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THE GRIM REAPER.

Short Sketches of the Lives of Persons Who Have Recently Passed Away.

MRS. THOMAS GIBSON.

After an illness of only a few days resulting from appendicitis, Martha, wife of Thomas R. Gibson, died very suddenly at their home in North Braddock Pa., on Monday morning, March 23, 1914, aged 34 years 8 months and 2 days. The remains were brought to Three Springs on Wednesday of last week and taken to the home of her mother Mrs. Gideon Duvall in Clay township, Huntingdon county, where the funeral took place Thursday afternoon, the services being conducted by the Rev. Weise of the M. E. church and interment was made in the cemetery at Three Springs.

She is survived by her husband and by three children ranging in age from three to thirteen years; also, by her aged mother, 3 sisters and 3 brothers. She gave her heart to Christ and identified herself with the visible church when 16 years of age and her life was that of an exemplary girl, wife, and mother. The husband is a brother of John W. Gibson, of Wells Tannery. The large number of friends at her funeral, the beautiful floral decorations—all bore evidence of the esteem in which she was held.

MRS. D. C. GARLAND.

Osa Plessinger Garland, wife of Daniel C. Garland, died at their home in Belfast township, Wednesday, March 25, 1914, aged 41 years, 11 months, and 16 days—another victim of that dread disease, tuberculosis.

The funeral was held on Friday and the services were conducted by Rev. A. G. B. Powers, who preached a very able sermon. Mr. Powers was assisted in the service by Eld. C. L. Funk. Interment was made in the cemetery in the Pleasant Grove church.

Mrs. Garland was a loving wife and mother, a kind friend, and a true Christian. She dedicated her life to Christ when young, remained consistent with her profession, and in her latter days, gave many evidences of a happy faith and bright visions of the glory land.

Mrs. Garland leaves to mourn her taking away a loving husband, four daughters, a little son, father, brother, and a host of friends. The husband and children have the sincere sympathy of their many friends in this sad hour of bereavement.

MRS. HARVEY A. BLACK.

Julia, wife of Harvey A. Black, died at their home near Hustontown on Friday, afternoon, March 27, 1914, aged 35 years, 3 months, and 5 days. The cause of her death was pulmonary tuberculosis from which she had been a sufferer for about two years. The funeral services were conducted on the following Sunday by the Rev. Benson, of the United Brethren church; interment was made in the Union cemetery in Ayr township, and the sermon was preached in the Lutheran church, McConnellsburg. She is survived by her husband and one son, Paul.

Mrs. Black was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Mellott, was a consistent member of the Lutheran church, and a faithful and loving mother.

JANE ELIZABETH WELCH.

Miss Jane Elizabeth Welch died at her home in Burnt Cab on Monday evening March 23, 1914, from pneumonia, aged 72 years 11 months and 25 days. She was a lovely Christian character—a member of the Presbyterian church. Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, J. W. Kaufman, who preached from Rev. 14:13. She is survived by one sister Miss Mary E. Welch with whom she lived.

TWO BIG FIRES.

George W. Sipes's House in Licking Creek and Bard's Mill in Belfast Township.

The dwelling house of George W. Sipes, 2 miles southwest of Harrisonville, was totally destroyed by fire last Sunday night, together with most of the contents.

Mrs. Sipes and her two little daughters were away from home on a visit, and about 9 o'clock, Mr. Sipes with his little son were upstairs getting ready to retire, when a kerosene lamp exploded, throwing the blazing oil all over the bed and matting. Mr. Sipes's first thought was for the safety of his boy, whom he grabbed up, threw some clothing about him, and ran down stairs to a place of safety. Then Mr. Sipes returned, but the flames had made such headway, that he was powerless to subdue them, and he rushed to the telephone, and aroused the neighborhood. By the time assistance arrived there was no chance to save anything except some of the furniture on the first floor.

About four or five years ago, Mr. Sipes lost his house, and practically all his farm buildings by fire, together with a large quantity of hard wood and all his carpenter tools, and did not have a cent's insurance. Being a firstclass builder, he arose to the emergency, and erected another house, the one that burned last Sunday night, making it one of the most modern rural houses in the County. It had all hard-wood floors. The loss is partly covered by insurance; but it is hard luck to so soon again be stripped by the fire fiend.

