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## BRIEF MENTION

Thomas J. Quick has been appointed postmaster at Port Jervis in place of S. D. Boyce whose term has expired.

Rupert P. Nills of Lehman visited in town Wednesday.

Mrs. Harmon, who occupies the Armstrong House on High Street has gone to Europe, and her daughter and husband will soon leave for South America. Work for the present is suspended on her large house at Raymondskill and reports say a new deal in the way of a superintendant is contemplated.

Port Jervis has a curfew law. The whistle sounds at 8:30 and all youngsters are thereby warned to be to their homes without delay. It is a proper law for children and there are some adults who need some such regulation.

The Department of Agriculture recently issued a statement attributed to it that in a few years California will be the only source of hardwood supply. This doctrine was spread by some companies interested in selling land and referred to ecologically which are grown in that state.

The engagement of Lillian Mercier of this place and Charles Middaugh of Dingmans Ferry is announced.

Exp. postmaster Wm. Angle and son Clarence W. are at Stroudsburg Pa.

H. L. Briscoe and wife of Dingmans Ferry visited in town last Saturday.

Leut. is now on and there are a great many things borrowed which will very slowly return.

Joseph Canne who is dispensing cures for rheumatism and other bodily ills is now making his headquarters in Port Jervis.

Is it not a credit to Mr. Clune that he is careful to be present at important meetings of the board. Shows he is watchful for the interests of the county. As to criticizing him, it is one thing to criticize and another to insinuate by innuendo. Probably no man lives who is immune, or wholly deserves to be, from fair criticism and we do not hesitate perhaps with too much freedom, to indulge when the occasion seems to require, but private criticism and veiled abuse are different matters.

Game warden Lowry recently arrested a man at Notch whose dog he thought had killed a fawn. As he could not prove the ownership he killed the dog and released the man.

Snow in the woods is very deep and birds have a hard time getting food. It would be charity to place some where they could find it, and besides it might aid to preserve those friends of the farmer.

Major Daniel Borrell, whose family at one time resided in Dingman township and who was a brother to the late Mrs. Mary A. McCarty, died recently near Washington, D. C., aged about 86 years.

B. C. Totten, a long time resident of Matamoras and who held many local offices, especially that of Constable, contemplates departing from that Borough to make his home elsewhere.

Hon. Jacob Kiser and wife and Mrs. J. C. Bull contemplated a return home last Monday from attending the funeral of H. P. Nye, but on account of snow drifts the train on the D. V. R. R. was stalled that day.

A number of Milford ladies were pleasantly entertained a few evenings ago by Miss Bettie Cornilus and Mrs. E. W. Cross, who recently afforded several of their great delights at an afternoon tea.

What some women would do if they had the ballot they tell in the following words: Rev. Anna H. Shaw says: I would strive for better schools, more play grounds, and laws for the improvement of laboring conditions. Ida Husted Harper says: I would urge re-education of women on boards and commissions, participation in public affairs, and non-partisanship in politics, and Mari'n Hair says: I should like to undo the mischief done by the ballots of other women. Quite formidable tasks to accomplish.

Crystal Spring Hotel at East Stroudsburg was damaged this week by fire to amount of \$7000.

Geo. T. Snyder is ready to do plastering and repairing walls. He keeps a stock of material on hand and is prepared to do work at short notice.

Hon. J. Joseph Hart of N. Y. was in town last Sunday.

At the orphan's court sale the property of the late Amanda W. Cortright in Delaware township held last Saturday the different parcels were sold as follows: No. 1 on which is the house to Hy. T. Baker for a bid of \$2525, on 2 the farm land to John Zimmerman and for \$1800 and on 3 the woodland to James P. and John P. Van Etten for \$305. Total \$4,800. These are generally conceded to be fair prices.

Last Sunday was one of the severest days of the winter. A strong wind added to the biting cold and searched every crack and crevice, not only of houses, but of the anatomy of persons who ventured out Monday morning the mercury smugled down to eleven below zero here, and that was not a reminder of June.

Postmaster H. S. Angle was in New York a couple of days this week.

William Angle resigned as Postmaster at Milford last Friday and his son Harry S. was appointed in place. The appointment will run for the next four years.

Anglo brothers decorated the walls of the bank room this week which gives the place a more attractive appearance.

L. S. Shaffer has sold his farm in Blooming Grove to the Hunting and Fishing Club for \$6000. There is a pond and trout stream on it.

