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## HORSE FRIGHTENED.

Automobile Party Responsible for Wreck of a Buggy on the Ridge West of Town Last Friday.

Jonathan Gillett, a resident of Brush Creek Valley, who purchased the old Barton homestead from the late Superintendent Charles E. Barton, was on his way to McConnellsburg last Friday. Descending the Ridge on the turnpike west of town, he noticed an automobile party approaching. His horse began to shy, and he got out of the buggy, took hold of the horse, and signalled the driver of the automobile to stop. The signal, however, was not heeded, and the machine came driving along at full speed, causing the horse to plunge to one side breaking the shafts off, upsetting the buggy, and wrecking the vehicle generally; and, to add to the insult, the party sped on their way with the same indifference as though nothing had happened.

Mr. Gillett came on to town and telegraphed Thos. F. Sloan at the Mountain house, to be on the lookout for the party, but as Tommy was not armed with authority of law for their apprehension, and did not have his shotgun loaded at the time, they escaped safe over Rays Hill. Mr. Sloan would have taken the number on the machine, but the party had taken the precaution to reverse the tag. Mr. Gillett also telegraphed the Chief of Police at Everett, but the party did not show up in that town.

While as a rule, automobile people are most considerate of the rights of travelers on the highway, and will do all in their power to avoid frightening horses, it happens once in awhile that a machine is run by a party that has no concern for the safety of others. The fact that the party who caused Mr. Gillett's trouble, ran through the toll gates—both at the east end of town and the west, without stopping to pay toll, shows a strong probability that, at least, the machine was drunk.

## 1907 A Year of Disaster.

Although the first half of 1907 has not passed, statistics compiled by the Chicago Tribune show that the record of casualties already exceeds the total of 1906. There have been 38 railroad accidents of more than ordinary magnitude, in which 273 persons have been killed and 925 injured. Twenty three steamers have been wrecked, involving the loss of 902 lives.

There has been 13 mine accidents, in which 355 persons have perished.

These casualties have been due to human negligence or ignorance in large part, but nature has been destructive also. Tidal waves have swept away 2230, earth quakes 5100, hurricanes 539, but cyclones thus far have been merciful, the deaths numbering so far only 70, exclusive of the loss of life at Kurrachi, India.

When to these totals is added the sum of smaller casualties, there can be little doubt that 1907 will be known in history as the year of disaster.

## HARMAN FOR TREASURER.

Nominated by the Democratic State Convention at Harrisburg Last Week.

John C. Harman, of Columbia county, who in the sessions of the legislature of 1905 and the special session of 1906, advocated many reform measures which have since been made into laws, was nominated for State Treasurer without opposition by the Democratic state convention at Harrisburg last Thursday, and his certificate of nomination was filed in the State Department in the afternoon.

Mr. Harman says he intends to make an active and vigorous campaign, and the rascally grafting in connection with the building and furnishing the new capitol, will be fully aired from the stump.

## "BEWARE OF LOCK JAW."

All Wounds from 4th of July Explosives Should be Promptly Treated.

"Beware of tetanus from Fourth of July explosive wounds," is the warning that Health Commissioner Dixon again sends out to mothers throughout the State. "Treat every such wound seriously no matter how slight it is, for prompt treatment may save your child from death by lockjaw."

The number of tetanus cases in Pennsylvania has been greatly reduced during the last two years largely owing to the prompt treatment of wounds from explosives. There were twenty-four such cases, following Fourth of July last year and Dr. Dixon says this number will be still further reduced if the oft repeated warning as to the seriousness of such wounds is heeded.

Dr. Dixon says he is obliged to take it for granted that children will not leave these dangerous toys alone altogether, and so all that can be done is to urge care.

## Two-Cent Rate Attacked.

The Huntingdon & Broad Top railroad has filed a bill in equity in the Court of Common Pleas against Huntingdon county to test the constitutionality of the two-cent fare law passed by the last Legislature.

