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

Romans xiii: 8.—If the label on your paper is '98 or any previous date we refer you to the above verse. It will give you good advice.

#### INTERESTING ITEMS.

Miss Bertha Ripka is visiting Dr. Deckard's at Richfield.

Miss Bertha Erhart of Lewistown is visiting friends in Middleburg and Franklin.

Elmer Bashor of McAlisterville spent Sunday with his brother, Amos, in Swineford.

Mrs. Stewart of Shamokin spent several days with her parents, Sheriff Low and wife, at the jail.

James B. Crosgrove and Chas. Hington have gone to Readsville to visit some new houses.

Mrs. Anna M. Luck of Spring township was a guest of Wm. H. Gell and family Saturday.

Wm. F. Stimeling and wife of Middleburg were callers at the Post office Tuesday.

Daniel Millhouse and wife, who had been visiting their son and daughter at Reading, returned home.

Peter Nace of Winfield and his brother-in-law, Mr. Renninger, were at the Snyder county capital Monday.

The Republican Standing Committee met in Middleburg on Saturday night for the purpose of organizing for the coming year.

M. L. Wagenseil of Selinsgrove, a traveling salesman, was in town Monday on business and while here he had a pleasant call.

S. H. Hassinger of Beavertown and his son, R. A. Hassinger of Conowingo, were cash callers on Tuesday of last week.

The primary nominations for Republican candidates for township offices in Franklin township will be held Saturday, Jan. 20th.

John C. Beck, book-keeper of the Selinsgrove shoe factory, was at the Middleburg shoe factory the past week fixing up the books.

Thomas Deckard and wife of Potter's Mills, Centre county, visited her brother, W. H. Ripka and family, Saturday and Sunday.

Isaac Stimeling and family who were burnt out last Thursday, have been temporarily domiciled in the old school house on the hill.

Hon. G. Alfred Schoch last week attended the 25th anniversary of the Legislature of 1875 at Harrisburg. A pleasant time is reported.

The Pope Manufacturing Co.'s desk calendar for 1900, like all those that have preceded it, is a mighty handy thing to have in the house.

S. Y. Dengler of Hoffer and his son, S. Y. Dengler of Cassopolis, Mich., came in to see us Monday and became cash-in-advance subscribers to the Post.

W. A. Napp, one of Penas Creek's wide awake business men, dropped in to see us Monday. He paid his paper up to 1901, the beginning of the new century.

John Renninger had a family reunion east of town Saturday. The children and grandchildren were all there and indulged in turkey and many other good things.

W. D. Osmun of Franklin township, who had been farming for Dr. Haas, will return to Shamokin the spring and Benjamin Steffen Pallas will farm for Mr. Haas.

Alma Maud, the child of Howard and Ellen J. Zechman of Beaver township, died Jan. 3, 1900. Interment at the Old Zion church, Rev. H. R. Boyer officiating. Aged 2 years and 10 months.

Henry Heinley of Leavenworth, Kansas this week is visiting his only sister, Mrs. C. H. Steininger, in this place. Mr. Heinley is also visiting other friends throughout the county.

Mrs. Dr. Deckard and son, Percy, of Richfield, spent a day with her sister, Mrs. W. H. Ripka, last week. Percy took the train at this place for North Wales, Pa. to resume his studies.

Attorney Jacob Gilbert attended Union county court at Lewisburg Monday. He reports that H. J. Benfer and young Leitzel, both of this county, were indicted by the Grand jury.

W. I. Garman and wife are spending a few days in Pfouts Valley this week. They are fortunate enough to have a handsome legacy awaiting them and the Post extends its congratulations.

We present to our readers this week the excellent likeness of Hon. A. M. Smith, the Representative from Snyder county, and Peter F. Rigel, the newly elected Associate Judge of the court of this county.

James B. Enterline of Riverside was a Middleburg visitor over Sunday. Mr. Enterline is very well satisfied with his new location and occupation. He attends market at Sunbury, Danville and Shamokin.

TYPEWRITING without a teacher. Barkley's Ring Method teaches how to use all eight fingers. Easy and practical. A book to beginners. A luxury for experts. Send for circulars. C. W. BARKLEY, Seward, Nebraska. 14 St.

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.

John N. Brosius, teacher of the primary school at Fremont, being elected commissioner's clerk he appointed W. W. Ripka to teach in his stead. Mr. Brosius made a good selection and the board will make no mistake in electing Mr. Ripka to complete the term.

