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LUCID LOCAL LACONICS

Blank leases for sale at this office. Born to John Ritter and wife of Zion, a daughter...

Do not forget the concert in the court house Saturday night.

The Franklin township school board had a meeting Saturday.

Neat job printing can be had at liberal prices by leaving your orders at this office.

Just received a full line of the latest and most desirable spring goods at E. C. Aumand's.

Quite a great deal of sickness is prevalent in the neighborhood. Doctor Herman is kept quite busy.

The pair of spectacles found in Middleburg during court week are still at this office awaiting the owner.

WANTED.—Good Veal Calves, also hides and tallow. J. L. WINEMAN, 2-28-01.

The town council organized by electing D. A. Kern, President; Calvin Stetler, Secretary, and the First National Bank, Treasurer.

We are willing to accept the statement of the weather man that spring is on the way if he can get the ground bog to guarantee it.

Another expedition sailed for the north pole. The pole seems to be like a woman's skirt pocket. Everybody knows where it is, but nobody can reach it.

BARK WANTED.—Rock Oak bark wanted, for which highest prices will be paid. For particulars call on or address, W. B. WINEY, 3-21-01.

If you want to enjoy a good concert, go to hear the Susquehanna University Chorus, Saturday evening March 23rd in the court house. Admission 10 and 20 cents.

A report reached Middleburg that M. Miller of Kautz had died. Tuesday morning we were pleased to learn that the report was false and that Mr. Miller was improving.

A woman in Dauphin county brought suit against a Mr. Good the other week for the recovery of \$2,000 for an alleged kidnapping. The jury returned a verdict awarding the plaintiff six cents damages.

Geo. K. Fagely, Globe Mills, will sell a car load of seed and cooking potatoes beginning Tuesday Mar. 26, and continue until sold. The varieties are Early Rose, Early Hebron, Sir Walter Raleigh, and Rural New Yorker.

Go to A. E. Soles for a smooth easy shave or up-to-date hair cut and head cleaned with a refreshing shampoo or dandruff removed with his tonic. A clean towel to each patron. Parlor in bank building, one door east of Post-office. Satisfaction guaranteed. If...

A man may have doubts about spring being here, and give good reason for the same, but when he steps on a loose board with a crack in it, and has about a quart of icy water squirted eighteen inches up inside the leg of his trousers, he should certainly be convinced.

A handsome monument to the dead soldiers and sailors of Union county is to be erected at the corner of Third street and University Avenue, Lewisburg, this spring. It will be fifty feet high, constructed of Vermont granite, at a cost of \$10,500. The unveiling will take place next Fourth of July. David J. Hill, Assistant Secretary of State, is expected to make the unveiling address.

Among the monthly magazines, we know of none that offers more for the money than the J. W. Pepper Piano Music Magazine. The March number contains 64 pages of music for the piano—21 pieces, 10 vocal and 11 instrumental. Prominent among which might be mentioned: "Sail Home," a nautical waltz song for baritone, by H. W. Petrie, author of "Asleep in the Deep;" "A Song of Joy," an Easter song, by Arthur Trevelyan; author of "The Kingdom of Peace," etc., and "Big Casino March," by Walter B. Rogers, the celebrated cornet soloist, formerly with Gilmore's, Sousa's, and other prominent bands. The price, \$1.00 per year, brings it within the reach of all.

PERTINENT PERSONALS

Dr. J. W. Orwig spent several days at Sunbury last week.

C. C. Seebold, of Sunbury, spent last Thursday in town.

Henry Bilger and wife, of Nebraska, are visiting relatives here.

Henry R. Tobias recently paid a visit to his son at Beavertown.

Miss Anna Ripka of Sunbury is visiting her parents in the French Flats.

C. H. Dunkelberger, storekeeper and gauger, is spending a short time with his family.

Miss Ida M. Wagenseller of Selinsgrove is visiting the Editor of the Post and wife.

P. C. Hartman and wife of Centerville are visiting in town with H. R. Kiegel.

Miss Fannie Katz of Georgetown is visiting her brother, Raymond Katz and family.

G. C. Smith and daughter, Gladys of Johnstown are visiting the former's parents in this place.

Edward M. Greene and wife of Lewistown spent Sunday with W. W. Wittenmyer and family.

