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THE POST STANDS FOR PURITY IN POLITICS AND ANY POLICY THAT COMPELS SUBMISSION TO THE PEOPLE'S INTEREST.

Spring microbes are in the air. The first rose of summer—shades.

A paper bicycle has invaded the old.

The days and nights are nearly equal.

The little onion will soon be put into its bed.

"That tired feeling" is becoming prevalent.

France makes 8,000,000 wooden shoes annually.

Tobias Reitz of West Beaver was the county seat last Thursday.

Mrs. G. A. Laub and son, Rurt, are visiting relatives at Adamsburg and Lewistown.

Rev. E. M. Chilcote has been returned to Selingsgrove as the M. preacher much to the delight of the congregation.

H. H. Faust, proprietor of the Central Hotel, Beavertown, and Dr. Wolf of the same place were in town Thursday of last week.

You will need some spring shirts and stylish pants and if you drop in Oppenheimer's Selingsgrove, they will show you bargains. 3-31-3t

It cost the State of Pennsylvania a hundred and fifty thousand dollars to put down the strikers' riot in the Erie region last summer.

According to the Centre county papers, Thomas Bitner of Blanchard cut his hair cut week before last. News getting scarce up there?

If you need any trunks or satchels, call on H. Oppenheimer, Selingsgrove, where they have a large stock to make a selection. 3-31-3t

An effort is being made to erect a new county out of parts of Westmoreland, Indiana, Somerset and Cambria counties, with Johnstown the county town.

Thomas Hosterman of Woodward night the Selingsgrove bakery and see he and Mrs. Hosterman (nee Reiminger of this place) will be late at Selingsgrove.

T. B. McWilliams of McVeytown spent several days in town. He will accompany him on his return and they will begin house-keeping at McVeytown.

A car load of Iowa horses came Middleburg on Saturday evening 9 o'clock for Henry Walter of Vicksburg. They were unloaded and taken to Vicksburg that night.

Gilbert G. Kulp of Shamokin, other of Congressman Kulp, was in town several days last week. Gilbert is an active young business man and a clever fellow as well as an ardent republican.

A. F. Gilbert of this place delivered an oration in Lancaster last week on "Individuality" in connection with the exercises of the second session of the Senior Class of Franklin and Marshall College.

NOTICE TO DELINQUENTS.—All outstanding taxes of Franklin township for the year 1897 not paid before this time and June 1, 1898, will be collected according to law. M. J. COURTNEY, Tax Collector.

Levi Walker, formerly of Selingsgrove, recently moved from West Virginia to Freeburg where he has purchased the soft drink establishment from P. J. Bickel. Mr. Walker is a pleasant and obliging business man and no doubt will make a success of his new business.

Rev. B. F. Kautz, formerly pastor of the Lutheran congregation at Conneleburg, has received a call to a charge near York, Pa., and will resign his pastorate at Beavertown, his present charge, about the 1st, and will shortly thereafter start for his new field of labor.

Thomas Specht is working for his father at Beavertown this week.

John Stuck, of the Central Hotel, made a business trip to Sunbury last Friday.

William Swartz will be employed at the Eagle Hotel after Thursday morning.

John Wetzel and Charles Shirk of Beavertown were at Middleburg last Saturday.

A GRAND OPPORTUNITY—See ad. of A. H. Herendeen & Co., Geneva, N. Y. Steady employment, good pay.

A full line of tinware can be found at Schoch and Stahlnecker's stand. All kinds of repairing promptly attended to.

T. F. Swineford, James Stealy of Lowell, Fred Gundrum, R. J. Wagner and Charles Smith of Bannerville were county seat visitors Tuesday.

A smooth, easy shave, genteel haircut, or other tonsorial work, is always obtained at Soles' Barber Shop, in Wittenmyer's building, opposite Post office. Go to Soles and you will make no mistake, shaving soap, face cream, hair oil and egg-shampoo for sale. A. E. SOLES.

