

NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA

JAMES WELSH WANTS A WIFE BUT HE IS A TRIFLE DIFFICULT TO PLEASE.

The Hermit of the Poconos Receives Many Letters and Photographs in Response to His Advertisement for a Wife—Numerous Lady Visitors Also Visit His Home in Search of a Husband—Eva Beck Returns—Other News Notes from Monroe and Pike.

Special to The Scranton Tribune.

Stroudsburg, Nov. 26.—Statistics tell us that there are many thousands more women than men in this world, and that it is true as can be learned in this tale. Some weeks ago there appeared in a weekly paper of this town an advertisement, the heading of which ran "Wife Wanted." The advertiser was James Walsh, a well known resident of Coolbaugh township, Monroe county. From the notices given the advertisement Mr. Walsh has received over 1,000 letters from ladies anxious to become Mrs. Walsh, and some of them were desirous to have a lord and master. They even journeyed to the home of Mr. Walsh to present themselves in person. "Where does James Walsh live?" replied a Mount Pocono man in answer to a reporter's query, "Why about four miles from here, at Drexel's home. The best way to get there is to hire a rig." A drive in the brisk mountain air of about an hour brings the visitor to the Welsh homestead. It is not calculated at first sight to make one believe that it is a country mansion, although surrounded by the beautiful Pocono mountains. It is a house that has stood the storm for many years, and shows that it has held its own although a trifle battered in the war with the elements. The home is not a large one, nor is it furnished with luxuriousness. The floors have a little carpet on them and there is some furniture. Altogether it would not impress a supplicant for the position of mistress with any too great favor.

"It's comfortable," says Walsh, who has long occupied it, keeping bachelor's hall, and he ought to know. The owner is about three score years old, and although his hair is silvered he is still robust and vigorous, tall and straight, and with a head as young as a proverbial Irishman's of his age. "Why do I want a wife?" he said, in answer to a question put to him by a friend recently. "Well, most of all because I am lonely. There is no fun sitting alone, and when I get up in the morning I rise with the lark and go to bed with the chickens. Few come in and talk with me because they like to remain in their own homes after work is done, and I don't blame them. It is too far to walk to any place, and even if they came to pass away the evening, so I thought what a nice thing it would be to have a wife to talk to, to help me on the farm and to look after my old days."

It took some time for Mr. Walsh to make up his mind to advertise for a wife, but his increasing years and loneliness finally induced him to make the offer. The postmasters at Mount Pocono and Tobyhanna have received hundreds of letters from all over the United States, and even Postmaster Reminger here has received a few. These missives are from the cov young miss of sixteen up to the lemon colored old maiden of sixty. It would be a breach of confidence to give the public extracts from these letters, because such missives are only intended for the eyes of one person. A few weeks ago Walsh astonished the residents of Tobyhanna by having a number of ladies call upon him in answer to his advertisement. They came in such quantity that Mr. Walsh determined to stop them.

"It don't look right," said he, "to a Tobyhanna lady to have these women come to my house. Of course I don't ask them to come, but they do. Hereafter those that write to me, and I think they will suit me, I shall go and see them personally."

The stage driver was as good as his word. He stopped the influx of ladies and went to see them instead. In the past few weeks Walsh has visited Easton, Bethlehem, Philadelphia, Pottsville and Washington, but he is yet unsmiled. He is still receiving letters and in many instances photographs.

HUNTERS SUCCESSFUL.—The local hunters who spent a part of last week in the receiving of August moose, had remarkable success on the last day of their stay in the wilds of Porter, bringing home two fine deer. Joseph Bentley shot a two-pronged buck and Charles Lazen killed a doe. The other members of the party were Warren VanGordon, Daniel H. Meddaugh, William H. Beck, Harry L. Dinegan, John Hornbeck, Harry L. Brisco, Charles H. Hager and Still Janger.

"Lum" Crona killed a deer in the backwoods on Saturday. R. Froyer, of Wilson Courtwright, while hunting one day that week, had the good fortune to shoot and bring home two fine deer, both bucks; also a number of birds. Mr. Courtwright is superintendent of the Beaver Run Hunting and Fishing club and Mr. Froyer is one of its charter members. The Lake house is catering to its full quota of guests during the hunting season, while Hunters' Range is also liberally patronized. The rush is likely to continue for a few weeks to come.

