

BRIEF MENTION.

Joseph D. Brooks is a deserving young man, and if elected Sheriff, as he should be, will make a careful, painstaking official.

A Christian Endeavor Convention will be held at the Delaware Water Gap next week.

The re-organized Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian Church met this week at the home of Mrs. Helen C. Heller.

The Peace Jubilee which occurred in Philadelphia this week was largely attended and was a fine display of naval and military forces.

The public schools will be closed next week while the Institute is in session. The pupils no doubt need rest, but a part of the vacation of the older ones could be very profitably employed attending the meetings in the Court House. This might be somewhat of an innovation but no doubt their presence would be an attractive novelty.

If your watch needs any repairs go to Rudolph, the jeweler, Milford, Pa.

Hon. W. S. Kirkpatrick, by his term of service in Congress, has become familiar with the routine work, and into himself a recognized figure on the floor of the House. His speech on the Hawaiian question, notably, ranked him as one of the foremost orators in that body. If a representative is chosen for experience, fitness, and capacity to serve his constituents, does he not embody all the requisites to a far greater degree than either of his opponents? Then, why not support him?

Rubin, the bicycle repairer, will close his shop in Milford, Pa., Nov. 15th. If you want a good bicycle cheap, or any bicycle sundries or tires, call and see him, as he does not want to carry them over. Now is the time to buy cheap.

Elmer N. Bensley, a son of Commissioner J. M. Bensley, of Egypt Mills, and Miss Cora M. Arnst, a daughter of S. J. and Hannah Arnst of the same place were married at the Presbyterian parsonage in Port Jervis Sunday, Oct. 23, by Rev. G. W. Gillespie.

A. H. Down, of Tafton, who with his wife has been visiting friends at Johnsons, N. Y., and other places were at Milford Tuesday and called on Mrs. J. C. Chamberlain to whom he is related. They made the journey very comfortably behind a splendid pair of iron gray horses which it would be hard to match in this section.

Arthur B. McCarty exhibited a stem of red raspberries green in his garden on Seventh Street on which were a number of large green berries.

Miss Schanno, when walking to Milford Monday, found a bunch of ripe wild strawberries.

Probably the Dispatch will now correct its statement made in last weeks issue that Stauffer had not resigned as Prohibition candidate for Congress. It was alone in the assertion and the information given by the Press that he had was right as the official ballot shows.

Webb Goble, while sawing a piece of wood in the Erie car shops at Port Jervis last week, was hit on the hip by a piece of the wood and considerably injured.

Margaret Jane, a daughter of the late Martin W. and Belinda H. Dingman, died at her home in Dingmans Ferry, Wednesday morning. She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. G. W. Garretson and Miss F. C. Dingman.

Col. Roosevelt, Channey M. Dewey and others were accorded a very enthusiastic reception at Port Jervis Monday. A large crowd greeted their arrival and listened attentively to the excellent speeches.

A friend, a life long Democrat, who has read with care both the Press exposure of Kessler's legislative career, and Sickles' farago of nonsense in his behalf suggests Mat. 7-6 as appropriate for our future course, so far as I. S. is concerned, and we believe our friend is about right.

Warren Estabrook, of Susquehanna, died at his home Monday evening of heart disease. His wife, who was Eleanor, a daughter of the late Abram B. and Sarah Decker, of Delaware Twp., this county, and two children, George and Lena survive him.

PERSONAL.

Col. A. E. Lewis left Monday for a visit at Philadelphia and other points.

Miss Corinne Reed has gone to Brooklyn for a two weeks' visit.

Mrs. Chas. De Kay Townsend, daughter Letitia, and son Duke Harsell arrived home last Saturday from a tour in Europe.

Chas. Lattimore left Monday morning to attend the great Peace Jubilee which occurred in Philadelphia this week.

Miss Lila Van Erten, at present teaching at Denton, N. Y., visited her home in Milford over last Sunday.

