

MARKET REPORT.

COLLECTED EVERY WEDNESDAY.

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

GRAIN

Wheat.....	1.90
New wheat.....	1.90
Bran.....	2.00
Corn.....	1.07
Oats.....	55
Rye.....	1.20

PROVISIONS

Butter, Creamery.....	37
Butter, Country.....	30
Eggs, per dozen.....	22

Mr. Ralph Glenn, of Webster Mills in on the sick list.

Mrs. Lewis Crouse has been very sick; also, some of his children.

Don't forget the Old New-Hampshire Home on the night of March 19th.

Mrs. Grove Keefer, of Chambersburg, spent a few days last week with relatives in the Cove.

Get rid of that tired winter feeling, go and see The Old New-Hampshire Home next Monday night.

Miss Anna Johnston, who has been suffering with grippe at the home of Miss Florence Johnston, is getting better.

Go and enjoy a good evening's entertainment—The Old New-Hampshire Home next Monday night, Reserved seats 25 cents.

Before you lay the paper down you had better read the Racket Store's new advertisement. You will find something in it to interest you.

Mr. E. W. Hendershot, one of Pigeon Cove's hustling farmers, spent a day or two in the Cove and town last week. Mr. Hendershot says they had a heavier fall of snow than he had.

The many friends of Mrs. Jas. H. Kendall are glad to know that she is recovering nicely from pneumonia. A trained nurse, Miss Esther Greenawald of Chambersburg, has been with her during the past two weeks.

Mrs. Rose Dalbey, who had been visiting her daughter Minnie in Pittsburgh, came to Chambersburg last Thursday, spent the time until Monday with her son William and returned to her home in this place Monday evening.

There are thirty young men from York county, now students at Gettysburg in preparation for the Lutheran ministry. In the matter of supplying men for service as pastors in the Lutheran church, York county is probably the banner county in the United States.

George Lynch of lower Ayr township has been confined to his home for three or four weeks. His illness started with measles but before he was entirely through with his first trouble he found himself suffering with pneumonia. We hope he may soon be out again.

William P. Nelson called at the News office a few minutes last Wednesday on his way home to Cumberland county after having spent a day or two in the home of his parents, Hon. and Mrs. D. A. Nelson in the Cove. William expects to move to Lewistown this spring.

Mrs. R. W. Mellott, of Laurel Ridge, went to Saluvia last Thursday to spend a few days with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Strait. Mrs. Strait has been in poor health for some time. It is hoped that when springtime opens, she will regain her health and enjoy the summer.

Miss Clingan, a trained nurse of Greencastle, who has been nursing in the home of Mrs. Cleona Kendall for the past three weeks, returned to her home last Monday. She took with her as far as Chambersburg, two of Mrs. Kendall's little sons, Robert and John, who have just recovered from pneumonia, to visit their aunt Mrs. Grove Keefer.

After an absence of almost thirteen years, Mr. Stailey Sipes gave his mother Mrs. Angeline Sipes and sister Miss Myrtle on West Walnut street a very delightful surprise by appearing at the old home without any warning, one day last week. Stailey is a busy man, and could only stay until Monday. He is a traveling salesman in the employ of the Moline (Iowa) Plow Company, one of the largest manufacturers of agricultural implements and machinery in the country.

Wanted, For Sale, For Rent, Lost, Found, Etc.

RATES—One cent per word for each insertion. No advertisement accepted for less than 15 cents. Cash must accompany order.

WANTED—I will pay spot cash for Fat Hogs, Cured Meat, Good Lard, Ear Corn, and Potatoes delivered at my store.—CLAY PARK, Merchant, Three Springs. 2-1 9t

WANTED, Good reliable single man for general farm work. Good wages and steady job for right man.—F. J. MARSHALL, Scottsdale, Pa.

FOR SALE, One Registered Brown French Draft Stallion. Will take in exchange good big draft horses or mares. Price is right.—W. H. Baumgardner, Wells Tannery, Pa. 3 8 2t.

WANTED: 50 or more men to cut poplar and gum pulp wood. 180 cubic feet to cord. Wood must be barked. Price \$2.50 per cord. Apply or write to JOHN R. TAYMAN, Brandywine, Md. 3 1 3t

Sale Register.

