

### BRIEF MENTION

The letters Frank J. Gould wrote to an actress, who is now suing him for \$250,000 damages for fraud and misrepresentation in his promise to marry her, are being read in court. They are fine specimens of the ardor for a married man to write to a woman not his wife. It may be hoped she will recover the full amount and so relieve the young sap sucker of some of his surplus wealth. Pro'ably the lesson of decent living would be lost on him.

J. Victor Bencukrans, an expressman of Newton, who was sued by M. P. Tully to recover the value of a box of clothing alleged to have been given him for delivery, and which was not received, has been successful in resisting the claim.

Mrs. Sarah Crisman, probably the oldest person in this vicinity, is in a very critical condition and gradually failing.

The cold was prompt to verify the old adage about strengthening. The thermometer yesterday morning stood 10 below here.

Applications for the position of census enumerators for this district must be sent to Harry G. Ship, Easton, before January 25th. Applicants must reside in the district. They will then receive cards informing them where they are to report for the "test which will be held on February 5th only. Any citizen of the U. S. between the ages of 18 and 70 without regard to sex or political affiliations is eligible.

The question for debate before the Brotherhood at the meeting Monday evening is "Resolved that the rural districts have done more for the United States than the cities."

William Williams, when on his way home to Seventh street, was seized with an attack of heart failure Wednesday evening and fell on the sidewalk in front of Forest Hall. He was carried in Armstrong's drug store and soon revived. It was fortunate that it did not occur at some more remote place for in that case he would soon have perished with the cold.

Acetylene gas plants are not considered dangerous usually but, like the old gun, without lock, stock or barrel, may do great damage. A machine in the cellar of a house of C. L. Simons in Wayne County exploded last week and almost blew the building to pieces. It is supposed the pipes became clogged and that gas escaped in the cellar and was exploded by the furnace.

In the cases of Masker vs Masker and McKean vs McKean, the court has filed in both decrees granting the divorces asked for.

Snow drifts prevented Lon Kline the R. D. carrier the first of the week from covering his entire route. In this connection it may be said that if township supervisors and road overseers are not prompt in opening roads, they may be liable to indictment, also if the government finds them to be careless in this duty it may cancel R. D. routes. The people owe it to themselves to elect men who will be efficient and prompt in the performance of their duties and who will not cavil and delay because of differences of opinion.

Forester Gifford Pinchot in a recent speech opened fire on his enemies and challenges his critics. He says the Forest Service has broken no laws and that it is a first duty of a public officer to obey the law and second duty, and a close second to do everything the law will let him do for the public good, and not merely what the law directs or compels him to do. He believes that publicity is the essential and indispensable condition of clean and effective public service.

Mrs. Sarah E. Bovas of Sandyston has been visiting her niece in town for several days.

Edward Kupp of Lakewood, N. J. spent Christmas with his parents in town.

Philadelphia papers censure the weather bureau for not sending out warnings of the storm which so seriously affected the coast cities last Saturday night. They claim that with the information in possession of the bureau it was in position to know the storm was due and that it should have posted such notices for public benefit and so have saved great inconvenience and suffering.

Miss Grace Wolfe, who is attending school in Michigan, is spending the holiday vacation with her parents here.

The Annual Meeting of the Milford Volunteer Fire Department for the election of officers will be held in the Borough building Tuesday evening January 4th. A chief, first and second assistant engineer, Secretary and Treasurer are to be elected.

Frank Wells spent Christmas with his mother in town.

President Taft defines whiskey to be all potable liquor distilled from grain, but he directs that every package of whiskey shall have a label indicating clearly how it was made. No matter how made the label would not deter some from drinking it if it set on up.

A rather curious feature of the shirt waist makers strike in N. Y. is that society ladies, among them the daughter of J. P. Morgan, are interesting themselves in the affair. This might indicate a double reason.

Next Monday will be the season for new resolutions. Don't make them very strong for it may be convenient to break them in a few days and weak ones will take less exertion.

Herman Hanser, aged twenty-six years of Brooklyn N. Y., died Monday at the home of S. D. Wells in Shohola where he was for his health. The body was taken to Fresh Pond, L. I. Thursday for cremation.