John Santos of Milford township will soon remove his family to Long Island.

Harry Morgan, who for years has lived residents on his mail route and at Dingmans by carrying without pay their money to the bank, cashing checks and accommodating them generally in those matters recently had his good nature shocked by a party for whom he had brot a check to the bank here and had cashed, denying that he had handed over the proceeds. He does not recall the transaction but will make good and in future protect himself by being on the safe side.

Turkey supper at the Presbyterian Church Feb. 22 from six to ten o'clock.

Those who took the test examination for census enumerators at Dingmans Ferry last Saturday were Isiah Dundas, Allen Brown, Daniel Shoe maker of Delaware and Frank Rosen crans, M. V. Briscoe, Walter Stafford and R. P. Nills of Lehman.

Mrs. M. C. Nye of Bushkill visited in the family of C. W. Bull esq. part of this week.

Mrs. W. B. Kenworthy who has been visiting friends in N. Y. for a couple of weeks has returned home.

The Honorable Citizen is ciphering over this paper. Multiply 45 by 43 and it says you have \$23. Multiply 500 cents, the number in \$5, by 500 and you have \$2,500. We wait an answer.

The Milford basket ball team will play the Honesdale quintet Saturday evening in Browns Hall.

The bank will be closed tomorrow, Lincoln's birth day, Tuesday the 13th election day and Tuesday the 22nd Washington's birth day.

The Military Academy formerly located at Cornwall-on-the-Hudson, which was destroyed by fire a short time ago may be established at Delaware Water Gap. A citizen there has offered the use of a building he owns at a nominal cost.

The residence of James Bunnell at Bushkill was slightly damaged by fire a few days ago.

The 22 annual dinner of the Mifflin valley Historical Society will be held at Port Jervis Feb. 22nd. Several excellent speakers are expected to make addresses.

Hon. W. S. Bennett of New York, a son of James Bennett who is well known here from his former connection with the Gazette, is to have his home for the Governorship launched at a dinner soon to be given.

Mrs. John Carlin died last week Friday after a long illness of old age and general debility aged 80 years. She is survived by one sister who has always lived with her and several children. Interment in the Hill Side cemetery at Hawley. She was a native of Kimble.

E. S. Wolfe entertained the teachers of the High School Wednesday evening.

James M. Allerton, for many years a lawyer in Port Jervis died in Matamoras yesterday afternoon aged 88 years.

Miss Katherine McKeeby of this place visited the family of Dr. Ely in Honesdale.

During the absence of Dr. Kenworthy in the South his practice will be in charge of Dr. R. G. Barclay of Milford and Dr. E. Cuddeback of Port Jervis. The latter will be at the office of Dr. Kenworthy Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays from 1 to 6.30 p. m. 55

Nearly thirty thousand dozen cold storage eggs were ordered destroyed at Pittsburgh this week. They were roasted in the sewage disposing plant. Somebody lost money in that speculation, and it was a great waste in a food product which if sold at the proper time would have afforded a good many breakfasts. One only wish is that every or firm thus engaged in this storing the necessities of life to raise prices would meet with similar results.

It came out in New York recently a woman sued her husband who was a waiter at the Waldorf that he received \$100 a week in tips. This would be considered a pretty large salary for most business men.

A farmer in Salem N. J. sold two hogs to a butcher but wanted to buy back the hams shoulders. He got them and then owed the butcher \$25. He sold the hogs at wholesale and bought back at retail prices.

Bill 4 for the election next Tuesday were printed at the Press office and were ready for delivery yesterday.

The Wayne Independent was thirty three years this week. Just in the prime of life.

Tomorrow is Lincoln's birth day and Monday is St. Valentines day.

Sixty-five persons took the test examination for census enumerators at Stroudsburg last Saturday.

A man in Altoona bought of the State Game Commission 350 guns for \$525. They were taken from ten naturalized foreigners and some were fine silver mounted arms.

East Stroudsburg wants to change her name and a committee of fifteen has been appointed to select a new one with Albert Eckert chairman.

John L. Sullivan, the prize fighter has a new manager. He was married recently and his wife says she will make him keep his seat on the water wagon, in addition to managing his business affairs.

## OBITUARY

### HARRY PETERS NYCE

Mr. Nye, a native of Lehman died at Stroudsburg last Friday aged about 53 years. He was a son of the late Jacob and Delinda Peters, Nye both deceased from pioneer families in this state, his paternal ancestor coming to this country from Germany and settling near Philadelphia. The original name was spelled Nens or Nuyse.

