

OUR WAR WITH SPAIN.

Spain Wants Peace.

SUMMARY OF THE NEWS.

The White House gave out an official statement Tuesday afternoon that the French Ambassador, in behalf of the Spanish Government, and by direction of the Spanish Minister for foreign affairs presented to the President a message from the Spanish government looking to the termination of the war and the settlement of terms of peace.

The invasion of Porto Rico has begun. Troops under Miles' command were landed under the guns of a convoy of Sampson's ships.

Four Russian warships are supposed to be on their way to the Philippine Islands, where naval forces of other powers are mobilizing to be prepared for emergencies.

The Cubans of Cienfuegos have addressed an appeal for food and clothing to Admiral Sampson.

A high Spanish diplomatist declares Sagasta will treat for peace directly with U. S.

War department officials are giving attention to the disposition of Shafter's troops. Officers started Wednesday to pay off the men.

Sampson's ships will be successively docked and cleaned, beginning with the Texas.

Lieut. Holson made known his plan for raising the Cristofal Colon.

Sampson's report of the sinking of Corvera's fleet was given to the public Wednesday.

Secretary Long sent the handsomely-embossed resolutions of thanks from Congress to Admiral Dewey.

Mrs. J. Addison Porter, wife of Secretary to the President, writes of her experiences at the battle of Santiago. She confirms the reports of the Spaniards' disregard for the Red Cross flag.

From one intimate with the affairs of the Spanish Queen's household comes the report that a new cabinet headed by Gamazo, will negotiate a peace treaty.

Internal disorders in Spanish provinces continue.

Consul General Whitman, at Hong Kong, declares there is no sickness among our troops in Manila.

The Pope is again endeavoring to bring about peace negotiations, on terms suggested by himself.

The next expedition to the Philippines will probably be in charge of Brigadier General Chas. King. He says that General Merritt will need all the men we can send before all complications in the East are settled.

The first shipments of the war bonds were made. The prospects are that no subscriber whose bid exceeds \$4500 will receive bonds.

The mines have been removed from the Delaware River east of Fort Delaware.

The soldiers at Camp Thomas, Chincamequa, eager y await orders, which are likely to arrive soon for a further movement of troops to the front.

A Madrid despatch says Spain has drawn up a message requesting an armistice pending peace negotiations.

SOCIETY WOMAN'S FLIGHT.

Claims She Was Unjustly Thrust into Insane Asylum.

Mrs. Jack Wilmerding, former society woman and grand niece of Commodore Vanderbilt, was brought into court Thursday on a writ of habeas corpus, obtained to give her opportunity to prove her sanity in order to gain her liberty and the right to control her own estate.

Mrs. Wilmerding was sent to Bloomington in February last by Dr. Allan McLane Hamilton and Dr. DeForest Smith, who declared that she showed thoroughly defined symptoms of paresis.

So utterly friendless and alone is the former dashing society beauty that her lawyer, Louis Levy, could find no one to aid Mrs. Wilmerding in her fight for her freedom. He was obliged to make application for the writ of habeas corpus, which Judge Bischoff granted. From information he has received, he believes that Mrs. Wilmerding is "railroaded" to Bloomington and is not insane.

She is a daughter of the late Vanderbilt Allen and was formerly a visitor at Milford.

BRIEF MENTIONS.

Pillbury's visit at Mitchell's. For job printing come to the Press Office.

The Teachers' Institute will be held here Oct. 31.

Remember the fair on the Presbyterian Church grounds Aug. 5. Support a la carte.

FOR SALE—One town lot, corner Ann and Sixth Streets. HATIE W. PALMER, Milford, Pa.

There will be preaching at the Quicktown School House on Sunday July 31 at 3 o'clock.

Mexico, the land of the Green and silver dollar, celebrated Dewey's defeat and Cervera's escape.

Four-year-old Lucinda Conklin who was lost in the woods and abandoned near Guyards, has not been found.

