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REPORT

On the Geology of Monroe County.

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This township lies east of Washington, and is wholly upon the waters of the Little Muskingum. There is much limestone in all of the hills, and the soil is generally good.

Coal is seen at several points. At Ball Dyke's section, the seam is unusually thick for this region. A geological section at this point revealed the following:

1—Shale,	6 0
2—Hard, brittle limestone,	0 10
3—Laminated crumbling limestone,	0 0
4—Not seen,	0 0
5—Fine-grained sandstone,	0 0
6—Laminated blue limestone,	2 0
7—Hard blue limestone,	3 0
8—Not exposed,	80 0
9—Shale,	1 6
10—Coal,	0 4
11—Clay shale,	2 7
12—Coal,	0 0

shaft as the upper Barnesville seam, which is the Cumberland seam of Guernsey, Noble and Washington Counties. If a few feet had been bored below the bottom of the shaft without finding the Wheeling seam, it might have serious doubts in regard to finding it at all.

This seam of coal is thought to be the Cumberland seam and is grouped on the map. There are so many changes of dip and undulations of the strata through all this region, that it is very difficult to make out the equivalents. At Alexander's Mill, section 3, in this township, another section was taken, showing the coal and associated strata, as follows:

1—Coal,	1 0
2—Shales, with a little sandstone,	7 10
3—Coal,	2 0
4—Slate parting,	0 2
5—Coal,	0 8
6—Not seen, probably clay,	0 6
7—Hard blue slate,	0 3
8—Blue, sandy, bituminous sand,	0 0
9—Blue slate,	0 0
10—Limestone, weathering buff,	2 0

Poetry.

A Lesson FROM NATURE.—The following from that sweet young poet, Miss ANNE MATHESON, was written in her English home, for the Journal of Commerce, on the last day of August. It is still as timely as when first committed to the pen, and is full of the most delightful music for a soul in harmony with the voice of Nature:

TO THE PASSING YEAR.

Fall leaves! The Year is flying,
Flying past with soft quick tread—
We scarcely know he's dying,
Till he's dead.

Roy now with passing blushes,
Beneath still his kindly face,
Glad and strong he onward rushes,
Swift of pace.

Golden shine his waving tresses,
Nestle a mellow August moon,
Poppies red his foot still presses—
They'll fade soon.

Sweet the dreamy light that lingers
In his eyes, that brim with tears,
While he counts upon his fingers
Coming years.

In the hedgerow blooms to meet him
Many a little, late white rose,
With a heart, and glow to greet him
Ere he goes.

But his dying, surely dying—
Dearest love! now hold him fast
We shall hardly know he's dying,
Till he's past.

Somewhat rosy face will alter,
Growing whiter, white as snow,
While his trembling lips will falter,
"I must go."

Mid his gleaming hair will shimmer,
Here and there, a silver thread,
But his dreamy eyes will glimmer,
Till they're dead.

Many a grave his wings' overshadow,
Which finally result in a heavy count-
ary loss to the Treasury. The question is, whether Grant shared in this \$9,000,000 year; and, besides, it should not be forgotten that this was not the only instance in which Grant took money for an appointment to be made by his brother-in-law, the President.

State of Offices Under Grant.

The statements given below are so fully authenticated as to leave no doubt that they are strictly true in substance and in detail. The first is established under oath, and the other is written by GEORGE WILKES, editor of *The Spirit of Democracy*, and published editorially in his paper of the 9th inst.

How many scores or even hundreds of such cases have occurred under Grant's eyes, and doubtless with his knowledge, will pass to know, as all parties to such transactions, buyers and sellers alike, being guilty, all are interested in keeping them concealed.

They are a reproach to the American people, a scandal to the party which at all its Conventions endorses such an administration, and a stamp of infamy upon those who are engaged in them and connive at them.

(From the New York Sun, October 7.)

The testimony yesterday in the case of B. H. Cheever against Henry Clave & Co. developed some points that the House of Representatives will probably find it necessary to investigate. This testimony relates to the reasons and influences which procured the appointment of Henry Clave & Co. as a financial agent or banker of the United States Government in Europe. This appointment, as the public will remember, caused astonishment at the time, and it now appears by this evidence that preliminary to it was an agreement by which Henry Clave & Co. agreed to pay to Louis Dent, the brother-in-law of the President, one-eighth of the profits to be derived from the appointment; and this one-eighth they guaranteed to Dent should not be less than \$9,000,000 a year.

Miscellany.

Eating Fruit.

We hardly know how to account for the popular impression that still prevails in many rural districts that the free use of fruit is unfriendly to health. It has much to do with the scarcity of fruit gardens and orchards here in this country— as a matter of fact, cities and villages are much better supplied with fruit the year round than the surrounding country. There are hundreds of farms in the Ohio valley.

Sense and Nonsense.

Why is smoking boys like studying law?

Either trouble or pleasure approved from the future is the only thing that counts.

"Oh, mamma," said the youngest darling, yesterday, "I tried to read, and I found it was like studying law."

The boy who was kicked out of line in the school.

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