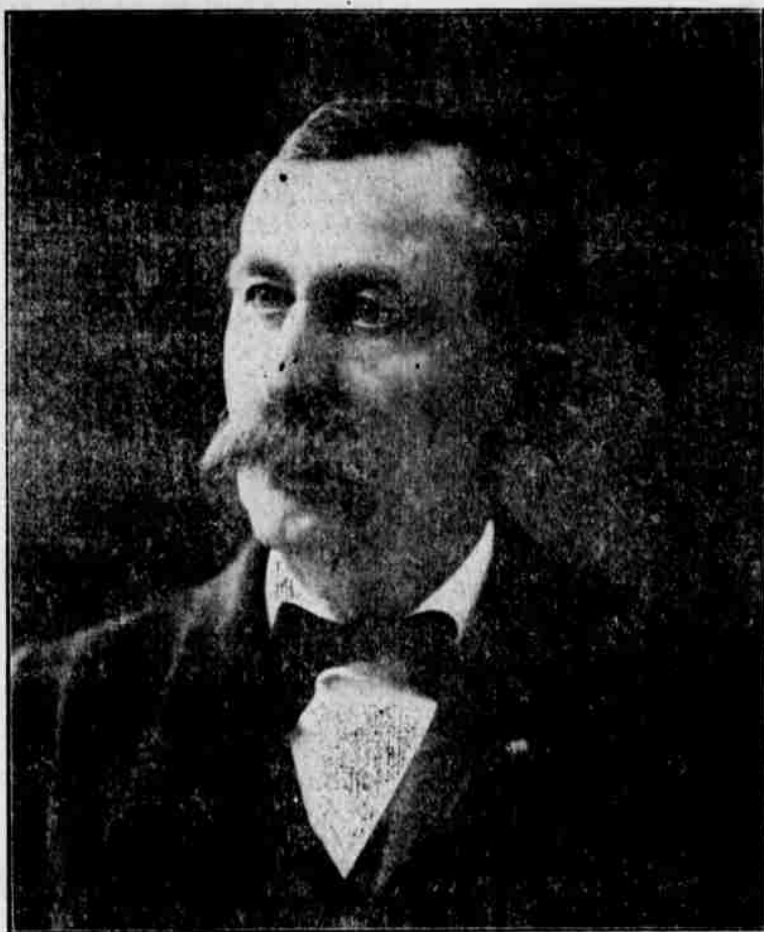
FOR SALE.—A good working horse for all purposes, a buggy, hay ladders complete, truck wagon complete with pole and shaft and other articles will be sold at private sale in Middleburg. Call on or address, IRWIN E. BUCK, West Market Street.

I wish to return my most sincere thanks to the many kind friends of Middleburg and vicinity who so nobly responded to my needs and those of my family brought on by the unfortunate loss by fire of all my household goods and eatables. ISAAC STIMELING.

The Philadelphia Inquirer Almanac for 1900 is at hand and fully maintains the high reputation of former Inquirer year books. Inquirer readers are to be congratulated on the New Year's gift, for the almanac is to be presented free to every subscriber.

The caucus to suggest candidates for the nomination for Republican candidates for borough offices will be held in the Commissioners' office Thursday evening, Jan. 25, at seven o'clock and the nomination proper will be held Saturday, Jan. 27, between the hours of one and six p. m.

The spring election for township end borough officers will be held Tuesday, Feb. 20. Nomination papers must be filed at the Commissioners' office on or before Feb. 2. Standing Committees should set the date for nominations prior to Feb. 2 in order to be able to file papers in time as required by law.



HON. A. M. SMITH,

Representative from Snyder County and Candidate for Re-election.

#### Fire at Kreamer.

From our Kreamer Correspondent.

Thursday evening at about ten o'clock a fire broke out in the corner of the church.

The corner-stone of the church contained an English and a Dutch Bible, a Snyder County Tribune, a Harrisburg Botehafter and the subscription paper showing who subscribed to the church. The fire was discovered by the pastor, who awakened from their peaceful slumber by the horrid cry of "Fire." Upon investigation it was discovered that the roof of the Evangelical church was ablaze. The citizens turned out in short order and everybody proved to be a good fireman. Had it not been for the bravery and perseverance manifested, the greater part of the town would have burned to the ground. The work was all done with buckets with the exception of A. C. Smith's force pump which did efficient service. Had it not been for that pump, it is doubtful if Wm. Fryman's house would have been saved and it did efficient work other places. There was prayer meeting and business meeting of the Christian Endeavor Society in the church in the evening, and Josiah Maurer, the janitor, made fire in the stoves at about 4 o'clock. It is supposed the pipe came apart and in starting the fire sparks caught at the dry wood up in the attic, and was burning slowly all the time until about 10 o'clock when it got to the roof and got air. Then it gained rapidly. The church was soon burnt to the ground. The bell fell from its high cupola to the ground without even cracking. After the church was nearly burnt down, Philip Roush's new house caught fire and burned rapidly. Part of the furniture was saved, but considerable burned, including 35 bushels of potatoes, lot of canned fruit, and a beef. In order to save other buildings from the same fate, Roush's confectionery shop was torn down. Of course the candies, cigars and a lot of other things were destroyed. Several other buildings caught fire, but were controlled and extinguished, some with great difficulty. The church was built in 1868 at the cost of thirteen hundred dollars. It was a large comfortable building with considerable seating capacity. It was 32 feet wide by 50 feet deep. It was seized by the Escherites several years ago, but the faithful members of the congregations repurchased it and did considerable repairing at it. It was not insured. A. C. Smith is taking up a subscription for rebuilding it and has over six hundred dollars already subscribed. Everybody is invited to write his name on the paper with a V or X behind it. Mr. Roush received nine hundred dollars insurance for his house, etc.

