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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** The board meets on the second Friday of each month at 7:00 p.m., April thru October. During the months of November thru March the board meets on the second Sunday at 2:00 p.m.. All members are welcome to attend!

**New LIFE MEMBER:**

**John H. “Jack” Candioto of Sun Lakes, Arizona.**

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**Nedson Crawford, Linda Danner, Britton Fisher, Irma Griffith, Richard Kerr, Barbara Neff and Frederick & Joyce Shatto.**

We certainly do **THANK** all those persons listed above and also those who, in both the past and present, have supported our library by becoming members and/or by making monetary donations. It is with this generosity that our facility can continue to remain open to the public and continue to share the wealth of genealogical and historical resources that we are entrusted to hold.

We also wish to **THANK** all those members who give their time manning the library on days that we are open to the public... also to those who work “behind the scenes” keeping our membership rosters updated, records accessioned, photographs inventoried, surname files updated, light bulbs changed, bathroom stocked with supplies, – the list goes on and on. Without these reliable and invaluable people our facility would not function. So, **THANK YOU everyone** – you know who you are!

*A very special **THANK YOU** to our ‘retiring’ Airy View Editor, **Myrtle Leinaweaver**. Thank you for keeping the membership posted on upcoming events, new accessions, interesting facts about our library and our ancestors for the past 15 years. We humbly and graciously say **THANK YOU** for a job well done – but Myrtle, please don’t go too far away from your computer ‘cause this new editor will definitely need some help!*

**The HOVERTER ARCHIVES** is now just about complete. The shelving still needs to be installed. Once finished, the original courthouse documents and other original and very fragile records will be moved into this climate-controlled environment to help preserve these precious items for future genealogists.

For those who may not have had the opportunity to attend our **Annual Free Genealogical Workshop**, which was held on Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at Harry W. Lenig Library / Airy View School House – home of The Perry Historians, you missed a chance to get “up close and personal” with many courthouse and genealogical “hidden treasures”. Harry Focht never ceases to amaze me – and I’ve attended every one of these Workshops since 1992. Each and every year, I have left the library on the day of the Workshop, with yet another idea or area of search for “knocking down brickwalls” in my own families.... And this year was no different!

We had a total of 11 persons who attended this year’s Workshop. One gentleman came from Bloomsburg, Columbia Co. and a husband and wife came from over in Fort Loudon, Franklin Co.. It was a really nice sized group. We were able to assist those who wanted assistance on a one-on-one basis in the afternoon session.

**The next time you see Arlene Warner, ask her about ‘going BOOM!’ while trying to catch a dime!**

Below was found in a May 1945 Perry Co. Newspaper. Thank you Sylvia Hocker for finding this!

**MAN ON HORSE HELD**

**FOR DRUNKEN DRIVING**

Back in the good old days when horses were more numerous than autos, the State of Pennsylvania passed a law, prohibiting anyone to ride a horse while intoxicated. Sunday evening Percy Campbell found out about that law.

State Patrolman Pvt. W. E. Thoma and H. L. Fritz, were relaxing near the station Sunday when through Duncannon came a second "Paul Revere".

After a little difficulty in overtaking the equestrian, they took him to Dr. F. B. Hooper, who said that Campbell was under the influence of liquor.

Campbell, who resides at Duncannon, R. D. 1. was arrested by the State Trooper for violating that old vehicle code, driving a horse while intoxicated.

**ACCESSIONS to the Perry Historians  
By Donation...**

**From: unknown**

- \*\* Adams Co. PA Newspaper Extracts of Marriages & Deaths 1802-1834  
file 201.10

**From: Sam and Arletta Jones**

- \*\* Middle Tuscarora Presby. Church Records 1859 Register of Deaths & Marriages  
file 234.03
- \*\* William Short Jr. Day Books 1844 and 1848  
file 250.10

**From: Harry Focht**

- \*\* Donegal Presby. Church History & Genealogy of Members  
file 236.03

**From: Fred Noye**

- \*\* The Pennsylvania Manual 1984-1985  
Vol. 107 – Commonwealth of PA
- \*\* Laws of Pennsylvania 1961 – Vol. I & II
- \*\* Laws of Pennsylvania 1963 – Vol. I & II

