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WELLS TANNERY.

Misses Jane and Elsie Sheeder, two of Everett's accomplished young ladies, visited A. S. Greenland and Mrs. W. H. Baumgardner a few days last week.

Miss Beryl Kelly, of Philadelphia, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Merideth.

Miss Lizzie Helsel, daughter of Albert Helsel, of this place, married Samuel Worthing, of Hope-well. They began housekeeping with the New Year. May happiness and prosperity go with them all through life.

Mrs. J. B. Alexander was taken ill on Sunday. We have not learned whether she has fully recovered or not.

Our teachers of No. 1 school had an exciting time the other morning. A pupil outside the building gave the alarm of fire. After some hustling the flames were extinguished. Had not water been so near, the township would, in all probability, have had a new house to build, and that would mean a few dollars more than the cost of the new well.

Mrs. V. D. Schenck and Delilah Horton are visiting friends in Saxton.

While V. D. Schenck was returning from Langdondale a few nights ago, he met a back load of men that could not see straight. There was quite a collision for a little while. Mr. Schenck's wagon wheels were completely wrecked.

NEW GRENADA.

Hurrah for 1900! Are you still writing it 1899?

Bring out your last year's resolutions, brush the dust off of them, perhaps they will bear re-adopting. One man in New Grenada says, "He has a set that he has used for a score of years, and they are still good."

H. H. Bridenstine, while chopping wood one day last week, cut a great gash in his foot which may keep him on crutches for quite a while. Herbsays, "There was no scarcity of wood either."

Miss Maggie Clark, of Huntington, is visiting the family of her uncle, Hon. M. W. Houck, of this place.

The mail route between New Grenada and Three Springs, changed hands Jan. 1, J. L. Grissinger now handles the ribbons.

Death again visited our community, and claimed as its victim, George W. Newman. His remains were placed in Zion cemetery. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. J. Schaeffer, of Three Springs. Text was taken from Psalm 103. Mr. Newman was aged 65 years, 8 months and 10 days.

The following officers of W. C., No. 479, P. O. S. of A., were elected to office for the ensuing term. P. P. Saml. Alloway; President, John Mills; V. P., B. F. Baith; M. of F., W. M. Mills, Treas., J. A. McDonough; Rec. Sec., F. G. Mills; Fin. Sec., G. H. McCoy; Cor., J. H. Edwards; Guard, Jacob Black, Chaplin, Saml. Houpt.

BELFAST.

E. E. Kell, of Morton's Point, left Friday evening to spend a few days with his family at Shade Gap. The school is progressing nicely during his absence under the care of Miss Bessie Morton.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Palmer, Mrs. W. F. Hart and daughter, Miss Mattie Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mellott, of Needmore, Prof. B. N. Palmer, of Saultillo, and J. J. Pulmer, of Chicago—all spent last Wednesday very pleasantly the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Dixon at Pleasant Ridge.

George Bard has returned home from Illinois where he had been employed last year.

Rev. Hughes will begin a series of meetings at Ebenezer next Sunday evening.

Miss Mattie Palmer and her brother B. N. Palmer returned to their respective schools Sunday afternoon. They had been enjoying vacation with their brother J. J., who has recently returned home after an absence of two years.

THOMPSON.

Will Black, of McConnellsburg, is visiting friends in this community.

Charlie Funk, who spent last summer in the West, is home to spend the winter with his father, Eli M. Funk.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Sharp spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Gregory.

Mrs. A. R. Pittman presented her husband a nice dishwasher for a Christmas present.

Scott Johnston's felicity as a father is intensified by the arrival of a girl.

Isaac Littop, of Illinois, spent part of last week visiting friends in the vicinity of Dickey's mountain.

Rev. Barney will begin protracted services at Antioch January 14, at 10 o'clock.

WHIPS COVE.

Samuel Mellott, who has been in Chester county for some time, is visiting friends and relatives in the Cove.

A. J. Davison and Riley Garland, who have been working at Dunlow during the past summer, are home for a visit.

Mrs. J. Cope, of Kemblesville, Chester county, is visiting her father, E. Hart, who has been ill for some time.

Mrs. Bell Morris, who has been suffering from sore throat for some time is improving.

William Beard, of Hancock, passed through the Cove on his way home, Saturday. He has been erecting abutments for the new bridge at Crystal Springs.

S. N. Garland and Albert Plessinger were in McConnellsburg on business last Monday.

Wm. Morgret and wife have gone to Clearfield, where they expect to remain for some time.

E. A. Diehl is again in the Cove. Emory has been working at Lancaster for some time.

A number of our people attended preaching in Buck Valley last Sunday.

THE CORNER.

We are glad that Kris-ingle did not forget the little folks down this way.