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J. G. Crouse's House Burned.

Last Thursday morning on J. G. Crouse's farm just north of town was discovered to be on fire. It was entirely consumed with all its contents. Isaac Stimeling lived in the house. He was out in the woods at work and Mrs. Stimeling came to town to buy some groceries and left the four children in the house alone. Henry, aged 3, and Mary, aged 6, went into the cellar to get some apples. The boy dropped a lighted match into some straw that was used to cover potatoes. The straw ignited and the children became alarmed and ran out of the house. Six-year-old Mary had presence of mind enough to pick up the baby from the cradle and carried it out.

The fire put Mr. Stimeling out of house and home. All his furniture and clothing were burnt. The people responded nobly to the needs of the occasion and contributed money, clothing, provisions and other necessities. Mr. Crouse had \$100 insurance on the house.

#### A Card of Thanks.

I hereby wish to return my heartfelt thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Carbon Seebold, the people of Middleburg, the P. O. S. A. and the people of Centreville for the kindness and favors shown me during the sickness and death of my husband, Luther A. Mertz.

(MRS.) ALICE MERTZ.

#### A Rare Unhance.

M. S. Graybill of Evendale, Pa., will locate in Lancaster county this coming spring, and therefore offers his substantial brick dwelling and store house for sale or rent. This is a number one stand for mercantile business. No competition. Call at once. 1-4-5t.

#### Committee Meeting.

The Republican Standing Committee will meet at Middleburg, Saturday, Jan. 13th, to fix the time for the holding of the Primary Election. By order of E. W. Toor, Ch'n. H. J. Duck, Sec.

#### Officers for 1900.

The various bodies represented below have elected the following named officers:

##### EV. LUTHERAN SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Superintendent, K. C. Walter; Assistant Supt., Geo. W. Hassinger; Secretary, H. H. Hassinger; Asst. Sec., Bruce Crouse; Treasurer, Geo. Steininger; Organist, Mabel Grimm; Chorister, M. I. Potter; Librarian, Lillian Stetler; Assistant Librarian, Edwin Charles; Supt. of Infant Department, Mrs. M. I. Potter; Asst., Lela Smith.

##### REFORMED SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Supt., G. C. Gutelius; Asst., Wm. Romig; Treasurer, David Ocker; Sec., H. A. Rauch; Asst., H. Mertz; Organist, Paul Billhardt; Asst., Mollie Bolender; Infant School Supt., Mabel Bachman; Junior School Supt., Cary Willis.

##### EVANGELICAL SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Supt., F. C. Bowersox; Asst., J. A. Snyder; Sec., Wm. H. Matter; Treas., Mrs. Jacob Gilbert; Librarian, Lank Hare; Organist, Eva Rothrock; Asst., Mrs. F. C. Bowersox.

##### U. B. SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Supt., M. L. Shannon; Asst., F. W. Specht; Secretary, Sallie Snyder; Treas., M. L. Shannon; Organist, Sallie Snyder; Asst., Laura Shambach.

##### P. O. S. O.

Past President, Wm. F. Pegg; President, John A. Snyder; Sec., H. S. Renninger; M. of F., L. G. Stetler; Treas., J. W. Swartz; Conductor, C. C. Heimback; Inspector, Bruce H. Crouse; Guard, Joseph Clelan.

##### G. A. R. POST, MIDDLEBURGH.

Post Commander, G. C. Gutelius; S. V. C., J. S. Stetler; J. V. C., J. P. Smith; Q. M., Aaron Renninger; O. of D., E. C. Minium; O. of G., J. C. Schoch; Surg., Dr. J. Y. Shindel; Adj., H. R. Tobias; Chap., D. T. Rhoads.

##### SALEM SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Supt., Prof. F. C. Fisher; Asst., Harry A. Gemberling; Sec., Jacob G. Row; Rec. Sec., Oscar D. Romig; Treasurer, Howard Row; Organists, Misses Della Moyer and Annie Gemberling.

##### BANNERVILLE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Supts., Thomas Kohler and Wm. Heeter; Secretaries, Mrs. Simon Oldt and Mrs. J. S. Gross; Treas., S. H. Oldt; Sexton, Homer Gundrum; Chorister, Wm. Heeter.