*Accessions continued....*

**From: Fred Noye**

- \*\* Laws of Pennsylvania 1964
- \*\* Laws of Pennsylvania 1965 - Vol. I & II
- \*\* Laws of Pennsylvania 1967 – Vol. I & II

**INQUIRIES – members are invited to submit inquiries or interesting “articles” in the newsletter – as many and as often as they would like. This services is provided FREE of charge to our current members.**

There is a correction to the e-mail address for Deborah White Hershey, who is the contact person for the Alexander Right and Mary Ella (HESS) WHITE Reunion. The incorrect e-mail address was printed in the last newsletter along with Deborah’s query. The correct e-mail address should be:

**whitchoc@aol.com**

Please forgive any inconveniences this may have caused.

**MILLER - GEHR - KENNEDY- DEWALT - BEITZEL**

In 1869/70, William MILLER (s/o Henry & Catherine (GEHR) MILLER) and his wife, Martha Ellen (d/o Tobias & Isabelle (KENNEDY) DEWALT) moved from Cumberland Co. to Kansas with their son, Sylvester.

Since 1980, we, their descendants, have been having family reunions in Rantoul, KS. We no longer have family in that area and attendance has fallen off. So we have decided to have a reunion in the area of our earlier roots, Cumberland Co. This will take place July 4<sup>th</sup> to July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2008. We would like to rent a gathering place with kitchen facilities, perhaps a small community center which is what we had in Kansas. Is such a facility available? The Newville/Plainfield, Cumberland Co. area would be ideal since one of our activities is visiting old homesteads and cemeteries.

Henry MILLER’s second wife was Juliann DEWALT, an older sister of Martha Ellen. The DEWALTs and the MILLERs lived in the Entlerville/McClure’s Gap, Cumberland Co. area and are buried in the McClure’s Gap Church of God Cemetery. The parents of Henry MILLER, Daniel and Elizabeth (BEITZEL) MILLER lived in Kennedy’s Valley and are buried in the Landisburg

Cemetery. Catherine GEHR was from Lisburn, Cumberland Co. Her grave "near Newville" was destroyed when the Turnpike was built.

*Queries continued...*

We would like to know what kind of facilities are available. We are open to suggestions and would like to hear from anyone with experience in having a family reunion in the area. I would also appreciate hearing from any other descendants of the above-mentioned people. Perhaps we could have a 'MILLER – DEWALT' reunion!

Contact: Doris Miller Torluccio, 614 Willow St., Lakehurst, NJ 08733 or [MRSCAMP60@aol.com](mailto:MRSCAMP60@aol.com)

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*(The following letter is addressed to Mr. A. A. Anderson, Landisburg, Perry County, Pennsylvania, from his brother, George W. Anderson, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Transcribed exactly as written... spelling and punctuation as found on original.)*

Philadelphia March 6<sup>th</sup> 1838

Dear Brother

Your epistle of Feby 23 came to hand on the 1<sup>st</sup> inst. I had almost given up all hopes of receiving one from you, as you may see by looking at the date on the Sheet of Paper which I sent you that something like six weeks had elapsed before the arrival of yours. However I think in some cases better late than never, therefore we'll leave that part of the subject – I was much pleased to hear of the prosperity of your school & of the favourable signs of the times; the establishment of the monthly concert &c &c. Indeed it does seem to me that there is a crisis fast approaching the hosts of God & Sin seem in this place to be rallying their forces for a mighty struggle. But the hand of God is again the enemy & victory must belong to the Saints. I thank you for mentioning Phillips Love of the Spirit [-] I had the 2 vols of the C Library at the Binders when your letter arrived & on Sat evening I got them & commenced the work. I have as yet read but three chapters but I have not read in vain. To night I was left alone at our prayer meeting & preached the Sum & substance of the Second Chapter. I was much struck with the section on page 10 second col[umn] commencing at 28 line from the bottom [-] It carried me back two years & brought a flood of recollections to my mind. Thoughts & feelings almost forgotten came back upon me with all the freshness of yesterday & the consequence may be better imagined than described. Phillips says in the

above paragraph, "Its pride & self righteousness are demolished when Christ becomes precious to the

