

RATES OF POSTAGE 100 YEARS AGO.

The following were the rates of postage in this country in the year 1800: Every letter composed of a single sheet of paper conveyed not exceeding forty miles, eight cents; over forty miles and not exceeding 150 miles, twelve and one half cents; over 150 miles and not exceeding 300 miles, seventeen cents; over 300 miles and not exceeding 500 miles, twenty cents; over 500, twenty five cents. Every letter composed of two pieces of paper, double those rates; every letter composed of three pieces of paper, triple these rates; every letter composed of four pieces of paper weighing one ounce, quadruple these rates, and at the rate of four single letters for each ounce any letter or packet may weigh; every ship letter originally received at an office for delivery, was six cents. And there was little change for the better in the rates of postage until the advent of the administration of President Polk.

Pittsburg.

DEAR EDITOR.—In looking over the names that have been added to the list, of subscribers to the Fulton County News, since January 1, 1903, I am again reminded that many homes, not within the limits of Fulton only, but many far beyond her boundaries are made happy by the weekly visit of the NEWS. Many of Fulton's sons and daughters, who have crossed her border, intent upon seeking a fortune some-where in the resources of this grand old Union, when returning to their rooms at noon or in the evening, from their daily task, tired and weary, have been cheered by finding a copy of the NEWS waiting their arrival and upon perusal of its columns have been encouraged and spirited on towards the mark for which they have been striving.

Since I left Fulton in July 1902, THE NEWS has visited me every week regularly and it has been, and is, a very welcome visitor.—In order that it may still continue these visits during 1903 I will enclose a dollar bill for which please forward the NEWS to

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P. S.

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FEARFUL ODDS AGAINST HIM.

Bedridden, alone and destitute. Such, in brief was the condition of an old soldier by name of J. J. Havens, Versailles, O. For years he was troubled with Kidney disease and neither doctors nor medicines gave him relief. At length he tried Electric Bitters. It put him on his feet in short order and now he testifies. "I'm on the road to complete recovery." Best on earth for Liver and Kidney troubles and all forms of Stomach and bowel complaints. Only 50c Guaranteed by W. S. Dickson. Druggist.

Once upon a time a donkey fell into a deep hole and, after nearly starving, caught sight of a passing fox and implored the stranger to help him out.

"I am too small to aid you," said the fox, "but I will give you some advice. Only a few rods away is a big, strong elephant.—Call to him and he will get you out in a jiffy."

After the fox had gone the donkey thus reasoned: "I am very weak for want of nourishment.—Every move I make is just so much additional loss of strength. If I raise my voice to call the elephant I shall be weaker yet. No; I will not waste my substance that way. It is the duty of the elephant to come without calling."

So the donkey settled himself back, and eventually starved to death.

Long afterwards the fox, on passing the hole, saw within a whitened skeleton, and remarked:

"If it be that the souls of animals are transmigrated into men that donkey will become one of those who can never afford to advertise."

LICKING CREEK.

Our correspondent must have been snowed up or out sleighing, and forgot to give us the items last week.

John W. Hoop made a trip to Harrisburg last week.

Daniel Lake is seriously ill.

Rev. C. H. Shull has now closed his meeting at Asbury.

Jordan Deshong and family spent last Saturday at David Fohner's.

David Fohner and wife, Mack Chesnut and Miss Ada Fohner and Mrs. Emaline Chesnut—all of Hustontown spent last Sunday in Belfast.

George Schooley, Harvey Strait and Ralph Decker started last week for Illinois.

Miss Lucy Mellott and her gentleman friend, Mr. McIlhane, both of Hustontown, spent last Sunday with Miss Linna A. Deshong.

Masters Thurman Strait and Dick Sipe made a trip to Franklin with their hand sled in the big snow. Boys that is the best way to travel; you can slide down the mountain.

Miss Cora Hoop spent last Sunday with her friend Miss Jessie Mellott.

Daniel Fix has purchased a cow of Jacob Kaufman.

Riley Deshong has moved to his farm.

George C. Deshong and wife spent Sunday afternoon at Geo. R. Hoops.

A traveling salesman of Martinsburg, W. Va., got into the creek while crossing at Siloam one of those cold days a short time ago. He got a pretty cold bath. We think if there is a bridge needed anywhere there is one needed across the fording at Siloam.

Dr. Hoop's dog Carlo has returned home.

Milton Decker and wife, and Lorenzo Schooley and family, spent last Sunday with friends in Belfast.

Elliott Barber and wife attended the funeral of Mr. Davis last week.

Mrs. Elizabeth Brumbaugh was called to see her brother Mr. Daniel Lake last week who is ill. Aaron Garland of Needmore spent a couple days last week in this vicinity.

Rev. Calvin Garland and wife visited Daniel Lake last week.

Miss Jane Hann and Mr. Dickey of the Big Cove were married last Tuesday at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Hann of Belfast.

