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THE GRIM REAPER.

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

THOMAS H. CAMPBELL.

Thomas H. Campbell, of Blacklog valley, died at the residence of his brother-in-law, Postmaster A. V. Jones, of Mt. Union, on Tuesday afternoon, January 12th at 4 o'clock from cancer. He was brought from Philadelphia, on the previous Thursday, having been under treatment in a hospital in that city. The cancer was in his face, and after his three brothers, all of whom are physicians of ability, had done all in the field of medicine to save his life, it was conceded that his case was one not to be operated upon and that there was no hope of recovery.

Thomas H. Campbell was the son of Hance and Annie Smith Campbell and was born on August 30, 1858. Left fatherless at an early age, he remained at home as his mother's helper on the farm, assisted in holding the family circle together until his mother's death and all the brothers and sisters had gone out to make homes for themselves.

The Campbell family consisted of five sons and five daughters. Samuel, Mary and Thomas are gone over to the other side. There remain Mrs. Sarah Ballentine, of Scottdale; Dr. William J. Campbell, of Mt. Union; Dr. R. B. Campbell, of New Grenada; Mrs. A. W. Jones, of Mt. Union; Mrs. Lulu B. Alexander, of Shelby, Ohio; Dr. Frank Campbell, of Hopewell, and Mrs. Elizabeth Skiles, of Pittsburgh.

MRS. MARY SNIDER.

Mrs. Mary Snider, widow of the Rev. Jacob Snider, late of Waynesboro, died Tuesday, January 20, 1915 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John R. Easton, Waynesboro, from heart trouble, aged 87 years and 6 months. She had been ill but three days.

The Snider family were formerly residents of McConnellsburg, and removed to Waynesboro, more than thirty years ago. Mrs. Snider was a member of the Church of the Brethren.

Mrs. Snider is survived by ten children: P. M. and Charles Snider, and Mrs. J. R. Easton all of Waynesboro; Harry K. Snider, Chicago; J. Arthur Snider, Mrs. Maris Royer, Mrs. William Kauffman, and Mrs. Charles Robinson, Dayton, Ohio; Mrs. Harry C. Clay, Columbus, Ind.; and Mrs. C. A. Conrad, Massillon, O. Also by the following brothers and sisters: Morris Keil, Mt. Union, Pa.; Jacob Keil, Portage, Pa.; Mrs. Margaret Young, Toronto, Canada; Mrs. Emma Spielman, Mrs. Celia Clossin, Mrs. Eckstein Hamilton, and Mrs. Sadie Gibbons of Pittsburgh.

MRS. LUCINDA BRAKEALL.

[In addition to the notice of Mrs. Brakeall's death in last week's News, we gladly give place to the following:—Editor]

Lucinda Brakeall, wife of the late John Brakeall, died at her home near Plum Run, Friday, January 15, 1915 of pneumonia. She was born near Hancock, Md. December 15 1833. At the time of her death she was aged 76 years and 1 month. She leaves to mourn her loss two sisters, Mrs. Margaret Beard, of Pecktonville, Md., and Mrs. Mary Jane Dick-erhoff, of Hamler, Ohio; also three sons and one daughter—M. M. of Dravosburg, Pa.; W. E., of McKeesport, Pa.; Grant at home, and Mrs. Howard Barnhart, Plum Run. She was the mother of six children—J. L. Brakeall of McKeesport, and Albertus—both deceased. Mrs. Brakeall is also survived by 16 grand children and 11 great-grand children.

Funeral services were conducted at the Antioch Christian church on January 17th by the Rev. Powers. She was a member of the Methodist church for many many years, a kind and af-

SERIOUSLY INJURED.

James Woodall, Sr., Suffering Much from Having Been Kicked by a Horse Last Week.

Mr. James Woodall, Sr., of Ayr township, is suffering greatly from the effects of an accident which befell him on Wednesday of last week. While standing near a trough where some horses were drinking, one of the animals kicked, striking Mr. Woodall near the knee of one of his legs. The skin was scarcely broken, and the accident was at first regarded as trifling, but later inflammation and pain set in, and for several days he has been suffering greatly.

fectionate mother, and was loved and respected by all who knew her as was shown by the many who called and gave their expressions of sympathy during her sickness and death. She will be missed by all who knew her.

