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The Burning of Chambersburg.

While the pupils of the schools throughout the County are studying the leading events in the Civil War from their histories, they, as well as the older people, will be interested in the following brief story of the burning of and in a few cases officers and Chambersburg, written by Burnet Bear, a senior in the Carlisle High School and published in the finnes. Valley Spirit last Saturday evening.

of 1864, General Hunter, by the first moved to Lynchburg, Va., in order to destroy the Confederate supplies which had been collected at that place. Due to was short of ammunition, and west by the way of Baltimore & distance. Ohio railroad and the Ohio river. and then marched to meet the Confederate general, Earley, who had come from Washington after defeating the Federal forces at that place under Gen. Wallace. Hunter soon arrived at the Potomac river which he crossed near Hancock. Here Hunter met Early, and a short engage ment was fought after which all joined together forming a vast Hunter was forced to recross the Potomac river. Hunter then took position not far from and farther until finally, it cov-Hancock, Md. This was the position of these generals on heaven's shield mercifully drawn Thursday, July 28, 1864.

ed Gen. McCausland to take his of homeless and saddened perown brigade; and also a part of sone who had assembled in the Gen. Johnson's calvary, the surrounding fields. Here they whole force numbering about sat in silence; and looked upon

value which had not been carried | IT HAPPENED IN MCCONNELLSBURG. out before. "As soon as McCausland saw that the money could not be raised, he gave the signal to begin the work of destruction. Detatchments were sent to different parts of the town. Houses were opened; furniture was broken, piled in heaps; and then fired. . In some cases the fire

was kindled in closets, bureaus, or other depositories of clothing. Many of the confederates, to their credit be it said, disappreved of the work, while many entored upon their work with evident delight, turning a deaf ear to entreaties of the aged, infirm women, and children. Some sections of the town were saved because the officers sent there, refused to execute their orders; soldiers worked with the citizens

"In the campaign of the spring storm the destruction of life falo, N.Y. would have been very great. But orders of General Grant, was to it was morning and during a persucceed General Sigel. Hunter fect calm. Yet one time a fearful cyclone which originated in the public square, where the converging flames seems to have given it birth, moved along with a some skirmishing on the way, he hissing, roaring sound eastward according to the statistics prealong Market street. As this was compelled to turn away whirling, hissing and sucking trom the Confederate forces in cone touched such articles as the valley. He then retreated clothing, bedding and furniture. toward the west. Sometime it instantly drew them up into potato crop was extremely short later Hunter returned from the the air; falling at considerable only four counties showed an av

was a scene of surpassing grandeur and terror. As building after building was fired or caught from others, column after column erage yields per acre were carof smoke rose in single columns at first; then these columns of smoke began to writhe and twist erage of 135 bushels to an acre. like huge serpeuts, into a thousand fantastic forms; and finally cloud of flame and smoke. This cloud began to spread out farther ered the whole town. This was

over the scene to shelter, from "That same day Earley direct. the blazing sun, the thousands

And is Happening to McConnellsburg People Every Week.

The case told below is not an uncommon thing. The same oc curs frequently and will continue to happen as long as folks have kidneys and overtax the kidneys. Riley Peck, shoemaker, Mc-Connellsburg, says: "1 was troubled with my kidneys and soreness in my back. I was diz zy at times and my eyes were affected. I had to get upoften at night on account of kidney weakness and I was all tired out in the morning. Two boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills, procured at Trout's Drug Store gave me great relief and I haven't had any bad symptoms of the trouble since."

Price 60c at all dealers. Don't at the engine to extinguish the simply ask for a kidney remedy England and Ireland." Great Brit--get Doan's Kidney Pills-the Had this destruction occurred same that Mr. Peck had. in winter, at night, or during a Foster Milburn Co, Props, Buf-

Advertisement.

High Average Potato Yield.

Thirty one counties of the State reported yields of one hundred or more bushels of potatoes to an acre during the past season pared by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, which show a production of 80 653,209 bushels. Last year when the erage yield of over one hundred "The conflagration at its height bushels to an acre and two of these counties are not numbered among the leaders this year.