EVA BECK RETURNS.—Eva Beck, who was induced to leave her home in Milton, nearly four weeks ago, and whose whereabouts could not be ascertained, returned to her home on Monday from Paterson, N. J., where she had been for some days. Miss Beck fully discussed her adventures, but failed to give any reason for leaving home, simply saying that John Stoddard, of New York state, with whom she had kept up a secret correspondence for about two years, came here and coaxed her to flee with him. At the time of Miss Beck's departure and during her absence from home she was much talked about.

PERSONALS.—On Thanksgiving eve Rev. Russell Conwell, the well known Philadelphia lecturer, will lecture in the court house on "Acres of Diamonds." At the Presbyterian parsonage Rev. Samuel G. Hutchinson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, married

ROBBED BY MASKED MEN.

Four Thieves Gag and Rob Township Officer of \$300.

Towanda, Nov. 26.—In true professional style four masked thieves robbed Samuel G. Marshall of over \$300 in money and two watches at an early hour yesterday morning. Marshall is the town treasurer of Shoshuque township. He was awakened shortly after 2 o'clock by three masked men, who held revolvers at the heads of himself and wife and demanded his money. A fourth man watched outside. With tools stolen from a blacksmith shop they forced open the inner door of a small safe and took \$320, about \$90 belonging to the township. A costly gold watch and a silver watch were also taken. After debating among themselves the advisability of burning Marshall's feet to see if he would confess to having more money, they tore the sheets of the bed into strips, bound and gagged Marshall and his wife, and going upstairs brought down their nine-year-old granddaughter and tied all three to the bed.

After several hours Mrs. Marshall got free by eating an almond. All four men are described as being about thirty years old and dressed in tramp fashion, with bandana handkerchiefs for masks. The condemned men are Michael Brososky, aged 34 years, married; Anthony Machulis, aged 31 years, single; Joseph Sachinski, aged 21 years, single; and Andrew Coress, aged 28 years, single; Peter Stenkwich, aged 21 years, single; Anthony Stenkwich, aged 30 years, single; John Stenkwich, aged 28 years, single.

THREE ONLOOKERS STABBED.

Bloody Climax to Wedding Festivities in Mahanoy City.

Mahanoy City, Nov. 26.—A bloody stabbing affray, in which three apparently innocent persons suffered, occurred here today. A number of foreigners had been enjoying wedding festivities in a neighboring house, and at a late hour went to a local saloon, where they became involved in a quarrel, which attracted a crowd of sight-seers.

Suddenly the door of the saloon flew open, and out rushed several of the infuriated participants, closely pursued by Joseph Barnus, who, it is alleged, wildly brandished a knife. Mistaking his friend, Frank Yonke, a bystander, for one of his numerous assailants, he is thought to have plunged the weapon into Yonke's abdomen, and with a second thrust penetrated the right lung.

By this time the crowd was surging, and Judge J. C. Henning was asked for an arrest of judgment and a new trial in the case of the seven condemned men.

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY.

Special to The Scranton Tribune.

Susquehanna, Nov. 26.—On Friday, Dec. 8, Moody Relief corps, No. 12, G. A. R., will hold a supper and fair in Knights of Pythias hall, to secure funds toward erecting a public drinking fountain on Main street.

R. H. Hall is in Rochester, visiting his son.

At the county court divorces were granted in the cases of W. A. Chamberlain vs. Lucy Chamberlain; E. C. Hall vs. E. C. Hall, and Niles vs. Niles.

Mrs. Rosena Gill, of Great Bend, has been elected grand associate con-ductress of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania, Order of the Eastern Star.

Miss Mina Frank, of Carbondale, was soprano soloist today in the Christ Episcopal church.

The elegant new altar fittings for Christ Episcopal church have arrived.

The seventh annual session of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania, Order of the Eastern Star, will be held in Peekville the third Tuesday in January, 1901; having been changed from November next until that time.

