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HARRISBURG LETTER.

Compendium of Important News of the Past Week.

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

HARRISBURG, Feb. 7, 1898.
Many are the woes of Auditor General Mylin, State Senator S. J. M. McCullough, State Treasurer Haywood and Ex-Speaker of the Senate Boyer—who compose the capitol Building Commission. As has been announced in these letters advertisements were recently placed asking for bids for the construction of the new capitol and Monday, February 7, was the time set for awarding the contract. But Friday a serious obstruction was encountered. Governor Daniel H. Hastings, also a member of the commission, but who has refused to deliberate with the authoritative body since last September, when the architect was selected under what appeared to be great many as being unfair methods, has all along contended that the plans adopted for the new building do not meet all the requirements of the act passed by the recent Legislature providing for the construction of a new capitol. In a communication that he sent to the commission last Wednesday he sets forth the claims that the building will be incomplete and that more than the stipulated amount, \$550,000, will be required to put the structure in presentable shape, and he further says that the condition of the building after it is accepted from the contractor will necessitate future legislatures to go way beyond the meaning of the present act, and expend perhaps millions of more in order to complete it. In concluding his letter to the commission the Governor said: "For these reasons I earnestly urge you to so modify your proposal plans and specifications as to require a completed fire proof building, adequate for the use of the General Assembly and of material, structure, durability and beauty, in keeping with the dignity of our great Commonwealth, to the end that no stain may come upon the honor and sound judgment of the men selected by the people of the State as their trustees to perform this responsible duty."
The commission made no reply to this letter and in order to prevent the awarding of the contract the Governor instructed Attorney General McCormick to apply for an injunction of restraint. Accordingly Mr. McCormick and his deputy, Colonel Reeder, appeared before the Dauphin county courts Friday afternoon and set forth their reasons for the request. The bill sets forth that it is proposed to erect an incomplete and temporary building, contrary to law, and also asks for the state treasurer to be prevented from paying out any money on account of what has or may be done. The commission's attorneys vigorously fought the matter, but Judge Simonton granted a temporary injunction and set Wednesday, Feb. 9, as the date for hearing argument. No matter what the decision the Supreme Court will be appealed to, and this means the temporary quarters will have to be provided for the next Legislature. In all likelihood Grace church will be the abiding place of our law makers.

POLITICAL REVIEW.
The campaign is now assuming immense proportions and the developments of the past week lend interest in the struggle for the Republican nomination for governor. The meeting held at the Philadelphia Bourse, and which was attended by representatives from every county in the state, adopted resolutions that "one man" power and pledged their support in ex-Postmaster General John Wanamaker for governor, providing he consented to be a candidate. A committee was appointed to wait upon Mr. Wanamaker and inform him that he was the choice of the assemblage, and insist upon him coming out for the nomination. After the customary grace period it is supposed that Mr. Wanamaker will announce his candidacy and enter actively into the fight, although he was not an aspirant for the governorship. It is the ambition of the Leaguers to get a candidate out early so in case of refusal to allow the use of the General's name another meeting will be called this month to decide upon a candidate. With all this pomp and glory Colonel William A. Stone, of Allegheny, continues to grow in strength. The attack made upon him on the floor of the House at Washington last week while he was supporting the bill restricting immigration has served to strengthen his claims upon the Pennsylvania voters, and that they will demonstrate their appreciation of the interest being manifested by him in their behalf in making him their chief executive is a certainty. Colonel Stone is the only person who has systematically covered the state in search of support, and in fact in many quarters it is not known there are any other aspirants for the nomination. The numerous possible candidates who have been mentioned are merely lo-

cal booms and consequently do not carry with them much weight. As to the United States senatorialship matters are exceedingly quiet, with the exception of Governor Hastings, in spite of the fact that he has repeatedly said he would not be a candidate, being prominently mentioned for the office. Politics continually assume new developments and the next few weeks may witness many surprises.

