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BIG MONEY IN CHESTNUTS.

The Philadelphia North American Tells What an Enterprising Man is Doing in the Eastern Part of the State.

FULTON COUNTY SOIL WELL ADAPTED.

[Owing to the fact that there is no spot in Pennsylvania better adapted to chestnut farming than Fulton county, and to inspire any who may be seeking "acres of diamonds," we publish the following from the Sunday North American of the 29th ult.—Ed.]

Here is a recipe for the making of a millionaire. It comes from Mr. Coleman K. Sober, scientific woodsman and practical farmer, of Lewisburg, Pa.

The ingredients:
One young man.
Five hundred dollars.
A tract of waste land.
Let the young man invest the \$500 in land from which chestnut or red oak trees have been cut.

Upon the sprouts springing from the stumps of these trees let him graft sprigs of the imported or European chestnut tree. After this has been done, let him Watch and Wait.

This formula, if carried out as detailed below, will, according to Mr. Sober's belief, provide a competence in ten years, financial independence in fifteen years, a great fortune in thirty years, and a noble estate for the children of the pioneer and for their children's children unto generations.

Chestnut cultivation is not merely a theory with Mr. Sober. Over the sides of the hills that frame the beautiful Irish Valley, near Shamokin, he has probably the largest grove of cultivated young chestnut trees in the world.

The place is aptly called Chestnut Grove Farm. More than 100,000 young trees bowed their sturdy limbs under a burden of nuts there this fall.

Mr. Sober's trees are of Spanish origin. The nuts sell readily at from \$5 to \$12 a bushel now, although it is thought that the price will range lower in a few years, as the supply becomes larger.

It is claimed that even at \$2.50 a bushel the chestnut crop will pay much better than wheat. The demand for them at present is so great that the few hundred bushels raised now by Mr. Sober can be sold as fast as gathered.

"Chestnut growing will pay," declares Mr. Sober.

He has the best possible reason for this belief, because he is making it pay.

In this opinion he is evidently joined by Professor Nelson F. Davis, of Bucknell University, who recently examined the Sober groves by request of the Pennsylvania State Department of Agriculture. Professor Davis' report gives the result of his observations, and contains much interesting information given him by Mr. Sober. It states: "An acre of land will grow thirty-five bushels of wheat in a year if properly cultivated.

"A like area of chestnut trees will produce many times as many bushels of equally nutritious food yearly for an indefinite period, and require no outlay for cultivation, replanting or fertilization; more than this, the spring frosts, beating rains and summer droughts, which are a constant menace to the wheat crop, work no injury upon the chestnut tree or its fruit.

"Why, then, is wheat grown on millions of acres, while we fail to produce even enough chestnuts to supply the now limited demand and to allow Southern Europe to exact large tribute from us annually for the nuts we import for consumption in their raw unwholesome form?"

"With the exception of the occasional Thanksgiving turkey stuffed with chestnut dressing, chestnuts in their many appetizing cooked forms seldom appear

CALLS FOR LONG HARD WINTER.

Reading's Famous Goose Bone Prophet is Out With His Annual Prediction.

The Reading prophet, whose age is 90 years, and who in years past has been quite successful in predicting the character of the weather for the winter, using a goose bone as a means of gaining his knowledge, is out with his prediction for the coming winter.

After eating his first goose several days ago, he took the bone and examined it closely and here is what he says: "It was dark all through, which indicates that the winter will start early in November and will continue until late in the spring. There will be many heavy snow storms and the temperature will be low and the ice crop of enormous size.

Social.

On Monday last the tenth anniversary of their marriage Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McCutcheon were made the recipients of the cordial greetings of a warm hearted company of their friends in the home of Mrs. Keza Johnston, the mother of Mrs. McCutcheon. The guests of the occasion were chiefly the near relatives and the pastor of the family. The bountiful hospitality, such as is not surpassed, was enjoyed to the full by all. And a happy social time mingled with praise and thanksgiving to God occupied the day.

NEW GRENADA.

Dr. R. B. Campbell made a trip to Philadelphia after the election. Instead of taking a boat ride up Salt river, he preferred to take a train over the East Broad Top.

Samuel Alloway has gone to Altoona.

