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MILFORD. FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Milford: Sabbath services at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sabbath school immediately after the morning services.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, Milford: Services Sunday at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school at 2:30 P. M. Week-day services, Wednesday 7:30 P. M. celebration of Holy Communion weekly, Thursday 7:30 A. M. Seats free. All welcome.

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HOPE EVANGELICAL CHURCH, Matamoras, Pa. Services Sunday as follows: Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Junior C. E. before and after C. E. prayer meeting after evening service. Mid-week prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30. Seats free. A cordial welcome to all. Come.

Secret Societies.

MILFORD LODGE, No. 344, F. & A. M.: Lodge meets Wednesdays on or before Full Moon at the Sawkill House, Milford, Pa. N. Emery, Jr., Secretary, Milford, Pa.

VAN DER MARK LODGE, No. 288, I. O. O. F. Meets every Thursday evening at 7:30 p. m., Brown's Building, Geo. Dauman, Jr., Sec'y. James H. Heller, N. G.

FRANCESE BENEVOLENT LODGE, 197, T. O. C. F. Meets every second and fourth Fridays in each month in Odd Fellows Hall, Brown's building. Miss Minnie Beck, N. G. Katie Klein, Sec'y.

Pine Hill Farm.

G. E. Hursh, proprietor. Rose comb white leghorns, eggs for hatching, broilers in season and dealer in poultry supplies, incubator, brooders, wire netting, roofing felt, &c., trees, plants and vines, furnished to order. Office at farm, Layton, N. J.

The Forest Lake Association contemplate adding an extension to the Club house 22x50 feet. It will be three stories high and add greatly to the accommodation of members. The season has been successful and though the membership is limited by the by laws, yet there is not sufficient room to provide comfortably for the families who wish to spend their summers at that beautiful and beautiful spot.

Attempted Robbery. Early last Sunday morning a servant in the family of Mr. John Carr who resides in the Mott House on Broad street, was awakened by the noise of some one trying to open the blinds of the parlor windows.

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As a religious sect then the statement by the omission of a letter was correct. Now go on having your fun with the item.

MAINE, THE STATE OF BLAINE

There was a Landslide, a Cyclone, a Flood.

Silverites Submerged by a Republican Majority of Over Fifty Thousand. It is a Mighty Voice and Will Be Heard All Over the Whole Country.

The Republican plurality in Maine will probably be over 50,000. Over 82,000 Republican votes have been cast and about 33,000 Democratic. The Republican vote has exceeded anything ever before known in that State, being an increase of nearly 20 per cent over the vote of 1892. This shows that many Democrats must have voted against their party while undoubtedly eighteen to twenty thousand remained away from the polls refusing to vote for Bryan and free silver. Chairman Hanna is greatly gratified and says the significance of Maine's immense Republican majority indicates a sweeping victory for McKinley and Hobart in November, the triumph of our principles by a majority sufficiently emphatic to insure their establishment and the return of prosperity to our people.

There is no question as to the East, and the West must be made secure. No other State election will be held before November, and there is no exact measure of the feeling, hence the importance of steady persistent work in all States which may be classed as doubtful. The tide of revolution and repudiation must be stemmed and turned back. The great issue must be decided once for all by such majorities as will forever put an end to the schemes of demagogues, agitators and anarchists who would overthrow the nation with its great fabric of industry and investment.

WEEKLY CROP BULLETIN.

Week Ending Monday September 14, 1896. -General Conditions.

Droughty conditions prevail in most portions of the State, which together with the high temperature of the past week caused premature ripening of the fall crops and delayed fall seeding. Streams and wells are becoming low in many sections. Most of the corn crop is now in shock. The yield will be somewhat above the average. Buckwheat is being harvested. While it is large in straw it has not filled as well as expected. Tobacco is about all housed in good condition and is of good quality. The potato crop is a large one. Vegetables, apples, and grapes are reported as plentiful. No very damaging frosts have yet occurred.

NOTE.—This will be the last issue of the Crop Bulletin for the Pennsylvania Section for this season.

10,000 feet well-seasoned good whitepine boards for sale. Price reasonable. Enquire of Wm. Angle at blacksmith shop. aug12th

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REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

Compiled from Returns Made by the Assessors of the County, with Cost of the Work.