Reynolds Forner, of Pleasant Ridge, spent Sabbath with Frank Houck.

Miss Mary Clevenger and her friend, of Mercersburg, spent part of last week with the former's sister, Mrs. I. P. Hender-shott.

Lizzie and Blanch Houck spent Saturday at their uncle Scott Hann's.

William Mellott had a wood-chopping last Wednesday afternoon to provide fuel for a lime kiln. This was followed in the evening by a "party." All had a good time.

John Clevenger failed to move to the Corner, as was reported in last week's News.

Mrs. Grace Bender, of McConnellsburg, and Miss May Harr, of Big Cove Tannery, spent Sabbath at Miss Jennie Morton's.

D. J. Mellott and wife spent Sabbath afternoon at J. B. Mellott's.

Charley Houck, who is spending a couple weeks at his home, will start for Illinois, Monday.

Preaching at the Reformed church, Sunday, was well attended.

Harry Shaw and Henry Carbaugh, two of the Corner's best young men will start Monday, for Youngstown, Ohio, where they expect to spend the winter.

Mr. Snider, of Sylvan, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Kate Harr.

BETHELEHEM.

The new year opened with cold weather and snow.

There is but little sickness in our valley. Mrs. Frances Brant has been poorly for some time, but is some better now.

Our school is progressing nicely under the care of C. C. Rotz. He pleased the scholars with a liberal holiday treat of candy and oranges.

J. Frank Croft, of Cashtown, is visiting his brother E. J. Croft. Abraham Wagner and wife spent Christmas at the home of H. W. Ewing.

John Shaffer has been suffering from a lame back, but we are glad to notice he is out and around again.

E. M. Gress spent Christmas at his home near Bethlehem.

A pleasant New Year's day was spent at the home of Nick Finiff

and wife. Those present were Hugh Ewing and wife, George Finiff and sister Ella, and Jessie Gress and Lucy Peightel. May the year be full of pleasantness to all.

James T. Connely fell on the ice on his way from town on Saturday evening injuring his shoulder pretty badly. James, look out for icy places.

Nick Finiff and family spent Sunday at the home of Henry Wolf.

WEST VIEW.

Everybody was glad to see the ground white on New Year's morning. But still the young folks are not satisfied; they want the snow deep enough for sleighing.

Mrs. George Hess of Pigeon Cove is visiting friends on this side of the ridge.

Mrs. Ella Craig was the guest of John May's family last Sunday.

John B. Troxell and Geo. W. Fisher, Esq., spent last Saturday and Sunday in McConnellsburg.

James M. Lake made a flying trip to Warfordsburg last Monday.

Preston and Laura Eader are visiting relatives down at Frederick, Md.

Mrs. Heckleman of Banning, Fayette county, is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Souders of Plum Run.

Geo. Mason of Hancock, Md., was the guest of Job Hill last week.

Conrad Wink accompanied by his son Judson started for McConnellsburg last Sunday.

Our young folks are having a great deal of sport skating. Be careful you don't go through.

WIND LYRICS.

East wind.—Through gates of pearl, with sapphire set, I steal at dawn to fly, while yet The clouds with silver dew are wet. On wings that brush the morning star of song afar.

North wind.—From fields of frozen stars I blow, I bear the fragile flowers of snow. That fall upon the earth below, With pure celestial lips to bless In soft caress.

South wind.—On wings of perfume, born of spring, Sweet memories of the south I bring; From birds and blossoms pink that fling To heaven their gladness in an ecstasy Of melody.

West wind.—Back through the gates of gold and rose, Where late the star of evening glows, I slip, before the evening's close, On pinions woven of a sigh, Into the night I seem to die. But, hush! The night will soon pass by. Before the lark, when morning breaks, The east wind wakes.

—Carrie L. Ward in Danaid.

FIRST AMERICAN PATENT.

Granted at Boston in 1648 and Called a Monopoly.

To the general court of Massachusetts belongs the honor of granting the first American patent. This was in 1648 and was then designated as a monopoly. It was confined to the region controlled by Massachusetts, and the one issue apparently included all the invention of the inventor connected with engines that depended upon water for their motive power. The limit of the monopoly was 14 years, and the court not only retained power to forbid exportation, but to prevent exorbitant charges upon the public for their use.

The patent was issued in this form: "JENKES MONOPOLY."

"At a general Court at Boston the 6th of the 3th Mo 1648. The court considering ye necessity of raising such manufactures of engines of mills to go by water for speedy dispatch of much worke with few hands, and being sufficiently informed of ye ability of ye petitioner to performe such worke grant his petition (yet no Other per son shall set up or use any such new invention, or trade for 14 years without ye license of him the said Joseph Jenkes) so far as concerns any such new invention, & so it shall be always in ye power of this corte to restrain ye exportation of such manufactures & ye prizes of them to moderation if occasion so require."