Bradley Beebe, an aged and prominent resident of Oakland township,

SEVEN MEN GUILTY OF ONE MURDER

Members of Secret Organization Must Suffer Law's Extreme Penalty for Conspiring in Killing of Joseph Rutkofski in Schuylkill County—Two Others Yet to Be Tried.

Pottsville, Nov. 26.—The jury in the case of seven Lithuanians, charged with conspiring and being accessories in the killing of Joseph Rutkofski at William Penn on Sept. 21 last, yesterday returned a verdict of murder in the first degree in each instance. The condemned men are Michael Brososky, aged 34 years, married; Anthony Machulis, aged 31 years, single; Joseph Sachinski, aged 21 years, single; and Andrew Coress, aged 28 years, single; Peter Stenkwich, aged 21 years, single; Anthony Stenkwich, aged 30 years, single; John Stenkwich, aged 28 years, single.

Two other defendants in the case—Adam Romanowski and Charles Kutofski—proved an alibi during the trial of the case and they were acquitted. It was proven that a secret organization known as the "Propokos," to which the defendants belonged, plotted the killing of Joseph Rutkofski, who had entered the employ of Rollas Bubnis and his brother, Matthew, two members of the society.

Rutkofski was coaxed from his house into the front yard at night and was then surrounded. Rollas Bubnis, it is charged, split him with an axe, which injury caused his death. The Bubnis brothers were not tried with the above seven defendants. They will be tried at the January term of criminal court.

This was the largest number of defendants ever tried jointly in the county for one murder. Five men were once tried for the murder of George Jones. Six men were hung in one day in this county some years ago during the "Mollie Maguire" troubles.

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HALLSTEAD.

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Hallstead, Nov. 26.—N. L. Tyler, an esteemed resident of this borough, died at his home here Wednesday morning at 11:45 o'clock. The deceased is survived by a wife, who is in feeble health, and four children, Mary Van Flet, John Tyler, Mrs. Bruce Rose and Mrs. Sanford Swartz. The funeral was held at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Bruce Rose, at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon. Rev. David L. MacDonald, of Windsor, preached the funeral sermon.

The concert by the Mendelssohn quartette, of Binghamton, at the Presbyterian church was a musical success, but somewhat of a financial disappointment. The entertainment was high-class and deserved larger patronage.

The Susquehanna river begins to look wintry, since nearly all the boats have been placed in winter quarters.

Hunters report that pheasants and rabbits are in abundance here this fall. Gus Sliker, a local hunter, reports having seen twenty-seven pheasants in an afternoon's hunt.

Artist D. J. Reed has purchased a tract of woodland, comprising 112 acres, situated near the state line, of T. J. Davies, of Montrose.

Several freight train crews have received orders not to lay over in Hallstead, but to proceed to Elmira and return.

Road Commissioner Humphrey is at work raising the level of the Harmony road between the creek bridge and the river hill.

The stockholders of the Great Bend Bridge company met at the Mitchell house, Friday afternoon, and arranged business so that the bridge can be turned over into the hands of the county commissioners as soon as they are ready to take possession of the same. A meeting of the commissioners and the stockholders will be held at the Mitchell house next Wednesday.

Professor Charles E. Moxley will make a tour of the eastern end of the county this week, visiting the public schools.

The silk mill is experiencing a rush of orders.

James Claxton has posted notices on DuBois mountain, warning hunters not to trespass on the property, under penalty of arrest.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

THE MARKETS.

Scranton Board of Trade Exchange Quotations—All Quotations Based on Par of 100.

Table with columns: STOCKS, Bid, Asked. Includes entries for First National Bank, Scranton Savings Bank, etc.

BONDS.

Table with columns: Bid, Asked. Includes entries for Scranton Pass, Railway, first mortgage, etc.

Scranton Wholesale Market

Table with columns: Butter-Creamery, Eggs-Select western, Cheese-Full cream, etc.

Philadelphia Grain and Produce.

Table with columns: Philadelphia, Nov. 25. Butter-Firm, fancy western creamery, etc.

Chicago Live Stock Market.

Table with columns: Chicago, Nov. 25. Cattle generally steady at the decline, etc.

New York Live Stock.

