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Somebody has figured out that the average boy who is dependent upon his parents for a livelihood until he reaches the age of twenty-one years costs them four thousand dollars. On this basis of calculation a brood, for instance, of six boys would represent an outlay of twenty-four thousand dollars by the time they get away from the home roost. The question arises does it pay to raise boys and are there no other crops that would prove more profitable? If a boy turns out to be a cigarette fiend with a breath like a turkey buzzard and a laugh that would make an untutored donkey feel perfectly at home in his society and with an untrammelled and unconquerable desire to avoid work, it is safe to say that his parents might have invested their four thousand dollars at a much better advantage. But if the boy grows up to manhood with the lesson well learned that wealth and success grow only on bushes watered by the sweat of one's brow, the parents have spent on him, for he will be a source of increasing pride and joy to their hearts, and when they grow old and their hands tremble and their legs wobble and their step is slow and faltering they have two strong arms to lean upon and help them over all the rough places that lie in their twilight path.

## A STRANGE MALADY.

There is a wave of good nature and a disposition to please people travelling over this country at a very rapid rate. It has reached Honesdale and its effect upon the younger generation can be very readily noted. The boys are all voluntarily taking the care of the furnace off of father's hands; the girls are eagerly watching for father's come-coming and have his slippers and smoking jacket (if he has one) all ready for him; mother never had so much help in doing her household work as she has at this present time, in fact she begins to think that the hired girl is unnecessary. We noticed more boys shovelling snow off the sidewalks after the last snow-fall than we ever did before. The hired girls all remark that it's no trouble to get the boys and girls up and out of bed in the mornings. The principal of our schools says the attendance at school is excellent and every scholar is very punctual—everyone is on time and there seems to be an unusual eagerness on the part of the scholars to please the teachers. The Sunday school attendance is increasing by jumps—every Sunday school in town reports new scholars, and old scholars are coming very regularly. Some of the older people have been affected by this unusual disturbance of the ordinary routine of doing things. The clerks in the stores are becoming chesterfield like in their actions. The ice man is thawing out and becoming like Sunny Jim. In the big cities the janitors are asking tenants every hour if the rooms are warm enough. The elevator boys are saying "no hurry, Sir, we can wait for you." The car conductors have forgotten their "step lively," and have replaced it with a cherry "good morning! be careful you don't fall." The policeman at the busy street corners almost carry the people across the streets and if he is on your beat he will try your door every hour of the night to see that you are safe from robbers and let you know it through the hired girl. The ashmen are all falling over themselves to go down in the cellar and carry out your ash can which you have been lugging up the cellar steps all the rest of the year. The letter carrier's whistle has a new, sweet tune and he is a half hour ahead of time every morning—and is sweating himself thin to get your first mail to you before going to business. The cook is turning out some of the nicest dishes you have ever enjoyed, while the waiter where we lunch is proving that all this talk about the price of living being higher is a fallacy, for he is serving double the quantity of the very best food at the same old price. There ought to be a commission appointed by Congress to ascertain the cause of this sudden ebullition of goodness, and if possible nail it fast so it cannot get away from us.

"It ain't what goes into a mince pie that makes it a mystery, but what ye don't know goes into it."

Take good care and be thoughtful of mother. She was careful and thoughtful of you when you most needed it.

A preacher came at a newspaper man in this way: You editors do not tell the truth. If you did you could not live; your newspapers would be a failure. The editor replied: You are right and the minister who will at all times and under all circumstances tell the whole truth about his members, alive or dead, will not occupy his pulpit more than one Sunday and then he will find it necessary to leave town in a hurry. The press and the pulpit go hand in hand with whitewash brushes and pleasant words magnifying little virtues into big ones. The pulpit, the pen, and the grave stone are the great saint-making triumvirate. And the great minister went away looking very thoughtful while the editor turned to his work, and told of the unsurpassing beauty of the bride, while in fact she was as homely as a mud fence.

Having only an editor pro tem holding down the chair that belongs to a real live editor is the reason why there is no original or copied criticism of the President's message, in The Citizen. As an individual we have read it and it strikes us as being a pretty good sermon to Congress, facts that we know are facts are clearly stated and recommendations having a bearing upon our future course are all that could be expected, when we take into consideration that the message is addressed particularly to a body which have quite a number of statesmen of the New Thought variety. We have also read quite a number of "Epistles to the Common People" regarding the message which have been ejected from the brain of people who are running newspapers; many of whom way down in the cellar of their best thoughts believe they could run this country just as well and a little better than the man whom the people selected. These people are too bashful to make a direct announcement of this kind, so we have to read between the lines to discover what an awful lot of waste statesmanship and parolled ability is running to waste, in spite of the efforts of our government along the line of conservation of its natural resources. Some of the Democratic editors of this state, judging by the diarrhoea of words, and thinness of their ideas they have emitted in finding fault with the message, evidently have taken mentally the results of the late election in a laxative sense. We would willingly cough up the \$10 that Ben. Tillman went shy on at the Taft dinner to have the "Man in Africa's" opinion of the message boiled down to ten words at a dollar a word.

