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## A GREAT MAN.

As our readers all read the daily newspapers it would be stale news for us to describe the wonderful outpouring of people who turned out to welcome the African Hunter home. The streets of New York City were overflowing with the masses who congregated there. Escorted with an army of regular Soldiers, followed by men and women on horseback, and by masses of people of all kinds on foot, and in all kinds of conveyances, Theodore Roosevelt passed through streets crowded for miles on each side by men, women, and children shouting welcomes to the home comer.

Among the crowds that welcomed his home coming, were many who love, and honor him for his good moral character and advocacy of measures to make good government, good citizens, and a prosperous Nation. Many others there were, without doubt, who desired to attract his attention, gain his confidence, and urge to accept a third presidential term, in the hope they will receive an appointment to some lucrative office. They are his followers in order to partake of the loaves and fishes. They will tell him that the nation needs him for president, that the Republican party needs him, for a candidate and that no other Republican can be elected, and nobody so well as he, can sustain his policies.

It is hoped that Roosevelt will not heed their arguments, and violate the unwritten law established by his successors.

Without doubt Roosevelt is one of the greatest and best men in the world at the present time. Even his enemies, (of whom he has not a few), admit his intellectual abilities. There have been many great men who were not good. Exceedingly able, but destitute of all the principles of justice and humanity. Caring only for themselves, they

did not hesitate to wade through rivers of blood in order to grasp the wealth, and power they coveted. Julius Caesar, the greatest general of ancient Rome, overthrew the republic, and made himself emperor. Napoleon Bonaparte, the greatest military genius of modern times filled all Europe with war, and carnage to make himself sole ruler of the continent, and nearly succeeded.

Diametrically opposite to these famous warriors Roosevelt may properly be termed the Apostle of Peace. If all the good things he has said and done none will be so far reaching in their effects as his advocacy of peace and good will among the Nations of the Earth. Like the good seed sown in fertile soil, at a favorable season, it is likely to bring forth a harvest of amity among the people of warring Europe.

It is not unlikely that he may be put at the head of the men who are laboring to promote the making of treaties between all the great Nations to submit all disagreements to a High Tribunal, and enforce the decrees of that Tribunal, by the limit action of all the governments. Success in such a movement would be vastly more beneficial to mankind, and more honor to Roosevelt, than his re-election to the office of President of the United States.

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### Science in Farming.

The farmers of Pennsylvania are showing their faith in agricultural education by sending several hundreds of their sons to the School of Agriculture in The Pennsylvania State College. The growth of this school in this state institution has been remarkable. The criticism made of some state agricultural schools that they train boys wholly away from the farm will not apply to Pennsylvania. One hundred and seventy of the four hundred and seventy-nine students enrolled in the School of Agriculture last year took courses that fit only for rural life, while a considerable percentage of the remaining number, who are taking the four years' college courses, expect to engage in some department of practical farming.

The Two Years' Course in Agriculture attracts young men who have not been able to prepare for a four years' course, and it fits men for practical work only and not for professional life. A booklet has been prepared for free distribution that describes the work offered in this course, and it presents some fine illustrations that are descriptive of the work in the School of Agriculture. Students are shown engaged in livestock judging, horticultural work and other partecum. An excellent picture of the students engaged in Military drill is shown on the last cover page. This attractive booklet may be secured without charge by sending a postal card request addressed to School of Agriculture and Experiment Station, State College, Centre county, Pennsylvania.

### Trespassers Arrested.

On Tuesday nine men were arrested for trespass on warrants issued by Justice Jas. C. Caven on information made by Mr. Leycock, game and fish warden for Col. R. B. Ricketts and The North Mountain Club. They were given a hearing before Justice Caven and the case was continued until Friday, July 1. Attorneys for the plaintiff were Rush J. Thomson of Dushore and E. J. Mullen of Laporte; for the defendants: A. Walsh and J. G. Scouten of Dushore.

### No Paper Next Week.

In accordance with the general custom of the News Item there will be no paper issued from this office on Friday, July 1. We will show our independence by refusing to dish out the usual supply of news and good things to our subscribers at this time but promise to return with a vigor renewed by a week's rest. All orders for work may be left at the post office.