Following is the result of the assessment as made and returned to the commissioners showing the number of persons who are legally entitled to vote in this county at the fall election and the cost of making same in each township so far as bills have been rendered:

Table with columns: Township, Cost, No. of Voters. Includes entries for Blooming Grove, Delaware, Dingman, Greene, Lackawaxen, Lehman, Milford Borough, Milford Township, Palmyra, Porter, Shohola, Westfall, and Total.

The registration for the spring election made in December 1895 showed 2,434 or 37 more than now.

OBITUARY.

JOHN A. BEEMER.

John A. Beemer, formerly a resident and business man, of Deckertown, N. J., died in New York Wednesday Sept. 9, in a hospital, where he had gone for treatment of kidney disease. Aged about 60 years. He was a brother of Mrs. Solomon H. Dingman, of Delaware township.

Leo Shubiger, a former resident of Milford, but latterly of Montague, N. J., died at his residence Sunday, Sept. 13, aged 64 years. He has been for some in declining health, and his demise was not unexpected. Deceased was born in Switzerland, but came to this country many years ago. He served during the late war, and was honorably discharged. The funeral was held Tuesday.

Frank Amstalden, who for a number of years kept a hotel at Lackawaxen, but recently a resident of Matamoras, died at his home in the latter place Monday morning of cancer of the throat. He was born in Switzerland about sixty-seven years ago, and came to this country when he was thirty years old. He leaves a widow and six children, two of whom are in business and the rest at home. The funeral took place Wednesday at Lackawaxen.

Samuel H. Sawyer, a brother of County Superintendent Geo. Sawyer, died at his home in Sparrowbush Monday morning, aged about 35 years. He was born at Mill Rift this county where his aged parents still reside.

Transients at Hissam's Hotel.

William H. V. Miller and Francis D. O'Brien were delivered to the keeper of the county hostelry Tuesday, charged with being and traveling on the cars of the Erie R. R. Co. without having provided themselves with the necessary passes-boards, or having the wherewithal to pay their fares. Esquire Shannon, of Lackawaxen, adjudged that for the free excursion, Miller should board out five and O'Brien ten days worth of penitence, and they were accordingly brought down with the jewelry affixed to their tender wrists, and handed over to the tender mercies of the custodian of the county cage. On their return trip to New York they will probably be careful to purchase a "tie pass" at least.

The Golf Club Entertained.

Mr. Frederick Beadel, President of the Milford Golf Club, gave a five o'clock tea, at the Club House Thursday afternoon the 10th inst. Mr. Beadel's niece, Miss Newbold presided and the affair was a great success. Mr. Beadel received his guests most cordially and the club members all enjoyed the delightful collation, prepared for them by their honored host.

It is reported that Geo. H. Bortree, of Greene, not being satisfied with his treatment in the convention held Tuesday, will file nomination papers and run as an Independent candidate for County Commissioner, thus following the course of James M. Bensley, the nominee of the convention, who last spring ran as an Independent candidate for school director in his township and was elected.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

A Large Gathering of Delegates and Friends of the Candidates.

A Harmonious Body and All Nominations Made Without Friction. The Party Now in Shape for the Battle of the Ballots in November.

The Republican Convention of Pike County assembled at 2 o'clock p. m. at the Court House, September 15, and was called to order by William Angle, Chairman of the County Committee. It then proceeded to permanent organization by the election of O. K. Lambshire, of Westfall, as chairman and, W. A. H. Mitchell, and Rupert P. Niles, Secretaries.

The roll of delegates was then called and the following presented credentials and took their seats: Blooming Grove—John Kleinhaus, Delaware—Jas. B. Angle, Wm. Dusenberry, Dingman—Julius W. Kiesel, Greene—S. Hopps, E. F. Gilpin, Albert Simons.

Lackawaxen—C. A. Gillett, B. J. Woods, G. J. Keirnan, Lehman—Romaine Whittaker, G. E. White, Milford Borough—Chas. Lattimore, J. C. Warner, Milford Township—E. Pinchot, substitute for H. T. Smith, Palmyra—John Grant, Eph. Kimble, Porter—Wm. H. Whittaker, Shohola—Jacob Rundle, Westfall—O. K. Lambshire, E. P. Garbrandt, Adam Dilger, David Abers.

