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John W. Greathead, Smith M. Robinson, Lydia M. Crouse, and W. E. Kelso Among the Number.

JOHN W. GREATHEAD.

At the ripe age of 77 years, 9 months, and 23 days, John W. Greathead peacefully passed to his final reward at his home in this place, last Sunday morning. The funeral, conducted by his pastor Rev. John V. Royer, of the Methodist Episcopal church, assisted by the other pastors in town, took place Tuesday afternoon and interment was made in the family lot in the old Methodist graveyard on First street.

John W. Greathead was a son of Thomas Greathead one of McConnellsbury's old time merchants, and he was born in McConnellsbury, February 24, 1834. During his early boyhood days, he assisted his father in the store which was then conducted in the building in which the Republican printing office is now located. At the age of sixteen years, he engaged with Daniel Snively at Greencastle, where he remained two years, and then went to Dubuque, Iowa, where, upon the strength of a letter of recommendation from Mr. Snively, he immediately secured a clerkship and made good. When less than twenty-one years of age, he entered the employ of Barney & Scott, a large Dry Goods house in Dubuque, as book-keeper and cashier, where he remained until he was twenty-three years of age, when he returned to McConnellsbury to enter into a copartnership with his father, and during the next ten years the business was conducted under the firm name of T. & J. W. Greathead. Then the father retired and the business was continued by J. W. Greathead, who as the years passed by and advancing age came upon him, he associated with himself one and another of his sons, but his familiar figure was seen in the store until a very few weeks ago, when he was confined to his room.

On the second day of October, 1860, Mr. Greathead was united in marriage with Miss A. Virginia, daughter of Col. W. H. Dellinger, of Clearspring, Md. To this union were born eleven children, seven of whom are living: Thomas William, Morton, Delaware county, Pa.; Robert Newton, and Frank Starley, Norfolk, Va.; Ormond Leroy, Emily Virginia, Wellsley Hux, and Charles Dellinger, McConnellsbury.

John W. Greathead was, from early life, a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and few men have been more loyal to the church of his choice. His devotion was not spasmodic, but year in and year out, unless prevented by sickness or some reason that would be acceptable to the Great Master, he was always in his place in the preaching service, the prayer meeting, the class meeting and the Sunday school; and thus when he came down to enter the shadows, his mind was full of perfect peace.

SMITH M. ROBINSON.

Smith M. Robinson, Esq., who for many years had been one of Fulton County's representative citizens, died at his home on West Water street a few minutes before 5 o'clock, Tuesday evening, of Bright's Disease, he having been confined to his home about five weeks. The funeral will take place Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and interment will be made in the family lot in the graveyard at the Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Robinson, who was a son of the late Benjamin Robinson, who many years ago lived at the "Woolen Mill" below Webster Mills, was born in Shippensburg, Pa., June 20, 1816, and at his death lacked just one day of being 95 years and 6 months of age. During the time of his early

manhood, he learned the printing business in the office of the Compiler at Gettysburg. Having been associated with John R. Donehoo in the publishing of the Fulton Democrat, Mr. Robinson on the first day of April, 1869, purchased the Fulton Democrat from Mr. Donehoo and published it until the 23rd of December of that same year, when the plant was destroyed by fire. Mr. Robinson immediately secured a new outfit, and the publication of the Democrat was resumed on the tenth day of February, 1870. June 20, 1872, he disposed of the plant to his brother, Hon. John A. Robinson, but remained in the office as editor until the latter sold it to the Skinners in 1876. During this time Mr. Robinson served a term as Justice of the Peace, and Clerk of the County Commissioners. He then removed to Waynesboro, purchased the Keystone Gazette, which he conducted successfully, later selling the plant and going to Chambersburg to take charge of the Herald. Later he worked on the Harrisburg Telegraph; then a daily paper in Washington, D. C., after which he spent ten years in the Government Printing Office. With his family he returned to McConnellsbury about twelve years ago, and since his return, spent a year or more as editor of the Mercersburg Journal, spent four years as editor of the Fulton Democrat while it was owned by the present editor of the NEWS, and during the last three years he has been employed on the FULTON COUNTY NEWS as Assistant Editor. At the time of his death, he was also serving as Justice of the Peace, of the Borough of McConnellsbury.

Smith M. Robinson is too well known to the people of Fulton county to need any eulogy in this connection. It is enough to say that he was a thorough Christian gentleman.