The honors for the highest av ried off by Dauphin and Schuylkill counties which showed an av Columbia county took third place with an average of 129 bushels and Greene county was fourth with 126 bushels Lehigh and Union counties showed 124 bush els to an acre and Northampton made 120 bushels.

In 1916 Franklin, Northampton Philadelphia and Pike counties were the only districts and showed an average yield of over 100 bushels to an acre.

Other counties which swept in to the 100 oushel or better class 2900 men, with which he was to the destruction of their homes, this year were: Adams, 115; Armstrong, 100; Bedford, 116;

SUEZ CANAL 50 YEARS OLD Great Britain Obtained Complete Con-

> trol of Waterway in 1876, Although It Was French Project.

It was more than half a century family in distress at the death of the ago, on February 17, 1867, that the first vessel of any size passed through the Suez canal from the Mediterra-

The completion of the Suez canal imposed upon Great Britain the gigantic task of protecting the sea route to her Asiatic empire. Gibraltar and Malta, already in Britain's possession, were important links in the chain. The peninsula of Aden, controlling the entrance into the Red sea, was fortified on a vast scale, and a protectorate was acquired over a large inland region. Cyprus, Sokotra island and the Kuria Muria islands, off the Arabian coast, added new links to the defensive chain, and it has been said that the Red sea is

now "more distinctively British than is St. George's channel, between ain obtained proprietary control of the Suez canal in 1876 by purchasing the shares of the Egyptian khedive for about \$20,000,000, although it was a French project and its completion was due to French genius.

COWS USED FOR SIGNALING Bulgarian Cowherd Transmitted Mill-

tary News by Moving Animals About on Top of Hill. At the battle of Ishtib a Bulgarian cowherd signaled news to his mili-

the friction between a \$500 value and tary countrymen relative to the poa \$1,000 policy."" sition of the Serbian battalions by moving five cows about in various ways on the top of a hill.

The Basutos, by the way, practically anticipated "wireless telegraphy" in a crude fashion. That is. by striking heavily on a huge drum of goatskin, which is placed on a special spot, another Basuto at a distance can gather the purport of the message by placing his ear close to the ground to catch the vibrations; and then he, in turn, passes the message on.

Of course, given suitable climatic conditions, the military heliograph can transmit messages over enormous tracts of country, and the record is probably held by an Englishman, Captain Sadler of the Sixth Dragoon Guards, who, by this means,

succeeded in South Africa in sending a message direct a distance of 130 miles.

LIGHTS FOR MOTORCYCLES.

The latest attachment for the ubiquitous motorcycle is a complete electric generating plant for lighting the headlight, similar to the apparatus used in automobiles. Up to now the heavy weight of such installations has prevented their use on motorcycles, but a light system, consisting of a regulator and generator taking its power from the turning axle, has been perfected. The regulator keeps the voltage constant at varying speeds of the motorcycle. As a result of the new device the motorcycle of the future may be expected to cruise with its own electric lights,

Proved Worth of Invention "Shortly after Galvani's invention DISINFECTORS FOR THE ARMY came out he visited America, and with

a latter of introduction called upon Dr.

Doane, medical officer to the Bank of

New York," writes a correspondent of.

the London Chronicle. "He found the

infant son. Galvani asked to be al-

lowed to try his battery; the child re-

vived and was christened Galvani

Sugar's Real Value.

rectly into the blood is apparently un-

fit for assimilation, for it is eliminated

by the kidneys unchanged. The real

value of sugar Seems to be that the

carbon obtained from its disistegra-

tion is available for forming the gas

known as carbureted hydrogen or me

thane, which seems indispensable to

the growth and respiratory processes

of all living organisms.-American

Wanted Useful Article.

demurrer that had the effect to throw

it out of court. Soon afterward the

same lawyer was elected to congress,

and while at his post of duty he was

surprised one day to receive a letter

from his former client, saying: "I

am sued again. Please send me anoth-

er one of them things they call de-

Everybody's Doing It.

Family Pride.

Unchanged.

