

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY PLANNING FOR CONVENTION AND FRUIT DISPLAY

Will Be Held Some Time in January at Court House

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DISCUSSED SPEAKERS AND DATE IN GRAND JURY ROOM ON WEDNESDAY -- TO MAKE WAYNE COUNTY FRUIT RAISING CENTER--W. J. LEWIS, OF PITTSBURGH, OFFERED TO HELP.

There will be a convention and fruit exhibit held under the auspices of the Wayne County Horticultural Society in January, the date and speakers being undecided at this time. Arrangements for a gathering of farmers were made at a meeting of the executive committee held Wednesday afternoon in the grand jury room of the court house. Those present were Dan W. Hull, of Waymart, president of the Horticultural Society; J. P. Warwick, Narrowsburg, vice-president; W. E. Perham, Niagara, vice-president; T. B. Clark, Honesdale, vice-president; Giles Earl Schenck, Honesdale, secretary.

It is the plan and purpose of the Horticultural Society to make Wayne county the banner fruit raising center of the group of counties in North-eastern Pennsylvania. This can be done without much difficulty, owing to the fact that the soil is especially adapted to raising apples, pears, peaches and other fruits. By pruning, spraying and fertilization the present crops of Wayne county orchards could be increased many fold. The farmers and orchardists of Wayne county are awakening to the fact that there is considerable money lying undeveloped on the hills of dear old Wayne. The Wayne Horticultural Society has a number of live, wide-awake farmers and successful, progressive and prosperous orchardists who are deeply interested in the future welfare of Wayne county. There has been several hundred new trees set out during the past year, that in course of a few years will be bearing luscious fruit. Peach and apple trees are the favored fruit and consequently more of these trees have been planted.

W. J. Lewis, of Pittsburg, who is considered to be one of the best apple growers and authority on fruit growing, is deeply interested in the future development of Wayne county. Mr. Lewis, at the Horticultural meeting held in Honesdale last year, gave an address in which he stated that this soil was adapted to raising Baldwin and Northern Spy apples, claiming that these varieties were best adapted to our soil and climate. Among the exhibits, which the Wayne Horticultural Society has arranged for in January, will be one by Mr. Lewis.

The Citizen's columns are always open for the publication of contributed articles on the development of Wayne county, especially along the line of a horticultural nature. The Wayne County Horticultural Society has worked to perform and The Citizen will stand back of the society and give it all the publicity it can. Now for a lively and interested campaign for new members for the Horticultural Society that it may put Wayne county on the map as being the best place in the United States for raising apples. By that time it will be hoped that Wayne county farmers will have a produce exchange in Honesdale to which they can bring their fruits and vegetables and receive the highest market values for the same.

HONESDALE MOST BEAUTIFUL TOWN, SAYS H. R. DANIELS

H. R. Daniels, of Boston, who is spending the week in Honesdale remarked to a Citizen representative that he was very much impressed with Honesdale. He continued: "We pride ourselves on the suburbs outside of Boston but I can truthfully say that there is no place that can equal Honesdale in beauty." Mr. Daniels was told that this was quite a broad assertion to make, but he assured us nevertheless that it was true.

Honesdale is an ideal place in which to live and locate factories. Its climate is unexcelled, the air is pure and water the best obtainable. If you are contemplating a change, come to Honesdale. The Board of Trade will assist you.

POCONO DISTILLING COMPANY IN BANKRUPTCY.

Three creditors of the Pocono Distilling company, with headquarters in Scranton, the first of the week filed a petition in the United States court asking that the company be declared bankrupt. The petitioners are Lachman & Jacobs and the American Distilling company, of New York, and Fred C. White, of Hawley. They allege that they are owed over \$3,000 and that several acts of bankruptcy have been committed by the alleged insolvent company. J. S. Brown of this place holds eighteen shares of this stock.

The first named creditors set forth that they have provable claims of \$272 against the Pocono Distilling company, the next named alleged they are owed \$2,702, while the third names \$272 as the amount of his debt. In the statement filed it is said that the company committed acts of bankruptcy in paying some creditors in full and allowing a judgment to be entered against them in the Lackawanna county court in favor of E. G. Lyons. A hearing will be held December 30. A. V. Bower represents the petitioners.

ERIE R. R. COMMISSIONER JACKSON IN HONESDALE

HAD PLEASANT INTERVIEW WITH A CITIZEN REPRESENTATIVE.