Dr. Otto von der Heyde left for Philadelphia this week, and before returning to Milford will exemplify the doctrine that it is not good for man to be alone. He expects to marry a Philadelphia lady Nov. 24.

Mrs. John D. Biddis and daughters, Helen and Patty, who have spent the Summer in Milford, returned to their Washington home this week. The town seems much smaller since their departure.

Miss Bettie Cornilus has been viewing the sights in Philadelphia this week.

Geo. E. Hurton is making a neat addition to his home on Harford St. enlarging the porch.

Deputy Sheriff, Geo. Gregory, with his family has gone to visit an aged uncle, Jacob Weaver, at Oak Ridge, N. J. The old gentlemen is hale and hearty at 93 years.

Louis Baclanan, wife and daughter, of Nantucket, Mass., visited relatives in Milford this week.

Joseph E. Nye's assistant ticket agent at the Lohigh Valley station at Easton, is spending a week at Baskill with his parents, M. C. Nye and wife.

W. A. Kanouse, of Washington, is visiting his mother, Mrs. A. M. Kanouse, who has recently arrived from North Carolina at her daughters, Mrs. Aaron Dean, at Rahway, N. J., Mrs. J. E. Jones, formerly Kanouse, of Hillsboro, N. C., is also visiting at that place.

Jacob Fromms, of N. Y., who spent the summer at Hotel Fauchere made a few days' visit here last week.

Miss Mary Mains, of Thiels, N. Y., who she holds a position as station agent and telegrapher, returned to that place Thursday, after a week's visit at her home on lower Catharine St.

Walter Angle, who was employed as clerk in the drug store of C. O. Armstrong for the past four years, has secured a position in a drug store at Montclair, N. J., and left for that place a few days since.

Commodore Rodgers' wife and daughter have been passing a few days in Milford.

James R. Ball and wife, of N. Y., spent several days recently visiting friends in Milford.

Miss Mayne, a daughter of Chas. Mayne, is ill with appendicitis. An operation was considered necessary, which would be performed when the patient was in a favorable condition.

OBITUARY.

Warren Kimble.

This well-known citizen of Pike died at his home in Matamoras, Monday, Oct. 24, aged over 85 years. He was born at Kimble's Station, in Lickawaxen, and was a son of William and Irene Kimble. He resided in that township until 1877, when, his wife having died the previous year, he removed to Matamoras, where he has since lived. Four children, Amanda and William, of Matamoras, John, of Camden, N. J., and Webb W., of Rosebud, Pa., survive him. The funeral was held Wednesday, with interment in the cemetery at Kimbles.

A CARD OF THANKS.

The family of the late Garrett B. Broadhead desires to express in this manner their sincere thanks to the many friends and neighbors who rendered valuable, timely and appreciated assistance to them during their recent deep affliction and sore bereavement.

Jacob Orben's horse, hitched to a buckboard wagon, in which were himself and Charles Stichter, ran away Monday, when coming down the turnpike hill near town. Mr. Orben was somewhat injured.

Edward Stichter, of N. Y., a brother of Charles, of Dingman Twp., died at his home Monday.

ANNUAL COUNTY INSTITUTE.

The Annual County Teachers' Institute, which will be held in the Court House next week, Oct. 31—Nov. 4, promises to be an unusually interesting convention. The actual work of the Institute will begin at 2 P. M. Monday. In addition to the regular day instruction, arrangements have been made for four evening lectures. On Monday evening Prof. E. L. Kemp, Vice Principal of East Stroudsburg Normal, lectures on "The Chivalry of the Twentieth Century," or, "Who are the Big Bags?" The evening session will open with singing by the pupils of the Milford High School, and, perhaps, with selections by the Choral Union.

Tuesday evening Prof. Jno. O. Willis, of Bowling Green, Ky., will talk on "Character in History."

On Wednesday evening, Deputy Supt. of Public Instruction, Hon. Henry Houck, will lecture on "Old Lund Marks."

