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ITEMS OF LOCAL INTEREST

The present year will have 300 days.

Rev. Ned has gone to Gordon, to visit his wife who is reported worse.

Ladies and Misses fine zephyr caps almost given away for nothing at Runkle & Walters.

Middleburg is getting water works. They are piping it from the Branch—five miles distant as the bee flies.

Mrs. Spayd, wife of our friend Rev. M. B. Spayd, of Halifax, paid her many friends hereabout a visit last week.

If your potatoes are frozen soak them in a pan of cold water several hours before you put them over the fire for boiling.

We have suits for little woe toddlers. You fond mothers come and see our suits of all grades and all sizes at Runkle & Walters.

Mrs. Wm. Dreese, of Adamsburg, her son Frank, of Philadelphia, and Miss Nettie Spocht, of Adamsburg, visited friends in town this week.

John Eistachart, of Shamokin, accompanied by two lady friends, Misses Carrie Wassmakin and Elsie Rupp, spent Sunday at this place.

Read Guntzberger's quotations of clothing in his new advertisement, and don't forget that his goods must be sold as he is leaving in the Spring.

200 Men and Boys Overcoats on hand which will be sold out at cost for the next 30 days.

Ladies, no matter how hard you may be to please in a coat or jersey. Come and see the ladies' jerseys we sell for 50 cents. Runkle & Walter.

John W. Runkle was to Centre county last Saturday to attend the funeral of his father, Daniel Runkle, who died on Wednesday night of last week.

Mrs. Sophia Stroub, wife of ex-Commissioner S. H. Stroub, of Centreville, died Sunday morning, Jan. 22. She was aged about 56. The funeral took place yesterday.

Dr. I. Grier Barber, of Danville, paid a brief visit to our town Tuesday. He looks well, feels well, and says he does well. We are glad to learn of his prosperity.

OUR SICK.—Mrs. S. S. Schoel is seriously ill with peritonitis. Mrs. M. Z. Steinger has been ailing for several weeks and is no better. John W. Runkle's little son Carol is seriously ill.

Jay G. Weiser makes frequent business trips to Lewisburg where he is interested in a bill of equity. He also makes occasional trips to Juniata county where he is said to be interested in a bill of matrimony.

THRASHER FOR SALE.—An Empire Threshing Machine and Engine, in good repair and in use only one year. For particulars call on or address

WM. G. SMITH, Crossgrove, Pa.

Daniel Runkle, father of our townsman, John W. Runkle, died of paralysis at his home at Spring Mills, on Thursday, January 19th. He was in his 79th year and was a highly respectable citizen.

All those who have used Baxter's Mandrake Bitters speak very strongly in their praise. Twenty-five cents per bottle. For sale by W. H. Beaver, Middleburgh and J. W. Sampsel, Centreville. Jan.

A good Johnstown young man called upon a young lady the other evening. After talking awhile he asked her if she would object to his offering up a prayer. She did not. The young man prayed fervently for fifteen minutes. He asked the Lord to bring the lady to that frame of mind that she would accept him in wedlock. When he concluded the young lady was gone and has since refused to have anything to do with him.

It does really appear as if the back-bone of honest Old Winkler was broken.

In case of hard cold nothing will relieve the breathing so quickly as to rub Arnica & Oil Liment on the chest.—For sale by W. H. Beaver, Middleburgh and J. W. Sampsel, Centreville. Jan.

Texas has fifty-seven counties larger than Rhode Island, two larger than Connecticut, and one larger than Massachusetts. The area of Texas is more than equal to that of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, and all New England combined.

"MISTAKEN SOULS WHO DREAM OF BESS."—The following marriage licenses have been granted since our last publication:

Aleno Arbogast, Jackson Twp. Vasililla S. Spangler, Rantz.

T. E. Hoff, Rantz. Carrie Kessler, Rantz.

Chas. F. Hummel, Shamokin Pm. Nora B. Smith, Hummel's Wharf.

The name of N. H. Downs still lives, although he has been dead many years. His Elixir for the cure of coughs and colds has already outlived him a quarter of a century, and is still growing in favor with the public. For sale by W. H. Beaver, Middleburgh and J. W. Sampsel, Centreville. Jan.

A Teachers' District Institute will be held at Beavertown on Friday evening and Saturday, Feb. 3rd and 4th. A most interesting program has been mapped out. On Friday evening addresses will be delivered by Prof. Hermann Bowersox, Williamsport, Pa., and others.

We learn that Mr. C. K. Sober, of Lewisburg, and Mr. Frank Troxell, of Northumberland county have arranged for three matches—fifty birds, for \$50 a side. The first match is to take place on the association grounds in Lewisburg on Feb. 4th. The other matches will come off at Danville and Williamsport.

