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DEFECTIVE FRUIT.

You May Send Damaged Fruit Leaves and Twigs to Professor Surface, Harrisburg.

HE WILL TELL YOU WHAT TO DO.

Commencing his letter with the statement: "I have an orchard of a few hundred fruit trees, of all kinds, but for the last few years our fruit has been extremely faulty, apparently all of it stung by insects and worm eaten," a Monroe county man wrote Professor H. A. Surface, State Zoologist, Harrisburg, for information and also inquired about "oil emulsions."

Professor Surface replied: "I have at hand your letter stating that you find your fruits defective, and asking what to do to prevent such troubles. I beg to say that the first thing to do is to find out just what is the cause of such defects. You can send damaged fruits, leaves and twigs to this office for examination. The cause of each imperfection will be given. Then the next step is to apply the right remedy in the right way, with the right material, in the right proportion, and at the right time. All these things are necessary for success. Not one can be overlooked. For example, the insect making the wormy fruit, of which you write, is doubtless, the codling moth. The preventive is to spray with an arsenical poison, such as paris green or arsenate of lead, using either one-third pound of the former, or two pounds of the latter, in fifty gallons of water or Bordeaux mixture, applying it thoroughly as a spray blown with force from above the fruit so as to reach into the blossom ends of the young fruits just after the petals have fallen, and again in ten days or two weeks.

"If you do not have any certain kind of pest present, or liable to appear soon, it is unnecessary to spray for it. For example, the lime-sulphur and oils, used when the trees are dormant, are for San Jose scale and other scale insects. If such are not present, there is no need of going to the expense and trouble of spraying. However, you should be certain whether your trees have San Jose scale. To be sure of this you should send to this office some clippings or twigs. Get twigs showing the ring that was last winter's terminal resting bud, from which the 1900 growth started. It is here that we will be most likely to find the scale, if present. Specimens can be sent by mail. Your spraying operations should be in accordance with what we find.

"You ask about the use of oil emulsions. I presume you mean the commercial preparations. I do not recommend them, for the fact that they do not always kill the scale without injury to the trees. Many orchards in this and other States have been entirely destroyed by them. You cannot afford the risk. The commercial oils may be all right for two years, but the next year cause thousands of dollars of damage in the same orchard, as was experienced by one of Pennsylvania's most prominent and successful fruit growers. At Mont Alto, Franklin county, an owner lost between five and ten thousand dollars worth of fruit in 1909 by using oil sprays, although in 1908 and the year before, the results with the same materials on the same trees had been apparently good."

School Reports.

Report of Shanes' school, No. 1 in Licking Creek township, for the fourth month. Number enrolled, 24; average attendance, 16. Those attending every day, were Sharpe Mamma, Orion Mellett, Maurice Polk, Elmer Truax, Edith Mamma, and Grace Mamma. —Ada Decker, teacher.

BACK IN INDIA.

Miss Alice E. Wishart Tells of Her Reception upon Her Arrival at Allahabad.

Under date of December 1, 1909, Miss Alice E. Wishart writes to her parents, Hon. and Mrs. S. P. Wishart, and tells of the hearty welcome she received upon her arrival at Allahabad, India, to continue her work as a missionary, and from the letter we are permitted to publish the following:

"Here I am, safe and sound, in dear old Allahabad again. It does not seem as if I had been gone more than a month—everything is so natural.

"Our Conference was postponed; so I came on at once from Almednagar, and as my train was two hours late, I did not get here until 2 o'clock Sunday morning. Miss Bertsch met me at Chooki, a little station some miles out of Allahabad. Shalyadi was at the station waiting to greet us; and when we drove up to the gates—lo and behold! the whole place was illuminated with dozens and dozens of tiny lights; and gaily decorated with flags and paper chains, Japanese lanterns, and triumphal arches. 'Welcome' was spelled out in little lights on the hedge, and the gardener had arranged his chrysanthemums as floral decorations. Some fire works were put off, and the girls were all out to wish me welcome. Miss Bertsch had some hot coffee and cake for me before I went to bed at 3, and, altogether, I feel very happy. I arose at 6:30 and went to Hipdustani church at 7:30, and renewed old acquaintances with the Indian Christian community.

