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### The Noted Highwayman and Counterfeiter.

(Continued from last week.)

After joining the band I was prevailed on to go to Chambersburg to procure paper suitable for the purpose, from Mr. John Shryock who is concerned in a paper mill near that place. Owing to my suspicious appearance or some regulation among cautious and honest paper makers, Shryock refused to sell me any, and in consequence of his refusal I was obliged to go to a paper mill in Virginia carrying with me a sample of Shryock's manufacture, which I picked up off the table while he turned round to speak to some person who had entered the apartment. Having procured a stock of paper made agreeably to the sample furnished, I returned to my comrades in the mountain, where we went to work, and had struck a number of impressions of different denominations. As is usually done among counterfeiters, we made an equal divide of the false notes and then separated to pass them off in the exchange of horses and other property. Some of my companions went into the neighboring states of Virginia and Ohio, while I preferred Bedford, Somerset, Uniontown and Brownsville.

In these towns and counties in which they are situated, I was very successful in passing away and exchanging my bad money, and escaped detection in such a wonderful manner, that made me bolder as I became more guilty and criminal. There is such a chain, and connection among counterfeiters and robbers in Pennsylvania, and other states, and so numerous are their accomplices and secret friends, that it is not easy to discover or comprehend them. In traversing Fayette county, I became acquainted with a young woman, who bore so striking a resemblance to my deceased wife, that I determined upon paying my address to her, and her alone, if I ever changed my condition, but my thoughts were chiefly occupied then about returning to my comrades in the mountain, all having agreed to meet at the cave at a time previously fixed upon. At the expiration of the stipulated period, I prepared for my return, and joining my companions as soon as I could, without meeting with any serious accident or interruption. In order to guard against intrusion and protect us from the unwelcome visits of the officers of justice of whom we were in constant dread, there was a door in the cave, which we called Susanna and on the approach of any of the gang, the signal for entry was "open Susanna open" as soon as these words were uttered, by any of the party who happened to be within, acknowledged the signal by crying out "Susanna is at home." Unfortunately I happened to be detained by sickness on the road, and did not arrive at the appointed time. As soon as I gained admittance, I found all my comrades in the cave, and the first salutation which greeted my ears convinced me that something was wrong. I was accused of loitering away my time with the view of spending the money of the company, or concealing it. I denied the charge, which brought on a quarrel, that nearly came to blows; and while my companions were in a deep sleep, I silently and quietly left them about midnight, carrying with me not only the spoils which I had made myself, out of various exchanges, but I rifled the pockets of my partners of all their ill-gotten contents, thinking it a light punishment and one which they deserved, for their unjust suspicions of my honesty.

In this manner I became possessed of a very considerable sum in bank notes, which I determined upon securing to enable me to abandon forever the villainous with whom I had connected myself, quit the present course of

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## Sunday School Convention.

According to previous announcement, the Sabbath-school workers of Wells township, met in convention at the U. B. church on the afternoon of Thanksgiving day.

The convention was called to order by the president, Thomas Ramsey. The devotional services were conducted by Hon. S. P. Wishart. Prof. George W. Ready made the address of welcome and was responded to by Mr. Wishart. A full program was carried out. An evening session was also held.

This convention was considered by many, to have been one of the best ever held in the township; in fact, it was such a good one that it was decided to hold two conventions during the coming year—the next one to be held at Bethel church, New Granada during the month of May 1903.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: J. G. Cunningham, president; E. A. Horton, secretary; and W. L. Cunningham, treasurer. The discussions were very interesting and instructive and were noted for their earnestness. The people of Wells township are justly proud of their S. S. Association and of their Sabbath school. A choir of perhaps, twenty persons furnished excellent music Misses Ethel and Tillie Stunkard presided at the organ alternately.

During the convention mention was made of the Moral Reform Association of McConnellsburg. It is pleasing to note that, with some men, Christianity stands more than mere popularity. May the M. R. A. have a prosperous voyage.

## SECRETARY.

### Saluvia.

Miles Hann, of Denison, Tex., and Mr. and Mrs. William Hann, of Los Angeles, California, were visiting their brother R. R. Hann, several days last week.

The Thanksgiving social at the home of Mrs. Speer was a success.

