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AVOID LOSS BY HESSIAN FLY.

A Very Important and Timely Article Giving the Results of Years of Investigation by State Zoologist H. A. Surface.

A Northumberland county farmer who has suffered with thousands of other in the eastern half of Pennsylvania from the unusually severe destruction of the wheat crop by the Hessian fly, wrote to the state zoologist at Harrisburg, saying:

"Our wheat was almost entirely destroyed by Hessian fly this season. Can the same ground and that which is near be safely sown to wheat this season?"

The reply of Professor Surface is as follows:

"The loss from the Hessian fly this year was, indeed, very considerable throughout the entire eastern part of Pennsylvania. Some fields which would have yielded from thirty to forty bushels per acre, are at this time by actual threshing measure, averaging only three bushels per acre. The loss by this pest alone in this state will amount to many hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Some years ago I commenced a series of investigations on the Hessian fly, and have continued them with the greatest care. I learned that some years the fly is more abundant, and in others much less abundant, but never entirely absent. I also proved that at the latitude and altitude of Harrisburg in those fields where wheat was sown before the 25th of September, there is danger of the fall brood of the fly being present and very destructive.

There are two distinct broods or generations per year in this state. The fall brood passes the winter in what is known as the flaxseed stage, and from this in the spring comes forth the winged fly, which lays its eggs near the basal parts of the wheat, and from these hatch the spring brood, which causes the wheat to break down or become strawfall. Owing to the badly broken condition of the straw this year, many farmers entirely abandoned their binders, and cut their wheat with mowers because they could cut it lower with these implements. It was then raked together and handled like hay.

Nearly all the flies remain in the field in the stubble. Very few are taken into the barn with the straw for the reason that they do not live high enough in the straw to be cut off with the sickle. It is a good plan either to burn the stubble or to plow the field before the latter part of August. Even earlier plowing would be more sure of turning them all down. If the soil is turned over completely by the plow so that the stubble is thrown under, the fly will be destroyed. Of course, the objection to plowing or burning is that the clover or grass sown in the grain is thus destroyed. Also, it scarcely justifies one man, or even a few men in a neighborhood to do this unless all will co-operate and act in perfect unison. One single field in a township will contain enough specimens of the fly in its stubble to infest an entire township, if it were possible to spread them in every direction. Therefore, the plowing and burning is not absolutely necessary, but will prove an aid. One can have good results by other means and at the same time preserve the grass.

These other methods consist in preparing the ground and planting a trap strip, of one or more drill widths across the field, in the latter part of August. This is to act as a trap to let the fly lay its eggs during the early part and middle of September. Then about the 20th of September, it can be turned down, and the ground harrowed and reseeded.

Thus the entire field can be planted at the proper time and this strip saved as a trap to catch

SURGICAL OPERATION.

Stanley Humbert's Left Leg Amputated Above the Knee at the Maryland University Hospital.

The many friends of Stanley Humbert, aged 17 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ulysses G. Humbert of lower Ayr township, are hoping that the worst is over with Stanley and that he will speedily recover.

It has already been told in the News that Stanley had tuberculosis of the bone, and that upon the advice of his local physician he was taken about the first of June to the Maryland University Hospital, Baltimore, Md., for a surgical operation.

Upon examination by specialists at the hospital, it was found that part of the bones of his left leg below the knee were soft as cheese, and that the only possibility of checking the ravages of the disease was to amputate the leg above the knee. But the vitality of the young man was at so low an ebb, that the surgeons feared that if an operation were to be made at that time, Stanley would not rally from the shock. Hence, they set about building up his general physical condition, and on last Thursday the amputation was made, and Stanley came out in fine shape.

His friends are very hopeful now that he may soon be able to be brought home, and that his restoration to health may be perfect.

KICKED BY A HORSE.

William Buterbaugh of Ayr Township, Seriously Injured Tuesday Morning. He Was Unconscious.

William Buterbaugh, aged about 18 or 20 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Buterbaugh living in Ayr township about 2 1/2 miles south of McConnellsburg, was seriously injured early Tuesday morning by being kicked in the stomach by a horse.

