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GLEANINGS.

of interest from our Neighboring Counties.

Nora Lodge, of Emma... spending the week with... in Everett.—Everett Re...

J. Frank Shoely and chil... and Pauline, of Mc... spending the week with... near town, ... Journal.

boat loaded with one... tons of fertilizer, con... to Hancock dealers, sunk... short distance on this... of Alexandria. Only about... where damaged by the...

person or persons are... land office business in... counterfeit money line in... Clearfield just now... the past week the town... flooded with counter... and twenty-five cent... The work is well done... "ring" is lacking.

list of 15 cases for the... Pleas Court at Cham... last week all the cases... either settled or continued... jurors drawn were noti... would be no session, a... unusual state of affairs... Sheriff did not have any sale... term, the first time for a...

present term of court... Longnecker sentenced... States and John Ed John... notorious negroes, to... penitentiary for three years... old offenders and have... before the court several... Bedford will breathe easi... they are at Allegheny.—... Gazette.

of the best arguments... advertising in any other... in a newspaper is con... in the following: A local... asked the other day, "if... you noticed the fine ad... ment I have on the fence... of town?" "No," replied... somer, "but if you will... the fence around to my... some day I will read it over... what you are dealing in... I am reading newspapers... got time to study fence...

is the season for typhoid... Physicians say that much... sickness could be avoided... time of the year if a little... were exercised in take... not to get chilled at...

The nights are now get... molar, although sleeping... may be warm at retiring... and this change of cold... and warm days is the... factor in putting the... in form that the fever... which are usually present... all numbers no matter what... of the year, become active.

of the school boards... about the State introduced... books after the schools... for the term. This ac... severely condemned by... department of Public In... Deputy Superinten... says the law gov... the official action of school... expressly prohibits this... "The purchase of... elementary books and chari... strictly forbidden also. The... should be used in increas... wages of teachers and... the term, where the... have a surplus."

two story frame and brick... house on the old Ritch... near toll-gate just north... Mercersburg, was entirel... by fire on Wednesday... week. The farm is now... by Henry Spangler, and... by Barney Myers. ... neighbors succeeded in... the greater part of the... and household effects. ... loss will be \$150 and... on the house about \$900, ... covered by insurance... was a strong wind blowing... it carried the... away from the other build...

FIRE CLAY AND COAL.

In the excavation being made by the McConnellsburg Water Company on an acre of land purchased from Daniel Gilbert, owner of the John Fox farm just east of this place, a vein of excellent fire clay was exposed. The existence of this clay has been known for several years, but it was never suspected that the quality was so good nor the quantity so great.

Few localities are so favored with such fine deposits of clay as our own.

About eighty years ago, Jacob Hoke, father of the late George Hoke, deceased, operated a pottery in this place. The plant was on the lot now owned by Henry W. Scott between Mr. Scott's residence, and that of Samuel Kelley. The business was carried on here for several years, Mr. Hoke's son Bob succeeding his father in its management. Here were manufactured a full line of pottery ware; such as crocks, jars, jugs, &c. The clay was brought from one of the back fields on the Dr. Trout farm west of town then owned by William Duffield, father of Dr. S. E. Duffield, and grandfather of Dr. John Duffield. Old Billy Duffield, as he is now remembered, built and owned the stone house, now the property of Thomas Patterson in this place, as well as the Trout farm just referred to, and the Mrs. Pittman farm just north of the pike lately purchased by Frank Mason.

No better brick clay is found anywhere, than in this community, as is shown by those placed in buildings here years ago. The brick for the court house were burnt almost fifty years ago in the lot up by Paul Wagner's tannery; John Sipe's residence was built by Jacob Reed about the same time out of brick made from clay taken from the lot on which the residence of M. R. Shaffner stands; the Washington House brick were made back of Jimmy Cooper's, where Harvey Cooper now lives, and the brick for the Nace building, now occupied by Geo. W. Reinsner & Bro., was burned in Wilson's meadow, just across from the Uncle Jake Runyan property.

Judge Morton is getting ready for the fire his second kiln of brick this summer, just at the northeast edge of town, and better brick than he is burning are not found anywhere. Thus it is seen that fine clay exists all around the town.

Just a few rods above the reservoir in the run, may be seen the outcropping of the coal vein which has attracted more or less attention for many years. This vein shows itself for miles along the base of the mountain east of the Cove, but it has never been opened sufficiently to show whether coal exists in paying quantities or not.

