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THE NEW SCHOOL HOUSE PROJECT

We are pleased to publish a reply in this issue to the article of "Taxpayer" in the Press of last week. Thorough ventilation of views in this matter is a public benefit. It is a question which concerns every taxpayer and merits full discussion and were the directors more frank in stating or explaining their intentions it would have less opposition to their project. The public should not tolerate any dark lantern methods and before voting the money to the directors it is entitled to know how and where they propose to spend it and what manner of building and its probable cost is contemplated. Let the plans be on exhibition. We want a new school house but those who contribute the means to build it should have an opportunity to judge of its arrangement and architecture.

The road bill before the house in this state should pass in some form. The system of working roads as practised by many supervisors is a farce. Much money is spent yearly and it is difficult to say that our roads, with few exceptions, where there has been some good work done are any better than they were a quarter of a century ago. The hills are there with gutters in the middle of the roads just as they have always been, the roads with few exceptions are no wider though they bear greatly increased servitude in the way of travel, not only with teams, but wheels and autos, and farmers are still standing between the light of improvement and their own interests. Pass a bill that will give us better roads at much less expense than we are now bearing.

CANDIDATES NOMINATED

- WESTFALL—DEMOCRATIC Supervisors—J. W. Van Gorden, Alvah J. Dewitt, School directors—E. B. Lebar, Alexander Brink, Collector—B. C. Totten, Overseer poor—George Luckey, Judge election—Isaac Skillingler, Inspector—Frank Wilkin, Auditor—W. N. Lawrence, Justice peace—J. G. Van Gorden, Clerk—Milton Shay.

Get the Most Out of Your Food. You don't eat and can't if your stomach is weak. A weak stomach does not digest all that is ordinarily taken into it. It gets tired easily, and what it fails to digest is wasted. Among the signs of a weak stomach are: uneasiness after eating, fits of nervous headache, and disagreeable belching. "I have taken Hood's Sarsaparilla at different times for stomach troubles, and it has run down condition of the system, and have been greatly benefited by its use. I would not be without it in my family. I am troubled especially in summer with weak stomach and nausea and find Hood's Sarsaparilla invaluable." E. B. HICKMAN, W. Chester, Pa.

Hood's Sarsaparilla and Pills

Strengthen and tone the stomach and the whole digestive system.

REPLY TO "TAXPAYER"

(Continued From First Page) stated in the article, they could have refrained from acting at this time, and the two new directors would have been elected without the people being advised of the special necessity for care in the choice of such new directors. The people have the opportunity to elect "fair, intelligent men" at this time, the very same time they are voting on the question as to the propriety of raising money, to build a new school house, in the manner proposed. The candidates now for the office, and before the people, chosen at the caucus of both parties, are Mr. Fred A. Beck, Mr. Wm. T. Struble, Dr. H. E. Emerson and Dr. Robt. G. Barclay, the people can select any two of these and if none be fit, it is not yet too late to supply others by nomination papers or otherwise. The present board of school directors, whom it is the pleasure of the writer of said article, to style, "ignoramus" and to threaten with all manner of direful "punishment," "removal from office" and "indictment" are men in whom the people have seen proper to place confidence men "who have gone in and out among us" for years, and it is not for me to even attempt to uphold or sustain them before the people, they represent and are engaged in most honorable occupations, two of them being farmers, one the owner of an extensive milling business, one a merchant, one a judge of our court, and the other a practicing physician—all married men, with children of their own to educate, and together bearing no insignificant proportion of the taxes assessed and levied in the district. And now who is this self appointed critic, the author of the article?

Certainly whoever such may be, moral courage is wanting—this is evidenced in more ways than one, the call for "five taxpayers" to help the writer, "go before the court," the failure to sustain the communication with a name, the covering up of identity under the generic term "Taxpayer" all show this, and I have no hesitancy in saying if "Taxpayer" will come out in the light "and be known of all men," the comparison the people will make, as between the members of the school board of Milford and "Taxpayer," will not be favorable to the latter. They would under no circumstances want such a character as "Taxpayer" as a school director or in any other office, and it may be (I am "guessing" now) that "Taxpayer" has aspired to hold this very office and failing to attain it, seeks solace in thus venting spleen and ill nature against those whom the people are willing and glad to have represent them.