Among those from a distance who attended the social Thanksgiving evening were Don Morton, of McConnellsburg, and Samuel Speck and Norris Hoover of Hustontown.

George W. Mellott has been confined to his home the past few weeks by an attack of very sore eyes.

Mrs. Katie Mellott's two little girls continue dangerously ill of typhoid fever.

### Fort Littleton.

Miss Olive, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Parsons, left last Friday morning for Braddock, Pa., where she will spend some time with her sister, Mrs. John E. Locke.

D. H. Fore, wife and daughter Mabel, of Tod, spent last Sunday with S. R. Cromer.

"Pap" Mayne and daughter Annie were visiting his sons at Hollidaysburg the past week.—Miss Annie returned home, her father remaining.

R. M. Cline is having a new end built to his store room.

Miss B. A. Fore of Knobsville is visiting her niece, Mrs. Annie E. Cromer.

Miss Cora Fraker is suffering with rheumatism.

Master Scott Parsons spent part of last week with his cousin, John W. Gunnels, Jr., at Knobsville.

Miss Emma Bare ate Thanksgiving dinner with her friend, Miss Florence Cromer.

Mrs. Orth has been spending this fall with her daughter, Mrs. S. R. Fraker.

George Fraker is the champion hunter, he having killed ten wild turkeys.

Rev. Wesley Cline of Tennessee, has moved to our town.

Samuel Pittman and C. E. Tice of Pittsburg, who were spending a couple of weeks visiting friends at Knobsville, were pleasant callers at the News office last Saturday morning.

## DEATH RECORD.

### Those Who Have Been Summoned to the Other World.

MRS. MCLUCAS.

After a short illness Mrs. Jennie, wife of Abner McClucas, died suddenly of pneumonia and heart trouble at her home on the Finley McNaughton Johnston farm, a short distance south of town, at 6 o'clock on Tuesday evening of last week. She had been ill less than two weeks, and her death was a great shock to her family and friends.

Surviving are her husband and several children, as follows: Mrs. Edith, wife of Daniel Rotz; Benjamin, Bertie, Ella and John. Two children died several years ago.

The funeral was held Thursday at 10 o'clock, interment in the Union cemetery. Burial services were conducted by Rev. A. G. Wolf, of the Lutheran church.

MRS. AMY HANN.

At the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. B. Horton in Wells township, last Sunday morning, Mrs. Amy Hann died of pneumonia at the age of 71 years 3 mo. and 12 days.

Mrs. Hann was the widow of the late Benj. Hann of Licking Creek township. Her maiden name was Greenland. The deceased was a member of the U. Brethren church for many years, and served her master faithfully until she was called home.

Mrs. Hann leaves six children, namely, Mrs. J. B. Horton, Wells township; Ross, Saluvia, Pa.; George, Curwensville, Pa.; Grant, Pittsburg, Pa.; Miles, Dennison, Tex.; William, Los Angeles, Cal.; Charles, Minneapolis, Minn. All were present at the funeral except Charles. It was an impressive sight to see the five brothers and a brother-in-law bear the beloved one to her last resting place.

Interment was made Tuesday Nov. 25, 1902, at Asbury cemetery, Green Hill.

### Wells Tannery.

Miss Bessie Heisel is ill with intermittent fever.

Jerry Sprowl and family think of moving into the large stone house on top of Sideling Hill Mountain, owned by the Altoona Hunting Club.

Mrs. Edward Horton and baby are visiting relatives in Columbus, Ohio.

Samuel Denisar has gone to Pittsburg, where he has promise of remunerative employment.

Mrs. Mary Clark of Galtzen, and George and Thomas Gibson, with their families, have been visiting their mother, Mrs. Rebecca Gibson.

Miss Lizzie Moore and Mrs. John Moore of McAlisterville are visiting their sister, Mrs. S. P. Wishart.

A few of our people attended the Sunday school convention Thanksgiving day held in the U. B. church several miles down the Valley.

Our town people enjoy the bright rays of a gasoline street lamp donated the Presbyterian church by Ralph A. McKiuney of Pittsburg.

Charley Sprowl shot a nice deer Saturday last on Sideling Hill.

