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ITEMS of LOCAL INTEREST

Glazed, or washable Wall Paper, all shades, for sale by J. C. Swineford, Middleburgh.

Dr. Hassinger and wife left on Monday morning for a week's visit in Philadelphia.

Wm. G. Dale and wife, of Hartleton, visited the editor and family on Sunday.

Shoe-makers supplies such as sole-leather, calf skins &c., well below price at Garman's.

Miss Sophia Blecher, of Selinsgrove, spent Sunday with her friend, Miss Maggie Bolender, at this place.

J. F. Reitz keeps constantly on hand a full line of phosphates for spring planting.

Jeremiah Walter left on Monday for Bellevue, Ohio, where he expects to get employment on a farm.

Miss Sue Mensch, after a several weeks' visit to parents and friends in Union county, returned home on Saturday.

A grief stricken family never knows how many real sympathizers they have until it comes to eating the funeral dinner.

To restore, thicken, and give you luxuriant growth of hair, to keep a color natural as in youth, and to remove dandruff, use only Hall's Hair Renewer.

An interesting communication from Jacob D. Sheaffer, of Stella, Washington, reached us too late for publication this week. It will appear in our next.

MARK—Higher price paid for any quality of horse, mule, cow, sheep, goat, pig, etc., always ready. For particulars apply to A. H. Ulsh & Son, Swineford, Pa.

C. Walter of the firm of Runkle & Walter, accompanied by Mrs. Walter, left for Philadelphia on Monday morning to purchase the firm's stock of spring and summer goods.

TAKE NOTICE—Spring is coming when every man's system changes, and to keep in good health you should buy a gallon of J. L. Mark's own distilled whiskey, Middleburgh, Pa.

Many people who pride themselves on their blue blood would be far happier with pure blood; but, while we cannot choose our ancestors, fortunately, but by the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, we can transmit pure blood to our posterity.

WALL PAPER—I sell all kinds of wall paper by the bolt. Persons who desire their rooms papered and who wish to do the hanging themselves will do well to consult me on prices, quality and style.

A. J. CROSGROVE, Middleburgh, Pa.

SOMETHING NEW.—Buy the new Ross's Rawhide and Whalebone Chaps made of solid rawhide covered with continuous strips of whalebone. Warranted the cheapest and best whip on earth. Sold by W. H. Weaver, Middleburgh, James Musser, Hartleton, and W. L. Burd & Co., Swargel, 4t.

Rev. J. Hartzler, Presiding Elder, Lewisburg, Pa., will preach, the third Sabbath, Saturday, April 23rd, 7:30 P. M. at the Baker Evangelical church, also on Sunday at 10 A. M. Communion service after preaching, and on Sunday evening at 7 P. M. at the Leaver church. We extend a cordial invitation to all.

P. C. WEIDENMEYER. I will pay you well to file away our home paper, truly says an exchange. No volume in your library afforded you more pleasure, more profit, more lasting benefit to your investment. It gives you dates of all events which you cannot find elsewhere; marriages, obituary, legal notices, etc. In short, it is a history of that portion of the world which you and your friends occupy.

Miss Clydia Dorn returned from Baltimore, Md., last week where she had been visiting her sister.

Old papers used for putting under carpets and into cupboards can be had at this office.

B. F. Herman and the editor of the Post tried their skill at catching trout in Swift Run on Saturday. They brought home 117 of the beauties, but owing to the late spring they are very inactive and as lean as herring.

The greatest enemies publishers of country newspapers have are the dead-beats who are dummed, cut off the list and never intend to pay. They will go around the streets and curse him everywhere. When you hear a man do it, ask him how much he owes for his paper.

Many rise in the morning with a headache and no inclination for breakfast. This is due to torpidity of the liver and a deranged condition of the stomach. To restore healthy action to these organs, nothing is so efficacious as an occasional dose of Ayer's Pills.

Communion services will be held at the various churches on the following dates: At St. James church, Troxelville, April 24th; St. John's, Ridge Oak, May 1st; Christ's, at Hassingers', May 8th; St. Matthew's, McClure, May 15th; St. Paul's, Beavertown, May 22nd.

James Botteiger, tailor, has moved into the property of Samuel B. Walter in Franklin where he will be found prepared to turn out neat-fitting and well made clothing. In order to introduce himself and furnish the goods at cost—the purchaser to pay the freight—and charge only for the making which will be found very reasonable. All work guaranteed to give satisfaction.

