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ITEMS of LOCAL INTEREST

Our town was well filled with hotel proprietors last Friday.

A full line of ladies' and men's dress shoes at Meiser and Yoder's.

Hotel Shikellimay will re-open about the second week in June.

P. C. Hartman and wife spent Sunday at Centreville with the former's parents.

Window shades, poles and curtains, at astonishingly low prices at Meiser and Yoder's store, Globe Mills, Pa.

The U. B. Mite Society will hold a Festival in their church on Monday and Tuesday evening of court week.

Pure manilla binder twine @ 9 1/2 cts., Pure sisal, @ 7 1/2, at Harley & Bashoar's, Beaver Springs, Pa.

The members of the Reformed church of this place celebrated the Lord's supper on Sabbath morning.

The contract for erecting the new bank building was awarded to W. C. Huffman and Sons, architects from Williamsport.

J. C. Swineford, the paper hanger, has a choice lot of paper on hand from last year which he will sell at cost.

Aaron Sheaffer, Mrs. Wm. Good, Mr. and Mrs. Dole Meiser and David Snyder, of Strouptown are on the sick list.

Miss Ada Hosterman, of Woodward was the guest of her young friend Miss Bertha Kindt, a few days last week.

As O. Gaugler, Asst. Postmaster, at Selinsgrove, Penna., were in town on Sunday.

One reason why some preachers do not reach the masses is because they get up in the church steeple to write their sermons.

The "Never Fail" is the Franklin Roller mill's popular brand of flour. It has an enormous sale and if you wish an excellent article try "Never Fail."

Jonathan Kerstetter of McKee's Falls died last Tuesday. He was for many years engaged as stage driver between his home and Middleburgh.

Read in to-day's paper what Portfolio No. 2, of Famous War Pictures contains. Nothing better can be found for studying or teaching the History of the Civil War.

New Goods! Miss Libbie Dunkelberger has just returned from the city with a full supply of Millinery goods. All the very latest styles can be seen at her place of business.

SHINGLES! SHINGLES!! I have just received 100,000 No. 1, 2 and 3 1/4-inch White-pine Shingles. Call and see them before buying elsewhere.

F. H. MAURER, New Berlin, Pa.

Bellefonte's chief burgess has issued an order that all nickle-in-the-slot machines must go, and Bellefonte is now clear of the money-enticing schemes which have been such a craze.

The youngest editor in the world is Lady Majorie Gordon, daughter of the Countess of Aberdeen. She is still in her early girlhood, and conducts a child's magazine called *Woe Willie Winkle*.

Quick sales, small profits, and neat work is Libbie Dunkelberger's motto. She spares no pains to render satisfaction to the most fastidious taste and the keenest eye. Call and see the excellent display of new goods.

The most conspicuous fact in the exercise of the suffrage by women, where they have it, is that women as a class will not vote for candidates of notoriously bad moral character. Both parties find it necessary to nominate their best men, in order to obtain the support of the women. The testimony on this point from Wyoming and Kansas is abundant, unanimous and conclusive. Even the recent election returns from New Zealand tell the same tale.

Meiser and Yoder carry a full line of fancy dress goods.

H. Burns Smith of Lewsburg spent last Friday in town.

Those interested in bicycles can see an assortment of wheels at Ullsh and Kreeger's.

Have you seen Meiser and Yoder's large assortment of shirts, sackcoats and overalls? An A. No. 1 pair of pants for 50 cts.

A committee appointed by the General Conference of the Lutheran Church, to revise the literature of the Lutheran Hymnal, has cut out over a hundred of the old hymns.

Up to the times! Ladies' hats tastefully trimmed. A side line of notions, kid gloves, Swiss embroideries, insertion, ladies' laundered waists, chemisettes, neckwear and other new goods have been added to my stock. Libbie Dunkelberger.

Middleburgh will send quite a number of delegates to the Snyder County Sunday School convention at Beavertown next week. All the Sunday schools in the county should send delegates. The annual conventions are a source of great benefit to the sabbath school work.

Major William H. Egle, surgeon of the Third Brigade, N. G. P. will read a paper before the annual convention of the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States at Washington this week. His subject will be "The Rise of the Medical Department in Pennsylvania."

I have been to Phila. and have selected a beautiful line of Summer goods, Hats, Bonnets, caps, Ladies' waists, Boys' waist, Miere silk for dress trimmings. Also lace trimmings, Child's dresses and a lot of other goods. All are invited. Mrs. E. C. AUBAND.

