

DEATHS

MRS. JOHN GROVE.

Mrs. Grove, wife of John Grove, died at the home of her son, Wm. M. Grove, Esq., east of Centre Hill, Tuesday, after an illness of several weeks. Interment will take place Friday morning, in Cross Church cemetery, Georges Valley. Her age was about seventy-eight years.

Mrs. Grove is survived by her husband, aged eighty-three years, and in quite feeble health, and the following children: Wm. M. Grove, Esq., Centre Hill; Prof. Cyrus Grove, Freeport, Illinois; Hiram Grove, Morganza; Amanda, wife of Harry A. Stover, Yagertown. Harry, the youngest son, died a few years ago.

The deceased's maiden name was Rebecca Stover, daughter of Michael Stover, of Penn township, deceased, and was the last survivor of that family. The others in the family were: Mrs. Henry Fiedler, Millheim; Mrs. John White, Penns Cave; Andrew Stover, Penn township; Mrs. Andrew Swartz, Illinois.

Mrs. Grove was a member of the Lutheran church for many years, and with her husband resided in Georges Valley for the greater portion of their married life. Several years ago they moved to near Spring Mills, and later, when unable to take care of themselves, they joined the family of their son.

Mrs. Grove was a kindhearted woman, and highly regarded by all her acquaintances. She was very domestic in her habits, her family being first in her mind.

JAMES A. SWEETWOOD.

Saturday afternoon the death of James A. Sweetwood occurred at his home at Centre Hill, after an illness extending over a period of several weeks. Interment was made at Sprucetown, Tuesday morning, Rev. G. W. McClary, pastor of the deceased, performing the ceremony.

Mr. Sweetwood was a farmer by occupation, but for a number of years lived retired. He is survived by a widow, nee Mariah Michael, and the following children: Elizabeth, wife of M. M. Grove, Centre Hill; Clara, wife of Amos Alexander, Millroy; William C., American Falls, Idaho; Miss Cora, Philadelphia. John died at the age of twenty-five years.

The deceased was the eldest son of John and Elizabeth Sweetwood, and was born December 10, 1828, making his age over seventy-eight years.

One full brother, William, in Chicago, survives. The following full brothers and sisters now dead are: Amos A. and Isaac, died while in service during the war of the Rebellion; Catharine, wife of Jacob Harpster, of Missouri, Montana; Margaret, wife of Adam Spangler, Plainfield, Ill.; Sarah, wife of J. J. Arney, Centre Hill.

Half-sisters dead are Mary Jane and Elizabeth, both having died in Georges Valley. Half-brothers living are: J. Wesley, of near Spring Mills; David R., of near Potter Mills; and Wilson, Joliet, Illinois.

JOHN OSMAN.

John Osman died at his home at Jesupette. The remains were interred at Clintondale, his former home, and the home of his wife, who, with seven children survive. Mr. Osman was a painter by trade, and moved to Jesupette about ten years ago. He was a brother of the late U. D. Osman, of Centre Hill, and is survived by Mrs. Catharine Muselman, a sister, of Altoona, and Jared Osman, of Butler, Missouri, a brother.

MRS. CHARLES SNOOK.

Jennie, wife of Charles Snook, died Sunday morning at her home at Rock Spring, the cause of her death was consumption. She was thirty-six years of age and leaves to mourn her death a husband and four children also her father, William McManahan, and a brother Samuel.

MRS. BARBARA KAUP.

Mrs. Barbara Kaup, widow of William Kaup, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Holter, at Howard, and interment was made Sunday, at Boshburg. The deceased is survived by two daughters and six sons. The family formerly lived at Oak Hall.

GEORGE CRONEMILLER.

At the age of seventy-two years and six months, George Cronemiller, a veteran of the civil war and resident of Pine Grove Mills, Monday of last week, died at his home surrounded by his family. He is survived by his wife and ten children.

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The Hog Market.

The hog market is on the upward move. Quotations in Pittsburg for Tuesday were as high as \$6.85 per hundredweight, live.

Marriage Licenses.