Charles Grissinger, a student in the Philadelphia Dental college came home to vote; and while here relieved a few people of some of their aches.

Isaac McClain is at M. W. Houck's with that monster traction engine and sawmill manufacturing shingles for Mr. Houck. The noise made by the three-toned whistle on this machine, added to that of James F. McClain's, which is of the same device, made the welkin ring for a few days, and might have led a stranger to believe that they were trying to wake up the Democratic party.

The recent returns show that of the sixty-seven counties in Pennsylvania, all went Republican but six, and Fulton is numbered with the six. Should it ever happen that they all go Republican but one, Fulton will be "among" that one, and don't you forget it!

The Shore Valley & Taylor township telephone lines now extend to New Grenada, which is the great telephone center of the county. If many more lines wish to get in here, they will have to come in by underground cable, as the space overhead is about all taken.

James A. McDonough, Esq., was very ill during part of last week. He had an alarming hemorrhage of the lungs on Monday night and this was followed by a distressing attack of quinsy which broke on inside of his throat. He is still confined to the house, but convalescing slowly.

The young people of this town and community had a surprise party at the home of Jacob S. Black last Monday night in honor of the thirteenth anniversary of the birth of his daughter Martha, who was the recipient of many nice gifts.

At the height of the evening's gayety, Verna Shafer, one of the guests became suddenly very ill, which caused much alarm for awhile.

The Union Thanksgiving services will be conducted on Thursday, November 24th, at 10:30 a. m. in the United Presbyterian church of our town where all the churches of the town are expected to participate. "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord." Pa. 02:1. All are cordially invited.

LOUDON MAN MURDERED.

Lorenzo D. Kline Shot to Death By Boarding-house Keeper at Hagerstown. Intimacy with Latter's Wife.

BURIED AT LOUDON LAST SATURDAY.

Lorenzo D. Kline, a native of Fort Loudon, was the victim of deliberate murder in Hagerstown early last Thursday morning.—The story is as follows:

Frederick Easton, a lightauger rod agent and boardinghouse keeper of Hagerstown arose early Thursday morning and found that his wife was not in her room. On his way down stairs Easton glanced into the room of Kline, the door of which was open, and found his wife and Kline sleeping in the same bed.

Easton went down stairs and out of the house to the brewery across the street. At the brewery he borrowed a revolver, saying that he wished to shoot a dog. When he went back to his home and to the room of Kline. Reaching across the sleeping form of his wife and resting his arm on her shoulder, Easton placed the revolver to Kline's temple and fired. He neither spoke to his wife, who was awakened by the report of the pistol, nor abused her in any way.

After he had committed the murder Easton went down town and gave himself up. He was placed in jail and the officers investigated the tragedy.

Easton refused to make a statement and so did his wife.

A coroner's jury was impaneled. The verdict of the jury was that Easton had feloniously, voluntarily and with malice, aforethought, kill and murder the said Kline.

There is no law in Maryland to mitigate Easton's sentence if the court upholds the coroner's jury's finding.

The Easton woman is said to bear a tarnished reputation in Hagerstown.

Lorenzo Kline is a native of Loudon, where his mother and several brothers and sisters now reside. In his younger days he was rather wild and in 1899 served a term in jail for riot and assault and battery on Calvin McLaughlin. He was married several years ago and joined the Methodist church. While his wife lived he is said to have lived a quiet life and to have been a good citizen. His wife died a year ago and he left Loudon to work at his trade, machine work, in Hagerstown.

Kline is survived by his aged mother, who is in delicate health, and the following brothers and sisters: William, Marion, Millard Harvey Kline, all of Loudon, and Mrs. Henry Etter, Marion.

Kline's body was taken to Fort Loudon last Thursday evening, and the funeral, conducted by Rev. John Vrooman, took place on Saturday.

Miller.

Catharine, wife of Samuel G. Miller, of Marklesburg, Huntingdon county, died at her home on Wednesday, November 9, 1904, aged about 70 years. Mrs. Miller was a daughter of the late Judge White, of Wells Valley. About four weeks ago she slipped on a loose board in the yard, which caused her to fall and dislocate one of her hips.

