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## A CLOSE SHAVE.

### Howard Wishart Luckily Recovers Pocketbook Left Lying on Seat in Trolley Car Last Week.

According to the Hanover Record, Howard C. Wishart, a native of Wells Valley and a son of Captain Harvey Wishart, now representing the Waccamaw Lumber Company, of Bolton, N. C., had an exciting experience in Hanover on Monday of last week. It says:

Mr. Wishart arrived in Hanover on the 12 o'clock car over the trolley line from York and registered at the Hotel Albright. Several hours after his arrival he missed his pocketbook, containing, among other things, an endorsed government pension check for \$72 and a ten dollar bill. He remembered having had the money out of his pocket when he paid his fare on the car and at once called up the York office of the company, requesting them to make an investigation.

In the meantime the conductor on the car, Henry Crist, picked up the pocketbook in the seat occupied by Mr. Wishart and reported the fact at York on his arrival there an hour later. Word was sent to Paul T. Sullivan at the local terminal, and when Mr. Wishart arrived there about 3:30 p. m., he was informed that the money had been found.

He remained at the terminal until the arrival of the 4 o'clock car, which bore J. E. Wayne, an official of the company to whom Conductor Crist turned over the pocketbook. After Mr. Wishart had satisfactorily identified himself to the conductor and described the pocketbook and contents it was returned to him. Conductor Crist was given two dollars by Mr. Wishart as a reward.

Mr. Wishart, speaking of his loss before the arrival of the car, said that when he boarded the car at York he had the check for \$72, two ten dollar bills, and thirty odd cents in change. The round-trip fare being 65 cents, he was compelled to tender the conductor one of the bills. The latter evidently not having ready change for such a large bill, asked the passenger whether he didn't have something smaller. He replied that he had not, and while the conversation was being held, he laid the pocketbook beside him on the seat.

When he received his change, he folded up the bills and placed the money in his pocket, forgetting all about the pocketbook.

The check was made out to Mr. Wishart's father, and was fully endorsed and negotiable, and the loss was keenly felt by Mr. Wishart.

## Shall There Be a Settlement?

The question as to whether there should be a settlement by the district auditors Monday, December 4th., when the new school boards organize is answered by the Department at Harrisburg, in a letter to Superintendent Lamberson as follows:

"Where there is no treasurer of the board elected, there is no necessity for an audit."

We infer from the above that if the new boards elect a new treasurer, then the auditors will meet and settle the accounts of the retiring treasurer before the new official takes charge of the finances.

## Had Stroke.

Mrs. Rachel Hart, widow of Ephraim Hart, late of Whips Cove, has since the death of her husband, lived on the old home place. One day last week she went out to the barn to feed the pigs, and while there she had a paralytic stroke and sank to the ground where she lay for some time before she was discovered. At last report, she is in a critical condition. Her son, Darlington, of Camden, N. J., and her daughter, Mrs. Jonathan Cope, of Chester county, arrived at her home last Saturday and are now with her.

## Good Sized Porkers.

Notwithstanding the fact that young hogs cost ten cents a pound last spring, and corn not less than a dollar a barrel for fattening, the usual number of large hogs have been butchered this fall. George Steach killed three for Landlord Harry Hamill that dressed 1,405 pounds, and from which nine cans of lard were obtained; Charlie Steach butchered two that cleaned 642 pounds; David Rotz, two that dressed 650; Barber Downes, three, not quite eight months old that dressed 275, 279, 280 respectively; Wilbur Grissinger two that dressed 607; Amos Wilkinson, two, 648; C. W. Peck two, 600; Ex-Sheriff D. V. Sipes, two that cleaned 369 and 370 respectively; Bert Shaw at Hustontown two, that cleaned 419 and 431 respectively; and Will Fix one last Wednesday that he got from the Magsam brothers that dressed 575 pounds. A fat hog that would have dressed over 300 pounds died for District Attorney Frank P. Lynch last Saturday night.

Fat hogs are bringing from 5 to 5½ cents a pound on foot, and and 7 cents, dressed.

