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Poisoned Eating Canned Salmon; Died in Pittsburg Hospital Saturday

Silford M. Milks, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Milks, was taken to the Mercy Hospital in Pittsburg Friday afternoon, leaving here on the 1.28 train over the P. R. R. was operated on at 8 p. m. Friday for an obstruction of the bowels, died at 11.00 p. m. Saturday, July 18, 1908. The body was brought to home of the bereaved parents on Jackson street on the 9.40 p. m. train Sunday. Funeral service was held at the family residence at 2.30 p. m. yesterday, conducted by Dr. J. A. Parsons, and interment was made in the Reynoldsville cemetery.

Silford Milks was born in Crawford Co., June 13, 1890, and was eighteen years old last month. One week before his demise he was in the bloom of young manhood with bright prospects for a long life, little thinking that his earthly career was so near its close. Week before last he went camping near Pancoast with some other town boys and on Friday night they opened a can of salmon, which was not eaten, but was left in can until Saturday morning and then fried, against the protest of some of the boys. Silford was very fond of salmon and he ate of the fried salmon while the other boys merely tasted it. Monday Silford was sick and he vomited for two days and two nights, and the doctors say that the vomiting, caused by the poisoning from the salmon may not have been the direct cause of the obstruction in the bowels, yet it hastened the obstruction and it made the case more serious than it otherwise would have been.

Mr. Milks, tinner for the Keystone Hardware Co., who has been in the employ of that company about two years, moved his family from Brookwayville to Reynoldsville in August of last year, and during the residence of eleven months in Reynoldsville, Silford, who was a genial young man, made many friends among the young people who are saddened by his death. Silford was a member of the Epworth League of the M. E. church.

Hughes & Fleming had charge of the funeral. J. H. Hughes went to Pittsburg for the body Sunday.

Bonds for Sale.

The school board of Sykesville borough will receive subscriptions for \$14,000 of bonds of the School District of Sykesville borough until August 10, 1905, at 7 p. m. Said bonds bear 5.5 per cent interest, payable semi-annually and are redeemable at the option of said district any time after five and within thirty years from the issue thereof, and will be issued in denominations of \$100 each. The right to reject any or all subscriptions is reserved. In subscribing please give the amount of bonds wanted and address the undersigned.

I. G. MANSFIELD, Sec.,
Sykesville, Pa.

Large Supply Still Left.

According to an estimate made by M. R. Campbell, of the United States Geological Survey, at the rate of production reached in 1907, the available coal supply in Pennsylvania will last about four hundred and ninety years. His report is that the coal originally in the Pennsylvania anthracite fields aggregated 21,000,000,000 short tons, and in the bituminous fields 112,574,000,000 short tons, leaving still in the ground 17,000,000,000 short tons of anthracite and about 110,000,000,000 short tons of bituminous.

Clarion State Normal School.

The past year of the Clarion State Normal School was the most successful of its history. Nearly six hundred students were in attendance. Almost three hundred students were recommended by the faculty and passed the State Board examinations. The coming year promises to be even more largely attended. Write to the principal, J. George Becht, Clarion, Pa., for the beautifully illustrated catalog.

It Can't Be Beat.

The best of all teachers is experience. C. M. Harden, of Silver City, North Carolina, says: "I find Electric Bitters does all that's claimed for it. For stomach, liver and kidney troubles it can't be beat. I have tried it and find it a most excellent medicine." Mr. Harden is right; it's the best of all medicines also for weakness, lame back, and all run down conditions. Best too for chills and malaria. Sold under guarantee at Stoke & Feicht Drug Co. drug store. 50c.

The Altar Society of the Catholic church will hold a festival on the paragon lawn Saturday evening, July 25. Sandwiches, ice cream, cake and coffee.

Pioneer Resident of Emerickville is Dead

Joseph Stormer, 84 Years Old, Had Lived in Pinecreek Township 52 Years.

Joseph Stormer, an old and highly esteemed resident of Pinecreek township, who had resided in that township, near Emerickville, fifty-two years, died on Friday, July 17, 1908. Joseph Stormer was born in York, Pa., July 18, 1824, and lacked one day of being 84 years old. May 4, 1854, he was united in marriage to Catherine Bussert, who survives him. Unto them ten children were born, two of whom died in early childhood. The surviving children are: Mrs. Elizabeth Wayland, of Reynoldsville, John G. and S. T. Stormer, of Emerickville, Joseph N. Stormer, of Oil City, Charles H. Stormer, of DuBois, William G. Stormer, of Great Falls, Montana, Mrs. Nellie M. Smith, of Oil City, Lee A. Stormer, at home. There are also living forty-five grandchildren and fifteen great grandchildren. His children were all present at funeral except William, of Montana. He had five brothers and one sister, all of whom preceded him to the Eternal Land. Deceased was an uncle of W. E. Stormer, groceryman of Reynoldsville. Joseph Stormer had been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church at Emerickville forty years, and as long as he was able attended church. He was trustee of the church for a number of years. He was an honest, industrious man and faithful christian.

