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First of April Changes.

William Comerer moves from the Harry Comerer's farm in Ayr township into the Uncle Jake Runyan property at the southwest corner of town, which is vacated by Charles Stech who goes into the Daniels house opposite R. N. Shimer, and by Elliott Smith who goes into the Adam Boerner property (the old band room converted into a dwelling.) This house is vacated by Virgil Sipes who goes into the Mrs. Clevenger building, which in turn is vacated by P. P. Mann who goes into one of Tom Comerer's new houses on Walnut street now vacated by Samuel Glass, Mr. Glass goes into the half of the new building erected in the extension during the past year by Jacob Hykes. James Vores goes into the other half of that house from the Mrs. Logan property on North First street.

D. A. Gillis came in from the farm in Tod township, and moved into Johnny Magsam's new house at the forks of the pike, which was vacated by Ed Grissinger who moved into the old Gideon Prahm house. Mrs. Gress moved from the Greathead house on the corner into George Hays' house with her mother. George A. Comerer has gone to house-keeping in the Mrs. Sterrett house, east end. Frank Sheely, who occupied the west end of that building, exchanged places of residence with Levi Dehart who occupied the old Alexander property east of the Greathead corner.

James H. Fields moved from Clear Ridge to the James Sipes (Fede Fixsen) farm east of town and Aaron Richards went from that farm down to Newton Hokes farm from which Will Hoke moved to Saxton.

Mrs. Matilda Helman moved from the farm into the Mrs. Logan property vacated by James Vores.

Cal McQuade leaves the old Cook property at the upper end of town and moved into the new house he built in the extension, and Daniel Rotz has gone into the house vacated by Mr. McQuade.

John Kuhn comes down from Johnny Magsam's brick house and goes into the house at the Bridge vacated by Maggie Rummel who broke up house-keeping.

Mrs. Victoria Wolf moves into the Blue House which is vacated by Abram Fox who goes into the new house which he built in the Extension.

John W. Ott went from Mrs. Kezia Johnston to the farm he bought from C. T. W. Ryder, and Andy Rotz has gone down to Johnston's.

Coalport, Pa.

Coalport is situated on the Allegheny Mountain; so, you know we get pure mountain air. Coalport has a population of 3,000 people and, is surrounded by mines, which have been doing well this winter. We get six cents raise on coal mining after April 1st which will give us sixty-six cents a ton. Day's labor is \$2.40, and eight hours a day. Those who represent Fulton county out here are: Geo. H. Mellott, who is now wearing a smile on account of the arrival of a daughter; Albert E. Mellott, Ahimaez Mellott, Chas. D. Mellott and Mrs. Malinda Swope. They are all getting along well. Albert Mellott built a new house recently. Charles Mellott bought a lot at the steel plant addition in Clearfield, and intends to build in the near future. Mellotts are still leaving Fulton, but there is plenty left.

The M. E. Conference is in Altoona, Ahimaez Mellott and family and Chas. Mellott expect to attend. The Methodist are building an \$8,000 church here. There are eleven denomination in Coalport, and three schools which employ 14 teachers. Our M. E. minister is C. W. Karns. He is a good man, and we hope to get him another year.

Hoping this may not reach the waste basket I will bid you all good bye.

Wants in the Pen.

Some fellow who would like to spend a year or two in the penitentiary visited the home of Margaret J. Mellott, on Pleasant Ridge during the night of the 24th ult., and removed from her buggy the burs from the end of the spindles, and took off two of the wheels and rolled them down a big hill. The same gentleman or gentlemen, cut up a set of new harness for her. Whoever did that is a dangerous citizen, and the community would do well to combine with a view to ridding itself of such depravity.

Wells Tannery.

April first has brought many change here. Mr. J. C. Kirk has moved to Everett where he will continue to do all kinds of painting and papering. Mr. and Mrs. Kirk are among our best people. We are glad to know they did not sell their home here, and we hope to get them back.

V. D. Schenk and family who left us a year ago and tried Loysburg, have returned to their home here.

Frank Faust purchased the Louis Mellott property on top of Hopewell mountain and has moved to it.

Thomas Worthing has purchased a nice farm near Saxton, and moved to it. The Saxton people are getting good citizens in Mr. Worthing and family. Their many friends here regret to lose them.

