

The Sheets Stage Line takes you to Mercersburg for 50 cents.

Rev. and Mrs. L. W. McGarvey and son William Albert, are indebted to G. B. Sipes and wife, for the pleasure of eating a delicious dinner on Christmas, at the latter's hospitable home.

50 cents pays the fare one way between McConnellsburg and Mercersburg. Sheets stage line.

HIDES.—James Sipes & Son pay the highest market price for beef hides at their butcher shop in McConnellsburg, also highest price paid for calf skins, sheepskins and tallow.

Three years ago a Kansas school mistress fastened her belt with a needle. Later it couldn't be found and its whereabouts remained a mystery until last week when it was found protruding from the right arm of a young man with whom the school teacher had been keeping company.

The best pill is DeWitt's Little Early Risers—the safe, easy, pleasant and sure little liver pills. DeWitt's Carbolic Witch Hazel Salve is the original. Good for cuts, burns, or bruises, and especially for piles. Sold by Trout's drug store.

F. M. Taylor, Esq., the head of an engineer corps, working under the direction of the State Highway Department of Pennsylvania, spent Christmas at his home in this place.

Miss Ethel Hays who is teaching in the Public Schools at Pleasantville, five miles from Atlantic City, N. J., is spending her holiday vacation with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Hays.

The next time one of the children catches cold, give it some thing that will promptly and freely but gently move the bowels. In that way the cold will at once be driven out of the system. Ken nedy's Laxative Cough Syrup moves the bowels promptly and freely, yet gently, and at the same time heals irritation and stops the cough. It is especially good for children. Sold by Trout's drug store.

Early last Sunday morning as the fierce winter wind was whistling through the tall timber, and the snowflakes softly kissing the window panes, Dr. McClain was summoned from Hustontown to the home of George Bradnick near Knobsville. He left with Mr. and Mrs. Bradnick a fine baby girl, but they say he carried home with him a pair of twins in his pocket. Doctor, you must keep your eye on the women—they are tricky.

GAME PRESERVATION.

Thousands of Acres Purchased in Whips Cove, and on the Adjacent Mountains, Capital, \$10,000.

Mr. Emery Diehl, of Whips Cove, accompanied by Charles Cook, who is engaged in the lumbering business in Somerset county, was in town Monday. Mr. Diehl is one of the twelve promoters of "The Fulton County Game Reservation," a corporation with a capital of \$10,000, for the purpose of purchasing a large body of land in Whips Cove and between Town Hill and Siding Hill. In addition to the value of this property in timber, and for orchard and other purposes, it is one of the best hunting grounds in the County, and the reservation will be sufficiently large to afford protection for deer, wild turkeys, pheasants, squirrels, rabbits, and other game, so that in a few years, it will be one of the most finely stocked reservations in Pennsylvania.

The Company has already about two thousand acres, with options on much more. Mr. Diehl left about twenty deeds with Prothonotary Harris on Monday for recording, and every thing is now about complete for insuring success for the enterprise.

Agricultural Meeting.

The annual meeting of The Big Cove Agricultural Society will be held at McNaughton's school house on the evening of December 31, 1909, at 6:30 o'clock. A turnout of the members is desired as there is business of importance to transact.

W. C. PATTERSON, Sec'y.

IN THE CHURCHES.

Interesting Exercises in the Reformed Church and in the Methodist Church Sunday Evening.

While the blowing drifts snow storm of Saturday and Sunday had not entirely abated, those who ventured out to the Methodist church, or to the Reformed church, Sunday evening, were well repaid for the effort. Excellent programs had been arranged, carefully practiced, and the rendition was most satisfactory to the audience present.

No one but those who have had charge of such entertainments, knows so well how much of labor and patience is acquired to select the recitations, music, and the different items that go towards making a pleasing program. Then, when the program is arranged, the work has just begun; for there is the drilling, drilling, drilling, necessary to the bringing about of such a performance as shall be satisfactory to the audience.