His Turn Coming.

you grow up, if you don't know how

to read, write and cipher?" asked a

school teacher of a lazy, stupid boy.

"I'm going to be a schoolmaster, and

make the boys do all the readin', writ-

Duck Stuffed With Gold.

When W. W. Meredith, a farmer at

in' and cipherin'," replied the boy.

"What are you going to do when

A suit having been brought against

defendant, his counsel interposed a

Longfellow."

Food Journal.

murrers."

Weekly.

New Machines for Sterilizing Soldiers Equipment to Be Used in Fight Against Disease.

Preparedness consists of an adequate supply of other things than munitions of war, battleships and Doane. His father was a cousin of trained men, and our government has recognized one of these further needs by providing for the safety of our troops against a foe more deadly A cane sugar solution injected dithan hostile bullets, says the Scientific American. The diseases which

sands, the dread typhus, cholera and ing disease or checking its spread.

"A year ago people didn't think of the possibility that a fire had been Twenty-one of these portable disset," said a New York fire insurance adjuster. "Now they don't think of infectors were sent to Serbia in anything else. The other day I had Judy, 1915, but were captured by the to investigate a small fire. 'What do Germans before the unfortunate you think was the cause?' I asked the janitor. 'It looks to me,' said he, 'like Serbs could profit by them.

AT THE BACK DOOR



profession

Hobo-I was a very fine musician wunst, but hurted me evesight lookin' fer de rests in de music.'

FIRES FROM CARELESSNESS.

The national board of fire underwriters in New York says careless handling of electrical devices in

there need be no danger of fire. But

many persons using these modern

conveniences thoughtlessly fail to

shut off the electrical current when

the devices are not in use. In con-

sequence they become overheated and

fires result, often imperiling lives as

well as property. The cultivation of

SOMETHING DIFFERENT.

"Mother," said little Evelyn, "may

"You may play with the little

girls, sweetheart, but not with the

oys; the little boys are too rough."

"But, mother," rejoined the little

miss, "if I find a nice, smooth little

THOSE HIGH-SCHOOL FRATS.

ding the children's high-school fra-

Quite Observing.

who arrived home in an explanatory

mood, "it was like this. I got thinkin'

so hard of the beau'ful statue of

Lib'ty all lit up and it made me so pa-

tr'tic that I just hatago and get lit up

"You see, m'dear," argued Blinks,

Mother-Do you believe in forbid-

boy, can I play with him?"

I go out and play with the other

caution is advised.

children now ?"

ternities?

Judge.

gagements?

sibly can.

m'self."-Puck.

The value and need of a newspaper susehold was never greater than at th ant time. We have been forced toe great world war and a large army o dready in France. You will want

the New York World

in 1918

Practically a Daily at the Price

he world gives so much at so

muver wants to know if yer'll stamp a cow on it, 'cos we're having comp'ny."-London Farm and Home. "That's just like Jim," said the widow, wearily, after a flapping curtain had knocked over the urn in which all that was mortal of her cremated husband had been placed and spread its contents on the floor. "Always drop

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nder oath. The Court shall in all cases refuse the a ation whenever. In the opinion of the O aving due regard for the number and the er of the petitioners for and against the allcations, such license is not necessary for communication of the public and enter-ment of strangers and travelers, or that the dicant is not a fit person to whom suchie houd be granted. Petitions must be field with the

By the Court, DONALD P. MCPHERSON

Estate of Henry R. Lee, ownship, deceased. Notice is hereby given that lette istration upon the above estate granted to the undersigned All ing claims against said estate them properly authenticated to be a state of the second the second se

settle 11-22-17-0t IN THE COURT OF QUARTER SESSIO OF THE PEACE OF FULTON COURT PENNSYLVANIA. PENNSYLVANIA. It is ordered that all applications for he for the saie of vinous, appritons, mail or b d liquors, wholesaie or retail, for the 918, will be heard on Tuesday, the list da 1 subary, 1918, at 10 o'clock a.m. of said t which time all persons applying or may vidence, petition, remonstrance or con there must be no communication at any on the subject with the judges perso either by effer or any p wale way. The petition, verified by amdavit of and sweep away soldiers by tens of thou-

plague, are to be resisted among our forces by a scientifically planned device for disinfecting uniforms and other equipment and thus prevent-