William Winters, a native of Whips Cove, was killed on the Pennsylvania railroad between Altoona and Johnstown, last Thursday morning. He was a brakeman, and in some way fell from a car while his train was running at full speed, and the wheels passed over his body mangleing it and, of course, killing him instantly. His remains were sent to Everett and Undertaker Gump took them down to Morgan Winters' an uncle of the deceased in the Cove, from whose home the funeral took place last Saturday morning. Interment was made at the upper church. The deceased was a son of the late Ezra Winters, and was aged about twenty-five years.

## Borough School Changes.

Prof. Ernest M. Gress on last Friday tendered his resignation as principal of the McConnellsburg schools to accept a similar position at Nicholson, Wyoming county. He has been our efficient principal for nearly three years. Prof. Emery Thomas, who has been the teacher of the intermediate class for several years, has been promoted to Prof. Gress' room, and Miss Estelle Logue, recently a teacher in the graded schools at Foltz, has been assigned to fill the vacancy caused by the promotion of Prof. Thomas. Prof. Gress left to assume his new duties on Monday morning.

### Licking Creek.

Simon Deshong and wife, and son Oscar, spent last week at Bedford.

Mrs. Hattie Palmer of Harrisonville spent Saturday and Sunday at Park Palmer's.

Wilbert Sipe is home from Harrisonburg.

Ira Palmer has gone to McConnellsburg.

Quarterly Meeting at Asbury M. E. church the 20 and 21 of December. Rev. Yocum preaches on Saturday, 20th inst., at 10 o'clock.

Miss Elza Mellott spent Sunday with Miss Bertha Wilson.

Mrs. Bradford Mason spent a few days last week with Mrs. Katharine Hockensmith and with the family of Mr. Matthew Mellott.

George Sipe has a local institute Friday evening.

The protracted meeting at Sideling Hill Christian church commences Sunday evening, December 14.

The Siloam people are talking of having a Christmas entertainment.

Miss Ella Kline and Linna A. Deshong spent a day last week with friends in Persimmon Hollow.

Isaac Layton and wife are visiting Mrs. David Kline and Mrs. Harriet Deshong this week.

James Mellott and Riley Truax killed a fine deer.

Virgil Bard has gone to Somerset.

### Burnt Cabins.

S. O. Fraker, of Orbisonia spent a few days last week with his father-in-law, Henry McGowan. J. D. Finley, of Decorum raised his barn on Thanksgiving day.

John Stake has been quite ill for the past week.

There was an Epworth League social held at the home of Miss Bessie Reese last Saturday night; there were about forty there, and everybody enjoyed themselves.

R. C. McGowan, Geo. Comer and wife, after spending a few days at this place, have returned to Wells Valley, where they have a saw mill.

Wilson Cline and wife went through our town on Sunday on their way to Markes, Franklin county to visit their daughter, Mrs. Charles Wagner.

Miss Josephine Doran attended the funeral of her aunt, Mrs. James Kerlin, at Clear Ridge.

### Card of Thanks.

I want to express my sincere thanks and gratitude to the dear brothers of I. O. O. F. of Warfordsburg, who so kindly and faithfully stood by my beloved brother George A. Fisher, during his long sickness; and may God bless the dear family who so lovingly administered every want and attention to soothe and comfort a dying brother.

### HIS SISTER.

Recently a phonograph was used in place of a choir in a Congregational church in Leavenworth, Kansas. When the minister was called it was to late to obtain a choir. He went to a music store and obtained a phonograph and two records, "The Holy City" and "Jesus, as thou wilt." During the course of the services the phonograph rendered the hymns in an entirely satisfactory manner.

## Debate.

Resolved, That the good results of War outweigh its evils:

Affirmative, Negative.

H. W. Wink S. L. Simpson  
Benj. Shives John D. Keefer,  
A. C. Peck Harvey Sharpe  
W. R. Daniels Shade Truax  
Ed. Brakeall Harry Hill  
W. W. Douglas D. T. Humbert  
Isaac Culler J. C. Hewett.

To be held at Center school house, Thompson township, December 12, 1902.

JOHN D. KEEFER.

### Brush Creek.

Miss Ella Wink is visiting her sister, Mrs. Feight, of Bedford county.