The meeting of the conferrees to select Delegates to represent the Eighteenth District at the Republican National Convention in Minneapolis, held at Lewistown on Thursday, resulted in the election of S. S. Schoch, Esq., of Middleburgh, Presidential Elector by acclamation, and of J. J. Cromer, of Fulton County, and C. F. Espenschade, of Juniata County, as Delegates by a very large majority of the conferrees, every county along the little river, with the exception of Huntingdon, giving them a solid vote. Snyder and Fulton joined hands with the river combination, and the result was that it took but a short time to conclude the business of the conference. Dr. B. F. Wagensteller, of Snyder, and Capt. Thomas B. Reed, of Millin, were chosen alternates.—Lewisburg Saturday News.

From the Freeburg Courier of April 12: "Daniel B. Reigel, who resides as a tenant on the farm of Augustus Springman since April 1st, received injuries from a fall at Fisher's Ferry, Tuesday afternoon, which proved fatal. The particulars as we have received them are as follows: Mr. Reigel was driving down the river with a stallion hitched to a cart, a freight train passed over the railroad from the same direction, at this the animal took fright. At the school-house nearly a mile below Fisher's Ferry the stallion ran across the railroad and came very near being caught by the train. He ran over the embankment, when Mr. Reigel was thrown violently to the ground. The animal ran nearly a mile when he was captured and brought back, meanwhile Mr. Reigel was taken to the nearest house by the hands on the train and the track hands who were repairing the road near by. The accident happened at 7 p. m. from which time the unfortunate man was unconscious until nine in the evening when he died. Two railroad hands came on foot from the Ferry at 2 a. m., aroused the family of Geo. S. Shaffer and informed them of the accident. Mr. Shaffer brought the remains of Mr. Reigel to his home.

Almost Got Away.

On Monday night about 12:30, Harry Focht, and H. W. Reinhart, the two burglars, and Ira Fry, the horse thief, made an attempt to break out of the Snyder county prison, and came very near being successful.

Since Fry attempted to hang himself the Sheriff allowed the prisoners the freedom of the corridors, and on the night in question these three prisoners gained an entrance to the water-tank apartment. Immediately over the tank is a sky-light, through which they reached the roof. Upon reaching it the rattling of the tin on the roof awakened James Lose, one of the other prisoners. He ran down to the main door and called David Stahlnecker, the turn-key, who opened the door, when Lose ran to the back of the jail and guarded the yard door. Mr. Stahlnecker called the prisoners, when Reinhart came down from the roof by the way he had gone. Folk and Fry had already reached the yard by means of the spouting and were trying to get over the fifteen foot stone wall surrounding it, but were promptly captured and returned to their cells.

On Tuesday morning the editor visited the jail and in company with the Sheriff called upon the boys. They were seated in a circle on the floor of murderers' cell enjoying a game of three handed euchre. The Sheriff addressed them with, "Well boys, you didn't quite make it. Make what?" one of them innocently asked.

"Yes; and by the great horn spoon (or words to that effect) you went either!"

There is no danger of them getting away now as the Sheriff's eyes have been opened as to the kind of birds he has to deal with and he will constantly keep several pair of iron bars between them and freedom.

County Supt. Hermann and family spent Easter at Selinsgrove.

THE OLDEST OF THE LINE—George Bowersox, of Franklin township, died on Sunday, April 17, aged 89 years, 10 months and 26 days. He was the oldest in the line of this extensive relationship and was a highly respected citizen. He was buried at Paxtonville on Wednesday.

New Washington, Penn., people are not slow about taking hold of a new thing, if the article has merit. A few months ago David Byers, of that place, bought his first stock of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He has sold it all and ordered more. He says: "It has given the best of satisfaction. I have warranted every bottle, and have not had one come back." 50 cent and \$1.00 bottles for sale by G. M. Shindel, Middleburgh, Dr. Sampsel, Penns Creek.

Charley Hower, the "Jolly Irishman from County Cork," is here again with his bundle of linens "flirting wid de girrels an' pleasin' de woives an' widows wid his fine linen table cloth—six for four-an-half." He is only forty-five years young and is as chipper and handsome as many men at twenty years old. The cause of it all is he looks on the bright side of everything and when he can't find sunshine on one side of the street he goes on the other.

Mess. Cage & Sherman, of Alexander, Texas write us regarding a remarkable cure of rheumatism there as follows: "The wife Mr. Wm. Pruitt, the Postmaster here, had been bed-ridden with rheumatism for several years. She could get nothing to do her any good. We sold her a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and she was completely cured by its use. We refer any one to her to verify this statement." 50 cent bottles for sale by G. M. Shindel, Middleburgh, and Dr. Sampsel, Penns Creek. tf.