Tells About Erie Company Improvements--The Development of Railroads--Relates Things Seen in Land of Midnight Sun, From Which He Has Just Returned.

Luis Jackson, of New York City, Erie railroad industrial commissioner, was a visitor in Honesdale on Wednesday. While in the Maple City Commissioner Jackson called at The Citizen office and we had a very pleasant interview with him. Referring to business conditions at large Mr. Jackson stated that one of the things that would help business would be the increase of five per cent. freight rates. Quoting Mr. Jackson, he says, "I find that the entire manufacturing community of the country is in favor of the increase as it is expected to give an immense impetus to the power of the railroad and will enable them to secure more necessary capital for rails and equipment.

"Little or no money is now being invested in railroad securities and as money, like water, flows to its level, investors will seek a field for American capital abroad. Any business man can tell by instinct that the high cost of living effects railroads in their purchases and in their labor costs. The trouble is that we have too many lawyers in congress, and they are too slow in grasping the business end of matters.

"The Erie railroad has its line double tracked from Buffalo to Chicago. This road has always had a double track to Buffalo, but from that city to Chicago has been a single track. During the past two years the single track has been abandoned and the double track is now within 40 miles from Chicago. As soon as this track is completed to Chicago the Erie will take rank as one of the great freight carriers in the United States, and with this main line doubled it will be able to take care of every detailed improvement on the lines of the whole system. I believe that the antagonism against the railroads has about ended and that the public is discriminating against charging the faults of the few to the many. I believe that the railroads will push ahead with the development of their lines. The railroad's business is too big an interest to be scared or disheartened by temporary feeling."

Commissioner Jackson has just returned from the Land of the Midnight Sun, and among other interesting things related, he said:

"Between Boden and Narvik is the great Swedish iron ore district. The principal mines are at Gellivare and Kiruna. The Gellivare mines ship to Lulea on the east coast of Sweden, where there are ore docks. From Lulea the ore goes chiefly to Germany. The mines at Kiruna ship to Narvik on the west coast of Norway. Much ore from this district is shipped by rail and water to furnaces in Sweden. The total production of Swedish iron ore this year (1913), is estimated at 5,500,000 tons. About 3,500,000 tons of this will be handled by the ore docks at Narvik, Norway. (These figures are not authoritative). From Narvik most of the ore is shipped to Emden in Germany, and is thence taken to the steel works in the Ruhr district--Essen (Krupps), Dusseldorf, etc. Ships also load at Narvik for the United States. Nearly all such ships run direct from Narvik to Philadelphia. In 1912 Philadelphia received 238,863 tons of iron ore from Sweden. Philadelphia is, practically, the only port that receives Swedish iron ore. It is shipped from there to different American furnaces, to enrich other ores, being a very high grade ore. In many cases it contains as much as 66 per cent. of iron, and in some cases as high as 69 per cent."

BARTENDERS DECLINE NEW JOBS MINISTER OFFERS.

Bartenders of Scranton have rejected the proposition of Rev. George Wood Anderson, pastor of the fashionable Elm Park M. E. church, to secure good jobs for all those engaged in the liquor traffic who wish to quit the business.

Dr. Anderson in a recent sermon against intemperance declared that the bartenders who served the drinks were worse than the thief that stole his watch while he was on a recent visit to New York.

The bartenders on a resolution voted that the offer was not worthy of their consideration. A number had previously expressed an intention of making the minister make good his offer.

MEDICAL SOCIETY AT HAWLEY.

The Wayne County Medical society met Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Kohlman House, Hawley. Dr. J. Norman White, of Scranton, read an interesting paper before the society, which was well represented. A dinner was served at 5:30.

EAST HONESDALE RESIDENT NEARLY RUN DOWN BY AUTO

DIM LIGHTS AND LOSS OF CONTROL HAS BEEN GIVEN AS THE REASON.

Accident Occurred on Old Glass Factory Site Bridge Tuesday Evening--Car Grazed C. M. Coulter Who Came Near Being Killed.

C. M. Coulter, a resident of East Honesdale, narrowly escaped injuries last Tuesday evening about 7 o'clock by being nearly run down by a southbound automobile. The accident occurred near the old glass factory bridge at the outlet of Carley Brook. Mr. Coulter was coming to Honesdale and was walking along the side of the road. A short distance ahead of him he saw a dimly lighted automobile. It was coming directly toward him. He stepped close to the fence along the road, thinking that the car would turn out and pass him safely. The car crowded the fence and then Mr. Coulter called to the operator. The man driving the car evidently did not hear Mr. Coulter's outcry as he continued on the same side of the road as was Mr. Coulter. In passing him the mud guards struck the pedestrian, and the car struck the bridge, causing the machine to stop. The force turned the car across the road. An effort was made upon the part of the driver who was from Narrowsburg way, to continue his journey, but he was unable to owing to a broken axle.

