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DEATH RECORD.

Short Sketches of Those Who Have Recently Been Called Hence.

MRS. A. W. JOHNSTON, Sr.
Mrs. Jane Gibson (Kendall) Johnston, eldest child of James and Margaret Kendall, of precious memory, was born, Sep. 30th, 1832, on the farm presently owned by James H. Kendall. It was here she spent her early years and laid the foundation of that sterling Christian character that made her an obedient child, a devoted wife, and excellent mother, a kind neighbor, a useful citizen and a staunch, consistent member of the church.

At the age of twenty two she was united in marriage with Mr. A. W. Johnston, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. F. W. McNaughton. On the 10th of April, 1855, the young couple went to house keeping in the stone house in which Mrs. Johnston died. Thus during more than half a century they lived together, having made for themselves a Christian home—a home in which the sweet incense of prayer ascended heavenward morning and evening, and where their large circle of friends and neighbors were often made welcome and became sharers of their generous hospitality.

Some years before her marriage Mrs. Johnston made a profession of her faith in Christ by identifying herself with the Associate Presbyterian Church, and continued a loyal, conservative member of that church until the last.

In this Christian home five children were born, four of whom are living—J. Finley, Eda F., Elmer, of Albia, Iowa, and A. Warriston.

Two years last December Mrs. Johnston took suddenly ill. For some time it was thought she could not live. Finally a partial recovery came so she could be around through the house. A year ago she was again apparently near death's gate, but again she rallied, gaining some flesh and strength. This general condition continued until a few days ago when she was stricken with paralysis, from which she did not recover. She gradually declined in strength until Friday morning when she fell asleep in Jesus. She was patient, uncomplaining and submissive through all her sickness, and died as she lived in the blessed hope of a glorious immortality.

HER PASTOR

MRS. GEORGE BAIN.

Mrs. Nellie C. Bain, widow of the late George Bain, died at her home at Bedford, Pa., Saturday evening, 11th inst., aged 87 years, 9 months and 10 days. On New Year's day, Mrs. Bain fell and broke her hip, and, owing to her enfeebled condition, the bone could not be set. Her maiden name was Motzer, and she was born in Perry county. She was married to George Bain on the 8th of June, 1848, and for several years, Mr. and Mrs. Bain resided at Fort Littleton this county. Four children survive, namely, A. B. Bain, of Duquesne; D. M. of Martinsville, Ind.; Mrs. Czana Reed, of Roanoke, Va. and Miss Lizze, a teacher in the public schools at Bedford.

MATTIE BARMONT WILAVEN.

Mrs. Mattie Wilaven, died at her home in Philadelphia on the 12th inst., of cancer of the liver, at the age of 40 years and 7 months. Funeral on the 15th and interment in Fernwood cemetery, that city.

The deceased is better known here as Mattie Barmont, she and her mother and brother Daniel having lived on First street in the house now owned by Samuel Kelly.

She left McConnellsburg about twenty years ago, and later married Mr. Wilaven in Harrisburg. They afterward removed to Philadelphia where she spent the remainder of her life. She is survived by her husband

Birthday Party.

Last Saturday, quite a number of neighbors gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Gordon, near Big Cove Tannery, the occasion being the seventy fourth birthday anniversary of the twin brothers, John and Jacob Gordon.

At high noon, the guests present gathered around the table to partake of the sumptuous dinner that had been prepared for them, and which everyone enjoyed very much. Those present were, Mrs. Margaret Lynch and sons George and Mack, Mrs. Robert Mellott, Mary and Alice Shives, John Gordon and wife, G. E. Clouser, Mrs. Thomas Shaw and daughter Leah, J. L. Richards, Dick Wilson and wife, Mrs. Aaron Morgret, Mrs. William Feagley and children, David Bivens and son Harry, John Harris, and John, Susan, Bessie, and Maude Gordon, at home.

The afternoon was much enjoyed by every guest in listening to some very fine selections on the graphophone.

Just as the sun was going down the guests all left for their respective homes wishing both John and Jacob many more years of happy life.

