortiss of New Berlin, occupied the pulpit in the Evangelical church on Sunday evening.

Harry Stuck and Harvey Stahlnecker, two young men of Middleburgh, were here Sunday evening to enjoy the society of their lady lovers.

H. W. Hartly, O. Alexander of Bloomsburg, Geo. A. Fehrer of Williamsport, Capt. J. D. Kise of Philadelphia, and W. N. Heimbach of Beavertown, were in town recently.

RICHFIELD.—Control your temper—Valentine Day the 14th.

William Zimmerman from the West is visiting friends in this vicinity.

Young men, prepare your sleighs; the joint Institute will be in session the 15th and 16th inst.

Mrs. John Amig who has been very ill, is again recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. Burns from Coaledon are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Menno Winey.

Jacob Stierer, has been seriously ill for the last week, of typhoid pneumonia, but last accounts find him slowly recovering.

A little more and the house of Low Womer would have been laid in ashes. This morning the kitchen stove pipe caught fire, and in order to rescue the building, part of the ceiling was torn out.

School is moving along smoothly, with the aid of an organ and violin, it is made a place of entertainment as well as work.

How utterly surprised was that young gentleman, who, after strolling down the street at the gray hours of dawn, had entered his father's house just as the rays of the morning sun were illuminating the whole country with their piercing brightness. Of course he thought it was the moon throwing her silvery beams over all, at the dead of night. Having sunk into the oblivion of sleep, and enjoying pleasant dreams of the occurrences of the previous night, he was awakened by the rattling of the dishes, which he thought no doubt, were being placed on the table preparatory to eating breakfast! Suddenly there came a cry from the foot of the stairs, "Hello! If you want dinner, you would better get up." Whether he ate any dinner is not known. Only so he lost no buggy-whip.

"CLAIR TEMPLE."

Rupture cure guaranteed by Dr. J. B. Mayer, 831 Arch St., Phil'a Pa. Ease at once, no operation or business delay. Thousands cured! S. for circular. tr.

G. C. Gutelius the popular clothier is selling out a lot of fine overcoats, underwear, fur and seal cloth caps at and below cost to make room for spring stock. Do not fail to take advantage of good bargains.

Wait for the Turn of the Tide, and when it turns in Seebold's Hall, Middleburgh, Pa., on Friday evening, Feb. 15, 1889, don't fail to get there and see a rendition of the great drama which has lately won such great popularity in dramatic circles. The entertainment will be concluded with the side-splitting comedy farce entitled 'An Irish Emancipation' furnishing two and one-half hours of solid enjoyment to all who take it in.

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

- Samuel C. Bowersox, Centre twp., Kate M. Boyer, Union twp.; P. N. Houser, Chapman; Ellen Brown, Pallas; James H. Swartz, Chapman; Sallie Herrold, Chapman; Daniel Krouse, Penn twp.; Clara Atraud, Middlebrook; Fred Meyer, Freeburg; Annie Apple, Spring twp.; C. B. Markly, Beaver; Ellen Smith, Cleveland Ohio; J. F. Troup, Kantz; Sallie Dreese, Kantz; Jon. Thomas, Washington twp.; Sarah E. Bickhart, Washington twp.; Ammon S. Walter, Centre twp.; Malinda Young, Centre twp.; J. H. Herberster, West Beaver twp.; Harriet Hassinger, West Beaver twp.

BANNERSVILLE.—Mr. and Mrs. Zimmerman of Steelton were visiting friends at this place last week.

There is some talk of building a new church in Bannerville next summer.

Dr. S. D. Shive concluded not to go away any more this winter as he is kept very busy just now. He has a case of Chicken pox in town.

It is reported that John O. Go-s is going in the grind-organ business early in the spring. Will him success.

We have two candidates in town for our coming election, namely, S. L. Beover for J. P., Henry W. Knapp for Constable.

LOWELL.—The ice cold snap ran the thermometer down below zero. More prospects for ice.

Mrs. Thomas Herberster and son Charles are both on the sick list.

H. M. Ulsh will be home about the 15th or 16th of this month and will remain until about the 3rd of March, then he goes back to N. Y. and remain until the middle of April when his term expires.