A member of the Methodist Episcopal church for more than forty years, she had developed a lovely christian character, the influence of which will reach through generations of her posterity.

Besides her husband, seven daughters and three sons survive, all of whom were present at her funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Dawney, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Dawney, and Mr. John Dawney, all of Chicago, spent two or three days last week visiting friends in town and in the Cove.

BUCKWHEAT CAKES AND HONEY.

Newspaper Man Comforts His Appetite With the Thought of Good "Meals" in the Past.

For many years the familiar face of George Fleming, one of the most courteous salesmen on the road, was seen at regular intervals by our merchants. But George was a printer, and the recollection of the smell of printer's ink overcame his propensity for the odor of molasses, and he bought the Mercersburg Journal and returned to his first love.

The appearance of the Journal shows that George knows how to run a newspaper; but the inner side of a newspaper man is some times unwittingly exposed as the following will show, and it all came about by a McConnellsburg hotelman sending in an advertisement. When George got down to writing up the "ad" the thought of a "square meal" got the better of him, and this is the way he let himself out.

"At-out 15 years ago we were hauled over the mountains from Fort Loudon in the stage then run by Mr. Woollet and landed at his house, and for about 15 years we visited the town pretty regularly every three weeks, generally stopping there over Monday night, and always slept and took our meals at Woollet's. Having put our feet under Mrs. Woollet's table so often and slept in those featherbeds so long, and ate so many of those buckwheat cakes and honey, we are in a position to recommend this property as one of the best in all this country for any one wishing to engage in the hotel business.

"They know how to make the buckwheat cakes over there. We have been there when Robert could not carry them in fast enough with both hands. We have wondered how far up the mountain road all those cakes would reach if laid side by side. Then the fine large garden connected with the property is a feature not to be forgotten and one that is being considered by many hotel men today. It is certainly a great advantage to be able to have vegetables and small fruits such as strawberries and raspberries fresh from your own garden. We say this is a good chance for some one."

BURNT CABINS.

Geo. Doran and Samuel Widener started last Wednesday for St. Louis to see the World's Fair. Mrs. John Locke, of Locke Valley spent a few days last week with her daughter, Mrs. Roy Morrow.

Mamie Mamma, little daughter of John and Myrtle Mamma, departed this life on the 28th inst., after having been an invalid for three years. Mamie was aged 4 years, 3 months and 3 days.

David Bowman and wife made a business trip to Orbisonia last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Kelly, and Mr. and Mrs. John Baldwin, spent last Sunday at the home of Wm. McGowan at Shade Gap.

The M. E. church will hold a Thanksgiving supper here on Thursday evening, November 24, and on Friday evening will have oysters—everybody invited to attend.

Mr. John Mentzer and family have returned home after a visit to St. Louis and Kansas. They report a delightful trip. John says he likes the West, but he thinks he can live among the eastern hills awhile yet.

Lynch.

After an illness caused by an acute attack of pneumonia, covering a period of about two weeks, Harry Barton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Lynch of this place, died last Saturday morning, aged 2 years and 24 days. Funeral Sunday afternoon conducted by Rev. Adams, assisted by Rev. C. M. Smith and Dr. West. Interment in Union cemetery.

RECENT WEDDINGS.

People Who Have Entered into a Lifetime Partnership for Better or for Worse.

MORGRET—HESS; McNEAL—BARNETT.

MORGRET—HESS.

Mr. Albert E. Morgret, of Hobart, Okla., and Miss Olive F. Hess, of Sideling Hill, Pa., were married at the home of the bride's cousin, Mrs. Martha Wood, near Goddard, Kan., on Sunday, September 25, 1904, by Rev. J. V. Hanna, the M. E. minister of Goddard, in the presence of a host of friends and relatives.

The wedding march was played by Miss Ethel Wood. At the conclusion of the ceremony the dining-room door was thrown open and the party ushered in to partake of the bountiful dinner which was awaiting them.

The next morning the bridal pair left for their home in Oklahoma, stopping to visit friends at Enid, Hennessey, and Roosevelt, Oklahoma.

The groom a native of this county has been in the West about fifteen years, has traveled through 24 states, and has finally settled down in the state of Matrimony. May he never have to seek farther for happiness and prosperity.