GEORGE UPTON FRYMAN.

The many friends of George Upton Fryman will be grieved to learn of his death which occurred at his home in Berrien Springs, Mich., on Sunday, January 10, 1915, at the age of 67 years, 9 months, and 21 days. The funeral took place on the following Wednesday and his remains were followed to their last resting place by a large number of sorrowing neighbors and friends whose presence on this occasion gave silent evidence of the love and esteem they held for one who had so long lived in their community.

Upton, as he was familiarly known by his former schoolmates and friends, was a son of the late John Fryman, of Ayr township, and a brother of our townsman, Robert N. Fryman. In 1870, he was married to Sarah Pittman, and to this union were born seven children—three sons and four daughters, three of whom are living, namely, George married and living in New Mexico; John, the oldest son, married and living at home and Miss Ruth living at home—these three, five grandchildren, three brothers and two sisters are all that are left of his immediate family. He was a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

JACOB PLESSINGER.

Jacob Plessinger, one of Fulton County's oldest citizens, passed away at the home of his grandson, Harry Plessinger, on Thursday, January 21, 1915, at the advanced age of 92 years, 11 months, and 21 days. The funeral services, conducted by Rev. T. P. Garland, took place on the Saturday following, and interment was made in the cemetery at Cedar Grove church.

The deceased was a descendant of one of the early settlers in this county, and spent most of his life in the neighborhood in which he died. He was a man of wonderful vitality, and up to within a few weeks of his death, was active for one of his years. He was a splendid neighbor, and a thoroughly christian gentleman.

He is survived by one son, Amos Plessinger, of Belfast township; one sister, Elizabeth Morgret, of Bedford county; and one brother, Joseph Plessinger, residing in Nebraska.

MRS. JAMES CURNS.

Mrs. James Curns died at her home in Bedford county on Saturday, January 9, aged 54 years, six months and nine days. Her maiden name was Miss Isabel Potter and she was born in Buck Valley, Fulton County. Her first husband, Richard Shipway of Buck Valley, died about 30 years ago. Her husband, James Curns and ten children survive.

Funeral services were held at Fairview Church on Monday of last week and were largely attended. Rev. J. W. Hoffman of Earliston officiated.

WHOSE AUTO IS THIS?

Mysterious Strangers Pass Through McConnellsburg With Autos Said to Have Been Stolen.

Last summer Fulton county figured in a number of auto-thefts, due, doubtless, to its location on the trans-State highway and to its isolation from railroads. The year 1915 had scarcely settled down to business before McConnellsburg became the center of another auto mystery. On Monday of this week, four men in a Studebaker autobus, stopped at the Fulton House for dinner. The party was composed of two Italians and two Americans. Three of the men, including the Italians, are said to have stated while here that they were returning to Pittston, Pa., with the auto to which had been stolen from the two Italians by an American who held a small partnership interest in the machine. They said that they had picked up the fourth man on this side of Cumberland, Md., to which place the stolen auto had been traced. This fourth man, the three others claim, told them that he was "broke," and wanted to ride with them to Harrisburg. The Italians paid for the passenger's dinner at the Fulton House, after which the "pick up" man sat down in the reading room to write a letter. The three other men concluded that they would not wait for him and they left him sitting in the hotel while they started for Chambersburg. When the stranger discovered that he had been left, he started after the machine on foot. At Fort Loudon he telephoned to Chambersburg that his auto had been stolen from the Fulton House and requested the police to help find it. Word was accordingly wired down Cumberland Valley that a machine had been stolen. The man's slowness in notifying the police, his refusal to let Landlord Little mail a letter for him, and the leisurely way in which he proceeded to Chambersburg, aroused suspicion that he was faking. Garage men in Chambersburg say that this machine was brought to their place several days ago by a man who said he was returning with it to Cumberland. That man was not with the party that stopped here for dinner last Monday.