The heavy snow storms in the Western States have caused the railroads to become blockaded, and agents in Pennsylvania were notified recently that positively no freight would be taken for points west of Ohio. The sidings are blockaded all along the S. & L. road with empty freight cars.

The statement of the county's finances which will be published next week shows the bonded debt to be \$22,300. The amount of outstanding taxes of 1892 and previous years is \$5,454.95. Outstanding orders and interest \$525.96. Balance in hands of treasurer, \$2,598.72. Liabilities in excess over assets \$14,771.33.

We are asked every week to print from two to four programs for District institutes, and as many times to publish complete reports of the same. However much we would like to accommodate our teacher friends in this respect, we must refuse for want of space, and ask them to be content with a simple announcement and a brief report.

Mrs. S. S. Schoel's pet canary, "Thomas," died last Sunday. He was born in Centennial year and was therefore nearly 17 years old—and the oldest bird we know of. For the last two years he had been blind which caused his mistress to redouble her care for him, and in return he paid her with cheerful song up to the day of his death.

The Centre Hall (Centre Co.) Mills are offered at private sale. The location is one of the best in the county. Mill is kept running constantly, and a competent party can readily double the trade if desired. Trade in grain and coal included. Has all conveniences, siding, and only few rods from railroad station. Only reason for selling, to be relieved from business. If not sold, the mill can be rented for a term of years.

The Tri-County Electric R. R.

An electric railway will be constructed early in the spring that will be of the greatest benefit to the people of Snyder, Union and Northumberland counties. The road will be built from Middleburgh to Watsonstown, by way of New Berlin, Centreville, Millinburg, Lewisburg, and Milton. Ex-U. S. Senator John J. Patterson will bear the expense of the entire scheme, and with his son Silas M. Patterson, have formed a company of which the directors are Hon. W. H. Hackenberg, of Milton, Hon. B. K. Focht and H. E. Gutelius, of Lewisburg, and S. M. Patterson, of Millintown. The route has been surveyed and a charter for the company will be procured.—Wm'sport Gaz. & Bulletin. "Lord, how this world is given to lying.—Ed. Post.

Lew. Troup shot two red foxes on shade mountain on Tuesday, and there are "gobs" of 'em left.

In our article last week concerning the prosperity of the First National Bank, of Middleburgh, we omitted a very important item. In connection with the earnings for the last six months, besides paying a dividend of three per cent, and reducing the premium account \$100, they added three per cent. to the surplus fund, which still left a balance of \$350 as undivided profits.

On last Saturday the board of School Directors, of Franklin township took a vote on their choice for County Superintendent, which of course was Prof. F. C. Bowersox.

The result of the election was that Prof. F. C. Bowersox was unanimously chosen as their choice. A resolution being also passed to have a notice of same published in the Post and News Items. By order of School Board. G. W. HASSINGER, Sec.

The Commissioners of Schuylkill county have been surcharged by the County Auditors with upwards of \$37,000 illegally paid out on contracts for the new Court House. It has been found, too, that while they traveled on free passes, they at the same time charged for railway tickets, and that included in their traveling expenses, which were not itemized, were several hundred dollars for drinks taken by themselves and friends both while at home abroad. The drinks have been disallowed.

Below is a list of the articles furnished each member of the house of representatives at Harrisburg: Small's legislative handbook, brass pen rack, paper and envelopes, writing pads, a very costly ivory letter opener, knife, paper of pins, box of pens, bottle of ink, scissors, bottle of maulage, pens and pencils, hand some gilt-edged leather-covered memorandum book with money purse attached, an eraser, a folding corkscrew, paper weight, hair brush, comb and blotters, besides their salary of \$15 per day and other perquisites.

Springfield, Ohio, should draw the premium at the World's Fair for having the most prolific mother. On the morning of 7th inst., the birth of a daughter to Mrs. Riley Yates of that city was an event in a remarkable family history. The latest addition makes the twenty-fourth child born to Mr. and Mrs. Yates, 13 of whom are living. There are five pairs of twins. Mrs. Yates was 14 years old when she was married, and she is now but 44 years old, a healthy happy woman. The father of this multitude is now 59 years old. The first child born of their union was when Mrs. Yates was 27 years old, 13 years after marriage. But one of the two dozen children died at birth. All the living children are robust and healthy. Another remarkable fact, according to the statement of Mrs. Yates, is that she has never had a physician in attendance at the birth of any of the 24 children. The mother and baby No. 24 are doing nicely.

Friends of the Post.

