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BRIEF MENTION

Erie people say they will open the new cut through Bergon hill, for passenger traffic, Feb. 1 1910. Seven hundred men are working by day and five hundred by night. The tunnel will be used for freight trains.

The Peary-Cook pole controversy stands at present about like this. Peary says Cooks Eskimos make his claim to have reached the pole, a physical and mathematical impossibility, and Cook says his Eskimos were instructed not to tell Peary about it and they have kept their word. The evidence for or against the claim of either explorer should rest on stronger grounds than the statements of Eskimos.

A snow storm swept through several of the western states this week damaging fruit and potatoes.

In the three cornered fight for mayor in New York all three candidates profess to be against Tammany Gaylor who is the candidate of that ring of leeches and hoodlums says he will be independent if elected, but there is an old adage about a stream not rising higher than its source and the schemes of Tammany are very likely too wise to put up a man who would turn and read them.

Charles Thornton, the mail carrier, has abandoned the automobile.

Dr. C. S. Van Etten of Rhinebeck, N. Y. visited here this week.

Mrs. Eleanor Estabrook of Susquehanna county and her sister Mrs. James B. Caddack of Port Jervis, were guests in town a couple of days this week.

If supervisors wish to secure state aid for their roads they must measure, and report all roads under their jurisdiction to the state department before Nov 15th. The law provides that the state pay the township 60 per cent of the amount of cash road taxes collected. Not to exceed, however, \$20 a mile. If the roads have not been measured and reported supervisors should get busy. The aid is too substantial to lose.

E. F. Emerson, who is in the lumber business near Port Jervis and is one of those applying for trolley franchises in that city, was stricken with apoplexy while visiting here last Sunday. His condition is somewhat improved.

Streams are very low and though there has been some rain it has not supplied the quantity necessary to fill up springs and soak the ground. But then we all hope winter is a couple of months away.

The contractors have finished the dike at Matamoras. The cost of the addition was about \$4000 and it is said to be an excellent job. Considerable of the money was left among the people there who were employed on the work of furnished material.

Soup beans are often infested by a weevil which lays its eggs in the little green seed forming in the pod. They can be killed by putting the beans in a vessel like a wash boiler, and pouring half an ounce of bisulphid of carbon into a shallow vessel and setting it on the beans and covering tightly and allowing it to remain a few hours. That quantity is sufficient to treat a bushel of beans, and will not injure the beans either for eating or growing.

Hon. Richard Pinchot of Washington is entertaining Hon. James R. Garfield, ex Secretary of the Interior and his wife, at Grey Towers.

A hurricane down in Florida this week caused enormous property damage. The wind blew seventy five miles an hour.

The Tammany vote in New York threatens to be out some. Nine indictments have been found against as many men for fraud in connection with last years registration and the stealing of the Independence League primaries this year.

The first freeze of the season here happened Tuesday night this week and vegetation was killed.

Decollette gowns are being worn just a trifle lower than formerly—the sleigh gown will be slit just a little bit more—and now comes the seamless and “cubbin nuthin” gowns. We will soon have to profess Christian Science and imagine we don't see anything.

S. G. Chapman, who owns a fine property on Twin Lakes, will build four or five bungalows this fall, and parties who have bought the old log house property expect to erect several.

F. W. Cross and wife returned home from their wedding trip last Sunday.

At the last meeting of the Woman's Society of the Presbyterian church the following dates were fixed:

Nov. 26—Recital by Miss Justine Roberts.

Dec. 2—Sale of Cake and Fancy Articles.

Feb. 22, 1910—Supper.

Aug. 4 and 5, 1910—Summer Sale.

Thomas Bradford, whose home up in Shohola was burned recently, expects to rebuild. The house had a good summer boarder business and was in a neighborhood which is fast becoming popular.

Congressman Palmer of this district is against the ship subsidy bill. It would seem from the recent speeches of President Taft that he had not ascertained the position of Mr. Palmer in the matter before expressing his ideas. That was shortsighted in Taft.

There are a lot of people hunting trouble out of season.

There are many different terms for claustrophobia. Some of them will readily occur about the time you get bumped by a machine.

The leaves have ripened and the trees are decked with brilliant colors. This is one of the most attractive seasons of the year when nature adorns herself in beautiful attire and presents a picture on which lovers of natural art may feast their senses.

