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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

NEWSY ITEMS GATHERED HERE AND THERE, WITH AN OCCASIONAL JOKE ADDED FOR SPICE.

John E. Wagner was a business visitor in Somerset, Wednesday.

Albert Petry went to Casselman, Wednesday, to visit his friend Stewart Smith.

Casper Wahl and J. T. Smearman went to Pittsburg, Wednesday, on business.

Here's our prediction for next Tuesday's election: Some candidates will be elected, others defeated.

Hugh McMullen, one of the few surviving veterans of the Mexican war, died recently at his home in Frostburg, Md.

The W. C. T. U. will hold a memorial service, in honor of Miss Frances E. Willard, at St. John's Reformed church, Feb. 17, 1904, at 7:15 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend.

Representative Cooper, of Uniontown, has presented petitions to the postoffice department asking for the establishment of two rural free delivery routes from the Berlin postoffice.

We are all anxiously waiting for new maple sugar and syrup. Some of the farmers have their vessels ready and waiting for the first flow of sap. We hope to see a better season than last year.

Boswell, the new coal town in the north of the county, is taking steps to be incorporated as a borough. At the present time the town has a population of about 1,200, and it bids fair to be a close rival of Windber.

H. C. Farner, the genial and popular Sand Patch hotel man, was a business caller at THE STAR office on Wednesday. Mr. Farner is enthusiastic over the prospects of the Piney Run Oil and Gas Company, of which he is a member. Squire Levi Lichliter spent Tuesday in Baltimore in company with R. S. Garrett, viewing the destruction wrought by the great fire of Sunday and Monday. Mr. Lichliter says a more desolate sight would be hard to imagine.

Next Tuesday our borough election will take place. Go to the polls and vote your sentiments, and be thankful that you live in a country where you have that privilege. But do a little thinking before you vote, and don't vote blindly.

The Pittsburg Times last week contained an item to the effect that the strike in this region is broken. The news caused Chris Lichliter to sleep over with joy. Now, if the so-called citizens' ticket is pretty generally elected, next Tuesday, Chris will go out and hug himself.

Urias Hatzel, who some years ago married one of Salisbury's prettiest girls and emigrated to Nebraska, where he has been engaged in farming ever since, has our thanks for a \$3.00 remittance to apply on subscription to THE STAR. He says: "We are all well and hope you are the same."

The scratch of a pin may cause the loss of a limb or even death when blood poisoning results from the injury. All danger of this may be avoided, however, by promptly applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It is an antiseptic and quick healing liniment for cuts, bruises and burns. For sale by E. H. Miller. 3-1

Louis Yommer and Jesse Butler, of Jennings, Md., were pleasant callers at our sanctum today. They report the openings of several fine veins of coal at Jennings, one of which is about 4 1/2 feet thick. Jennings is bound to become a coal town as well as a great lumber center, and the people up that way may well consider themselves fortunate.

Our calendars are going like hot cakes, and our readers all over the United States are delighted with them. Those of our readers who are not yet supplied, but want calendars, should lose no time in complying with the terms necessary to procure them, as the supply will soon be exhausted. But don't do like a fellow over in West Salisbury did several days ago—pay nothing on your subscription for several years, then have the impudence to send a child to our office to buy a calendar for 10 cents. Pay your subscriptions and get your calendars free.

The Japanese dentist does not frighten his patient with an array of steel instruments. All his operations in tooth drawing are performed by the thumb and forefinger of one hand. The skill necessary to do this is acquired only after long practice, but when once it is obtained, the operator is able to extract half a dozen teeth in about thirty seconds, without once removing his fingers from the patient's mouth. The dentist's education commences with the pulling out of plugs which have been pressed into soft wood; it ends with the drawing of hard pegs which have been driven into an oak plank with a heavy mallet.

There is nothing new in the smallpox situation in this vicinity, and it now looks as though the authorities have, by prompt action, succeeded in wiping out the disease. The family of Harry Knepper were discharged from quarantine this morning, and as there have been no more cases in the Murray family, they will soon be ready to be released. Of course they will be kept in quarantine the time allotted by law, but the period that any of those who were in the house with the case that died, or in contact with the case that died, or our people all trust that no more of the family may be afflicted. In the township there have been no new cases, and Mrs. Perry Miller and the Mognet family will be released in a few days. —Meyersdale Republican.

RELIEF IN ONE MINUTE.