While George Sipes's house was burning in Licking Creek township last Sunday night, a fire was raging in Belfast township, which totally destroyed Ross Bard's flouring mill. This mill to the older people is better known as the Sipes Mill, having been erected many years ago by Emanuel Sipes, and later owned by Capt. Dixon. About four years ago the farm and mill were purchased by Ross Bard, who spent about \$3300 in repairs, placing in it a new steel water-wheel, steam engine, improved roller process, concrete walls, and otherwise making it an up-to-date property. On Sunday, Ross and family went over to Emma-ville to visit Ross's brother, leaving his brother Sherman and James Harr at home. These men had gone to bed, but had not fallen asleep when the light from the burning mill shined in at their window.

While Mr. Bard had about \$2500 insurance on the property, this will only partially cover his loss.

Driving Accident.

What might have been a more serious accident came to Mr. Courtney Carbaugh on Monday evening of this week. Mr. Carbaugh was driving across the mountain from Knobsville to Richmond. He was in a new buggy and driving a broncho. When passing down through Allens Valley the Broncho frightened at something, and wheeling around suddenly in the road, crowded the rear wheels of the buggy down over the road taking with them the buggy and the driver; and last of all, the horse sat down on the wreck. It was with no little difficulty that Mr. Carbaugh extricated himself by cutting his way back through the top of the buggy. Fortunately, he escaped with nothing worse than a badly sprained wrist, and the "brank" was not much the worse for the accident, but the buggy, it wouldn't have brought 3 cents a pound from a junk dealer.

Elijah Baldwin and grandson Baldwin Fraker, were in town Wednesday attending to first of April business.

Recent Wedding.

MELLOTT—GOLDEN.

At the residence of the officiating clergyman, Rev. J. C. Garland in Belfast township, at noon on Wednesday, March 25, 1914, Mr. Charles H. Mellott, son of Joseph E. and Sabina Mellott, was married to Miss Jessie Cornelia Golden, daughter of David E. and the late Martha Golden, of Bethel township. In the afternoon, the bride and groom went to the home of the bride's parents. These are excellent young people and have the best wishes of a host of friends.

WITTER—ALLOWAY.

At 12 o'clock, noon, on Wednesday of last week, at the parsonage of the First Methodist Episcopal church in Huntingdon, Pa., the pastor, Rev. E. E. McKelvey, united in marriage Mr. Roy Wilson Witter, son of merchant A. N. Witter, of Waterfall, and Miss Freda Alloway, daughter of Mrs. Alice and the late Newton Alloway, near Gracey. The bride and groom are excellent young people, and have the best wishes of a large circle of friends in this important venture.

PINE—MELLOTT.

On Saturday evening Alvey Pine son of Mr. and Mrs. John Pine of Cito, and Adeline Viola Mellott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mellott of town, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony. The officiating minister was Rev. Peterman. The young people intend to go to housekeeping in the near future.

Does Education Pay?

In order to intelligently determine if education pays on the farm, the United States Office of Farm Management selected 520 farmers in a district where the land, so far as natural conditions existed, was all alike, 273 owned land and 247 rented land. The farmers were divided into three classes—common school educated, high school graduates, and college men. The common school land owners cleared an average of \$300; the high school land owners cleared an average of \$650, and the college land owners cleared an average of \$800. The figures given represents what they were able to clear from their lands after all expenses had been deducted.

Among the tenants the incomes given in the above named order amounted to an average of \$742, \$1,268, and \$1,721 respectively. There can be but one conclusion drawn from the foregoing figures namely, that the owners managed their farms in accordance with their education, and the renters called to their aid graded intelligence, the college men making use of better methods, keeping in full touch with and understanding of the work of the experimental station established by the State for the purpose of making agriculture pay bigger profits. Not all the owners were failures, neither were all of the high school and college men successes; but the average, as shown, cannot be explained away.

Typhoid Fever.

