



PROF. H. A. ODAY TALKS ON CHURCH AND SCHOOL

In Grace Church Sunday Morning—Ultimate Aim of Church and School the Same—The Public Library Given Special Emphasis—Reasons Why Carnegie Library Not Wanted Here.

On account of the illness of Rev. A. L. Whittaker, Prof. H. A. Oday of the Honesdale schools filled the pulpit and delivered an eloquent address on Sunday morning on the relation between the church and the school and how morals should be taught. He said:

"The ultimate aim of the church and the school is the same. It is to raise each individual to the highest level it is possible for him to attain. Neither one can accomplish this working alone, it may be realized by the two working independently, but the best results are possible only when there is the closest working harmony between the church and the school. Do not misunderstand me, not a union of church and school but a compact working agreement. Each has its own part to perform yet there is much to be done in common. The man whose development is entirely along the spiritual is a better citizen than one who has only been trained intellectually but each falls short of the best type of manhood.

Modern education demands the training of the three H's, the head, the hand, and the heart.

Fairly accurate statistics show that in the U. S. about one-fourth of the children enter the High school and only about five per cent attend any higher institution of learning. How large a number of the positions of honor and responsibility that are filled by this 5 per cent is well known to you. A short time ago I made a careful study of conditions in Honesdale with the following result: During the five years commencing September, 1898, and ending June 1, 1903, 189 children entered our beginning class; 13 of these I have been unable to trace. They moved away and I have been unable to find anyone who could tell me concerning them. Two have died and two are still in the grades. Fifty-six left school without entering the high school and 116 completed the work of the eight grades and entered the high school. I did not choose an earlier date because I could not trace the children of an earlier period and I could not follow the statutes further because so many were yet in the garden. However, you see we have over 61 per cent in Honesdale as compared with 25 per cent in the United States.

Beginning with the graduating class of 1906 and ending with the class of 1910-5 years—we have 117 graduates. Of this number, 30 entered college, 11 normal school, 7 business colleges, and 19 some other school. To summarize, 58 entered some higher institution of learning and 59 did not. The reason I did not include the classes of 1911 and 1912 is that I find many do not go away to school till two, three or four years after graduation from the high school. Is not the fact that approximately one-half of our graduates continue their education after finishing in the local school, a sufficient reason for maintaining a college preparatory course of study? For those who can go no further we have a commercial course, also one that prepares for teaching. We are trying to do all that we can with our present equipment to train pupils for complete living.

So much for the training of the head. For the training of the hand, we have free hand drawing in all the grades and mechanical drawing in the high school. In the lower grades much constructive work is done, such as weaving, paper cutting and the making of baskets and boxes, while in the high school we make use of the laboratory in the teaching of the sciences. The gymnasium is used to some extent by most of the pupils. May the time soon come when we will have manual training, domestic science, and a regular course in physical instruction. The following plan is in successful operation in a number of the Nebraska high schools. Volunteers among the best housekeepers of the community give instruction at their homes, to the high school girls. The girls take notes on the instruction given by the teacher, and on the observation of her methods of preparation of the given article. They then practice at their homes until they believe they have acquired the requisite skill, when they bring the prepared articles to an exhibit where they are passed upon by judges. Credit is given toward graduation for successful work. Who will be the first Honesdale housekeeper to volunteer? This brings us to another most important factor in this problem, the home. Time will not permit me to dwell long upon this phase of the subject but much of the work now performed by church and school could be done much better by the parents. The reason it is done by the former is, that it is not done by the latter. Father and mother ought to give the children moral and religious instruction and training; if they do, it is the duty of the church and school to assist them in every manner possible so that their work may be most beneficial; if they do not then the church and the school must do their best to supply what the parents have neglected to provide.

While the church may aid the school very materially in the training of the heart and hand, it is in the training of the heart that it may be of most assistance. In all grades of our school a portion of the

DOINGS AND SAYINGS IN DAMASCUS.

Damascus, Dec. 3.—You will soon have to write 1913. Two cases of smallpox are reported here and the homes are quarantined.

A later account is that H. B. Pethick is much improved and is able to go as far as his brother's store, but is yet in a feeble condition.

We are pleased to extend the hand of fellowship to our new brother scribe of Tyler Hill. May he be a useful and instructive scribe and citizen for many years to come.

