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CHANCE TO MAKE MONEY.

Prof. H. A. Surface Throws Out a Few Pointers for Some One with a Little Enterprise.

SPRAYING AS A BUSINESS.

There is a demand in every agricultural district for some enterprising person to take hold of the spraying business and thereby establish himself in a profitable means of livelihood. A leading manufacturer of Central Pennsylvania recently asked for the opinion of Professor H. A. Surface, the State Zoologist, in regard to this matter, and the following is what the professor wrote in reply:

"I agree with you that there is considerable profit in operating a spraying outfit. The great difficulty seems to be that while the incidental cost of spraying is not great, persons who would be willing to do the work, at a net profit of from three to five dollars per day, do not have money to buy the outfit. There are many laborers who would consider this excellent wages, and would be quite willing to do the spraying but do not have the means. Yet a man with money, and established in other business, will not attempt to make a business of spraying trees for hardly any price. It must be acknowledged that it is very disagreeable work, yet I think it no worse than that of an engineer or fireman, and not as bad as mining and a great deal of other work done readily by people in this State. I have for some time advocated a good public spraying outfit operating in each township in the State, and I am satisfied that if it be done by one who understands his business, and who is careful to do it right, thus obtaining good results, it would continue to be mutually profitable to all persons concerned.

"I know of no one in your locality who is doing this, although in some parts of the State it is now being done with gratifying results. I could take the average orchard and spray it for half of the excess profits above what the owner has been receiving by the old method, and could make considerable for me and for him also in the way of absolutely clear profit. This is real value production, because there are more and better fruits on sprayed trees than on those that are unsprayed.

"The outfit for this purpose should consist of a good power pump and two long leads of hose with nozzles, and also a boiling kettle and a cart for pulling the apparatus. A one-horse wagon would do for this. The best power for such a pump would doubtless be a gasoline engine, but I would certainly recommend nothing less than a horizontal cylinder pump working by a vertical lever that would have a horizontal swing or, in other words, swing to and fro, instead of up and down. The hose should be heavy, three-ply hose with at least thirty feet to each lead, and each carrying two good nozzles, like the "Mistry Junior," "Friend" or the "Brown". The boiling kettles may be ordinary galvanized iron, or even large sized washtubs.

"The charges are sometimes by the day, sometimes by the gallon, and often by the tree. I know of one man who charges from 10 to 75 cents per tree, according to the size. The latter price includes pruning. It seems to me that a proper method of establishing a charge would be for the operator to try it, and keep a record of the amount and value of material, and the value of the investment, and also his own time, and charge such an amount as will allow him a fair profit, when these features are all considered. It is certain in my mind that spraying is one of the occupations that will give really good profitable returns, both to the employer and the employee.

STATE MODEL ORCHARDS.

Farmers and Fruit-growers to be Shown Methods and Taught Principles of Orchard Management.

The residents of this county are about to be shown the most approved methods of horticultural management and suppression of insects pests and fungous diseases that damage and destroy fruits and trees.

Next Monday afternoon, April 11th, a public demonstration will be given in Mr. John B. Runyan's orchard on the south side of McConnellsburg, at which will be present at least two experts from the Division of Zoology of the Department of Agriculture, and, in all probability, Prof. Surface, himself.

A section of the orchard in which this public meeting will be held will be conducted as a permanent Model Orchard and trees will be pruned, sprayed, and perhaps planted, insect pests and fungous diseases identified, different types of apparatus shown, and lectures delivered and questions answered. Everybody interested in fruit culture and in saving the trees from injury, whether by insects or diseases, should attend the meeting, and, also, take with him specimens of pests for identification. It is understood that any questions asked as to such pests and on orchard management will be cheerfully answered.

Should the weather prove unfavorable the meeting will be postponed to the following day.

Where Will It End.