Daniel Warsing of Shermans Valley bought Mr. Worthing's farm here and moved on same.

Samuel Meek of Sandy Run purchased one of J. C. Kirk's farms, and moved on it.

Miss Jane Harris moved from Hustontown back to her "cottage by the hillside." Another evidence that Wells is a desirable place.

Infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Truax died last Friday.—Interment in Wells Valley cemetery Saturday.

Mrs. G. A. Stewart received word that Mrs. Mary Horton of Connellsville, sister of G. A. Stewart had died of heart trouble. Their many friends will remember that her husband was killed on the railroad a few months ago.

Clarence Stewart who has been employed in Pittsburg, is home for a short time.

Mrs. Will Hoke and children have been spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Spangler. After April first they will be located in Saxton.—They have our best wishes for success.

Misses Alice Wishart and Maud Baumgardner attended the missionary meeting in Huntingdon and reported very profitable meeting.

No. 1 graded school is again without a teacher. Owing to illness of his mother, Mr. Fisher, the teacher went to his home in Schellsburg and will not return. Mrs. Julia Band of Bellwood is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Amanda Snow.

Dorsey and William Barnett who have been at Juniata College are home on vacation.

James Stewart of Green Hill visited his brother's family enroute from his sisters funeral.

Capt. Harvey Wishart is in Harrisburg attending a Reunion of his regiment.

W. H. Baumgardner and Will Horton made a business trip to Everett last Friday.

Bert Deshong has purchased a piece of land from Hou. S. P. Wishart and is erecting a dwelling on it. James A. Horton is boss carpenter.

Author Cunningham and Samuel Alloway of New Grenada visited Lodge here Saturday evening.

The prize Easter egg so far as heard from was laid by one of Deputy-Sheriff Field's hens one day last week. The egg measured 6 inches in latitudinal circumference and 7 1/4 inches in longitudinal. Big egg; big words.

Barn Burned.

Last Friday morning about three o'clock, J. Keil Tritle, who lives in the old tollgate house at the top of the Ridge west of town was awakened from his slumber, by the excited barking of his dog. Arising from his bed and going to a window, he saw that his barn was afire. Arousing the rest of the family, he hurried to the scene of the conflagration, and reached it just in time to get the horses out safe. On account of the warm weather the cattle had not been put into the stable that night, or they would have been destroyed; for it was all he could do to get the horses out.

The fire, which was evidently the work of an incendiary, had been started in the upper part of the barn, and was dropping through into the stables when he reached the barn. His mower, drill, wagon, feed—in fact, practically everything in the building was destroyed.

There is a light insurance on the building; nothing on the contents.

Needmore.

March may be tardy but it is sure "to get there."

Silas still talks of going to Johnstown; but we must wait to know.

A Runyan and little Ester Peck are still improving.

Mrs. C. L. Funk who has been an invalid for years, was taken much worse last Friday.

Uncle John Shafer has bought the Howard Mellott property near McKibben and will move there next fall.

Mrs. Hattie Dixon of Chambersburg is visiting the family of her father Mr. T. R. Palmer, and other friends here.

Miss Cora Decker from York, Pa., is visiting her uncle T. W. Peck.

W. F. Hart and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lake at Pleasant Ridge.

Elder Alderton of Great Cacapon W. Va., is expected to preach here on Tuesday evening April 9th. He will then be with Siding Hill Baptist Church over Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Ellis Sipes and family of Pittsburg are expected home next Wednesday.

S. M. Clevenger was called away one day last week to go to Mr. A. J. Sipes near McConnellsburg to nurse scarlet fever patients.

Charley Gordon has been very sick a few days with gripe. John McClellan from Friends Cove spent Saturday night and Sunday among friends here.

Another Organization.

Young women of the town of Stroudsburg, Pa., have formed an organization called the "Bachelor Maids," having for its main object the avoidance of slang. Nor will the members be permitted to use chewing gum. Offenses of that character will be punishable by fine, and deliberate repetitions will be followed by dismissal.