This gives color to the truthfulness of the Italians' statement that they were lawfully taking back their stolen machine, and the stranger who started all the "fuss" may have taken this method to get revenge for having been left to walk over Cove mountain. He told the police in Chambersburg that his name was W. T. Gilligan, and that his home was in Cumberland, Md., but it seems that he did not tell them that he was the guest of the men whom he accused of having stolen the auto.

Railroad News.

The work of locating the grade for the Fort Loudon and McConnellsburg electric railroad is moving along smoothly. The Cumberland Valley railroad has signified its willingness to assist in any way it can. Proper sidings and connections with that road will be built by the C. V. The latest plans are, that the road over the mountain will be built to standard gauge, and that an electric locomotive will be used to draw Cumberland Valley cars to McConnellsburg. Regular combination trolley cars will be used for passenger and express service. Electric locomotives are in successful use by the Pennsylvania railroad in many of their yards and on short hauls on feeder lines, and as soon as exact grades, curves, &c. can be established, representatives of the Westinghouse Company will inspect same and pass upon the type of locomotive power most suitable for this road.

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OF INTEREST TO MOTORISTS.

If Your Automobile Should Be Stolen, the State Police Will Help You Recover It.

John C. Groomer, superintendent of the department of State police has sent out the following notice to motor clubs relative to the operation of the automobile thieves in Pennsylvania.

The operation of organized bands of automobile thieves throughout the State of Pennsylvania has become so extensive that it is necessary to bring the attention of automobile owners to the importance of immediately notifying the State police upon the loss of a car.

The information should be transmitted by telephone or telegraph, to the department of State police, Harrisburg, or to "The Commanding Officer" or any of the four troops: Troop "A" State Police, Greensburg, Westmoreland County, Pa.; Troop "B" State Police, Wyoming, Luzerne county, Pa.; Troop "C" State Police, Pottsville, Schuylkill county, Pa.; Troop "D" State Police, Butler, Butler county, Pa.

When giving information the State police should be notified; When and where the car was lost. Name of owner. License number. Manufacturer's number. Year of model. Color of car. Style of car, and any further information that might be of use in making search for the lost car.

Prompt and intelligent co-operation on the part of automobile owners will result in the recovery of stolen cars and the prevention of such crimes in the future.

Recent Weddings.

CARBAUGH—PALMER.

At the home of the bride in Rockford, Ill., recently, in the presence of forty guests, Elmer Carbaugh and Bessie Palmer were united in marriage by Rev. Story. The Palmer home was attractively decorated and the ceremony was a brilliant and impressive one. Mrs. Story played the wedding march and nieces of the bride were flower girls and ring bearers.

A reception followed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Carbaugh leaving later on a brief wedding trip and on their return will for the time being, reside with the parents of the bride.

Mr. Carbaugh is a son of Austin Carbaugh who formerly resided near Knobsville, this county. He went west some years ago where he has a lucrative position. Mr. Carbaugh is an employee of the Hess & Hopkins Company and his bride has been a successful music teacher.

MELLOTT—HESS.

At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hess, of Licking Creek township, on Tuesday, January 19, 1915, Mr. Bryan Mellott, son of E. R. Mellott, of the same township, was united in marriage to Miss Lottie B. Hess. The ceremony that united the hearts and lives of this young couple was performed by Rev. T. P. Garland, of Needmore.

Mr. and Mrs. Mellott will reside on the Fruit Farm, formerly owned by the groom's father.

GOLDEN—ANDREWS.

Mr. Daniel E. Golden and Miss Nettie Andrews, of Warfordsburg, were married on Tuesday, January 19, 1915, in the parlors of the Hotel Hamilton, Hagerstown, by Rev. C. Kennedy Lewis, of Hancock.

Mr. and Mrs. Golden left immediately after the ceremony for Harrisburg and other points on their honeymoon. On their return they will reside near Warfordsburg.

MANN—BRINGER.

From last Friday's North American, we get the information that James Harold Mann, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Mann, of this place, was recently married in Hagerstown to Miss Verna Grace Bringer, of Reedsville.