"My room and everything is in excellent order. Miss Byrne, about whom I told you before coming away, is a charming English girl, keeping house for us and paying board, but receives no pay from the Society. She is not strong, however, and we fear she will not stay more than a month longer.

"Yesterday I went over all the work and workers conversationally with Miss Bertsch, and investigated all the house, compound and buildings, besides making six calls.

"We sleep out on the veranda at night, as we like the air which is cold enough. I sleep under two blankets and a comfort. In three months from now it will be hot enough.

"I had stacks of nice welcoming letters from our Nissij friends and several telegrams; but though they were sent to Bombay, I did not get them until I arrived here.

"I am going up to Fatehpur at 4:45 to-day, and will write more if I get back before mail day.

"I have made most of my calls on Missionaries and Indian Christians between work hours. I feel so well and energetic that it is difficult to hold in and not do, and do, and do! But I know I must husband my strength some what, if I mean to keep it and have it last.

"Several of the schools, knowing that I was going to visit them, had their schoolrooms decorated and special little welcome exercises—bless their hearts!

"At one high caste school, all the children had on their gayest clothes, and bright colors enough to dazzle one's eyes. On my entrance, two small brownies presented me with garlands of jassa mine blossoms, which I had to wear, and a huge bouquet of flowers. In another the room was decorated with bright colored paper chains with "In the Honor of your Visit," in large letters printed on a blackboard, and before I could be seated, they all arose and bowing low, said in one voice, 'Salam to you, dear Miss Sahiba; welcome back to India, and may you be blessed!' Then each with a colored paper flag in hand, sang a song in which they were raised and waved at certain words."

TUBERCULOSIS SUFFERERS.

State Aid Through the Department of Health Dispensaries, Reaching the Really Needy. Facts Particularly Gratifying.

That the State aid extended to tuberculous sufferers through the Department of Health dispensaries is reaching the really needy is evidenced by careful statistics that Health Commissioner Dixon has just compiled.

These statistics which are based upon a total of 9,363 patients examined at the dispensaries, of whom 6,728 were found to have tuberculosis, during a period of seventeen months ending December 31, 1908, show that the average family income in the homes from which these patients came was \$24.63 per month. The average number of persons in the family was 4.38 and the average per capita income \$5.60.

"These facts are particularly gratifying," said Dr. Dixon today. "With the thousands of tuberculous patients whom we are asked to help it is quite possible that occasionally the State's charity is imposed upon. We are fully justified, however, by the tabulated records, in drawing the conclusion that the really needy poor among Pennsylvania's unfortunate victims of tuberculosis are the ones that are being helped, just as the law making the appropriation contemplated."

An interesting study of the possible source of infection can be made from the dispensary statistics. In 2,404 cases, there was reason to believe that the disease was contracted in the home from another member of the family. This shows how important is the work which the visiting nurses of the dispensaries are doing in teaching the members how to guard against being infected by one of the family who has the disease.

In 474 cases the possible source of infection was a fellow employee. Fully alive to the danger from this source the State Department of Health has communicated direct with all the large employers of labor throughout the State, urging the necessity of frequent medical inspection and calling attention to the State's dispensaries where suspected cases among the poor will be examined at any time free.

Letter of Thanks.

Fort Adams, R. I.—I wish through the NEWS to thank my many Fulton county friends who so kindly remembered me on my birthday—the 7th of January. It was a delightful surprise when on the 6th and 7th every mail brought in birthday cards, some of which were from old friends, who had almost been forgotten, but how vividly their cards recall to my memory the days gone by—of their bright sunny faces and kindly leading hands.

The names of the persons from whom cards have been received to date, are as follows:

Lewis, Mrs. S. F., Lee S., Merl L., George, and Elmer V. Mellett; Harry, Geo. C., Mrs. Ella, Lenora, Olive, and Dessie Deshong; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. R. Hoop, Ella and Dottie Hoop, H. E. Wink, Mack Chesnut and wife, Ada Decker; Reynolds, Ira and Peter Forner; Mrs. Lucia Forner, Urn or Truax, Ada Barton, Sebort Barton, Miss Mollie Skiles, and Miss Emma Kirby.

