

IN HIS STEPS

The sixth installment of the story, by Chas. M. Sheldon, appears in this week's issue of the Post. Do not fail to read it.



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of any description promptly and artistically executed at this office. A trial order will convince you that our work is up to date.

GEO. W. WAGENSELLER, Editor and Proprietor.

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EVERYBODY SHOULD READ THE CONTINUED STORY, "IN HIS STEPS" WHICH APPEARS ON THE INSIDE PAGES OF THE POST.

LOCAL NEWS.

Names of the People who Visited Our Town.

INTERESTING ITEMS.

WHEN AND WHERE THEY VISITED—SEE WHETHER YOUR NAME IS IN THE COLUMN—SEE WHETHER YOU KNOW THE PERSONS.

The recent frosts are making the leaves drop very fast.

John W. Farnsworth of Danville was a Middleburg visitor last week.

A great many Snyder County people took in the Lewisburg fair last Thursday.

Kate and Margaret Bolender have been to Philadelphia to take in the National Export Exposition.

"The greatest treat of the season" L. Dunkelberger's Millinery Opening Oct. 26th, 27th and 28th.

Misses Mabel and Dillie Grimm and Bertie Erdley went on a shopping expedition to Millinburg on Saturday.

Geo. Milton Moatz and children were in Philadelphia last week attending the National Export Exposition.

The new school building has been completed. It is an honor to the town and a credit to the architect, J. F. Stetler.

H. H. Renninger is erecting a new house and a new barn on his farm half a mile east of this place in Franklin township.

It is reported here that Grant W. Yoder of Globe Mills has sold his interest in the Roller Mills to his partner, Geo. K. Fagely of Shamokin.

Miss Sue Shelley, who was staying at Attorney Jas. G. Crouse's the past ten weeks, has gone to Centre Hall. While here she made many friends.

E. S. Stroub, editor of the Herndon Star, was in this place Monday and made a pleasant call at this office. Mr. Stroub publishes a very interesting paper.

C. H. Dunkelberger, who had been storekeeper and gauger at Elizabethtown, spent Sunday with his family in this place. He has been stationed at the Huntingdon distillery.

Peter Garman of Mt. Pleasant Mills was a Middleburg visitor on Saturday. He is spending this week in Philadelphia and New York purchasing goods for the fall and winter trade.

The large window of the drug store in the bank building is adorned with a huge palm and the window in the Post Office shows a large century plant. They make a pretty appearance.

There will be no preaching services in the U. B. church on Sunday evening on account of the absence of the pastor who is away attending conference which is now in session at Myerstown, Pa.

A. C. Bowersox of Centre township, the young man who won the first scholarship prize at Susquehanna University in 1896, on Friday left for Akron, Ohio, to learn the art of photographing with his uncle.

The Northumberland Press says: "A bouncing boy came into the family of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Young this morning, so says a daily paper of Saint Cloud, Minn., of the 11th ult. Mr. Young is a son of David Young, of Blue Hill, and a brother of Mrs. Isaac Malick, of this place, and holds the position of adjutant with headquarters in the above city."

Calvin Stetler and wife visited friends at Liverpool last week.

Geo. K. Fagely of Shamokin was a Middleburg visitor Tuesday night of last week.

The cold weather is making the business of the stove man and the coal man brisk.

James Ayers and wife have returned from a three weeks' visit to their daughter in Williamsport.

The grand jurors on Monday defeated the Port Trevorton Free Bridge project by a vote of 19 to 4.

W. H. Ripka, who had been at McVeytown for the past six weeks, is spending a few days on the French Flats.

Misses Laura Runkle and Mina Long are enjoying the autumn scenes in Centre county visiting friends in that vicinity.

Dr. A. A. Yoder of New Berlin has been attending to Dr. A. J. Herman's medical practice during the illness of the latter.

Mrs. Charles H. Walter and daughter, Margaret, last week visited Oscar N. Lindig at Lewisburg and took in the fair.

