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BRIEF MENTION

The newspapers were enabled to print several pictures of the shooting of Mayor Gaynor which were true to life because photographers were there to take snapshots and were just on the point of beginning when the shots were fired. Such chances rarely happen.

Eugene Bodine, a butler at Grey Towers, was drowned yesterday in a small dam just above Sawkill Falls where he had gone to bathe. He was unable to swim and it is assumed the high water caused by recent rains overcame him. He was discovered some days after going in but efforts to revive him were futile.

Subway cars in New York are to be fitted with electric fans.

A little celluloid device used by some woman to hold their lace collars started a \$90,000 fire in a laundrette at Portland Oregon Wednesday. The collar stay was in a wastebasket and overlooked.

A man at Reading has bought 40 acres of land on which to breed Belgian hares. He will sell the hides to hat makers. They should put him under bonds not to let them escape.

Gifford Pinchot and James R. Garfield were guests of Col. Roosevelt Wednesday night at Oyster Bay L. I.

Mayor Gaynor who was shot in the neck by Gallagher while on the deck of a steamer about to sail for Europe seems to be improving and strong hope is now entertained for his recovery. His assistant says he shot out of revenge, and is glad it did not kill.

The mains for the Water Co. at Dingmans Ferry have been laid for a mile from the reservoir to Main St. It will take about 1500 feet more of pipe to complete the work.

Hon. G. B. Quaker is entertaining Eugene Loreaux and wife of Philadelphia.

C. S. Costis has gone to Fort Wayne Ind. to accept a situation with an automobile company.

The play, "The Muffin Shop" will be given on the lawn of N. G. Palmer August 23rd at 8 15 P. M. Proceeds for benefit of V. I. A. Fountain fund.

The Keystone party at a meeting of its State Committee held this week decided to enter the fight for Congressmen and Members of the State legislature when desired by the local organizations. A campaign committee of fifteen members was appointed.

It is estimated that the loss in freight, cars and engines to the D. L. & W. by the wreck at Ansonia will reach half a million dollars. One engine was assigned to hold a train going down the grade which it took four to push up from Soranton. Poor economy.

Hon. John A. Kipp of N. Y. is visiting his family here.

The Constitutional Amendments will be advertised thirteen weeks, and if passed by the legislature the coming season will be advertised again next year and voted on in November 1911. No 2, if adopted, will abolish payment of taxes as a voting qualification.

George St. John, Jr. of Orange N. J. and Miss Martha Patterson of Easton Pa. were married recently.

The play "The Muffin Shop" which was once given here with great success will be repeated tonight in Forest Hall.

Short barrels make New York pay for 11,500 bushels of potatoes daily more than the city receives. That helps the cost of living and overtaxes somebody.

A soaking rain fell here Wednesday.

When the Panama canal is finished eastern operators may be able to deliver high grade coal on the Pacific coast at about the same price as Alaska. Pennsylvania coal is now shipped to the western coast.

Abe Miller after a most successful sale here, which closed yesterday, will open at Dingmans Ferry tomorrow. He sells goods at taking prices and he understands the art of advertising the fact.

Walter Nelson and his wife and son Jamie of New York are sojourning at the Deaman Cottage.

It is believed by census officials that the count of people in the U. S. will show ninety million. The report will be made about the middle of October.

Lafayette Robinson of N. Y. in this county, has bought a lot in Hawley on which he will build a hotel.

An orchard trust has been formed, the ultimate object of which is to buy the orchards in the New York state fruit belt. The capital it is said will be several million dollars.

Mrs. Archibald Harmon, accompanied by a nurse, Mrs. Lucy Maitland, and her daughter Kate Lee Harmon went to New York yesterday.

The Round-headed apple tree borer may be kept out by painting the tree near the ground with white lead and raw linseed oil, after it enters the tree injecting carbon bisulphide will kill it.

S. B. Price Esq. of Soranton refuses to act as a candidate for lieutenant-governor. It seems pretty hard to find a substitute for law care to buy bibles at ruling prices, and that is all there is in that nomination. We say this after hearing that Wayne County will give Berry 1000 majority.

Wilkes Barre is having an epidemic of typhoid fever which experts say comes from drinking water, furnished by the water company which is mixed with water from the Susquehanna river. Action has been taken against the company which L. H. Watros is largely interested.