Several professional players are among the company and they promise an entertainment of unusual excellence.

WANTED—A good man who is capable of taking charge of a Bicycle Repair shop. Apply to P. C. RUTAN, Milford, Pa.

One may now speak without disrespect of Alphonso, as the menly little King of Spain, because he has 'em, sure enough.

The picnic of the Presbyterian and Episcopal Sunday Schools scheduled for yesterday, were on account of the rain postponed.

Just think of it! Only \$3.00 to Niagara Falls or \$4.00 to Toronto and return, on special train leaving Port Jervis at 7.30 P. M. August 6.

The gentle rain on Tuesday greatly refreshed vegetation though the weather for several days previously had not been propitious for haying.

The picnic of the M. V. H. Society at Coudeshoek Park July 22 was not largely attended on account of the weather. Rev. S. W. Mills was absent on account of sickness.

The hot muggy weather of the past week has been detrimental to haying and unpleasant generally but has saved and made the corn crops in this section and helped potatoes.

During the storm last week the large flag, recently suspended at Mauch Chunk, was completely destroyed. Nothing remained after the elements finished their work but the border.

The N. Y. Comedy Company will present two plays at Browns Hall to-morrow, (Saturday), evening July 30, the purpose being to augment a fund to purchase a new organ for the Episcopal Church.

The jury in the case of U. S. Senator Kenney charged with aiding and abetting W. N. Boggs to rob the First National Bank of Dover Delaware, whose trial has been on for the last two weeks, failed to agree.

The Mauch Chunk Gazette says Barber will capture the delegates in Carbon County, that Mutchler will win in Northampton, and that Barber will be the Democratic nominee in the District. Well, Well! Does that mean that Lewis or Hart is to be shaved, clipped or skinned?

The second representation of the Gibson pictures, given in Browns Hall was a success and greatly pleased the large audience present. About eighty dollars is the net result of the two performances, which is a very substantial nucleus for the Presbyterian Organ fund.

Orders have been issued for the equipment of the 7th Army Corps with arms and all necessary material for active service, and it is understood it will be sent to Porto Rico. It consists of 10,000 men commanded by Major General Fitzhugh Lee, and is encamped at Jacksonville.

Charles J. Mansfield, a son of ex-Judge Barnes Mansfield, of Stroudsburg, is a member of the 9th Penn. Vol. The young man is but 19 years old, and of delicate build, but possesses the same staid determination which characterizes the older and which has made him a political power in his own County. This trait will no doubt carry the son to honorable distinction at the front, whither his regiment was last week ordered.

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

Restate Your Bowels With Casson's. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. No. 26. If C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

TO AID THE SOLDIERS.

Milford Displays Patriotism.

THE LADIES WERE SUCCESSFUL.

A large and enthusiastic crowd of ladies gathered in Brown's Hall on Monday afternoon to hear the reports of the various committees appointed at the first meeting. The Society was called to order by the president, Mrs. Konworthy, the minutes were read and approved, after which Miss Bull, as Chairman of the committee on means, was asked to make her report.

She reported that the ladies of her committee had canvassed the town for subscriptions and that Mrs. Nichols had made Treasurer of the funds and would give the final report.

As Mrs. Nichols took the floor a dead silence pervaded the meeting and a look of expectancy was in every face. She told in an amusing way some of the difficulties the committee had to overcome, for when canvassing was suggested the ladies were heard to exclaim, "I couldn't possibly do such a thing, I never did anything of the kind, and I don't know how." However they finally decided to lay aside all personal considerations and bravely do the work.

As Mrs. Nichols stated that \$155.35 had been given, enthusiastic applause greeted the remark, for the wildest expectations of the society had been more than realized.

Mr. Macchia, assistant editor of the Boston Journal, gave an interesting talk on the work of the Red Cross Society and advised sending the money to the military branch, as then it would be used for the relief of the soldiers, and not for the Cubans. The Society acted upon his suggestion and a motion was made and carried that the money be sent to the military branch.

