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## MILFORD BUSINESS DIRECTORY.

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Hon. G. S. Purdy, Honesdale, Pa.  
ASSOCIATE JUDGES,  
Hon. William Mitchell, Milford, Pa.  
Hon. John C. Houck, La Anns, Pa.  
PROTHONOTARY, REGISTER, RECORDER, ETC.,  
John C. Westbrook, Milford, Pa.  
COMMISSIONERS,  
Wallace Newman, Milford, Pa.  
James H. Heller, " "  
A. S. Dingman, " "  
COMMISSIONERS' CLERK,  
George A. Sweeney, Milford, Pa.  
TREASURER,  
J. B. Westbrook, Milford, Pa.  
SHERIFF,  
H. I. Courtright, Matamoras, Pa.  
ATTORNEYS,  
Baker, Hy, T. Klipp, J. A. Bull, C. W. Van Klee, J. H. District Attorney,  
D. M. Van Akken,  
COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT,  
George Sawyer, Mill Hill, Pa.  
**Physicians and Surgeons.**  
H. E. Emerson, E. B. Wenner.  
**Drugs and Medicines.**  
C. O. Armstrong, H. E. Emerson.  
**Hotels.**  
Bluff House, Faubourg Hotel.  
Centre Square, Jordan House.  
Crisman House, Sawkill House.  
Dimmick House, VanDermark Hotel.  
**Harness.**  
L. F. Hafner.  
**Stores.**  
Brown and Armstrong, (See adv.)  
George Baumann, Jr.,  
W. and G. Mitchell, (See adv.)  
John McCarty,  
Byman and Wells, (See adv.)  
Mrs. M. Rochotte,  
Frank Schorr.  
**Confectionery and Fruits.**  
Mrs. K. D. Davis, A. S. Dingman,  
Benj. Kye.  
**Bakery.**  
J. A. Revyru.  
**Barbers.**  
Henry Kohlhardt,  
Herman Wohler,  
John Degan.  
**Dentists.**  
C. S. Costla,  
Hale Dental Co. (See adv.)  
**Hardware and Plumbing.**  
T. R. J. Klein, (See adv.)  
**Livery Stables.**  
John Findlay, Gregory Brothers,  
George E. Horton, J. B. Van Tassel.  
**Stage Line and Express Office.**  
John Findlay.  
**Meat Market.**  
James E. Boyd.  
**Millers.**  
Jervis Gordon,  
W. T. Struble.  
**Blacksmiths.**  
William Anglo,  
F. B. Fletcher.  
**Wagon Makers.**  
W. H. Courtright,  
John G. Maler.  
**Tailor.**  
R. B. Van Etten.  
**Millinery.**  
Misses Mitchell,  
Nellie Sweeney.  
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Horton and Wood.  
**Lumber.**  
Milton Armstrong,  
A. D. Brown & Son, (See adv.)  
**Builders.**  
A. D. Brown & Son, (See adv.)  
J. C. Chamberlain,  
George Smith.  
**Painters.**  
George Slanson,  
C. E. Wood,  
E. C. Wood.  
**Insurance.**  
Byman and Wells.  
**Spoke Manufacturer.**  
Jacob Kiser.  
**Watch and Clock Repairing.**  
John K. Rudolph,  
Al Terwilliger.  
**Shoemakers.**  
L. Gelger, W. Shafer.  
**Telephone Office.**  
John Findlay.  
**Telegraph Office.**  
Dimmick House.  
**Post Master.**  
James S. Gale.  
**Newspapers.**  
PIKE COUNTY PRESS,  
Milford Dispatch.

## OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

### A New Epitome From the Seat of Government.

Probable Fate of the Dingley Bill and the Passage of a New Immigration Law - Pension Appropriation - Notes.  
(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14, 1896.  
Republicans have every reason to feel gratified at the outcome of the consultation of Senators and Representatives of the party, which have been a feature of the first week of Congress. With the exception of the few silver-bolters, the party and both branches of Congress is a unit as to what is to be done in the near future. Without a majority in the Senate the party is powerless to force tariff or any other legislation at this session of Congress, but the mischievous silver element in the Senate, led by Allen, the Nebraska Populist, has already been taught that the Republican Senators do not intend to lose any opportunities to pass the Dingley bill at the present session. These would be mischief-makers started out with the mistaken idea that the Republicans were afraid of the Dingley bill and that they could so demonstrate to the country; they may find themselves prepared to go on record as the opponents of increasing the revenues of the government before the short session closes, by being forced to vote on the Dingley bill.

