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MUST ATTEND SCHOOL

N. C. Schaeffer, state superintendent of public instruction, is desirous that children must attend school and to emphasize his determination has notified borough school directors that he will impose on them the penalty of the law if they do not see to it that the children of their districts between the ages of 6 and 16 as required by law attend public schools.

OBITUARY

MRS. SUSAN HOWELL

Susan, wife of James N. Howell, died at Pen Argyll Tuesday She was a daughter of the late William Place of Lehman and was married three times. Her first husband was Henry Depue and for several years they kept a hotel at Raymondskill. He dying she married John Barlow and after his decease, Mr. Howell who survives her. The funeral will occur tomorrow at Bushkill at 2 p. m.

For State Treasurer

Auditor General E. B. Hardenbergh has announced that he will be a candidate for state treasurer at the republican state convention next summer. His uniformly polite and courteous manner in dealing with the many people who have business in his department has made for him many warm friends throughout the state.—Mifflintown Republican.

Mrs. Ryder of Ardtornish, Delaware, was in town yesterday.

Samuel G. Peters of Bushkill was in town yesterday.

Miss Gertrude Hipsman of Shohola is visiting her sister, Mrs. D. Gregory.

There will be a meeting of the managers of the company for erecting a bridge over the river Delaware near Milford, tomorrow at 4 p. m at the office of the secretary.

It is now learned that Senator Morgan's statement that "we will beat Mr. Roosevelt for president if he is nominated," referred to Alabama. It is believed that conditions are such that, with hard fighting, Alabama, in the next presidential election, may go democratic.

Uncle Sam's annual dead-letter auction sale was such a success that the post-office department is preparing for another one to be held in February. The sale netted the government about $3,000, most of the bidders being of the fair and gentle sex.

It is hoped that those members and senators who live in country districts and went home for the holidays, became stuck in the mud in some of our rural roads. They might then be induced to vote for a little less "pork" in the river and harbor bill, and devote the resulting saving to the betterment of public highways.

It is the custom of the government to embellish its paper money and its postage stamps with the busts of dead war heroes or statesmen. Uncle Sam is now undecided whose likeness to put on the new 50-cent stamp. Why not make an exception and take some living statesman or bureau officer? There are plenty of them who are said to look like that.

Mr. Bryan is making himself somewhat ridiculous by going to Mexico and telling the people what a mistake they will make by adopting the gold standard. The failure of all his predictions in his own country as to what would happen if free silver were not adopted as a standard, will scarcely tend to place him in the position of an honored prophet in a foreign land. The Mexican statesmen, while treating Mr. Bryan with distinguished courtesy, are doubtless smiling in their sleeves at the gratuitous advice of the discomfited and discarded democratic leader.

Itching Skin

Distress by day and night—

That's the complaint of those who are so unfortunate as to be afflicted with Eczema or Salt Rheum—and outward applications do not cure. They can't.

The source of the trouble is in the blood—make that pure and this scaling, burning, itching skin disease will disappear.

"I was taken with an itching on my arms which proved very disagreeable. I concluded it was salt rheum and bought a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla. In two days after I began taking it I felt better and it was not long before I was cured. Have never had any skin disease since." MRS. IDA E. WARD, Cove Point, Md.

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rid the blood of all impurities and cure all eruptions.

Progress and Prosperity

In spite of the great coal strike, the country can look back on 1902 as a year of unparalled progress and prosperity. Our immense crops are all returning good prices. Iron and steel production has been record-breaking. Pig-iron alone made an output of over 18,000,000 tons. During 1894 the pig-iron output was only about one-third of this figure.

The 1902 railway earnings and bank clearings were the largest in history. The government postal business and the insurance, telegraph, and telephone business have been the largest on record.

For the last five years the country has enjoyed this increasing prosperity. The upward trend from depression to activity dates from the election of William McKinley and the passage of the Dingley tariff law. With every man who wants to work, supplied with a job at good wages, the buying capacity of the people has been enormous, and demands for our varied products have increased even faster in some instances than the supply could be furnished.

