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THE GLORIOUS FOURTH.

COME AND ENJOY IT HERE.

Preparations are being made by the firemen of Milford to entertain the people on Friday to a diversity of amusements and also to afford an intellectual repast.

The Evening Band of Port Jervis, fourteen pieces, will furnish music for the occasion.

The program includes reading the Declaration of Independence and an oration, in the forenoon, followed by the croquet polo, wheelbarrow, and sack race, and a bicycle race, and baseball game with the Dingman Club in the afternoon, with fireworks and a Grand Firemen's Ball in Brown's Hall in the evening. The speaking will take place, as well as the other attractions, on the ball grounds in the rear of the Court House.

These events will afford an opportunity for all to be amused and entertained at home, and furnish a day of enjoyment without inconvenience and discomfort. No pleasant spot can be found than Milford for those who wish a day of real recreation, either in the way of quiet, or, in participating in the various events, which those in charge will supply.

Our shaded streets and ample walks give room for peaceful strolls, our hotels will cater to the most exacting tastes, and the two cream parlors and soda water fountains will be prepared to cool and refresh the inner man with the most soothing warm weather drinks. We invite people from the surrounding country and towns to visit Milford on the Fourth and to assure them all of a day of unalloyed pleasure. Come, bring your families; all take a day off, it will do you good mentally and physically, and you will feel renewed vigor, as you go home, your senses having been gratified and your hearts filled with an inspiring patriotism.

PERSONAL.

Louis H. Switzer, of N. Y., is visiting at the Anchorage.

Ned Kleinhaus has arrived in Milford for a summer vacation.

James W. Pinchot and family are occupying Gray Towers for a season.

Kenneth M. McClurg is home at the Crissman House for a vacation.

Fred Klier is home from Amherst College for the summer vacation.

Mrs. J. M. Dolph and daughter left town Tuesday for a visit to Williamstown, Mass.

Hiram Westbrook, of Ridgewood, N. J., will spend Sunday with friends in town.

J. C. Gressmuk has arrived with his family and occupies his home on Harford Street.

M. M. Van Eiten and son Percy visited friends in Milford and vicinity the first of the week.

Henry Van Eiten, of Stroudsburg, will accept a position at the Conashaugh House this summer.

Kenneth McClurg entertained a number of his friends at a party given at the Crissman House last evening.

The family of J. D. Biddis, of Washington, has arrived and will domicile in Glen Cottage for the summer.

Edgar P. Crissman, of New York, has arrived in Milford and will spend the summer with his mother on Ann Street.

Miss Hastings, of New York, and Miss Arnitz, of Montclair, N. J., visited the family of E. H. Noyes on Ann Street this week.

Dr. J. T. Rothrock, of the State Forestry Association, was at Milford Wednesday looking after lands bought by the State at Treasurer's Sale.

To Let, on Harford St., furnished house with large grounds. Inquire at Press Office.

BRIEF MENTION.

Faith without works is about as useless as a watch without wheels.

The sixty-third annual commencement of Lafayette College took place last week.

Monroe County Democrats have nine candidates from whom to select a proper person for Sheriff.

The County Commissioners have been inspecting bridge work in Greene this week.

Remember the one dollar special excursion train to N. Y. leaves P. J. at 7:15 a. m. July 4.

Mrs. Andrew Carnegie has given \$10,000 for an organ to be placed in the Carnegie Library, in Bradlock, Penn.

The government refuses to buy for war service horses with docked tails. This may set an example worth following.

The South Bethlehem Times says Bethlehem democrats will oppose both and mail any movement to nominate Hon. Howard Mitchell for Congress.

Labaria is the only civilized country where clocks are almost entirely in disuse with the sun rising exactly at 6 a. m. and sets at 6 p. m. throughout the year, and is vertically overhead at noon.

Ex-Assemblyman Jas. W. Griner of Luzerne County was co-ordinator of manslaughter in shooting and killing his step daughter was sentenced Tuesday to 12 years imprisonment and fined \$500.