William had arisen early to get a good start over the mountain with a load of bark, and while hitching his team, he met with the accident. For some time after being kicked he lay unconscious, and his parents were much alarmed and hastened a messenger for Dr. Mosser. The physician found the young man's heart very weak, but stimulants applied caused a very satisfactory response, and unless there should develop some unforeseen complications, he will likely be out of danger in a few days.

and destroy the eggs. This is advisable on a single farm, even though others do not act in accordance. In following this method it does not become very important as to whether this was a field that was in wheat this year or not. You will be ahead of the fall brood of the Hessian fly. The only trouble is, that if your neighbor should plant too early, his wheat will receive the eggs from the flies that are now in the stubble, and then if his wheat is near yours, next spring the flies will come to yours from his, and it is this spring brood that is especially destructive by making the straw break and fall, as mentioned above. Therefore co-operation in late seeding, or uniformity in this, throughout the entire section, is the keynote to the best possible method of avoiding destruction by the Hessian fly. There is no known remedy after it once enters the plant.

It is wrongly believed that the fly attacks the grains themselves. It does not work in the head of the grain. The insects doing this are quite different pests, which demand entirely different treatment in the eastern part of this state a small moth has been exceedingly destructive within the grains of wheat. For this the best possible remedy is to thresh from a field as early as possible. This has proven effective and satisfactory."

BEDFORD BUNCH HERE.

Automobile Party With Orchestra, Made Trip to McConnellsburg Last Sunday.

Last Sunday morning the weather looked good to a bunch of Bedford's enthusiastic motorists, Capt. Fred A. Metzgar, John F. McLaughlin, Patrick Hughes, Robert L. Eyan, Dr. Walter A. Enfield and D. A. Pensyl, who are tied up during the week with the cares of business, and they decided to take a day's outing and at the same time show some of their friends a good time. Besides members of their immediate families, they rounded up a dozen members of the Bedford orchestra, an organization that takes rank with the best in the State, and about nine o'clock when the machines were cranked up, and the skilful motorists had firm hold of the steering wheels, the clutches were thrown in and the cloud of dust that arose along the old turnpike showed that the party were heading toward McConnellsburg, that little town whose hotels are as famous for their good "oatins" as Bedford Springs is for its good "drinking-in's." Three hours of riding along the banks of the Blue Juniata, and the following of the turnpike across three mountains, with the incidental shaking up in crossing the numerous "thank-you-mams," and the party pulled up in front of the Fulton House in the ancient Burg.

After disposing of a good dinner, Dr. A. D. Dalbey placed the porch in front of his residence in the shady side of Water street at the disposal of the Bedford orchestra, and by the time the boys had tuned up and started off with "Nearer My God to Thee," and followed with other selections equally as good, they had an audience that expressed their appreciation in a way that made the Bedford boys feel that they were among friends.

At three o'clock, the party started on their return trip home bearing with them the good will of the McConnellsburgers and a pressing invitation to "Kum again."

The party was composed of Capt. Fred A. Metzgar and wife, Patrick Hughes and wife and nephews John and Philip Hughes, John F. McLaughlin, Wm. Shaub, Robert L. Eyan, Dr. Walter A. Enfield and son George, Daniel R. Pensyl and Edgar F. Over.

The members of the orchestra were Prof. Samuel A. Koontz, Harry O. Hafer, Espy A. Barnett, Geo. W. Koontz, T. H. Leo, G. R. Shuck, Cloyd Doty, Raymond Sammel, H. O. Weber, J. H. Weisel, Frank Shuck, and George Gephart.

Can Swing a Cradle.

Everybody in the lower end of the County knows John M. Winters, for he owns a good farm, and has lived in the township about as long as any of the rest of them. Although he was born eighty-one years ago, and has spent his entire life in active work on the farm, he is ruddy, stout and active and can lead the boys a merry chase when it comes to handling the mowing scythe or grain cradle. While his farm is equipped with improved farm machinery, he has not lost his love for swinging the cradle, and when a field is to be opened up for the binder, John M. is the lad for the job. In the recent harvest, he opened up all the fields on his own farm, and on the farm of his son George who lives near, cutting, raking, binding and shocking twenty-five dozens in a day.