The society wishes to publicly express its thanks to the people of Milford and to the guests of the Bluff House Sawkill House, Jarlon House and Marienfeld Camp for the prompt and generous manner in which they responded to its call; also to Mrs. Brown for the use of the Hall and to the ladies who so successfully canvassed the town. The society adjourned to meet, if necessary, at a call from the President.

PERSONAL.

Frank Whitney, of N. Y., is a Milford visitor.

Harry Carpenter, of New York, is sojourning at the Bluff House.

Charles Brink employed in N. Y., visiting his mother on George St.

A marriage license was issued July 27 to William Hays and Edith Friboly both of Greene.

Born, to Hugh W. Brodhead, a daughter. The mother, who is in a Newark hospital, is doing nicely.

The condition of Jacob Kleinhaus does not materially change, and gives concern to his many friends.

Mrs. Hiram Westbrook and daughter Millie of Ridgewood N. J. are domiciled at Grosch's, Nicholson Pond.

J. Frank Mastin, of N. Y., with a friend, rode from Del. Water Gap last Saturday through Milford on a tandem.

F. W. Gunster, of Scranton, was on Tuesday renominated by the Democrats of Lackawanna for additional Law Judge.

The letter of Mr. McEwen in last week's Press really covered all the points made in the reports of Sampson, Schley, Clark and Evans.

Lewis Chatillon of Dingmans candidate for sheriff, has been making a tour of the county, warming up the boys in his interest.

Mrs. J. J. Sprout, of Middletown, N. Y., recently celebrated her ninety seventh birthday. What a world of events have transpired in that period.

John J. Ryman, a former business man of this town, but for several years a resident of Des Moines, Iowa, with his wife, arrived here Wednesday on a visit.

Dr. T. C. Walton, with his wife and little daughter Edith, accompanied by Miss Mary Smith, drove up from Stroudsburg last week and enjoyed a day at Milford.

A. H. Haight the civil engineer who has been in charge of that department on the M., M. & N. Y. R. left for his home last Friday. His return is not definitely stated.

Mrs. Alfred Lewis entertained a number of her friends at a ball, last Friday evening, given at Watts new boarding house. The affair was greatly enjoyed by those participating.

William Armstrong, of Milford, and his friend, Patrick Sullivan, of New York, went to Boston last week and enlisted in Grimes' 2d U. S. artillery. They expect to be sent to the front at once.

George W., of Caldwell, Kas., a son of Mrs. Martha C. Nyce, of this place, is with the army now in Cuba. If he possesses the spirit of his father there will be no better or braver soldier on that island.

T. C. Brown, R. B. Keller and E. K. Wyckoff, of Stroudsburg, came up the valley last Thursday on their wheels and greatly enjoyed the pleasant trip. We were highly gratified with a long call from these affable men.

P. A. L. Quick, the veteran horseman, not having the fear of the borough ordinance in his heart, or else fearing that he might be late to church, drove at a too rapid pace through the streets last Sunday evening, for which offence our mayor squeezed his wallet \$3 worth.

George Armstrong, Harry Reel and John Van Etten camped for several days recently at Little Log Tavern pond. Fishing was ostensibly the object, but having forgot their hooks, picking huckleberries constituted their chief amusement, and they brought in fully a quart.

Hon. John D. Biddis, C. P. Mott, O. H. and D. A. Wells enjoyed a few days' camping at Brown's Mill, in Porter Township, the first of the week. They had a good time, the weather being propitious, the fish hungry, and the thirst of the party in a reasonably healthy condition, all essentials to a thorough appreciation of nature on a fishing trip.

Fire Near Hainesville, N. J. On Thursday morning, July 21st, the dwelling of Everett Crono, near Hainesville, on what is known as the Wilson farm, was found to be on fire from the chimney. It was put out, but broke out again later and destroyed the house and part of the contents. Insured as reported in the Mercer Co. Mutual for \$800 on the house and \$350 on the contents.

