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YOUNG MEN

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YOUNG MEN

Who have injured themselves by a certain practice indulged in when alone, a habit frequently learned from evil companions, or at school, the effects of which are nightly felt, even when asleep, and if not cured, renders marriage impossible, and destroys both mind and body, should apply immediately.

What a pity that a young man, the hope of his country, the darling of his parents, should be snatched from all prospects and enjoyments of life, by the consequence of deviating from the path of nature and indulging in a certain secret habit. Such persons must before contemplating

MARRIAGE,

reflect that a sound mind and body are the most necessary requisites to promote conubial happiness. Indeed without these, the journey through life becomes a weary pilgrimage; the prospect hourly darkens to the view; the mind becomes shadowed with despair and filled with the melancholy reflection, that the happiness of another becomes blighted with our own.

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HAIR JEWELRY made to order.

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New Millinery S ore,

HERNDON, North'd County, Pa.

MRS. KATE MECK respectfully informs the public that she has opened a

NEW MILLINERY STORE,

on Front street, Herndon, where she has just opened an entire new stock of Fall and Winter Millinery Goods of the latest styles and patterns, consisting of

HATS AND BONNETS,

FEATHERS, FLOWERS, RIBBONS,

and all Goods found in a first-class Millinery Store, which are offered at extremely low prices.

Ladies are especially invited to call and examine all the new styles, and ascertain the prices.

KATE MECK

Herndon, Oct. 15th, 1875.—6mos.

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Historical.

A HISTORY OF THE SUSQUEHANNA.

BY J. F. MAGINNIS.

CHAPTER XVII.

Derr's old Mill still stands at Lewisburg—Settlement on Warrior Run—Names of the Settlers—Mrs. Derrickson—First Court in Northumberland county—Names of the Officers—Original Townships—Names of the Constables—First Grand Jury—M'Maclay's Spicy Letter.

Ludwig Derr, who located where Lewisburg now stands, had a trading house and did an extensive business with the Indians. He also erected a small mill on what is now known as Wilson's Run, which it is worthy of remark, is standing at the present day in a good state of preservation. It is the only centennial mill standing in the valley, the others have been burned during the "Big Runaway," or since destroyed, it is a small square building, constructed of roughly hewn logs. A large building has been erected alongside of it, which is used as a mill now, the old building being for the reception of grain. The mill is used by John Brown. Derr also had a sawmill here, but all trace of it is gone. Derr's mill was an important place for many years among the settlers. They often came forty miles from above to get a small grist of flour. Two or three settlers would unite, take a canoe, push down to Derr's mill, get their flour and return in three or four days to their families. They were obliged to go armed, and exercise great caution in order not to be surprised by the savages. Meanwhile their families awaited their arrival with great suspense, and when the canoe hove in sight with its scanty supply of flour, joy and gladness rang through the humble dwelling. Then again how often were they disappointed, on receiving the sad intelligence that the husbands and fathers were killed and scalped, and their little children were obliged to go supperless and fatherless to bed.

I now come to an important point in the history of the W. B. Valley, viz: to give an account of the first white settlement on Warrior Run, where Fort Freeland was erected. I am pleased to be able to give a correct account having obtained the particulars from Mrs. Derrickson, a daughter of Mr. Cornelius Vincent, one of the original settlers.

In 1772, they emmigrated from Essex county, New Jersey. Their names were: Jacob Freeland, John Vincent, Cornelius Vincent and Peter Vincent, with their families. The next year they were reinforced by Timothy Williams with a very large family. Freeland settled on Warrior Run, a few miles above its mouth. The Vincents settled one mile below the mouth, on the river. This was the first necleus of a settlement formed in this part of the country, around which other settlers clustered, till they had quite a little communi-

In 1773, Jacob Freeland commenced to build a small mill on Warrior Run, having brought the necessary irons with him the previous year from New Jersey. The mill was completed, and proved a valuable acquisition the to settlement. The fort was in 1775, about half a mile north-east of where the Warrior Run Church now stands. It was a Stockade fortification, not very strong, and destitute of cannon.

