

# HAPPENINGS IN OUR NEIGHBORING VILLAGES

## PAUPACK.

Paupack, Dec. 18. The Christmas entertainment will be held Monday evening, Dec. 23, in the M. E. church.

A jolly crowd of young folks spent Friday evening listening to Mrs. Bennett's phonograph.

B. F. Killam spent last week in Scranton.

Erl Trivelpiece butchered two fine porkers on Monday.

There was no school at Bone Ridge last week on account of the illness of the teacher, Miss Martha Schwartzing, of this place.

Hon. Miles Rowland visited this place at the beginning of the week.

J. G. Killam is having steam heat put in his house.

Miss Katherine Gumble returned to her home at Milford after an extended visit here.

## NEWFOUNDLAND.

Newfoundland, Dec. 19. Spring weather is prevailing.

George Bartleson is suffering with a smashed finger.

Our mail carrier does not like to be out late at night as he delivers mail every morning.

The Union Sunday school will hold their Christmas entertainment Sunday evening, Dec. 22.

The Moravian Sunday school will hold their Christmas entertainment Christmas eve.

H. B. Smith has torn down his old barn.

A birthday party was held at the home of Fred Eck in honor of his son, William. Many were present and dainty refreshments were served.

We wish you all a Merry Christmas.

## GALILEE.

Galilee, Dec. 18. Mrs. Charlotte Keesler is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Rose.

The Earnest Workers held their Class Social at the home of Miss Vera Rutledge Friday evening, December 6.

There will be a Peek-a-Boo social in the basement of the Galilee church, Tuesday evening, Dec. 17.

Miss Marjorie Loy of Weehawken spent the past week at the home of her uncle, W. J. Loy of Rutledge-dale.

Mrs. Floyd Rutledge is spending a few weeks in Jersey City, Brooklyn and Middletown.

Miss Lela Keesler entertained the W. C. T. U. at her home Dec. 3.

Lester Rosenkrans of Hawley has been visiting at C. M. Clauson's.

A number from this place attended the funeral of Mrs. Sidney Marold of Conklin Hill.

## STEENE.

The chicken supper held at the home of Miss Edith Hubbard last Thursday evening, was a grand success, as \$23.35 was raised clear of all expense. The next thing on the program will be a box social some time in the near future.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hamby, of Honesdale, Saturday morning, a twelve-pound daughter. Mrs. Hamby was formerly Miss Margaret Haley, daughter of the Bobolink and mate.

Mrs. J. E. Haley is in attendance with her daughter, Mrs. Hamby, at Honesdale.

Lesley Hill has accepted a position as teamster for Merchant Varcoc at Waymart.

Mr. and Mrs. Shaffer of the Kaglar farm visited Sunday with friends in the happy land of Canaan.

In trying Mr. Warren Buckland's plan to make the hens lay during the winter months, the Bobolink has found it quite successful as he has 30 pullets that were hatched in May that are averaging from 10 to 20 eggs daily.

Under the management of M. A. McMahon the Lake Lodore Improvement company has shipped this last season over thirty thousand tons of ice.

Miss Denny, our teacher, is training her pupils for Christmas tree exercises to be held Friday of this week.

## HAWLEY.

Hawley, Dec. 18. The usual Christmas dance will be held at Watts Hall on the afternoon and evening of December 25. Special arrangements for music are being made and the orchestra will consist of eight pieces.

Miss Grace Cooper and Lena Sailer made a trip to Scranton on Saturday.

Mrs. Spratt and her daughter, Mrs. Watrous, of Lewisburg, Pa., are guests of Prof. E. L. Blakeslee.

George F. Weber, of Detroit, Mich., who is a heavy buyer of the product of several of the knitting factories at this place, was in town on business this week.

F. L. Tuttle made a business trip to Milford Thursday.

Mrs. Valentine Miller, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Nell since Friday last, returned to her home on Wednesday at New York.

Tom Tuttle, of Philadelphia, arrived last Friday evening and is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Tuttle.

