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## HARRISBURG LETTER.

Compendium of Important News of the Past Week.

Our Special Correspondent at Harrisburg Writes on Matters of VITAL Importance to Every Citizen of the Keystone State.

**HARRISBURG, Dec. 27, 1897.**  
This has been an exceptionally dull week about the State offices nearly all employees and officials on Capitol Hill having deserted their posts in order to spend the holidays with their families. Immediately upon his return last week from Hot Springs, Governor Hastings transacted important business which had accumulated during his absence, and all important matters to date have been disposed of. Attorney General McCormick says he has been greatly benefited by the trip and fully demonstrated that fact by clearing up the large amount of work that awaited his return. A matter of great importance to all mining hands—the contract of "black-me" stone compilation—will be heard by the Attorney General at Harrisburg. The defendants in the case are McElhiney & Co., of Portage, and the hearing was to have been held last week, but at the request of all parties interested was postponed until this Wednesday. From what can be learned there will be a great legal fight and the hearing will require several days, requiring careful consideration by General McCormick, and eventually the case will get into the courts. It has been estimated that the act of assembly under which action was brought is defective, and its constitutionality may be questioned.

**WHAT CAUSED IT?**  
There is not a law passed that we do not hear of a week enacted by the Legislature of 1897 being declared unconstitutional by the oldest and best vested judges on the bench. No less than ten acts have been dissected and each section and clause vigorously attacked, thus leading us to believe that proper precautions were not exercised in the drafting of measures. Then again it will be remembered that several important bills were introduced through both branches, the only object apparently being to dispose of the matter rapidly, regardless of the cost to taxpayers which resulted in litigation through the courts. If any act is to be passed why not have its constitutionality decided previous to its enforcement and thus save the drainage on the public treasury?

**THE STATE CONVENTION.**  
At its meeting held in Philadelphia last week the Republican State Committee decided upon Thursday, June 2, 1898, as the date for holding the next State convention. At that time candidates will be chosen for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of Internal Affairs and Congressional delegates. One of the greatest political struggles in the history of the Republican party will be fought from now on, and when the convention is called to order in the opera house in this city on June 2, men of all classes will be represented there. If all the candidates who have thus far announced themselves remain in the field, it will be one of the longest conventions ever held, but from present indications it looks as if representatives will gradually drop out, their forces concentrating on Col. Wm. A. Stone, of Allegheny, who has already done more campaign work than the candidates of all parties combined. That Stone will be the nominee is a foregone conclusion, and it is needless to say that he will command enormous support, for his influence that has been so keenly felt on certain measures passed by Congress, especially the pension appropriation bill, has won for him a vast multitude of constituents.

**ABOUT TRADING STAMPS.**  
A number of informations have been made in this State against merchants who gave their patrons trading stamps, and it is likely that proceedings will soon be instituted against the promoters of the scheme under the lottery section of the act of assembly of 1885. Prominent attorneys have expressed their opinions on the subject, and say there is nothing unlawful in the business, and if there is a desire to suppress the issuance of the stamps a special act will have to be passed by Congress or the State Legislature. Attorney John G. Johnson, of Philadelphia, says: "I am most clearly and decidedly of the opinion that this system is not directly or indirectly a lottery." There is no element of chance in it. The purchase of goods to a definite extent entitles the purchaser to a certain number of stamps sufficient to buy at selection articles of a designated value. It is within the words of the act of 1885, but by reason of a defect in the title of the act, even if its provisions would otherwise be legal, it is clearly unconstitutional.

**DEPARTMENT NOTES.**  
The working drawings for the new capital building have been completed and in a short while contracts will be asked for. The commission still claims the building will be ready for the next Legislature.

Adjutant General Stewart has asked Secretary of War Alger for permission to have the United States inspecting officer at the Schuylkill Arsenal inspect the new experiments in the National Guard of Pennsylvania, for which the contract will be awarded early in January.

Only a few charters were granted new corporations last week, and employees at the State department said this is living up to the old time custom, for it is rarely that a corporation applies for a charter so near the close of the year. Secretary Martin expects a boom in his department after January 1st.

The Board of Public Buildings and Grounds has rejected the report of the Board of Viewers in the matter of the Birmingham bridge, which will be erected by the State. The Board has notified the commissioners of Blair and Huntington counties to meet them on the site to fix an estimate on the probable cost.

