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The Parade.

So jubilant did our people feel r the result of the last election the Republicans that they had rried Pennsylvania, and the emocrats that they had carried lton county—that the only way work off the accumulated enusiasm was to have a torch ht parade. So the hat was sed around and men of both rties chipped in until there was odle enough to hire the Merrsburg band, give something to r own boys, buy some pine, and y for some torches that had n left on Albert Stoner's ls four years ago.

On Friday a good supply of rich e was brought in from the untain, and placed on the pubsquare for the grand bonfire turday evening. Saturday rning came, and notwithstandg there is a rigid borough law inst allowing cows to run at rge on the streets, not one sine knot of that pine was in sight. The Republicans said the Demrats had contributed a little ney toward getting up the w, and then had stolen the e to get their money back.

Anybody who knows anything ut the composition of our ungsters, would not expect to e the bonfire a failure just beuse the pine was stolen.

Willing hands were at work turday afternoon, and soon a at pyramid of dry-goods boxes d other inflammable material s reared in front of the court use.

After dark Saturday evening e torches were lighted the prosion was formed on Court use hill, and started ont to w itself to the town. The n was, that after parading the ncipal streets of the town, y would return to the Public uare, light the big pyramid, d while the flames were conming the big structure the wd would be entertained by a nd of colored folks from Ayr wnship, who would give a conrt.

But alas! for the perfidy of huan nature. When the parade s at the most remote corner of e town, some bad man slipped applied a match, and the great nfire was all over by the time e parade was back to the Court use.

The colored people came down Trout's corner and sang awhile, ry much to the enjoyment of se who heard them. Those rties can sing all right; and if y had professional training, y have natural talent enough become famous singers.

But now comes the part of the rformance we dislike to menn. As the evening was wearg away quite a good many peole began to fill up on beer and d whiskey, and then the troubbegan. Cursing, swearing, and ghting became the order, and at e time three revolvers were beg brandished by a mob who had lected in one of the stores.

There is nothing especially obctionable in a politicial parade itself; but if a gathering of ople cannot be had without ch accompaniments, it seems us better, that no especial efrt be made to effect one. The arm done overbalances the good.

Owing to ill health, Miss Ella inton has been obliged to resign er position as teacher in Alleghony. She is at present with er mother, Mrs. Hattie Kendall the Cove. Miss Linton has ld a responsible position at a od salary, too, for several ars. But it is the old story er. Nothing breaks down one's ervous system so quickly, and ndermines one's health so surely as teaching; and yet there is ways a crowd of young people iling over each other to get into e work, and that often at a salry of fifteen or twenty dollars a onth.

Your communication will apear next week. It reached us little too late for this week.

China Wedding.

The home of Van Doran Schenck of Wells Valley, on last Saturday evening, was the scene of joy and mirth and hearty congratulations. It was the occasion of the twentieth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. Schenck to Miss Sarah Houp of New Grenada.

Some time ago they decided to invite a few of their many friends to help in the celebration of their China Wedding, and the result of their invitations was, that a goodly number of their friends and neighbors gathered at their home where awaited them a bountiful repast of tempting viands carefully prepared, such as could not but please the taste and fancy of the most fastidious epicures. The hours from 6 P. M. till 11 P. M. were passed in feasting, in mirth and appropriate ceremonies. The bride of the evening, who has been at different times during the past summer dangerously ill but who is now rejoicing in partially restored health, was handsomely dressed, and made all the guests feel perfectly at home. The groom looked the boy he used to be twenty years ago. His mother of three score years and ten, plus three weeks, who still calls him her boy, was present—hale and hearty.

There were speeches fitting the occasion made by Geo. A. Stewart, A. O. Griffith, and Arnold Houp, interspersed with music. Harry M. Truax in a neatly framed speech, presented the numerous useful gifts of China, &c.

Those present from a distance were—Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Diggins, of Broad Top City; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Houp and daughter Ivy, of Shy Beaver; Mr. Arnold Houp and daughter Anna Edwards, of Saxton, and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Thomas, of Shy Beaver, Pa.

The company parted wishing the happy couple many returns of the anniversary.

Needmore.

