THE GRIM REAPER.

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

MRS. NETTIE A. ALEXANDER. McConnellsburg was greatly

Duffield spring. While Mrs. Alexander had not been in robust health for some

of her as a sick woman by any means. She was able to attend to her household affairs, and min-died several years ago. gle with her friends in a social way. Since the marriage of her daughter several months ago, she frequently spent the night at the home of her sisters the Misses Annie and Minnie at the old Dick son home just opposite the Fulton House. Monday evening she complained of not feeling well, and about 1 o'clock Tuesday morn ing, she sent for her nephew Dr. George M. Robinson. When he came, she told him she felt restess and could not get to sleep, and asked him to give her something to make her rest. He gave er a mild sedative, and after remaining with her nearly an hour and noticing that she seemed to be resting comfortably, he quietleft the house. Shortly after six o'clock Tuesday morning, she drowned. The spring which is inches, is reached by descending 20 feet from the door of the room how it happened, it is fair to presume that she walked to the spring to get water to cool her face and

ing, and her remains will be pla- I. W. Powers, Needmore, Pa. ced in the family lot in the Presbyterian graveyard.

wife of Clinton B. Alexander, of church. Washington, D. C.

MRS. SARAH BERGSTRESSER.

Mrs. Sarah Wright Bergstresr, widow of the late Wilson lergstresser, died at her home at Vaterfall, Pa., Thursday, August 12, 1915, and her remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at New Grenada on the followg Sunday.

Mrs. Bergstresser was of Engsh descent, her father Isaac right being a native of Kent bunty, England, who, with his father and three brothers, came to the United States when a mere boy. Her great-grandfather, was with Wellington at Water-

Mrs. Bergstresser was born in ived to the ripe age of 85 years, ship. months, and 4 days. In 1854 the was married to Wilson Bergtresser, and they began housekeeping in Chambersburg. Five lears later they removed to Waoth spent the remainder of their 15 days. ives. She had four brothersall younger than herself-all of attanning, Pa. The other two end. brothers, Joseph and John, were ad John was killed at the battle

of Shiloh in 1862. the following children, namely, Thomas, died 21 years ago.

Ross Hixson Hurt.

While at work on a concrete tirely well.

Frank A., Chattanooga, Tenn.; time, none of her friends thought Mary B., wife of A. N. Witter, place in any state. As an in-Esq., and Harry H., both residing at Waterfall. Meade, a son,

HENSON L. POWERS.

Henson L. Powers, youngest son of Rev. and Mrs. A. G. B. Powers of Needmore, died at his home at Porterwood, W. Va., Sunday morning, August 8, 1915, aged 39 years, 4 months and 24 days. The funeral took place the following Wednesday, and his remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at Porterwood.

Mr. Powers had been a great sufferer with inflamatory rheuma tism for several years, but on Saturday, he worked all day, came home in the evening feeling well and not tired. With his wife and children, he strung beans until late at night, then after a little play with the children they all retired, he sleeping alone was found in the Duffield spring About 2 o'clock a storm of wind and rain came up, he arose put about 4x4 feet with a depth of 18 down the windows, and went back to bed. At 6 o'clock next six stone steps, and was less than morning his wife called him. Getting no answer she went to in which Mrs. Alexander was his bed and found him cold in sleeping. As no one knows just death. Early in life he joined the Methodist church and lived a faithful Christian to the end. He is survived by his wife and four head, and fell into the water and small children, and three brothers-Rev. C. A. Powers, Sum-The funeral will take place at merville, W. Va.; Rev. Z. I. Pow-10 o'clock this (Thursday) morn-ers, Greensprings, W. Va., and

GEORGE G. GEINGER.

George G. Geinger one of Mrs. Alexander was the young- Union township's most estima-Mark and Maria Scott Dickson, Maryland Hospital, in Cumberand was born at the Dickson land last Saturday morning aged farm just north of town on the 65 years, 1 month and 7 days. 13th day of March 1860. It 1887 His remains were brought to his the was married to Hon. W. Scott home in Buck Valley where the Alexander, who died December funeral took place Tuesday at 11 one daughter Maria Dickson, in the cemetery at the M. E.