Lost His Finger. Floyd Bross, aged 13, of Matamoras, who was visiting his uncle, Ed. Orben, in Dingman Township, being of an inquisitive disposition, was examining a fodder cutter, when his left hand was caught and the second digit so severely injured that amputation was necessary. Drs. Emerson and Konworthy performed the operation.

To Cure Constipation Forever. Take Casson's Candy Cathartic, 10¢ or 25¢. If C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

THE BLACK FOREST.

Its Waters and Dinners.

A PARADISE FOR HEALTH SEEKERS.

ANTOGAST, GERMANY, July 14, 1898.

EDITOR PRESS:—

In a few moments of leisure this evidence of my recollection of friends in Milford is written with the hope that they be interested. I never lose many minutes—an always busy either with my pen or paint brushes. Some pictures are now the result of my work; they are representations of the "Refuges" along the coast of the Mediterranean Sea.

These "Refuges" are villages built centuries ago up in the crags—the steep rocks of the mountains, looking down on the sea, on which came the boats or ships of the Turkish and Tripolitan pirates, three centuries before France took possession of what is known as Riviera.

Those people gathered quantities of great cobble stones, and when the pirates tried to climb up and attack them they just emptied cobble stones on their heads, as Schley, Sampson and Dewey have done on the ships of the foollardy Spaniards. I have made sketches of the most of them and have half a dozen finished. When we were in the Sahara Desert last winter we met a hotel manager who was with the Duke of Bavaria at Boska, where we were living. He told us about a summer resort I had never visited in the Duchy of Baden, so we believed in him and engaged our apartments in this hotel. We are living at Antogast in the Black Forest. There are two springs of sparkling mineral water down in the great crevice hole, where there is plenty of room to promenade while taking the water slowly. The water is very agreeable. I like it much better than champagne and it has a very beneficial effect on all who partake of it.

In this country it is the custom of wealthy families to send their daughters when they reach 20 to 25 years of age to learn to cook, so they may be competent to marry; they pay the proprietor of this hotel a handsome fee and the result is that during the three months of Summer we are having the most delicious dinners, cooked by four beautiful young ladies, who of an evening entertain the guests with the choicest music. I do not believe there are any cooks on earth (Milford, dear Milford, not excepted) could do better, and few as well. Also pastry in many varieties, and delicate pure wines from the hillside vineyards nearby, for little money.

Divine services are held at the chapel of the hotel twice in the week. Tuesdays for Protestants; Thursdays for Roman Catholics. It is interesting to observe the neighboring farmers who attend, attired in their red and black coats, red vests and buckskin knee-breeches, the costume of this part of the Black Forest. Sunday, of course, is given up to music and dancing.

I have just finished two or three pictures of the country where there are many brooks and waterfalls, where trout of 12, 13 and 16 inches abound—in fact they are so plenty one can see them in the water. A little while before supper or dinner they are easily taken in nets, so that they always have them served fifteen minutes after they have been killed. Just try to realize that several people in Antogast read with interest the Pike County Press. What a wide "circulation" that valuable journal has, Republicans, too—don't forget that? We never suffer from heat here; the thermometer averages 70 to 72 and we often think how acceptable such a temperature would be in Milford.

Sincerely,  
MAXWELL SOMMERVILLE.

One Dollar to N. Y. and Return. On Sunday next, July 31st, the Erie will run a one dollar excursion to New York, leaving Port Jervis at 7.15 A. M., and returning leaves New York at 7.45 P. M. Take along your bicycles, as they will be carried free on this train.

A company has been formed in Honesdale to build an incline railroad from the Dyberry river, near Hartung's bridge, to the top of Irving Cliff, and expects to begin construction at once.

COMMUNICATED.

MONTEAGUE, N. J., July 25, 98.