Funeral service was held at the Stormer homestead at 2.00 p. m. Sunday, conducted by Rev. Sibley, and interment was made in the Lutheran cemetery at Emerickville.

Higher Standard in County Examinations

Co. Supt. Jones Explains the Severe Marking of Papers This Year.

County Superintendent L. Mayne Jones, of Brookville, having completed the series of school teachers' examinations, has made the following report: "At the teachers' examinations held this year 377 applicants were examined; of this number 237 were granted certificates, and 140 were refused. The standard is higher this year and some who expected to pass will necessarily fail. Salaries and conditions generally demand this advance in the standard. It will doubtless work hardships to a few who expected to teach this year, and would have been permitted to do so had there been no change in the requirements. But this will be for the best interests of the schools and the pupils. And in the end it will be for the best of those who failed this year; for those who are worthy will make the more thorough preparation required, and will thus come into the profession stronger teachers. Many who failed this year have good natural ability but have failed to reach the passing mark in scholarship. Grades have been sent all applicants, which give full credit for the work done. But should any feel that they have not received as high a grade as they have earned, if they will come to my office, I will show them their papers.

"I make this explanation in order that all may know that the requirements have been made greater, and that no one may feel that he or she have been singled out failure. Those who are worthy will endeavor to meet the conditions.

"Teachers who expect to draw \$50 under the Minimum Salary Law should procure certificates of proficiency. This should be done at once. A new one must be secured each year. Send self addressed stamped envelope and a statement of where you taught. This is important and directors who are depending on the state paying the difference between \$40 and \$50 should insist on seeing these certificates, when hiring."

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As Seen by the Modern Merchant

IN SCANNING the columns of last week's issue of THE STAR we noted an article written by "Casual Observer." I was somewhat amused and very much more bewildered when I finished reading the article to understand from what source such an ancient make-up had emanated, but after due consideration we concluded that some one had been locked up in some institution kept for narrow-minded victims a quarter of a century ago and had just been turned loose and before the sunlight and open air had time to loosen the egotistic scales on his eyes, so they would fall off and give him a clear vision of the real surroundings, he permitted his gall to back up and flood his brain and while in this condition of brain storm pretended to tell the modern business man how, if he will succeed, he must conduct his business. Now, Mr. "Casual Observer," do not congratulate yourself that you have been instrumental in bringing about any change in the industrial management of affairs, as this is not the first time our quiet community has been victimized by strange doctrines. The merchant closing his store at an earlier hour than 9 or 10 o'clock p. m. seems to be the canker that is eating the narrow and selfish life out of "Casual Observer's" hide bound frame and he uses the busy farmer as an example of evening buying. Now Mr. "Observer," scrape the scales from your eyes and you will observe that the farmer is not coming to town to do his buying after he has already performed the toil of a hard days work in a hot July sun, but we always find the up-to-date farmer with his work up-to-date and always able to find time to go to market when the sun shines brightly and not in the darkness of the night. Barring the fact that an accident may occur by which the farmer may need some piece of machinery, for which he might come to town once in a season, we do not see the farmer doing shopping in any town the country over after the sun has disappeared for the day. The merchant understands well and appreciates as fully the development of our rural districts in the way of telephone, rural mails, etc., and we are glad to know that the good opportunity has been given to the rural districts and trust that such may be the means of honest enlightenment to every one in the whole community. There is nothing so much needed as a better knowledge by people who make up the population of our rural districts, than for them to become thoroughly acquainted with the general market prices of all classes of merchandise and we will have no more trouble with them patronizing catalogue houses. It will only be when they study the general prices of the centers of business of our country that they will fully realize that standard articles are commanding only the right price and that defective goods may be sold at any price ever so cheap and yet be an expensive commodity. "Observer" would have us move over into Clarion county and learn a lesson in merchandising such as they practice over there. Well, we have it right at home, as we have them going about offering sugar at one-half actual first cost as a bait, providing you buy so many dollars' worth of other goods, and in the entire bill you have paid an exorbitant price for the goods. Of course there are some suckers who will bite on the sweet bait. Oh, what a blessing such wagon stores are to the dear people! Thirty years ago the Irish peddler went about the country with a small store on his back and dealt with the home at satisfactory prices, but who would want the return of the days of pack peddlers? We do not believe we have farmers in our community whose farms are an index of thrift and profit, who are dissatisfied with the opportunity they have of buying what they need in their home town. We do believe there are some whose farms show conclusively that the one who "crops" it, for they certainly don't farm, as all the surroundings indicate, they are trying to even rob nature by expecting something without laboring for it, who are dissatisfied with everything they hear and see and are the very class we believe "Casual Observer" has been associating with. They are the class of rural citizens that make themselves obnoxious to any community by unbusiness-like transactions, such as bringing to the local market their produce in such a dilapidated and unseemly looking manner that no one who looks at it will buy it. And besides, he in his selfish ignorance of the market will ask 25 to 50 per cent more than the No. 1 article will bring in the general market; wanting two cents a pound for cabbage while it is selling at a cent a pound in the market and potatoes, celery, etc., on the same basis. Because he cannot dispose of his product readily he becomes impatient and makes all kinds of threats what he will do with the merchants of his local town. We would say to such an one, Why do you not sell your cabbage, etc., to Sears, Roebuck & Co., or Montgomery Ward & Co.? You dare not offer them your product in the dilapidated condition you bring it to the home market. Why do you not go to these companies when you want a day's pleasure? Why do you not seek them for help when you meet with misfortune? You do not do this but you allow the miserable article that binds your selfish old frame to tighten a little more and you continue to make yourself more odious than ever to every one you meet. We trust that the opportunities offered by the rural improvements will take deep root in your make up and if possible produce a changed condition.