The Grand Army Posts of the county are again making extensive preparations for the annual observance of Memorial Day. The old soldiers are rapidly passing away and the ranks are gradually yet surely thinning out. Memorial Day was established May 30, 1868.

The Famous War Pictures are continuing to grow into popular favor. Every mail is bringing in orders for this great work of art.

We still have a supply of Portfolios No. 1. There are Sixteen Portfolios in this series. Portfolio No. 2 will be ready for delivery Friday morning, May 4th. Those who have not ordered No. 1 should do so at once.

A case of small-pox exists at the county almshouse at Lewistown. The patient is a tramp that came there one day last week. He has been isolated and the inmates have all been vaccinated and every effort is being made to prevent the spread of the disease. The man came from Chicago and confesses he had been where the disease was prevalent. He had three companions when he came there, but they went on east.

The Freeburg Musical College opened on Monday evening. The exercises consisted of a number of choice musical selections and addresses by Prof. D. S. Boyer, Geo. W. Wagenseller, Rev. Schnable, Dr. Smith, H. B. Moyer and Prof. Wm. Moyer. The School is filled to overflowing, it having more students than at any previous session. The class was arranged on the stage in a semi-circle during the exercises and so well filled was the stage that the institution has proven to be in a most prosperous condition.

There is to be no more dropping of letters into mail cars. The Postmaster General has issued an order that hereafter mail will not be taken on the railroad mail cars unless it first passes through the postoffice. The order was made necessary because so many business men in the neighborhood of railroad depots in all localities mailed their letters on the train to save them the trouble of going to the postoffice, and it made a large amount of extra work for the railway mail clerks. Time was taken up in stamping letters that was needed in sorting out mail between stations.

REV. S. P. KINDT IS KILLED.

A deep gloom was spread in our midst on last Thursday morning when it was learned that Rev. S. P. Kindt was hurt and would probably die. The parson was standing in the lot near his residence witnessing some workmen drilling a well. A long rod used for the purpose of drilling was in a vertical position at the machine. The rod accidentally fell and Mr. Kindt, desiring to escape the falling iron and hastening to get away, ran into in the same direction the heavy iron was falling. The rod, after acquiring considerable headway by the fall, struck Mr. Kindt upon the back of the head and knocked him senseless to the earth. He was carried to his residence where he was properly cared for by his family and neighbors. A gash about 3 inches long was forced through the covering of the skull and no doubt, the skull was fractured. At no time after the accident was Mr. Kindt conscious and on Friday morning at 6 o'clock he passed from life to eternity, while at his bed side were his three small boys, his daughter and his faithful wife bemoaning the loss of a kind father and an affectionate husband. Rev. Kindt was an Evangelical Minister of the Eschertie faction and less than a month ago, he came to this place from Millheim Centre Co. to serve the people of his charge in this place. His stay with us was very short, but the many warm and complimentary expressions for the deceased are but a proof of his growing popularity here. We are unable to explain why so useful a man should be so quickly removed from the activities of life, but the mysteries of a Divine Providence are too deep for us to fathom.

On Saturday morning, after appropriate services at the residence of the departed, the remains were taken to the depot and conveyed from thence to Orwigsburg, Schuylkill county. The funeral services and internment took place in Orwigsburg on Tuesday of this week. Aged 41 years 3 months 13 days. The sympathies of the entire community are with the bereaved family.

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:

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| A. M. Houtz, | June 1, '94 |
| F. C. Spaid, | April 1, '95 |
| C. P. Fiss, | April 1, '94 |
| H. J. Simpson, | Jan. 1, '94 |
| John Spaid, | March 1, '94 |
| J. C. Hackenburg, | May 1, '94 |
| S. L. Brower, | Oct. 13, '94 |
| Mrs. J. N. Seebold, | May 1, '94 |
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| Sol. App, | May 1, '95 |
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| Harley & Bashoar, | May 1, '94 |
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| C. H. Steininger, | Feb. 1, '95 |
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| B. H. Custer, | March 1, '94 |
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| Phares Bowersox, | Aug. 1, '94 |
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| Geo. E. Fisher, | May 1, '95 |
| A. H. Klose, | March 1, '93 |
| F. P. Walter, | Jan. 1, '95 |
| David A. Young, | Nov. 1, '94 |
| Elias Hartman, | June 1, '95 |
| D. N. App, | April 1, '93 |
| Miss Lizzie Mitchell, | Feb. 15, '94 |
| Tillman Weider, | June 15, '94 |
| J. J. Shradler, | April 1, '95 |
| E. J. Boush, | May 1, '94 |
| Geo. Dreese, | April 1, '94 |

AN ATTEMPT TO MURDER.