## Wink--Oakman.

Mr. Arthur Wink and Miss Estella B. Oakman were married at Berkley Springs, W. Va., November 22, 1911.

After the ceremony, they returned to the home of the bride's uncle, Mr. W. W. H. Chne, of Buck Valley, where their friends and a bountiful supper awaited them. After receiving the best wishes of their friends, and doing justice to the supper. They enjoyed the music of a calthumpian band.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Delmer Oakman, and one of Buck Valley's most estimable young ladies.

The groom is an enterprising young man of East Providence township, Bedford county, and by his manly appearance and happy greeting, has won many friends in our valley.

The bride was handsomely attired in blue silk.

The happy couple left Friday for the groom's home, followed by the best wishes of a large circle of friends. G. B. M.

## No More at Present.

The offer extended for the past two years to fruit growers and orchard owners generally, made by Prof. H. A. Surface, Economic Zoologist of the State Department of Agriculture, to assist in starting the practical work in the care of orchards and exercising supervision over them, will now be temporarily suspended as no new engagements of this kind can be made until next year because of the large number of applicants for this service, all of which have been accepted. To a recent correspondent asking for the Model Orchard service the Professor replied as follows:

"In reply to your request to have your orchard added to our Model Orchard list I regret to have to say that I cannot do so at this time. We now have nearly 1400 orchards on the list, and this is as many as we can arrange to carry with the present number of demonstrators in our employ. You will readily see that since the bulk of the work done in these orchards must be performed during the dormant season, which includes the winter months, much of which time is unfit for outside work, it will be barely possible for us to get around to each of these before the buds again open in the spring. Your application, however, will be put on file, and as soon as a vacancy occurs I shall take pleasure in extending you the service you ask. Pending that time I shall be glad to give you all the assistance possible by correspondence from this office and I would ask that you command me at any time when in need of information along the line of my work."

## MADE NUBBINS FLY.

### Iowa Man Husked Two Hundred Thirty-five Bushels of Corn in a Day. Beat Former Record

J. Frank Mayne, formerly of Fort Littleton, but now a prominent business man in Shelby, Iowa, sent a copy of an Iowa newspaper in which an article was marked. Frank said, "Mr. Peck, please copy the article marked to show the Fulton County boys the gait Iowa fellows have." This is the article: "Hamburg, Ia., Nov. 23--Husking against a \$1,000 wager to sustain a record made by himself two weeks ago, Bert Van Houten yesterday husked 235 bushels of corn. 'Van Houten husked for the world's record two weeks ago, getting 210 bushels and fifty pounds, yesterday's wager being that he couldn't hold up that record again. He averaged twenty-five bushels an hour for the first nine hours."

## Birthday Dinner.

A birthday dinner was made in honor of Mrs. E. L. Wink last Friday. Those having the matter in charge thought to give her a stunning surprise, but Mrs. Wink is not always asleep when her eyes are shut; and consequently, when the crowd began to assemble and get funny, Mrs. Wink did not go into hysterics, but joined right in and helped to make the scheme a big success.

At dinner, she was asked if she knew anything about it beforehand, and she "fessed up," and admitted that she was "onto it."

Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, everybody had a good time and felt that it was worth turning out in the rain for. About noon the dining room door swung open and there stood a table groaning with its weight of roast chicken, roast guinea, and all the "trimmings" that only those good women know how to prepare. And outside stood a hungry crowd groaning for a chance to get at it. It is said that Big Bill and Andy distinguished themselves as the champion trimmers, and when they straightened themselves and took a long breath, there was a pile of bones in front of their plates that nearly hid them from view.

Mrs. Wink got a lot of mighty nice presents. Those present were: E. L. Wink and wife; D. R. Wink, wife, and two children--Robert and Martha; Dick Mellott, wife and son Floyd; Mrs. Joseph B. Mellott, Mrs. Hester Mellott, Mrs. Harriet Mellott, W. R. Palmer and wife, J. C. Giffin, Wm. Wink and wife, Andrew Lamberson and wife. Mr. and Mrs. Lamberson brought their talking machine, which added very much to the pleasure of the company. ONE WHO WAS THERE.