WILL F. HERRICKSON.

## BRIEF MENTION.

—Happy New Year.  
—A dollar excursion to New York New Years by the Erie.  
—The C. L. S. met last evening at the home of B. E. Brown on George street.  
—The Presbyterian Sabbath school will hold its annual election for officers next Sunday.

—Saturday of this week being New Year Day the Library will be open on Friday, Dec. 31st, from 2 to 3 o'clock p. m.  
—The Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist church will hold a Sociable in the lecture room to-night. All are cordially invited.

—The triennial assessment in Northampton county will show a decrease from the former year of about \$750,000 in the value of taxable real estate.  
—Dr. Carl Schlatter performed Sept. 6 at Zurich Switzerland says the Medical Record, "the most brilliant and daring feat attempted in recent surgical history, that of removing a human stomach."

—The wife of William Reimer, a cigar manufacturer of Stroudsburg, was fatally burned Christmas eve by flames from a kerosene lamp which she accidentally fell on.

—To ascertain the contents (board measure) of boards, sawing and plank. Rule—Multiply the breadth in inches by the thickness, in inches and that by the length in feet, and divide the product by 12, the quotient will be the contents.  
—The Republican State Committee met in Philadelphia Wednesday and decided to hold the next State convention at Harrisburg on June 2. The convention will select candidates for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of Internal Affairs and Congressional delegates.

—The executor of Gershon Hall deceased sold at public sale last week in Stroudsburg 10 shares of Stroudsburg National bank stock which brought \$87 per share, the par value being \$25. The total dividend paid is 10 percent so the purchaser will receive less than three per cent on the investment.

—The New York Tribune is publishing a very interesting paper entitled "Fifty years improvement in farming" which shows the progress made in that period in methods and machinery. To compare the then, with the now, seems almost like a fairy tale. This paper the weekly Tribune and PIKE COUNTY PRESS for one year only \$1.65. Begin a subscription with the new year.

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Recorded in the Office of the Recorder Since Our Last Issue.

Frank H. Smith, assignee of Samuel DeWitt to Daniel Clark, land in Lehman, 45 acres, con. \$264.  
Henrietta Poillon and husband to George L. Nyce and C. W. Ball, land in Lehman, undivided interest in farm 150 acres and 292 acres woodland, con. \$2.

H. I. Courtright, sheriff, to Matamoras Building and Loan Association, lots in Matamoras, No. 19 and 20, con. \$200.  
Same to Timothy Jordan, lots in Matamoras, No. 760 and 763, con. \$175.

Same to C. E. Branch, land in Westfall, 39 acres, con. \$60.  
Same to Geo. C. Hoffman, lots in Matamoras, No. 17 and 18, con. \$755.

Christian Rau, et. ux., to John J. Haas, land in Shohola, one acre, con. \$500.

## The Medicine Company.

How the people do love to be humbugged, and how eager they seem to swallow bait if it is only gilded a little. They will turn a deaf ear to honest methods but grip down with avidity the oily gammon of a smooth tongued fakir, shell out their hard dollars, and rush in to be swindled. What has been known as the Dr. Prior Medicine Company of Middletown, N. Y. came here over two weeks ago and began performances in Brown's Hall. The company was under the management of an individual styling himself Dr. Haskett who held daily audiences with the afflicted and nightly sold medicine. The Hall was crowded, and the gifts of plated ware and other methods caught the people as they responded with the shakels. After the last performance Wednesday night the "Dr." retired with a violent headache, which became so severe before morning that he was impelled to seek relief in another state, and like the Arab he folded his tent and softly "stole" away, leaving his anxious company of six members, his accommodating landlord, J. C. Beck, and the proprietors of the hall a valuable stock of cure alls as the glibly mentored of his pleasant and profitable sojourn here.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.  
If you want to quit tobacco using easily and forever, buy and use Dr. Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, it will cure you in ten days. Over 100,000 cured. Buy No-To-Bac of your druggist, under guarantee to cure, 50c or \$1.00. Booklet and sample mailed free. Ad. Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

## CHRISTMAS EXERCISES.

Entertainments and Exercises Held in the Various Churches.

The Presbyterian Sunday school held a very attractive entertainment Christmas night. The church was handsomely decorated with evergreens and a mammoth tree cheered the hearts of the scholars. The exercises consisted of singing, interspersed with several recitations by members of the primary class, after which was the distribution of gifts.