Thursday evening the subject will be "Elements of Success," the lecturer being Prof. Geo. P. Bible, Principal of East Stroudsburg Normal. Part of the programme for that evening will consist of readings, recitations, etc., by Prof. Bible, and of singing by Mrs. Bible and Miss Mary Bradley, Musical Director of the E. Stroudsburg Normal. It is expected that the Choral Union of Milford will assist in the musical part of the programme for the evening sessions. Other musical arrangements have been made and will be announced in Institute.

The evening sessions of the Institute will be especially interesting to the public, and since benefits are to be derived in many ways by those sessions, the public will be asked to contribute a share of the expense.

FARMERS' INSTITUTES.

As previously announced, the Farmers Institutes will be held at Dingmans Nov. 29 and at Milford Nov. 30. Hon. Alva Agee, of Chesire, O'ho, and Prof. Geo. C. Bible, of the State College, will attend those meetings and probably H. Hayward as additional lecturer. The topics on which they will speak will be announced later. Let every farmer arrange to be present this year. These lectures are paid by the State, and it costs as much for them to talk to 20 people as it does to 500. The object is to disseminate valuable information, to bring to your knowledge the results of costly and long continued experiments, which you cannot make, to enlighten you with the experience of men who have tried the methods they advocate, and to warn you against the many pitfalls and delusions and wasteful methods in vogue. Every farmer who values his time, who wishes to save his money, be progressive and make his farming profitable, should not neglect any opportunity to learn all he can about his business. These Institutes are valuable helps and will be more so if you show a desire to learn and evidence by your presence an interest in what very nearly concerns your welfare. Come out and aid in making these meetings what they should be—a large and anxious gathering of farmers.

ATTEND INSTITUTE.

The list of instructors for the Teachers Institute next week contains the names of well known and very popular talkers. Prof. Supt. Houck and Prof. Bible, their lectures are interspersed with bits of humor which relieve the more sober presentations of hard facts. Both are very entertaining talkers and the opportunity is afforded to hear them next week.

We have no doubt the people of Milford will show by their attendance how fully they appreciate the good things of the Institute. The music, too, promise to be an especially attractive feature. The Milford Choral Union will take part, and the highly cultivated voices of Miss Bradley and Mrs. Bible will also be heard. Seldom do our people have such opportunities and it naturally follows that they will embrace the occasion to be both entertained and instructed.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Commissioners of Pike to Frank M. White, dated Sept. 26, Palmyrs, No. 82 R. Stewart, 38 acres; con. \$3.

Commissioners to C. O. Westergard, dated Sept. 25, 218 acres, Ft. Jno. Mosse, Delaware.

THE STATE LANDS.

EDITOR PRESS:

Your issues of the last several weeks have called public attention, and I think not vainly to the fact that the State of Pennsylvania is again through its agents impairing the amount of taxable property in Pike Co. by purchasing sections of wild lands offered at Commissioners' sale, and by the Treasurer for non-payment of taxes, and exempting the same from all county and local taxes and assessment. This, as you have very justly remarked, and clearly shown, adds to the burden of the local taxpayer, just so much as has been or may in future be exempted. But does it not add an indefinite amount more? The trespassers will be arraigned in our courts, and, if convicted, will have to be maintained by local taxes; jurors must be paid, and the whole expense of the machinery of justice will fall on the County. Roads and bridges will have to be built and maintained for the State's accommodation, and the children, if any, of the keepers of these reservations will share the local privileges of education. All these expenses must be added to the amount which the Commonwealth abstracts from our County without compensation. Should it not be enough for the State to absorb the \$10,000 annually paid by the Erie R. R. corporation for running through Pike County, and exempting its property from local taxation, while all burdens and expenses of the suits which arise from it are paid by us? That company has also been released from its obligation to build and maintain a bridge across the river at Matamoras, and heavy tolls are exacted from us by reason of that fact.

