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## LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Our friend Daniel Thomas orders THE STAR sent to his address at Akron, Ohio.

W. D. Thompson went to Bedford, Monday evening, to attend the funeral of a friend.

Foley's Honey and Tar contains no opiates and can safely be given to children. Sold by E. H. Miller.

Samuel Lowry recently purchased the Emily Welley homestead, on Gay street, for \$400 cash.

You never heard of any one using Foley's Honey and Tar and not being satisfied. Sold by E. H. Miller.

A Polish miner was instantly killed in the Continental mines, several days ago, by a fall of rock.

Foley's Honey and Tar is peculiarly adapted for asthma, bronchitis and hoarseness. Sold by E. H. Miller.

Silas Tressler, of Elk Lick township who has been very ill for some time, is said to be gradually losing strength. His recovery is doubtful.

Rev. (?) M. L. Young, of Meyersdale, has accepted a ministerial charge in Cumberland, Md. Congratulations are in order—for Meyersdale.

Mort. Wolfey and his son William went to Johnstown, Pa., a few days ago, in search of employment. If they do not find suitable work there, they will likely go to Akron, Ohio.

Our inside pages will tell you all about the great volcanic eruption on the island of Martinique, by which a whole city, a fine harbor and 40,000 people were destroyed in about three minutes, one day last week.

An Italian was placed in the borough "cooler," Saturday last, for getting drunk and indecently exposing his person. When sober enough for a hearing, he was arraigned before Burgess Livengood, who fined him \$20.00.

Last fall our genial friend E. I. Hay purchased three lots in the beachy addition to the borough. We'll bet money that Ed. will raise a good crop of "Weimer" blossoms on the lots, if nothing else. There are no flies on Ed.

The reunion of the 142nd Regt. Pa. Vols., which was to be held at Berlin, July 4th, has been postponed to a later date, which will be announced in due time. So writes Jacob J. Zora, the Secretary of the Regimental Association.

Ernest Livengood returned from New York, Tuesday morning, where he had been buying goods for the enterprising firm of Barchus & Livengood. He stopped one day in Elizabeth, N. J. where he visited Dr. T. F. Livengood and family. He reports a pleasant time.

Tom Lee, our Chinese laundryman, has moved to Berlin, where he is now in business. Tom says there are too many agents in Salisbury for outside laundries, hence his departure. Berlin would never harbor any "cullid gemmen," but just what they will do with a Chinaman over there, remains to be seen.

We are informed that our old friend Senator Wm. R. Getty, of Grantsville, Md., is quite ill. His many friends all hope for his recover. Mr. Getty has long been prominent in the political and business affairs of Garrett county, and to know him is to be his friend. He is a man of great generosity and perseverance.

Today A. M. Johnson takes charge of the Reed house in Meyersdale, which was recently sold by Mr. Reed to Wm. P. Meyers, who in turn sold it to Mr. Johnson. John Slicer is again in charge of the hotel up at the railroad, which for a year or more was conducted by Mr. Johnson. Mr. Reed has moved into his fine residence on Meyers avenue for years he conducted one of the best hotels in Somerset county, and his success, Mr. Johnson, also has an enviable reputation as a hotel man.

In a recent letter from our old friend Wm. A. Kann, of Garrett, Mr. Kann says: "May good fortune ever attend your lot." To prove that he meant what he said, Mr. Kann enclosed two dollars to apply on subscription. Thank you, old friend, you are the kind of man we like, and may God bless and comfort you in your declining years.

Mrs. Dr. Speicher and three children, Florence, Robert and the baby, returned from California, Tuesday evening. It is needless to say that the doctor and the other members of the family were delighted to welcome them home, for they had been in California ever since last September. They are all looking well and report a most enjoyable sojourn in the Golden state.

Robert Gibson, who recently returned from Scotland, called at THE STAR office on Monday evening and favored us with several dollars on subscription. Mr. Gibson stated that their voyage from America to Scotland was made in a very poor vessel, that the trip lasted two weeks and was very tiresome. The return trip was made in seven days and was a very pleasant voyage.

