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ITEMS of LOCAL INTEREST

It's often the quiet hog that gets the most slop.

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

The heavier a man's head becomes the more it swims.

John Eisenhart of Shamokin was in town on Ascension Day.

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

T. J. Smith, Esq., is attending Supreme Court in Philadelphia this week.

J. B. Shellenberger is the newly appointed postmaster at Banner-ville.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Alfred Schoch and Emanuel Pauling were in Phila. last week.

Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Orwig visited friends at Mazeppa, Union County over Sunday.

H. A. Klingler and family of Freeburg, spent Saturday with Adam Spangler's.

Some of the Middleburgh ladies have been trying their hand at bicycle riding.

Misses Jennie Bibighaus and Alice Smith spent a few days with friends at Millinburg.

The meek must inherit the earth, for it's plain they never could get it in any other way.

William Gilbraith of Reedsville spent Sunday very pleasantly with friends in Phila.

The town of Breckinridge in Minnesota has petitioned the Postal Department to change the name.

Manager Cooper spent a few days in Philadelphia the latter part of last week.

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

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

The voice of the double-you-aitch-eye-pea-pea-double-oh-are-double-you-eye-double-ell can now be heard.

A heavy thunder and hail storm passed over our county on Sunday at noon. Hail as large as sour cherries fell.

H. P. Jarret of Selingsgrove, has been appointed Justice of the Peace to take the place of Chas. R. Rishel, deceased.

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

A detachment of the Crescent Club and a few friends spent Ascension Day very pleasantly down along the creek.

We have noticed that an optimist is likely to be a man who is unmarried, and that most pessimists are married.

Mrs. David Reed, a sister of Perry Aurdand of Kreamer, died May 2nd at Adamsville, Cast county, Mich. Aged 52 years and 7 months.

J. H. Rhoads and wife who had been spending a month with Mrs. R's parents at Shamokin Dam, have returned home.

Congressman Breckinridge has prayed for forgiveness, was taken back into church and is now pushing his campaign for re-election.

We notice through our exchanges that A. H. Smith, the editor of the Elizabethtown Echo, has been commissioned a Justice of the Peace.

Miss Carrie Ullsh after spending three weeks in Philadelphia undergoing a course of medical treatment, is home enjoying a week's vacation.

G. B. M. Arnold, the P. R. R. agent at Adamsburg, who has just returned from California attending the Mid-winter fair, was in town on Sunday. George seems to have had a pleasant trip.

A count of Franklin Republicans votes shows that they favor Lyon for Second place and McDowell for Congressman-at-Large.

There were two births on the "L" roads on Friday. The expectant mothers were returning from Woman Suffrage meetings.—New York Advertiser.

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."

Several hundred Waynesboro residents were victimized by a man named Hoover, representing himself to be the agent of the Standard Fashion Company.

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

F. H. MAURER, New Berlin, Pa.

Editor Lombard of the Tribune was in town on Saturday and paid a visit to our office. He says he has not called at the Post printing office for a great many years.

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.

How about the New Middleburgh? Are you lending a helping hand or do you belong to the class of pull-backs who are discouraging every progressive movement?

The candidates for Chairman of the Republican Standing Committee are, J. H. Rhoads of Middleburgh, J. W. Sampson of Centre township, and Charles Arbogast of West Perry township.

Chairman H. D. Patton, of Lancaster, in speaking of the Commonwealth crowd, says: "These troublesome times only help our party, which is founded on principle. The tariff and all other issues will be dwarfed some day by the Prohibition issue."

We understand the Martin College of Oratory, Washington, D. C. offers a free scholarship to one person in Snyder county. We will get the full particulars shortly and inform our readers. Some worthy person can get an education free.

It was supposed that when Focht, Zechman and Fry were put into the Millintown Jail, no further alarm need be felt on account of robbers. This supposition has been disproven by the numerous reports of robberies committed since the capture of the famous trio.

The Bedford Republicans have instructed their two delegates to vote for Hastings and Robinson, and indorse Ed. S. Aschorn for Senator from the Thirty-sixth district. Critchfield, of Somerset, the present member, had 8,783 votes four years ago to 7,092 given Price.

