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TO WELLS VALLEY IN 1824.

Interesting Reminiscences Written Several Years Ago by Mr. S. Hays Bradley, Now Deceased.

PLACES AND PEOPLE MOST FORGOTTEN

(The following very interesting article was written by Mr. S. Hays Bradley, a former resident of this county, who removed to Colorado many years ago; he served as Probate Judge and held other responsible positions in the county in which he lived. Mr. Bradley married a sister of the late Benjamin Woollet, and died 1890. The article was written for and published in The Fulton Democrat in February, 1886. The editor of the News has added to original article such notes of explanation and information as will make it more intelligible to readers of the present time.)

Some time in the month of November, 1824, my father removed from the mill owned at that time by Thomas Logan, Sr., afterwards sold by him to David Hunter, who rebuilt it, (now the Duffy mill). It was the second mill below your town; the "Johnston mill" the first below town was also owned at that time by, Thomas Logan, Sr., and was idle. George Hoke afterwards purchased the Johnston farm and mill and remodeled and started it up, (now J. C. Maun's planing mill). Samuel Logan hauled us in a four horse wagon from the Cove to Wells Valley.

When we got to town and started down street, when we came to Allender's home (now owned by Geo. W. Hay), Wm. Allender came out and made an agreement with my mother to take some geese she had in town on shares. When we got over the ridge to the first tavern then owned and kept by one John Sugart, a wooden building on the lower side of the turnpike, (opposite the Summer's barn), they stopped to water and "tone up." Robert Forbes, Jr., son of old man Forbes, was making shoes in the bar room for Sugart's family. In those early days farmers and many others would go to the tanners in the fall and buy sufficient upper and sole leather to make shoes for their families, (boys did not have the privilege of wearing boots those days), and then have a shoe maker come to the house and make the shoes for the winter. The women spun the thread and every thing was done to save expenses.

We passed McMurrans tavern (the Shaffer place) and over the ridge to the toll gate, then kept by Thomas Brown, the first toll gate keeper that had charge of it. When we got to Lacking Creek, now Harrisonville, we left the turnpike and took a country road to the foot of Sideling Hill on the three mountain road, passed Samuel Newman's old place, (the Isaac P. Deshong place), also the old "Russ farm," (James R. Davis), and arrived at "Kerr's tavern" at the foot of the mountain, (Jas. E. Lyon's), in the afternoon. We went up the three mountain road to the top of Sideling Hill, to the tavern then kept by John Harris, afterwards sold to Wm. Brotherton and by him sold to Jacob Kegerreis, (now owned by the Game and Fishing Club).

It was then two miles down into the valley we arrived at the foot of the mountain at the creek just below the forks about sun down. There was a two-story log house just across the bridge on a small piece of bottom land cleared (opposite J. C. Kirk's). This property was then owned by one John Guest, of Philadelphia, who had not made himself known and several persons had taken possession of part of it. Andrew Swopes had cleared a large field lying between the furnace road and Broadtop road, and Joseph Frazier had cleared a field just across the furnace road from Swopes's field. The tract of land

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HOME ON VISIT.

John W. Carpenter, Native of Brush Creek Township, Spending Summer Here.

We had a very pleasant visitor last week one day, in the person of John W. Carpenter. Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter have been visiting among their friends and acquaintances in this county during most of the summer. John is a son of Lewis Carpenter, now deceased, who, many years ago, carried on the tanning business, in Brush Creek valley. John went to the army and served as a soldier in the Civil War. Being fortunate enough not to get in the way of a rebel bullet, he lived to see the war close, came home and married Nancy Jahe, daughter of Tobias Strasbaugh, who lived at Wafordsburg at that time. The young couple, soon thereafter, took Greely's advice and went west, and grew up with the country. John looks like he had not fallen behind in the race, and is now in a shape to live pretty comfortably during the rest of his days. Five years ago he closed out his stock ranch in Wyoming and, keeping a good team, he and his wife amused themselves driving hither and thither through the great Rocky Mountain country in search of a place where they might settle down—a place where microbes and typhoid fever germs were unknown. After a search of two years, they came upon the city of Santa Barbara, on the Pacific coast, in California. This seemed to be the place they were looking for, and they have since made that their home. They expect to go to Washington while in the East, and then return to their California home by the middle of October.

