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McCONNELLSBURG SCHOOLS.

There Every Day.

Miss Elsie Greathead, Glass, Bessie Gross, Lily Rose Hout, Bessie Rodey, Kottger, Josephine Runyan, Edgar Alexander, Wall, Alvin Glass, Oscar Gross, Grisinger, Daniel Grisinger Hayes, Oscar Lynch, Witz Paul Shimer, Russell Stevens, Bible.

mediate—Emery Thomas.

Shimer, Nellie Sheets, Minnie Susie Black, Olive Cooper, Boyle, Grace Shimer, Bessie Hlian Grisinger, John Reisdfield Doyle, Holmes Thompson, Russell Trout, Henry Watson, s, Clarence Seville.

BRANT—WIBLE.

Monday morning, January 3, Rev. R. P. Roberts at the U. nage, Hustontown, Pa., Mr. Wible and Miss Lillie Brant, Licking Creek township, were the holy bonds of matrimony, them a successful and a joy over the tempestuous sea.

FELIX—STONER.

Monday, Dec. 27, Miss Gerner, of Sylvan, was quietly to Mr. Joseph Felix, of Kung, Md. We extend our best to the bride who was our for in the normal school, and the admiration of many her sweet and amiable dis-

POPULAR TEACHER.

the many gifts extended to Miss Mellott, at Christmas by patrons of the school, were dollars in gold from David 'Dary' never does anything else, and this grateful appreciation of Miss Mellott as a teacher has the right it, and is no counterfeit.

COMPLIMENTARY.

ter from Claude Cook, of Ill., we find this grain of cement: "Next to your weekly other, my most welcome visit to 'Fulton County News,' professes to know a good thing sees it."

CLEAR RIDGE.

thing quiet. houses are filled up with ice. ps are raging through gborhood. Walter Brown ry serious attack. tpe has caused a lack of ce in our school. rd Miller and wife, who on for some time in Som- county, have returned a short visit. Henry and S. R. Fraker flying trip to Huntingdon rday. s Carmack took a load of eat flour to Chambers- We wish him "good luck." R. E. Lock and Mrs. W. were the guests of Harry ry last Thursday. Rachel Baker, who had employed in the family of Edwards in Wells Valley, pending a few weeks with rents, returned to her at week; also, Miss Corwope returned to her Pleasant Ridge. Hester Baker, who has ing in Huntingdon, will home this week to visit out.

LAUREL RIDGE.

Fred Gordon was visiting on the Ridge Saturday and Sunday. G. E. Clouser and Miss Netta B. Lynch attended institute at Juggtown last Friday night. Miss Tenie Harris will return next week after an absence of over a year. Preaching services were held at our school house by Rev. Huston last Sabbath. Miss May Johnston attended preaching at this place last Sabbath. Lewis Harris was visiting on the Ridge over Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Shives and daughter Flora were visiting the family of Thomas Shaw recently. Miss Stella M. Bard was visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. John Bard over Sunday. The real estate business seems to be booming on the Ridge at present. Superintendent Chesnut visited our school recently.

COON DONE GONE.

Dr. Dalbey's got some meat last week. They laid in for winter a whole 'coon that the Doctor had gotten in some way from our friend, Joe Mellott, down in the Corner.

Last Thursday evening they were to have their first mess of it. Just as Mrs. Dalbey had supper about ready, in stepped Prothonotary Lynch, Lawyers Kirk, Sloan, Sipes (Jno. P.), and Daniels, Farmer Hoke (Will), Dentist Stevens, Doctor Mosser, Bank Cashier Nace, Ex-Treasurer Sipes (H. L.), Landford Funk, Monument-man Runyan, Merchant Smith, Tailor Stevens, Grocer Robinson, County-chairman Sipes (Alvin), Salesman Hays, Postmaster Woollet, Gentleman Caldwell and the editor of the NEWS.