A motion was duly made and carried that the convention vote by ballot, and William Dusenberry and John C. Warner were elected as tellers and sworn as such. The chairman then stated the offices to be filled and asked for nominations whereupon Hon. William Mitchell, of Milford, was nominated for the office of Associate Judge. No other name being presented, he was nominated by acclamation. Aaron Courtwright and Frank Marvin, of Westfall, were nominated for representatives, and a ballot being taken, seventeen votes appeared for the former and six for the latter, and Mr. Courtwright was duly declared the nominee.

For County Treasurer, Charles Lattimore and C. W. Shannon were nominated, but Mr. Lattimore withdrew in favor of Mr. Shannon and he was unanimously selected for the position.

A motion was then made by Eph. Kimble that two names be placed in nomination for County Commissioners. This was ably seconded in a speech by S. Hopps, of Greene, but which on a rising vote was lost, and James M. Bensley, of Lehman, being the only nominee was placed on the ticket without opposition.

For County Auditor, John C. Warner, of Milford. No other name being presented. Eph. Kimble, of Palmyra, had an easy race for Prothonotary and got the plum no one dissenting.

C. A. Pollett, of Palmyra, was elected delegate to the State convention. The regular convention was then adjourned and a mass convention convened when the following were elected a County Committee for the ensuing year: William Angle and James Mollineux, of Milford, Jesse B. Shoemaker, of Delaware, C. C. Shannon, of Lackawaxen, O. K. Lambshire and Adam Dilger, of Westfall, and Geo. H. Bortree, of Greene.

The committee appointed at the last convention to revise the rules of the party, never having been called together by the chairman, was on motion continued, to report in the future. The Convention then adjourned sine die.

The above ticket it is just to say contains elements of great strength and merits so far as it does the cordial support of every Republican in the County. For Judge no better selection could have been made. Mr. Mitchell

is a successful merchant in Milford a man of excellent judgment, upright in character, fearless and determined in the performance of duty, and fully capable to perform the duties of the office with judicial fairness. He can always be found at his place of business in case his services are required, courteous and obliging to accommodate.

Aaron Courtwright the nominee for Representative is a resident of Matamoras and a conductor on the Erie. He is a man of good attainments irrefragable character, energetic, and active and would be ever found at his post of duty, ready and willing to serve his constituents.

C. W. Shannon, of Lackawaxen, well-known to the people of the county as an unassuming business man, careful attentive and exact in method, would make a model treasurer, and will receive cordial support. The genial Eph. Kimble, of Palmyra, is well calculated by education and habits to fill with entire satisfaction the duties of the Prothonotary's office, and his presence there would be hailed with delight by his many friends, who will work like beavers to accomplish that end.

James M. Bensley has been in office previously as County Commissioner. His record as an official is well-known, and needs no further comment. John C. Warner is a young man who would bring to the office of Auditor a careful and searching scrutiny of bills, and who would so far as might lie in his power, compel economy in the management of county finances. On the whole it is a good selection and the voters will be enabled at least to have the satisfaction of feeling that they can choose on it men who will adorn the stations they are nominated to fill.

A Youthful Burglar.

Last Sunday as A. W. Balch, Jr., was on his way home from Church he discovered Charles Millott a young boy coming out of a cellar window of the store of his father, A. W. Balch. It was found upon investigation that a number of pocket knives had been taken, and the boy was arrested Monday, and taken before Geo. Geyer, Esq., who demanded bail for his appearance at Court. The youth was brought to Milford on a commitment issued to B. C. Totten Constable, and on arriving here a writ of Habeas Corpus was obtained, the prisoner taken before Judge Mitchell and released on his father Edward Millott entering in \$500 bail for his appearance at next term. The youth apparently took the knives in order that he might generously supply his needy companions with those necessary adjuncts to boyish happiness. Mr. Balch has been annoyed with these depredations frequently of late, this being the third successful entry made on his premises during the past month.

Evil is wrought by want of thought As well as by want of heart. -Hood

Business Change.

