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LOCAL MISCELLANY.

Were you fooled yesterday. Shad are in market. Violets are blooming.

The recent rains left the roads in a rather muddy condition. April 1 is the great financial day for this section.

The first spring day was damp but the stormy features of the equinox were lacking.

If you are changing your address this spring send us word in time so that you will not miss a single issue of The News.

If spinning tops, playing marbles, and bicycle riding are indications of continued warm weather we would advise everybody to make garden and plow their lots of ground.

Some flowering shrubs are already in bloom and the leaves on the early trees are unfolding rapidly.

The annual readjustment of salaries of clerks in first and second class post offices throughout the country has been completed and will go into effect July 1st.

Never seek to meet evil unless to correct it, and put in its place some good thing which we are encouraged to do when we remember that the soil which gives growth to a poisonous weed will also cause a violet to grow if one takes the trouble to plant one in its place.

THE SPRING POET'S APOLOGY.

Yes, I understand the stigma that attaches to the chap Who begins to scribble verses at the risk of the sap!

There's a universal pity for the poor demoted thing Who indites his inspirations to the glory of the Spring.

Of the life that comes a-creeper o'er the hills and through the dells; But I simply have to do it, all my self-control is gone.

For it's Spring—It's Spring, I tell you, and I feel it comin' on! Who could help it, if a particle of music is in his soul?

All the sights and sounds of nature, blend in one harmonious whole, Sing an anthem to the spirit, till it's waltzed to the sky.

And one wouldn't give a nickel for a sweeter by and by. There are birds and streams a-warbling and a-laughin' all the while And the cunning little creatures are lookin' up to smile.

There I go—too late to stop it, for my case is too far gone— It's the spring, the spring, I tell you and I feel it comin' on!

All the hazy landscape's dreamin' like a baby half awake, Waiting till old mother nature gives another gentle shake.

Hope and courage shine in every winterweary human face, And the willows don't a tinge of gold that lends a kindly grace.

Fear of cold and snow have vanished from each glad sun-lover's breast And we cast aside our worries at insistent Spring's behest.

(Never mind, I've got it written, and the agony is gone; For I've got to write Spring poems when I feel it comin' on.)

MAKE WAY FOR THE MAN.

Let us have peace; no craven's peace; Nor sluggard's to gaze and dream; But the strenuous peace of the land's increase.

And the powerful beat of steam; Set the cannon of commerce roar over the fields.

And the bugles of brotherhood play— For the arm of the man, and the brain of the man.

And the grit of the man, make way. Let us have peace; no timid peace; That doubtful elings to its place.

But the free, brave peace of the old-time Greece And the faith of a patriot race; Let the vision of virtue enrapture the gaze.

And the bolts of integrity stay— For the arm of the man, and the brain of the man.

And the nerve of the man, make way. Let us have peace; no anchored peace; That holds its sails in the slips.

But the peace that sweeps all the strange blue deeps With the keels of its own great ships; With honor commanding and truth at the helm.

And beauty to welcome the spray— For the nerve and muscle and brawn and brain.

For the soul of the man, make way. —Charles Eugene Banks in Saturday Evening Post.

"Brother don't you know that if you swear at these males you won't go to paradise?"

"Yes, parson, but I don't swear at them I won't get to the end of the row, and that's the important thing at present."

Her Father—But, my boy, surely you are too young to marry Aurelia. How old are you?

Her Sultor—One and twenty, sir. Her Father—And she is twenty-seven—to great a disparity. Why not wait half a dozen years? Then you'll be twenty-seven and she'll probably be just about the same age as you.

"What is your name?" inquired the justice. "Pete Smith," responded the vagrant.

"What occupation?" continued the court. "Oh, nothing much at present; just circulate!"

"Retired from circulation for thirty days," pronounced the court dryly.

NEW PENSION LAW.

The following act to increase the pensions of those who lost limbs in the service became a law on March 2.

WHAT A SNEEZE PORTENDS.

In almost every land, civilized and uncivilized, the act of sneezing is regarded with more or less of superstition, says the Chicago Chronicle.

There is an equivalent in nearly all languages for the "God bless you" of the Irish peasant when a person is moved to declare the presence of a tickling sensation in his nostrils.