Soul." to a certain extent this may be true but one thing I know that though the superstructure may be demolished or overthrown the fragments yet remain like a mass of rubbish clogging the Soul, at least I find it so to my Sorrow. Our Church as you have heard before this is destitute of a pastor but since the 1<sup>st</sup> of Jany we have had a refreshing time The hearts of the members seemed to be more knit together & Four Souls converted [-] a number are yet anxious but there has been a falling away again [-] the members or at least a number seem to be weary of waiting upon God & the cloud that we hoped was about to burst upon us has passed to water some now prepared ground. Our Sabbath School is in a very promising condition We have a weekly prayer meeting of the teachers. And many of the Scholars are impressed. The Churches in the City & neighbourhood seem to be arousing from their long sleep but they as yet are only arousing Oh that they may not say with the Sluggard, "Youve called me too soon" and turn over & take another nap

In a few days I will send you some papers & I hope that if you have any paper published in your - burg you will favour me occasionally with a sight of one. & as I do not like to be behind you in generosity &c &c you may read it yourself & also let Mary read it before sending it. I shall remain for the present at No 44 - Prune St [-] I do not know how long, but direct there until further orders. I am yet uncertain what I am to do with myself but I am waiting patiently for orders from above. I have not much time to write letters perhaps not as much as yourself but I would not like to send a letter not more than [than] two thirds full & make an excuse so flimsy as yours "It is almost 11 & I am tired." How do you think I do up at 6 ½ in the morning [-] work 10 or 10 ½ hours [-] at meeting 6 evenings in the week until between 9 & 10 & then come home & study till 12. one evening I devote entirely to study thus filling up the time. I am pushing on with Latin & Algebra [-] dont make as much progress as I should like but as much as I can. Oh I had almost forgot but Mr Parker & all the Parker family & I had our heads examined by the celebrated Phrenologist Mr Fowler. I should like you to read my character as delineated by him. I will send perhaps in my next a

copy of it. Give my Love to Mary (& do not forget to mention in your next about Little Marcus [-] By

credit to the land from whence they came. In other words, they have ever been in the van of civilization

*continued...*

the by you ought to have his cranium examined.) & secure if you can a large share for yourself.

Geo. W. Anderson

*[note: A color photocopy of this original letter and the transcript can be found in the ANDERSON Lenig File at our library.]*

*We most graciously thank...*

**Mr. Phillip F. Schlee**

**PO Box 2022**

**Manhattan, Kansas 66505**

*... for donating the photocopy and transcript of the Anderson Brothers' letter to our library. At present, he has in his own personal collection, over 2500 old original letters – some for his own families, dating back to the late 1700's.*

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*For those folks who don't have the luxury of owning their own copy and having in their own personal library collection [myself included], the much sought after book, **History of Perry County, Pennsylvania** by the most famous H. H. Hain... I'm sure you'll find the following excerpt from the pages within of great interest. You will see that the forefathers and/or relatives of some present-day Perry Countians truly did make a worldwide impact.*

#### PERRY COUNTY'S NOTED MEN

Pg. 858

#### THE BLOOD OF THE PIONEER.

Of the bravery, tact and resolution of the pioneers who settled the soil of Perry County volumes could be written and yet much remain untold. Throughout this book is recorded much of their early history, including the names and first settlements of many, whose mantle has fallen upon their descendants down through the generations and the years, who has crossed the Alleghenies, helped settle Ohio, Indiana and Illinois; braved the dangers of the plains, helping populate Wisconsin, Iowa and Minnesota – where they furnished a governor to the state; the Dakotas, Nebraska and Kansas – where a boy in Perry County became a United States Senator, and crossed the Rockies, contributing a share of the population on the way, to settle in the three great states bordering the Pacific – in all of which they or their descendants are to be found, a people unafraid, red blooded, and a

and have helped build a mighty empire. Charles Dickens is credited with having said that “the typical American would hesitate to enter Heaven unless assured that there he could still go father west.” That surely has been largely applicable to many generations of Perry Countians, and even to this day there is considerable migration.

