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The New Management.

In assuming charge of the Commercial, the management wishes not to say much. The public prefers that what a paper does to up-build a community in all of its aspects, should be the test for its excuse to exist. Rather would the editor have as a sort of philosophy the statement of the man who said "I never tell what I'm going to do till I get it done," and we would add, and then it needs no telling.

Meyersdale impresses a newcomer as a favored place in which to live. As the Swiss takes on his ruggedness of body and sterling characteristics of mind from the nature of the surroundings, so ought the people of Meyersdale because of the elevation of the place take on high thinking and noble living. The paved streets, the substantial churches, school buildings and residences, as well as its finely kept places of business, show that its citizens are not satisfied with merely mediocre conditions. The people whom the writer has had the pleasure of meeting, manifest a cordial spirit so that a stranger coming here feels as if he were in the home of a friend.

While some persons act as they pass through life as if they did not care, nor needed friends, the management hopes that the loyalty of the patrons of the Commercial during the times of Messrs. Smith and Schaffner his worthy predecessors, may be continued.

Our policy will be to give the news, to see much to commend, perhaps some things to which to take exception, but without realizing that we have not been made a judge over our fellows.

We do not wish to make a fetch of sanitation but there is some just criticism against the manner in which the drinking vessel is washed at some soda fountains. As the writer has as yet never tasted the reputed good quality of the sodas of Meyersdale, he can not be accused of being local or personal in this remark or two, for he knows not how the glasses are cleaned here. Exception is taken to having a tank of cold water that is being used over and over again and again in dipping a glass into it, and calling it washed. Into this same tank there may have been one hundred other glasses merely immersed used by 100 people who have left a little of their individuality, physically considered, in or on the glass, some of which still would remain for the next customer and the other parts to become inhabitants of the tank for a time until they would stick to a glass leaving the water. When we consider the smallness of bacteria, the preceding statement is not overdrawn. In some places the individual drinking cup is coming into usage at the soda fountain, and it is not a bad idea. Of course, there is no objection to the use of the glass drinking vessel if it is properly made clean after use.

It costs in cold, unfeeling money to kill one combatant on either side in war from \$15,000 to \$20,000, so statisticians inform us was the result in the Franco-Prussian war and in the Russo-Japanese war. Ah, that all the loss were summed up as given in the preceding statement, but the suffering of those in the field, and the sorrow, agony, bereavement, privation and starvation of those at home, who watched and waited for the return of the loved ones, whom the ravages of war claimed, is another cost and loss, of which no estimate can be made, no wealth could satisfy.

THE monthly meeting of the Lyceum will be held tomorrow, Friday, evening in the Sunday School building of the Reformed Church. The topic for discussion is "Is the Teaching of Eugenics Practical?" This important question will be thoroughly handled by one of our able local physicians, Dr. W. T. Rowe, after which some lay speakers will present arguments from their viewpoint. All are invited. The institution of a lyceum in Meyersdale is a most commendable one, and it should remain a permanent acquisition of the town.

WOULD there not be universal peace if all who would have to suffer because of it had a vote? It ought not to be that a monarch by his word alone could determine whether or not war should be declared. Those the most directly and vitally affected should have a voice in the matter. When the people have the sway, wars shall cease. One man may err, not likely many millions who are educated would make a grave national mistake.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

An interdenominational Sunday School Convention of the Ninth district of Somerset County will be held at Rockwood, in three sessions, morning afternoon and evening, on Friday, Sept. 4th, in the Reformed church.

At the morning session devotional exercises will be conducted by Rev. I. J. Duke, following which there will be a meeting of the executive committee.

The afternoon session will be opened by Rev. E. F. House, after which will be the roll call of the district schools with brief greetings from each school by a delegate specially appointed by the schools: New Centreville Christian, New Centreville Lutheran, New Centreville Reformed; Rockwood Methodist, Rockwood, United Evangelical, Rockwood United Brethren, Rockwood Lutheran, Rockwood Reformed; Laurel Lutheran, Middlecreek Church of Brethren; Centre Church of Brethren; Pleasant Hill Church of Brethren; Milford, Twp. Church of Brethren; Sanner Lutheran; Barronvale Lutheran; Milford United Brethren; Markleton United Brethren; St.