Of course, there are a few pessimists who can see no good in any of it. They view the situation with the usual alarm and would like to change everything. Nevertheless, they are themselves better off in every material way than they ever were before in their lives. And the bulk of the people realize the splendid performance of republican administration.

The Monroe Doctrine

The Venezuelan trouble is still the topic of the hour among Washington statesmen. Many senators who are not alarmists, see in the attitude of Germany and England, and especially Germany, far more than appears on the surface. Should the great European powers, by their interference with the importation of war materials by the government of Venezuela, and the destruction of her source of revenue, the customs, enable revolutionists pledged to British and German interests, to overthrow the existing government, the result would be practically the same as though these countries made actual occupation of territory. While maintaining the letter of the Monroe doctrine, we should not permit its violation in spirit, to any extent.

IN THE BLESSED ISLES

Oh, there are no trusts to bother
In those islands far away,
Where the natives never scurry
After dollars and ne'er worry
Over bills such as the butchers
And the grocers make us pay.
There they loiter in the shade,
Caring not how money is made.
Never thinking of the frightful cost of meat
Never fretting o'er the price
That is charged for coal and ice,
Picking square meals from the branches
when they think it's time to eat,
And then sitting down and resting while
the bugs crawl o'er their feet

Oh, there are no trusts to squeeze them,
They are free from buying hats,
And they pay no hard earned dollars
Out for shirts and cuffs and collars,
They are not compelled to huddle
Up in six-by-seven flats,
Tailors never make them wear
Ugly, baggy trousers there. [thrive;
And they slave not that the milliner may
With no mergers and no rings
Adding to the gloom of things,
They sit resting, caring nothin for the
wealth for which we strive,
They bat loll and hunt the woodtick
and are glad to be alive.

—Chicago Record-Herald

A Kansas paper wants to know what has become of Aguinaldo. We do not remember to have heard of the gentleman. On second thought, we would suggest writing to Erving Winslow, Boston, for full information.

Senator Morgan is in receipt of a "roasting" from the flaming-locked Carmack, of Tennessee, because he had the temerity to say that taxation and not the tariff is the true way to curb the trusts. If there is any virtue in being on the wrong side of a question, then is the dazzling Carmack a man of virtue.

Senator Morgan will go down in history as the steadfast champion of the Nicaragua canal route. He has announced that he will immediately introduce a resolution providing for the construction by the president's direction of a canal by the Nicaragua route. He does not believe it possible to secure the Panama route.

Presbyterian Chroniclings

(By Rev. E. M. Sneed.)

Next Lord's day we will consider the fourth lesson from the life of our Lord, namely: His Herald, John Baptist. There is no more remarkable human character in all the scriptures than this man and it is hoped there may be a large congregation present to be benefitted by the discussion. In the evening the pastor preaches in the M. E. church upon "The Outlook of the Christian Church." It will be a union service and all our people are urged to be present.

It was with the greatest satisfaction that the pastor observed the marked increase in attendance at the morning service last Sunday. Let this standard be kept up the rest of the winter. The enthusiasm of any pulpit must be fostered and sustained by the pews or it is sure to die away. It is our earnest prayer that great improvement may be made along all lines and the people should at least do what they can.

The week of prayer is progressing very encouragingly. Both the attendance and interest seem promising. Mr. Scudder's sermons and that of Dr. Wright on Tuesday evening have been interesting and instructive. Is not the Lord among us? Shall we not hope and pray for some tangible results?

Last Saturday evening occurred the marriage of Miss Lila B. Van Etten and Xenophon P. Huddy at the bride's home. It was an informal but decidedly pretty wedding. These two young people also demonstrated that a "secret" might be kept for many of the guests never dreamed they were attending a wedding, as they gathered to see Miss Van Etten off to her school again, as they supposed. But the surprise only added to the pleasant occasion and all wish Mr. and Mrs. Huddy a bright, happy, prosperous long life.

The pastor leaves for a day or so at Owego next Monday. He accompanies Richard Nilis to his school and will take great delight in introducing this young man to his former instructors. The Owego school system has a very high standing not only as a finishing school but as a preparatory school for the large universities. Cornell, Yale, Harvard and Princeton have had many students who prepared there and who have graduated from these universities with the highest honors. We hope great things for and from Richard.

