

NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY.

Special to The Scranton Tribune. Susquehanna, Dec. 14.—County Superintendent of Schools Charles E. Moxley, of Hallettsville, was officially engaged in town on Wednesday.

The Susquehanna County Medical Examining board met in this place on Wednesday, the usual number of veterans appearing for examination.

Ada M., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Melchers, died in Binghamton on Tuesday, in her nineteenth year. The funeral took place this afternoon from the Laneboro Methodist church. The remains were interred in the Laneboro cemetery.

Canawacta Tribe of Redmen and Waseca council, Daughters of Pocatontas, will attend divine service in the Methodist church on Sunday evening.

County Treasurer Charles Dagden, of Susquehanna, has purchased a valuable timber tract on the Hillside and Brook farm in Jackson township.

Since the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad company has commenced paying its employees in checks, Hallettsville and Great Bend greatly feel the need of a bank.

Head George R. Tiffany, of Gibson, was in town on Wednesday.

The Laneboro Fire company's fair begins tonight in the new hall.

Mary Hinkley, of Eldorado, has been granted a widow's pension of \$8 per month.

Mordcael Tanner, of Oakley, has had his pension increased from \$6 to \$10 per month.

Frank Belcher, formerly of South Gibson, this county, who recently returned for the second time from Dawson City, it is said with \$150,000, will spend the winter at his old home. It is reported that he will next season visit Europe, for the purpose of selling some of his claims in Alaska.

Jasper T. Jennings, of New Milford, will be one of the speakers at the institute of the Wayne county agriculturists, to be held in Equinunk, on Monday next.

It is rumored that Mrs. Patrick O'Rourke, whose husband was recently killed at Windsor crossing, will bring suit against the Erie Railroad company, claiming \$15,000 damages.

An Erie coal train recently ran away from Ararat Summit, on the Jefferson branch, the train finally regaining control of it below Starucca, where there is a sag in the road. The train ran from Ararat to Starucca, eight miles, in less than seven minutes, and over the Starucca viaduct at a lightning pace.

The chief officials of the Erie are making an inspection of the road.

Under the Lackawanna time-card, which goes into effect next Sunday, are shown three through trains between New York and Chicago, in each direction, every day.

A largely-attended farmers' institute was held today in Montross.

Rev. Charles W. Booth will preach in Trinity Memorial church, in Binghamton, on Monday, Dec. 25.

There will be elaborate Christmas services in St. John's Catholic church, Keystone Hook and Ladder company, No. 1, will hold its twenty-annual ball in Horan opera house, on Friday evening, Dec. 29. Music will be furnished by Doran's full Susquehanna orchestra. It will be a stellar social event.

FOREST CITY.

Special to The Scranton Tribune. Forest City, Dec. 14.—John Mayers has gone to Staffordshire, England, to visit his parents. He will be absent several weeks.

Thomas W. Cunningham, of Hallettsville, was a visitor among his Forest City friends Tuesday.

Miss Belle Kennedy was a visitor in Scranton Wednesday.

Yesterday the Hillside Coal and Iron company paid its employees for the month of November.

Mr. George Laughlin and Miss Besse Budd, of Peckville, spent the first of the week as guests at the home of John R. Budd.

Mildred, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Tyler, is ill with diphtheria.

Miss Afa Budd, of New York city, is visiting at the home of her uncle, J. R. Budd, on Railroad street.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Taylor, of Delaware street, are ill with whooping cough.

For several winters past it has been the custom of the school board to conduct a night school for the benefit of those who choose to take advantage of it and the attendance has heretofore proved the wisdom of the action. Inquiries as to whether the present board will follow the precedent set by former boards and open a school this winter have been made by a number who can not attend in the day time.

Miss Mamie Budd will leave for Worcester, Mass., this week to attend the wedding of her cousin, Frank Budd, which will take place in that city on Tuesday next.

Mrs. W. X. Reese is visiting Friday at her childhood home in Schuylkill county, from which she has been absent over thirty years.

Thomas asks the following questions: What am I best adapted for? When will I marry? Will I travel or go abroad? This palm indicates two marriages; will not become rich; acts of riches; but of good comfortable circumstances; many things indicate a sea voyage; likely to go abroad.