More than three-quarters of a century ago there lived in McConnellsburg a poor shoemaker and his wife. The shoemaker's name was Goff. He finally believed that there was a wealth of coal in the Cove mountain; and near the Fox Spring referred to above, are the remains of an excavation in the bank made by him and his wife. It is said that he worked on his bench in the shop through the day; and, at night, he and his wife by the light of burning fagots, dug in the mountain for coal. He also attempted to open a mine on the farm now owned by J. Walker Johnston, five or six miles south of McConnellsburg.

In the light of modern knowledge of mining engineering, and the skill and machinery used in extracting the black diamond from the bosom of Mother Earth, a feeble old man and his wife with pick and spade do not cut much of a figure.

Eight years ago a young Dutchman came along. He claimed to be an expert coal miner. He told Mr. John Fox that he would

GONE OVER.

Persons Who Have Been Called to Their Final Reward During the Week.

Katharine M. Martin.
At the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Christian Martin, in Ayr township, September 15, 1900, Katharine M. Martin died at the age of four months and 29 days. She had been sick but two weeks. Interment in the family burying grounds on Sunday evening, Revs. Daniel Myers and Daniel Hawbecker officiating.

"I take these tender lambs," said he, "And lay them on my breast; Protection they shall find in me, In me be ever blest."

Death may the bonds of life unloose, But can't dissolve our love; Millions of infant souls compose The family above.

Miss Annie Sipes.
On last Friday night the Death Angel came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sipes, of Licking Creek township, and carried away the spirit of their daughter Annie, a sweet christain girl aged 16 years, 3 months, and 3 days. Having been living away, she went home several weeks ago to see an older sister who had typhoid fever, and sometime thereafter became a victim of the same disease. Everything possible was done to overcome the attack; but her system did not seem strong enough, and the end came as before stated. She was a faithful member of the M. E. church, and her remains were laid to rest at Siloam on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, her pastor Rev. Seibert conducting the services. The afflicted family have the sympathy of their many friends.

Bulldog Kills Baby.
On Sunday there was a family reunion at the Johnston farm, near Prospect, Md. Orlando Johnston, with his young wife and 4-month old baby, attended. In the afternoon Mrs. Johnston, carrying her baby in her arms, walked in an orchard near the house, where she encountered the bulldog which on account of his vicious temper was usually chained. Mrs. Johnston tried to run, but tripped and fell. The dog sprang on the child, seizing it by the head and crushed it between his jaws. He shook the baby like a rat. The mother, with a scream, threw herself on the dog and tried to tear the baby from its jaws. The father who had witnessed the tragedy from the house, came rushing to the rescue with an axe. The dog dropped the baby and retreated, the mother caught up her mutilated infant, then fainted dead away. The father instantly killed the dog. The child died and the mother has gone insane.

Promoted.
Miss Lucy Bowers, formerly of this place, and now in Great Falls, Montana, has been elected to the principalship of a ward school building in that city at a salary of ninety dollars a month. Miss Bowers is a step-daughter of Albert Heikes, coach-maker, for several years a resident of McConnellsburg. Miss Bowers taught in Great Falls the past year, and her work has earned her this very desirable promotion.

MARRIED.
On Sunday evening, September 16, 1900, at the residence of Mrs. Lou Jackson in this place, by Rev. Mr. Wolf, of the Lutheran church, Mr. Michael Black, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Fred Black of this place, and Miss May, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John V. Glunt, of Tod township. The boys turned out on Monday night and celebrated the event in true calithumpian style.

A Fisher of Pike.
Hon W. S. Alexander and Dr. W. A. West spent from Friday till Monday in Wells Valley. Mr. West and Walter Stewart spent Saturday down at Anderson's dam fishing for pike, and the former had the pleasure of landing two, one measuring twelve inches, the other fifteen. The largest one "got away." Walter slung out an eel that measured about two feet in length. Speaking of pike the Doctor, who learned to catch them in Little Juniata Creek, Perry county, during his boyhood days, says that it is needless to look for them in any waters that flow into the Potomac.

A WORD WITH OUR FRIENDS.

At this time, the first issue of the second year in the life of the Fulton County News, we want a little talk with each one of you personally.

We believe you are pleased with the News. Many of you have said so; and the fact that you are stepping in and laying down your dollars for another year is the best evidence that you are satisfied.

There is not a whole lot of money in it for the publisher. It takes a great deal of work to get out a good newspaper; and, besides that, a large current expense which must be met in cash every month.

Very few persons would have taken the chances, in a small county like this to offer so large a paper for so small a sum. We knew enough about the business to know that it could be done, if the people of the county would appreciate the effort and join in with us. This you have done beyond our most sanguine expectation; and it is to you the NEWS owes whatever of success it has had. It is not only with your dollar that you have helped us; but we appreciate the fact that you have spoken kindly of the paper to your neighbors, and have brought us many new subscribers.