Yours, etc. BY T. BAKER. Milford, Pa., Jan. 27, 1903.

OBITUARY

William Azariah Drake, well known to many here, died in the Middletown state hospital Thursday morning. He was born in Montague N. J., about 74 years ago, carried on a blacksmithing and store business at Bevans and Hainesville, N. J., and in 1873 bought the mill and store at Tri-states. His health has been failing for some time and last Sunday he was stricken with paralysis. A rear end collision between a flyer and a local train on the Jersey Central near Westfield Tuesday killed twenty persons and wounded a large number. That the engineer of the fast train did not heed the signals is given as the cause. The Casr of Russia is disappointed. General Miles could not wait for him to get over the influenza. A. W. Balch and Son, Matamoras, all drug and general stores in Pike county guarantee every bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and will refund the money to anyone who is not satisfied after using three bottles of the contents. This is the best remedy in the world for la grippe, coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough and is pleasant and safe to take. It prevents any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia.

Methodist Church Jottings.

(By Rev. G. E. Scovron.) The topics for next Sabbath are, The First Clause of the Apostles Creed and The Arrest of Jesus.

Can you give a reason for the faith that you hold? Come and listen to these sermons on the Apostles Creed, and you will know why you believe and be fortified in your Christian faith.

From now on, for several weeks we are to study together at the evening services, the last days of the life of Jesus. The events that are connected with His life who died for our sins according to the gospel, are full of the truth that is always needed as a warning to the ungodly and a source of spiritual uplifting to the redeemed.

Arrangements are rapidly being made for the Newark annual conference. It is only two months off. The writer received a communication this week from the leader of the conference quartet to the effect that we are expected to furnish music. Mr. Eaton, our first bass, has left the itinerary and is now devoting all of his time to sacred music, training choirs, and soloists in rendering sacred music. Too little attention is given to this part of church work. Singing, when done in the spirit, is one of the greatest avenues of spiritual power. We wish him great success in his new field.

At the meeting of the trustees of the church, held last Wednesday evening, plans were accepted and contracts given to improve the parsonage. T. R. J. Klein is to do the plumbing and heating and B. E. Brown is to do the repairing and building. The painting and paper hanging is to be done by day's work. The entire cost will be \$770. Of this we have \$688, insurance money. The balance is to be raised by subscription payable by the first of next September. When this work is done the parsonage will be as neat and well equipped a home as any one need ask for.

Literature has come to the front. Booth Tarkington, the novelist, as a member of the Indiana legislature, made the re-nominating speech for Senator Fairbanks. Good for Booth! As well as a clever writer he is a red-hot republican.

The Panama canal treaty has been duly signed by the Colombian special representative and by Secretary Hay. The treaty now remains to be ratified by the Senate, then by the Colombian Senate; then we will commence digging.

George Fred Williams, of Boston, is seeking to organize a party out of the remnants of his one time prestige. It should be called the Democratic Refuse Heap.

The death of Editor Gonzales, under the pistol of the Lieutenant-Governor of South Carolina, is likely to foster the impression abroad that American civilization is not up to our boasted high standard.

WEEDS

Consumption is a human weed flourishing best in weak lungs. Like other weeds it's easily destroyed while young; when old, sometimes impossible.

Strengthen the lungs as you would weak land and the weeds will disappear. The best lung fertilizer is Scott's Emulsion. Salt pork is good too, but it is very hard to digest.

The time to treat consumption is when you begin trying to hide it from yourself. Others see it, you won't.

Don't wait until you can't deceive yourself any longer. Begin with the first thought to take Scott's Emulsion. If it isn't really consumption so much the better; you will soon forget it and be better for the treatment. If it is consumption you can't expect to be cured at once, but if you will begin in time and will be rigidly regular in your treatment you will win.

Scott's Emulsion, fresh air, rest all you can, eat all you can, that's the treatment and that's the best treatment.