McNEAL—BARNETT.

Mr. William Alfred McNeal, of Johnstown, Pa., and Miss Mary B. Barnett, of Waterfall, Pa., were united in holy matrimony by Rev. J. V. Adams, in the hotel parlors of the Washington House on Thursday, November 10, 1904.

The contracting parties are estimable young people—the groom an energetic young business man of Johnstown, where he has provided a home; and the bride a young woman of charming disposition.

After a visit among friends, Mr. and Mrs. McNeal will move to Johnstown.

STAHLNECKER—SCHNEE.

Mrs. Saran Schnee and David Stahlnecker were united in marriage Thursday noon, at the home of C. R. Spangler, Knobsville, by Rev. C. M. Smith, of the Reformed church, of this place. Mr. Stahlnecker is a prosperous gentleman engaged in the hotel business, at Middleburg, Snyder county, this State. Mrs. Stahlnecker is the mother of Mrs. Spangler, with whom she has been making her home for some time past.

ALEXANDER—FIELDS.

At the home of the bride in Fort Littleton, on Tuesday, November 1, Miss Carrie E. Fields, and Mr. John Alexander of Spring Run, Franklin county, were united in marriage by Rev. W. M. Cline uncle of the bride.

The happy couple left on Wednesday morning following for a trip to the World's Fair and other points in the West.

"Home Missionary Day"

will be observed in St. Paul's Reformed church this coming Sunday—services beginning at 10:30 a. m. In connection with these services an opportunity will be afforded to all who were unable to partake of the Blessed Sacrament last Sunday, owing to the inclement weather.

C. M. SMITH, Pastor.

Mr. L. C. Kelly, merchant and politician at Barut Cabins, has fever. It was contracted during a recent visit he and his estimable wife made among friends in Kansas. While our informant does not state that any alarming symptoms have developed, we are led to judge that his mind is affected to a greater degree than his body; for by reference to our advertising columns, it will be seen that he is offering for sale his valuable farm and store property at Barut Cabins and is going to pull up stakes. Yes, he has fever—"Western" fever.

You can have the NEWS one whole year for a dollar.

NARROW ESCAPE.

Timely Discovery Prevents Destructive Fire Monday Night.

What might have proven a costly conflagration was averted on Monday night by the timely discovery of fire in John W. Greathead's stable in this place.

It was shortly after 11 o'clock when Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Downes were returning to their home, that a light attracted their attention, and calling others, it was soon found that fire had been started in the Greathead stable.

The odor of kerosene in the stable seems to be evidence that some one had placed the fluid there and lighted it with a view to destroying the property.

When the fire was first reached it was easily extinguished, as it evidently had been burning but a few minutes, and was confined to the door and adjacent weather boarding.

Had a few minutes more elapsed before the discovery, with the high wind then prevailing, there would have been little chance of saving the Fulton House stables, and those of Leonard Hohman and the Washington House.

WELLS TANNERY.

Many of our people attended the Quarterly Meeting services held in the Valley Methodist Episcopal church last Sunday.

The Sunday school convention held in the Sherman's Valley Presbyterian church last Saturday evening and Sunday, was well attended and full of interest. Among those present who were not residents of the community were Joseph Painter and wife, of Hopewell, who were guests in the home of Hon. and Mrs. Samuel P. Wishart Saturday night.

William E. Bivens has gone on an extensive visit among friends at Baoning, Pittsburg, and more distant points.

Mrs. Tillie Cook, of Trough Creek, and W. E. Hoke, wife and family, of Saxton, are guests in the home of W. H. Spangler and wife.

Misses Lillian Burkett and Cora Truax were in Hopewell on business last Thursday.

Ella Sipes, of Saxton, is visiting among her many Valley friends.

James Gilliland passed through our town last Saturday enroute to Cumberland.

Lizzie Baker spent last week among friends at Saxton.

Captain Harvey Wishart went to Philadelphia last Tuesday—probably he preferred to go up the Delaware river.

The Altoona Hunting Club is well represented here in their camp, and are making many improvements up at the old Sprowl mansion.

Dr. Campbell, of Hopewell, was over to see James McDonough last Wednesday.