The announcement comes with apparent authority that when Justice Shiras retires in February from the United States supreme court, he will be succeeded by Judge Taft who has so ably headed the Philippines commission. It was the intention of Justice Shiras to offer his resignation to the president on January 1st, but he was persuaded to defer the act until the following month. The Philippines will lose in Judge Taft an able and excellent executive officer, while it may be said that the supreme court will receive in him a distinct accession.

Proverbs

"When the butter won't come put a penny in the churn," is an old time dairy proverb. It often seems to work though no one has ever told why.

When mothers are worried because the children do not gain strength and flesh we say give them Scott's Emulsion.

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Methodist Church Jottings.

(By Rev. C. E. Scudder.)

The topic for next Sabbath morning is, "A Prayerful Call for Workers." In the evening the sermon will be preached by Rev. Mr. Sneed The topic will be "The Outlook of the Church." This will close the union services. Then will follow the special services, to which all are invited. We urge a prayerful consideration of the soul needs. Shall not all Christian people put forth all possible effort to reach the unsaved and so insure spiritual growth for themselves? "He that giveth a cup of cold water in the name of a disciple shall not lose his reward."

We are very greatful to Mr. F. F. White for his motto calendars, that he presented to each scholar of the Sabbath school that was present on last Sabbath. We wish with him that the year that started so auspiciously, may increase in interest during the entire year

The presence of Dr. Wright among us was a source of much profit. He occupies in our church much the same position as the bishop does in the Episcopal church. Elder Wright has sixty-four churches under his care. The problem of supplying all these with suitable and efficient pastors is no small one This problem is all the more complicated now that the time limit is removed. There are many who argue that the five year limit was better than the present system with the limit off The following are some of the arguments. It is urged that the removal of the necessity of any change makes it all the more difficult to place the men and please the churches where changes must be made. For example, it is easier to adjust the appointments if there are fifty changes than if only ten. If only ten then a man receiving $1,000, might find it necessary to move when no church of his grade would be open. If there were fifty changes that would not be likely to happen Anything that complicates the moving of the men also complicates the work of the churches in securing pastors, If no man is released who is willing to serve a certain field, then arbitrary power is required to adjust matters, and that is not often pleasant. The elders, the ministers and the churches are more perplexed now than with the five year limit. There seems to be a growing unrest in the church since the limit was removed, and many of our strong men believe that the next general conference will replace the limit. My sympathies are with the time limit because I believe that the arguments for the removal of the limit, namely, greater elasticity, has proven to be untrue. We had greater elasticity before.

Reformed Church Notes.

(By Rev. A. J. Meyer of Montague.)

The New Year Eve social at the home of John Y Clark was very largely attended. Miss Cora Clark made a very charming hostess. Progressive games were played and light refreshments were served. Every one present seemed highly pleased.

An old fashioned chicken pie supper will be served in the parlors of the Montague Reformed church next Wednesday evening, Jan. 14 A cordial invitation is extended to all. Should this invitation reach the eye of "H. L." he may remember an item inserted by him in the Press some time ago, in which he lamented the fact that chicken pie suppers had been relegated into the back ground. Now an opportunity is offered him to partake of an old time delicacy and we trust he will utilize it and bring his friends

Our regular quarterly communion service will be held next Sabbath morning. The session of consistory will take place at 10:15 Sabbath morning. The topic of the sermon will be "The Ninth Commandment

Daniel D. Everitt, one of our most respected residents, is seriously ill.

Mrs. Townsend, a general favorite in the community, broke two small bones in her wrist last Monday afternoon.

Miss Winia Miller, who has been visiting at the parsonage, returns to Albany this week.

The theorists will prove the advantages of free trade, but unvarnished history discloses that every free trade experiment the country has ever tried has resulted in an era of hard times if not disaster.

TOLD OF ROYALTY.

The chinaware belonging to King Edward is valued at $2,000,000 and it is guarded with the most scrupulous care.

Queen Alexandra of England, it is said, would like to become the owner of Napoleon's villa on the island of Elba.

Two billiard tables and all the fittings for the games of pool, pyramids and snooker pool were purchased by the shah when he was in London.