Miss Irene, daughter of Charles Pethick, now of Peckville, who spent the summer here on the farm, expects soon to go to Colorado where the majority of the family now reside.

In the local market here, eggs are 45 cents; butter is soaring around 40 cents with an upward tendency; beef by the quarter, 7 and 8 cents; pork 10 to 12 by the whole carcass, and potatoes 55 cents.

G. C. Abraham has transferred his saw mill, at Milanville, to Earl Barnes of the same place. There is not much stock remaining at this mill and this Mr. Barnes will have charge of. The other saw mill, at the Little Meadows, has a large stock stacked, awaiting orders.

Our friend George C. Abraham will bid us adieu for the winter this present week to join his family at Southurst, a point in south central North Carolina, near Pinehurst. B. L. Tyler has been deputized to fill Mr. Abraham's place as secretary of the school board.

H. B. Pethick returned from New York last week, where he went for medical treatment for an affection of the mouth. We understand the ailment was pronounced a case of blood poisoning. Mr. Pethick recently had some teeth extracted and the disorder followed immediately. A few years ago Mr. Pethick lost the use of the right hand by blood poisoning. The case is thought to have a critical aspect and his friends are apprehensive of a speedy recovery.

How many taxpayers in this township know that it takes nearly \$9,000 to pay the teachers the present year for their time, besides other necessary expenses. Do you think you are getting value received for this amount of money? Is not the present school system at fault somewhere? A master mechanic is worth more to a manufacturer than an ordinary laborer and he will discriminate between them.

If a trolley road were put into operation between the county seat and some convenient point here in the Delaware Valley, it could not prove otherwise than an advantage to Honesdale. It is needless for us to dwell at length on how it would benefit every branch of business out there as it must be at once apparent to any one with an eye and brain for commercial business. No doubt many of the farming element along such a proposed route would only be too willing to help such a project or even be willing to make a co-operative company as it would also throw value their way and would open up better market facilities for their produce.

N. B. Alfist has just finished making cider for this season. He used up between 7,000 and 8,000 bushels of apples, paying for the same 12 cents a bushel delivered at his mill. At the present writing Mr. and Mrs. Alfist are much concerned over the condition of their little daughter's arm from the effects of vaccination. The little one is in severe pain. Mr. Alfist and family have all preparations made and the date of departure set for their trip toward the setting sun. Dec. 30, God willing, they will bid their friends adieu. Their route going will be via the Erie to Chicago; to Denver, Salt Lake City, landing at Los Angeles. A stop will be made at Chicago with Mr. Alfist's sister, and they may possibly leave the main route going to visit the Wilseys in Ohio. Mrs. Alfist has a brother living in Los Angeles, John Buchanan, a contractor and builder. Mr. Buchanan went there several years ago to improve his health. He was so much benefited by that climate that he settled there, went into business and intends spending the rest of his days among the roses of California.

Death of John Ordnung.

John Ordnung a life-long resident of Seelyville, passed away at his home at that place last Saturday afternoon after a lingering illness of dropsy. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. C. C. Miller officiating. Interment was made in the Lutheran cemetery at Honesdale.

Mr. Ordnung was born in Germany 73 years ago the 15th of last May. He came to America in early life and lived at Cherry Ridge a number of years previous to coming to Seelyville, where he married Margaret Miller and made his home the last 30 years. Mr. Ordnung has served several township offices, the last being that of supervisor. The following children survive: John, Jr., George, all of Seelyville; Gustave and Mrs. William Goehler, both of Scranton; and Mrs. George Gaylor of Elmira, N. Y.

LOOKOUT.

Lookout, Dec. 2. Rev. Mr. Bowen, wife and son Wesley left Monday for a week's visit with their son, Frank Bowen, at Paterson, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Teeple are enjoying a visit with relatives in Connecticut.

Ed. Flynn and family, of Allegheny, are visiting at John H. Flynn's.

Frances Edsall, of Honesdale, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Grace Edsall.

I. H. SHOEMAKER TALKS ABOUT APPLES

Delaware and Hudson Industrial Agent Shows How Farmers Lose Money—Honesdale Doing What He Recommends.