One of the very pleasant features of their visit to Pennsylvania, this summer, was the family reunion at Crystal Springs, one day during camping. As already stated, Lewis Carpenter, the father, is dead; but Mother Carpenter, who is now nearly ninety years of age, was there, and all her children, some of whom she had not seen for a long time. It was a day of joy and thanksgiving for the Carpenter family. Some one of the members, who had a taste for mathematics, figured out the fact that the sum of the combined ages of the members of the family present, was five hundred and eighty seven years.

BOROUGH SCHOOLS OPEN.

Last Year's Corps of Teachers Back at Their Desks. 111 Pupils Enrolled.

On Monday, Prof. Thomas, of the high school; Prof. Lamberston, of the grammar; Miss Logue, of the intermediate, and Miss Grissinger, of the primary—all returned to their respective desks in the public school buildings in this place, and began the work of another year's instruction.

Being familiar, as they are, with the requirements of the board here, and having a personal knowledge of the mental attainments of most of the pupils, they are in a position to accomplish the best possible results.

It is to be hoped that they will have the hearty co-operation of parents; in fact, they must have, if the pupils are to reap the greatest advantage. Parents should encourage their children to do a certain amount of studying at home during the evenings. This will be much better for the children than racing around the streets after dark, learning all kinds of badness, and counteracting every good influence that may be thrown around them in school.

From last Tuesday's Daily Register, published at Ironton, O., we notice that at a meeting of the quarterly conference of the Pine Street church, a unanimous request was made to the presiding elder for the return of Rev. W. C. L. Correll for another year; and the paper states, also, that the past year under the pastorate of Rev. Correll, the Pine Street church has had one of the most prosperous years of its existence.

FRANKLIN HORSE THIEF.

Steals His Father's Horse and Buggy and Sells Them to Fulton County Farmer.

FARMER LOSES HORSE AND CASH.

Will Buterbaugh, tenant farmer on Clark McGovern's farm, a mile north of McConnellsburg, did not go to the Soldiers' Reunion last Friday. Will is an industrious fellow, and does not believe in "running around" when there is work at home to do; and while nearly everybody else was out for the holiday, he was in one of his fields preparing it for planting seed for another year's crop.

Will, now, probably wishes he had gone to the Reunion. It was between 9 and 10 o'clock in the forenoon, that he noticed a rather genteel looking man approaching him in the field. When he reached the place where Will was working, Will noticed that the man was a stranger, but greetings were exchanged and the stranger walked along with Will on his rounds with the harrow, engaging in general conversation. Among other things he asked Will if he did not wish to purchase another horse. "O no," said Will, in a way that meant, "I am not looking for a horse, but if I should see a chance to buy a good one at a bargain, I might be induced to do some business."

The stranger informed Will that he was a Hagerstown horse dealer, that his name was John Snyder, and that he had a horse that he had bought from a farmer near Hagerstown. While Will was not much interested in a horse deal, the stranger insisted on Will's going out to the road and seeing the horse. Will went. The horse looked all right. The stranger informed Will that he had got the horse from a farmer near Hagerstown, in a deal by which he had very little money in the horse; and while he at first asked a fair price, he dropped to \$35. By this time the dinner bell rang, and Mr. Snyder accepted an invitation to dine with Will. After dinner the deal was closed by selling Will the horse for \$35, and throwing in the wagon and harness.

Will now feels ashamed that he was so "easy;" but Will is one of those honest, well-meaning fellows that does not think of anything but doing the square thing with everybody, and he was not prepared for this scoundrel. Mr. "Snyder" in taking his leave, told Will that he might expect him to return in about two weeks, and that he would then have a pair of as pretty driving horses as ever he laid his eyes on and that he would sell them to him at a bargain.

So far, so good. But that evening, one of Will's friends went to the phone, called up Hagerstown, and inquired whether a horse had been stolen in that section. "Yes," came the reply, "John H. Rinehart, of Greencastle, is looking anxiously for a horse and stick wagon that disappeared from his stable Thursday night." A description of the horse tallied with the one Mr. Buterbaugh had bought, and Mr. Rinehart was notified.

Saturday morning Rinehart appeared at the home of Mr. Buterbaugh and after satisfying the latter that he was the rightful owner of the horse and wagon, took the property along with him.