C. J. Fisher and L. J. Albus of Catawissa are in town this week looking after their interests in the shoe factory.

A. H. Klose, one of the successful farmers of Franklin township, made a pleasant call this office Saturday.

Ex-Commissioner Isaac Spotts of Perry township had a stroke Sunday. We understand he is getting along as well as can be expected.

Rev. D. E. McLain, pastor of the Lutheran churches at this place and Hassinger's, has resigned to take effect April 8th. He will accept a charge at Liberty, Tioga County, Pa.

COURT HOUSE CHIPS

Beeds Entered for Record.

Daniel Roush et al to Susan Ditch, lot in Freeburg for \$200.

John W. Kline to Lincoln Borenman, 102 acres in Adams twp. for \$1250.

W. B. Shawver and wife to C. U. Strawser 1 acre and 26 perches in W. Perry twp. for \$100.

S. S. Reitz and wife to David A. Portzline 40 acres in Chapman twp. for \$550.

Daniel Bolender, high sheriff to J. H. Lebig, 150 acres in Monroe twp. Snyder Co., and Union twp. Union Co. for \$1925.

J. H. Lebig and wife to Samuel Kunkle, property above described for \$3000.

Samuel Kunkle to G. D. Kunkle, 50 acres in Monroe twp. for \$2000.

Marriage Licenses. (Clyde Row, Penn twp., Annie S. Hollenbach, Jackson twp.)

(John W. Felker, Beaver Springs, Laura E. Baumgardner, "

(James G. Walter, Globe Mills, Rosa A. Hummel, "

MARRIED.

Mar. 10, by Rev. I. P. Zimmerman, Clymer Romig and Anna M. Baught, both of Adamsburg.

Mar. 10, by J. G. Hornberger, J. P., Cloyd E. Clotfelter, of Monroe township, Juniata county, to Nettie Foltz of West Perry twp., this county.

Republican Standing Committee.

Adams—C. F. Bingham, J. D. Sipe. Beaver—Charles Dreese, Elmer Wetzel. Centerville—Thos. Horbster, Jackson Baker. Centre—W. A. Napp, F. H. Stine. Chapman—Peter Shaffer, C. B. Updegrave. Franklin—John Hackenburg, Geo. F. Stetler. Jackson—J. Harvey Moyer, G. A. Brouse. Middleburg—F. W. Specht, Frank Reitz. Middlecreek—D. F. Row, Geo. C. Stuck. Monroe—W. L. Young, D. P. Ritter. Penn—Harry L. Engle, Geo. M. Witter. Perry—F. E. Boyer, Allen Valentine. Perry W.—Josiah Winey, C. S. Spriggle. Selinsgrove—J. A. Lumbard, J. F. Keller. Spring—Chas. R. Klose, D. H. Snook. Union—Jacob Stahl, A. J. Stroth. Washington—Myron Moyer, W. F. Brown. Jos. A. Lumbard, Chairman.

EDWIN CHARLES RITZER, Treasurer J. FRANK REITZ, Treasurer

Auditors of boroughs and townships of Snyder County should send a copy of the report of audit as soon as completed to Geo. M. Shindel, clerk of the Quarter Sessions. There is a heavy penalty for failure to do so. The law also requires that the report be advertised in the newspapers

Evangelical Appointments.

The Central Pennsylvania conference of the U. B. church, which closed last week, gives out the following appointments in this section:

Centre District—S. P. Remer, Presiding Elder; Milesburg, P. A. Smith; Bellefonte, W. H. Brown; Howard, I. N. Blair; Nittany, J. A. Fos; Sugar Valley, L. Dice; Rebersburg, N. J. Dubs; Centre Hall, J. F. Shultz; Spring Mills, S. E. Koontz; Millheim, H. W. Back; Millmont, J. M. Price; Milllinc, C. C. Mizener; Buffalo, A. S. Baumgardner; New Berlin, W. N. Wallis; Centerville, S. Aurand; Middleburg, J. Shambach; McClure, A. D. Gramley; Port Trevorton, H. T. Searle; Lewistown, C. H. Goodling; Patterson, J. Womelsdorf, Prof. A. E. Goble, President of Central Pennsylvania College; R. E. Wilson and C. W. Guinter, members of New Berlin; S. E. Davis, member of Port Trevorton, and J. Joseph, member of Lewistown Quarterly Conference.