We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation, through the kindness of J. O. Mohn to attend the 69th Annual Commencement of the Jefferson Medical College on May 9th. Dr. Mohn is a bright Snyder county boy and gets his diploma at this commencement.

The following unclaimed letters remain in the Post Office: Wm. F. Comingham; J. F. Zimmerman; James H. Piett; Gideon Thomas; Gaetano Santanna; Alo Signora Maria; Miss Jennie Fleming. Persons calling for the above will please say they are advertised.

J. W. Runkle, P. M.

The New Bank building will be placed back from Main street four feet farther than the old Bower house had been. This will make it even with the Court House in front. On Railroad street the bank claims possession of a few inches farther than the old Bower house stood. The Town Council claims the bank has no title to this part of the sidewalk and is disputing the right of the bank to build out so far.

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.

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

Mrs. E. C. AURAND.

The Town Council at its last meeting appointed a Board of Health. It consists of the following named persons: Dr. E. G. Hassinger, 5 years; D. T. Rhoads, 4 years; Aaron Crossgrove, 3 years; Curtin Bowersox, 2 years; C. W. Herman, 1 year. Now let it be a Board of Health in reality as well as in name.

A number of applications have been received by the Council of the Lutheran Church at this place for the position of pastor to succeed Rev. Neff. Rev. R. F. Fetterolf of Maple Hill, Lycoming Co., and A. A. Kerlin of Alexandria, Huntington Co., are among the applicants most favorably considered.

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

- H. S. Hummel, McKees & Falls, Clara M. Frantz, W. H. Shemorry, Middleburgh, Emma V. Gundrum, Freeburg, J. A. Reichenbach, Perry Twp., A. D. Monowal

Unless your envelopes state the number of days you wish your letters held, the postmaster, by a new ruling, will hold them thirty days instead of ten. This is important to business men who do not want their letters, when not delivered, detained over five days. The Post is prepared to do neat work in this line.

Eight couples took out marriage licenses in Snyder county during the month of April. The aggregate age of the male applicants was 178 years and of the females 150 years, averaging to the men 22 1/2 years and to the women 18 1/2 years. The oldest husband was 29, the youngest 17. The oldest wife had past 20 years and the youngest 17.

Adam C. Spangler, one of our town's pushing young men who has been taking a course in Dentistry at the University of Penna. at Phila., returned to his parental roof on Friday last. Adam is a close student and passed his examinations very creditably. He has already spent two years at his work and one more year is required to make him a full fledged D. D. S.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the State Editorial Association, the question of the summer outing of the association was considered, and Asbury Park was agreed upon as an objective point. The outing will take place from July 2nd to the 6th, during the time the National Editorial Association will be in session at Asbury Park. Secretary Thomas was instructed to make the necessary arrangements.

The following circular has been received by pension agents: The pension certificate must be exhibited at the execution of each and every voucher. When a pensioner signs a mark, two witnesses who can write are required in the body of each voucher, and one witness who can write in each of the duplicates. When the pensioner writes his name, no witness to his signature is necessary in the body of the voucher; but his signature in each of the duplicate receipts must be witnessed by a person who can write his own name. The magistrate before whom a voucher is presented is not a competent witness in the duplicate receipts to a signature of a pensioner who writes his own name. The postoffice address of the pensioner must be plainly written in the body of the voucher.

An Explanation !!

On Monday afternoon an envelope addressed to the Editor of the Post reached our office. The envelope contained a petition bearing 84 names. The petition was addressed to the Chairman of the Republican Standing Committee and asks for a recount of the votes cast at the recent primary election. Accompanying this petition was an unsigned request for us to publish the same. The unsigned letter was dated at McClure and mailed on the afternoon train West. The names are all in the same hand writing and since the request to publish bore no individual signature, we can not comply with the request. Besides, we do not have the consent of these petitioners to publish their names and newspapers should not take part in primary elections.

On the other hand, if there has been any fraud committed at the late primary election, it is the duty of the Standing Committee to ferret it out. Inasmuch as the petition is addressed to the Chairman, it properly belongs to him and as the Standing Committee meets on Saturday, the matter can be brought up for consideration. No amount of "parading" in the newspapers will help the friends of disappointed candidates and will only endanger party harmony. To these 84 persons who signed this petition, we will say that your petition will be presented to the Chairman who has authority to act and in his hands it will do more good than it will to "parade" it through the newspapers.

