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ITEMS of LOCAL INTEREST

The poles for the new telephone have already been put up.

A corset is nothing more than a waist basket without any poetry in it.

Mrs. J. Hall App (nee Gift) of Shippensburg is visiting friends here.

H. G. Schwarz of Harrisburg was a county seat visitor last Thursday.

Theodore Walter of Akron, O., has been enjoying the hospitality of friends here.

The members of the U. B. Church celebrated the Lord's Supper on Sabbath evening.

Miss Olive Renninger has gone to Centre county to spend some time with friends.

The bank building is gradually going up. The brick wall is now about a story and a half high.

As to a water famine, while waiting for Middlecreek to exhaust itself, let the croakers dry up.

Absalom Roush, wife and daughter of Fremont visited Henry Bickhart's family on Sunday.

Misses Nettie Marks and Gertie Dunkleburger spent a few days very pleasantly at Beavertown.

Rev. Kohler preached an instructive sermon on Sunday eve from Rev. 1. in the Reformed Church.

Misses Anna and Lottie Showers are enjoying the hospitality of friends and relatives in Selinsgrove.

J. Sassaman, the congenial carpenter at the bank building, spent Sunday with his family in Williamsport.

A. H. Bowersox, secretary of the Beavertown Mutual Fire Insurance Company, was in the burg on Monday morning.

Ammom Stahl, a Snyder county lad who had been in Nebraska for several years, is now sojourning among his friends.

J. A. Bowersox, wife and child of Penns Creek were visiting Mrs. B's parents, David Ocker and wife the early part of this week.

A fellow often thinks that a girl "by any other name would be as sweet," but he finds out his mistake after he gives her his own.

President Cleveland has signed the bill to permit Utah to hold a constitutional convention and to be admitted into the Union as a state.

Henry C. Sampsell of Centreville was at the county seat last Saturday and handed us \$1.50 for a new subscriber. A good example for others to follow.

Rev. Wm. H. Fahs, of Beaver Springs, Snyder County, has been elected pastor of Christ's Lutheran Church, Milton, vice Rev. S. H. Romig, resigned.

Ray Crouse of Phila., formerly of Selinsgrove, circulated among his friends for a few days. Ray rides a 191 lbs. Racer bicycle. He has won a number of races.

We are pleased to learn that Dr. Geo. P. Miller, who has gone to Erie for his health, is rapidly recovering. We understand he expects to return shortly.

Rev. Frederick Bower preached an able discourse in the Lutheran church on Sabbath morning from I John 3:2. He will preach again next Sunday.

4 CENTS A YARD.—A closing out sale of all styles of challies beginning Monday July 23rd. We mean just what we say, eight different styles for old and young, all for four cents a yard. Bunkle & Walter.

Prof. John I. Woodruff, President of Palatinate College, Myerstown, and Prof. R. Loyd Schroyer, Principal of the Selinsgrove public schools, called at our office last week.

John Bowersox of Shamokin was in town on Wednesday.

Warren Fisher of Williamsport is visiting his uncle, I. E. Ullsh.

A picnic and festival will be held at Smith Grove on Saturday evening, July 28.

Jacob Rhoads and family who had been visiting at Shamokin Dam, have returned home.

Jesse Bilger of Swineford caught a trout nine inches long in Middlecreek at the breast of the dam.

Hoyt Keeler of Shamokin is spending a month with his grandfather, Henry Dietrich, in Swineford.

Nobody denies the right of a bald-headed man to strike when the flies take his crown for a tennis court.

A lawn Fete will be given by the Crescent Club, Aug. 4th. For full particulars, see next week's issue.

W. J. Wagenseller and daughter, Kate, of Selinsgrove, in company with Miss Bertha Noll of Myerstown, were callers at our office Tuesday.

W. W. Trout, editor of the Lewis-town Free Press, was in town last Friday sweltering in the heat.

The joke about the man who eats cloves is becoming a trifle time-worn, but it's always spicy reading.

Prof. Billet, assistant teacher of Mathematics in Franklin and Marshall Academy, Lancaster, spent a few days with A. F. Gilbert.

Mrs. Wm. Price and granddaughter, Carrie, of Adamsburg spent the latter part of last week with friends in Selinsgrove.

Miss Elizabeth Bates of Lewisburg, a daughter of ex-senator Bates, is enjoying the hospitality of W. W. Wittenmyer's family.