Besides his wife, who was Miss Emma R. Dickson, he leaves three children: Dr. George M. Robinson, McConnellsbury; "Dixie," Mrs. W. H. Elder, Albany, N. Y.; and Mary, Mrs. Horace U. Nace, McConnellsbury.

WILLIAM E. KELSO.

William E. Kelso, son of Rev. David and Elizabeth Glunt Kelso, died at his home about a mile north of Knobsville, about nine o'clock last Sunday morning, aged 45 years, 6 months, and 11 days. The funeral took place Tuesday afternoon, and his remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at the M. E. Church, Knobsville.

The cause of Mr. Kelso's death was pneumonia, and he had been ill about 18 days. His wife, who was a Miss Hershey, died about eight years ago. He lived on a farm, and his children Nina and Ralph lived at home with him, and his son Curtis resides in Altoona. Besides his father and stepmother, he is survived by the following brothers and sisters: George Lewis; Mary, wife of Samuel Wilson; Laura, wife of Reuben Helman; Elizabeth, wife of Clem Chestnut; and by Emma, wife of Grover C. Peck, and by Washington and John—half sister and half-brothers.

Mr. Kelso, was a consistent member of the United Brethren church, and an excellent citizen, whose loss will be felt in his community.

JOHN E. CAMPBELL.

In addition to the mention that was made of the death of John E. Campbell, in last week's NEWS, the friends request that we publish the following:

Mr. Campbell was born at Fort Littleton, December 29, 1832. He was a tanner by trade, and worked at his trade a number of years at Doyleburg, and Nossville. From there he went to Perry county and stayed several years; then came back to this county, spending a few years on the old home farm. He then went to Rainsburg, Bedford county, where he again worked

at his trade until his wife died, after which he broke up house-keeping and returned again to his old home in Fulton county in 1891, where he spent the remainder of his days. He has one brother, James M. Campbell, living in Lallharpe, Ill; one sister, Mrs. Jane Keepers, in this county; one half brother, Robert V. Campbell in Rogersville, Tenn; and one half sister, Mary Campbell, in Tennessee; also, six children: Charles W., somewhere in the West; George B., Los Angeles, Cal; Mrs. Annie Cessna, Tennessee; Mrs. Mollie Beagle, Bedford, Pa.; Mrs. Flora Fowler, Braddock, Pa., and Mrs. Emma Carbaugh, Harrisburg. There are, also, 16 grand children, and 7 great-grandchildren.

DR. J. C. FLEMING.

Dr. John C. Fleming, of Shirlleysburg, died in the Medico-Chirurgical hospital, Philadelphia, on Sunday evening, December 10, 1911. He had been ailing for several months and recently went to the hospital for treatment. The remains were taken to Shirlleysburg on Tuesday of last week and the funeral took place from his late home Wednesday afternoon at 1.30 o'clock. Besides his widow, Dr. Fleming leaves one daughter. He is survived by the following brothers and sisters: R. Morton, of Shade Valley; Harper, of Sallitio; Wilbur, of Neelyton; Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Appleby, of Shirlleysburg; Mrs. James Foreman and Mrs. William Foreman, of Braddock, Pa. The doctor was a brother of the late T. Elliot Fleming, Esq., of Clear Ridge.

MRS. LYDIA CROUSE.

At the age of 79 years, 10 months, and 15 days, Mrs. Lydia M. Crouse, widow of the late Andrew Crouse of Big Cove Tannery, died at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Ray, in Ayr township, on Monday night. Mrs. Crouse had a stroke of apoplexy about a year ago, from which she never fully recovered, and when the second one came recently, she sank rapidly until the end came.

Mrs. Crouse was a member of the Reformed church and an excellent woman. She is survived by the following children: David, Rig Cove Tannery; Cornelius, Webster Mills; Rebecca, wife of Ralph Glenn, and Edia, wife of C. M. Ray, Webster Mills; Lewis, the miller at Stevens's Mill, Ayr township; Calvin, residing near McConnellsbury, and Jennie, wife of M. L. Cleverger, Fayetteville, Franklin county, Pa.

Funeral yesterday, and interment was made in the Union Cemetery.

MRS. WILLIAM BROWN.

