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## WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., MAY 25th, '99.

President McKinley does not talk politics publicly, but among his personal friends he expresses pleasure at the outlook in Ohio, and no man knows the politics of that state better than he does. He thinks the ticket nominated by the republicans is a strong one, and says that no republican in the state can give a logical reason for not loyally supporting it. He is confident that the ticket will be elected by a very large majority. Representative Dick who will be the active manager of the Ohio Campaign, returned to Washington in a jovial state of mind and is absolutely certain of a victory. He says that the campaign will not be started until the middle of September, but that when started it will be pushed aggressively until election day.

Having failed in their open fight to discredit the Philippine policy of the administration, the anti-imperialists, so called have resorted to secret intrigues. There are reasons for belief that they are behind the stories alleging serious disagreement between Gen. Otis and the Civil Philippine Commissioners also much of the criticism of the withholding of recent dispatches from the Philippines by the War Department. There is no disagreement and the dispatches have been withheld for good sufficient reasons by order of President McKinley.

In addition to getting all of the republican votes for Speaker, Col. Henderson is getting good words from his political opponents on every hand. Representative Underwood of Alabama said:

"Col. Henderson has made the most wonderful speakership campaign in the history of this government. I have yet to see the first democratic representative who is not pleased with the good luck of the genial gentleman from Iowa."

Having served on the same committee with him I am especially pleased at his coming elevation to the second highest office in the land."

Acting Secretary of war Micklejohn gave a patient hearing to a committee of Cubans who are in Washington trying to secure a modification of the order of the War Department granting a postponement of the settlement of all debts incurred before last December. The order was issued for the benefit of impoverished planters to prevent their land being sold because they could not at once raise the cash to meet old obligations but this committee claims that it has done more harm than good and that it is now almost impossible for planters to secure loans in Havana although there never was so much idle money in the hands of capitalists in that city. It is doubtful whether the order will be modified as the matter was very carefully gone over before it was issued.

The chairman of the committee speaking of the general situation in Cuba said:

"We are much in need of a civil guard in Cuba as the island is poorly policed. I wish to deny all these wild stories of disorder in Havana as we are getting along nicely and quietly. You magnify Cuban bandits into a great affair and yet you forget that you yourselves are now chasing train robbers in the West. Again, is a tiff between a Cuban and a Spaniard any more terrible than one of your lynchings? Cuba is not such a bad place, and I hate to see these stories magnified."

Official reports from U. S. Consul McCook at Dawson City, bear out the newspaper statements that Alaska is likely to produce more gold than the Canadian Yukon section. After describing the success in the Alaskan gold fields, known as Forty Mile, Ragle City, Seventy Mile and Koyuk mining districts, the Consul wrote:

"It is surmised Alaska will exceed the Canadian Yukon in Gold output in a few years if properly developed. It covers more gold bearing territory and the gold so far discovered is evenly distributed not being in pockets as is the case on many creeks in the Klondike district where one claim may be rich and the adjoining one worthless."

The Commission named by President McKinley to investigate and report upon the best route for a ship canal across the Isthmus of Panama, in accordance with an Act of the

last Congress, has nine members, instead of seven, as at first proposed. Rear Admiral Walker, who was President of the Commission, which has just made an exhaustive report on the Nicaragua route, is President of the new Commission. The only politician on the Commission is ex Senator Pasco, of Florida, who was chosen to represent the strong Southern element which favors building a canal. The Commission will endeavor to make a report by the time Congress meets, and while there is a general belief that it will favor the Nicaragua route, notwithstanding the extraordinary efforts of the agent of the French Company which controls the Panama Route.

At the meeting of the Senate Finance Committee, held in New York City, Senator Aldrich, Chairman, was authorized to appoint three sub-committees upon three branches of financial legislation. Senator Aldrich will name the sub-committees in a few days, probably his week, and they will meet as often as may be necessary during the summer. He says their reports may not be submitted to the full committee until late in the summer.

### Old Time Storm.

(From the Milford Herald July 12, 1892.)