This inventor, Joseph Jenkes, or Jenks, as it would now be spelled, came from Hammersmith, England, settled in Lynn in 1643 and died in 1682-83, aged 81. He was a clock-smith and machinist, made the dies for the coining of the "Pine Tree" money and built the first fire engine in this country, altogether a man of great inventive genius and the ancestor of a large number of descendants. One of his sons removed to Rhode Island, where he built several mills.—Boston Transcript.

An Absentminded Bridegroom. Robert Dewar, brother of Lord William Dewar, the British scientist who was the first experimenter to liquefy air, is a remarkably absentminded man. It is said that on one occasion he left his home early one morning and repaired to the house of a friend, in which there was a fine library to which he had access. That afternoon his relatives and friends searched the neighborhood in vain for him. At length he was run down in this library. By his side was a new suit of clothes. "It's a nice man you are," ironically said the spokesman.

"What's the matter now?" returned Robert irritably.

"Your bride and the preacher are waiting for you this two hours. Don't you know this is your wedding day, man?"

"I declare," said the groom, "I'd forgotten all about it! Wait till I dress, and I'll go along with you."—Saturday Evening Post.

COOKERY IN BOLIVIA.

The National Dish, Chupe, and How It Is Prepared.

The stoves of the Bolivian Indians are curious things. A hole is dug in the ground about 18 inches deep and a foot square, and over this is built a roof of clay with holes of different sizes to receive the various cooking pots. Roasting is done on spits passed through the holes, so that the meat comes out very much smoked unless great care is taken to have only live coals at the bottom of the oven.

The national dish and the common food of the masses is "chupe," a sort of first cousin to the Irish stew. It is a conglomerate, composed of irregular constituents from the animal and vegetable kingdoms, a mess of mutton and such other meats as are available; chicken, fish, fruits, potatoes, carrots, barley, corn, rice, onions, yams, etc., chopped up, highly seasoned with peppers and herbs and stewed to a consistency of porridge. What happens to be left from one meal simmers in the pot until the next. If the fire goes out, the "chupe" is allowed to cool, but it is warmed up again and a new supply of the ingredients added to the water logged and greasy stuff for the next meal.

In the cities, at the hotels and restaurants where there are French or Swiss cooks, the "chupe" is savory and palatable, but the farther you go from the centers of civilization the worse it gets. One eats it at first under protest, then from necessity and only to escape starvation, but finally the stomach rebels, and you limit your diet to boiled eggs and fruit, which are usually to be obtained, but the experienced traveler always takes canned meat and bread with him.—Sucre (Bolivia) Letter to Chicago Record.

STREET PARADE FLOATS.

Many Difficult Problems to Be Met in Their Construction.

"The making of decorative street floats is a difficult trade," said a New Orleans scenic artist who has had plenty of experience in the line he mentioned. "There are so many things to be considered. For instance, a float must look well both near and far. It must be able to stand a dash of rain. It must be light enough to go over any kind of street and solid enough to resist a gust of wind, and, most important of all, it must be so constructed that it will appear all right to folks in upper windows.

"Some years ago a young designer from the north made several small models for tableau cars that charmed everybody who looked at them. They were certainly very beautiful and novel, but when I was called in as an expert I said at once that they wouldn't do. They were designed to be viewed from the banquettes only, and from a second story window every particle of effect would have been lost. Moreover, a lot of hidden mechanism was certain to be discovered at any elevation above 15 feet.

"The young artist frankly admitted I was right and abandoned the job. He said it involved entirely too many optical problems to suit him. When I make my drawings for a float, I calculate on a visual sweep of 30 degrees. That goes from the level of children on the pavement to people looking almost straight down from the upper floors of tall buildings. Unless such a precaution is taken the car is certain to be a failure."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Man and His Smoke.

Every little while you read that a man 96 years old and still hale and hearty has smoked all his life, but it is nevertheless a fact that smoking is very injurious. Men should be ashamed that they are unable to quit the habit. This is not written by a man who has no desire to smoke, but by a man who smokes a great deal, has tried several times to quit and couldn't do it.

When you find a boy who is pale and sick from his first smoke, remember that his father and his grandfather are to blame. It will take thousands of years to reform the world if we begin now. A boy is as certain to look for a pipe as he is to look for a sweetheart. His father was guilty of both offenses before him.—Atchison Globe.

Her Little Confidence Game.

"We're playing railroad train," she said as she pulled her father's paper away. "And I'm the conductor. Tickets, please."