Something about the New R.R.

The following is an outline of the proposed new railroad by the Reading to connect Huntingdon with the main line at Northumberland:

From Huntingdon up Stone Valley, by way of McAleavy's Fort, to the neighborhood of Milroy, in Miffling county; thence down the valley north of Jack's Mountain, and through Briningers Gap to Troxelville, in Snyder county; thence down Musser's Valley south of Jack's Mountain, to Penn's Creek, in Union county; down Penn's Creek to New Berlin at the head of Dry Valley, and thence down Dry Valley to or near Winfield, and there connect with the Reading, a distance of 70 7/8 miles.

A survey of the route from Huntingdon to near Milroy, about 28 miles, has already been made and is found to be easy and practicable. From Winfield to Milroy, about 45 miles, is one of the best routes in the State. Westward from Winfield, through New Berlin and on to the crossing of Penn's Creek near Centerville, the route would be almost a straight line, with an easy grade, and through one of the most beautiful little valleys in Central Pennsylvania. Penn's Creek can be crossed with a single span at a point where the rocky banks would afford almost natural abutments. Crossing Penn's Creek the line strikes Musser's Valley and again on a straight line, and almost perfect level along the south side of Jack's Mountain, enters Briningers Gap north of Troxelville, and with a slight curve passes through the north side of the mountains of Briningers, Hevisa and Treaster's either of which may be taken. From either of these valleys the route would strike the lower end of Kishacoquillas Valley, not far from Milroy.

The entire route is free from large streams and would require very little deep cutting or heavy filling. Except the crossing of Penn's Creek, and that but once, there would hardly be a culvert costing \$75, and with timber and good stone almost every mile the cost of the road would be unusually low.

To Hotel Keepers.

At the close of the Blair county license court on Tuesday last, Judge Dean filed the following pertinent advice to hotel keepers in the form of a decree:

We call the attention of hotel keepers who have been granted license to the fact that they are licensed because of the necessary of their house for public accommodation, not only in the sale of liquor, but with furnishing the public with food and lodging. Not all the public by any means care for liquor, all, however, do want good food and comfortable beds and rooms. At the next consideration of these cases we will hear remonstrances by any one of the public who chooses to complain as to any part of the hotel accommodations. Uncleanliness, dilapidated furniture, insufficient or poor food, will be considered ground for refusing licenses. Further, the keeping open of bar rooms late hours of the night will be considered evidence of a poorly regulated hotel and treated as a good reason for a refusal of license.

Quite a number of our citizens attended the Republican State Convention which convened at Harrisburg on Wednesday.

- "MISTAKEN SOULS WHO DREAM OF BLISS."—(S. H. Yearick, Kratzerville; M. M. Herman, Centerville; Austin C. Spangler, Kramer; Laura E. Hendricks, Kramer; Geo. A. Gordon, Kramer; Annie S. Roush, Kramer; John W. Moyer, Washington twp.; Regina R. Bower, Selinsgrove; Thomas G. Burns, Selinsgrove; Emma Stetler, Selinsgrove; Wm. H. Wendt, Mt Pleasant Mills; Lydia Ann Wochely, Centre twp.; William Long, Centre twp.; Josephine Clopp, Centre twp.; H. D. Knouse, Oriental; Cora J. Shaffer, Perry twp.; Arthur D. Shirey, McClure; Martha Reitz, Spring twp.)

Death of Joseph Diehl.

In Washington township, on Monday, April 18, Joseph Diehl, aged about 48 years.

Here is something especially sad about Mr. Diehl's death, and the circumstances connected with it are as follows: He was a member of the Washington township school board which had a session in Weller's school house on Saturday afternoon and evening, both of which he attended and seemed in perfect health. About ten o'clock, Mr. D. in company with Mr. Duck, another member of the school board, started for home. They parted at the gate and Mr. Diehl started for the house—the door of which having been left open for his return. He did not come in, however, and the wife thinking he had stayed with one of the neighbors did not concern herself about it, but when he failed to make his appearance in the morning she became uneasy and went to the barn in search of him where she found him lying on the floor wrapped in a horse blanket. He was unconscious. Doctors Smith, Wagensteller and Tool were summoned who pronounced it a case of apoplexy. Mr. Diehl remained in a comatose state until Monday forenoon when another stroke followed which resulted in death.

Mr. Diehl was a man who was held in high esteem by all who knew him. He was a prominent member of the P. O. S. of A. and Odd Fellows. He was buried in the Wagensteller cemetery at Selinsgrove on Thursday forenoon.