It seems that Mr. Rinehart has a son about 26 years of age, of an sound mind, and it was this son that took his father's team, brought it to this county, and sold it to Mr. Buterbaugh.

Lorenzo Truax Married.

Cards are out announcing the marriage, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. M. B. Hunt, at Lytle O., on Wednesday, August 29, 1906, of Dr. Lorenzo L. Truax, formerly of this county, to Miss Eliza Agnes Hunt. The happy couple will be "at home" at Hopburo, O., after September 19, 1906.

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GOING TO CALIFORNIA.

Dr. Swartzwelder Has Sold His Property at Needmore, and Expects to Remove to the Golden State.

The many friends of Dr. Swartzwelder will learn with regret that he has sold his comfortable home property at Needmore, and expects to remove with his family this fall to California. This change is brought about by the fact that Mrs. Swartzwelder's health has been such that a change of climate is thought desirable; and, then, the parents were anxious to find a home in some locality that would afford better educational facilities for their boys.

The purchaser is Mr. John McClellan, of Rainsburg, Bedford county. Mr. and Mrs. McClellan are excellent people, and already have many friends in this county.

ELIJAH N. PALMER, DEAD.

Prominent Citizen of Everett Thirty-five Years, and Native of This County.

It was with genuine sorrow that the many friends of Elijah N. Palmer, one of Everett's most highly esteemed citizens, learned of his death at his home in Everett, on Sunday afternoon, the 26th ult.

Mr. Palmer had been in his usual health up to the day of his death, and had but a few days before, returned from a visit to his daughter in Philadelphia. Not feeling well, Sunday morning, his family physician was called, but did not regard his condition as at all serious. The immediate cause of his death was heart failure.

The deceased was a son of David and Martha Runyan Palmer, and was born on the old home stead near Needmore, June 3, 1842, being at the time of his death 64 years, 2 months, and 23 days of age.

October 30, 1867, he was united in marriage to Elizabeth Harris Sipe, who survives him with the following children: Fred Vernon Palmer, of Everett, and Mrs. George C. Shane, of Mt. Airy, Philadelphia. He is also survived by one brother, Joseph Palmer, of Mt. Union, and one sister, Mrs. Effamy Mann, of Needmore.

Mr. Palmer saw active service in the War of the Rebellion, and was a member of Company I., 82d Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, serving about one year and a half. While he was never wounded, his health was impaired by a sunstroke. He was in the storming column at the capture of Petersburg, Virginia, on the morning of April 2, 1865, and was in the pursuit of Lee from that time on, engaging in the bloody fight at Sailor's Creek during that memorable chase. At the surrender of the Confederate commander at Appomattox, Mr. Palmer was at the extreme front and was known to his comrades as a brave soldier.

During his thirty-five years residence in Everett, he had been in the marble business, and was always found to be most reliable and honorable in all his business transactions.

In religion, he was a Baptist; he was also a Mason, an Oddfellow, and a member of the G. A. R.

His remains were laid to rest in the Everett cemetery on Tuesday following his death.

New C. E. Society.

A new Christian Endeavor society was organized at Pleasant Grove church a few weeks ago which is doing good work. It is held in the church, and usually meets on Sunday evening. This is an excellent movement and old and young alike are invited to become members and take a part. T. K. Downs, J. P. Garland and Queen Lane are the Lookout Committee, and they will be pleased to receive your name for membership.

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INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE

Leads to Discharge of Adolphus Jones, at Hearing Before Justice Wible Last Thursday Morning.

MILLER, HELD IN \$1,000, FOR COURT.

As was stated in the News, Thursday, August 30th, was set for the hearing before Justice of the Peace Wible, of Miller S. Jones and Adolphus Jones, charged on oath of Thomas Husler, with assault on the part of Adolphus, and aggravated assault and shooting on the part of Miller, of John Husler, at Fort Littleton on the 18th of August. Adolphus had been held in the sum of \$300, and Miller, in the sum of \$1,000, for their appearance at this hearing. Promptly on time last Thursday, the defendants appeared. Thomas Husler, father of the young man who had been shot, being sworn, said: "I was at the hotel on the evening of August 18th. Saw quite a bunch of people there. Miller and Adolphus Jones were there. During the forepart of the evening there was drinking and talking. I met some men from Dudley. Some of them got down. Miller Jones said he wanted some one to help. I helped carry drunk man up to bed. I suppose there were six or eight men in the room. After having been in the room, probably ten minutes, I was hit and fell to the floor. Lay there, perhaps, a minute or two, I heard a pistol shot. Dolph told me my son was killed. I suppose this was after 10 o'clock. I did not see a man hit me. Next time I saw my son was the next morning. He was shot. He was bruised over the face and on one of his temples."