Miss Lucretia Jackson is spending some time in Everett.

Dr. Gilland and Mr. Speelman of Greencastle, were deer hunting in the valley the past week.

Mr. John Glass of Bedford was looking after his lumber interests in the valley.

Amos Duvall and family spent Sunday with Abiah Akers.

John N. Hixon and family were visiting C. R. Akers last Sunday.

C. R. Akers killed a fine deer last Saturday. This makes the second one this season. Clarence thinks this is his share of the four-footed animals, and so will have to content himself with hunting "dear."

Prof. C. E. Barton and wife while visiting C. R. Akers were met by a number of people with the usual musical instruments. It is needless to say that the Professor was very nervous. Since then tin scraps and cans are numerous.

Misses Cora Duvall, Bertie Barton, Ola Hixon, and Messrs. C. A. Barton and Arthur Duvall visited Walter Barton Sunday.

The lumber companies are doing a big business in the Valley.

Misses May and Goldie Akers, and James Jackson and wife spent Sunday with M. A. Barkman.

The creamery building at Crystal Springs is being removed.

Akersville M. E. church is preparing for a Christmas entertainment.

W. C. Hanks, wife and sister attended the institute at Buffalo Friday evening.

Prof. Barton while visiting schools in the valley killed a twelve pound turkey. The Prof. ran all the way home fearing some one would see him with a tame turkey when he reached home he found that it was a genuine wild one.

H. M. Barton was visiting his father, Mason Barton of Akersville.

T. H. Akers and wife spent last Sunday with M. A. Barkman.

George McKibbin is spending his vacation with his mother.

Ross Jackson of Altoona is visiting friends here.

Miss Bertie Barton was visiting Miss Ola Hixon recently.

George Schenck and M. A. Barkman are both singing, "Hush my little darling."

The P. O. S. of A., of Crystal Springs will hold an oyster supper on the evening of the 13th of December. All are invited.

Mrs. O. E. Barton visited her sister Mrs. M. E. Barton recently.

A debate will be held at Locust Grove next Thursday evening.

Hixon Akers moved to Clearville and G. W. Comer will move to the farm vacated by Mr. Akers.

### Newspaper Advertising the Best.

The consensus of opinion favors newspaper advertising above all other forms. In no other way can the merchant reach the people he wants to patronize his store so cheaply and effectively. In the respectable newspaper there is nothing to offend good taste. The newspaper gets into the homes of the people, where all members of the family read the advertisements. The paper is purchased by the head of the house, and the advertisements are a part of his purchase. The newspaper advertisement has a value that no other form of advertising possesses.—McKeesport Times.

## Local Institutes.

There will be an institute held at Daniels, school house, Dec. 5, 1902.

Questions for discussion: 1. Written Work, its Importance and to What Extent Should it be Used. 2. Time in Relation to School Work. 3. Little Things in the School Room, and on the Play Ground.

Trusting for your aid, I am respectfully, yours,

Geo. O. Sipe.

A teachers local institute was held at Rock Hill school house, Friday evening November 28, 1902.

The meeting was called to order by the teacher, Miss Blanche Johnston, Mr. James Keefer was elected president.

Subject for discussion, How to secure and hold attention, opened by Mr. Keefer followed by Mr. Gilbert Mellott. Next subject for discussion was, What is the highest aim of your Methods? Discussed by Mr. Mellott and Mr. Keefer.

There was quite a number of recitations and songs, also, a dialogue, these were rendered in a way very creditable to both teacher and pupils. Miss Katherine Comerer favored the audience with several selections on an auto harp.

OLIVE KENDALL,

Secretary.

The third local institute of Brush Creek was held at Buffalo Nov. 28. The meeting was called to order by electing Clark Barton president. The questions—Memory Work, System and Adaptation, and Effects of Books on Character—were taken up and discussed in a clear, concise and logical manner, bringing out many points of interest and benefit.

Quite a number of citizens were present and took part in the discussions. The audience also had the opportunity of listening to some very excellent literary work. The literary work by the pupils shows the work of their untiring teacher, S. E. Walters, who deserves much praise for his work. The teachers were A. M. Hixon, John McKibbin, W. C. Hanks, Logue Wink, Harry Barton and Lewis Harris. One director, Mr. Mason Barton, was also present. Institute adjourned to meet at Locust Grove in two weeks.

