

PERSONAL.

Barber Ed. Brake spent Tuesday among friends in Franklin county. Miss Mame Goldsmith left Monday morning for a visit among friends in Harrisburg. Lloyd A. Mellott of Pleasant Ridge, gave the News office a call while in town Friday. W. W. Peck, of Covalt, took advantage of last Friday's gentle breezes to make a trip to the county seat. Mr. and Mrs. John F. Johnson of Laidig were pleasant visitors at the home of the editor last Saturday. Mr. William Belford of Franklin county was in attendance at the funeral of his uncle, W. A. Nesbit Monday. Bruce Stoner and his sister Miss Jennie were called to Chambersburg last Friday on account of the serious illness of their sister Mrs. Blanche Martin. Henry F. Garland and family of Bethel township have removed to Clearfield. They are estimable people and we trust they may find their new home pleasant. W. H. Wagner, of Knobsville, was in town Tuesday. He expects soon to manufacture a quantity of Black Swan Harness Oil. Wherever the oil has been used it has given perfect satisfaction. Thomas Downes, who, for several years has had his home in the family of Hartness Smith Esq., of Bethel township, spent a day or two this week visiting his father Mr. J. E. Downes of this place. Miss Mary McQuade of Pittsburg, Miss Emma of Altoona, and their brother Lewis also of Altoona are home on account of the illness and death of their father Mr. George McQuade of Ayr township. George E. Zimmerman, formerly of this county but now a prominent farmer in Nebraska, is visiting friends here after an absence of seventeen years. He spent part of the past week with his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mann. John S. Harris, accompanied by his brother George drove over to Chambersburg last Saturday en route to Philadelphia, to enter the hospital of the University of Pennsylvania for treatment. We sincerely trust that John's physical condition may be greatly improved.

ROBERTS RETIRED.

By a vote of 278 to 50 the House of Representatives last week decided that Brigham H. Roberts, the man whom Utah sent to Congress with two wives, should go home and wait until after the funeral of one of them. He made a speech on the floor of the house in which he called attention to the great plurality by which he was elected, and emphasized his claim that his constituents "comprise the entire population of the State of Utah," he did not help his own cause, but he prejudiced that of his State. His subsequent argument that polygamy has been abandoned in theory and is dying out in practice does not blind Congress or the country to the fact that an avowed polygamist was selected to represent the State at large, and its conduct in relation to the evil will be scrutinized with more care hereafter. As a defence, Robert's farewell address had no effect, and as an exposition of his relations with his State it was a blunder.

At a recent sale in Washington county, Md., the sabre and revolver of Capt. Johnson Orriek, of Hancock were sold. Captain Orriek was a paymaster in the Confederate army. While riding along the National pike near Indian Spring in 1863 or '64 he was shot by a Union soldier. The soldier disappeared and Orriek died soon after being shot.

THE BORDER RAID BILL.

Congressman Mahon has given out the information that the border raid claims bill, which has so often died in congress, is now the first bill on the house calendar, and that it stands a fair show of passage after the appropriation bills at present before congress have been disposed of. In the meantime Mr. Mahon is doing missionary work with congressmen from other states, having already secured the promised support of the Pennsylvanians in Congress. He has also been assured that if the bill passes the house the senate committee on claims will report it favorably in a very short time, and there is already promise of its passage in the senate. This is the first time the bill has ever gotten so far this early in session. It will involve the payment of about \$20,000,000 to people in the border counties who lost property when the Confederate raiders swept North.

BROTHERS FIGHT WITH A RAZOR.

John Nathna and his brother Reuben aged about 28 and 30 years respectively met at the house of their father at Stony Point, three miles from Shippensburg last week. The brothers had been drinking hard cider pretty freely, and in the absence of anything better they fell out about a piece of Tobacco. Reuben became very angry and secured his father's razor and made a murderous attack on John, cutting him in seven different places. His left ear was cut in two, one of his cheeks laid open to the jaw bone and his lip cut clean so that his teeth were visible. The most dangerous cut was in the throat. The father of the men was helpless in preventing the fight, being paralyzed. Reuben's condition is very critical, and his recovery is deemed doubtful.