Thanking you all for remembering the Soldier Boy up here in little Rhode with the temperature only six degrees below zero. I am your well wisher,

Pvt. HOOP,
129 Co. C. A. C.,
Fort Adams, R. I.

An advertisement of a nursing bottle printed in a Canadian news paper concluded with the following: "When the baby is done drinking it must be unscrewed and laid in a cool place under a tap. If the baby does not thrive on such milk, it should be boiled."

RECORD OF DEATHS.

Persons Well Known to Many of Our Readers, Who Have Answered Final Summons.

ALL SEASONS ARE THINE, O DEATH.

KERLIN.

Mrs. Elizabeth J. Kerlin, wife of John M. Kerlin, died at their home about a mile and a half northwest of Knobsville, on Friday, January 14, 1910, aged 55 years, 11 months, and 26 days. The immediate cause of her death was pneumonia, and she was sick about two weeks. The funeral took place on Sunday, services being conducted by Rev. Bryner, of McConnellsburg, and interment was made in the cemetery at Knobsville.

Mrs. Kerlin's maiden name was Brubaker, and she is survived by one brother, William, near Fort Littleton, and by four sisters Mary, wife of Dr. David Chesnut, and Lila, wife of Geo. W. Chesnut—both residing near Hancock, Md.; Laura, Mrs. Harrison Locke, Selea, Huntingdon county; and Celia, keeping house for her brother William. Besides her husband, she leaves five children: Cloyd, William, Herbert, and Jessie, wife of Milton Shade, Saltillo, Pa., and Bessie, wife of Geo. Glunt, near Knobsville.

Mrs. Kerlin was a good woman—a faithful wife, a loving mother, and a kind neighbor.

DOYLE.

Clarence M. Doyle, son of William and Lucy (Nangle) Doyle, died at the home of his parents, in the East Extension, McConnellsburg, Pa., Tuesday morning, January 18, 1910, aged 21 years, 9 months, and 17 days. On the 21st day of December, Clarence went to bed with typhoid fever; and, although he had careful medical attention, and was thought to be convalescing, bold hives made their appearance, and his heart was not strong enough to perform its work.

The funeral took place at ten o'clock this morning, services being conducted by Rev. and interment was made in Union cemetery. Clarence was a steady, industrious boy, and was popular among his companions. His parents and brothers have the sincere sympathy of the community in this sad bereavement. Besides his parents, he is survived by the following brothers; Edward, in Philadelphia; Ernest, in Washington, D. C.; Charles, in Chambersburg; John and Albert, in McConnellsburg, and Harvey in Altoona.

CHESNUT.

A telegram Monday brought the tidings of the death of Dr. David Chesnut, a well known citizen of the lower end of the County. The telegram did not give the date of the Doctor's death, nor did it tell anything of the causes that led to his death.

Dr. Chesnut was a dentist and practiced his profession for many years. He was a son of the late Major George Chesnut, and a brother of George W. Chesnut, who resides on the public road between Warfordsburg and Hancock. Two sisters are living, namely, Alice, wife of Judge Lemuel Kirk, of Bethel township, and Elizabeth, widow of the late John M. Hedding, residing near Pittsburg.

Mrs. Chesnut's maiden name was Brubaker, and she is a sister of John M. Kerlin's wife, a notice of whose death appears in this issue of the NEWS.

Besides his wife, a son, David Chesnut, Jr., living in Hancock, and a daughter, Miss Mabel, who lives at home, survive.

The funeral took place on Tuesday, and while we have not any definite information as to the place of interment, we presume his remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at Tonoloway.

HANN.

After an illness of about eight

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Absolute Divorce Granted J. Milton Unger and Annie E. Unger.

Rule on heirs in the estate of John G. Charlton presented and H. B. Hill appointed trustee to sell same.

The case of Geo. F. Keefer vs. Rowe Mellett, which was tried at the October session, and a motion for a new trial filed came up for argument and was argued by the defendant's attorney, Chas. Walter, and the court overruled the motion.