### Bill to Provide Weather Signal For Rural Mail Wagons.

A bill was introduced into the House of Representatives on June 13, by John G. McHenry which if passed will provide a means whereby residents on the rural delivery routes may read the weather forecast daily. It reads:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to cause to have exposed to plain view on the top of each and every vehicle used for carrying rural mail a weather-signal flag of convenient and suitable size (to be determined by the Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General), indicating the weather predictions as reported by the United States Weather Bureau for the period in advance of the current trip: Provided, That a report of said period will have been received by the postmaster from the Weather Bureau in sufficient time so as not to retard the departure of mail on schedule time.

Sec. 2. That the Postmaster-General shall forward to postmasters, from whose offices rural routes start, as many sets of such flags as there are routes from such office. Neglect, failure or refusal of rural route mail carriers to display weather signals as herein provided shall be deemed sufficient cause for suspension or dismissal of any carrier, or carriers, guilty of such neglect, failure, or refusal (discretionary with the Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General).

Sec. 3. That this Act to take effect sixty days after its passage.

### Laporte 16; Sonestown 3.

On Saturday the base-ball boys of Laporte assisted by members of the state surveying corps stationed at this place, boarded the "Ark" and pulled for the Sonestown camp. 'Twas simply a game of walk right in, pick up the scalps and walk right out again, and out of the hard fighting bunch the Laportians gathered in 16 scores giving Sonestown 3 as an encouragement to keep the game going.

You see 'twas like this. Starting out in the first inning the mountain top boys batted eight men running in five scores. This started the wheel rolling and it was one continuous round of score runners until the end of the game. Sonestown worked hard, changing pitchers, catchers, fielders, but to no avail.

Good work was in evidence from every part of the field, but was mostly between Carpenter and Pennock the battery, as "Buck" allowed but one hit up to the eighth inning. Macachran and Africa worked well on second and first and it made little difference which base each covered; Rutter was Johnny on the spot at short; Lovelace did some excellent third base work. There was little work for the right and left fielders, Carpenter and Lawrenson, owing to the fact that there were not enough long hits to go around and preference was given the editor of the News Item, who held down center field. The generous Sonestown boys dropped a couple in reach of his paw.

And didn't everybody bat though, Starr, the speedy twirler of Sonestown was not in it. Laporte has been studying stars every since the appearance of Halley and were actually forced to stand up and knock them.

But what is the use rubbing it in. Someone had to lose and Laporte did not have that inclination, so until the next victory we will close by giving the line-up of the teams:

SONESTOWN	Position	LAPORTE
Schanbacher,	Catcher	Pennock,
Starr,	Pitcher	Carpenter
Lockwood	1 Base	Macachran
Laird	2 Base	Africa
Basley	3 Base	Lovelace
Boatman	Short Stop	Rutter
Cook	R. Field	Laurenson
Freas	C. Field	VanDyke
Crist	L. Field	Carpenter
		George Derrick, Umpire.

Ray Farrell of Dushore was a business man in town Tuesday.

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### Body Found in Vacant House at Dushore.

Dushore has a real mystery, which at present bids fair to never be solved.

Saturday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, John O'Neil and Ashley Davis, railroad section hands, entered an old house owned by Thomas Hickok, and attracted by a peculiar odor went up stairs and there on the bare floor found the badly decomposed body of a well dressed man.

Dr. Heermans and the coroner of Sullivan county were summoned, and investigation disclosed the fact that the man had been dead for a long time. Dr. Heermans opined that death had occurred at least two months ago.

There was not a scratch of paper, or anything by which the identity of the deceased might be established and the body was so badly decomposed that to ascertain the cause of death is next to impossible. The body was well dressed, the clothes being of excellent material, A railroad ticket in one of the pockets bore the name of a small town in the Western part of the State.

There is no one missing in the vicinity of Dushore, and the authorities are at a loss to account for the death of the man. The house in which the body was found has not been occupied for several years.

The body was rolled in a blanket and buried in the Quin cemetery Sunday afternoon.—Towanda Review.

The mystery surrounding the above has been solved by Chief of Police Miller of Towanda. He is satisfied that the body was that of Edward Kennedy of Tioga county who was confined in the Towanda jail on April 19.