Charles Lattimore has sold out his interests in the butchering and meat business to William L. Boyd, who took possession Monday last. About Oct. 1st. Mr. Lattimore will remove his family to the Horton house on Catharine street, and Boyd will occupy the premises on Broad street. We predict for the new proprietor a successful business career in his venture.

POLITICAL NOTES.

The Republican primaries held in Carbon county last Saturday evening resulted in an overwhelming victory for Prothonotary Watkins, the leader of the Quay forces. George M. Davies, a candidate for the Representative nomination lost his delegates in nearly every district. Dr. W. W. Rober, of Lehigh, was the successful candidate.

As you are husking corn this fall, when you find nice and thrifty ears on good stalks, leave a little of the husk on them, braid them together and hang over a wire to dry. That is the way to obtain good seed, and if you follow this plan there will be less complaint about corn "running out."

BRIEF MENTION.

An infant child of Mr. John Showers died Tuesday morning.

The Assessors returns for Monroe county show she has 5,523 voters.

The Bluff House will close tomorrow after a very prosperous season.

Port Jervis opened her schools Sept. 8 with 755 boys and 761 girls, a total of 1516 pupils.

That unknown doggy killed a \$3 sheep for J. W. Robinson in Greene a few days ago.

The annual reunion of the first New Jersey Cavalry will be held at Newton Thursday Oct. 8.

Daniel Kane, a track walker on the D. L. & W. R. R., was killed by an engine last week at Oxford.

August Mercier, while splitting wood a few days ago, had the misfortune to cut his hand very severely.

Blair Hall opened for the fall term with 133 students. George R. Bull is in the class '97 and Blanche Cross in the class of 1900.

The New York Recorder has been changed from a morning to an evening newspaper. The cartoons are now printed in colors.

The mortars for Centre Square weigh 8 1/2 tons each and the carriages 3 1/2 tons. The bombs weigh 130 lbs. each and there are twenty of them.

The Y. P. S. C. E. of the Presbyterian Church will hold an Anti-flood service on Sunday evening Sept. 20th in place of the regular service.

The janitor of the Court House gave the Commissioners and Prothonotary's offices a thorough scrubbing out last week. They are now neat as a pin.

A horse and cow will eat in a year nine times their own weight and a sheep six times, and some men will eat and drink twenty times as much they ought to.

The People's party announce that they will support the nominees and platform of the convention and as a return for this favor they will be allowed to name five electors.

The Schimmel property on Broad street, after adjournment of the sale from Saturday to Monday last, was knocked down to J. B. Westbrook, the mortgagee for \$2,925.

The authorities of Newark have ordered that each scholar must have an individual drinking cup, because the "old tin dipper" is too full of danger for indiscriminate use by the children.

The fair at Stroudsburg was a success. The weather throughout the week was all that could be desired, and the attendance was very large, the exhibits fine and the racing good.

The deadly anthrax has greatly alarmed the people of Monroe county, as many cattle have died of it, and State Veterinarian Pearson will give orders to have all herds in that county inspected.

A good time now when the campaign is growing warm to subscribe for the Press. It will give you the local, state and national news, and be in all respects the paper you want in your family. Send in your orders.

Judge Scott, of Northampton has just decided that the County must pay the Assessors for the extra days they were employed in making the enumeration of school children under the compulsory education law.

The young Republicans, of Milford will meet this (Friday) evening at 7:30 in the room formerly occupied by Wheeler and Chol, for the purpose of organizing a McKinley and Hobart Club. A large attendance is requested.

C. O. Armstrong our enterprising druggist evidences his thorough going capacity, by having the distinction of being the first man to renew his subscription to the Press. He is as wide awake in this matter as in his dispensing of drugs.

A pear which grew on a tree in Milford in rear of Brown and Armstrong's store, measured 13 1/2 inches in circumference, 15 inches around over the stem and blossom ends, and weighs 1 1/2 lbs. Who has a larger grown in Pike?

A number of cases of measles are reported in town, and in Dingman township, the diphtheria claims serious attention. Vivian Struthers a teacher there voluntarily closed his school this week to prevent a possible spread of this dread disease.