Mr. E. M. Lambert opened a select school at this place on Monday. We hope he will be successful as he is a worthy young man.

Miss Ellen Gerhart, of Yeagerstown, was the guest of Miss Lottie Wagner.

Through the columns of the Adamsburg Herald we learn that Miss Minnie Rothrock will teach a select school at Bannerville. We congratulate the people of Bannerville upon their selection. She has proven herself an efficient instructress while at this place and our best wishes go with her.

Mr. Sherman Warren spent Easter with his parents.

Miss Cora Briningier spent Easter with her parents at Troxelville.

LOWELL.

The late snow has put the farmers back with their oats sowing.

Isaac Matton is slowly improving from the effects of being kicked by his horse.

W. G. Smith is confined to his house by a kick from his horse, but at this writing is getting better.

Ammon Snook had all his oats stolen one night last week. The question is now, "who did it?" Don't all speak at once.

John O. Goss is on the sick list.

If the violation of the fish and game laws were punished to the full extent of the law there would be less poaching. Why is it not done if you know it?

John I. Erb has been suffering for the past week or so with rheumatism.

Sol Wagner sold his farm last week for \$3,150. Emanuel Snook being the purchaser.

J. J. Steely is now engaged in delivering a new variety of seed potatoes for which he is agent. He also wears a white "derby" on his left ear. It's a boy.

No trout catch has been reported yet unless it happened on the day we all rest. U. No.

Miss Jennie Bibighaus spent Sunday at Selinsgrove.

White-washing and house cleaning are in season just now.

Mr. Perry Aurand and wife, of Kramer, were the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Josiah Maurer, near Centerville, on Easter.

Sowing Clover.

The exceptional season affords excellent facilities for sowing clover and grass seed. I have found during a good many years past that these seeds should be well covered with soil, and be put in as early as possible. There are several reasons why the seed, although it is so small, should have a sufficient covering of soil and this is not less than an inch deep. The tender spire of grass and the seed leaves of clover have a small root and are killed out right by a few hours of hot sunshine, or dry wind which takes all the moisture out of the surface soil. I have closely watched the young plants which started to grow from surface sown and uncovered seed in the spring and most of them lay upon the surface with the roots sprawling and vainly trying to penetrate the soil. If the weather should be wet and warm they may succeed in this; but a sharp frost, or a hot sun or dry wind for a few hours causes the struggling root to wither and perish. This may be observed by any farmer who will take the trouble to examine the seed a few days after it has been sown on the surface in the spring, without any attempt to cover it. And it is the cause in most cases of failure to catch and loss of seed and time and a crop, all of which disturb fatally the order of the farmer's work. Sometimes this danger may be evaded by sowing the seed on the frozen ground when it is broken up and cracked with innumerable fissures and the surface raised by the frost. The seed is covered safe, with the first thaw or rain. If a good opportunity is waited and watched for, for this purpose, there may be safety in surface sowing. Just now the open weather offers such opportunities, which should not be neglected; for with every future freezing and thawing of the surface the seed will sink deeper and gain full protection for the roots when germination occurs. And when this occurs the result is this: The young root starts into the soil straight down, while the seed leaves or the spire are protected, and before they reach the light the root has penetrated two or three inches into the soil. I have dug up young clover plants whose tiny leaves have just penetrated to the surface, and have found not only a root, but many of them branching freely and having a firm hold of the soil and three inches long. Such roots have a firm foundation and are safe from harm if a dry season of two or three weeks should happen. And the soil just now is in the best condition for this safe reception of the seed. My plan, however, has been to sow these seeds at any time when the land is fit for the harrow, and either alone or with any other crop, whether it be wheat, rye, oats, barley, buckwheat, or millet, but not later than July, and if the soil is in good condition and the seed is sown immediately after the main harrowing, and is then covered with a light sloping tooth harrow, the crop is safe no matter what kind of weather follows; at least I have not had a failure with seed thus sown for 20 years, but previously there were several in consequence of dry weather or a frost after the surface seed had germinated in the weakly manner above described. Those who intend to sow clover seed should buy their seed at once, and should figure on at least one peck to the acre.

MARRIED.

April 14, 1892, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. P. C. Weidenmeyer, Homer Knepp, Esq., of Alfarratta, Millin county, and Miss Annie C. Smith, of Wagner, Millin county.

DIED.

April 8th, in West Beaver township, Mrs. Catharine Ritter, aged 78 years and 4 months.

On April 19, in Franklin township, Mrs. John Hare, aged about 45.