Some time ago, Mr. Geinger rehis eyes and went to Cumberland down. to visit his son Theodore in the hope that while in that city he might find relief. But a violent attack of kidney trouble having developed he was taken to the hospital, and continued to grow worse until the end came.

Mr. Geinger was a native of Union township and was united in marriage to Miss Achsah Shafer, who survives, together with Hillary, Watson, Miss Jessie,

Theodore, and Charles. The deceased was a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and greatly interested in the cause of popular educa-Path Valley, Franklin county, tion. For many years he served Pa., March 8, 1830, and hence, on the school board of his town-

A. W. KEYSER.

A. W. Keyser, brother of our townsman Duffield Keyser, died at the home of his son Emery at Fort Loudon on Saturday evening erfall, this county, where they August 7, 1915 aged 77 years and

Death was due to the shock, following an accident he met with last month when he fell a diswhom preceded her to the grave. tance of eight feet in the barn William and James, both veter- and fractured one of his arms. ans of the Civil War, died recent- From that time on his condition day as they were coming and goyat their respective homes at gradually weakened until the ing at all hours. The day was

Mr. Keyser was a son of Michael and Susan Keyser, and was liso in the Union army, William born in this county; but when a Osing his life in a cavalry charge mere lad his parents removed to one speaker-Hon. Donald P. one of the battles in Virginia, Fort Loudon where he spent McPherson, appeared. But such the remainder of his life.

He was a member of the Metho-The deceased is survived by dist Episcopal church. His wife, who was Martha Kriedler, of St.

An Old Friendship.

Under the name of Packers' dam at Tiffin, O., on the 18th day Path, the Forbes Route, Cham- Little Talks on Health and Hygiene by of June, C. R. Hixson, formerly bersburg and Bedford Pike, and of this county, but now a resident lastly, the Lincoln Highway, this of Tiffin, O., fell a distance of ancient thoroughfare, connecting eighteen feet landing on his head. the East with the West, through For several hours Mr. Hixson lay the Allegheny mountains, has startled Tuesday morning when unconscious, but prompt atten- led into this place travelers on it was learned that the body of tion by skilful physicians brought nearly every conceivable errand, Mrs. Nettie L. Alexander, widow him out from the shock, and he from every eastern state, so that of the late State Senator W. Scott is now improving, but it will be there are perhaps, as many pleas-Alexander, had been found in the a long time before he will be en- ant memories linked with incidents that occurred by reason of this being the central meeting point, as can be found at any stance, thirty-five years ago, a man named J. R. Packard, of Greenville, Mercer county, stopped here over night. While mailing a letter to Mercer county he learned from postmaster Nick Shimer that other letters had been going to Greenville with the result that the lady who received them had changed her name to Mrs. D. H. Patterson, and that she was then living at Webster Mills. Surprised to find that he was so close to an old neighbor and acquaintance, Mr. Packard visited her in her new home, and rian. from that time until the present, he has never failed to send souvenirs of his travels in foreign countries and in America, to Mr. Patterson. On Monday, Mr. Packard passed through McConnellsburg, not with horse-drawn vehicle as then, but in a big Packard car, and of course, found a pleasant chat.

Hart By Dynamite.

Last Friday afternoon Robert W. Mellott was blowing out stumps on his farm near Big Cove Tannery with dynamite. After being successful in a number of efforts, he placed a stick and a short piece of fuse. He lighted to be the popular path. the fuse, and because it did not eem to "fiz" he took it for granted that the fuse was "no good," and made no effort to get to a place of safety. The fuse was good, and the dynamite exploded in due time, Mr. Mellott receiving the full force of the exest daughter of the late Hon. ble citizens died at the Western plosion. He was terribly shocked, and his hands and face badly mutilated. His left eye was very badly injured. Dr. Robinson, of McConnellsburg was summoned, and upon his advice, Mr. Mellott was taken by David Morton in 1912. She is survived by o'clock, and interment was made Mr. Morton's automobile to the hospital in Chambersburg. The surgeons there say Mr. Mellott's eye will have to be removed just ceived a slight injury to one of as soon as the swelling goes

Quick Work. Every time Grant Baker comes to the NEWS office he cheerfully parts with some of his cash in exchange for advertisement. In describing how quickly the advertisements work, he almost said that he had to hurry home after placing them, in order to meet customers who say 'I saw the following named children: it in the News." Grant has had such luck with his advertisements in this paper that he placed some more this week in the For Sale Column. Don't forget that Grant is a candidate for County Commissioner. His experience with the needs of the County would enable him to handed the County's business properiy.