## Special Farmers' Institutes.

Attention is called to the fact that Special Farmers' Institutes will be held in this county as follows:

December 12th, at the Court House, McConnellsburg, Pa.

December 13th, at the School house, Webster Mills.

December 13th, at Fort Littleton.

December 14th, at the Bethlehem Church, Tod township.

The program will be adhered to as far as possible, but may be varied if circumstances seem to demand. The Dairy, Fruit, and Poultry business if this section demands the largest attendance possible. There is never any trouble getting farmers to attend these meetings who have attended them before; it is only those who have never attended that do not know that they are missing. It will cost you nothing to attend except the time you lose, you will be well repaid in the pointers you get.

For programs, and further information apply to

W. C. PATTERSON,  
McConnellsburg, Pa.

## NEW ORGANIZATION.

### The New Directors of the Fulton County Bank Met Last Friday and Elected Officers.

At a meeting of the Directors of the Fulton County Bank last Friday, the following officers were elected:

President, Geo. A. Harris.  
Vice President, C. R. Spangler  
Cashier, Wilson L. Nace.

Attorney, J. Nelson Sipes, Esq.  
Under its charter, it will begin business as a State Bank on the first day of January, 1912.

The new officers have all had considerable experience in the banking business, and all are successful business men. The President of the institution, Geo. A. Harris, is known to everyone in the County, and is eminently qualified for the position, he having served nine years as Prothonotary of this county, and will leave that office with the reputation of having been one of the most efficient officers the county has ever had, and he is acknowledged to be among the best business men in the County. In 1906, he, with a few other business men of town, conceived the idea of two banks in the County, and assisted in the organization of the First National Bank, of McConnellsburg, and he was, until a few months ago, a director and the Vice President of that bank, and had much to do with the financial success of that institution.

Mr. Harris was the first man to demonstrate that the Real Estate business was not only a necessity in our county, but that it could be made a permanent business; and for six years, he has successfully conducted a real estate business with a reputation for fair treatment to all his clients.

After January first Mr. Harris will devote his entire time to the affairs of the bank.

Mr. C. R. Spangler, the Vice President, is recognized as one of the most successful and conservative business men in the County. For about twelve years, he has successfully conducted a lumber business, and has been closely identified with the Fulton County Bank for nearly six years as a director. Mr. Spangler's wide business experience will be a valuable asset to this bank.

Wilson L. Nace the Cashier is well trained in the banking business. He was the efficient Assistant Cashier of the bank for five years, and after the death of William H. Nelson, he was at once elected Cashier. He has proven himself to be an accurate and accommodating officer, ready at all times to be of service to its many patrons.

The directors have retained J. Nelson Sipes, Esq., as attorney for the bank. Mr. Sipes has been President of the Fulton County Bank since its organization in 1887, and is recognized as a financier of great ability. His wide experience as a banker and attorney will be of great value to the officers and Directors.

## Vicious Horses Wanted

at the Pennsylvania Fruit, Stock and Dairy Show, to be held at Duquesne Garden, Pittsburgh, January 15-20 next, the noted horse trainer, Prof. Jesse Beery, of Pleasant Hill, Ohio, will give three lessons and exhibitions in the art of breaking and training horses. He asks those who have vicious or unruly horses to bring them to the show and he agrees to cure any horse, however vicious or whatever his bad habit, of his evil ways and make him useful. Come on now with man-eaters, balkers, shyers, strikers, runaways or any other kind of ill tempered or spoiled horse, the worse the horse the better for the demonstration. Prof. Beery agrees to forfeit \$100 for any horse he fails to conquer and reform. For further particulars address T. D. Harman, Jr., Manager, 110 Shady Avenue, East End, Pittsburgh, Pa.

## DISTRESSING ACCIDENT.

### Deer Hunter Killed Last Thursday in Huntingdon County by One of His Closest Friends.

Walter Metz, a popular barber of Petersburg, Huntingdon county, was accidentally shot and killed by his close friend Gustave Grafius while hunting deer last Thursday.

