

PERSONAL AND LOCAL COLUMN.

Mrs. Laura Wagner is visiting Cumberland friends. Mrs. James May visited Rockwood relatives, Sunday. Thomas Cumiskey, of Martinsburg, was a recent visitor. Mrs. Charles Walters, of Connellsville, visited relatives here recently. Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Reich spent Sunday with relatives at Salisbury. Leo Derry visited Smithfield relatives a few days ago. Mrs. E. J. Leonard visited with Berlin friends one day last week. Mrs. James Kerrigan, of Sand Patch was a business visitor here Friday. W. H. Rutter, of Somerset, Sunday here with his family. A. A. Bolton, of Cumberland spent last Sunday with Meyersdale friends. Miss Edith Just visited relatives and friends a part of this week. Dr. A. E. Truxal was a Hyndman caller on Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Brant, of Macdonald, were town visitors on Tuesday. Mrs. Bertha Stanton and son visited Somerset relatives recently. Mrs. James Wilson and Mrs. Jas. Gordon spent Monday with friends at Glencoe. Mr. J. S. Large, father of Dr. C. P. Large returned home on Sunday from his former home at Buckingham, Pa. Postmaster Naugle spent several days of the present week in Connellsville and Pittsburg. Mrs. Wm. Seggie and Mrs. Geo. Stein were Cumberland visitors Thursday. Mrs. Frederick Knieriem, of Cumberland, spent Sunday at the H. C. Knieriem home on Broadway. Mrs. Lucente and children returned home on Monday from a visit with relatives in West Virginia. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Boyer, of Garrett, were town visitors on Saturday last. "The Mountain City News" is the name of a new Semi-Weekly paper just launched at Frostburg. Mrs. Chas. Bender and daughter, of Grantsville, on Saturday were in Meyersdale. Mrs. Lucile Lant is visiting her sister, Mrs. Walter Ebaugh at Hancock in Maryland. Mrs. A. F. Darrah and children spent Sunday with her parents, near Sand Patch. Mrs. Martha Douglas, of Rockwood, spent Sunday here with relatives, Arthur Scott's, Main street. Miss Ellen Lint one of our teachers, spent Saturday and Sunday with her home folks in Larimer township. Mrs. Morris Mosholder fell on an icy walk near the new bridge a few days ago breaking her left arm. Mr. J. N. Cover attended to business matters a part of the present week at Stoyestown and Johnstown. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stotler left on Sunday, taking No. 6 train for a visit at Baltimore and New York. Wm. Knecht, of West Salisbury enjoyed last Sunday with friends in this place. Mr. David Cronin, of Confluence was here with Meyersdale friends on Sunday last. B. J. Lynch, the town engineer, has been transacting business in Baltimore a part of the present week. Mrs. Wm. Younklin, of the South Side, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Hibner at Mt. Braddock. Mrs. B. B. Collins is spending the week with her friends, Dr. and Mrs. P. P. Ritter at Boswell. Miss Grace Weller visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Clark at Garrett over Sunday. J. A. Schligh, the efficient agent of the B. & O. at this place, was in Connellsville, one day last week. J. W. Haley, proprietor of the Union hotel, has been suffering with rheumatism. William Yoste and family, of Meyersdale have moved this week to Garrett. Miss Mayme Forquer, one of our grade teachers, spent the week-end with Ursina friends. Mrs. A. W. Poorbaugh has returned from Johnstown, where she had been visiting for a week. Miss Clara Rowe very pleasantly entertained a half dozen of her High school friends Wednesday evening. Misses Mary and Sara Smith, of Pittsburg, are guests at the home of their brother-in-law, J. F. Reich. Miss Elizabeth Irwin very pleasantly entertained a number of her friends, Friday evening. Mrs. Frederick Younklin, of Ursina is spending a few days with her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Ward Dull, of the South Side. John Maul, of Maul Bros., has returned from Milwaukee, where he spent a week at the convention of the International Custom Cutters' Association. Mrs. Frederick Younklin, of Ursina, spent Saturday and Sunday here at the home of her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Ward Dull, of Beachley street. Mrs. Mira Pfahler is breaking up housekeeping in order to make her home with her son, Ralph D. Pfahler, whose wife recently died. Mrs. Spence, who has rooms at the home of Mrs. J. J. Stotler, was taken