The shah of Persia is probably the best chess player of royal blood in the world. Even when in Paris he found time to indulge in the game every now and then, but he says that Europeans cannot play it. "It is a royal game, a divine game," he is reported to have said the other day, "but it is a game that was not made for Christians."

The sultan of Turkey, according to an official announcement made in Constantinople, has finally dismissed Enis Pasha, the vali of Aleppo, notorious as the organizer of the atrocities at Diabekir in 1895, when 2,500 Armenians were massacred. For more than two years the British embassy, supported by French and Austrian representations, has been constant in its efforts to have Enis removed.

King Edward's second daughter, Princess Charles of Denmark, is making a success in literature from a royalist standpoint. She has written a book, but it has not been printed. It is circulated in manuscript among the crowned heads of Europe. Not to be outdone by her royal literary aunt, Queen Helena of Italy has written a poem, which is to appear shortly in the German review, Berliner Leben. It is entitled, "The Other Crown," and gives the reverse of the medal of royalty as usually seen by popular eyes.

MIGRATION OF THE SNIPE.

Tons of Lead Are Fired at the Artful Dodger as He Wings His Way Southward.

The snipe, properly Wilson's snipe, Gallinago Delicata, but commonly known as English snipe and wrongfully called half a dozen other names, is a widely distributed species. It visits every state at some season; its northward migration extends within the arctic circle, while it is known to go southward to northern South America and the West Indies. Comparatively few of the birds which move northward from February until May breed south of the international line. It is quite true there are breeding grounds at various points of the northern states, but the great breeding range extends from latitude 42 degrees north to some undetermined point much nearer the pole than most sportsmen will venture.

Some time in September the first south-bound birds pass below the Canadian grounds, and soon most of the suitable marshy bits of east and west have their share of long-billed prizes. Then begins an astonishing attack which extends from ocean to ocean and generally sweeps southward from Canada to California. Probably tons of lead, half of which is wasted, are fired at the artful dodger.

Compensation.

Teacher—Now, if you take three from ten, how many remain, Dolly?

No answer.

Teacher—Well, suppose I take away three of your fingers, what would you have then?

Dolly—Oh, no more music lessons.—Tit-Bits.

His Idea of a Good Time.

"What kind of a time did you have at the reception?"

"Fine," answered Mr. Cumrox. "My wife didn't discover a thing wrong with the way I was dressed, and nobody tried to get me into a conversation."—Washington Star.

"Some time ago my daughter caught a severe cold. She complained of pains in her chest and had a bad cough. I gave her Chamberlain's Cough Remedy according to directions and in two days she was well and able to go to school. I have used this remedy in my family for the past seven years and have never known it to fail," says James Prendergast, merchant, Annato Bay, Jamaica, West Indian Islands. The pains in the chest indicated an approaching attack of pneumonia, which in this instance was undoubtedly warded off by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It counteracts any tendency of a cold toward pneumonia. For sale by A. W. Balch and Son, Matamoras, and all drug and general stores in Pike county

The Brighter Side.

Joy and sorrow, and storm and tide
Over the world so wide and wide,
But ever that dream of the brighter side
In a beautiful, beautiful morning!

What of the crosses, and what of the cares—
Shadows that darken the flight of the years?
Sunshine will glimmer through even Love's tears
In a beautiful, beautiful morning!

—F. L. Stanton, in Atlanta Constitution.

Rev. J. M. Yingling, pastor of the Bedford St. M. E. church, Cumberland, Md., says: "It affords me great pleasure to recommend Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. I have used it and others who have never known it to fail. For sale by A. W. Balch and Son, Matamoras, and all drug and general stores in Pike county.

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Wyckoff's New York Store News

Rummage Sale On

Opened this week, but on account of the continued pressure of business we are unable to go fully into details this week. Suffice it here to say that the price lowering on

Cloaks, Suits, Skirts Dress Goods, &c

has been liberal. Facts and figures next week. You know of old that when the New York Store reduces things there is a genuine saving. In outer garments the pruning is more evident because all are this year's productions, popular material, popular trimmings, newest cut.

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