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## THE GRIM REAPER.

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

### JAMES ALFRED SIPES.

James Alfred Sipes died in the Chambersburg hospital on Wednesday, May 27, 1914, of cancer of the liver, aged 67 years, 5 months, and 12 days. He was buried from his late residence in Jackson Creek township, at Siloam M. E. church on the following Saturday. Funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. E. J. Croft, in the Siloam church of which Mr. Sipes had been a consistent member since boyhood.

The deceased was a veteran of the Civil War, he having served two enlistments. The first time he went into the service was when he was a mere youth.

He is survived by the following children, his wife having died April 21st, of this year. Alvin, wife of Mr. Daniel Johnson, Patterson's Run, Daisy, wife of Mr. Smith Mullinix, of Foltz, Pa. Max M., May, and Roxey at home.

Mr. Sipes was one of that class of men of whom it is said at their death, "this community has lost a good man," for he lived an exemplary life, and was a model husband, father and citizen. His death made the twelfth funeral in twenty-three years, held from that house.

### MORGAN FISHER.

Morgan Fisher died at the home of Elmer Gress west of McConnellsburg, Monday afternoon, June 1, 1914, aged about 78 years. The funeral took place yesterday morning, and interment was made in Union Cemetery. Morgan Fisher was a son of the late Paul Fisher, and was born in Union Cove this county. He is the last surviving member of his father's family, and the last of his own immediate family.

### New Home For Fulton County Bank.

Because the wide-awake citizens of Fulton County have cooperated with the Fulton County bank, that institution has grown to such proportions and importance, it that has been obliged to build a new, better, and larger home.

Contract has been signed, the foundation completed, modern and up-to-date (bank) rooms, at the corner of Washington and Second streets (the old Mason Drugstore corner.) The new building will occupy space 25 feet on Water Street, and 54 feet on Second Street to the Post Office. The building will be of brick and concrete partitions. A large reinforced fire proof vault will be equipped with burglar proof doors. There will be a corner entrance, and also an entrance on Second street. Besides the regular working space and a comfortable lobby, there will be a large room for use of patrons, a director's room, toilet room, and storage room.

The management of the bank is making every effort to have a comfortable and convenient business, not only for the bank patrons as well. The building will be ready for occupancy November first.

### An Eighteen-Pound Calf.

On Tuesday of last week, a cow belonging to Harrison Hall, of Knobsville gave birth to a calf that weighed eighteen pounds. When one day old it weighed twenty inches in length, ten inches in height, and seven inches around the body. So small that it cannot suck milk placed on a box; consequently, it is being fed from a bottle. The tiny creature is quite healthy, and a large number of people have called to see it.

George C. Sipes, of Thompson township, brought his daughter, Pleasant, to town Monday and Normal School.

## Recent Weddings.

### CHESTNUT-HOOVER.

Hustontown society witnessed a pretty wedding on Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock, when Harold Eugene Chesnut and Miss Edna May Hoover were united in marriage at the home of the bride by Rev. McKechnie. Mr. Chesnut is a son of Mr. and Mrs. William Chesnut, deceased, and lives with his uncle, Dr. A. K. Davis. Miss Hoover is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hoover. These young people are favorites in social circles of that place, and have the best wishes of a large number of warm friends.

The bride was handsomely gowned in white Brussel netting over messaline. Miss Lillie Ann Winter was bride's maid, and Prof. Harper P. Barton was best man. Miss Luemman Laidig presided at the organ and played Wagner's Lohengrin.

Early Wednesday morning Mr. and Mrs. Chesnut left for Washington, D. C., and other points of interest, and will be at home to friends after June 10th, at Mr. Chesnut's residence.

### BRENNEMAN-DESHONG.

A quiet wedding took place on Tuesday evening of last week at the parsonage of the Fifteenth Street Methodist Episcopal church, Huntingdon, Pa., at which time George C. Brenneman and Miss Georgie Flora Deshong were united in marriage by the Rev. E. E. McKeelvey.