Advertisement for Scott's Emulsion featuring an image of a man carrying a large fish on his back. Text: "We will send you a little of the Emulsion free. Be sure that the picture on the label is an exact copy of the original." Scott & Bowne, Chemists, 409 Pearl St., N. Y.

Advertisement for Lion Coffee. Text: "At one HALF THE COST Lion Coffee has better strength and flavor than many so-called 'fancy' brands. Bulk coffee at the same price is not to be compared with Lion in quality. In a 1 lb. size tight, sealed packages."

Presbyterian Chronicals

Services next Sabbath as usual; the morning service will take up another topic in the life of our Lord, namely "The First Disciples of Jesus." The pastor regrets the inclemency of the weather last Sunday and the consequently small congregation. Those who come next Sunday will find the thread of the sequence in these sermons unbroken by their absence last week. The evening service will be in the interest of the Y. P. S. O. E. All young people, whether members of this society or not are most cordially invited. The sermon will be especially for the youth of the community.

The pastor takes great pleasure in announcing that Miss Gertrude Gamble has completed her task of learning the Westminster shorter catechism and has correctly repeated the answers to the 107 questions to the writer. She has been the first of the class to get through. There are two or three others who will probably be mentioned in a similar manner next week. The young people have been very faithful and persistent and all deserve great credit. They will each receive a nice Bible as a reward of their achievement.

At a meeting of the Hatched society last Tuesday evening it was decided to hold their annual Washington's birthday supper on Friday evening, Feb. 20. The gentlemen have given good satisfaction in the past and we hope their efforts will be sustained in every way. Last year they were handicapped by heavy odds in the terrible storm. Some may have felt disappointed and discouraged for one reason or another but the pastor feels confident that no one will hold a feeling over into this year. The matter of furnishing conveniences is a very complicated one as all will readily see and when the responsibility of a large supper such as the gentlemen give is taken into consideration we must admit that it is marvelous that they have done so well. May this one organization of men for the assistance of the church be long perpetuated and encouraged.

The pastor was more than surprised the other day to receive a beautiful Morris chair from New York and Brooklyn friends. The gift is from Mr. and Mrs. Schraf and Mr. and Mrs. Hollingshead. The thought of having been remembered in a very great satisfaction and the pleasure of having had these loyal friends in our congregation last summer also makes this present a most enjoyable one.

This is the time of year when the evenings are long and the opportunity for self improvement is at its height. The pastor realizes that the great majority of his people are reading the good books so kindly placed at their disposal by James W. Pinchot in the Homestead Library. This is right, nothing tells on character more powerfully than noble lines and good books. Commune with the great spirits and broad intellects of all times through their writings and no man or woman can lead a narrow bigoted existence. The young of our homes should be encouraged in every possible way to use the library freely. If the children do not take to reading naturally it is wrong if the parents do not use every method reasonable to get them interested. Read to them, select books suitable to children of their age and temperament, consult the librarian and by such means help your children. Mr. Pinchot has done a splendid deed in giving us the library but he cannot make you use it. Please avail yourselves now of the privilege that is yours. I feel very deeply concerned about this matter and trust that a word to the wise and prudent will be sufficient.

A Good Recommendation "I have noticed that the sale on Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets is almost invariably to those who have used them," says Mr. J. H. Weber, a prominent druggist of Casco, Iowa. "What better recommendation could any medicine have than for people to call for it when again in need of such remedy? Try them when you feel dull after eating, when you have a bad taste in your mouth, feel bilious, have no appetite or when troubled with constipation, and you are certain to be delighted with the prompt relief which they afford. For sale by A. W. Balch and Son, Matamoras, a full drug and general stores in Pike county."