Hail! Hail! Milford and its vicinity was visited on Tuesday the 11th by a tremendous Hail Storm which did great damage to the farmer and others. The storm, came in a northeasterly direction, and without a minutes warning to guard against its devastating ravages the citizens were startled by the falling of the frozen missiles measuring in some instances 1 inches in circumference, - smashing the crops to earth, breaking window glass in great numbers and doing every conceivable damage. The number of window glass broken in this village, is very great, indeed, those who have investigated the matter are of the opinion that 3000 would not more than make good the loss. Among those whose buildings sustained severe injury from the storm we may mention those of John M. Heller Esq., who had to replace some 300 panes; Maj. Eldred the Roys property, the public buildings, the Presbyterian church and parsonage suffered severely; in fact, every building, standing in an exposed condition received more or less injury. In consequence of the storm, glass has risen.

A number of farmers sustained a heavy loss. We have heard it stated that Mr. Henry Hall living about 3 miles from Milford, North, had his crops damaged to the amount of \$200 while those living below on the Delaware Flats, received more or less injury to their crops, fruit trees, etc.

A number of citizens were slightly wounded by the hail stones falling upon their devoted heads, but have heard of no serious personal injury sustained in this vicinity. The storm did great damage in Montague, N. J. an account of which is taken from the Sussex Register.

It notes that the team of Nelson Snook ran away and he having lost his hat was seriously cut by the hail. The team of Benjamin Colaba also broke away and ran with a narrow attached to them breaking through fences and careering wildly over rocks and hillocks until they were completely exhausted, and rendered nearly valueless by cuts and bruises received from the hail, and from obstructions with which they came in contact.

The Board of Directors of the Independent School District of Milford organized Monday evening by electing Hon. J. J. Hart, President; Dr. H. E. Emerson, Secretary and Hon. Jacob Klaer Treasurer. A ten mill tax was levied, a nine months term agreed on, and the opening day for the next term was fixed for Aug. 28th.

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John Smith, of Lackawaxen, this week got out three large blue stones in a quarry in N. Y. State. One was 8x15 ft. 8 inches thick and weighed 8 tons. The others were the same size only thinner. Several bridges were broken down on the route to the station and four teams of horses were necessary to haul the load.

A fearful toronto visited New Richmond Wis. Monday night June 12. Many buildings caught fire and were consumed. The list of dead will reach 100 and many were injured.

The property known as the "Hickory Grove Hotel" on the Milford road near Matamoras is for sale. It is an excellent location for an enterprising man. The house is well established and its proximity to Port Jervis, and desirable surroundings make it in every way an advantageous opportunity.

## CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS.

Miss Blanche Wood was a guest at Matamoras last week.

Dr. Pansifer Frazer, of Philadelphia spent a few days here, and at his place on Silver Lake in Delaware recently.

Over a hundred people awaited the opening of the Bluff House this week and the season promises unusually well.

Mrs. Harriet Wisor, of this place, was a guest of Prof. S. A. Johnson and wife at Matamoras last week and attended commencement exercises of the High School.

June 24th to July 7th the Erie will sell excursion tickets from Ft. Jervis to Los Angeles, Cal., good to return Sept. 1st \$80.75 for round trip.

Owen Huntsman of Stroudsburg will tutor the two sons of George Gould this summer, spending until July on board a yacht and the remainder of the season in the Catskills.

Mr. and Mrs. Peck, Chas. Chant and wife of Port Jervis and Helen Crane, a daughter of W. H. Crane, Esq. of Port Jervis, have sailed for Europe. Miss Crane will visit the family of her uncle Stephen Crane the well known writer.

Frank Crisman and wife spent this week in N. Y. city.

Gifford Pinchot, of the U. S. department of Forestry, is visiting Gey Towers.

J. E. Lunde proprietor of one of the largest paper houses in N. Y. is with his family, domiciled in the Bourne cottage for the summer.

John Wetton, of N. Y., has rented the Berthoud cottage on Harford St. and with his family will occupy it for the summer.

C. W. Bull esp. delegate to the democratic State Convention, accompanied by J. C. Bull attended the meeting of that body at Harrisburg Wednesday.

James A. Willard, of Philadelphia, an importer and dealer in musical instruments and merchandise, with his wife visited Mrs. Kenworthy last week.

Mrs. Frank Dickson, nee Louisa Klaer, with her three children, left her home at Spokane, Washington, this week to spend the summer in the East. Part of the time will be passed visiting in Milford.