The groom is the son of O. C. and Martha Brenneman, of Huntingdon. He is helping to conduct the Brenneman restaurant at 7th and Washington streets with his brother, their father being in poor health. He is an industrious and respected young man. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Deshong of Hustontown, this county. For the past two years she has been employed at the Washington House, Huntingdon and is in an excellent young lady. The couple about the middle of June, expect to take up housekeeping in one of the houses on Seventh street in that town.

### BRADNICK-HAMPTON.

Charles W. Bradnick and Miss Goldie Hampton, both near Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, were married at the home of the groom's mother on Monday evening, May 25, 1914, by their pastor, Rev. J. W. Bathorst of Pleasant Hill. There were about twenty-five persons present. A splendid wedding supper was served, and later they were serenaded by a calithumpian band which gave them plenty.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradnick will go to housekeeping in the near future on the farm owned by Walker Johnson, near Mentzer. The NEWS extends congratulations.

### COOPER-DORTY.

At the Lutheran parsonage last Saturday afternoon, by Rev. Robert E. Peterman, Jesse Hartman Cooper was united in marriage to Miss Charlotte Edna Dorthy, near Mercersburg. These people will begin house keeping in the near future on a farm near Mercersburg, and have the best wishes of their Fulton county friends.

### It's Doctor Reisner, Now.

Edward Hartman Reisner, A. M., Ph. D., spent a few days last week in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob G. Reisner, in this place on his return from Columbia University, New York, where he had received the college degree of Doctor of Philosophy. While but a smooth-faced boy yet, Ed has pushed his way through the McConnellsburg schools, the Cumberland Valley State Normal, Ursinus College, Yale college and Columbia University. He now occupies a chair in the State Agricultural College in Manhattan, Kansas. This is a case where a boy has shown his ability to lift himself over the fence by his own bootstraps.

## MEMORIAL DAY.

Weather Fine. Business Suspended. Fitting Services in Many Places in the County.

Contrary to the usual condition of the weather on Memorial Day, it didn't rain, and nearly everybody seemed full of patriotic inspiration. Very early in the morning the McConnellsburg Band appeared on the streets and filled the air with patriotic music, after which they left for Union cemetery for the exercises at that place. All stores and other business houses in McConnellsburg were closed from ten o'clock until three. After the close of the ceremonies in town, most of the out-of-town people remained to see the automobiles in the Booster Run, which passed through from four to five o'clock.

McConnellsburg and vicinity paid tribute to the memory of departed soldiers in its customary enthusiastic manner, last Saturday. At 1:30 o'clock, p. m., the Auditorium of the Public School Building in McConnellsburg was crowded to fullest capacity to hear the excellent program for the day. After prayer by Rev. Yearick, the McConnellsburg Band rendered patriotic music. Eight little girls then recited in turn how they were "Scattering Blossoms for the Blessing of Humanity." They then sang of how the same spirit bound together all who had the good of their country at heart. Guy Reed recited Lincoln's Gettysburg address.

Between each subject on the program a choir of ladies sang appropriate pieces, with Mrs. C. B. Stevens at the piano.

Rev. Henry Wolf's Memorial Day address was worthy of a page notice, had we the space. He began by calling his hearers' attention to God's law of recompense for good or evil deeds, and illustrated by giving a history of the introduction of slavery into America. He then showed how innocent men and women afterwards were called upon to suffer and die in order that our forefathers' sin of slavery be wiped out. He praised the fighting qualities of the South as well as of the North. He recited, as only an old soldier could, what a grand old fellow Uncle Sam is; how this country immediately after the close of the Civil War began the care of all who had gone to the front in defense of the Union.

Mr. Wolf then touched on the present situation in Mexico, saying that, as President Wilson was contending with Mexico for the adoption of civilized and real Christian government (not Popery), he fully believed that this country would sustain him; and, like the abolition of slavery in this country, Mexico would abolish its state of chronic revolution, and take its rightful place in the brotherhood of nations.

"America" was sung by the audience, after which the Band led the Veterans, Patriotic Sons of Veterans, and the Ladies' Relief Corps, to the different burial grounds where children laid flowers on the graves of the departed heroes.