Wallace A. Debler, Rebersburg. Abbie Hoy, Smulton. Claude W. Smith, Milesburg. Edith L. Else, Milesburg. Benjamin H. Etters, Bellefonte. May Aggie Smith, Bellefonte. Joseph B. Kunes, Blanchard. Elsie V. Kunes, Beech Creek.

LOCALS.

Tuesday it was too warm; Wednesday too windy.

Edward Cunningham, tenant on the Baker farm near Oak Hall, is very ill. Rufus Strohm, who is ill of typhoid fever in a Scranton hospital, is much improved.

Tuesday night a strong wind set in, and Wednesday morning it was considerable colder, but not freezing. After being confined to bed on account of sickness for a week or more, Miss Lola Strohm, of Centre Hill, is able to be about again.

Mrs. Widder, wife of Dr. G. H. Widder, of Harrisburg, attended the funeral of her uncle, James A. Sweetwood, which occurred Tuesday.

Mrs. S. M. Goodhart spent several days with her husband in Altoona. Wednesday she returned, and is helping to care for her mother, Mrs. Alfred Durst, who is slowly improving.

Miss Cora Sweetwood, of Philadelphia, was called home about two weeks ago to aid in the caring for her father, James A. Sweetwood, who subsequently died. Miss Sweetwood has been located in Philadelphia for a number of years.

On their way to Charleston, South Carolina, last week, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Meyer, stopped with Mrs. Edwin A. Zeigler, in Washington, D. C. Mrs. Zeigler is a niece of Mr. Meyer, and before her marriage taught the intermediate school in Centre Hall.

Messrs. M. L. Emerick and John Frazier, both of Centre Hill, were in Altoona from Saturday until Monday, visiting friends and seeing the sights. The former has a son, Domer Emerick, living in Altoona, who part of the time entertained the gentlemen.

CURIOUS INSECT.

A Butterfly That Enjoys Only Five Hours of Life.

It is in August that the naturalists observe the marvelous insect which is born, reproduces and dies in the period of a single night on the banks of the Marne, of the Seine and of the Rhine. It is the ephemere of which Strammerkam has written and which is spoken of in Aristotle.

The life of this insect does not last beyond four or five hours. It dies toward 11 o'clock in the evening after taking the form of a butterfly about six hours after midday. It is true, however, that before taking this form it has lived three years in that of a worm, which keeps always near the border of water in the holes which it makes in the mud.

The change of this worm in the water to an ephemere which flies is so sudden that one has not the time to see it. If one takes the worm in the water the hand cannot be taken away before the change is made unless by pressing the worm slightly in the region of the chest. By this means it can be taken from the water before the change takes place.

The ephemere, after leaving the water, seeks a place where it can divest itself of a fine membrane or veil, which entirely covers it. This second change takes place in the air.

The ephemere assists itself with the point of its little nails as firmly as it can. It makes a movement similar to that of a shiver; then the skin on the middle of the back breaks apart, the wings slip out of their sheath, as we sometimes take off our gloves by turning them inside out. After this stripping the ephemere begins to fly. Sometimes it holds itself straight up on the surface of the water on the end of its tail, flapping its wings one against the other. It takes no nourishment in the five or six hours which are the limit of its life. It seems to have been formed but to multiply, for it does not leave its state of a worm until it is ready to deposit its eggs, and it dies as soon as they are deposited.

In three days' time one sees appear and die all species of ephemere. They last sometimes until the fifth day, for the reason that some malady has affected some of them and prevents them from changing at the same time as the others.

A STUDY IN EYES.

Michael Angelo had hazel eyes. Mohammed had coal black eyes. Milton had gray blue eyes, clear and round.

Beethoven had small brown eyes, very mobile. Dante had, according to Boccaccio, large black eyes. Isaac Newton had blue eyes, small, bright and piercing.

Cowper, physically timid, had weak blue eyes devoid of animation. Harvey, the discoverer of the circulation of the blood, had small eyes, full of spirit.

Carlyle's eyes were described as "the very handsomest ever seen in a man's head—dark blue."

Bismarck had eyes of steely gray, deep sunken, almost hidden under bushy eyebrows.

Dr. Johnson's poor health so affected his eyes that they were dull and lifeless, of a watery blue.