E. W. W. asks the following questions: What am I best adapted for? How often will I marry? Will I travel or go abroad? This palm is full of confidence, good nature, and is most remarkable. Is gifted for business, public life or high office, also a taste for music is shown; Palm tells of twice marriage; will not be a failure; that journey that has been made once before.

Angelo asks the following questions: What am I best adapted for? When will I marry? Will I travel or go abroad? This palm possesses all the qualities of a good lawyer or doctor and would succeed in either one; marriage is shown before 25; talent is shown in art, literature and music; a strong faculty to mimic, love for drama; will travel much and likely to go abroad.

What am I best adapted for? How often will I marry? Will I travel or go abroad? This palm indicates a person who is inclined to be a little different from others.

Neil asks the following questions: What am I best adapted for? When will I marry? Will I travel or go abroad? Should I make any change in business? This is a truly good hand, one who should succeed in business; however, marriage is not shown in a foreign land; no change of business is indicated.

Neill asks the following questions: What am I best adapted for? When will I marry? Will I travel or go abroad? This hand possesses a long thumb, which has made a good teacher or stenographer; music is shown; marriage is shown close to 25; is likely to suffer from head trouble.

James asks the following questions: What am I best adapted for? When will I marry? Will I travel or go abroad? This palm would indicate one who would excel in a business such as a civil engineer; however, marriage is not shown till close to 25; will become rich.

M. R. asks the following questions: What am I best adapted for? When will I marry? Will I travel or go abroad? This is rather a peculiar palm, a person however that is very practical; would be excellent in mechanical work, should be a good teacher or stenographer; music is shown; marriage is shown close to 25; will gain wealth through personal genius.

PALMISTRY DEPARTMENT.

Edited by Martini. The number of questions received make it impossible for all to be answered in one issue. They will be given in order received until all have been considered. As Martini will soon leave the city, no more questions can be considered in future columns.

Mary M. sent two impressions of two different persons, failed to specify questions, also which Mary M.'s hand is considered in future columns.

Reese H. asks the following questions: What am I best adapted for? Will I die wealthy or poor? Will I travel or go abroad? This palm indicates two marriages; will not become rich; acts of riches; but of good comfortable circumstances; many things indicate a sea voyage; likely to go abroad.

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What am I best adapted for? How often will I marry? Will I travel or go abroad? This palm indicates a person who is inclined to be a little different from others.

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Penny asks the following questions: What am I best adapted for? When will I marry? Will I travel or go abroad? This palm indicates a person that is of a nervous, worrying temperament; likely to suffer from such diseases as the head; talent is shown in art, literature and music; a strong faculty to mimic, love for drama; will travel much and likely to go abroad.

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THE CHANCES OF WAR.

1,000 to 1 Against Being Killed on the Battlefield.

From the London Mail. It is certainly a crumb of comfort to a man about to fight for his country to know that in battle not more than one in every 1,000 projectiles of all descriptions and weight takes effect.

The competent authorities of the British and French troops fired between 45,000,000 projectiles, resulting in the death of only 51,000 Prussians, while on their side the czar's adherents killed some 45,000 of the allies with an expenditure of over 50,000,000 projectiles, this representing a death for every 1,087 shots fired.

The American civil war returns, which were got out with great care, showed that the Prussians killed 700,000 and Confederates was about 7 per cent. of the forces engaged, to bring about which involved the expenditure of nearly twenty-two hundredweight of ammunition per man.

At the siege of Metz, in the Franco-German war, the Prussians threw no fewer than 197,000 projectiles into the ill-fated town, but, strange to say, less than 400 persons were killed by them. Then at Trouville, two persons only were killed after some 27,000 old shells had been discharged. At Sedan, however, the aim of both the Germans and the French showed a marked improvement, for after 240,000 projectiles had been fired nearly 9,000 French and Prussians were killed.

For the Spanish-American war the returns showed a tremendous amount of shot and shell, but for very meagre results. Of course in this case, although the mortality was not great, the damage to earthworks, fortifications and government buildings generally was enormous, and there can be little doubt that if the Spaniards had not made themselves scarce the death roll would have been appalling.

Again, when the American marines landed at Santiago, during a fusillade upon the enemy lasting two nights, the machine guns and rifles alone accounted for the consumption of over 25,000 rounds of ammunition. Sixty-eight dead Spaniards were found the result of this enormous expenditure of ammunition.