## INGLEHART.

Inglehart, Dec. 18. The weather is fine for this time of the year.

Mr. and Mrs. Friend Griffin, of this place, had the misfortune to lose their infant baby girl last Thursday.

H. S. Whitmore and Branning

Bros. have started to cut and start props for the former.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wood were Honesdale callers Monday.

The school of East Berlin have sent for their new organ and hope it will be here by Xmas.

There will be an entertainment in the East Berlin school house Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 24, and also in the Pike county school at Welcome Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Decker attended the show at Narrowsburg Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Brinkman are rejoicing over the arrival of a young daughter on Friday, Dec. 13.

Mrs. Harry Wood has gone to spend some time with her parents at Galilee.

## SOUTH CANAAN.

The M. P. Ladies' Aid society will hold an apron and candy sale with supper at the Grange hall Thursday evening, Dec. 19.

Sadie Enslin has returned to this place after spending some time at Scranton.

We hope Santa Claus will come with his reindeers and sleigh instead of his auto or biplane as Xmas is more enjoyable with the snow.

Mrs. George Fielding attended trade day at Scranton Saturday.

Mrs. Wm. Fielding and two children of Carbondale are visiting relatives at this place.

Mrs. John Downing is spending a few days at Carbondale with her son and daughter.

Rena Dersheimer spent last week at Scranton with friends.

Rena and Nettie Lerch have gone to Troy to visit Mrs. William Erk for several weeks.

James Oakley and Jacob Smith of Dickson, are spending a few days at Hotel Bentham.

Mr. and Mrs. George Spangenberg went to Philadelphia Monday for the purpose of having Mrs. Spangenberg's eyes operated on.

## MILANVILLE.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hynes, of New York City, spent Sunday in town.

Mrs. W. D. Yerkes is visiting Tyler Hill friends.

Mrs. Lucas Mogridge spent Saturday with her mother, Mrs. Stryker, at Lookout.

M. L. Skinner visited Syracuse and Cozovnia, N. Y., last week. At the latter place Mr. Skinner was the guest of Dr. C. D. Skinner.

Miss Florence V. Skinner will spend a few days this week at Port Jervis.

Mrs. R. R. Beegle visited Middletown and Port Jervis friends recently.

Edward and Frank Jenkins, of Honesdale, were welcome callers in town last week.

Rockwell Brigham recently enjoyed a trip to Brooklyn where he purchased a horse.

Mrs. Keys, Beach and Mogridge and Miss Bessie Skinner attended the aid society at Mrs. C. H. Valentine's. All voted Mr. and Mrs. Valentine charming host and hostess and hope they may live many years to enjoy their cozy home.

Kays and Page are drawing grain and flour.

Miss Fredericka Hocker spent the week-end at Honesdale.

Miss Hocker is preparing to have a Christmas tree and entertainment for the school children.

While eggs were 60 cents Mrs. H. M. Page shipped a crate; when they reached their destination they were short fourteen dozen. These eggs have probably gone to hunt up the eight gallons of oysters which were due here for Thanksgiving, having been billed to Mr. Fremer, but as yet have not come. These errors will probably be rectified when we get parcels post.

The ladies of the M. E. church here cleared fifteen dollars at their supper last Friday evening.

## GOVERNOR WILL SEEK BANKING REFORMS.

Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 19.—Governor Tener will renew his effort in the 1913 Legislature to secure the passage of two bills which failed of enactment despite administration endorsement in 1911 session. One is known as the "receivership" bill, its purpose being to permit the State Banking Commissioner to liquidate insolvent State banks and trust companies, saving the time and cost of the present system of receivers appointed by the courts. The other is to bring all private banks under the supervision of the Banking Department. The 1911 session exempted from State supervision private banks that had been in existence for seven years.

The Governor, it is said, will recommend increasing the equipment of the Auditor General's department by providing three or more experts with wide powers of investigation into the billions of corporation capital on which the State levies a tax. At present the State is dependent largely on the reports of the corporations themselves.