The company contends that as their charter was granted before this law was passed, the state has no right to break the contract which was made with them in the original charter, and that the latter is irrevocable. They also claim that the new law is in violation of the Fourteenth Amendment, because it attempts to regulate interstate commerce. The County Commissioners will likely follow the precedent established by the Commissioners of Philadelphia, and refer the case to the Attorney General to defend the new law.

## Testing Counterfeit Bills.

The United States Government prints its currency and numbers its bills in a series of four, so that every piece of paper money turned out bears one of the check letters, A, B, C, D. One of these letters is always found in two places on a United States bill, in the upper left hand corner and in the lower right hand corner. The placing of the letter on the bill is determined by the number of the bill. The rule is to divide the last two figures on the note by four. Should the remainder be one, the check letter must be A; should it be two, the check letter is B; three, check letter is C; and nothing, is the letter D.

For example, I have before me a five dollar silver certificate. Its number is 81489730. Divide the terminal number is 30. Divide by four, the result is seven with two over. The check letter is B. Here is a ten-dollar Buffalo note; The terminal number is 24. Divide by four, and we have six even. Then the check letter is D.

There is a yellow back gold certificate with 23 as its terminal number. Divide this by four, and we have five, with three over, C is the check letter.

Should this rule of four fail to work on any United States currency note, you may bet all you have the money is bad. Some counterfeited bills are right to their check letters, but a great many are not so if the rule of four works. The bill may be still bad but if it doesn't it is surely bad. This rule applies only to United States currency and not to national bank notes.

It doesn't take a minute to figure out this rule of 4, and if at times you should come across a bill that doesn't look exactly right, take out your pencil and divide the terminal number by four; then you can figure out your A, B, C, and D.

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## THE CANADIAN NORTHWEST.

Charles W. Deaver, Former Fulton County Boy, Writes Interesting Letter.

Mr. Editor:—I will write a few lines to let my friends know how the winter was up here. Old settlers claim it is very unusual for this province. I am content with plenty of coal which can be gotten almost anywhere here. It crops out in almost every stream and coulee in this district. It is a soft coal of good quality, burns well and gives a powerful heat. Farmers team the coal to town and peddle it on the streets at from \$4 to \$5 per ton. Wood is quite plentiful here in some localities; mostly red willow, poplar and balsam of Gilead. The scarcity of fuel cry is not heard in this part of the northwest. The unusual depth of snow caused considerable loss to the ranchers. A number of them provide no shelter of any kind for ranch cattle and horses. Some provide but little hay. Natural hay is very plentiful here, and put up at very little cost. It is often sold at \$2 per ton in the stack. It is not handled with forks but run up on the stacks with sweeps or stackers drawn by horses. The day of the rancher is almost past in this province as they are almost crowded out by the homesteaders. There was a great rush of settlers and land speculators here last year, and vast numbers are expected to come west this summer. The land is very fertile and produces good crops. Wheat, oats and barley do exceedingly well; oats weighing as much as 50 pounds to the bushel. Potatoes, roots, and vegetables produce heavy crops. Green corn for cooking was quite plentiful, and in some cases tomatoes ripened last fall. Berries and currants do well; apples are being grown and ripen where properly cared for. Land values are steadily increasing, selling at from \$8 to \$25 per acre, according to quality, location and improvements. The town of Stettler in Alberta, is quite up to date, with nearly 1000 inhabitants.

All kinds of business is being done. There are two churches, a school which cost complete \$6,000. Two banks, a \$4,000 skating rink; creamery, elevator, fire hall and all modern improvements, where 15 months ago there was not a single dwelling in sight. Possibly 75 percent of the people here are Americans, many of them being well educated. All classes are represented, ministers, doctors, lawyers, and every kind of tradesmen of the farms; some for health; others for rest and recreation from the bustle of city life, and all with an eye on the mighty dollar. The educational facilities are good. Where schools are erected they employ good teachers and pay high salaries. Lady teachers in country schools receive from \$40 to \$65 per month by the year, holidays included. The Railway line is surveyed from Moosepaw which may be continued through the Yellow Head Pass. About 50 miles of the road will be completed this year north of Moosepaw. This road will run through a tract of good land mostly level, open prairie will no doubt in a few years be settled and cultivated by a large army of prosperous farmers. Thousands of acres were broken for crop last year and far more will be broken this year. In all cases the result of so much breaking is more moisture and less frost. The farmers up here claim the heavy fall of snow will ensure good crops, as there is but little frost in the ground and the melting snow will leave a sufficient amount to start the crops before June rains commence. The settlers of Saskatchewan are to be relieved from doing two months' horse-drawn duties on account of the severe winter and scarcity of fuel. The Minister of the Interior has also ordered immigration officers to send relief to those settlers who are being located along the G. T. P. between Saskatoon and Battleford. I sold my team and

