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SPREADING INFORMATION

CLINTON.

Still more snow falling. During this month our R. D. carrier has been unable to make his trip several times owing to unopen and impassible roads...

all rejoicing because Friday's rain storm has brought the water into our wells. No more long trips, carrying water for some time.

STERLING.

On the 17th, Rev. C. F. Smalley, Baptist minister of Hawley, gave us a very interesting and instructive lecture on "India," and as he has spent a number of years there, knows whereof he spoke.

On the 23rd Rev. W. E. Webster took a missionary collection. On account of so many having the measles our congregations are not up to the standard. Last week Mrs. Webster returned from a visit to her parents near Waverly, N. Y.

Eugene Webster expects to leave Thursday for a trip via New York City, stopping at Charleston, South Carolina, and sail as far as St. Augustine, Florida, and perhaps to Havana, Cuba, returning in about one month.

To-day Miss A. M. Goble left for New York City to attend the marriage of a niece, and will also spend a few days at Philadelphia with a sister before returning.

W. B. Leshar spent Sunday in Sterling and will return to Honesdale to-morrow.

O. C. Skelton has filled J. E. Cross's ice house, and in fact about everyone has his ice crop harvested.

We had a January rain and now all our springs and wells are filled and sleighing is pretty good.

The assessor has completed his work and is now distributing his "notices," and we see that the valuation of Sterling township has been raised \$18,812. Horses have received quite a boom. They are assessed much higher than in our neighboring township.

At a Republican caucus held at the Odd Fellows' Hall Saturday evening, Jan. 22, the following officers were nominated: Judge, H. J. Meyer; Inspector, J. E. Stevens; supervisor, L. T. Butler; school directors, W. B. Leshar and F. L. Hartford; assessor, J. H. Moon; overseer of the poor, Thos. Neville; treasurer, G. J. Gilpin; auditor, R. D. Gilpin.

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Although the night was disagreeable, many realize that the primary is the important meeting and a nomination at a Republican caucus is nearly equal to an election in Sterling, so everybody gets out that are interested.

The Democratic caucus was held this afternoon and the following is the result: Judge, Chas. E. Luicks; Inspector, R. R. Stevens; supervisor, B. F. Simons; auditor, E. T. Ferguson; overseer of the poor, Thos. Neville; treasurer, G. J. Gilpin; auditor, R. D. Gilpin.

As no action has been taken we presume all our road taxes next year will be cash, but then, we will receive a certain (or is it an uncertainty?) amount from the state.

STEENE.

The Ladies' Aid society of this place will hold an old-fashioned donation for Rev. W. E. Davis at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cole, next Wednesday evening, February 2. If evening is stormy, it will be held the next evening.

INDIAN ORCHARD.

On Friday last we had the greatest storm of the season. It was a genuine January thaw, similar to those we have heard our forefathers talk about. It rained all day, the streams were swollen to overflow, fields and roads were flooded with water and traffic was dangerous.

Mail carrier Spry became stalled near John Spry's farm and had to return to the Halfway House where he turned in for the night. Notwithstanding all this, Borden's faithful teamster, John Wizzard, who drives their team from Beach Lake to Honesdale, made his trip with a heavy load of milk. On Saturday it began to freeze and now everywhere is a mass of ice.

The Berlin supervisors are going to open the roads to-day. It will be a difficult task owing to the hardness of the snow and ice.

George Lovell was visiting friends in the vicinity of Swamp Brook on Sunday last.

Miss Emma Harvey, a highly esteemed resident of this place, died Tuesday last. Her funeral was held at the old Harvey homestead on Thursday, Rev. W. H. Hiller, of Honesdale, assisted by Rev. John Tutthill, of Beach Lake, officiating. Interment was made in Indian Orchard cemetery.

Howard Harvey, of Bethlehem, who came to visit his aunt during her sickness, returned home on Thursday evening.

The young people of this place enjoyed a sleighride to the home of J. W. Hiller of East Beach Lake on Monday evening last. They took Mr. Hiller by surprise. He soon recovered and invited the guests into his beautiful home, where an enjoyable time was spent at playing games, cracking jokes, etc., after which the guests repaired to the dining room where they partook of oysters and various other delicacies. At a late

hour all departed for their several homes feeling that they had been royally entertained by their host and hostess.

Grandma Buckingham has been very sick during the past week. Her physician, Dr. Neilson, says she is doing as well as can be expected.