WILL F. HENDERSON.
Mr. Ward L. Smith, of Fredrickstown, Mo., was troubled with chronic diarrhoea for over thirty years. He had become fully satisfied that it was only a question of a short time until he would have to give up. He had been treated by some of the best physicians in Europe and America but got no permanent relief. One day he picked up a newspaper and chanced to read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. He got a bottle of it, the first dose helped him and its continued use cured him. For sale by Druggist & General Merchants in Pike county.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.
Recorded in the Office of the Recorder Since Our Last Issue.
Charles R. Biddis, treasurer, to John C. Westbrook, dated July 16, 1880, land in Porter, John Martin.
Hugh McKane and wife to Katy E. Greening, dated Dec. 11th, land in Shohola, 30 acres, con. \$1.
Assignment of above, Katie E. Greening to Mary J. McKane.
Jas. W. Quick, Treas., to J. C. Westbrook, land in Blooming Grove, J. B. Westbrook, Treas., to same land in Shohola; C. R. Biddis, Treas., to Pike county, and commissioners to J. C. Westbrook for same land in Shohola.
William H. Wagner to George A. Hill, dated Jan. 10, lot 31 in Matamoras, con. \$400.

New Jersey Poll Tax Law.
It is now some four or five years since a member of the town committee repeatedly made the motion, that delinquent poll-taxers should be taken by the officer, and promptly locked up, on refusal to pay his poll tax. One member would recollect that a lawyer had told some one once in a long time ago, that it would perhaps be a risky thing to do, and another member would also recollect that quite a number of his constituents were among that class, and he sort of concluded it was rather a tough thing to take a man to jail just for a poll-tax, and so the motion would be voted down. Thus a number of poll taxes due from able-bodied men were lost that should have been collected. "Under the laws of New Jersey the tax collectors blanket warrant for the collection of taxes is sufficient warrant for the arrest of those who fail to pay, therefore no legal process is needed to collect poll-taxes." The town committee should instruct the collector to collect all that they do not exempt. He is charged with the duplicate, less the exemptions, and they can, and should hold him responsible for every dollar of it. That is, in case they hold his bond and it is good for anything. If not, then better hold their breath a little bit. At any rate there is no earthly use of the town paying for assessing poll taxes unless they are collected.

Bicycle Decisions.
The English courts have decided that leaving a bicycle on a highway while sending a telegram is not contributory negligence preventing recovery for damage done to the machine, and that bicycles are not luggage such as cabmen must carry, and the carrying by a hack must be governed by special contract. They also decide that an innkeeper's liability extends to bicycles.
I have given Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a fair test and consider it one of the very best remedies for cough that I have ever found. One dose has always been sufficient, although I use it freely. Any cold of my children yields very readily to this medicine. I can conscientiously recommend it for croup and colds in children.—Geo. E. Wozar, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Ferdinand, Fla. Sold by Druggist & General Merchants in Pike county.

Dr. David Kennedy's
Favorite Remedy
CURES ALL KIDNEY, STOMACH AND LIVER TROUBLES.

AFFECTS EVERY ORGAN.

Does That Most Dreadful of Diseases—Chronic Catarrh.

Over half of the people have catarrh in some form or another, and yet probably not a tenth of these people know that their disease is catarrh. One person says he has Bright's disease, another liver complaint, another consumption, another female complaint. These people would be very much surprised to learn that they were all suffering with chronic catarrh; but it is so, nevertheless. Each one of these troubles, and a great many more, are simply catarrh; that is, chronic inflammation of the mucous lining of whatever organ is affected. An internal remedy that will cure catarrh in one location will cure it in another location. This is why Pe-ru-na has become so justly famous in the cure of catarrhal diseases. It cures catarrh wherever located. Its cures remain. Pe-ru-na does not palliate; it cures.
Dr. Hartman has recently compiled into book form several of his lectures on chronic catarrh, which he has delivered at different times at the Surgical Hotel. This book is called "Winter Catarrh," and will be sent free of charge on application to The Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus, Ohio.

A lot of new felt hats at W. & G. Mitchell's.
When bilious or costive, eat a Cas-carat, candy cathartic, cure guaranteed, 10c., 25c.