DIED.—March 11th, at Kratzville, Henry Brouse, of Jackson twp., aged 60 years.

March 6, near Kratzville, Samuel Walter, aged 86 years, 2 months and 14 days.

March 13, at Troxelville, Mrs. John Hendricks, aged 78 years.

March 6, at Adamsburg, Foster, son of Robert and Ada Smith, aged 18 years, 6 months and 5 days.

March 7, at Adamsburg, Mrs. David Romig, daughter of Philip and Sarah Rudy, aged 84 years, 4 months and 18 days.

March 7, near the aqueduct, George Glace.

March 6, at McClure, Nora Beulah Kahley, aged 19 years 4 months and 28 days.

Mar. 9, 1901, near Knoustown, Pa. Dora Louisa, daughter of Amos and Sarah Knouse, aged 5 years, 9 months and 3 days.

Mar. 14, near Knoustown, William, son of Amos and Sarah Knouse, aged 4 years, 3 months and 19 days. This family has been sadly afflicted by the uncertain visits of death. Three children died within a week of that dread disease, diphtheria. Interment at St. Thomas church.

Mar. 12, in Washington twp., Walter B., son of Ammon and Rosa Shafter, aged 9 months and 17 days. Burial at Ebenezer church.

Union County Deaths.

March 12th, in Millflint, Henry Gast Wolf, aged 72 years, 5 months and 7 days.

March 11th, in Hartleton, Mrs. Sarah Wolfe, aged 86 years, 2 months and 28 days.

Feb. 22, at Whitfield, George Lloyd, aged 80 years, 1 month and 3 days.

March 4, at Glen Iron, John Church, aged 85 years and 6 months.

March 4, in Lewisburg, John Neyhart, aged 72 years, 3 months and 7 days.

Feb. 25, in Lewisburg, infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Meade, aged 5 weeks.

Feb. 23, in Union twp., Miss Jane Warren, aged 73 years, 7 months and 22 days.

Feb. 22, in White Deer twp., Clara Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Prowant, aged 2 years, 10 mos. and 20 days.

Feb. 28, at Orchard Lake, Michigan, Capt. David A. Irwin, of Millflint, aged about 63 years.

Feb. 21, at McAlisterville, Mrs. Wm. Miller, formerly of New Berlin, aged 63 years, 3 months and 13 days. Interment at New Berlin.

Feb. 22, at West Superior, Wis., Mrs. Ida Bostian Carl, wife of Amos Carl, aged about 35 years. Interment in Lewisburg cemetery.

March 7, at Vicksburg, Pa., John Oksreider, aged 35 years.

U. Ev. Quarterly Conference.

The quarterly conference of Middleburg circuit U. Ev. church will meet in the Smithgrove church at Kreamer March 23, at 2:00 p. m. All members of conference should without fail, be present. Rev. S. P. Remer, P. E., of Lewisburg will preach and conduct the celebration of the Lord's Supper at the different places as follows: Kreamer, Saturday March 23, at 7 p. m. Middleburg, Sunday, Mar. 24, at 10 a. m. and Paxtonville, Sunday, Mar. 24, at 7 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all. J. SHAMBACH, Pastor.

Committee Meeting.

The new Republican Standing Committee of Snyder county will meet for organization at Middleburg on Saturday, March 23.

Change of Post Office Address.

Subscribers to the Post who expect to move this spring, should give timely notice. Give the office to which your paper is sent and the one to which you wish it mailed.

Concert in Middleburg.

The Glee, Mandolin and Guitar Clubs of Susquehanna University will give a concert in the Court house, Middleburg, Saturday evening, March 23rd at 8 P. M. Admission 10 and 20 cents.

3-7-01.

SUPPER.

The K. L. C. E. Society of the United Evangelical church, Port Trevorton, Pa., will have a supper Saturday evening, March 23, 1901, consisting of chicken and waffles, ice cream, cake and cocoa, etc., which will be served from 5 to 8 o'clock. Come one, come all.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE.

Facts About Easter.

Easter will fall on Sunday, April 7th. Easter may come as early as March 22 and as late as April 24th. It depends as every one knows, on the phase of the moon. Easter Sunday is always the Sunday that follows full moon immediately following the spring Equinox, March 21st. If the moon falls on Sunday Easter is the next Sunday following. The latest date upon which the festival may fall is April 25th. In 1761 and 1818 Easter fell on March 22nd, but that will not occur again in this or the next century. In 1886 it fell on April 25th, and will do so again in 1933.