To this salutation in France is added sometimes the phrase "and preserve you from the fate of Tycho Brache," who is believed to have got so a "death of cold" by a single sneeze—which killed him.

In England a regular formula is used: "Once for a wish, twice for a kiss, three times for a letter and four times for a disappointment."

In Italy the salutation is simply "Felicita!" or "May you be fortunate!" In India it is customary when one sneezes to say, "May you live!" and the reply runs, "Long life to you!"

Should a Hindu chance to sneeze while he is going through his peculiar ablution practices in the Ganges he will make a kind of sign over his face, stop in his ritual and begin all over again.

In ancient times the Romans, holding the idea that sneezing between noon and midnight was a good omen, believe that between midnight and noon it was most unlucky, and if they should chance to sneeze while getting up in the morning they would at once get into bed again.

There must be something in this, especially on very cold mornings, but boys home for their holidays are not as a rule superstitious and it might be difficult for them to impress their parents with a saving belief in this happy superstition.

The Germans say "Good health!" because they maintain, and not without reason, that sneezing is a warning of approaching catarrh, and also, marks the moment when a wish, a charm or a suggestion may drive it away.

The Persians go further in this idea; they say what practically amounts to "Thank God!" because they consider that the sneeze has actually driven away some evil spirit that has attempted to get into a man's body to feed upon the sacred fires.

The people of the Amazulu go even further than this into superstition and arrive at the stage of actual devil worship. No doubt they would style "angel worship," but the things to which these so-called angels are supposed to lend themselves put that high-sounding name quite out of the question.

Their uncivilized familiar spirits are said to give sign when they are near and able to help their votaries.

CONFESSIONS OF A PRIEST.

Rev. Jno. S. Cox, of Wake, Ark. writes, "For 12 years I suffered from Yellow Jaundice. I consulted a number of physicians and tried all sorts of medicines, but got no relief.

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ORIGIN OF "GIVING THE SACK."

Two noblemen in the reign of Maximilian II—one a German, the other a Spaniard—who had each rendered a great service to the Emperor, asked the hand of his daughter in marriage.

Maximilian said that as he esteemed them both alike, it was impossible to choose between them, and therefore their own prowess must decide it, but being unwilling to risk the loss of either by engaging them in deadly combat, ordered a large sack to be brought and declared that he who should put his rival into it should have his fair Helena. And this whimsical combat was actually performed in the presence of the imperial court and lasted an hour.

The unhappy Spanish nobleman was first overcome, and the German succeeded in enveloping him in the sack, took him upon his back and laid him at the Emperor's feet. This conical combat is said to be the origin of the phrase, "Give him the sack," so common in the literature of courtship.

Your Column.

To show our appreciation of the way in which the Fulton County News is adopted into the homes of the people of this county, we have set apart the column for the FREE use of our subscribers for advertising purposes.

1. It is free only to those who are paid-up subscribers. 2. Only personal property can be advertised. 3. Notices must not exceed 30 words.

4. All "legal" notices excluded. 5. Not free to merchants, or any one to advertise goods sold under a mercantile license. The primary object of this column is to afford farmers, and folks who are not in public business, an opportunity to bring to public attention products or stocks they may have to sell, or may want to buy.

Now, this space is yours; if you want to buy a acre, if you want hired help, if you want to borrow money, if you want to sell a pig, a hog, a cow, a horse, or if you want to advertise for a wife—a young lady is yours.

The News is read weekly by eight thousand people, and is the best advertising medium in the county.

THE CHARACTER OF CHICAGO.

Chicago is unfused, says Frederick C. Howe in The World's Work. It has not yet found itself. Historically, it happened; as a matter of fact, it is still happening.

It has many organizations, but little organized life. Then it will become of the greatest, possibly the greatest, of American cities.

Constructed on a rectangular plan, its business streets present in dreary succession sheer walls of brick and stone, irregular in height, size and appearance, unadorned and ugly.

Here and there a building arises which suggests an architect rather than a contractor; but beauty; municipal beauty, Chicago cannot claim, save in palatial residences, splendid boulevards and magnificent parks.