All doubt as to the identity of the man as Kennedy was cast aside by the discovery of a cane near the body. The cane was purchased by Kennedy before he left Towanda to go to Lopez. A pair of shoes which he also purchased in Towanda were on the feet of the dead man.

### Who Was It?

The amazement and wonder of a country boy on his first trip to the city is well portrayed by the following episode of true life which occurred recently in this section. The story goes: A certain young man, unaccustomed to the bustle of urban life, journeyed to a certain town which, while not one of the largest nor most prominent on the map, however carries a metropolitan air and was a place of much curiosity to the ruralite. With his gaze fixed upon a gilded sign on top of a high building this young adventurer sprung from his wagon to the crowded street unheeding the maxim "look before you leap." As a result it is alleged, a mammoth flag stone was rent asunder by the impact of the country lads anatomy. He was picked up in a dazed condition by an accommodating dog-catcher, placed in his wagon and started toward his mountain abode, the cry "go back to the farm" ringing in his ears. Owing to the generous feelings of the city authorities and the fact that it was the lad's first experience no suit for damages followed the insult to the flag.

### Bridges Carried Away.

The storm of Friday night caused a big rise in the Bahr Creek in Albany township, and two bridges were swept away. Lawrence Cullen while on his way to the milk station attempted to ford the creek where one of the bridges had been swept away. He lost two cans of milk in the endeavor to make his way across the swollen stream.—Towanda Review.

### Lightning Strikes Church.

As a result of the terrific electric storm of Monday night the Catholic church is in a badly damaged condition. Lightning struck the steeple and passed through several parts of the building shattering the timbers. No fire caught from the stroke.

### SONESTOWN.

BOTSFORD—GAVITT.

A pretty wedding took place Wednesday evening June 6, when Eva, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Gavitt, became the wife of Leslie Botsford formerly of this place, now of Texas. The bride was attended by her cousin Lela Buck, Harry Botsford a cousin of the groom acted as groomsman. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Bidlack. Mrs. R. A. Conklin played the wedding march.

Among the out of town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Conklin of Picture Rocks; Nora Corson of Mawr Glen; Alice C. Pennington of Williamsport; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stanley, Ernest and Harry Botsford and Cecil Botsford of Nordmont; Mrs. B. G. Welsh of Hughesville; Rev. Bidlack, wife, and son Kenneth.

The hail storm here on Friday evening did great damage.

Fronce Laird is visiting his parents at this place.

Miss Anna Wood of Williamsport spent Sunday in town.

Pearle and Marie Snyder of Nordmont spent Sunday with J. M. Boatman and family.

Quite a number from this place attended the Children's Day Service at Mount Vernon Sunday evening.

Many from out of town attended the Children's Day service of the Methodist Church Sunday evening.

Mrs. Harry Basley and Mrs. L. K. Freas did shopping in Hughesville Friday.

Miss Anna Wood of Williamsport spent Sunday with Miss Ada Simmons.

Don't forget to come to Sonestown on July 4th.

Harry Basley made a fine catch of trout this week numbering about thirty.

Schanbacher of the Sonestown sluggers was painfully injured in the game Saturday.

Mrs. L. K. Freas was very pleasantly surprised on Wednesday June 22, it being her birthday, by the following friends: Mesdames Basley, Hess, Simons, Hodge, Hertz, H. C. and Wm. Boatman, Boudman, Tupper, Williamson, Voorhees, H. Lockwood, E. Lockwood, Walch, Hazen, J. Boatman, C. Voorhees, R. Simmons, C. Simmons, Starr, Sheets, Christman, L. Freas, Misses Mary Fairman, Ada Simmons, and Mamie Freas, and Messrs. John C. Freas and L. K. Freas.

Thos. A. Laird of Big Run visited his parents for a week.

Children's Day exercises will be held in the Evangelical church Sunday evening next.

Two interesting base-ball games will be played at this place on July 4. Fire-works in the evening at 9 o'clock and a festival at each church.

John Watson and John Converse are at work on a new cribbing on the rear of their lots. They are endeavoring to make stone by petrifying saw-dust.

Geo. Rea has his cellar wall done for his new house on main street.

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