Presbyterian S. S. Entertainment.
Thursday evening Feb. 3rd, the home of Dr. and Mrs. R. G. Burkley was enlivened by a large party of invited guests, mainly officers, teachers, scholars and friends of the Presbyterian Sunday School of which the doctor is the active and energetic superintendent. A musical programme was rendered which was thoroughly enjoyed. Those participating were:

- Vocal Solo—Miss Lydia Brown
- Recitation—"Divorce"
- Dr. Mrs. H. E. Williamson
- Piano Solo—Miss Hattie Horton, Millie Crisman and Helen Lanchantin, with violin obligato by Miss Jeanette Mott.
- This was so captivating the hearty encore was responded to.
- Vocal Solo—Miss Katie Beck
- Piano Solo—Miss Millicent Crisman
- Piano Solo—Miss Lila B. Van Riten
- Vocal Duo—Mrs. Barclay and Miss Ann Baker
- Miss Elina Lanchantin was too ill to be present and take the part assigned her.

The refreshments were ice cream and cake for the younger members, and chicken salad, sandwiches and coffee for the elders. A conveyance was kindly provided for the guests attending. The affair was intended to aid in bringing into closer relations all the members of the school, and thus make their interest more lively. That the effect will be more gratifying may be assured, and should the method be pursued no doubt it will result in a decided benefit to all concerned, and a wakened new interest and zeal in the very worthy cause it is designed to promote.

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

Farmers' Institute.

The session to be held at the Court House in Milford on Monday, Feb. 14th will open at 1.30 o'clock p. m. when able speakers will be present to discuss topics of interest. A question box will be one of the features of the day. Let every farmer come prepared to take part. It is recommended that on account of the brief time everyone condense as far as possible his remarks so as to make them directly to the point under discussion. An interchange of views is desirable, but not long debates on questions as to which there may be wide diversity of opinion. Come with a view to impart such information as you have of value to your fellows and to receive such hints as may be beneficial in your work. The institute can be made of great interest and profit if every one will contribute by his presence and suggestions. These meetings are for your benefit farmers and no intelligent man who desires success in the business can afford to miss the opportunity for gaining valuable information.
Let this be the largest and best institute ever held in the county and the beginning of a new zeal in that noblest of all pursuits agriculture.
The same speakers will be present at the institute to be held at Dingmans, Feb. 15th and the people of that section should see to it they have good audiences. There are plenty of intelligent, wide awake farmers in Delaware who can add greatly to the interest of the discussions if they will come out and take part. Let these State speakers go out and say that Pike has been awakened and her people stirred with a new determination to stand in the front ranks of progressive farmers.

Pillsbury's vitos at Mitchell's.

FROM THE DARK CONTINENT.

Prof. Somerville Writes From An Oasis In The Great Desert.

"This is written with a U. S. A. lead pencil."
"Dec. 24, 1897."
"TODGURTH OR TUGGURTH, AFRICA."
"OASIS IN THE DESERT OF SAHARA."
"DR. WILLIAM PEPPER."
"DEAR FRIEND:—There are few conveniences in caravan life, and little opportunity to communicate with you, yet you should hear from your wandering confederate.
"It has been the height of my ambition to see this Desert of Sahara more thoroughly; this is now accomplished. If I live to get safely through and back to civilization and the University of Pennsylvania, I hope that you will all be pleased with the ride examples and evidences of curious superstitions of many tribes that I have visited, confessed with, and from whom I have purchased the very amulets and talismans, in which they have trusted during many years.
"Our journey is fatiguing, but enthusiasm has always enabled me to go on. Our nourishment is gazelle, antelope, camel's flesh, coos-coos, rice and army bread with dates, taken and digested with many thoughts of you in America who are enjoying another and more perfect civilization.
"I pray you to remember me to all who are working at home for the enrichment of the University of Pennsylvania.
"Faithfully yours,
"MAXWELL SOMERVILLE."
(Through the courtesy of Dr. Pepper we are enabled to present the above letter to the Press readers. It will be eagerly read by many who are personally acquainted with the professor, and all will be interested in reading a letter from that far-distant country.—Ed. Press.)