The Harrisburg Patriot building and its contents were damaged to the extent of seventy thousand dollars on Wednesday night of last week, by fire and water. The upper portion of the building is a complete wreck, and the linotype machines, presses and other equipment are badly damaged. The loss is fully covered by insurance. The fire broke out in a large room occupied by the Harrisburg Shirt Manufacturing Company. Stern's Shoe store on the first floor was badly damaged.

Goldsmith, the Tailor.

BETHLEHEM.

James L. Cowan returned to Bellwood on Friday. Luther Fix has returned home after a month's visit in Altoona. Casper Miller killed four fine hogs last Thursday—the four weighing 1134 pounds; the heaviest, 382. The butchering was done by Omert Peightel, Nick Finiff and James T. Connelly. A few of our neighbors took in Aller's sale last Friday. The day was very cold. Jennie Finiff is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Ewing. Mary Ewing is visiting Nick Finiff's, and attending meeting at Bethlehem. Prof. Harry Gress spent Saturday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Gress. Henry Wolf is suffering from a severe cold. What might have been a destructive fire on Friday occurred in the dwelling of Henry Wolf. It was discovered in time, and not much damage was done. The revival services at Bethlehem are in progress. Three seekers thus far. There was "Singing" at E. J. Croft's last Sunday afternoon. There was good attendance. John Marks and Alice Kegatrice spent Sunday at James T. Connelly's. Mrs. Jennie Finiff spent last Tuesday at Mrs. Adam Oyler's. While Jack Baker was returning from Hershey's Mill Saturday, he had the misfortune to break a wheel which left him in the "Middle ob de road." Mrs. John Glunt and Mrs. John Shaffer spent last Sunday at Adam Oyler's.

NEW GRENADA.

The boys are beginning to sharpen up their skates again. Arthur and Ralph Cunningham spent a couple days recently, at Fort Littleton. Hays Bergstrosser, of Waterfall, was promending our streets Sunday. Dr. C. A. R. McClain, of Cassville, paid our town a visit one day last week. "Sore-throat" is raging among our young folks. It seems to be keeping a good many out of school. Our young friend, John Mills, took his departure last week, for Pittsburg, to work in the Westinghouse Electrical Works. Good luck to you, John. The primaries, of Wells, were held Saturday, without much excitement. Both parties seem to have selected very efficient candidates. Candidates, take notice! Steer shy of New Grenada, unless you are willing to part with some of your loose coin for cigars for the boys. We all smoke.

KNOBSVILLE.

Mrs. David Wible, who has been very sick, is recovering. Blue birds singing the 20th of January. Bert Helman, of Roxbury, Franklin county, spent from Sunday evening until Tuesday morning with Frank Fore. Daniel Clapsaddle, of Marks, Franklin county, spent part of Thursday with Daniel E. Fore. John Tice had a run-off, breakdown, and general smashup on Saturday night. Nothing hurt but the stickwagon. John Tice is going to move his saw-mill to William Cline's, of Fort Littleton. David H. Myers and son William had a wheel to run off, while on their way to the nomination on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Grant Baker spent Sunday with Amos Clouser's. Mac Mumma dined with Daniel E. Fore on Saturday. Charlie Fore and family spent Sunday afternoon with John Barmon's, seeing the new baby. Lost, strayed or stolen: A young man of our vicinity started to church Saturday evening, but must have got off of the "wrong" road and went to Sipestown. The M. E. Sunday school gave the tail end of their Christmas treat to the scholars last Sunday; and as there was not enough for the large ones, some looked rather glum. They should have treated the teachers. Mrs. Jacob Hamil, Mrs. Irvin Hamil, Mrs. John Gunnells, Mrs. Amos Clouser, Mrs. Amos Sipes, Mrs. William Greer, Sr., and Mrs. John Long made a surprise quilting party at Mrs. Grant Baker's last Thursday. But you can't scare Minnie. She just put the big pot in the little one, and got them a big dinner.

CLEAR RIDGE.

