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Thursday, June 22, 1899.

Bachelor Girl and Matrimony.

The question of marriage is the great question in every human life. Time was when a woman was supposed to have only one answer to the question. Happily or unhappily that time is past. Some of us are bewailing the change. Others rejoice in it. There are writers and thinkers on social topics who profess to see, in the growing tendency of women to accept independent spinsterhood as more desirable than an uncertain prospect of wedded bliss, a menace to the welfare of the society.

I do not. I believe that the complete independence of women in this matter will put our marriage relations on a much better and happier footing than formerly.

In all the cases I have known (and they have been many) where marriage was undertaken for any other reason than love—love, pure and simple and irresistible—the result has been unfortunate for the woman. Perhaps her true situation does not come to the knowledge of the world, but the effect is to bring her unhappiness and misery, to degrade her.—From "The Great Question" in *Demorest's Magazine for July*.

The Effect of Rapid Transit upon Suburban Property in the District of Columbia.

At no time in the history of Washington, which since the inauguration of the improvements instituted by Gov. Sheppard has been marked by a steady and healthy improvement in real estate values, has there been so bright a future for the owners of suburban property lying within the boundaries of the District of Columbia, as the present time. While this is due to several causes, among which an essential factor is doubtless the liberality of Congress in making appropriations amounting in the aggregate for the present year to about \$6,000,000 for the District improvements, the improvements which have been instituted by the syndicate that has recently gained control of the street railways have probably done more than anything else to bring about present conditions. The street railways are being re-constructed and new lines established. The roads are being equipped with modern rapid transit. The obsolete overhead trolley has been dispensed with, and a uniform electric underground system has been adopted. The lines have been extended in all directions to the boundaries of the District, and as far as street railways are concerned the distinction between the portions of the District formerly known as the city and the country have been abolished. A system of

free transfers between the various lines has been established, and it is now possible for a person to go from one part of the District to another upon payment of a single 5-cent fare, with as great facility and in little more time than was heretofore required in going short distances within the city limits. All of the former "suburban lines" have become merged in the general system, thus bringing remote sections near to the centre of the city in point of time, and the advantages which are already apparent in the development of real estate in the suburbs are difficult to estimate. The demand for suburban property is increasing to an extent that renders it practically certain that no more promising investment for capital is offered anywhere than in suburban property lying within the boundaries of the District of Columbia.

Probably never before was so inviting an opportunity offered for the profitable investment of large amounts of capital in the forming of communities where homes can be procured within the means of people of moderate incomes, and where houses will be available for rent.

Reduced Rates to Gettysburg.

On account of the dedication of the monument to General Reynolds, July 1, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has arranged to sell excursion tickets from points on its lines in Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, and the District of Columbia, to Gettysburg, at rate of single fare for the round trip.

Tickets will be sold on June 30 and July 1, good to return until July 5, inclusive.

The First Anniversary.

It is just a year since the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul road inaugurated its celebrated Pioneer Limited passenger train service between Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul and Minneapolis. This service marked a new era in the railroad world in the line of passenger accommodation. At the cost of a quarter of a million dollars that progressive company furnished the traveling public, in its Pioneer Limited trains, comforts and facilities the best ever produced. This train has been described many times in newspapers and magazines, but should be seen and examined to be appreciated. In beauty of finish, richness and elegance of furnishing nothing equal to it has ever been attempted by any other road. The car builders were nearly a year in completing the Pioneer Limited trains (there are two—one leaving Chicago for the West and the other leaving the Twin Cities for the East every evening in the year) and they stand to-day a monument to the builder's art. No regular passenger train service in America is as well known as the Pioneer Limited. From the standpoint of passenger traffic the past twelve months have been the most successful in the history of the St. Paul road, made so very largely by the Pioneer Limited. The patronage of this service is a striking illustration of the fact that the public appreciates a good thing.

PENNSYLVANIA CHAUTAUQUA.

Reduced Rates to Mt. Gretna via Pennsylvania Railroad.
For the Pennsylvania Chautauqua, to be held at Mt. Gretna, Pa., July 4 to August 10, 1899, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell special excursion tickets to Mt. Gretna from New York, Washington, Baltimore, Frederick, Md., Canandaigua, and intermediate points, including all stations on its line in the State of Pennsylvania.
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Germans in the Revolutionary War.

Lewisburg Saturday News.

EDITOR SATURDAY NEWS:
Will you permit a word from a Pennsylvania Dutchman who differs widely from Dr. Lincoln Hulley, if he is correctly reported in your paper, as showing that the German part of the war was not a prominent one. It is an old field of research and has been well worked over, and I know that the doctors largely disagree on the subject. But, Mr. Editor, in the Revolutionary war Pennsylvania was the keystone and remained so for nearly 100 years after.

The Quakers and the Germans together governed the State up to this war. It is a known fact that Pennsylvania was considered the best developed colony, and Dr. Rush, of Philadelphia, has left it on record, that this was due to the German element. I believe it is also true that our State furnished the largest number of troops in that war. I have examined such rolls as are accessible, and the number of German names on the rolls is very large. Bancroft says, "The Germans of Pennsylvania were all on the side of freedom." In 1772 the Germans in Philadelphia organized "the Patriotic Society," and in 1774 a "Correspondence Committee," both of which organizations wielded great influence with Germans throughout the colonies. It is a mistake to think the Germans were all Menonites. Those in Chester, Philadelphia, Montgomery, Berks, Lebanon, Lehigh, Northampton and some other counties were not Menonites, but fighting members of the Lutheran and Reformed churches.