By an oversight the notice of letting of contract for building the School House in Dingman Township, Gormantown district, July 2, on the ground, was omitted last week. It appears in another column.

Our Layton correspondent was too crowded with work this week to furnish his usual letter. We know that it will be greatly missed by many readers, but appetite is whetted by the omission of a meal.

The Milford Choral Society met Monday evening at the home of its president, Mrs. Thos. Armstrong, with all the members present. The next meeting will be Tuesday evening, July 5, at The Homestead.

Contractor J. C. Chamberlain is moving, for Wm. Mitchell, the old Rockwell house which stood on Ann street to lots on Seventh street. This will add much to the appearance of Mr. Mitchell's grounds surrounding his residence.

An agent has been selling in Milford and vicinity a map called the Empire Group published by the National publishing company, of Boston. If the inaccuracies are as glaring in other parts as in Pike it is worthless as a source of reliable information. Delaware township is put down as Potter.

Boarders have not yet arrived in any considerable number, though there are many new faces soon on our streets. We want the town and country hereabouts filled with summer guests, and can guarantee to all who come pleasant and healthful surroundings and the best of individual and collective care.

Dr. M. R. Harrington, fellow in zoology, and Dr. C. F. Hunt, instructor in physiology, have been sent to the Calabar coast of West Africa in search of the various stages in development of several very remarkable fishes to be found only in these waters. The expedition is one of the greatest importance to zoologists in all parts of the world.

The engagement of Mr. Frederick Beadle to Miss Reese though announced some time ago in Town Topics has just become generally known here. Mr. Beadle has for many years been a visitor in Milford and his new departure is another evidence of the properties of our air and scenery as including a frame of mind which aims at nothing short of embracing perfect bliss.

Prof. George H. Stephens who was for four years a member of the Lafayette College faculty as associate Prof. of Ethics and Logic, has been arrested for committing various depredations to college property and confessed that he fired Pardee Hall last December. His grievance was his dismissal from his position a year ago which was because of an unsatisfactory work. He is now in jail.

ACHILD'S BAD DEATH.

Wednesday evening while Mrs. Hugh W. Broadhead a daughter of Hon. D. M. Van Aken, was making a visit at the home of Mrs. J. R. Mott on Ann Street, her little son Augustus aged about one year fell asleep and was placed on a bed, which happened to stand a little distance from the wall. Some time after Mrs. Mott on going to the room found that he had fallen between the bed and the wall and was suspended in such a manner as to suffocate him and life was extinct.

He was an exceedingly bright little fellow, the idol of his doting parents who have the profound sympathy of the community in their bereavement.

FELL FROM A PORCH.

Wednesday afternoon while Barton, the little son of W. V. Hilliard, was playing on a porch in the upper part of town, he accidentally fell off striking on his head and suffered several bruises and a slight scalp wound. While considerably shocked the injuries are not considered very serious and he is recovering nicely.

L. W. Armstrong, whose generosity for several years in the way of providing fireworks on the Fourth, which have added greatly to the entertainment of the people, will again this year furnish a liberal supply. The exhibition will take place at his residence on High St., beginning at 8:15.

Three men were injured this week by falling from the trestle work of the new bridge at Matamoras.

The tea given last week by the ladies of the Church of the Good Shepherd brought \$27 to the organ fund.

A large picnic of the academy scholars of P. J. visited Raymondskill Monday, and had a most delightful outing.

Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian Church met Tuesday at the home of Mrs. J. H. VanEtten on Fourth Street.

The young men who purpose camping at Marienfield, on the farm of J. C. Bull, some thirty in number, arrived yesterday.

We have received quite strong assurances that the projected railroad from Scranton to N. Y. will either pass through Milford or Bushkill and Culvers Gap.

By the way, what has become of the D. V. Railway from Stroudsburg up the river? There are many good reasons why this road should be built, one of the best being that it would pay.

A merry party assembled last Friday night by invitation of Miss Edith Lewis at her home and on joyed a delightful evening, with various social amusements, and delicious refreshments.