In the divorce case of J. Milton Unger vs. Annie E. Unger. The report of the master was presented and read, and on motion of Attorney Kirk the court granted an absolute divorce.

In the matter of the rule on the Overseers of the Poor, of McConnellsburg in reference to the care and keeping of Frank Lindsay was presented and M. R. Shaffner, Esq., was appointed to take testimony. The question is whether Frank Lindsay belongs to the Borough or to Todd township.

The petition of Mrs. May Glunt for an order allowing her to take out of court her share of the estate of Daniel Mock, deceased, presented and order allowed.

A Town Reading Club.

At the urgent advice of Dr. Woodruff, at the Teachers' Institute, an attempt is being made to start a Reading Club, or Circle. Toward this end, a meeting will be held in the schoolhouse, on Tuesday evening, January 25th, at 7 o'clock. This meeting is open to all who wish to better themselves by earnest work along literary lines. Let us give our best moral and practical support to this effort.

A New Feed.

C. J. Brewer and Geo. A. Comer, two of the Cove's enterprising farmers, have coming a carload of Buffalo Gluten Feed, which is not yet all sold, and any one wishing to give this feed a trial may have a chance by applying early to either of the above named gentlemen. The price is \$31.50 a ton at Mercersburg station, and \$34 a ton delivered here. Buffalo Gluten Feed is a scientific preparation of corn, and possesses about twice the feeding value of wheat bran. This feed is introduced to the farmers of this county because it is believed to be a good thing, and without any profit on the part of Messrs. Brewer and Comer.

days of pneumonia, Miss Mary Ellen Hann died on Monday, January 10, 1910, at the residence of Robert Gallagher near Harrisonville, Pa. Miss Hann was born, and lived all her life, near Saluvia, Pa., she was the oldest child of James and Barbara Hann, deceased. The funeral took place Tuesday, and the services were conducted by her pastor Rev. L. W. McGarvey of the M. E. Church. Interment in the M. E. cemetery at Greenhill. Miss Hann is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Scott S., Webster Mills, Pa.; Reuben, Frederick City, Md.; James, Saltillo, Pa.; Mrs. Rebecca, wife of John Barber, Altoona, Indiana; Mrs. Maria Haulman, in Franklin county; Miss Abbie, Atlantic City, N. J.; Lottie, wife of Wm. Snively, Lakeside Park, Altoona, Pa. She was aged 69 years, 4 months and 29 days.

FIX.

Edith Pauline, youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Fix, of Licking Creek township, this county, died of pneumonia, on Tuesday the 11th, inst., aged 1 year and 4 months, and was laid to rest at Bethlehem cemetery on Thursday the 18th at 11 o'clock. The child had been sick only about two weeks. Rev. McGarvey and Henry Wolf conducted the funeral services.

NORTH DAKOTA.

Interesting Letter From Mr. David Robinson, Formerly of Burnt Cabins.

NAMELESS, N. D., Jan. 2.—I notice by the label on my paper that it is about the o'clock to send you another dollar; and while I am at it, I will send a little letter for my Pennsylvania friends.

When I came here, this part of North Dakota was a vast prairie, and grazed by thousands of head of stock—both cattle and sheep. I have bought right out of the herds the fattest beef I ever saw; and that, too, without an ounce of grain ever having been fed. But the last few years, has wrought a wonderful change. On the face of that same prairie, is now seen well cultivated farms, upon which thousands upon thousands of bushels of grain are grown every year. It is almost impossible to realize that a country could advance to the point that this has, in a little more than four years. Hundreds of farms here were located by widows and single ladies, and all to the very great advantage financially of these same women.

I know men here that did not have a dollar in the world when they came, and who worked upon the ranches to raise a stake with which to file a claim, that are now worth three thousand dollars. Others that came here with a few hundred dollars, are worth now as many thousands.

While there is big pay yet in locating on government land, one has to make many sacrifices, and endure many hardships, before he can begin to reap the reward of his venture. This looks at tractive, but I have seen women who had started in to win a farm in this way, break down and cry like children. It often happens that the claim taken is five or six miles away from the nearest neighbor. As you get six months after filing, to go on your claim, many persons wait until the end of the six months, while others will go on at once, build a little shack, and begin to improve the property.

