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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

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

Miss Nancy Livengood is on the sick list this week.

Rev. W. W. Wagner, of the M. E. church, has our thanks for a paid-in-advance subscription to THE STAR.

If you need a pill, take DeWitt's Little Early Risers. Insist on them; gentle, easy, pleasant, little liver pills. Sold by E. H. Miller. 3-1

Robt. H. Johnston and the editor made a business trip to Somerset, last Friday evening, returning on Saturday.

A pill in time that will save nine is Kings Little Liver Pill. For biliousness, sick headache, constipation. They do not gripe. Price 25c. Sold by Elk Lick Pharmacy. 3-1

S. G. Braucher, a prominent contractor of Meyersdale, was a welcome caller at THE STAR office, last Thursday afternoon.

We are under obligations to Mrs. John J. Engle for a paid-in-advance subscription to THE STAR for her aunt, Mrs. D. S. Kneese, of Somerset, Pa.

Personal experience with a tube of Manzan Pile Remedy will convince you it is immediate relief for all forms of Piles. Guaranteed. 50c. Sold by Elk Lick Pharmacy. 3-1

Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Wagner were visited during the past week or two by one of their sons and his wife, of Pittsburgh. The visitors returned home yesterday afternoon.

Colds contracted at this season of the year are quickly relieved with Dees' Laxative Cough Syrup. Its laxative quality rids the system of the cold. Pleasant to take. Best for children for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough. Sold by Elk Lick Pharmacy. 3-1

Trade at home. You see what you are buying, and after you have tried it, if you find it a fake, you can go to the merchant and wipe up the store with him. A trouncing by mail does not hurt.

Foley's Orino Laxative cures constipation and liver trouble and makes the bowels healthy and regular. Orino is superior to pills and tablets, as it does not gripe or nauseate. Why take anything else? Elk Lick Pharmacy, E. H. Miller, Proprietor. 3-1

The editor's wife is quite sick, and has been confined to her bed ever since Monday morning last. We miss her very much in THE STAR office, and she doesn't seem much like home when the wife and mother is sick.

Pineules for the Kidneys are little golden globules which act directly on the kidneys. A trial will convince you of quick results for Backache, Rheumatism, Lumbago and tired without feeling. 30 days' trial \$1.00. They purify the blood. Sold by Elk Lick Pharmacy. 3-1

The Rev. H. S. May, whose intended removal from Salisbury was announced in last week's STAR, will have a public sale of the Reformed parsonage, beginning at one o'clock p. m., Saturday, March 8th, when he will dispose of some of his personal property. Don't forget the date.

Woods Liver Medicine in liquid form regulates the liver, relieves sick headache, constipation, stomach, kidney disorders, and acts as a gentle laxative. For chills, fever and malaria. Its tonic effects on the system felt with the first dose. The \$1.00 bottle contains 2 1/2 times as much as the 50c. size. Sold by Elk Lick Pharmacy. 3-1

Last Sunday we had our first thunder shower for the year 1899, and on Tuesday we had some more of them. Some of the old-timers say that's a sign for cold weather, but it's a good deal more of a sign that spring is close at hand. Another sign of spring is the marble-playing going on among the boys, and the fact that bluebirds are making their appearance.

Hoarse coughs and stuffy colds that may develop into pneumonia over night

are quickly cured by Foley's Honey and Tar, and it soothes inflamed membranes, heals the lungs, and expels the mucus from the system. Elk Lick Pharmacy, E. H. Miller, Proprietor. 3-1

Married, Tuesday evening, Feb. 23d, 1900, Mr. Herbert McKinley and Miss Janet B. McDonnell. The ceremony was performed in Meyersdale, by the Rev. B. B. Collins. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. R. McDonnell, and the groom the only son of Burgess and Mrs. S. R. McKinley. The newly wedded couple, as well as their parents, are residents of Salisbury and THE STAR joins their many friends in extending best wishes and congratulations.

