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THE BACHELOR MAIDS

An aggregation of town young ladies gave a very enjoyable and laughable entertainment in Brown's Hall Tuesday evening. From beginning to end the large audience was in the best of humor and manifested approval by hearty applause. To distinguish any individual character, when all were so admirably rendered, would be invidious, but Marie Chol, as Mrs. Bridget O'Hara (a culinary star), Marguerite Jalliet as Mrs. Plodding-Schmidt, Emily Warner as Mrs. Manstien and Edna Klaer as Mrs. Maginnis (proprietor of the Employer's Bureau), who assumed leading roles were especially happy in portraying their parts. So well were all pleased that it would be conferring a favor if the young ladies would consider repeating the entertainment at a later date. During the intermission Masters Alfred Lyman, Charles Kenworthy, and the little Misses Herbat, Hissam, Humbert and McCarty greatly pleased by their singing.

"THE REAL THING"

Time—Present Place—Maginnis Employer's Agency.

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Mrs. Maginnis (proprietor of the Employer's Bureau.)	Edna Klaer.
Mrs. Shaddens Perkins (a lady of meekness and spirit.)	Antoinette Lyman.
Mrs. Delaney Pell (An employee in search of a place.)	Emily Warner.
Mrs. Browning (A sufferer from domestic complications.)	Marguerite Jalliet.
Mrs. Hawkins (A discouraged seeker after help.)	Emily Joseph.
Mrs. Bridget O'Hara (a culinary star. Not French.)	Marie Chol.
"Bill" (a bell boy)	Edward Rupp.

"MRS. PLODDINGS NIECES"

Time—Present Place—A room in a city flat.

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Mrs. Manhattan	Emily Warner.
Angelina (Singer, aspiring to the operatic stage.)	Marie Chol.
Clementine (Pianist, believes herself to rival Paderewski.)	Edna Klaer.
Violetta (Artist in oils.)	Antoinette Lyman.
Antoinette (Student and Advocate of Woman's Rights.)	Emily Joseph.
Estelle (Authoress and Blue Stocking.)	Bertha Klaer.
Mary (in search of a position as Nursery Governess.)	Louie Palmer.
Mrs. Plodding-Schmidt (The Rich Widow of a stocking man'r.)	Marguerite Jalliet.
Hannah (Cook at the Manhattan's.)	Mrs. Charles Wood.

Courtright's Death

The Stroudsburg papers do not state the facts in relation to the action of District Attorney Bull with respect to investigating the cause of death of C. W. Courtright of Porter. He did not refuse to do so but asked that some complaint or definite information be given him, and as we understand the brothers and sisters were satisfied that his death resulted from natural causes. If there was suspicion of violence it was the duty of the physician in attendance to refuse a death certificate. As there is no coroner in this county under the ruling of the court a justice of the peace should have something besides unfounded rumor before he undertakes to make an investigation. Mr Bull after inquiry of those best qualified to know found there was no reason to apprehend anything of a criminal nature connected with Courtright's death.

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Teacher's Examinations

Teachers' examinations for 1909 will be held as follows:
DISTRICT SCHOOL HOUSE DATE
Greene, Kiptown—April 27.
Palmyra, Red, (No. 4.)—April 28.
Blooming Grove, Westbrook's No 10—April 29.
Lackawaxen, Williamson—May 8.
Durham, Union—May 10.
Lehman, Meadow Brook—May 12.
Dela ware, Academy—May 13.
Shohola, Shohola—May 22.
Milford, High School—May 29.
Westfall and Matamoras, Matamoras High School—June 1.
An examination for Common School Diploma for the district of Greene will be held at Roemerville school, April 26th. Pupils in other districts desiring to take such examination may do so at the same time and place as arranged for the regular teachers' examination.
All candidates for examination, whether teachers or pupils, should provide themselves with plenty of foolscap, pencils, a scratch table, and a self addressed, stamped envelope.
All examinations will begin at 8:30 a. m. sharp.
Directors and other interested parties are cordially invited to attend.
Very respectfully,
LUCIAN WESTBROOK,
Metamoras, Pa., April 12, 1909.