The meetings are secret, but it has been difficult to prevent knowledge of the organization's deliberations. It is proposed by the Bachelor Maids to start a war upon the use of liquor and tobacco by young men. Associates with any man who indulges in such luxuries will subject a member of the organization to dismissal. There is also a provision in the rules forbidding members to go to entertainments and ice cream parlors in the company of young men, but the fine for such violation is small, and it is not to be expected that the treasury shall suffer by strict observance of the rules. Excuses may be offered, and if satisfactory, the fine will be revoked.

Another clause provides that none of the "Bachelor Maids" shall marry, but there is also a suspicion that this law was made to be violated.

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HARVEST OF DEATH.

Those Who Have Been Summoned to the Other World.

REV. T. J. THOMPSON.

Theodore James Thompson died at his residence in this place Sunday afternoon last at 1.20 o'clock, aged 62 years, 6 months and 26 days.

The subject of this sketch was born near Shirleyburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., September 3, 1840. He was the son of James N. and Isabella Thompson, his mother's maiden name being among the most prominent of the old residents of the county—Bergstresser. After he had grown to young manhood he went to Bedford, where for several years he was manager of the Washington House. Here he became personally acquainted with many of the celebrities of the state, as the hostelry was the stopping place of many of the men prominent in the public life of this commonwealth. One little personal effect of his collection, a shaving set, was highly prized by the deceased because of having been presented to him by the late Hon. Jeremiah H. Black, who frequently was a guest at the hotel during Mr. Thompson's connection therewith.

Early in the sixties he embarked in the mercantile business in this place and continued in these pursuits until 1864, when, after considerable annoyance occasioned by the Rebel raids in this section, he removed his stock to Waterfall Mills, in the northern part of the county.

In June of that year he was united in marriage with Miss Margaret Anna Hohman, daughter of Albert and Elizabeth Hohman, of this place.

The close confinement incident to the store-keeping business not agreeing with him, in 1868 he removed to Bedford to enter the employ of the American Tract Society of Philadelphia as colporteur, in which capacity he served until 1875, when he and his family became residents of McConnellsburg. During several years of the seventies and eighties he was a member of the Central Pennsylvania Conference, serving as supply preacher, in which work he earnestly engaged, and with spirit did what he could toward evangelizing the world for Christ.

Some time later he became the general agent for Dr. N. B. Shade's remedies in this section, at the same time handling other drugs and extracts. In this business he continued until about a year ago, when he became afflicted with sciatic rheumatism. From this attack he never fully recovered, and the cause of his death was stomach and heart trouble superinduced by the rheumatism.

His death was calm and peaceful—a veritable falling asleep in mortality to awaken in immortality!—an unmooring from the shores of time to anchor in the harbor of Heaven's eternal shore! He was, as he had often prayed he might be, rational to the last. Like the venerable patriarchs of old, when the end was near, he said, "Raise me up." His last words were, "Jesus, take me as I am,"—and then repose.

He was a faithful and consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church. The fraternal societies with which he had associated himself were the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Masonic fraternity. In his life he endeavored to exemplify friendship, love and truth, and to measure up to the plumb-line of brotherly compact. He was a kind and loving husband and father, and will be greatly missed in the home.

His wife and the following children survive: Harry A., editor of the Tyrone Times, and Miss Minna D., of Tyrone, Pa.; Ira Dwight, of this place, and Roy Holmes, at home. One half-sister and one half-brother, Miss Abbie W., and D. William Bolinger, of Mt. Union, Huntingdon county, also survive.

The funeral services, conducted

by Rev. A. G. Wolf, of the Lutheran church, assisted by Rev. C. M. Smith, of the Reformed church, and Rev. J. L. Grove, of the United Presbyterian church, was held in the Methodist Episcopal church on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment in the burying-ground of the Reformed church.

The beautiful floral emblem (composed of the compass and square and and central "G"), presented by the Masons of the town, was admired by all who saw it, and was as fully appreciated by the family of the deceased, as were other floral tributes presented by friends.

MRS. MARY E. HORTON.

The meek, gentle, beautiful life of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Horton, nee Stewart, of Victoria, Fayette county, Pa., closed on March 25, 1903, after a few days and nights of great suffering, apparently from Brights disease, which baffled the best medical skill of three physicians, aged 55 years, 4 mos. and 4 days.

