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ITEMS of LOCAL INTEREST

Yesterday (22) Spring commenced. Ladies Spring coats, wraps and hats at Aurand's Millinery and Fancy Store.

John Bibighaus, of Millinburg, spent a few hours with his parents in Middleburgh, on Sunday.

W. H. Beaver left on Monday for Philadelphia to buy his Spring and summer stock of merchandise.

I have just received a full line of ladies, Misses and children spring and summer hats.

LIBBIE DENKELBERGER'S Millinery. William Benfer, administrator of the estate of Enos Benfer, dec'd, will sell personal property at the residence of deceased in Centerville on Saturday, April 8.

Have you an invite? Certainly you have to come to Miss Libbie Denkelberger's grand spring opening of millinery goods, Thursday, March 23.

The P. O. S. of A. will again try the flag raising on Friday, March 24, at 1 o'clock. Inclement weather prevented the raising heretofore. Same programme as announced.

Elias and Henry Hartman, administrators of the estate of John Hartman, dec'd, will sell personal property on Thursday, April 6, 3 miles south-west of Centerville.

Andrew Ayers, of Beacon, Ia., is here on a visit to his brother James Ayers of this place. The brothers did not see each other for 43 years when they met they promptly recognized each other.

Will have more trimmed hats on exhibition next Thursday than ever before, do not fail to come, you are sure to come whether you buy or not.

LIBBIE DENKELBERGER'S Millinery. One door east of Hotel Central.

The preacher in his pulpit and the man who chews the rag, and the mouthy politician with his double-breasted jag, and the doctor with his physics and the lawyer with his codes, can with profit talk in public on the question of good roads.

SPRING WRAPS.—I have received a very fine assortment of the latest styles of spring wraps which I sell at reasonable prices. Produce taken in exchange. The ladies are cordially invited to call.

IDA M. SHELL, BEAVERTOWN.

Subscribers who change their post office on the 1st of April can save us a great deal of annoyance by sending us word, stating where they had been getting the paper and where they want it sent to. Those moving outside of the county must pay up if they haven't done so.

Dr. A. M. Smith, of Adamsburg, called at our office during our absence on Monday morning to inform us that the trout season opens on the 15th of April. Bless you, Doc, we hadn't forgotten it; and if you feel like measuring swords with us by the sport just "press the button" and we will do the rest.

Among the interesting relics preserved in one of the public offices of the old city of Salem, Mass., are some pins that the Salem witches used to stick into their victims, and he seal with which their death warrants were stamped. Modern hypnotism is believed by many to be identical with the old New England witchcraft.

A. J. Welch, of Carthage, New York, has invented a most ingenious rolling apparatus for catching bass, like, salmon and other game fish. It consists of a small glass magnifying tube in which a live minnow is placed and may be kept alive for a whole day. On the outside of the tube are three gangs of hooks—three hooks to the gang, with a revolving wiper to keep the minnow moving. It has been patented and promises to be a most catching bait. Progressive fishermen will do well to send for descriptive circular to Welch & Co., Natural Bridge, N. Y.

Ida, wife of C. F. Sessinger of Philadelphia, and daughter of Prof. Wm. Moyer, of Freeburg, died on Tuesday. Burial at Freeburg, Friday, at 2 P. M. Have not learned particulars.

J. R. Smith, of Milton, Pa., proprietor of the largest furniture store in the interior of the State, paid the Post a pop visit on Friday. Sorry we were not at home as it always affords us pleasure to meet a real live business man.

Jacob G. Smith last week moved his family to Selingsgrove, and F. E. Bower, Esq., is moving his family to Lewisburg to-day where he has purchased a home. He will remain in Middleburgh, retain his citizenship and continue in the practice of law.

SHINGLES! SHINGLES!—We have just received 100,000 Michigan White Pine Shingles. If in need of any please call and examine. Prices are as follows: No. 1 @ \$5.00 per M., No. 2 @ \$4.90 per M.

A. H. ULSH & SON, Swineford, Pa.

During Jay Gould's lifetime he made sworn statements regularly that his personal property amounted to but \$500,000, and upon this amount he paid tax. His executors valued his personal estate at \$70,000,000, and now the state will sue and recover the tax deficiency.

D. G. Seiler, Shamokin's leading produce Commission Merchant, writes us that his business is booming, and that he is getting a great deal of trade from Snyder county. Dan is not only a good business man but he is also a royal good fellow and we always like to hear of his prosperity.