"Prices of necessities will never again be as low as they were a few years ago," say some of the eminent gentlemen who have given some thought to the subject, and who assume to speak with authority. If that is the case, then it would appear that the sooner the Malthusian theory is put into practice the better. It would seem that what the country needs is more race suicide, not less; and that teeming population is a country's weakness, not its strength. "The supply is no longer equal to the demand," say the people who are getting the high prices. Therefore the only remedy is to reduce the demand to the level of supply. That cannot be done so long as the population mounts upward by natural increase and by the addition of a million immigrants annually. What refuge is there except in the theory of Malthus? It is a drastic remedy, but nobody suggests a better.

"Prices of foods are not only excessive but outrageous. Beef and butter are very high, but beef is topped by that luxury of the table which was once the poorest of the feast—litch, reincarnated as bacon—which commands thirty cents the pound. Recollect that when you speak of bacon you must say "the" pound, which is more hifalutin than "a" pound, and therefore more correct in this connection. Ham is thirty cents a pound, too, but not so exclusive as litch—that is, bacon. Not many years ago a good-sized roe had could be purchased for thirty or thirty-five cents. Now you will pay that much for the roe alone, and the shad without the roe will cost twice as much more. A few years ago a young chicken could be bought for twenty-five or thirty cents. Anybody that wants one now must pay a dollar. Clams, once ten cents a dozen, are now twenty cents. It is so with everything, down to and including even ordinary food products.

If this thing keeps up much longer most of us will want to turn grafters in order that the State will have to support us. Where is it going to end? Has the Republican party lost its long boasted pull with heaven?—Harrisburg Independent.

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Wentzell—Fisher.

A quiet wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David F. Hirsh, York, Pa., on Tuesday, March 29, 1910, when Miss Ahsah E. Fisher, formerly of this county, became the bride of Mr. George A. Wentzell, of Elmer, N. J.

The ceremony was performed in the presence of the family and a few intimate friends, by the Rev. Dr. A. E. Steck, of Union Lutheran church, York, Pa.

After the serving of an elegant wedding breakfast, the happy couple boarded the afternoon train for Philadelphia, and thence to their new home.

The groom conducted a stove and tin store during the last seventeen years until very recently, when he sold out and has moved upon a small farm two and one-half miles from Elmer, N. J., where an open door and a hearty welcome awaits any Fulton county friends.

The Fulton County NEWS joins in extending congratulations.

Successful Fur Dealer.

During the last five months of the fur season, Bert Winegardner, of Clear Ridge, one of the largest dealers of furs in the county, handled furs as follows: 9 mink, 123 musk rat, 5 gray fox, 21 raccoon, 2 house cat, 30 opossum, and, 212 skunk—making a total of 402 hides, amounting in dollars and cents to \$572.33.

Mr. Winegardner says that Bert Shore was the luckiest skunk hunter, he getting five No. 1 in one hole, for which he received \$17.50—a pretty good day's wages. Harry Winegardner and his brother Robert got ten out of one hole, but not all No. 1's.

Trappers will not make any mistake next season in selling their catch to Bert, as he pays a price that it is better to take than the risk of holding them.

NEW GRENADA.

Roy Bolinger and wife, of Robertsdale, are visiting Mrs. Bolinger's parents, George Shafer and wife.

James F. McClain and son Jay have returned home from a trip to Youngstown, O.

Mrs. Alice Weaver left this place for Saltville last week.

Mrs. Margaret Houp has moved into part of Jacob Crider's house.

Oscar Houck moved from Wells Valley to M. W. Houck's farm in Coles Valley.

Alice, a little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Alloway, has been on the sick list during the past week.

Mr. Yocum, a Carlisle attorney, was a visitor here.

Upon examining his bees last Saturday, James Keith found that out of a colony of 36 skeps, 23 were dead as last year's birds nests. Mr. Keith cannot account for the loss unless it resulted from their feeding too much on honey-dew last season.