We have worked hard during the past year, kept down expenses as much as we could, and have the satisfaction now of knowing that the News is resting on a patronage that makes it safe.

We want you to feel that the News is your paper, and that it could not go along without you. This is not only for what newspaper could exist very long without subscribers or patrons. The editor knows almost every one of the twelve hundred subscribers personally. He knows your parents or did know them, and knows your wife's relatives. He is interested in your whole family, and will lose no opportunity to give you the benefit of any notice that will do you good.

If you want to help us along, send us your work. You may need sale bills, letter heads, envelopes, cards, wedding invitations or divorce notices—send them to us. If you have a farm to advertise, an administrator's notice, an executor's notice or an auditor's notice, tell your attorney you wish it published in the NEWS. He may "offer you something else just as good" but insist on the genuine NEWS.

The NEWS office is well equipped for any kind of work and the prices are right.

Now, our mark for the end of this year is 2000 subscribers. If each one of our present subscribers will make it a point to get ONE new subscriber (which would not take a great deal of effort) the mark will be reached in great shape. Talk to your neighbors about the News; send sample copies to your friends who are away, or send us their names and we will send the copies.

How much will you do?

Predicts Hard Winter.
Ex-Commissioner Lemuel Garland, of Belfast, was in town Saturday. While Lemmy does not pose as a prophet, nor the son of a prophet, he predicts a long and hard winter. His theory is, that the temperature in any locality averages about the same from one year to another; and to even up the long heated period of the past six or eight weeks, we may expect some unusually severe weather.

Mr. Daniel Mock, of Tod township, doesn't think that next winter's temperature will depend on the heat of the past summer. He says it took all the warm weather of the past summer to compensate for last winter's severity. So it is:
"When doctors disagree, Laymen are at sea."

COUNTERFEITERS.

Three Captured Near Fort Loudon Last Sunday.

United States Secret Service Officer Barker, Washington, assisted by Constable George W. Wilkins, Mercersburg, arrested Fordyce Bonebrake, William Scott and William Fraker at their homes in the vicinity of Fort Loudon Sunday afternoon. They are charged with passing counterfeit silver coin. Whether the additional charge of making it will be made against them depends on evidence yet to be collected. Some weeks ago spurious half dollars of the date of 1899 were placed in circulation in St. Thomas, Mercersburg and Fort Loudon. Frisby Miller, proprietor of the hotel at St. Thomas, got a number of them during the band festival at that place. At several places in the county toll gate keepers were given the coins in payment of toll, always receiving genuine money in change.

The United States authorities were notified of the existence of the spurious coin and a few days ago Detective Barker slipped quietly into the county from Washington and began an investigation, working in and about Saint Thomas, Fort Loudon and Mercersburg. On the strength of evidence secured Barker and Wilkins Sunday afternoon, arrested the men coming upon each prisoner at his home. The trio was taken to Mercersburg and placed in the lockup, and on Monday they were taken to Gettysburg where they were given a hearing before the United States commissioners at that place.

Detective Barker has been working up the case quietly. He was disguised as a tinware peddler, and it is said called at Scott's home and endeavored to sell him a quantity of tinware.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.
On Thursday of last week an accident happened to Cort Carbaugh, a son of John S. Carbaugh, of Ayr township, which may yet cost him his life.

Mr. Carbaugh belonged to a section gang on the B. & O. railroad, and was working near Hancock. His dinner pail was on the end of a tie, and seeing a train approaching he reached for the pail. The boss told him to "look out," and, in reaching forward, the train, which is reported to have been running at a high rate of speed, struck Mr. Carbaugh and knocked him about twenty feet against a stone pile. He was conveyed to Hancock and is receiving surgical attention, but whether he can recover remains to be seen. His father is with him.

ALL BOYS.
Dr. H. S. Wishart, of Harrisonville, dropped in to see us a minute yesterday morning. We were jolly him about the large number of births that he has had in his practice during the past week or two. "O that's nothing," said the genial Doctor. "In my practice out there covering a period of nearly forty years, I kept account of them until I had two thousand, which was a good while ago, and then I became careless about making an entry in my register." A peculiar thing about it is, that the children born of Democrat parents this fall are all boys.

QUALITY ALL RIGHT.
Mr. Edwards, a mining expert in the employ of the B. & O. railroad company is spending a day or two in the Cove this week examining the different deposits of ore. He finds the quality all right; and it will require further work to make any reasonable estimate of the quality.