Had the automobile been six inches nearer Mr. Coulter it might have killed him instantly or disabled him for life. It is estimated that the car was running 25 miles per hour.

NEW OFFICE OPENED

The Business Men's Association and Wayne County Automobile Association opened an office in the Foster building on Tuesday morning for the transaction of business pertaining to these respective organizations. N. B. Spencer, who is secretary of both associations, is in charge.

The need of an office to represent these societies is an absolute necessity, there being many occasions for its use. It is centrally located, and is near the business part of the town for the merchants' convenience and also near a hotel where several tourists stop during the period of a year. The office is equipped with a large combination desk, filing cabinet, typewriter and chairs. The Citizen phone has been installed. Officers and directors of the Business Men's Association and Wayne County Automobile Association will be furnished with keys.

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS.

Dr. Schaeffer Says They Are to be Elected in May of Next Year.

An official opinion on the dates when elections of county school superintendents shall be held has been given to Dr. Schaeffer, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, by Deputy Attorney General Cunningham, as a result of questions which had been raised as to the intent of the Legislature in drafting the school code. In a number of counties there were doubts expressed, but it is now held that the state superintendent "should order the election of county superintendents in the year 1914 to be held on the first Tuesday of May, 1914, the superintendents to be elected on that date to serve from the first Monday of June, 1914, to the first Monday of May, 1918, and their successors to be elected on the second Tuesday of April, 1918."

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Items of Interest Transpiring in the Hall of Justice and Recorded in Wayne County's Different Offices--Reported by a Representative of The Citizen.

Library Committee Appointed.

Special court was held on Dec. 16 at 10 a. m., before the Honorable A. T. Searle, Judge of Wayne county court.

The first matter brought to the attention of the Court was a petition presented by W. H. Lee, Esq., for the appointment of a committee comprising five members of the Wayne county bar for the purpose of directing the Honesdale Law Library Association under the act of May 11, 1901. The following attorneys were appointed: W. H. Lee, E. C. Mumford, Homer Greene, C. A. McCarty, and F. P. Kimble. The members of the committee shall hold office for one year and shall have power to adopt rules for the regulation of the law library. It shall account annually to the Court the financial condition of the library accounts.

Rule on Wright Schoonover and others to show cause why they should not contribute to the support of their mother, Charlotte Schoonover. Those contributing to her support in accordance with a prior order made in this case are permitted to visit her and converse with her at her domicile at all reasonable times.

Sale of Real Estate Ordered.

A petition was presented by Geo. O. Gillett, executor of the last will and testament of Eugene Mitchell, to sell the real estate of the deceased.

The petitioner, George O. Gillett, is ordered to sell said real estate at public sale and to give bond in the amount of \$1,800 with sureties to be approved by Court or the Judge in vacation. Returnable to January term of court next.

Asks for Guardian.

A petition was presented by Elizabeth Hardler, minor child of Henry Hardler, deceased, asking for the appointment of a guardian. The said Elizabeth Hardler not being of full legal age, and desiring to convey her interest in a certain piece of real estate, which had descended to her mother through the will of her father, with certain conditions, giving her an interest which amounts to a cloud upon the title. John Mains was appointed guardian upon giving bond.

Mary N. Gray Files Answer.

In the matter of the appointment of a guardian for Mary N. Gray, an alleged feeble minded person, the following answer was filed by Searle & Salmon, the same being the answers of Mary N. Gray:

To the Honorable, the Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Wayne County:

Mary N. Gray, the person alleged to be feeble minded in applicant's petition filed in the above case, made the following answer to the said petition:

That on December 8th, 1913, a petition was filed in the Court of Common Pleas of Wayne County, sworn to by her nephew, Robert H. Gray, setting forth among other things as follows: "The said Mary N. Gray is so weak in mind as to be utterly unable to take care of her property and is, therefore, liable to lose or dissipate the same and become the victim of designing persons. The said Mary N. Gray has considerable personal property without any person to care for the same. Mary N. Gray has no other near relatives, wherefore your petitioner prays that your Honor will appoint some suitable person as guardian of her estate, etc."