Notice is published that application will be made to the Governor for a charter for a State bank at Hawley Pa. with a capital of \$60,000. She now has a flourishing National Bank but such institutions in Wayne county seem to thrive by competition.

Applications for water power charters are being advertised in Monroe County and also one in this County which seem to indicate that control of the Bankhill creek is being sought by the incorporators who are the same in all the notices. It might be wisdom if there was a law which provided that a certain per cent of profits should be paid to the municipality in which the power is.

The Auto Transportation Company of Honesdale has been sued for \$2300 damages for injuries to a child. The declaration sets forth that the child was sitting in a wagon, the horse attached being securely tied, when the auto came along with curbs flying and so frightened the animal that it broke loose, ran away and the little girl was thrown from the carriage, and sustained severe injury. The accident happened on Main Street, Honesdale.

The Katy dids are sending out their student challenges which the weather wise say means frost in six weeks.

Prof. Surface says the apple yield in Pennsylvania this year will only be one half a crop.

George C. Doney of Soranton will soon make a tour of the county in the interest of Sunday school work. It is his desire to elevate Pike into the first rank of counties in the state. It is to be hoped he may succeed though any advance will be a great gain.

Minnesota is likely to become a taxless state. Instead of allowing private corporations to control the mines and water powers the lease them and thus obtain a large revenue. She now has over five million dollars surplus in her treasury.

Malcolm Talmage of New York who is a guest of S. T. White, will sing an offertory solo at the morning service in the Presbyterian church next Sunday. He is an exceptionally fine singer and those who go to his services will enjoy a rare pleasure.

Mr. Durant Drake of Phoenix, Mass. is a guest with the family of his father Rev. C. A. White.

Rev. Gustav Gorham and wife of Traveler, S. I. is passing a weeks vacation at the Homestead.

Jacob Evans of New York was here this week to visit his sister Mrs. Geo. W. Weightman, who is ill at the home of her daughter.

Mrs. C. A. White, who has been seriously ill for many weeks, does not materially improve and her condition gives her friends great solicitude.

Clifford Borthoud is spending his vacation with his grandmother on Hartford Street.

Bill Steele of Altoona, Pa., was a guest with his parents here the first of the week.

Frank H. Wells recently visited his mother in Iowa.

Mrs. George W. Weightman of Brooklyn, who is visiting her daughter Mrs. Jas. P. Van Eiten, suffered a slight stroke of paralysis in her right side last Monday.

William Lee of New York accompanied by his brother John Lee and friend John Raisin of Mississippi visited their aunt Mrs. Archibald Harmon the first of this week.

Harry Edwards and wife of Glen Ridge were guests with the family of Jas. P. Van Eiten part of the week.

A bad wreck happened on the D. L. & W. R. R. last Friday at Ansonia; a few miles above Soranton, in which two men, Captain the engineer and W. J. Ryan a brakeman, were killed and two injured. There were 62 freight cars in the train which ran away coming down the steep grade because the air brakes were insufficient to hold it. The engine turned turtle and rolled over and 37 cars piled up and were burned.

Oliver Emery of Washington, D. C. is spending his vacation here with his father.

Euchre and "500" at the Homestead August 17th at 3 P. M. Proceeds for benefit of V. I. A. Tickets 25 cents.

Mrs. Kathryn St John no doubt a happy woman. She very recently has fallen heir to the appellation of grandmother by the birth of a daughter to Mrs. Lillian St John Larue at Orange, N. J. August 7th, and she also recently became a mother-in-law by the marriage of her son George Jr.

Fire broke out in the Delaware House at Port Jervis yesterday which done considerable damage. It appeared in an unused bed room on the second story, and is presumed to have started from a defective chimney.

Jupiter Elvius, who has been taking quite a vacation, returned this week with his sprinkling pot.

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MOTOR CYCLE RUN. Of the 125 motor cycles which left Philadelphia Monday for the endurance run only 33 passed through here Tuesday on schedule time. About 15 more belated machines followed part of the first day and five in the afternoon rain fell and the roads were muddy, which greatly delayed the men and a number of cycles met with various mishaps. Only three perfect scores were made the first day.

Some Milford Events. Last week the Cuban Giants played two games of ball with Milford which were won by the visitors. Horse back riding is becoming very popular this season at Milford, and among some of the Brooklyn people who indulge in this pastime are: Miss Katherine Kiley and her mother, accompanied by George McKibbin, Jr.