Mrs. Julia Deininger attended the convention of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society at Allentown, Mifflin county last week.

The property of Daniel Krebs—two tracts of land—were sold at sheriff's sale on Saturday a week ago to Dr. J. S. Krebs of Herndon for \$135.

J. F. Stetler, Middleburg's architect and builder, has purchased from Samuel Wittenmyer the lots situate between his residence and the Lutheran church for \$1050.

The viewers appointed by the last court to view the site for a proposed bridge across the Susquehanna river at Port Trevorton, have made a report against the proposition.

A selection from our trimmed hats insures you the "newest ideas" and "something different from what everyone is wearing."

L. DUNKELBERGER.

Rev. W. H. Boyer is attending the United Brethren conference at Myerstown this week. It is probable that Rev. Boyer will be returned to this charge, a fact we are pleased to note.

Invitations are out for the wedding of Mr. G. G. Kulp, of Shamokin, and Miss Florence Billmeyer, of Washingtonville, daughter of Mr. Alexander Billmeyer. The wedding is to take place in October.

Dr. B. F. Wagenseller, of Selinsgrove, is a candidate for state senator in the district of Northumberland, Union and Snyder counties, in opposition to Senator Hummel, who will ask for renomination.

CARRIAGE FOR SALE.—A brand new trap manufactured at Millinburg by John Gutelius at a cost of \$125 can be bought at considerably less than cost. It is a most handsome vehicle. For further particulars apply to Box 243, Middleburg, Pa.

If you want your hair cut without steps or a nice easy shave and a refreshing shampoo, go to A. E. Soles, in the bank building one door east of the Post Office, in room with the drug store. A clean towel to each customer and satisfaction guaranteed.

One dollar will pay for one year's subscription to the Post if paid in advance either as a new subscriber or as an old one who previously pays up his arrears. In addition to that, we will send your name to the "Farm Journal" for a copy of that interesting paper for almost five years in the bargain.

Additional local news on last page.

PROF. D. S. BOYER

Died at His Home in Freeburg on Monday.

A PROMINENT EDUCATOR.

WAS SERVING HIS EIGHTH TERM AS JUSTICE OF THE PEACE AT THE TIME OF HIS DEATH—WAS WELL KNOWN IN SNYDER COUNTY.

Prof. Daniel S. Boyer, Esq., was born in Freeburg, Snyder county, June 9, 1827, and died at his home in the place of his nativity, Monday, October 2, 1899 at the age of 72 years, 6 months and 23 days. He is perhaps more widely known among Snyder county people than any other



PROF. DANIEL S. BOYER.

man in it. He was serving his eighth term as Justice of the Peace and if his life had been spared would have rounded up forty years in that office. His first commission was issued by Governor Curtin, May 1, 1864. His name, however, will live longer and more affectionately as an educator. Freeburg Academy is indebted for its existence to a large measure to his energy and devoted care.

Prof. Boyer springs from an excellent family and his ancestors were early settlers in Montgomery county Pa. An uncle Gen. Philip Boyer served in the war of 1812 as captain of a Company, was sheriff of that county at one time, was the father of Hon. B. M. Boyer, formerly President Judge of the Montgomery county courts and for two terms a member of congress.

The grandfather of Prof. Boyer was Philip Boyer, Sr., who spent his early years in Montgomery county, but later moved to Freeburg, where he died Dec. 24, 1832 aged 86 years. John Boyer, our subject's father, a native of Montgomery county, married Miss Elizabeth Spotts, daughter of Matthias Spotts of Selinsgrove, made his home at Freeburg, his death occurring there Jan. 23, 1837. Daniel S. Boyer was the youngest of a family of three sons and four daughters. His eldest brother, Henry J., a resident of Chicago, is the father of Allen Boyer, a noted stenographer of the West. The other brother, Wm. S., a prosperous agriculturist residing at Gratz, and was at one time a Justice of the peace. The eldest daughter, Mary Ann, married F. C. Moyer of Freeburg and died in Dec. 1897 at the age of 84 years. Polly married Dr. H. C. Beshler, a prominent physician of Berrysburg and died in 1895 at the age of 81 years. Sarah, widow of Simon P. Lark resides at Berrysburg, Dauphin county, Pa. and her son, H. L. Lark, was a member of the Dauphin county bar, but later engaged in a banking and real estate business in Pen-

body, Kansas, returning to Millersburg, Pa., where he is now practicing law.