Now, the way that crowd did do up that coon was enough to bring tears to the eyes of the poor children who had to wait! If it had not been for the fact that Mrs. Dalbey happened to have a couple of big turkeys roasted, about a half bushel of potato chips, a freezer or two of ice-cream and a few big cakes baked, it is hard to say just what would have happened.

As it was, the gang left the table thoroughly satisfied in body and mind, went across into the Doctor's office, found a box of cigars which they appropriated, and sat down to smoke and swap yarns. In due time they left peacefully, carrying away—not the silver-ware, but recollections of a pleasant evening with their genial host and hostess.

THOMPSON.

Mrs. Rebecca Bishop gave a social at her home on New Year's evening. A very enjoyable time was spent.

D. T. Humbert had the misfortune of having his horse fall upon him. He received no injuries other than his foot was badly hurt.

John Pittman, while at work in the yard of the Pittman and Hewitt saw mill, got caught in the lumber and had his nose badly mangled.

Jared Pittman received word that his son Harvey, was very sick at Youngstown, Ohio, where he has been working for some time.

Warner Hewitt and family have been visiting friends near Clear Spring. While there they attended the wedding of Job Peck and Miss Suffacook.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Keefer, and daughter, Retta, visited P. P. Shives last Sunday.

Messrs. S. A., and John Hess attended preaching at Rehoboth Sunday last.

Miss Tetia Peck spent Saturday and Sunday with her friend, Miss Sadie Gregory.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mellott Sundayed at Henry Trott's.

Janet Shives is visiting her cousin, U. G. Humbert.

S. C. Peck and wife were the guests of Jno. Dalson, Sunday.

NEEDMORE.

Miss Daisy Wink, of McConnellsburg, spent last Monday with Mrs. John Souders.

Mr. and Mrs. Mart Souders and two children, and Bessie and Ora Souders, spent last Tuesday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otho Souders.

There was quite a large crowd gathered at the school house for preaching on Saturday night and waited until after eight o'clock, but no preacher came.

James Unger of Franklin county, is spending some time with his many friends here. We are always glad to have George with us.

George Paylor is reported on the sick list.

Miss Jennie Saville, who has been very ill with fever, is reported better.

When you have a bundle and no wrapping paper, what can you do about it?

"THE MAINE DEAD."

Written for the "News" by Laura S.

Elaborate and impressive as they were, the services at Arlington over the bodies of 151 of those who perished in the Maine disaster was but a fitting tribute to men whose memories will be cherished as those of heroes. The explosion which wrecked the Maine, and sent 233 brave souls to eternity, was one of those shots heard round the world. Following fast in its wake, hurried by its reverberations, came the war with Spain, by which the shackles of governmental tyranny were struck from Cuba, Puerto Rico, and the Philippines. The progress of liberty was accelerated, and the blessings of free government have been, or will be, brought to countless millions of people whose development was retarded, whose opportunities were restricted, and whose peace and happiness were nullified by the mal-administration, in this progressive age, of a medieval government. But for the Maine disaster and the sacrifices of American seamen, the West Indies and the Philippines might be languishing as they languish for centuries. It was that terrible explosion, with the screams and moans of the dying, which brought the matter to issue, and made the interference of this action in the affairs of Spain imperative. It is not, therefore, fatuous to accredit these men, who went too soon into the eternity of the future, with the achievements that followed first upon their taking-off. They died as martyr heroes in liberty's cause, and it is fit and proper that a nation should honor their memories—that they should be laid to their final rest with the other heroes of a liberty-loving nation. They are buried in hallowed ground. Round about them are the graves of those whose names are interwoven with the nation's history, and whose lives have been given in the nation's service. The fresh mounds in Arlington will give that beautiful city of the dead added sacredness, and in the future the thought of those who regard the Stars and Stripes as the dearly-bought emblem of absolute liberty—whether they be here, in Cuba, Puerto Rico or the Philippines—will involuntarily turn to Arlington, and a silent prayer will ascend to the Judge of our destinies for "The Maine Dead."