Uncle Sam's faithful servant, Wesley Spry, is using a string of bells on his team that can be heard for a long distance, the tone of which can be distinguished by his many patrons.

John Varcoe is spending several days with old friends at Fallsdale. William Stephens, of Beach Lake, who broke his leg last autumn, we are glad to say is able to go out of doors by the aid of a crutch.

The many men from this place, who have been working for the Borden Company at East Honesdale, have finished filling the ice houses and returned home. All speak very highly of the superintendent, Gen. Lambrecht.

Both caucuses were held at Vine Hill on Saturday evening last, and both parties have nominated good, worthy, and competent men.

Indian Orchard Grange will hold its regular Saturday evening meeting on the 29th inst. This is the last regular meeting before Pomona.

(From Another Correspondent.) Miss Nellie Hall visited relatives in Hawley from Thursday until Monday.

Mrs. Charles Schwelcoffer has returned to her home in Scranton, having been here to assist in caring for her mother, Mrs. E. E. Avery, for several weeks past.

Chas. Wagner has purchased a team of fine young colts from a party at Swamp Brook.

Mrs. H. H. Crosby, who has been ill with the gripe, is improving.

The caucus at Vine Hill was well attended on Saturday evening. We hope the right men in the right place will be elected.

LAKEVILLE.

Conrad Reineke and M. H. Harloe attended court last week at Honesdale.

D. C. Cohen, of New York City, spent a few days recently with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cohen of this place.

Abe Miller spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Miller.

Mrs. Aaron Goble and niece, Miss Hazel D. James, spent Sunday at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Pandercock, at Hoadleys.

Miss Maude Locklin recently entertained her cousin, Miss Anna Bigart of Carbondale.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Heidebeck of Wilkesville, were the guests of the latter's parents, Peter Daniels and wife.

Lafayette James is on the sick list.

R. W. Murphy, of Hawley, was the guest of his mother, Mrs. Eliza Murphy, on Sunday.

Miss Mae Killam is spending a time with her sister Helen at Wilkes-Barre.

A dance will be held at the I. O. O. F. Hall at this place on Saturday evening, Jan. 29, 1910.

Mrs. Christina Glossenger, Mrs. C. Daniels and two children have been very sick of late.

HAMLINTON.

C. L. Simons has begun repairs on his house. C. M. Loring is in charge of the work.

Mrs. F. Orchard has so far recovered as to be able to go to her sister, Mrs. Foot's, at Hollisterville.

C. R. Spangenberg has returned from St. Cloud, Florida.

Wm. Jensen, of Scranton, visited his sister, Mrs. John Williams, on Tuesday.

The Ladies' Aid society will meet with Mrs. W. A. Van Sickle on Thursday for dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Simons visited at Hotel Nicholson on Sunday.

Mrs. Minnie Brooks is visiting at W. A. Van Sickle.

No Grange last Friday evening on account of the inclemency of the weather.

Alice Brooks and Florence Spangenberg attended the sale now in progress at Lonstien's store at Ariel.

SOUTH CANAAN.

Mrs. Joseph Machell was given a surprise last week by a number of ladies of the M. P. church calling on her. A pleasant day was enjoyed by all present. At the usual hour dinner was served to which all done ample justice.

Mr. James Mandeville is still confined to his bed, since being brought home from his son George's at Tresslerville over a week ago, where he was taken sick. His granddaughter, Miss Barhight, of Carbondale, is taking care of him.

The old Quinsigermund lake is once more overflowing much to the pleasure of all people concerned. Some parties are wondering how fishing will be during the coming season. We join with them in saying we hope it will be fine, as a number have been fined in the past for being such experts in enticing the funny tribe. Enough said!

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Swingle were called to Scranton to attend the funeral of their little granddaughter, Edith Morgan, five years old. The father and mother, as well as the grandparents, have the sympathy of all their friends in this sad bereavement, as she was the pride of their home. Interment was made in the Washburn street cemetery in Hyde Park.

George Merithew is seriously ill with pleural pneumonia, having been brought home from Gouldsboro,

where he had been working on the ice. His father had only recently sold his blacksmith shop to Charles Van Sickle, our popular grist miller, and was preparing to leave for Kansas City but will be delayed pending the outcome of his son's sickness. We all hope for his speedy recovery. Miss Alice Machell is attending the High school in Carbondale.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Closing Stock Quotations.

