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Every one knows the good high grade class of pictures made at Ridgeway's Studio for years back. Last year I hired a first-class lady artist to help through the Christmas work, and photos made for our customers speak for themselves. But I am proud to announce to my patrons and friends that I have secured the services of one of New York's best artists, and I invite all who want the best class of pictures to give their friends at Christmas to call now and have sittings made at Ridgeway's studio.

LOCAL MENTION.

Captain James Ham Circle, No. 76, will hold a meeting on Friday afternoon, Dec. 3d, at 2:30, at the home of Mrs. George Searles at which time election of officers will take place. Mrs. Clark, President.

The Damascus District Sunday School convention is to be held on Friday, Dec. 10, at the M. E. church, Damascus. An interesting program has been prepared. Be sure to hear Miss Martha Robison of Bloomsburg.

The Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia has granted a stay of execution in contempt cases of Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell and Frank Morrison who have been sentenced to jail. The stay is in order that an appeal can be made to the Supreme Court of the United States.

Until the appointment of a successor to the late Dr. Schermerhorn, registrar of births and deaths in Honesdale and Prompton boroughs, Texas, Oregon and Berlin townships, all official business relating to births and deaths in the districts named should be referred to the deputy registrar, Dr. L. B. Nielsen, of Honesdale.

The Sunday School convention for the Orson district will be held in the Orson M. E. church on Wednesday, Dec. 8th. An excellent program has been arranged. Be sure and hear Miss Martha Robison of Bloomsburg.

The theme at Grace Episcopal church on Sunday, Dec. 5, at 7:30 p. m. will be "What is the Judgment Upon Souls."

Col. L. A. Watres, of Scranton, was elected Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge F. and A. M. of Pennsylvania.

The following letters remain uncalled for at the postoffice here: Mr. F. Antonia, Mr. John Dunning, Mr. Robert Kaya, Mr. H. F. Varcoe.

The Masonic banquet on Friday evening promises to be a huge affair. Two hundred and fifty have signified their intention to be present.

Marriage licenses have been granted to George Lewis Knesell and Rolecta Elma Beardale, both of Hawley; and Wyman Field and Pearl L. Chapman, both of Salem.

F. R. Dissinger, of Cambelltown, Lebanon county, Pa., will grow potatoes on the wholesale plan next year as he expects to plant about sixty acres.

The following deeds have been recorded: M. J. Hanian, guardian for Eugene Leshar of Lake township, to Richard Leshar, of Lake, land in Lake township; consideration \$1025; Ann Haning to Andrew Patterson, land in Salem township; consideration \$500.

At a meeting of the directors of the Illinois Tunnel Company it was announced that that company would be unable to meet the interest on its bonds which was due December 1st. Quite a large amount of these bonds are owned in Scranton and some in Honesdale.

Thomas Boyd, manager of the Consolidated Telephone Co. at Honesdale, returned this week from a pleasure trip to New York, Philadelphia and Harrisburg. On Tuesday he attended a meeting of the directors of the Sullivan County Telephone and Telegraph Co. at Callicon.

Tuesday ended the fiscal year of the State of Pennsylvania and the receipts for the last year exceeded any previous year by over two million dollars, the total amount collected being \$29,100,000. Not so bad for a state which our Democratic friends claim is the worst governed state in the Union.

The following friends and relatives of the late Dr. George E. Voigt attended his funeral on Wednesday: Mrs. Barbara Gilbert, Mrs. Daniel Gilbert, Mrs. Albert Jones, Mrs. Joe Hannon, and Albert Zenke, of Scranton; Dr. Arthur Carmichael, Coatsville, Pa.; Paul Rosenger, Carbonale; T. W. Schaum and P. H. Kearney of Hawley.

The Honesdale Improvement Association met at the home of Mrs. W. B. Helmes Wednesday evening to conduct the regular business. The association entered complaint to the town council for the various sidewalks in Honesdale not being kept clean after a fall of snow. The hostess entertained the members of the association with music from the Victor victrola, after the transaction of business.