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WHERE KNIGHTHOOD IS IN FLOWER.

For several years a club or organization of young men, married and single, has existed at Big Cove Tannery, and its twin village, Webster Mills, whose aim and work deserve greater publicity and the hearty commendation of all.

This club has never demanded for itself a name, a club pin, or any distinctive mark of membership—has no regalia, or regular day or night of meeting as is the custom with clubs for literary or social advancement.

It is composed principally of day-laborers destitute of free silver to bestow on the needy and without spacious granaries of golden grain to distribute to the hungry—rich only in generous impulses and healthy muscles.

These Knights of the Ax go forth for sweet charity's sake regardless of the weather to the wood-piles of the poor, old, crippled and widowed and most cheerfully give of themselves of their sweat and brains to those subject to economy or are under more or less stress of circumstance. Very often the wood has been a donation from our Lady Bountiful, Miss Esther Sloan, and is still standing in the "forest primeval." In such case a squad is detailed to fell it, another to haul it, (with a team kindly loaned by a neighbor) while a third prepares it for the stove and neatly ranks it in some convenient place. If what we do for the aged, and the poor, whom we always have with us, is done to our own Lord and Master and considering the disinclination of the average boy or man to the cutting or sawing of wood in zero weather, can not the services of these young woodsmen be classed with the gifts of the Magi, for do they not give most humbly as they have opportunity and will they not have share in the blessings promised to those "who having done it unto the least of these have done it unto Me?"

Edwin Markham may possibly, some sweet day, immortalize "The man with the ax"—he has already said of such as compose this club—

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SHADOW AND SUNSHINE.

An editor must tread life's uneven pathway just the same as the common herd of mortals. One day his spirits are depressed by some billious individual who does not like him or his paper; and then, another day, some generous minded soul comes along and by one encouraging word, makes him feel that the whole world is going his way.

These reflections were induced by two incidents that recently occurred in our own experience. Last week one of our subscribers from whom we felt sure of getting a dollar bill every year in advance during the remainder of our natural life, came into our office and ordered his paper stopped short. We nearly fell off the chair. As soon as we had regained sufficient composure we timidly inquired the cause that prompted such rashness. "O," he said, "I guess I can't afford to take such a large paper."

This week, however, brought its compensation. The wife of one of our subscribers, a lady who knows a good thing when she sees it, and who believes that even a little tuffly now and then is better than so much epitaphy, made us feel that we were not living in vain when she told us that the Fulton County News made the best cupboard paper that ever came into their house—in fact, she couldn't keep house without it.

FOREST MILLS.

Messrs. Nich Roetger and Andrew Rotz, of McConnellsburg, Sundayed with the family of G. W. Fisher.

Rev. Wagner preached at Rehoboth M. E. church yesterday.

Mrs. L. M. Shives and daughter, Curtis Stone, of Dickeys Mountain, attended preaching at Rehoboth Sunday.

Austin C. Peck attended divine service at Rehoboth, Sunday.

John May, accompanied by Miss Malinda Nycum, passed through here this morning, enroute to McConnellsburg.

Miss L. M. Fisher visited her cousin, Miss Nora Shaw, on Saturday afternoon.

A. C. Peck was a caller at Isaac Souder's on Sabbath evening.

Mrs. Isaac Culler and two little children, were pleasant visitors at the home of B. F. Weller, on Friday last.

Miss Anna Gordon has very sore eyes at this writing.

Miss Grace Wilkinson, of Agr township, is visiting J. C. Brewer's family, at Plum Run.

Miss Francis Slacker and Lovie Wolfred, of Martinsburg, W. Va., who were visiting Miss Slacker's mother, of Plum Run, returned home to-day.

Jno. Tayman, wife and son George, visited G. W. Fisher's family one day last week.

BURNT CABINS.

Roy Repper and Miss Laura Speck were visitors at the latter's home.