Our own experience in our "little wars" has been very little, if any, better than the results just recorded. Take, for instance, the Charge of the Light Brigade, the only battle in which the British were moved down by the Maxim guns like skittles, but even in this instance, which, perhaps, is the most effective on record, as the solid masses, it would have puzzled a blind man to have missed shooting some of them. The mortality was very small considering the vast number of cartridges expended, but this is accounted for by the fact that on examination some of the dead bodies contained more than fifty bullets in each. On another occasion, at an attack on a larger some twenty miles south of Bulawayo, 14,000 rounds of ammunition were disposed of, with a result of 345 dead Matabele.

Military authorities now regard rates of fire as being more essential than range and precision, and content themselves with giving general orders to aim low, and this, perhaps, accounts for the fact that most wounds are inflicted on the enemy's lower extremities, statistics showing that on the average 45 per cent. of wounds occur in the legs, 33 per cent. in the abdomen, 21 per cent. in the arms and chest, and only 1 per cent. in the head.

It will be interesting to learn how many Boer bullets it takes to kill a British soldier, and vice versa, if only for the sake of really ascertaining whether the Transvaal burghers' abilities as crack shots have not been considerably overrated.

THE MARKETS.

Wall Street Review. New York, Dec. 14.—Expectations of a further stress of liquidation in the stock market were not disappointed this morning. Heavy offerings were thrown on the market from the outset and the bears were very bold and determined in offering prices down. But it was obvious that there was not so acute a pressure of necessity on the market to realize as was the case yesterday and several developments over night helped to encourage a support of prices.

The market, therefore, did not at any time take on the extreme demoralization of yesterday, as was feared, and about midway of the session the bears had relinquished their position. The conflict of speculative interests was a fierce one before the issue was decided, and prices moved both ways at once in the opening. The discouraged bear in one direction, the determined support in Sugar was a notice to the bears from the outset that they were not to have things all their own way, and though they wiped out Sugar's opening rise in short order and made heavy inroads at other points in the industrial list, and even forced St. Paul to a half point below yesterday's low level for the day, the absorptive power of the steady buying demand proved too much for the reactionists. Subsequent attacks were made upon the Iron and Steel stocks, the New York city specialties and, in fact, every stock where any information could be had of a heavy account on the long side with the hope of wiping out margins and forcing liquidations. It was noticeable, on the other hand, that the buying demand died away at the higher level of prices achieved. This encouraged renewed inroads by the bears in the period on the last reaction, when they refrained from attacking the market, and the closing was firm, near the ton level, at substantial net gains all through the list. Total sales, 1,935,000. Bonds rallied from early weakness in sympathy with stocks. Total sales par value, \$2,645,000.

United States bonds were unchanged in bid quotations.

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Scranton Wholesale Market. Butter-Cream, 24c; print, 25c. Eggs-Select, 20c; nearby, 22c. Cheese-Full cream, new, 13c.

New York Grain and Produce Market. New York, Dec. 14.—Wheat—neglected and barely steady, closing a little firmer on the late strength in wheat.

Chicago Grain and Produce. Chicago, Dec. 14.—Early rather uncertain wheat later in the session turned around in sympathy with corn, and an bullish statistics. May closing 5c over yesterday's. Corn was strong on a good spring demand. May closing 1c higher. Oats closed 5c better.

Buffalo Live Stock Market. East Buffalo, Dec. 14.—Cattle—Receipts light, about steady for good kind, others weak; latest sales, good 1.20 pound, 1.15; light, 1.05; heavy, 1.00; yearlings, 1.00; calves, 1.00; hogs, 1.00; sheep, 1.00.

East Liberty Cattle Market. East Liberty, Dec. 14.—Cattle—Stronger, extra, \$5.00; prime, \$4.50; common, \$4.00; heavy, \$4.25; prime medium, \$4.12; light, \$4.00; heavy, \$4.00; light, \$4.00; yearlings, \$4.00; calves, \$4.00; hogs, \$4.00; sheep, \$4.00.

Chicago Live Stock Market. Chicago, Dec. 14.—Cattle—Steady; medium grades, lower; heavy, medium, 1.00; light, 1.00; yearlings, 1.00; calves, 1.00; hogs, 1.00; sheep, 1.00.

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