About this time, 1772, the Connecticut people, from Wyoming, commenced to settle on the West Branch, about the Muncy fats and vicinity. As the difficulties that took place between them and the Pennsylvanians were long and serious, it is thought best to devote a chapter or two exclusively to them.

The first Court in Northumberland County was held at Fort Augusta. Thinking that the record, together with the names of those concerned as officers, jurymen, &c., would be interesting at the present day, and also show who were the first settlers, I have transcribed it from the old book of the County, in the office of the Prothonotary at Sunbury. It is as follows:

RECORD OF THE FIRST COURT.

At a Court of private sessions of the peace held at fort Augusta for the County of Northumberland on the ninty day of April in the twelfth year of the reign of our Soverign Lord George the Third by the Grace of God, of Great Britian, France and Ireland, King, defender of the Faith, and in the year of our Lord God one thousand seven hundred and seventy-two, before William Plunkett, Esq., and his Associate Justices assigned, &c., within the said County of Northumberland, viz:

"A commission from his Honor the Governor, bearing date the 24th day of March anno domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy-two, appointing William Plunkett, Turbutt Francis, Samuel Hunter, James Potter, William Maclay, Caleb Graydon, Benjamin Allison, Robert Moodie, John Lowdon, Thos. Lemon, Ellis Haghes, and Bejamin Weiser, Esqs., Justice of the Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace and jail delivery for the said County of Northumberland was published in Court.

On motion made, the said County of North'd, or as much of the Extent of the same as is now purchased from the Indians, is divided into the following townships, to be hereafter called and known by the names of Penn's twp.*—Augusta twp.—Turbut twp.—Buffalo twp.,—Bald Eagle twp.—Muncy twp.—and Wyoming twp., each described and bounded as follows:

"DESCRIPTION OF BUFFALO TOWNSHIP.

"Beginning in the mouth of Penn's creek at the head of the isle of Que, thence up the same to the forks, thence by a north line to the West Branch of Susquehanna, thence down the West Branch of the Susquehanna to the forks, then down Susquehanna to place of beginning.

"DESCRIPTION OF BALD EAGLE TOWNSHIP.

"Beginning at the forks of Penn's creek, thence by a north line to the West Branch of Susquehanna, thence up the same to where the County line crossed it, thence by the County line south to the head of little, Juniata, thence down the same to the end of Tussey's mountain thence along the top of the same easterly to the place of beginning.

"DESCRIPTION OF TURBUTT TOWNSHIP.

"Beginning on the east side of Susquehanna at Fort Augusta, thence up the easterly side of the North East Branch to the old line formerly run for a division between Berks and Northampton counties, thence by the same line North West to the top of Muncy hill, thence along the top of the same westerly to the West Branch of Susquehanna, and crossing the same to the west side and down the same to the junction of the branches, and crossing Susquehanna to the place of beginning—so as to include the forks and island.

"DESCRIPTION OF MUNCY TOWNSHIP.

"Beginning on the west side of the West Branch of Susquehanna, opposite the end of Muncy hill, thence up the West Branch to opposite the mouth of Lycoming,† thence crossing the branch, up Lycoming to the heads thereof, thence by a south-east line to the Muncy hill, thence along the top of the same to the West Branch, and crossing to beginning."

The names of the Constables appointed for these respective township, on the same occasion, were as follows:

"Turbutt	twp.	William McMein.
Buffalo	"	Robert King.
Bald Eagle	"	Samuel Long.
Muncy	"	James Robb."

This appears to have been all the business transacted at this Court—which was of a preliminary character—at least nothing else appears upon the record.

The second Court was held at the same place in August following of the same year. The record run as follows:

"At a Court of General Sessions of the Peace, held at fort Augusta, for the Court of Northd., the fourth Tuesday in August, in the twelfth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord, Geo. the Third, by the grace of God of Geat Britian, France and Ireland, King, defender of the faith, &c., Before William Plunkett, Esq., and his Associates, Justices assigned, &c., within the said County of Northd., viz:

"Upon petition to the Court, Adam Haveling, Marcus Hulings, Jr., Martin Kost, Samuel Weiser; and John Alexander, are recommended to his Honor the Governor for his license to keep public houses where they respectively dwell in this County, they giving bond, &c., agreeable to the laws of this Province such cases made, &c."