on Tuesday, to the Markleton sanitarium for treatment. Miss Nellie Welmer, daughter of Mr. U. M. Welmer, has gone to Washington, D. C., to take a course as a nurse in the Children's hospital. Mrs. Scott Hartline and four children who had been here the past month with relatives returned to her home the latter part of the week. Mrs. Philip Reich and children spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Beachy at West Salisbury. Miss Tina Collins returned home on Thursday last from a two-weeks' visit with Mr. and Mrs. H. Albright at Berlin. Karl Pfahler has gone to resume his work of assisting in laying out cross-country auto roads. His work will now be in the state of Illinois. Mrs. E. R. Floto, of Connellsville visited here at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Shipley on Myers avenue Tuesday of this week. Miss Margaret Hartie, a graduate nurse, who had been attending a patient during the past month near Rockwood, has returned to her home on Salisbury street. Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Klingaman, daughter Dorothy and Miss Sallie Stratton spent Sunday with Mrs. Kingaman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Wilhelm near Berkeley. Mrs. Perry Strump and daughter, Miss Annie, of Columbus, Ohio, who had been visiting friends here for the past two weeks have gone to visit friends at Lonaconing in Md. Mr. I. Weinstein has gone to Pittsburg, Philadelphia and New York to lay in a supply of the latest in the clothing line for men's furnishings for his new store next to the postoffice. Miss Lula Hocking was called on Saturday to the home of her sister, Mrs. William Sturgis, at Oakland, Md. by the latter's illness. She is now improving. Flour has risen to about nine dollars per barrel in this vicinity owing to the high prices of wheat, but the local bakers have not yet made an increase in their rates. Mr. W. H. Habel, a layman of the Amity Reformed church of this place gave an address before that congregation on Sunday night that has merited a good deal of favorable comment this week. Mrs. Paul Horning and family who had been residing at Friedens arrived here last week and spent several days at the home of the former's sister, Mrs. John Stein before going to Shaw Mines where they will now live. Mrs. Elizabeth Weyh, who had been spending several months with relatives in New York City has returned to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mrs. Henry Schwerner on Meyers avenue. Engineer Jacob Opel, with headquarters at Somerset, employed on the Somerset and Cambria branch with headquarters at Somerset, spent Sunday in this place with his family on Salisbury street. Homer Collins, son of Merchant Geo. Collins, came home last week suffering from a slight concussion of the brain received while playing basket ball at Richmond Medical College, Va., where he is a student. He was able to return on Tuesday. Fred Vamear is lying in a serious condition at his home near Somerset as the result of an attack made on him Friday night at Boswell by two strange men, who after robbing him of his gold watch and a sum of money, made their escape. "Billy" the two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Clutton, had the upper half of the middle finger of his right hand badly crushed Monday, by being caught in a clothes wringer. It is thought that the charming little fellow's finger may not be permanently injured. B. F. Smith, who for a number of years conducted a butter and egg establishment on Meyers avenue, near the B. & O. station, has retired from the business and on Saturday in company with his daughter, Mrs. Florence Turner, left for New York, their former home. R. E. Meyers, for several years the store manager for the Dull Mercantile Company at the Wilson Creek mines, has resigned and will be succeeded by Frank Hood, of West Virginia. Mr. Meyers has purchased the Wilson Creek meatmarket, formerly owned by his brother A. C. Meyers. According to a decision from Harrisburg, commission merchants and wholesale grocers must mark all potato and apple sacks with their proper weight in sending them out to retailers. It is not necessary for interstate shipments to be so marked, the ruling declares. A birthday surprise in honor of the sixtieth birthday anniversary of Mrs. H. J. Ebbecka was held last Thursday evening at her home on North street. The guests assembled early in the evening and were received by the Misses Daise and Sanna Ebbecka. At ten o'clock a dainty luncheon was served. Horse and Mule feed made from corn oats and alfalfa \$1.75 per hundred at Habel & Phillips.