Mrs. Gordon Deshong and family spent Tuesday at George R. Hoop's.

Quite a number of people attended the sale at Mrs. Lucinda Mellott's.

George Deshong has purchased Carl Mellott's farm.

George Bard started for the West Thursday.

Abram Deshong and Miss Cora Swope were married at the bride's home last Wednesday by Rev. Logue.

Preaching at Siloam Sunday, March 8th, in the afternoon at 2 o'clock and on Sunday March 15 at 10 o'clock by Rev. C. H. Shull.

David G. Miner who lives in Adams county, Pa., captured a groundhog last fall and in order to test the theory relative to this animal's ability as a weather prophet, put it in an enclosure with an outer and underground den. It became tame and playful but about three months ago retired to the underground den, where it remained until "groundhog day," then it came out in the morning, fed well, frisked about in the sunshine for several hours and then went back into its den.

The Presbyterian church of Mercersburg on last week received a check for \$300 from Andrew Carnegie as a contribution to the new organ. This completely wipes out the debt on the instrument and the congregation is correspondingly happy.

FARMING IN THE SOUTH

The Passenger Department of the Illinois Central Railroad Company is issuing monthly circulars concerning fruit growing, vegetable gardening, stock raising, dairying, etc., in the States of Kentucky, West Tennessee, Mississippi, and Louisiana. Every Farmer or Home-seeker, who will forward his name and address to the undersigned, will be mailed free. Circulars Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, and others as they are published from month to month.

E. A. RICHTER,
TRAVELING PASSENGER AGENT,
PARK BUILDING, PITTSBURG, PA.

South Dublin.

The correspondent who drinks his beer and then takes a dose of "native herbs" fails to tell whether he takes a "schooner" or a "short glass." The shoe must fit.

D. B. Mumma is sawing lumber for Kalbach on the Woollet tract. J. W. Brown is engineer. That is right, John, whoop 'er np.

Uncle John Glaut is making preparations to burn a limekiln this spring. Uncle John knows what makes the grass and "taters" grow.

Caleb Mellott is getting ready to build a barn this spring. Plenty of railroad news nowadays, but we are anxious to hear the whistle of the locomotive.

We are wondering what has become of the correspondent from South Dublin. We do not hear of the folks that are "comin' and goin'."

The school at Glunts school house is progressing nicely under the tutorage of Miss Bessie M. Reese.

Knobsville has an expert fisherman, John Hamil, the energetic merchant at that place. John is a hustler, and when he goes a-fishin' he usually catches—a cold in the head. One might infer from his glowing accounts that he baited his hook with tiger tails, and sat on the rocks and bobbed for whales.

Clear Ridge.

Miss Eta McClure was in this vicinity last week visiting the Misses Kerlin.

Master Lloyd Fleming is kept home from school on account of a severe hurt last week.

Superintendent Barton visited our schools here last week for the second time this winter.

Miss Raye Baker spent a couple of days recently with her sister Mrs. Frank Madden at Maddensville.

Miss Lillian Fleming arrived at her home here on Saturday evening from the local institute at Burnt Cabins.

Mrs. Sue Mowers was called to Franklin county on Saturday on account of illness among some of her relatives.

Rev. Gottschall of Burnt Cabins preached a very impressive sermon for the Jr. O. U. A. M. of this place at the M. E. church on the evening of the 23rd ult.

Burnt Cabins.

The Local institute held in the M. E. church at this place on Friday night and Saturday was very good. Owing to the bad weather a great many teachers did not get here. The subjects were very well discussed.

Dan Trout and sister Miss Bess and Miss Helen Fore—all of McConnellsburg, were guests in the family of Mr. Chas. McGehee Friday and Saturday.

Miss Rosa Clark is on the sick list.

Harvey Mock and wife of Metal Franklin county, are visiting friends on this side of the mountain.

G. S. Doran's got a new piano Friday evening.

A social was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Kelly last Saturday evening at which 80 persons were present.

Mrs. Margaret Deshong, widow of James Deshong, died at the home of Geo. Murphy, February 20, 1903, aged 80 years, 7 months and 20 days. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. M. Hoke Gottschall. Interment at the Wagner cemetery close to Knobsville.

John Shade who has been working at Pitcairn is home on a vacation.

Laidig.

M. D. Mathias has begun work at A. J. Comer's wagon-shed. J. F. Johnson has been busy sawing at J. E. Lyon's the past week.

Clarence Hoover of Licking Creek, spent Sunday with his parents here.

Among the sick the past week were Grant Hoover, Mrs. J. E. Lyon, and Mrs. Hiram Clevenger.

Harry W. Brant of Morrison's Cove, Bedford county, spent a short time with his brother C. M. Brant the first of last week and was accompanied home by his sister Mrs. Maggie Kesselring of Hustontown, who will remain with him for some time.

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I will make monthly visits to these places during the season, and will receive work and return it.

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