Some of our lady friends have lost their house plants by the unexpected cold weather of the last few days. S. L. Bedford and daughter have had a severe attack of typhoid fever. They are better now. John Henry has a severe attack of rheumatism, and N. B. Henry is laid up with the same disease. Miss Hester Baker, who has been at home for some time, returned to her work at Huntingdon, Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Bratton were guests of H. N. Henry, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Bolinger; and Mrs. R. Swope and daughter Mrs. Booher, of Pleasant Ridge, spent Sunday and Monday with S. L. Bedford. Some of our young men attended the "chicken swallow" at Fort Littleton, on Saturday evening. Joshua Heeter with his fast stock, and John Gillis with his little blind mare ran a race. Gillis left him. Misses Minnie Grove and Clara Cutchall, of Three Springs, were in town Sunday. A pleasant taffy party was held at Calvin Baker's last Thursday evening. A comic entertainment will be held at Clear Ridge school, February 9, 1900. It will consist of recitations, dramas, comic dialogues, and instrumental music, held for the benefit of a public school library. Come, all, and enjoy a hearty laugh.

DICKEYS MOUNTAIN.

On last Wednesday an Ex-commissioner, Amos Sharp, of Thompson township, was about to enter his store, he noticed a large black dog lying in front of the door. Although the dog was a stranger, he was peaceable looking, and Amos saw no occasion for raising a fuss with him. But just as Mr. Sharp was passing through the door, the dog slipped up and bit the gentleman in the leg. Fortunately for Mr. Sharp, his clothing was heavy and no blood was drawn. Hart Evans, who came about this time had his dog along. As the strange dog now acted suspiciously, "froth at the mouth," it was considered safest to kill both dogs, which they did. Mrs. Daniel Covalt fell and hurt herself badly a few days ago. Rev. Barney fell on the ice at James Funk's recently, since

which time he has been pretty badly crippled up. Lewis Waltz is in poor health. A little child of Archie Keyser is very sick. Dr. West is attending it. Mrs. Frank Smith is better. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Zimmerman spent last Sunday at John Hess's, and George Evans and family were at P. P. Shives'. Elder Funk spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Hess. Mrs. David Gregory, and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Daniels spent Sunday at Mrs. Rachel Brant's.

COVALT.

Dayton Peck visited the family of Mrs. Rachel Peck's, Saturday and Sunday. Simeon Covalt was among those of this place that attended the meeting at Pleasant Grove, Sunday night. Silas E. Peck, of Cumberland, Md., passed through our community last week. Rev. Joseph Barney, who was holding a meeting at Antioch, and who has been very poorly with rheumatism for the past week expects to go home soon. G. I. Covalt, teacher of Akersville school, was at home Saturday and Sunday. J. W. Lake visited friends near this place last week. Gertie O'Rourke, Annie Barnhart, Alonzo Barnhart, and Vernon O'Rourke, of this place, visited the family of Ezra L. Peck, last Saturday night. There will be preaching at Oakley the second Sunday in February, at 2 o'clock, and at Antioch Sunday night.

PLEASANT RIDGE.

P. S. Deshong and Scott Mellott were circulating in this community last week. Miss Viola Deshong spent part of last week with her aunt, Lizzie Layton. Dennis Hart is visiting friends and relatives in this township. Mrs. Eli Hann and son Philip were callers at U. S. Deshongs last Sunday. Simon Deshong spent last Sunday at Jordan Deshong's. There will be "singing" at the Christian church Friday night of this week. D. M. Kline and wife were visitors at H. H. Deshongs last Sunday. Rev. May preached at the Christian church last Sunday. Emma Hockensmith, James Hockensmith, Harry Deshong, Goldie, Elbert, and Gilbert Lake scholars of Shane's school, have not missed a day this winter. The regular attendance at that school is thirty.

THE CORNER.

Miss Daisy Shaw, of Laurel Ridge, spent Saturday night with Abbie Mellott. Sophia and Paul Houck spent from Friday till Sabbath evening visiting the families of David Fulton and James Alexander. John Bechtel has sold his property to Robert Gordon. Mrs. Margaret McLucas spent last week visiting her brother, Jacob Clevenger, of Jugtown. Ephraim Houck owns a cow that had twin calves last Friday. The calves are living and growing finely. Denton Hendershot and son Ellsworth, of Buck Valley, spent part of last week with the former's brother, Isaac P. Hendershot. Harvey Harris was at his sister, Mrs. Wm. Mellott's, Sunday evening. David Morton made a flying trip to the Corner Sabbath evening. John Wright was a guest of Edwin Carbaugh, Saturday night.

