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NECROLOGICAL RECORD.

Well Known People Who Have Been Called to the Other World.

J. W. MILLER AMONG THE NUMBER.

JACOB W. MILLER.

Jacob W. Miller, one of the oldest and best known citizens in the upper end of the County, and whose illness has been mentioned frequently in this paper, died at his home in Burnt Cabins, May 4, 1905, and would have been 78 years old, had he lived until next September. Funeral took place last Saturday, and interment was



JACOB W. MILLER.

made in the cemetery at Fort Littleton.

The first seventeen years of Mr. Miller's life was spent on the farm. He then went to Funkstown, Md., where he spent two years learning the milling trade. Not liking the business at the end of that time, he returned to this county, and in early manhood married, and spent the next thirty years of his life as a skilled fence builder.

His first wife having died, he was married the second time to Miss Mary A. Ziegler on the 24th of October, 1854, and she survives him, together with the following children: Josephine, wife of Isaac Trimmer, near Carlisle; Mrs. Mary Ellen Porter, in Tennessee; Samuel M., near Shade Gap; Walter Scott, in Shirlsberg; David, in Athens, Ga.; Kate, married to a Mr. Webb, and Isabel, wife of a Mr. Appleby, near Shade Gap.

Mr. Miller was a veteran of the Civil War, having served in the 84th Regiment P. V.

Mr. Miller was one of the oldest and most active Odd Fellows in the county, having been a member of the Order for more than fifty years. He was an ardent Democrat, and a natural born leader. During his lifetime he served his township as supervisor, auditor, judge of election, inspector, clerk, constable; his county as jury commissioner, county auditor, mercantile appraiser, delegate to two state conventions, and eleven times as delegate to the county convention.

While he did not join the church until late in life, he, for many years, took a very active interest in the financial management of church work, and the Methodist church at Burnt Cabins, of which Mr. Miller died a member, will greatly miss his services and his wise counsel.

MRS. OTHO SOUDERS.

Deborah, wife of Mr. Otho Souders, died at their home about a mile and a half northeast of town, on Friday of last week. Funeral conducted on Sunday at ten o'clock by Rev. J. V. Adams, and interment made in the Union cemetery down the Cove.

Mrs. Souders was a daughter of John and Susan McEldowney, both of whom are a long time deceased, and was born at the old McEldowney home near Gem, in Belfast township (the farm now being owned by Daniel Shives), on the 26th day of May, 1834, and hence was aged at time of her death, 70 years, 11 months, and 21 days.

She has but one brother living,

Mr. Wilham McEldowney, near Gem.

Besides her husband she is survived by the following children: George, Wilson, John, Howard, Martin, Harry, Lizzie and Mary.

The deceased was a kind wife and mother, and a woman of superior natural ability, and leaves an influence stamped on the character of her children that will prove to them a priceless legacy. Mrs. Souders was converted at a Methodist revival many years ago, but was baptized and received into the Methodist church within the last year.

SADIE HOCKENSMITH.

Miss Sarah M. Hockensmith died at the home of her parents, Samuel H. Hockensmith and wife, near Laidig, last Thursday evening after a protracted illness. Miss Hockensmith lacked just two days of being 32 years of age. Her funeral took place on Saturday, conducted by Rev. B. A. Salter, of Hustontown, and interment was made in the little cemetery at the Presbyterian church at Greenhill.

Miss Hockensmith was a young lady of lovely Christian character, and her death will be mourned by a large circle of friends.

Besides her parents, she is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Leonard J., in this county; David, in Illinois; George, in Philadelphia; Annie, wife of Herman Snyder, in Williamsport, and John and Otis at home.

CHANGE AT COOPER HOUSE.

Harry Hamil Has Bought Leslie Seylar Out and Takes Possession May 20.

During the past week, Harry Hamil, who successfully conducted the hotel at Fort Littleton during the past few years, bought the hotel furnishings and good will of Leslie W. Seylar, the present proprietor of the Cooper House in this place and will take possession of that well known hostelry on the 20th of this month.