Have you lost a tooth, or perhaps several, where the loss shows, and prefer to have the ill looking space rather than wear a plate? Do you know that Dr. Voelker, of Selingsgrove can insert substitutes to your satisfaction without obliging you to wear a plate, whether you have the roots left or not? Ask him about it.

In the good old days before the war it was a penal offense for a white person to give a slave a copy of the Scriptures. The spirit that enacted such laws survives. B. W. Crowe and his family have been driven from the town of Nebo, S. C., because Mr. Crowe's daughter taught a Sabbath school for Negro children. The reign of intolerance is not ended in the South.

LIVE STOCK WANTED.—We will guarantee 13 cents or better per pound for old, live fowls and ducks, up to March 24th, and 40 cents per pair for old, live pigeons, up to April 10th, quantity no object. Our commissions for selling are 5 per cent, money and empties guaranteed, correspondence solicited.

BICKEL & MILLER, No. 12 Vine St., Phila.

An oak tree thirty inches in diameter was recently cut down in Hares Valley, Huntingdon county. S. B. Green blocked the tree and with the aid of a glass counted its yearly growths and found that it was 436 years old. As this tree was alive during the life of Columbus and thirty-five years before he discovered America, a section may be taken to Chicago and be exhibited at the Columbian Exhibition.

Did you ever notice that the hands on the clock and watch signs in front of jewelry stores pointed to 17 minutes past 8, asks the Inter-Ocean. And did you ever ask why? It may not be new to you, and it may be universally known, but I was very much impressed the other day by the answer of a jeweler. He said: "There's not a town in America that has not that sign marked at the same time. And I may say there's not a business block in the town without it. Certainly, if there's a jeweler in the block with the dummy sign instead of the running clock, it points to those figures. It is in commemoration of the hour and minute that Lincoln was assassinated on April 14, 1865."

FISHERMEN CAN SPEAR FISH.—In the State Senate the other day Senator Logan's bill to prevent the spearing of fish in any of the waters of this Commonwealth, by the use of the torch light, or erecting or placing any tent or house on the ice or any other device to be used for the purpose of taking or catching fish with a spear, was defeated.

J. Kohler Peck is not a candidate for Sheriff. If nominated he would sweep the county like a whirlwind, but unfortunately his own township (Chapman) has a light Republican vote, and his many Democratic friends who would like to vote for him at the general election have no voice in the primary. We make this reply to the many questions asked us concerning his candidacy.

The large bank barn of Isaiah Walter, about 1/2 mile south-west of Centerville was destroyed by fire on Sunday morning the 19th. The fire was discovered between 1 and 2 o'clock, nothing was saved but the live stock and some of the harness. The origin of the fire is not known, supposed incendiary. Have not heard amount of loss. Insured in the Beavertown Company.

Most persons would say that the horse is more valuable than the mule, but a recent bulletin of the agricultural department sets forth that the average mule in this country is worth \$70.68 while the average horse is worth only \$61.23. Though he has neither hope of posterity nor pride of ancestry, the average mule has two advantages over the average horse—his can kick more rapidly and can be sold for more cash.

The Bethlehem Iron company's employees may feel comfortable in their hands for some time to come. The heavy armor plate ordered by congress for vessels of the new navy will require five years to complete. Two million dollars worth of this heavy armor has been ordered from the Bethlehem company, and \$1,800,000 worth from the Carnegie company. Meantime let us hope the United States will have no war on her hands for the next 5 years at least.

ANNOUNCEMENT.—On Saturday next, at 2 P. M., there will be confirmation and preparatory services held in the Union church by the Pastor of the Lutheran congregation. Sunday morning, at 10 A. M., the holy sacrament will be administered. To these services the members and friends are cordially invited, and let each come with the sentiment of Peot Cowper:—

Best us, Emanuel, here we are, Waiting to feel thy touch Deep-wounded souls to thee repair. And, Saviour, we are such.

PASTOR.

"MISTAKEN SOULS WHO DREAM OF BLISS."—The following marriage licenses have been granted since our last publication: (John E. Bolender, Adamsburg, (Ophelia C. Youngman, " (Jacob S. Newman, Meiserville, (Catharine Portzline, Oriental. (D. B. Crossgrove, Limestone twp. (Cora A. Wier, " (J. O. Hackenberg, Middlecreek, (Alice M. Helfrich, " (Chas. W. Stahl, Shamokin Dam, (Gertie D. Coryell, " (John I. Erb, West Beaver twp., (Annie M. Goss, " (Galen G. Goss, West Beaver twp., (Mary E. Erb, "

In a late opinion the Supreme Court says that if an engineer on a railroad engine, approaching a point where it is his duty to sound a whistle, as required by the statutes, observes near by on a highway, a man struggling with a team of horses hitched to a wagon, and can see from the surroundings that sounding a whistle will make the team unmanageable and greatly endanger the team and man, it is his duty to desist until the danger point is passed, or if necessary to stop the train, and if he does not but needlessly sounds the whistle and permits the steam to escape, causing them to run away, the company is liable for the injuries inflicted.

