

Correspondence

Items Gathered by
THE CITIZEN STAFF
About the County.

Orson.

MARCH 31st.—The Order of the Golden Seal received word that one of their brothers, Deforest A. Dow, residing in Oneonta, N. Y., a member of the Orson Camp, No. 302, died Monday morning, March 29th. The bereaved mother has the heartfelt sympathy of the members of Orson Camp. The secretary informs me that this is the fourth one that has died since the order started here. The beneficiary, his mother, will receive \$5 a month for 13 months, he having been a member of Orson Camp for 13 months. Amount \$65.

They finished putting up or harvesting ice which has been a great help to the laboring people here.

Charles Hanbury, of Roxbury, Supreme manager of the Scranton Division for the Order of the Golden Seal, gave a very interesting talk Sunday evening. Subject—"Our Duty toward God and Man."

The business meeting of the Epworth League will be held Monday evening, April 5th.

Samuel Sillsbee, who has been ill, is slowly convalescing.

Mrs. A. F. Hine will entertain the Ladies Aid on Thursday of next week.

Bethany.

APRIL 5th.—Tuesday afternoon John Ballou met with an accident which might have proved serious. He was looking after the cattle at the Gammell farm and was up in the haymow in the barn when he fell through into the cow stall, several heavy boards falling on him, striking his head, cutting a gash, and rendering him unconscious. He was helped to his home by E. O. Moorehouse and Fred. Redmond, who happened to be in the barn. He recovered sufficiently to be out the next day.

Edna Blake spent last week with Mrs. Charles Webb.

Mortimore E. Lavo spent last week in Carbondale, visiting his daughter, Mrs. Ernest Paynter.

Judson Faatz moved last week into the house formerly owned by William Hazen and recently purchased by Chas. Faatz.

William Hauser was able to take a drive to Honesdale, Saturday.

Robert Miller, of Carbondale, spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Laura Miller.

Leo Paynter moved last week from the Blake farm to the Many place.

Mr. and Mrs. William Avery spent Sunday at Pleasant Mount, having been called there by the critical illness of the latter's mother, Mrs. Wilcox.

About a dozen of Mrs. Henry Bennett's friends were invited to her home on Tuesday evening, to a rag bee, and spent a very pleasant evening. Delicious refreshments were served.

James Johns drove to Forest City, Saturday, and he found very muddy roads, taking four hours to go there.

Howard Dilleuth's condition remains unchanged.

The many friends of Rev. W. B. Signor and family are glad of their return for another year.

The Manning homestead has been sold to Mrs. Annie W. Davidson, of New York.

Charles Arthur will begin this week putting a porch on the south side of Miss Strongman's house.

Harry W. Pethick and son, Paul, of Hawley, were recent visitors at the home of the former's sister, Mrs. Henry A. Bennett.

RAINFALL AT DYBERRY.

MARCH.

	Inches.
1909, 9 days, and trace 10 days,	2.70
1908, 11 days, and trace 7 days,	4.28
1871, most recorded,	5.78
1885, least recorded,	1.03
Average 41 years,	3.30
1909, snow 5 days, and trace 10 days,	12.5
1908, snow 3 days, and trace 9 days,	12.
1885, snow, most,	38.
1903, snow, least a trace; and 1885, 1,	1.
Average snow 55 years,	14.

MARCH TEMPERATURE.

	Degrees.
1909, 10th, highest,	59.
1908, 27th, highest,	69.
'07, 29, highest, record same date '05, 79,	
1909, 6th, lowest below zero,	-7.
1900, 18, lowest record below zero,	-23.5
1909, 6th, greatest range,	45.
1909, 20th, least range,	2.
Average range,	17.8
1909, 10, 28, warmest day mean,	40.
1908, 27th, warmest day, mean,	59.
1906, 6th, coldest day, mean,	16.
1908, 1st, coldest day, mean,	6.
'09, Average of highest temperature,	38.2
1909, Average of lowest temperature,	20.4
1909, mean for month,	29.3
1908, mean for month,	30.2
1903, mean for month, highest,	41.2
1885, mean for month, lowest,	19.5
Average 45 years,	30.2

Six days were clear, 13 fair and 12 cloudy; average 35 per cent. of sunshine. First snow-drop buds appeared in my yard March 2d, and their flowers tenth. First robin we saw was at Siko 11th, and first phoebe bird near this station 27th; and first wild liverleaf flowers 31st, with snowdrop flowers in full bloom.