One Minute Cough Cure gives relief in one minute, because it kills the microbe which tickles the mucous membrane, causing the cough, and at the same time clears the phlegm, draws out the inflammation and heals and soothes the affected parts. One Minute Cough Cure strengthens the lungs, wards off pneumonia and is a harmless and never failing cure in all curable cases of Coughs, Colds and Croup. One Minute Cough Cure is pleasant to take, harmless and good alike for young and old. Sold by E. H. Miller. 3-1

Program for W. C. T. U.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at the home of Mrs. Perry, Feb. 15, 1904, at 7:30 p. m. Following is the program: Singing—"My Country, 'Tis of Thee." Scripture reading by the President. Reading—Mrs. J. T. Jeffery. Recitation—Charlotte Cochrane. Singing—"Yield not to Temptation." Reading—Mrs. H. S. May. Piano Solo—Miss Perry. Roll Call. Reading of minutes. Business. Adjournment. COMMITTEE.

BETTER THAN GOLD.

"I was troubled for several years with chronic indigestion and nervous debility," writes F. J. Green, of Lancaster, N. H. "No remedy helped me until I began using Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She says Electric Bitters are just splendid for female troubles; that they are a grand tonic and invigorator for weak, run down women. No other medicine can take its place in our family." Try them. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by E. H. Miller. 3-1

A Strange Malady.

A Stanton's Mill correspondent sends an account of the death of young John Weighley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sadie Weighley, which was caused by a very strange affliction. For a week or more the child had a rash resembling measles, and when that partly healed, his throat and gums turned black. Wherever he would bump his head and body it would turn black. Something strange about the case was that the child did not complain much of being sick, but ran around and played until within about eighteen hours of his death. For several mornings before he died, when he awoke his mouth and nostrils were filled with blood. The community from which this news comes is in the north of Somerset county.

ESCAPED AN AWFUL FATE.

Mr. H. Haggins, of Melbourne, Fla., writes, "My doctor told me I had Consumption and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life." This great cure is guaranteed for all throat and lung diseases by E. H. Miller, Druggist. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial Bottles free. 3-1

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR stops the cough and heals lungs

A Brothersvalley Curiosity.

Last Thursday night a cow on the farm of Peter M. Cober, about a mile south of town along the Plank road, gave birth to a five-legged calf. The fifth limb comes out the base of the neck between the shoulders. It has a well developed foot, and is the same as the other, with the exception that the hoof is not cloven, being solid like that of a horse. The calf is well developed and healthy. E. M. Knepper, the stock dealer of Brothersvalley, bought the cow from Mr. Cober not long since, and is thus also the owner of the curiosity. Mr. Knepper will exhibit the calf at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition to be held at St. Louis, next summer.—Berlin Record.

HAVE YOU INDIGESTION?

If you have Indigestion, Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will cure you. It has cured thousands. It is curing people every day—every hour. You owe it to yourself to give it a trial. You will continue to suffer until you do try it. There is no other combination of digestants that digest and rebuild at the same time. Kodol does both. Kodol cures, strengthens and rebuilds. Sold by E. H. Miller. 3-1

Draketown Items.

Feb. 8th.—James and George Tannehill, our hustling merchants, are doing a rushing business.

Joseph Kreger is preparing to build a fine large barn the coming summer.

One of J. B. Colborn's children is very ill with pneumonia. The writer does not know in which J. T. Huff, superintendent of the Ursina Coal Mining Company, is the most interested, coal production or politics, but probably in the latter. Say, J. T., who will be candidate against Roosevelt, you or Johnny B. M.? We think both of you will climb the tree.

The Republicans have a very good ticket, this year, in this township, all the way through, and especially for assessor. Whoop her up, boys, to get another assessor as good as the old one was. Our candidate is a good, honest, hard-working man. Don't let the tricksters fool you into casting your ballots for a humpty-dumpty and too-slow-to-catch-cold Democrat. This is Presidential year, and right now is the time for Republicans to begin standing firmly together. Go to the polls when they open and stay right with the game till they close.

A GOOD REPUBLICAN.

TENDENCY OF THE TIMES.

The tendency of medical science is toward preventive measures. The best thought of the world is being given to the subject. It is easier and better to prevent than to cure. It has been fully demonstrated that pneumonia, one of the most dangerous diseases that medical men have to contend with, can be prevented by the use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Pneumonia always results from a cold or from an attack of influenza (grip), and it has been observed that this remedy counteracts any tendency of these diseases toward pneumonia. This has been fully proven in many thousands of cases in which this remedy has been used during the great prevalence of colds and grip in recent years, and can be relied upon with implicit confidence. Pneumonia often results from a slight cold when no danger is apprehended until it is suddenly discovered that there is fever and difficulty in breathing and pains in the chest, then it is announced that the patient has pneumonia. Be on the safe side and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the cold is contracted. It always cures. For sale by E. H. Miller. 3-1

Punctuate a Little, Anyhow.