The *first* Grand Jury in the County was empanneled at this Court. Their names are given below. I copy from the record:

"George Nagel, Esq.,‡ High Sheriff for the County aforesaid, returned his writ of *venire* to him directed, with the panel annexed, which being called over after proclamation, made the following persons appear, who were accordingly sworn on the grand inquest for our Sovereign Lord the King, for the body of the County.

John Brady, Foreman,	Geo. Ran,
Geo. Overmyer,	And. Heffer,
John Rhowick,	Hawkins Boon,
Lenard Peter,	George Wolf,
Gerhard Freeland,	William Cook,
John Jost,	John Kelly,
William Grey,	James Poke,
Ludwig Derr.	John Walker."

At the November Sessions of 1775, the report for the *first* road, up the river, was received as follows:

"The report of Henry Antes, Cookson Long, Samuel Horn, Alexander Hamilton, Jonathan Albridge, and Samuel Harris, the six men appointed at August Sessions to view and, if they saw cause, to lay out a *Bridle Road* from the mouth of Bald Eagle creek to the town of Sunbury, was read in Court, by which it appears that they have thought *it necessary*, and have according laid out a *Bridle Road* as follows: "Beginning at a post at the mouth of the Bald Eagle Creek, thence north 81 deg., &c., on to a Black oak on the *West Branch* of Susquehanna opposite the town of Sunbury."

These names also go to show were among the first settlers of the County at that early period, some eighty-four years ago. Of these men, not one is now living—they are all numbered with the dead, and the wild flower blooms on their graves.

It may be interesting to beligerent gentlemen of the present day to state that the early Courts of Northumberland county, only fined a man five shillings for assault and battery. The luxury of fighting being so cheap then, it was very much indulged in, and sparring matches were common. Such a law would suit the chivalry of this period. They could cane one another to their heart's content at a very trifling expense!

They appear to have had some trouble at Fort Augusta, in reference to their public buildings, and the want of a jail, as may be inferred from the following spicy letter, written by William Mackay,, to J. Tilghman, April 2d, 1773:

Sir: I inclose to you a Letter from three of the Trustees for the publick buildings of this County, respecting some measures which we have lately fallen on to rescue us from the scandal of living entirely without any Place of confinement or punishment for Villians. Captain Hunter had address enough to render abortive every attempt that was made last summer, for keeping a regular Jail, even after I had been at considerable expense in fitting up this Magazine under which there is a small But compleat Dungeon, I am sorry to inform you That he has given our present Measures the most Obstinate resistance in his power and impeded with every embarrassment in the Compass of his Invention, we know nothing of the Fooling on which Captain Hunter has possession of these Buildings, and only big that the County may be accommodated with this old Magazine, with the addition proposed to be made to it, add with the House in which I now live, to hold our courts in; I have repaired the House in Sunbury, before our November Court.—As the present repairs are done entirely by subscription, you will readily guess that Captain Hunter is not among the numbers of subscribers. As there are many pieces of old Iron, &c., which formerly belonged to the fort, not of any use at present the Trustees propose using any of them which can be converted to any advantage, for Grates, &c., for our temporary Gaol, unless they receive contrary Directions from Philadelphia.—If hell is justly considered as the rendivous of Rascals, we cannot entertain a doubt of Wioming being the Place.—Burn'd Hands, cut Ears, &c., is one considered as a certain certificates of superior merit; we have lately to chuse a Sovereign and settle the State, &c., for it seems they

*The descriptions of Penn's, Augusta and Wyoming townships are omitted, as not being pertinent to the Valley of the West Branch.

†The reader will observe that Lycoming was the line of the County on the north side of the river, and was *supposed* to be the *Tiadaghton* of the Indians.