### AT UNION CEMETERY.

One of the largest assemblages ever seen at Union Cemetery greeted the speakers on Memorial Day. Farmers and others took a day off to help swell the throng that met to pay honors to the memory of dead heroes.

The McConnellsburg Band furnished excellent music. Misses Stella Wible, Cora and Jennette Nesbit, Ethel Ray and Harriet Miller each delightfully entertained the large audience by reciting appropriate pieces. Mr. J. K. Johnston read a paper on "The Flag," and County Superintendent J. Emory Thomas, made an address in which he reviewed recent history of this Nation, especially as connected with the Civil War. Rev. J. L. Grove

## THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

One of the Very Best Ever Held in the County. Splendid Spirit of Union.

Judging by the reports of the people Fulton County had one of its best conventions last week. The weather, the program, the speakers, the music, and the people—all presented a high standard for Sunday School work. Mr. Reel toned up the County Forward movement to a high pitch in having the delegates decide to adopt the Front Line Standard at once in their respective schools. Jesus Christ from Heaven was there and impressed himself marvelously with his wonderful spirit of harmony, unity, and love.

Among the other many things worthy to be noted are the following:

1. No decisive invitation for a place to hold the Convention next year was presented.
2. Resolutions were passed to the effect that all the S. Schools of the County endorse the actions of the Convention in teaching and demanding of its members that Temperance be taught and practiced and that our representatives in state and national Governments be informed by the Secretary of the request to vote for temperance bills and that the voters at the coming General Election vote only for the Candidates who are pledged for Temperance legislation.
3. The Special Fund for larger work which the district Conventions started last year be renewed and operated again this year. The renewal pledges will be received at once. Contributions from the schools are not large enough to meet the necessary expenses, not even the State pledge of \$65.00.

The officers elected are: President, S. W. Kirk; Vice Presidents, Jno. Snyder, Scott Bottomfield, Erra Clevenger; Treasurer, G. W. Hays; Secretary, R. E. Peterman; Elementary Superintendent, Mrs. J. J. Palmer; Home Department, Mrs. E. Norman Akers; Teacher Training, Rev. J. E. Croft; Temperance, C. J. Brewer; O. A. B. C., Geo. Comer; Missionary, Miss Mary J. Johnston; Secondary Division, Mrs. Geo. W. Reisner; Rural Schools Department, A. K. Nesbit.

### ROBT. E. PETERMAN, Sec.

### A Whale of A Trout.

On last Friday, while Charlie Crouse, was fishing in the Narrows, near Big Cove Tannery, he caught a trout that measured twenty-three inches in length, and weighed four pounds. Charlie carefully removed the skin with the head, and after feasting on the flesh Saturday morning, brought the skin to town where it will be mounted by Leslie W. Seylar. Local sports are puzzled as to what species it is. The spots are not round, but star-shaped, others are irregular shaped. It is probably a rainbow species. We venture to say that few, if any, larger trout will be reported from the waters of the State this season. Mr. Crouse was fishing for suckers, in a very small stream, using a sycamore stick for a fishing rod.

made the Memorial Day address. The leading thought in Mr. Grove's address was, "The Purpose of Memorial Day." The object, as explained by him, was not to foster the spirit of war, as we are essentially not a warlike people, and go to war only when driven to it for the preservation of the Union, or to uphold the principles on which the nation is founded; but, when some of our people give their lives in defense of the country, its honor, or for the good of mankind, we celebrate the day in their honor, that we and the coming generations may not forget the cost at which the things we now enjoy were purchased.

## CIVIL WAR RELIC.

Saber-Bayonet Found Years Ago on Cove Mountain, now in Possession of D. M. Kendall.

Some time after the close of the Civil War, the late Christ. Carbaugh found a weapon near one of the old Packers Paths on Cove Mountain, which was a curiosity even to those who had passed through service in the army, and were familiar with the different kinds of weapons used for warfare. The weapon is a combination saber and bayonet, 26 inches in length, including a five-inch brass hilt and guard. The guard is made with a hole large enough to admit the end of a musket, and a spring in the hilt is intended to lock it fast to the gun. David M. Kendall, a veteran of the Civil War was so much interested in it, that he procured it from Mr. Carbaugh, sent it to his brother Howard in Altoona, who had it refurbished and cleaned up. It was then sent back to King Post where it remained until a few weeks ago, when it passed back into Mr. Kendall's possession.