THEODORE DAVY.

Dyberry, April 1, 1909.

The Wise Though Gentle Reader.

In an armchair of a Pullman smoking car on the way east from Louisville a polite but resourceful man was trying hard to read a novel while his next neighbor kept up a running fire of chatter. With the light of a desperate resolve in his eye, yet cloaking determination with exquisite politeness, the reader presently said: "Pardon me, but my memory for names is not to be depended upon. Your name is—"

"Shepherd," replied the voluble one cheerfully.

The one sided conversation kept on awhile longer, the light of desperate resolve meanwhile burning brighter and brighter. Then the reader raised his eyes to a stranger, his neighbor across the aisle, and suddenly demanded, "What is your name, sir?"

"Ward," said the stranger.

"Yes, yes, of course!" cried the reader briskly. "Mr. Ward, let me introduce Mr. Shepherd."

By which simple but ingenious expedient the torrent of extraneous chatter was diverted to poor Ward, and the reader read happily ever after.—Harper's Weekly.

"Go Away, Little Fly!"

Undesirable diseases are not to be banished so easily as some reformers expect, but the crusade against the common fly will score results worth while, even though it fails to cut out germ spreaders. This last is a moot question, for it has been thought that the fly is a scavenger. However that may be, the fly is a nuisance, and if his work on disease can be missed the sooner it is known the better. The human race can get about the job some other way.

The war for the extermination of flies is spreading, and it ought to be popular. One of the first steps should be to starve out the pests by a vigorous cleaning up of their feeding and breeding places. There need not be any germs lying loose for flies to pick up and distribute in their hunt for food. If the dust and litter go out of the house intact the flies will go after them. If they are cremated in the kitchen stove or the smudge pile the flies will quit the house for quarters less tidy and where they can do little harm to man.

The man who looted the strap which supported Roosevelt in an overcrowded street car may count on always having handy a safety wherewithal for stretching his own neck.

England's new warships are 30 per cent more dreadful than her Dreadnoughts, and that gives the admiralty dreadful bother to think up some new names.

Blowing natives from the mouth of a cannon is still a pastime for the English in India, but at home they run from the mere shadow of a Prussian soldier.

Not a single railway passenger was killed in a travel accident in the United Kingdom last year. We can't all go to England just to have safe travel, but we might import a few English railroad men to teach us new tricks.

Simply on its length Colonel Watterston's five column editorial entitled "Very Intemperate Temperance" belongs in the very something class also.

If the "imaginary terrors" of Wall street are worse than the real, then hades is not the bottom pit, after all.

The south pole having allowed itself to be discovered, the north pole should hurry up and come in.

"Man wants but little here below," and that's just what the average mortal gets.

It will be fun to watch the drop in the prices of pictures painted over twenty years ago if the revised schedule has them on the free list.

International trade declined in about all commercial countries of the world in 1908, and we only got our share of the slump going and coming.

All that society man who enlisted in the army to "make a career" has to do is to make a good soldier and let the career take care of itself.

Many a March day opened up like April, then had its fair April face spoiled by a flareback.

Taft's state papers can be set in large newspaper type and then not turn the column.

Any day will do for inauguration which falls outside of the baseball season.

ROOSEVELT'S TOUR

Ex-President Visits Earthquake Ruins at Messina.

DELIGHTED AT NAPLES WELCOME

Duchess of Aosta Receives Him at Ducal Palace and Says He Is the Most Interesting American.

Naples, April 6.—The steamship Admiral, bearing Colonel Theodore Roosevelt and party on their way to Mom baso, East Africa, passed through the strait of Messina today.

The former president of the United States, which country was the first to respond with food, money and shelter for the victims of the Calabrian earthquake, viewed the ruins and the new houses erected by American carpenters with lumber shipped from that country.