Mr. Winters has led a quiet, temperate, and industrious life, and if indications go for anything, he is good to swing a cradle for many more years.

St. Paul Lutheran Sunday school, McConnellsburg has decided to hold its annual picnic Saturday, August 19th.

NAT WISHART IS DEAD.

Former Fulton County Boy Expires in Kalamazoo, Mich., Hospital. Funeral in Johnstown, Tuesday.

Nathan Hale Wishart, familiarly known here as Nat Wishart, died last Sunday afternoon at Borgess' Hospital, Kalamazoo, Mich., where he had been a patient for the past month, aged 26 years. His death was due to a complication of diseases. Mr. Wishart sold scholarships for the University of Chicago, and became ill at Kalamazoo while on business there for the Chicago institution. His sister Lenora (Mrs. George Fockler,) of Johnstown had been summoned to his bedside some two weeks ago, and was with him when death came. The deceased was a son of Dr. Henry S. Wishart and Mrs. Maria Horton Wishart, and was born at Harrisonville, this county, where his father practiced medicine for many years.

Nat went to Johnstown, Pa., several years ago and worked for a while in the business office of the Johnstown Tribune, later going to work for the Cambria Steel Company. From Johnstown he went to Pittsburg and later to Chicago. He was a brother of Norman Wishart, of Pittsburg; J. Bernard Wishart, of Borden-town, N. J.; Miss Jessie Wishart of the U. S. Pension Office, Pittsburg; and Mrs. George Fockler, Johnstown.

His remains were laid to rest in the family lot in Grandview cemetery, Johnstown, by the side of his parents, on Tuesday, Rev. J. J. Morgan, of the First Christian Church officiating.

Close Call.

While his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Abimaz Cleveenger of the Cove were attending the funeral of Henry Trittle last Thursday forenoon, Jacob Cleveenger, their nine year old son, got possession of three or four loaded shotgun shells. Jacob believed he could have some fun with the powder if he had it out of the shells, and he cut off the end of the shells and poured the powder out in a heap on a stone. Only one thing more was necessary—that was a match. The match was obtained and lighted; but here is where Jacob made his mistake. Instead of blowing the match out, he applied it to the pile of powder, which flashed up into his face, singeing his eyebrows and hair, and burning his neck and face severely.

When Jacob's parents heard of the accident they were much frightened fearing that the boy would lose his sight, and Dr. Mosser was hurriedly called; but upon examination it was found that Jacob had been thoughtful enough to close his eyes when he saw the powder going off, and the flash only got to singe off his eye lashes.

It seems almost miraculous that the boy's clothing did not take fire, in which event he would likely have been burned to death.

Baby Burned to Death.

An 18 months old baby girl of Emory Glee was burned to death in their home on a farm near Foltz, Tuesday morning last week. It was ironing day and while Mrs. Glee was out attending to some chores the servant girl was ironing in the kitchen. Two children of the Glee family were playing about the floor. A spark from the stove flew out and set fire to the dress of the smaller girl and her screams attracted the attention of the servant. The latter extinguished the burning dress but the child was so badly burned that she died.

40,000 Autos in the State.

An automobile license tag for machine No. 40,000 was issued last Friday at the Automobile division of the State Highway Department by Chief Clerk Major. This record is now 5,000 ahead of the entire year of 1910.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT FORT LOUDON.

Garnett Gish, son of Christian Gish, Fatally Injured by Being Kicked in the Back.

On Wednesday of last week Garnett Gish, son of Christian Gish, the Miller at the Loudon Brick Mills, while playing with a number of boys in the school yard at that place, was kicked in the back by a boy by the name Kahn, from the effects of which he died on Sabbath. The facts in the case as we have been able to gather them are as follows: The boys were throwing apples at each other, when a boy by the name of Kahn hit Garnett with an apple. Garnett then in play returned the throw at Kahn, but hit Kahn's younger brother. Kahn then took up the matter and had an altercation with Garnett. In the fight Kahn is alleged to have kicked Garnett on the back.