Foley's Honey and Tar clears the air passages, stops the irritation in the throat, soothes the inflamed membranes, and the most obstinate cough disappears. Sore and inflamed lungs are healed and strengthened, and the cold is expelled from the system. Refuse any but the genuine in the yellow package. Elk Lick Pharmacy, E. H. Miller, Proprietor. 3-1

William Patterson, the Boswell negro who was shot by his wife at the Merchants Coal Company's clubhouse, two weeks ago, died last Saturday afternoon at the Memorial Hospital, Johnstown. Coroner J. C. McMillen and Deputy Coroner H. R. Mainhart conducted a post-mortem over the remains at Pender's undertaking establishment at Johnstown. A jury has been impaneled and an inquest was held on Wednesday. Another murder trial will likely follow.

There is not any better Salve than DeWitt's Carbolized Witch Hazel Salve. We hereby warn the public that we are not responsible for any injurious effects caused from worthless or poisonous imitations of our DeWitt's Carbolized Witch Hazel Salve, the original. It is good for anything when a salve is needed, but it is especially good for piles. Be sure you get DeWitt's. Sold by E. H. Miller. 3-1

An employe of the Index, who during the past four years has worked on the making of catalogues for the city mail order houses, is authority for the statement that there has been a systematic and steady increase in the prices of articles each year. This, he says, is made possible by the patrons of mail order houses "getting the habit," and they keep blindly on, never noticing the advance. Get down your old catalogues and compare the prices with those in this year's catalogue, and see yourself whether or not this is true. If it is, ponder. Maybe you are being "skun" and don't know it.—Mt. Morris Index.

This is just the time of year when you are most likely to have kidney or bladder trouble, with rheumatism and rheumatic pains caused by weak kidneys. Delays are dangerous. Get DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills, and be sure you get what you ask for. They are the best pills made for backache, weak back, urinary disorders, inflammation of the bladder, etc. They are antiseptic and act promptly. We sell and recommend them. E. H. Miller. 3-1

The sun was rising in the east, and shed its beams upon a feast; or rather shone upon the place where chicken thieves had "tapped a case." 'Twas at a near-by sugar camp, where certain thieves did act the scamp, and eat and drink and wink and blink, until they got too drunk to think. They drank until they fell asleep, and slept until the dawn did peep, when an irate farmer gave them knocks and slugged the drunken hogs with rocks. They hiked it for tall timber then, and soon they were real-sober men; and as each tried the rest to lead, it surely was a test of speed. The cattle lowed, the sprinters hied, and on and on they ran—"by tans and pools, where dwell the ghouls" who live on flesh of man. Two horsemen soon joined in the chase, and then the thieves increased their pace; and when they thought they'd gained the day, they heard the horses whinney "Neigh!" Next in the chase joined ducks and geese, and troubles seemed to then increase, for a doctor joined on horse's back, and all the ducks called loudly "Quack!" 'O'er rocks and hills, through brooks and rills, those thieves now take their heats and chills, until 'o'er-precipice they fall, and broken dream did end it all.—From the diary of a member of the Ancient and Amalgamated Order of Elk Lick Township Sugar-Camp Feasters.

Rural Free Delivery for Elk Lick Postoffice.

A rural free delivery route to start from Elk Lick postoffice is about to be established, and posters are up advertising for applications for rural carriers. The route is to cover territory as follows: Beginning at the postoffice, the carrier will proceed to West Salisbury, thence northeast to Rodamer corner, thence northeast to Fuller corner and retrace, thence northwesterly to village of St. Paul, thence northwest to Petersheim corner, thence southwest and southeast to P. Compton corner, thence southerly to Kinsinger corner, thence westerly to Otto corner, thence south and southwest to Springs postoffice corner, thence westerly and south to Valentine Bender's woolen mill, thence east and south to Hersberger corner,

thence northeasterly and north via Moses Yoder's residence to S. S. Miller corner, thence northeast and easterly via Beachy corner to Livengood corner, thence northeast to Miller corner, thence south to Truman Maust's lane and retrace, thence northwesterly to Elk Lick postoffice.