Money on call today was 3 1/2 per cent; time money and mercantile paper unchanged in rates. Closing prices of stocks were: Amal. Copper, 87 1/2; Norf. & West., 90 1/2; Atchafalaya, 117 1/2; Northwestern, 158 1/2; B. & O., 115 1/2; Penn. R. R., 122 1/2; Ches. & Ohio, 84 1/2; Rock Island, 107 1/2; C. C. & St. L., 77 1/2; St. Paul, 147 1/2; D. & H., 174 1/2; Southern Pac., 129 1/2; Erie, 29 1/2; Southern Ry., 37 1/2; Gen. Electric, 152 1/2; South. Ry. pf., 67 1/2; I. C. O. S., 142 1/2; Sugar, 127 1/2; Int.-Met., 21 1/2; Texas Pacific, 31 1/2; Louis. & Nash., 145 1/2; Union Pacific, 187 1/2; Manhattan, 136 1/2; U. S. Steel, 84 1/2; Missouri Pac., 69 1/2; U. S. Steel pf., 123 1/2; N. Y. Central, 119 1/2; West. Union, 78 1/2.

Market Reports.

BUTTER—Firm. receipts, 5,556 packages; creamery, specials, 21 1/2c; extras, 23c; 40 lbs. firmer, 24 1/2c; held, seconds to specials, 27 1/2c; state dairy, common to finest, 24 1/2c; process, firsts to specials, 26 1/2c; western, factory, seconds to firsts, 23 1/2c; imitation creamery, 25 1/2c.

CHEESE—Steady. receipts, 414 packages; state, new, full cream, special, 17 1/2c; 15c; September, fancy, 17 1/2c; October, best, 16 1/2c; winter made, best, 15 1/2c; common to good, 13 1/2c; skims, full to specials, 14 1/2c.

HAY AND STRAW—Firm; timothy, per hundred, \$1.05; clover, 11c; mixed, 9c; alfalfa, 10c; oat, 9c; 10c; rye straw, 50c; clover and wheat, 50c; half bales, 3 1/2c; less.

DRESSED POULTRY—Steady, but very quiet; turkeys, selected, western, dry picked, 24 1/2c; scalded, 24 1/2c; fair to prime western, 22 1/2c; old toms, 17c; roasting chickens, nearby, fancy, 21 1/2c; western, milk fed, fancy, 22 1/2c; corn fed, fancy, 19 1/2c; mixed weight chickens, nearby, fancy, 18 1/2c; western, milk fed, 17 1/2c; dry picked, corn fed, average best, 17c; scalded, average best, 16 1/2c; Ohio and Michigan, scalded, average best, 16 1/2c; fair to good, 15 1/2c.

GRANGE.

INSECTS IN SEED BEANS.

"I am enclosing herewith some insects which have just made their appearance in a box of seed beans. I set the box out in the weather at 3 degrees below the freezing point, but it didn't seem to kill them. What are they? Are they harmful to the seed? How do they get in their work?"

The above is the substance of a letter which accompanied some insects sent recently by the manager of a publishing house in Western Pennsylvania to Professor H. A. Surface, State Zoologist, Harrisburg.

The reply of the Professor to this request for information was as follows:

"I have received the insects which you sent to me from the seed beans, and can tell you that they are bean weevils. I doubt if they would be killed by freezing, because Nature provides for the protection of her own, and if insects were so easily killed they would soon be exterminated by natural causes. They are, of course, injurious to the beans, which are sometimes so badly injured by the pests that they will not germinate, or, if they do sprout, they sometimes do not have enough vigor to grow well.

"The proper thing to do, at this time of the year, is to fumigate all beans and peas, in order to kill the weevils that are in them, and prevent these pests which live through the winter from continuing their gnawing within the seeds and increasing their race for another season's deprivations. The easiest method of doing this is to put the seeds into a vessel like a wash boiler, that can be closed, and put into this vessel a shallow pie tin, and pour into the pie tin a teaspoonful of carbon bisulfide. Then close the vessel tightly, and let it remain undisturbed for a day, by which time the pests will have been destroyed. Keep it in a barn or shed, or some other building than the family residence. The fumes are explosive like those of benzine or gasoline, and fire should consequently be kept away.

"Pests in granaries and bins can be killed by this method of fumigation, two pounds of carbon bisulfide being used for each hundred bushels of grain or space in the bin. The important point is to shut out all air. If this can not be done the fumigation will do but little good, unless the grain can be covered with wet blankets to keep down the fumes and exclude the air."

MISTAKES IN HOME-MADE SPRAYS.