Saturday, March 17, Mrs. Agnes Ray having sold her house and lot and intending to move into smaller rooms, will sell at her residence East Lincoln Way, McConnellsburg, household goods consisting of good cook stove with tank, oil stove, box stove, chairs, carpets, stands, wardrobe bedsteads, extension table, sewing machine, lounge, cupboard, sink, writing desk, washing machine, lawn mower, garden tools, clocks, churn, &c. Sale will begin at 1 o'clock, p. m. Credit 6 months.

Thursday, March 22, Mrs. Cleona E. Kendall, administratrix of the estate of Morrow M. Kendall, will sell at the late residence of the decedent, 2 miles south of McConnellsburg, 5 head of horses 13 head of cattle, 10 head of shot farm machinery, corn, hay, oats, potatoes, lumber &c. Sale begins at 10 o'clock, when terms will be made known. Harris and Wible auctioneers.

Wednesday, March 28, Mrs. Albert Gordon intending to quit farming will sell at her residence on what is known as the Sarah Johnson farm in Thompson township 1 1/2 miles south of Dickeys Mountain post office, and 1/2 mile east of Board Yard schoolhouse, the following property to wit: 3 horses and colts, hogs, cattle, wagons, buggy, farm machinery, potatoes, meat, household goods and many other things. Sale will begin at 10 o'clock. Credit 6 months. J. J. Harris; auctioneer.

Friday, March 30, H. B. Trout intending to reduce his stock and move to McConnellsburg, will sell at his residence 1 mile north of McConnellsburg 12 horses, 40 cattle, 65 hogs, wagons, harness, farm machinery, corn hay, &c. Sale begins at 10 o'clock.

Deep Rooted Crops

Little attention is given to the subject of the subsoil in both popular instruction and in bulletin literature for the farmer. There is little information afloat as to how it may influence a crop for good or ill and it practically never occurs to the farmer how that which is beyond the reach of the plow may be mellowed and how a crop may be benefited by doing so. Yet there is most practical and well attested experience on this very subject, if one only reflects on this experience, beyond the result of the immediate crop with which it has been made.

Alfalfa is known to thrive best with plentiful liming, and beside great productivity its other advantage is its ability to withstand drought. It is the nature of alfalfa to push down its roots with great vigor far into the subsoil if this is mellow enough to allow it. This enables it to get at the ground water, which is always available, even in the driest season, for plants that can reach it.

It is the distinct function of lime that it mellows and crumbs earth and it is characteristic of its action that it constantly works downward. Mellowing the subsoil in its downward progress, makes for the life of alfalfa, whose roots must push into it. It offers less obstruction to the rise of ground water. Crops whose roots never or scarcely reach the subsoil still push their roots deeper due to the improved rise of ground water through it when it is well mellowed by occasional heavy winter liming.

Notice of Special Public Borough Election March 27, 1917, between the hours of 7 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Notice is hereby given that a Special Public Borough Election will be held at the regular polling place of said Borough in the Court House, on the 27th day of March 1917, between the hours of 7 a. m. and 7 p. m. by the regularly constituted election officers of said Borough of McConnellsburg. At which time the qualified voters of the said Borough will by their votes approve or disapprove the proposed increase of the indebtedness of the said Borough in the sum of \$12,372.98, for the purpose of purchasing, installing, maintaining, and operating, an electric lighting plant for the use of the said Borough. As recommended by resolutions of the Borough Council, passed on the 19th day of February 1917.

The last assessed valuation of taxable property within the said Borough of McConnellsburg, is \$197,621.00 the present total indebtedness is \$1450.70 being .734 thousandths of 1 per centum of the total assessed valuation. The amount of the proposed increase of indebtedness is \$12,372.98 being 6 and 266 thousandths per centum of the total assessed valuation of taxable property within the said Borough.

By order of the Borough Council, of McConnellsburg, Pa.
J. A. IRWIN,
President of the Borough Council.
H. U. NCAE, Clerk.

Public Sale

Wednesday, March 21, 1917, at 10 A. M.

The undersigned will sell at public sale at his residence in Tod township, about one half mile north of McConnellsburg, the following valuable personal property:

4 Head of Horses
No. 1, Bay mare colt, 2 years old;
No. 2, Roan mare colt, 2 years old;
No. 3, Roan mare colt, 4 years old;
No. 4, yearling horse colt.