The ancestry of many families of Washington County, Pennsylvania, can be traced to the Scotch-Irish emigrants from Perry County. In the State of Kentucky that is also true. George, Anthony and William Logan, sons of old Alexander Logan, the pioneer who lost his life while defending his home from the Indians in 1763, located in that state in 1786. James Anderson removed to Kentucky in 1802 and wed Mary Logan, a descendant of these Logans. In 1785 Jonathan Anderson, a son of George Anderson, visited Kentucky, selected several hundred acres of land there, returned to Perry County territory, and at once removed to Kentucky. Other members of the family followed, and in 1797 George Robinson and wife removed there, settling near the present town of Georgetown, Kentucky. Jonathan Robinson, the advance agent of numerous Robinson families who then went to Kentucky, was a Revolutionary soldier from Perry County territory, and was married to Jane (Black) Robinson. They became the parents of James Fisher Robinson, the twenty-second governor of Kentucky, that staunch Unionist who helped retain Kentucky in the Union and who sent three of his own sons into the army. Governor Robinson was born in Scott County, Kentucky, October 4, 2800. He held a high place among Kentucky lawyers and died in 1892.

The Ellmakers, who were of the first to warrant lands in Greenwood Township, settled in Iowa, when that state was in the making, and a later generation to this day is among the residents of the productive Willamette Valley, Oregon.

Then Kansas was being settled dozens of Perry Countians “took up” lands there of the public domain, and among them was Joseph W. Huggins, whose ancestors were among the first settlers of Perry County soil, and one of whom – Jacob Huggins – was a member of the first board of county commissioners and the Perry County

representative in the State Legislature when the county seat controversy was settled by locating it at New Bloomfield. Mr. Huggins located on a quarter

section in Ellsworth County, Kansas, and became one of the new state's successful farmers, owning and operating at one time land to the number of 1,280 acres. His sons and sons-in-law, eight in number, are almost all engaged in agriculture there on a large scale. From the same section (Buffalo and Howe Township) with Mr. Huggins went George W. Sneath, part of whose family remains in that state engaged in agriculture, and William Hetrick, both of whom died in 1919.

[... to be continued in future installments... ]

### **Looking Backward**

*From the Files of the Juniata Sentinel  
1902*

J. E. Towsey's flouring mill on Big Buffalo Creek, Perry county, was stopped without orders. An investigation revealed the water wheel clogged with eels. Over fifty eels were taken from the wheel.



How many of you can relate to this picture? I know I can... and I know Barb Rhine Sharar can also! Barb has been known to lay on her belly while digging the dirt away from a "sunken" tombstone with her fingernail clippers just to get the dates. This picture happened to be taken back in 1983. Does anyone recognize who's trying to decipher the tombstone?

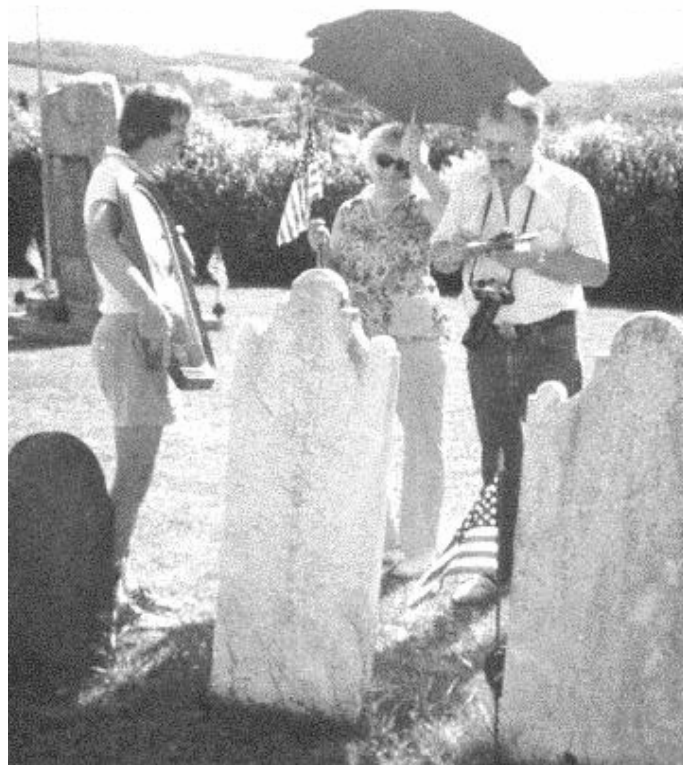
For those who are new to genealogy there are a few techniques used for reading "the unreadable" tombstones. Some of those procedures can be very harmful and damaging to tombstones. I have seen many old tombstones that have been wire-brushed clean. This is extremely harmful and should never

be done. Another common practice is using Shaving Cream. This also can damage the old porous tombstones.