In an interview on Friday last with a Scranton Tribune-Republican representative, Ira H. Shoemaker of Albany, industrial agent of the Delaware and Hudson system, tells how the farmers of Wayne and adjoining counties lose money. He answers a complaint of a Wayne county apple grower that appeared in the Tribune-Republican.

Referring to the Wayne county farmers Mr. Shoemaker said that if some active people in Honesdale interested in agricultural development get in communication with Mr. Wilson, secretary of agriculture, Washington, or to the State Secretary of Agriculture in Harrisburg the free aid plan would be outlined.

Fact of the matter is this. The Greater Honesdale Board of Trade is working on this very proposition with the end in view of organizing Wayne county agriculturally. The Board is also in communication with the Crop Development Bureau of Chicago, which organization has offered to give \$1,000 the first year toward the salary of an intended chemist and manager who would have charge of a proposed organization. It would be his duty to find a market for the produce, secure the best prices obtainable and give whatever assistance he could along the line of soil production.

Mr. Shoemaker said to a Lackawanna avenue, Scranton, wholesale merchant, who called his attention to the letter in the Tribune-Republican, stating that twenty cents a bushel was the price paid to farmers by the wholesalers for apples later sold by the wholesaler at eighty-five cents the bushel to a relative of the letter writer.

"If that's the case," said Mr. Shoemaker, then the letter proves that there is something wrong somewhere. If a farmer can get only twenty cents for apples that are sold by the wholesalers for eighty-five cents, it seems that the farmers are not alive to their best interests. If they had a produce exchange, with an active agent in charge," went on Mr. Shoemaker, speaking to the wholesaler, "you would pay more than twenty cents or you'd not get apples from Wayne county. The agent would have a market that would pay more than twenty cents. He would not be compelled to sell his apples in Scranton. He could sell them—in Canada for that matter—just like the Eastern Shore exchange of Virginia got into Montreal with potatoes."

Down in Virginia.

Mr. Shoemaker explained the potato crop of the Virginia farmers. "The Montreal merchants used to buy their potatoes from Michigan," said the industrial agent. "The Eastern Shore produce exchange had potatoes three weeks earlier than Michigan. It was suggested to the Eastern Shore exchange that it try to break into Montreal, but the idea seemed impracticable. The agent had been shipping his potatoes to Philadelphia and thought that Montreal was sealed tightly for Michigan potatoes only. Finally the agent was persuaded to wire a number of Montreal wholesalers if they wanted potatoes. The answer came, 'Yes,' always a market for new potatoes, and with prices satisfactory, the Eastern Shore exchange cut out Philadelphia and shipped to Montreal, and it is still shipping Virginia potatoes to the Canadian city.

"That's how the farmers hereabouts could sell their produce and be independent," said Mr. Shoemaker. "With an exchange they could not be at the mercy of a trust or combine of wholesalers. If the wholesalers set an arbitrary price the agent could be just as arbitrary. He could set the ultimatum of the Scranton wholesalers aside and wire to Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore or any city and then ship to the city that would come up to the proper mark. Scranton is not the only sister in the country that eats apples. The apple pie is a national institution.

Opportunities at Hand.

Mr. Shoemaker said that Wayne and Lackawanna counties offer many opportunities for increased production along agricultural lines and that there should be an organization in each county that would work in harmony with the United States department of agriculture and the state department also. "And," he added, "I am glad to say that there is now an opportunity presented to bring about that result."

The industrial agent went on to say that the United States department of agriculture has received an appropriation to promote agricultural development as a state wide proposition with the one end in view, to increase the yield, which would necessarily make for a lower cost of living to the people generally. Mr. Shoemaker then went on to say that in the state of New York, under this plan, there is being established in each of the fifty-seven farming counties of that state an expert in farm management to be known as a "county agent." The United States government pays a certain amount, about \$900 a year, the state department pays a certain amount, about \$600 a year, and the New York state legislature has passed a law permitting the county supervisors to levy a very slight tax to raise the county's proportion, and the only beneficiary is to be the farmers and the public.