The Post should be awarded the contract for printing the salt river passes for the debated candidates at the coming election, for they will be numerous.

Squire Romig is busy hauling ice for the coming summer.

The institute met at Kalpetzer's school house on Thursday evening, and was well attended and had a very interesting time. The scholars are improving under their teacher, L. C. Wagner.

The village black-smith, W. H., wears a broad smile, it is a 19th dish washer.

Arthur Snyder of Lewistown is visiting his parents and his old friends in general in West Beaver.

The show that stopped at McClure last week did not realize as much as they expected, for it was pronounced nothing but a fraud and a humbug, and they took a Pullman palace freight car and left and stuck the landlord for their board bill.

Mrs. Carrie Reitz, nee Fisher, has typhoid fever.

Peter Lisering was seen on our streets the other day in company with Will Ulsh of Adamsburg. Pete has always a smile for every one he meets. U. No.

A Family Squabble.

WILLIAMSPORT, February 8.—One night last week Wesley Stark, a composer on the Daily Sun Banner, took his two children, aged two and five years, from the custody of their mother and brought them to his mother's house at Lewisburg. The wife claimed that when the abduction took place she was under the effects of a drug administered by her husband. On Monday last, learning of their whereabouts, she visited the place with her sister and demanded the children. Old Mr. Stark refused to give them up, upon which the younger women broke through a window and succeeded in obtaining them. Friends of Mr. Stark in Lewisburg organized a pursuing party and telephoning ahead, had Mrs. Stark and the other occupants of the carriage halted at a toll-gate near Milton, in Northumberland Co., where they were overtaken and brought back into Union county without a warrant.

Andrew J. Dill, United States Marshal at Philadelphia, who has a law office at Lewisburg, was retained by Mr. Stark and he advised his client to get possession of the children by any practicable means. Mrs. Stark then engaged the services of Charles S. Wolfe, the Prohibition candidate for Governor, who got the mother and children into his office and kept them there until served with a writ of habeas corpus issued by Judge Bucher. Mr. Wolfe attended the court with the mother and children and as he was returning to his office with them Stark and his friends rushed out of an alley and a free fight for possession of the child.

William Guinter, one of the Stark faction, caught Mr. Wolfe by the coat collar, when young Joe Wolfe, the athletic son of the well-known lawyer, shot out his right in true slugger fashion and Guinter measured his length in the mud in a twinkling. Mr. Leisler, Wolfe's law partner, hit the prostrate man on the head with a heavy law book, while young Joe turned his attention to other members of the assailing party, who had to fly from his scientific onslaughts. The result was that Wolfe bore off the children in triumph, while Stark and his party retreated to the nearest saloon for consolation.

Later on all the parties attended court, where Judge Bucher heard evidence and rendered three different decisions in as many minutes. First he decided that the children be given into the custody of the grandmother. This caused a good deal of dissatisfaction among those present. The children screamed, the women cried, loud murmurs of dissent arose from all sides, and the court rapped vainly for order. Then the Judge changed his mind and awarded the younger child to her mother. Another outbreak was about to occur, and it is likely there would have been a free fight had the Judge not changed his mind a third time and awarded the children to the custody of their mother. Mr. Wolfe furnished \$300 bail for their appearance in court next Wednesday, when more sensational testimony will likely be given. The affair is the talk of the town and nothing of late has created such an excitement. Public sentiment there is in favor of Mrs. Stark. Philo Times.

Rev. Father J. G. Anspach of Millinburg died at 6:15 A. M., on Friday, February 8th, 1889, aged 87 years, 4 months and 25 days. The funeral services were conducted at his late residence on Monday afternoon. His pastoral labors commenced in 1859, and the following is a brief summary of his labors:

"Since commencing his work in the vineyard, Rev. Anspach has baptized 3,407 infants, 547 adults, confirmed 2,681 memberships, preached 1,686 funeral sermons, and performed 982 marriage ceremonies. He preached his last sermon at Ruhl's Church, west of Millinburg, May 4th, 1884, and since then has lived in retirement.