Ir. T. White of Brooklyn, wants to retain the championship at clock golf, he will have to beat some pretty strong players. He was champion last season.

The dance at the Field Club was a great success, and the Yale Forestry boys were there strong with their sweaters. The grounds were very prettily illuminated with lanterns which added greatly to the occasion.

Among the guests at the Birch House, from Brooklyn, were Mr. and Mrs. A. Eggers, Miss Eggers, O. Eggers and F. Eggers, Miss Helen Carlisle, Miss R. Carlisle, Mrs. J. V. Weber and Miss M. A. Weber, Ernest Harford, J. P. Blust, L. Viereg, Charles Burke and last, but not least, our genial friend, Alfred Jreda, who looks after the amusements for the younger as well as the older guests.

Among the amusements at the Birch House were: Tuesday night—Races for boys and girls. The event of the meet was the Nursery Handicap for two year olds run on the turf. The race for maidens (aged) did not take place as there were no starters. On Thursday night a euchre was held in Friday nights novel form of an entertainment was indulged in, on the beach, that of a marshmallow camp fire party. And the week's entertainment wound up with the usual hop, which was well attended.

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OBITUARY. Mrs. JOHN CASE. Sarah Elizabeth, wife of John Case, died at her home in Port Jervis Thursday afternoon August 4th, after an illness of six years. She was born May 27, 1838 in Montague, N. J., and was one of a family of fourteen children. Her father was Abner and her mother Hannah Ammerman Von Freudenburg, both members of old Holland families. They lived for a time in the 50's on the farm now occupied by Albert Gavolite in Dingmans township but sold it and went to Minnesota where they passed their days. April 6th, 1884 she married John Case and they resided in this county until 1892 when they moved to Port Jervis. Her husband and six children (Charles, of Hoboken, N. J., David A. of Jamaica, L. I., Mrs. Anna Mae Van Eiten, Mrs. Francis Malner Edith and John E. of Port Jervis survive. One sister of the large family Mrs. Benjamin F. Nelson of Minneapolis also survives her.

She was a member of Drew M. E. Church and active in Sunday school work.

The funeral was held last Sunday and interment in Milford Cemetery.

HORACE M. FULLER. Mr. Fuller, who some years ago was connected with the Bellevue Hotel in town, died in Port Jervis yesterday after a long illness. He was born in Ohio May 8th, 1835 and when young came to Soranton where he lived for 18 years. After living here he went to Susquehanna, N. C. and from there to Port Jervis. His first wife was Johna, daughter of Constant and his second Sarah B. Constant who survives him. He is also survived by three sisters Mrs. Hannah Berg of Newton, N. J., Mrs. Mary Van Anken of Dingmans Ferry and Mrs. Margaret Ouseford of Middletown, N. Y. He was found dead in bed but it was decided from natural causes.

Bridge and Euchre at Cliff Park House. On Tuesday afternoon, Aug 9 Mrs. H. W. Buchanan of the Cliff Park House gave a large Euchre and Euchre, for the benefit of the Village Improvement Association. There were more than one hundred present, including guests from the cottages and neighboring hotels.

Twenty one prizes were donated. The posters prepared by the Misses White and the Misses Street and floral decorations, arranged by the same young ladies were particularly effective. To them is due great credit for their valuable assistance. About forty dollars will be added to the treasury of the V. I. A.

We thank all our friends who in any way helped to make this such a brilliant success.

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"Danse Domestica" An immense audience gathered on Sunday afternoon at the Theater of Interpretive Art, to see Miss Hopps and her associates in her much heralded "Danse Domestica."

The orchestra played a prelude, practically typifying the dropping of a tray full of breakfast dishes, after which the curtain rose upon the poorly furnished flat of an ultimate consumer.

The great ter pichorean artist was discovered picking up the fragments of dishes and when this task was completed she made a leap into the air emblematic of life with nothing to live on.

Alighting, she whirled madly across the stage and flung herself in an ecstasy of wrath astride of the singer's crib.

Laying the cause of her temperamental outburst across her lap, she gave it its regular morning spanking, accompanied in the orchestra by wonderful oboophonie dissonances.

The dancer then began a solemn movement among the pots and pans, ban which nothing more beautiful could be imagined, especially those themes that pertained to the scraping of the skillets and the emptying of the ashes.