Thirty-one days, or the whole month of December are left for persons aspiring to run for nominations at January primaries to file papers at the office of the county commissioners. The time for closing the lists is at the close of business on January 1. The primaries will be held this year on January 22 and the petitions must be entered some time before that to permit of examination and preparation for printing. This will be the last January primary to be held.

The Thanksgiving snow storm, which was the earliest in this section in 11 years, was responsible for the greatest slaughter of rabbits ever known so early in the season in Orange and Sullivan counties. It is estimated that over 1,000 rabbits have been killed in these counties in the past two days. Saturday morning two hunters from Middletown shot 25 rabbits within two hours, and another man got eight rabbits and a fox without using either gun or dog. John Dorgan, an aged resident of Rockville, who has never shot a gun in his life, started out to get a rabbit for dinner. He carried a pick and shovel with the idea of tracking a rabbit to a hole in the ground and digging it out. He succeeded in finding rabbit tracks and traced them to a hole. After digging for half an hour he came upon a red fox which he killed with a blow with the pick. Certain that there was also a rabbit in the hole he kept on digging, and finally discovered eight of the furry animals tightly jammed in the hole.—Pittston Gazette.

The first annual banquet of the Rocky Mountain Club was held at the Commercial Hotel on Wednesday evening and proved a great success. Soon after the climbers were seated at the table Dr. W. I. McConville was chosen toastmaster and proved himself the "Man of the Hour." After a few remarks from the Doctor he called upon Leon Katz to tell how the club originated. Following Mr. Katz's talk Charles Truscott rendered a solo. Thomas Charlesworth then gave a few of his steps, much to the enjoyment of those present. A few remarks were given by John Theobald, Frank Schuerholz, Joseph Bodie and William McKenna. After enjoying these talks Thomas Finerty and Charles Truscott rendered solos. Without doubt a most enjoyable evening was spent and as a good-night all toasted "Long Live the Mountaineers." Following is the menu: Bullion, celery, olives, almonds, Blue Points on half shell, roast young turkey, dressing, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, peas, lettuce, Rhine wine, Neapolitan ice cream, cake, coffee, cigars, cigarettes, and fruit.

The Amity Club are having their rooms repaired and painted.

Episcopal service at Indian Orchard on Dec. 5, at 2:30 p. m.

Confirmation class every Saturday at 2:30 p. m. at the Lutheran church.

Mrs. Ida Hittinger, of Honesdale, has purchased the amusement known as Dreamland, or the Nickel-et, Main street, of Joseph Graziano, Carbondale.

New York politicians hear that Judge Gaynor, as mayor, will require all appointees before taking office to swear that they have no interest in any corporation.

By the construction of the Erie Railroad tunnel at Oatstville that company will pay one-half of the taxes of the town. In a few years some people will be kicking because they don't pay all the taxes.

J. Oscar Ferrel, wholesale and retail grocer on Main street, received a fall on Sunday which rendered him unconscious for some time. As a result he will be confined to his home several days.

Norman Belcher, Jonas Doll, Godfrey Possinger, Peter Transue and Norman Possinger, all of Reeders, shot a bear weighing 350 pounds in the Tunkhannock swamp on Monday evening.—Stroudsburg Times.

At the First Baptist church services will be held on Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The Lord's Supper will be observed at the morning hour of worship. Bible school at 11:45 o'clock. Young People's meeting at 6:30 p. m., subject, "Life's Lessons for Me From First John."

The new law prohibiting the shooting of deer without horns has undoubtedly saved human life," said State Game Commissioner Kalbfus. "Our department has been unable to learn of a single case of a hunter being killed in Pennsylvania this season by being mistaken for a deer. I attribute it to the new law." Heretofore every deer season has been attended by one or more fatalities.

"Paid in Full" by Eugene Walter, will play a return engagement at the Lyric Theatre on Thursday evening, December 9th. This play needs no introduction to the theatre goers of Honesdale on account of its very successful engagement here on last New Year's eve. "Paid in Full" was one of the very best attractions that has played here and on next Thursday evening the Lyric ought to be packed to the limit. Seat sale opens at the box office on Wednesday morning, Dec. 8th.