Mr. Ephraim Yinging, of Shore Valley, mention of whose illness has appeared in these items before, died at his home last Friday evening, after an illness of nine weeks, of tuberculosis and dropsy, during which time he was a great sufferer. A widow, four daughters, and two sons, are left to mourn the death of a kind husband and father. Rev. Dean, of the United Brethren church, Three Springs, conducted the funeral services, and interment was made in Oak Grove cemetery. That "trouble never comes single" is abundantly verified in this case; for during Mr. Yinging's nine weeks of sickness, his aged mother, and his wife's mother—both died; and his own daughter lay very low with pneumonia. The sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved family. Mr. Yinging was aged 47 years, 1 month, and 27 days.

RECORD OF DEATHS.

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

ALL SEASONS ARE THINE, O DEATH.

GOODMAN.

David Rittenhouse Goodman, named for Governor Rittenhouse, died at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Morgret in Ayr township on Monday evening at the advanced age of 87 years, 3 months, and 4 days. Funeral took place yesterday afternoon and interment was made in the cemetery at the Big Cove Tannery Lutheran church.

"Old Dave" as he has been called for the last fifty years, came to the Cove before the War; and after the death of his mother many years ago, he lived the life of a hermit in a little cabin in the "Knob" near Webster Mills. On account of advancing years, it was not considered right to allow him to stay there alone, and about ten years ago he was placed in the home of Mr. Morgret, and the expenses of his keeping paid by the poor authorities.

Mr. Goodman was an eccentric character, dressing very plainly, allowing his hair to grow long, and never applying a razor to his face. While he was never considered as being well balanced mentally, he possessed a remarkable memory, and could recall with certainty facts that had occurred a generation ago, and locate the date with precision. He was a lover of truth, and had the utmost contempt for a liar. The teachers and pupils in town and the Cove of a quarter of a century ago will recall the visits of Davy to the schools. Without being formally announced, he would go into the school room, take his seat by the stove, and perhaps proceed to take a smoke. Then, if the teacher wanted to make Davy's visit pleasant to Davy, and interesting to the children, he just asked Davy to sing a song for the school. He did not need the second invitation, and it usually took more skill on the part of the teacher to bring his entertainment to a successful close.

Davy had many good qualities, and will be kindly remembered by those who knew him.

ZIMMERMAN.

After an illness of nearly four weeks, Jacob S. Zimmerman died at his late home in the Little Cove on the 25th ult. He had been in the enjoyment of good health, when he was suddenly stricken with typhoid fever, and did not possess the necessary vitality to withstand the attack. Mr. Zimmerman was born on the 12th day of December, 1837, and lived to see many years of usefulness, being held in high esteem by all who knew him. His funeral was largely attended. Some of those present from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Reischer and Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Brewer, of McConnellsburg; R. J. McCandlish and Harry Creager, of Hancock, and Mrs. Hankey, of near Frederick, Md.

COOK.

Mrs. Amanda J. Cook died at her home in Dublin township, about eight o'clock last Saturday morning, aged 73 years and 16 days. The funeral, conducted by Rev. C. W. Bryner, of the Methodist Episcopal church, took place Monday, and interment was made at Knobsville.

During the earlier part of her life the deceased was a member of the M. E. church, and she was a good neighbor, a kind and indulgent mother, and she will be greatly missed in the community in which she had lived so long.

She is survived by six children namely, Enos and Howard, married and living at Williamsburg, Blair county; Lewis, living near Burnt Cabins, and Horace, Elma, and Irvin, at home.

The bereaved children have the

His 66th Birthday.

For more than forty years, Eld. Calvin L. Funk, a clergyman of the Primitive Baptist church, has labored faithfully in the lower part of this county, as well as serving congregations in Virginia and West Virginia. Unlike pastors in most other churches, the Old Baptist preacher starts out on his year's labors without the promise of any definite sum for support; he goes forth on the theory that the laborer is worthy of his hire, and is content with the thought that he is worthy to be an ambassador of the King of kings, and with whatever of temporal reward may be found in the passing round of the hat.

He never neglects an opportunity to mingle his tears with the sorrowing, to officiate in the last sad rites to the departed, as well as to participate in the joys incident to wedding festivities. The weather is never too inclement for him to travel miles to fill a preaching appointment, or to attend a funeral.