Harry Smith, aged 20, James Rice, aged 16, and John Williams, aged 19, the last named colored, were lodged in jail yesterday afternoon to await trial on a charge of holding up Scott Livengood, of Elk Lick. The highway robbery took place Monday afternoon, near Casselman. Livengood claims that he was relieved of \$8.50. The prisoners claim to hail from Pittsburg and Buffalo.—Somerset Herald.

Mr. Jacob J. Donges, a former well known citizen of Meyersdale, died in the Cumberland hospital, Tuesday of last week. He was aged about 59 years, 8 months and 22 days. Mr. Donges was born and reared in Germany, coming to this country when about 20 years old. He was a veteran of the Civil war, a good citizen, and had many friends. He is survived by a wife, two sons and two daughters.

A Missourian widow who got married again two weeks after his wife died, went out and tried to hush the charivari crowd by telling them they ought to be ashamed to make such an uproar around a house where a funeral had been so recently held. This is pretty near equal to the fellow who killed his father and mother and then pleaded for mercy on the ground that he was an orphan.—Ex.

A good joke is told on a Garrett county farmer. He went to town and decided to surprise his wife by returning in a new suit of clothes. When he reached the Casselman river bridge he halted, pulled off his clothes and tossed them into the creek. When he reached for the new suit, he found to his surprise that the bundle had jolted out of his buggy. Luckily it was night. He drove home, and the surprise of his wife was a success.

It is generally supposed that kerosene is a sovereign cure for all sorts of microbes. But here comes the New York board of health and declares that a kerosene lamp half turned down is the worst breeder of diphtheria in the world, and the board particularly warns all mothers against leaving such a light in the sleeping rooms of children. The fumes of the lamp not only poison the air, but fit it for the propagation of diphtheria germs.—Ex.

The postal authorities at Washington, recognizing the liability of postmasters to make mistakes in getting letters in wrong boxes, have fixed a penalty of \$200 on persons taking mail out of the offices other than their own and not returning it. The law is to have people look at their mail before taking it out of the office, and if they should have mail other than their own, they must return it at once. It also includes newspapers.

There is no longer any doubt that Berlin is on the boom. Just recently the people over there added three acres more ground to their cemetery, and as soon as the few remaining old fogies are planted good and deep therein, Berlin will show its heels to some of the other towns in the county that have old fogies of their own to bury. We hope Brother Marshall, of the Berlin Record, will live long enough to write all the obituaries that should have been written years ago.

We were delighted on Monday afternoon when our genial and handsome friend, Mr. P. A. Beachy, of Chicago, came walking into our editorial den. Mr. Beachy landed in Meyersdale with his wife, last Friday evening, and from thence made a hurried trip to the homes of S. P. Maust and L. L. Beachy, where they sojourned until Monday afternoon, when they took their departure. Mr. Beachy informed us that he came east on business and had only a limited time to stay. His many friends here are all sorry that he could not remain longer.

Coal has been reached at the Alt-father slope at a distance of about 290 feet from the mouth of the workings. Measuring perpendicularly, the coal lies about 40 feet below the surface. The vein has a thickness of between 4 and 5 feet. A tippie about 800 feet in length will be constructed and coal shipping will begin as soon the railroad is completed to that point. The contract for building the railway is or will soon be let. Company officials say that

from 800 to 1,000 miners will be employed at the slope and shaft, and that a town of 3,000 or 4,000 population will be a thing of the not distant future. In the meantime Main street Berlin lot owners are standing in their own light by refusing to sell to would-be builders at all, or are loading their properties with a building-hindering price.—Berlin Record.

An unknown writer offers the following good advice: "If your neighbor is prosperous, let him prosper. Don't grunt, growl or grumble. Say a good word for him and let it go at that. Don't be a knocker. Your turn will come. No man is the whole show. If you see the town is moving along nicely, feel good about it. Help things along; shove a little. Push. Try to get some of the benefit yourself. Don't stand around like a chilly old cadaver. Don't waste your time feeling sore because some fellow has a little more sense than you have. Do a little more hustling yourself. Don't be a knocker.