The funeral of Mrs. William Brown, better known as Virginia Myers, her first husband being Geo. Myers deceased, took place at Clear Ridge last Saturday.

Mrs. Brown died at a hospital in Altoona where she had gone for treatment for cancer of the stomach. She was a daughter of the late James Kerlin, and leaves three brothers J. P. and A. G. Kerlin of Clear Ridge; Geo. Mac. Kerlin, of Greacey; and sisters Mrs. J. D. Stevens, Ft. Littleton; Mrs. John Sipes, Clear Ridge; and three sons, James, Luther, and Howard Myers and one daughter Mrs. Jacob Marlin.

44,300 Autos in The State.

Harrisburg, Dec. 15.—Pennsylvania's registration of automobiles is going to run over 45,000 this year, according to the way the registration has been going on at the State Highway Department. So far 44,300 machines have been registered. The best previous record was 1909, with 34,351.

Safe Register.

Tuesday, March 12.—S. R. Cromer will sell at his residence near Knobsville, Horses, Cattle, Hogs, Farming Implements, &c., &c. Sale begins at 10 o'clock sharp. A. L. Wise, auctioneer.

CHESTERTOWN ITEMS.

News from Our Fulton Colony Down on the Eastern Shore Maryland.

Moving and corn shelling is the order of the day now in Kent county. The season for late trucking and grain was good; and in most cases, farmers were rewarded with large returns for their labor. Late tomatoes were not so good over part of the County, but here in Quaker Neck, the yield was from six to ten tons an acre.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Mellott, of Whips Cove, who were visiting Thomas R. Starr and family, went to Wilmington on the 7th inst. to visit their son Vernon, and on the 15th, went on to Germantown, Md. to visit E. A. Hoop engardner and family. On account of the visit of her father and mother Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Mellott, Mrs. Starr had her Christmas dinner on Thanksgiving Day, and had the following persons present at the dinner: Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wink and son and daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Burns Deshong and son; Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Mellott; Mrs. Simon Deshong and son; and, of course, Mrs. Starr's own family. Miss Ruth Starr had been very sick for two weeks, but is convalescing nicely now.

We notice that some one was bragging in the FULTON COUNTY NEWS about a turnip that measured 23 inches around, and weighed 80 ounces. Well, Tommy Starr has a turnip on exhibition in Chestertown that weighs 96 ounces, and measures 26 inches. Now, then! And I might just add to this, that Mrs. Starr and Mrs. Wink each had a number of Irish potatoes that tipped the scales at 2 pounds each, and measured 30 inches over the arms; yes; and plenty of cabbage that measured five feet around!

Chestertown people have rebuilt the Square that was destroyed by fire a year ago, and the new block is much nicer than the burnt one was.

There has been a company formed to build Fair Grounds at Chestertown in time for next year's Fair.

Produce prices are fairly good. Turkeys are 20 cts. alive; Chickens, 12; eggs were 38 at Thanksgiving—are 34 now; butter, 30; potatoes \$1.00 a bushel; turkeys, 50 cts.; apples so high poor people can't reach them.

Simon Dishong has had a new house built this summer. T. R. Starr is getting ready to build a porch.

Mr. John Funk, a former Fulton county man, who came to the Eastern Shore several years ago, drove over to Mr. Wink's with his family a few Sundays ago. Mr. Funk lives at Denton, Md. now and is in the Real Estate business. They came over in their Automobile, and returned the same day a distance of 50 or 60 miles each way.

Christmas Fires.

Christmas "Don'ts" are being issued by the fire wardens all over the country.

If they are heeded, the danger from fires will be reduced to a minimum. The "Don'ts" should be read by those who intend to celebrate the season by erecting a Christmas tree. Following are the rules.

Do not decorate store rooms or windows with cotton or inflammable material.

Do not place anything that will ignite rapidly near a gas jet, electric wire or steam pipe.

Do not allow smoking of any kind around crowded store rooms or in cellars where boxes or packages are kept.

Mr. W. B. Collins, a Pennsylvania Railroad brakeman of Pittsburg, who has been staying at Jacob Sharp's, has returned home with about a dozen rabbits, half a dozen squirrels, a few birds, and a fine big wild turkey gobble.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

The Meeting Held Last Tuesday and Wednesday Were Largely Attended. Work Done Very Practical.