A folding baby carriage has been invented. This, with the invention of a noiseless baby, will make life worth living for a few more years.

Lightning singed the hair off the head of Postmaster Kline, of Mount Etna, Berks county, and burned his head and chest, but he is recovering.

A local paper is just as much a local business enterprise as any store in town yet many people seem to think that it is run for the fun of the thing.

FOR SALE.—A Hartford Safety Bicycle as good as new. It is in an excellent condition and the tires show no signs of wear. Inquire at this office.

SHINGLES! SHINGLES!! I have just received 100,000 No. 1, 2 and 3 24-inch White-pine Shingles. Call and see them before buying elsewhere.

F. H. MAURER, New Berlin, Pa.

Thos. Hare of Altoona, passed through town last Friday on his way to Millinburg. He wasn't on any particular business, but still he seemed anxious to go.

Christian K. Sober, the crack wing-shot of Lewisburg and a lifelong Democrat, has declared his intention of supporting General Hastings for Governor.

Aug. 25th the Gilbert Sunday school will picnic in Gilbert's grove one mile north-east of Middleburgh. Able speakers and the Chestnut ridge band will be present. All are invited.

The house and lot on West Main street, belonging to T. H. Harter, will be sold at private sale. For particulars call on or address,

J. M. STEININGER, Middleburgh, Pa.

The peals of laughter with which the House of Representatives greeted Mr. Cleveland's letter to Prof. Wilson were a deserved tribute to the President's first appearance as a humorist.

It is gratifying to notice that the Southern papers almost unanimously oppose insurrection and are manly enough to openly state that the law should be as fully enforced now as it was in 1861.

The Sunday School at Hummel's Wharf will hold a festival on Saturday evening, July 28th, for the benefit of the school. You are invited.

A festival will be held by the S. S. of the Evangelical association of Zion's church on Saturday, Aug. 4th, for the benefit of the S. S. All are invited.

James Sullivan, a public school teacher of Shamokin was poisoned last Thursday by his life-long friend Thomas McCraffrey, who gave him a drink of corrosive sublimate in mistake for whiskey. He cannot recover.

A bright little boy of this place was taught to conjugate the verb love. Some time afterward his mother asked him what was the future tense of love. He forgot the conjugation, but, nothing daunted, he promptly replied: "Matrimony."

President Cleveland in his letter to Mr. Wilson admits that the democratic party has not abided by its promises. The President confine his remarks entirely to a tariff legislation and did not even refer to the stormy Democratic Convention held in Middleburgh a few weeks ago.

The County bridge between town and Swineford is undergoing repairs. New abutments are being put in and other needed changes made. Teams are required to cross the creek through the water and passengers cross on the elevated walk which by the way is not very substantially built.

There were teachers' institutes held during the past scholastic year in sixty-six counties and four cities. There were 349 days devoted to the work. The number of teachers in attendance was 19,845; school directors present, 4,208, instructors, 505. Total receipts, \$57,719 70; total expenditures, \$55,343 84.

FOR SALE.—A complete outfit for hatching and brooding from 800 to 1000 chicks, consisting of one (1) Improved Monarch Incubator (600 egg size), 60 foot poultry house, 50 foot hot water heating apparatus, brooders, &c. For particulars, apply to,

Dr. G. E. HASSINGER, Middleburgh, Pa.

SPECHT—CUSTER.—Thomas Specht, a son of the Sheriff, and Miss Ella Custer, a daughter of Swineford's Post-master, were quietly married in Adamsburg on Sunday evening. Congratulations are being showered upon the young couple. May the voyage down the stream of life be a pleasant one, is the wish of the Post.

C. M. Arbogast of Richfield chairman of the Republican standing committee was in town on Saturday and called at our office. He says he does not feel warranted in calling another meeting of the Committee just to elect one conferee and he thinks that the person who had the next highest vote at the last meeting should be appointed. As there is no contest, this seems to be the wisest plan.

The large barn belonging to Ner Fees near Beavertown with all its contents was consumed by fire on Saturday night. The barn was insured in the Beavertown Mutual Fire Insurance Company for \$750. The loss is nearly covered by insurance. One third of the grain belonged to Mr. Fees' mother and was not insured. The implements and live stock were all saved.