ROLL OF HONOR.—The following persons have paid their subscription to the Post to the dates opposite their names. Should any mistakes occur in these credits or on your paper please notify us:

- Calvin Bowersox, Feb. 1, '93
- L. M. Kroeger, Nov. 1, '92
- James K. Davis, Jan. 1, '94
- Robert E. Walter, Jan. 1, '93
- D. A. Foreman, Jan. 1, '93
- L. E. Specht, Oct. 15, '93
- J. F. Renninger, Jan. 10, '93
- Mrs. Susan Spencer, Dec. 1, '93
- John Gilbert, Dec. 15, '93
- Mary A. Arnold, Oct. 1, '93
- John Riehl, Jan. 1, '94
- C. C. Seebold, July 1, '93
- B. H. Custer, Sept. 1, '93
- Lincoln Borman, Nov. 1, '93
- D. G. Garman, April 1, '93
- Daniel Zeiber, Dec. 1, '92
- John Roland, Jan. 1, '94
- H. J. Simpson, Jan. 1, '94
- Capt. Lewis Miller, Jan. 1, '93
- J. F. Middlewarth, Jan. 15, '93
- W. H. Snyder & Son, June 1, '92
- H. I. Keiser, Jan. 15, '91
- Geo. Schnure, Dec. 1, '92
- J. B. Foecker, Jan. 1, '93
- J. C. Deckard, Jan. 1, '94
- W. O. Maurer, Jan. 1, '94
- J. P. Yoder, Jan. 1, '93
- Reuben Greenhoe, Jan. 1, '93
- Y. H. Kreebs, Feb. 1, '94
- Peter S. Bubb, March 1, '94
- H. G. Hornberger, May 1, '92
- Reuben Wenzel, Jan. 14, '93
- Howard Leitzel, Feb. 1, '93
- W. A. Hummel, Nov. 1, '92
- Edward Bailey, June 1, '93
- John W. Walter, Dec. 1, '93
- John Spangler, Aug. 1, '93
- L. C. Bowersox, Jan. 1, '93
- Perceval Garman, July 1, '92
- C. E. Lloyd, Feb. 1, '93
- J. C. Hackenberg, Feb. 1, '93

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In reply to our plain facts and clinching arguments, Joe Lombard resorts to his usual silly school boy tactics of exclaiming, "you lie, you lie, you lie." Such actions are beneath the dignity of a Christian gentleman, and stamp him the hypocritical Pharisee that he is. Ask any one of the three County Commissioners about the matter and then see who is the liar.

What we have said and done in this matter was from the purest motives. We had all to lose and nothing to gain in opposing the action of the Commissioners. As a private citizen and friend it was a most painful task; as a newspaper man it was only an unpleasant duty. Mr. Lombard took it up and threw himself at us. He left part of his wool and some buttons. It is not the first time The Post has stood in the last time. Our readers are our clients. If we take care of them, they will take care of us.

Fatal Shooting Accident.

From the Liverpool Sun.

On Tuesday Henry Bay, of Oriental, favored this office with the information that one of his neighbors met with a fatal accident. On Monday Abraham Stroup, Simon Stroup and Wm. Troutman were out fox hunting, and Simon Stroup while crossing a fence on Aaron Kerstetter's farm, shot himself fatally. Mr. Troutman was not far off when it happened, and saw him fall. Just how it happened he cannot tell, but he thinks that the hammer of the gun was raised while pulled through the briars or bushes. The gun was loaded with shot, and the contents entered the unfortunate man's right side in the lower part of the abdomen, and went so near through that some of the shot could be felt on the other side. This happened about one o'clock p. m., and he died in about one hour afterward. The unfortunate man was held in high esteem among his neighbors, and his death is greatly regretted. He was about 28 years old, and leaves a wife and one child.

A Sketch.

For the Post.

FAIENS TOM.—Not long ago an article appeared in the Post describing an inmate, and that article set me to thinking. It went on to describe the individual who is never thankful for anything which the Giver of all good bestows upon him or that which his fellow man does for him. Strictly speaking, he is a pessimist—one who looks on the dark side of everything, and every time, should any thing occur that does not suit him, he will vent his ire in the most unrelenting way. The writer has an individual in mind that fills the bill to the letter, one who never speaks a kind word of any one person, who is never thankful for anything you do for him. This person's whole life seems to be made up of selfishness and profanity. He is especially fond of wreaking his foulness on his superiors in the most public places. There is no shame about him; he has no friends or neighbors, every one seems to loathe and abhor him. He seems to be in his glory when he can curse everybody from the President of our country down to the humblest laborer. To him it appears to seem as if none of our brave soldiers who fought, bled and died are entitled to pension but he. This is indeed a dark picture of him who cannot control his pugnacious spirit. It would appear as if a community would not suffer him to exist in its midst. Nobody believes his blathering and his denunciation of an individual is the highest recommendation a respectable citizen can get. Judas betrayed his Master for thirty pieces of silver—this man will do it for nothing and think nothing of it. Such a man, it appears, would have all the necessary qualifications to become the chief among the infernal imps. STRABO.

