

**INTERESTING PARAGRAPHS**

Local and General Interest, Gathered at Home or Clipped from our Exchanges.

**CONDENSED FOR HURRIED READERS**

Blank notes at the NEWS office.

Will Sprowl, of Wells Tannery, called at the NEWS office a few minutes while in town Tuesday.

A. F. Baker and W. H. Baumgardner, of Wells Tannery, made a hurried trip to the County Seat Monday.

Willard Plessinger, who had been spending some time in Sydney, O., is at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Plessinger in Whips Cove. He was in town Tuesday a few hours.

When buying a cough medicine for children bear in mind that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is most effectual for colds, croup and whooping cough and that it contains no harmful drug. For sale by all dealers.

W. B. Ranck, of Warfordsburg, was in town attending court a day or two this week. He says the new state road has cut the distance between Warfordsburg and Hancock in half.

Miss Helen McCann Kendall youngest daughter of the late Hattie Kendall deceased of this place who went West with her mother Hattie, is at present taking a course in the College at Wooster, Ohio.

Medicines that aid nature are always most effectual. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy acts on this plan. It allays the cough, relieves the lungs, opens the secretions and aids nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition. Thousands have testified to its superior excellence. Sold by all dealers.

Mr. Geo. W. Sipe, of Wells Valley, was in town yesterday. He brought his son Charlie down to McConnellsburg to take the noon hack for Mercersburg, where he will continue his studies in the Mercersburg Academy.

George W. Fisher of Thompson township, called at the NEWS office a few minutes while in town Tuesday. It may be recalled that the NEWS told last October of the fact that Mr. Fisher had submitted to a surgical operation.

It was about that time that Mr. Fisher discovered that a tumor was forming in the lower part of his abdomen, and he went to the Pennsylvania University hospital in Philadelphia, where two incisions one of six inches in length, and one of three, were made, and the tumor—known as a "dry tumor"—about the size of a quart measure, was removed. The incisions were sewed up, and four days later Mr. Fisher was discharged from the hospital, went home, and has almost entirely recovered his former weight and is looking well. Within a circle of territory in his neighborhood whose radius is not more than a mile, during the last twelve months, Mr. Fisher says, seven persons have submitted to surgical operations in city hospitals, and all are living and well.

**Birthday Surprise.**

A very pleasant surprise party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Bain near Webster Mills last Saturday in celebration of Mr. Bain's birthday anniversary. The party included persons, namely, Miss Stella Spies, Lewis Harris, wife, and Mrs. Donald and Ernest, and A. Cheyenger and wife, of McConnellsburg; George Keefer and wife, Edward Keefer, wife and Kenneth Keefer of Sylvan; Samuel Hess and wife, Needmore; William Kendall, wife, and Esther Kendall; Huston, Lenciel, Rebecca and Frank Johnston; George Glenn and wife and Kitty Glenn; Webster Mills; William and Annie Wiley, Mrs. Aaron Morgret, W. A. Dotterman, Big Cove Tannery, and Miss Tena Harris, Waynesboro.

A sumptuous dinner was served, and a very pleasant time was had.

**Old Soldier Tortured.**

"For years I suffered unspeakable torture from indigestion, constipation and liver trouble," wrote A. K. Smith, a war veteran at Erie, Pa., "but Dr. King's New Life Pills fixed me all right. They're simply great." Try them for any stomach, liver or kidney trouble. Only 25c at Trout's drug store.

**Clear Ridge.**

Dr. and Mrs. F. K. Stevens, daughter Henrietta and son Franklin K. came to this place Saturday to remain a short time in the home of Mrs. Stevens' parents Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Henry.

Many of our young folks attended the institute at Fort Littleton Friday night. Miss Zanna Laidig teacher of school No. 8 spent from Friday evening until Sunday in the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. George Laidig near Hustontown.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Fraker, of Fort Littleton—were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Henry.