Invitations have been issued by Mrs. Mary A. Gibbons to the marriage of her daughter Carrie E. Pelton to Frederick A. Loek wood, which event will occur Thursday evening June 22, at Maple Cottage, her home, in Milford.

Dr. H. E. Emerson will shortly open his drug store on Broad Street, nearly opposite the Press office, where he will keep a full line of drugs, medicines, fancy articles, and also the usual summer drinks.

During his vacation Prof. J. C. Watson will be in attendance. We bespeak for the new firm a liberal patronage.

Beef took a serious fall this week when the animal which supplies the jovial Mike Callahan with his usual ministrations, tumbled over the bluff, rolled to the bottom and broke her hip. Surgeons were called in to mend the fractures and if possible restore "Muley" to her former usefulness.

Frank Whitney met with a painful accident recently. When stepping in an outdoor bowl to bathe his feet the bowl was broken and cut his foot severely. The mishap will delay the coming of the family to the Jordan House, where they spend the summer.

The family of Mr. Reinschell, which last summer occupied the cottage of Mrs. Ladson on lower Harford street, will this season live in that of Kizler's on upper Ann. They are so highly pleased with the town and surroundings as to wish to remain here.

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Stephen Rose, of Elmira, N. Y., with his wife, visited Milford last week. He is a son of Stephen Rose who formerly resided here, and who was July 7th 1822 received into membership in the Presbyterian church, and after becoming an elder, Mr. Rose removed forty-five years ago and this is his only visit, save one for a few hours, since he left. He remarks the many changes which have occurred, finds few buildings as they were then and that nearly all the acquaintances of his boyhood days have either gone over to the great majority, or removed from the town.

Alonzo Warner, living near the Milford Bridge, received a severe scalp wound and was considerably bruised by being thrown from his wagon last Friday, near the residence of Hy T. Baker. His horse struck a stone lying on the road side which threw Mr. Warner on a pick-up fence. His escape from fatal injury was fortunate.

Jervis Gordon, by reason of his years and the danger to one at his time of life in running machinery, has disposed of his property known as the upper Grist Mill in this Borough to Thomas Armstrong, J. O. Christman, who is an experienced miller, will handle the business in charge, and under the management it will be enlarged to meet the growing demands for merchant milling.

### Sandyest in School.

(From Our Layton Correspondent.)

The Sandyest Board of Education met in the school house at Centreville on Saturday for the purpose of hiring teachers. J. W. Johnson, who has rendered long and efficient service as President, reminded them that he had their promise to elect a new president at their next meeting and he now desired them to do so. He was solicited to retain the office as the Board were unanimously in favor of his doing so. Mr. Johnson plead business cares, and that he had long since felt he had held it as long as duty called and declined absolutely.

John J. VanSickle was therefore elected President. Ev. Brink, the Tattle's Corners Trustee, read for old time usages, that all trustees hire his own choice of teachers, claiming that they now do that way in Frankfort Township. The president said that not only could this method be contrary to law, but also that he would not desire to accept any such responsibility for himself, nor did he think any other member would either. That he would prefer that all consult together for the best interests of the schools and act together according to the intent of the law. No motion offering, the Board proceeded to the hiring of teachers as follows:

- No. 2, Fishers, Nettie Brink, \$26.00
- " 3, Bevans, W. C. Hursh, 30.00
- " 4, Centreville, M. Drake, 30.00
- " 5, H'ville, A. E. Hursh, 30.00
- " 6, Shaytown, L. Layton, 28.00
- " 7, F. B. Valley, E. Snook, 25.00

Eleven applications were considered. The schools are to open on Monday, Sept. 5th, and each school to sign a contract same as last year. A few bills were read and accepted, after which the irrepresible member from Tattle's Corners again asked the Board to build the fence along his field adjoining the school grounds, claiming a written agreement with himself, dating back several years, and requiring them to do so, the effect of which is spoiled by the fact that the site was donated before Mr. Brink was born, and any later agreement between him and school officials would be null and void, and of no binding effect. Mr. Brink said he would fence the school house and lot into his field. The President advised him that it would not be wise nor politic for him to do so. No motion offering, the matter passed over.