15 Head of Cattle
4 of which are milch cows, 1 fat cow, 4 steers and the balance are young cattle.

2 Brood Sows
and 5 pigs, one Berkshire boar.

2 Farm Wagons
2 sets of hay ladders, one good hay fork and pulleys, 130 ft. of rope, 2 sets of front gears, bridles, halters, 1,000 ft. of white pine boards.

Corn by the Barrel
some good seed corn.

Lot of Household Goods
and many other articles not mentioned.

A credit of six months will be given on all sums of \$5.00 and over to purchasers giving note with approved security; sums less than \$5.00 the cash will be required. 2 per cent. off for cash.

GEO. B. MOCK.

Public Sale.

Thursday, March 22, 1917

The undersigned, administratrix of M. M. Kendall, deceased, will sell at the residence of the decedent 2 miles south of McConnellsburg, the following valuable personal property, to wit:

5 Head of Horses
No. 1, Bay Mare 8 years old, with foal to registered Percheron horse, No. 1 leader, and will work anywhere hitched; No. 2, Bay Mare 4 years old, in foal to registered Percheron horse, good offside worker. No. 3, 5-year old Gray Horse, good offside worker and single driver. No. 4, is a 4-year-old Brown Horse, good leader and will work wherever hitched. No. 5 is a yearling Mare Colt.

14 Head of Cattle
consisting of 4 milch cows, a registered thoroughbred Guernsey Bull, 1 fine seven-eighths Holstein Bull, and the balance are good heifers and steers.

10 Head of Shot
ranging in weight from 100 to 200 lbs. ONE INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER TRUCK, nearly good as new, used but one season.

Farm Machinery
2 farm wagons, one heavy 4-horse wagon and 2 light wagon good as new. Pair bob sleds, wagon ladders and wood ladders. 1 new Black Hawk chow raker, 1 good old pulverizer and roller, 1 Success manure spreader, Hayrake, Hay tedder, Farmers Favorite Grain drill, 2 Empire Sowing Corn plows, 2 three-horse Syracuse Grade new, Doubletree, Singletrees, Spreaders, &c., &c. 200 feet new

galvanized pipe 1/2 inch and 1 inch. All kinds of chains.

Corn by the Barrel
Hay by the ton, Oats by the bushel, Clover seed, potatoes by the bushel.

Fine Lot of Lumber
consisting of about 12,000 feet of 1 inch, 1 1/2 inch and 2-inch yellow pine lumber of the finest kind, and many other things too numerous to mention. Sale begins at 10 o'clock, when terms will be made known and a reasonable credit given. Harris and Wible, auctioneers; Comerer and Nace, Clerks.
Mrs. CLEONA E. KENDALL,
Administratrix.

Open Letter.

To the Honorable Council of the Borough of McConnellsburg and the voters therein:

GENTLEMEN:—The proposed election on March 27th, to decide the question of the borough ownership of an electric light plant offered to the borough by The Western Utilities Company of Milwaukee Wisconsin, in my opinion, should be defeated unambiguously by the voters and tax payers of the borough for the following reasons:

In the first place, the contract as signed by the Council, stipulates that this is a Wisconsin contract, and the laws of the state of Wisconsin are to govern any dispute that may arise concerning the contract.

The clause, word for word, as taken from the contract follows: "It is expressly agreed that this contract is made as a Wisconsin contract and all the provisions and conditions thereof are to be construed with reference to the laws of the state of Wisconsin, and shall be governed thereby."

I have been informed by an attorney that a contract of this kind in the state of Pennsylvania is looked upon with disfavor by the courts, and that, no doubt, this is one reason why this company wants the laws of Wisconsin to prevail. If the other parties to the contract were to bring suit against the Borough, they would bring suit in Fulton County, but the laws governing the dispute would be the laws of the state of Wisconsin; if the Borough should have to bring suit for any breach of contract, or anything pertaining to the contract, the Borough would have to sue in the state of Wisconsin—because of the fact that it would not be possible to obtain legal service upon the company when they would be beyond the jurisdiction of Pennsylvania courts. In the event that legal service could be obtained, the laws of Wisconsin would still apply instead of the laws of Pennsylvania.