##### BEAVERTOWN LUTH.-REF. S. S.

Supt., A. W. Musser; Asst., Jacob H. Hetrick; Secretary, Samuel F. Wetzel; Asst., J. A. Aigler; Librarian, John Bickel; Organist, Carrie Faust; Asst., Libbie Bingham; Treas., James M. Kline.

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President, Geo. W. Walborn; Vice President, A. H. Glass; M. of F., Thos. E. Hoff; Rec. Sec., Edwin S. Willis; Fin. Sec., Chas. M. Herold; Treas., Jerry Charles; Conductor, Chas. A. Riegle; Inspector, Wm. F. Brown; Guard, John Miller.

##### EV. LUTH. S. S., SELINS GROVE.

Supt., M. S. Schroyer; Asst. Ira C. Schoch; Female Asst., Mrs. Sarah Miller; Supt. Primary Dept., Mrs. K. S. Schoch; Asst. Supt., Mrs. E. K. Schroyer; Sec., R. L. Schroyer; Treasurer, A. W. Smith; Lib., M. L. Wagenseil; Assts., M. A. Miller and H. J. Duck; Pianist, C. A. Keely; Chorister, A. W. Potter; Asst., J. H. Fehrer.

##### LAFAYETTE LODGE, F. AND A. M.

W. M., Geo. E. Fisher; S. W., R. C. North; J. W., M. O. Snyder; Treas., S. Weiss; Sec., H. E. Miller, Jr.; Rep. to Grand Lodge, J. I. Woodruff; S. D., A. W. Smith; J. D., Amos S. Kemper; Pursuivant, F. C. Fisher; J. M. of C., Geo. Hains.



HON. PETER F. RIGEL,

The New Associate Judge of Snyder County.

S. M. of C., H. L. Phillips; Tyler, Sol. Oppenheimer; Chaplain, Ira C. Schoch.

##### HOOK & LADDER CO., SELINS GROVE.

Pres., J. G. Curns; Vice Pres., D. J. Keller; Rec. Sec., R. P. Burns; Fin. Sec., L. B. Dillman; Chief, W. A. Hare; 1st Asst. Chief, Wm. Snook; 2nd Asst. Chief, Chas. Gemberling; Directors, Chas. Whitmer, John Landenslager, Frank Keller, H. Gemberling, L. B. Keiser; Officers of Relief Fund Asso.—Pres., A. D. Long; Treas., M. O. Snyder; Sec., H. Livingston; Trustees, William Snook, Chas. Witmer, John Janitor, W. A. P.

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Supt., C. P. Fiss; Asst., D. J. Bingham; Sec., J. A. Fetteroll; Asst., A. W. Gill; Treas., J. T. H. Moyer; Overseers, James Benfer, J. T. Herman, Mary C. Swartz and Kate Smith.

##### MAIN SHOE COMPANY.

Managers: G. Alfred Schoch, Dr. J. W. Orwig, G. M. Shindel, W. H. Hampton, L. J. Albus, W. B. Winey, D. A. Kern, W. I. Garman; W. W. Wittenmyer. Officers of the Board of Managers, President, G. Alfred Schoch; Sec., Geo. M. Shindel; Treas., W. W. Wittenmyer.

##### UNITED EVAN. S. S., PAXTONVILLE.

Supt., R. W. Gift; Asst., Chas. Swengle; Sec., Chas. Dobson; Treas., Harvey Mitchell; Organist, Maude Gift; Librarians, Mahalah Graybill and Hattie Shambach.

#### COURT HOUSE CHIPS

##### Deeds Entered for Record.

Daniel Maneval and wife to J. A. Reichenbach, 48 acres in West Perry twp. for \$400.

Sarah Bolig, John L. Smith, Cora Gemberling and John A. Gemberling to S. O. Ulrich, 3 acres and 10 perches in Middlecreek twp. for \$20.

Ellen E. Aurand and S. F. Aurand to Geo. S. Lepley, 18 acres in Spring twp. for \$325.

Charles Boyer and wife to Mary E. Specht, one-fourth acre in Franklin twp., for \$168.

Jacob Fuhrman to Henry Sassaman, 29 acres in Adams township, for \$400.

##### Letters Granted.

Letters of administration in the estate of Elias Fuhrman, late of Adams twp., were granted Tuesday to Amos W. Fuhrman.

##### Marriage Licenses.

James S. Boyer, Centre twp., Jennie S. Bingham, " Charles A. Riegel, Freeburg, Annie M. Grimm, " Daniel Wolf, Dundore, Maude E. Flanders, Port Trever, Geo. C. Moyer, Sh, Fianna Reed, Geo. A. Mus, Lizzie M, Ice, we.