Speaking further on the interest being taken by the New York state farmers, Mr. Shoemaker stated that a number of such organizations have

already been formed there. Recently, he said, the farmers of Clinton county organized a farm bureau to work in connection with the Pittsburgh Board of Trade, and that the plan is working out swimmingly. "As I understand it," went on the industrial agent, "it makes no difference to the government whether the project is carried on through a board of trade, or whether the moving force is known simply as a county agency. Result is the thing the government is concerned in, not names of organizations.

"In Clinton county," Mr. Shoemaker continued, "the Clinton County Farmers' league has joined the farm bureau of the Plattsburg Board of Trade, and has engaged the services of an expert, who is now on duty. His business will be to keep in touch with all farmers, giving advice as to suitable crops on certain areas, proper fertilizer for certain sections, and all matters pertaining to a better yield per acre, having in mind the transportation facilities and the marketing facilities. Those organizations are to have their headquarters in the county seats," and he went on to say, "that the indications are that within the next year twenty such organizations will be formed in Pennsylvania.

Works in Harmony.

Such organizations, according to Mr. Shoemaker's understanding of the subject, will not conflict with any fruit growers' associations. "It is my understanding," said Agent Shoemaker, "that the county agency is to apply to states other than New York, and," he said, "I do not see why it would not be a good plan for some active people in Wayne county, say of Honesdale, who are interested in farm development of their home county, to get promptly in communication with Mr. Wilson, secretary of agriculture in Washington or the secretary of agriculture of the state to get the full particulars."

A DISTINGUISHED GUEST COMING TO HONSDALE.

William Elliot Griffis, D. D., L. H. D., of Ithaca, N. Y., is to be a guest of the Exchange Club and one of the speakers at its annual banquet on Thursday evening. Dr. Griffis, who has an international reputation as a preacher, traveler, writer and lecturer has had an interesting career. He was born in Philadelphia, is a graduate of Rutgers College, and was in the early seventies a member of the faculty of the Imperial University of Tokio, Japan. In 1908, the late Emperor of Japan conferred on him the decoration of the Order of the Rising Sun. He has traveled much in the far East and has visited the Netherlands eight times. He is present at the entronement of Queen Wilhelmina in '98, and superintended the placing of the Delfshaven Pilgrim Memorial in Holland in 1909. He is a member of many learned societies at home and abroad. He has been a lecturer or preacher at Harvard, Yale, Chicago, Cornell, Rutgers, Dartmouth, Oberlin, Pennsylvania and Union Seminary. He has written many books on China, Japan, Korea, Holland, Belgium, and the Colonial period of American history, as well as works of biblical criticism, biography and fiction. He has held prominent pastorates in New York, Boston, Schenectady and Ithaca, but has of late years given his entire time to literature and the public platform. He is an entertaining and convincing after-dinner speaker, and the Exchange Club is fortunate in having him for a guest. He has been for many years a personal friend of Homer Greene, and it is through Mr. Greene's solicitation that he comes to Honesdale.

PETITION TWO MILES LONG.

San Francisco, Cal.—The liberty bell petition, mounted on a huge reel and containing the signatures of nearly 500,000 school children of California, started on its journey to Philadelphia last week after being paraded down Market street with military honors.

When the Philadelphia authorities seemed unwilling to send the famous bell to San Francisco for the Panama-Pacific exposition in 1915, it was decided to make an appeal to them in petition form. The signatures posted together make a string two miles long. The petition is going as special baggage and will be sent through to Philadelphia without stop.

Recall for Rev. H. C. McDermott.

At a meeting of the Methodist Ministers' Association resolutions were adopted asking Bishop Berry who will preside over the Wyoming conference for the reappointment of Rev. H. C. McDermott as superintendent of the Wilkes-Barre district for the next term. The resolutions praise Dr. McDermott highly.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Walter Swingle and Ophelia Swingle of Lake, to David D. Patterson, of Dunmore, land in Lake township; consideration, \$1,600. George Bloom et ux of Manchester, to M. Lee Braman of Honesdale, land in Manchester township; consideration \$1400. Clarence W. Knapp et ux of Carbondale, to Starucca Chemical Co., land in Preston township; consideration, \$1. Fred J. Avery et ux. of Dyberry, to Thomas B. Clark, of Honesdale, land in Dyberry township; consideration, \$1.

The Women's Christian Temperance Union will meet at the home of Mrs. James Bush Friday evening, Dec. 6th, at 7:30.