Philadelphia experienced the worst snow storm in years last Sunday. The fall reached twenty-three inches and was accompanied by blizzards and winds. Traffic of all kinds was greatly impeded and on the railroads entirely suspended for a time. The storm was worse over the southern than the northern part of the State, and there was much suffering and deprivation.

One of the severest snow storms in many years began here Christmas day and continued until Sunday accompanied by a high wind which drifted the snow and considerably interfered with travel. Trains were late and along the New England coast especially at Boston much damage was done by a tidal wave caused by the strong north east wind. The snowfall was about thirteen inches. The thermometer began falling and Tuesday morning was below zero.

A marriage license was issued Monday to Geo. A. Daumann and Martha E. Fleg.

Miss Nettie Newman and Max Fleg, both of Milford, were married Christmas day by Rev. C. A. White.

Harry Homer of Newark, N. J. who formerly resided here, spent Christmas in town.

Andrew Middaugh spent Christmas with his parents at Diagonans.

Mrs. Lenora Degen of New York spent Christmas with her parents on Sawkill Avenue.

James Humbert of Staten Island recently spent a few days with his parents here.

Vivian Strothers, Lancelot Wilcox, Stuart Buchanan, Ernest Kipp, Ed Kenney, and Claude Courtright of New York were Christmas visitors in town.

Lanty Armstrong was a visitor in town over Christmas.

George Palmer of Montclair, N. J. is spending the holidays with his parents in town.

Warren Hissam, of the U. S. S. Mississippi, spent Christmas with his parents in town.

The First National Bank of Milford will pay its stockholders a 3 per cent dividend Jan 3rd.

Mrs. Isabella F. Wright of N. Y. spent the week in town.

Leroy Kipp and wife are visiting in N. Y.

Lanty Wilson of N. Y. was here the past week.

Mrs. S. S. Stewart and daughter of Stewarts Pa are at Armstrong Villa.

H. H. Pentz and wife of Brooklyn and B. D. Blythe and wife of Staten Island spent the week at the Anchor Inn.

Jennie Strothers a teacher in Philadelphia is a guest with her mother here.

Merrill C. Spield of the Tri-State publishing co. at Port Jervis and D. F. Cook manager of a mercantile house have purchased the Piqua Call a newspaper published at Piqua O. Both are prominent in business affairs in their city and good citizens and their departure will be a loss. We wish them success in the new venture.

T. B. Morse of N. Y. came up yesterday to spend a few days at Hotel Schanoo.

### NOTES FROM SANDYSTON

The blizzard of Saturday night and Sunday about closed our roads to travel. The milk wagons could not reach the station at Layton or Hainesville and the farmers took their loads to Tuttle Corcor and it was nearly noon before they reached that place. With the heavy loads they pull it must have been nightfall before they arrived at Branchville.

The Brink trial in Orange County was put through in Jersey style, but why keep that man in jail almost a year before trial. That was unnecessary.

The Sandyston Committee will meet in the Layton Grange Hall and settle up the business of the year, on Friday of this week.

Mr and Mrs. Leander Degroot are happy over the advent of a son in their family circle on the 21st inst.

Of all fads the Souvenir Card craze is the limit. It is not only the kids, but all ages delight in sending and receiving them and Uncle Sam is reaping the financial end of the game.

The weather of the past week has been of the Arctic variety for on the 20th it stood at 8 above and on the 21st 1 above.

Our milk men will begin filling their ice houses with 10 inch ice this week.

The Lydia Decker dwelling situated in the village of Layton was sold on Thursday last. This was sold to settle up the estate. L. T. Smith was the purchaser for \$501.

John L. Creveling one of our oldest residents is in poor health and as he is nearly 80 years of age there is slight hope of ultimate recovery.

Most of our schools have taken a two weeks holiday vacation. This will give the pupils plenty of time to do visiting, etc.

It is worth while selling the old plank taken from a bridge when replaced by new, when the old material sells for 90 cents, and the official selling it is entitled to \$2.

The Christmas tree entertainment in the Layton M. E. Church on Sunday evening did not take place owing to the condition of the roads and boisterous weather.