Grafius, who had been watching a crossing, sat down to eat his lunch, placing his Savage rifle across his knees ready for instant action should the coveted buck show in sight. Shortly after he had seated himself, two does came out of the thicket and playfully capered near him.

Immediately afterwards, Grafius heard a rustling again in the bushes and raised his gun in anticipation of a pair of prongs coming out from the thicket but instead, he saw it was Metz and lowered his gun. In putting the gun down, it exploded, the ball evidently from the wound, striking a stone first and then hitting the unfortunate hunter.

The shot from the high power gun pierced Metz through the abdomen and then took a downward course, lodging just under the skin at the hip. Death resulted in a few minutes. Metz was 35 years of age and leaves a wife and a son eight years of age.

## Let Us Have Cheap Rates.

Although the opening of the Panama canal is some time ahead the controversy over the rates to be charged by the United States for the passage of vessels through it has already begun. These rates will be fixed by Congress, probably at the coming session. Others besides the Government are interested in them, some for high rates and some for low rates, and there will be a struggle between them to influence Congress. The trans-continental railroads, which did all in their power to prevent the making of the canal, because it will compete with them for traffic to the Pacific coast, want rates not lower than they themselves charge, while shippers and those intending to establish steamship lines through the canal favor rates that will make transportation cheaper than by railroad. The latter say that the Government should not seek to make a profit out of the canal, but should charge merely enough to pay the expense of operating it and keeping in repair. The railroads argue that the charges should be high enough to pay the many millions of dollars the canal has cost. Of course, this view is not on account of any especial regard the railroads have for the Government, but is solely a matter of selfish interest. The canal will not be of very great commercial benefit unless traffic by it will be cheaper than by railroad. The public is interested in cheap rates.

## Lodge Entertainment.

Saturday evening, November 11th, sixteen of the members of Harrisonville Lodge, I. O. O. F. and one member of McConnellsburg Lodge were entertained by the Fort Littleton Lodge at the hotel at Fort Littleton. After a sumptuous supper had been served, the visitors met with their Fort Littleton brothers in the latter's Hall and had a good time. Among the speakers of the evening were Hiram Clevenger, pastor of the Harrisonville Lodge; the orator of Harrisonville Lodge, Hon. Jno. P. Sipes; their poetical member, George W. Sipes, and the worthy Chaplain, Ephraim Mellott. Others were Hon. S. L. Buckley, Dr. A. K. Davis, and Dyson Fraker, of Fort Littleton Lodge. Squire Thomas K. Downes, of Belfast township traveled the greatest distance to be present on the occasion.

The visitors were delighted with the royal treatment they received at the hands of their Fort Littleton brethren.

## County Institute--December 4--8.

In the preparation of the program for this year's institute, I have tried to secure material that will supply the needs of the county. It is of course a teachers' institute, and for that reason the teachers have been the principal factor in determining my actions. By reading the program you will find that the subjects to be discussed by the instructors during the day sessions, is such that will be of interest to all.

I cordially invite all to attend the sessions. If you are interested in the educational welfare of the children of the county, come and spend the week. Pupils attending school will find a week of very beneficial instruction for them. Parents will find in the addresses, answers or solutions to many of the difficult problems that confront them during the school term.

Directors will find the meeting to be both interesting and beneficial to them. I invite all directors to attend. I especially urge as many of the members of the new boards as can arrange to come, to do so. All directors will be considered the guests of the superintendent. Call upon him for tickets for the night sessions.

Tickets on sale at Trouts' Drug Store, 10 a. m., Monday. Price same as last year. First in first served. See Board for your choice.