Another old faithful way of reading and/or preserving what is carved on tombstones is tracing – using paper and chalk. I remember doing this in elementary Art Class. We would collect leaves, put them under paper and rub chalk over the paper to get the imprint. Using the same technique on tombstones will often times get a "negative" of what is engraved on the tombstone. This procedure is not as apt to do damage as the previous two.

Probably the best and least-damaging way to read those old unreadable tombstones is to use the technique of light and shadow.

The following picture was taken July 1983 while Harry Focht and the gang were out transcribing cemeteries. As you will see, they must have been having difficulty with some of the old stones that were weather-worn.



In this instance Jerry Clouse held a mirror to help deflect the sun's rays across the face of the tombstone while the late Jean Bonham held an umbrella, which shaded the sun's direct light. Harry Focht then was able to decipher and transcribe the information from the tombstone. If a mirror is not available to you, sometimes a flashlight or a spotlight will do the trick. You might also find that

going to the cemetery or graveyard at different times of the day will also prove helpful to reading those "unreadable" tombstones.

Robt H. Branyan	"	g s w l hand	6.00
Adam E. Bankey	"	g s w lower jaw	8.00
Sam'l A. Topley	"	injury to ab	8.00

Newport Ledger – 3-Nov-1883

LIST OF PENSIONERS, - The following is a list of the pensioners in Perry county, Pa., as shown in the Pension Office, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1883, with the amount received per month:

NAME	PO ADDRESS	CAUSE	AM'T
Josiah Ziegler	Acker	gunshot wound	\$ 2.00
James E. Albert	Andersonb'g	ulcer	4.00
Wm H. Kauffman	"	disability	24.00
Wm Irvin	"	Ab dropsy	8.00
Samuel G. Smith	Blain	disability	4.00
John A. Kistler	"	g s w left leg	2.00
James Crownover	"	g s w shoulder	6.00
Peter Swisher	Centre	lost prt of finger	2.00
James Foose	"	g s wound	2.00
Elizabeth Coon	"	mother	8.00
John Ream	"	father	8.00
Mary A. Shatto	Cisna's Run	mother	8.00
Mary Durham	Dellville	widow	8.00
Wm J. Campbell	Donally's Mill	disability	8.00
Jos R. Auker's Minors	"	Minors	8 & 2
Elizabeth Baker	"	mother	8.00
Elizabeth Bertton	"		8.00
Sarah B. Ricedorff	"	widow	8.00
Chas W. Lewis	Duncannon	g s w leg	8.00
James Wilkinson	"	g s w back	8.00
Lewis F. Gentzer	"	injury to ab	4.00
John H. Mutzebaugh	"	g s w l arm	4.00
Jacob A. Young	"	g s w l thigh	6.00
James Humes	"	partial deafness	6.00
Samuel Hamilton	"	disability	8.00
A S VanRoat	"	not given	8.00
James A. Leigh	"	loss of teeth, scurvy	4.00
Chas W. Ruby	"	disease of eyes	18.00
Frank Loper	"	g s w	2.00
John M. Righter	"	injury to ab	8.00
John E. S. Rote	"	disease of eyes	2.00
Henry J. Jones	"	g s w l foot	2.00
Hiram Potter	"	w l arm	2.00
Danl D. Osborne	"	g s w l arm	18.00
Wm A. Parsons	"	not given	4.00
Peter B. Frazier	"	chronic rheu	6.00
Levi Foremen	"	disability	6.00
George W. Whalt	"	chronic dhr	4.00
Geo W. Derrick	"	g s w l hip	2.00
Daniel Brandt	"	disability	24.00
Robt B. Bothwell	"	"	18.00
Josiah M. Bruner	"	"	4.00
Jeremiah Breckbill	"	g s w l arm	4.00