Mr. Brink then asked if teachers were not obliged to put the ashes in a box if the trustees directed them to do so. The President said it would be entirely proper for them to do so, but that it would not be proper for the trustee to divert them to his own use. That they should be sold and the proceeds turned into the school fund. On motion of J. W. Johnson the trustees of schools burning wood were directed to furnish boxes to save the ashes.

The proceedings of the Board throughout were business-like and thorough, and Sandyeston is certainly to be congratulated upon the efficiency of its School Board. H

To Cure Constipation Forever, Take Casson's Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. 4 C. C. G. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

## TO CAMP IN FOREST.

Pleasant Summer Outing Arranged By Baltimore Boys.

Ten young Baltimoreans will leave next Saturday to camp during the summer in the wilds of Pike county, Pennsylvania, a region famous for its bear, snake and fish stories.

Those in the party will be Barlett Hayward, son of Mr. Thomas J. Hayward; T. Edward Hambleton, Jr., son of F. S. Hambleton; Mc Donald Kemp, son of Mr. Lawrence Kemp; Tilburn Goldsborough; Dudley Mason, son of Mr. James Mason; Nathan Middleton, son of Mr. Harvey Middleton; Clark Mattha, son of Mr. William H. Mattha; William Knapp, son of Mr. George W. Knapp; Jessie Boynton, son of Col. G. E. Boynton, and James W. Tyson, son of Mr. James W. Tyson. They range in age from 13 to 18 years, and will be in charge of Prof. Jacob Kleinhaus, Jr., master of Modern history and English who is a native of the region where the camp will be located.

It is proposed to leave the city immediately after the close of the school next Friday. The camp will be located at Nichecron, on Nichecron lake, in the heart of a primeval forest of pine and oak. A lodge in the wilderness will be the habitation of the party, but they will take their meals at Nichecron Villa, a sportsman's hotel, near the lodge.

There will be plenty of sport for the boys, but they will not spend their entire time in play. They will be taught to use the rifle and shotgun, to swim and to paddle a canoe and will be required to devote two or three hours on each of five days of the week to study and recitation. Latin will be the principal study during the outing. A visit of two weeks will be made to Porter's lake, a celebrated sportsman's resort, about ten miles from the proposed camp. The older boys will remain in camp all summer, but the others will return home about the middle of August. Professor Kleinhaus had charge of a party of six boys at the same camp last summer.—Baltimore Sun.

## Real Estate Transfers.

Mac Holbert and husband to J. B. Hamilton et al dated May 27, 759 sq. ft. Lackawaxen part of warrants No. 49 Thomas Brown; Con. \$100.

E. Vandernark Sheriff to Henry B. Wells, dated June 5, 219 acres Dingman Tap, sold as the property of Anna L. Keller and husband Con. \$815.

Harry J. Atkinson et. ux. et al. to H. Hazen dated March 8. Lot on Big Pond Palmyra Con. \$150.

## Unclaimed Letters.

The following is a list of the unclaimed letters remaining in the Post Office at Milford, Pike Co., Pa., for week ending June 17, 1899.—Ladies. Mrs. Susan Miner Mrs. Alice Van Keller—Gentlemen A. Fletcher, Mm. Hemmingway. Persons claiming the above will please say "Advertised", and give date of this list. Horace O. Kipp, Acting P. M.

## Amateur Theatricals.

Two one-act comedies, entitled "Two Sharp and a Flat" and "Outwitted" are to be given at Brown's hall for the benefit of the Milford Lyceum, on Saturday evening, July 1st. Also a scene from a well known play. The performance commences at 8:15.

## Of Interest to Inventors.

C. A. Snow & Co., one of the oldest and most successful firms of patent lawyers, whose offices are opposite the United States Patent Office in Washington, D. C. who have procured patents for more than 17,000 inventors, say that, owing to the improved conditions in the United States Patent Office, patents may now be more promptly procured than at any previous time in their experience of twenty-five years. 4t.

## Trolley to Stroudsburg.

J. J. Heintzelman, a well known resident of Nazareth, in conversation with a Times man on Thursday, said that it was his intention to connect Stroudsburg with the State belt Telephone Company and also the Easton and Nazareth Electric R. R. He is already making preliminary arrangements.