Respondent states that she never has been and is not, at the present time, weak in mind or unable to take care of her property or liable to lose or dissipate the same or to become the victim of designing persons.

Mary N. Gray further states that she has for her life time an assured income of \$150.00 per month which she wishes for her support and maintenance and that she uses all of the \$150.00 per month to maintain herself in the style and manner of living to which she has been accustomed to live.

Further respondent states that in her opinion the petition of her nephew, Robert H. Gray, has solely for its motive the restriction of her use of this \$150.00 per month, as aforesaid, in order that at respondent's decease, there might be something coming to him from her estate.

Your respondent further states that she would have no objection to the appointment of a guardian, providing such a guardian were appointed as would see that her monthly income was used to maintain her in the manner and style in which she has been accustomed to live. She is willing that Edgar W. Ross, at whose home she is now residing should be appointed guardian.

Edgar W. Ross was appointed guardian in accordance therewith with the understanding that his bond should be increased as the amount of money coming into his hand is increased.

McGinty Case Settled.

Attorney M. J. Hanlan stated to the Court that the case of John McGinty against Rudolph Roegner and others had been settled, and therefore would not be argued Tuesday as heretofore ordered.

Lozier vs. Clinton Cut Glass Co.

The case of C. C. Lozier against the Clinton Cut Glass Company was then called for argument. This case is founded in equity. The bill of the plaintiff alleges fraud, conspiracy and collusion on the part of C. H. Wilmarth, with R. M. Terrell and J. H. Storman, three of the directors of the defendant company. On March 1, 1913, capital stock was issued to C. H. Wilmarth by the board of directors to the amount of \$3,500 without consideration being paid into the treasury for the same and without notice to any stockholders whatever of the intention of the board of directors to sell stock of the Clinton Cut Glass Company. The plaintiffs allege that the stock was worth vastly more than par value of \$100, namely \$193.93, and upwards.

The opening argument was made by C. A. Garratt, Esq. He contended that a director occupies a producing relation toward the corporation, and that he shall manage the business of the company in such a manner as to promote not his own interest but the common interest of all the stockholders and where a director procures an issue of stock to himself over a protest of a minority of the board of directors and where the vote to sell was procured by his own vote that is if he had not voted or had voted on the other side the vote would have been otherwise, such sale of stock is illegal and tainted with fraud and the action is double and collusive in that such a purchaser of stock would be interested in buying the stock for the lowest possible price for himself, and at the same time as President Leander and director of the corporation he should be interested in getting the highest possible price for the stock for the benefit of the corporation. In this case the sale of stock was procured by C. H. Wilmarth, by his own controlling vote in the corporation. The plaintiffs ask that the stock be delivered up and cancelled. The case was ably argued by counsel for the plaintiff and defendant. Hoff and Garratt represented the plaintiffs and Mumford & Mumford the defendants.

Briefs of law were submitted to the Court by the attorneys on both sides and the case now awaits decision.

Special court was held Wednesday at 10 a. m. before Judge Alonzo T. Searle and the following business was transacted:

Petition for the appointment of overseers of the poor for Dyberry township presented. J. I. Bates and W. J. Hacker appointed.

In the case of Grace M. French, libellant, against Frank T. French, respondent, divorce was granted.

In the matter of the application of Clare Yale for determination of election for supervisor in Lebanon township, the case was submitted to the Court.

Court adjourned to meet the 29th day of December, 1913, at 10 a. m.

Register and Recorder.

Business was quiet at this office this week, there being not many land transfers made. The following deeds were recorded:

Heirs of John Donnelly, of Tioga and McKean county, to George Donnelly, of Damascus township; \$800. Deed dated April 4, 1905.

George B. Knapp and wife of Damascus, to Carrie A. Ellison, of the same place, land in said township, \$1 and other valuable consideration. Deed dated Dec. 15, 1913.

Ellery Potter and wife of Grafton county, to Norman and Mamie Lester of Manchester, containing 46 acres. Consideration, \$600. Dated Nov. 17, 1913.

Rockwell Brigham and wife, of Damascus, to James Dolson, of that township, consisting of 18 acres. Consideration \$350. Deed dated December 9, 1913.

Pennsylvania Coal ... any to Alexander Barrett, of ... \$75, parcel of land in ... borough. Deed dated October 15, 1913.

Treasurer's Office.

Treasurer W. W. Wood and deputy treasurer, Miss Louise Fowler are busily engaged in getting the different bills in readiness for Auditors Bodie, Avery and Gilpin January 1st next.