The Delaware and Hudson Canal Co. is practically free from taxation, in short the State enjoys all the benefits of the taxes paid by these corporations and the county suffers all the expense and inconvenience. This should be ample for the State without further curtailing the taxable property of this already impoverished county for her benefit and without any compensation whatever. We hope and trust the voters this year will awaken to their duty to themselves and their children and elect such representatives, regardless of political prejudices, as will at least make an effort to protect their interests. Pike County has been systematically wronged for years by the State through her Democratic representatives and no wonder she is poor and becoming populous every year, notwithstanding her healthfulness, nearness to the coalfields and superb water powers, and mainly because her taxes are yearly made more burdensome. Let us hope for better results from the incoming legislature, and that a man may be elected who will make a heroic effort to right some of our many wrongs. The state should pay taxes on its lands like any other property owner.—TAXPAYER

NEW CHAIRS.

The Presbyterian Sunday School is arranging to furnish the lower room of the church with chairs. This will be a great improvement over the present pews, in the way of convenience in arranging classes. The old pews have been a familiar landmark and were the furniture of the old church which was erected in 1828. Generations now passed away have sat in them while listening to the words of instruction which fell from lips long ago sealed in death, and many old and revered associations attach to them in the minds of those who with their parents, now gone occupied them in childhoods sunny days. It is an inexorable law however that the old surroundings must give way to the advanced idea, and soon those who held in veneration the old pews because of former associations, will have themselves passed away and like the pews be forgotten except as a fading tradition.

KNOWS HIS FRIENDS.

Even the skunks in Pike county are said to be Democratic. We were aware that the rattlesnakes, copperheads, wildcats, coons and other game in that county were Democratic, but we had supposed the fragrant skunks to be mere Mugwumps. But ex-Congressman Hart claims them as Democrats! So mote it be!—Mauch Chunk Gazette

If your watch needs a main spring Radolph, the jeweler at Milford will put one in.



W. R. STROTH.

W. R. STROTH, of Carbon, Republican candidate for Senator from this District, is a man of business energy and capacity. If elected he will give that same careful attention to Legislative matters which he has distinguished and made him successful in private affairs. Give him your influence and vote.

KESSLER'S ABSENTEEISM.

On the final passage of the following important bills Mr. Kessler is recorded as absent or not voting:

- To establish a separate Orphans' Court.
- Law protecting timber lands.
- Making Constables of townships ex-officio fire wardens.
- Building and Loan Association Act.
- Act specifying additional securities.
- Act relating to mortgages.
- Competency of wife to testify against husband.
- In regard to violations of Borough ordinances.
- Right to belong to Labor Organizations.
- Compensations of female teachers.
- Making minimum school-term seven months.
- To protect the American flag from insult.
- Compensation for Constables.
- Suitable places for holding elections.
- Abolition of Independent School Districts.

There are many others; in fact, his absences are "too numerous to mention," and, when present, as we have shown, his votes were against the interests of his constituents. "Freddie, you're a dandy! Kessler forever!"

KESSLERISM.

Can any Democrat, beyond the fact that Kessler calls himself one, give a single reason why he should be re-elected? He has shown himself incompetent, neglectful, and a positive detriment to the interests of his people. Not one act or vote can be pointed to as evidence of his fitness to represent this county in the Legislature. Will the people be so blind, and utterly regardless of what most concerns them as to commend such culpable inefficiency? If what the Press says is not true in every particular, why is it not disputed? Ample opportunity has been afforded; the charges were not made on the eve of election, but time has elapsed for his vindication. It has not been even attempted, and not one word has been said in explanation or extenuation of his course. He therefore stands convicted. Will the people be so oblivious as to follow a blind lead and vote an empty name? We do not believe it.

LAUER FOR CONGRESS.

Notwithstanding the ruling of the Dauphin county court, declaring L. H. Barber the nominee of the Democratic party for Congress in the 8th district, Mr. Lauer, who was twice robbed of it by Mitchler's political prostitutes in Carbon county, will make a fight for the office, believing that there are enough Democratic voters in the district who will repudiate Boss Mitchler.

The methods employed by L. H. Barber's managers in Carbon county were the methods of the hoodler and political thief and certainly put the Barber men within the shadow of the penitentiary, where they may yet get. We have every reason to believe that Barber was aware of the tactics of his managers, and is therefore no better than the kidnapers back of him.