FOR RENT

Four houses in Milford, situated on principal streets, either furnished or unfurnished.
JOHN A. KIPP.

BRIEF MENTION

Henry Klaer of Philadelphia is visiting his parents in town.

Mrs. M. E. Pinchot has placed in the Episcopal church a tablet on which is inscribed the ten commandments in memory of her husband the late James W. Pinchot.

Bingston, Deposit and Callieon are exercised over the failure of Knapp brothers, who owned private banks at those places. Depositors lose heavily. Financing the Outlook Magazine and starting a book publishing concern at Deposit is said to be the cause of the trouble.

John Borecky of Wharton, N. J. was a recent guest with his brother here.

Mrs. W. H. Armstrong, who passed the winter in New York has returned home.

Dr. W. L. Angle and wife of East Stroudsburg were here over last Sunday.

E. C. Wood has been appointed one of its representatives by the State Society for prevention of cruelty to animals. This is an excellent choice and no doubt Officer Wood will see to it that violators of the law are punished.

Spring time has come gentle Annie and the wild flowers soon will be in bloom. Also house cleaning, making garden and the gentle voice of your wife reminding you that there is a whole lot of work to be done cleaning up the place and making it neat and attractive. Got up early and do it.

Mrs. Edith Allen of Ellenville has returned to town and is a guest at the Crissman House.

The promoters of the new railroad line down the valley talk in a very encouraging manner, as to the prospects for success. Naturally where there have been so many schemes, and where the situation is so complicated for building a line out of Port Jervis the matter of making preliminary arrangements consumes time. The men connected with the new line are energetic and now think they have reached a basis from which they may proceed with expedition. We all want the road and as few obstacles as possible should be raised to delay a beginning of the work.

The Senate has passed a bill giving primary election officers the same pay as received at regular elections.

The Jones bill urged by the farmers and carrying a million dollars appropriation has finally passed the Senate.

Lorenzo Eilenberger died recently at his home in Mount Bethel, Pa., aged about 70 years. He was a brother of George F. Eilenberger, who formerly resided here.

County Treasurer Chol spent yesterday in New York.

The Washington Star notes that real estate in a certain community was greatly increased in value by local option. After the remedy was no longer available malaria almost entirely disappeared.

The reasonable story that the peach buds and other fruits in Delaware were injured by the recent cold snap is being circulated. One farmer reports that out of 48 peach buds examined only 4 were alive and another says of 80 buds all were dead. The same was true of the cherry buds.

Marvin has secured a \$5000 appropriation for Cave Bank. This will relieve Delaware township of what has long been a difficult problem, besides a big prospective expense.

A resolution has been introduced in the State Senate to locate the Quay Station in the rotunda of the State Capitol.

The trial of Architect grafter J. M. Boston for having defrauded the state in a bill for office desks began Wednesday at Harrisburg.

F. F. White and wife, who have been absent from town for several weeks returned to their 4th street home Monday.

Max, a son of C. O. Armstrong, who is home for a vacation from Blair Hall was organist in the Presbyterian church last Sunday and rendered the Easter music in excellent manner. He is quite a proficient musician.

About 125 members of the House were in contempt last week for running away and breaking a quorum. They could not be more in contempt there than they are generally in the State.

Dr. John Marshall, professor in the U. P. says whiskey is not an antidote for rattlesnake bites, neither do the buttons on his tail correspond to his age in years, nor if his fangs are drawn is he necessarily harmless. He ridiculed the basileisk eyes which hypnotize birds, and said there was no known antidote for the snakes bite.

Rochester, N. Y. had a half million dollar fire this week which burned three churches and left a thousand people homeless.

Large mackerel schools have been seen off the Delaware capes. One is said to have covered an area of more than a square mile.

New Jersey now has a law which makes "joy riding" a misdemeanor. It provides that any one driving a motor car without consent of the owner or for a wager where speed limit is exceeded or while intoxicated can be punished with three years in State prison.