THREE ROBBERS TRY TO KILL JACOB LUDWIG ON MONDAY MORNING.

One of the most dastardly attempts to murder a man was committed on Monday morning near Quaker Run, Juniata county, near the border of our county. Harry Focht, Ira Fry, and Frank Zechman had secreted themselves in Jacob Ludwig's barn and when Mr. Ludwig came out to feed the horses, the three above mentioned pounced upon him. Mr. Ludwig managed to tear himself loose sufficiently to grasp his revolver, when shooting over his shoulder, he shot one of his assailants. During the struggle, one of the three yelled, "stab him, stab him." Mrs. Ludwig alarmed the neighborhood by blowing a horn. The would-be murderers and robbers made their escape. The news of this bold attempt to murder was heard throughout the neighborhood and an entire host of them volunteered to go in search of the fugitives. Fully 150 persons started in pursuit and captured the three men on App's farm near Oriental. During the conflict connected with the capture, Fry and Zechman were both shot, the one, twice and the other, three times. Focht put up his hands and surrendered. Hence, he was not shot. The gang was asked if they were at Ludwig's in the morning. They refused to answer. Fire arms were leveled at their heads. The robbers then admitted that they had been at Ludwig's that morning for the purpose of killing Mr. Ludwig.

These admitted having stolen goods from...

Thomas Tressler and a number of other persons. The robbers said the stolen goods were hid in the woods near Ludwig's. The goods were found there and what have not been returned is said to be in the possession of Mr. Updegraph, at Knousetown. He has a pair of bracelets which is supposed to be the one mentioned in last week's Post as having been stolen from Josiah Maurer at Globe Mills. He has a number of other valuable articles which he will be glad to return to the owners. Five or six houses in Snyder county have been robbed within the last ten days and it is believed that Focht, Zechman and Fry are the perpetrators of them all. The robbers are now in the Milltown jail awaiting trial.

Focht is originally from Juniata county and is well known in Snyder county as he has served a term in our jail here. Ira Fry is from Jackson township, Snyder county and two years ago he stole a horse near Centreville. Frank Zechman is from Franklin township and is known to many of our readers. The account of this tragedy has been given to us by one of the capturing party—and hence we consider it reliable information.

On last Friday night burglars entered the residence of Jesse Schambach along the road from Middleburgh to Centreville. They stole a watch valued at \$15, four pies, a loaf of bread and some lemons. The repeated robberies in this section of the county are significant of something. Suspicion rests pretty generally upon the same persons who were arrested near Oriental on Monday.

We notice that the Middleburgh Post locates the Newton Hamilton Campmeeting in this county. Better revise your studies of local geography, friend Wagenseller, or you'll have the heavy-weight of the Newton Hamilton Standard don his war paint. *Milltown Herald*.

We never had any idea that Newton Hamilton was moved to Bro. Allison's county, but through a typographical error, the Post said Juniata County Campmeeting instead of Juniata Valley Campmeeting. If we were looking for some good choice Milltown fish stories, we certainly would not go to the Newton Hamilton Campmeeting.

Are About Good Roads.

Some weeks ago, we gave an exhortation to supervisors in reference to improving the public roads.

Much has been said and written throughout the United States, in the last year or two, of road reform, and a great deal of progress has been made in that direction, the best proof of which is the interest manifested by the people on this subject. The public, in most localities, is demanding better roads, and in whatever community this demand is made the means will be provided for making the roads as good as it is possible to make them with the material at hand.

The inventor and manufacturer have come, as usual, to supply the long felt want, just as the interest in this question has reached the point which gives them hope of a just reward for the product of mind and hand. The Road Machines which are offered to the public now are as much an improvement over scrapers and shovels as the modern binder is over the old fashioned cradle.

The Road Machines now offered the public for plowing and smoothing the roads, and the Wheel Scrapers for grading down the hills and filling the hollows enable road officers to make good and easy roads for the greater part of the year with ordinary soil, and to make permanent Gravel and Macadam roads at greatly reduced cost.

The object of this treatise is to give the public the consolidated ideas and conclusions of a large number of practical and experienced workers as to how the best roads now be made using the soil found in the various States.

GRADING AND DRAINAGE.

