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THE GRIM REAPER.

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

J. K. TRITLE.

Joseph Keeley Trittle, a native of this county, but for the last six years a resident of Franklin county, died at his home at Fort Loudon, Pa., last Thursday afternoon aged 60 years, 3 months, and 29 days. The funeral services were conducted at his home by Rev. Stonifer, of the Reformed church on Saturday morning, and his remains were brought to this county and interment in the Union cemetery in Ayr township later in the day. Rev. Robert E. Peterman, of the Lutheran church, conducting the services at the grave.

The cause of Mr. Trittle's death was tuberculosis, but he was only confined to his bed about ten days.

The deceased was a son of the late Daniel Trittle, and was married to Miss Mary Alice Hockenmith, daughter of the late Joseph Hockenmith, of Licking Creek township. To this union were born ten children—six of whom are living, namely, Charles residing in Franklin county; Daniel and John at home; Clara, wife of Brice Hann, and Effie, wife of Charles Gress—both of McConnellsburg; and Bessie, wife of John Haun, Fort Loudon.

EDWARD BROSIUS.

Edward, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Brosius, of Brosius, W. Va., died at the home of his parents in last Thursday, aged about 25 years. The immediate cause of his death was tuberculosis. While his health was none too good for several months, yet his relatives and friends entertained hopes of his recovery, and everything that loving hands and skillful medical attention could do for this unfortunate young man was done.

His body was taken on Saturday afternoon to Hancock, Md., where services were held in the Episcopal church. The Masons had charge of his funeral, he having been a member of that order. He was a consistent member of the Episcopal Church and was held in highest esteem by all who knew him. His early death has cast a gloom of sorrow wherever he was known. The funeral gifts were profuse, and together with the large concourse of sorrowing friends who attended his funeral, they bore evidence of the love and respect in which he was held. Besides his parents, he is survived by one brother and several sisters—all at home but one sister—Anna, wife of J. Edward Palmer, who resides at Harfordsburg.

CHESTER McELHANY.

Chester McElhany died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James A. McElhany, north of Hustontown, on Thursday, April 19, 1914. He was aged about 23 years. The young man had suffered with tuberculosis for a long time, and about a year ago spent some time in Colorado in the hope of regaining his accustomed health. Failing to obtain the desired relief he returned to the home of his parents, where he remained until the time of his death. He was a miner by occupation, but recently took a course in the operation of automobiles. The funeral took place on Friday, April 11th, interment being made in the M. E. Cemetery, Hustontown.

Mr. W. H. Staley, of Pittsburg, drove his Ford touring car over from the Smoky City to McConnellsburg last Sunday, and remained in the home of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Angeline Sipes until Tuesday, when he returned home taking with him his wife who had been spending a few weeks with her mother.

Mr. Robert Everts and son Dennis made a trip to McConnellsburg Tuesday.

Recent Wedding.

PATTERSON—PATTERSON.

At the beautiful home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. H. E. Carson, 1415 Linden avenue, Baltimore, Md., at high noon last Monday, Miss Dorothy Henrietta Patterson, daughter of Hon. and Mrs. D. Hunter Patterson, of Webster Mills, this county, became the bride of Mr. Elliott Remington Patterson, son of T. Elliott Patterson, a prominent corporation lawyer of Philadelphia.

The impressive ceremony of the United Presbyterian church was used by S. M. McCallum, D. D., of Baltimore, in the presence of members of the immediate families of the contracting parties. The bride was married in a traveling suit, and immediately after the ceremony, she and her husband boarded a train for Washington City, the first lap on a honeymoon trip. The happy couple are expected to arrive at the home of the bride's parents this afternoon, and this evening a formal reception will be held in which a large number of the friends of the family will participate.

The bride is a charming young lady, and the groom, a talented member of the civil engineering department of the city of Philadelphia.

SCHOOLEY—MELLOTT.

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mrs. Libbie Mellott, near Andover, on April 15, 1914, when her daughter, Miss Veda Rebecca, was united in marriage with Mr. Cadiz Schooley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Schooley, of Licking Creek township.