Table with columns: New York, Nov. 25. Beeves—No trading, feeling weak, etc.

East Liberty Cattle Market.

Table with columns: East Liberty, Nov. 25. Cattle—Steady;

Philadelphia Live Stock Market.

Philadelphia, Nov. 26.—Receipts for the week: Beeves, 1,817 head; sheep, 7,322 head; hogs, 819 head. Cattle resembled but-ly and with apoor demand; sales barely held their own; extra, \$16.50; good, \$15.50; medium, \$14.50; common, \$14.00. Sheep declined 1/2c on all grades and the demand was small; extra, \$14.50; good, \$14.00; medium, \$13.50; common, \$13.00. Hogs: lambs, \$14.00. Hogs—in reasonable request and top values were reached when 60c; for best western and 60c; for other western was paid but at the close lower prices prevailed. Fat cows, in fair request at 2 1/2c; thin cows, dull at \$1.80; veal calves, active at \$1.50.

SHOT A STRANGE BIRD.

Johnnie Stockholm Kills Something That Looks Like a Goose.

Hallstead, Pa., Nov. 25.—Johnnie Stockholm, of Hickory Grove, this county, while hunting muskrats in the Susquehanna river near Smoky Hollow scoured a large flock of what appeared to be ducks which were swimming in an eddy near the bank. Stockholm says there were at least fifty of the birds. The flock flew in single file in a northerly direction. He fired both barrels of his shot gun at random and failed to hit any of the birds. Reloading his gun, he took careful aim and succeeded in bringing down one of the birds. It resembled a goose, being somewhat larger and of a wood color, but instead of a flat duck bill its bill was six inches long and resembled a woodpecker's bill in appearance. None of the natives ever saw any bird like it before. It will be presented to a Philadelphia naturalist, a cousin of young Stockholm.

Used by British Soldiers in Africa.

Captain C. G. Dennison is well known all over Africa as commander of the forces that captured the famous rebel Gaithe. Under date of November 4, 1897, from Vryburg, Bechuanaland, he writes: "Before starting on the last campaign I bought a quantity of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, which I used myself when troubled with bowel complaint, and have given to my men, and in every case it proved most beneficial." For sale by all druggists, Matthew Bros., wholesale and retail agents.

FINANCIAL.

TO SMALL INVESTORS. TO LARGE INVESTORS. Six Per Cent. Interest is paid semi-annually to investors in "The Peoples Savings Bank" on an amount from \$100 to \$10,000. SAFE, CON-SECURE, PROFITABLE.

INQUIRE OF J. T. McCORMACK, Attorney 422 SPRUCE ST., SCRANTON, PA.

TO PATENT Good Ideas MAY BE SECURED BY THE PATENT RECORD, Baltimore, Md.

GOLD DUST The Best Washing Powder

Sale of wool undershirts

Big choice of all wool undershirt patterns, in light and dark colors, new and striking patterns, real value 98c. Special on Monday at a one day price—45c only three to a customer—each..... 45c

THE LEADER Scranton Store, 124-126 Wyoming Avenue.

Monday sale of laces and embroideries

5,000 yards of Torchon Laces, from 2 to 5 inches wide, worth 6c to 8c. Choice of any on Monday..... 3c One lot of high class cream lace, would be cheap at 18c. Special on Monday..... 12 1/2c Special sale of embroidery at 3c, 4c, 5c and 1/2c, worth double

Read this list of Monday's remarkable low priced bargains

Today will be a banner day in all our departments. Prices are lower than ever before and many new lots of desirable merchandise will go on sale at much under the regular price. Don't miss this event and make it a point to be here early in the morning.