More than forty farmers and their families, and many other persons not farmers, were present at the Court House last Tuesday afternoon at the Farmers' Institute. In the evening the Court Room was crowded to its utmost seating capacity, and every one felt well repaid for the time spent in attending.

The afternoon session was opened by an address of welcome by the Secretary, W. C. Patterson, who introduced one of the State Workers, Mr. L. W. Lighty, of East Berlin, Pa. who spoke along the line of Dairying and Co-operating of farmers in the purchase of machinery, phosphate, seeds, &c., used on the farm. The speaker showed that about one fifth of the money usually spent for such things may be saved if farmers pull together.

Mr. C. J. Brewer, of Ayr township, read a paper on "The Utility of the cow" in which he showed that cows were coming more and more into commercial prominence, and showed the price of cows advanced during the last few years, and he mentioned some of the by-products of the cow. The matter of "Cow testing" was described by Mr. Lighty in which he showed that unprofitable cows should be eliminated from the herd. In regard to feeding—corn silage was recommended, first of all, as a feed most nearly corresponding to blue grass pasture. Next, was the protein problem, which he would solve on the farm in the way of alfalfa.

In the absence of Alfalfa, feed in the shape of corn silage, corn stover or hay as a roughage cut fine and moistened, was recommended. Cows should be fed all the roughage they will clean up well. The grain ration recommended included four or more different kinds of grain. The grain ration consisting of one pound of grain to three pounds of milk produced.

In the absence of silage, this ration should consist of one-seventh oil cake meal. As a suggested ration, the speaker recommended 400 lbs. corn meal, 300 lbs. Ajax flakes, 100 lbs. gluten feed of 20 per cent. protein and 100 lbs. cotton seed meal in connection with corn silage; and in absence of silage, linseed meal should be substituted for the cotton seed meal.

The evening session opened with some German songs by the Reed children which were well received. Members of Mrs. Royer's elocution class then entertained the audience with some fine recitations. Mr. Lighty then occupied the remaining time with a lecture entitled "Beauty and Utility on the Farm." The speaker made a severe arraignment of many of our social customs, and referred particularly to the schools. A strong plea was made that the farmer's family should have all the luxuries and conveniences about the home that their city cousins enjoy. Water, light, heat, and good literature for the country will do more to keep the boys on the farm than all the fine spun theories combined. For juvenile reading matter, "Little Folks" published in Salem, Mass., was advised; for the older children and youth, "The Youth's Companion," published in Boston, Mass., is, perhaps, the best, and furnishes a liberal education within itself.

Fifty-Three Sundays.

1911 came in on Sunday and will go out on Sunday, making 53 Sundays in the year. This will not occur again until 1916, then in 1922 and again in 1928. This will occur eighteen times during the present century. It has already occurred in 1905.

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PRACTICAL CHARITY.

How Prof. Walter W. Smith Inculcated The Thanksgiving Spirit in His Schools.

Prof. Walter W. Smith, son of Ex-Treasurer John D. Smith, of Emmaville, is Principal of the schools at Dunlo, Pa., and this is the way he inculcated a practical Thanksgiving lesson to his pupils. A few days before Thanksgiving Day, he requested the 250 pupils in the six rooms of his school to bring a little of something to be donated to worthy people, and each day of the week was designated as some special day. Potatoes were brought on one day, fruits on another, etc., and by the evening before Thanksgiving the total contributions amounted to five sacks of flour, six bushels of potatoes, 60 pounds of sugar, 15 pounds of coffee, 12 pounds of tea, a couple of bushels of vegetables, 20 heads of cabbage, and four large bundles of clothing. That same evening, the contributions were distributed among the families of Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. Fechik, and Cyrus Kunsman, all of Dunlo.

The husband of Mrs. McDonald was fatally injured in the mines there last summer. He was caught by a motor and so badly hurt that he died soon afterward in a Johnstown hospital. Mrs. McDonald was left with four children, all under eight years of age. The McDonald family does not own its own home, and the mother has been obliged to take in washing. She receives help from two brothers, whom she boards.

The husband of Mrs. Fechik was also killed in the mines about one and one-half years ago. The widow has since been trying to eke out a living for her five small children, the oldest of which is seven years. Mrs. Fechik has been washing for other people.