Mr. EDITOR: The Good Book tells us to remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy. Does keeping holy mean fishing on the Sabbath Day, using profane language, and raising Cain in general, as is done by some so-called reputable persons of both sexes (who, I am glad to say, do not belong on this side of the river).

Boating for pleasure on the Delaware on a Sabbath Day is an innocent pastime, and may be indulged in by those who derive more pleasure from it on the Sabbath than any other day in the week. True, the Fish and Game Laws of New Jersey for some reason last year omitted to put on the penalty for Sabbath fishing, but still there is a State law. I have seen it mentioned in either the Press or Dispatch that there is a law in Pennsylvania inflicting a penalty of twenty dollars on those who are convicted of Sabbath fishing. Does not the jurisdiction of Pennsylvania extend across the Delaware River to low water mark in New Jersey?

Now if such should be the case, and Milford has such a number of officers, why in the name of all that's wonderful don't one of them come down to the Delaware bridge most any Sabbath and caution those lawbreakers?

It is a positive annoyance to the family of the bridge tender to be compelled to sit and listen to talk which may be entertaining to some but disgusting to respectable people.

This communication may sound a little out of place, but the writer knows what he is talking about and his information comes from persons reputable, but not of the kind who wish to make trouble. So perhaps a warning will do, and I will say no more.

M. N. K.

Teachers Chosen For The Matamoras School. At a meeting of the School Directors of Matamoras held Monday evening, the 25 inst., the following teachers were chosen:

Principal—Edward F. Kilooin.  
First Asst.—James F. Molony.  
Second Asst.—Miss Minnie Van Akin.

Room 4—Frank Wilkin.  
Room 5—not yet appointed.  
Room 6—Miss Hannah Molony.  
Room 7—Miss Sarah Remy.  
Rosa's Switch school—Flora Heidenthal.

Quicktown—not yet appointed.  
Mill Rift—Samuel Hazelton.

Those not appointed will be chosen at the next meeting. There were about 25 applications, of which four were for principal.

Louis Devore was chosen janitor in place of Henry Maines.

KILLED NEAR SHOHOLA.

Two German excursionists, Fritz Henninger and Gustav Bothke, of N. Y., were killed by an Erie engine last Sunday at King Fallers cut, about a mile and a half above the station. They were walking to Lackawaxen when the engine of the second excursion train, which was going to that place to turn, struck and killed them. The bodies were removed to Lackawaxen. It is reported that Bothke, who leaves a wife and two small children, owned some land at Greeley and that they were going thither with the expectation that Henninger would buy a piece of it.

Violators of the Law.

It is alleged that certain well-known parties in Dingman Township are engaged in the business of killing "short-billed snipe," or in plain English, shooting young pheasants, and selling them in Milford. If this can be established both the sellers and buyers should be punished to the fullest extent of the law.

Suspends for a Month.

The Milford Choral Society met Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Jennie Shearer, and in view of the many events likely to occur during the next month, it was considered advisable to defer the next meeting until September, when the society will resume practice.

Wrist Broken.

A boy named Williams, boarding at Brookside Villa, while investigating the working of a cream separator Tuesday, caught his hand in the wheel, and had the bones of his wrist broken and his hand badly lacerated. Dr. Konworthy attended the injuries.

MATAMORAS.

The ladies of St Joseph's church, Matamoras, held a garden social on the lawn at Father Trias' residence on Wednesday evening. A temporary stage was erected with pretty scenery and everything was complete pertaining to the stage. Well-known artists from Port Jervis and Matamoras took part in the program. The lawn was decorated with Chinese lanterns, which made a very pretty appearance. Great credit is due the ladies and gentlemen of the church. Everything passed off nicely.