Dress goods for Monday's sale

- One lot of dress goods, all this season's fabrics, would be cheap at 39c. Special on Monday..... 29c
One lot of novelty dress goods, including chevrons and chevrons, in black and all colors, 59c grade. Special on Monday..... 39c
54-inch camel's hair serge, in black and colors, 98c grade. Special on Monday..... 65c
42-inch black storm serge, 59c grade. Special..... 43c
All of our 98c black serge. Special on Monday..... 69c
All of our \$1.25 black crepon. Special on Monday..... 98c
All of our \$1.75 black crepon. Special on Monday..... \$1.25
One lot of pure silk crepon, in black only, retail price has been \$3.00. Special on Monday..... \$1.85
One lot of broadcloth, real value \$1.25. Special..... 83c
One lot of high-class camel's hair plaids, 75c grade..... 43c

Monday morning between 8 and 10

- Yard wide unbleached muslin, 5 cent grade. Special on Monday for two hours..... 3c
One lot of bleached muslin, slightly soiled, regular price 8c. Special on Monday for two hours..... 5c
Twenty-five pieces of pure linen crash, 8c grade. Special on Monday for two hours..... 4c
One lot 20-inch crash, in bleached and unbleached, standard retail price 10c. Special. on Monday for 2 hours..... 6c

Special sale of notions and fancy goods

- One lot of Silk Garter Elastic. Special per piece..... 5c
One lot of Silk Garter Elastic, better grade than above. Special per piece..... 10c
One lot of Pearl Buttons, real value 15c per dozen. Special, two dozen for..... 10c
Brooks' Sewing Cotton, one hundred yard spools, sells everywhere for 2c a spool. Special, only 5 spools to a customer, per spool..... 1c
One lot of Turquoise Pins, regular price 10c. Special..... 10c
One lot of high-class Stick Pins, Brooches, Medallions, etc, real value 50c. Special..... 25c
One lot better grade than above, real value 98c. Special 50c
One lot of Sterling Silver Goods, including paper cutters, nail files, button hooks, lead pencils, etc..... 25c and 50c
Special sale of Rhinestone Combs, real value 50c. Special 25c
Cotton Tape, all widths, re 1/4 price 3c. Special..... 1c
One lot large size Shell Hair Pins, 5c grade, special 2 for 5c
Safety Pins, all sizes, regular prices 5c, 6c, 8c and 10c. Special per card of one doz..... 4c
One lot of Curling Irons, 5c grade. Special..... 3c
One lot Hooks and Eyes, regular price 5c. Special per card 1c
Cabinet Hair Pins, 6c grade. Special..... 4c
Kid Curlers, all sizes, regular price 6c, 8c and 10c. Special 5c

Monday bargains on second floor

- White corrugated cottage poles, with trimmings complete, worth 19c. Special on Monday..... 12c
Oak cottage poles, with trimmings complete, worth 15c. Special on Monday..... 9c
Soia cushions, covered with fast colored cretonne, ruffled border, worth 39c. Special on Monday..... 25c
Figured denim, reversible patterns, former price 25c. Monday..... 12c
Tapestry table covers, yard wide, new designs, worth 39c. Special on Monday..... 25c
60-inch reversible oriental stripe drapery goods, same as others ask 75c and 85c for. Monday..... 50c
Denim laundry bags, worth 39c. Special for Monday only..... 25c
Fish net, yard wide, worth 15c. Special for Monday..... 7c

Cut price on fancy ribbons

- Special sale of all silk ribbon, in both satin and fancy, in the following numbers—22, 40, 60 and 80, real value 20c. Special..... 12 1/2c
One lot of all silk satin ribbon, No. 40, in black only, real value 29c. Monday only..... 19c
Special sale of all silk satin and gros-grain ribbons in all shades as follows: No. 7; 7c; No. 9; 8c; No. 12; 10c; No. 16, 12 1/2c.
Forty-five pieces of No. 50 all silk taffeta ribbon, in black and colors, 23c grade. Special on Monday..... 15c

Special sale of remnants

- On Monday last we sold thousands of these remnants and were hardly able to wait on all the customers at that particular counter. Again for today we shall place on sale a large number of remnants heretofore not shown.
50c remnants of plaids..... 15c
50c remnants of chevrons..... 15c
50c remnants of novelties..... 15c
50c remnants of black goods..... 15c
75c remnants of whipcords..... 50c
75c remnants of chevrons..... 50c
75c remnants of plaids..... 50c
75c remnants of venetian..... 50c
\$2 remnants of serges..... 98c
\$2 remnants of vigoreaux..... 98c
\$2 remnants of Venetians..... 98c
\$2 remnants of whipcords..... 98c