Prof. Boyer was but a child when his father died, hence he was reared by the sole guidance of his mother whose devout christian influence he has never forgotten. He first attended the subscription schools at Freeburg taught by Burge, Burr, Montelius, Naille and others and then pursued the higher branches in the Classical Institute at Berrysburg, Pa. under the instruction of A. B. Sprout. At the age of sixteen he began teaching in his native town and so successful was he that he continued without interruption for ten terms. In 1857 he was elected county superintendent for three years. For many years he was assistant teacher in the Freeburg

Academy and then elected Principal to succeed Mr. Millet in 1861. He was Principal for ten years and was President of the stock Company that had it in charge for twenty years. In 1867 he built a large town hall which was quite a convenience for public gatherings for many years until destroyed from the effects of a stroke of lightning June 14, 1894.

As a citizen he was known to have been one of the very best. He was identified with all the good movements and was frequently called upon to deliver addresses at various gatherings. In May, 1885 he was chosen to deliver the historical address at the unveiling of the Governor Snyder Monument at Selinsgrove. The address is still being preserved as a monument to his historical researches. In 1886 he was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Major Wm. H. Dill as County Superintendent and he delivered a eulogy on the deceased at the State Teachers' Association at Allentown in July of that year. He was very much interested in preserving the records and became a charter member of the Snyder County Historical Society when it was chartered by the courts in 1897. He wrote many historical articles during his time which were published in the Post. In 1896 he wrote a series of articles on the history of Grubly's church which were published in the columns of the Post. For the past three years he has been one of this publication's most faithful correspondents, and during the past summer undertook to take the inscriptions from the tombstones in Washington township for the Post's collection, which we presume was unfinished owing to his declining health. In his office he has his pigeon holes filled with various historical notes on local topics of interest. From time to time he has contributed pamphlets and old papers to the Snyder County Historical Society. In 1875 he was appointed

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COURSE OF STUDY

Adopted by the Middleburg School Board.

THE SCHOOL IS GRADED.

WITH AN ABLE CORPS OF TEACHERS AT WORK, EVERYTHING LOOKS FAVORABLE FOR A SUCCESSFUL SEVEN MONTHS' TERM OF SCHOOL.

PRIMARY DIVISION.

READING.

1ST GRADE.—Chart and 1st reader; reading from black board, slates and tablets; teach spelling, writing and language.

2ND GRADE.—Second reader; supplemented with books and papers of corresponding grade; short selections memorized; combine spelling, writing and language.

SPELLING.

Words from the reading lesson, by sound and letter; selected words from other lessons; words in common use; special lists for review; tests in spelling and pronunciation; phonic drills and use of diacritics.

WRITING.

Writing with pencil on ruled slate or paper; correct forms of letters from black board copy; progressive exercise in connection with all lessons; study and draw simple forms and figures.

LANGUAGE.

Conversation lessons in class; require complete statements; Use of capital letter, period and interrogation point; sentence building; stories read by teacher and reproduced by pupils, first orally, later in writing; composition from objects, pictures and stories; train in correct expression.

ARITHMETIC.

1ST GRADE.—Numbers from 1 to 10 with combinations and separations; Reading and writing to 100; meaning and use of principal signs.

2ND GRADE.—Numbers to 20 with combinations and separations; reading and writing to 1000; drill in simple operations; objective work continued; easy problems; Roman numbers.