Mrs. Henry McGowan is visiting relatives at Fannettsburg.

Miss Laurietta Polk spent Sunday afternoon at her home in Knobsville.

Mrs. Maggie Snyder and Isabella Miller are visiting at Saltillo.

William Sipe, of Knobsville, was a caller at John Millers' on Sunday afternoon. The consequence was—Miss Annie Miller attended the revival at Knobsville that night.

Charles Wagner and family moved into Chas. McGehee's house, last week.

Miss Ella Tice is employed in the home of Charles Wagner.

J. W. Mills visited the County Seat last Saturday.

Henry Welch made a flying trip to Harrisonville on Sunday last.

Among those who attended local institute at Fort Littleton last Friday night, were Misses Anna Doran, Laurietta Polk, Iona Bitner and Alice Kelly.

A Letter From Sergeant H. H. McKibbin.

The following is, in part, a letter written by Sgt. Harold H. McKibbin, of the 32d U. S. V., now doing duty in the Philippines, to his mother, Mrs. Dr. W. L. McKibbin, of Amaranth, who received the letter Christmas morning:

"SAR EUGENARDO, LUZON, P. I., November 17, 1899.

DEAR MAMMA: It seems a long time since I have heard from home. We are garrisoned here doing outpost and patrol duty. This is a good looking country and a place where lots of money can be made in sugar and rice. It is a delightful climate except for rain; it rains nearly all the time, but one becomes accustomed to it. I think nothing now of going out in the rain for a walk. We have had some very hard marches, mud ankle deep and where it wasn't mud it was water, from shoe top to waist deep, but I am well—never felt better. A great many have been sent to the hospital.

We get paid in gold here, if we did not it would all go to pieces on one of our marches.

Well I hope you will all have a merry Christmas. I will close hoping to hear from you soon. With regards to all,

Your affectionate son, HAROLD H. MCKIBBIN."

LICKING CREEK.

We have very pleasant weather at present.

Nearly all of the people along Licking Creek have their ice houses filled.

George Hoop and family, of Pleasant Ridge, spent Sunday with Daniel Fohner.

Simon Deshong and his daughter, Letta, made a trip to Bedford last week. Miss Letta expects to spend the winter there.

Joseph Sipe has returned home from his visit to Altoona.

Miss Stella Decker is spending a few months with her aunt, Mrs. Frank Daniels, of Harrisonville.

J. M. Mellott and sister, of Webster Mills, spent Saturday and Sunday with the family of Jos. Deshong, Esq.

Rev. Hughes began his protracted meetings on Sunday night, at Ebenezer.

A crowd of persons dressed in very fantastic costumes, and with no charitable intentions at heart, visited a house along Patterson's Run where a number of young folks had gathered to spend a pleasant evening. As it was not New Year's evening, the ladies were not expecting a visit from such "pleasure disturbers," hence were greatly frightened.

BETHLEHEM.

We have had nice weather the past week.

The Licking Creek farmers are busy hauling lime stone from John Nelson's.

Mrs. A. J. Sipes is improving slowly after a month's sickness.

Beamer Gress and wife spent one day last week at Nick Finiff's. Mrs. John Shaffer spent Sunday with A. J. Sipes.

Miss Lucy Peightel spent Saturday and Sunday with the family of H. W. Ewing.

Nick Finiff and family spent Sunday at the home of Hugh Ewing, the 7th being Nick's birthday. Jela Ewing, Daniel Gillis and brother Neuty, and Mrs. Eliza Deshong also spent the day there.

Mrs. George Fix and children spent Saturday with John Shaffer.

Miss Sadie Shaffer returned home from Altoona Wednesday.

Charles Raker left on Monday for Pittsburgh for work.

John Shaffer and E. J. Croft attended the protracted meeting on Monday eve, and report a good meeting.

The prayer meeting was poorly attended on Sunday evening.

PERSONAL.