The first point to work at then is drainage. Open ditches will afford sufficient drainage where the fall is sufficient to carry the water out of the ditches quickly. If the country over which the road leads is too level to afford sufficient fall, the tile drains are of great importance. In the Western States, where the highways have been established forty feet wide and more, the mistake may be made of grading the roadway too wide. Twenty-four feet should be the extreme width between ditches, which should be twelve inches deep at the lowest point on the outside unless it is desired to slope the ditch toward the outer edge of the road.

CAUSE OF BAD ROADS.

One of the chief causes of bad roads has been the impossibility of carrying the dirt from the ditches toward the centre of the road and distributing it with uniformity and in such form as to shed the water quickly before and after settling, which is essential in an earth road.

Earth carried in by a drag scraper, even if carefully smoothed with the shovel after being deposited in the roadway, will settle unevenly, leaving places in the form of basins which hold the water when the rains and snows come. Travel quickly develops these into mud or chuck holes of the worst character. As the earth is usually deposited by the drag scraper, however, that is to say in humps and pits, the roads are made simply execrable from the moment the damage is done. The word "damage" is used advisedly. The roads made by Road Machines, by which is meant the improved machines which plow the roads by means of a diagonal steel blade suspended from a frame, are left in a perfectly smooth condition by the machine, and the work is so quickly and cheaply done and the work so durable that all will agree that the making and repairing of earth roads should be done by one of this class of machines. Therefore, the first thing to do is to select a grader best adapted to the work.

REPAIRING ROADS.

Those charged with the repair of the Highways should frequently inspect them carefully note where the water does not flow freely on account of too shallow or obstructed ditches; where culverts are needed, where they are too small or are obstructed,

or where a culvert will improve the drainage, where the roadway is being drained by washing; where the spouty places are and where there are obstructions, such as stumps, stones, etc., which should be removed.

A careful looking over of the roads under his care by a Road Officer, early in the spring and after each hard storm, will enable him to know how best to make the needed repairs and improvements. A few hours' work expended at the right time may save many days' hard labor if too long neglected. A few minutes' time in removing a stump, root or stone in the roadway will save the wreck of vehicles, harness and temper. Loose stones in the roadway are very annoying and cause much damage, but remain for every wheel to knock against until the road worker removes them. Guide Boards should be put at all important crossings and kept in position and good repair. Even the best Telford roads require constant attention and repair to keep them in perfect condition. They should be carefully watched and any unevenness repaired by carefully adding sufficient fine broken stone or gravel to bring the roadway to an even and rounded surface. If the same care were used to repair the common earth roads at the right time and with the right earth material they would be vastly better than without it. To have the best roads it is absolutely necessary to do the right thing at the right time.

After the road is once turpiked care should be taken to keep it in a smooth and rounded shape. To do this requires only a small expense, but the necessary work must be done at the proper time, for which reason road districts should be small.

If the roads are macadamized with crushed stone, they will last, it is claimed, a hundred years. How much more economical then would it be to put a short distance in a good condition each year? Finally all the roads would be in a good shape and very little if any repairing would be required.

Famous War Pictures.

- Portfolio No. 2 will contain the following:
 - No. 1. Battle of Dranesville.
 - Invasion of the Northern States.
 - Lee's Army Crossing the Potomac.
 - Battle of Gettysburg, Thursday evening, July 21.
 - Battle of Dam No. 4, Potomac River.
 - Battle of Petersburg.
 - Battle Field of See'd Bull Run.
 - Advance of McClellan's Army from Big Bethel.
 - Scene during the Battle of Antietam.
 - Charge of the First Iowa Regiment at the Battle of Wilson's Creek, Mo.
 - Advance of Gen. Banks' Division into Western Maryland.
 - Battle of Chancellorsville, Va.
 - U. S. Naval Brigade Constructing Marine Battery.
 - Battle of the Wilderness.
 - Surrender of Johnston's Army.
 - Shelling of Petersburg.
 - A Characteristic Army Scene.

The Republican Standing Committee will meet for the purpose of effecting an organization on Saturday May 12th. All of the members are requested to be present.

We notice Ullsh & Kreeger received another lot of new wheels. Their room in the Old Hotel stand by the mill looks like business. They claim to understand what constitutes a good wheel and appear to be selling them cheaper than any person in the county.

Miss Libbie Dunkelberger will have her grand opening on Thursday, May 10th. All are invited to call and see her display of Millinery goods, etc., whether they are ready to purchase or not. She will have from 50 to 75 Hats trimmed by that time. She will have the most beautiful display of Millinery goods ever presented to the public. Don't forget the date.