The winter scare of rough weather has passed away and the farmers are again busy ploughing.

Miss Rhoda Lake, who has been spending some time with her brother, Mr. J. W. Lake at Pleasant Ridge, is again with Mrs. W. F. Hart.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sipes visited their daughter, Mrs. Swartzwelder, last Sunday.

Mr. T. R. Palmer and wife and Mr. W. F. Hart and family attended meeting at Tonoloway last Sunday.

Prof. B. N. Palmer was the guest of Mr. Lee Funk on Sunday. They seem to have an "ear for music."

Mr. Chas. Garland has been employed by our genial blacksmith, T. P. Garland, on "Puffinberger Row" to assist in the shop.

Rev. C. L. Funk is improving his residence by giving it a coat of paint.

Mr. Isaac Peck will move in the tenant house on Water street owned by Messrs. Palmer and Morgret.

Mr. A. C. Truax will move from the Hill property to his own house near his father, J. S. Truax. Bert is a good fellow and we hate to lose him from town.

Uncle John Shaffer says the McKinley election had a wholesome effect on him and he feels quite well since it is over.

Mrs. Cook Truax, of Clearfield, has been spending some time with the family of Mr. Henry Truax.

Mr. Charles Gordon, of Thompson, has moved to the Morgan Mann property.

There will be a local institute held at Needmore Friday evening, November 23d.

Mr. Russell Barber, wife and son, of Saltillo, were visiting Mrs. Sadie Everetts last week.

Our enterprising merchant, Mr. W. F. Hart, who has been ailing with grippe, is able to manipulate the yard stick again.

Almost a Fire.

Last Sabbath morning the home of Mr. W. C. Patterson and sisters a mile below town made a narrow escape from destruction by fire.

A room over the sitting room is heated from a drum connected with the pipe from a stove in the room below.

The attention of a member of the family entering the sitting room was attracted to a roaring noise in the ceiling about the pipe, and hastening up stairs found the rooms full of smoke, and the floor around the pipe burning.

An alarm was given, an impromptu local fire company organized, common sense and plenty of water applied, and soon the danger line was crossed.

It was fortunate that the discovery was made just then, as a few minutes more of a start would have put the fire beyond the control of those present.

Rock Hill.

The fourth local institute of Ayr township, was held at Rock Hill, November 9, 1900, with Mr John Kendall as president.

The first subject for discussion was, "How to teach the marks and sounds of letters." Opened by Mr. James Keefer, who thinks that to teach the sounds with the letters, will make it more interesting for the primary pupils. Followed by Gilbert Mellott, who teaches the sounds by key words which are easily taught the A and B grades. Followed briefly by Mr. Martin.

The second subject was: "Literature in our Public schools." This question was ably discussed by Mr. Mellott, Mr. Keefer, and Mr. Martin. Mr. Mellott thinks the reading of good literature should be instilled into the minds of the younger pupils as well as the older.

The third subject was, "Benefits of and how to secure a school Library." Opened by Mr. Martin, who thinks that the benefits derived from a library depend on the books that are in that library. Try to create a desire for good literature among your pupils. Followed by Mr. Kendall, Mr. Mellott and others. The discussions were interspersed by recitations and singing by the school. The recitations were well rendered and the teacher as well as the pupils deserve credit.

OLA STOUTEAGLE,
Secretary.

Gem.

The men are hauling wood, preparing for an old fashioned winter.

Master Raymond Peck, who has had fever for the past two weeks, is out again.

Mrs. G. P. Bell, of Lehmaster, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Lake Garland. She is accompanied by her three children.

The family of Mr. D. B. Snyder is getting better slowly.

Miss Blanche Peck is teaching Miss Orpha Snyder's school at Ceder Lane.

To say our school (the Cross Roads) is progressing finely is saying it not half strong enough. Miss Mellott not only keeps a fine school but she also has a finely decorated school room.

Mr. and Mrs. Pott McKee were visiting on Tuesday Mr. McKee's sister, Mrs. Alexander Mellott, who is critically ill of catarrh fever.

The friends of Philip Gordon will be glad to learn he is slowly getting better.

Hazel Garland, little daughter of Lake Garland, is suffering from an attack of jaundice.