Court will sit next Monday, but the session will be without special interest as no jury is called. The county is peaceable and there are only very minor infractions of the laws such as are hardly worthy the time of a court and jury.

Mrs. J. de C. Van Etten and son Jack and Mrs. Seaman her mother, are guests with the family of J. H. Van Etten.

Mrs. A. T. Seeley is visiting her daughter at Portland, Pa.

Newspaper reports say the owners of the falls at Pottsville will build a dam fifteen feet high to form a large lake on which to make ice and that the Knickerbocker Ice Company of Philadelphia will take the product. The power will be used to operate an electric road from Hawley to Seelyville.

Wm. Palmer has been employed by the Van Pike Telephone Co. as night operator.

It is inspiring after about 40 men and grown up boys have been making the night hideous, beating on tin cans and making all kinds of unseemly noises, to see them pile into a skelter into a barn, to pour the fee they have earned to desert, down their throats. They probably feel they have been engaged in an uplifting business and that the reward is commensurate with their efforts.

The damage to crops in Lancaster county by the drought this season is estimated at \$3,000,000.

Jacob Van Tassel, who is employed in a livery stable in Dover, N. J., was in town the first of the week.

There is a German proverb which says, "Whatever you would have appear in a nations life, you must introduce into the public schools." That nation has installed into the minds of its young the love of trees and instructed them in the elements of forestry. Should not the same be done here and so realize the wisdom of the old proverb.

Charles Dudley Warner said that "a dead bird does not help the appearance of an ugly woman, and a pretty woman needs no such adornment."

The nomination of Judge Gaynor of Brooklyn, as the Tammany candidate for mayor of Greater New York, gives a very curious aspect to the municipal campaign in that city. Not long ago Judge Gaynor was making fierce speeches denouncing Tammany.

And Dr. Cook has beaten Peary by about a year to the lecture platform and the box office.

In Monmouth county, N. J., they have a second crop of strawberries and the happy people are eating shortcake.

A question of the growth of, if when planted it is a crotch & feet high from the ground will the crotch be any higher in twenty years?

Well my Speaker Cannon plead pitifully "I am doing my best" and leave it to be inferred that contrary obligations and a divided duty together constitute a hard row to weed. It is hard to be a true Republican and enter deals with Tammany Democrats.

What to do with snake bites is one of the dilemmas of prohibition.

If cotton keeps on climbing, calico prints may become expensive enough by and by to attract the serious attention of the real swagger tailors.

Perhaps the reason why poor boys succeed oftener than rich boys is because they have to.

"What is a chump?" inquires the Philadelphia Public Ledger. A bott headed fellow who persists in differing from your views on things in general, despite your highest-browed endeavor to convince him of the error of his ways.

The latest developments in the Cook-Peary controversy show that the camera as well as the figures can be made to jockey with the truth.

After a man is old enough to know right from wrong he still needs a lot of preaching to.

New York recently enjoyed the biggest feast of strangers in its history. They served "lobster pie" morning, noon and night.

Hospitality in New York is the easiest thing in the world to buy if you can have the price.

Pike Co. school directors will hold their seventh annual convention at the Court House Monday Dec. 6th at 2 p. m. Prof. R. M. McNeal of the Department of Public Instruction will be a speaker.

Wallace Newman, who has been quite ill for some weeks, is reported improved.

Some lover of chickens visited Billy McCown's coop yesterday morning and left him six less to feed. The pullets remonstrated so loudly that Billy was aroused and the party was seen but made a quick get away.

Vivian Struthers went to New York last week in search of a position.

Dr. H. B. Reed and wife are visiting in New York.

Mrs. S. D. Van Campen and son of Newton are guests at the home of C. W. Ball.

Sarah Finger, who has been at Branchville for several weeks will pass the winter at Trenton, N. J. with her brother Frank.

Dr. O. E. Emery has returned to Washington.

Grace Wolfe is attending school in Michigan this winter, where she has relatives.

A new cemetery has been laid out at Matamoras. It is located on the farm of J. C. Rose down towards the Bell place.

John Albright of Delaware township by an unfortunate miss cut his wrist badly with an axe.

The frame of Lester Pitneys house in Matamoras is up and its reported A. A. Albright will soon begin building a new house for himself on lots adjacent.

Delaware township supervisors are replacing the wooden with stone culverts, a great improvement but steel would be better.