NEW GOODS! Easter novelties together with house hold articles which we wish to make a specialty April 9th. We will give to each purchaser an Easter gift worth having, Ulrich and Osnum, don't forget the time and place, Selingsgrove, Pa. 3-31-2t

Young man, get married. The single ones are drafted first. But upon second thought, perhaps it is just as well to bide a wee, and await the verdict of the Court of Inquiry. There may be no war, and, in case there should be,—well, as between two evils many would prefer to take their chances on a man-of-war—Oil City Blizzard.

On Tuesday of this week Mrs. Harry Bowersox killed a two-year-old rooster and she was surprised to find upon opening it that it contained an immense liver. The organ was weighed and registered one pound. The heart is about the usual size and nothing else about the animal is abnormal.

The editor of the Wilkesbarre Newsdealer sarcastically remarked: "The worst thing about the Pennsylvania National Guard is the official report that its uniforms were spoiled by hard services at Hazelton. What the officials really meant was that the girls of the town are wearing all the brass buttons and the guards are holding their uniforms together with safety pins."

We repeat the suggestion made last week concerning the "Marriage Record". Our readers who preserve this will find that they will secure in 3 or 4 months' time an almost complete marriage record for 30 years in Snyder county. The papers can be preserved in their entirety or the record can be cut out and pasted in a scrap book for ready reference. Try it. You will prize your collection very much.

Jacob Benfer Dead.

Jacob Benfer, of Beavertown, one of the oldest citizens of Snyder County, died on Tuesday afternoon at the home of his daughter at 2 o'clock. He was 85 years old and well preserved,—a man of good memory, a kind disposition and a man of unwavering fidelity to honor and manhood. The funeral will take place on Friday afternoon from the residence of his daughter at Beavertown, who is the widow of Jonathan B. Haines.

The deceased formerly lived in Middleburg and his wife died here about 5 years ago.

Middleburg on Wheels.

The fittants about Middleburg are quite numerous. Those we have learned of are: Mrs. H. W. Smith to New Kensington, Pa.; Wm. Snyder to Mt. Carmel; Harrison Moyer and John Snyder to the old jail; Chas. Meiser to the house purchased of John Runkle; John W. Runkle to the house purchased of Meiser and Moyer; Curtin Bowersox moved to his farm in Franklin twp.; H. R. Tobias and Mrs. Wagner into Curtin Bowersox's house; Edward Walter to the house vacated by Harry Specht; Harry Specht to the house vacated by A. E. Soles; A. E. Soles to his new residence on West Market St.; Hathaway Mertz to the house recently bought by Susan Boyer of Newt. Bachman; Samuel Erdley to Northumberland; James Erdley from the farm to West Market St.; Preston Erdley to A. W. Bowersox's house; Lank Schoch from N. Y. City to the brick house in the Flats; Jesse Shelly to Swineford; Harry Bowersox to his property vacated by Shellys; Rev. S. B. Boughter to the house vacated by Hathaway Mertz; Foster Reigle to house vacated by Rev. Boughter; George Bickhart to house vacated by Foster Reigle; Allen Moyer goes to Lewisburg; Charles Buffington to Allen Moyer's house; James Smith from Elizabethtown and H. H. Hassinger from Dr. Hassinger's to the former's property vacated by H. R. Tobias; Howard Folk moves to new brick dwelling of D. A. Kern near the U. B. Church; Edwin Charles to house vacated by Howard Folk; William Reigle, County Treasurer, to house vacated by James Runkle; the latter will move to John Runkle; John H. Willis Register and Recorder, will move to house vacated by Treasurer Reigle; Mrs. Adam Spangler to her son at Verdilla; C. R. Spangler moves to Franklin Co., and Mrs. Barbara Yoder will move into Spangler's residence; T. B. McWilliams and wife will move to McVeytown; F. M. Specht will move into the house vacated by Mrs. Wagner.

A Well Known Teacher Gone.