James E. Stuart and W.H. Smeigh of New Bloomfield, called to see us Tuesday while on their way to Millinburg.

The Republican convention of Columbia county was held Monday. F. H. Eaton, of Berwick, was elected delegate to the State Convention without instructions. Hastings was heartily indorsed.

The funeral of Jacob Erb, who died on Sunday morning took place on Tuesday. The services were held in the Evangelical church.

We copy the following from a Millintown special to the Grit. "It is a pity that as Pocht, Fry and Zechman belong to Snyder county they were not captured there, as Snyder could well have afforded the expense of trying them, as it is free from debt, while "Little Juniata" is staggering along under a mountain of debt, piled upon her shoulders by freeing the bridges and the destructive flood of 1889." We doubt whether our County Commissioners will agree with the statement above made.

Mrs. Hettie Carpenter, the woman who confessed to being an accessory to the murder of her blind husband at Port Royal, Juniata county, was last week removed from the Millintown jail to the Western Penitentiary at Pittsburg. She was given the privilege of visiting her son before her departure. When she returned to her cell after the visit, she was as much unconcerned as though it had been an every day occurrence. The famous trio of murderers from Snyder county are now occupying the cell formerly occupied by Mrs. Carpenter.

Section 29 of the act of March 31, 1859, recently unearthed by the Harrisburg school board, provides that fines imposed for drunkenness shall be turned over to the treasurer of the school board in the district. The section is as follows: Any person who shall be found intoxicated in any street, highway, public place, shall be fined upon the view or proof made before any mayor, alderman or justice of the peace, two dollars, to be levied, with proper costs, upon the goods and chattels of the defendant, which shall be paid to the treasurer of the school district where such conviction is had by the magistrate collecting the same."

Building Operations.

The building movement is progressing nicely in our town. We are glad to note the spirit of revival.

The buildings now in course of construction are, the Bank building, on the Corner of Railroad and Main streets; a residence by each of the following: J. M. Steininger, French Flats; Philip Swineford, N. Railroad street; Curtin Bowersox, Main St.; and Joseph Musser, Franklin; also a store building by H. I. Garman, Main Street; and a stable by Aaron Stahlnecker.

This is an age of improvement. We congratulate our enterprising citizens. If we only had more of them. Our readers should peruse the article in another column entitled, "Common Nuisance." It is our duty to encourage the best efforts of every body, but we fear Middleburgh has a few croakers and if such is the case, we are quite sure the town would get along better without them. This is simply an admonition to moss-backs to bestir themselves and awaken to a spirit of enterprise. We need not mention any names, but if any one "howls" that he is hurt, he convicts himself. May the old Middleburgh of the past develop into the New Middleburgh of the future.

Bill Nye writes: "Every newspaper man has, at some time in his newspaper experience, met the man who takes more papers than he can read. He was in town last week. He paid 25 cents for an almanac, wiped his nose on a wadding, tried to blow out an electric light at the hotel, tried to light a cigar on a postoffice because the mail didn't appear, wanted to lick the cashier of the bank because it closed at 3 o'clock, and watched the sign over the jewelry store looking for it to strike."

U. S. District Attorney Hall, of Pittsburg, has filed suits against B. Frank Crouse, of Selingsgrove, and against F. J. Schoch, Lewis Amig and Amos Stetler. Crouse obtained the mail hauling contract for Pittsburg and other cities in 1892 or five years. The total recompense was to have been \$43,000 per year. His sureties gave bonds for \$92,100. Last December Crouse was forced to give up his contracts with the government by reason of business trouble. The government employed carriers at his expense and claims to have spent \$41,275.05.—Courier.

The only counties of the sixty-seven in Pennsylvania which are not represented in the list of officials and employees of the various State departments are Adams, Bradford, Cameron, Columbia, Elk, Forest, Northumberland, Perry, Potter, Snyder, Somerset, Sullivan, Venango, Warren and Wayne. Dauphin is credited with a larger number of appointments than any other county. Of its twenty representatives, nine are Republicans and seven Democrats, three are women and one is a boy. Philadelphia is represented by nineteen persons, including the Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Superintendent of Banking and Chief of the Bureau of Statistics.