New Grenada, one of the most healthful locations in the County is just passing through an epidemic of typhoid fever. Bert Heater, his brother George, and Guy Alloway, have passed through it, and are now convalescing; but Merrill Cunningham, son of N. G. Cunningham is now under the care of a physician and a trained nurse at the home of his parents; and Ernest, a brother of Merrill, was taken to the hospital at Lewistown recently for an operation for appendicitis and before the operation could be performed, it was found that typhoid fever had developed to such a stage as to make it impracticable to operate. At last account, the young man was in rather a critical condition.

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FROM REV. A. G. WOLF.

He Contributes Items of Interest to Readers of the Fulton County News.

West Fairview, Pa., March 30. —On Saturday, March 28, 1914, Miss Harriet Maye Mellott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Mellott, formerly of the Big Cove, but now residing near Mercersburg, Pa., and Mr. Harrison Keefer Hagerman, of Greencastle, were united in the bonds of holy matrimony by your "humble servant" at the Lutheran parsonage at this place. A host of friends extend to the bridal party their best wishes. Mr. and Mrs. Hagerman intend to start farming, in Franklin county, on the first of April.

The invitations, of the graduating class in the Theological Seminary at Atchison, Kans., are out. One of Fulton county's former boys, in the person of Chas. W. Seville is a member of the class. Mr. Seville has already honored his home and place of nativity, by aspiring to the holy office of the ministry of the Gospel; and, more especially, by continuing his studies, in college and seminary, when health was impaired to such an extent that men declared, that he was a subject more worthy for a cemetery than a seminary; and under other conditions, which only the strongest wills and bravest hearts would endeavor to surmount. He had a purpose in mind when he left McConnellsburg. He set about to reach the high goal of the sacred office. He met the difficulties which beset him. Time and again his plans and hopes were thwarted; he took fresh courage, and moved manfully onward,—now he has triumphed, and soon will hold the cherished sheepskin—the diploma of one of the schools of the Prophets, as his partial reward! I am persuaded that Fulton county knows little of what it cost Brother Seville to press up to the mark which he has now attained! But, if a man's work reflect upon the home of his youth and early life, Fulton county already has no little credit set to her account, per the position she held in the life of Chas. W. Seville! If more boys, leaving the rural districts, would turn up like Chas. Seville, a minister of the Gospel, many desert places, would hear the glad tidings of salvation, which now seem to be more of a menace to the nation than aught else! Fulton county can be glad to be honored, as the birth place of men bearing and presenting dispositions and spirits such as the Rev. Chas. W. Seville has shown! Our heartiest congratulations go out to him! Let his fellow citizens know of the path he has trod, and the heights he has attained. Perhaps some youth, in whose heart there may be lurking a desire to likewise unfold the unsearchable riches of Christ, but which, because of many things, which need not be mentioned here, has not yet been made known to man, may be encouraged to set his face toward the goal which the Almighty means him to reach.

A. G. WOLF.

Leg Broken.

Last Thursday evening as Hayes Richards was riding a colt along the lane leading from the Cove road to W. S. Warthin's, it suddenly shied, and Hayes was thrown to the ground. In the struggle to keep the colt from getting away, it stepped on his right leg just above the ankle, and fractured one of the bones. Dr. Sappington was summoned and reduced the fracture, but Hayes will likely let somebody else do most of the ploughing this spring.

Mr. W. M. Patterson, of Pittsburg, spent a few days during the past week in the home of his parents, Hon. and Mrs. D. H. Patterson at Webster Mills.

Let All Help.

Within the past few months several well known county men have visited this office and discussed plans to carry on a campaign of education that will lead to more and better grades of cattle for the county. One of them has written several letters for publication, but feels bashful about making himself too conspicuous in the matter by doing most of the talking. The gentleman has made it very plain that it is cheaper to raise high grade stock than to raise scrub stock that sells for little or no more than cost of raising.