NAME	PO ADDRESS	CAUSE	AM'T
Ellen S. Stewart	"	widow	8.00
Mary Dudley	"	"	8.00
Christiana Keim	"	mother	8.00
Mary M. Parsons	"	"	8.00
Wm S. Ebright	"	father	8.00
Celinda Wilson	"	mother	8.00
Margaret Gillespie	"	"	8.00
Catherine Hood	"	"	8.00
Elizabeth C. Miller	"	widow	12.00
Caroline Fox	"	"	8.00
Anna Coup	"	"	8 & 2
Anna Steel	"	mother	8.00
David H. Smith	Elliottsburg	g s w face	12.00
John C. Smith	"	g s w r arm	18.00
Samuel Dile	"	g s w r leg	2.00
Henry Snyder	"	disability	6.00
Elizabeth Albert	"	widow	8.00
Christiana Albert	"	"	8.00
Elizabeth Turnbaugh	"	mother	8.00
Mary A. Moffet	"	"	8.00
Susannah Foose	"	"	8.00
Christian R. Reichart	Eshcol	inj head	2.00
Henry C. Shearer	Green Park	g s w r arm	2.00
Jane Hill	Grier's Point	mother	8.00
Wm Nonnemaker	Ickesburg	not given	8.00
Joseph Yocum	"	"	6.00
Samuel Arnant	"	"	3.00
R. R. Kingsborough	"	chronic rheu	4.00
Jacob Kleckner	"	disability	24.00
John C. Dean	"	chronic dhr	4.00
Elizabeth A. Graham	"	mother	8.00
Magdalena Paden	"	"	8.00
Catharine Sowers	"	widow	8.00
Louisa A. Swartz	"	"	8.00
Mary L. Fry	"	"	8.00
Benj Hoover	Juniata	g s w l leg	6.00
John C. Marks	Landisburg	loss of arm	24.00
Wm Morrison	"	not given	6.00
Levi Reifsnyder	"	"	4.00
Jesse T. Rice	"	frac l leg	4.00
R. H. Preisler	"	loss of thumb	8.00
Chas P. Woody	"	g s w l thigh	4.00
Wm J. Baughman	"	phneumonia	8.00
John J. Kiner	"	disability	6.00
John A. Bower	"	"	6.00
Jas P. Sheibly	"	"	2.00
Wm Sheaffer	"	inj breast	4.00
W. M. D. Sheaffer	"	inj l arm	4.00
Abraham Garling	"	g s w r arm	2.00

*Abbreviations – g gun, s shot, w wound, r right, l left, ab abdomen, inj injury, dhr diarrhoea, frac fracture, rheu rheumatism  
[... to be continued in future installments...]*

*Duncannon Record – 6-Apr-1883*

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

### **From Allen's Cove,**

Allow me to open the correspondence this week by extending my heartfelt congratulations to the RECORD on this its tenth birthday anniversary. We hope it is now a fixed and permanent institution, no more to be declared on its editorial page "suspended," and may it grow stronger as it grows older. The prosperity of any county not only depends upon the liberty of the press but also in the kind and number of its newspaper circulation. Therefore, we hope the people of Duncannon and vicinity will see that their local paper is in every household.

Mr. Hoffman of Harrisburg is engaged at present by the Cove Forge Co. to blast and break the large boulders of iron sent here nearly two years ago to be made into blooms. He is very successful so far and in a few days the huge blocks will become rolled boiler plate.

We are sorry to report the sickness of Mr. Wm. Moore, who has had a severe attack of nervous prostration but at present is in a very hopeful condition.

Sabbath school opened in Middle and Upper Cove school houses on last Sabbath. Mr. Wm. Moore was elected to superintend the former and Mr. J. M. White the latter.

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### **From Shermansdale.**

**A Broken Leg.** – One of our citizens, John Rambo, met with an unfortunate accident last week. While engaged in rolling logs at the mill he accidentally broke his leg. Dr. J. P. Sheeder of our town adjusted the fracture and made the sufferer as comfortable as possible.

