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## SPREADING INFORMATION

### STERLING.

On the morning of the 7th, the thermometer registered 11 degrees below zero, and no one can complain that we are not having good winter weather. That is as cold as it has been here this winter.

On the 5th Thomas Neville went to the State Hospital in Scranton and after a pretty thorough examination they said he had cancer of the stomach, and that an operation at this late hour would do no good; consequently he came home and we are very sorry to say that the prospect is not bright for a speedy recovery. His son, James, of Niagara, is now with him.

Walter Musgrove has sold a piece of land below his pond, on the brook, to Frank Fetherman, and he intends next summer to run a separator so folks in this section will not be obliged to go so far to dispose of their milk.

The Ladies' Aid met at the church last Wednesday and improved the time by quilting.

On the 5th a Teachers' local institute was held at the High school building and in the evening Prof. Chambers of Scranton, entertained a fine audience in the church. As Miss Dowling was elected reporter we will simply say that there was a good attendance and everything passed off very pleasantly. Supt. Koehler was not in attendance as expected and reported in the Citizen, although he promised to be there.

Ernest Williams, of Salem, is now boarding at R. B. Simons' and going to school.

The High school is progressing fine and, in fact, we hear no complaint from any quarter—something quite unusual.

The Odd Fellows had an oyster supper at the hall Friday night and although quite stormy and disagreeable, over fifty were out.

S. N. Cross has just received 1000 sap buckets, and of late sugar making is quite an important industry in this section.

C. E. Webster is still in Florida, and has been a guest of our former townsman, James A. Bortree, at Orlando.

Interest at next Tuesday's election centers in assessor, supervisor and school director.

### INDIAN ORCHARD.

The greatest event of the season was the entertaining of Pomona Grange by the members of Indian Orchard Grange, No. 1020, at their hall on Thursday last. At 9:30 o'clock a. m. the visiting members began to arrive and by 2 o'clock p. m. over two hundred had assembled; among them were fruit growers, dairy men, poultry men, gardeners, and those of many other occupations. One of the fruit growers exhibited a fine specimen of apple that had been raised in the west; he also exhibited some very inferior apples that had been packed and shipped that had been obtained from a market. Bro. Gilpin said that he could show them apples better than the best that were exhibited if they would call at his house. They were grown on trees that he had grafted along old stone rows. He would suggest that farmers graft the trees that come up along stone walls, in pastures, and in forests. One of the poultry men told us how to make hens lay by feeding them hay. Much was said about the silo and onsilage. The diameter of the average silo should be about 12 feet, the depth 25 to 30 feet. The greater the depth of the silage the better it will be preserved. When filling silo, salt the silage near the edge to prevent from freezing. Many interesting, entertaining and valuable things were said on gardening. You should know what the soil will grow best, then plant of the same, the vegetables that you need most. Many other subjects pertaining to the grange and granger were ably discussed by Bros. Bullock, Cody, Kline, Gray, Taylor, Kinsman, Stevens, Saunders, Williams, Knorr, Baker, Noble, Schaeffer and others.

Philip Reining, Jr., of Cherry Ridge, spent Friday last at the home of his uncle, Ira K. Bishop.

Mrs. Elizabeth Garrett, of Hawley, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Hall.

Mr. Gilpin, of Sterling, is visiting his sister, Mrs. W. H. Dunn, of Beach Lake.

Mr. Miller, who makes his home with his daughter, Mrs. Swartz, and who has been visiting another daughter, Mrs. Ostrander, of Ateo, has returned to his home.

O. W. Treverton was a business caller at Swamp Brook recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bayly are entertaining a young son. It arrived on Friday evening last.

Frank Willmarth of Beach Lake, is on the sick list. His physician, Dr. Gavitt, thinks that he will soon recover.

Mrs. Roy Killam and son, Paul, are visiting relatives at Hawley.

Nettie Ham, of Honesdale, was a visitor at the Red Rock Farm on Sunday.

Mrs. John Ham, who has been visiting her children at this place, will return to her home in Scranton this week.

Miss Mabel Gray was a recent visitor at the home of Mrs. O. W. Treverton at Vine Hill.