The ceremony was performed by Elder Horace Lefferts, of West Virginia. The bride was richly and becomingly dressed in blue crepe meteor. Immediately after the ceremony a bountiful dinner was served to a number of invited guests. The bride was the recipient of many beautiful presents. These are most excellent young people. The bride is one of the County's successful teachers, and the bridegroom is an industrious young man and a good citizen. Their many friends extend well-wishes for a happy journey through life.

WALTZ—MELLOTT.

The brightness and beauty of Easter morning was intensified in the home of Rev. and Mrs. John Mellott, of Pleasant Ridge, when their daughter, Miss Margaret became the bride of Mr. Bretherd Elmer Waltz, of Sharpe Pa. The impressive ceremony was performed by Rev. J. Calvin Garland in the presence of members of the immediate families. The groom is a son of the late Henry Waltz, and the young people will begin housekeeping at once and the groom will farm the home place. The bride has been a successful teacher, and possesses those qualities that will make her a helpmeet, indeed. The NEWS joins in extending most hearty congratulations.

Broke Her Arm.

On last Friday morning, while Mrs. Geo. S. Mellott, near Sipes Mills, was standing on a bench, she lost her balance in some manner and fell to the floor and broke her right arm just below the shoulder. A physician was immediately summoned, but it was seven hours before one could arrive, so that when Dr. Fisher, of Needmore appeared on the scene the arm was so badly swollen that the extent of the injuries could not be accurately determined.

The doctor set the broken bones but fears that the shoulder is out of place, or at least badly injured. Mrs. Mellott suffers an unusual amount of pain—even for a bad fracture—and this lends color to the belief that her shoulder is dislocated; but little can be done to relieve her suffering until swelling is reduced sufficiently to permit a more thorough examination. Mrs. Mellott is a sister of Mrs. P. P. Mann, and Mrs. Wm. Baumgardner, of this place.

Trip Through Alberta Canada.

I am now riding on a train from Calgary to the South. The sun is shining brightly—the clearest ever seen. The Rockies present a scene that never will be forgotten. The country is slightly rolling and the soil is the very best that I have found in all my rambles through the great West.

The farmers are rushing their grain into the ground, with horses, steam and gasoline. The towns along the line are building up very fast; in fact, they can't get men and lumber to keep up with the pace. Friends, you can't imagine the scenes they present until you take the train and travel out to the "Golden West." Have now arrived in Granum, a nice little country town. We started for the country behind a team of bronchos, and the more I look around the more I decided to stay. You can stand on the ground and look for 40 miles around. The winter wheat is green and the creeks are full of ducks and geese. I never realized the fact about stories that have been told until I took my travel out to this big, big West.

I am now returning to Calgary, the biggest in the West, to get my little slip of paper so I can be at rest. And friends, if you desire to make a change in abode, just come out to Calgary, the place of which I have told; and if you like to know more about the West, just drop me a line at Clearidge, and I will do my best.

JOHN HENRY, Clearidge, Pa.

Purchased a Farm.

Amos Seville of this place purchased a farm in Cumberland county last week. It is situated two miles northeast of Carlisle, and is known locally as the A. Reed farm. The farm contains 40 acres and 95 perches of actual farm land, and a small pasture of between three and four acres in which is a spring. The improvements consist of good house, bank barn and all necessary buildings to complete a comfortable home. Concrete walks lead from the house to the barn, pens, &c. Price paid, \$3,400. Mr. Seville made many tours of inspection before deciding upon this fine place, as he has reached that period in life which entitles men to take life at a less strenuous pace, and this tidy farm appeals to him as about what he wanted. Mr. Seville took possession at once.

While there is no more productive land lying out doors than is found in parts of Fulton county, the beautiful Cumberland Valley with its proximity to good markets, has during the past few years attracted the attention of a number of Fulton county people. Among those who have purchased farms and removed to Cumberland county are J. J. Conrad, Will Grissinger, Alex Patterson, Robert Johnston, Geo. K. Nelson, S. K. Pittman, Virgil F. Sipes, the late James Sipes, Harvey L. Sipes, and others.