The Methodist Sunday school held its exercises the same evening and the service was largely attended. Beside the decorations, there were two trees laden with gifts for the expectant little ones. Singing and recitations in which Bessie Armstrong, Alice Rymann, Lilly Gourlay, Ruth DeWitt, Myrtle Ryder, Lila Rymann, Mary Yennie, Louis Gregor, Bert Quinn, Willie Turner and Willie Dietrick took part and a duet by Misses May Boyd and Maude DeWitt composed the programme.

The Episcopal Sunday school met Christmas eve and spent the hour most pleasantly in singing and recitations and listening to an address by the Rev. Mr. Lassiter who spoke on the topic: "Love." The gifts were handsome and delighted the happy young recipients. This school is in a very flourishing condition and reflects the labor of the earnest factor of that church, by its growth and the interest manifested.

## AT DINGMANS.

The entertainment at the M. E. Church at Dingmans on Christmas eve was an enjoyable affair and will long be remembered by all who attended. The tree was handsome and well provided with gifts and the attendance good notwithstanding the fact that quite a number of young people were called away from the observance of the birthday of our Saviour to a dance held only a short distance away. The receipts however were generous being \$23.50, but would have been much larger had not these young people neglected their duty to the church, to engage in frivolities which the why devil is always pre-empting to lure their footsteps from the straight and narrow path. C.

## WEEK OF PRAYER.

The Methodist and Presbyterian congregations of Milford will unite in observing the week of prayer, January 2-9, 1898, according to the following programme:  
Sabbath evening, January 2nd, Union service in the Presbyterian Church. Sermon by the Rev. W. R. Neff. "Drawing Near to God." Exodus xvi. 9.  
Monday evening, January 3rd, Union service in the Presbyterian Church. Confession and Thanksgiving. Rom. vi. 1-13; Psalm xlv. 1-13.  
Tuesday evening, January 4th, Union service in the Presbyterian Church. Prayer for the Church Universal; for clearer views of the spiritual nature of the church; for more entire consecration on the part of believing; for growth in grace and the development of a Spirit of Unity. Eph. 4. 1-16.  
Wednesday evening, January 5th, Prayer meetings in both churches; family prayer; sacredness of marriage; a pure home life; proper training in schools and colleges. Josh. xxiv. 13-23; Col. iii. 10 to iv. 1.  
Thursday evening, January 6th, Union service in the Methodist Church. Prayer for missions, home and foreign; for the development of the missionary spirit; for the consecration of wealth; for more earnest Christian effort in behalf of neighbors and acquaintances; for revival of religion in our own land and among the heathen. Psalm ii. Acts i. 1-8.  
Friday evening, January 7th, Union service in the Methodist Church. Prayer for a blessing upon movements of moral reform.—The temperance movement; the reclaiming of the vicious and outcast. Rom. xiv. 13-23. Pal. vi. 1-10.  
Sabbath evening, January 9th, Union service in the Methodist Church. Sermon by the Rev. Thos. Nichol. "Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord." Isaiah xliii. 10.

## Milford Gun Club.

There will be a business meeting of the Milford Gun club at the Vandemark Hotel Jan. 4 at 7.30 p. m. All members are requested to be present. The club expects to go to Branchville Saturday Jan. 8, and try conclusions with the Jersey men in that section.

## PERSONAL.

Al Molinoux spent a few days in town recently.  
Miles C. Rowland, of Rowlands visited this town Tuesday.  
Geo. L. Nyce, of Bushkill visited Milford the first of the week.

L. W. Armstrong, of New York visited Milford over Christmas.  
D. H. Chapin, of Brooklyn recreated in town a few days this week.

Percy Lyman and family are enjoying a visit at the Hotel Fauchere Mrs. Unsworth is entertaining her sister at her home on Harford street.

Alexander G. Russell, of New York visited friends in Milford over Sunday.

Polydore B. Quinn has removed from Peshigo, Wis., to Hinckley, Illinois.

R. J. Hoffman's wife made him a magnificent Christmas present. Twins.

A. D. Brown has been in Morris county, N. J., this week attending to business matters.

Floyd Steel conductor on a cable car in New York visited his parents and relatives recently.

Both Bernadine McCarty and his wife are at present under the care of Dr. H. E. Emery.

Geo. Slanson and wife have gone to visit their daughter, Mrs. Whitting at Attleboro, Mass.