Elizabeth Switzer is living with Dr. and Mrs. Gavitt of White Mills.

### WHITES VALLEY.

Misses Jennie and Mable Moase, of Pleasant Mount, are visiting Mrs. Emerson Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Hutchins, of Carbondale, visited the past week at William Glover's.

The young people who were entertained Friday evening by Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Horton of Prompton, did not return until Saturday at 10 a. m. on account of the storm.

Mrs. Maud Fltze Bonham and daughter, Esther, of Carbondale, are guests at Wm. Fltze's.

Mrs. H. L. Fisher spent Sunday at Cherry Hill.

### HAMLINTON.

Cheer up! Spring is almost here; at least we try to think so. There is nothing like being an optimist anyway, for you know—

"The inner side of every cloud is bright and shining; I therefore turn my clouds about, and always wear them inside out. To show the lining."

But enough of poetry; let us now turn our attention to our neighbors' affairs.

Miss Flossie Edwards, of Scranton, made her parents a brief visit the first of last week.

Dwight Chapman, Jr., expects soon to go to Honesdale where he has secured a position with Birdsall Bros.

C. L. Simons was in Scranton on Friday.

John Osborne is quite ill at the present writing.

Mrs. Minnie Brooks and daughter, Alice, went to Scranton on Saturday. Mrs. Brooks expects to remain for a fortnight.

Mrs. F. A. Abbey visited at Clark Abbey's on the East Side on Friday last.

Two sleighloads from this place enjoyed a trip to the Flats on Thursday night where they were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sieg.

Augusta Knoll of Panther, is visiting friends in town.

Henry Fitchener was very seriously injured on Saturday, while working in the woods for Orville Burroughs. His skull was crushed in near one temple, rendering him unconscious. It is not known definitely how he received the injury, as he was working alone, but it is thought that the horse must have kicked him. It is not expected that he can recover.

Solon Peet of New Rochelle, N. Y., left on Thursday for that place after spending a few days at his home here.

Mrs. Frank Engle is on the sick list.

### WAYMART.

A sleighride party, consisting of fifty-five, spent a very pleasant evening at William A. Carepenter's one night last week.

Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Lang's home was brightened by a ten pound boy last week; also Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Weed's home by a daughter.

Mrs. Dunn, of Waymart, is ill at this writing under the care of Dr. Corson.

Spring time is drawing near; Waymart is looking for many changes.

James McCormick was a caller in town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dery Bryant, of Carbondale, spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. H. Schenck.

Mr. Tom Gallagher has recovered from his illness and spent one day last week at Waymart.

Many of the school girls were detained in getting to school on account of bad roads and the drifts.

The snow is delaying the D. & H. somewhat; Sunday they were three hours and a half late leaving Waymart.

### STEENE.

Albert Odell has purchased the blacksmith shop and tools of Thomas Moore of Prompton, and is ready to accommodate all comers from shoeing a horse to building a wagon. Mr. Odell's son, Ernest, who has served his time with blacksmith Doyle at Waymart, will have charge of the horse shoeing while his father, who is a first-class wagon-maker, will act as spoke shaver.

Lumberman Hollenback has purchased the old Bartley homestead at Prompton and will turn the same into a lumberman's camp during the summer months.

Amos Smith has purchased a handsome, swell-bodied cutter.

It is getting to be a common talk in this section that the rural mail delivery will be a thing of the past in the near future as mail grows stale, especially during the winter months when you don't receive it but once or twice a week.

Levi Richardson is seriously ill, threatening an attack of pneumonia. William Pentecost is improving from a severe attack of the grippe.

Warren Buckland is much improved from his recent illness.

Any one wishing to hear the past

history of Keene, Steene, or Prompton will do well to consult Mr. John Smith who has resided at Keene for the last century.

Ervin Bodie has rented his father's farm at Prompton and will take possession at once.

Henry Wick, an old resident of Prompton, is talking of seeking his fortune in the west.

Thomas Moore has given up the blacksmith business and will turn his attention to the excelsior business.

John Quinland spent last week with friends at Carbondale.

One of our old bachelors had the courage to face the snow banks last Sunday with his turnout. We think he must mean business. That's right, Tommie, some one must break the roads during a blizzard.