Dr. R. G. Barclay and wife are visiting friends on Long Island.

Dorothy, a daughter of Chas. Clark with pneumonia, possibly complicated with whooping cough.

A new gun has been ordered for use in the U. S. army. It is automatic, so light it can be easily carried on the back of a man, will kill at two miles range and fires 400 shots a minute. This gun if the account is all true should be a wonderful peacemaker. An army of ten thousand men would fire four million shots every minute and with only one shot in a thousand effective would put four thousand men out of business. No army could stand such decimation for ten minutes.

William Quick and wife of New York, are spending a few days with the former parents in Schoeoco.

An unfortunate altercation over a small matter between Slatton Supplies and wife, residing on Mott St., Wednesday evening resulted in a complaint made by the wife for assault and battery and after a hearing before Equire Ludwig the defendant in default of bail was committed to jail.

At the State Sunday school convention now in session at Harrisburg it was stated that of the sixteen million scholars enrolled in the United States about one eighth, or nearly two millions, are in this State. The smallest per cent of Sunday school membership of any county in the State, Pike in which there is a small foreign population and it is only 15 per cent of the population, or out of the total supposed population about 10,000 only 1500 are enrolled.

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Be Patriots.

"Thirty years and more ago our nation's life was in danger. From the hillsides of Pennsylvania more than two hundred thousand brave men poured down to save the country, that your lives might be peaceful, happy, and prosperous. I know you love the dear old flag around which so many of us rallied. I know that there is not a boy or girl but thinks the red, white, and blue of 'Old Glory' are the very brightest and best colors that fly in the breeze of any land. Its ample folds mark the thousands of schoolhouses where you are taught to become good men and women and patriotic citizens. But you are now called upon to save the State from wasting its strength, and from becoming weak and poor, when it should be strong and rich. God never allowed a child to grow up to be a citizen without providing something for him or her to do for the public good. Every citizen should in some way aid in making every acre of the State as productive as it can be made. Of all things, a useless soul and a useless acre are the most useless. I call upon you young people who are thinking as ready what you will do when you grow up, to resolve that you will be patriots, and help make the land in which you live as near a paradise as you can. You will be wiser if you begin at once to do some good thing. Here is a chance. Every tree that is planted helps to save water for the uses of the people. It helps to restrain the floods which destroy life and property. It helps to keep the air in pure condition for you and your associates. It helps to moderate the climate so that crops may grow and fruits mature. **

"If, then, you plant a tree, you increase the wealth and strength of the Commonwealth, and at the same time you aid in beautifying its resources."—(Dr. J. T. Rothrock.)

NOTES FROM SANDYSTON

Sandyston needed a new outfit of guide boards and on Saturday the contract was given out for them. The new posts are to be 10 feet long and cost 70c, set, and 64c. for each board with distance and lettering.

Death and the tax collector are the two certainties of life and as the tax duplicate is now in the hands of the collector one of the certainties is after you.

Just because a teacher refused to sign her contract the B of E repealed the ordinance.

The clause she objected to says that all teachers shall keep their school open from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. As the law does not state the time of opening and closing, they can open and close at any hour, as they have been doing for some time, to the detriment of the schools.

For time out of mind it has been from 9 to 4, but as the Good Book says we grow weaker and wiser.

The school at Brookside will open on Monday of this week with Miss Rachel Mowder of Netcong in charge at \$32.50 per month.

At a hearing on Saturday in a nasty auditory case the Justice rightly excluded all except those interested in the case from his courtroom.

Don't forget the Grange dance at Layton Grange Hall on the evening of the 22 inst. It is an invited dance however.

Jack Roe a highly respected citizen of Walpack died early on Sunday morning at Walpack Centre aged about 79 years. His health had been failing for several years, and his death was not unexpected.

Shay Vanness of Grantwood N. J. formerly of Hainesville will move to the Hornbeck farm in Montague in a few days.

Bert Cole of Montague who has been sick for some time is reported slightly better, although a sick man yet.

The voters can vote the money for building their schoolhouses but are compelled to accept plans furnished by the State, and, if a school raises money for a library, the State provides a like sum and dictates what books must be purchased whether the schools like them or not. There is no small State bossing.

The using of school rooms for petty shops should not be permitted and yet has been carried on for the past week.