Andrew Carnegie has given Hamilton College two hundred thousand dollars to be called the Elgin Root fund.

The pure food bill allowing the use of benzoate of soda as a preservative has passed and goes to the Governor.

Rowland voted in the Senate for the bill to increase the salary of Judges. The bill carries an increase of \$350,000 a year.

Henry Dewitt Eq and J. E. Dolan of Lackawaxen were business visitors here Tuesday.

The government last year handed about fifty-two million pounds of country newspapers.

What is known as the new school code which enables Philadelphia to borrow much more money was pushed through the House at Harrisburg last Monday night by the narrow margin of three votes. Marvin made the mistake of voting for the bill, while Kinney of Monroe and Fourth of Wayne very wisely voted against it.

The Capitol Park bill appropriating two million dollars for purchasing land for a park in rear of the New Capitol has passed both Houses and goes to the Governor who should veto it.

Elijah, a son of George C. McKean and wife of Shohola township died at his home Sunday, April 11th, of heart trouble aged about 20 years.

Bertram Blythe and wife of New York were guests this week at the Anchoage.

The Winter Courses in Agriculture at State College begin November 30, 1909, and close February 28th, 1910. These five courses bring a fine body of young men to the college each winter. The instruction is practical and helpful to men engaged in Agriculture, Horticulture, Dairy Husbandry, Dairy Manufacture or Poultry Raising. No entrance examinations are required. Young men who intend making farming a business would be wise to attend these courses.

Be careful of the man who compliments you; he is probably puffing you up with a view of cutting you open.

Mrs. Ferdinand P. Earle says she has discovered that her affinity husband is a lunatic. It takes some people a long time to make up their minds.

A bill has been introduced to pay Congressman \$5,000 per annum instead of \$7,500. It is not expected that its consideration will interfere with an early adjournment.

Some of the economic agitators want not only freedom of speech, but some means of compelling people to listen.

If hides are kept free, perhaps shoes will be made cheap enough to make up for the big tax on stock tags.

A large number of protection Democrats have emerged from the tall pine timber of the South.

The sugar trust is dangling before the eyes of the Congress the same old promise of cheaper sweetness.

In spite of the great depression in business in 1908, the steel trust managed to pull out a profit of \$91,847,710. If any better argument could be advanced for a lowering of tariff taxes, it has escaped notice.

So "Uncle Joe" thinks Mr. Taft "the greatest President since Lincoln?" With all of us, the wish is father to some such similar thought, though many people will incline to watch these mental children grow before committing themselves unreservedly.

Oh, you think the house is talking a good deal about the tariff bill, do you? Just wait until you hear the Senate!

In placing a high tariff on luxuries the Ways and Means Committee forgot that to the ordinary woman all the luxuries of life are the merest necessities.

A large number of tariff speeches have been delivered in the House of Representatives lately to which nobody in particular paid any attention.

The Democratic minority in Congress is much puzzled to know in what manner the tariff may be enabled to wag the dog occasionally. It is an old problem.

NOTES FROM SANDYSTON

Trout fishing has been very good, and the small boys, and there are a good many of them, are whipping every stream in the town and generally with success.

The wages of our teachers were raised five dollars per month this year, and the school term from 9 to 10 months. But when it comes to crowding the six school hours into five hours by shutting off intermissions it is about time our B. of E. corrects matters.

Rumor says we are to have a R. F. D. route from Branchville to Layton. This will connect with the route starting from Milford to Boyans, if it ever does materialize. This is almost too good to be true, but all objections to the Milford R. F. D. will vanish if this proves to be the case, and I earnestly hope it will.

We are also to have a Macadam road from Tuttle's Corner to Layton, that is assured, and now that really this can carry freight that will be here and what more can we ask for unless—it be Heaven.

The Hon Joseph Coalt, of Newark passed a few days here last week trout fishing but with poor success, the weather being too cold.