Looking One's Best. It's a woman's delight to look her best but pimples, skin eruptions, sores and boils rob life of joy. Listen! Bucklen's Arnica Salve cures them; makes the skin soft and velvety. It glorifies the face. Cures Pimples, Sore Eyes, Cold Sores, Cracked Lips, Chapped Hands. Try it. 25c at All Druggists.

### OBITUARY

Mrs. ELMIRA PAUGH MIDDAGH. Mrs. Middaugh died at her home near Parkers Glen at noon Wednesday of pneumonia after a brief illness. She was born in Montague, N. J. January 10th, 1848 and was a daughter of Peter and Elizabeth Osterhout Paugh.

She married the late Levi J. Middaugh, who died in 1905, November 22, 1871 and removed from Port Jervis to the home where she has since resided.

She was an active member of the Barryville M. E. Church, a sincere christian and one who won general respect and esteem.

Three daughters, Maggie wife of Marcus Kroger, Mrs. Eva Jane Conkling of Port Jervis, Maimie at home, and one son Levi J., survive her.

Two sisters, Mrs. Horace Carpenter of Port Jervis, Mrs. James Babcock of this place, and two brothers, George of Ohio and Daniel of Port Jervis also survive her.

The funeral will be held today and interment in

Rich Men's Gifts Are Poor beside this: "I want to go on record as saying that I regard Electric Bitters as one of the greatest gifts that God has made to women, writes Mrs. O. Rhinevaik of Vestal Center, N. Y. "I can never forget what it has done for me." This glorious medicine gives a woman buoyant spirits, vigor of body, and jubilant health. It quickly cures Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Melancholy, Head ache, Backache, Fainting and Dizzy Spells; soon builds up the weak all and sickly 50c at All Druggists.

Ice men are happy and are gathering a fine crop.

Likewise the coal dealers are harvesting shakles—particularly the uncalled for 25c a ton rise which they concluded was easy money to squeeze out of their customers.

### MR. NAGEL TO THE SUPERVISORS

#### The Secretary's Vigorous Address Following the President's.

Secretary Nagel of the Department of Commerce and Labor, under whose supervision is the work of the Bureau of the Census, at the conference of eastern state supervisors here, gave a vigorous talk on the subject of their duty, in which he emphasized and added to what had been said by the President to the Census field chiefs previously at the White House. The Secretary said:

"I wanted a chance to meet you—not to speak to you, but to shake hands and possibly to exchange a word here and there as occasion might offer. There is a further reason why it will be difficult for me to say anything at this time. We have a rule that after the President has spoken his Secretaries have nothing to say. [Laughter.] I happened to be in the White House when you were there, and heard what the President said. To now repeat would not give emphasis; to add is barely pardonable.

"I am very glad that you did have an opportunity, however, to meet the President himself and to hear from him just what the attitude of the Executive on this matter of the taking of the census is; and I am glad that he had an opportunity to say to you how thoroughly he is in earnest about what he has heretofore said.

"It is unnecessary for me to dwell upon the importance of a correct census. Of course, we want to take a better census than has ever before been taken—and that is no disparagement of the work of predecessors. We ought to improve; we ought to improve for reasons which are self evident; we ought to improve because the need for a correct and adequate census now is greater than it has ever been before. It is so on account of the growth of our country, and because we are coming into relations with other countries, so that a correct report and a reliable statement, to be used not only at home but for comparison with what other countries are doing, is the one essential foundation of all calculations.

"Now, we have done, as we think, what we can to accomplish that result. So far as we could, we have placed in charge here at the head men who are experienced, competent and enthusiastic. Of course, the office here might be perfect in its machinery and its administration, and yet the entire work would be a failure unless you did what the President indicated this morning. After all, granting a false premise anything can be proved. No matter how fine the superstructure may be, if the foundation is not right the building is not worth anything. It is for you to furnish the foundation for what is going to be done. You are responsible to the Director, to me, and to the President. That is the importance of your position.

"Now, there is a lot of human nature in this thing, as was indicated to you this morning. You will have to be judges of a good many things, and you will have to show some discretion. And there is a lot of human nature beyond you when it comes to the activities of the enumerators themselves. A man might, for illustration, be a good business man and yet not be a good enumerator, because he might not have the confidence of the people with whom he has to deal. It is not always easy to get men of the right qualifications. It is easy enough to make examinations, but it must be left for you to decide, according to such examinations as you may make, and according to such judgment as you may be able to apply to the cases, who are the proper men to be recommended to the Director for the work which is to furnish the foundation of the census that is ultimately to be completed.