Lastly, "Casual Observer," you say the person who enters the merchant's business place to purchase goods is under no obligations to the merchant whatever. What a fallacy! What an exhibition of ignorance. This certainly is the limit. Two persons transacting business and neither under obligation to the other! Shame on such transactions. We are under obligation to every person we meet, whether he be merchant, farmer, mechanic, or whatever his vocation in life may be. Any person so completely wrapped up in self that he is not under obligation to those who add to his comfort and exist long, and methinks I see the undertaker's eye twinkle with the satisfaction of knowing he will very soon have a job disposing of a "dead one." Now, Mr. "Observer," waken out of your slumbers; get out of the old slimy rut; clean the scales from your eyes and view up-to-date business as it exists and cease to be a mummy or we may have more real facts to set forth in the future.

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WHEN YOU GET THE TIME, WHAT BECOMES OF THE MANY THINGS YOU INTENDED TO DO WHEN YOU FOUND IT?

Old Newspaper Man Passed Away; Masonic Funeral Held at Brookville

Wild West Hold-Up In Broad Daylight

Four Reynoldsville Men Implicated in Alleged Robbery Friday Afternoon.

Samuel and C. H. Cochran, ginseng dealers, who reside in Indiana county, were in town last week and on Friday afternoon Samuel had warrants issued for four young men of town on charge of robbery. Two of the fellows are now in the county jail, one is under \$1,000 bail for his appearance at court and the fourth one gave "leg ball" after he had been arrested. According to the evidence produced at the hearing the robbery savored of the "wild and woolly" western style of hold-ups. The story is that the four young men were lying under the shade of the big tree at end of the bridge at foot of Fifth street at 2.00 p. m. Friday when the Cochrans came along and were asked to stop and offered a drink out of a bottle. They refused to drink out of that bottle, but the half dozen did take a drink out of a bottle that C. H. Cochran had in his pocket. Then two of the Reynoldsville chaps took hold of Samuel Cochran and proceeded to rifle his pockets, taking from him \$32.00 in cash and a quart bottle of whiskey. When C. H. made an attempt to assist his brother one of the Reynoldsville quartet struck a revolver in his face and threatened to shoot if he interfered. If the evidence is correct it was a bold piece of robbery and the leading actors in the case will be lucky if they are not sentenced to a term in the penitentiary.

Still Believe F. & C. Will Use Pennsy Tracks

Indications Point to a Lease of P. R. R. Tracks East From Brookville.

Events of the last few days show for certainty that the Franklin & Clearfield division of the Lake Shore railroad intends using the Pennsylvania tracks east from Brookville for the present. It is also stated by a gentleman who has been in Rochester within a week that the Vanderbilt people have signed a two-year contract with the B. R. & P. for trackage rights on that system between DuBois and Clearfield.