## THE NEW YORKER AHEAD.

A Broome County farmer and a New Yorker were one day discussing the relative merits of their respective places of abode. "Up where I live," said the Broome county farmer, "we grew a pumpkin so big that when we cut it my wife used one-half of it as a cradle to rock the baby in." The New Yorker smiled. "Why, my dear fellow," he said, "that's nothing at all. A few days ago, right in the heart of New York City, three full grown policemen were found asleep on one beat."

## BIG BORROWING FOLLOWS PEACE

Enormous Financial Transactions When War Ends.

## EXPECT FLOOD OF NEW LOANS

Not Only Belligerent States Will Have to Put Their Finances Again on a Sound Basis, but Other Countries Are Also Preparing to Raise Stupendous Sums.

The prospect that the war in the Balkans would soon reach its end has been raising misgivings in European money markets as to the large amount of new government loans that will be offered for underwriting as soon as possible after peace shall have been declared. According to the Frankfurter Zeitung, there will be such a flood of new loans in a comparatively short time as the markets have probably never known before. Not only the belligerent states will have to put their finances again on a sound basis, but other countries are also preparing to issue great international loans.

Turkey already arranged for a part of its needs, but its transactions were left incomplete pending the termination of the war in Tripoli and the result of the present war. Of course the ports will need large sums of money after the war to place its military equipment again on a tolerable basis. It will undoubtedly be an active bidder for any moneys awaiting investment in west European countries.

Then there will probably have to be a readjustment of the Turkish public debt, the victorious Balkan states taking over the payment of the interest on a part of it or paying a lump sum to compensate Turkey for the loss of its European territory.

### Balkans as Borrowers.

Bulgaria and its allies will also need money in large amounts, as their financial position has been greatly weakened by the war. Before its outbreak Bulgaria was negotiating with a group of French, English, German and Austrian banks for a loan of \$37,000,000, and it received an advance of \$5,000,000 upon it, and it has just borrowed \$8,000,000 on 5 1/2 per cent treasury notes at Paris.

The unfavorable terms attached to this transaction are a sufficient indication of Bulgaria's pressing need for money. It will require large amounts for its military establishment after the war, as well as for administrative and development purposes in its newly conquered territory.

Similar conditions will prevail in Serbia, Greece and Montenegro. Serbia is reported to have just borrowed \$1,200,000 from a Brussels bank for three years, evidently intending to provide for it, and for subsequent requirements through a loan after the war.

### Italy Wants \$140,000,000.

Italy is also a large prospective borrower. It is authentically reported that it was in negotiation with the Paris Rothschilds for \$140,000,000, at the time when the Balkan war broke out, which, of course, caused the transaction to be postponed. It is also expected that both Austria and Hungary will raise loans soon after the war ends, but the amount of their joint requirements is not known.

It is also a well known fact that Spain wants to raise a large amount of money to place its finances upon a sound footing, and it is assumed that it will resort to a foreign loan for meeting a part at least of its requirements.

The sum mentioned as the minimum of its foreign borrowing is \$60,000,000. Behind all these borrowing plans looms the big Chinese loan of about \$200,000,000, which has not yet been accepted by the Chinese government, although offered by the six powers group of bankers.

Of course most of these prospective issues will go to the English and French markets. It is not believed that Germany will take any considerable part in supplying the wants of the countries in question.

Whatever be the attitude of German financiers, however, it is evident from the foregoing, that the European money markets will have to meet large demands for new capital within a relatively short period.

When this will begin, depends upon the speed made in settling up matters in the Balkans. If a European conference is called to carry through the territorial and other readjustments, these financial operations may be considerably delayed.

### Improvements For California's Parks.

The department of the interior proposes to spend \$265,403 in the national parks in California during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914. If the amount requested by the secretary of the interior is appropriated by congress, The increases requested are as follows: Yosemite National park, from \$80,000 to \$233,703; Sequoia National park, from \$15,550 to \$20,900; General Grant National park, from \$2,600 to \$4,800.