Mr. Erven Fisher is still traveling with his engine.

A large audience assembled in the Presbyterian church on Monday evening to hear Mrs. White's lecture on China, which was very interesting indeed.

Road Law.

One of our friends, a few days ago, said he believed we could do some good by publishing the law governing public roads, &c.

On referring to the books, we found it covered twenty-four pages of fine print in Purdon's Digest, and to publish it all, would not leave room to say a word about liver pills, or the many other things that help to make the News an important paper.

Query.—Mr. A owns a farm and lives on it. To reach a public road, he must pass through land owned by his neighbors. Mr. A wants to know if the law will not give him a road out.

Answer.—Mr. A may petition court for viewers to locate a road from some point in a public road by way of Mr. A's house to a point in some other public road. If Mr. A is the only one on this proposed new road that would be benefited by it, the chances are that it would not be granted.

2. Mr. A may see his neighbor, and try to arrange for a private road out through his neighbor's land to the public road.

3. If his neighbor refuses to make any reasonable arrangement, then Mr. A may petition the court of Quarter Sessions for viewers, who will go on the ground, lay out the road, say how much damage the neighbor sustains by reason of the new road.

If the road is secured in this last way, Mr. A must pay all the court costs, including the costs of the viewers; he must pay to his neighbor the damage assessed by the viewers; he must fence the road through his neighbor's farm and keep the road in repair.

Any one using a road continuously for twenty one years or more through his neighbor's improved land has the right of way, but this is not the case through timber land.

In order to obtain either a public or private road through court it is necessary to employ an attorney to direct the proceeding.

Sideling Hill.

Last week Mr. Reuben Layton with a force of hands was trying to make better roads.

Charles Hess and family spent a few days with Mr. Hess's uncle, Lewis Sipes of Laidig.

Preaching at Bedford chapel next Sunday at ten o,clock by Rev. Seifert.

Mr. Job Garland and son, Roy, spent a week with friends in Bedford county, recently.

Bub Hess is busily engaged in hauling lime from Pigeon Cove.

Miss Lizzie Lafferty of Franklin Mills is employed in the home of Geo. Hill.

John Clevenger and wife of Laidig were circulating among friends in this section last week.

Mrs. R. E. Fix returned to her home at Hustontown after spending a week with her mother Mrs. Rachel Hill, of this place.

Henry Layton and daughter Grace, spent Thursday with Mr. Layton's sister, Mrs. Effie Wink of Sipes Mill.

Jas. C. Mellott and wife of Franklin Mills, visited their son, I. D. Mellott at this place last Sabbath.

Miss Ollie Garland has gone to Cumberland, where she will spend some time as the guest of her sister, Mrs Reuben Karns.

Mr. Albert Hixon and family visited relatives in Whips Cove Sunday.

Mr. B. F. Gordon of Timber Ridge is spending a few days with Caleb Hixon's family.

Messrs. W. R. Garland and A. R. Layton went to Hancock Sunday.

Mrs. Anthony Lynch has gone to spend some time with her son, Riley near Franklin Mills.

Union Thanksgiving services will be held on Thursday the 29th inst. at 10 a. m. in the Presbyterian church in this place. Dr. West will preach the sermon.

John Sowers.

At the age of about 67 years, John Sowers died at his residence about a mile and a half south of Fort Littleton last Friday of paralysis, and was interred in the family lot in Union cemetery on Sunday following.

Mr. Sowers's father, the late John Sowers, carried on blacksmithing at Webster Mills a number of years, and it was at that place that the subject of this notice was born.

About three years ago he moved from Ayr township to Dublin. With the exception of a few years he spent in the West during the 80's the remainder of his life was spent in Ayr township.

Some forty years ago he was married to a Miss Clouser daughter of the late Daniel Clouser. She survives him. They have no children living.

Mr. Sowers is survived by two brothers—George of Ayr township, and Jacob in Oklahoma; and by two sisters, Mrs. Michael Helman of Tod, and Mrs. Paul Wagner of this place.

Mr. Sowers was a generous hearted man and a good neighbor.

Wells Tannery.