Mr. Roosevelt went ashore on the Scorpion and was shown over Messina by Ambassador Griscom and Frank A. Perret of Brooklyn, assistant director to Professor Mateucci at the observatory on Mount Vesuvius. Lieutenant Commander Belkap was also of the party.

Mr. Roosevelt spent several hours in Naples and during that time was given many evidences of his personal popularity with the Italian people and of the admiration which they have for his distinguished services to his country.

Great crowds waited for his appearance on the streets, and when he rode along in an automobile he was greeted with an enthusiasm that astonished him. He met various official delegations at the Hotel Excelsior, where apartments had been reserved for him; scores of prominent Americans and the representatives of other countries, and to them all he expressed his warmest thanks for the welcome which he had received.

Emperor William showed particular interest in the former president. The German consul general, in the name of the emperor, carried to Mr. Roosevelt the warmest greetings and a letter in which the emperor expressed the hope that he would see Mr. Roosevelt in Berlin on his return.

In reply to this Mr. Roosevelt told the consul general to inform the emperor that he would certainly go to the German capital and would tell his majesty "how the white man can live and fight in Africa."

The emperor closed his letter with "Weldmannshel!"—"Hail to the successful huntsman!"

Mr. Roosevelt was particularly touched by this and in expressing his thanks for the gracious thought said, "In a year from now you will be in a position to see whether I deserve such a wish."

When Mr. Roosevelt appeared in an automobile and proceeded to the Hotel Excelsior a great roar broke from the crowd, and he was cheered continuously all along the route. The ovation moved Mr. Roosevelt to remark, "It seems that the Italians can make as much noise as the Americans, after all."

Arrived at the hotel, the ex-president received with the greatest cordiality the Americans and foreigners who had gathered there to welcome him. He spoke for some minutes with Guglielmo Ferrero, the historian, who recently returned from an extended visit to the United States and whom Mr. Roosevelt recognized immediately. Many of those assembled, however, could only receive a smile and a hand shake, as there was little time for words.

Lunch was served at the hotel, among those at the table with the ex-president being his son Kermit, Ambassador Griscom, Consul Crowninshield and Mrs. Crowninshield, Lieutenant Commander Logan, John W. Garrett, first secretary of the embassy; Winthrop Chandler, Mrs. Garrett and Miss Cartwright. The party was a merry one, frequent outbursts of laughter being heard as Mr. Roosevelt described some of his adventures aboard ship. He seemed to be in the best of health and spirits and expressed himself as looking forward impatiently to his arrival at Mombaso.

Following lunch Mr. Roosevelt proceeded in a motor car with Ambassador Griscom to Capodimonte to meet the Duke and Duchess of Aosta at their palace, which is the most magnificent in the Neapolitan provinces,

with its extensive gardens and splendid prospect.

On the way to the palace Mr. Roosevelt confessed that this visit was intensely interesting to him not only because of his desire to meet the duke and duchess personally, but because of the official nature of the meeting, the duke representing King Victor Emmanuel.

Mr. Roosevelt was warmly welcomed at the palace entrance, and the duke received him in private, the two conversing at great length concerning affairs in the United States, the voyage just ended, the ex-president's prospective hunting trip and the experiences of the Duke of the Abruzzi.

The duke expressed the hope that Mr. Roosevelt would meet the Count of Turin, who is now on a shooting expedition in Africa.

Later Mr. Roosevelt was presented to the Duchess of Aosta, and they conversed together for some twenty minutes, their conversation dealing almost entirely with hunting in Africa, where the duchess had spent some time.

She gave Mr. Roosevelt many hints which he laughingly promised to carry out. The room in which the meeting occurred was resplendent with trophies of the duchess' African expedition, being hung with elephants' tusks, deer antlers and the skins of tigers and lions, which, however, she would not say had fallen before her gun.

The good impression was mutual, as while Mr. Roosevelt was charmed with the duchess, the latter said after his departure that the ex-president was the most interesting American she had ever met, she might almost say the most interesting man.