It must be extremely amusing to a foreigner to see how we Americans praise ourselves and our nation. For fifty years past all our rural members of Congress have been spending their rhetoric over their respective districts in the pleasing endeavor of convincing us that we are the greatest nation on earth. I quote from a congressman of half a century ago the sentiment, virtually the same as we hear and read it every hour of the day to-day from rostrum and press: "We are the greatest and most virtuous people, intellectually and morally, that the world has ever seen, and foreigners pass all their spare time in wringing their hands and lamenting that they are not as we are." Thinking over it in more sober moments, does not our self-adulation cause a complacent smile!

Common Nuisance.

May the saints have pity on a town or city with a croaker in it! If it have two, three or half a dozen croakers living in it, it is to be commiserated that much more. The croaker has moss on the north side of him, no matter whether the winter be mild or severe. The moss indicates nothing especially, except that he should be removed from the community at once. The croaker always views his own town from a pessimistic point of view. He has no word or praise for any one nor anything that tends to assist in the progress of the community. You tell a croaker that much is going to be done toward booming the town and exploiting its superior advantage, and he will say: Well, you go ahead—advertise it, boom it. I'd like to see you do it," with a shrug of the shoulders. "You'll never boom this town." The croaker is generally too lazy to labor under an impression. He may have made some money in his life, but he does not live—but simply exists. If he is in business and is asked to advertise he says his goods do not need advertising, and, besides, he is located on a prominent site, and everybody sees his goods as they pass. Yes, "as they pass," for they rarely go in.

The croaker never gives his neighbor or fellow man credit for anything he accomplishes. If you go to a local merchant and show him a plan or suggest to him an enterprise which if carried out will be of great benefit to all concerned, and ask his co-operation, and he says: "Well, when you see other business men, and if they go into it I may go so, too," look out for him. He may not be a croaker, but he has dangerous symptoms. He is vaccinated, and the probabilities are that it will take unless something is done for him. He needs a hypodermic injection of "enterprise" to cure him of the "follow your leader" habit. He is the first to expect benefits that accrue from the united efforts, energy, and enterprise of others, but is the last to lend a hand. The croaker is a pusillanimous, insignificant, inconsistent encumbrance.—Bethlehem Times.

Programme for Memorial Day
MIDDLEBURGH, PA., MAY 7, 1894.
At a regular meeting of Capt. G. W. Ryan Post, No. 364, Dept. of Pennsylvania G. A. R., the following programme for Memorial Day was unanimously adopted.

Post assemblies at Post room at 7:30 a. m.; Leave for Fremont at 7:45 a. m.; Decoration services 9 a. m.; Address by Comrade J. C. Schoch; return to Middleburgh for dinner; leave for Meiser at 1 p. m.; Decoration services at 2 p. m.; addresses by J. P. Yoder and J. A. Smith.
Camp 515, P. O. S. of A. will leave Middleburgh at 8 a. m. for Paxtonville; Decoration at 9 a. m.; Address by Prof. C. W. Herman; Decoration at Hassinger's grave yard at 10 a. m.; Address by J. C. Snyder. Camp leaves Middleburgh at 12:30 p. m. for Centreville; decoration services at 2 p. m.; address by both orders. Return and hold decoration services at Middleburgh at 5:30 p. m. Address by Prof. F. C. Bowersox. All the Sabbath Schools and all other organizations at the different places are cordially invited to attend these services. Let all join in paying this tribute to those who offered their all for their country.
G. C. GUTELIUS, Adjt.

Now, since we have a Board of Health, let them attend to the sanitary condition of the town. The first thing we desire to direct to their attention is the filthy water in the Flats near James M. Vanzandt's residence. The stench and disagreeable odor arising from the filth and decay of vegetable matter is not in good taste with other extraordinary precautions displayed to preserve the town in its backward flight. We would consider telephone poles a rich adornment to the town in comparison to the disease-breeding concoction and pollution in the swamp.