The Castles Preferable.

I find the gayest castles in the air that were ever piled far better for comfort and for use than the dungeons in the air that are daily dug and caverned out by grubbing, discontented people.—Ralph Waldo Emerson.

and one daughter, Bessie, 15 years of age.

TODD LAUVER.

Todd Lauver, son of David Lauver, of Ayr township, died at a hospital in Johnstown, Pa., last Thursday, aged 20 years, 2 months and 10 days.

The cause of his death was typhoid pneumonia, and he had been sick about three weeks.

His remains accompanied by his wife and his brother Elmer and wife reached Hancock last Friday by rail, and were taken to the home of the grandfather of the deceased, James Bivens, from whose home the funeral was held Sunday morning at ten o'clock. Interment was made in the graveyard at the Big Cove Tannery Lutheran church, and the funeral sermon was preached by Rev. Fowers of Needmore, Rev. J. C. Garland assisting in the services.

The deceased is survived by a wife and one child; father, two brothers—Emery and Maynard, and one sister, Mrs. Charles Crouse.

JOSEPH PITTMAN.

Joseph Pittman, son of the late Rev. Ezra Pittman, near Hesses Mill in Thompson township, died at his late home in Nebraska on the 31st ult., aged 67 years, 9 months, and 2 days.

When a small child his mother (who was a sister of Mrs. Jared Pittman, of this place) died, and he lived with his grandmother until the age of thirteen, then he left Pennsylvania and went to his aunt, Ruth Householder, in Illinois, where he resided until of age. At the age of 21 he enlisted in the war of the rebellion and served three years, three months and three days, in Co. D. 3d Maryland. On February 13, 1868, he was united in marriage to Miss Mary F. Bowers. To this union were born twelve children, nine sons and three daughters; all are living but one son, who died in infancy. In the year of 1872 he gave his heart to God and since that time he has lived a devoted christian life. After his marriage he lived in Illinois until 1878, from there he moved to Lincoln county, Kansas; at that place he lived for ten years, from there he moved near Adams, Nebraska, and remained there until two years ago. During the latter part of his life he was a strong adherent of the Christian Scientist faith.

OUR NEW ASSOCIATE JUDGE.

H. K. Markley of Warfordsburg Succeeds the Late Judge Bender.

Governor Stuart has appointed Mr. Hiram Knox Markley, of Warfordsburg, Associate Judge of Fulton County, vice Hon. William H. Bender, deceased. Mr. Markley was born in Wells Valley, on July 29, 1855, and is now in the prime of life. In early manhood, while engaged in manual labor, he lost his right hand, and in some respects this misfortune was a blessing in disguise, as he applied himself closely to study, and obtained a good common school education, and thus prepared himself for teaching, which profession he followed for



HIRAM K. MARKLEY.

a number of years; but the low salaries paid teachers in this county, caused him to seek other employment, and of late years he has made a comfortable living for himself and family as a painter and undertaker. He was married to Miss Lesley Ranck, of Bethel township, in October, 1888 and located at Warfordsburg, where he has since resided. He is an intelligent, honorable Christian gentleman, and a more deserving appointment could not have been made.

Mr. Markley's father, Joseph A. Markley, was for a short time the proprietor of the Fulton House, at this place, where he died in the spring of 1865. Soon after the death of his father two of his sisters were adopted into the family of Col. A. K. McClure a near relative.

LOCAL INSTITUTE.

The local institute at Akersville last Friday evening was quite a success. The meeting was called to order by S. E. Walters and Amos Duval, present president, and G. L. Akers, secretary.

After the opening song, recitations were given by Rammie Jackson, Mason Pee, Jacob Barkman, Leona Thomas, and Earl Jackson.

The topic, "Who will be successful in teaching, and who will fail?" was opened by Ida Hixson, and further discussed by S. E. Walters, Lily Wink, and Lewis Duval.

Recitations were then rendered by Vernie Duval, Edith Clark, Troy Barkman, and Ada Hixson.