The Republican members of the House committee on Ways and Means have once more demonstrated that the Republican party never shirks its responsibilities and always keeps promises made to the people, by deciding to begin at once the preparation of a protective tariff bill, to be passed at the extra session of the next Congress. No man in Congress is better fitted to preside over these preparations than is Chairman Dingley of that Committee, and no man is better fitted to direct the department of the Government charged with the administration of the tariff law, should President McKinley see fit to make him his Secretary of the Treasury, as many believe he will. There are probably not twenty men in the country who are so well posted on the tariff as Mr. Dingley is, and this is especially fortunate both for the country and for the Republican party, as it is the intention to make the new tariff bill the best we have ever had not catering to favorite industries, as the present law does, but equitable protection for all, and at the same time revenue enough to meet the needs of the government. It is in a sense an innovation for the Ways and Means Committee of one House to prepare a bill for the next House, but it happens to be all right in this case, as every Republican member of the present committee has been re-elected to the next House and will be certain to retain their committee places because Speaker Reed will be chosen Speaker of the next House without Republican opposition.

The Ways and Means Committee has already held a formal meeting and assigned the work of preparing the different schedules of the new tariff bill to the individual members of the Committee best fitted to handle them, and hearings of the Representatives of different industries will at once be arranged for. One of the mistakes of the past which will be avoided by the new bill will be the heavy importations of foreign goods and the consequent injury of our own manufacturers and working men. This will be done by providing that dutiable goods in bonded warehouses at the date upon which the new bill becomes a law shall pay duty under the new and not the old law.

No one was greatly surprised when certain Democratic Senators - sixteen of them - tried to kill the bill forbidding the landing of any immigrants between the ages of 16 and 60 years who is unable to read five lines of the United States Constitution in some printed language, by postponing its consideration until January. But the decisive manner in which these Senators, working in the interest of Steamship Companies rather than to raise the standard of our foreign born citizens, were set upon by thirty-seven Senators indicates almost to a certainty that the bill will be passed before the holiday recess.

The House during its first week passed the regular Pension Appropriation bill, several important

postal bills, a number of miscellaneous measures and private pension bills, and a bill prohibiting the sale of liquor in the Capitol building, and this week another one of the appropriation bills will be reported and probably passed. It is strictly a business body, as has been every House presided over by Speaker Reed.

Senator Sherman, Chairman of the Republican Senatorial Caucus, lost no time in complying with the unanimous instructions of the caucus to appoint a committee of five to devise legislation in the interests of international bimetalism, and, although he is often accused of being unfriendly to silver, every man on the committee is a bimetalist. They are Senators Wolcott, Hoar, Chandler, Carter and Gear.

**PERSONAL.**  
Ed Killam, of Palmyra visited the county seat Monday.

Asa Hissam is dangerously ill at the home of his parents on Broad street.

W. E. Scott and W. A. Parshall, Esq., of Port Jervis attended the Kilgour sale, Monday.

Mrs. Clovis Loreaux of Brooklyn is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hissam.

Mrs. Wesley McCown of Honesdale visited at the home of Mr. William McCown last week.

George A. Knealing, of Shohola, made a brief business visit at the Court House Tuesday.

Emanuel Coykendall, supervisor of Westfall township, was in Milford Tuesday.

A. W. Balch and Constable B. C. Totten, of Matamoras, were callers at the Press office Wednesday.

County Commissioner-elect Bensley, accompanied by Jerry Walters, of Lehman, was in Milford Wednesday.

Charles Lattimore has purchased a butcher business in Port Jervis, but will remain a resident of Milford.

John Wohlfarth and George Hess of Shohola were in town Monday looking after stone lands. They did not buy any.

Rev. Geo. W. Gillispie will preach in the Presbyterian church Sunday exchanging with Mr. Nichols who will go to Port Jervis.

Little Allie Emerson entertained a company of youngsters last Thursday evening, the occasion being her tenth birth day anniversary.

Fred Emery, who has been for some time in the employ of the Standard Company, now has charge of the oil station at Perth Amboy, New Jersey.

Isaac Clifford, formerly of Delaware township, and for some time a resident of Milford, is seriously ill of paralysis at the home of his son in Sandyston, N. J.

Jason Cortright, collector of Lackawaxen was in Milford Tuesday on business. According to his list of exonerations there are very few canines in that township.

Mrs. J. H. Van Etten has been visiting friends in Dover, N. J., the past week. She was accompanied to Branchville by Bertha Williamson who devoted the time to relatives in that vicinity.

**New Advertisements.**  
J. F. Rockwell, of Port Jervis, is in the jewelry and watch and clock repairing business, and by observing his advertisement it can be seen what he offers to do. His word is a guarantee that he can and will fulfill his promises.