### Postal Savings Popular at Panama.

The postal savings depository at an incentive to the laying aside of money is referred to in a report from the Panama canal zone. June 30, 1912, five months after the system had been established on the zone, the employees had a total of \$550,000 on deposit.

## CHRISTMAS IN BENTON'S DAY

Jessie Benton Fremont's Description of a Celebration of Long Ago.

The Christmas of eighty years ago was once described by Mrs. Jessie Benton Fremont, wife of General John C. Fremont and daughter of Thomas H. Benton. The time was that of President Jackson's administration, and the scene was Mrs. Benton's ancestral home, near Staunton, Va.

Grouped about the roaring log fire are Mrs. Benton's father and mother, herself and her two little girls, of whom Jessie was one. The mother is reading to the grandfather, and a black servant, "Uncle Ralph," is hovering about and replenishing the fire. The children were not to make a sound, for it would disturb grandfather. And now we will tell the future Mrs. Fremont tell her own story:

"Imagine, then, the strong impression made on me by the upset of all this ordered calm. Noises came from the front door, noises of horses and of people, cheerful, vigorous noises of snow stamped off, laughing and the thump of baggage."

"And our mother was actually running into the hall, while my grandfather, not minding the noise, but looking all pleased, was standing up and holding out his hands to the big man in the snowed on clothes! For it was our father, our dear, loving father, who had come to us for Christmas and brought a big trunk full of Christmas gifts for everybody."

"I can see it all so well."

"The opening of that trunk took place in the warm rooms that my grandfather, too, might see. We, liberated imps, laughed and noised all we wanted without rebuke over our two big wax dolls—'London dolls'—and there was a London cloak for my mother, of black silk lined with fur."

"But the feature of the presents to us after our dolls was the oranges my father had brought, carefully wrapped and packed warmly in the trunk for our sick grandfather."

"A smile that is very close to tears rises as I remember our gathering in admiring silence about those oranges. I can see my mother's beautiful hands as she carefully peeled and divided one into slim little sections, when we all solemnly took each one bit, the peel carefully saved to flavor tins."

"This is what I see yet. But new feelings stirred in me even then and grew and went on growing as I learned later all that sudden, brief visit through the stormy winter weather meant."

### Christmas Treasures.

I count my treasures o'er with care—  
A little toy that baby knew,  
A little sock of faded hue,  
A little lock of golden hair.  
Long years ago this Christmas time  
My little one—my all to me—  
Sat robed in white upon my knee  
And heard the merry Christmas chime.

"Tell me, my little golden head,  
If Santa Claus should come tonight,  
What shall he bring my baby bright,  
What treasure for my boy?" I said.  
And then he named the little toy.  
While in his round and truthful eye  
There came a look of glad surprise  
That spoke his trustful, childish joy.

And as he lisped his evening prayer  
He asked the boon with baby grace,  
And, toddling to the chimney place,  
He hung his little stocking there.  
That night as lengthening shadows crept  
I saw the white-winged angels come  
With music to our humble home  
And kiss my darling as he slept.

He must have heard that baby prayer,  
For in the morn, with glowing face,  
He toddled to the chimney place  
And found the little treasure there.  
They came again one Christmas tide,  
That angel host so fair and white,  
And, singing all the Christmas night,  
They lured my darling from my side.

A little sock, a little toy,  
A little lock of golden hair,  
The Christmas music on the air,  
A-watching for my baby boy.  
But if again that angel train  
And golden host come back for me  
To be mine to eternity  
My watching will not be in vain.  
—Eugene Field.

### NEW STATE ROAD.

Petitions are being circulated in all this locality to the Legislature to have the state take over the road leading from Runnucknock in Wyoming county to a point near Hancock, Delaware county, N. Y., going by way of Nicholson, Glenwood, South Gibson, Gelatt, North Jackson, Thompson and Starrucca and across the northern part of Wayne county. This road if made a state highway will be known as route No. 267. The citizens of Wayne and Susquehanna counties are hard at work for this road.—Susquehanna Ledger.

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