He took a card from his pocket and handed it to her. She looked at it intently for a minute and then handed it back. "That was issued yesterday," she said, "and isn't good today. You'll have to pay cash or get off the train."

He gave her a dime. He knew he had been "worked," but what else could he do?—Chicago Post.

Some Big Salaries.

Speaking of big salaries, the biggest on record was paid to George Gould. For ten years' work his father gave him \$5,000,000. The account went down as "for services rendered." That was at the rate of \$500,000 a year.

The highest salary ever paid a railroad president was the \$75,000 a year that went to Sir William C. Van Horn when he was president of the Canadian Pacific.—New York Press.

At His Word.

Customer—You sell cracked eggs at half price, do you not?
Clerk—Yes'm. We always make a 50 per cent reduction on cracked goods. Anything else today?

Customer—Yes; you may give me a dollar's worth of cracked wheat. Here's 50 cents.—Columbus (O.) State Journal.

Home Manners.

The young wife's ideals begin to be shattered when she sees her husband put his feet on the best chair.—Philadelphia Record.

Extent of His Superstition.

"Are you superstitious?"
"To a certain extent."
"What do you mean by that?"
"Well, I should hesitate to pass under a ladder if there was a man with a pot of paint at the top of it."—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Since time is not a person we can overtake when he is gone let us honor him with mirth and cheerfulness of heart while he is passing.—Goethe.

It is in the cow's mouth that you find true equality. There you will see no upper set.—Boston Transcript.

LAIDIG.

Rev. Sarvis will begin a protracted meeting at Fairview, Tuesday evening of this week.

One evening last week, some of the folks near the State Road made up a surprise party and went out to Jere Laidig's.

Rev. Sarvis preached at Fairview Sunday forenoon. The sermon reviewed the events of the year, temporal and spiritual.

Albert Clevenger and wife, after spending a few days in this community, have returned to Pittsburg, where Albert is employed with the Prudential Life Insurance Co.

Great strength of character is manifested by the person who can stop eating peanuts so long as any are left in the bag.

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CHAMBERSBURG, PA.

BIBLE NORMAL.

Proaching services will be held in the McConnellsdale (Dunker) church January 21, 1900, by Elder J. Kurtz Miller of Franklin county, both morning and evening.

On Monday January 22 Mr. Miller will open a Bible school, lasting five days. The following program will be followed each day:

Devotional exercises, 9:45 a. m.
First recitation, 10 to 11—The Bible.
Second recitation, 11 to 12—Epistle of James, Lurch, 12 to 1.

Third recitation, 1 to 2—Life of Christ.
Fourth recitation, 2 to 3—Bible Lands.
All are welcome, bring pencil, tablet, and your Bible. No collection will be taken nor tuition charged. It is FREE to all.

HOLIDAYS.

We have just received a large line of late style mid-winter millinery, at greatly reduced prices. We have all the latest shapes in felt, chenille, and velvet; the prices ranging from twenty-five cents to \$2.50.

Our trimmed hats are something grand, and consist of Baltimore, New York and Philadelphia styles.

We have all kinds of trimming, such as feathers, flowers, birds, wings, algrettes, buckles, and other ornaments.

We have beautiful silks, satins, and velvets for waists.

Ribbons from 2 cents a yard up. Laces in all widths 2 cents up. Veiling 20 cents a yard. Handkerchiefs 5 cents to 25. Tetlow's Complexion Powder 10 cents. Perfume 5 cents a bottle. Beauty Pins all prices. Corssets from 25 cents to \$1. Jet trimming 5 cents a yard to 15. Chiffon, stamped linen, braids, swansdown, feather stitched braid, bustles, hose, neck and belt buckles. No trouble to show goods, come and see them.

Yours respectfully,
Mrs. A. F. LITTLE.

McConnellsburg, Pa.

J. K. JOHNSTON'S

UP-TO-DATE

STORE NEWS



While in perusing the papers, we are interested personally, the local correspondence, the scraps of history, who is married, is dead, to what home come a new son or daughter, no news is more accurate than that which informs where we can get the value for the least when we want to buy.

While I have a very and well selected stock of General Merchandise all the time, at prices that bring me a constant increasing trade, yet as the seasons come and go the whims of fashion rule, there is scarcely a week I am not pushing out at greatly reduced prices one line or another. Every live business man that, and does it; but as a rule you do not know bargains until they are gone. If you watch the column from week to week you can keep yourself and thereby save many a dollar.

During the next few weeks I shall bring me a lot of Winter Goods down to the minimum. They go. Haven't room to carry them over Summer the next ten days I shall offer you Overcoats at Felt Boots at \$1.75, Blankets at 49 cents, Capes 98 cents and up, and low down prices Men's and Women's Mackintoshes.

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