As the party proceeded down the slope toward Naples on the return trip the clouds lifted for an instant, giving just a glimpse of the glories of nature. They proceeded to the museum, where Mr. Roosevelt said he would have liked to spend hours.

But the time was short, and they went direct to the Pompeii rooms. The bronzes particularly attracted him, and he said: "I shall now get an idea of what I want to see when I return. Such a museum deserves days of study. It has been entirely transformed since I was here before."

NICARAGUA YIELDS

President Zelaya Agrees to Settle Emery Claim.

COMPROMISE OR ARBITRATION

Secretary Knox Advised That a Special Commissioner Is on the Way to Effect a Settlement.

Washington, April 6.—The gratifying information was conveyed to Secretary Knox that the Nicaraguan government would settle either by compromise or by arbitration the claim for damages of the G. D. Emery company, whose concession for cutting mahogany was cancelled about two years and a half ago for an alleged violation of the terms of the concession.

Through Mr. Espinoza, the Nicaraguan minister, the secretary was told that a special commissioner would leave the Central American country immediately for this city carrying full instructions for the minister, which would empower him to reach a settlement whereby the whole controversy would be adjusted. If a compromise is not reached the minister will sign a protocol submitting the case to arbitration.

Diplomacy had well nigh exhausted itself in the efforts to reach a settlement of this case, and the temper of the state department was such that longer delay was becoming intolerable.

The last communication from Secretary Knox to the Nicaraguan minister was in the nature of an ultimatum, in which the state department submitted a protocol for the arbitration of the case, to be signed by the minister at the earliest hour practicable with his instructions.

Several weeks have dragged along, the minister in the meantime being furnished with a statement showing the exact amount of damages claimed by the company, the intimation being conveyed that the Nicaraguan government may reach a compromise with the claimants. This was sent to President Zelaya a week ago, and the fact that nothing had been heard from him in the meantime was regarded unfavorably. Happily the fear of a break in the relations between the two governments has been dissipated by the receipt of today's information indicating a disposition on the part of Zelaya to settle.

There is a disposition in some unofficial quarters to question the sincerity of President Zelaya's latest move, the argument being made that it merely constitutes a play for time and more delay in the final settlement of the issues involved. At the state department, however, satisfaction is expressed over the outcome, and the hope for a prompt settlement is expressed.

In the event of arbitration the Nicaraguan government will be given the opportunity of presenting any stand-off claims to those advanced by the Emery company.

FIVE SUMMER TRACKS.

New York Jockey Club Stewards Announce Dates For Racing.

New York, April 6.—The long awaited decision by the Jockey club stewards as to the dates for the summer races on metropolitan tracks is announced here. Approval is given to five associations for meets in May, June, July and August.

The announcement assures the followers of racing of at least five meetings this summer, but no dates for autumn meetings are given, and it is supposed that the stewards' decision as to the holding of the fall meetings will depend, in part at least, upon the success of the summer races. The dates approved are as follows:

Westchester Racing association, Thursday, May 13, to Wednesday, June 2.

Brooklyn Jockey club, Thursday, June 3, to Wednesday, June 23.

Coney Island Jockey club, Thursday, June 24, to Tuesday, July 13.

Empire City Racing association, Wednesday, July 14, to Saturday, July 31.

Saratoga association, Monday, Aug. 2, to Saturday, Aug. 28.

RECEIVER FOR DICKINSON CO.

Head of Stock Exchange Firm Absent, Owning \$300,000.

Chicago, April 6.—John Dickinson, who traded on the Consolidated Stock Exchange of New York and the Chicago board of trade as John Dickinson & Co. and whose company was placed in the hands of a receiver here, is said by his attorney, George W. Plummer, to have collapsed physically.

"Mr. Dickinson has not left the country," said Mr. Plummer today. "His physician and counsel advised him to seek complete rest for as long a time as possible, and he followed that advice."

The receivership proceedings shed little light on the financial condition of the firm. It was stated that the assets, including office furniture, would be about \$300,000. The liabilities are about \$300,000.

A New York publisher informs the public that his new book has a "deep vein of purity." So deep probably that the reader will save time and take the publisher's word for it.