We had the pleasure of a handshake with Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Cunningham, of Olean, New York. His friends are glad to know that he has been very successful in business since leaving this place.

Mr. and Mrs. George Fesler, of South Fork, are visiting their parents here.

Mrs. Clem Chesnut and Mrs. Morehead, of Hustontown, visited Mrs. W. H. Baumgardner last Saturday.

Capt. Harvey Wishart is visiting his son Howard in Huntingdon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wishart visited in Everett Tuesday and Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ran McDonald, accompanied by their son and daughter, spent Sunday with friends at Maddensville.

The Sunday school people of Wells township will hold their annual convention in the Hall at Wells Tannery Thanksgiving. All are cordially invited. Come and let us be thankful together.

The Presbyterians of this place contemplate building a church in the near future. The ladies are active in the good work. On last Saturday a few of them met at the home of Mrs. S. P. Wishart and organized a Ladies' Aid Society. They will meet at the different homes the first and third Saturday of the winter months, and will gladly do plain sewing at a moderate charge for persons who may desire in this way to aid them.

Our musicial friend Mack Stunkard has purchased a fine organ.

Some of our hunters have been very successful. November 12th George Sprowl, of Pittsburg, killed a deer that dressed 194 pounds. Wilson Hinish of this place also killed a large one.

November 14th W. L., Charley, and Frank Sprowl, of this place; George Sprowl, of Pittsburg, W. H. Horton and Leon Mitchel, of South Fork, Gaith Hoover, of Altoona, and Mr. Westover, of Westover, went out for a deer chase and by eleven a. m. sent home for a wagon to haul in four deer. The animals were fine and the boys were very much elated. The same crowd killed four turkeys at different times.

While Mr. Joe Mellott of Webster Mills, was in town last Saturday evening witnessing the parade, some miscreant stole the checkreins from his harness. The same fellow or somebody else stole the checks from Dr. Garthwaite's harness the evening of the Reunion. It just means five dollars to replace a set of checks like these; and if the culprit is apprehended he will be held in double check until his career at check stealing is checked.

Ranck—Stouffer.

In the presence of a large number of friends at 8 o'clock Wednesday morning, November 14, 1900, the marriage of Mr. William B. Ranck and Miss Myrtle Stouffer took place at the Methodist Episcopal church at Warfordsburg.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. T. Davis Richards, of Germantown Maryland, assisted by Rev. E. R. Simons, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Warfordsburg.

The bride wore a traveling dress of gray broadcloth with hat to correspond, while the groom was attired in a black Prince Albert suit.

Immediately after the ceremony and the congratulation of friends, the newly married couple started on a ten-days trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Ranck are most excellent young people, and have the kind wishes of a large circle of friends for a long and prosperous journey through life.

Elias Patton.

Mr. Elias Patton died at his home in Fort Loudon, on Thursday, November 15th. He had been failing in health for some time, due to advanced age, and his death was not unlooked for. Mr. Patton was a member of one of the oldest families of Peters township, his grandfather, Capt. James Patton, having settled there on a tract of land held by him under a grant, dated 1744. He was born on the old Patton homestead on March 26, 1823, and passed his whole life in Peters township.

During his long life he took an active interest in business and in the affairs of the community. For a number of years he was engaged in farming. He served one term as Jury Commissioner; was ticket, freight and station agent of the South Penn Railroad at Fort Loudon, and, at the time of his death, was a member of the Board of Managers of the Chambersburg and Bedford Turnpike. To these he brought the energy of a successful business man. He was a member and trustee of St. Peter's Reformed church, of Fort Loudon, and his place in the church as well as in the community will be hard to fill. His funeral took place last Saturday.

Death of St. Thomas Organist.

With mind and body wrecked by continued ill health, Miss Carrie Weiler, a prominent church worker and organist of the Reformed church at St. Thomas, Franklin county, escaped from her home last Thursday night and wandered over the mountain road, a distance of ten miles.

With no heavier clothing than a thin dress, and wearing thin slippers, she suffered terribly in the freezing weather. Friday morning, between 7 and 8 o'clock, she staggered into the yard at the home of Frank Overcash, two miles west of Chambersburg. While suffering with convulsions she was carried into the house and died before a doctor could reach her.