The Republicans of Dauphin Co. will hold their convention on Tuesday Aug. 7th for the purpose of nominating candidates for the various positions to be filled at the fall election. Among others, a warm contest is waging between Albert Miller, the present incumbent, and Oscar K. Brightbill for the position of County Solicitor. Mr. Miller has already served two terms and he is meeting a storm of opposition to a third term. Mr. Brightbill is a young and able attorney in Harrisburg and deserves the recognition of his party.

The New Berlin base ball team challenged the Selinsgrove team to play on the middleburgh grounds, Saturday, July 28th or Aug. 4th.

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

Forest E. Holtzapple, Kantz, (Sarah S. Forry, Middleburgh, T. J. Specht, Middleburgh, Elia M. Custer, Swineford.

As the miners in the shaft in the mines at Williamtown, were being hoisted out of the colliery Thursday evening, the pulley underneath failed to work and they were crushed against the top rock, five being killed instantly. Those killed were John Raudenbush, John Llewellyn, M. A. Tate, William Clark, and Charles Woodman. All lived at Williamstown.

Blair county ministers are divided on the question of bicycling. Several pastors denounced the riding as Sabbath desecration, but Rev. Owen James, pastor of the Baptist church of Hollidaysburg, in a communication in the press, holds that it is better to ride a bicycle than to drive a horse to church. The horse may need rest, but the bicycle does not. He further invites the wheelmen to attend his church and an officer will care for the bicycles during the services.

John Moyer, Sr. fell through the bridge across Middlecreek at this place last Thursday. The driving floor had been removed and an elevated foot walk erected for the temporary accommodation of foot-passengers. The walk gave away while Mr. Moyer, Andrew Ullsh and Mr. Wetzel were standing on the same. Mess. Ullsh and Wetzel rescued themselves on the beams but Mr. Moyer went down into the creek. He was hurt quite severely, but was soon able to be out again.

A newspaper in Illinois recently brought suit against forty-three men who would not pay their subscriptions, and obtained judgment in each claim. Of these twenty-eight made affidavit that they owned no more than the law allowed them, thus preventing attachments. Then under the decision of the supreme court they were arrested for petit larceny, and bound over in the sum of \$300 each. All but six gave the bonds. The postal laws make it petit larceny to take a paper and refuse to pay for it.

In the original draft of President Cleveland's letter to Representative Wilson to stand firm against the Tariff bill on certain conditions, was there any advice to hold it by the throat until the socialism of the income tax, that indefensible Populist principle, had been stricken out of it? If there was, it does not appear in the copies printed Friday morning. Under the circumstances of Democratic victory and Populist defeat, the income tax is a raid on wealth differing not in principle but in the matter of violence chiefly from the Debs strike.

A GREAT FARMERS' MEETING.—There will open at Williams' Grove, Cumberland county, Pa., thirteen miles southwest of Harrisburg, August 27th, the largest agricultural exhibition ever held in the Middle Atlantic States. The exhibits alone will cover over 30 acres of ground. Three meetings will be held daily in the large Auditorium, which will be addressed by speakers of national reputation. President Cleveland will be in attendance if official duties will permit. The Secretary of Agriculture will be glad to meet the practical farmers of the country on this occasion. There will be free concerts musical and literary entertainments every evening during the week. All who can should attend this great exhibition. For full information relative to exhibit space, cottages and tents, write to R. H. Thomas, General Manager, Mechanicsburg, Pa. Excursions over all railroads, one fare the round trip.

SAD DEATH!

A. Clinton Walter of Centreville Dies Suddenly from a Mysterious Complication of Causes.

On Sunday morning when Aaron Walter, a prosperous farmer near Centreville, came to breakfast his family learned that Clinton his son, was missing from home. The father and brother of the boy started in search of the missing member of the family, each in different directions. The father was told by Isaiah Bowersox that the boy was found in a dying condition. The following information has been given to us by reliable authority. On Saturday Clinton Walter had been working all day. In the evening before he left home, the boy ate two plates of ice cream and started away. He was seen in company with Clyde Fessler and Hoyt Walter. At eleven o'clock Saturday night, Clinton was seen by reliable persons who say he was all right then. The boy was unconscious when found, but before he died on Sunday evening at 10:50 he regained consciousness and in reply to a question said he had liquor and promised to tell the rest the next day and with the closing words he expired. The cause of this sad death has not yet been satisfactorily explained and probably never will be. Either the body of the young man was paralyzed by the chilling effect of the ice cream or overcame with alcoholic stimulants. It appears that the man was left lying by the way with the face turned to the ground, in such a manner that the dust of the road was inhaled. He was afterward taken to the graveyard where he was first seen on Sunday by Geo. Bowersox and Catherine Boyer. Bowersox raised the boy, but he could not stand. Subsequently the news was reported to his family. The boy was not yet 16 years of age. A black mark appears along the side of the boy's head and ear. Such are the circumstances as we could learn them concerning the boy's sad death. The funeral took place on Wednesday when his many friends followed the remains to the cemetery where he now lies buried.