Boiled down, this means that we are subjecting ourselves to laws of another state of which we know nothing by ratifying this contract, besides being humiliated by having a contract of this kind hanging over our heads.

Another objectionable clause of the contract is as follows—"It is further agreed that upon the payment of the first 25 per cent. of the purchase price (\$10,934.97) of said electric light plant, A. O. Ledford (and the Western Utilities Company, Milwaukee, Wisconsin,) agrees to transfer the franchise for said electric light plant granted by the borough council of McConnellsburg, Pa., back to the said borough of McConnellsburg, Pa."

This means that this company is magnanimous to the extent that they will, for the sum of \$2,733.74 give back to the borough of McConnellsburg the franchise that the council gave them for nothing.

In consideration of these facts, and the facts that the council entered into this contract with-

out due consideration, and without knowledge of the practicability of this proposition, and without the advice of a competent consulting electrical engineer, it should be the duty of every member of council as well as every voter to defeat the proposed increase of indebtedness and the ratification of this contract.

Meantime council should immediately take steps to secure the advice of a competent consulting electrical engineer to pass upon the practicability of an electric light plant owned and controlled by the Borough, giving plans and specifications, and the approximate cost, and the receipts necessary to pay for cost of operation, maintenance, and sufficient surplus to pay the interest and debt within a given period.

This information coming from a disinterested engineer having nothing to unload on any one could be relied upon more than any information in the hands of council at the present time.

Council can then make a contract with any reliable concern specifying an adequate equipment, equitable and fair and under the laws of the state of Pennsylvania, instead of a one sided agreement subject to the laws of another state.

Respectfully,
LESLIE W. SEYLAR,
Burgess.

Entertaining Tramps.

An Allentown, Pa., farmer makes a practice of giving tramps lodging in his barn. He has entertained 595 wayfarers so far this year. He provides a fireplace out under the trees, where in summer they cook meals, and he often lends them flour, salt, pepper, and other necessities. This gentleman, Henry Heft by name is surely double starred in the hoboes' Baedeker.

Mr. Heft is not the only one. The majority of people feed tramps from a sense of fear or from dislike to seem stingy. There are others that really like sitting down with a good fat tramp and seeing him surround his handout. It gives them a chance to ask questions about life, and they enjoy delivering virtuous lectures on the evil of vagrant ways. Wandering Willies listen to much admonition provided the ham sandwich is properly seasoned.

Whether tramps are best reclaimed by moral lectures or by setting the dog on them is a fair question for debate. Their narration sounds pitiful. The dog method at least makes tramp life less alluring. If consistently followed it would lead some of them to adopt occupations less open to public censure.

The woodpile is the final and most conclusive test. A tramp who will take hold and saw and split half a cord of wood has something in him yet. The housewife might well listen to his story and offer him advice.

But the majority offered this distressing alternative find the saw and axe in deplorable condition and the weather conditions unfavorable. They should be permitted to move on dinnerless. The sooner tramp fare becomes precarious, the more attractive settled occupations will become.

To Arm American Ships

One week ago last Sunday the Sixty-fourth Congress went out of existence. The House had passed the Armed Neutrality bill but the Senate was denied the opportunity to vote upon it be-

"Preparedness"

Preparedness is a topic of national importance, no matter which side of the question you may take. Is the nation properly prepared? It is a grave question.

But that is a question for the nation to answer. There is one question nearer home, the matter of financial preparedness of the individual against the rainy day of adversity that may come. Are you financially prepared to meet that sickness which may come to you or your family? Are you prepared for the time when there may be loss of employment or loss by fire, flood, or mismanagement? Are you prepared for the old age that's sure to come? These are serious, vital questions to every one of us. If you are not prepared, resolve to open a savings account at our bank today and thus make the first step toward your own preparedness.

FULTON COUNTY BANK.

McConnellsburg, Penna.

"OLDEST AND STRONGEST"

RACKET STORE

Well, last week we told you we had the agency for Dr. Hess's Stock Remedies—Disinfectants, Pan-a-cea for chickens, and all the rest of his remedies. We have heard of people who were not getting an egg a day, the after using a package or more, are now getting 8, 10, and 12 eggs a day. Isn't this paying? And hogs, sheep, and cattle—equal good results.