It might be well for some of the teachers of Somerset county to take a course in punctuation. Several times the Gazette has received articles from teachers without the proper use of a single punctuation mark or capital letter, and in some cases the spelling is noticeably bad. Any primary or intermediate grammar teaches the fundamentals of correct punctuation, and one should be capable of easily learning and applying in some intelligent degree these principles. Yet we are familiar with the work of teachers where the period, or full point as the printers term it, is habitually where the comma should be, and as for interrogations, exclamations, semicolons and colons, they are absolutely expunged from the work of many so-called teachers. There is no rigid rule for punctuation, but there should be sufficient knowledge of the use of marks so that anyone who can read intelligibly or intelligently can make use of them with sufficient force to make his own composition understandable. Very many times punctuation may be made so as to entirely change the sense of a composition; so it is plain to be seen that only the author of an article is capable of correctly punctuating his own work.—Rockwood Gazette.

YES, WE CAN!—We can supply cuts suitable for any and all kinds of advertisements and job printing. Call at THE STAR office and see our large assortment of specimens. We can show you cuts of nearly everything that exists and many things that do not exist. No matter what kind of a cut you want we can supply it at a very low price.

Real Estate Transfers.

A. F. Speicher to John Meager, in Salisbury, \$1,150.
S. P. Maust to Wm. W. Miller, in Elk Lick, \$9,500.
Geo. M. Feig to Norman May, in Boynton, \$150.
Dorsey Wolford to Ida M. Miller, in Davidville, \$750.
F. B. Granger to E. O. Houpt, in Somerset borough, \$100.
John Beachy's heirs to Wm. Radcliffe, in Elk Lick, \$85.
David Keim to D. H. Bender, in Elk Lick, \$285.
J. N. Tannehill to Effie A. Fike, in Confluence, \$400.
Ed. N. Emer to Henry Durst, in Lincoln, \$282.
Henry Durst to John H. Uhl, in Lincoln, \$250.
Perry C. Miller to David Adams, in Summit, \$200.
Henry Critzee to George Rhea, in Quemahoning, \$400.
Jacob Friedline to Wm. Dickey, in Jenner, \$2,000.
LeRoy Forquer to J. C. McGrew, in Ursina, \$4,650.
LeRoy Forquer to Elizabeth Alcott in Ursina, \$200.

AN EARLY RISER.

A strong, healthy, active constitution depends largely on the condition of the liver. The famous little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers not only cleanse the system, but they strengthen the action of the liver and rebuild the tissues supporting that organ. Little Early Risers are easy to act, they never gripe and yet they are absolutely certain to produce results that are satisfactory in all cases. Sold by E. H. Miller. 3-1

School Directors' Convention.

The School Directors' Association of Somerset County met in its 14th annual convention in the Court House, Somerset, Feb. 4th and 5th, convening at 1:30 p. m. on the former, and closing at 3:00 p. m. on the latter day, embracing three sessions. Live and timely subjects were ably and interestingly discussed at each session, and in point of attendance and enthusiasm, this convention of the public custodians and conservators of our common school system, the first held under the provisions of the new law establishing school directors' associations in Pennsylvania, approved April 21st, 1903, is said to have surpassed all former conventions. Honors are equal between Summit and Paint districts for largest representation at the convention, each having five directors present; Rockwood and Conemaugh standing next with four representatives present. A number of boards sent three representatives, a considerable number two, and a few one. The total attendance per session approximately ranged from 80 to 90 directors.

Organization was affected as follows for the ensuing year: President, L. C. Williams, of Jefferson; Secretary, U. S. Werner, of Rockwood; Treasurer, I. P. Dull, of Hooversville; Vice Presidents, Geo. Lenhart, of Addison, and H. C. Werner, of Summit. Delegates to the State convention to be held at Harrisburg, February 10th and 11th, S. G. Shaffer, of Quemahoning; C. C. Heckle, of Summit, and U. S. Werner, of Rockwood.

A resolution authorizing the Secretary of the County Association to request school districts of Somerset county to contribute \$2.00 each toward defraying the expenses of delegates to the State convention was unanimously adopted, and a call for this purpose will be issued in the near future. Ex-County Superintendent Cessna, of Altoona, rendered invaluable service at each session in the way of interesting and instructive addresses.

Our Calendars.