Centralia is without a tax collector and the prospects are not very good for getting one in a hurry. Both the Council and the School Board have been using their combined efforts to secure a suitable person, but no one seems to want the job. There is so little compensation for the work involved that it is claimed ten per cent. commission will have to be allowed before a collector can be obtained. The borough treasury is depleted in consequence of the inability to procure the taxes outstanding and something will have to be done shortly.

K. G. E. PIENIC.—Beaver Springs Castle No. 423 K. G. E., will hold a basket picnic in Markley's Grove, 1 mile west of Adamsburg, Pa., Saturday, July 28, 1894. Music will be furnished by four different bands. Able speakers will make short addresses. Grand Chief C. B. Wood, of Phila., will be present and speak. Brother members of all other organizations and the public in general are cordially invited to attend. Parade at 1:30 o'clock in which Castles from Lewistown, Millinburg, Reedsville and Milroy, G. A. R., I. O. O. F., P. O. S. of A. S. of V., and young Americans will participate. First class refreshments on the ground. A special feature will be the opening and closing ceremonies of the Order. Program: Formation of procession, 8:45; move to the Grove, 9:00; music by band; address; music; address; music; address; music; closing ceremonies by Castle; dinner; parade; bag race.

By order of Robinson Middlewarth, D. J. Dreese, H. I. Treaster, John Bolender, Chas. Shirey, Committee.

BANK STATEMENT.

Report of the Condition of the First National Bank of Middleburgh at Middleburgh, in the State of Pennsylvania, at the close of business July 18, 1894.

RESOURCES table with columns for item and amount. Includes Loans and discounts, Overdrafts, U. S. Bonds, etc.

LIABILITIES table with columns for item and amount. Includes Capital stock paid in, Surplus Fund, Undivided profits, etc.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of July 1894.

J. N. THOMPSON, Jr., Cashier. G. ALFRED SCHUCH, THOMAS J. SMITH, W. W. WITTENMYER, Directors.

The Kratzville letter was crowded out this week.

J. N. Thompson attended the funeral of his uncle at Millintown on Wednesday.

The rain since Saturday has cooled the atmosphere and given new vegeta...

The County commissioners will sell at public sale at the Middleburgh bridge on Saturday afternoon July 28th 1894, a lot of square timber. Sale to commence at 5 P. M. Terms Cash.

MIDDLEBURGH VS. CITIZENS.—As previously announced the Middleburgh base-ball team crossed bats with the Citizen's team on last Thursday evening, the former winning by a score of 21 to 18. Considerable interest was manifested in this game and a large number of spectators were on the ground to manifest their sympathy for one or the other side. The Citizens deserve a great deal of credit for the interest they take in giving the regular team practice. Middleburgh should have a good live base-ball team and we are glad to note the encouragement given to the project.

After seven straight races, George Gould's yacht, the Britania, at last won a race over the Britania, Wales' cutter, the Britania, Tuesday. The race was sailed in Irish waters in a stiff breeze, and satisfactorily proved what Mr. Gould's friends have all along claimed, that the American yacht would cut sail her British rival in any like a favorable wind, which meant a sparkling breeze. The Vigilant ran away from the Britania from the start, kept out of her way during the race, and beat her easily. All the other races were sailed in comparatively quiet water. Tally one for our side!

Captain W. F. Reber, executive clerk at the Executive Department, who is commander of the Bellefonte company in the National Guard, and Captain McNamara, of the Bedford company, were both nominated for major of the fifth regiment, a position made vacant by the promotion of Major Elder to be lieutenant colonel. Captain McNamara won on the second ballot.

The Advisory Committee of the State Board of Agriculture, consisting of Calvin Cooper, Lancaster; Joel A. Kerr, Clinton; Gabriel Heister, Dauphin, and Secretary Thomas J. Edge, has issued a circular stating that owing to the prospective increase in the number of farmers' institutes during the coming season, the minimum allowance for each county will be \$85, a reduction of \$10.