Grand-mother Breon, widow of David Breon, deceased, of Middlecreek township, visited Jacob Gilbert, Esq., and family several days this week.

Prof. H. S. Gilbert, principal of the North Hope (Pa.) University, and W. F. Smith, Prothonotary of Centre county, paid their cousin, Jacob Gilbert, Esq., a visit on Monday. Mr. Smith left on Monday evening to attend to his official duties at Bellefonte, and Mr. Gilbert remained until Tuesday morning when he left for Williamsport where he intends taking unto himself a better-half.

Everett girls are very considerate and practical as well as free from mock-modesty. One evening recently while a young man and his best girl were snugly seated in a sleigh drawn by a spirited horse, the harness broke, and being pretty far from home and nothing to fix it, the young lady produced one of her garters and handed it to her escort, who immediately repaired the broken harness and they happily proceeded onward.

There is considerable excitement among Worlds Fair people in Washington over a development. By a remarkable and unexplainable mistake in writing the official draft of the World's Fair appropriation the women's board is given absolute control of the \$570,000 for the World's Fair premiums and rewards, and also it would seem the entire power to appoint all the Jurors, male and female, and the power to grant all rewards and premiums at the World's Fair is by the draft given to women. The error came by the clerk inserting the words, lady managers, in the wrong space.

That old established cough remedy, Down's Elixir, still more than holds its own in the public estimation, despite sharp and active competition. It is a "home remedy," and in this locality needs no words of praise from us, so well and favorably known is it. It is the standard remedy for coughs, colds and all throat troubles, with great numbers of our people, and their continued use and unsolicited recommendation of it speaks volumes in its favor.—Burlington, Vt., Free Press, January 26, 1882. For sale by W. H. Beaver, Middleburgh, and J. W. Samsel, Centerville, March.

The bill to prohibit the killing of wild deer in Pennsylvania or having the same in possession for a period of three years passed the House finally on Tuesday and was sent to the Senate. We hope the Senate will have better sense than the House has shown and defeat it. It is the health-giving effects of the fall outfit more than the meat they bring back that makes our hunters opposed to the bill, and just such goggle-eyed, blue-bellied, cheese-and-apple-butter sentimentalists who are too lazy to pursue the deer and don't know what the people want are the ones that would vote for such a bill. We are beginning to think that our legislature should be sent to the World's Fair and exhibited as a freak, and a general bill passed to abolish the farce for twenty years!

The Pennsylvania Company is about to discard the old method of stamping tickets with ink and will punch the year and day clear thro' the ticket by means of powerful stencils. This is done to keep scalpers and others from altering the date and thus extending the limit of mileage books and excursion tickets. The new method was put in practice last week. The orders state that all tickets are to be stamped as prescribed. When one thinks of the thousands of special excursion tickets sold on July 4 and other occasions, the work devolving upon the agent may be imagined. A peculiar feature is that the month does not appear. Everything is reckoned in days of the year. "20th, 43d or 251," as the case may be. Following the day stamp is the final figure of the year, "93" remaining until January.

Business Men No Good.

Postmaster General Bissell is accredited with the announcement that no local business men need apply for post offices under his administration. He objects to commissioning local business men as postmasters, for the reason that the actual duties are performed by irresponsible and often incompetent clerks and substitutes. Postmasters under Mr. Bissell must promise to devote their entire time to the work and personally keep strict office hours.

Since Mr. Bissell objects to the appointment of careful, trained, methodical business men as postmasters we are anxious to know whether his ruling is not putting a premium on the loafer of the community. John Wanamaker, one of the busiest, biggest business men of the times, made one of the best postmaster generals the country ever had; but according to Mr. Bissell's ruling such appointments are a mistake. In the past four years the post office department and service was greatly improved and every fair, honest man must admit that Mr. Wanamaker's private business nor the interests of the country suffered. We think here is a good object lesson for the new administration to study. If Mr. Bissell will succeed in his new department as well as the busy, business man and famous Philadelphia merchant did, and we hope he will still even do better, the entire country will owe him.

Job Kloes caught a large fish otter in a set-net under the iron bridge across Middlecreek at Samuel Hassinger's, three miles west of Middleburgh, on Monday of this week.