The route covers 21.65 miles, and will serve 115 families. One regular carrier and one alternate carrier will be appointed, and at least six applications are wanted by the Civil Service Commission to select from. The appointments will be determined by a competitive examination to be announced later, and all applications for examination must be in the hands of the Civil Service Commission by March 17th, next. The names of all applicants must be registered at Elk Lick postoffice, where applicants will be supplied with the necessary blanks and all desired information pertaining to the rural service.

The applications of excessive drinkers, criminals and foreigners will not be considered. The position of carrier on the aforesaid route will be worth about \$900 per year, the carrier to furnish a suitable wagon and horse at his own expense.

THE SECRET OF LONG LIFE.

A French scientist has discovered one secret of long life. His method deals with the blood. But long ago millions of Americans had proved Electric Bitters prolonged life and makes it worth living. It purifies, enriches and vitalizes the blood, rebuilds wasted nerve cells, imparts life and tone to the entire system. It's agodsend to weak, sick and debilitated people. "Kidney trouble had blighted my life for months," writes W. M. Sherman, of Cushing, Me., "but Electric Bitters cured me entirely." Only 20c. at Elk Lick Pharmacy. 3-1

John J. Keim a Good Marksman at Almost 83.

Mr. John J. Keim, almost 83 years of age, is one of Salisbury's most remarkable old men. He still has a steady nerve, a sprightly step, a bright eye and a clear mind. Last week he was a caller at THE STAR office, and gave us the following interesting bit of news: He told of a robin that remained in this locality all winter, the bird appearing daily at the back-door of the Keim home and also at the home of R. A. Kidner, which is near by. Both families have been feeding the bird regularly, but the food has for some time also been attracting rats, some of which have fallen victims to Mr. Keim's unerring aim.

Mr. Keim uses a rifle made about 75 years ago by the father of Hon. Sam Mier, who at that time was a famous Somerset gunslinger. The last rodent to fall at the deadly aim of Mr. Keim was killed at a distance of 80 feet, the aged marksman shooting from an open window of his house, and through a women wire fence. We challenge all Somerset county to trot out another man past his four score years who can handle firearms in such a skillful manner and exhibit such steady nerve. We are proud to say that the venerable Mr. Keim is half Livengood, his mother having been a sister of the editor's grandfater.

The parents of Mr. Keim died at the age of 98 and 94 respectively, and lived together as man and wife for more than 75 years. They were a happy, prosperous couple, and universally respected.

WASHINGTON ONCE GAVE UP

to three doctors; was kept in bed for five weeks. Blood poison from a spider's bite caused large, deep sores to cover his leg. The doctors failed, then "Bucklen's Arnica Salve completely cured me," writes John Washington of Bosqueville, Tex. For eczema, boils, burns and piles it's the supreme. 25c. at Elk Lick Pharmacy. 3-1

Captain Harrison, of Somerset, Warned President Lincoln of His Assassination.

Cumberland, Md., Feb. 12.—The Lincoln centenary brought out the fact not heretofore published, that the late Lewis Edmondson, the well-known colored Union scout who died here several days ago, at the ripe old age of 97, took an active part in notifying President Lincoln of the plot to kidnap or assassinate him.

Just two weeks before the shooting of Lincoln, the colored scout Edmondson came to Cumberland and informed Mrs. Harrison, mother of ex-Postmaster J. Forsyth Harrison and Captain George W. Harrison, of Piedmont, and Captain Charles J. Harrison, of Somerset, Pa., of the plot, with a number of details of how it was to be accomplished.

Mrs. Harrison at once had her son, Captain Charles J. Harrison, then an officer in the Union army, write of the plot to President Lincoln. Captain Harrison received a letter of acknowledgment and thanks from President Lincoln, which letter the family still has.

The above news dispatch recently appeared in many of the daily papers, and Captain Harrison says the statements made therein are true.

WEDDING Invitations at THE STAR office. A nice new stock just received. tf.