James A. Patten, the Chicago wheat king, who is reported to have made many millions dollars in wheat, and as many more in cotton, has a human side to his nature. His 17-year-old daughter is sick, and all the treasures that he possesses are forgotten in his anxiety about this treasure of his heart. The ticker has no interest for him now. It is immaterial to him now whether wheat or cotton goes up or down. We lose sight of the fact that a "Man's man for a' that," and all the gold, all the artistry of civilization cannot add or alter a single trait or a single desire. They may curb or influence human possessions, but they cannot obliterate them.

Junior Order of United American Mechanics attended divine worship at the First Baptist church on Sunday evening, Nov. 24, as is their custom each year on the Sunday preceding or following Thanksgiving. Rev. George Wendell, pastor, selected as his text, "What Doest Thou Hear," the theme of the sermon being the purpose as the primary element in life. The church was well filled. The speaker dwelt on the fact that the English language, American flag and the Bible were the three great forces in shaping the destiny of the American nation, and as the purpose of this order is special defense of these forces, the sermon was very appropriate and was profoundly appreciated by those present. Extra music had been arranged and very nicely rendered.

PERSONAL MENTION.

E. A. Cortright made a business trip to Scranton on Tuesday.

Mayor Kubbach and wife spent a few days of this week in Scranton.

Charles Hand and wife, of Brooklyn, N. Y., returned to their home this week.

Llewellyn Woody, of the Coca Cola Co., of Scranton, is in town on business.

Laura Corson and Mrs. Charles Baker of Waymart, spent yesterday in town.

Ed. Hubbard, of the Hubbard Stock Farm, Waymart, spent Wednesday in town.

Mrs. George A. Smith and children of Scranton, are visiting at the home of O. L. Rowland.

Mrs. O. L. Rowland and daughter attended the Symphony Concert in Scranton Tuesday evening.

George Deltzer and John O'Connell returned on Wednesday from a visit in South Bethlehem.

William McKenna left this morning for New York and other places in the interest of the Wayne Cut Glass Co.

Mrs. Geo. Tuman, of Scranton, attended the funeral of Mrs. Ella Duffy at White Mills on Tuesday.

Henry Wiseman, wife and daughter, Maud, of Wilkes-Barre, are spending a few days in this city.

Austin Lynch, representing Brooks & Co., bankers, of Scranton, was in town Wednesday and Thursday on business connected with the firm.

The Independent Telephone Merger.

In view of the misleading reports that are being assiduously circulated in connection with the recent purchase of the capital stock of the American Union Telephone Co. by the Continental Telephone and Telegraph Company, Mr. A. P. Trautwein, of Carbondale, a director of the American Union Telephone Co., of which the Continental Telephone Co. is a part, stated emphatically when interviewed, that this does not mean a pending deal for control by the Bell Telephone Co. and that the independent companies will continue in business as heretofore.

The Continental Telephone and Telegraph Co. was organized about two months ago, under the laws of the state of New Jersey, with a capital stock of \$50,000,000 by men of large means and long experience in the telephone field, for the purpose of developing an independent company with a business system, which will perform for the Independent Telephone Co's the same services which the American Union Telephone Co has been giving to the Associated Bell Cos. By inter-connecting the various independent systems which are more or less isolated, and uniforming their methods for aggressive and concerted action, instead of indicating that there will be less competition than heretofore with the Bell Co., this new deal means that there will be more competition than at any time in the past. The Continental Telephone and Telegraph Co. is well able to develop a comprehensive telephone system with all these facilities that the business demands. It now controls a continuous chain of telephone systems extending from New Jersey to Kansas and Nebraska, and steps will be at once taken to largely increase the toll line facilities given these systems, which the various companies, each acting independently, have heretofore been unable to provide.

There will be no change whatever in the local management of the companies that constitute the system of the American Union Telephone Co., of which the local exchange is a part.