F. N. Mason at the old stand in Port Jervis "established since the time of Noah," has about every thing new in the line of drugs, medicines, and Holiday goods made. His store is a museum, and any want can be supplied. Call on him and be made happy.

**Epworth League Officers Chosen.**  
The following officers were chosen by the members of the Epworth League of the M. E. Church, Dec. 9th:

President—Miss Helen Olmstead.  
First vice-president—Mr. Frank Fletcher.  
Second vice-president—Mrs. Smith.  
Third vice-president—Miss Grace Almer.  
Fourth vice-president—Miss May Boyd.  
Secretary—Miss Lillie Van Tassel.  
Treasurer—Miss Grace Boyd.  
Organist—Miss Maud S. DeWitt.

**Sheriff's Sale of Kilgour Lands.**  
At the sale of the real estate of Kilgour held at the Court House last Monday the property was first put up in parcels, and bid to \$1325 and then as a whole, and was struck off to W. E. Scott of Port Jervis for \$9005. A notice was served forbidding the sale.

## MISS COLLINS TO WED.

Dr. Depew's Fair Ward Will Marry Reichel Boy in Paris.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—The engagement has been announced in New York and Paris of Miss Edith Lyman Collins, only daughter of Mr. Clarence Lyman Collins of this city, to Reichel Boy, Count Craykowski, counselor of state of the Turkish embassy at Rome. This alliance is looked upon as most brilliant.

Miss Collins, whose engagement to her guardian, Mr. Chauncey M. Depew, was rumored without authority, is descended from a long line of distinguished American ancestors, among whom, on her father's side, were two colonial governors—Governor William Bradford of Massachusetts and Governor William Loche of Connecticut. On her mother's side Miss Collins is a great granddaughter of Commodore Vanderbilt.

Count Craykowski, who is looked upon as one of the most brilliant diplomats in Europe, is highly esteemed by the Sultan and is one of his advisers. He was, until quite recently, first secretary of the Turkish embassy at St. Petersburg, where a year ago he met Miss Collins, who was there on a visit, at the special invitation of the dowager empress of Russia, to take charge of a booth at a great bazaar for charity. Her fiancé is only 29 years of age and has a handsome fortune.

In all probability the wedding will be celebrated in Paris during the latter part of January. Miss Collins is now there with her stepmother. Mr. Collins will sail early in the new year to be present at the wedding.

## PORT JERVIS TROLLEY.

Vice-President McKibben Says It is an Assured Fact.

The Union says it was favored Tuesday morning with a call from Mr. George McKibben, Vice-President of the Monticello railroad, and one of the chief promoters of the projected trolley enterprise in that village. Replying to a question he said:

"Our company means business. We are not putting up \$2,000 forfeits merely as a bluff. The trolley is an assured fact.

"We did not begin work of construction last year because of the depressed condition of trade and finance and the impossibility of procuring loans on favorable terms.

"The election of McKibben has entirely changed the situation and the confidence of capitalists and investors has been restored. While the result of the election was in doubt no enterprise requiring the investment of capital could be undertaken.

"Our company will undoubtedly begin to lay tracks within the time called for in the franchise June 1, 1897, and all the conditions imposed will be fulfilled to the letter.

"I received a telegram from Governor Waller and Mr. Reed, stating that they would be in Port Jervis next Friday in relation to this business."

## CONSTABLES FEES.

Decisions of Interest to Those Officers.

The York County Court has decided that the fees of a constable fixed by the act of 1893 allows him when serving a warrant or subpoena from a magistrate, only one fee for each, no matter how many defendants may be named in the warrant, or how many names be placed in the subpoena. The mileage allowed is 10 cents each mile, and not 10 cents for each circular mile. The Franklin County Court decides under the same act that constables are not entitled to compensation for making their quarterly returns to court, but they are entitled to mileage for making such returns under the clause of the act providing "for travelling expenses in all other cases, each mile, 10 cents, and that all mileage should be allowed on a straight basis of one way, except where circular mileage is expressly given in the act.

## The C. L. S. Meeting.

The Chautauque Literary Society will meet this evening at the home of Mrs. J. J. Hart. A novelty has been arranged in illustrating by means of living pictures the celebrated poem "Maud Muller." She will be seen taking the new moon (?) bay in her own proper person and afterwards signing over what many of us do the "might have been."

## FOR SALE - Second-hand wagons in good order for sale cheap at Angle's blacksmith shop.

sheep damages.  
David G. Lasher, of Greene, claim for sheep damages filed Dec. 8th. One sheep, \$2.50; cows, \$3.00.