Mr. Nye leaves to survive him his mother, his wife six children Robert J.; Frank W.; Mary J. Roy; Bessie F.; and Margaret D.; one brother James E.; and sisters Mrs. Ellen Gaillet, Margaret, Mrs. Jacob Kiser and Mrs. J. C. Bull. The funeral was held last Monday and interment at Stroudsburg.

### Real Estate Transfers

Ole B. Olsen to Bertha H. Olsen, undivided half, Mordecai Roberts, no 61, Lackawanna.

M. B. McCarty to John W. Brown lots in Dingman Ferry, \$150.

Anna Schumderer to Henock Reiser, 162 acres, Palmyra, \$100.

Mary E. Quinn et al to Palmer Deque, 196 acres, Lehman warrantee Wm. Nye no. 267.

W. Winfred Nuss, receiver to John D. Houk, land in Greene, 1 acre \$2600.

Margaret A. Hart to William A. Lambert, 445 acres Shohola, Martin Neleigh no. 83.

### In Cold Storage

A writer in a city paper says there are stored in 558 cold storage warehouses in this country fourteen million cattle, six million calves, twenty five million sheep and lambs and fifty million hogs, one billion eight hundred million eggs one hundred thirty million pounds of poultry, fifty million dollars worth of fruit and thirty million dollars worth of fish, and of other products at least one hundred million dollars worth. This in part may explain high prices and it may also account for many cases of disease which arise from these foods where they are marketed because of a sanitary condition.

## NEWS FROM WASHINGTON

The greatest anxiety prevails among thinking men in the administration, including the leaders of Congress, regarding the forthcoming decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in the case of the American Tobacco Company. If the decision of the lower court is sustained it will mean the appointment of a receiver for the tobacco trust. The directors of that great corporation will be discharged from further responsibility and a receiver will assume charge of its affairs, not for the purpose of administering them in the interest of stockholders, but for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the company of disposing of its assets, presumably to the highest bidder and of casting drift on the financial sea the integral parts of that great aggregation of concerns. This will inevitably result in fearful loss to those who own the securities of the organization. Moreover, the affirmation by the court of the last resort of the principle involved will leave the administration no alternative but immediately to institute suits against practically every concern which has been constructed on similar lines. One does not need to be a pessimist to see a condition bordering on industrial chaos as a result of the disintegration of the chief corporations of the country. But if they are found to exist in violation of the law they must come down and it is President Taft's belief, that it is far better to see some chaotic conditions for a short time than to allow the illegal corporations to obtain a grasp upon the country which might never be shaken off.

There is no likelihood that the administration's federal corporation measure will receive favorable action by either house of Congress at this session. There has been some reluctance on the part of the leaders to admit this fact but they have finally concluded that there is no good end to be served by concealing it. Two factors contribute to this situation. First it would be impossible to adopt legislation of such far-reaching importance in the face of determined opposition of the minority. It would be talked to death in the Senate even were it possible under whip and spur to obtain a majority for it in the House. In the second place there is grave question regarding the political expediency of such legislation. Democratic administrations regarded the Sherman law as a dead letter and finally it fell to a Republican administration; the law came under direction of Philander Knox the then Attorney-general and he resuscitated it and secured for it such judicial interpretation as gave it force. Since the decision in the Northern Securities case Republican administrations have been seeking assiduously to enforce the statute. The wisdom of seeking now, at a time when the end sought seems about to be attained, to mitigate its effects is seriously questioned, especially in view of the present temper of the people. Were the only sufferers those managers of great combinations who have brot them into being there would be no hesitation whatever about permitting them to take the consequences of their own lawlessness but the anxiety of innocent people whom it would be impossible to save from punishment intended for a few.

American generally little realize the important part which the Nation at Red Cross may play in the diplomatic affairs of this nation. That the services rendered by that organization at Bluefields contributed materially to ally the sentiments aroused among the supporters of Zelaya by the action of the United States has become obvious. That the generosity and timeliness of the assistance rendered by the Red Cross in the vicinity of Messina has served more strongly to cement the bond of friendship between this country and Italy is a well recognized fact. But a recent and unexpected development of this power for good has attracted the attention of those members of the administration who have to do with the adjustment of tariff relations under the Payne law and who learn that because of prompt and effective assistance rendered to those afflicted by the Paris floods, there is a growing sentiment in France that the government at Paris should stand ready to make all reasonable concessions to the end that there shall be no tariff war between that country and the United States. Such ends have

of course, been as little contemplated as the catastrophes which called forth the ministrations of the Red Cross but that does not make them less welcome.