"Now, I trust that you are showing a lot of human nature in taking these places. When people say that the Government should be run on business principles, I always reply 'Yes, so far as bookkeeping is concerned, that is true; but as far as employment of human energy is concerned, it can not be true, because the Government does not pay enough to make it worth while for competent men to do what is expected.' That is the truth of it. If we did not have enthusiasm and sentiment and love of country and desire to appear right among our fellow men the Government would never succeed on business principles alone. It takes something more. It takes willingness for men to serve their country in the places to which they are called. Your places are important. I know we cannot pay you, but I may hope you may find your compensation in something better. When the census has been completed and Director Durand has succeeded in making it the best one that has ever been taken, you may be glad to feel that your part in it was worth while."

### ENUMERATORS' TEST EASY.

#### Census Director Durand Sets February 5th as the Date.

Any person of good judgment, who has received an ordinary common school education, can readily and easily pass the test to be given applicants for Census enumerators' places on Saturday Feb. 5th, the date finally set by U. S. Census Director Durand, according to an announcement from the Census Bureau. This will be a comforting assurance to the several hundred thousand who are believed to be contemplating application for the places.

It was emphatically stated at the bureau that the test will be an eminently reasonable and practical one, similar to that applied to applicants at the Twelfth Census. It will consist of filling-out a sample schedule of population from a description, in narrative form, of typical families; and, in the case of enumerators whose work will be in the rural districts, they will be called upon to fill out an additional sample schedule of agriculture, from information furnished by the Census Bureau.

All persons, whether women or men, who may desire to become Census enumerators must be citizens of the United States; residents of the supervisor's district for which they wish to be appointed; must be not less than 18 nor more than 70 years of age; must be physically able to do the work; must be trustworthy, honest and of good habits; must have at least an ordinary education and must be able to write plainly and with reasonable rapidity.

Those who can comply with these requirements are invited to put in their applications, as there will be at least 68,000 enumerators' places to be filled by the middle of March in preparation for the enumeration beginning April 15th.

Application forms, with full instructions for filling in, and complete information concerning the test and the method of appointment, can be secured by writing to the supervisor of census for the supervisor's district in which the applicant lives. All applications, properly filled-in must be filed with the supervisors not later than January 25th as any received after that date cannot be considered.

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### TO MY CLOCK

When first you stood upon my shelf,  
(If I remember right myself)  
My mirror showed a girlish face  
Without a wrinkle of time's trace.

But many years you ticked for me,  
And time stole on unawarily;  
The furrows deep on cheek and brow  
Are what my mirror shows me now.

Hours you record in plain numbers,  
Hours for labor, hours for slumbers,  
Hours for resting, hours for pleasure,  
Hours meted in fair measure.

The little ticks like grains of sand  
That fill the shores and desert lands  
Merge into weeks, and months, and years,  
Bringing sometimes joys and sometimes tears.

Time was, and is, the same with you,  
No sign shows time you have gone through;  
Not so with me, I'm old and gray;  
You're ticking fast my life away.

Tick on, my faithful little friend,  
Tick on until the very end;  
How long you'll tick, I cannot tell;  
You may tick for me my funeral knell.

CROLLA A. COLLEN.

### Swapping Barrels.

A tourist tells a story that one Sunday he heard a good sermon in Chicago, and the next at Colorado City he heard the same Scripture lesson read, the same text and the same sermon. The minister on having the coincidence mentioned to him "thought it strange." There are parties who offer to sell outlines of sermons for very small sums and The Religious Telescope comments as follows:

"If God calls a man to preach 'the Gospel, he does not summon him to be a reciter or a parrot. If a man has not the intellectual ability to prepare a sermon that is worth listening to, and contains helpful thought, he has no business to stand in the pulpit and sponge off the generosity of parishioners. Such a man is obtaining money under false pretenses. It is impossible to imagine Paul, or Peter, or John, sending to some sermon company for their weekly messages. Spurgeon, and Brooks and Beecher, to say nothing about Luther and Wesley, and Otterbein, did not need to travel around on the wooden legs of other people. One man said it is more beneficial to an audience to preach another man's sermons than one's own nonsense. If the efforts of the minister can not rise above nonsense, and can not result in something morally uplifting and intellectually strengthening, he ought to begin to search for the source of his call, and examine the expiration date of his commission."

