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# DIMOCK.

DIMOCK, or Dimock Corners, as it was called in the early days, is one of the principal villages on the Lehigh Valley branch railroad running from Montrose to Tunkhannock. It is the main business center in Dimock township.

This township was named in honor of Davis Dimock, associate judge of the county at the time the township was formed. Its dimensions are about seven miles from east to west and four and a half miles from north to south. The farm products are mainly those of the dairy, and much attention has been paid to the breeding of fine cattle. Mr. O. W. Chase conducts one of the two general stores located in Dimock. He is also the producer of fine blue

HARFORD was named at the suggestion of Hovea Tiffany in 1808. Prior to that year it had been known as "Nine Partners," this unusual name having been determined upon in 1789 by nine young men who came into the wilds of Pennsylvania from Attleborough, Mass. They were Hovea Tiffany, Caleb Richardson, Ezekiel Titus, Robert Follet, John Carpenter, Moses Thacher, James Carpenter, Samuel Thacher and Josiah Carpenter. These nine were the original purchasers of the land upon which Harford is built. Harford enjoys a wide reputation for the culture and refinement of its people, a majority of whom are the direct descendants of its first settlers. No community of its size in the county has paid more attention to educational affairs and in no other one find more churches and schools. The place is full of interest from a historical standpoint—history of the sort which makes for the betterment of mankind. The Harford Fair has for many years been a feature of the social life of Susquehanna county. These fairs are held annually and are largely attended. Farmers, dairymen and others make fine exhibits, and awards, medals and ribbons of the association which conducts the exhibitions are closely sought in friendly competition, as they are held in great value. Harford village is pleasantly situated in a valley and lofty hills are more reached by a mail stage twice daily from Kingsley.

The first store in Harford was established by John Severin in 1800. Since then the business interests of the village have undergone many changes in the personnel of those who conducted its stores, mills and shops, until at present the three mercantile concerns of the place are operated by young men.

James A. Williams owns and conducts one of the largest and most important general stores in the village. He is a progressive, public-spirited young business man and has built up a very extensive trade. He succeeded E. L. Jones and has been in business at the same location about five years. He is a native of Harford and very popular with all classes of people.

O. F. Maynard at present the proprietor of the oldest established general store in Harford. He deals in dry goods, groceries, notions, ready-made clothing, hats, caps, etc., and carries a fine stock of goods. Mr. Maynard is a native of Scranton, Pa., but has lived in Harford nearly all of his life. He is a son of T. M. Maynard. Some four years ago he bought out the establishment from Frank Lott and has since conducted it with much success. Harry E. Miller, a native of Harford, is the proprietor of a very popular establishment dealing in general merchandise. No young business man in Susquehanna county stands higher as a polished and courteous gentleman and an up-to-date business man than Harry Miller. Beginning Feb. 5 and to continue for sixty days, he is now conducting a special sale of various lines of goods at very low prices. Goods which are a big reduction from the regular price.

**An Old Resident.**  
Austin Darrow, born 1823, was son of Gurdon Darrow, who came to New Milford, May 6, 1812. In 1816 he came to Harford by market and cleared a place to build a house in the wilderness. He was a soldier in the war of 1812 and drew a pension. His father, Nathan Darrow, of Groton, Conn., was a soldier under Gen. George Washington. Served as a private, later as a sergeant. He fought at Fort Griswold and White Plains, and was granted a pension in 1832, when in the 73rd year of his age.

Luck Perkins, grandfather of Austin Darrow, on his grandmother's side, was killed in defense of Fort Griswold, and Joseph Moxley, great grandfather, on his mother's side, was also killed in the fort. Austin Darrow was a carpenter in early manhood, and was a farmer many years. Still active in politics; member of the Baptist church. One of the founders of the Harford Fair, Oct. 1858; has attended every exhibit since, making the six. He not only comes to the fair, but brings the products of his own labor. Through his exertions Live Oak Lodge was instituted in Harford. It is one of the foremost in the I. O. O. F. in the county.

**An Aged Minister.**  
Jas. W. Raynor was born in Montrose, Dec. 22, 1822, in a house located about where Jas. Cooper's feed store now stands. He was a son of Nathan Raynor, who came to Montrose in 1815, from Long Island. When Mr. Raynor was a boy, Montrose had 200 to 300 inhabitants. His parents moved to Carbondale in 1829, at the time of the opening of the coal mines there, the first coal boom known to Young Mr. Raynor came to Montrose in 1840, and clerked for two years in W. L. Post's store, (where the Farmers Bank now stands). In 1844 he went to Amherst College, (Mass.) for four years, then later taught school in New York city, and studied for the ministry, and became a Presbyterian clergyman, his first pastorate being at Uptonville, Susquehanna county, for two years; then at Springville, Auburn and Dimock for ten years; Le Roy, Pa., four years; later at Uniondale and Pleasant Mt. churches, five years, and later served home missionary churches for several years, and in 1876 retired to his pleasant little home near Montrose. Though in his 87th year, he is in excellent health.

THE town of Springville is located in the township of the same name, which is on the southern border of Susquehanna county. The town is built in a valley on a small tributary of the Mehoppen creek. It is surrounded by hills from the top of which a person can obtain splendid views of the surrounding country. Springville takes its name from the fact that there are so many springs around the place, and in spite of the drought of the last summer there was always plenty of water to be had, although some of the wells were dry. Lakes and ponds are quite numerous in this section and they afford good fishing.