Mrs. T. A. Crossley received word Tuesday that her mother, Mrs. J. B. Sumner, is lying dangerously ill at her home in Binghamton, N. Y.

STATE TO BE LIBERAL WITH HIGHWAYS

Estimates Being Made for Information of Next Legislature as to the Appropriation of Moneys for State Highway Department.

Harrisburg, Dec. 3.—Estimates are now being made for the information of the next legislature in making up the appropriation for the maintenance of the State Highway Department for the two years commencing June 30, 1913. If the proposed \$59,000,000 bond issue for the construction of highways on the definite program laid down in the act of 1911 is approved by the people, the State will be in a position to be liberal in regard to highway construction and maintenance aside from the main highway building system.

As the State is committed to a system of main highways by act of the last legislature, provision must be made for maintaining during the next two years the roads already rebuilt or repaired; but assuming the bond issue for construction will be ratified, the State will then be in a position to make good sized appropriations for construction of highways under the State aid plan and to provide for the payment of road tax bonus to townships.

Highway legislation bids fair to occupy much attention in the coming session of the Legislature, as the experimental period of road making is practically ended and the demand for good roads is State wide. It is no longer confined to those localities near cities which have large suburban populations, but comes also from agricultural communities, where the advantages of first class highways reaching county towns and market towns are now recognized. On the next legislature will depend the future of the roads of the State, and the improvements seem certain to go forward, owing to the strong feeling in the interior counties in favor of better highways as an economic proposition. With a plan of distributing the sales of bonds over a period of years as needed and for the retirement of these bonds at the end of five years, the burden will fall lightly compared to the benefits that will be obtained from the development of the highway program and its systematic maintenance along modern lines.

DREHER.

Dreher, Dec. 3. We are on the last lap of 1912, with another big holiday near at hand. That means much in the way of preparation in the home, where the many wanderers over this broad land of ours, must see home at Christmas time. We need to be thankful at all times, for each day brings something that is directed by a divine power.

Harvey Cron is moving his family from their present residence near Angels postoffice to a house he has rented near Hollisterville where Mr. Cron has employment as sawyer on H. R. Megargel's saw mill.

J. B. Kranter is erecting a two-story building near H. B. Smith's hotel where he will open a meat market.

This end of Wayne county is left out of the Farmers' Institute circle. Why? The Pike county farmers' institute will be held in Hemlock Grove church, Greentown, on December 6 and 7. Topics of interest to the farmer and everybody else and everybody is invited.

Public roads are not in good condition for traveling by sleigh or wagon and either way is hard on the horse.

W. J. Hughes, of Hyde Park, Scranton, is the guest of J. W. Hause and family.

J. H. Green is operating a saw mill on the Blosser property, located along the Paupac Creek in Greentown, Pike county.

It is rumored that Geo. Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Green will wed Miss Blanche Manhart, of Greentown, Pike county, on Dec. 4.

STATE FAIR BILL PUT INTO SHAPE.

Commission Created and Half Million Dollars Provided—Agricultural Federation Back of It. Drafts of a bill providing for a State fair have been completed and the measure will be among the first to be presented to the Legislature when it meets in January.

The bill, which has the endorsement of the Pennsylvania Agricultural Federation and of many prominent State officials and political leaders without regard to affiliation, will carry an appropriation of \$500,000 for the purchase of a site, erection of buildings and general preliminary work, together with the cost of operation for two years. The fair is to be in the hands of a commission of seven, of whom the Governor and Secretary of Agriculture are to be ex-officio members. The Governor is to appoint five. The commission will select the site and every agricultural organization in the State will be asked to lend support and to send the best of the exhibits at county fairs to the show. The fair has long been urged by the State Livestock Breeders, members of the State Dairy Union, State Board of Agriculture and other organizations.

The bill will probably provide that the fair shall be held near Harrisburg, because of it being the capital and owing to its central location and good railroad facilities.

William Moules was arrested on Monday night by Constable Levi DeGroat and lodged in the county jail for drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

MAN FOUND DEAD IN QUARRY

Near Lake Como, Pa.—Lived at Hollisterville and Been Employed at Foster Place—Death Due to Starvation.