Charles D. Grissinger was born in Harrisburg, Dauphin county, Pa. June 5, 1845. Died March 25, '98 in Selingsgrove, Pa. He lived in Harrisburg until he was 10 years old, the family moved to the country 14 miles east of Harrisburg, on a small farm adjoining the land of Wm. H. Brennan's father, where a life long attachment was formed between Wm. H. Brennan and C. D. Grissinger, that lasted to the last hours of his life.

He moved to Selingsgrove in the spring of 1865, where he became engaged in teaching school. He spent 33 years of his life in teaching and endeared himself in the hearts of many. His delight was in that direction, he always tried to set a good example before his pupils and at the time of his death was assistant teacher in the grammar school.

He was married to Miss Mary P. Baker, eldest daughter of Lorenzo D. Baker, March 16, 1874. Of this union six children were given to them, four sons and two daughters, the youngest being 5 years old. Their family circle was complete without a death until the grim reaper called the beloved father first.

He was converted and joined the M. E. church in the winter of 1866; his wife also becoming a member the same year, where for 32 years he was a consistent member, filling different offices in the church and Sunday school, and was a steward at the close of his well spent life.

He was a devoted husband, kind father and a good neighbor. He died in peace, leaving a good hope of eternal life.

Behind Prison Bars.

One of Shamokin's Lawless Gang behind Prison Bars.

Expects Judge McClure to Sentence Him and Wishes He Would Come Soon to Do It.

Martin Lawless, of Shamokin, was put into jail here on Saturday afternoon on a charge of housebreaking and attempting to rob. The warrant was sworn out by Amos Focht of Chapman township before Kohler Peck, J. P. It appears that Lawless and two others broke into Amos Focht's residence near Mahontong on Friday night. The family was aroused, and Amos and his son Harry came down stairs. Harry fired, but the aim was too high. The load went into a mirror above Lawless' head. It was a terrible shot and bored a large hole through the wall. Lawless had an axe and attempted to down the two Fochts. One of the Fochts turned his gun around and hit Lawless across the forehead with the butt end of the gun. Lawless dropped to the floor unconscious and remained unconscious until noon on Saturday. The other two escaped.

THE PRISONER

was brought here on Saturday afternoon. He is 29 years of age and is at home in a jail or a penitentiary. He has a father, mother and several brothers residing in Shamokin. John Lawless is the father's name and is an old man severely crippled with rheumatism. Only one of John Lawless' sons works regularly. He is employed in the coal mines. The whole family has a bad reputation and doubtless some of Martin Lawless' brothers were the others who composed the party, but Lawless says he was the only one. Patrick Lawless, says our informant, at Shamokin, is a bad case too.

On Monday, a Post Reporter called at the jail and found Martin Lawless taking it easy in his cell. His head was tied up with bandages and occasionally he bathed it with water. He told the reporter that he had been arrested about two years ago for robbing a wealthy man by the name of Dietrick in Shamokin. There were six of them, but he was the only one caught. They secured \$28 which was used for a spree. He was sentenced to 1 year and 6 months in the Sunbury jail and was released from there only a short time ago. He has been in the jail several times since, but only for drunks. At Shamokin and Sunbury, he is said to have the right name, and we are informed from Shamokin that the bigger the sentence he gets from Judge McClure, the better the people over there will be satisfied.

Lawless asked the reporter when the court would convene. Upon being informed that his case could not come up for trial before June, he asked, "Couldn't I get before the Judge sooner and get my sentence?" "Then you expect a sentence?" was asked. "Yes, I can't get out of that," replied Lawless.

THE REASON.

Considerable guessing is being done to arrive at the motive that inspired Lawless and his gang to enter Focht's house. The opinion in the neighborhood prevails that as Harry Focht is reforming, the bandits feared doubtless that Harry may have had a secret of theirs and to prevent him from revealing it, they determined to seal his lips forever by ending his life. This may not be true, but it is the prevailing theory in the neighborhood. If, however, Harry had not aimed quite so high, Lawless' body would have been severed in twain and would now be lying beneath the sod.

A. M. Monte moved on Wednesday into Stroh's house.

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