Now, to conduct a war requires leaders, money and men to make the rank and file. In the rank and file I am sure an examination of the old records will convince Dr. Hulley that the Germans were there in force. When in May, 1776, the Continental Congress called upon Pennsylvania for four companies, the Germans of the State enlisted five companies, all Germans, and fully officered by Germans. There is hardly a Pennsylvanian of German extraction who did not have one or more ancestors in that war. In my own case they were on both my father's and my mother's side. The Beavers, Stricklers, Meyers, Fishers, Shaffers, Bowers, Schmidts, Weisers, Fochts, Ritters, Heisers, Kuglers, indeed all the Germans were there.

Dr. Egle and Prof. Rupp, men most familiar with the history of the Germans in Pennsylvania, affirm that of money, of wagons and horses, of clothing and rations when most needed, Pennsylvania furnished more than her share. She was able to do this because she had the most. Dr. Egle gives the names of nine Germans who advanced \$90,000 and saved the army at a critical time. It was the German women who furnished blankets to the army at Valley Forge. It is said this was because while the English women had no blankets to spare, there was a surplus in every German house.

My great-grandmother, Margaret Beaver, furnished Washington at one time 1500 bushels of wheat, she having previously given her husband to the cause. My ancestors, the De Havens, manufactured gunpowder and rifles at the Falls of French Creek, in Chester County, while in Montgomery County the older Groffs made clothing for the army in which the younger members served. Indeed, Mr. Editor, this whole slader about the Pennsylvania Germans arose with Ben Franklin, who first feared them and then hated them, because they would not take his newspaper nor get their job printing done at his office, but went over to old man Sauters at Germantown, or the office at Ephrata. Franklin was a great man, but like many other people, he let small things warp his views sometimes. Franklin was also the author of the "dumb Dutchman" expression, but the only man that Congress could get to translate the Declaration of Independence into the language of Europe was one of the same "dumb Dutchmen." They have never blown their horn and no one has done it for them. The N. E. horns have been going all the time and confused us.

We come now to the leaders. There was General Muhlenburg, General Zook, Col. John Peter Kreplin, who saved the whole American army at the battle of Long Island, when but for his stand with the German battalion, Washington's career may have been ended in irretrievable disaster.

It is an undeniable fact that the very first troops to reach Boston from the South in 1775 were two companies of Germans from Frederick, Maryland, who marched the distance of 550 miles in 22 days without the loss of a man. Mr. M. L. Montgomery, the historian of Berks County, has shown that that county sent to the war an unusually large number of troops, nearly all Germans and commanded by their own countrymen. We give at random, besides those already named, a number of the higher grade of Pennsylvania German officers, nearly all of whom were the sons of Palatines and Alsatians: General John Philip Dahass, of Lebanon Co.; Col. John Hoy, of York, who had charge of the recruiting service; Col. Henry Haller, same county; Col. Sebastian Lavan, Col. Baltzer Gehr, Col. Daniel Hunter, (Yeager), Col. Henry Spkyer, all of Berks county. Col. Hunter's "German Regiment" performed most arduous frontier service in the Susquehanna valley in 1779, while Col. Spkyer, who lies buried at Lewisburg, was paymaster of the militia during the war; Col. Stephen Balliet of Lehigh, Col. John Ferree and Francis Menges, of Lancaster. Then also the famous Hubley family of which three ranked as colonels, and others of lesser rank. Then, also, the no less distinguished Antes family, sons of the eminent German emigrant, Henry Antes, who was one of the leading men of the Commonwealth, and for whom Lord Howe offered \$1,000 reward "dead or alive"; Col. Wm. Antes and Col. John Henry Antes, who built the frontier fort near Jersey Shore, (see Frontier Forts of Penna., vol. 1, p. 394), and who proved such a tower of strength in the West Branch region during the dark days of the Revolution.

Our German ancestors bore their full share of the heavy burdens of public service from the Revolution down to the present day. The very first treasurer of our country was Michael Hillegas, of Philadelphia, whose father was a refugee from the Palatinate. So faithful was he that he was retained seven years. A number of Germans helped frame our first State constitution, and they have furnished a larger number of Governors to this great Commonwealth than any other nationality as this list will show: Snyder, Shunk, Heiser, Schultz, Wolf, Ritner, Bigler, Hartranft and Beaver.

Indeed, Mr. Editor, lovely as were the Quakers, and sterling the Scotch—Irish and Welsh, I sometimes think as every true German should do, that our "Dutch" ancestors had a big hand in shaping affairs during the Revolutionary period. I may add that the soldiers of Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina largely came from Penna. Dr. Rush says in his essays in one place that in a muster of the militia in Pickens Co., S. C., it was discovered that every man had formerly been a Pennsylvanian.

Let us not quarrel over it or call names. Our fathers did that for nearly 100 years, and even yet, a Pennsylvanian cannot rise to prominence except we call him ugly names. They don't do it in other states like we do. G. G. GROFF.

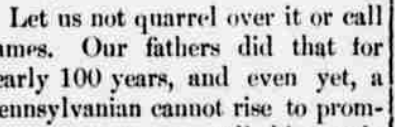
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Lard.....	6
Tallow.....	4
Chickens per lb.....	7
Turkeys.....	10
Side.....	6
Shoulder.....	8
Ham.....	12
Wheat.....	70
Rye.....	45
Potatoes.....	60
Old Corn.....	35
Oats.....	130
Brn per 100 lbs.....	75
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