Garnett said nothing at home either about the injury or the fight. On last Sunday he came to town with his father to visit his grandfather. Garnett walked to Red Bridge Park and upon his return complained of feeling sick and having pain in the back. He went home on Sunday evening and went to bed. Dr. Menger was sent for and found the lad in a high fever. He had a severe pain in his back. Dr. Menger made several visits a day to his patient, who did not improve. On Saturday night the boy had a turn for the worse and Sunday morning he died in great agony.

The boy was large and healthy and had never been sick during his life. It was feared that death had resulted from the kick he received and for that reason Coronor John C. Greenwalt was notified, and with Drs. Devor and White he went to Loudon Sunday and summoned the following jury: Joseph S. Rotz, John W. Gillan, C. D. Smith, John H. Metz, W. S. Hassler and C. W. Lawyer. The jury was sworn in the presence of the body and adjourned until Monday morning when the following verdict was brought in.

"We find that Garnett Gish came to his death from injuries received at the hands of Frank L. Kahn at Fort Loudon, July 19, and further find that there were mitigating circumstances and that while the fight began in play, the results were not only serious but fatal.

"We are of the opinion that there was an intent to injure but not to kill and that death was therefore accidental. (Signed) Joseph S. Rotz, John W. Gillan, C. D. Smith, John H. Metz, W. S. Hassler, C. W. Lawyer."

Young Gish's mother is a sister of Mrs. Watson Lynch of this place.

Bought Another Farm.

Mr. George F. Mellott, who owns the "Jimmy Johnston" farm near Webster Mills on which his son Harvey resides, and who purchased a 12,000-dollar farm in Franklin county and moved upon it a few years ago, has just purchased from S. Houson Johnston, of Mercersburg, another valuable farm, which adjoins the farm on which Mr. Mellott now resides. George is not land greedy by any means. He does not care for any more land than just that which adjoins his farms. A farmer adopting this policy need not have any undesirable neighbors.

Mrs. Edward Smith.

Henrietta, wife of Edward Smith of Buck Valley, died suddenly on Monday, July 24, 1911, aged 44 years, 3 months and 13 days. Funeral services conducted by Rev. T. P. Garland of Needmore, and interment in the graveyard at the Jerusalem Christian Church in Whips Cove.

Mrs. Smith is survived by her husband and two children, and by Mrs. Hoopengardner, of Buck Valley.

GOOD SHOWING.

Report Shows High Grade of Dairy Cows in This State. Milk in Good Condition.

Harrisburg, Pa., July 31.—Dairy and Food Commissioner Foust has issued a statement of the results of his Bureau's investigations made this Summer under the New Milk and Cream Act and the Act Prohibiting the Addition of Milk and Cream of Dye-stuffs and Drugs, such as were formerly much used as preservatives.

The Commissioner reports that 4,000 samples have been purchased by his Agents in about 150 cities and towns representing nearly every county of the Commonwealth. In but eight instances was formaldehyde discovered, six of these being in Allegheny County, one in Johnstown and one in York. No other preservatives and no added dye were in any case detected. This the Commissioner notes, is a most excellent showing as contrasted with the conditions existing a few years ago, when such additions were of common occurrence.

The Commissioner further states that the dairy cows of Pennsylvania have placed the stamp of their approval upon the new milk law. Of the 4,000 samples examined only about 200 were found considerably below standard, and of these about two-thirds were milks, one-third creams. The deficiencies found were not the fault of the cow, but were due to the pump and the skimmer to whose friendly offices some distributors still turn for profit.

An English food expert once said of milk standards that their only fault was that the cow had not been consulted in their making. This, the Commissioner adds, can not fairly be said of the present standards, which are those of the National Government and were adopted by it upon the recommendation of a board of experts acting under authority of Congress and after a careful study of the dairy conditions in all parts of the country.

It is the purpose of the Commissioner to continue vigorously to enforce the milk laws, so that the people and more especially the children of the State may be assured of a good, wholesome supply of this important food.

Trampled by a Horse.