C. LaRue Munson, Democratic candidate for Justice of the Supreme Court, filed his account of expenses during the campaign, showing that he expended \$32,308.76. Of this sum \$25,400 was given to the Non-Partisan Committee of the Locomotive Bar Association, which waged a campaign in his interest throughout the State, and \$6000 to the Democratic State Committee.

This unusual strong financial effort to secure a seat on the Supreme Court bench is an awful shock to that portion of the Democratic party who use tooth brushes, hide their front names under the shadow of a nicer middle cognomen, and who have a lip in their speech, caused by their talking about political reform, corrupt practices, and the use of money in politics by the other fellow. A man was lately arrested in Wilkes-Barre for selling bad eggs, and he ate ten of them to prove his innocence. The ordinary Democratic candidate will practice everything he condemns, if he thinks by so doing he has a show to be elected. No wonder the decayed policies of the party have become so nauseating to Bryan that he takes up Prohibition as an issue which he knows has less friends in the Democratic party than any other.

## ENEMIES.

Go straight on and don't mind them. If they get in your way walk around regardless of their spite. A man who has no enemies is seldom good for anything; he is made of that kind of material which is so easily worked that every one has a hand in it. A sterling character is one who thinks for himself, and speaks what he thinks; he is always sure to have enemies. They

are as necessary to him as fresh air; they keep him alive and active. Live down prejudice by right doing. If you stop to dispute, you do but as they desire, and open the way for more abuse. Let the poor fellows talk, there will be a reaction if you perform but your duty, and the sparks, which if you do not blow will go out of themselves, and those once alienated will flock to you and acknowledge their error.

Somebody is advocating Bryan for a seat on the bench. There are others who advocate that he go way back and sit down on a bench.

## OBITUARY.

James M. Garty died at his home in Corning, N. Y., on Saturday, aged thirty-one years. Deceased was born at White Mills, Pa., but lived most of his life in Corning. He is survived by his wife and one child, by his mother and three sisters. The funeral was held from St. Mary's church, Corning.

Henry Cowling, aged 70 years, died at the home of Charles Bogart at Hoadleys on Sunday, after a lingering illness. Mr. Cowling was not known to have any near relatives surviving. The funeral was held from the Hoadley M. E. church on Tuesday, December 14, at 11 o'clock. Burial made in the Darling cemetery, Cherry Ridge.

Sylvester Woodmansee was found dead in bed at his home at Lake Como on Thursday morning. The news came as a great shock to his many friends for he appeared to be in excellent health. Mr. Woodmansee was 65 years of age and was one of Wayne County's most prominent citizens. He enlisted in the 45th Pennsylvania Volunteers in September, 1861, and was discharged by order of the surgeon on August 14, 1862. He was in business at Lake Como for many years. About two years ago his son died in the west, leaving a wife and children. Mr. Woodmansee immediately went west and brought them to Lake Como and established a home which he enjoyed to the utmost, not having had a home of his own for some years. He looked forward to many pleasant years with his grandchildren. He was a prominent member of I. O. O. F. and was a school director of Preston township.

On Sunday night at a quarter before eleven o'clock, at her home on East street, there passed away from this life to Paradise the soul of Sarah Elizabeth Cooper, beloved wife of Benjamin Gardner, aged sixty-seven years, eleven months and twenty-two days. She was a woman of splendid Christian character—genuine and wholesome in her home, where she was the very best sort of a wife and mother; in the church, where she was very active; and in the community, where, because of her genial nature and equable temper, she had hosts of friends. The end of her earthly life was like the sunset which closes a long summer's day. The clouds of her noon-day sky had been only those caused by the prolonged illness and death of her children. But a few weeks before her death her life of Christian kindness toward all mankind was crowned by the presence in her home of those who had shared with her the beautiful home-life never marred by bitterness, but only by sorrow; and of hundreds of her friends from far and near, who had gathered to show their esteem and affection for a man and a woman who that day had completed a term of fifty years of true marriage. And then came an illness of little suffering which passed quietly into sleep, as the colors of the sky fade into the silent darkness. For such a sky there will be a dawn but never again a sunset. Besides her husband there are left to mourn her death her sons, Wesley, President and Treasurer of the Finch Manufacturing Co. of Scranton, and Paul W., Manager of the Eureka Specialty Company, and four sisters, Mrs. Steinbeck and Mrs. Houck, who have been constantly with her in her last illness, and Mrs. Augusta Sickler and Mrs. W. Dean Sampson, of Tunkhannock. The funeral service will be held at her late residence on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock and in the family plot in Glen Dyberry, where the interment will take place. The Rector of Grace church, Rev. Albert L. Whitaker will officiate.

## Game Protectors' Exciting Time.

Port Jervis, Dec. 9.—Game protectors Farley, Vann and Farnham, who have been enforcing the laws on fishing in the Delaware river under the direction of division chief Legge of Binghamton, have removed or caused to be removed from the river over fifty eel racks and other illegal fish traps and have collected over \$50 in fines.