It is planned that the investigation of the cost of living contemplated by the Senate will not include "hearings" from a great multiplicity of witnesses. The existing instrumentalities of the government will be utilized to procure the facts. The great army of employees from the Department of Agriculture will be used to procure and present in available form the facts regarding prices received by the initial producer and to this army may also be entrusted the collection of data regarding the price at which such products are sold by commission men. The Department of Commerce and Labor will be used to secure the cost of manufacture, selling prices at the mill and so on. In this way it is believed the information can be quickly procured and an analysis and report made before Congress adjourns. Senator Lodge, the author of the Senate resolution, is of the opinion that the investigation will show that the prices thru out the world have increased as a result of the increased production of gold.

## LIVE STOCK ON RANGES

Absolutely Confidential Treatment of the Answers to Census Enumerators.

The United States Census Bureau is making extraordinary preparations to ascertain the approximately exact number and value of live stock on the ranges in the United States on April 15 next, the date of the live stock inventory, as required by the act of Congress providing for the Thirteenth Decennial Census. Fearful that for one reason or another the live-stock raisers may be deterred from freely stating the number and value of their holdings, the Census Bureau is exerting unusual efforts to assure the ranchmen and farmers, especially of the western range states, that their interests, whether personal or corporate, can not possibly be affected in any way by their frank and full disclosure of their live stock possessions. The information gathered by the Census Office is held strictly confidential not only in respect to the fact that under no circumstances is it ever imparted to any one not connected with the Census Office, but in respect to its ever being to any other branch of the Government.

### ASSURANCE OF SECRECY.

"In behalf of the Census Bureau," said Assistant Director William F. Willoughby, "I can give as positive assurance of the confidential treatment of information called for by the live stock questions in the general agricultural schedule as I could if a confidence were to be imposed upon me personally and privately. The Census Bureau is concerned only in the collection and publication of statistical facts. The spirit of every act of Congress providing for the various decennial censuses has been, and is, that the information as to individuals, firms, and corporations is to be given inviolable secrecy. It is as much 'privileged information' as that imparted by a client to a lawyer, by a patient to a doctor, by a dying man to a minister. It can not even be imparted to another branch of the Federal Government, no matter how much the information may be desired. No court ever has or ever will ignore this 'immunity' from personal or business involvement bestowed in return for information required by United States Census inquiries. To do otherwise would impair, if not wholly destroy, the scientific efficiency of the census work. So far as the live-stock census is concerned, the bureau, following fair, impartial, and unbiased methods, quickly separates the person, firm, or corporation from the facts furnished, and private or corporate identity is connected with any census data remains forever sealed and sacred in the great safe of the Census Office."

## FOR RENT!

ONE of the finest store rooms in Milford, Corner Broad and Catharine Streets from April 1st. Also two cottages; one 6 rooms, water in both. Enquire of A. D. BROWN, Milford, Pa.

## THE TRAMP'S GRIEF

I've had fortune, friends and health  
I've girdled the zone and squandered my wealth  
I've been a "hall fellow well met" as they say,  
I've wine and I've dined and put up the pay,  
I've been kind to the needy, I never said "no"  
When asked for assistance, I'd always bestow.

But now I am homeless, I roam through the street  
Ragged and hungry, each one that I meet  
Shuns me, not even pity is seen in the face  
For a poor wretched creature fallen into disgrace,  
Yes, I said disgrace, though never a crime  
Have I yet committed, although my last dime  
Was spent and temptation, I shudder to say  
Often whispered its lures to me day after day.

I've knocked at the door and asked for some bread  
At the very same mansion (all my pride has fled)  
Where once I was welcomed. The answer was "no,  
Be off—look for work, you idle tramp—go!"  
I know I'm a tramp but it happened this way:  
I had saved something for a "wet day"  
My best friend was in trouble, he begged in God's name  
To relieve him, he gambled and was then brought to shame  
He was sentenced for prison and asked me for bail  
I had little left but to keep him from jail  
I gave it, he absconded and that was the end  
Of my cash and my trusting and my quondam friend  
I have learned wisdom, but oh too late,  
There is no use talking nor holding debate  
Over my folly I must suffer, and do;  
So let me a little advice give to you.