Grading for a connection between the Franklin & Clearfield railroad and the Pennsylvania commenced last week. The rails of the two systems will be joined at a point a little west of the Brookville tunnel. At least three months will be required to finish the line from Coder, two miles west of Brookville, where the former contracts expired. The task of dropping the line down to the level of the Pennsy will be an extremely difficult piece of work. When the road was first laid out it was the intention to pass that point at a high elevation, much above the latter road. The change of the original plan gave the engineers a hard problem to work out in order to get the necessary dip in the short distance between Coder and the proposed junction. It has all been figured out however, and within the last few days the Ferguson & Edmundson company, who received the sub-contract from the Ferguson Contracting company, have started a force of men and a steam shovel to work and will increase the force of laborers this week. It is the intention to rush the construction as much as possible. The change in the plans whereby the tracks are dropped to hook on to the Pennsy will cost the Lake Shore between \$60,000 and \$70,000 extra, as a lot of side-hill cutting will be necessary. Both tracks of the new line are to be carried down from the elevation.

If nothing happens to cause delay the F. & C. will be ready for trains by the first of the year, if not a little before. Nothing has been given out as to the letting of any contracts for the construction of the line east from Brookville. It is not expected that anything will be done in this regard before next spring. Brookville people are still in the dark as to the route the road will take in getting through.—DuBois Express.

W. S. Weaver, one of the editors of the Brookville Republican, died in the Jefferson Hospital in Philadelphia at 12.45 a. m. Wednesday, July 15, after a short illness. He took sick Monday morning. Mr. Weaver, wife and daughter, Lucile, aged 16 years, had gone to Philadelphia, where the daughter had an operation performed at the Jefferson Hospital, and while waiting for the daughter to recover to be able to return home with them, Mr. Weaver was stricken. When he went to Philadelphia he was in his usual health and the announcement of his death was a shock to the citizens of Brookville and his friends in general. The body was taken to Brookville Thursday morning and funeral was held at his late residence in Brookville at 2.00 p. m. Friday, conducted by Rev. J. A. McCamey, pastor of the M. E. church, of which deceased was a member. Bethany Commandery had charge of the funeral and a large number of the members of the Commandery attended the funeral dressed in full uniform.

Stuart Weaver, who became connected with the Brookville Republican in the early seventies, was one of the best known newspaper men in this part of the state. He was an able editor and a man of sound judgment. He was united in marriage to Miss Breechwill, of Leechburg. Unto them two children were born, Ethel and Lucile. In 1897 his wife died and last fall his eldest daughter died. In 1900 he was married to Miss Emma C. Reitz, who survives him.

Deceased was a member of the Masonic fraternity. He held membership in Hobah Lodge No. 276, F. & A. M., and Jefferson Chapter No. 225, R. A. M., at Brookville, Bethany Commandery No. 83, a Knights Templar of DuBois, and Jaffa Temple, A. A. O. N., Mystic Shrine, of Altoona.

The Horse's Power of Smell.

The horse will leave musty hay untouched in his bin, however hungry. He will not drink of water objectionable to his questioning sniff, or from a bucket which some odor make offensive, however thirsty. His intelligent nostril will widen, quiver and query over the faintest bit offered by the fairest hands, with coaxings which would make a mortal shut his eyes and swallow a nauseous mouthful at a gulp. A mare is never satisfied by either sight or whinny that her colt is her own until she has a certain nasal certificate to the fact. A blind horse, now living, will not allow the approach of any stranger without showing strong signs of anger not safely to be disregarded. The distinction is evidently made by his sense of smell and at a considerable distance. Blind horses, as a rule, will gallop wildly about a pasture without striking the surrounding fence. The sense of smell informs them of its proximity.—Horse and Stable.

Alton Packard at Chautauqua, N. Y.

Mr. Alton Packard, who will speak at Chautauqua on the afternoon of Friday, July 24, and on the evening of Saturday, July 25, is one of the most original and popular entertainers in the lycium field to-day. He has developed great versatility in entertaining by speech and cartoon and has had enormous audiences everywhere. When he is engaged for a second appearance in Y. M. C. A. courses, and when the same audiences come back to him, they testify to the general meaty quality of his fun-making. Were there no other entertainments at Chautauqua it would be worth while to come for him.

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Bids Wanted.

The West Reynoldsville school board will receive bids until Aug. 4, 1908, for the furnishing of good mine run coal for the coming term; also bids for janitor work. The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids. By order of the Board.

O. H. JOHNSTON, Sec.

If you need glasses at all, you need the best. For such consult Gibson at Imperial Hotel July 24.

Special sale of ladies' misses' and children's oxfords Thursday afternoon, Bing-Stoke Co.