PREVENT HOG CHOLERA

Every Precaution Should Be Taken to Check Disease.

Stray Pigs Should Be Looked Upon With Suspicion—Carcasses of Dead Animals Must Be Burned Without Delay.

Because hog cholera is so readily carried from one farm to another every precaution should be taken against its spread when it appears in a community. In Germany and other countries where animal diseases have been well held in check, quarantine is strict for hog cholera and other preventive measures are largely used.

These different steps should be taken when hog cholera appears: Sick and exposed hogs must be kept confined or isolated on the premises where they belong. Stray pigs should be looked upon with suspicion. When pigs are shipped into a herd there should be certainty that they come from uninfected premises and that they have not been exposed in shipment in cars or public stockyards. Carcasses of cholera hogs must be burned or buried without delay. Litter and manure must be disposed of in a like way or thoroughly disinfected. All implements or wagons or carts used in handling sick or dead animals must be disinfected. Pens and yards must be similarly treated whether serum has been used or not. Promiscuous traveling back and forth from infected premises should be discouraged. After men and horses have been in infected pens or yards, their shoes and feet should be cleaned and even disinfected before going upon the highways or healthful premises. Straying animals, like dogs and cats, ought to be looked on as dangerous sources. Hogs should be kept away from streams that may run from infected yards.



Pigs With Strong Constitutions Resist Attacks of Cholera.

These and other precautions that are suggested by the extreme virulence of the cholera germ should be taken. They may seem rather far-fetched at times, but they are none the less essential. Through wholly unexpected means the disease is transmitted and makes its appearance in a community as something of a mystery. The presence of cholera always means that it has been carried there. One general suggestion may be made: Good health and strong constitutions help in fighting all animal diseases, cholera as well as others.

CULLING THE POULTRY FLOCK

Many Farmers Are Keeping Hens Long Past Their Period of Usefulness—Give Plenty of Food.

(By J. G. HALPIN.) A great deal is being said about the advisability of keeping all of the stock that a farm can possibly hold. I think, however, that this advice is wrong and that we should encourage our farmers to cull more closely than usual.

On a large proportion of our farms there are old hens that are long past their period of usefulness, many of these hens with long toe nails showing that they have not worked for months. There are also many crow-headed, thin-breasted, weak-constituted hens that will never be good egg producers. Also, there are many farms with little late-hatched chicks that will not be a paying investment. All of these culls should be disposed of as quickly as possible and the feed given to the better individuals. I admit that the price of eggs will be high, but with our present feed prices one cannot afford to feed the hens that show from their general make-up that they are likely to be poor producers. On many farms there are 200 chickens with only housing room for a hundred. If the flock is reduced down to the hundred best ones, the result will be many more eggs in the winter and a much lower feed bill.

Keeps Hogs Well.

Less grain, more pasture, less confinement and more exercise in the pure air of the alfalfa, clover or bluegrass fields will tone up the system so that disease is not readily contracted. Yet with the best of care and feed disease in new forms will appear to baffle us, and when it comes, it is not safe to dally with it, especially if it seems infectious. Letting sick hogs have the run of the herd is sure to spread disease, therefore it is a safe rule to lose no time in removing the first sick hog to some remote lot where it cannot infect the herd as its disease progresses.

Potato Culture.

Some of the things that cause the failure of potato hills are poor soil, improper preparation, poor seed, irregular planting, poor cultivation, bugs, diseases and poor weather. Many of these conditions are controllable; all of them may be influenced by proper methods of culture.