If you have as I had, friends, fortune and health,  
Don't trust to your friends, keep tight hold of your wealth  
The tear of compassion let it not moist your eye  
But keep firm your fawners aloof, "high and dry"  
For after they've used you as their best "trump"  
They'll laugh at and scoff you and call you "a chump,"  
And then if you're needy or ill or old  
And ask for a pittance, you'll be left in the cold.

Well now to my pallet it is in a shed,  
I've a pillow of stone to put under my head.  
An old worn carpet to shelter me from air,  
That whistles and blows through the crevices there  
I'll sleep soundly and dream perhaps of the past  
And forget I'm a vagrant and an outcast,  
Without hope or comfort or one ray of light  
To guide the old tramp but no matter—Good night!

CECILIA A. CULLEN.

## HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

It is interesting to note that Great Salt Lake of Utah is rising and is now higher than at any period in the memory of white men.

A few years ago scientists claimed that it was drying up and would soon disappear.

The present rising is not caused by heavy rains but according to Indian tradition, it has a regular rise and fall at intervals of thirty or forty years.

It is said that the Great Lakes also have a gradual rise and fall, but this is so slight as to be hardly noticeable.

Miss Lila Ryman, an Alumna of the Milford High School, has gone to Newark N. J. on an extended visit.

Miss Natalie Armstrong entertained a party of her friends on Saturday evening.

An indenture given the eighteenth of May 1775 under the rule of King George III of England, written on sheep skin with a quill-pen, was viewed recently with great interest by the pupils of the school.

Miss Rose Gamble was pleasantly surprised last Thursday evening by a party of young people to remind her of her birthday.

Mr. Kocks State Inspector of High Schools visited our school last week.

The foolish talk about the curse of labor is responsible for much of the haste to gain wealth that we may retire into idleness. But if we are honest with ourselves we know that labor is never a curse, that it is ever a blessing. Work is what sweetens life and give delight to all our days.

## Test Examination

Those who took the test examinations for census enumerators at Matamoras last Saturday were John S. Durant Matamoras; Julius W. Kiser, C. W. Leible, and H. A. Jallit, Milford; Henry Bradford, Robert Dinamore, Shohola; M. H. Lissley, and Wesley Griffin, Lackawanna.

In New Jersey one question asked was to classify a child born on the high seas of a French mother and German father and afterwards brot to that state. It stumped a number of applicants who will protest against such enigmas.

## Lecture in Methodist Church

Berton L. Rockwood of Philadelphia will give a lecture at the Methodist church, Thursday Feb. 17, 1910 at 7:30 p. m., the topic of which is "Temperance and Prohibition Educational Rallies." Admission free.

## NOTES FROM SANDYSTON

An epidemic of coughing seems to be general in this valley, and there is hardly a family but has one or more members afflicted. It is now thought to be whooping cough and the whooping cough plasters are in great demand.

Jacob Morris lost the best horse and cow he had last week and from unknown causes.

Will brother Ludwig please hurry up that trolley line from Milford to Branchville, for if the protectors get after us we may wish to visit his town, and I am sure if we should overload of the good things of Milford he would kindly start us Jersey-ward.

The meeting of two intoxicated men last week from a Branchville train, in which one was frozen to death and the other had a close call, in a blinding snow storm is generally condemned, for one of the men had tickets for both. The rules could have been stretched a little in this sad case.

"Judge Bevan" who has been confined for some time to the house with pneumonia is able to be on our streets again.

The Dr. Cole farm at Layton has been rented by Will Cortright of Montague who will occupy it on April 1st.

The Layton Ladies Union will hold a George Washington Social on Feb. 22nd at the residence of Dr. Jones at Layton. A feature of the social will be the musical part.

The Peter B. Vanhorn farm at Walpack Centre was sold on Saturday last by the heirs. The farm contains about 100 acres and was purchased by Leonard Vanhorn and sister for 400 dollars.

The Teachers Institute of the Western Branch of this county will hold its sessions in the Layton school house on Saturday Feb. 19. The county superintendent will be present and desires that all teachers of the Branch be present.

The weather report for January shows that we have had some pretty cold weather as the averages will show: Average max 34.09, average min 14.41, max wet 27.93—Rainfall 1.14 in. Snowfall 17 in. Clear days 12—partly 5—cloudy 14.

The Ladies of Walpack Centre will hold a New England supper in the basement of their church on the evening of Feb. 10th. Hot business, chicken and all other good things will be on the tables. All cordially invited.