NEEDMORE.

Morgan Mann and Jacob Garland are both seriously ill. Dennis Hart is sick at Henry Deshong's. D. C. Hart spent Saturday and Sunday at his home in Whips Cove with his sick father. W. F. Hart, wife, and daughter attended preaching at Pleasant Grove Sunday. Aunt Nancy Peck spent a few days last week visiting relatives in this place. Silas Peck has been circulating among friends in this neighborhood. Charlie Gress, of McConnell-

burg, visited the family of D. B. Snyder last Sunday. Master Floyd Hart and sister Esta spent Saturday evening and Sunday with their grandparents, Elder and Mrs. T. R. Palmer. Miss Anna Covalt and brother, Simeon, of Covalt, were in Needmore last week. William Lake's expects to move to Clearfield this spring. Bennett Mellott has purchased Elijah Palmers' place where Will Lake's live, and will move there in the spring. Preaching at Needmore first Sunday in February, at 11 a. m.

The Drunken Lieutenant. The Terrible took a prominent part in the bombardment of Odessa. Our second lieutenant, Mr. S., was not a temperate man. Before the bombardment began he sought for courage in a square faced bottle, and when the drum beat to quarters he was in his cabin in a drunken sleep, from which he could not be awakened. As I was midshipman of his quarters, I had to fight his guns. In the evening, when he came to himself, he was put under arrest, and we midshipmen speculated whether he would be shot or hung at the yardarm. Either would have been a thrilling episode, but I am not sure that his fate was not even more tragic. As soon as the anchor was dropped in the Golden Horn, off Stamboul, the captain ordered, "Man the second gig." We all wondered. Then he said, "Tell Mr. S. I want him." Poor S. came up at once, greatly astonished at the summons. "The second gig is manned, Mr. S.," said the skipper sternly and turned away. S. took the hint, stepped at once into the boat and was landed at the nearest shore. From that day no soul ever heard what became of him. Whether he committed suicide, whether he got other employment (not a difficult matter in those busy times), whether, under another name, he won for himself the respect of his fellow men has never been known.—Contemporary Review.

John Bull and the Lion. What could be more absurd than the conventional types of the nations—those types which we see and accept almost every day? England is peculiarly unfortunate. To express our national characteristics we have a choice of two figures, either a burly farmer or a lion. The British lion gets some little support from heraldry, and the national vanity is flattered by the analogy of our powers to those of the king of beasts. But otherwise how little appropriateness there is in representing us by an animal which most Englishmen have only seen in the degrading captivity of a menagerie, which has never within historical times inhabited their islands and about which they know almost nothing. Considering also the chronically depressed state of British agriculture, it seems an ironical thing that the British nation should be typified by a farmer. If he were a manufacturer or a merchant or a seaman, there would be some appropriateness, but the stout eighteenth century John Bull with whom we are so familiar from allusion and picture is a being quite unknown to us in the flesh. He is just a good example of the time honored, inaccurate, conventional type. All vigor and suggestiveness have long departed from the figure. But we are too indolent to replace him.—London Globe.

New York Hospitality. The hospitality of smaller places is rare if not unknown in New York. Hospitality there is different and tends to be swamped by numbers and even chilled into an apparent indifference that is really compelled by circumstances. Often it makes a brave fight and never wholly gives up, but it is a struggle against great odds. Not seldom it happens that the enormous aggragation of social and intellectual opportunities that confronts country people who come to live in New York so discourages them that they end in living narrower lives in the great city and seeing fewer people than in the smaller town from which they came. And if it does not discourage them it is apt to drive them too hard. A New Yorker who already had a house in town and another in the country near by excused himself for building a third in New Hampshire by saying: "In town or near town I never get away from engagements. I want a place where I can have some leisure, and leisure to a New Yorker means, of course, a chance to do some work."

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