

MARKET REPORT.

CORRECTED EVERY WEDNESDAY.

The grain markets are taken from the Chambersburg daily newspapers. The provision prices are those that obtain in McConnellsburg.

GRAIN

Wheat.....	1.05
New wheat.....	1.35
Bran.....	05
Corn.....	50
Oats.....	85
Rye.....	11

PROVISIONS

Ham per lb.....	14
Shoulder.....	14
Bacon, Sides per lb.....	12
Potatoes, per bushel.....	75
Butter, Creamery.....	32
Butter, Country.....	25
Eggs, per dozen.....	32
Lard, per lb.....	10
Live Calves, per lb.....	8
Chickens, per lb.....	11

Two pounds roasted Coffee 25 cents at Irwins. 2t.
N. H. Roettger came home Saturday evening for a visit to home folks.

Watches, Jewelry, Clocks, Cut Glass, and Decorated China at special low prices at Irwins' 2t.

Miss Mary Hoke, of Chambersburg, came home Saturday evening for a short stay.

The Irwin Store has a complete showing of all kinds of Holiday Novelties. Don't fail to see them. 2t.

For each very small crack in the floor where hogs sleep in cold weather, large amounts of extra corn must be fed to keep the hogs' fat on them—and that's no joke. Better let the air in from above.

HIDES.—Frank B. Sipes pays the highest market price for beef hides at their butcher shop in McConnellsburg, also highest price paid for calf skins sheepskins and tallow.

Advertisement.

The Rehoboth Methodist Episcopal Sunday School will hold its annual Christmas service on Christmas night, December 25th; if weather should prove to be unfavorable, the service will be held Saturday night. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

The Shippensburg News in speaking of McConnellsburg's project to build a trolley line ask "Is Captain Patterson working anywhere near that neighborhood No, brother Flemming, Shippensburg hit while Patterson was troling from prison in New York state towards this point.

Many hunters wish to sell or exchange guns at the close of each hunting season. There is no better way to let the other fellow know what you have or want, than to use the cent-a-word column in the NEWS. Costs but one cent a word each issue. We know of some bargains every fall.

Now that the annual day for publicly giving thanks is past, do not stop giving thanks for the scores of things that are so much better than thousands of others enjoy. Habitual thankfulness marks all the difference there is between a pessimist and an optimist. By-the-way, isn't "pessimist" an ugly word?

Teachers, we venture the assertion that there is no branch of study now taught in our common schools that will be of more use, and that will afterwards be more appreciated by the boys who will stay on the farm, than the subject of natural philosophy. When we try to follow the thoughts of writers on the proper handling of soils, we bless the day when we made ourselves acquainted with Nature's laws, and the forces and properties of matter.

We read a good story the other day of a man not noted for having been of much use to the progress of this community. He arose in a meeting to make his accustomed objections and supplemented them by calling attention to the fact that he had "been in the harness for forty years, and in consequence, his opinions should have weight." He was chagrined when a neighbor remarked, "Yes, you have been in harness forty years all right; but in all that time you have worn out nothing but the holdback straps, the collar does not show a sweat mark."

The Sunday School Times.

A club for this valuable Sunday School help is being made up in town. Any one desiring the paper can avail themselves of the club rate of \$1.00 per year. Individual subscribers \$1.50. Inquire of J. L. Grove this week.

Long, Hard Winter.

The annual meeting of the weather "prophets" of Berks county was held at Monocacy when upward of forty men from all sections of Berks county gathered at the Grange Hall, and compared their predictions for the coming winter.

Since the death of Elias Hartz, the pioneer "goosebone" weather prognosticator of that section, no successor has appeared. Hundreds of farmers, however, are guided entirely by the marking on the breastbone of a goose hatched in the spring, and which is not killed until Thanksgiving day. Prophet Hartz usually made his prediction of this day, and it was awaited with interest. Goose bone theorists present at this session said they would wait until they could carefully examine the breastbone of a goose on Thanksgiving day.

Here is the substance of some of the predictions made by the wise ones at this year's gathering:

The early fall indicates an early spring.