The was twenty-four years of age and the only daughter of Alfred Weiler, a prominent farmer of St. Thomas township.

Good Yields.

Sam Mellott, one of Ayr township's leading farmers, has just threshed his wheat crop amounting to 1,870 bushels.

James G. Kendall told us a day or two ago that he put up a hundred tons of hay.

We doubt that the brag territory of the West can show up to a better advantage than this. Our farmers seldom or never have a crop failure, while in many parts of the West one good crop may be followed by a half dozen dead failures. Seldom have the growing crops, looked better than they do this fall.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Isaac McClain, of Gracey, called at the News office Tuesday.

Mr. John Pittman of Sipes Mills, spent last Saturday in town.

Merchant S.K. Pittman of Harrisonville was in town last Saturday.

Mr. George E. Mumma and sister Lydia spent last Saturday in McConnellsburg.

Mrs. Ed R. Austin and Mrs. Harry Austin, of Saluvia, spent Tuesday in McConnellsburg.

Mr. Joe Shimer, of Lexington N. C., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Shimer of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Erven B. Fisher and Miss Lida Peck, all of Gem, were in town Saturday afternoon.

Mrs J. L. Garland and her sister, Miss Linna A. Deshong, were in McConnellsburg last Friday.

Mr. E. N. Akers and Levi Mellott were among the representatives here from Sipes Mill last Saturday evening.

Mrs. George Sheridan Fockler, of Johnstown, is visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Wishart at Harrisonville.

Misses Minnie and Sadie Dickson spent from last Thursday until Tuesday of this week with friends at Shippensburg.

John V. Stouteagle and daughter Miss Olive drove over to Chambersburg last Sunday and spent a few days with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. James Helman and their youngest son, of Roxbury, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Unger a day or two last week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dechert, and Mr. and Mrs. John Adair, all of Chambersburg, visited their aunt Mrs. George Finiff, of Tod, over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Unger and son Edmond spent a day or two recently visiting the family of Mr. Samuel Cline near Fort Littleton.

Mr. Ira Covalt, of Covalt, Pa., came up to town last Saturday to meet and take home his sister Miss Anna who had been visiting friends at Fort Littleton.

Misses Nellie Daniels and Lois Caldwell spent from Saturday until Monday with Nellie's grandmother, Mrs Christina Daniels near Harrisonville.

Miss Belle Stouteagle, who is teaching in Peters township, Franklin county, was home over Sunday. She left Monday noon for institute at Chambersburg.

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Simpson, of Big Cove Tannery, Fulton county, have been the welcome guests of Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Barney at Clearville, Pa., for the past couple days.—Everett Press.

Mr. W. H. Bricker, Kaslesville's hustling young merchant, and Dr. H. G. Critzman, Welsh Run's popular physician, favored the News office with their presence while in town on business last Saturday.

R. A. Stouteagle, one of Franklin county's leading teachers, spent Saturday and Sunday with his mother in this place. He was accompanied home by Mr. John Weisner. He left Monday morning to attend institute at Chambersburg.

Mr. J. B. Clouser and grandson, Master J. F. Walters, of Altoona, came down to attend the funeral of Mr. Clouser's brother-in-law, Mr. John Sowers. They are remaining for a few days visiting among their old friends in this county.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Cooper and their little daughter Ruth, returned from a month's visit among friends in Kansas and other western states. While Harvey thinks that the west has some advantages over the east, yet, taking everything into consideration, he feels that a home in the Big Cove is good enough for him.

Furniture Factory Burned.

Mr. W. F. B. Ash is visiting his parents, Rev. and Mrs. H. M. Ash of this place.

During the past three years, he has been superintendent of the packing and shipping department of the Hughesville Furniture Company composed of his uncles.

On the morning of the 16th inst. the factory was burned, throwing out of employment over a hundred workmen. The factory had been running fourteen hours a day for several months, and shipping as many as twenty-five suits a day. The loss of the factory and material, and six thousand dollars worth of finished furniture, exceed $100,000.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Pittman of Bethel township are visiting relatives in McConnellsburg this week.