The topic "Textbooks in the Recitation" was then discussed, when Bretz Connor, Ralph Akers, Harry Pee, and Essie Williams each gave a recitation.

The next topic, Education—How obtained, &c., was then discussed by Albert Garland, Ida Hixson, James Garland, S. E. Walters, E. E. Akers, and Amos Duval.

More recitations by Eta Akers, Gilliland Barton, Lulu Sealing and Viola Hixson.

The institute was well attended, and good order prevailed.

G. L. AKERS, Secretary.

Mr. David Gordon, of Thompson township, was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Barr, of Todd, Monday night, Mr. Gordon was accompanied home Tuesday by his daughter Miss Sadie who had been visiting here for several days.

ODD FELLOWS BANQUET.

Delightful Social Occasion at the City Hotel Last Friday Evening.

The banquet given by McConnellsbury Lodge I. O. F. on last Friday evening at the City Hotel was a most elaborate affair, and will take high rank in the social doings of the town.

The participants, were: Members of Lodge No. 744, with their wives, sweethearts and friends, and some visitors from neighboring lodges. Covers were laid for sixty guests who promptly surrounded the tables at 9 o'clock. The spacious dining room was tastefully decorated, the tables were most artistically furnished—no pains having been spared by the caterer, Mr. and Mrs. Hamill to please the most exacting guest. The service was all that could have been anticipated and the following menu was promptly and politely served:

Stewed Oysters	Celery
Roast Turkey	Cranberry Sauce
Cold Ham	Devilled Eggs
Mashed Potatoes	Lettuce
Sweet Potatoes	Corn
Buttered Rolls	Pickles
Ice Cream	Cake
Oranges	Coffee.

One course followed another quietly and promptly, without the long and tiresome waiting which so frequently characterizes the elaborate dinner. The entire menu was a combination of delightful flavors, attractively presented, reflecting much credit on the ability of the hostess, Mrs. Hamill, and her efficient aides.

After the banquet came the "flow of soul" introduced by B. W. Peck, as toast-master in an address of Welcome. Mr. Peck's remarks were so well chosen that all-stage fright and embarrassment were dispelled, and the several gentlemen who followed him with toasts responded in a most natural and effective style.

"Love in Odd Fellowship," by L. H. Wible was well handled. He proved that in the Order as well as in other fields, "his Love that makes the world go round."

"Social side of Odd Fellowship," was advocated by Geo. A. Harris. The speaker was at his best and paid high tribute to women as helpers of men, in matter of morals or manners, and believes that—"Man, without woman is a beggar, although the whole world be possessed."

S. Wesley Kirk, responded to the next toast—"Odd-Fellowship." Mr. Kirk spoke most earnestly and eloquently of the Order—the strongest in existence, after ninety years of service in defense of "Friendship Love and Truth."

"Influence of Odd Fellowship," are all good and helpful as expressed by County Superintendent B. C. Lambertson. The forces of combined, fraternities, make for the security and protection of the State or Nation as well as to the happiness and defense of the home and support of the widow and orphan.

"Miscellaneous Remarks" were assigned to Dr. F. K. Stevens. As an after dinner speaker he outshone finely Chauncy and "extracted" painlessly from the audience a round of applause, the reward of his genial fun, and gracious good humor.

After dinner all repaired to the parlor and indulged in a free-for-all concert, in which songs ancient, mediaeval and modern were rendered most heartily until midnight brought the end of a most enjoyable evening. S. M. C.

At a meeting of the stockholders of The First National Bank of this place, all the directors were re-elected as follows: Lewis H. Wible, W. Scott Alexander, D. L. Grissinger, John P. Sipes, Peter Morton, R. M. Kendall, John A. Henry, George A. Harris, and S. W. Kirk. On last Monday evening the new board organized by the re-election of Lewis H. Wible as President, and W. Scott Alexander as Vice-President.

WORSE THAN SCARLET FEVER.

Measles Destroy the Lives of 1463 Persons in Pennsylvania in One Year—Mostly Children.

