

HOGWALLOW NEWS



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A periscope has been installed on top of the Hog Ford moonshine still.

Raz Barlow sunk a canoe belonging to the Deputy Constable, in Gander creek, yesterday.

Slim Pickens met a large snake coming down the road Tuesday. Both got out of the way.

As soon as the roads get better Little Fidelity Flinders expects to ride his stick horse to school.

Sile Kildew has been building a chimney to his house this week. He started at the bottom and built up gradually and has a good job of it.

The Old Miser of Musket Ridge already has a writing pen and expects to do a lot of writing as soon as pokeberries get ripe.

Sim Flinders will have to go bare-headed for the next few days, his wife having a litter of young chickens under his hat.

One reason the average life of a chicken is not long is because they worry so much over little things—such as mites.

Jefferson Potlocks who has been quite ill for several days had the doctor with him Saturday night and at this writing is much worse.

Yam Sims will come out next Sunday wearing a white tie to match his white mule and whitewashed buggy.

Mrs. Tobe Mosely will spend Saturday in Tickville. She will take her spy glass along and inspect all of the bargains.

Sid Hooks will start out bright and early Monday morning introducing to the reading public his new fly trap. Last winter he sold them as meal sifters.

A play by Wm. Shakespeare has been selected for production by the Tickville high school at an early date. This author is rapidly forging to the front as a writer of plays.

The Wild Onion school teacher thinks that if everybody on earth would get together and get well acquainted with one another there would not be so

many wars and unpleasanties.

Raz Barlow attended a show at the Tickville opera house Saturday night, and liked the show so well he was sorry when the curtain went down on Act V, and all the actors had to go and wash their faces.

A toad frog, that has been spending the winter somewhere under the post-office, unbeknownst to the Postmaster, came out the other day for summer and took a stand in front of the post-office. The Postmaster says he is imposed on more than any other public official.

"A subscriber," who contributes to nearly every paper, large or small at sometime or other, wrote a lengthy article in the last issue of the Tickville Tidings. He is a very fine writer and always gives out some opinions by freight that the editor is afraid to express.

Clab Hancock says there is some difference between an auto and a horse and buggy. If a person is walking along a country road and a buggy overtakes him the driver will nearly always invite him to get in and ride. But if an automobile comes along it goes by with a couple of distasteful honks and leaves only a cloud of its dust.

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OUR OLD YOUNG MEN.

Compared With Men of Their Age Half a Century Ago.

It may be, as physicians and professors of physical culture do not fail to tell us, that men of forty are now old and decrepit because they do not play enough, but most of them look younger than did men of that age fifty or sixty years ago. No one can examine the portraits of 1850-60, knowing the age of the subjects, without seeing that they depicted very young men who looked very old.

The fact is that until times comparatively recent young men assumed the airs, dress and appearance of age, and perhaps profited by it. They carried themselves with much gravity and dignity, especially in the presence of youth. Beards were more in vogue than they are today, and in other respects men of forty or fifty, whose likenesses are preserved to us, were more venerable figures than are their sons of sixty or seventy today.

It was a custom, too, half a century or more ago for men of middle age to speak of themselves as old. Abraham Lincoln died at the age of fifty-six, and yet a letter of his written when he was in his forties mentions a speech that brought tears to his "old eyes." He was call-

ed "Old Abe" when he was still young Abe. Although General Grant was only forty-three at Appomattox no one regarded him as youthful.

The old young men of this era are told that they must play, relax, rest or die. The young old men of the fifties did not play. They were very serious persons, and many of them were cut off at an early age. If men of forty now are actually old perhaps it is because they are trying to look like men of twenty-five or thirty, to dress like them, and in business and pleasure to hold their own with them. To look young but be really old at forty is not desirable, but it may be no worse than to look old and be old also at that age.—New York World.

Hellespont and Dardanelles.

The terms Hellespont and Dardanelles mean the same, Hellespont being the ancient and Dardanelles the more modern term applied to the long, narrow strait that connects the sea of Marmora with the Aegean sea, separating Europe from Asia. The name Hellespont or sea of Helle was derived from a mythical story about Helle, a Grecian princess falling into the strait during an aerial flight which she was making and being drowned in it; hence Helles-pontus. The name Dardanelles relates to an ancient

city called Dardania, situated near the Hellespont. The ancient fort of this city, built by Dardanus, was called of the Dardanelles, and finally this name was applied to the entire strait.—Philadelphia Press.

Pronouncing Welsh.

While learned professors may differ as to the correct pronunciation of English, it is a comforting reflection that our language offers no obstacles equal to those which have to be surmounted by students of Welsh. One of Dr. Owen's predecessors in the see of St. David's, who set about learning Welsh as soon as he was appointed, told his chaplain that he feared he would never succeed in mastering the guttural "ll." "I will tell you how you have to do it, my lord," was the reply. "Put the tip of your apostolic tongue in the roof of your episcopal mouth, and then hiss like a gander."—London Chronicle.

Who Voted?

Benjamin Franklin once discussed the property qualification for voting in Pennsylvania. A man owned a donkey of sufficient value to enable him to vote, but before the next election the donkey died, and the man's vote was refused. "Now," asked Franklin, "who voted at the previous election, the man or the donkey?"