On Nov. 18, 1902, a little over three months ago, the husband, W. F. Horton, was killed by the Duquesne Limited, B. & O. R. R., near Ohio Pyle, Pa., a terrible shock which crushed her heart, and from which she never rallied. She was the only daughter of Geo. and Elizabeth Stewart, deceased, and was born in Wells Valley.

Early in life, in her 12th year, owing to her mother's illness and resulting death, it fell upon her to discharge the household and social duties in the home of her father, which she did with remarkable energy, faithfulness and devotion until she was married March 28, 1876, to W. F. Horton, a native of Trough Creek Valley, Huntingdon county. She always lavished a wealth of affection and care upon her father and three brothers, and was their light, comfort, pride and joy, as well as that of her husband and children. After marriage she resided respectively at Trough Creek Valley, Ursina and Confluence, Somerset county, and then at Victoria. After a time she purchased the pleasantly situated home she was occupying on the banks of the Youghiegheny river. She was always averse to living in towns, preferring to have her children in the country, away from the vices, temptations and influences incident to town life, and where she could enjoy the quietness and seclusion of country life, and have her cows, poultry, bees, garden, orchard and other reminders of her early rural home.

She always lived at a distance from the privileges of the church of her early training, parentage and choice—the Presbyterian church—which she loved so well and of which she was a baptized member.

With pressing duties always devolving upon her, her religious life found expression and exercise in quiet but unstinted charities and personal help to the needy, among neighbors and homeless wanderers, and other benevolences.

In the death of this lovely sister and mother the world has lost one of its most noble examples of womanhood; a mother whose world was her family, whose heart was pure, and whose life was shaped after the command of Jesus: "Love thy neighbor as thyself." She leaves three brothers: James A. Stewart of Green Hill, Geo. A. Stewart, now in oil regions of W. Pa., John W. Stewart recently of Indiana,—all of whom were at her dying bed. Well did John, the youngest brother, realize that he had lost his best friend on earth. She leaves her four children; D. H. Horton of Friendsville, Md.; Mrs. Nora Annice Jennings of Boston, Pa.; Miss Susan Lillian Horton, and Reuben J. Horton, at home. It was a lovely sight to see how tenderly these filial, dutiful children cared for their mother and how kind, helpful, and sympathetic the neighbors were. What higher eulogy could the neighbors pay? Than to say, "She was a christian woman, her life showed it." "She was a good neighbor."

"We have lost our best neighbor." On March 26th, 1903, 3 p. m., after an appropriate prayer service, and a last farewell look on the face of this sainted sister and mother, as she lay in the casket, at the open grave, her remains were interred in a beautiful green, grassy spot, in the cemetery, on the banks of the Youghiegheny river, at Ohio Pyle, Pa. May we all live in hope of meeting her on "the sunny banks of eternal deliverance," of whom it can truthfully said, and truthfully written on her tombstone: "She hath done what she could."

DR. DALLAS S. BERNHARDT.

Dr. Dallas S. Bernhardt died at his home at Three Springs, Pa., Monday evening, March 30, 1903, aged 46 years, 6 months, and 10 days. Interment at Three Springs, Thursday afternoon, April 2.

Dr. Bernhardt was born in Heidelberg township, York county, Pa., was educated in the public schools, and taught seven years. He commenced the study of medicine with Dr. Peterson at Dublin Mills, Fulton county, and graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Baltimore in March 1885. He settled down to the practice of medicine at Dublin Mills, and continued the same for five years, when he turned his attention to the breeding of trotting horses and other high grade live stock. Elected a member of the lower branch of the general assembly of Pennsylvania in March, 1887, he succeeded Dr. P. M. McCauley Cook who had died on the 31st of the preceding January.

About two years ago he moved to Three Springs, where he lived a retired life.

He was in usual health up to last Wednesday when he was attacked with a violent pain in the stomach which continued to grow more severe. Drs. Browning Bush, Hudson, and Heaton were called, and an operation decided upon. Telegraphing to Philadelphia for a specialist, Dr. Wilson came and the operation was begun about 4 o'clock Monday. He died during course of etherization. It was found that his trouble was strangulation and ulceration of the bowels. He was married to Miss Lillian Ashman of Three Springs who survives.

DALBEY.