The reason that some home-boiled lime-sulphur solutions may fail to do the work expected, and that trees sprayed with such solutions continue as badly infested with scale insects as ever, is that mistakes are made in preparing them. The solutions are either improperly boiled, or the lime and sulphur are not used in correct quantities.

Recently, a Berks County farmer wrote to Professor H. A. Surface, the State Zoologist, Harrisburg, stating that he had sprayed his apple trees with a lime-sulphur solution made according to the instructions

given by the Division of Zoology, of which Professor Surface is at the head, and that the trees are still badly infested with scale. In proof of this, specimen twigs of the trees that had been sprayed were forwarded to Harrisburg. There was no denying the fact that they were literally covered with San Jose Scale.

This naturally aroused much interest on Professor Surface's part, and he wrote for information as to how the solution had been made. The answer was that there had been "no other boiling than that caused by the slaking of the lime at the time of mixing." Professor Surface, in acknowledging the receipt of this information wrote:

"This is another evidence of what I have frequently published, or announced, that there is not enough heat ordinarily developed by this method to make a satisfactory chemical union with the lime and sulphur, and that the material is consequently not strong enough to give good results. Had it been boiled an hour it would have been much stronger, and the results would no doubt have been different. This is one of several instances in which the self-boiled lime-sulphur did not give satisfactory results, even though the trees were apparently well coated with it."

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION, ESTATE OF JAMES NEVILLE late of Sterling, Pa. All persons indebted to said estate are notified to make immediate payment to the undersigned; and those having claims against the said estate are notified to present them duly attested for settlement.

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Wayne Co. Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company

Wayne County, Pa. CAPITAL. Net amount insurance in force Dec. 31, 1909, \$584,000.00. Amount of premium notes in force Dec. 31, 1909, 154,163.00.

RECEIPTS. Cash in bank Jan. 1, 1900, \$4,883.16. Recd on assessments on premium notes, 9,200.87. Recd on applications, 719.97. Borrowed money, 2,500.00. Interest from Savings Bank 100.71 = 6,914.14.

EXPENDITURES. Paid for the following losses: Clark DuMond, house and contents burned, 430.00. Arthur Akers, house damaged by fire, 4.00. J. W. Whitmore, house damaged by fire, 5.00. Mrs. E. Tyler, clothing, 3.00. Carl Rockwell, household furniture and wearing apparel damaged, 28.00. Christian Schrader, house and contents burned, 643.50. Mrs. Alice Harman, house and summer kitchen burned, 600.00. A. H. Down, house damaged by fire, 4.00. R. A. B. Price, 2.50. F. L. Hartford, basement barn burned, 340.00. Theo. A. Brooks, house dgd by fire, 10.00. Chris. Eppley, Jr., 20.00. Martin Liholt, 3.00. W. S. Whitmore, barn, 400.00. J. T. O'Neill, barn damaged by fire, 7.22. Chas. and Edie Davis, house and contents burned, 800.00. Alvie T. Bronson, house and contents burned, 600.00. H. E. Dalton, barn, 10.00. J. J. Thomas, barn and contents burned, lighting, 400.00. A. Walker, house damaged by fire, 1.00. Allen Treslar, barn, outbuildings and contents burned, 500.00. James F. McDonald, house and contents burned, 700.00. Augustus Lintner, barn, shed and contents burned, 500.00. Charles M. and Ursula Chanson, barn and outbuildings burned, 700.00. Paul Prebor, house burned, 300.00. Milo J. Marks, household goods etc., burned, 36.50. \$ 7,127.72.

Telephone, 19.35. Stationery, 5.58. Rent, 75.00. Postage, 128.93. Printing, 41.50. Calendars, 50.00. Incidentals, 3.42. Salaries and commissions, 1,514.08. Borrowed money and interest, 2,500.00. Refund, 4.56. \$ 4,345.62. Cash in treasurer's hands, 5,444.80. 16,914.14.

ASSETS. Cash in treasury, \$ 5,444.80. Cash in hands of agents, 17.60. Assessments in course col, 174.82. Safe, 100.00. Premium notes in force, 154,163.00 = \$ 159,900.22.

LIABILITIES. Liabilities, 1,220.36. Assets in excess of liabilities, \$ 158,680.36. H. C. JACKSON, President. Perry A. Clark, Secretary, 813.

H. S. SALMON, CASHIER. W. J. WARD, Ass't CASHIER.

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Total Assets, \$2,886,000.00

DEPOSITS MAY BE MADE BY MAIL.

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