Edward VII. has a place in the Wright brothers' family album as a king just looking on. Lots of people get star parts in history for no more than that.

China is for arbitration to settle her disputes with Russia and Japan, which goes to show that a small navy or no navy at all can also make for peace.

For a hard proposition there's Luther Burbank's attempt to produce graftless politics without doing any grafting in the process.

About the first use the Cubans made of their liberty was to flap their wings and crow like Cuba's national bird after scoring a knockout.

One good thing about April 30 for inauguration is that the fool business will have gone bankrupt at the other end of the month.

Taft is looking up a summer home already. Probably sees the tariff "hot time coming" and wants to make sure of cold storage.

Capital punishment for kidnapers sounds all right, but the trouble will be to enforce it in this age of humanitarianism.

Putting a tariff on tea and stockings is not calculated to drive recruits into the antisuffrage camp.

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DEATH THREAT FOR PRIEST.

Black Hand Letter Orders Rector to Leave Town at Once.

Worcester, Mass., April 6.—A letter signed "Black Hand Society" and threatening death unless he leaves town at once was received and turned over to the police by Rev. Vincent Buckeveckas, rector of St. Casimir's Roman Catholic church of this city.

The congregation has had much financial trouble, and when a few months ago Father Buckeveckas was sent here by Bishop T. D. Beaven of Springfield some of the parishioners demurred to a request that they pay 30 cents a month toward the support of the parish and in addition pay \$6 before Easter. The dissenters organized a new church and have since been endeavoring to secure a pastor.

The priest intends to remain in charge of his parish and will take no notice of the threat.

LEGACIES TO NATIVE TOWN.

Calvin Page Leaves \$180,000 to Hardwick, Mass.

New York, April 6.—The town of Hardwick, Mass., is substantially benefited by the will of Calvin Page, who was born there and made a fortune here. He left \$25,000 for the improvement of the town's public schools, \$30,000 for beautifying the cemetery where his ancestors lie buried, \$100,000 for the improvement of agricultural pursuits in and about Hardwick and \$25,000 to the First Universalist society.

The residue of the estate, \$600,000, is left to nephews and nieces.

TWENTY-ONE OF CREW LOST.

Vessel Strikes Derelict Off Chilean Coast and Sinks.

London, April 6.—A dispatch to Lloyds from Punta Arenas, Chile, says the British steamer Oak Branch struck what is supposed to have been a derelict in the strait of Magellan and was abandoned in a sinking condition.

The first officer and eighteen of the crew and passengers were landed, but the captain and twenty persons are missing. The Oak Branch was a vessel of 2,064 tons and sailed from Liverpool for Valparaiso Feb. 24.

NOTICE OF UNIFORM PRIMARIES

In compliance with Section 3 of the Uniform Primary Act, page 37, P. L. 1898, notice is hereby given to the electors of Wayne county of the number of delegates to the State convention each party is entitled to elect, the names of party officers to be filed, and for what county offices nominations are to be made at the Spring Primaries to be held on Saturday, June 12th, 1909.

REPUBLICAN.
1 One person for Jury Commissioner.
2 Two persons for Delegates to State Convention.
3 One person in each election district for member of County Committee.

DEMOCRATIC.
1 One person for Jury Commissioner.
2 Two persons for Delegates to State Convention.
3 One person in each election district for member of County Committee.

PROHIBITION.
1 One person for Jury Commissioner.
2 Four Delegates to State Convention.
3 Four persons for alternate delegates to State Convention.
4 One person for Party Chairman.
5 One person for Party Secretary.
6 One person for Party Treasurer.

For Jury Commissioner, a petitioner must have no less than fifty signatures of members of his party who are voters; for Delegates to State Convention, Committee-men and party officers, no less than ten signatures.

All of these petitions must be filed in the Commissioners' office on or before Saturday, May 15, 1909.

J. E. MANDEVILLE, } Com'rs.
J. K. HORNBECK, }
T. C. MADDEN, }
Attest: GEO. F. ROSS, Clerk,
Commissioners' Office, Honesdale, Pa.,
April 5, 1909. 25w4

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