Mr. Lester Christians, of Honesdale is visiting his cousin, Harry Armstrong of this place.

Oliver E. Emery is gradually regaining strength and has excellent prospects of entire recovery.

Kenneth McClurg enjoyed a respite from business for a few days recently, with relatives in town.

Remy Van Etien will have to provide for a new member of his family which recently arrived.

Oscar M. Wells who is employed by the J. B. Lippencott Company is in town for a short vacation.

A youngster arrived at Esquire Olmsteads this week who in time may assume the judicial robe.

Hon. Howard Mather ex-Congressman from this district has purchased the South Bethlehem Star.

Miss Elith Lewis who is spending the winter with relatives in Orange, N. J., visited her home this week.

Miss Irene Caddback, of New York spent Christmas with her mother at Cuddback farm Hones.

Geo. E. Horton and daughter, Hattie have been spending the week visiting friends in Morris county, N. J.

George Beck who has a situation in a watch case manufactory in Newark is spending a few days in town.

Joseph E. Nyce, of Bushkill is employed with the Lehigh Valley Railroad as night ticket agent at Phillipsburg, N. J.

Misses Elith and Florence Loreaux of Flatbush, L. I., are spending a few days visiting their Aunt, Mrs. Wm. McGown on George street.

Prof. Jacob Kleinhaus jr., of Baltimore, accompanied by Mr. Lawson and sister of Virginia passed the holiday week at his home in Milford.

William L. Cole an aged and respected citizen of Port Jervis died at his home Friday Dec. 24. He was a brother of Moses Cole of Matamoras.

Edith M. aged about three years a daughter of Thomas Broome of Brooklyn died Friday Dec. 24, and was brought to Milford last Monday for interment.

A large number of friends tendered Capt. Lafayette Westbrook, of Stroudsburg a surprise party Wednesday Dec. 22, the occasion being the seventy third anniversary of his birthday.

Prof. John C. Watson principal of the Milford graded school was kindly remembered by his pupils Christmas, being presented with several elegant and useful mementoes of their esteem. Among the list are copies of the writings of Eugene Fields and Emersons essays. Such reminders are pleasant indications of the regard in which the worthy Professor is held by those with whom he comes in, daily contact.

Charles B. McCarty, of Raymondskill and Miss Nettie Cass, of Dingmans township were married in Port Jervis Wednesday. The happy couple will visit with relatives in Newark for several days after which they will reside with the groom's parents. Our best wishes for success and happiness go with these very worthy young people in their new relations in life.

## CLERICAL ESCAPADES.

Need of Moral Revision Among That Class of Teachers.

A few days ago it was the Rev. Hamby and now it is the Rev. Howell with lots of perfume still to be distilled before the latter episode is closed. Who and where under the sun the next Reverend will be to give the lie to his professions, and trail the honor of his church in the dirt. The daily paper that does not chronicle a case of ministerial licentiousness or crime in at least every other issue would be considered a novelty these days. I am not great myself on religious professions and while I honestly admit it, I hold myself at all times ready to give reasons for the faith that is in me or rather for my lack of it. At the same time I have the deepest respect for him or her who honestly believes in and believing sincerely tries to live up to the teachings of the meek and lowly Christ. His example if followed would in the main better the human race, and it really pains us to see so many preachers of His gospel degrade their sacred calling and thereby mislead the flock who are supposed to follow their leadership and live in the light of their example. That there are more of these gentlemen in the prisons and asylums of the United States than there are lawyers, doctors or any other regular profession as a class is fully proven by statistics. There is, there must be something wrong in the education, and training of these men, or else there is something wrong in the source from whence they draw the inspiration that rules their lives, or else this could not be so, and being so, how can I or any other thinking man who respects himself, his family, or the race connect themselves with any society for whose members they would so often have to blush. This may seem like a strong arraignment, but to many who live in this community and recollect that we have had here an Appar, a Meade, a Stout, and a Deming, this will appear but as a mild review of the errors of the priesthood. We wish the churches among us would set a better example of brotherly love, of every virtue tending to the betterment of the race, and then would they earn and command our respectful attention.

As long as the present condition of things prevail the support of the church will remain an onerous burden, and eventually shrink to a non-supporting basis. As an act of self-preservation it stands to reason that there must be a revision of morals in the church to entitle it to the good will of the people, and the people do get tired of paying good money for no apparent benefit.