Wants to Know.

SWENEGLE PA., Jan. 13, 1893.

FRIEND TOM.—We recently had a controversy as to the strength of the U. S. Navy and the number of U. S. Vessels that carry mail across the Atlantic. Now will you please tell us in your paper

(1) How many (if any) U. S. Vessels carry mail across the Atlantic?

(2) How many Merchant Vessels are owned by the United States or individuals?

(3) Why are our vessels so few and our Navy so weak?

Respectfully, L. C. BOWERSOX.

Answer:—(1) No American vessels carry mail from the United States to Europe. Some vessels carry them from U. S. to South America.

(2) The tonnage in 1891 of United States merchant vessels was 4,684,759; number of vessels, 23,899.

(3) Our navy is being strengthened; our merchant vessels are few because it didn't pay our merchants to own them. It is purely a matter of business; our merchants could better afford to ship by foreign vessels than to own American ships.—Ed. Post.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

I have sold and used in my family for several years, Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and have found it one of the most useful and satisfactory remedies I ever handled. C. H. Lewis, Druggist, Salt Lake City, Utah. For sale by G. M. Shindel, Middleburgh and Dr. Sampsel, Penns Creek, Jan.

BOYS.

When life is full of health and glee, Work thou as busy as a bee! And take this gentle hint from me—Be careful of your money. Be careful of your money, boys—Be careful of your money: You'll find it true, that friends are few When you are short of money!

SELINGSGROVE.

The district convention of the Y. M. C. A. met at Lewistown the latter part of last week. A large number of young men of this place attended. A petition is being circulated among the tax-payers of this town to be presented to court, asking permission to buy a property to be used as a poor-house. This is a move in the right direction, as the poor tax is entirely too high in our town. I am in favor of the movement, providing there is no speculation in it. Several dogs have been killing a large number of chickens for our citizens. Rev. Eckersley is having great success with his meetings. A large number have professed religion. MENTOR.

TROXELVILLE.

Isaac C. Hackenberg got the contract to build the new school-house at \$648. On Saturday, Feb. 4th, the Republicans of this township will meet in convention in the new school-house at this place to nominate candidates to be voted for at the February election. The convention will meet at 1 o'clock. Let there be a full turnout. Chas. P. Erb is home from Huntingdon Co. "Ex-mule-whacker" John A. says, "The royal is the best! and beats powder sand all to sticks". Now is the time to make application for trout-fry. Send to W. L. Powell, Harrisburg, for blank orders, which will cost nothing. Neither will the fish cost you anything. CAL. JOH.

PORT TREVORTON.

could not hear what was transpiring in the vicinity, hence her failure to report last week. Pennsylvania is quite a good-sized state and the climate is agreeable, yet withal, some folks find it more conducive to their welfare to be outside of its limits. On Wednesday, Mother Stroub, another of our aged citizens, joined the "mysterious caravan." She was a diligent toiler in this world, and we have a right to believe that she inherits the glories of an eternal home among the blest. The ice on the river has attained a thickness of twenty inches. This limit has not been surpassed within our memory, and probably not since the glacier period. And the cold wave is still warring, while those who were so morbidly desirous of having it wane, are now clamoring to have it cease. ELSEN.

BEAVERTOWN.

A three year old child of Mr. and Mrs. J. Peter Agler died on last Wednesday morning of Pneumonia. A three week old calf belonging to Ner A. Fees, froze to death one night last week. John Hetrick, one of our most successful farmers, recently dehorned his entire herd of seventeen head of cattle and is very much pleased with change. He says, even if he could, he would not for a number of times the cost and trouble of dehorning, have the horns replaced. The cold weather destroyed quite a number of house plants. F. C. Bowersox interviewed our school directors on Saturday. Mrs. Thos. A. Shortiss and her four children, of Watsonstown, recently visited her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Fisher. Mrs. G. M. Thomas, of Lewistown visited her parents at this place last week. Mrs. Sabine Freed was recently placed on the pension roll with three hundred dollars back pay and a continuance of ten dollars per month. With zero weather for the last month, and our merchant's supply of coal nearly exhausted, hundreds of bushels of potatoes frozen, a new landlord at the hotel who deals out "oh be joyful" too liberally, some of our citizens are happy, while others are very unfortunate, and not so happy. Miss Lizzie Coleman, one of Union county's handsome, and accomplished young ladies visited friends at this place recently. FRANKLIN.