Mr. Buckland, who resides at this place, has a novel way of making hens lay. Mr. Buckland has been away from home nearly all winter but was called home a short time ago on account of sickness. The first complaint from the women after returning home was for keeping so many chickens and not getting any eggs. Mr. Buckland said nothing, but went to feeding the chickens, and now they are packing the eggs by the barrel. He says that he never knew slippery elm to fail.

### GALILEE.

Miss Mary Fromer, of Damascus, is visiting Laura Pollock.

Rev. and Mrs. Jos. Coleman delightfully entertained the Ladies' Aid and their husbands at a dinner recently.

Miss Elma Rutledge is very sick with pneumonia.

Thos. Gregg is visiting friends and relatives in Binghamton.

The W. C. T. U. will hold their Frances Willard Memorial meeting at the home of Mrs. A. J. Abraham on Friday evening, Feb. 18th. A short entertainment will be given and all are cordially invited to attend.

On Monday evening, Feb. 20th, a contest will be held in the church.

Mrs. Irving Rutledge, who has been very ill, is improving.

## GRANGE.

### INFESTED TREES SENT OUT BY NURSERIES.

A bundle of apple trees was received at the Division of Zoology of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, Harrisburg, from Allegheny county. The trees were part of a lot of 400 shipped last fall from a New York nursery. Prof. H. A. Surface, State Zoologist, examined the trees, and then reported upon them as follows:

"We have received the four apple trees which you sent to us, and find that they are infested with the Woolly Aphis. You will see these pests as little white stains, looking like flour or a touch of whitewash, in the injured places of the knot holes on the bark and also on the roots. If the nursery from which you obtained the trees had fumigated them properly according to the requirement of this State, before shipping them into this Commonwealth from New York, these pests would not be alive upon these trees at the present time. I would earnestly recommend that in getting trees from outside of Pennsylvania you insist that they bear a tag showing that they have been fumigated, in accordance with our State law. If the growers decline to fumigate them, they are shipped into this State illegally and you should not accept them.

"Since you have received the trees and found them infested with living Woolly Aphis, as these show, it is necessary to prepare to destroy this pest at once, because it keeps the wounded places sore and makes great knots on the trunk, branches, and roots of the trees. The Woolly Aphis can be killed by spraying with any contact insecticide that is efficient for scale insects. Among these are to be recommended, of course, the lime-sulphur wash, kerosene emulsion and strong soap solutions. It can be killed by dipping a paint brush into any of these solutions and painting the material on the infested spots. One of the best remedies, however, is to make up a paint with raw linseed oil and pure white lead and such coloring as you wish to add, and with a paint brush put a generous touch of paint on each infested spot. This will not only kill the Woolly Aphis, but also cover that particular place of abode, so that it will not become infested soon again.

"Where the pests are on the roots you should discover this before planting, if possible, and kill them by dipping the roots into very strong tobacco decoction. Where the trees are planted the roots should be examined for Woolly Aphis, where these pests are to be seen on the trunks or branches. Do this by removing the soil over the roots and watch all knots or injured places for the presence of pests. If they are found, either soak them with very strong tobacco decoction, or cover them with finely ground or powdered tobacco, and replace the earth to its normal condition. Do not use tobacco stems for this, as they are too coarse to kill the insects. The tobacco is a valuable fertilizer and will repay the work."

### CATALPA TREES AND SCALE.

A tree of rapid growth, and one of real value, is the Catalpa speciosa. In the south its wood is be-

ing used for railroad sills, and several railway companies, notably the Norfolk and Western, and Chesapeake and Ohio, are planting thousands of Catalpa trees so as to be secure in regard to a future-timber supply, in view of the rapid diminution of the forests along their respective lines.

An enterprising Pennsylvanian, who proposes to plant a considerable number of Catalpa trees in the spring on a tract of land in York county, wrote to Professor H. A. Surface, State Zoologist, Harrisburg, for information as to whether such trees are subject to infestation by the San Jose scale and other insect pests. "Can the scale exist on them," he inquired, "and, if so, are they liable to do so?"