Why do these men try to have their neighbors raise pure bred stock? Why are they not satisfied to raise it themselves and let the other fellow stick to any-old-kind? The answer is very simple. When a community gets its reputation up or down, prices for the product of that community move on the same plane. When buyers come into a community they are at once affected by the financial atmosphere of the place, and they will bid accordingly. A few men cannot work the change; it requires many. All of us can remember how, a few years ago, Baltimore was looked upon as the best place to ship worn out and scrub horses, and no one ever thought of shipping high priced horses to that city—all on account of the reputation it had gained because of the demand of the truck gardeners for old, slow plugs that would stand all day hitched to a sweetpotato vine.

The NEWS has again and again offered its columns to the farmers of the county to use in the discussion of topics of home interests. We suggest that the cattle question be thrashed out until it is fully understood by a sufficient number to bring about the desired change. There seems to be a vague idea abroad that thoroughbreds are best, but an easy going spirit has resulted, in slow progress toward the desired accomplishment.

Rev. Royer Returns.

While it was feared that an account of Rev. J. V. Royer's health it might be deemed advisable to give him a field of labor that did not require quite so much physical exertion, his many McConnellsburg friends are gratified that he was sent back to this charge for another year. Among the other Methodist preachers well known to our people, we note the location of the following for the ensuing year: Gideon P. Sarvis, Blandburg; William Moses, Flemington; Jacob H. Diebel, Houtzdale; Abraham L. Frank, Mahaffey; Harry K. Ash, Milesburg and Unionville; John B. Durkee, Shawville; Harry W. Newman, Benton; Charles W. Bryner, Centralia; George A. Duvall, Gordon; Alexander Lamberson, Sunbury; Joseph D. W. Deavor, Epworth church in Har-risburg; Edward J. Croft, Harrisville; John H. McKechnie, Hustontown; Ellsworth M. Aller, Mt. Holly; Joseph V. Adams, New Cumberland; George W. McInay, New Bloomfield; Harry Daniels, Shrewsbury; Luther W. McGarvey, York Springs; George M. Shimer, Martinsburg; Edward E. A. Deavor; Millintown; Chas. F. Himes, Millerstown; William A. Carver, Orbisonia; Charles F. Weise, Three Springs; Owen Hicks, Duboistown; Oliver S. Metzler, Mulberry Street church Williamsport.

Post, vs. Express.

As an example of the workings of the express companies since the introduction of parcel post competition, a package from New York that formerly cost sixty cents to Mercersburg now costs twenty-six cents by express, and twenty-one cents by parcel post. By express the package still costs an additional ten cents from the railroad, while the parcel post will deliver it to any part of the county at the initial cost of twenty-one cents.

THE QUICK LUNCH.

Little Talks on Health and Hygiene by Samuel G. Dixon, M. D., LL. D., Commissioner of Health.

In every town and village you may behold staring at you in the day time, and emblazoned in electric lights at night, the words QUICK LUNCH.

The Quick Lunch is distinctly an American institution and one of which we have no reason to be proud. To the German, the Englishman or the Frenchman the American habit of consuming food as if in a perpetual race against time, is regarded as a barbarous custom.

As eating is essential to living, it is well to consider it as deserving of attention, and not treat the demand of our stomachs as if it were an impertinent request to be answered curtly. If the mind is concentrated upon business or other matters, the digestion suffers. Devote your attention during meals to gratifying your palate by the flavor of the food eaten. This gives a decided stimulus to digestion. Excessive sweetening, or the use of condiments, is too often used to replace the lack of true flavor, or disguise the unappetizing condition of the food served.

The comparatively limited list of viands which are customarily available in these temples of indigestion seem for the most part to be chosen with one primary purpose in view—their speedy consumption. Pastries or fried foods seem to be chiefly in demand. These are generally washed down with ice water or other liquid which during the summer months is usually cold enough to paralyze digestion.

For the average worker the period between the morning and the evening meal is from ten to eleven hours. The body needs nourishment to maintain physical or mental activity. Pastries contain but a small percentage of nourishment. Coffee and tea are stimulants pure and simple. Fried food may almost be considered a national menace. When you go to lunch take your time to eat. Let the roar of the hungry multitude around you and the hurried waiters leave you undisturbed. The profit of the proprietor is in the quickness with which you consume your lunch and make way for another customer. You will profit individually by taking a reasonable length of time to enjoy your food and stimulate the digestive glands.