The free exhibition, elsewhere mentioned, to be given at Mitchell's store, will interest everyone seeking kitchen comfort and economy. It costs nothing to investigate and may result in your profit.

The Hotel Fauchere has had a neat railing erected around the front porch and an awning put up, which adds to its appearance and will conduce to the comfort of its guests. The entrance to the Cafe has also been changed to the side.

Democrats At Altoona.

The State Convention assembled yesterday to nominate a State ticket and was called to order by J. M. Garman. P. A. O'Boyle, of Luzerne was made temporary Chairman and in his speech accepting, the mention of W. J. Bryan's name evoked tremendous applause.

The platform caused more trouble than the nominations, the pronounced free silverites insisted on a bold declaration in favor of the Chicago platform and 16 to 1, while a large number opposed any resolution on the silver question and demanded a platform confined strictly to state issues with a plank endorsing the war policy of President McKinley. The silverites were successful in their efforts, and George A. Jenks, of Brookville was nominated for Governor.

Treasurer's Sales.

Judge Morrison, of McKean Co., has decided that the Act of June 3, 1885, P. L. 71, making sales of sealed and unsealed lands for arrearages of taxes valid and effectual, irrespective of the fact whether such lands were sealed or unsealed at the time of assessment thereof, is not only vicious legislation, but offends against Act 14, Sec. 1, of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, which requires that taxes shall be uniform upon the same class of subjects.

A tax sale of land erroneously assessed as unsealed land, and in fact it was sealed land, and ought to have been assessed on the sealed list, will pass no title to the purchaser.

M. M. & N. Y. R. R.

Work on the bridge is progressing rapidly. The contractors have completed the trestle work from the N. Y. abutment to the pier, and the first span will be craned forth with The Pennsylvania abutment is being built, and no doubt soon the river will be spanned.

The company has a number of teams employed hauling shale for grading at different points, and is removing a house in Matamoras which stood on the line of the road. All rights of way, it is understood, have been arranged and there is nothing to prevent the early completion of this long wished for factor to Milford's new era of prosperity.

A New Summer Home.

Watts' new boarding house is now connected with the local telephone company's system. This commodious house, just completed and furnished, is located in a pleasant and retired spot on the high ground east of Upper Harford St., and overlooks the village and valley. A fine pond has been built and the grounds nicely graded. The house adds another to our numerous desirable summer homes, and Mr. Watts deserves a full measure of success for his enterprise.

TEACHERS WANTED!

Five teachers in the Independent School District of Milford, one each for the Grammar, Intermediate and first and second Primary, and one for Shocops. Also Janitor for the Borough building. Applications will be received until July 9, 1898.

Address, H. E. EMBRESS, Secy., June 31, '98 Milford, Pa.

Marriages on Saturday.

To get married on Saturday is the fashion of the Summer. Society is standing open-mouthed with astonishment at this new idea, for if there has been these last twenty years any one day regarded as particularly inappropriate and unkindly for weddings, that day has been Saturday. But if a sudden Saturday has been set on as the day of all for the most elaborate weddings of the moment. The most important weddings of the Summer have been set for that day of the week, and Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday have been cast quite into the shade.

What has brought this change of feeling about among the brides can hardly be told. Besides the prejudice that has always existed against Saturday itself it has long been the custom to have marriages take place in the early part of the week. Tuesday and Wednesday have been very favorite days. Only those people as a rule who have been indifferent to public opinion have ever even thought of getting married during the latter half of the week. This sudden making of Saturday as the fashionable wedding day of the summer is, therefore, little short of remarkable and is occasioning a great deal of talk.

Death of Judge Wickham.

The news of Judge Wickham's death was wholly unexpected. His illness was not known to the public generally. He was born in Ireland, May 14, 1844, and came with his parents to this country when six years old settling in Beaver, Pa.