The answer of Professor Surface was as follows: "Replying to your letter making inquiry concerning the infestation of Catalpa speciosa by San Jose scale, I can say that it is my opinion that this pest does not seriously attack this species of tree. I have not had opportunity to make personal observation, but I know that our ordinary Catalpa trees are not injured by it, and I am satisfied that it will not kill or injure the species of which you make inquiry."

### Cabmen's Requirement.

A thorough knowledge of the "geography" of London is required of cabmen. Among 735 applicants for license in 1904 there were only 350 who passed the examination, and of these more were dropped because they did not know how to drive.

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## KATZ BROS.

### COURT NOTES.

Argument court was held this week with Judge A. T. Searle on the bench.

The following matters were disposed of on Monday morning:

Applications of Charles P. Searle and Chester A. Garratt for admission to the Wayne County Bar filed. Matter referred to the County Board of Examiners and upon presentation of certificates from the State Board of Law Examiners certifying admission to the Supreme Court, the applicants were duly admitted to practice in the Wayne county courts.

In matter of Silas Lord vs. Lena Lord, certiorari to Justice of the Peace, exceptions to record argued.

In case of Commonwealth vs. Fred Young, surety of the peace, motion made to quash the transcript for the reason that it does not comply with the Act of March 18, 1909, relative to surety of peace, etc. Exceptions argued.

Upon petition of C. P. Searle, H. S. Hand was appointed trustee of Avery S. Hand, in place of Horace C. Hand, deceased.

In the matter of Jas. McDermott vs. Ernest Miller et al., motion for rule to show cause why lien of judgment should not be refused; granted.

Wm. H. Brunig appointed guardian of Mildred D. Brunig, minor child of Wm. H. and Eva Brunig.

In the divorce proceeding of Georgia M. Manning, libellant, vs. Hiram T. Manning, respondent, C. A. Garratt appointed master.

Upon petition Walter Swingle was appointed constable of Lake township, in place of F. Glossenger, resigned.

Loyal L. Hurd was granted permission to return home from the Danville Insane Asylum for a visit of 90 days.

In the divorce proceeding of Jos. H. Yarns, libellant, vs. Sadie H. Yarns, respondent, W. H. Lee appointed master.

Sale of real estate of Fanny E. Hawkey estate ordered, upon petition of C. R. Callaway, administrator of said estate.

Dr. F. W. Powell appointed trustee in the estate of William Doughty, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Horace C. Hand.

A citation was awarded upon Jacob Wilcox, executor of estate of O. R. Wilcox, requiring him to file an additional account for the remainder

of the personal property of said O. R. Wilcox estate.

### NICKNAMES OF OUR STATES AND TOWNS.

Yankee humor and high-flown oratory are responsible for the most of the nicknames by which the States and many of the cities in the United States have come to be known. As these nicknames are frequently encountered by readers, it may be just as well to recognize the fact that a knowledge of them is more or less of a necessity. For this reason the accompanying list is given.

The names given the States are: Virginia, the Old Dominion, Massachusetts, the Bay State, Maine, the Border State, Rhode Island, Little Rhody, New York, the Empire State, New Hampshire, the Granite State.

Vermont, the Green Mountain State, Connecticut, the Land of Steady Habits.

Pennsylvania, the Keystone State, North Carolina, the Old North State, Ohio, the Buckeye State, South Carolina, the Palmetto State.

Michigan, the Wolverine State, Kentucky, the Corn-cracker, Delaware, the Blue Hen's Chickens, Indiana, the Hoosier State, Illinois, the Sucker State, Iowa, the Hawk-Eye State, Wisconsin, the Badger State, Florida, the Peninsular State, Texas, the Lone Star State.

The names given the cities are: Philadelphia, the Quaker City, Boston, the modern Athens; the Hub, New York, Gotham, Baltimore, the Monumental City, Cincinnati, the Queen City, New Orleans, the Crescent City, Washington, the City of Magnificent Distances.

Chicago, the Garden City, Detroit, the City of the Straits, Cleveland, the Forest City, Pittsburg, the Smoky City, New Haven, the City of Elms, Indianapolis, the Railroad City, St. Louis, the Monard City, Keokuk, the Gate City, Louisville, the Fall City, Nashville, the City of Rocks, Hannibal, the Bluff City.

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