SCHOOL REPORTS.
Report of primary department for month ending January 31: Average attendance for month, boys 21, girls 13; percentage of attendance for month, boys 86, girls 73. The following were regular in attendance during the twenty days: Michael Scott, Archie Steele, Louis Showers, Godfrey Palmer, Hotty Unsworth, Helen Heller, Lucy Showers.
LILA B. VAN ETTEN, Teacher.

RAILROAD NOTES.

ONE DOLLAR TO NEW YORK AND RETURN.
On Tuesday February 22d Washington Birthday, the Erie will run a dollar excursion to New York. Tickets good going on the Orange County Express leaving Port Jervis at 6.30 a. m. and good returning on any train leaving New York February 23d excepting Train No. 5.

CASCARAT WITH BOWLS, KIDNEY AND BOWELS. Never sicken, weaken or gripes, 10c.

Railroad Jottings.

The Delaware Valley Hudson and Lehigh surveyors are busy running a line from here to Port Jervis. This company has already surveyed a line from Stroudsburg to this place, and only needed this link to complete the route so it could be adopted as a whole. The purpose is to construct a road from Saylorsburg in Monroe county to Matamoras which will give this section of county direct communication with Philadelphia and the South.

Have you examined Brown & Armstrong's new goods.

A Jersey Lawyer Resigned.

Hon. Charles H. Winfield, Prosecutor of the Pleas of Hudson county, N. J., tendered his resignation to Acting Governor Voorhees last Saturday. Continued ill health is assigned as the reason. Mr. Winfield has been suffering for a long time with hardening of the arteries and though very sick may live for sometime. He is sixty nine years old.

Just try a 10c box of Cascarets the finest liver and bowel regulator ever made.

Proposals For Plank.

The managers of the Delaware Bridge company will receive sealed bids for furnishing 7000 feet rock or white oak plank 8 1/2 ft. long 1 1/2 thick 5 to 8 inches wide, delivered at the bridge, until Saturday Feb. 19 at noon, at the office of the Secretary, Feb. 10 1898. J. H. VAN ETTEN, Secretary.

Brown & Armstrong would like to know if you have bought your winter footwear.

PERSONAL.

Will Rydler of Pond Eddy was in town on business Monday.
Ed McMurray, of New York is visiting relatives in Milford.
Hugh O. Broadhead, collector of Delaware, was in Milford Monday.
Dr. W. Egie has been reappointed State Librarian by Governor Hastings.

Oscar M. Brink, of Yonkers, N. Y., returned home last week for the winter.
Charles Westbrook an Erie conductor was killed by a pusher engine at Port Jervis last Thursday.
Mrs. George M. Quick, of Schoocopee, suffered a paralytic stroke last Saturday night and is seriously ill.
Miss Lizzie Shimer has returned from an extended visit with her uncle Jos. A. Buckley, of Dingmans.
Miss Mary Heater and Alexander Dunning, both of Milford, were married at Port Jervis last Friday.
Dr. William C. Cattell, ex-president of Lafayette College, is lying seriously ill at his Philadelphia home.

D. D. Rosencrance and son, of Delaware, visited Milford Wednesday and made a pleasant call at this office.
Carlton Lawson a sewing machine agent has been swindling Stroudsburg merchants by means of worthless checks.
W. E. Scott, of Port Jervis, is modestly accepting congratulations of friends, over the arrival of a daughter at his home.
Henry Ludwig, Montague's versatile newspaper correspondent, accompanied by his wife, visited at W. L. Boyls last Sunday.
Mrs. Henrietta Wilson, with her son, Paul, returned last week from Waverly, N. Y., where they have been several weeks visiting.
Dr. Konworthy, since his advent in Milford, has been a very busy man. He is now permanently located at his home on Hartford street.

There was no half way business about the young lady boarder who came to sojourn with M. S. Quinn last Sunday evening. Her stay will be permanent.
Prof. Henry L. Beemer, of Newton, has been busy this week in town doctoring the pianos, and attuning their internal gear to more harmonious measures.
Prof. C. S. Pierce, who has been spending several weeks at his former home on the Port Jervis road, left last Friday for Cambridge, Mass., where his brother resides.
E. S. Wolf, the lumber man, has bought of the Pinchots what is known as the Cherry Place, on which there is a fine growth of white oak. This will be converted into lumber.