A man by the name of Stevens was found dead in the snow at the old stone quarry near Lake Como on Sunday afternoon by Mr. Jaycox of Lake Como. Mr. Jaycox had gone out to set some traps and when at the stone quarry stumbled over something which was covered up with snow. He investigated the object and found that it was the form of a man. It had been under the snow some hours and was dead. The justice of the peace was notified and took charge of the remains. An inquest was held and a verdict rendered of death by starvation. Dr. Merriman of Lake Como examined the body and no wounds of any kind were found or no evidence of a crime having been committed.

Stevens was about 40 years of age and a single man. He had been previously employed in a saw mill at Lake Como but lately had been out of work. His home was in Hollisterville, this county. There was a small amount of money on the body and also a watch. No other details could be obtained.

TRUSCOTT—FRALEY NUPTIALS

Miss Mina M. Fraley and Massey B. Truscott were quietly married at 1:30 Tuesday afternoon by Rev. A. L. Whittaker, rector of Grace Episcopal church, at the home of the bride on West street.

The young couple were attended by Miss Mabel Heft, cousin of the bride, and Otto Truscott, brother of the bridegroom. The wedding was a very quiet affair, only the immediate relatives being present. The bride was becomingly attired in a traveling suit of dark blue serge with hat to match, while Miss Mabel Heft, maid of honor, wore a suit of blue material. After a wedding breakfast at the home of Mrs. Barbara J. Fraley, 1507 West street, mother of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. Truscott left on the 2:53 Erie afternoon train for New York City and other points of interest. The bride and bridegroom are both popular young Honesdale people and their many friends wish them a happy wedded life. Mrs. Truscott, for ten years, was saleslady in the notion department of Katz Bros.' store at this place, where she made a number of friends, while the bridegroom is a valued salesman of Bird-sall Bros. Woolen Mills, of Seelyville. The couple were the recipients of a number of beautiful presents.

HAWLEY.

Hawley, Dec. 3. Hawley council No. 456, Junior Order United American Mechanics, have completed arrangements for a large class initiation, which will be held Tuesday night in their hall. The degree team of Honesdale council will confer the degrees, they being the prize team of Wayne county. After the business session the Wayne County Past Councilors' association will be the guests of Hawley council. A special program has been arranged. It is expected that over 500 Juniors will be present from all parts of Wayne and Pike counties. Supreme Deputy State Organizer Moses E. Harvey, of Scranton, will deliver an address on the "History of the Organization." A banquet will be served by one of the leading caterers of this section.

Thomas Heenan, of Scranton, spent Thanksgiving day with friends here.

Edward Nordell, of Jermyn, spent Thursday with his family here.

Misses Ethel and Laura Decker spent Thanksgiving day with their parents at Kimbles.

Mrs. R. C. Glosinger has returned home after spending a month with friends in New York city.

Mrs. Charles Whilds and daughter Lucy, of Dunmore, are visiting Mrs. Whilds, of Church street.

The H. H. S. Literary society gave a very interesting program consisting of singing, readings, musical solos, a folk dance by the little folks and a short sketch from the opera "Bib White," entitled, "Colonial Dames," which was very cleverly executed (?) by the members of the society.

Miss Pearl Bryant, of Keystone street, spent Thanksgiving with her people at Honesdale.

Miss Ruth Guest, of Keystone street, is spending a few days with her parents at Lofton.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Herzog and daughter, Marie, spent Thanksgiving with the former's parents at Lakeville.

Miss Annie Jenosky, of Keystone street, is spending a few days with her parents at Arlington, Pa.

CARD OF THANKS.

Mrs. Harriet Martin of Whites Valley, Pa., wishes to extend her sincere thanks to friends and neighbors for their sympathy in her recent bereavement and to all who assisted in the recovery and care of the body of her late husband.

Leopold Fuerth, chairman of the Wayne County Democratic Committee, filed his expense account with Prothonotary W. J. Barnes on Monday. The account showed contributions as follows: N. J. Spencer, \$150; Democratic State Committee, \$200; Joel G. Hill, \$300; total, \$650. The expenditures of the committee here amounted to \$649.25.

February 1 has been set as the date of the examination by the United States civil service department for positions as deputy collector, clerk, storekeeper, gauger and storekeeper-gauger in the Ninth Internal Revenue district.