Tours to Florida

The following special tours to Jacksonville, Fla., and return, will be run by the B. & O. R. R. Co. at the low rate of \$23.00 for the round trip from Port Jervis. Leave Port Jervis, Jan. 27th, via New York, C. R. R. of N. J., B. & O. R. R. and Southern Ry., good returning to leave Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 11th. Leave Port Jervis, Feb. 10th, via New York, C. R. R. of N. J., B. & O. R. R. and Atlantic Coast Line, good returning to leave Jacksonville, Feb. 24th. Leave Port Jervis, March 10th, via New York, C. R. R. of N. J., B. & O. R. R. and Seaboard Air Line, tickets for the return of this tour covering transportation only, valid on regular trains until May 31st. These tours include box lunch enroute, New York to Washington, transfer to hotel in Washington, accommodations at hotel from time of arrival until departure next day from Washington southbound, Pullman accommodations and meals enroute, Washington to Jacksonville and return, transfer from station to hotel in Washington and dinner enroute Washington to New York. The tour of March 10th will include similar accommodations southbound as far as Jacksonville, but for the northbound trip as stated above, the tickets will cover only the railroad transportation, but these tickets will be good to return until May 31st. At least three days notice must be given H. L. Slauson, ticket agent, Port Jervis, N. Y., by any one contemplating taking one of these excursions as a limited number only will be taken and the names of all passengers must be given to the B. & O. R. R. in advance to reserve for them proper sleeping car accommodations. A postal addressed to "Ticket Agent, Port Jervis" will receive prompt attention.

"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, Annoto 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.

AS THE DOCTOR ORDERS

When we fill a prescription it is filled precisely as the doctor intended. If we lack an ingredient, or even the exact variety of a remedy indicated; we get the remedy or refuse to compound the prescription. Substitution even in the slightest degree is not tolerated here. The interests of our patrons are guarded as carefully as our own; the interests of both of us demand the high grade service that is here rendered.

C. O. ARMSTRONG DRUGGIST.

HOLIDAYS ARE ALMOST HERE. YOU ARE THINKING OF PRESENTS MAY BE USEFUL MAY BE ORNAMENTAL. WE HAVE ALMOST EVERY THING TO EAT, TO WEAR OR LOOK AT. PRETTY AND GOOD AND BEST OF ALL CHEAP. WE WANT TO PLEASE YOU AND WE WILL.

Ryman & Wells.

Wyckoff's New York Store News The Store Teems With Seasonable Bargains

You know our policy concerning the cleaning up of seasonable merchandise in its season. You know that in order to make thorough work of it that prices are cut to the bone. Not an item in this "ad" but is of interest to somebody. If that somebody will take the time to make a careful investigation, then the true economy of buying now will impress itself.

Advertisement for Wyckoff's New York Store featuring various clothing items and their prices. Items include: First and Foremost Comes Cloaks, Next Comes the Suits, Winter Waists in Lots, Some Bargain Lots of Dress Goods, Flannelette Night Gowns and Skirts, Rare Corset Bargain, Pretty New Hamburgs, and Gentlemen's Furnishings. Prices are listed for various items, such as coats, suits, waists, dresses, and shirts.

WYCKOFF'S NEW YORK STORE

Advertisement for La Bastie Glass Co. featuring unbreakable glass lamp chimneys. Text: "UNBREAKABLE GLASS LAMP CHIMNEYS. Most wonderful invention of the age. Will not break under handling, heat or cold. About the only way to break them is to hit them with an ax. Stand on them, throw or pound on the floor with them, put in the fire or on ice and they will not break. Guaranteed forever unless purposely broken. All sizes. Magnify the light." Territory given to agents: Aldan, Delaware County, Pa., 1121 Ridge Ave., Philadelphia. Office & Salesroom: La Bastie Glass Co.

Advertisement for Port Jervis Business Institute. Text: "PORT JERVIS BUSINESS INSTITUTE. WYCKHAM BUILDING. Geo. Oakley, Principal. PORT JERVIS, N. Y."

Advertisement for J. B. Van Tassel. Text: "LIVERY STABLES. Table Dainties. Fresh groceries. Canned goods. Meats in every form. Turkeys and chickens. Oysters and vegetables. Everything for an elegant dinner at GUMBLE BROS. Harford St. Milford Pa."

Advertisement for H. E. Emerson, M. D. Text: "H. E. Emerson, M. D. Physician and Surgeon. OFFICE in Drug Store on Broad Street."

Advertisement for Cures Grip in Two Days. Text: "To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Seven Millions boxes sold in past 12 months. This signature, E. H. Brown. Cures Grip in Two Days. on every box, 25c."