Mr. Geo. H. McCoy, painter and paper hanger, of New Gretnada, passed through this place Wednesday on his wheel, enroute to Chambersburg.

PERSONAL.

Miss Blanche Sipes is spending a week with relatives in Chambersburg. D. P. Deshong, Esq., of Pleasant Ridge, spent Wednesday of last week in town.

Miss Ola Stotegle of the Cove is in Chambersburg witnessing the Carnival this week.

Mr. Homer Sipes, of Licking Creek township, dropped in to see us a minute while in town Monday.

Tod Skinner, of Big Cove Tannery, entered Mercersburg Academy as a student last Monday.

Miss Mary Biggard, of Philadelphia, is visiting her friend, Miss Amanda Bender, in town.

Miss Lottie McIlvaine, of McIlvaine's Hotel, on Rays Hill, spent a few hours in McConnellsburg Tuesday.

Mr. Simon Deshong, of Licking Creek township, paid the News office a friendly call while in town Monday.

Miss Minnie Fields, who has been in Bedford county several months, returned to her home in this place last Sunday.

Miss Hester Stevens, of Hustontown, spent the past week with the family of her uncle, Dr. F. K. Stevens, in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Mellott and Mrs. Mellott's mother, Mrs. Ruth W. Swope, were at McConnellsburg last Saturday.

Miss Jennie Kuhn, who has been spending the summer at Big Cove Tannery, expects to return to Cincinnati next week.

Mr. Norman Wishart who had been visiting his parents at Harrisonville, returned to his place of business in Philadelphia, last Saturday.

Merchant J. Kendall Johnston spent the past week in Baltimore, Philadelphia, and New York, selecting a stock of goods for his fall trade.

Mr. and Mrs. Newton Minick, and Mrs. Minick's mother, Mrs. Swan, all of Shade Gap, are visiting Miss Jennie Kuhn, at Big Cove Tannery.

George W. Reinsner, of the large merchandising establishment of Geo. W. Reinsner and Co., of this place, is now east purchasing fall stock.

Miss Alice Hamill is spending this week with friends in Franklin county. She will spend a day or two in Chambersburg witnessing the Carnival.

Dr. West went to Chambersburg Tuesday. From there he expected to go to Path Valley a day or two and return to McConnellsburg Friday.

Mrs. M. B. Trout, of this place, is visiting her son, Dr. Nick C. Trout, at Fairfield, Adams county. She was accompanied to Fairfield by Clarence.

Mrs. R. M. Hill, of Adams county, who had been visiting her sister, Miss Lib V. Hess, at this place, returned to her home yesterday (Wednesday) morning.

Mr. Jesse L. Hixson, of Crystal Springs, spent a few days in town last week. On Saturday morning he left for a few weeks at Wayne, near Philadelphia.

Mrs. E. G. Henchman and her two little daughters, of Brooklyn, N. Y., are visiting Mrs. Henchman's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Elliot Ray, of Big Cove Tannery.

Henry H. Deshong and Abner H. Hart were in town last Saturday. Henry says that his mother-in-law, Mrs. Margaret Trux has been very poorly for a week or two.

Mrs. Carrie Miller, who had been spending a few weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Stevens in this place returned to her residence in Chambersburg last Saturday.

Mrs. J. R. Henderson, of Richmond, Kansas, and her three children, James Murray, Margaret, and the "baby," are visiting Mrs. Henderson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James G. Kendall, of the Cove.

Mrs. Edgar Crisswell and little daughter, who had been spending several weeks with Mrs. Crisswell's parents, Capt. and Mrs. Skinner, at Big Cove Tannery, returned to Pittsburg yesterday.

Miss Ida Krichbaum, of Jersey City, daughter of the late Jacob Krichbaum, formerly of the Cove, left Tuesday after a week's visit with her cousins, John and Henry Comerere, of this place. She was accompanied to town last week by her uncle, Mr. John Eckels, of Chambersburg.

Miss Ella Linton who had been spending her summer vacation with her mother, Mrs. Hattie Kendall, of the Cove, returned to Allegheny last Wednesday, to resume her work in one of the public schools of that city. Miss Linton is entering upon the work of her eighth year in that school at a salary of sixty-five dollars a month and ten month's term.

Miss Annie Mock, after spending three weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Mock, of Tod township, returned to her home at Mt. Holly Springs, Cumberland county, on Monday of last week. Miss Annie has been engaged very successfully in the millinery business there during the past three years. She was accompanied home by her friend, Mr. Samuel Kapp, of Mount Holly.