While Mr. Seylar has several attractive opportunities for entering upon a change of business he has not fully decided where he will locate.

SUNNYSIDE.

People of this vicinity are about done planting corn.

There was quite a number of our young folks attended May Meeting last Sunday.

Mrs. Amanda Smith was the guest of Job Plessinger's family last Sunday.

Amos Barber and Geo. Smith were visiting Jonathan Cooper recently.

Mrs. Rosa Layton and sons Marshall and Elmer were visiting Benjamin Truax's recently.

There will be a postoffice established near Pleasant Grove in the near future.

George and Russel Plessinger and Russel Truax attended singing at Needmore Sunday night.

Mrs. Jane Barton returned to her home in Brush Creek, after a very pleasant visit among friends here.

Job Truax and wife spent Saturday evening and Sunday in Hancock.

John Truax was visiting his father William Truax.

There will be singing at Pleasant Grove next Saturday evening.

Quarterly Meeting.

The First Quarterly Meeting of the M. E. church, this place, will be observed by the following appointments: Thursday, May 11, 7:30 p. m., Love Feast; Saturday, May 13, 3:00 p. m., Quarterly Conference; Sunday, May 14, 9:30 a. m., Sunday School—10:30 a. m., Quarterly Communion, Sermon by Rev. G. W. Stevens, Pres. Elder; May 14, 6:30 p. m., Anniversary of Epworth League—led by Ella Pittman; 7:30 p. m., sermon by Pastor.

THE NEW PSALTER.

Work of Committee on Uniform Version of Psalms in Meter Completed.

About six years ago there was a movement started looking towards a uniform version of the Psalms, and there was an attempt made to secure representatives from quite a number of the religious denominations in the United States and Canada, and form a joint committee to which was to be committed the arduous and difficult work of preparing a smooth, faithful, metrical version of the one hundred and fifty psalms. Nine Christian denominations were so far influenced as to appoint one or more members of the proposed committee. The following churches have a representation in the work: The Canada Presbyterian, the Presbyterian (North), United Presbyterian, Reformed (Dutch), Christian Reformed (or Holland), two branches of the Reformed Presbyterian, Associate Reformed Presbyterian, and the Associate Presbyterian. About twenty members in all were appointed, but from twelve to fifteen are as many as have at any time met in committee. Semiannual meetings have been held for the past five years in such cities as New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Montreal and Toronto, and summer resorts, as Asbury Park and Lake George. Each meeting has lasted from eight to ten days, holding from two to three sessions a day of three hours each.

The committee has in five professors in as many different seminaries, six editors of religious periodicals, and the rest are pastors of congregations. Four of the members are specially gifted as poets, a number possess high literary attainments, a goodly number excel in linguistic ability, and all have some appreciation of good poetry.

All the versions accessible have been made to yield whatever of good they possess to the New Twentieth Century Psalter. In regard to the most of the psalms it would be very difficult to determine the authorship of the version, for almost every version submitted to the committee received such a thorough overhauling that the original versifier would scarcely recognize it. While the question of translation has been involved, the element of interpretation has also entered into the work. The effort has been made to enter into the spirit of the psalm and express its divinely inbreathed sentiments in good, forceful English, and in the meter that seems best adapted to the character of the song. The entire book has been gone over and has been carefully revised. The New Psalter is to be published the early part of this summer and copies put into the hands of committees of the several churches for examination and suggestions.

It is hoped that the work is of such a high character as to commend itself to the hymn-singing world, as well as to Psalm-singers, and ere long be restored to a place—if not to their divinely appointed place—in the social and public worship of our King and Lord. The variety of meters is by some thought to be one of the excellent features of the forthcoming book. Much more might readily be added, but let this suffice.

S. B. H.

Mrs. Frank Bowser and children, formerly of Bedford, Pa., now at Hyndman, Pa., are spending a couple of weeks with relatives and friends at, and about, Pleasant Ridge, where she formerly lived. Her husband is at home looking after the business, which he recently entered into under the name of "The Hyndman Candy Co."