There are two churches. The Methodist church was built in 1892. Rev. A. E. Potter is the pastor. The Episcopal church, which takes the place of the larger one which was destroyed by fire, is a very pretty country church. It is supplied by Rev. P. H. Montrose. There is a Presbyterian church a short distance south on the old Harpatic road.

A high school is located here, in which four teachers are employed. Scholars are drawn from different parts of the township, some coming in from neighboring towns. J. Lee Tiffany is the principal of the school.

A branch of the Lehigh Valley railroad passes through here, and Springville is the chief station between Montrose and Tunkhannock. A large quantity of milk is shipped. This is the shipping point for Auburn, Auburn Center and Elk Lake. About a carload of butter is shipped from here each week in the summer season brought in from these places. Apples are extensively grown in the township and large shipments are made from here in the fall.

The farm buildings in the neighborhood have improved wonderfully in the last few years and several up-to-date houses have been built in town. D. D. Layton has a new one with all modern improvements. R. L. Avery and E. W. Lott have each remodeled houses that are an ornament to the town. In remodeling E. W. Lott destroyed an old landmark of the town. Cyrus W. Bard used to live there and before the war his house was an underground railroad station for runaway slaves. They would come from a station between Falls and Lagrange, in Wyoming county, and from here they went to a station near what then was known as Boyder's Hotel, and from there to other stations in Pennsylvania and Canada and on to New York.

**An Old Resident.**  
Of course, it is kept secret as it was against the law to assist in any way a runaway slave.

From Springville the five Hungerford brothers went to the civil war. All were soldiers good and true and came back safe and all lived for over forty years to tell the story. John R. of Tunkhannock died less than a year ago. You might search the records at Washington and not find another family so fortunate.

H. B. Lathrop is the resident physician. He has a large practice as he is the only doctor between Montrose and Tunkhannock.

Stuart Riley's general store is one of the largest and most important business establishments in that line in this section of the county. It is stocked at all times with a complete assortment of staple and fancy dry goods, groceries, boots, shoes and notions and Mr. Riley takes pride in his claim that it is the site of the oldest mercantile house in Susquehanna county; the present store was built in 1858 by his father, Minot Riley, and Dr. I. B. Lathrop. Among the prominent mercantile houses of Springville, R. L. Avery's is very popular with the purchasing public. Mr. Avery is a native of the township. He is a son of Burns Avery, and has been in business in the town the past seven years.

Stephen Tuttle conducts the only undertaking establishment here. He is a regularly licensed undertaker, does embalming and is prepared to take entire charge of funerals. He also carries a full line of furniture and keeps a fine supply of confectionery. He also frames pictures to order and his prices for anything in his line are very reasonable. Mr. Tuttle is a native of the township and no citizen of the county is more highly esteemed. He is postmaster of Springville and has held the office since Nov. 12, 1901. Previously he had been constable and township tax collector.

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Rev. W. C. Tilden

An Aged Pastor with a Most  
Remarkable Record.

William Clark Tilden was born at Lebanon, New London Co., Mass., May 1, 1820. His parents, Augustus Tilden and Milinda (Clark) Tilden, were natives of the same township, but moved to, now, Forest Lake, Susquehanna county Pa., the last of April 1833, seeking a farmer's home, which remained as their home to the end of earthly life.

His early education was in the common school for few months of each year. At sixteen and seventeen years, a few weeks of each year the privilege of attending in Montrose Academy, taught by Calvin C. Halsey, M. D., was enjoyed. In the fall of 1845 he commenced as teacher in common school, and taught for five winter terms. In the fall of 1851 he went to Candor, N. Y., as teacher for the school year, and in 1853 joined the regular class in Madison (now

Colgate) University, and graduated in 1857.

On November 12, 1857 he was ordained to the work of the ministry, on the call of the Forest Lake and Middletown Baptist churches, for which he has been preaching since April of that year. He served these two churches then continued the Rush Liberty church for 13 years and the church several years. During these years he taught four select terms of school, at Forest Lake, and fourteen weeks as principal of the Montrose graded school, and served nine years as superintendent of common schools for Susquehanna county.

In 1879-80 he was principal of Keystone Academy. Returned to work as pastor, serving for a time at Hallstead, other places. He continued with the Forest Lake church since 1857, excepting one year and eight months. He has preached many sermons in Auburn, Dimock, Campdown, Jackson, New Milford, South New Milford, and other places. He had health for continuous work, not having been confined to the bed but one day since two and

one-half years of a. e. "To God be all the glory," is the way he puts it.

A brief summary of his work shows these remarkable figures: Number of sermons in regular service, 5,835; funeral sermons in addition, 918; Miles traveled by personal conveyance, 155,000; (many other miles by railroad); marriage ceremonies performed 348; individuals baptized, 240.

**Ye Olden Times.**

Fifty years ago it was the custom to toll the church bell at the death of some member of the community. A relative would inform the sexton, who immediately rang the bell, for perhaps two minutes. After a silence of a moment, during which he struck three blows for a girl, five for a boy, seven for a woman and nine for a man. Then followed about ten blows or strikes, a half minute apart, closed by striking the age in groups of ten strokes each. People within three miles, in all directions, could guess correctly the name of the person. The custom was good. It reminded men that were they mortal.

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