Odd Fellows Picnic.

Automobiles were in evidence at the Odd Fellows Picnic last Saturday on the Fort Littleton grounds. Forty-five autos were counted at one time, so that there may have been seventy-five in all that were there during the ideal and the crowd was large. The Band that was engaged disappointed the managers, and but little mishaps were not permitted to spoil the anticipated pleasure that they had a good time.

DEGENERATIVE DISEASES.

Samuel G. Dixon, M. D., LL. D., Commissioner of Health.

Benjamin Franklin said "Nine

men in ten are suicides." The indifference of individuals to their continued personal welfare which inspired this remark one hundred and sixty nine years ago applies equally today. Conditions have changed in many ways and some of them are less beneficial for the individual.

Carefully accumulated statistics show that there has in all probability been a steady increase in Bright's Disease and other degenerative disease incidental to advancing age, within the past few years. Certainly the number of deaths from this cause is sufficiently high to warrant the serious consideration of every individual advancing toward middle life. Of course everyone now-a-days is familiar with the doctrine of fresh air, exercise and simplicity of diet, etc. which make up the creed of the sanita-

Few are willing to go to the fancied discomfort of denying themselves the pleasures of eating, drinking or indolent ease. They are perfectly aware to be sure that indulgence is unwise. They have been warned by other people's experiences and not improbably have been admonishhis old friends with whom he had ed by their medical adviser as to the evil effects of certain favorite indulgencies. But the fact that a single gratification of their ed ill effects seems to lead the majority of people on regardless of the ultimate accounting which Nature is certain to demand. The way of least resistance seem

> Probably every individual will admit to himself that he is runoutcome will probably prove seri- of nitrate of soda to the acre is things they hear about so much. to Berkley Springs last Monday ous. Nevertheless continue he will and so there is more than a modicum of truth in what Poor Richard said.

may seem Spartan virtues to the times the cost. Sow a mixture of a score of other things new to Self denial and temperance self indulgent but they are worth of several varieties—clover being many citizens. Please tell us in Mrs. Max Sheets. cultivating if one would challenge Father time and his grim companion.

Four Generations.

We received recently a photo of representatives of four generations of the Figard family of Huntingdon county. The picture shows Mr. Joseph Figard, aged 82 years, his son L. L. Figard, his granddaughter Mrs. Blair Mort, and his great grandson Chester. We are sorry that we cannot reproduce the photo, as that is out of reach of country printing offices. If those wishing cuts printed will furnish the plates, we can print from them. Excellent plates can now be had for about \$1.50 by sending the photo to engravers whose busihave it done for any who wish to have them.

Freak Potatoes.

One day last week, Nathaniel Mellott of this place, brought to potatoes. As if seeking good dogs, received good prices for taken up by the sap and cures plant food, a root of a potato cob and formed two or three cwt. Lambs brought \$9.00 per a man let these fellows treat his stalk entered one end of a cornsmall potatoes. As the tubers cwt. Poor culls sold from \$3.50 orchard, and this year it died. grew, they evidently absorbed to \$4.50 per cwt. There is no Do not do business of this kind tinuing to grow, they bursted out farmers in a community banded The State has men in the field the pith of the cob, and then conone side of their prison, exposing together to raise sheep in our whose business is to give advice. them to view. The potatoes were about the size of pigeon eggs. Another root had entered the bro ken end-of a bottle neck and formed a potato, and as it grew it was forced out at the cork end of the neck and there it expanded until it was about twice as large as inside the glass.

Miss Eliza Mellott, of Johnsof the picnickers for they report town, visited in the home of Mr. made the NEWS office a profitable and a few men were included to does not average as good this and Mrs. Joseph Sipes this week. 'call Tuesday morning,

Sober Orbisonia.