Hiram Shives, who has been working at the pinmill near Hancock, was in town a few hours yesterday.

MARRIED IN ILLINOIS.

Miss Jennie, Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Comer, Weds Clarence Ankey.

The Daily Star says that a joyful wedding party gathered on Wednesday night, April 26th, at the home of Mrs. C. O. Sipes, two miles south of Dixon, Illinois. It was the occasion of the wedding of her sister, Miss Jennie Comer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Comer formerly of the Cove, to Mr. Clarence Ankey. Although it was almost entirely a family affair, yet forty persons were present. Promptly at 8:15 o'clock the wedding party came from up stairs. First the minister who performed the ceremony, Dr. S. S. Cryor, then the attendants, Frank Sprouland Nettie Ankey, Harry Ankey and Hazel Burket and the bride and groom. In the silence that followed the prayer were heard the words of the covenant that joins in sacred wedlock and the clear responses of the contracting parties. Then followed congratulations that were hearty and sincere. A sumptuous repast was served, after which followed a delightfully social time. As everyone knew everyone else present there was an absence of stiffness that sometimes marks such occasions. Suddenly a storm of rice encompassed the bride and groom, mingled with peals—not of thunder—but of laughter. It would be vain to describe what followed except to say that everyone seemed happy. A joke was played on the serenaders who are usually in evidence on such occasions. They asked to see the bride and groom, but in their place one of the bridesmaids and her attendant groomsmen showed themselves and the crowd was just as content as if it had been the real bridal pair.

Mr. and Mrs. Ankey left the next day for their new home in Aurora, Ill., where the best wishes of all their friends follow them.

ANDOVER.

Some farmers of this section are done planting corn; others have just begun, while others are just thinking of beginning.

Helen Deshong spent last week in the home of Jackson Strait and family.

Urner Truax, wife and little son Elmer, spent Sunday with Mrs. Truax's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Strait.

Harry Mumma is now able to sit up on a chair.

Roy M. Sipes and Simon Daniels have gone to bark peeling.

Uriah W. Kline is still making shingles for David Kline.

Ada Barton visited Anna Deshong over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Urner Truax, wish through the News to express their thanks to their neighbors and friends for the kindness shown during the illness and death of their little daughter.

WINDY RIDGE.

The farmers are about done planting corn.

Mrs. M. M. Hockensmith and daughter, Etta, spent a day with Mrs. D. R. Mellott last week.

W. R. Mellott is busy hauling stone for his barn wall.

B. F. Deshong has moved his saw mill to Geo. Sipes'.

Eliza Mellott, of Punxsutawney, Pa., is visiting friends in Fulton.

The item writer in last week's News, that said Harry Mumma was out on crutches, was mistaken. Mr. Mumma will be confined to his room three or four weeks yet.

Mrs. D. R. Mellott and son spent a day in town last week.

Bradford Mason's little daughter Beryl's eyes are improving slowly under Dr. Hoop's treatment.

Howard Hann and Will Mellott had the misfortune to break their buggy while returning home from town Saturday. Boys, be careful how you drive.

Squire R. J. Fields, of Clear Ridge, was in town yesterday.

PAINFUL ACCIDENT.

Mrs. D. A. Washabaugh Falls from Cellar Steps and Sustains Injury.

Mrs. D. A. Washabaugh, near town, is suffering from a badly sprained ankle, the result of having fallen from the cellar steps at her home last Friday morning. Mr. Washabaugh, with his men, had been shelling corn near the open cellar door, and a corn cob, in some way, got on one of the steps. Mrs. Washabaugh having an errand to the cellar, was descending the steps, and not noticing the cob, stepped on it, which, of course, rolled, causing her to fall violently.

HUSTONTOWN.

John Cutchall of Sixmile Run is home at present.

The new M. E. parsonage is fast nearing completion.

Hon. S. W. Kirk, wife and little son Malcolm of McConnellsburg visited relatives in this place last Saturday and Sunday.

R. B. Lindsay and wife of Ostantville, Ind., are visiting in the homes of the latter's cousins, A. J. and M. G. Lamberson.