JEMIMA AND BILLY

By KATHRYN HOWARD.

"Poor Jemima," sighed the Brunette, "she certainly does seem to have had luck."



"What is the matter now?" asked the Blonde, giving half her attention to the Brunette's remark and half to the question whether it would be safe to eat oysters so early in the season. "She has lost her latest," alliteratively replied the Brunette. "Billy has departed and she is now alone."

"What a pity," remarked the Girl With the Auburn Hair. "Yes, it is a pity," agreed the Brunette, "and she had marked Billy for her own. I don't understand it." The Girl With the Auburn Hair laughed. "But Billy did," she announced. "Understand what?" questioned the Blonde.

"That Jemima had marked him for her own," replied the Girl With the Auburn Hair. "That is the reason he fitted." "But he was devoted to Jemima," objected the Brunette. "I would have fancied him a willing victim."

"At your age, too," almost sneered the Girl With the Auburn Hair. "Don't you know that a man is never a willing victim—he always likes to victimize, and if he can't do that he just won't play."

"The trouble about poor Jemima was that she took it for granted that Billy was willing, not to marry her, but that she would marry him, for a girl of Jemima's temperament always marries somebody—and there's both a distinction and a difference. Now she had decided that Billy was an eligible party—he is handsome and clever and agreeable, and is, in fact, everything that is desirable in a husband. He liked Jemima very much, and if she had not let him see that she intended to select him from the world of men to love, honor and obey her for the rest of their days, she might have been wearing a solitaire now—instead of playing solitaire. But she assumed a proprietary manner, gave Billy the impression that she depended upon him and didn't have another admirer in the world and took him to task when he did not do just what pleased her."

"Billy is the sort of a man who likes to think that he is taking the initiative, and the glory of winning instead of being won, appeals to him. But poor Jemima didn't realize that and she made the siege that she inaugurated for his heart and hand too apparent."

"I have an idea that Billy woke up one fine morning with the realization that Jemima had designs upon his life and liberty, and that he wouldn't give up that liberty for a million dollars. If she hadn't shown him the game she was playing he might have been clamoring for her to make him a prisoner, but, alas, she was too candid, and the liberty-loving Billy decided that to run away was the only safe thing to do. So he ran and he has been so busy with engagements with other girls and has flitted and fluttered about like a dizzy whirling dervish just to show to himself and others that he is still in full possession of that liberty which had been seriously threatened."

The Blonde sighed, as the Girl With the Auburn Hair paused to give some attention to her chicken salad. "It is a pity that women can never, never be candid and show their true feelings," she remarked. "Isn't it?" agreed the Brunette. "We are blamed for being deceitful, yet if we are not always acting we never succeed."

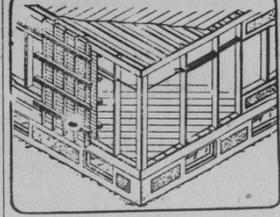
"Yes, subterfuge becomes our second nature," said the Girl With the Auburn Hair, "but, after all, if it pleases a man to think that he is the great arbiter of fate, it doesn't really do us any harm. In fact, if to fulfill the mission laid down for us by one George Bernard Shaw, of being the pursuers instead of the pursued, requires a little art and finesse we should enjoy it more. After all, we don't respect the man who is captured by obvious methods; we call him gullible, and simple, and pass along to the difficult man."

INDUSTRY MECHANICS

AID IN WALL CONSTRUCTION

Object of St. Paul Inventor is to Eliminate All Planes of Weakness and Permeability.

In speaking of the objects of an invention of A. F. Meyer of 1001 Germania building, St. Paul, Minn., the Scientific American says: "Among the several important objects of this invention is the provision of a wall construction designed to eliminate all planes of weakness and permeability resulting from the deposition of concrete in successive horizontal layers and to make possible and



Wall Construction.

practicable the production of a pleasing and durable finish by means of brushing and washing the partially hardened concrete. Further, to provide a construction which embodies the assembling of a framework disclosing window openings and ordinary panels for the walls, the last being filled with concrete or other cast material, each panel being cast as an integral block."