In a letter to J. C. Peterson, X. Wilson, of Orbisonia, Pa., the smell and by the price asked for Reverend gentleman emphatical- the goods, this article will have ly denies the charge that there is no interest. But the man who more drunkenness in his town tries to buy what he knows his since Huntingdon county went land needs will have a hard time dry. His letter follows:

and about twenty-two the year requirements. ery time they came to town."

Sods for Hillsides.

We have heard a great many discussions as to the proper way to get most use of hilly fields that wash too badly to break with the plow. The general opinion is that when a mixture of grass seeds is sown in August, on top of the that can be done with a spike- of slight root growth? tooth harrow, good results follow. Land that is pastured closely cannot re-seed itself. Nature sows her seed in late summer, ly you read accounts of what your ed by treatment received there. and by following her teachings, neighbors are doing in the way one of them.

Toll Shed Gone.

at the tollgate west of town was learn more from such reports removed last week. The dwell- than from any other source. By ing house at the same place will a little help of this kind from our eventually be moved back from readers, we could make the Fulthe edge of the pike. With the TON COUNTY NEWS the best farm landmark disappeared. It afford could then treat facts as they ed refuge for travelers from ma- really exist in the county. Your ny a shower of rain, and on hot friends will read such stories as days there was a cooling breeze through the driveway that invited one to linger and which robbed the traveler momentarily at least, of the disagreeableness of article for winter use, that we having to pay toll. But obsolete feel sure some of our women hindrances to modern travel must folks can give pointers to others. give way. The narrow place in Tell the Editor. the pike, caused by the shed, has ness is to make them. We will now been widened to accommodate swift travel on the Lincoln Highway.

Sheep Prices Good. try of starved dogs that are permitted to run wild at night, the price of land would soon jump to higher figures on account of the will be high for a long time. World conditions are such that the prices cannot be lowered.

James M. Booth, of Hancock,

flow to Buy Fertilizer.

of it this season if potash must "Those who say 'more drunk- be one of the ingredients of the enness exists about Orbisonia mixture. With the supply of now than when there was license potash from Germany cut off are liars.' Two arrests were some of our friends are doing made last year for drunkenness some hard thinking to meet their Where rank before. Not one tenth as much growth of stalk and leaf is the liquor is received at the station main object, our friends should A. Alexander. as was during license years. The have no difficulty in supplying teams are not left in the night their needs, because nitrate of Waynesboro, are spending some hitched late. I saw only one soda, to supply the necessary ni- time among relatives and friends drunk man on Decoration Day trogen, can be had at a reason- in this section. this year, while last year, it was able price. This mixed with the a disgrace. I didn't see any on cheap prosphoric acid goods will the sly; but not to be very effec- lime, (never to be mixed in week, tive. Joseph Kurtz told me they the air with nitrogen) some potdid \$1,000 more business in the ash will be liberated from the hardware line than they did dur- soil. Indeed, if plenty of manure ing the preceding year. General can be used, lime and phosphoric quietness is evidence that with- acid should tide over present conout the saloon is best. Men (I ditions. Or, where the ground could name several) are paying has had a good sod of clover, their bills now, and are not get- many will use nothing but the ting drunk very often, and these acid phosphate, because the pressame men formerly got drunk ev- ence of good clover indicates that lime is not badly needed, and the clover has supplied the nitrogen, having drawn it from the air. There seems to be a strong aversion to buying nitrate of soda on account of the price; but is it not better to give young plants a companied by any of the forcast- old sod, and scratched in best heave out this winter on account relatives in this county.

Tell The Editor.

broadcasted and allowed to sink It may have been alfalfa, soy- afternoon. into the ground. This gives the beans, rape, vetch, shallow culyour own way what conclusions you formed from your experience. Prof. Alva Agee, that good friend The shed that spanned the pike of the farmer, says that he can removal of the shed, another old journal to be had, because it eagerly as you read theirs. We would like to hear from housekeepers also. There is so much said about canning this and that

Some More Frands.