Joseph F. Terwilliger, a well-known resident of Rowlands, has been for several days, and still is, seriously ill with pneumonia. His age 69 years is not favorable to a speedy recovery.
Ex-Congressman James Kerr and Howard Mutchler are said to be interested in a project to build an electric road between Easton and Bethlehem a distance of 12 miles. The contract for the rails will be given at once.
Dr. E. B. Wenner, who for the past five years has gone in and out of Milford homes relieving the sick and bringing sunshine to many families departed Wednesday for his new field in Philadelphia. He takes with him the best wishes of numerous friends for success.

A party of substantial and representative business men of Port Jervis, with their wives, enjoyed one evening last week the terrapin and accompaniments in courses down to the crackers, cheese and coffee for which the Crisman House is celebrated.
Frank Marvin, Jr., formerly of this county but for some months in the employ of the Y. M. C. A. at Cincinnati, was married at that city yesterday. He will make his future home in Boon, Iowa, where he has accepted a position as secretary of a similar association.

Large Deal in Stone Lands.

Robt. Muirhead and Jno. Agnew, of Paterson, with Clara De C. Kilgour, of Passaic, have purchased of W. E. Scott, of Port Jervis, the blue stone property in Pike county comprising over six thousand acres of land including the mill at Parker's Glen. Mrs. Kilgour is the wife of Frank Kilgour, a son of the Blue Stone King.

The purchasers are thoroughly versed in blue stone, practical, energetic and upright in their dealings, and under their management no doubt new life will be infused in the business at that point. The property has had many vicissitudes but now that it is in the hands of parties able, and also with the experience necessary to its profitable management it may develop greater benefits to the people of that section, and become the centre of a still larger and increasing industry.

Buy your loaded shells and all kinds of ammunition at Brown & Armstrong.

OBITUARY.

MARY WHITTAKER LAYTON.

In the death of Mary Whittaker Layton mention of which was made last week, Delaware loses one of her oldest residents, and one whose recollection went back as a link to the dim past. She was a daughter of William Whittaker who for many years owned and resided on the property now known as Beaver Dam Farm. She was born near Bernley in England, July 10, 1824, and came to America with her parents when only seven years of age. Dec. 30, 1847 she married John Layton who for many years was a well-known and prominent teacher in that township and later became county superintendent of schools. His death occurred July 20, 1890.

She died on the morning of Feb. 1st from dropsy, from which she suffered severely for several weeks, and was buried last Friday from the M. E. Church at Dingmans. The services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. George Whitehead who was born and reared very near to her birthplace in England.

Mrs. Layton was a kind and considerate neighbor, ever ready to assist so far as lay in her power all who were in distress and in the circle of her friends and acquaintances, her death will be greatly deplored. The immediate relatives who mourn her are one son, William H., a well-known newspaper correspondent and highly successful school teacher, and three brothers, John, Luke and Thomas.

LENA PATERSON WAINWRIGHT.

This aged woman passed the bounds of the finite, and entered into her everlasting rest last Sunday, at the extreme age of ninety years. She was the widow of Jacob Wainwright a highly respected farmer who died several years since. She was born in New Jersey but this county has been her home from early womanhood. She is survived by her son John with whom she resided in Dingman township and a daughter, Margaret Jane also at home, Mrs. Sarah Kleinstuber of the same township, Mrs. Edith McKean of Shohola, Mrs. Adeline Voght, of Lincoln, Nebraska, Mrs. Sarah Wainwright, of Montague, N. J., and Mrs. Martha —, of Ohio.
The funeral was held Thursday, Rev. Thomas Nichols officiating.

MRS. ERNESTINE WEISS.

Mrs. Ernestine Weiss, of Dingmans died at her home in that village Tuesday of pneumonia, aged seventy six years. She is survived by two daughters, who resided with her, one of whom is unmarried. She has lately built a large summer boarding house which is a great addition to that town.

Madam Peroz, of Schoocopee, whose serious illness has been noted, died at the residence of her son, George, Wednesday evening. Further obituary mention will be made next week.