With the mercury at 17 above zero on Sunday morning our gardeners of last week may have a chance to do some replanting.

Barton Little, of Chatham is visiting for a few days with friends and relatives in Sandyston. Bart looks as if the climate agreed with him.

The teachers of the Western Branch of Walpack, Montague and Sandyston will hold their institute in the Layton school house on Saturday April 17th.

These meetings are free to all, and school officials are specially invited to be present.

Objection is made by the contractor building the Macadam road from Tuttle's Gap to Branchville to the passage of all traffic over it while building. That objection should be sustained by our Board of Freeholders, for a good road cannot be made with the heavy traffic passing over it as at present.

Swept Over Niagara.

This terrible calamity often happens because a careless boatman ignores the river's warnings—growing ripples and faster current—Nature's warnings are kind. That dull pain or ache in the back warns you the kidneys need attention if you would escape fatal maladies—Dropsy, Diabetes or Bright's disease. Take Electric Bites at once and see Backache and all your best feelings return. "After long suffering from weak kidneys and lame back, one \$1.00 bottle wholly cured me," writes J. R. Blankenship, of Heik, Tenn. Only 50c at all druggists.

Steele Making Good

Mr. William Steele who won many games for the Milford base ball team, is making good as a pitcher with the Altoona team of the Tri States League. A dispatch from Romeo, Va., says: "Lynchburg went down to defeat before the mastery pitching of Pitcher Williams Steele of the Altoona team, who was well nigh invincible and would have sent the locals out but for an error in the ninth." The many friends of Steele here will be pleased to hear of his success.

Up Before the Bar.

N. H. Brown, an attorney of Pittsfield, Vt., writes: "We have used Dr. King's New Life Pills for years and find them such a good family medicine we wouldn't be without them." For Chills, Constipation, Biliousness or Sick Headache they work wonders. 25c at all druggists.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON

Senator Aldrich has heeded the warning of the President that any tariff bill which did not keep faith and carry out the pledges of the national platform would be vetoed, and has assured the President that there would be no necessity for his vetoing the bill when the Senator got through with it, as the Senate substitute provides for reductions from the Dingley bill on every item which can be regarded as necessary. Mr. Aldrich took with him to the White House the draft of the Senate substitute, so far as it has been completed by the Finance Committee, and showed the President the work he and his colleagues on the committee had done. President Taft was agreeably surprised at the extent to which the substitute makes good the pledges of the party and he now believes there should be no trouble in passing the bill in the Senate. There is a material difference, of course between the completion of a tariff bill by the Finance Committee and its final adoption by both houses of Congress, but Mr. Aldrich is convinced that the bill will so far command the support of the Republicans in the Senate that it will not be difficult to obtain a majority for every schedule. Mr. Aldrich outlined to the President the views of the committee with regard to the administrative features of the bill, the methods to be employed in determining the valuation of imports, and Mr. Taft expressed his approval of all the changes which the committee proposed to make in the Payne bill.

President Taft is in receipt of an annual pass for himself and party, which can be used on all American League ball grounds in the country, and a similar pass has been presented to the Vice President. The President's pass, which is marked "No A 1," is in the form of a handsome leather card case, with his monogram in heavy gold letters on the inside flap.

Speaker Cannon was presented last week, with petitions signed by 250,000 persons in Chicago, requesting that the Payne bill be so amended as to decrease the duties on hosiery and gloves. They were brought to Washington by four Chicago women, selected at a mass meeting held recently in that city to protest against the increased duties on these articles, and the Speaker told them he would be glad to have the petitions presented to the House but that he could give them no encouragement.

It is predicted at the Capitol that when the Payne bill is finally passed by both houses of Congress it will carry an authorization for the President to appoint a tariff commission to investigate and report from time to time on schedules and reciprocity agreements, and it is reported, also, that Speaker Cannon is favorable to the creation of such a commission.