Mr. Lauer owes it to the Democracy of the district to make this fight in order to rid the party of Mitchlerism.—Lansford Record.

THE FORMER ATTORNEY GENERAL DECLARES HIMSELF

Hon. Henry W. Palmer Expresses the Weakness of the Wanamaker Plea.

SPEAKS HIGHLY OF STONE.

Good Reasons Why the Republican Candidate Should Be Elected and His Opponents Defeated.

Philadelphia, Oct. 21.—Before an audience which crowded the Academy of Music this evening former Attorney General Palmer said:

The governor of a great state like Pennsylvania ought to be a capable, truthful and honest man.

In the past Pennsylvania has been in the habit of selecting her governors from her ablest and most conservative citizens. In my recollection the place has been filled by many such: Johnson, Higler, Pollock, Packer, Curtin, Geary, Hartranft, Hoyt, Pattison, Beaver and Hastings.

They were all honorable men; some of them able lawyers, some brave soldiers; all of them high minded, capable and honest. The custom of putting such men in the governor's chair ought to be abandoned.

THE CANDIDATES.

Let us see how the men who now ask the people for their suffrage compare with those who have gone before.

First—Let us consider the qualifications and claims of the candidate of the Democratic party—the Hon. George A. Jenks, of Jefferson. I have known him long, and believe him to be both capable and honest. He is an able lawyer, a man of wide experience, and, left to his own devices, would give the state a good administration. The objection to him lies in the fact that he is the candidate of a party that advocates principles and policies hostile to the best interests of the people.

I am not sure that if the state were turned over to Mr. Jenks and the Democratic party, as now managed and controlled, that any improvement would be made in the management of the state affairs, if anything is wrong.

The capacity of my friends, the enemy, to help themselves whenever they have an opportunity, has been demonstrated very often. I am not sure that if all the eyes of Quay and Quayism were true that a transfer of power to Guffey and Company would be an improvement. The Altoona convention, at which he was nominated, was the most thoroughly bogus convention that ever assembled.

The election of Mr. Jenks would, in the estimation of every conservative people, be a calamity of national significance, inasmuch as it would give the friends of free silver such encouragement to renew their warfare on sound money and protection to American industry, that it surely would be necessary to fight the battle again in the next presidential election. The sanguine believe that they could be whipped again, but all agree that the cost of the fight in disturbed business relations and paralyzed industry would be enormous.

The conclusion as to him must be that while he fills the bill in respect to character and ability that should be expected in a governor of a great state, that his election would cost a price that the people could not afford to pay.

One of the reinforcements that the Dr. Jenks campaign has been able to secure is the Hon. John Wanamaker. Having been in the past affiliated with the Republican party, and having enjoyed its highest honors, is now employed in furnishing Chinese stink pots for the Democracy for use on the Republican hosts. He pretends to be waging a crusade in the interest of purity and reform. He is pretending to ask Republicans to purge the legislature for the purpose of defeating Senator Quay and electing John Wanamaker, but if he is advocating the election of any Republican congressman or any Republican state officer it has not appeared in his public speeches.

He was a candidate before the convention for the office of governor. When he failed to be nominated, by every rule of honorable politics he was bound to support the nominee of the convention. Instead of doing so he is waging a guerrilla warfare, using poisoned arrows and explosive bullets intended to destroy the Republican party and give this great Republican stronghold into the possession of the enemy.

The burden of his complaint is that Senator Quay controls the organization, and that the last legislature was corrupt, and that some of the state officers were rascals.