On the 25th of February the home of Dr. and Mrs. A. D. Dalbey of this place was made happy over the arrival of a nice pair of twin boys, one of whom received the name of Alvin, in honor of the Doctor, and the other, George, for its uncle, George Reisner. Last Saturday morning little George became very sick and a few hours later, died as a result of inanition. Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon by Dr. West, and interment was made in the Union cemetery.

George H. Haun, formerly of Saluvia, but now a resident of Curwensville, was married at the latter place on the 22nd ult., by Rev. J. W. Rue, to Miss Mary Luralu of Galeton, Pa. Their many friends wish them a long, happy, and prosperous life.

The following officers were elected in McConnellsburg lodge I. O. O. F. last Friday evening, namely, N. G., P. G. Henry A. Comerer; V. G., P. G. D. Malloy, —the secretary and treasurer are elected in the fall. George A. Comerer goes to Grand Lodge and J. V. Deavor got the vote for D. D. G. M.

A western editor puts this in his paper occasionally: "If you have frequent headaches, dizziness, fainting spells, accompanied by chills, cramps, corns, bunions, chilblains, epilepsy and jaundice, it is a sign you are not well, and are liable to die any minute. Pay your subscription a year in advance, and thus make yourself solid for a good obituary notice."

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Brief Mention of Persons and Places You Know.

The township schools are rapidly drawing to a close.

Thad Shoemaker of Hustontown spent a few hours in town Tuesday.

Mr. Carey Layton of Locust Grove was a pleasant caller at this office one day last week.

Our old friend Squire Hertzler of Burnt Cabins spent a day in town last week.

Mrs. Mary A. Kelly spent last Sunday with friends in Thompson township.

Cal Summers has returned to Sixmile Run after spending a few days at home.

J. Kendall Johnston is in the city this week buying spring goods.

Supervisor Harvey Snider of Belfast spent last Friday at County Seat.

Dora Yeakle, of Thor was an agreeable caller at our office last Friday.

Mr. Samuel McIlhenny of Abol township, called at the office a few minutes last Saturday.

James Reed, son of F. J. Ray of this place left Tuesday noon to enter the Soldiers Orphan school at Chester Springs.

Mr. C. C. Kerling and wife of Dublin Mills took dinner at the Fulton House Tuesday on their way to Chambersburg.

Rev. T. D. Richards of Boyds, was a guest of his mother-in-law Mrs. Anna Carl at Warfordsburg last week.

Mr. Frank Ranck of Bethel township, was severely bitten on the hand by a hog a few days ago.

Miss Mary Goldsmith of this place and her niece, Mrs. Virgie Beidelman of Harrisburg, are visiting friends in Everett.

Editor and Mrs. H. A. Thompson of Tyrone came Monday evening to attend the funeral of the former's father on Tuesday.

Misses Ella Mann and Katharine Metzler spent from Thursday till Sunday of last week with friends in Everett and Riddlesburg.

Mrs. R. N. Fryman went to Waynesboro last Saturday to attend the funeral of, Mr. Matthias Dertrick, the last of her uncles on her father's side.

Rev. Arlington Garland will preach at Bethel church in Pigeon Cove next Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, and in the afternoon at 3 o'clock at Hill's Chapel.

Mr and Mrs. C. W. Peck and daughter "baby Ruth," returned to Philadelphia last Monday after having visited friends in this county a couple of weeks.

A chicken swallow and icecream supper will be held at the hotel at Harrisonville Saturday evening, April 11. Proceeds for the benefit of the Christian Endeavor Society. Everybody welcome.

W. H. Peck of Gem spent last Thursday in town. Will intends enlarging the capacity of his mill so he will be ready for the buckwheat season.

Invitations are out for the wedding of Charles H. Eitemier and Miss Nannie E. Naugle at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Comerer, Wednesday evening, April 8th.

At the Lutheran parsonage in Mercersburg last evening by Rev. R. F. Fetterolf, Mr. Abner McLucas of Ayr township was united in marriage with Miss Emma Brinkley of Mercersburg.

Divine Services next Sunday at 10:30 A. M. in St. Paul's Reformed church of this place, and in the Hebron Reformed church near Big Cove Tannery at 2:30 P. M.

Roy Wagner, George Doyle, John H. Doyle, Samuel Shimer, Chris Shimer, and Scott Hull—all started for Altoona Monday morning, where they expect to get employment.