Rev. B. A. Salter and family arrived home last Friday after a four weeks' visit in Shamokin and Sunbury.

Elliott Kirk and daughter Margaret of Colorado Springs, Col., reached this place last Sunday. We are informed Mr. Kirk intends spending part of the summer on the old homestead making improvements.

W. R. Evans, our popular buggy dealer, has on hands the finest and largest assortment of buggies we have ever seen in his sheds. "Billie" is a hustler and generally has just what you want in his line.

Miss Hester Witter, of Gracey, spent Saturday and Sunday with her friend, Miss Lessie Ritchey, of this place.

Harry Thornley, of Philadelphia, spent a few days last week visiting the family of W. F. Laidig.

Squire S. C. Gracey and brother John, of Gracey, were among the spectators at Saturday's ball game.

The opening of the ball season in this place took place last Saturday in which McConnellsburg went down by a score of 8-4.

PRIZES FOR PUZZLE SOLVERS.

A Great Scheme Whereby Every Correct Answer Will Win a Reward.

The greatest prize scheme for puzzle solvers ever offered by a newspaper is that inaugurated recently by the Sunday North American, of Philadelphia. For a long time that paper has been presenting each week a puzzle for young folks, and has been offering a long list of prizes. But the answers grew to be so numerous that many boys and girls were, of necessity, disappointed. It was not possible to make a list of prizes to keep up with the increase of correct answers.

Something new had to be invented.

Now, did you ever hear of a Puzzle Contest in which nobody is disappointed?

Then it must be Polly Evans' new Weekly Puzzle Contest, for hers is the only one anywhere in which nobody is disappointed.

Think of it—nobody disappointed!

If you answer a puzzle incorrectly, you do not look for any reward, of course; but if you answer it correctly, it is but natural that you should expect to be rewarded, and that you should feel disappointed if you find you are not rewarded.

That is what Polly Evans always thought, and she spent many an hour trying to devise some plan of prize-giving that would mean no disappointed boys and girls.

At last—just a few weeks ago—an idea occurred to her! The North American approved of it at once, and the result is that since April 15—the day the plan was first announced—there have been no disappointed children in Polly Evans' Puzzle Contest.

For thanks to her new system of

prize credits, Polly Evans is now able to reward every boy and every girl who answers her puzzle correctly.

In brief, the plan is as follows: You answer Polly Evans' puzzle correctly. You may send your answer on as many coupons cut from the puzzle page as you please. Polly Evans rewards you with a prize credit for every coupon you send. If you send five correct coupons to one puzzle you get five prize credits. If you send one, you get one credit.

In exchange for your prize credits you get your choice of hundreds of fine prizes described in the illustrated Prize Circular which Polly Evans sends by mail at the end of each month to every prize-credit winner.

Besides rewarding you with Prize Credits, which are exchangeable for prizes, Polly Evans also awards to the 300 or 400 finest appearing coupons special prizes and surprises, which are announced with each weekly puzzle.

And in order to encourage you to earn as many prize credits as you possibly can Polly Evans offers every month handsome grand special prizes to the two boys and two girls who win the highest and next highest number of prize credits respectively during the month.

SABBATH SCHOOL WORKERS.

Had Most Successful Convention at Wells Tannery Last Saturday.

The Wells Valley Sabbath school association met in the Wells Valley Presbyterian church last Saturday afternoon and evening. The exercises were of an interesting character and instructive. Quite a number of willing workers were present, and promptly responded as their names were called. The Field Secretary of the Fulton county Sunday School Association, M. R. Shaffner, Esq., of McConnellsburg, was present, and made several very able addresses. All the schools in the Valley were represented.

We feel that the Sunday school cause was advanced, and that we were repaid for the time spent.

The next convention will be held at the U. B. church the first Saturday in May 1906.

E. A. HORTON, Secretary.

WEST DUBLIN.

George Hockensmith, who has been in Philadelphia during the past four years, came home to attend the funeral of his sister, Sarah.