There has been Bible revision, why should there not be a revision of the code of religious morals, especially among its ministers. In the light of recent events, why not?

Rock candy drips and pure maple syrup at Mitchell's.

Jokes for the Taxpayers.

The cost of the retaining walls coping, filling rip rap and incidentals for the Mott street bridge is \$1092.93.

Pikes share of the Bushkill bridge is so far paid, one half total price of bridge \$243.50, 1/2 mason work and filling \$285, and there remains probably a balance of \$300 yet to be paid making the total cost to this county about \$1728.

The county certificates now outstanding amount to \$7,300, which with about \$685 of a balance due on bridge work yet paid, will make an \$8000 dollar bill feel pretty tired and look mighty slim.

Next week the County Auditors will meet to evolve the inwardness of the county's financial condition. The hope is they will make a clear and intelligible report, so that all may comprehend the real situation.

The cost of erecting a taking down the gallows used for Schultz execution was \$30.

The Fish Market Robbed.

Some miserable sneaks broke into the market of Thomas Thornton Monday night and carried away about six gallons of oysters, fifteen pounds of fish and some crackers. A side window was broken but entrance was effected by opening the front door. It is pretty generally surmised who are the guilty parties and it is to be hoped they may be landed in a place where they don't furnish such delicacies to the board.

## WASHINGTON LETTER.

Hawaiian Annexation Matter.

The President Anxious For It—Pension Commission Will Urge the Publication of List—News As to Senator Wilson's Scrap.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27, 1897.  
President McKinley believes that the existing critical condition of affairs in the far east, owing to the grabbing of Chinese territory by Germany and the contemplated grabbing by other European nations, makes it imperative that the annexation of Hawaii should be speedily consummated, and he has lost no opportunity since Congress adjourned for the recess to impress his view of the matter upon such senators as have called on him. He may send a special message to the senate, urging immediate disposition of the annexation treaty, but that has not yet been definitely determined upon, and will probably depend upon whether the senate shows a disposition to speedily bring the treaty to a vote or merely starts in to kill time in a windy discussion of the subject. The president shares the belief of Senator Davis, chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations, that sufficient votes to ratify the treaty can be obtained in the senate.

Hon. H. Clay Evens, commissioner of pensions, says on a much discussed subject: "The cry of pension frauds has become so common of late that the people do not regard it seriously. It was for the purpose of proving the fallacy of this charge that I recommended to Congress, and will urge in a bill, after the holidays, the publication of a complete list showing each pensioner, his address, disability and amount of pension received, which would do more to stop this idle chatter than anything this department can say. The possibilities are great, and everyone knows a man apparently in the best of health, attending to his daily duties, may have a disability which entitles him to a pension. This is hard for some people to see. Perhaps, if they had an X-ray apparatus with them, there would be no difficulty. This list would show what was the matter with such men and why they received pensions. But best of all, it would bring to light the frauds which do exist, and we all know there are some. But if I say without fear of contradiction that in no other business enterprise where so large an amount of money is disbursed, are there so few mistakes."

Had Senator Wilson, of the State of Washington, who is one of the most accommodating and obliging men in Congress, known that one of the yellow journals of New York, intended to make him have a personal encounter with a member of the House, in the private office of Attorney General McKenna, he might not have left Washington in advance of the alleged occasion, but as the yellow fellow didn't inform him, he went away from Washington before he was able to engage in that scrap, and has not yet returned.

There was no surprise in Washington at the verdict of the British American Commission, chosen to assess the damages for seizures of British ships in Behring Sea by the United States. The total amount of damages claimed was about \$1,500,000, and during the last administration, Secretary Grover and agents of Great Britain agreed upon the sum of \$425,000, and Mr. Cleveland asked Congress to appropriate the money, but Congress refused. Then a commission to settle the matter was provided for. With the official record of a president and a secretary of state having said that \$425,000 ought to be paid, there was no possibility of our representative on the Commission getting a lesser amount named. The award is \$464,000. President McKinley will forward this finding to Congress in order that the money may be appropriated and paid.