Harrisburg, Jan. 26.—Measles killed 1463 persons in Pennsylvania during 1906, according to the records kept by the Bureau of Vital Statistics of the State Department of Health. Of these 1210 were under 5 years of age.

During the month of December alone, there were reported to the State Department of Health 2307 cases of this disease which annually kills about two and one half times more children than scarlet fever.

"How to make the public appreciate the really serious danger of measles and get them to observe precautions to prevent the spread of the disease is about the hardest problem in educational sanitary work that I have encountered," said State Health Commissioner Dixon today. He added:

"A scarlet fever case in a neighborhood seems to strike terror to every mother's heart. If quarantine regulations are broken by the members of the infected household our health officers receive immediate complaints from other parents in the vicinity who are fearful that the disease may be transmitted to their own little ones. This is natural and right for scarlet fever is a dangerous disease but if we could only get mothers to be equally concerned in keeping their children from the infection of measles, we might save many a home from the sorrow of an infant grave.

If the child who has contracted measles because it has been carelessly exposed to the disease, escapes death too often a terrible affliction follows as for instance seriously impaired hearing, damaged eyesight or chronic respiratory affections that sadly interfere with the normal, mental and physical development. Is it not possible that mothers will wake up to these real dangers in measles before it is too late and a life-long sorrow and regret is the penalty of their carelessness?"

The seven hundred and fifty township health officers of the State Department of Health when notified of a case of measles in their district post on the infected premises a placard stating that "all persons are notified of the presence of measles and are warned of the danger of visiting or coming in contact with the occupants of 'his house.'" The health officer also leaves at the house a circular containing explicit instructions for managing the disease and preventing the spread of the infection.

Here's to The Farmer.

How far will you have to run your ancestry back before you find your forbears working early and late in the woods, chopping, grubbing, and clearing up the ground that became the home stead in which your father or mother was reared?

Isn't very far from the native born American, and he should be proud of the fact since the best men of America have come from American farms, or from near by.

You have only to go back a little beyond the scope of your memory, perhaps, to discover that the American gentleman was an American farmer George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Patrick Henry and a large majority of those who led in the establishment of the nation were farmers.

And, if you read history you can hardly help knowing that from the very beginning the men who made, and who did most to sustain the nation, were farmers, and that those who now constitute its most dependable support are farmers.

All this every American citizen knows, or should know, and appreciate, for just as the farmer is appreciated so will the country prosper.—Village Record.

Surprise Party.

About ten o'clock last Thursday morning, as Stillwell Truax was at home, a lot of his friends and neighbors assembled at his home with well filled baskets of good things to eat, and at noon a nice dinner was served. The afternoon was spent in singing, and a phonograph furnished pleasure and amusement for the party. Among those present were Stillwell Truax and wife, Charlie Mel lott and wife, Charlie Garland, wife and little son Don; David Hill and wife, Lake Garland, wife and children; Mary and Alta Hill, Andrew, Oscar, Chester, Sadie, Clemmie, and Dot Truax; Benjamin Garland and wife.

Mr. Truax received a lot of nice presents.

FORT LITTLETON.

The people of this vicinity took advantage of the fine weather last Sunday to walk out for their health.

Mrs. Flora Cromer and son Robert visited friends at Burnt Cabins last Sunday.

John Baldwin and two sons Kalb and Stull called on Mrs. Sarah Cromer and family, of this place, last Sunday.

Ally Deshong, teacher of Fort Littleton school, is getting along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert McKibbin, of McConnellsburg, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Frances Fraker, at this place.

Jere Cromer and friend, Ed Taylor, of Scranton, are visiting the former's parents in this place. They report work dull.

Frank Haiston, of Altoona, is visiting his parents at Fort Littleton.

Mrs. Geo. Locke and Ally Ferrebberg returned home last week after visiting friends in Turtle Creek.

James Fields and son Earl made a trip to the County Seat last week.

The people of this place were aroused last Tuesday evening on hearing music over town. We supposed it to be a serenade, but we have not heard who the bride and groom are.

The Sunday school on Sunday was well attended.