Booster Run.

Taking the advantage of the fine (?) weather and roads, three automobile parties pulled out of McConnellsburg early Tuesday morning for a run of 134 miles across the Allegheny mountains to Pittsburgh. The first car to be checked out was a Ford touring car driven by W. H. Staley accompanied by his wife; the second, was a Maxwell, driven by W. Sloan Warthin, accompanied by W. Frank Stouteagle, Henry Hann, and Russell Glazier, and the third was a Maxwell, driven by Sam Mellott, accompanied by his brother Jacob W. Mellott, Cam Mellott, Miss Florence Johnston, and Florence's little niece, Mary Carson Patterson, who were taking advantage of the opportunity to visit Florence's brothers Ralph and Norman.

THE LAW GOVERNING GYPSIES.

Bedford County's Treasury Enriched \$60, and Neighborhood Soon Rid of Menace and Nuisance.

The small army of gypsies that passed through this place about two weeks ago struck a snag when they reached Everett. Recalling the depredations of last summer by this or a similar band the officers of Everett asked the leaders to show a license to camp in the county. As was expected no license could be shown, and several of the leaders were arrested and taken before the Burgess who fined them \$50 and costs making a total cost to the Gyps of \$60. This had the desired effect and, after a short stop at Mt. Dallas, the unwashed nomads pulled up stakes and decamped for more healthy districts.

Far be it from us to inflict needless hardships upon anything into which God has put the breath of life; but this county has suffered at the hands of these roving bands. The whole of the summer is before us, and there is no telling how soon a raid may be made on victims, similar to that made last summer. Under conditions like that it is but right that we should protect our people by invoking a good law placed on our statute books in 1909.

Act of General Assembly, No. 247, P. L. 445, approved on the sixth day of May 1909, is, part, as follows:

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That after the passage of this act it shall be unlawful for any roving band or bands of nomads, commonly called gypsies, or any person or persons composing such bands, to pitch or settle its or their encampment, or carry on its or their business or transactions, or practice their craft, within the limits of any county of this State, unless they or some of them shall first obtain from the county treasurer for such band or bands to pitch or settle its or their encampment, or carry on its or their business, or practice their craft, in said county, for which shall be paid, by the person applying for such license to the county treasurer, the sum of fifty dollars (\$50), for the use of said county, and an additional fee of fifty cents to the said county treasurer for his fee for the issuing of the same, &c.

Section two of this act provides penalties for the refusal of the Gyps to comply with the law. Their property may be seized, and, by due process of law, sold to satisfy the amount of fine which is never less than fifty nor more than one hundred dollars.

Any citizen may demand to see the license to camp and may make information before any justice of the peace if the gypsies refuse to show the license. We will continue to be pestered with these dangerous creatures just as long as our citizens permit them to rove unmolested to prey upon the unsophisticated and the superstitious people found in every community. While any citizen may make information against these bands, it is the duty of the proper officials to see to it that the gypsies have the license.

Dwelling Burned.

About noon last Sunday, the dwelling house of Mr. James Bivens a mile or so west of Big Cove Tannery, burned to the ground together with nearly all the contents. There was no one at home at the time but Mr. and Mrs. Bivens, and they are not young people any more: so that they were practically helpless to check the progress of the fire. By the time any of the neighbors came, but little could be done in saving any of the furniture, and only a few pieces were saved. They practically lost all their bedding, clothing, furniture and provisions. It is said that the Friends Cove Mutual carried a risk of five hundred dollars, but that will not go far in making good the loss of Mr. and Mrs. Bivens.

Hughes' Botany Class.