Paul Reformed.
The Sunday School Work in General Throughout the County, B. W. Lambing; County Pres., Secondary Division Work, Lloyd Mountain, Open for discussion, The District Front Line Standard, Rev. O. G. Frye, Open for discussion, A Live up-to-date Sunday School, Rev. P. B. Fasold, O. A. B. C. Work; Class Meeting, Rev. I. S. Monn, Class Activities, Rev. H. A. Buffington, Collection, Queries, Adjournment.

EVENING SESSION.

Devotional services, Rev. H. E. Drake, Sunday School Management, Rev. W. A. McLellan, Cradle Roll and the Home, Mrs. C. I. Shaffer, Teacher Training, Rev. V. O. Zehner, Getting Results in the Sunday School, B. W. Lambing, Report of Oommittees, Collection, Adjournment.

CORNER STONE LAYING.

The corner stone of the new Reformed church at Pocahontas, Wills Creek charge, Rev. A. S. Kresge, pastor, will be laid Sunday, August 30, 1914, at 3 p. m. Rev. A. S. Glessner will preach at 10 a. m., and Rev. A. E. Truxal, D. D., at 2 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend.

COUNTRY CAN GROW OWN DRUG SUPPLY

DRUGGISTS IN SESSION AT PHILADELPHIA HEAR THAT AMERICA CAN RAISE DRUG VEGETABLES.

Possibilities Are for Greater Quantity and Better Quality Than From Abroad, University Head Tells National Retailers

Western Newspaper Union News Service. Philadelphia.—Every vegetable drug essential to the concoction of medicines can be produced in the United States in greater quantities and finer quality than abroad. This statement was made by Prof. E. L. Newcomb of the University of Minnesota in an address before the convention of the National Association of Retail Druggists.

Wilkes-Barre.—Five persons were killed, seven seriously injured and 25 others less painfully hurt in this city when a severe electrical storm, approaching a cyclone in force, swept the southern section known as the Heights and part of Wilkes-Barre township.

The Dead.

Anna Burnetsky, aged 18, caught in mill ruins, McFarlane's mills.

Joseph Griffiths, aged 30, watchman, buried under bricks and machinery.

Katie Smith, aged 17, caught in mill ruins.

Helén Brazitski, aged 5, Georgetown, Wilkes-Barre township, caught under porch roof.

Joseph Aikazeg, aged 9, Georgetown, caught in wreck of house.

Between 30 and 40 houses on Empire street, Wilkes-Barre and Blackmans Patch, in the township, and other buildings were wrenched and made uninhabitable.

Bradford.—The body of a man about 30 years old was found on the tracks of the Shawmut railroad near Smethport. There were no papers to establish his identity.

McFarlane's silk throwing mill was unroofed and the walls toppled over and several of the girl employees were injured. The Hillside Congregational church was moved off its foundation.

Butler.—A large dynamite bomb, placed under the sill of a rear door of the Municipal building, exploded, shattered the door and office and caused pandemonium in nearby vaudeville theaters. The wrecked office was that of Burgess J. A. Helmenan.

Another bomb was found near by with its fuse half consumed, but extinguished. North Main street was crowded at the time and general excitement was caused among the pedestrians. No clue has been found. Assisted by a troop of the state constabulary, the local police have begun a thorough search of the town, especially in the foreign section. Arrests are expected to be made at any time. The loss is not great.

Kittanning.—A needle which it is said John Bishop, aged 2, son of Mrs. John Bishop of Manorville, near here, swallowed two months ago, was extracted from the child's leg near the knee in the Kittanning General hospital.

Lewistown.—Fire broke out in the house occupied by Frank Gross and the companies put the fire out before much damage was done. The house was a double dwelling owned by Gross and was fully insured. The smell of coal oil, it is alleged, was strong throughout the house, some of the household goods being saturated with it. Gross was not at home at the time. He is a widower and his two children were away on a visit. Deputy State Fire Marshal Ryan of Harrisburg was called here to investigate and Gross was arrested just as he was in the act of boarding an outgoing train.