Our young folks have been enjoying the skating these winter evenings.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cromwell Sr., both past 80 years of age, returned to their home here last Friday, having been absent since last August during which time they visited their daughter Junie in Philadelphia, Lizzie in New York City, Ida and Margaret in Pittsburg. They report having had good health during their absence and returned hale and hearty.

There will be spelling at school No. 6 here on Friday night.

Jesse Bloom and wife move this week to the Baker house, that was vacated by G. C. Fields and wife who moved to the Appleby house on last Wednesday.

Mrs. Louisa Kerlin of Fort Littleton spent Tuesday in the home of Mrs. Cecelia Anderson.

R. J. and D. D. Fleming of this place spent Saturday night and Sunday with their parents at Clear Ridge.

**A Larger House.**

The proposed increase in the membership of the National House of Representatives from 391 to 433 seems to be satisfactory to the House, and we assume that it will pass. The States that receive no increase in membership are very well content not to lose any members. That is always disturbing to a State's representation. Some member has to be sacrificed in such a case, but if the old member is returned the State, thought losing in its relative strength by the increase in other States, is hardly conscious of its loss, so long as its own Representatives are not reduced in number. The States which gain by the increase in the size of the House feel that they are advancing, as they deserve, by reason of the increase in population, as there is no check on the disposition of the House to increase its membership with every census.

The forty-two members which will be added to the next House of Representatives elected should the reapportionment bill pass at this session are distributed as follows: New York State gains six members; Pennsylvania, four; California and Oklahoma gain three members each; Illinois, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Texas and Washington, two members each, and sixteen States gain one member each, while twenty-one States make no increase whatever. If two Representatives are given to New Mexico and one to Arizona, it will bring the House of Representatives up to 436 members, with no prospects of further change for a decade.

As a protection against a highly overgrown House, it will be wise for Congress to limit the size of future Houses and direct each Director of Census to apportion Representatives to agree with that size, according to the population of the several States ascertained at each census. This is the only safe course, as it requires the exercise of too much self denial for members themselves to make an apportionment that reduces the number of Representatives from their State and imperils their own seat.—Philadelphia Press.

**Clear Ridge.**

Jan. 4.—G. Cleve Fields our new huckster made a trip over his new route last week.

Jesse Heefner, wife and daughter Olive were recent guests of A. J. Fraker and wife.

L. H. Grove returned from Pittsburg on Friday, highly pleased with his trip.

Miss Frances Irene Kerlin and Masters Otis and Vernon spent Saturday and Sunday with their sister Blanche Mrs. Bert Henry of the Cove.

Mrs. A. J. Fraker has been suffering with a severe cold the past week.

Miss Minnie, G. Grove and Master Searle Grove spent Saturday and Sunday with J. Madden and wife of Meadow Gap.

Miss Edna Kerlin is spending some time with Grant Anderson and wife of Maddensville.

Miss Sadie Fields spent the past week with her sister Mrs. Andrew Laidig of Hustontown.

Mrs. E. S. Nead, Mrs. J. A. Henry, Mrs. Geo. Miller, Mrs. N. B. Henry, C. L. Henry, Master Willis Henry and Miss Mildred Henry spent last Thursday at a quilting party in the home of David Fraker and wife at Fort Littleton.

G. C. Fields and wife moved to our village this week from the Baker property.

Mrs. J. W. Mower who had been suffering with lagrippe is better.

Mrs. Justus Fields spent the holidays with her sister Mrs. John Miller of Dane.

The worst thing is to make poultry drink ice cold water; chills them clear thru. They must warm that water before the work of digestion can go on again. Warm the water for them—not hot, but just comfortably warm.

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[This communication was intended for last week's NEWS, but became entangled in the mails, and did not reach the McConnellsburg postoffice until 9 o'clock, Wednesday evening—too late for the paper.—Editor.]

Elmer Anderson and wife, of Kearney, spent New Years with the latter's parents, J. R. Lockard and wife. Mrs. Anderson will remain a few days, as she is not well, and wants to be near Dr. Campbell.