Mordecai and Peter Hotalen of Waverly, N. Y. made us a call last week. Both men grew to manhood and moved to Waverly and this is the first visit of the former in 45 years and of the latter in 10 years.

Great changes have taken place in that time, and when bidding the good-bye said this was their last visit as most all were strangers to them here.

Will Shay and Dayton Dupre are busy painting the iron bridges in this town, and Date says they will be painting autos soon.

Comrade Joseph Layton and wife of near Layton made us a brief call on Thursday last. We were comrades during the war and the long talk we had was largely of war times.

Last week a handsome belfry was placed in the Fisher school house and the bell was placed in it at once.

Ralph Vansickle driver of one of the large motor cars from Milford to Port Jervis has entered the employ of the company at Allentown, Pa. at a good salary.

A New Boulevard.

Report says that in connection with the extension of Riverside drive in Matamoras down the river a fuller extension will be made all the way to Milford thus opening many fine bungalow sites along the bank. This scheme, if carried out, ought to attract many people who are desirous of locating near water. A lot would give every owner a permanent right of way to the river and a settlement like that would greatly enhance property values. The boulevard could be made fine for automobiles and would be very attractive.

It Is Educational.

"Arbor Day is educational in the best and largest sense. By engaging the pupils of the schools in the study of trees not merely from books but by actual observation and handling of them in their living state, the observing faculties of the pupils are appealed to and cultivated, and their minds are easily led on from the study of trees to that of shrubs and flowering plants and all natural objects. There can be no better training than this. It forms one of the best equipments for success in life in whatever employments one may be engaged, and is a never-failing source of enjoyment. No studies are more wholesome than those of natural objects. They are suggestive of only what is good. They cultivate the sense and love of the beautiful everywhere. They mollify the nature within us and fit us to be associates with one another, and to become worthy members of society whatever we may be."

Furnished rooms to rent. Enquire of Mrs. Etta Pollock, Corner Broad and Ann Streets, Milford, Pa.

WORDS.

Words that are but simple breath
Often live long after death,
They may be harsh, they may be kind,
Into the living heart they find
A lurking place, and there remain
To be recalled at will again.
Sometimes they pain, sometimes they sling,
Sometimes they peace and solace bring,
Sometimes they sleep but wake them not
If they be words that should be forgot.
Let you and me speak truly such
That will the soul's pulses touch
So when we're gone if tears be shed
Let them not be for words unkindly said.

CECELIA A. GULLER.

Real Estate Transfers

Edward Miller to Theodore Brockenstein, lots in Lackawaxen, 30 acres Greely Lake House \$100.

Emmett L. Parks deeds to Frederick B. Hazlett, lots in Lincoln Park, Westfall.

Charles Kelly to Moses C. Nyce, 186 acres Delaware \$1300.

E. L. Parks to M. C. Flynn, lot in Lincoln Park.

Seigfried Koppel to Leonard B. Watson, 200 acres Shohola, part of Emanuel Brink.

Peter P. Dohi to A. G. Rowland, 400 acres Lackawaxen, Samuel Thomas warrantee.

James Milham to H. J. Atkinson, lot in Palmyra on Big Pond \$50.

F. B. Ward to H. B. Ely and others Kinble Lumber Co., 1342 acres Lackawaxen \$7,400.

Horace Hazon to Everett L. Guest lot on Big Pond Palmyra.

Joseph Saliday and others to Maria L. Seigler, lot on Big Pond Palmyra \$1500.

James Milham to same, lot on Big Pond \$50.

R. M. Young to Alpheus Bensley, 171 acres Whitesell farm Delaware \$4,500.

Money Comes In Bunches

to A. A. Chisholm, of Treadwell, N. York., now. His reason is well worth reading: "For a long time I suffered from indigestion, torpid liver, constipation, nervousness, and general debility," he writes. "I couldn't sleep, had no appetite, nor ambition, grew weaker every day in spite of all medical treatment. Then used Electric Bitters. Twelve bottles restored all my old-time health and vigor. Now I can attend to business every day. It's a wonderful medicine." Infallible for Stomach, Liver, Kidneys, Blood and nerves. 50c. at All Druggists.

A Simple Accident.