Cyrus Kunsman has been an invalid. Rheumatism has crippled his legs to such an extent that he has been unable to walk for nine years. He gets about the house by the use of a wheel chair. Mr. and Mrs. Kunsman have five small children, the oldest of which is 14. The 14-year-old child is a boy, but the mining laws forbid his employment in the mines. The Kunsman family has been receiving some assistance from the county.

How much better it would be at Christmas time if the money that is spent on useless Christmas presents by those who do not need them, was given to help the needy deserving poor in the community.

Local Institute.

The third local institute of Bel-fast township was held at Needmore last Friday evening. The meeting was called to order by the teacher Miss Blanche Smith, who appointed Jeb Garland Chairman. The topics discussed were: 1. How do you teach spelling? 2. Who is responsible for the pupil's waste of time? 3. Language—How taught? The following teachers were present and took part in the discussions: Daisy Strait, Orpha Snyder, Margaret Daniels, Blair Garland and Lester Mellott. Quite a number of the patrons took part in the discussions. The topics were interspersed with a number of recitations, dialogues and songs which were rendered in a very creditable manner. There was a large crowd present, good order prevailed and the number of patrons present showed the interest taken in education in that district. Next Institute at Cross Roads school Dec. 22nd.—Margaret Daniels Secretary.

Card of Thanks.

I desire through the FULTON COUNTY NEWS to thank the neighbors for their sympathy and assistance to me during the sickness and death of my father in-law, John E. Campbell.

Mrs. MARY J. CAMPBELL.

NEXT YEAR'S ELECTION.

Congressmen, Legislators, President and Two State Officers, but No Township or Borough Officers.

No candidates for local offices will be chosen next year. Thirty eight presidential electors will be chosen in Pennsylvania, and also a State Treasurer and probably Auditor General, thirty-six Congressmen, twenty-five State Senators and 207 members of the House of Representatives.

Four of the Congressmen will be voted for in the State at large, that increased number having been given Pennsylvania by the last census and no apportionment of the State having since been made. A Congressman will be chosen from this district, comprising the counties of Franklin, Faison, Huntingdon, Mifflin, Juniata, Perry, Snyder and Union.

A member from Fulton county of the lower house of the Legislature, will be chosen. The primary election will be held in April next year, owing to the fact that delegates to national and State conventions must be chosen early. The State convention will be held shortly after the primaries.

A contest to determine whether the Auditor General can be legally elected next year or whether he must come up for election in 1914 will probably be inaugurated when the nomination is made.

Pledged to Raise \$25,000.

Gettysburg, Pa., Dec. 14th.—At a dinner given in the Colonial Hotel of York, Pa., by the York-Gettysburg Club in honor of William A. Granville, Ph. D., L. L. D., President of the Gettysburg College, the Club pledged itself to raise \$25,000 towards the endowment fund of Gettysburg College, Geo. E. Neff, Esq., one of the leading attorneys of York started the list by subscribing \$1000. This \$25,000 pledge of the Club will apply on the \$180,000 to be raised by the College in order to secure the \$50,000 promised by the General Education Board (Rockefeller Foundation).

The financial campaign involves the addition of \$200,000 to the assets of the College. Counting this \$25,000 pledge of the York-Gettysburg Club \$135,000 of this sum has already been subscribed.

Professor Oscar G. Kluger, Franklin Professor of Greek Language and Literature at Pennsylvania College has resigned his position, same to take effect at the end of the present school year. Continued ill health is the reason for his action.

School Report.

Report of Bald Eagle school for the third month. The following have been in attendance every day: Virgil Pittman, Joseph Johnson, Jacob Peck, Pt. Peck, Arthur Gordon; Amos Gordon, Wallace Simpson, Foster Everts, Ephraim Everts, Bazil Cattlett, Daisy Peck, Janet Peck, Mary Cattlett, Pleasant Sipes. The number on the roll, 28; for term, 30; per cent. of attendance: males, 95; females, 93.—M. J. Pittman, teacher.

All justices of the peace elected at the recent election in November, will hold their office for six years and one month as their term began on the first Monday of December and hereafter the term of office of justices of the peace will end on the first Monday in January, those elected this year serving until January, 1918. This is the ruling of Secretary of the Commonwealth Robert McAfee.

Dairy and Food Commissioner James Foust is out with a warning against the musty Christmas nuts. Two prosecutions have been ordered in western Pennsylvania for selling nuts unfit for food, and general inspections will be made in all counties to catch people who are violating the law,