FARMERS' WEEK AT STATE COLLEGE.

Mr. Patterson Makes Notes on Alfalfa. More Fulton County Boys Should Go to State College.

At the request of the editor, I will add a few items gleaned from a week's attendance at a school where agriculture is recognized as the paramount industry of the State. Perhaps the one crop of which we heard much that should most interest Fulton county farmers is that of Alfalfa. Prof. Moore in describing that plant and its root system declared that it sometimes has roots 35 feet in length, and that they spread out in the subsoil like an inverted forest, thereby gaining fertility as well as by means of the atmosphere. From no other plant perhaps, can protein be obtained as cheaply as by means of this valuable plant. It has been proven a success on limestone soil and it is worth while trying it on our lighter shale soils. It seems capable of successful production where clover will flourish and as compared with the latter it is three times as valuable in protein yearly, and nearly nine times as valuable as timothy. The crop can be grown with oats as a nurse crop—20 pounds of alfalfa seed to three pecks of oats. If sown without a nurse crop, the seed should be sown in June or July, while the writer finds that mid-August is also a good time in which to secure a stand. Soils that will not produce clover seldom bring a crop of alfalfa; but most soils can be made to produce it. Inoculation of the field may be necessary, as in Wisconsin, but lime in some form is necessary. The land needs to be ploughed if possible several months previously to sowing. Well rotted manure in liberal quantities is necessary as well as repeated harrowings to destroy weeds. The seedbed should be rolled before and after seeding, followed with a light harrow. As a source of hay and hog pasture alfalfa has probably no equal.

Prof. Gardner, of the College faculty, gave a most valuable lecture on the use of lime in agriculture. The experiments made by the College farm were shown on charts, and while the land on the farm is all limestone, yet where any soil showed an excess of acid, lime in some form was found to be profitable. In a series of years ground limestone was found to give better results than caustic or hydrated lime, and never seemed to prove injurious.

It is suggested to ambitious Fulton county boys that a college course can be secured at our agricultural college at very low cost. Some students are able to earn enough during the year to pay all expenses. Board and rooms are obtained at low cost and a healthy moral and religious atmosphere is noticeable among the teachers and town's folk.

Congregations to Unite.

Northumberland Presbytery, composed of churches of that denomination in Northumberland, Snyder, Union, Columbia, Montour, Lycoming, Clinton and Elk counties, held its mid-winter session at Milton, January 25th, with more than fifty churches represented.

That there are too many small church bodies in the country districts to do efficient work was the belief of the meeting, and it was decided that there ought to be a closer union of these bodies. A resolution urging that all sects unite in each county district and work under one pastor was adopted.

It was agreed that small Baptist, Lutheran, Methodist and Presbyterian churches would be better off if they united in one church and paid one good pastor a remunerative salary, than under present conditions.

SPANGLER AND HARRIS RETIRE.

The Control and Management of the McConnellsburg Water Company now at Hamburg, Pa.

The annual meeting of the McConnellsburg Water Company was held here Saturday. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year. President, S. B. Woollet; Vice President, E. R. Schollenberger, of Hamburg, Pa.; Secretary and Treasurer, J. W. Stokes, of Hamburg, Pa.

The stock owned by C. R. Spangler and Geo. A. Harris of this place was purchased by J. W. Stokes which now gives the entire control with the Hamburg people.

Messrs Spangler and Harris who retired from the Company have managed the same since 1908 during which time many important improvements were made, more land purchased, and the affairs of the Company put on a business basis.

Mr. Schollenberger who installed the plant about fifteen years ago, and who has since been superintendent, says the Company will meter the town next year—that there is plenty of water for all use, if not wasted.

The meters will not raise the rent on the average consumer, but those who waste water will pay accordingly.

The new company has employed Nick Roettger, to go over the town and make an inventory of all the spigots used, and find out the number and names of persons not patrons.

Has Seen Seven Generations.

How many generations in the line of your immediate family have you seen? If you have seen your grandfather, your father, yourself, and your son or daughter, you have seen four. We were led to think of this by a letter written by Rev. E. Duffield Aller, of Crete, Nebraska. The name easily suggests that the family physician in the preacher's father's family was the late Samuel Elliott Duffield, who for many years, was the leading physician in this county.