The early departure of the birds this year indicates an early winter.

If the ground is white on Christmas day it will be green on Easter.

The early fall of leaves this year indicates an early winter.

The leaves on the trees did not turn red early this year, therefore there will be no long winter, but it will be severe.

The heavy crop of nuts and persimmons this year indicates a long, severe winter.

The hogs have long bristles and other animals have shaggy hair, which indicates a long winter.

The hull on shellbarks and walnuts was thick this year, and the winter will be severe.

Worms were creeping around above the surface a week ago, and the winter will not be severe.

The husk on the corn was very loose this year therefore, the winter will be short but severe.

Onion shells were not very thick this fall and the winter will not be severe.

On September 29 last the wind came from the south, and the winter will be late and mild.

The weeds were plentiful and tall this year, so there will be lots of snow and ice.

The month of November was unusually warm and the winter will be severe.

Ambrose Harter, one of the best known prophets of upper Berks, said:

"Cats, raccoons and opossums all have heavy fur this year, and the winter will be a hard one. There are many other signs that the winter will be severe. The leaves of the trees and grape vines did not fall off until after November 11, and this indicates the winter will be a long one. The north side of trees are covered with a thick layer of moss, and this is another sign of severity. The domestic fowls molted early this year, and the winter will be early and continue until late. The spleen of the hogs is long and thin, and the winter will be long."

H. J. Crisman asserted the winter will be a long one. He said:

"While the goosebone is not read until Thanksgiving day, I obtained a breastbone from a goose hatched last spring, which we had for dinner several days ago, and I read the markings. The bone is almost black, which indicates a hard winter."

Oyster Supper.

An oyster and chicken swallow supper will be held by the Pleasant Grove Ladies Aid Society at Mrs. Ollie Plessinger's 2 1/2 miles west of Needmore on Saturday evening December 12. Come before supper. Table ready at 5 o'clock.

Committee.

Band Concert.

The McConnellsburg Concert Band will give Concert in the Jr. O. U. A. M. Hall at Clear Ridge on evening of Dec 12th. Particulars next week.

Sunday Dinners.

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How Dogs Figure in the Economy of the State.

Sheep killed and injured by dogs, amount of damages paid, amount of dog tax collected, how expended, etc., in Pennsylvania, for the year 1913. Collected and compiled by L. H. Wible, Statistician, Department of Agriculture.

Number of sheep killed.....	6,372
Number of sheep injured.....	4,845
Average price paid for sheep killed.....	\$6.23
Average price paid for sheep injured.....	\$2.85
Am't paid for sheep killed and injured, including costs.....	\$54,366.95
Average amount of tax levied for each male dog.....	.72
Average amount of tax levied for each female dog.....	\$1.44
Amount of dog tax collected.....	\$145,706.01
Number of dogs killed by direction of the County Commissioners and Tax Collectors.....	1,419
Amount expended for the killing of dogs by Constables and Borough Policemen.....	\$1,719.56
Amount expended for the payment of horses, etc., bitten by mad dogs.....	\$2,549.12
Amount expended for dog tags.....	\$2,818.31

Under a Special Act, each township and borough in Susquehanna county collects its own dog tax and pays its own damages. The data from that county is not included in the above statement.

It will be observed also, that the above statement only relates to the dog tax collected in the townships and boroughs of the State.

Local Institute.

The second local institute of Thompson township held at Independence last Friday evening, was called to order by the teacher Jessie Yeakle.

Questions discussed:—1. Grammar; How Taught? 2. How can we, as teachers patrons and directors better our schools? 3. Special Exercises.

Teachers present:—Thomas Truax, Belfast; Stanley Humbert and Flora Shives, Ayr; H. S. Sharpe, Pleasant Sipe, Pearle Fisher, Denver Evans, Jessie Yeakle and Mattie Winters, of Thompson.

The school rendered some fine literary work. The school room was nicely decorated.

Mattie Winters, Secretary.

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		Stuffed animals.....	10c
		Tinsel garlands, three colors.....	yd. 10c

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THE DAY BEFORE THANKSGIVING



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