Miss Elizabeth Patterson, of the Industrial School, Scotland, spent from Friday evening till Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Patterson at Webster Mills.

Mr. J. Frank Shedy, an attaché of the Republican office, removed his family from Mercersburg to this place Monday.

Mr. N. H. Evans, of Thompson township, brought his daughter, Miss Rita, to take instruction in music from Prof. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. John V. Schooley, of Licking Creek township, accompanied by their bright little son, Joseph, were pleasant callers at the News office last Saturday.

Miss Nora Conrad left yesterday to enter a commercial school at Chambersburg, where she expects to master the intricacies of shorthand and typewriting, and book-keeping.

Mr. John Nesbit, of Spring Run, Franklin county, accompanied by his daughter Miss Ada, spent last Saturday and Sunday with his second-cousin Samuel A. Nesbit of this place.

Misses Sarah and Ida Nesbit, of New Bloomfield, Perry county, came to McConnellsburg last Saturday to see their father, William A. Nesbit, who was very ill.

Mr. D. B. Nace, of Chambersburg, spent a day or two last week on this side of the mountain.

Our friend Anthony Mellott of Sipes Mills, on whom the McConnellsburg people depended last summer for good butter, spent last Saturday in town. He thinks of going to Coalport again.

Mr. Oliver Hill, one of Bethel township's prosperous farmers, was attending to business at the county seat last Saturday.

George McClellan Laidig, one of Taylor's representative citizens, spent last Saturday in McConnellsburg.

Gett Ham, one of Licking Creek township's school directors, dropped in to see us a minute while in town the other day.

Henry Traux and daughter Glendola, of Needmore, were the guests of T. J. Thompson's family last Saturday.

Mrs. Reamer Sipes, of Patterson Run, visited her sister, Mrs. Charles Stench, last Monday.

Mr. James H. Caldwell, an extensive oil producer and refiner, spent a few hours in this place last Thursday, with his niece and nephew Lois and John W. Caldwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Traux of near Gem, spent Tuesday in McConnellsburg with the family of the editor.

Mrs. R. N. Shimer, who spent the past two weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Lloyd Doyle, of Everett, returned home on Thursday evening of last week.

M. W. Peck, of Covalt spent Tuesday in McConnellsburg.

Maynard Sipes and sister Blanche, spent last Sunday with the family of J. W. Hoop, in Licking Creek township.

James W. Kendall and William F. Catehall spent Tuesday in Chambersburg.

Col. W. H. Nelson went to Chambersburg Wednesday morning.

Miss Josie Shimer is spending some time with her sister Mrs. Wherry in Shippensburg.

S. S. Hann and daughter Flora were in town Tuesday, it being the first visit Miss Flora has made to town since her recent severe illness.

Mr. L. W. Funk of Needmore is in McConnellsburg taking instruction in music from Prof. Miller.

Mrs. B. M. Ash was called to Muncie, Pa., last Thursday to attend the funeral of her niece Mrs. Ida Worthington.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Myers of Knobsville were in town Wednesday.

Judge Swope remained among his many McConnellsburg friends until Thursday morning.

Capt. George W. Skinner left on Tuesday noon to make an official visit to the Chester Springs Soldiers' Orphan School.

Services may be expected in the Presbyterian church at this place on next Sabbath, both morning and evening, and at Green Hill at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Mr. George Finiff of Todd township received a telegram Wednesday informing him of the death of his mother-in-law Mrs. Catharine Weirick, of Chambersburg. The good lady lived to the age of 91 years, 5 months and 1 day. Mr. and Mrs. Finiff will attend the funeral which will take place tomorrow.

Our old friends William A. Nesbit, George H. Pittman, and George McQuade have been very sick people for several days.

Rev. David Kelso preached for Rev. Roberts at the Knobsville U. B. church last Saturday and Sunday evenings. It is reported that Bro. Kelso was at his best, which means powerful, convincing and convicting preaching.