In the letter which was written to his cousin, George W. Wagoner, of Knobsville, Rev. Aller writes of the pleasure he had last Christmas in being permitted to be seated at dinner surrounded by his children and grandchildren, and only those who have been permitted to enjoy that privilege, knows what it means. (The Editor doesn't know).

Mr. Wagoner, however, has a distinction, that comes to very few people. A comparatively young man—only 67—he has seen seven consecutive generations in his own genealogical line, namely, he has seen his great-grandfather, Christian Wagoner; his grandfather, Geo. Wagoner; his father, George Wagoner; his own name is George W. Wagoner; he has a son George D. Wagoner, a grandson, Rush Wagoner, and a grand-daughter, Olive Wagoner.

Both the Aller and the Wagoner families are among the first settlers in this county. Peter Aller, a Revolutionary soldier, cast his lot in the upper end of the Cove just after the close of that great struggle for Independence. He was succeeded by his son, George, and grandson Christian—Christian being the father of Rev. Elliott Duffield Aller, Rev. E. M. Aller, and other members of the Aller family.

A Bird Refuge.

When the birds flew southward last fall they found a new place of refuge in eighty-five thousand acres of swamp land in Louisiana. The Rockefeller Foundation has bought the land for the exclusive use of birds. It is not far from Marsh Island, which Mrs. Russell Sage bought for the same purpose in 1912. The cost of the two tracts was \$375,000.

HEREDITY.

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

The influence of heredity upon the mental and physical health of the individual has been a deeply discussed question and one on which there is much to say both pro and con.

Almost every physician who can cite instances of individuals who by rigid adherence to the rules of right living and hygiene have triumphed over serious physical handicaps due to heredity.

If you have an individual weakness, whether inherited or not, it is always worth while to try to overcome it. In many cases they can be favorably modified by a continued and faithful effort.

Where the parents have suffered from organic or certain forms of communicable disease, children may be unfortunate enough to be physically marred beyond any hope of recovery. Fortunately, laws are being enacted to prevent such marriages; and stronger than the law, is the growing sentiment against these unions to prevent the intensifying of defects. Unfortunately, people too often believe them insurmountable.

We are all familiar with the story of how Demosthenes overcame the physical handicaps which seem to threaten his career as an orator.

For many years it was the general belief that tuberculosis was a hereditary disease. It has been demonstrated that this is the rare exception. However, when the parents are suffering from tuberculosis, there is always a chance of the direct infection of the children and this led to the belief that the disease was inherited. It is true that the children of tuberculous parents may inherit physical conformations that will reduce their resistance to the tubercle bacillus. Therefore, every effort should be made to develop whatever weakness may be inherited such as narrow chest, etc.

Care, training and perseverance will work wonders in correcting physical or mental defects whether inherited or the result of individual weakness.

State Buys 200 Quail.

Two hundred Mexican quail are being cared for at the Capitol in Harrisburg, and when spring arrives they will be liberated in lots of ten in various parts of the State. We very much doubt the wisdom of our rigorous climate, and for this reason we fail to understand why the Commission should imagine that Mexican quail, accustomed to a mild climate, could withstand our winters. Believing that our opinions are as good as some that the Game Commission has exploited, we venture the assertion that if this money had been expended for the propagation of native pheasants, it would have resulted in lasting good. Pheasants seem to be fairly able to take care of themselves when snow covers the ground, as they can sustain life better by eating buds, instead of having to depend almost altogether on seeds. They do not seek open fields for roosting places and thereby become covered with drifting snow and perish.

Killed a Wild Cat.

Peter Wright, of Horse Valley, Franklin county, found a catamount in one of his traps last week. The animal had broken the chain and was getting away with the trap. He killed it with his rifle. The cat measured fifty-eight inches from tip to tip, and weighed thirty-two pounds. It was very thin from starvation. Wright received four dollars for the scalp. He insists that there are wolves in that section.