A MISUNDERSTANDING.

A school teacher in an American town had recited to her class the story of the landing of the Pilgrims, and when she had finished she told each pupil to try to draw from his or her imagination a picture of Plymouth Rock. Most of them went to work at once but one little fellow hesitated, then at length raised his hand. "Well, Willie, what is it," asked the teacher. "Please, ma'am, do you want us to draw a hen or a rooster?"

A COLUMN OF EPIGRAMS.

The following epigrams, with the comment on them, are taken from recent issues of the London Daily News.

There is an interesting epitaph on a gravestone in Poling Churchyard, Sussex. It runs:

Here Lieth ye Body of Alice, ye wife, of Robt Woolbridge, who Died the 27th of May, 1740. Aged 44 years.

The World is a round thing, And full of crooked streets. Death is a market place, Where all men meet. If Life was a thing That money could buy, The Rich would live, And the poor would die.

Here is another: Poor Martha Snell has gone away, Her would if she could, but her couldn't sore. She had two sore legs and a badish cough. But it were her legs as carried her off.

Less comic, but more witty, is the epitaph found at Kingsbridge, S. Devon.

Here lieth the body of Robert (commonly called "Bone") Phillips, who died July 27th, 1793, aged 65 years, and at whose request the following lines are here inscribed:

Here lie I at the Chancel door; Here lie I because I am poor; The further in the more you'll pay, Yet here lie I as warm as they.

Here is an epitaph on a last-maker, who is said to be buried at Llanfawrwythyl: Stop, stranger, stop, and wipe a tear For the Last man at last lies here, Though ever-lasting he has been. He has at last passed life's last scene. Pamed for good works, much time he passed. In doing good—He has done his last.

The following is more philosophic and general in its application: Life's like an Inn where Travellers stay. Some only Breakfast, any away. Others to dinner stay, and are well fed. The oldest only sup and go to Bed. Long is the Bill who lingers out the day. He that goes the soonest Has the Least to Pay.

This is on an eighteenth-century tombstone in St. Mary's Parish Churchyard, Mold, North Wales.

Right. A man may not resent an aspersion against himself, but he will defend the accuracy of his thermometer to his last breath.—Topeka Capital.

Large Sum Worthily Spent. The total amount expended by the states of this country for education during 1906 was \$307,765,659.

Divided Booty. "Johnny," said his mother severely, "someone has taken a big piece of gingercake out of the pantry." Johnny blushed guiltily. "Oh, Johnny!" she exclaimed, "I didn't think it was in you!" "It ain't all," replied Johnny, quickly. "Part of it's in Elsie."

OBITUARY.

Miss Emma Leibig formerly of this place, died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Henry Varcoe, of Lestershire, on Tuesday, Nov. 29, 1909, after a short illness. Miss Leibig was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Leibig, of Ray street, and at the time of her death was in her 28th year. She is survived by her parents, and the following brother and sisters: Jacob of Honesdale; Misses Kathryn, Caroline and Mame at home; Mrs. Fred Lees of Honesdale; and Miss Hannah Leibig and Mrs. Henry Varcoe of Lestershire, N. Y. The funeral will be held at the home of her parents this (Friday) after at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. H. Coenen, of St. John's Lutheran church officiating. Interment in Lutheran cemetery.

Mrs. W. W. Starbuck died on Tuesday at her home in Jersey City. Deceased was formerly Miss Helen Wilsea and spent nearly all her days in Honesdale. She was united in marriage about two years ago to Mr. W. W. Starbuck, one of Honesdale's respected citizens, and took up her residence in Jersey City. Mr. Starbuck being connected with the Travellers' Life and Accident Insurance Company at their New York office. Mrs. Starbuck was a member of the Grace Episcopal church and very active in all its charities. She is survived by her husband, W. W. Starbuck, her mother, Mrs. Sarah Wilsea, two sisters, Mrs. Wm. H. Foster and Miss Anna Wilsea. The remains were brought to Honesdale and interment made at Glen Dyberry. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. A. L. Whittaker.

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