### NOTICE OF ELECTION

The annual meeting of the Stock holders of the Blooming Grove Hunting and Fishing Club for the election of Directors to serve for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before the meeting, will be held at Hotel Walton, in the City of Philadelphia, Penn., on the first day of February 1910 at 8:30 o'clock in the afternoon of that day.

EDWIN B. WOODS, Secretary.  
Dated Dec. 15th 1909

### Basket Ball

The Milford Basket Ball Club will play the crack White Mills, Pa., five Saturday evening, January 1st, in Brown's Hall at 9 o'clock. As both teams are in good shape an exciting game is looked for.

### NOTICE OF ELECTION

The First National Bank of Milford, Pa. Dec. 11, 1909

The Annual Election for Directors of this Bank will be held at the Banking room on Tuesday January 11th, 1910 between the hours of 2 and 8 P. M.

JOHN C. WARNER, Cashier.

### Notice Of Election.

The annual meeting of the share holders of the Barret Bridge Company, will be held at room 4 Farnam Building in the city of Port Jervis, N. Y., Monday January 3, 1910, for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year. The polls will be open from 10 o'clock a. m. until 11 o'clock a. m.

W. L. CUDEBACK, Treasurer.  
Port Jervis, N. Y., Dec. 15, 1909.

### Stung For 15 Years

by Indigestion's pangs—trying many doctors and \$200 worth of medicine in vain, B. F. Ayasue, of Englewood, N. C., at last used Dr. King's New Life Pills, and writes they wholly cured him. They cure Constipation, Biliousness, Sick Headache, Stomach, Liver, Kidney and Bowel troubles. 25c at All Druggists.

### Week of Prayer.

The Methodist and Presbyterian churches will hold Union services during the week of prayer, commencing at the Methodist church next Sunday at quarter before seven when the Christian Endeavor Society will unite with the Epworth League.

The services will be held at 7:30 o'clock on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday in the Methodist church.

On Thursday, Friday and Sunday Jan. 9 in the Presbyterian church

Sunday Jan 2—Sermon topic "The Permanent in Christianity"—Rev. C. A. White.

Monday—Topic—"Human History a Witness for God." Leader Rev. G. Garisse.

Tuesday—Topic—"The Foundations Unshaken Immovable" Leader Rev. C. A. White.

Thursday—Topic—"Missions the Necessary Expression of Christian Devotion." Leader Rev. C. A. White.

Friday—Topic—"The Things Which in the Kingdom and Without." Leader Rev. C. A. White.

Sunday—Topic of the Christian Endeavor Society and Epworth League—"Bringing Others to Christ".

Topic of Sermon—"Freedom Through the Truth." Rev. G. Garisse.

The above topics are suggested by the Evangelical Alliance and call for praise and prayer.

All are most cordially invited to attend these services, and to unite in prayer that God's Kingdom may come and His will be done.

### Alone In Saw Mill At Midnight

unmindful of dampness, drafts, stings, or cold, W. J. Atkins worked as Night Watchman, at Banner Springs, Tenn. Such exposure gave him a severe cold that settled on his lungs. He tried many remedies but all failed till he used Dr. King's New Discovery. "After using one bottle" he writes, "I went back to work as well as ever." Severe Colds, stubborn Coughs, inflamed throats and sore lungs, Hemorrhages, Croup, and Whooping Cough get quick relief and prompt cure from this glorious medicine. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by All Druggists.

### Shooting Match

R. J. Westbrook and Joseph Martin will have a Shooting Match at the popular Halfway House on the Milford road to Port Jervis New Years Day 1910, beginning at 10 o'clock. Turkeys, ducks, chickens and cash prizes will be offered. Ammunition may be had on the grounds. Will S. Loftin, prop. of the Half way House will serve a chicken dinner at noon for 35 cents. Everybody is welcome, come and have a good day's sport.

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