## BRIEF MENTION.

—How do you like the Press new heading?  
—The Minisink Valley Historical Society is now registered with the Regents and entitled to State aid.

—A touch of winter came early Wednesday morning with a light fall of snow and considerably cooler weather.

—The house and barn of James Moore, near Coolhaugh, Monroe Co., were burned Tuesday with all their contents.

—The Board of Supervisors of Orange county at a session this week voted down a good roads resolution.

—Make some friend a Christmas present of a year's subscription to the Press and N. Y. Weekly Tribune. Only \$1.65 for both.

—The Van Dermark Hose Company advertise a ball for Christmas Eve. Good music and plenty of refreshments, and a good time for every body is promised.

—Carbon County Commissioners offer \$200 reward for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the murderer or murderers of Mrs. Caspar Laboy, at Lansford, on November 22.

—Thieves broke into the bar-room of Oliver Heater's, Roscommon Hotel in Monroe county a few nights ago, and carried off liquors and cigars worth about sixty dollars.

—The New England Sapper given by the ladies of the Presbyterian Congregation on Tuesday evening was a very pleasant social affair, and a financial success. About \$50 dollars having been realized.

—The two soldier's monuments in Monticello have caused much strife and contention among the people of that village. One outcome was a libel suit brought by Mrs. Niven against Hon. C. V. R. Luddington for \$10,000. The jury last week awarded her \$50.

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Recorded in the Office of the Recorder for the Week Ending Dec. 17.

Westfall. Jacob B. Westbrook, treasurer to Lawrence and Watts dated June 25, 400 acres, con. \$30.15, ent'd Dec. 11.

Westfall. J. B. Westbrook, treasurer to Lawrence and Watts, dated June 25, 200 acres, \$23.57 ent'd Dec. 11.

Lackawaxen. Mary E. and G. Frank Rowland, et. al., to Charles Chedister, dated April 18, 100 acres, con. \$550, ent'd Dec. 11.

Palmyra. Gustav Marting to Charles Marting, dated Dec. 8, 25 acres, con. \$80, ent'd Dec. 11.

Shohola. George W. Sammis, et. ux., to Martha Dinsmore, dated Nov. 27, 34 acres; con. \$3,400, ent'd Dec. 12.

Palmyra. Jacob Kleinhans, et. ux., to Arthur DeGroat, dated Dec. 2, 132 acres, con. \$75, ent'd Dec. 12.

Palmyra. Joseph Atkinson to Louis Sommers, dated Dec. 4, 75 acres, con. \$100, ent'd Dec. 14.

Lackawaxen. J. B. Westbrook, treasurer, to Ezra A. Case, dated June 8, lot in Mast Hope, con. \$5.51, ent'd Dec. 16.

## UP SALT RIVER AND RETURN

### A Spicy Letter Relating the Voyage.

What Our Correspondent Saw—Who He Met and the Talks They Had—A Little Pleasantry on the Trip.  
(Special Correspondence to the Press.)

Yes, the editor thinks I have slipped a cog, but you just watch me while I care him of that notion. In fact I only slipped up Salt river, and this is evidence that I have safely returned. What we saw or heard on that melancholy trip would fill a big book, and if it had not been that we met and saw many of our fellows, even to my brother-in-law, the Sandyston Boss, who was laid out much more thoroughly than I was, the tedium of the trip would have been unbearable. So true is it that finding companions in adversity tends to mitigate our own sorrows. But we must tell you some of the incidents of the trip that may in a manner serve to dispel any lurking doubts that we were actually there.