Hunting licenses numbering 1,859 have been issued by Treasurer Wood this season, netting \$1,859.

Clerk of Courts.

Second naturalization papers have been applied for by Frank Antonian, Honesdale; Ulrich Keller of Braman; Gottlieb Matterer, Hawley.

A marriage license was granted to Edgar Spangenberg and Dessie Swingle of the same place on Wednesday.

In the absence of Miss Marcia Barnes, deputy prothonotary, Mrs. W. J. Van Keuren, is serving in Miss Barnes' stead. The latter has been a guest of her brother, Earl Barnes, in Milanville the past few days.

Sheriff's Office.

The sale of property of Deborah L. Eade, of Mt. Pleasant, at the suit of Mary L. Silsby, was filed in this office Wednesday afternoon. Judgment, \$232.70.

Sale of personal property of Fred Eldred, of Oregon, Friday, December 19, 1913.

Sale of personal property of Alva Goodrich, of Canaan, Saturday, Dec. 20, 1913.

Sheriff F. C. Kimble was in Ariel on Wednesday where he served a writ of scire facias to retire judgment on a property in that place.

The next term of court will convene on the third Monday of January, the 19th. Grand jury will meet the 12th of next month.

Commissioners' Office.

The next regular meeting of the Wayne county commissioners will be held on Tuesday, December 30, being the last meeting of the year.

Commissioners' Clerk T. J. Boyd and assistant, Miss Mabel Jones, are getting the accounts of the office in readiness for the county auditors January 1, 1914.

Deputy Boyd attended the Pomona at Gravity on Wednesday.

Justice of Peace Office.

Robert A. Smith, Honesdale's nonagenarian justice of the peace, commenced the present week by making people happy, as is characteristic of Uncle Bob. The contracting parties were Joseph W. Early and Lillie W. Weisser, both of Scranton. After congratulations Mr. and Mrs. Early left on the Delaware and Hudson train for a brief honeymoon.

Eberly Skinner waived a hearing before Justice Smith Wednesday afternoon on charges preferred against him by Mrs. (Comfort) Skinner, who alleges that Mr. Skinner, from whom she has applied for a divorce, broke into her apartments during her absence. Assault and battery is also mentioned in the bill of complaint. Upon the advice of his attorney, M. J. Hanlan, he gave bail in the amount of \$100 to appear before the January term of court. The arrest was made by County Detective N. B. Spencer.

Condemnation Proceedings Heard in Grand Jury Room.

Witnesses were heard on Wednesday in the condemnation proceedings of Joseph P. Page of Poyntelle against the Ontario & Western railroad. The hearing was before W. H. Lee, M. J. Hanlan and W. L. Gaylord, viewers appointed by the court to determine the value of the land taken by the railroad company in its double track operations in 1911.

The plaintiff had 8 or 9 witnesses who testified as to the value of the land as affected by the double track operations of the company. The plaintiff alleged the only spring on the farm had been destroyed in this operation. The witnesses estimated the damages at from \$2,000 to \$2,500.

The company had two witnesses, both of whom were disqualified as to the value of land as not being familiar with it.

James E. Burr, of Scranton, appeared for the railroad and Searle & Salmon for the plaintiff.

The hearing adjourned at noon, Wednesday, until December 31, at 10 o'clock for further taking of evidence.

LOOK OUT FOR HER.

It has been learned that a woman has been going about the boroughs and selling subscriptions for the McCall Magazine with a free pattern for 35 cents and then telling those who paid her the money that the magazine and the pattern could be had by calling at the Wallace Department store.

There has been no arrangement of this kind made with the Wallace store and of course those who have contributed their 35 cents must look elsewhere for the magazine and pattern. It looks as though some one was being "hooked" and it would be well to be a bit careful before giving subscriptions for magazines. There are plenty of local accredited agents for about all the magazines that are published and there will be no chance of being caught.--Monroe Record.

IN BANKRUPTCY COURT.

There will be a hearing on Saturday of the creditors in the bankruptcy case of Levin A. Waltz by Trustee Charles J. Waltz to take action on leave to sell personal property of said bankruptcy. The hearing will be before Referee in Bankruptcy W. H. Lee.

There was a hearing for the examination of Peter J. Schmidt, of White Mills, bankrupt, Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The 18 creditors were represented by Mumford & Mumford and Searle & Salmon. Mr. Schmidt and his counsel, Kimble & Hanlan, were also present. The liabilities are set forth at \$4,172 and assets at \$1,870.



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