SALUVIA.

Mrs. Lydia Bobb, of Norris-town, Pa., is visiting her mother, Mrs. W. C. Mann.

Edward Whitehill and wife, of Cypher, Bedford county, spent Sunday with Mrs. Whitehill's mother, Mrs. Speer.

Mrs. Annie Ham has returned to her home at this place after spending a month with her brother, D. R. Mumma at Hustontown.

Miss Effie Mellott and Mrs. Lydia Bobb spent last Saturday at the home of J. E. Lyon, at West Dublin.

Mrs. Margaret Bair, after spending the summer with her son, W. E. Bair, has returned to her home at Lancaster, Pa.

Miss Blanche Sipes, of this place, is spending a week at Pittsburg with her sister, Mrs. W. H. Staley.

The many friends of Rev. A. D. McCloskey here, will regret to learn that on account of ill health he has not been able to occupy his pulpit at Liverpool, Pa., during the past five months. He is, however, gradually gaining strength.

ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW.

Snapshots at Their Movements, as They Come and Go.

NAMES OF VISITORS AND VISITED

Home for a Vacation, Away for an Outing, a Trip for Business or Pleasure. You'll Find It Right Here.

Charles E. Goldsmith spent Friday in Chambersburg on business.

Charles W. Schooley of Harrisonville, is dangerously ill of stomach trouble.

A. W. Deshong and wife and Mrs. Ruth Swope and son were in town last Saturday.

C. B. Stevens and David Malloy attended Lodge at Fort Littleton, Saturday night.

Mrs. Fernand Decker and son, Russell Decker, of Saluvia, spent last Thursday in town on business.

Mr. Wm. B. Karns, of Everett, was a guest in the family of his brother-in-law, John Ott, last Saturday.

Miss Mary Bender, who had been spending a few weeks at her home in this place returned to York last Saturday.

H. S. Daniels, Esq., of Harrisonville, is enjoying an extended trip to McKeesport, and points in Indiana.

Mrs. Alice McNeil and children, of Boone, Iowa, are visiting in the home of her mother, Mrs. Sarah Pittman, of this place.

Joseph Everts and wife, of Saluvia, who had been in ill health the past few months, are regaining their normal condition.

John S. Harris and Miss Katharine Cook spent Saturday afternoon the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Speer at Saluvia.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitehill of Yellow Creek, were visiting Mrs. Whitehill's mother, Mrs. Rachel A. Speer at Saluvia, over Sunday.

Miss Minna D. Thompson, after a six-weeks' visit in the home of her mother, Mrs. M. A. Thompson of this place, has returned to Tyrone.

Homer L. Sipe, one of Licking Creek township's well known citizens, who has been dangerously ill with typhoid fever is reported slightly improved.

Karl Reiser, of Lancaster, a student at the Mercersburg academy, spent the time from Friday evening until Monday morning with friends in McConnellsburg.

Mr. S. I. Miller and niece, Mrs. Mary C. Sinnott, of Philadelphia, attended the funeral of the former's sister-in-law, Mrs. S. G. Miller, at Marklesburg, last Friday.

Mrs. G. W. Decker and daughter, Mrs. M. H. Hollenshead, of Harrisonville, spent last Thursday in this place, the guests of Mrs. Decker's brother, John P. Sipe, Esq.

Mrs. J. Deshong, who had been spending the past few months at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Daniels of Harrisonville, has returned to her home at McKeesport.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Lynch desire in this manner to express gratitude to their many friends who lent aid and gave sympathy during the illness and death of their little son Harry.

Mr. and Mrs. John Souders, of McConnellsburg, and Phoebe, Bruce and Nora Paylor, of Back Run, spent part of last week visiting relatives in Franklin county, in Maryland, and in Virginia.

Mr. Frank Houser, a Mercersburg Academy student, drove over to McConnellsburg last Sunday. Frank was formerly a resident of this place, but has lived at Mechanicsburg during the last nine years.

Mr. E. M. Gevin, one of Dublin's enterprising farmers, spent a few hours in town last Saturday. It was the first time Mr. Gevin had been in McConnellsburg for six months—the longest time he said he had ever stayed away from town in his life.