Cashier Merrill W. Nace, several years ago, heard Mr. Mosebey, who was in the Confederate service, tell the late W. Harvey Nelson, of his expeditions over our mountains and through our valleys during the early part of Civil War making maps of the territory, noting the mountain passes, the condition of the roads, and getting other information useful to an army that might afterward make an invasion.

Knowing Mr. Mosebey to be a man well versed in history, and having a practical knowledge of war equipments, Mr. Nace wrote Mr. Mosebey a letter of inquiry concerning the strange weapon, and received the following letter in reply:

### WELLS TANNERY, PA.

May 18, 1914.  
M. W. Nace, Esq.  
Dear Sir:—in reply to yours of the 11th inst. will say that the bayonet you describe is of French manufacture.

The only Confederate regiment equipped with them was the 2nd Alabama, commanded by Col. Hannigan, a big burly Irishman. In the Federal army, the red petticoated Zouaves were equipped with such weapons. After the battle of Bull Run, the Zouaves were used only for garrison duty; neither the Alabamians nor the Zouaves ever reached any of the mountains in Pennsylvania.

I am of the opinion that it is a weapon that John Brown used at Harpers Ferry. He and his men were armed with just such weapons placed on poles, and they were called John Brown's pikes. On the 18th day of April, 1861, when we [the Confederates] took Harpers Ferry, we found several boxes of such pikes in the arsenal. The boxes were addressed to Cook, Brown's son-in-law. Cook was captured on the South Mountain.

Samuel Brumbaugh, of Muttontown [State Line] told me in 1861 or '62 that John Brown's men passed through that village on their way over through the Corner south of Mercersburg, where some negroes piloted them across through Little Cove, Tuscarora mountain, and Big Cove, to the turnpike on Scrub Ridge west of McConnellsburg. John McIlvain, who, at that time lived on the eastern slope of Rays Hill, told me in 1865 that a party of Brown's men staid with him three days just after the Harpers Ferry insurrection in October 1859, and that the late Dr. S. E. Duffield, of McConnellsburg, gave them assistance.

Brumbaugh told me that they were carrying one of their disabled men and got him as far as Siding Hill mountain, where he died and was buried near the roadside. Just where the spot is, will, probably, never be known.

In conclusion, I would say that the weapon was one of John

## Nice European Trip.

Mrs. Mary E. Marshall, a sister of Jacob G. and George W. Reisner, of this place, will sail for Italy next Saturday on the steamship Mesaba, Red Star line, landing at Antwerp, June 16th. Mrs. Marshall is the resident teacher of Art in the Wm. Penn high school for girls in Philadelphia.

After visiting places of special interest to the art student, in the Netherlands, Switzerland, Germany and France, she will spend the summer in Italy with a class of fifteen art students who will study under the direction of Mr. Stratton and Mr. Copeland instructors in the School of Industrial Art of Philadelphia. Mrs. Marshall has been granted a leave of absence from the school duties to visit schools in Europe which are noted for their work in art and its relation to industry. The latter part of her time will be given up to school problems and will cover half the school year, beginning September.

## Learned Valuable Lesson.

Miss Margaret Reese, of Burnt Cabins, thinks now that banks are not such bad institutions, after all. Like many others, Miss Reese, felt that if she took care of her money herself, she would know where to find it when she wanted it. But after having made a trip to McConnellsburg last week, Miss Reese looked for her money, and it was gone. For a time she was pretty badly scared; but, like some other things that are lost, they turn up when you are not looking for them, and this was the case with the money. Now, Miss Reese sees just how easy it would be to lose money kept about the house, or a placed her person, and she has placed her money in bank where it will not only be earning some interest, but she will know where to find it the first time she looks for it, and she will sleep all the more soundly by being relieved from the care.