‡George Nagel was Sheriff of Berks county when Northumberland was organized. He, however, served in Northumberland, till William Cook was elected in October, 1772.

ernment of Connecticut. The Time of the have not now any Dependence on the Government of Connecticut. The Time of Descent on the West Branch, Fort Augusta, &c., is now fixed for May next; I have no Doubt but the Desperate Tempers of these People will hurry them into some tragical affair, which will at last rouse our Government, when it may be too late to repair the mischief done by them. At the same time I am told there are some among them, who would willingly become quiet subjects, and are afraid to own their sentiments. Patterson has the other other day beenoffered 1200 00, for the same number of acres, not far from your Land. I would not have you sell. Doctor Plunkett goes down in a few days; 'tis likely I may send another long letter by him.

And am with the greatest esteem,

Sir.

Your most Obedient humble Servaut,

WM. MACLAY."

It appears that Mr. Maclay had a particular aversion to the settlers of Wyoming, and regarded them as the most arrant knaves. This is illustrative of the feeling existing between the two parties.

As to the particulars in reference to the difficulty with Colonel Hunter, they are nowhere preserved, or at least, I have been unable to find them.

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Miscellaneous.

HOW INDIANS CURE MEAT AND DRESS SKINS.

When her lord has killed a buffalo the woman's work begins. She has to skin it the meat to secure, and all to pack upon ponies or mules, and carry to camp, where the meat must be cured. This is done by cutting it into thin sheets and hanging it over poles in the hot sunshine, where it is soon dried thoroughly; then it is packed fresh in packages of about one hundred pounds each, and inclosed in a nice buffalo skin, prepared especially for the purpose. This is not dressed down thin after being fleshed but well tanned, and of the full thickness of the shin; the hair side nicely ornamented with paint, for the outside of the sack. This is cut out like a huge envelope, so that the ends and sides will fold over whatever is put in them, and secured by strong buckskin strings. By being thick it retains its form, and is very useful for carrying other things besides meat and tallow. After the meat is taken care of the skin must be looked after. Those taken at this season of the year are first staked on a smooth spot of ground, and water put upon them, when they are ready for fleshing. This consists in removing the flesh with an instrument made of a straight bar of iron, about a foot in length, flattened at one end and filed to an edge. This being grasped in the hand, and a succession of quick blows given the work slowly proceeds. The skin is then dried, after which the hair is removed in a dry state, and the skin reduced to the proper thickness by dressing down the hair side. This is done with an instrument made by firmly tying a flat piece of steel, filed to a beveled edge at one end, and with the corners rounded, to a large prong of a deer's horn. This is so trimmed, in connection with the body of the horn, as to form an elbow, and is used as little as a carpenter uses his adze. This work is usually done in the cool of the morning. The brains of the animal, having been properly taken care of for the purpose, are now soaked and squeezed by the hand until reduced to a paste, and applied to both sides of the skin, which is afterwards worked and rubbed until flexible. The preparation of robes is from winter skins, and differs from the foregoing, only being dressed down on the flesh side so as to leave the wool and hair upon the robe, and is more thoroughly worked and scoured by means of a sharp-gritted stone.—*Beatty.*

A New Conductor.—A few days ago a conductor one one of the railroads went to the superinteudent and said he thought he ought to be advanced, having served for several years. The superintendent agreed with him, and told him that the change should be made the very next week. And it was made. The superintendent, a day or two after, took a seat in the rear end of one of the coaches to see how the new conducter would take to business, and pretty soon the official danced into the poor, cap on his ear, sleeves pushed up, and a half acre smile on his face. 'Get out your pasteboards!' he shouted. 'I'm the high mucky muck that runs this train', and then turning right and left, he continued: "Right bowers this way—play lively—pass or order up—how's trump with you?—slide you right into Chicago—hurry up there—trump the ace—what kind of a hand do you hold, old man?" There was something novel and exhilarating in this style; but yet the superintendent called the conductor upstairs the next day, and told him that he was the best man in America to run a freight train, and that he should have to promote him backward. He was too talented for a passenger conductor.

Be a Man.—Foolish spending is the father of poverty. Do not be ashamed of work. Work for the wages you can get, but work for half price rather than be idle. Be your own master and do not let fashion or society swallow up your individuality—hat, coat, and boots.