The New York State Democratic Convention met in Buffalo Wednesday and organized by electing Thomas F. Grady, chairman, who made a speech in which he attacked the Republicans, commended free silver, and defended the national platform of the Democracy.

The Sheriff will sell Oct. 2, at the Court House the celebrated property long known as the "Shohola farms." There is on it the finest

front stream in the State, and the adjoining meadows have long been famous for woodcock, while the ridges abound in partridges and deer. For a club no possession in the country could be more desirable.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Charles Mayne visited his summer home over last Sunday.

John C. Westbrook and wife visited at Blooming Grove this week.

Silas M. Seeley, of Woodbridge, N. J., visited his family this week.

J. Emmet Wickham, of Port Jervis, attended the sale of the Schimmel property last Monday.

Walter Kay, of Brooklyn, is spending some days in this vicinity renewing old acquaintances.

Hon. J. J. Hart and Prothonotary, J. C. Westbrook visited the Stroudsburg fair last week.

Asa W. Dinmore and wife, of Matamoras, N. J., are visiting her mother, Mrs. Hamilton of Milford township.

Mrs. J. De F. Brower, who has passed the summer at the Dimnick House, returned to Tuckahoe, N. Y., this week.

Charles J. Anderson, who with his wife resided in Milford for a time, about seven years ago, died recently in Yonkers, N. Y.

E. A. Whitfield, of New York, who holds a highly responsible position in the diamond department of Tiffany & Co., was in town over last Sunday.

Mr. B. C. Horton is lying dangerously ill at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. A. D. Brown on Broad street. Owing to his advanced age his recovery is not expected.

Wilhelm Westfall, of Montague, who recently graduated at the head of his class in the Port Jervis Academy, has gone to Andover, Mass., where he will prepare for college.

William Dusenberry, of Dingman's Ferry will join the ranks of the Benedictines next Wednesday the 23 when he will lead to the altar Estella Mabel Bevans, of Layton, N. J.

Dr. Hughes and family, who have spent a pleasant summer at the Crissman House started for their home Monday driving across the country with the handsome team so frequently seen on our streets.

Frank Cross has taken a scholarship in a business college in Scranton and will soon go there to take the full course, which is very complete and thorough and to which his certificate entitles him.

Dr. Alex Hadden and wife, Mrs. John Livingston and daughter, Miss Edith, Miss Grace Williams, Walter Rockwood and James A. Frazer, Jr., of the Forest Lake Association, spent Friday in Honesdale.—Independent.

John Grant delegate from Palmyra and Alvah Quick constable of the same township who carries a memoire of Hausman, who shot Esquire Newburgh, in the shape of a bullet in the back of his neck, called on the Press Tuesday.

Mrs. A. S. Gardner, widow of a former pastor of the Presbyterian church, who is well and tenderly remembered by many here, has been spending some time at Conasaugh, and will visit Milford in the near future stopping at the Dimnick House.

Mrs. Daniel Dougherty, widow of the late distinguished lawyer of Philadelphia and New York, with her two daughters are guests at the Crissman House. Mr. Dougherty was called "the silver tongued" and some twenty years ago appeared in a suit in our Courts.

E. J. Collins, who for some time has been connected with the Port Jervis Gazette in the capacity of local reporter, has resigned that position and will enter Cornell University with the design of reading law. J. Ed. Bennett will in future occupy the ground as local reporter for the Gazette.

Samuel Bosler and Cora Drake, both of Dingman township were married in Hainesville, N. J., Tuesday Sept. 15, and at the reception which followed the home bringing of the bride, report says, there was a merry time, barring a little too much cognac pepper in the liquid refreshments.

T. J. Laud Brown, Esq., Mayor of Green Cove Springs, Clay county, Florida, was a guest of Mr. Charles Mayne this week. He is a sound money Democrat and is a candidate for State Senator on a hard money ticket with a free silverite opposed. He states that his election is assured and that his state will undoubtedly give a good majority for McKinley this fall. He will return home soon and take the stamp-making about forty speeches in ten days.

Death of An Infant.

An infant son of W. T. Struble, died Monday of cholera infantum, and was buried Tuesday at 10 o'clock a. m.