As per announcement of Jan. 28th THE STAR has issued an additional supply of handsome art calendars. They are in two designs, one showing a handsome street scene of our own town, the other a handsome picture of the old stone bridge one mile east of Grantsville, Md. We printed no calendars showing Tub Mill Run Falls, as we had intended, owing to the fact that the cut we intended to use did not give satisfaction.

Our calendars are fine works of art, and they are for distribution among STAR subscribers only. The conditions upon which they can be obtained were stated in our issue of Jan. 28th, but we have since decided to modify the conditions somewhat, as follows: Every subscriber whose subscription is paid to date is entitled to one calendar. Subscribers in arrears must pay at least \$1.00 on account in order to get one, and new subscribers must pay at least 50 cents for a three-month subscription. Subscribers who cannot call at our office for their calendars, must remit 50 cents to pay postage, or 10 cents if a copy of both calendars is wanted. Subscribers desiring more than one calendar, will be required to pay 10 cents for each extra copy, besides the postage, if calendars are to be sent by mail.

OLD PAPERS for sale at THE STAR office. They are just the thing for pantry shelves, wrapping paper and cartridge paper for the miners. Five cents buys a large roll of them. 3-1

1st NATIONAL FROSTBURG, MD. BANK

U. S. DEPOSITORY.

Capital Stock and Surplus Fund..... \$ 100,000.00
Deposits (over)..... 860,000.00
Assets (over)..... 1,120,000.00

...Savings Department... Three Per Cent. Interest Paid on Deposits.

Drafts on all parts of the world.
Accounts of individuals and firms invited.
Deposits sent by mail and all correspondence given prompt and careful attention.
This bank is the only United States depository in the George's Creek Valley.
Bank open Saturday nights from 7 to 10 o'clock.

OFFICERS: Robert deau Amann, Cashier.
DIRECTORS: Robert R. Henderson, Timothy Griffith, Roberdeau Annan.
Marx Wineland, President. Duncann Sinclair, Robert R. Henderson.

First NATIONAL BANK of Salisbury, ELK LICK, PA.

Capital stock, \$50,000. Surplus and undivided profits, \$8,000.

ASSETS Over a Quarter of A Million Dollars.

J. L. BARCHUS, President. H. H. MAUST, Vice President.
ALBERT REITZ, Cashier.

With ample capital and perfect facilities, we solicit the accounts of corporations, firms and individuals, and guarantee courteous treatment.

WE PAY 3 Per Cent. Interest On Time Deposits.

DIRECTORS:
J. L. Barchus, H. H. Maust, Norman D. Hay, A. M. Lichty, F. A. Maust, A. E. Livengood, L. L. Beachy

THE SMALLPOX SCARE!

Yes, but that is "done gone" now, but my stock of Holiday and Winter Goods is not all gone yet. Now, lookout, for these prices will make them go, you bet:

- Men's 25-cent Fleece-lined Undershirts, while they last, at 19 cents.
- Men's 50-cent Fleece-lined Overshirts, while they last, at 39c.
- Men's 50-cent Winter Caps (good values) now 39c.
- Men's 25-cent all wool Socks, now 19c.
- Men's \$1.69 and \$1.48 Wool Sweaters, good quality, now 1.53 and 1.34.
- Boys' 89c. Wool Sweaters, good quality, now 79c.
- Boys' 25c. Cotton Sweaters, little beauties, now 19c.
- Men's colored Cotton Work Shirts, former price 25, 35 and 45c., now 19, 29 and 39c.
- Boys' colored Cotton Every-day Shirts, price 25c., now 19c.
- Children's fancy Headwear, reduced 10 per cent.
- Ladies', Misses' and Children's Knit Goods, reduced 10 per cent.
- Iron and Wood Toys reduced 10 per cent.
- All other lines kept up to the standard and lowest cash prices.
- My lines of Glass and Queensware are complete, and prices defy competition.
- I have a lot of Men's best quality Duck Coats reduced 20 per cent. Also a lot of Canvas and leather Leggings at a bargain.
- I am not going to carry goods over from one season to another. They must get out to make room for seasonable goods. This is why I am

CUTTING THE LIFE OUT OF PRICES.

It will pay you to buy now, even if you don't need the goods until next winter.
My immense 40-foot china and dish counter will, after Jan. 1st, 1904, be run as a bargain counter, and you will always find it loaded with bargains in useful and ornamental goods from one cent to one dollar in price, but double that in value.
Thanking my many friends and patrons for their liberal patronage in the year just past, I solicit a continuance of the same for the new year, wishing one and all a happy and prosperous year.

I am your friend,
THE CASH VARIETY STORE, C. A. WILT, Proprietor,
WILT BUILDING, SALISBURY, ELK LICK P. O., PA.