Joseph Price, blacksmith at Laidig, has on hand, of his own make, over five hundred steel horse shoes, which he will drive during this summer at the following prices: light driving shoes, 18 cts. each; No. 2 shoes, 20c.; No. 3, 22c.; No. 4, 24c., and No. 5, 25c.

Sarah Hockensmith, whose illness has been frequently noticed in the "News" for the past two years, died at the home of her parents near Laidig last Thursday night, and was buried at Green Hill Saturday. The family have the sympathy of their friends and neighbors in this bereavement.

There will be a handkerchief social at Fairview M. E. church, Saturday evening, May 13. Proceeds for church purposes. Everybody invited.

Frank Price, who is employed at North Point, Bedford county, spent last week at home, on account of rheumatism.

J. L. Hockensmith has moved his sawmill to J. H. Mumma's, where he will saw a bill of lumber.

Last Thursday was the hottest day of the season here—the thermometer registering ninety degrees in the shade in the afternoon. There was a sudden and marked fall in the temperature about eight o'clock in the evening, and on Friday, the mercury was struggling around in the fifties. Those housekeepers who were fortunate enough to have stores up, found that a little fire added much to the comfort of the family indoors.

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.

M. D. Mathias, of Hustontown, was among our Monday morning callers.

Prof. N. E. M. Hoover, of West Dublin, spent a few hours in town Monday.

B. A. Deavor, of Hustontown, was a county seat visitor Saturday.

Burgess W. H. Grathhead was in Chambersburg Saturday on business.

Mrs. Edward Shimer and little son Frank are visiting friends at Harrisburg.

Mrs. Mary Mayne and Miss Annie Buckley, of Fort Littleton, spent last Friday in town.

Hon. and Mrs. S. W. Kirk and son Malcolm, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives at Hustontown.

Mrs. W. L. Nace, who had been visiting friends in McConnellsburg, returned to her home in Carlisle on Monday.

Ola Cowan, Savilla Bowman, and Cora Frazer, of Burnt Cabling, spent last Wednesday in McConnellsburg.

Mrs. O. F. Rexroth, of Omaha, Neb., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Hannah Goldsmith, and other friends in town.

Mrs. Sabina Mellott and son Charlie, spent Sunday night in the home of Mrs. James Vores in East End, and returned to their home near Gem, on Monday.

S. D. Stevens, manager for the Singer Manufacturing Company at Chambersburg, accompanied by one of his salesmen, S. P. Todd, spent several days in this vicinity last week on business.

William Shafer, who had been residing at Welsh Run during the last forty-one years, last week removed to Cito, this county, where he is making his home with his daughter, Mrs. Elmer Seiders.

Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Grant Hoover of West Dublin, passed through town Monday on their way to Orwigsburg, Pa., where they will remain a few days and then go to housekeeping in the city of Reading.

George W. Reisner and wife left Monday noon for a trip to Erie, Pa., and to Niagara Falls. Mr. Reisner goes to Erie as Representative of Tuscarora Council, R. A., to the Grand Council which is in session in that city this week.

Dr. J. W. Mosser, who had been called to the home of his father, Geo. W. Mosser, at Claysburg, Pa., returned Saturday evening. The condition of the Doctor's father is not such as to inspire much hope for his recovery.

Geo. M. Eitemiller and Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Eitemiller, who had been here attending the funeral of their mother, Mrs. Catherine Eitemiller, returned to their homes, respectively, at Pittsburg and at McKeesport, the latter part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Evans, of Hustontown, were in town Monday. Billy is the well known buggy man at Hustontown, and has on hand now one of the largest and finest stock of all kinds of buggies that he has ever had, and that is saying a great deal. If you are thinking of getting one this spring it might be some cash in your pocket to see what he can do for you.

James A. McDonough, Esq., one of the Justices on the bench of the local court of Wells township, came down to McConnellsburg on the day of the County Superintendent's election, and remained during the remainder of the week. Jimmy is a good all-round fellow, and we hope he may find it convenient to spend a week soon again in our town.