Word has reached here of the death of Mrs. Mary Sherman, wife of John H. Sherman, at Laray Virginia.

Fast Time on the Erie.

The "Yellow" Journal of New York ran a special over the Erie Sunday with its edition. The time was made between New York and Buffalo 424 miles in 8 hours and 12 minutes actual running time, or the 424 miles were covered in 492 minutes, or in round numbers the train while running averaged a mile in one minute and a little less than ten seconds. The fastest time made was between Hornellsville and Buffalo 93 miles which was run in 100 minutes. The time beats the Central Empire state express.

Railroad Notes.

A Stroudsburg dispatch to the Philadelphia Press says it has been settled that the Delaware Valley & Hudson Railroad will connect at Port Jervis with the Erie, and the Monticello, and at Saylorsburg with the road now at that place. A rumor is afloat that the management of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western is interested in the scheme. The directors are very hopeful the road will be built to Milford at an early date.

Buy your loaded shells and all kinds of ammunition at Brown & Armstrong.

BRIEF MENTION.

—To-morrow, Saturday, is Lincoln's Birthday and a legal holiday in several States.

—Remember Farmers' Institute!
—At Milford, Monday Feb. 14th.
—At Dingmans, Tuesday, Feb. 15th.

—Able speakers be will present.
—Sessions will open at 1.30 p. m.
—Let there be large audiences.
—Wives and mothers will be interested.

—Show your appreciation of the opportunity.
—It is to benefit you the meetings are held.

—You will not be profited if you remain away.
—It is not book farming, but sense farming.

—Farming for profit.
—Does that appeal to you?
—Your presence or absence will determine.

—The Milford, Matamoras and New York Railroad engineers have finished the line to Milford, and are now at work putting in the grade stakes. This, it is said, is preliminary to an early commencement of the actual work of construction.

—Two of the County Commissioners, Heller and Newman, have filed appeals from the auditor's statement surcharging them with time alleged to be improperly spent and expenses and horse hire unnecessarily incurred, the items of which appeared in the Press of Jan. 21st.

—Miss Emma Dailey, of Stroudsburg, in attempting to light a cigarette last Sunday set fire to some clothes drying on a line and but for prompt aid the house would have been burned.

—The Philadelphia Press of Monday contained a picture of Congressman Kirkpatrick and also stated that he was willing to accept a re-nomination for the office.

—The C. L. S. met last evening at the home of the Misses Bull on Board street.

—Cottage prayer meetings are being held at "The Manso" Tuesday evenings.

—The Port Jervis trustees at a meeting held last Monday evening resolved to give the Erie company preemptory notice to open Fowler street within 12 hours after service of same, and in case of failure to do so they would take immediate action.

—It is neither sleighing or wagoning on the river road, and warm weather will only make it worse, while cold will have the same result. Now which do you wish for.

—The preliminary examination of applicants for the West Point Cadetship was held last Saturday at Easton. There were none from this section.

—Two greenback farmers from the Blue Grass State were fleeced out of \$270 last week by green goods men at Allentown. It was the old game of packages of paper in a tin box, not to be opened until they got home, but curiosity and greed impelled them to examine it before they left the town and then the sharpers had disappeared.

—It looks as though rubber boots would be indispensable in the very near — pretty soon — or quicker. Take time and slush by the forelock, by sending an order to Johnson, at Port Jervis for a pair of Wooscock boots only \$2.29 delivered. Glance at his "ad" while drying your feet.

—The heirs of S. Maretha Thrall, who bequeathed by her will large sums to Thrall Hospital and to establish a public library in Middletown, have begun proceedings to prevent payment of the legacies.

—The Stroudsburg Post Office is not yet settled and the several contestants for the plum are growing slightly warm over the exercise it gives them.

—Mrs. Lizzie E. Howell, of Monticello, N. Y., wife of the rector who is at present slightly under a cloud, has sued the New York World to recover \$10,000 damages for alleged libel in publishing a false and libelous article concerning her which was published by her husband.

—The C. E. Society and Epworth League will hold a Union meeting in the Presbyterian church Sunday evening at 7.30. The subject for the evening's consideration will be "God Calling, Who and What for."