We have near this place a curiosity in the shape of human flesh, who is 60 years old, was in the Civil war and has every dollar of his war money, has the suit of clothes he wore on the day Lee surrendered, has slept in a bed but four nights in six years, and has had a coat on but once since 1890, and that was five years ago the 11th day of October, when William Jennings Bryan spoke in Elizabethtown; has never been married and has never been known to wait upon but one girl, and that was forty years ago; he was never known to ride a saddle or go to church. He is a man in good circumstances, neighborly and honest.—Elizabeth (Ky.) News.

Yes, said the western man, there are several patches of country still left out our way that will support a few million people each. There is a little section up in Wyoming, for instance, known as the Big Horn Basin, which has just been opened up by a new line of the Burlington railroad. It covers about 50,000 square miles. It's larger than New York state. Three times as large as Denmark. Twice as large as Bavaria. It is covered with beautiful streams, a never-failing water supply, and the soil is as rich as any in the world. The possibilities for irrigation there are enormous, and three big irrigation ditches are built already. Oh yes, there are a few scraps of real good country left. We won't be crowded off the earth yet awhile.

The County Commissioners were in this vicinity on Monday, accompanied by Capt. Wm. M. Schrook, of Somerset. While here they sold the big wagon bridge at Boynton and also the one at West Salisbury, both of which have been condemned and will be replaced this summer by handsome new iron structures. The Boynton bridge was sold to S. P. Maust for \$12.50, while the abutments were purchased by Ziegler Bros., of Somerset, for \$6.70 per cubic yard. The West Salisbury bridge was purchased by M. Knecht for \$11.00 and the abutments of the same went to a Mr. Poorbaugh for \$4.70 per cubic yard. The new bridge to be erected at Boynton will be the finest in the county. The old wooden covered bridges are fast disappearing in Somerset county.

A meeting of the Meyersdale Fair Association was held at the office of the secretary, one evening this past week, and H. G. Stahl was appointed ground keeper for this season. The association will at once fix the track in first-class shape and complete the work that was begun last year. They will also arrange for an early meeting, this year, and will hold a three days' fair in the fall. Farmers should bear this in mind and begin to prepare to be ready to exhibit stock and farm products this fall. In order to enable the farmer and others who desire to do so, to exhibit in a proper manner, the society will build and equip buildings for that purpose before that time and make a regular county fair of it. They should receive the hearty co-operation of our business men in this.—Meyersdale Republican.

## Shot Tormentor Dead.

Lonaconing, Md., May 12.—As the result of tormenting a weak-minded person, Thomas Gardner lies dead and a man named Myers dangerously wounded at Barton, a mining village three miles west of here. Gardner and Myers had been teasing Moore, and the latter, becoming angry, went home and securing a Winchester, returned and opened fire on the men. Myers fell at the first shot, and Gardner, running to his side, received a bullet in his heart, killing him instantly. A fellow workman named Casey went over to the victims, when the murderer fired again, tearing up the earth at Casey's feet. All became alarmed and ran to shelter, while Moore escaped to the mountains. Sheriff Barnard arrived on the scene of the crime and organized a posse of 12 men and started in pursuit of Moore, but at a late hour to-night had not succeeded in locating him. Moore is well armed and desperate, and more trouble is expected before his arrest is accomplished.

## Will Cure Consumption.

A. A. Herren, Sinch, Ark., writes, "Foley's Honey and Tar is the best preparation for coughs, colds and lung trouble. I know that it has cured consumption in the first stages." Sold by E. H. Miller.

## Popularity of County Superintendent Pritts.

Last week's Somerset Standard contains the following facts concerning a very worthy man, who goes out of the office of County Superintendent of Schools next month.