The claim is made that the commission will consist of seven members, five to be appointed by the President from civil life, and two members to be Treasury Department experts, and the salaries will be fixed at \$10,000 a year. This tariff bill, it is claimed, will be a part of the bureau on manufacturers of the Department of Commerce and Labor and will be subject, practically to the direction of the ways and means committee and the Finance Committee of the Senate.

President Zelaya of Nicaragua, should take warning by the fate of Capriano Castro, former President of Venezuela. At present, Zelaya is practically defying the United States claim which this country has been pressing for two years threatening the peace of all Central America, of which he hopes ultimately to become the dictator and is, apparently, imagining that his contumacy will pass unpunished. Because the United States, like "the mills of the gods" moves slowly, some of these South and Central American despots imagine that there is no motion at all. Castro defied the United States for years and because this country did not bombard his ports imagined that he could continue to do so with impunity and continuously. Now, however, Senor Castro doubtless regrets his method of treating this country. Having been compelled to go abroad to consult physicians, he has been superseded by one of his political opponents, has been indicated

for the murder of one of his political opponents of former years, and now finds that because of the influence of the United States he cannot establish a base of intrigue anywhere on this continent. He has landed on French Island in the vicinity of Venezuela, but through the good offices of this country exercised on behalf of his successor, who thus far gives every indication of wishing to treat the claims of the United States with all proper respect, France has ordered him to leave, Great Britain and Denmark will not let him land and unless he dies in one of his fits of rage he will be compelled to return to Europe. Zelaya should take warning. He may defy the United States for a long time with no untoward results but he is playing a dangerous game and one which will ultimately bring its punishment as surely as the night follows day. President Taft has little patience with Zelaya, far less indeed, than President Roosevelt had for Castro, and if Zelaya is wise he will profit by the experience of his contemporary and cease from antagonizing this country.

Has He Gone Wrong?

For several days there have been rumors here that W. A. Parsball, a well known Port Jervis attorney, had disappeared and that he was in some way largely involved in estates of which he had the care and management. Owing to his excellent reputation and high social standing people who knew him, and many here do, were loth to give credence to the reports. It appears, however, that the rumor had at least apparent foundation. He was presumed to be successful in business, was correct in his habits and was perhaps almost the last man in that city toward whom the finger of suspicion would point.

It appears that he had been cited to a hearing before the Surrogate of Orange county and to render an accounting in the estate of Benjamin Conkling and wife of which he was executor without bonds. The estate is said to amount to \$40,000.

He failed to appear thus making him liable to contempt of court. In other small estates which he managed he has also failed to account. It is also said that he has considerable personal indebtedness and that a number of persons are liable as endorsers on his notes.

He was the democratic candidate for Surrogate a year ago, was president of the Board of Education, corporation counsel and attorney for the Erie. It is hard to understand why a man so generally esteemed and respected in a community, and with such excellent prospects and having the aid of substantial friends should precipitate himself and his family into such a deplorable condition.

Possibly he may return and clear up the situation and it is sincerely hoped such will be the case, but it appears to be a sad affair of another trusted man gone entirely wrong.

It is said his whereabouts is known to his family, that he is now sick, but will return and adjust his affairs.

OBITUARY

R. E. SCHOFIELD

Mr. Schofield, a well known Port Jervis Attorney, suddenly died at his home last Sunday morning. He was born in that city Dec. 10, 1858.

During the winter he suffered from bronchial trouble but had so far recovered as to again attend to his business. He read law with Hon. O. P. Howell and was admitted to the bar in 1885 and has since continued the practice. For twenty-five years he was clerk of the Board of Education and was a former corporation Counsel. He married Mary J. Finn who with one son and one daughter survives him. The funeral was held Wednesday.

What the Noise Meant

We heard the Monroe Democrat headlines yelling last week as they came floating up the river and that something awful must have happened, perhaps that some one had bitten an ear off the democratic donkey, or that there was another mad dog scare, or that it was ministerial applause for Kinney, but when the paper came within a few hundred yards we saw that the noise was all about Hon. A. Mitchell Palmer having made a tariff speech in Congress.

It was a great relief from a bad fright.

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