Allentown.—While shooting rats in a stable, Clarence Kern, 23, accidentally hit his chum, Norman Kline, 26, the bullet grazing the left kidney and lodging in the spine.

Sharon.—Postoffice inspectors are investigating two supposed Blackhand letters received by Chief of Police Fred Stahl of West Middlesex threatening him with death. It is supposed that Stahl has stirred up the displeasure of foreigners over his appointment to the police force following a riot recently in West Middlesex. Both letters were mailed from Farrell, where the state constabulary broke up a Blackhand organization several years ago.

Indiana.—Indiana county authorities are hunting Frank Guthrie, aged 20, of Sidney, this county, who is wanted on a charge of murder for the killing of David Willard, aged 48, who died from bullet wounds inflicted by Guthrie. The shooting occurred in the Neal meat market at Sidney and was the result of Guthrie teasing a young son of Willard. Willard told Guthrie to let the boy alone. Guthrie became angry and securing a revolver from his home nearby shot Willard four times.

Kane.—Stepping into a den of rattlesnakes near Big Run while returning home from work, Grant London of this city had a narrow escape from being bitten. The largest snake in the nest was coiled up ready to snap at London when he secured a large club and began to fight the snakes. After a hard battle, which lasted about 20 minutes, he succeeded in killing four of the rattlers, while three more of the smaller ones escaped. The largest snake which London killed was brought to this city and measured six feet and nine inches in length. It had 18 rattlers and a button.

MICHAEL THOMAS BADLY HURT.

In some manner not known even to himself, Michael Thomas, a highly esteemed farmer of near Keystone Mines, was injured by a blow of same kind on his head on Monday afternoon. Mr. Thomas following the dinner hour had gone to the stable with the later intention of hitching up a horse and then in company with Mrs. Thomas, purposed driving over into Cedford county. It was about three o'clock when Mrs. Thomas heard moans and cries of distress from her husband and going out to the barn, she found him lying prostrate near what they regarded as a very gentle horse. On recovering full consciousness later, Mr. Thomas was unable to account for his unfortunate mishap. It is supposed that he may have been seized with an attack or vertigo while near to the horse, and that he fell against the animal which caused it to kick him. Dr. McMillan was summoned and gave the necessary surgical attention.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

LAWN FETE AND CONCERT.

The last Lawn Fete of the season at St. Paul's, Wilhelm, Reformed Church will be held this Friday evening, August 28th. Besides the usual good time always enjoyed by those attending these affairs, a special attraction at this one, will be the rendering of a two part musical program. Instruments used will be violin mandolin, cornet, and piano, and the program will include vocal as well as instrumental selections. Altogether, it will be an evening well worth spending at this well-known church, and everybody is cordially invited to come.

HAD GREAT PICNIC AT MT. LEBANON.

With an attendance that was a record breaker, the annual picnic of the Reformed Sunday School was held last Saturday under the able direction of the pastor, Rev. Kresge, there being several thousand present. The dinner served in volume, variety and quality impressed all that this is a land flowing with milk and honey. No doubt but that the pains after the repast exceeded the pangs of hunger

preceding the same for many. The intellectual and religious nature of all present had a feast too in listening to addresses by Rev. H. H. Wiant, Prof. Kretzman, Prof. Bauman and Mr. Jno E. Lenox. Two bands, that of Glencoe and of Brush Creek rivaled each other in very entertaining selections. All had a great day.

SCHROCK-WERNER WEDDING.

At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Werner, of Summit township, Miss Bertha Werner and Mr. John Schrock were united in the bonds of matrimony, on Thursday evening last at 8:30 o'clock by Rev. Dr. Truxal, the bride's pastor, of the Reformed church. The groom is a son of Hiram Schrock, and in the teaching profession. He will have charge of the Peck school this winter. The bride is well and very favorably known in Meyersdale. The happy couple will begin their married life, living in the Griffith home on North street.

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