## Largest Striped Bass.

The largest rockfish or striped bass ever caught in the Delaware was seized at New Hope last week. It weighed 31½ pounds. The fish is kept on exhibition at a hotel in New Hope. River residents say they never saw a fish of that size caught in the Delaware.—Free Press.

## INSTALLATION OF REV. KLAER.

Sermon By Rev. F. S. Haines—New Pastor Admitted as a Member of Presbytery.

Rev. Harvey Klaer was formally stilled as pastor of the Olivet Presbyterian church at Easton Pa., mention of which was made last week. The Presbytery of Lehigh met in the church, the Moderator, Rev. J. F. Pollock, of Allentown, presiding. The members of the Presbytery present were: Rev. J. F. Pollock, of Allentown; Rev. S. G. Hutchinson, of Stroudsburg; Rev. Dr. L. W. Eckard, Rev. D. M. James, Rev. T. C. Stewart and Rev. F. S. Haines, all of Easton; Elder Jacob Mann, representing the First Presbyterian Church, and Elder Clark Hartung, of Olivet Presbyterian Church.

A passage of scripture was read by Rev. J. F. Stonecipher and prayer was offered by Rev. E. Clarke Clime, of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, of Phillipsburg.

The sermon was preached by Rev. Francis S. Haines on the subject "What the Church stands for." The Moderator asked the constitutional questions of the pastor-elect, Harvey Klaer, preparatory to his ordination or a minister of the Gospel. The questions were answered in the affirmative.

The Moderator then offered the ordinary prayer, the members of Presbytery joining him in laying on of their hands in the consecration service.

The usual constitutional questions were then asked by the Moderator for the people of Olivet Church, and were answered in the affirmative.

The pastoral relation of Rev. Harvey Klaer with the Olivet Presbyterian Church was then declared by the Moderator to be duly constituted. Rev. Dr. L. W. Eckard delivered the charge to the pastor and the charge to the people was delivered by Rev. S. G. Hutchinson.

Rev. T. Calvin Stewart led in prayer after Rev. Hutchinson's charge.

It was resolved that the name of Rev. Harvey Klaer be added to the roll of ministers connected with the Presbytery of Lehigh.

The new pastor then pronounced the benediction and the services were closed.

The exercises preliminary to the ordination and installation were conducted at the meeting of the Presbytery held in the afternoon. Mr. Klaer was examined upon theology, the sacrament and church government, and the examination was unanimously sustained by a vote of the Presbytery.

The church was crowded last evening when the popular young minister was given charge of the flock. The edifice was beautifully decorated with plants and flowers.—Free Press.

## Children's Day.

The Presbyterian Sunday School celebrated the day last Sabbath morning in a very interesting manner. The church was handsomely decorated with flowers showing the taste and zeal of those who had the matter in charge. The service entitled "A call to Praise" was used, and opened with a chorus by the choir. A solo "Jerusalem" was sung by Miss Susie Seely in a very effective manner.

The infant class in charge of Mrs. Hulda Bull and Miss Katie Klien showed excellent training in their little songs. Bright, happy faces and a neat well dressed appearance distinguished this little band, and it would be difficult within the confines of this great State to bring together the same number of children presenting a more intelligent or attractive manner. Their little faces beamed with happiness and their hearts seemed full of the spirit of the occasion.

A recitation by five little girls was very nicely rendered, which was followed by a recitation, "A beautiful teacher", and an address by the pastor.

It is fitting that in these exercises the smaller children should have the more prominent parts. The day is essentially theirs and it is will to literally embody the command of the great Teacher who said "Suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not for of such is the Kingdom of heaven."

NOTICE.  
All dumping on Water Street also on top of bank on Ann and Catharine Street, strictly forbidden. Please use the place provided on lower Catharine.  
By order of Street Committee.  
June 15, 1899.

## COUNTY S. S. CONVENTION.

Two Sessions Held in Milford Tuesday—Reports of Delegates, Pupils in Attendance and Addresses by Distinguished Workers.