Mr. C. D. Stapleton, of Iowa, who spent Christmas in Washington, is proud of the Republican party of his state, of which he says: "The Republican party of Iowa is better organized, better managed and has better discipline than in any other state in the Union. The Iowa Republicans number in their ranks, a goodly list of able men, but for years they have with unanimous accord agreed to abide by the leadership of one whom they all revere and admire—Hon. Wm. B. Allison. It is worth while belonging to a party that acts in such a spirit of union and displays so much sound sense in politics. The result of good leadership and loyal following in Iowa is seen in the long continued domination of the Republicans. If the Republicans were as sensible and free from internal bickering elsewhere as in Iowa, their ascendancy in the nation would be permanent."

Most men who know anything at all about the subject will admit that there is no man who knows Ohio politics better than President McKinley. Knowing this, and that President McKinley has not had a single doubt of the election of Senator Hanna by the Ohio legislature, is why the ridiculous stories of defections among Republican members of the legislature have found no credence in Washington, either among

Senator Hanna's enemies or his friends.

## HYMENEAL.

COLE-HORNBECK.

About one hundred and twenty-five guests assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. L. Hornbeck Thursday evening Dec. 23, to witness the marriage of their only daughter, Bertha E. to Merlin D. Cole. It was a pretty home wedding ceremony being performed by the Rev. Thos. Nichols pastor of the Milford Presbyterian church at promptly 7 o'clock. Eston Cole acting as best man and Miss Myrtle Westbrook of Matamoras as bridesmaid. After the usual congratulations the guests partook of a splendid wedding supper provided by the parents of the bride.

The presents which were in great profusion were valuable and useful as well as ornamental.

Among the guests from Pike county were; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dusenberry of Dingman, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Emerson, Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Kyo, Mrs. Mary and Miss Lizzie Shimer and Miss Hattie Decker of Milford.

The young couple are well and favorably known to a host of friends who all join in wishing them a long and prosperous life. A GUEST.

## Election of Officers.

The Methodist E. Sunday school elected officers as follows for the ensuing year:  
President.—Rev. W. R. Neff.  
Superintendent.—Rusling DeWitt  
Asst. Supt.—Wm. Anglo.  
Secretary.—Julia Buchanan.  
Asst. Sec'y.—Lillian VanTassel.  
Organist.—Maude DeWitt.  
Asst. Organist.—Julia Buchanan.  
Librarian.—Dudley Ryman.  
Asst. Lib.—Harry Armstrong.  
The school meets immediately after morning service.

## EPWORTH LEAGUE ELECTS OFFICERS.

President.—Miss Helen Olmsted.  
First Vice Pres.—Mr. Wm. Anglo.  
Second Vice Pres.—Miss S. Finger.  
Third and Fourth.—Mrs. Briard.  
Secretary.—Ella Noble Kipp.  
Organist.—Maude DeWitt.  
Treasurer.—Lillian VanTassel.  
The League meets every Sunday night at 6.45 in the basement.

## RAILROAD NOTES.

ONE DOLLAR TO NEW YORK AND RETURN.

On Saturday next January 1st, NEW YEARS DAY the Erie will sell special excursion tickets from Port Jervis to New York at one dollar for the round trip. These tickets will be good going only on the Orange County Express leaving Port Jervis 6.30 a. m., and will be good returning on any regular train of above date except train No. 5.

Services are held in the church of the Good Shepherd as follows: Sun days at 10.30 a. m., and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school 11.45 a. m. Service Fridays 4 p. m. Womans Guild meets Wednesdays at 2 p. m.

## Sam Palmer Hurt.

Samuel B. Palmer, of Stroudsburg, met with an accident last week which might have been far more serious in results. He was standing on a loaded wagon when the horses suddenly sprang forward causing him to fall out backward with his head between the wheels. He retained his hold on the lines which backed the horses and had it not been for David Bryan who seized the team and stopped it when the wheel was within a few inches of Mr. Palmer's neck he probably would have been fatally injured. As it was his right arm was broken near the wrist, and he received several bad bruises, and his face was considerably marred.

A Happy New Year to all our readers and their friends, and the year will be happier if they all read the Press. Just try it.

LOST—An Alaska sable muff. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at Press office.

## Notice.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Barret Bridge Company will be held at the toll house of the company in the village of Port Jervis, on Tuesday, January 4th proximo, for the purpose of choosing a board of directors for the next year.

The polls will be open from 3 till 4 o'clock p. m.  
FRANCIS MARVIN, Sec'y,  
Port Jervis, Dec. 19, 1897.

Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy CURES ALL KINDS OF COLIC, AND LIVER TROUBLES.