Part of this country is beautiful land; then parts are rolling. We have in sight what is called "Bad Lands" a great portion of which is fit for nothing but grazing and lignite coal. While timber is scarce, there is coal in abundance. I bought my coal at the mines for \$1.50 a load, and could haul two loads home a day. Lumber is worth from \$36 to \$40 a thousand. So you see that it costs something to build here.

The cost of living is high here as elsewhere. I paid 30 cents for a pint of raspberries. Everything you buy here is about double what it costs in Pennsylvania. Butter 40 cents a pound; eggs about the same as there.

We had a nice fall, and very little snow up to Christmas when it snowed about five inches.

We do not have the snow here that they do in the eastern part of the State. We are plowing in the spring, when they are sleighing back there.

While I write, my mind wanders back to the old home place where I was born, and now I would like to see the many friends I left behind me, when I left Pennsylvania for the West.

O, by-the-way, what has become of Burnt Cabins that no one sends the NEWS any news? If you just knew how much good it would do us fellows away out here in the West, you would get busy.

DAVID ROBINSON,
Nameless,
McKenzie Co., N. Dak.

Four Eclipses.

The year 1910 will be marked by four eclipses—two of the sun and two of the moon. Both eclipses of the moon will be visible in America, but both of the sun will be invisible. The first total eclipse of the moon will occur on Monday, May 23, and the second will be on Wednesday, November 16.

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 Mary Pittman has returned to her home in this place, after spending a few weeks with friends and relatives in Gettysburg and vicinity.

Miss Harriet Alexander, who had been spending several weeks in the home of her brother, Drug gist W. A. Alexander, in Everett, has returned to her home in McConnellsburg.

Ernest Doyle, of Washington, D. C., proprietor of two of the leading barber shops in the Capitol City, spent Sunday and Monday in this place on account of the illness of his brother Clarence. Ernest was accompanied from Chambersburg by his uncle, Mr. McClure, of that town.

Mrs. W. D. Myers and son Horace, of Hancock, Md., drove to McConnellsburg in a sleigh last Saturday, remained until Monday in the home of Mrs. Myers' brother, George W. Hays, when they returned home. The sleighing was fine, and they enjoyed the trip very much.

Rev. and Mrs. John M. Diehl, of this place, left Monday for Berkeley Springs, where Mr. Diehl will conduct a series of evangelistic services for a period of ten days, in the church where he did his first preaching when he entered the ministry. In consequence of Mr. Diehl's absence there will not be any preaching in the Presbyterian church in this place next Sunday. Next Sunday a week Mr. Diehl will preach at Greenhill in the morning and in town in the evening.

The Mitchell Tailoring Co.

While the Mitchell Tailoring Company is not a McConnellsburg enterprise, and was not organized with a view to driving McConnellsburg tailors out of business, it is made up of McConnellsburg boys—boys who were born in McConnellsburg, learned the art of making clothes that fit in McConnellsburg, and like many another, went out into the wide world and found that they were equipped to win against all comers and goers. The Mitchell Tailoring Co. is located in the city of Mitchell, North Dakota, and is composed of Sam Goldsmith and Robbie McDonald.

A Happy New Year.

If a happy home is the brightest spot on earth that the eye of God looks down upon, it certainly was to be found at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Deavor, in Taylor township, on New Year's Day, when Mrs. Deavor's brothers came to spend the day with her. They came in two large sleds, and brought the children along.

There was Grandma King, Samuel King and wife, of North Dakota; Ross King and wife, of Loudig; Albert King, wife and children, of Altoona; William King and wife, and Abram King, of North Dakota; Mrs. George King and daughter Pauline, of Hiram; Myrtle and Margaret Price; William Deavor, wife and sons Harry and Oscar; and Nellie Curran, teacher of Wintergreen school, No. 5.

They were entertained by both vocal and instrumental music, rendered by Nellie Curran and Mrs. George King.

The announcement for dinner was then given, and to which every one did justice to the occasion, feeling that it was good to be there. After dinner there was more music, and later in the afternoon ice cream was served to the crowd. Then they all took their departure to their homes just as the stars were peeping through the blue.