## MRS. GRANT BAKER.

Died at Her Home Near Knobsville, Early Last Thursday Morning.

Mary Elizabeth, wife of Grant Baker, died at her home near Knobsville, at 1 o'clock on Thursday morning of last week. Mrs. Baker had been in ill health for about three months, but was bed-fast only about five weeks.

Mrs. Baker was a daughter of McGinley Haynes, a former resident of Tod township, and was born in Illinois. At the time of her death, she was aged 35 years, 3 months, and 10 days.

Besides her husband and a four-year-old son, she is survived by her parents, six brothers and one sister. The father and two sons live in Alberta, Canada; the mother, four sons, and the daughter, reside in Oklahoma, and one son—the oldest—lives in Kansas.

Mrs. Baker was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and the large number of friends and neighbors who attended her funeral, attest the high esteem in which she was held in the neighborhood in which she had lived.

Her funeral took place Friday morning, the sermon being preached in the M. E. Church at Knobsville by her pastor, Rev. Brynwr of McConnellsburg.

## Some Famous Fourth's.

1776—Declaration of Independence signed at Philadelphia.

1778—Clark took Kaskaskia.

1778—The Wyoming massacre.

1789—British evacuated Williamsburg.

1788—Great celebration in Philadelphia apropos of the ratification of the constitution.

1802—J. Q. Adams delivered his first address to the United States Senate.

1804—Pioneer weekly mail stage made its trip from Philadelphia to Pittsburg.

1807—Garibaldi the Italian patriot was born.

1817—Work began on the Erie canal.

1826—Death of John Adams.

1826—Death of Thomas Jefferson.

1828—First spike driven for the Baltimore & Ohio railroad.

1831—Death of James Monroe.

1833—Carolus Duran, the great French painter, was born.

1845—United States annexed Texas.

1848—Peace proclaimed between the United States and Mexico.

1848—Cornerstone of the Washington monument laid in Washington.

1851—Cornerstone for the capitol extension was laid.

1856—Kansas Free State legislature convened.

1856—Washington equestrian statue in Union Square dedicated.

1857—Pierre Loti, the French writer, was born.

1863—Union victory at Helena, Ark.

1863—Vicksburg surrendered to General Grant.

1868—Hurlingham treaty between the United States and China was signed.

1868—Amnesty proclamation was issued at Washington.

1874—Opening of the Eads bridge in St. Louis.

1884—Francis Scott Key Monument dedicated in San Francisco.

1894—Hawaii declared a republic.

The carpenters have Charlie Goldsmith's new house under roof. The building is located on the north side of his store and just opposite the public school building.

all my farm implements and rented what ground I had broke and am working at the carpenter trade. There is lots of Fulton County people who could do better up here than where they are. Now for fear of the waste basket I will quit.

CHARLES W. DEAVER, Mutaus, Sask., Canada, June 25, 1907.

## FRANCIS MURPHY DEAD.

Famous Apostle of Temperance Passed Away at Los Angeles.

Francis Murphy, formerly of Pittsburg, the famous apostle of temperance, who induced 15 millions to sign the pledge, won the confidence and admiration of the great of all nations, at one time being commended by the late Queen Victoria in an address from the throne, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Weyland Trask, in Los Angeles, Cal., Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock, following a long illness and general collapse.