Jennie Wittenmyer.

Sarah Jane, daughter of Jesse M. and Sarah [Eyer] Walter was born at Winfield Aug. 10, 1817, married Dec. 6, 1830 to W. W. Wittenmyer and died March 18, 1901, aged 83 years, 5 months and 8 days. She had two sisters, both of whom preceded her. They were:

Rosyan, married to J. Frank Lilly, died at Weaversville, Pa., Mar. 1, 1894.

Margaret, married to S. S. Schoch and died at Middleburg, Jan. 31, 1893.

Early in life Mrs. Wittenmyer united with the Lutheran church of Selinsgrove and attended Susquehanna Female College. She is the mother of four children: (1) Carrie Catherine, married, Nov. 1st, 1900 to E. M. Greene, Lewistown. (2) Bertha May, (3) Mabel Edna and (4) Samuel, Jr.

Decensed has been a sufferer for nearly two years from a complication of diseases. She was attended by Dr. White of U. of P. and Dr. Herman.

Funeral Thursday at 12:30. Interment Middleburg cemetery.

The Death of Rev. C. V. B. Aurand.

Rev. Celestine Van Buskirk Aurand, Blooming Grove, Penn township, York Co., Pa., died Mar. 8, at 6:54 A. M. from a complication of diseases from which he suffered since Jan. 30 of this year, aged 42 years, 9 months and 4 days.

Rev. Aurand is an alumnus of Central Penna. College. He graduated from the York high school in 1877, entered the ministry in 1880, and succeeded his father, Rev. S. Aurand, in the Hanover mission of the United Evangelical church last Spring. He was both a forcible and logical pulpit orator and was much loved by his parishioners.

He is survived by his wife, Ida M., who was the youngest daughter of Rev. and Mrs. A. F. Leopold of Allentown, Pa., and three children, two sons and one daughter. The sons are Harry L. and Russell S. and the daughter is Miss Olen M. Aurand. His father, Rev. S. Aurand, and an invalid mother of Centerville, this county, and a sister, Mrs. J. A. Seiwel of Nuremberg, Pa., also survive him.

At his request he was buried in the cemetery near the church where he preached his last sermon. His obsequies were attended by a large concourse of deeply affected people. 21 of the ministers of the Central Penna. conference of the United Evangelical church were present. Rev. B. Hengst of Lewisburg preached an interesting and appropriate sermon from the text Matt. 25: 21, "Well done thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." The music was rendered by the conference chorus.

RITTER A MOSS-BACK

Tries to Kill Middleburg's Only Industry by Lying and Gives the Town a Black Eye.

While Ritter Was High Sheriff of Snyder County and Living at the Public Crib, He Gave \$50 to the Shoe Factory, while Poor Working Men Gave \$100 from their Scanty Store.

One of the most injudicious and outrageous attacks upon Middleburg's only industry, the shoe factory, was sent out last week by the News of this place, and with it the last vestige of its claim upon even common decency. No man who has lived off of the public should be guilty of such a misdemeanor. Here is what the News says:

"Last Saturday, the Main Shoe Company of this place took as an active partner, Sheriff Row, who will help them to get rid of their stock and stockholders. This is the industry the Beecher editor of the Post presented to the town in such glowing editorials less than two years ago, and it has proved a success in the following: It kept a number of children from school who need an education very much, but this privilege is lost, and lost forever; it employed some of our citizens at starvation wages, and relieved the stockholders of \$11,000; it gave gossipers any amount of subjects for argument, which were debated daily in the barrooms, stores and street corners, and gives a highly colored hue to any enterprise that may wish to locate here in the future."

What gives a highly colored hue? Nothing can blacken the fair name of any town half as much as such an indiscreet and uncalculated statement. Even if it were true, a home paper should be the last to publish it. It is a lie. It is as black as the author's record on the chimneys of hades. The people of Middleburg never had \$11,000 in the factory to lose, and while the capital stock paid in was \$11,000, \$1800 represented a loan or watered stock in the concern. We propose that the people shall know the truth of the standing of the factory, and we will give below some statements which are verified by the books of concern. We give below a few statements:

Table with 2 columns: Date and Amount. Rows include May 1890 to Nov. 30, 1900, Nov. 30, 1900 to Jan. 8, 1901, Jan. 8, 1890 to June 30, 1899, June 30, 1900 to Dec. 31, 1900, Dec. 31 Wonderful Bros., Justice, 141.00, Dec. 31 Joseph Colon, lost acc. 150.00.