LEWIS HARRIS,

Secretary.

Rev. Irl R. Hicks 1903 Almanac.

To say that this splendid work of science and art is finer and better than ever, is stating it mildly. The demand for it is far beyond all previous years. To say that such results, reaching through thirty years, are not based upon sound sense and usefulness, is an insult to the intelligence of the millions. Prof. Hicks, through this great Almanac, and his famous family and scientific journal, Word and Works, is doing a work for the whole people not approached by any other man or publication. A fair test will prove this to any reasonable person. Added to the most luminous course in astronomy for 1903, forecasts of storms and weather are given, as never before, for every day in the year, all charmingly illustrated with nearly two hundred engravings. The price of single Almanac, including postage and mailing, is thirty cents. Word and Works with the Almanac is \$1.00 a year.

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The "Eclipton Literary Society" of Crystal Springs, was organized last Saturday evening, electing Lewis Harris president, John McKibbin secretary and S. E. Walters treasurer. The purpose of this society will be made known later. Committee.

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## LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

### Brief Mention of Persons and Places You Know.

Joseph E. Mellott of Gem, spent a few hours in town on Tuesday.

Frank Skiles of Pleasant Ridge called at the News office while in town Tuesday.

Nicholas Metzler at Burnt Cabins butchered a porker last Monday that cleaned 600 pounds. Next!

Mrs. Wilson L. Cline of Fort Littleton is spending a week with her daughter Mrs. Charles Wagner, of Markes, Franklin county.

Harry Mock, John Snyder and Edward Rotz of Tod township, left one day last week for Pittsburg, where they have secured employment.

Mrs. Bergstresser and daughter Miss Mary of Wells Valley, accompanied Miss Sadie Dickson to McConnellsburg one day last week.

Mr. Albert Hohman who had been employed in Pittsburg, returned home one day last week with a very sore hand, which he had accidentally cut.

On Sunday, December 7th, preaching at Pine Grove at 10:30 a. m.; at Wells Valley at 2:30 p. m., and at Zion at 7:00 by Rev. W. J. Scheffer, pastor.

Chris Shimer of this place had the good fortune to kill a fine deer in Aughwick last Saturday. It dressed 168 pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Baker and Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Wagner helped to eat turkey at the home of Daniel E. Fore and daughter, Miss Katie, on Thanksgiving day.

Mrs. John Lamaster and daughter, Vada and son, Earl of Markes Franklin county, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Lamaster's father, Daniel E. Fore.

Miss May Sheets who is teaching school in Bedford county, is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Sheets, of this place.

Mrs. A. M. Grissinger and Mrs. A. K. Alexander have returned from Waynesboro where they were visiting their brother, M. E. Rmedollar last week.

The apple crop of the United States for 1902 is estimated by good authorities at 43,000,000 barrels, compared with 29,000,000 last year.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Peck, of this place, ate their Thanksgiving dinner in Altoona where they spent a few days last week visiting friends.

Mr. E. N. Palmer and wife spent a few days this week at the home of ex-county treasurer Theophilus Sipes, at Harrisonville Fulton county.—Everett Republican.

Hon. Samuel P. Wishart and Mr. John A. Wishart, of Wells Tannery, were in Everett on last Friday and Saturday.—Everett Republican.

Mrs. Charles Wagner and son Lloyd accompanied by Miss Nell Brandthaver of Markes, Franklin county, spent a few days visiting friends in the Cove.

Mr. Charles Tice of Knobsville, and Mr. Jesse Peck and Mrs. Annie Pitman of McConnellsburg, spent Sunday with John Barkman's family.

Rev. Joseph Barney, of Clearville was in Everett on Monday. A few weeks ago he was thrown from a load of cornfodder and his hip hurt. He is able to move around with the aid of a crutch, but still suffers much pain.—Everett Press.

A session of the Presbytery of Carlisle of the Presbyterian church was held Tuesday in the First Presbyterian church of Carlisle. This is an adjourned meeting from the regular fall session which was held at Dry Run on September 30 and October 1. Rev. William B. Cooke, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, Steelton, presided as moderator.