**New Neighbor.** – Mr. Jacob Graybille has taken up his home with us as a neighbor on the property purchased of G. W. Shearer a few days ago. Bryan Gibney, a former resident of this place, is lying very ill at the residence of his brother Michael. He came on a visit when he was taken ill. We hope for his early recovery.

**A Sneak Thief.** – A cigar agent stopped at one of our stores the other day and while in making sales a thief lifted a box from his conveyance and decamped with it. The agent soon missed his Havanas and upon instituting a search finally settled down upon a fellow – the very chap who was making off with James McGonigle's mare last spring when he was apprehended. CAM.

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**The News from New Buffalo.**

Rev. J. R. Dunkerly will preach in this place on Sunday next.

Miss Minnie Showalter, teacher of the primary school, will take her departure for her home in Landisburg today. Miss Minnie is well liked as a teacher,

and has been very successful. Mr. J. C. Stephens will also close his school, lock his door and with his family leave for Newport.

**School Entertainment.** – On Monday evening, the 2<sup>nd</sup> inst., Mr. J. C. Stephens and school gave a free entertainment to the public. The following was the programme: The first was a song entitled, "The Mountain of Life," sung by Ada K. Garnett and Annie Leshner and accompanied on the organ by J. W. Rouch. A declamation by C. M. Leshner, "On the Shores of Tennessee," was next in order, with music by the minstrels. The next on the program was a dialogue, "Bones at the Soice," by Willis Free and H. J. Bixler, followed with a declamation by H. J. Garnet, "Rum's Ruin." Music, Snyder introducing Hans Von Smash to the audience, and declaiming the parody on Sheridan's Ride. Followed by a farce, which took up 35 or 40 minutes, and was well played. This was followed by a dialogue, "The Yawl Boat," and a play entitled the "Family not to pattern after," after which, Handy Andy took its place. The entertainment concluded with the tableau, Washington's Dream. This entertainment was a perfect success in every respect both in the performance and the audience. Good for Buffalo! O.

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### **Dellville Comes Around with the Items.**

News is a little dry around Dellville, but perhaps you can soak it up a little and make it pliable.

The roads on both sides of Sherman's creek which were blockaded by ice here are now open again. The supervisors were waiting a long time for old Sol to open the roads, but as he was so slow they at last concluded to do it themselves.

Almost every person you meet inquiringly says, "I wonder where spring is staying?" April here and the ground still covered with snow is enough to give any farmer the blues.

The measles are giving the juveniles considerable trouble. There is scarcely a family escapes them, and a good many are dangerously ill.

The two oldest ladies in this neighborhood died recently, only a few weeks apart. One was Mrs. Corman, aged nearly ninety years; the other, Mrs. Heckendorn, aged eighty-seven years.

JONATHAN.

**Newsletter Items – All persons (members-at-large, committee chairmen) who have inquiries, news items, etc. for the newsletter must have them to the editor by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month**

previous to the publication of the newsletter. "THE AIRY VIEW", our newsletter is published in January, March, May, July, September and

November. Also, the articles MUST be in the form that you wish them to appear.

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DATED MATERIAL - DO NOT DELAY

**2006 LIBRARY DAYS**

The Lenig Library (The Perry Historians) located right hand side Route 34 North, 2 miles from the square of New Bloomfield, or left hand side Route 34 South, 4 miles from Newport.

**Library will be open the following days:**

**9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.**

May	5 & 6; <u>week of 15 thru 20</u>	September	8 & 9; 16; 22 & 23
June	2 & 3; 10; 16 & 17	October	6 & 7; <u>week of 16 thru 21</u>
July	7 & 8; 21 & 22; 29	November	3 & 4; 17 & 18
August	4 & 5; 18 & 19	December	1 & 2

**OPEN EVERY WEDNESDAY 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m.**

Weather permitting

(exceptions: day before Thanksgiving – or – if a major holiday)

May 13 - Annual Meeting



- October 7 - Annual Turkey Dinner, Landisburg Fire Hall
- October 14 & 15 - Apple Butter Boil at Blain Heritage Days