- Curtain Poles 8c.
- Brass Curtain Poles 10c.
- Tin Wash Basins 5c
- Enameled Basins 13 to 18c.
- Enameled Stew Pans 8 to 13c.
- Coffee pots—tin 15 to 20c.
- Coal oil 10c. a gallon.
- Table oil cloths 15c yard.
- 5 envelopes 1c.
- 6 sheets of paper 1c.
- 14 rows of pins 1c.
- Machine thread 4c.
- 4 mouse traps 5c.
- 1 rat trap 8c.
- Eureka Harness Oil 85c. a gallon.
- Padlocks 10, 15 and 25c.
- Horse rasps 20 to 35c.
- 8-in. flat files 12c.
- Batcheller manure forks 65c.
- Shovels 55 to 95c.
- 2-horse plow points 30c.
- 3-horse plow points 38c.
- Gum boots \$2.35 to \$4.25.
- Bunch straps 10 to 13c.
- Warner corsets—the kind that wear, 50c. to \$1.35.
- See our work gears at \$5.40.
- 7-ft. heavy traces 80c.
- Lone star Hames 85c.
- Horse collars \$1.25 to \$3.75.
- Mattocks 45c.
- Men's hats and caps 25c. to \$1.25.
- Linoleum 2 yds. wide 75c to \$1.00.
- Rubber roofing \$1.15, \$1.25, \$1.40, and \$1.60.

- Cold blast lanterns 65c. to 4 5, and 6-inch taper files and 5c.
- Hand saws 50c. to \$1.40.
- Shoe nails 4c.
- Fall bands 14c.
- Strap hinges 5c to 13c.
- Whitewash brushes 10c to Peroxide 8c.
- Carbolic acid 15c. a pint.
- Machine Oil 3c.
- Separator oil 25c. a quart.
- 3-in-one oil 8c.
- Pint cans paint 10c.
- Open links 4 for 5c.
- Lone star hame hooks 5c.
- Buggy washers 4c.
- Screen door hinges 10c.
- Bridle bits 10c to 35c.
- Flash lights 59c, 75c, 95c, \$1.
- Williams shaving soap 4c.
- Alarm clocks 75c to \$1.95.
- Talcum powder 10c to 15c.
- Box writing paper 10c to 25c.
- Tablets 3c to 40c.
- Umbrellas 48c to 98c.
- Heavy shoestrings 2c pair.
- Hose, all kinds, 10c to 25c.
- Men's collars 5c to 10c.
- Men's heavy hose 10c.
- Handkerchiefs 4c to 1 1/2c.
- 4 doz. clothes pins 5c.
- 100 split rivets 5c.
- No. 1 lamp globes 5c.
- No. 2 lamp globes 6c.
- No. 1 lantern globe 5c.
- No. 2 lantern globe 8c.
- Suit cases 98c to \$1.10.

Shoes Shoes

As you all know, shoes are advancing in price but we are glad to say that we are still able to sell a great many shoes at old prices. As long as we have them at the old prices we will sell this way, so we think it will be to your advantage to buy early.

Wire and Wire Nails.

We bought a carload of wire and wire nails last October which did not reach us until the 10th of January; and it was lucky that we did buy early, for the wholesale price had made several advances since that time. We are now offering wire fence to you at prices we would have to pay, if we were buying now. As long as this lot lasts you will get it at January prices.

Come and See Us.

HULL & BENDER,
McConnellsburg, Pa.

cause a few Senators refused to permit the debate to be terminated.

In the week that followed much happened. The new Senate called into special session by the President, revised its rules and arranged to close debates in future when a two-third majority so decrees. The President issued a call for the entire Congress to assemble on April 16 for the purpose of enacting any legislation which may be needed in connection with the administration's plan to arm merchant ships. The Nation is to resume its self-respect and insist that American vessels and American

lives shall be protected. These are events of tremendous import. In spite of their seriousness, a strain of comedy run through them. The rust the "little" Americans to shelter has been one of the ludicrous performances in history of the United States.

Thanks.

I take this plan of thanking my neighbors and friends administering to my want my late affliction, which is that there still exists a Christian spirit in those parts. Let good work go on is the wish of your sincere friend

J. A. ALLEN