NOISE IS QUITE EXPENSIVE

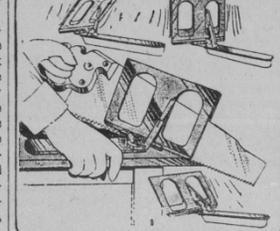
Can Be Caused by Use of Stamps as Crushing Machines is Responsible for Misunderstood Orders.

In a recent conversation the superintendent of a large stamp mill made the observation that "noise costs money." We had been discussing the use of stamps as crushing machines and the comparative merits of various devices for crushing ore. One of the arguments advanced by this superintendent against the use of stamps was the tremendous and never ending noise produced by the falling weights. In his opinion the din was responsible for many misunderstood directions and orders to employees, resulting in confusion, loss of time and expensive mistakes. The point is readily perceived. The average mill employe is anxious to give the impression that he understands the boss' orders, and rather than ask a question for further information, he will sometimes pretend to understand and then go and seek advice from a fellow workman. The order may be wrongly executed or not at all. The noise of the stamps contributes greatly to this condition, makes it difficult to give and receive orders, and undoubtedly causes many mistakes. The cost of noise may not be estimated exactly, but it is a real factor.—Metallurgical and Chemical Engineering.

NEW TOOL FOR CARPENTERS

Beveling Saw Guide Is Adapted to All Purposes for Which a Miter Box Is Employed.

A new type of beveling saw guide recently placed on the market is also adapted to all the purposes for which



Beveling Saw Guide for Carpenters.

A miter box is employed and can be used on lumber of any width. The illustration shows its operation clearly.

Available Water Power. The geological survey has estimated the available water power of the United States from 36,000,000 to 65,500,000 horsepower, not including the power that could be conserved by reservoirs.

Carrying Barrels.

For carrying barrels there has been invented a four-deck wagon, barrels being hoisted in an elevator to the top one and rolling from one to another until they reach the bottom, where they are unloaded.

Varnishing Furniture.

By the application of an electric heater to the air tube the spraying of varnishes on furniture has been made possible, the heat preventing the varnish turning white on the wood as it would if cold.

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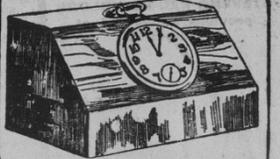
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TIMEPIECE IS QUITE HANDY

Desk Block Is Recommended for Convenience and Safety—Watch Can Be Seen at Glance.

In a great many places where it is necessary to know the time at any moment, a watch is a very convenient guide. If the watch is placed flat on the table or desk, it is not always easily seen, and then, too, it is liable to be pushed off and broken. The sketch shows a desk block which was used with a great deal of satisfaction. The recess in the top of the block is for the chain, which need not be taken from the watch. The slight



Desk Block for a Watch.

angle of the block, which is hollowed out to receive the watch, makes the dial clearly visible from almost any point of view. For convenience and safety in connection with the continual use of a timepiece this suggestion is hard to excel, says Popular Mechanics. The block is easily made and finished to present a pleasing appearance on any desk.

NOTES OF SCIENCE AND INVENTION

A frame has been invented to hold an ice cream box secure while it is being filled.

Oxygen and alcohol vapor are being used to stimulate the heart by English physicians.

Mufflers to silence the motors of their dirigible balloons are being tried by German army officers.

The Russian government has ordered ten aeroplanes of a type to carry 11 persons in addition to the pilot.

The normal human eye is blue, say scientists, other colors being caused by the presence of different pigments in the iris.

It has been contended by a French scientist that ultraviolet rays aid digestion in persons suffering from weak stomachs.

Of the 43 airmen in the world who have looped the loop, France has 38, England 5, America 1 and Russia and Italy 2 each.