It was on the 29th day of March that our good brother Funk was at his home in Belfast township. His mind was busy with recollections of the past, brought to mind all the more vividly, no doubt, with the thought that he was that day passing the 66th milestone along the pathway over which his feet were treading in his journey through life. The dimmed vision, the dulled hearing, the weakened physical condition—all incident to advancing years, reminded him that he was passing down toward the sunset of life. There was no pang of regret, save that of feeling that while he had done what he could, yet he had been but a feeble instrument in God's hands. But he would not exchange the consciousness that he had thus given the best part of his life to God's service, although he had not accumulated much of this world's goods, for all the wealth of the Indies. His reflections, however, were disturbed by a gentle rap at the door, and upon opening it, there stood, with happy face, Miss Catherine Hart, of Needmore. Without any formality, she placed in the hands of the faithful minister a neat package, saying, "Mr. Funk, you will please accept this as a birthday token of the affection and esteem of the people among whom you have labored so faithfully and so long." With tears glistening in his eyes, and a strange hushiness in his throat, he received it with "Thank you, and all of them, and may the good Lord abundantly bless all of you."

Upon opening the package later, he found that it contained sixty-one good dollars.

sympathy of their many friends in the loss of a loving mother.

TAYLOR.

Mr. Harvey Taylor died early Tuesday morning of pneumonia, aged 76 years. Deceased had been ill only a few days. He is survived by his widow, daughters Mrs. Harry E. Beachley of Hagerstown, Mrs. Dr. J. E. Benson of Oakleysville, and a son Mr. J. Milton Taylor at home. Mr. Taylor was a member of the Methodist church and a prominent Republican. For a number of years the family lived on the Taylor farm west of town, but of late years they have resided in Hancock. The deceased was an uncle of F. M. Taylor of our town.

WEBSTER.

Miss Mary Webster, formerly of Mercersburg, and well known in the Big Cove, died at the home of her brother, Rev. J. C. Webster in Argyle, N. Y., on Thursday of last week, aged about fifty-nine years.

The remains, accompanied by her brother, Rev. J. C. Webster and her sister Miss Jennie of Xenia, O., reached Mercersburg last Saturday and interment was made in the cemetery at that place.

SOIL SURVEYS.

Government Scientists Will Be Busy This Summer.

Congressman Focht has received information from the Bureau of Soils, a division of the Agricultural Department, that this branch of the government will this summer make soil surveys of the counties of Fulton, Huntingdon, Juniata, Snyder and Union. Special attention will be given Franklin county in 1911.

Milton Whitney, Esq., Chief of the Bureau, writes Mr. Focht that he "thoroughly recognizes the importance of the study of the soils of this section of Pennsylvania, particularly in connection with the growing horticultural interests of the State."

Big Fire at Six Mile Run.

The little borough of Coaldale, whose postoffice name is Six Mile Run, lying right in the heart of the Broad Top coal mining region, was visited by a fire last Thursday morning that wiped out property to the amount of about \$50,000.00. The fire broke out in one of the hotels, and on account of inadequate fire protection, soon spread to adjoining property. At one time the entire town was threatened to be wiped off the map. The fire company at Huntingdon was appealed to and hastened to the unfortunate town on a special railroad train, but the local fighters had the fire well under control when the Huntingdon boys arrived, and consequently they had little to do except drown out the smoldering embers.

The hotel, which was owned by Watson Figard, is estimated to have been worth \$5,000 and the stock and fixtures to \$5,000 more. The Wender Bros. store was a total loss—the building rated at \$5,000, and the stock at \$30,000. The building and contents, occupied by Postmaster Watson M. Figard was damaged to the extent of about \$2,000. Other losses swell the total to about \$50,000.

School Report.

Report of Big Cove Tannery school for last month: Number enrolled during month, 18; those in attendance every day—Arlene Gunning, Carrie, Herman, Wesley, and Nervie Mellott, Ruth Harris, Harry and Elias Lynch, Mack Crouse, Dorothy Kirk, Mary Kirk and Ada Crouse. The six last named were present every day during term, and the last four were not once tardy.