DEAR EDITOR NEWS:—My letter on "Sweet Violets," in your issue of the 9th instant, has evoked some response—not the least of which is a fine bunch of Trailing Arbutus from some obliging person at Webster Mills; and, for which I am very grateful. My thanks are due Mr. Glenn, also, for his information respecting Skunk Cabbage. This makes two wild plants surely known to grow in your county. Are there two more? Ten more? Fifty more? One hundred more? How many more? Who will join me in ascertaining? Would it not be worth knowing to very many of your people? Suppose now that two of you, Sam Jones and Billy Sunday should meet and the following colloquy occur:—"Hello! Billy," says Sam, "how many wild plants are there in Fulton County?" "Oh! I don't know," replies Billy, "perhaps fifty—maybe more." "Fifty?" says Sam; "you're away off. I have more than that growing on my farm. I call most of them weeds; but they're plants all the same." "Well," says Billy, "what of it—why did you ask me such a question?" "I'll tell you," says Sam; "Did you ever hear of a fellow named Will Hughes?" "No, I never did—I'm innocent of that," says Billy. "Well," says Sam, "this Will Hughes says he is a native of this county, having been born in McConnellsburg on the same day of the same month (he doesn't say what year) as was the great poet, William Shakspear—you've heard of him, haven't you?" "Oh! Sure," says Billy "I've heard of Shakspear—he's the chap whose name is spelled in so many ways, isn't he?" "Right, you are," says Sam; "but I want to tell you something about Will Hughes. He lives down in Philadelphia, which you know, is called the 'City of Brotherly Love'; but, Will says that this name is not a true one now, though it may have been so in William Penn's time. For, says Will, it is not compatible with 'brotherly love' to have three thousand liquor saloons running six days of the week, and ten thousand tobacco shops (a twin evil), open day and night every day in the year. Will thinks that if true 'brotherly love' prevailed there would not exist a single one of either of these sanctuaries of Satan, in Philadelphia or elsewhere.

"But, what I meant to say is that Will wants us fellows up here to send him specimens of our flora, so that he, and we, too may know just how many and what species of plants grow wild with us. Now, I rather like the idea, and am going to help Will to ascertain this matter; and I want you to do so, also; and, in order to make it as interesting and thorough as possible, I intend to get a lot of other people actively interested in this matter; and we surely will forward a barrel of specimens by parcel post, and give our dear brother as glorious a time as he desires in making his determinations. I want you, Billy, to do likewise, and we may thus learn whether there are fifty of five hundred different forms of plant life within our borders." "All right, Sam," says Billy; "I am with you heart and soul, and perhaps I shall outnumber you and your friends in the specimens I shall send to Mr. H. And now, 'so long' until we meet again."

Such a confab, dear Editor, is neither impossible nor improbable when I get my pupils to work, and people see how much is being done in an interesting and really important matter, never before, (to my knowledge) attempted in old Fulton. I might easily send you a yard or so more along this line, but I'll not so try the patience of readers. Let me close, therefore, with a pressing invitation to all interested, to send me every distinct form of violet coming under notice.

Yours, for service,
W. F. HUGHES,
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Shippensburg Normal School.

The 41st Anniversary of the Normal Literary Society was held in the Chapel last Friday evening. It was largely attended by both the students and people from town. Miss Mary Jane Johnston, of McConnellsburg, was elected as Secretary, and Lee Hale, of Shippensburg, President.

Those from Fulton who took an active part in the program were Miss Clara Markley, and Messrs. Roy Mathias, Clyde Barnhart, Glenn Lehman, Vernon Wink and Claude Serjever.

Baltimore City College Baseball Team was defeated by Normal on Saturday, April 18th, by the score of 9-5. Features of the game was the pitching by Mellinger and the three base hit by Barnhart in the eighth inning.

Fulton County is fortunate in having three players on the team Barnhart, Lehman and Wink. Our Spring Term Students from Fulton County take an active part in the Clio Literary Society. Miss Dorothy Hamill of McConnellsburg gave a reading on Friday evening April 10 which was appreciated very much by the Society.

Mr. Glenn Lehman has just recently been elected Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of this school.

John Fields for Governor.

At the Republican State Convention held in Oklahoma City last week, John Fields, a former McConnellsburg boy, was unanimously chosen as the candidate of that party for governor of Oklahoma, subject to the decision of the primaries in August and the general election in November. While the State is Democratic, John is so well and favorably known all over the State, that it is believed he will win the election by a large majority. If Oklahoma is looking for a bright, brassy, honest and capable man to fill the gubernatorial chair during the next term, they need "seek-no-farther."