Thanking the public for its support in the past, and trusting that the attendance at this institute will eclipse that of any former meeting, I am,

Yours very truly,

B. C. LAMBERSON,  
Co. Supt.

## Hunting Season Spoiled.

After having spent three weeks among their Fulton county friends, Mr. and Mrs. James G. Kline and son Newton, passed through McConnellsburg Monday returning to their home in Bucks county. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Kline's sister, Mrs. Amelia Bealman, of Covalt, and by Mrs. Kline's grand daughter, Miss Mamie Gordon, of Dickeys Mountain. Mr. Kline came to Fulton county to have a good time hunting deer. But one never knows when he is going to have bad luck. When the first day of the hunting season came, he started out bright and early to the mountain and was in the woods but a short time when a big four-pronged buck ran up against him. Mr. Kline knew very well that if he killed the buck, his hunting would be all over for the year 1911. He reasoned, also, that if he chased the buck away, he might not have another chance as good, hence he blazed away, and down came the buck. Mr. Kline took part of the carcass, and the hide, along to his home in Bucks county to prove to his friends down there that it means something to go to Fulton county to hunt deer.

## For These Things We Give Thanks.

Thanksgiving day we should all be able to give thanks to our parents for these things:

For a clean name, unswayed by questionable transactions, honorable in human relations.

For an untainted birth, with such health as purity transmits, and for the brooding tenderness that guarded and cherished us before birth and made careful preparation for our coming.

For wholesome food, sufficient clothing, and comfortable shelter until our coming of age, or during the lifetime of our parents.

For education, according to the best standards of which they knew suited to our individual needs and possibilities, and preparing us to earn our own livings.

For such knowledge of our bodies and minds, and such reverence for them as make intemperance impossible.

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## BOLD THEFT.

### Miss Mollie Seylar's Home Ransacked Last Thursday Night, and Money and Other Valuables Taken.

When Miss Mollie Seylar, who resides on north Second street, arose last Friday morning and came down stairs her attention was directed to a general topsyturvy condition of things, and it did not take her a minute to discover that she had visitors during the night; that the visitors had not left their cards, but they had left a lot of burnt matches and such other evidence as indicated that they had taken plenty of time to ransack the lower part of the house in great shape. Among the things missed were articles of clothing, a pocket book, chate-laine bag, cash, and in the kitchen, they had taken meat, bread, preserves, butter--in fact, she did not have enough left for breakfast.

No arrests have yet been made, but it was done by some one entirely familiar with the premises.

## Local Institute.

The fourth local institute of Bethel township was held at Warfordsburg last Friday evening. The meeting was called to order by the president, E. C. Hahn.

The questions for discussion were: 1. How do you teach arithmetic work in chart class? 2. History. 3. Discipline of restless pupils.

The following teachers were present, Bessie Morton, Mary Myers, Kathryn Youker, and E. C. Hahn.

Much credit is due both teacher and pupils for the good literary program which was rendered by the school.--Kathryn E. Youker, teacher.

The fifth local institute of Ayr township was held at the Corner school, November 11th. The following questions were well discussed by the few teachers present; Mr. Brant an ex-teacher and Mr. Fisher: 1. How do you teach beginners to read? 2. Value of an Education. 3. Teacher's place during recess, Why?

A very good literary program was prepared and the teacher and pupils deserve much credit for their effort.

The second local institute of Wells township was held last Friday evening at No. 1, Advanced School. The meeting was called to order by the teacher, Roy Foreman.

Questions discussed were: 1. Should patrons visit the schools, and Why? 2. Giving and withholding assistance. 3. How do you combine History and Geography?

Owing to the inclemency of the weather only three of the five teachers in the township were present. We are glad to mention, however, that several patrons were present and took part in the meeting.

Some very entertaining literary work was given by the school.--Eleanor D. Sipe, Secretary.

One of the election boards in Carlisle at the election on November 7th solved the question of assistance to voters in the booth very satisfactorily. This board decided as soon as the voting commenced that any elector asking for assistance would have to declare his disability to the board, and if the disability were that he could not read or write, that he would have to make affidavit to that fact. In this day of popular education it is to be presumed that every man can read and write. Furthermore this excuse is the most common cause of corruption and vote-buying. The election board therefore wisely decided to exert its legal powers to the utmost to have an honest election. It is perhaps unnecessary to state that not one voter during the entire day was granted assistance for any other cause than blindness. Several asked for assistance but were unwilling to swear that they could not read or write.