He was in the Civil war, and for several months a prisoner in Libby, served under Sherman and Thomas, and was recommended for a commission but declined. He then studied law and for a short time practiced in Iowa, but returned to Beaver and in 1884 was elected to the bench and in 1895 re-elected and the same year appointed associate justice of the Superior Court and re-elected for the full term of ten years.

Revenue Stamps.

On and after to-day, July 1, bank checks must have on them a two-cent revenue stamp, and a special two-cent stamp must be attached to all drafts and certificates of deposit. Notes, drafts, and certificates of deposit drawing interest must have a two-cent stamp for every \$100. The maker of the paper must write his initials with the date on the stamp.

Deeds or instruments conveying lands, fifty cents if value exceeds \$100, and for each additional \$500 or fractional part, fifty cents. Mortgages 25 cents exceeding \$1000 and not exceeding \$1500 and 25 cts. on each \$500 or fractional part in excess and the same on all assignments or transfers of mortgages, leases, or policies of insurance.

New Switch Board.

The local telephone company has put in this week at its central at Findlay's a new switch board of the most approved Swedish design. The company is not to be outdone in its efforts to maintain the efficiency of its service, and to accommodate its numerous patrons. It deserves encouragement as being the first to provide telephone communication here and as being so connected to locally as to make it a great convenience to the people. With this perfected connection in the way of a switch board and prompt service, no doubt it will meet with such substantial commendation an increased patronage as such efforts to accommodate public interests merit.

Change in the Mail Times.

A Summer schedule takes effect in the Milford post office to-day, July 1st.

The mail from Dingmans and points south will open as heretofore at 7 a. m.

New York, Port Jervis, and West tern mails will open at 10.15 a. m., 2 and 8 p. m.

Mails will close for N. Y., Philadelphia, P. J., and west at 6.45 a. m. and 3.45 p. m.; Dingmans and South, 2 p. m.

Sunday mail will close at 3.45 p. m.

Keyes-Tyler.

The marriage of Mr. Miner H. Keyes of N. Y. City, son of Mr. J. F. Keyes of Matamoras, and Mrs. Emma Young Tyler of Damascus, Pa., took place on Wednesday June 23, in N. Y. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Biting. Mr. Keyes has been a conductor on the elevated road for more than 20 years. After July 1, they will be at home at Damascus, where Mrs. Keyes has a large farm, but Mr. Keyes will continue his occupation in the city for the present.

FREE EXHIBITION.

There will be a free exhibition of cooking and a demonstration of the vapor stove at the store of W. & G. Mitchell on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, July 7th, 8th and 9th, during the hours from 3 to 6 and 7.30 to 9 p. m.

If you are interested in cooking or desire to have a cool kitchen in the Summer you should attend this exhibition. Every lady in the town should attend, as she will learn many new things.

Stroudsburg in Luck.

Rumor founded on visits made by several officials of the Erie and the N. Y. S. & W. R. R. its recent acquisition, says a new shops of the latter road will be removed to West Stroudsburg, thus giving employment to fifty or more men. This will add at least a couple of hundred to the population and help our sister town materially along prosperity's pleasant pathway.

Up To-date.

Master Clyde Kipp who is making a business success in his profession of brightening understandings, has secured a handsome stand and chair for the comfort of those who wish his services, and located it in a shady spot near Wohlbrenndt's barber shop. While waiting for a comfortable shave you can have a first class shine.

Notice to Builders.

The School Directors of Dingman Township will receive bids on Saturday, July 2, on the ground for rebuilding the schoolhouse at Germantown. Plans may be seen on the day of sale. By order of Dingman twp., THE BOARD, June 28, 1898.

WAR NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Saturday, June 25, Gen. Shafter's army defeated the Spaniards over twenty miles of battlefield near Santiago.

On last Friday in the night near Sevilla sixteen United States troops were killed, including Lieut. Hamilton Fish, of N. Y., and Capt. Allyn K. Capron, and sixty men were wounded, or are reported missing. Thirty-seven dead Spaniards had been found on Monday.