The churches here are fortunate in having those who are past-masters in the art of handling children, so as to make them do their very best, and to plan for an entertainment that is at once pleasing and profitable.

Looking Ones Best.

It's a woman's delight to look her best but pimples, skin eruptions, sores and boils rob life of joy. Listen! Bucklen's Arnica Salve cures them; makes the skin soft and velvety. It glorifies the face. Cures Pimples, Sore Eyes, Cold, Sores, Cracked Lips, Chapped Hands. Try it. Infalible for Piles. 25c at Trout's drug store.

The Laymen's Missionary Movement.
To the Pastors of the Churches of Fulton County:

DEAR BROTHERS—

You are doubtless aware of what is known as "The Laymen's Missionary Movement" that is now so active all over our land. It is the intention of this movement to include every Christian church in the land. And in order to do this it seeks to have a co-operating committee in each County and center of population through which all may be reached and there cooperation secured. It has been made my duty by the cooperating Committee for Fulton County to send a package of literature to each of you for distribution among your people and to aid you in getting congregations into line of cooperation to secure the ends of this great movement. I take this method of explaining the intention of the package which you should shortly receive from me through the mail. Will you not faithfully use it. And send to headquarters for such other literature as you may deem needful to explain more fully the whole movement and to get your laymen thoroughly aroused into cooperation for the attaining the ends of the Laymen's Missionary Movement?

J. L. PATTERSON, Sec'y.

Notice of Annual Meeting.

A meeting of the Shareholders of The First National Bank of McConnellsburg will be held at its Banking House on Tuesday, January 11th, 1910 between the hours of 12 o'clock m. and 2 o'clock p. m. for the election of Directors, for the ensuing year.

MERRILL W. NACE,
Cashier.

Local Institute.

The seventh local institute of Ayr township was held at Webster Mills school, December 23rd. The meeting was called to order by the teacher, Miss Estelle Sipes after which the chairman, John Mentzer, presided. The topics—1. Reviews; how often; objects and results? 2. Value of Educational meetings; how may they be made better?—were discussed by the teachers and others. Five teachers were present.

The school rendered a very interesting Christmas entertainment, in connection with the institute, consisting of recitations, dialogues, and songs, which were given in a very creditable manner. Excellent order and attention prevailed. Next institute will be held at Laurel Ridge school.—Rhoda Kendall, sec.

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FROM SUEZ TO BOMBAY.

Notes on Voyage of Miss Alice Wishart Landed in India, Sunday, November 20th.

WILL RESUME WORK AS MISSIONARY.

November 11.—Suez was left behind last night, and we are in the Red Sea this morning—not yet out of sight of land on the Egyptian side. About all one can do is to rave over the magnificent colors in sky and water mornings and evenings. I have never seen anything like it anywhere, except at Naples. The coloring is so vivid, and yet so exquisite, that one stands in awe before it. It is getting quite warm, too, and I have had to get my white dresses out of the big trunk in the hold. It looks very pretty to see the white covers on chairs and punkas; and, also on the stewards, officers, and passengers—such a contrast to what it must be at home these days, where you doubtless are wearing furs.

November 16.—Only five more days until we reach Bombay, and everybody seems happy over the prospect. We are now in the Arabian Sea, and the weather is like July at home. One has to force oneself to exercise, as the heat makes one so indolent and disinclined to do anything.

Miss McCann is studying Persian Urdu faithfully, and I am proud of the progress she has made.

Almost everybody is sleeping on deck as it is so hot and stuffy in the cabin at night.

November 19.—The most exciting things these days are spouting whales, jelly fish, and sports. Yesterday we had a shuffle board tournament and "races" in whistling, drawing pictures, picking up potatoes with a tea spoon and putting them in a pail, walking, etc., etc., which lasted all day finishing up at night with a grand concert. The deck was gaily decorated with flags and bunting—a beautiful big American flag at one end. It naturally made my heart beat faster to see the dear old Stars and Stripes away out on the Arabian Sea, so far from home, and on a British boat, too; so that I felt like going up and weeping over it. I did go up and wrap my head in it in the intermission, but I won't vouch for the tears. The music was really excellent as there are several professional singers on board and a number of musical people who make the evenings pass charmingly.