Benneville Smith, who has been clerking at Renova, was called home last week on account of his mother who received a severe fall, and since he is home he has been offered a clerkship in W. W. Wittemyng's store which, we are pleased to learn, he has accepted.

Two large set-nets ornamented the gutter on the public square in Middleburgh on Wednesday morning. The drainage has been imperfect in this locality owing to the tiling being frozen up, and some were had set the nets as a burlesque on the "city dads." Supervisor Hare lifted the nets about eight o'clock, but one of them had a hole and the suckers had all escaped into the bar-room.

"Whether you handle a pick or pen, a wheelbarrow or a set of books, dig ditches or edit a paper, ring an auction bell or write funny things, you must work," says a self made man. "If you look around you, you will see the men who are the most able to live the rest of their days always work the hardest. Don't be afraid of killing yourself with work. It is beyond your power to do that. Work gives an appetite for meals; it leads solidly to your slumbers; it gives the appreciation of a holiday. The busier you are, the less drowsy you will get into, the sweeter will be your sleep, and the better satisfied the world will be with you."

We are glad to learn that President Cleveland has revoked his decision to discriminate against the Democratic country editors in the matter of appointments. This would be the grossest ingratitude. The country editor is the political pack-mule of the period. Politicians, as a rule, use their brain and brawn for all they are worth, and after they have stepped from their shoulders into Congress or the Senate they pay everything down to even their whiskey bills, while the country editors' claims go unheeded and are finally repudiated. No; we thought Grover Cleveland had too much good common horse sense to go back on the country editor, and we are glad to see that our confidence in him has not been misplaced.

P. R. R. Excursions

A SOJOURN IN THE SOUTH AND A PILGRIMAGE TO THE FAR WEST VIA THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

On March 23rd the last personally-conducted tour to Florida will leave New York and Philadelphia. Tourists have the option of returning on any regular train prior to May 31st, 1893, \$50 from New York, \$48 from Philadelphia, and proportionate rates from other points, cover, in addition to round-trip transportation, all necessary expenses en route going.

On March 23rd the last California tour leaves the East for the most wonderful and delightful trip it is possible to make in this country.

A Tourist Agent and Chaperon accompany each party and everything possible is done for the comfort and entertainment of the tourists. All information regarding rates, routes, &c., may be obtained on application to the Tourist Agent, Pennsylvania Railroad Company, 233 South Fourth Street, Philadelphia, 849 Broadway, New York, 800 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, or Ticket Agents of the company.

A Remarkable Record.

During Postmaster General Wanamaker's administration, the revenues of the Post Office Department have experienced a total increase of over \$70,000,000, an unexampled record. In the same period more than 10,000 new offices have been established.

68,000. The money order office has increased from 8,111 on June 30, 1888, to 18,079 on March 1, 1893, and the free delivery offices from 358 to 405. In all his public labors Mr. Wanamaker has displayed the same intelligent care and business aptitude that has marked the management of his private affairs.

Cholera in Pennsylvania.

Swickley, Penn.: We had an epidemic of cholera, as our physicians called it, in this place lately and I made a great hit with Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. I sold four dozen bottles of it in one week and have since sold nearly a gross. This Remedy did the work and was a big advertisement for me. Several persons who had been troubled with diarrhoea for two or three weeks were cured by a few doses of this medicine.

P. P. KNAPP, Ph. G. 45 and 50 cent bottles for sale by G. M. Shindel, Middleburgh, and Dr. Samsel, Penns Creek, druggists. March.

Rheumatism Quickly Cured.

Three days is a very short time in which to cure a bad case of rheumatism; but it can be done, if the proper treatment is adopted, as will be seen by the following from James Lambert, of New Brunswick, Ill.: "I was badly afflicted with rheumatism in the hips and legs, when I bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It cured me in three days. I am all right to-day and would insist on every one who is afflicted with that terrible disease to use Chamberlain's Pain Balm and get well at once." 50 cent bottles for sale by G. M. Shindel, Middleburgh, and Dr. Samsel, Penns Creek, druggists. March.

MARRIED.

March 11, by J. H. Bachman, J. P., Calvin Walter to Miss Fannie V. Stuldnecker, both of Centre township.

DIED.

March 14, in Limestone township, Union county, Mrs. Esther Maurer, aged 84 years and 23 days.

March 8, in New Berlin, Elwood Grant, infant son of Edward A. and Mary E. Engle, aged 1 month and 1 day.

"The rosebud we cherished Has withered and perished, Though nourished by fountains of love, He has crossed the dark river, And gone to the Green To bloom in the garden above."