A case was tried in the Orange County Courts last week in which a man sued a town for damages for the loss of an eye which he claimed was injured by the twig of a tree which had been allowed to overhang the highway, and which struck his eye as he was driving along it. The jury returned a verdict in his favor for \$3000. This may call attention to what seems a trivial matter, but which may be of serious moment if an accident happens, and might cost a township a large sum of money. It is a duty of supervisors to see that a highway is safe for the traveling public, and this includes such obstructions as may be over the road as well as those on or along it.

Pennsylvania's Beginning

"The state has made an admirable start in the right direction." It now owns over 925,000 acres in forest reserves, in which an axe cannot be swung without the sanction of the state and without strict supervision. It has established three forest tree nurseries in which are being grown millions of seedlings each year. It has planted over 2,000,000 seedlings and aims to plant 30,000,000 each year. It has 30 trained foresters in the field and above all it has an active Forestry Commissioner and Commission. But this is only a start.

It's A Top Notch Doer.

Great deeds compel regard. The world crowns its doers. That's why the American people have crowned Dr. King's New Discovery the King of Throat and Lung Remedies. Every atom is a health force. It kills germs, and cures and is gripe vanisher. It heals cough-racked membranes and coughing stops. Sore, inflamed bronchial tubes and lungs are cured and hemorrhages cease. Dr. Geo. More, Black Jack, N. C. writes "It cured me of lung trouble pronounced hopeless by all doctors." 50c, \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by All Druggists.

Arbor Day

"The annual observance of Arbor Day has fostered public sentiment in favor of the preservation of the forests, their protection from fire and other enemies, and their intelligent use for commercial, industrial and other purposes. It has emphasized in the public mind the value of trees for shade, for fruit, for timber, for holding the soil and conserving the streams. It has made the rising generation familiar with the best methods of planting trees, and for promoting their growth. It has led to the beautifying of the public parks and the grounds about homes and school houses. The custom of observing Arbor Day, which is now almost universal throughout the civilized world, should be encouraged and perpetuated."—(Gov. Stuart's Proclamation, 1908.)

Frightful Fate Averted.

"I would have been a cripple for life, from a terrible cut on my knee cap," writes Frank Disberry, Kellher, Minn., "without Bucklen's Arnica Salve, which soon cured me." Infallible for wounds, cuts and bruises. It soon cures Burns, Scalds, Old Sores, Boils, Skin Eruptions. World's best for piles. 25c. at All Druggists.

The Law of Dogs

In a case in Northampton county recently decided by Judge Stewart the court holds that the owner is not liable for a trespass committed by a dog in the owners absence or without his agency. To fasten liability on the owner of the dog, it is necessary to establish the vicious character of the dog and previous knowledge thereof by the owner, hence as an English judge has said "the law allows a dog his first bite." To many this may seem a violent construction as to the rights of the individual who may happen to be bitten and no doubt will not tend to allay his aggrieved feelings, but it must be considered that the dog in pursuance of his activities might consider that he had ample provocation to act with promiscuity and in self defense. It must be a very evil minded brute that will deliberately and without cause attempt to show the person if one who is in no way interfering with his pursuits.

Trees For Street Planting

"For wide streets, American sweet gum, maple, American Linden, sweet gum, scarlet oak, and red oak, for narrow streets, Norway maple, red maple, catalpa, tree ginkgo, pin oak, hardy catalpa."—(I. C. Williams, Deputy Commissioner of Forestry of Pennsylvania.)

OBITUARY

JAMES M. BENSLEY.

Ex County Commissioner Bensley died at Dingmans Ferry, where he was visiting, Wednesday night of paralysis. He was born in Lehman township Sept 13 1836 and was a son of Jacob and Sarah Ann Clifford, Bensley, both natives of the county. When a young man he learned the carpenter's trade and for nineteen years in connection with farming and lumbering followed that business. He held several local offices and in 1881 and 1884 and again in 1895 was elected County Commissioner. He was a school director for nine years, and served as justice of the peace for ten years. He enlisted in September 1864 in the 12th Pa. Cavalry and was discharged in 1865. In 1886 he married Mary J. Garis now deceased. Of a family of thirteen sons and daughters the following survive: him; Mary E. Oakes of Newton, N. J.; Anna E. of Boston; Charles and Harry F. of Lebanon, George S. of Goshen, N. Y.; Allen E. of Bangor, Pa. Elmer E. in N. Y. State, Kate D. Howey of Lehman. The date of funeral has not yet been fixed.