So rapidly did the end approach after a sinking spell which began last Wednesday night, that only one of Mr. Murphy's sons, T. Edward O., of Philadelphia, was at his bedside when death came. Robert S. Murphy, lieutenant governor of Pennsylvania, another son, was attending the convention of the State Bar Association at Bedford Springs, when he got a telegram announcing the critical illness of his father. He immediately went to Pittsburg where he was joined by his brother John, and they at once started on the long journey to the coast. Two daughters, Mrs. Weyland Trask, and Mrs. Frances J. Holmes, were at the bedside of their father when he died.

## Now in Effect.

Under the past postal laws a package of mail matter or a letter could only be specially delivered provided that it had on it a peculiar kind of stamp called a special delivery stamp. This has been changed and a new regulation went into effect on July the first, which allows the use of ten cents worth of any sort of postage stamps with written words "special delivery" or their equivalent, in addition to the ordinary postage required.

This renders it possible to mail a special delivery letter at any hour whether the postoffice is open to sell stamps or not.

The only requirements of the new law regulation are that both the regular postage on the letter or package and the additional ten cents for the special service be prepaid with postage stamps of some denomination affixed to the package or letter, and that the words "special delivery" or equivalent be written on the letter or package which can then be dropped into the mailing box with the assurance that it will reach its destination in the manner desired.

## FOR BETTER PIKES.

Franklin County Motor Club Actively Interested.

From Franklin Repository.

The Franklin County Motor Club has taken up the question of placing our turnpikes in better shape for automobilizing. They have addressed letters to all the turnpike companies and have received many favorable replies, promising cooperation.

The club asks that the water breakers be removed as much as possible, that smaller stones be used in construction and that the roads be placed in better condition generally. Chambersburg lost the Glidden tour this year on account of the bad condition of the turnpikes centering here, and many people who have traversed them were so disgusted they declared they would never make a second trip. The club of this place realizes that these conditions should not exist as all autos pay the toll demanded they think they should have better service, which, of course, is the truth.

The turnpike companies have promised to make the change requested, as far as practicable, so that the public generally will be indebted to our local club for these improvements.

Elmer Praker, a well known citizen of Fort Littleton, was among the business visitors in town Friday.

## THROUGH McCONNELLSBURG.

Glidden Tour Will Have 150 Automobiles in It.

The latest plans provide that the Glidden Auto Tour will pass through McConnellsburg, Monday, July 22, and a large number of outside people will probably come here to witness the running of the car through town.

It is said that 150 cars will be in the run, many of them the best products of the most celebrated makers in the world.

The tour will start at Cleveland, Ohio, July 10, go west to Chicago, Ill., thence back to South Bend and eastward to Pittsburg, thence to Bedford Springs, where Sunday July 21, will be spent. For the day's run through McConnellsburg a course of 140 miles, leading from Bedford to Baltimore, via Hagerstown, has been laid out.

Nothing but touring cars will take part in the contest, each one carrying four people, and as the contesting cars will be the finest and most expensive built their passage through this county will be watched with interest.

A "pilot car" went through this place a few days ago, covering the route and making arrangements for the payment of toll so that the contesting cars need not stop at the numerous tollgates.

## Recent Marriages.

HARRIER—TICE.

In the city of Camden, N. J., June 19, 1907, were united in marriage, Mr. Oren Harrier, of Altoona, and Miss Ella N. Tice, of Knobsville. The groom is an employe of the P. R. R., and the bride a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Tice. The happy couple arrived at the bride's home on Tuesday night of last week, and Wednesday, Harvey Wagner came with his bride. Two brides in Knobsville at one time was sufficient excuse for an old time calthumpian serenade, and as the contracting parties were all popular young people, everybody—old and young—turned out and gave them music enough to last them a lifetime.

## WAGNER—TICE.

In Everett on Tuesday afternoon of last week, Rev. John S. Souser, pastor of Barodollar First Methodist Episcopal church, united in marriage Mr. W. Harvey Wagner and Miss Mary V. Tice both of this county. The happy couple are estimable young people and have the best wishes of their numerous friends.