Mrs. J. M. Schenck left on Monday for a two weeks visit with relatives at Bedford, Altoona and Johnstown.

Miss Bessie Willet left for Windber on Sunday to begin work on Monday.

Glover Horton left for Philadelphia last Saturday.

Miss Jessie Cunningham, after spending the holidays with her mother, returned to Altoona on Sunday.

Geo. S. Edwards has gone back to Philadelphia.

D. W. C. Cunningham left for Carlisle Tuesday to resume work at Dickinson College.

A. G. Edwards and family spent a day with their daughter, Mrs. W. H. Barnett at Minersville, last week.

Bernard Berkstresser has been housed up with whooping cough and mumps for the last few weeks.

A. D. Berkstresser went to Saxton Tuesday and returned Wednesday.

Harry Edwards expects to go to Philadelphia this week to seek employment and visit his aunt.

The family of Charles DeShong are all getting better of typhoid fever. It is to be hoped none of the rest of the family will take it.

Mrs. Rebecca Edward who had been spending the winter in Altoona is at present visiting her brother T. S. Dickson in Philadelphia.

Jan. 10.—A heavy thunderstorm passed over the Valley Sunday evening followed by very high winds.

Edith and Pauline Anderson have pneumonia at the home of their grandparents J. R. Lockard and wife.

Austin Stevens' children have whooping cough and are quite poorly.

Our postmistress is on the sick list with a bad cold.

L. E. Cunningham, J. M. and C. E. Schenck attended the funeral of Gilbert McIntyre, Jr., last Sunday.

Roy Shater was elected substitute No. 3 school until Miss Lodge, who was hurt by being thrown from a sleigh, is able to take the reins again.

**SCHOOL REPORT.**

Report of Big Cove Tannery school for the fourth month. Number enrolled, 25; average attendance during the month, 23; present every day during the month, Ada Crouse, Carrie Melrott, Dorothy Kirk, Edna Mellott, Mary Kirk, Ruth Harris, Dewey Smith, Harry Lynch, Teddy Melrott and Wesley Mellott.—Mary Stenger, teacher.

Start up the trap nests. They are invaluable in pointing out the productive hens as well as the drones. They make it possible, by picking out the poor layers, to get more eggs from a fewer number of hens. That is economy—it saves feed and it gives the workers more room.

Many hens never know what it is to be comfortable from one end of the winter to the other, except on a day when it thaws. You cannot expect hens to do well under such conditions. To do well they must be comfortable.

WEDNESDAY, February 15.—The heirs of the estate of George Hohman, late of Ayr township, deceased, will sell at the late residence of the decedent, south of Cito, in Ayr township, horses, cattle, hogs, sheep, farming implements, &c. Sale will begin at 10 o'clock. A. L. Wible, Anct.

TUESDAY, March 7, C. M. Ray, having bought a farm and being obliged to reduce his stock, will sell at his residence on the Patterson farm, 2 miles southwest of McConnellsburg, horses, cattle, hogs, farming implements, &c. Sale begins at 10 o'clock.—A. L. Wible, Auctioneer.

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THURSDAY March 16, R. W. Wagner intending to quit farming, will sell at his residence on the Charlie McGehee farm, now owned by S. R. Lann, 1 mile north of Burnt Cabins on Shade Gap road, 4 horses, 2 mules, 23 head of cattle, 31 hogs, farming implements of all kinds, hay, household goods, &c. Credit 1 year. Sale begins at 10 o'clock sharp. A. L. Wible, Auctioneer.

FRIDAY, March 17th, W. M. Lathers, intending to remove from the County, will sell at his residence on the Sam Widney farm 1 mile east of Burnt Cabins, live stock, farming implements, hay, grain, household goods, etc. Sale will begin at 12 o'clock, noon. A. L. Wible, auctioneer.

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No. 3—12.50 p. m. (week days) Little Orleans, Old Town, Cumberland, Ekins and west. Vestibule train with observation buffet car.

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