Day after to-morrow we are to reach Bombay, two days earlier than anticipated on account of the ships having had new propellers put in. In spite of the fact that there has been something more or less interesting going on every day and evening, the three weeks have seemed three months, and I shall be very happy when we sight Bombay.

Yesterday morning one of the Hindu sailors dislocated his shoulder and I watched the ship's doctor, assisted by two other doctors (passengers) administer chloroform and put it back to place down on the lower deck. Tois morning the ship's doctor took me down to see the man to give him a bit of cheering up as I know his language, and the doctors could not speak it at all. The man had not slept last night at all, but was wonderfully brave and patient about it. poor fellow!

Monday, November 21st.—We arrived yesterday evening, and were docked about 5:30. Soon after breakfast, we sighted the blue hills and haze about Bombay, took on the pilot at noon; but had to wait several hours for the tide to take us into the wharf. I was on deck about five hours clutching the rail and squinting thro the fierce glare from the blue water, for fear I might miss something.

The harbor looked the same old way—dozens of white sail boats, yachts, ocean liners and cargo boats, and off by the vivid color of native turbans on the wharf with here and there a government official or army officer in white duck waiting to greet some friend on our incoming steamer. It seemed so natural to me, and I so a part and parcel of the country, that it was almost like a home coming.

A letter from Dr. B. T. C. was brought on board by the Anchor

Line agent more than an hour before we landed, which was as good as if I had some one to meet me. So many passengers' plans were upset because of our coming two days early. Cook's man came out in a special boat and we had our customs papers and luggage all ready to rush thro' as soon as the gangway was down. Fortunately I had no duty to pay on any thing, but Miss McCann had over \$5.00 to hand out. We drove at once to Y. W. C. A. where rooms were engaged for us.

I wish I were going on to Allahabad at once but must go to Kedgaon and Almedmagar, first, then to Jhansi to our Annual Conference, for three or four days, after which—"home." Had we arrived a day earlier I would have gone up to Agra to the World's C. E. Convention.

November 23.—Yesterday was a busy day buying the things we need which cannot be gotten up country. In the afternoon I saw Miss McCann off to Jhansi from the Victoria Leminus and met a lot of the people who came out on the Massilia again. In the evening an acquaintance—a big English mill owner—took Miss Dixon, another missionary, and me out in his motor to see Bombay by moonlight. It was wonderful—just like a fairy scene or a tale from the Arabian Nights. The drive along the sea front over hard smooth boulevards, with the waves dashing against the sea wall on one side, and double rows of palms on the other, was lovely. We sped up Malabar Hill past the Parsi Palaces and gardens, from which came whiffs of cool jassamine-scented air, while Bombay glittered and twinkled below.

Before we leave this evening for "up country" I am invited to take tea with Major and Mrs. Kirby, at the Yacht Club, of which you have a picture. They came out on the Massilia and sat at our table. Had it not been for our Conference I would have been at Allahabad to-night.

I will try to write you after being at Pandita Ramabai's.

ALICE E. WISHART.

OPEN LETTER

By Prof. Thomas, to the Good People of McConnellsburg and Vicinity.

The teachers and directors of the McConnellsburg schools are putting forth an effort to make the new auditorium of the public school building more attractive by furnishing it with needed material. The Choral Society is kindly giving much needed help along this line.

Owing to the inclemency of the weather last Saturday evening, the Society realized scarcely half the sum of money expected; hence, they intend to repeat it Friday evening, December 31st. And now, to the people of McConnellsburg and vicinity, I desire to say that I know from the liberal patronage you have given us in the past, that you are interested in having the new auditorium better furnished in order that you may have a comfortable place in which to attend entertainments.