"The retiring superintendent, Mr. E. E. Pritts, of Somerset, has been one of the most popular officials who has yet been honored with that position in Somerset county. His voluntary retirement after having successfully discharged the duties of the office for two terms is characteristic of the man. In 1891 he was elected principal of the Somerset borough schools and served in that capacity for five consecutive years, when he declined a re-election to accept the county superintendency. In the school room he was a strict disciplinarian, but always held the admiration of his pupils.

In 1893, when Mr. Pritts was first a candidate for county superintendent, he was unknown in many sections of the county. Yet he came within one vote of defeating his opponent, J. M. Berkey, who was widely and favorably known. The convention of directors at which Mr. Berkey was elected was an exciting one, a great many persons contending that the vote resulted in a tie. However, Mr. Berkey got the commission. There were 189 directors present and the tellers announced that 95 of them had voted for Berkey. Although many of Mr. Pritts' friends urged him to contest Mr. Berkey's right to a commission, he refused to do so and accepted the result gracefully. The results of that convention practically assured his election three years later. However, two candidates were placed in nomination against him, but their combined votes made a meagre showing when compared with the magnificent vote given Mr. Pritts. One of the opponents was Mr. O. O. Saylor, of Somerset township, who received 36 votes. The other was J. C. Speicher, of Meyersdale, who received 34 votes. One hundred and fifty-four votes were cast for Mr. Pritts.

So well and faithfully did Mr. Pritts discharge the duties of the office during the first term that he was given a re-election three years ago without a single vote being cast against him.

Superintendent Pritts held the respect and confidence of the teachers throughout the county to a high degree, and at the last session of the teachers' institute they expressed their admiration for him, in a measure, by presenting him with a handsome gold watch.

Mr. Pritts was recently elected assistant cashier of the Farmers' National Bank of Somerset, and will enter upon his duties formally at the close of his term as county superintendent, which will be on Monday, June 2. About six months ago he consulted State Superintendent Schaeffer with a view of resigning at that time, but was informed the resignation would not be accepted."

## Don't Start Wrong.

Don't start the summer with a lingering cough or cold. We all know what a "summer cold" is. It's the hardest kind to cure. Often it "hangs on" through the entire season. Take it in hand right now. A few doses of One Minute Cough Cure will set you right. Sure cure for coughs, colds, croup, grip, bronchitis, all throat and lung troubles. Absolutely safe. Acts at once. Children like it. "One Minute Cough Cure is the best cough medicine I ever used," says J. H. Howles, Groveton, N. H. "I never found anything else that acted so safely and quickly." E. H. Miller.

## Convention.

The Ministerial, Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention of the Pittsburg conference of the United Evangelical Church, will convene in this borough on Wednesday evening at 7.30, May 20th, 1902, and will continue in session for three days. Sessions will be held in the forenoon, afternoon and evening of each day. About twenty ministers are expected to be present with papers on various subjects on ministerial, Sunday school and Christian work. Ministers and people of sister churches are respectfully invited to attend the convention.

REV. J. J. CARMONY, Pres.  
REV. W. A. REISINGER,  
Pres. in Charge.

## Card of Thanks.

Through the columns of our home paper, which is always ready to do its friends a favor, especially those in distress, we wish to thank the many kind friends and neighbors who assisted our stricken family during the late illness and death of our beloved mother. May God bless you, one and all, for your kindness, which by us shall never be forgotten.

THE FAMILY OF MRS. J. M. BROWN.

## Like a Drowning Man.

"Five years ago a disease the doctors called dyspepsia took such hold of me that I could scarcely go," writes Geo. S. Marsh, well known attorney of Nocona, Tex. "I took quantities of pepsin and other medicines, but nothing helped me. As a drowning man grabs at a straw, I grabbed at Kodol. I felt an improvement at once, and after a few bottles am sound and well." Kodol is the only preparation which exactly reproduces the natural digestive juices and consequently is the only one which digests any good food and cures any form of stomach trouble. E. H. Miller.

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