

THE COUNTY'S CROPS.

FARMERS REPORT CROPS GOOD, BUT FRUIT SOMEWHAT DAMAGED.

Some Rust in Tobacco and Corn and Potatoes Affected by Excessive Rain.

The August meeting of the Lancaster City and County Agricultural society was held on Tuesday afternoon in the Board of Trade rooms...

Since the last meeting, wheat and oats have been harvested. The hay crop was immense, though some of it was injured by rain.

Of the yield of oats he had no report, but the crop looked promising in the field. Corn looks promising on uplands; not so good on low flat land, which was too wet.

Potatoes are a large crop, but there are indications of rot, and if wet weather continues the crop may be lost.

Tobacco, like corn, is best on upland; on some flats the crop is nearly ruined.

It was sorry he could not say much good about fruit. There was plenty of it, but it is not so good.

The apples fall and rot before they are ripe. The foliage of the pear trees is rusted, and the fruit is cracking and will not ripen.

Calvin Cooper reported rust in some tobacco. Of fruit, apples are affected, and are dropping prematurely.

M. D. Kendig said the fruit crop in his section was the same as already reported; there are no apples worth speaking about.

There are a few varieties of pears that are good, but nearly all are dropping off; the majority of the crop is being ruined.

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Mr. Buckwalter, of Salisbury, reported the wheat crop as yielding from 20 to 30 bushels to the acre, but the quality was inferior; corn looks promising, but an examination of the fields shows that not one-half the stalks have ears on; potatoes will be fine and but few apples; worms have destroyed the tobacco leaves, but it is doubtful also destroy the fruit; tobacco is foggy and rusted and in Salisbury township there will be half a crop of tobacco.

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A LIVELY LOCAL MARKET.

ABOUT FIFTY FIVE HUNDRED CASES OF LEAF SOLD DURING THE PAST WEEK.

Farmers in Some Sections of the County Now Cutting Tobacco-Rust Reported in the New Crop.

The past week was a busy one in the leaf tobacco trade. Daniel A. Mayer sold 800 cases of '85, '86 and '87 Havana and seed leaf tobacco to S. Barnett & Son, of New York. Of that lot 500 cases belonged to the estate of Abram Collins, deceased.

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WANAMAKKER'S LETTER.

He Talks to the Western Union President About Telegraph Toils.

A letter from Postmaster General Wanamaker to President of the Western Union Telegraph company, has been made public.

He begins by referring to President Green's statement that "the privileges and benefits derived by your company through the acts of Congress are purely imaginary."

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SPOKANE CITY'S LOSS.

THIRTY BLOCKS OF BUILDINGS DESTROYED BY SUNDAY'S FIRE.

Further Particulars of the Calamity-A Negligent Water Superintendent-No More Wooden Buildings to be Built.

SPOKANE FALLS, Aug. 6.—The wires are now in such a condition that somewhat fuller particulars of Sunday's conflagration can be given.

The fire started at a quarter past six o'clock, p. m. in the roof of a lodging house on Railroad avenue, the third door from Post street. A sand calor prevailed at the time, and the spectators supposed that the firemen would speedily bring the flames under control.

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TWELVE HUNDRED ATTEND.

The Odd Fellows' Picnic at Mt. Gretna Enjoyed By That Number.

Despite the fact that heavy clouds hung over the skies all day yesterday, there were about two thousand people from this city and intervening towns in attendance at the Odd Fellows' picnic at Mt. Gretna.

The shooting matches came off as advertised and resulted as follows: Sweepstakes match, best out of ten pigeons (clay), money to 1st, 2d and 3d: Snyder shot 8, Leman 8, Brenner 8, Martin 8, Horace 9, Anderson 10, Crane 2, Martin, Wm. S., Reil 8, Huly 10, E. C. Poles 10, Miller 8, Haines 8. The ties were then shot off by the following: 1st, 2d and 3d: Snyder shot 1st, Brenner 2d, and Martin 3d money.

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THREE TERRIBLE TRAGEDIES.

TWO IN MADISON, INDIANA, AND ANOTHER NEAR CHICAGO.

A Young Man, Rejected By His Sweetheart, Fires at Her to Kill and Then Blows His Brains Out.

MADISON, Ind., 6.—This unusually peaceful and quiet city was the scene last night of two awful tragedies, one occurring in the west and the other in the east of town.

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SENSATION IN THE MAYBRICK CASE.

Mrs. Maybrick Admits She Wronged Her Husband.

At the trial of Mrs. Maybrick for the murder of her husband, Dr. J. W. Maybrick, on Monday morning, the jury heard the following evidence:

In this she explained the presence of fly papers in the house by saying that she had bought them for use as cosmetics for many years she had used a cosmetic prescribed by Dr. Griggs of Brooklyn, which contained arsenic. She had lost the prescription, but she had used it for many years and had soaked the fly papers in elderflower water and lavender water, and had covered the vessel, holding the mixture with a cork stopper, and had declined to administer the powder. But that evening I was overwrought, terribly anxious, and miserably unhappy. His distressing manner and I could put it in his food I consented to mix it with some moist jelly, which gave him a fatal dose. His condition improved and appeared better on awakening. I was not anxious to administer the powder. Afterward I placed the bottle in one of the big bellows on the washstand, where it remained until Michael Maybrick, my brother-in-law, took possession of it.

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