MARY STENGER, teacher.

THOMPSON.

Bertuel Powell, of Covalt, and Miss Mamie Garver, of Plum Run, were quietly married on last Wednesday. The scribe could not learn where, or by whom they were united in marriage. They are two of Thompson's best young people, and start out on their journey with the best wishes of all their friends. They will reside on the groom's farm near Covalt, Pa.

Roy Mason recently purchased the farm known as the old Bloom property, of Moses Gordon, and moved upon it last Monday. Mr. Gordon had sale on Saturday of all his personal property, and will remove to Franklin county this week.

Mrs. B. R. Simpson spent Sunday with her daughter Mrs. Willard Latton.

Anna Comerger spent over Easter with the Misses Weller near Warren Point.

Warner Hewitt and family spent a few days the latter part of last week with relatives at Clear Spring, Md.

Thomas Snyder and son Abraham, near Sylvan, spent Friday and Saturday in Thompson.

W. H. Pittman is burning a limekiln this week.

Sunday school began at Damascus on last Sunday. Sunday school next Sunday at 9:30.

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

Anthony Mellott, of Pleasant Ridge, was in town on Tuesday.

Mr. A. J. Mellott, near town, made a trip over to Whips Cove Sunday, and returned Monday.

Miss Harriet Etemiller is spending a few weeks with relatives and friends in Mercersburg.

Mr. Geo. C. Sipes, one of Thompson township's enterprising young farmers, spent a few hours in town Monday.

Ex-Treasurer George B. Mellett and Farmer C. J. Brewer made a business trip to Chambersburg, Tuesday.

Wayne Clevenger, of Irvona, Pa., is spending his summer vacation with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Morton, near town.

Ex-County Treasurer and Mrs. John A. Henry, of Clear Ridge, were in town Monday and Tuesday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Elvey.

Mrs. M. B. Trout and daughter Irene (Mrs. E. L. Lynch) are visiting Mrs. Trout's son, Dr. N. C. Trout, at Fairfield, Adams county.

Mrs. S. B. Woollett, went up to Bedford Saturday, spent the night in the home of her brother, John R. Fisher, and returned Sunday afternoon.

Ex-Sheriff Frank Mason, a representative of the Stark Brothers' nurseries, is in Hancock, in charge of their spring delivery of fruit and ornamental trees.

Miss Minnie Mock, having closed a very successful term in the primary school at Allen, Pa., returned to her home in this place on Wednesday evening of last week.

Mr. Charles L. Richards, Lewisburg, O., is visiting his father, J. L. Richards in Ayr township, and other relatives and friends in the County. It has been three years since Charlie's last visit home.

Misses Ruth Roettger, Bess Helman, Bess Gress, Bess Raker, and Lillian DeHart, employees at Wilson Collage, Chambersburg, are home for the Easter vacation. They return to the College next week.

Harvey Clevenger, who has been spending the past winter in Pittsburg has returned home and will spend the summer with his father Mr. Hiram Clevenger, who lives near the postoffice that was named in honor of Mr. Clevenger.

David Hershey and Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Clevenger of Taylor were in town Monday closing up the deal by which the former became the owner of the Mollie Lyon farm near West Dublin. Davis is one of those industrious thrifty men that keep moving forward a little every year.

Charlie Etemiller and family of Mercersburg, spent Sunday on this side of the mountain. Mrs. Etemiller and little daughter came over to McConnellsburg Saturday, and Sunday morning Charlie drove over and took his family up to Knobsville, where they spent a few hours with Mrs. Etemiller's parents, and they returned to Mercersburg Sunday evening.

Mrs. Melvin E. Bobb and her little daughter Scottanna, went out to Saluvia Tuesday, after having spent a week visiting in the home of the former's aunt, Mary Daniels, in this place. We say her little daughter—and her daughter is little—she is not as big as her mother, of course, but the child is only eight months old and weighs twenty-five pounds—and just as good as she can be.