One gang in particular bothered the protectors greatly. The protectors succeeded in arresting one of the members of the gang. After the man was placed under arrest he asked permission to secure a bondsman. He was allowed a few minutes liberty and took advantage of the opportunity to bolt for freedom. The escaped prisoner hastened to the home of the gang in the mountains a short distance from the river with three officers in hot pursuit. They began a search of some shacks where members of the gang lived and things looked so threatening that they expected to hear guns popping every minute.

The officers finally found the man they wanted hiding in a bed, put the handcuffs on him and started off with him. By that time other members of the gang had gathered, with the evident intention to rescue the prisoner and made some moves in that direction, but a conspicuous show of firearms by the officers held them in check.

The officers made their way with their prisoner to a small country hotel and there a desperate attempt to release the prisoner was started, but the officers nabbed two more men of the gang and finally succeeded in landing all three in jail.

## Dunmore's New Bank.

A movement to establish a new bank is on foot in Dunmore. There is no question but that the institution will be ready for the transaction of business within a few months, although the details of the scheme are kept silent.

The capital stock will be \$100,000. It will be distributed as far as possible, among the residents of Dunmore borough. M. J. Murray, the coal operator, will be chosen as the first president of the bank. The directors will include several of the borough's most prominent business men.

Among the men who are actively engaged in getting the plans on a firm base are: Michael O'Connor, one of the proprietors of the Arrow cafe, and a well known real estate operator; F. O. Magargee, of the firm of Megargee brothers, and James O'Horo, teller at the Union National Bank.

An application for a charter will be forwarded to Harrisburg this week, it is expected.

## Murray and Mackey Comedy Co.

That "the play's the thing" has never been denied. Good plays are the key note to success of the company, and in the repertoire announced, Mr. John J. Murray, General Manager of the Murray and Mackey attractions, which began a week's engagement at the Lyric, starting Monday evening, is to be found a list of comedies and dramas which are far above the ordinary traveling repertoire and stock companies. The opening play Monday evening was "Why He Divorced Her," written by Will C. Murray, and it is the first time that this play has been seen at popular prices. During the week the company will present some of the following plays: "The Girl from Arizona," "The Devil," "The Parson and the Convict," "Thelma," "The Daughter of the South," "Lena Rivers," and a beautiful production of "The Two Orphans." All the plays are carefully staged and costumed. Souvenirs will be presented to the ladies at Wednesday's matinee.

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## "THE TRAVELING SALESMAN."

A Well-Known Play to be played in Honesdale on Monday, Dec. 27.

"The Traveling Salesman," by James Forbes, author of "The Chorus Lady," will be seen in this place at the Lyric Theatre on Monday, Dec. 27th. Aside from the fine acting the play affords pleasurable thought to the theatre-going public, by reason of its originality and life-like characters and types and not since the palmy days of Charles Hoyt has a comedy enjoyed greater success than this James Forbes offering. Crowded houses have been the rule since the first night of its opening this season, and the public is flocking to see it in such numbers that it will undoubtedly repeat its New York, Boston and Chicago success in this place. Mr. Forbes, the author, has given a humorous exposition of the characteristic of the modern drummer. It is a story true to life and between the hundreds of laughs that this play contains, are bits of pathos to add variety to a most interesting performance. Bob Blake, the jolly, philosophical "knight of the road" who impudently prejudices his position by coming to the rescue of a young girl who is about to lose her property, is the sort of a character that the public loves and admires, and his hearty laugh and uniform good nature have created for him a warm circle of friends wherever he has appeared.

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## COURT NOTES.

Regular monthly argument court was held Monday morning at 10 o'clock, Judge A. T. Searle presiding.

W. A. Gaylord was appointed a director of the Honesdale-Texas Poor District in place of O. L. Rowland, whose term of office expires the second Monday of January next.

Subpoena was awarded to I. R. Hurd, libellant, vs. Loyal L. Hurd, respondent, both of Honesdale, for libel in divorce. The respondent is charged with having wilfully and maliciously deserted the libellant, and absented himself from her habitation without reasonable cause, for more than a year past. Mrs. Hurd resides on Dyberry boulevard, near the Hartung bridge.

In the matter of Inquest on the bodies of W. Bruce Keeny and an unknown child, rule was granted on the county commissioners to show cause why the bill of costs should not be paid in both instances.

William J. Ferber and Jonas Katz were appointed auditors to audit the accounts of the poor district of Texas township and the borough of Honesdale.

In the Brune divorce suit of Eva J. Brune vs. Joseph J. Brune, both of Honesdale, an issue for jury trial withdrawn granted and O. L. Rowland was appointed to take evidence in the proceedings.

In the matter of order to make trial list of January term, ordered and filed.

Herman Harmes was appointed auditor to audit the accounts of the prothonotary and register and recorder.

In the divorce proceedings of Jas. H. Baringer, libellant, vs. Lillie Baringer, respondent, M. E. Simons was appointed master.

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