## The Girl Who is Gentle.

By the gentle girl is not meant the girl who is gentle in heart and thought, though she should strive to be both, but the girl who is gentle in her movements and in her speech.

She does not knock against chairs as she enters the room, she does not plant down each foot as if she were trying to stamp the pattern out of the carpet.

When she talks and becomes interested in her subject she does not allow her voice to become a shrill tone that is ear-piercing.

Of course, none of these things are wicked, but they show a lack of consideration, and suggest that there is a strain in one that does not belong to the refined and lovable temperament.

The girl who is gentle learns to walk quietly, to keep her eyes open so that she does not trip over rugs, cushions, chairs or tables.

The girl who is gentle realizes that a sweet, low voice and a quiet manner are more convincing of the power of womanhood than all the loud-talking and blustering imaginable.

While the farmers of this county are frequently done grain cutting by the Fourth of July, they will not have begun by that time this year. The season is very backward, and if they finish by the twentieth, they will be lucky.

## ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Snapshots at Their Comings and Goings Here for a Vacation, or Away for a Restful-Outing.

## NAMES OF VISITORS AND VISITED

Miss Ada Fleming, of Clear Ridge, is visiting relatives in town this week.

Robert Miller of Chambersburg is the guest of his grand-aunt Mrs. Albert Stoner this week.

S. C. Yeakle and family, of Mercersburg, visited friends on this side of the mountain a few days.

Howard S. Mellott and family of Baden, Pa., are spending their summer vacation among their Fulton county friends.

Geo. B. May, of Everett, representing the Provident Life Insurance Company, is registered at the Washington House.

Miss Nora Fisher and Miss Bess Irwin, both of whom graduated from the Cumberland Valley State Normal last week are home again.

Mrs. George Kauffman, who had been visiting her parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Hann, returned to her home at Altoona, yesterday.

Misses Ethel and Alice Hays and Nettie Stouteagle, who had been students at Shippensburg, are home now for their summer vacation.

Mrs. Susan R. Strite and niece Miss Eva Bergner of Chambersburg, are the guests this week of Commissioner and Mrs. S. A. Nesbit, North Second street.

Mr. C. D. Houpt, wife and son Charles of Altoona are visiting friends here. Mrs. Houpt and son came about two weeks ago. They will all return to Altoona the last of the week.

Mrs. Allie Gordon, who had been visiting her nephew, Alex Richardson, of Newville, and attending commencement at the C. V. S. N. S. at Shippensburg, returned to her home at Fort Littleton, Friday.

We had a pleasant call Monday morning from our old friend, Jacob Kauffman, who went to Johnstown from this county about a year ago. Mr. Kauffman is now spending a few weeks among his Fulton county friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin R. Rine-dollar, of Waynesboro, are visiting among their many Fulton county relatives and friends.

About the middle of the month they expect to take a trip among their friends in the Middle West.

Fred Mock, of Pittsburg, Mrs. Mary C. Sinnott, Philadelphia, and Mrs. Anna Kapp, of Allentown—all of whom were called to the bedside of their sick mother Mrs. Daniel Mock of Tod township, have returned to their respective homes.

Miss Minnie Dalbey, who had been off on a two weeks' vacation visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Dalbey, of this place, returned to Pittsburg last Saturday. Miss Minnie is a very efficient stenographer, and has a nice position with the Westinghouse people.

Mrs. J. A. Irwin, of this place, was at Shippensburg last week attending the Commencement Exercises of the 1907 class of the C. V. state normal school, of which her daughter, Miss Bess; was one of the thirteen honor members of a class of ninety-six.

Mrs. Emma Smith and her niece, Miss Jane McKelway, both of Flushing, Long Island, are at the Washington House for July and August. Mrs. Smith is a sister of St. Clair McKelway, editor of the Brooklyn Eagle, and a distant relative of the Sloan family of this place.

Prof. Don Morton's Summer Normal at Needmore closed last week, and on Friday and Saturday, County Superintendent Lamberson examined those of the school who were applicants for teachers' certificates. Eighteen persons were examined.