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levy a tribute \$100,000 in gold or lations of a lifetime. \$500,000 in U. S. currency. If toward Chambersburg meeting two thousand human beings were town became a scene of confusion. The contents of bauks, stores, and private dwelling were

morning, Saturday, July 30, General McCausland placed about 2000 of his men on a hill about a mile from the center of the town. The remaining 900 were sent into the town The courthouse bell was rung as a signal for thecitizens to assemble there. None of the citizens assembling, a guard under Gil more was sent to bring several of the leading citizens. After these men had been brought, the requisiion was read to them.

The money demanded was not and could not be raised since so large a sum was not to be had in Chambersburg. Aside from this fact, the people did not feel like giving money for the overthrow of their own government. While these things were happening, the work of destruction had already commenced. Stores, shops, and other places of business were broken into, and were robbed of all the goods of

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proceed to Chambersburg. After and personal effects which had entering the town, he was to in many cases, been the accumu "The work of destruction was

these demands were retused, commenced about eight o'clock the town was to be burned. The in the morning and by eleven the same day the brigade mentioned enemy had all gone; so thorough above, who were assembled near had been their work that the Hammonds Mill, Va. captured greater part of Chambersburg the pickets on the north side of was laid in ruins. Ten squares the Potomac; and then marched of buildings had been burned;

with little opposition. It was made homeless, in many cases, half past five in the evening penniless. From this disaster when the citizens received the many never recovered, but hved first knowledge of the arrival of in poverty the remainder of their the confederates, and then the lives. Sad, indeed must have been their feelings while they stood by this scene of desolation; and sadder yet must they have felt when night came on when hurriedly removed and secreted. they, had to find a place to rest "At an early hour the next Some of them made their way to the country or to distant towns to find shelter and future homes never to live in Chambe sburg again."

THOMPSON.

Those who spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Moses Gordon were their daughter Gol die and her friend Mr. Frans Fisher of Warfordsburg.

The revival meeting at Needmore is still in progress and will be continued during the week. After spending a few weeks in the Cove. Miss Elsie Pittman has returned to her home near Sharpe.

Golda Morgret of Great Falls, Montana, is spending a few month's with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Amos J. Sharpe.

A sledding party composed of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Sharpe and daughter Charlotte, Mrs. Amos Sharpe, Gladys Sharpe. Blanche Bishop, Russel Gordon, Jared Pittman, John Culler, Golda Morgret, Flossie Sharpe and Walter Pittman attended church at Needmore last Wednesday evening.

Don't forget the Christmas entertainment at Antioch, December 28rd Everybody invited.

Rev Logue, of Clearville assist ed in the meeting at Antioch which closed Tuesday evening. Mrs. 1ra Barnhart has gone to Philadelphia where she will undergo a surgical operation.

Blair, 112; Bucks, 104; Clinton, 106; Cumperland, 108; Franklin, 109; Fulton, 110; Huntingdon, 104 Juniata, 110; Lancaster, 108; Lebanon, 103,Luzerne,105; Lycoming, 113; Monroe, 100; Montour, 103; Northumberland, 105, Perry, 108 Snyder, 102; Sulivian, 115; Wash ington, 105; Westmoreland, 100, and York, 108.

TO DIG FOR CROESUS' GOLD

Expedition Led by Princeton Professor Will Visit Asia Minor in Search of Riches.

Croesus, king of Lydia, and the world's first great financier, escorted a committee of his subjects through his palace one afternoon in February, 77, and after the committee had looked at Croesus' heaps of gold, one of the visitors, who was the first muckraker, evidently, said it was wicked that anyone should have so much wealth and that something was going to happen to it. It did; half an hour later most of the big mountain overhanging Sardis buried the city, and when the earthquake was over Croesus' wealth was buried below mining depth.