With a tragically executed pas seul the performer symbolized the woman who reverts at the sickening task of half selling the trousers of a nine dollars a week husband.

And thus the pitiful story went on sweeping the emotions, visually and audibly, through the getting of the morning mail, the watchful testing up of the butcher's bill, the scrubbing of the pantry shelves, the putting on of the pot for dinner and the argument with the woman through the dumbwaiter, to culminate in a climax of scathfully suggestive kicks and wriggles as the harassed woman simultaneously slammed the door in the face of the gasping rent agent, jerked eight burning pieces out of the oven and hurled the cat from the interior of the milk pitcher!

Throughout the latter portions of the performance the artist disclosed vistas of beauty and set a new standard in the art of gaudy dancing. [From "Success Magazine."]

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NOTES FROM SANDYSTON. "Abscissa Farm" over along the Delaware managed by the Stoll Brothers have their house filled with boarders. Others along the river have their quota of boarders, especially Hiram Hawkins near Devans.

The hay crop is reported much better than was anticipated, quite a number reporting the yield much better this year than last. But, I am afraid the buckwheat and potato crop will be poor and the same may be said of corn.

Ray Deane and family residing at Summit, N. J. for some years has moved back to Sandyston.

Miss Norma Owen daughter of Calvin Owen of Newark is stopping for a time with her uncle George Owen at Layton.

Mrs. Duffy and daughter of Newark are also staying a short time with Mr. Owen at Layton.

The work on the Layton-Tuttles turner road is being vigorously pushed, and were it not for the delay in building the bridges, the west end of the road, which is ready for finishing could be completed.

Everybody knows who is at fault, and now comes the report that the Flatbrook Fish Club which has been very generous in road matters, has refused to let the contractor have any gravel. When the public wants the road, and the Club wants special privileges and gets them this refusal does not sound very well for them.

A report was sent to the Commissioner of Good Roads, at Trenton, that too large stone was being used on our road here.

As we had no Inspector at the line who was so much interested. The Farmers, or rather the Orange picnic, at Culvers next Saturday will be the most largely attended picnic of the season. The grounds are in fine condition, and the contractors on our new road are keeping it in a passable condition at all times.

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It Will Be Russia, Which Now is Second to Us in Mileage. If it is a question merely of bigness the Russian railway system is far and away the first in Europe. There are already many more miles of railway in this vast empire than in any other country in the world excepting the United States, and Russian railways are still only in their infancy.

It is of course quite true that there are now in the United States more miles of railway than in all Europe and almost as many as in all the rest of the world put together, and that our territory is so large and as yet so far from complete development that we shall probably keep the lead as far as railway enterprise is concerned for a long time to come.

But in taking these large views, says Moody's Magazine, we have forgotten that Russia is two and a half times as large as all the United States put together with a population more than half as large again as our own; that in territorial extent it is more than twice as large as all Europe; that it stretches across the world for 170 degrees of longitude—nearly half way around the globe—and that it includes one-sixth of the land surface of the planet.

It is not surprising that in such a country railways should have had a large development, that already there is a considerable mileage and that the prospects in this direction seem to have no limit. In the future Russia and the United States are likely to divide the railway empire of the world between them.

Money in Hats. The only good rats are dead rats. All the rat carries disease. Dead, it may have a commercial value. The sight is the material for book covers and for making purses and photograph frames. It may also be used in the manufacture of gloves for women, and in several of the great cities the rat killing industry is assuming proportions. The rat in Scandinavia, as well as the species known as the Norwegian, a big bothersome rodent because of its fighting propensities, is particularly valuable for the purpose named. The bodies can be converted into fertilizing material. There, in many commercial centres abroad, is the rat being killed by the many thousands not because it is a menace to public safety, but because waste have been found for the heretofore worthless hide. The time may come when the rat will be hunted assiduously in this country, not only because of the money that's in it, but because it is our enemy.—Indianapolis News.

The Strange New Creed. Professor Percival Lowell, the famous astronomer and author, said the other day of the public ignorance where astronomical matters are concerned: "I can't discuss my Martian theories with the average man. He is ignorant of astronomical terms as one of our Michigan policemen is of all long Latin words."

"This policeman arrested, the other night, an elderly gentleman who was gazing the street in a white night-gown. "Good gracious