After the entertainment the young ladies served ice cream and cake free of charge. The admission was 25 cents at the entrance of the lawn. Following is the program that was rendered:

Tableau, "Island and the Angulo Uase"—Misses Frankie Moore and Lulu Cole.  
Song—"Frank Hope."  
Dialogue—"The Train to Morro."  
Tableau, "From Cross to Cross."  
Misses Alice Moore and Lulu Cole.  
Viola Solo—"Break the News to Mother."  
—Frank Boy.  
—Frank Boy.

Tableau "Columbus"—Audience.  
Tableau "America protecting Cubans with its army and navy."  
The tableaux were fine the prettiest ever exhibited in Matamoras. Great credit is due to all who took part in the program and the garden party was a great success.

Saturday night the 23d, was a gala night here at the "Pocono House" which nestles cozily under the cool shade of the Blue mountain range. Owing to the energy and ability of Mr. Silvio, a Parisian artist of charming manner and versatile ability, the entertainment of which he was the manager, was a brilliant affair.

The grounds and piazzas were lighted with numerous Japanese lanterns which lent their soft mellow light, enhancing the beauty of the scene, but more especially that of the ladies who occupied the tables on the piazzas at "progressive euchre" after which came dancing then delightful singing and impersonations by Mr. Silvio with his inimitable grace of action, after which refreshments ended a most enjoyable entertainment which was aided during its progress and completion by our charming and accomplished host Mr. J. C. Rose.

The prizes were awarded after decision to Miss Rose and Mr. Rose.

In the case of Elton Morris vs. Campbell and Kerr, which went up to the Supreme Court from this County Judge Green filed an opinion July 21, affirming the judgment of the lower court. The action concerned possession of the Porter Pond property, and the decision gives the plaintiff that right. C. W. Bull Esq. was attorney for Mr. Morris and Kerr appeared in his own behalf and for his partner.

Mrs. S. R. Danly, of Matamoras, gave her husband a pleasant surprise on Sunday afternoon, it being his fifty-first birthday. She invited a number of friends from Port Jervis and Matamoras to celebrate it with a six o'clock tea. The table was arranged on the lawn and every thing was there in the way of good eating. Ice cream and cake were served at the close. Mrs. Danly presented her husband with a beautiful present in the form of a crayon picture of his oldest sister, Mrs. J. B. Mansfield, of Canada, who died four years ago. It was a beautiful crayon and Mr. Danly was loud in his praises of the present. The afternoon was spent in a very pleasant manner. All the guests departed, wishing Mr. Danly many more pleasant anniversaries of his birthday.

Miss Blanche Watts, who has been spending a part of her vacation in Jersey City with her sister, Mrs. Harry Moore, returned home Tuesday evening.

Miss Mabel Carr, of Carbondale, Pa., is spending a week with her grandmother, Mrs. Catherine Price.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Halsey, of Westtown, N. Y., are the guests of their daughter, Mr. D. B. Allen, for a week.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

E. T. Rivere to S. Fleming, dated March 23, 50 acres Blooming Grove Pt. Margaret Stocker

Same to same, dated July 14, 293 acres Blooming Grove, O. H. Mott.

M. S. Fleming to Wm. J. C. Miller, dated July 18, 253 acres Blooming Grove above land.

Mary E. Prey to A. W. Balch, Jr., dated July 23, lot No 1 Matamoras; consideration \$1000.

J. B. Westbrook Treas. to Pike County, 303 acres O. H. Mott, Blooming Grove.

Commissioners of Pike to G. W. Pierson for some land as above. Pierson to E. T. Rivere, dated Feb. 28, same land as above.

Y. P. S. C. ENTERTAINMENT.

The audience present Monday evening at the Presbyterian Church to hear Miss Louisa Stoll in humorous and pathetic readings was greatly delighted with her rendering of the several pieces. Her pronunciation is distinct, her manner appropriate and her conception of the sentiment embodies the characteristics of the selections chosen. Her talents are of a pleasing nature, and her skill as an artist awakens new interest in the thought of the authors. An evening is delightfully and profitably spent in listening to her recitations.