Mr. Wanamaker and those who acted with him are credited with having spent \$200,000 to secure the election of numbers favorable to his election to the office of United States senator. In the machine methods which he denounces he proved himself a past master. If he stands successful do you think that his virtuous indignation would have prompted him to take the stump in this campaign to condemn the means by which he achieved success? If he comes your way ask him if he sent his agents into Wilkesbarre to assist the people of Luzerne to select their senators and representatives. Ask him how much money his agents spent to secure the nomination and election of men favorable to his interests. Ask him if he attempted to bribe the member-elect from Northampton county and gave a man named Tiliare \$500 for that purpose. Ask him to show up his check book and bank account and tell how much that excursion into politics cost him. Ask him how much of the \$10,000 that was paid the district attorney of Schuylkill county to settle the Van Valkenburgh case and pay the cost incurred for lawyers and delegates came out of his pocket. If he can clear up these matters to your satisfaction then listen to his talk about a corrupt legislature.

I abhor and condemn the corrupt use of money in politics. It will, if not stopped, wreck the republic. I also abhor the hypocrisy that uses the rascal's tools and then condemns the crime. He is entitled to as much respect as a burglar would be who, falling to Jimmy upon a bank, should preach a crusade against burglars.

But I suspect some of you are saying, if these charges made by Mr. Wanamaker are true, whether the informer is a saint or a sinner makes no difference. They should be remedied, I grant it, but the remedy lies not in the direction of imposing the calamity of a Democratic administration on the state, which desires any is seeking to do through. The small Democratic contingent in the last legislature could always be relied upon to act under the leadership of the state chairman for any especially vicious legislation. What would the do if they controlled the general assembly?

If had men have crept into office in the Republican party let them be retired. The Republican party will attend to that in due time without the aid of Dr. Swallow or the Democrats.

I am aware that in his Philadelphia speech he made the following declaration: "As I shall stand before the judgment seat to answer for all things, I declare before you all that I never did a deed, nor do I have knowledge of a dollar wrongfully spent by me or by my direction in that contest."

If Mr. Wanamaker will add to this statement one showing the amount of money that he actually paid in his contest for United States senator and give the names of the agents who disbursed it, the public will be able to see whether he ought at least to have known that money was improperly used and that his agents were guilty of bribery of the most flagrant kind.

"Qui facti per alium facti" is an honored maxim of the what one does by another he does himself.

An honest canvass for United States senator ought not to have cost \$100. If Mr. Wanamaker and his friends spent as it is generally believed, more than \$200,000, it is idle and childish for him to shield himself under a declaration that the rascally business was actually transacted, not by his own hand, but by the hand of another. Let him show up his check book.

DR. SWALLOW.

The next candidate is the Rev. Dr. Swallow. He is said to have commenced life as a preacher, but in this high and holy calling he did not continue. His present occupation is editing a book and stationery store and publishing a small paper in Harrisburg. He made application for appointment as chaplain of the senate, but being refused he began a series of public lectures charging upon the governor and other high officers of the state serious wrongdoing.

These charges involved criminal acts, and if true were sufficient to send the whole board to prison. By one who had been a minister and who, therefore, would be accredited with a disposition to speak truthfully and not slander a neighbor, they excited wide interest, and the trial was eagerly watched. Dr. Swallow was zealously defended by able counsel and was given every opportunity to give the grounds of his accusation and what induced him to make it.

Upon this subject the Judge says in his opinion refusing a rule for a new trial: "To establish the defense that the publication had not been maliciously or malignantly made, Dr. Swallow testified at length, giving a detail of all the facts claimed to be within his own knowledge, and all the information that he had received which led him to make the publication, and nothing of the kind, however remote, was excluded."

Dr. Swallow was convicted and sentenced to pay a fine of \$500 and the costs of prosecution. A writ of habeas corpus was refused on the ground, as stated by the Judge, "that there was abundant evidence in the case to warrant a verdict."

His charge respecting the burning of the capitol, the building of the new capitol, the lumber used in Grace church are as malicious and vicious as that on which he was convicted. We conclude most reluctantly that the Rev. Dr. Swallow is an untruthful man, and that the form and pertinacity of his untruthfulness proves him a bad, dishonest and dangerous man.

Suppose this man were made governor of the state. His chief executive officer charged with the execution of the law and the preservation of the peace—the commander of the militia.

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