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THE DEVILFISH.

Its Ability to Change its Own and the Water's Color.

"I was lying on a rock watching the movements of some land crabs which kept retreating from the water as the tide rose, when suddenly a crab dashed frantically from the water, and out after it galloped—there is no other word for it—a devilfish nearly two feet across," writes an observer from Avalon, Cal. "The animal continued the chase a short distance, lifting its tentacles in the air in a sort of overhead motion; then, finding pursuit hopeless, it withdrew with a peculiar unpleasant, writhing, gliding motion characteristic of these animals. Upon reaching the water it stationed itself just at the edge, so mimicking the color of the bottom that when I glanced away and looked suddenly back I could not at once distinguish it. This devilfish had the appearance of a cat watching for mice, and when a crab was seen it would shoot out a long, attenuated tentacle and attempt to seize it. By carefully insinuating my way to the water's edge I quickly grasped the specimen and after a short struggle tore it from the rocks and secured it."

"At various times I had from three to five devilfishes in an inclosure where I could watch them change color and test their strength. In confinement, if the tank bottom was dark, they assumed various tints, generally a dark reddish brown, but the largest one was a tigerlike creature, about three feet across, with a ground of livid white covered with black or dark gray blotches, giving it a truly fiendish appearance, especially as the eyes were conspicuous and appeared to emit lambent gleams. The change of color was marvelous in its rapidity. In a special tank in which two of these prisoners were confined they occupied the corners, facing outward, with arms either coiled under or above them. At any offensive movement on my part, presenting my hand under water, the color scheme would change. A blush appeared to pass over the entire surface, and in a large squid I can only compare it to heat lightning—a rapid and continued series of flushing and paling, from deep brick red to gray."

"It was very evident that the animals differed much in pugnacity. Some did not resent my touching them; others merely threw a tentacle in my direction, while one never touched me, but directed its siphon at my hand under water and sent a violent current in that direction, apparently endeavoring to blow my hand away. It was fascinating to observe the range this water gun had and how by seeming intuition the devilfish could direct it at my hand as I slowly moved it about while attempting to attract the animal's attention in an opposite direction."

When Hoops Began. When were hoops "in" for the first time? According to Strutt, "trundling the hoop is a pastime of uncertain origin, but much in fashion at present" (1801). Dr. Murray's dictionary, incidentally remarking that the original hoop affected by boys was a barrel hoop, gives no English reference to it earlier than 1702. But the hoop was well known to ancient Greek and Roman boys, who called it a "trochus" (wheel). Their hoops were made of bronze, and representations of them on gems show that they were driven by a little hook with a wooden stick. Very like the modern boy's hoop, this was called by the Greeks "elater" (driver) and by the Romans "clavis" (key). Sometimes the ancient hoop had bells attached to it, and modern London may be glad to be spared at least that exasperation.—London Chronicle.

Unfortunate Omission. One of the most singular instances of punishment for an oversight was that shown by the commitment of an almanac maker to the Bastille in 1717. It was made out by order of the Duke of Orleans, regent during the minority of Louis V. of France, and read as follows: "Laurence d'Henry, for disrespect to King George I. in not mentioning him in his almanac as king of Great Britain." How long this unlucky almanac maker remained in prison is unknown. The register of the Bastille, examined at the time of the revolution, failed to throw any light on the subject.

Beards and Battles. Shaggy locks and patriarchal beards have proved highly inconvenient things on the battlefield. Does not history record that Alexander ordered the Macedonians to be shaved lest their beards should give a handle to their enemies? Peter the Great was also a friend of the barbers, for he not only ordered all ranks to be shaven, but caused officers to go about to cut off the beards of offenders by force.

His Second. She—"I must say I don't believe in 'warmed over' love. He—Well, there's one thing sure—a widower's second love is always worth more than his first. She—"The idea! He—I mean his second ladylove is always worth more money than his first.—Philadelphia Press.

Womanly. "What," she asked, "is your idea of a womanly woman?" "One," he replied, "who takes the comb out of her back hair every little while and gives it two or three upward scrapes and then jabs it in again."—Chicago Record-Herald.

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