Street life is still the life of the frontier. Advertisements of every description offend the eye. The saloon, cheap restaurant and variety hall, with garish signs of every conceivable nature, decorate the faces of buildings, corners and other valuable space with announcements of their attractions.

Certain streets suggest a Midway Plaisance to catch the thousands of fugitive transients who pass through the city or call it a home.

Underfoot are badly built, badly engineered pavements and sidewalks. The streets are badly lighted, and are a mass of mud in spring and fall, of dust and mud in summer and winter.

Overhead is a murky sky and dingy side walls, and everywhere the din and roar of surface and overhead cars, vans and truck wagons strike the ear. Noises of an indescribable municipal sort prevent conversation, even if conversation were possible, for Chicago does not stop to talk on the streets.

They are filled with eager, hurrying, crushing crowds rushing, jamming and seeking only to move on. The purpose of every one seems to be to get somewhere else. Life is movement.

Kipling said Chicago reminded him of an Indian famine relief distribution force at work. Chicago is essentially a new city. Its life is that of the keen, enterprising, rough-and-ready sort. It is eager. Conservatism has not had time to crystallize.

A full life is offered to the last comer who has anything good to suggest. Its hospitality is of the open, tolerant sort. It holds no obligations to the past. It has its eye on the future. Life is always in-to-day, not in yesterday. For affects it cares little, for immediate life everything, and for fundamental reality probably more than any other city in the world.

The following dialogue was recently overheard between two Irishmen: "Well, Pat, how are you getting on in the world?"

"Very well, thanks, Mr. Doolan. I'm now a prison warden, and make a little extra by selling vegetables to the prisoners."

"And you are married I suppose, Pat? Did your wife bring you any fortune?"

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METHODIST EPISCOPAL.—Rev. A. McCloskey, Pastor. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching every other Sunday morning at 10:30 and every Sunday evening at 7:30.

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EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN.—Rev. G. Wolf, Pastor. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching every other Sunday morning at 10:30 and every other Sunday evening at 7:30.

TERMS OF COURT. The first term of the Courts of Fulton county in the year shall commence on the Tuesday following the second Monday of January at 10 o'clock a. m.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.—Thomas Sloan, L. H. Wible, Constable—John H. Doyle, Burgess—H. W. Scott, Councilmen—D. T. Fields, Leonard Herman, Samuel Bender, M. W. Harlick—William Hall, W. H. Nesbit, High Constable—Wm. Baumgartner, School Directors—A. U. Nace, J. A. Irwin, Thomas F. Sloan, J. B. Taylor, John Comer, C. B. Stever.

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Auditors—John S. Harris, W. Davis, S. L. Garland. Commissioners—H. K. Malot, A. Kelly, John Fisher. County Surveyor—Frank Mason. County Superintendent—Charles Barton.

Attorneys—W. Scott Alexander, Nelson Spies, Thomas F. Sloan, McN. Johnston, M. R. Shaffner, G. B. Daniels, John P. Spies, S. Kirk.

444 Fellows—McConnellsburg Lodge No. 744 meets every Friday evening in the Comer Building in McConnellsburg.

Fort Littleton Lodge No. 484 meets every Saturday evening in the Comer Building at Fort Littleton. Wells Valley Lodge No. 667 meets every Saturday evening in Odd Fellows' Hall at Wells Tannery.

Harrisonville Lodge No. 761 meets every Saturday evening in Odd Fellows' Hall at Harrisonville. Waterfall Lodge No. 773 meets every Saturday evening in Odd Fellows' Hall at Waterfall Mills.

Warfordsburg Lodge No. 601 meets in Warfordsburg every Saturday evening. King Post G. A. R. No. 365 meets in McConnellsburg in Odd Fellows' Hall the first Saturday in every month at 8 p. m.

Royal Arcanum, Tascorora Council No. 121 meets alternate Monday evenings in P. O. S. of A. Hall, McConnellsburg. Washington Camp No. 497, P. O. S. of A., New Grenada, meets every Saturday evening in P. O. S. of A. Hall, McConnellsburg.

THE FULTON COUNTY NEWS. Covers the Field. In every part of the County faithful reporters are located that gather the daily happenings.

Then there is the State and National, News, War News, a Department for the Farmer and Mechanic, Latest Fashions for the Ladies.

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