GEOGRAPHY.

Observation lessons on home surroundings; names and uses of common trees and plants; soils and how plants grow; descriptions from specimens; observation of weather; common occupations and products; direction, distance, cardinal points; county geography.

PHYSIOLOGY.

General lessons about our bodies, how they grow, how injured; principal parts, use of food, clothing and shelter; value of health; general effects of stimulants and narcotics; no technical terms.

HISTORY.

Historical stories and references, incidentally or in connection with other lessons; origin and purpose of holidays; meaning of flag; myths, heroic tales and fables to cultivate imagination and teach moral lessons; county history.

Books may be used in second and third year of every branch.

Second grade requires two years.

INTERMEDIATE DIVISION.

READING.

3RD GRADE.—Third Reader; light reading of interesting stories; voice culture.

4TH GRADE.—Third Reader supplemented; completed by Xmas; 4th reader begun; continue 3rd grade.

3RD AND 4TH GRADES.—Selected extracts from authors memorized and recited; choice selections for recitation and declamations.

5TH GRADE.—Fourth Reader, supplemented with history, stories, easy biography, school papers, etc.; study prominent authors.

SPELLING.

3RD GRADE.—First half of the spelling book completed; meaning and use of words; selected words from other lessons.

4TH GRADE.—Second half of the spelling book completed; phonic exercises; diacritics; new words in all lessons.

5TH GRADE.—Review difficult words in spelling book; thorough drill on words commonly misspelled and mispronounced. Correct spelling required in all work.

All lessons to be written with pen and ink.

WRITING.

Study and analysis of letters according to adopted system; neat written work in all branches; some pen and ink manuscripts; drawing and form study continued; practice in letter and business forms.

GRAMMAR.

3RD AND 4TH GRADES.—Elementary language book used and completed; sentences analyzed; parts of speech modified and subdivided; special attention to verb and pronoun forms; compositions, parsing punctuation, letter forms and abbreviation.

4TH GRADE.—Common school grammar; analysis, diagrams, parsing.

ARITHMETIC.

3RD GRADE.—Elementary text book with supplementary work; problems of farm, store, mill, etc.

4TH GRADE.—Elementary book completed; drill in factoring, common and decimal fractions; denominate numbers, and elements of percentage; home arithmetic.

5TH GRADE.—Practical arithmetic; mental, supplement problems, clear and independent reasoning; correct arithmetical language; to percentage.

GEOGRAPHY.

3RD GRADE.—Elementary geography used and completed; special attention to physical features and products; map drawing; drill with map and globe.

4TH AND 5TH GRADES.—Common school geography; special attention to physical and commercial geography; study of state; use outlines in study and recitation; continue map drawing and sketching; special reference to climate, vegetation, animal life, minerals, adaptation to man's wants, etc.

PHYSIOLOGY.

3RD AND 4TH GRADES.—Elementary text book used and completed; special attention to hygienic rules, nature and effect of diseases, value of exercise, pure air, sleep, etc.; use charts, parts of animals, black board illustrations and simple experiments.

5TH GRADE.—Attention to details, advanced book; drawings and outlines by pupils; review freely.

HISTORY.

3RD GRADE.—History stories read by teacher and reproduced by pupils; interesting facts in history; associate prominent men with noted events; patriotic poems; begin the use of test book when desirable.

4TH GRADE.—Primary history completed; special attention to biography of prominent men; patriotic selections memorized; songs and holidays.

5TH GRADE.—Advanced book begun; use outline, maps and drawings.

HIGHSCHOOL DEPARTMENT

FRESHMAN YEAR.—Reading and spelling Completed; Outline of Literature; Grammar; Arithmetic; Political Geography Completed; U. S. History Completed; Algebra Introduced; Physiology Completed.

MIDDLE YEAR.—English Literature; Rhetoric; Grammar Completed; Arithmetic Completed; Civ-

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