Railroads Scour Country for Adequate Tie Supply.

Washington, Feb. 21.—That the humble railroad tie is a most important factor in the material development of the country is a great truth that is little understood by people outside of railroad circles. The puffing engine that speeds at the rate of a mile or more a minute over the country is a slave to the two steel rails that insure a smooth and safe road, and these rails in turn depend on the old-fashioned wooden cross-tie which holds them in place.

Yankee invention has not yet found a substitute which has induced the railroads to give up wood, although experts say that the day will surely come when the country's forests will no longer be called upon to supply the demand for ties. Up to the present time it seems that no other material has been found which has the resiliency of wood and which at the same time causes less wear and tear on the rails, fastenings, and roadbed.

The country's railroads during the last two or three years use 110,000,000 to 150,000,000 of sawed and hewn ties a year. The ideal tie timber is white oak, which combines the qualities of durability, hardness, strength, and close grain. It is not only excellent for ties, but is widely used in ship building, for general construction, in cooperage, in the manufacture of carriages, for agricultural implements, interior finish of houses, and for furniture. On account of this wide use, the supply has been greatly reduced, and some of the railroads have been forced to pay almost prohibitive prices for ties, or to substitute other and cheaper woods to replace the white oak ties rapidly disappearing from their lines.

Over 40 per cent. of the ties recently purchased by the railroads of the country are oak, according to latest statistics of United States Forest Service. Cross-ties of Southern pine formed somewhat less than 25 per cent. Douglas fir ties ranked third, with approximately 10 per cent. of the total. Naturally the proportion of these two timbers will increase as the supply of oak dwindles. This is also true of cedar, chestnut, cypress, Western pine, tamarack, hemlock, and other trees which are coming into the market as tie timbers.

Cedar, which is very durable, has been extensively used, to take the place of white oak for ties, but it is so soft that it is readily cut by the rails. This necessitates the use of tie plates and other protective devices when cedar ties are used. As the supply of cedar is also running short; it is necessary for the railroads to seek further for new tie timber. One of the woods which has all the requisites of a good tie, with the exception of durability, is the beech.

A beech tie generally consists largely of sawwood, which partly accounts for its lack of durability, but, on the other hand, allows a thorough and easy preservative treatment. In Germany and France, beech ties have been successfully preserved from decay, and are used very extensively. Beech is found widely distributed throughout the eastern part of the United States, and at the present time is comparatively cheap and abundant. If, therefore, the railroads whose lines are located in the regions where beech is abundant can make use of this wood, treated with some suitable preservative, another source of supply of tie timber will be opened up.

Stumpage values have been increasing so rapidly during the last few years that many railroads have found it necessary to modify their timber policy, and they yearly apply preservatives to a greater number of ties and to more kinds of wood. Substitute woods naturally vary with different sections of the country, but in most cases they lack the two essential qualities found in white oak, namely, resistance to mechanical wear and to decay. Experience proves that wear can be successfully retarded by the use of tie plates and other mechanical devices, and decay can be postponed by the application of proper preservatives. The new conditions have made it necessary for many railroad companies to meet the problem of preservation by establishing treating plants at central points of distribution along their lines.

Two from the Somerset Democrat.

Owing to the heavy rains and the ensuing flooded streams, Kantner's dam, a placid sheet of water, south of the borough, rose in its might on Friday and tore away the breast which kept it prisoner. The terrific force of the pent up water tore an opening fully thirty feet wide through a mass of solid clay and earth. The resulting low water brought a small army of boys to the dam, who, with gigs and nets, took large quantities of fine carp and suckers.

A number of local capitalists have organized a company and have made application for a charter. The new concern will be known as the Somerset Casket and Furniture Company, and will engage in the manufacture of wood and metal caskets, and also certain articles of furniture. It is stated that a large tract of land south of town will be purchased by the new concern, and that a large factory will be erected. The new company is composed of Frank B. Grainger, Freeman J. Hoffman, W. G. Carter, B. F. Auman, and J. W. Flick.

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