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Apple pickers, like most laborers in the early part of the 20th Century, were drawn to cameras and those who operated them. This local crew had been alerted that a photographer would be in the orchard that day. They dressed accordingly.



Pages from newspapers past

Feb. 3, 1898 10/20/05

(Adv.) For Sale. I offer for sale, or in exchange for property in county, my property at Woodstock, opposite the Lutheran church, consisting of one acre lot and garden, dwelling house of seven rooms, stable and outbuildings. Mrs. N. F. McCann, Edinburg.

(Adv.) Buggy Repairs. Wheels, springs, spindles, pole, shafts, side bars, tires, cushions, tops and all. Charles Fogal, Woodstock.

Died. Mrs. Margaret Boehm at the home of her son-in-law, Mr. John Clem, a short distance south of Woodstock. She was born Aug. 15, 1828.

Feb. 10, 1898

We learn that the male infant of Mr. Cornelius Cutchin and wife, deaf mutes, who reside at Fairfield, Rockbridge County, died at Quicksburg last Tuesday, the mother being on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Clem.

Andrew Pitman, a former owner of the celebrated Red Banks farm, died last Monday at his home in Charlottesville, aged 84 years.

Liberty Furnace Items. James Sine recently bought the old Coffman mill site from J. H. Foltz. Don't know if he expects to rebuild or not...J. H. Foltz, J. J. Coffman, Isaac N. Foltz are hauling logs together. They expect to have Adam Barb and son to saw with a steam saw-mill. When there, we will get some of Adam's ale.

Died. Mariah Ware, wife of Humphrey Ware, colored, at her home in New Market on Monday.

Mrs. Mary Funkhouser, relict of the late Levi Funkhouser, and mother of Mr. Isaiah Funkhouser of Lebanon Church, last Friday. Her age was 75 years.

Saumsville Dots. Our popular blacksmith, Mr. James Bowers, has greatly improved countenance. It's a girl.

Mrs. Martha Kern, eldest daughter of Isaac Kern, of Kern's Spring, died Feb. 3rd, aged 17 years.

Miss Mollie Lindamood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. P. Lindamood, telegraph operator at the Shoreham, Washington, D. C. and Mr. Charles H. Walton, telegraph operator for Geo. A. Stitt & Co., bankers of that city, were quietly married Feb. 5th.

Feb. 17, 1898

Woodstock Items. Mr. Thos. W. Artz, a well-known farmer living on the opposite side of the Shenandoah River from Stonewall Mills, has purchased the entire outfit for poultry raising from Mr. Ring near Fisher's Hill...some sneak thief entered

the hen roost of George Patton near the Fair Grounds on last Saturday night and succeeded in carrying off all the fowls. This loss falls heavily on Mr. Patton, as he is a poor man...The waiting station at Willow Grove has been removed from there by the Southern Railway Co.

Died. John R. Polk Feb. 12, aged 25 years. He was married to Mary E. Helsley Aug. 29, 1895. He leaves a wife along with one child, father, mother, five brothers and three sisters.

Mr. C. Lichliter at the residence of his son-in-law, Rev. G. A. Whitmere at Thurmont, Md., where he had been making his home since he left Woodstock, aged 85 years old.

We are glad to know that the "Mayor of Taylortown", Chas. Barham, is recovering from his attack of rheumatism.

A lamb which died at birth, with one body, two heads, one at either end of the body, eight legs, four where such natural appendages are usually found, and four growing from the back, was found among the herd of sheep at Mr. L. Harper Zirkle's a few days since. It was a most pronounced freak of nature.

Readus News. Mr. Robt. Tysinger has been suffering with a very severe attack of lumbago. Bob says spirits of turpentine is the thing for lumbago, when properly applied...It seems quite cheerful to hear our village blacksmith hammering away. It has been some time since we have had the convenience of a blacksmith, but Mr. Wm. Bowers has recently rented the shop owned by Hawkins & Fry.

Feb. 24, 1898

(Adv.) E. R. Bowman, undertaker, New Market, furnished fine hearse, coffins and caskets promptly and cheaply.

Mt. Clifton Items. Williams Sager moved into the Alex. Lutz house near Zirkle's tannery on last Thursday. He expects to work for Otis O. Zirkle during the summer...the carpenters are again at work on the Lutheran Church at Hudson's X Roads. They expect to have it completed by the first of April...George Bean, who had been living in Noah Mumaw's house near Hudson's X Roads has moved into his little house at Belgrade on the pike. This is a portable house and can be moved anywhere along the road on a wagon...The court has granted the Mt. Jackson and Howard's Lick Turnpike company a re-hearing in the suit of James Zirkle against the pike for partly destroying his potato patch a few years ago.

Died. Mrs. John Smoke, Friday afternoon, leaving an infant a few days old.

Dr. G. A. Brown of Strasburg Sunday

morning. He leaves a widow and several children.

Miss Martha Cline, sister of Dr. W. S. Cline, Sunday morning, interment in New Market.

Robert Cahoon Hoshour, Sunday at his home on North Main street, Woodstock.

March 3, 1898

Mt. Clifton Items. Uncle Daniel Ryman, one of our brave old ex-Confederate soldiers, says he is ready to fight the Spaniards at any moment. He relates the following as having transpired during the late war. Dan says at one time he was forced by a Northern Yankee demanding his surrender. In an instant Dan cut at the Yankee with his sword. The Yankee looked at him and said, You ___ fool, you didn't even touch me. Dan replied by telling the Yankee to spit once; and when the Yankee attempted to spit, his head fell to the ground so quick was uncle Dan, that the Yankee did not find out when his head was cut off. Upon another occasion when the Southern Army was retreating through a piece of timber, the cannon balls and bullets from the northern army came so thick and fast that they cut the timber down that they could not run...D. C. Hammon sold one of his new wagons to Isaac B. Golladay...T. W. Painter is burning a kiln of lime. They fired it Monday morning. Tom burns a good lime...Thomas Bean has his property advertised to be sold March 10. He is fixing to go to Dakota March 25...William P. Bowers has bought the home of L. H. Estep and will move there April the first. Mr. Estep will move into the house which he built for old Aunt Dinah Whetzel, deceased.

War Items of Interest. We learn that Mr. Kagey Rice of New Market went aboard the United States battleship Maine, whilst it was at Newport News...we would also report that six carloads of projectiles, canon balls &c., from the Tredegar Iron Works, Richmond, passed the New Market depot over the Southern Railroad on last Saturday night enroute to New York.

Mt. Jackson News. Last Tuesday, Mrs. Emma Torreyson and John Foley left Mt. Jackson on the early train, on matrimony bent. Their destination was Winchester and in that city they were married...Miss Lizzie Kagey, sister of Joel Kagey of Hawkinstown, who has been sick for some time, was paralyzed last Saturday morning and died on Sunday about 61 years old.

(Adv.) I take this method of informing the public that I have rented all of Hugh Saum's tinning tools, and will continue the tinning business at his old stand. J. W. Winesburg, Edinburg, Va.