I beg you come out to the entertainment on Friday evening, Dec. 31st, (although you may have been at the entertainment on Saturday evening), and encourage the Choral Society in its effort put forth in behalf of the school children of McConnellsburg and vicinity. Come! give the Society the encouragement it deserves, and I feel that we may depend upon its members for much needed help in the future. If there should be an excess of money above what pays for the piano, the excess will be used toward the purchase of a nice new curtain for the stage.

The Thalian Club has assented to give us a play in the near future; but first we must have a curtain for the stage. We think that we can purchase a nice asbestos curtain for \$100. Patronize us liberally, and soon you will see a nice curtain ready for operation in the new auditorium.

Come! make a small sacrifice (if sacrifice be necessary) and by your presence and financial aid encourage both Choral Society and teachers to undertake other things that are necessary to make the new auditorium attractive.

EMERY THOMAS.

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OUR ENORMOUS PRODUCTIONS.

The United States Produces 20 per Cent. of the World's Wheat Crop, 70 per Cent. of the Cotton, and 79 per cent. of the Corn.

In noting the prominence in which the United States stands out, when compared with the rest of the world, the Philadelphia Press says that it is most interesting to note with careful eye the proud and dignified position the United States holds, not in contrast with other nations only, but as a great factor compared to the united rest of the world. With her far-reaching territory, embracing almost every kind of climate and soil, with her mines, her farms, her oil wells, her factories, she far outstrips in point of material production as compared on the basis of population the entire world outside her borders.

Without counting her island possessions, but confining this article strictly to Continental United States, we find that, while she has but about 5 per cent. of the population of the world, her productions far exceed this figure. From the latest statistical tables available, we find that out of the wheat annually raised in the world—3,337,000,000 bushels—the United States produced 693,000,000 bushels, or 20 per cent. Of coal, out of 1,000,000,000 tons produced in the world, the United States mined 350,000,000 tons, or 35 per cent. Of manufactured products of all kinds the world produced \$43,000,000,000 worth, to which the United States' grand contribution \$15,000,000,000, or 35 per cent. Without further stating totals, the following percentages may be mentioned: Pig iron, 40 per cent.; steel, 42 per cent.; petroleum, 55 per cent.; cotton, 70 per cent., and corn, 79 per cent.

These figures are astounding and carry with them convincing evidence as to the greatness of our land. No other nation, with the possible exception of China, whose people have few and simple wants, can so well support its population as the United States, and if a wall of exclusion were built around us we could still live and thrive, being self contained of all that is needed for the support of national as well as human life. But the truer life is the broader one, and so, proud of our position among nations we reach out a hand to all others, and while endowing them with our benefactions we reap reciprocal benefit from them, and thus take our place and keep it, leading the great nations of the earth and being destined to even greater power and prominence as the years go on.

ALONE IN SAWMILL AT MIDNIGHT unmindful of dampness, drafts, storms or cold, W. J. Atkins worked as Night Watchman, at Banner Springs, Penn. Such exposure gave him a severe cold that settled on his lungs. At last he had to give up work. He tried many remedies but all failed till he used Dr. King's New Discovery. "After using one bottle" he writes, "I went back to work as well as ever." Severe Colds, stubborn Coughs, inflamed throats and sore lungs, Hemorrhages, Croup and Whooping Cough get Quick relief and prompt cure from this glorious medicine. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free, guaranteed by Trout's drug store.

Christmas Entertainment at Rockhill.

A very delightful Christmas entertainment was given at the Rockhill schoolhouse in Ayr town, last Friday afternoon.

A full program of recitations, dialogues, and good singing had been prepared, and the girls and boys had practiced their parts until, when the time came, everything went off without a hitch, and the audience was delighted.

One of the most interesting features—at least one that was very agreeable to the youngsters—was the appearance of Santa Claus—a real live old Santa, and he had a nice fat poke of candy and an orange for each one.

Hon. D. A. Nelson and James H. Kendall are in Pittsburgh this week attending to a little matter of business.

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