Held a Big Prayer Meeting.

The large number of attendants at the Sunday School and Class meeting of the M. E. church at Knobsville last Sunday marched to the home of Mrs. William Ashwell who is very ill with pneumonia, and quietly held a prayer meeting which was so greatly enjoyed by Mrs. Ashwell that she desires the NEWS to publicly thank the kind friends and neighbors who were so thoughtful of her in her helpless condition. She feels very much refreshed, both spiritually and physically, and trusts that her friends of that day may share the blessings that came to her and her family as a result of the Christian act.

\$100—Calves.

A young man of our acquaintance who lives in a neighboring county, recently purchased two heifers that will have calves soon. He has a standing offer of \$100 for each of the two calves if they are females. He is not likely to accept the offer as he wishes to own more cows that bring \$100 calves, and will raise them himself. This is in line with the arguments some of our own farmers are putting up—that we should raise more thorough bred cows—as it is cheaper and that they sell for something worth while.

A Nice Party.

The young folks—and some not so young—had a great time in Wells Valley during the evening of April 14th. Between seventy-five and one hundred friends of Elsie Axin surprised her by meeting at her home on that evening to celebrate her "one dozenth" birthday. We cannot begin to tell of all the fun they had, nor of all the good things they had to eat. If we ever get a flying machine, we hope the young people of Wells will then give us an invitation to fly over there and have a little fun with them.

WATER DRINKING.

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

Civilized man throughout the world has learned the necessity of eating at fixed times of the day and with some variety of frequency and interval has arranged his daily life accordingly. He does not, however, seem to appreciate that to maintain health it is equally essential to drink freely of pure water. The medical profession fully realizes, and every physician in active practice has it impressed upon him almost daily, that there is an insufficiency of water drunk by the majority of men and women. Water is needed to aid the working of organs of digestion and for the requirements of circulation. It is needed to replace the water that the body constantly loses through the skin and lungs as well as through the kidneys.

It is needed no less to help in the solution and removal of various substances which form in the body and are harmful if allowed to remain long or in a concentrated form. To satisfy these demands a healthy man or woman should drink a pint of pure water, at a temperature of about 60 degrees, upon awakening in the morning, another pint an hour before the midday meal, a pint before the last meal of the day, and still another before retiring for the night providing it is at least three hours after eating.

Flooding the stomach with water at meals is most injurious. Much ice water is highly irritating to the mucous membrane of the stomach. Taken with meals it often arrests the working of the digestive glands and causes an acute indigestion that frequently proves very serious with the delicate aged. The habit of drinking water should be as regular as that of eating. Liquid foods and various beverages will not take the place of pure water or only to a very limited extent. Babies need it and are apt to suffer for the want of water given at regular intervals. Finally, it is worth remembering that the free drinking of water is one of the greatest deterrents to the abuse of alcohol.

Cost to Raise a Cow.

Comparisons are odious, and statistics are dry; but we cannot get away from the fact that we are indebted to these for many of the improvements enjoyed by this generation. The United States Bureau of Agriculture employs men of patience and with love for investigation to work out tables of costs in order that farmers may be enlightened upon questions of interest.

Data obtained from raising 117 calves from the moment of birth to maturity shows that in the North it costs for feed and labor, an average of \$42.52 to raise a dairy calf scrub or high grade to the age of one year, or \$61.41 to the age of two years. No one farmer could determine this cost, because practically every pound of grass, hay, grain, milk, and hours of labor were strictly accounted for. In addition to all this, the value of the manure was calculated and credited to the animal producing it. We are accustomed to consider the grass, acorns, roots, and everything that an animal gathers, as costing nothing. This is far from being true. The land on which they were gathered cost money. The interest, taxes and even a few hours of your time represent either actual cash or its equivalent, and we cannot get away from the fact that a dairy cow costs over \$60 by the time she is ready to give milk. This being the case it is evident that it never pays to raise a cow that will sell for less than \$60 when she is two years old. Why raise scrubs when there is the present demand for thoroughbred cows worth \$60 to \$100?