Cross Examined: "When I came to the hotel, I met one of the Broadtop people. I had been at the hotel 2 1/2 to 3 hours. I left hotel 10 to 11 o'clock. John Husler, Miller Jones and Dolph Jones were in the room up stairs. I would say that there were, perhaps, five other people. Do not know who struck me. Do not know how my son got gunshot wound. A man from Dudley sat down on bed. Was in there 10 to 15 minutes. Can't tell who put me down stairs. Outside of the talking, I cannot tell what was going on the room. No one seemed to be angry. I left about 25 minutes after I helped take the man. My son John was behind me when I was hit. Dolph was in the room. He was trying to get the boys quieted down. There was a light in the room all the time I was there. I got down within a minute after the shot was fired."

George Sheffield sworn: "I was at the hotel on the evening of the 18th of August. There was quite a lot there. There were some Broadtop people. One of them got drunk—got down on the porch. Miller Jones asked me to help take him up stairs. Miller Jones got a lantern and we took him up stairs. There were four, five, or six persons in the room, when I left to go home. Tom Husler was at the side of the bed talking to one of the fellows. Miller Jones disappeared. After that I went home. I had just got into bed when I was called. Dr. Hill and I went over to the hotel. Miller Jones said: I shot John Husler in self-defence."

Cross Examined: "There was one man in the bed, into which we put the drunk man. After we put the man to bed Miller said he wanted to close up, and Dolph Jones asked them to quiet down and go to bed. It might have been ten o'clock."

After hearing of the testimony the counsel for the defendants moved the Justice to discharge Adolphus Jones and Miller Jones, because there had not been any evidence offered to show that either had committed the offence with which they stood charged. After the motion had been argued and a reply made by the District Attorney, the Justice discharged Adolphus Jones, and held Miller for his appearance at court, under bail in the sum of \$1,000.

DEATH'S HARVEST.

The Grim Reaper Reminds the Living of the Uncertainty of Life.

GOLDSMITH.

It is with sorrow that we announce the death of Harry E. Goldsmith, a native of McConnellsburg, who died at his home in Everett, Pa., on Friday evening of last week. Funeral on Monday afternoon, conducted by his pastor, the Lutheran minister in Everett, and his remains were laid to rest in the Everett cemetery.

Harry was a son of David Goldsmith, deceased, and his wife Hannah, of this place, and was born July 2, 1868, being aged at the time of his death, 38 years, 1 month and 28 days.

When a young man, he went to Everett, and embarked in the merchant tailoring and gents furnishing goods business, and his genial manner and correct business methods, soon won for him hosts of friends, which, of course, meant success in business. He married Annie, a daughter of the late Philip G. Morgret, of Everett, who with a son, Robert, 8 years old, mourn their loss of husband and father.

Harry was a member of the Oddfellows, and of the Elks. While in failing health for a good while, he had been in rapidly declining health since last March.

MATHIAS.

"Grandmother" Mathias, as she was affectionately known, mother of Martin D., and H. Clay Mathias, and Mrs. Maria Laidig, and Mrs. James Lamberson—all of Hustontown, and Charley, at Neponset, Pa., died at her home at Hustontown, last Sunday, aged about 83 years. Funeral Monday afternoon, conducted by her pastor, Rev. Harry Daniels, of the Methodist Episcopal church, and interment made in the cemetery at Hustontown.

Grandmother Mathias had been a faithful member of the M. E. church many years, and died in perfect faith of a blessed immortality. While she, like most people of her age, had not been in vigorous health, yet her last sickness was only of about three weeks duration.

M'CARROLL.

Della McCarroll died at her home in Philadelphia, Monday morning, of cerebro-spinal meningitis. Della was a sweet little girl of about 14 years of age, and visited in McConnellsburg and vicinity several weeks this summer.