Ex Sheriff D. C. Fleck received a number of new records for his phonograph lately.

The skating party last Saturday reported a fine time.

WHEN TO WIND A WATCH.

The Morning, Not the Evening, the Best Time, the Watchmaker Says.

"Most people," said the watchmaker, "wind their watches at night; but it would be better to wind them in the morning. You see, we are liable to go to bed at different hours, and so wind our watch at irregular intervals; and it is better to wind it regularly. Then we are more liable to forget to wind our watch at night than in the morning, and so may let it run down. But we are pretty sure to get up in the morning at our regular hour, whatever the hour at which we went to bed, and so by winding it then we may insure regularity of winding; and the watch is brought to mind then, when we put it on for use, and we are less likely to forget to wind it. So morning is the best time to wind a watch, if you can get yourself into the habit of winding it then."

Fire, believed to have been the work of an incendiary, last Wednesday afternoon destroyed the large bank barn and adjoining buildings on what is known as the old Rohrer homestead in Franklin county. The horses and live stock were saved, but practically everything else in the buildings was destroyed, entailing a loss of \$4,000 or \$5,000, partially covered by insurance. Ira Rohrer, tenant on the farm, had a comparatively small amount of insurance in proportion to the loss he sustained. The fire was discovered shortly before 3 o'clock by Mr. Rohrer, while he was at work in a small shop near the house.

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

William Lamberson, of the Cove, is visiting among friends out about Hustontown this week.

D. B. Mumma paid the News office a friendly and profitable call while in town last Thursday.

Postmaster E. H. Kirk, of Hiram spent Monday night in the home of his brother Hon. S. W. Kirk in this place.

W. H. Fegley, of Pleasant Ridge, called at the News office last Saturday and ran his subscription a year ahead, Billy is conscientiously opposed to owing the printer.

Mr. Frank Hasting, a very efficient employee of the Pennsy at Altoona, is home for a vacation with his parents in Dublin. Frank was in town a few hours Saturday and is looking well.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Selsor, and their sons Charles L., William E., and John W., and daughter, Miss Ada,—all of Mercersburg were here last Saturday attending the funeral of Miss Annie E. Selsor.

Our veteran friend, J. L. Richards, of Ayr, dropped into the sanctum Monday morning, and requested that we change the "S" on the label of his paper to a "9". The request being accompanied by a "plunk", we very cheerfully complied.

Mr. Frank M. Mellott, of Pleasant Ridge, was in town last Friday attending to some business. Mr. Mellott has had sale of his holdings in this county, and left with his family on Monday for Windber, Pa., where he expects to reside. He has secured a position as fireman.

Knobsville.

A number of friends gathered at Edward Mellott's last Friday evening. After having played games until they were tired, the skillet, containing sugar, molasses, butter, nuts, etc., was placed on the stove. In a few minutes the mixture was "trussed, tried and tested," when it was called taffy. Then the fun began! Roy Myers, who has been employed in Pittsburg, is home on a vacation.

Will Mellott, wife, and son Frederick, spent Sunday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Mellott.

Wm. Scheideman is slowly improving.

Mabel Fore spent Sunday with Myrtle Keiso.

Russel Wible spent Sunday evening with Chas. Greas and family.

There will be a local institute at Knobsville, Friday evening, January 24th.

John W. Snyder's house is ready for the plasterers.

We are glad to see John Gannels, Sr., out again. He was confined to the house for several weeks.

Ed Mellott, wife and daughter Nellie, spent Sunday with Mrs. Mellott's parents in Licking Creek township.

Lola Wilson spent Saturday at J. W. Snyder's.

John Wible and family returned home last week, after having spent some time at Kearney.

Norman Baker, of Dane, attended prayer meeting at this place Sunday evening.

Lola Wilson attended meeting at Hustontown Sunday evening.

Harry Wible, who is employed at Kearney, is visiting friends at this place.

Card of Thanks.

John W. Selsor takes this method of thanking the many kind friends and neighbors for their sympathy and help during the illness and death of his sister, Miss Annie E. Selsor.