How Disease Spreads.

Several more cases of erysipelas developed last week among friends of the Anderson family near Knobsville. It is supposed by the attending physician that the disease was contracted while attending the funeral of Mr. Anderson. We mention this in order to again call attention to the necessity of observing directions given by physicians in cases of virulent diseases. Germ diseases, of which erysipelas is one, start exactly as do plants, namely, from seeds. The seeds of disease are called germs, and are so small that thousands of them may be picked up on the point of a pin. Therefore, any rag, towel or hand that touches the patient, or matter from a patient, may contain millions of these germs or seeds.

Nice Winter in Kansas.

In a letter from J. Frank Martin a few days ago, he writes us to change the address of the NEWS from Liberal to Bucklin, Kansas, where he expects to reside indefinitely. Frank says it gives him a chill to read of the big snows we have had in Fulton county since Christmas. He says they have had but four inches of snow altogether this winter. Hogs, horses, and cattle, have been pasturing on the wheat fields right along since last October, without having seen the inside of a barn, and they look as sleek and fat as moles.

FED TWENTY-TWO TURKEYS.

Flock Starved Until They Had Lost All Fear of Humans and Appeared To Be Grateful To Boy.

Some time during the winter a flock of twenty-two wild turkeys came to a spring close to the residence of ex-Commissioner Daniel Cromer near Fort Littleton. The fowls were so nearly starved that they paid little attention to human beings. Raymond, his twelve-year old son, gave them a good feed of corn and that night they roosted on the fences of the field in which they were first fed.

From that time until the turkeys could forage for themselves, Raymond fed them twelve quarts of shelled corn every other day, and in this manner, saved their lives. During all this time the birds never went very far away, but remained in the field, roosting on the fences at night, seemingly grateful to their benefactor.

Raymond is receiving the congratulations of his friends and neighbors for his humane spirit, and when the fifteen or more hens of the flock hatch this summer, he should—and doubtless will—receive the aid of every true sportsman in protecting the broods and in discouraging pothunters from killing them out of season. A gentleman's agreement among hunters to discourage illegal hunting does more to protect game than the common law.

In the same community, Elmer Fraker brought a nice flock of quail through the winter, by caring for them in his barnyard. We congratulate our Fort Littleton friends for their manly attitude toward the wild creatures that virtually committed themselves to their mercy; and may they obtain the promise made to the merciful.

April First Removals.

W. H. Greathead from their home on Water Street to the Presbyterian parsonage; L. W. Seylar from corner of Water and Second to part of Mrs. Nettie L. Alexander's house, east Water street; Miss Marion and Jessie Sloan from the Dickson drag store property to the new house beside the Cline garage, on east Water street; Ed Shimer from the Mrs. H. B. Trout property on north Second to the Thomas Comer house, south Second street; D. R. Ramsey from the Thomas Comer house on south Second street to the Mrs. Susan Rummel house several doors south; C. R. Spangler from his former home on north Second to the Mrs. H. B. Trout house across the street; D. E. Fore, Tod township, to the C. R. Spangler house north end of Second street; Eli Largent from Walnut street to the Dwight Thompson house on east Water street; Mrs. Angeline Sipes from the West End Toll Gate, to her property vacated by Eli Largent on Walnut street; Miss Mary Pittman from her rooms at Mrs. Grace Bender's to a part of the house occupied by S. A. Nesbit, north Second; Chas. Snyder from the Howard Weld property to Levi Keefer's tenant house in Ayr township; Geo. Steach from M. M. Bender's house to Howard Weld house; Lavina Long from the Andrew Washabaugh's tenant house in Ayr township to M. M. Bender's house; Thos. Oliver from Mrs. Sarah Pittman's tenant house on her farm to Andrew Washabaugh's tenant house.

Notice.

Newspaper offices will have many changes of address to make on their mailing list after the first of April. We ask all who wish their address on the News changed or who send money on subscription, to give the old address as well as the new. The only way we can find your name is to first know where the paper is going, as mailing list indexes are arranged according to post offices.