Total loss, \$2,915.33

WAGES.

Table with 2 columns: Year and Amount. Rows include 1899 (\$2340.01), 1900 (\$322.32), 1901 (\$386.67).

Total, \$3049.00

ASSETS.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Rows include Book accounts (\$313.28), Cash (\$47.11), Shoes, raw material (\$675.15), Machinery (\$286.52), Lasts (\$384.56), Patterns (\$21.54), Implements (\$24.27), Real Estate (\$17,818.02).

LIABILITIES.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Rows include First National Bank (\$5000), G. Alfred Schoch, 4008.82, Owing for material, 2591.26, \$11,599.88.

Anti due stockholders, \$5,248.44

MISCELLANEOUS.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Rows include Coal used (\$ 365.84), Wages paid, 10,649.03, Postage paid, 54.27, Discounts made, 1244.48.

Total, \$12,543.63

The News in its Satanic tirade upon the industrial development of Middleburg pretends to be venting its spleen upon the Post and if it were the Post alone that was interested, outrageous as the assault has been, it should be treated with silent contempt. At the request of the heaviest stockholders of the Shoe Co. and the substantial citizens of Middleburg, we buckle on the armor to battle in their behalf for the honor and integrity of Middleburg against the insidious assaults of one who should defend instead of attack its good name.

The News man was high sheriff of Snyder county when the shoe factory was started and he subscribed for one

share of \$50, because he could not buy a share for less, while poor men like Henry R. Riegle, a laboring man on the sunny side of 3 score years, bent down his tottering form to earn by hard labor \$100 to put into the factory. John R. Reminger, a hard-working blacksmith, gave \$100, while the high sheriff of Snyder county gave \$50. Why, Middleburg has poor widows who gave as much as the high sheriff of Snyder county, now the windy editor of the News. If Ritter and the rest of his ilk had done their share toward supporting the factory when it started, there would have been plenty of money paid in as capital stock and the managers would not have been compelled to borrow money at the very start in order to run the factory. The losses of the factory to-day are less than \$3000 and we challenge the News or any one else to show where a shoe factory has started and educated practically all of its employees without loss. The shoe company paid wages for making shoes that were returned as imperfect and while the News has the unwarranted gall in saying that some few of our citizens were employed at starvation wages, the pay roll shows that in 18 months run, there was paid in wages \$10,649.03. If these people are starving with almost \$11,000, what would have become of them if the shoe factory never had been established?

As for school children being deprived of an education, we dare say there were few, if any, employed in the factory who would have attended school at all, even if the factory had not been established. We challenge the News to name only 88. If this fanatic was so conscientious about these people lacking their schooling, he should have put his insignificant \$500 as a contribution from the fund of the high sheriff of Snyder county toward the erection of the new school building in order to save these boys and girls from the path of ignorance, degradation and perdition.

If there is one duty an enterprising newspaper owes to a people, it is the unyielding loyalty to the industrial development of its community and while the News is now willing to give the Post credit for getting the shoe factory into this place, simply because he thought it was a fallow, the Post accepts the credit, even at this time knowing that it is offered only as a stigma.

The Post was instrumental in offering to the town an industry worthy of consideration and investment; if the people failed to properly support and encourage it, that was no fault of the Post. Even if every cent would be lost, the Post had nothing to do with the management and hence is not responsible for the failure. As to the shoe manufacturing business, it is a good one. Selinsgrove is now starting her second shoe factory. If Middleburg in all her history has had a bigger disgrace than that of having one of its own newspapers, denounce the town's only industry, we have not read the blackest page of its history.

The Post is glad to see there is a disposition on the part of the creditors not to push the executions against the plant. Surely it would be the height of folly to sacrifice \$17,000 worth of property to pay \$11,000 and thus deprive the stockholders of \$6000. Too many poor people have sacrificed liberally in order to get the plant here. If the plant is put under the hammer, it will barely pay the debts and will entirely eat up the stock. The stockholders after all are the primary factors in this deal. If the stockholders do not get about 50 per cent. of their money, they can blame such enemies of the town as the News.

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