James Regal, a Franklin county stock dealer, was seriously cut about the face last Saturday by being trampled by a horse. He was coming across the mountain from Foltz riding a broncho. In attempting to ride past David Morton and Wm. Lynch who were traveling in a buggy, the horse Mr. Regal was riding threw him and trampled on his head and face injuring him seriously. Messrs Morton and Lynch cared for the injured man, and brought him to the home of John S. Carbaugh in the Cove and summoned Dr. Mosser, who went down and gave Mr. Regal the necessary surgical attention.

Acres of Diamonds.

The (Hancock, Md.) Star last week publishes a list of thirty-nine orchards, part of which are in this county and the rest in the vicinity of Hancock which contain 267,511 peach and apple trees, and cover 3,249 acres. For many years it was thought that the Tonoloway basin, much of which lies within the borders of Fulton county was not very valuable for agricultural purposes, but within the last few years it has been discovered that it is the best fruit land in the eastern part of the United States, and that the owners of the soil are really possessors of "Acres of Diamonds."

Miss Elsie Greathhead, a member of the faculty of Ohio University, returned to the home of her mother last Saturday for a few weeks rest and recreation.

ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW.

Snapshots at Their Comings and Goings Here for a Vacation, or Away for a Restful Outing.

Miss Grace Mosser, who had been spending part of her summer vacation with her brother Dr. J. W. Mosser and family at the Washington House, returned to her home in Altoona last week.

Miss Pearl Logue, a professional nurse who had charge of a patient in Knoxville, Tenn., for several months, returned to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Logue in this place Tuesday evening.

Miss Minnie A. Dalbey, chief stenographer in the publishing department of the Westinghouse plant in Pittsburg arrived at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. D. Dalbey for a two weeks' rest and vacation.

George H. Zimmerman, of Hopewell, and Editor Postmaster John C. Chamberlain, D. Coveney, and H. M. Weaverling of Everett, came down to McConnellsburg last Sunday in Mr. Weaverling's automobile and got a good dinner.

Mrs. J. G. Reisner and daughter Miss Minnie Reisner are spending two weeks at Silver Bay on Lake George, N. Y. Mrs. Reisner's health has not been so very rugged this summer, and it is hoped that she may be greatly benefited by the outing.

Dr. and Mrs. S. Howard Gump, Mr. John A. Gump and Miss Elizabeth P. Gump, of Everett, drove over to McConnellsburg in a surrey last Sunday and spent the time until Monday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Sadie Fisher, east Water Street.

William Miller and wife of Dublin Mills spent last Friday in town doing some shopping, and they took dinner at the Washington House. Mr. and Mrs. Miller have left the farm near Dublin Mills, and moved into the town where they are spending the afternoon of life in comfortable retirement.

M. R. Shaffner took his niece, Mrs. Harry Beener, to Orbisonia in his automobile yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. Beener had been visiting Mr. Shaffner, but Mr. Beener returned to his home in Norristown, Pa., on Monday, and Mrs. Beener will spend a few days visiting among her Huntingdon county relatives.

J. H. Reisner, who has been spending several weeks in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Reisner, left Monday for Silver Bay on Lake George, N. Y., to attend the National Educational Institute, of the Y. M. C. A., from the first to the fifteenth of August, after which he will go to New Haven, Conn., where he has accepted a position as Educational Director of the New Haven Y. M. C. A. The position is a responsible one, and carries with it a nice salary.

Mrs. Jacob B. Carmack.

Bertha, wife of Jacob B. Carmack, died at the home of her father-in-law, James Carmack in Chambersburg Monday, July 24, 1911 aged 23 years, 10 months, and 12 days. She had been afflicted for many months, but bore her suffering with that resignation and patience that is begotten of an implicit faith in her Savior. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Gill and was born in Neelyton, Huntingdon county, to which place her remains were taken for interment on Wednesday, July 26th. She was a member of the Central Presbyterian Church, Chambersburg and a good woman. She is survived by her husband by her parents, and also by these brothers and sisters: John and Elizabeth, Pittsburg; Harry, Shelby, Iowa; James, Samuel Neelyton; Hower, Dewey and Ida at home.

The husband is well known in this county, he having gone to Chambersburg only about three years ago. His Fulton county friends extend sympathy.