## Borough Teachers Elected.

At a meeting of the school board Monday evening the following teachers were elected for the ensuing year: Supervising Principal, J. Harper Barton; Grammar, Miss Joanne Morton; Intermediate, Miss Grace Lodge; Primary, Miss Minnie Reisner. With the exception of the supervising principal, who gets a salary of seventy-five dollars a month, the other teachers each receive a salary of fifty dollars. The term was left at eight months, and Monday, September 7th named as the day for the opening of the school term.

Owing to the fact that there is a bonded debt of six thousand, two hundred dollars resting upon McConnellsburg school district, and as it has not been found possible to reduce the debt with the old rate of eight mills, the board raised the tax rate to ten mills, with a view to reducing the indebtedness as fast as possible.

## Thomas, County Superintendent.

J. Emory Thomas was, on Monday, sworn into the office of County Superintendent by Associate Judge William Mellott. With his long experience in the school work of this county, Mr. Thomas is well fitted for the position to which he has just been elevated, and we predict for him a successful administration.

Miss Ida Huber, of Lancaster, Pa., spent several days during the past week in the home of Postmaster and Mrs. S. B. Woollet in this place.

Brown's pikes, and hidden by his men on their flight before reaching the open thoroughfares; and it is probable that more of those weapons may be found in the locality where this was found.

### Respectfully,

W. L. MOSEBEY.

## THE HOUSE IN SUMMER TIME.

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

When our remote forefathers lived in caves and trees their household goods were limited to a favorite club, a stone ax, and a few skins.

The question of cleanliness was a matter of as little consideration as the question of ventilation. Both of these took care of themselves.

In the thousands of years that have intervened, with increasing intelligence has come added accumulation of household goods. Nowadays the poorest individual among us would find it difficult to load his belongings on his back and move when the fancy struck him.

At this particular season of the year the stuffiness and over-furnished feeling of our places of abode is a reminder of some of the good points in our prehistoric mode of life.

For the sake of comfort, coolness and cleanliness, dispose of your heavy curtains, thick carpets and other unseasonable furnishings. During the summer season the windows are open and more or less dust sure to enter the house.

To eliminate unnecessary furniture from over-crowded rooms gives an agreeable feeling of space, makes the house easier to keep clean, and is more sanitary and comfortable during the heated term.

A porch is one of the most useful and enjoyable additions possible to a house in summer. As a safe playroom for the baby, a cool and comfortable rest or workroom for the housewife, or a sleeping room at night, it adds to the health and comfort of the entire family.

## Dryers Recommended.

Engineer Francis M. Taylor, whose duties bring him in touch with localities where soil characteristics are noted in his work, complimented the NEWS on its recent articles on the evaporation of fruit as one of the industries that could be profitably developed in this county. Mr. Taylor related stories of visitors to the County who wondered at the waste of apples in our orchards because of the lack of market for green fruit and vegetables. He corroborated our statement that a ton of apples could be reduced by evaporation to a small fractional part of the original weight, and that a four-horse team could easily haul the evaporated product of what would have required many days to haul to the railroad in the form of green fruit.

The simple machinery necessary to handle twenty-five to fifty bushels of apples daily, costs less than \$100, and, by evaporation, it reduces them to small bulk and weight, ready for safe shipment to city markets, at times when convenient to do so, instead of having to rush fresh goods out of the County before decay sets in.

Every store in the County handles evaporated apples, peaches and other dried fruits. Where do they get them? Certainly not from home dryers and canners. Instead, they buy them through channels in which several stations took toll in the way of profits, and freight to the jobber and again to this place was paid and all added to the consumer's cost.

"Great oaks from little acorns grow," and nowhere is the sentiment in that little quotation better illustrated than when we see how nearly every one of our big industries originated in some obscure little shop where the owner began by making some article needed by the masses, and adding to his facilities as his trade grew. What is more in de-to-day than dried and otherwise preserved fruit? And where is there a county better adapted to producing dried fruits cheaply, than right here in our own "Little Fulton."