Sunday, June 26, the Spanish fleet entered the harbor of Port Saed. The vessels showed an untidy appearance and the 4000 soldiers on the transports looked miserably clad, ill-fed and discontented.

June 27 an official decision was made known in the following bulletin of the Navy Department:

Commodore Watson sails to-day in the Newark to join Sampson, when he will take under his command an armored squadron with cruisers, and proceed at once off the Spanish coast. There can be no possible objection to this expedition, considering the course which Spain has pursued.

The water supply at Santiago has been cut off by our engineers, who crept up to within a mile of the rifle pits which guard the city, and destroyed the conduits. Shafter is only three miles from Santiago, an engagement off San Juan, Porto Rico, on Wednesday afternoon, when Capt. Sigbee's St. Paul was attacked by a Spanish unprotected cruiser and the torpedo boat destroyer Terror. The latter was hit three times, killing one officer and two men, and wounding several others. The Terror dropped back under cover of the fortifications with difficulty, and was towed into the harbor into a sinking condition.

A WAR LETTER.

Arthur B. McCarty is in receipt of a letter from his son-in-law, Frank H. McEwen, dated on board the U. S. battleship Oregon, off West Indies, in Caribbean Sea, June 21st, in which he says:

"We are still guarding the channel at Port Mores, where Cervera is bottled up with his fleet. We have fished with very good results, having knocked down the masked batteries which the Spaniards keep building up. Last night we had a fight. The Dynamite Cruiser Vesuvius was trying to enter in close to the harbor—I am stationed at the search lights and had orders from our Captain to keep the light on the Fort Castle, which I did for about an hour, when finally there were two shots fired from the shore, which whistled by our stern, then, succeeding this, the Vesuvius let go a shot right with the light I had on the Castle and as we saw it from the Oregon it resembled a full moon, a great ball of fire, and we all thought it came from the Castle, and as it was right in line with the upper deck well, you talk about scattering—I never thought the men were such good runners; they made for the turrets of heavy armor plate in a hurry, but instead of coming towards us the shot was going to shore, and it fooled us all. It seems that the Spaniards are very much afraid of this boat, and I think it is out of the way they think it is only a matter of time that is why they keep firing on us and not on the others, the Texas, Massachusetts, Brooklyn, Iowa, Marblehead, torpedo boat Porter, New Orleans, Suwanee, Yankee, Terror, New York, St. Paul, St. Louis, Vixen Kingston, Yorktown, and the Yosemite, Dixie, Gun Boats, I hospital boat, the Solace, the finest of the kind afloat—just like a palace.

While I am writing the boys have sighted forty-two transports with 11,000 soldiers, so I think we will have a hot time in the old town very soon, and a fine shell game. There is a rumor that after this place is taken we are going to San Juan, then to the Canary Islands, then to Spain, then home to N. Y. and all inside of two months.

Old Hotel Burned.

The Delaware House at Port Jervis was ruined by fire and water last Friday afternoon. It ignited in the roof either from a defective chimney or from sparks from a plumbers furnace and though the firemen promptly responded, the flames had gained such headway, that in extinguishing them the building was ruined.

The original house was built in 1850 by Thos. King but had received several additions. It was insured for \$5000.

Speaking makes a ready man, but writing makes him exact if he aspires to that habit.

Pillsbury's visit at Mitchell's.

MONTAGUE.

We had a hail storm over here last week. There was lots of hail, but nothing was injured.

They had a dance at Roy's new platform Thursday night, and a good time.

Will Courtright's cow died suddenly. Dr. Carlton says poison killed her.

It is hot here, but I suppose hotter in Cuba, and if not, Uncle Sam should make it so warm there as to make the Spaniards think of their friends in the other place. Long ago I said the fat would get close to the fire, and perhaps burn, and so it has.

The L. A. S. has a new vice-president—Mrs. Lane in place of Mrs. Sayre, who resigned.

We have some good hotels over here: the Brick House at Montague, the Hainesville House kept by S. Van Noy, and Montague's at Layton. All is a good fellow and uses people first-rate. Some think others are made of stone or iron, but our corns hurt occasionally, and we know it.