Prof. Howard Butler of the department of art and archaeology in Princeton university, announced recently that he was going over to Asia Minor very soon to resurrect the buried treasure. In 1909 Professor Butler headed an expedition to Sardis and, though he found only bronze statues, his excavations were of great scientific worth

Cocoanut Butter Industry. Marseilles annually exports about \$10,000,000 worth of cocoanut butter the business having been developed since 1897. Most of it goes to England, Holland and Scandinavia.

Misplaced Brilliancy. Grace (whispering)-"What lovely shoes your partner's got, Mary!" Mary (ditto) - "Yes. Unfortunately shines at the wrong end."

Wise to Practice Reserve. Never tell all you know; for he who tells everything he knows often tells more than he knows.-Arabic.

Hungary Agricultural Country. Of the population of Hungary, more than 70 per cent, is engaged in agricultural pursuits.

freed from the danger of batteries or carbide supply giving out.

THE WORST TO COME.

Henderson-What makes you so blue?

Sanderson-My wife's bread's a failure.

Henderson-Is that all? Sanderson-All? No; something worse is coming. Henderson-What?

Sanderson-A week's ordeal of bread pudding .- Puck.

MUSICAL PREJUDICE.

"Do you enjoy Mendelssohn's 'Songs Without Words'?" "I don't know as I've ever heard

'em," replied Mr. Cumrox. "But I want to say that Mendelssohn has the right idea. What keeps a lot of these songs from being fit to listen to is the words."

"The man I marry must be a hero-brave, daring and gallant; he must have enough to support me comfortably; must have a country home, and, above all, be honest."

love-not a department store."-Lehigh Burr.

NATURALLY.

The first thing a climber wants is a family tree.-Louisville Courier-Journal.

MAMMA'S LITTLE GIRL

The Dominie-Are you your mamma's little girl?

Edith-Papa says I am whenever I've been naughty.-Life. ITS LACK OF USE.

"The craze about the souvenir spoon is never heard of now." "No; the sonvenir spoon has ceased to make a stir."

some ducks for the local markets he found the stomachs of several birds filled with flake gold, seven of the pieces measuring from a sixteenth to an eighth of an inch in diameter.

Merit and Modesty.

Men are too much occupied with themselves to have leisure to know others thoroughly, or to discern their real character; hence it happens that with a great merit and a greater modesty, one may be a long time lost sight of .-- La Bruyere.

Built That Way.

Rankin-"Every time I get up to try to make a speech I can feel my knees knocking together." Fyle-"Naturally. If your legs bent outward, as mine do, instead of bending inward you wouldn't have any of that trouble.'

Be Cheerful.

"Be cheerful when you eat," said a doctor reecntly to an interviewer, "and you will be able to enjoy anything." The man who tackles a railway sandwich ought to approach it screaming with laughter.

Unreasonable.

Irate Customer-"You said this cloth was a fast color, yet it faded in two weeks after it was made up." Draper -"Well. I don't think you ought to expect it to fade any faster than that."

There's a Middle Ground. We blame equally him who is too proud to place a proper value on his own merit, and him who prizes too highly his spurious worth .-- Goethe.

Where It Would Be Appreciated. Mrs. Jawkins-"I heard something this afternoon that fairly knocked me speechless," Mr. J .- "Do you mind repeating it to the baby, my dear?"

Ain't It Awful? Perseverance has won many a hardfought victory that was really not worth the effort .-- Puck.

Brilliant. Brilliant-Said of those who agree with us.-Smart Set.

AN INSTANCE.

He-You can't understand the anxiety with which one goes into a forlorn hope. She-Oh, yes, I can. I saw Miss Oldgirl headed for a beauty parlor yesterday.

When a Man Forgeta. "When a man thinks too well of hisself," said Uncle Eben, "It's a sign dat maybe he is forgettin' a few things he knows about hisself."

homes is causing an increasingly the news from our troops on Europe fields, and 1918 promises to be the large number of fires each year. It nentous year in the history of our is estimated that there are 30,000 fires a year in the United States due

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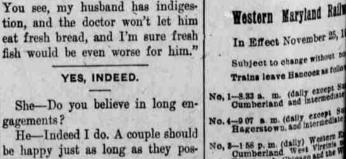
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