State Zoologist Surface has sent out warning that a fraudulent concern is sending agents into the country to cure tree The Chicago markets indicated blight by driving nails into the last week that those who had a trees. They say that the nails few stray sheep that escaped the are treated with an acid that is them. 22 carloads sold at an av- the disease. There is no virtue erage price of about \$6.50 per in the so-called cure. Last year question about it that if enough | with "secret process" travelers. hilly districts, and rid the coun- Send for one of them when in serious trouble.

Cook) entertained about thirty Duffy said that from Shippensprofits from the flocks. Wool friends at Dougley Spring last burg to the river, dozens of fields Monday. Originally, the party of oats in the shock showed green was intended for ladies only; but from the train, owing to continthe arrival of Mr. Marshall Mc- uous wet weather which caused day's stay, changed the program | that the Cumberland Valley corn protect, perhaps, Mr. McKibbin. year as Big Cove corn.

ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW.

To the man who goes to the of Burnt Cabins, from Rev. Roy dealer and buys altogether by Snapshots at Their Comings and Goings Here for a Vacation, or Away for a Restful Outing.

Miss Lena Brinkley spent Saturday and Sunday among friends near Lehmaster.

Miss Cornetha B. Nesbit is spending a week visiting among her Path Valley relatives and other friends.

Miss Edith McCoy, of York, spent a couple days the past week the guest of her cousin Mrs. E.

Mr. and Mrs M. L. Rinedollar.

William M. Patterson, of Pittsburgh, visited his parents, Hon. July Fourth and Fifth. Now, insure a good start for the young and Mrs. D. H. Patterson, at there is some sold and handled on plants, and by the use of Webster Mills, latter part of last

T. Elliott Patterson Esq., and wife, of Philadelphia, are spending a week or ten days on the old

home farm, Brookside, in Ayr township. Druggist Oscar L. Metzler, of Sellersville, Pa., spent the time last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George F. Metzler at

Harrisonville. Mr. G. C. Mellott and family of Philadelphia, are spending their summer vacation with Bert's parents, Mr. and Mrs, S. D. Mellott, Belfast township.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Sumgood start, and get it all back mers and sons Nicholas and Theo again with interest, than to let dore, of Dudley, Pa., spent a few them start sickly and perhaps days last week visiting among

Mrs. Henry A. Comerer, who had been in the Chambersburg hospital two weeks, returned Did you ever notice how eager. home Monday very much benefit-

Floyd Hart and sister Catherseeds sown as above in August of good farming? There are lots ine, and Mrs. J. J. Palmer and pay well, especially if fertilizer of men in Fulton county who are Miss Maxine Aletta, accompanied ning a risk and that the ultimate in the form of 75 to 100 pounds venturing to try some of the S. Logue Wink on a motor trip

> Miss Eleanor Betz, who is takyoung plant a good start for win- tivation of corn on thin soil, a ing a trained nurse course in the ter, and every one who has tried motor plow, sweet clover, oats or Medico Chi Hospital, Philadelit says that it re-pays several rye cut green for hay, or any one phia, is spending her summer vacation in the home of Mr. and

Mr. Norman A. Wishart, of Apollo, Pa., and his sister Lenore (Mrs. George Fockler), of Johnstown, Pa., were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson L. Nace from Saturday until Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Abram Mellott, and two children, of Pittsburgh, spent two weeks with Mrs. Mellott's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sipes, of Licking Creek township, and then visited friend in Bedford county and Tyrone last week.

Dr. I. S. Garthwaite, of Chama, New Mexico, who about a dozen years ago, practiced medicine at Webster Mills, is making a tour of the East, and visited in the home of W. H. Duffy, at Webster Mills from Monday until Wednesday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Reisner and the latter's mother, Mrs. Anna Montgomery, of Shippensburg, came to McConnellsburg Saturday evening in their touring car and spent the time until Sunday evening in the homes of Ed's brothers George and Jacob. Returning they took with them their daughter Elizabeth, and Mildred (Harry Reisner's daughter) both of whom had been spending a week in McConnellsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Duffy of Webster Mills, spent the time from Thursday of last week until Monday with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. N. Mrs. Marshall McKibbin (Kit D. Everets, in Harrisburg, Mr. Kibbin from Washington for a the oats to sprout. He said also