Louis Weir, who has just been married, is showing his new wife around this part of the country.

The farmers, mechanics and tradesmen will picnic at Custer's Lake, Saturday, Aug. 13. Those who wish privileges to sell ice cream and soft drinks that day will have a chance to buy them Aug. 6, on the grounds.

Mrs. L. H. Crane has gone to Brooklyn with her daughter to visit friends.

Charles Smith, our school teacher, was elected president of the Flatbrook Valley S. S. Assn., a few days ago. He is a good teacher and now holds a first-grade certificate. Sarah Westbrook was lucky in capturing a second-grade certificate at the last examination, so this town will have good teachers.

How is this? They say a member of a Township Committee cannot be a member of the Board of Education—all three of our Committees belong to the B. of E. Will they resign from the one or the other body? There is no money in being a member of the B. of E., but Committeesmen get two dollars a day. Some of our County papers are having a scrap over which one gets the most from the County. Maybe, if they keep it up, the people will learn something interesting.

Lou Crane went for a short stride in the cool of the evening and met a Madam Skunk, with her five little children. She felt insulted at something Lou did and now he wears different clothes.

Miss Sarah Newman, of Milford, is over here to see former acquaintances.

The Millville Mail Carrier is envied by some of the boys who would like his job.

The Milford Bridge will soon have a new floor, which will be nice, and so will the new railroad when finished.

Some Sunday visitors here were Miss Jennie Landry, Miss Manie Noble and Daniel Westbrook and wife, of J. Jacob Swartout, of Wantage, who was looking for a lay hand, Thos. Dutton, who plans the seasons in the Register office, when not insuring folks against dying, with the N. Y. Mutual.

Daniel Case, with his family, came down to see his father-in-law Geo. Y. Hornbeck, and there were others, but they went so fast we could not distinguish them while sitting on the

NAIL KEG.

Real Estate Transfers.

George Lawyer to Lewis Finkelshtein, dated March 28, 3 acres Lackawanna; consideration exchange.

Samuel H. Wolf et. ux. to Frederick Heberling, dated June 25, 66 acres Greene; consideration \$600.

Martha Hous to Mary Hunter, dated June 22, lot in Milford on Second st.; consideration \$400.

J. B. Westbrook, Treas., to J. C. Westbrook, Jr., dated June 8, 149 acres, Mary Seelye, Blooming Grove, J. C. Westbrook to Edwin Howell assignment of above.

J. B. Westbrook, Treas., to Moses C. Westbrook two tracts, Blooming Grove, Christian Stoner, 443 acres.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR AT NASHVILLE, TENN.

On account of the Christian Endeavor International Convention at Nashville, Tenn., the Erie will sell special excursion tickets from P. J. to Nashville, Tenn. from July 2, to July 15, inclusive, good to return up to Aug. 1, by depositing ticket with terminal agent at Nashville, Tenn., on or before July 15, at extremely low rate of \$22.65 for the round trip.

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A PECULIAR ACCIDENT.

Andrew H. Haight, an engineer on the new railroad, was injured some days ago by an explosion in the quarry where he was supervising some work. A stone or piece of cap was forced in his nose, which caused profuse bleedings. Wednesday, while at work in Matamoras he suffered a severe nasal hemorrhage and was brought to Milford. Drs. Kenworthy and Berekley were summoned, and after great difficulty succeeded in checking the flow of blood. A small artery had been ruptured by the injury, and before the medical men were successful in their efforts, Mr. Haight was greatly weakened by the excessive loss of blood. His condition seemed critical, but it is now thought that danger is over.

Charles Padgett, of Mill Rift, Chas. G. Courtright, Frank Detrick, How. and R. Gillett, John Smith, of Lackawanna, Jacob Van Sickle, of Montague, N. J., Gen. B. Legg and Stephen L. King, of Honesdale, will take the physical examination at P. J. for entering the regular army.