The afternoon session of the convention was held in the Presbyterian church the evening services being conducted by Rev. W. E. Noff and prayer by Wm. Angle. Rev. Thos. Nichols made the address of welcome. The several delegates reported as follows:

- Milford Methodist—Mrs. J. C. Watson, 125 scholars average attendance 70.
- Milford Presbyterian—Miss Lizzie Bull, 120 scholars average attendance 77.
- Miss Wood reported that the Episcopal S. S. had about 50 scholars.
- Matamoras Hope Evangelical—Rev. H. C. Lilly, 180 members average 100.
- Matamoras Methodist—C. F. Langton, 150 pupils average 98.
- Dingmans Methodist—Rev. Whitehead, 45 scholars.
- Berwans, 40 scholars.
- Bushkill Rfd.—Adelaide Heller, 72 scholars.
- Pine Ridge, 60 scholars average 40.
- Centre Delaware organized May 1st average 36.
- Ulffon Dingman organized May 14th average 35.
- Lackawaxen—J. F. Huntington 65 scholars average 45.
- Colts Delaware 21 scholars average 21.
- The twenty-three schools in the County show an attendance of 973.
- Of 2329 children in the county between the ages of 6 and 21 years as shown by the assessment less than two-fifths attend Sunday schools. Here surely is work for somebody.—Free Press.

The evening session was held in the M. E. church. The officers elected for the ensuing year were: Pres. Rev. C. H. Whitehead Dingman. Vice Pres. Rev. T. G. Spencer Matamoras. Secretary F. B. Thrall, Milford. Treasurer, Wm. Spield, Matamoras.

The committee on place of holding next convention Miss Helen Cook, Mrs. J. C. Watson and C. F. Langton recommended Lackawaxen but as no invitation had been received from there, the committee was made permanent and to report later.

The committee on resolutions, E. F. Peters, G. F. Huntington and Miss Skinn reported a set bestowing the usual thanks on all who had aided in making the convention a success.

Addresses were delivered at both sessions by Rev. H. A. Bomberger of Philadelphia and in the afternoon Rev. H. C. Lilly of Matamoras made a stirring and interesting speech.

Rev. W. A. Chadwick of Port Jervis gave an excellent talk in the evening on the Evergreen School, and Sterling Myers sang a pleasing solo.

## Imagination Goes a Good Ways.

(From Our Layton Correspondent.)  
It is said that the medical students experience the symptoms of almost every disease through which their studies take them. Perhaps it is because their minds are so strongly bent upon it, that the imagination pictures to their excited brain the same train of symptoms in themselves. Reasoning from this we are enabled to account for the wonderful tricks their imaginations have been playing some people who are close students of the Pike County Press. In almost every issue they find symptoms so minutely described that they imagine they have the disease. Imagination has a close and powerful influence on the body, and nervous persons are liable to really become sick if they imagine that they are, especially if accompanied by the prickings of an uneasy conscience. So with these whose imagination picture an officer behind every stump, and a detective in every bush, pretty soon their guilty conscience will drive them to take some of their own Paris green, or dog poison, or go hang themselves. Of course I should feel very bad over such an ending to their valuable lives, and I have no manner of doubt but what this paper would go into thirty days mourning if it felt that it was at all responsible for such a termination to their usefulness. If they would put a little hoof grower on their upper lip and cultivate their imagination less, they would sooner get a new growth of moustache, and a lighter growth of suspicion. The former would make their pictures look better in a rogues gallery, and the latter would relieve the gnawing of conscience that erstwhile drives to madness and despair. H.

## ERIE SUMMER EXCURSION.

The Erie has placed on sale at the Erie ticket office, Port Jervis, summer excursion tickets to Atlantic City, N. J., Avon Springs, N. Y., Cape May, N. J., Chautauqua, N. Y., Cottage city, Mass., Cooperstown, N. Y., Carbondale, Pa., Gettysburg, Pa., Hammondsport, N. Y., Lakewood, N. J., Long Branch, N. J., Narragansett Pier, R. I., Niagara Falls, N. Y., Ocean Grove, N. J., Old Point Comfort, Va., Penn Yan, N. Y., Portage, N. Y., Saratoga, N. Y., Watoh Hill, R. I., Watkins Glen, N. Y. Most of the above tickets are good to return to October 31 1899. For routes and rates please call at or address Erie ticket office Port Jervis N. Y.