Lecture on Friday Evening.

Rev. A. Z. Meyers, pastor of the Baptist church, Hazleton, Pa., who so delighted and instructed the few people who took the trouble, time and small expense to be entertained on Tuesday evening, will appear again in the Methodist Episcopal church, on Friday evening of this week, Sept. 7, 1906. This time Rev. Meyers will deliver his very popular lecture. Subject: "Light and Shadows," which he has delivered more than 60 times in various towns, where lectures are appreciated, to the profit and pleasure of his many hearers.

May we not urge a large attendance and loyal support in this our first effort to introduce the lecture feature in our town, as well as give an opportunity to assist in a very worthy cause. Surely, after we have gone to the trouble, time and expense of having a lecturer come from Hazleton, Pa., to instruct and entertain, we could not expect the pastor of the church to go down into his pocket, and pay for same. Will we not lend our support in the instructing of our children as well as ourselves. Come on Friday evening, September 7, 1906, at 8 o'clock.

J. C. GRIMES.

Mrs. John Steiger and little daughter Esther, were guests in the family of J. A. Irwin last week.

ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Snapshots at Their Comings and Goings Here for a Vacation, or Away for a Restful-outing.

NAMES OF VISITORS AND VISITED

C. J. Barton, of Hustontown, was here on business Tuesday.

Eugene Chesnut, of Hustontown, was a McConnellsburg visitor, Monday.

Mrs. Nancy McQuade and her son John, of Altoona, are visiting friends in this place.

Jonathan Peck and wife, of Knobsville, spent a day down at the Grangers Picnic last week.

Thomas K. Downs and Miss Anna Smith, of Iddo, this county, were in town a few hours on Monday.

Minnie Smith and J. Reed Ray of this place, went to Everett, last Saturday to work in a tailoring establishment.

Maye Sheets has returned to Ridley Park, Pa., for another year's work in the public schools in that city.

Mason Thomas and wife, of Sixmile Run, were guests of Wm. Baumgardner and wife, of this place, last Saturday.

Merchant J. G. Reiser is in Philadelphia and New York this week laying in stock for their fall and winter trade.

Minnie Reiser has gone to Munhall, Pa., to take charge of one of the departments of the public schools in that city.

Maude Rinedollar, of Ayr town ship, went back to Everett last Saturday, for another year's work in the schools of that town.

Jessie Mason, Sophie Hohman, and Jessie B. Gress, went to Indiana, Pa., Monday, to take a year's course of study in the state normal school at that place.

Emma Lyle, of Fort Littleton, and Nora Fisher, Alice Hays, and Nettie Stouteagle, of this place, went to the Shippensburg state normal.

Misses Carrie and Fannie Great head left last Saturday for Johns town, Pa., for another year's work as teachers in the graded schools of that city.

Miss Elsie Greathead returned to New Kensington, Pa., the first of this week, she having been re-elected to the school she had last year.

Miss Anna J. Gillan, who had been spending several days, the guest of Netha Nesbit, North Second street, returned to her home at Greencastle, Monday.

J. Michael Cook and two daughters, Elizabeth and Jessie, of Sylvan, were guests in the families of Mrs. S. M. Cook, and J. C. Brewer, over Sunday.

Harry Comer, Mabel Jackson and Blanche Morton—all of this place, went to Philadelphia, Monday to take a course in the Perce Business College.

After enjoying a two-months' vacation here, Miss Mollie Seylar left on Monday morning for Washington, Pa., to assume the duties of governess in Trinity Hall, an Episcopal school.

E. O. Kesselring, of Taylor township, spent a few hours in town last Thursday. He says the grain crops in his neighborhood are showing up well, and that there is a good prospect for Fulton county's staple.

Mrs. S. D. Stevens and children, Grace and Harris, who had been spending the week the guests of Mrs. Stevens' brother, Prothonotary Geo. A. Harris, at this place, returned to their home at Chambersburg, Saturday.

C. B. Stevens and C. E. Goldsmith attended the funeral of the former's brother-in-law, and the latter's brother, Harry E. Goldsmith, at Everett, last Monday. They were accompanied home by Mary Goldsmith, who had been with her sick brother in Everett two weeks.