Our start was in good style, on the boat called "Bryan's Sandyston Majority, No. 113," but this one seemed likely to peter out, so we changed to a boat called "Andrew's Sandyston Majority, No. 110." Both boats seemed to labor against the briny current, probably owing to too much Pitney and Rude ballast. We soon had company for who should pop up but "Deacon" Slater, with tears in his eyes, and quivering voice, as he wailed, "Sandyston did the business for me." We did not feel much sympathy for the "Deacon" for we told him before election that the Doming-Van Sickle letters were a little like a breach burnt gun, and he had better not monkey with it, or words to that effect; but I suppose he didn't think it was loaded. That is the kind of gun that always goes off, and this one did; hence the "Deacon's" trip up the briny. Soon a great whirling current and clatter came up from down stream, and fearing it was a through steamer with the whole National Democratic party on board, we drew toward shore and calmly awaited its appearance. Coming into view it looked like one of Don Quixote's wind mills, but only turned out to be "Boss" Kintner on his merry-go-round. They hadn't parted company even in his adversity. He explained his predicament by moaning that he thought it might be a malarious country up this way so had fed a little Jersey lightning to his machine, and it was acting a little queer; in fact reminded him of snails. I says, sez I, Boss, what brings you up here? Since Bryan went to the top, and Andrew was elected, I thought you would wear the laurel crown. He says, sez he, Brother-in-law, Jake and Wash let me have a few votes, but between you and me they are too darned stingy with them, and I didn't get enough to save my reputation as a boss, but he didn't swear of course, for he is attending church now regular, and will soon be a deacon himself like friend Slater. The boss says, sez he, brother-in-law, I don't just know whether I am given the turn down or no, but if ever I get back I'll give my brother the tip to get into the shoe factory, while I set a trap for the burglars in my slaughter house. Perhaps I can work another claim on my father's farm and join the church. If this don't bring me into the swim again, then I don't look like David B. Hill. So with a brown taste in his mouth, and his eyes, and moustache drooping to the ground, the boss and the merry-go-round slowly revolved up the briny current. Soon along comes a dude-looking fellow with about the same cast of countenance as the boss just gone by, and to him I says, sez I, are you into the procession too? He says, sez he, sure, about eleven hundred dollars worth, and only part paid. How is that, sez I? He says, sez he, my P. O. cost me \$1,100 under friend Cleveland, and now McKinley is no kin to me; he will give me the cold hand sure. I give you my sympathy, sez I, but he says, sez he, I am afraid that sympathy will not pay the balance that I owe. So long, sez I. So long, sez he, and pushing his spectacles down on his nose he gently meandered on his current. About this time the bosses two deputies came along pulling an even ear and keeping a sharp eye on each other. I says, sez I, boys the boss is gone on up. Confound him, they whispered, a boss that can't

## OBITUARY.

MRS. HANNAH JANE HORNBECK

The grim reaper has again invaded the ranks of those who belong to the elder generation and taken one whose face and form has been ever familiar to those who now count themselves among the aged. Mrs. Hornbeck was born in the township of Delaware, Nov. 30, 1819 and has during all her life resided in that township or its vicinity. She was the daughter of Isaac P. and Jennie (Frazier) Van Gordon. In early life she married Jacob B. a son of Colonel John Westbrook. Four children survive this union, Sarah Jane widow of Obadiah Hornbeck, Susan V. wife of Hon. E. Hornbeck, Isaac V. and Jacob B. the present county treasurer. Her husband died in January 1853 and she was left alone to care for and educate her children. How faithfully she performed her duty as a mother, and with what conscientious care and christian solicitude she watched their early footsteps their matured lives and characters fully attest. Modest and unassuming, tender hearted and faithful, as a mother she was kind and loving, as a sister self sacrificing, and as a neighbor charitable and obliging. In 1867 she married Jacob Hornbeck who died a number of years ago, and she then for several years lived with and kept house for her brother, J. Wilson Van Gordon a former Sheriff of this county. Since his death she has resided with her children, and was in her usual good health until while visiting her son Jacob B. at Dingmans, last week she was taken with pneumonia and rapidly succumbed passing peacefully away as the sun rose on Sunday morning ushering a bright and beautiful day so her spirit was translated from the night of earth to the realms of that day which is an eternity of bliss for the faithful who fight the good fight and go home to the abode of the blessed Master.

Besides the four children named she is survived by one brother Isaac W. Van Gordon, of Matamoras. The funeral occurred from the Reformed church at Dingmans on Tuesday at eleven o'clock. Rev. S. Morris of the Methodist church officiating.

R. W. SMITH.

From the Newton Falls Echo of that place published Sept. 18, we learn of the death of R. W. Smith, Sept. 11, who was a brother of Theophilus H. Smith for many years a resident of Milford. From a paper written by him and found after his death it is learned that he was born at Warwick, Orange county June 14, 1817, and at the age of 14 went to Milford to learn the harness making business, and remained there over six years, in the mean time joining the Presbyterian church. At 20 he left for Ohio where he went into business and has ever since resided until his decease.

This paper is signed, "R. W. Smith deceased." He resided at Newton Falls for over 52 years and accumulated considerable property. But one son survives him. "He was a highly respected man and very active in church affairs.

The Prudence Rebekahs Entertain. Last Friday evening Brown's Hall was a scene of unusual enjoyment. The Rebekah Lodge of Milford had extended an invitation to their sister lodge of Orphan Rebekahs in Port Jervis and over thirty accepted and were present. An elegant banquet was served in the hall, after which dancing occupied the remainder of the evening. They were all charmed with the hospitality of the Milford sisters, and enjoyed a splendid time.

The storm along the coast of Florida ruined 3,500,000 acres of timber.

Dispatched