



Every year, at this season, South Jersey is wiped out by forest fires—in the minds of a few imaginative correspondents.

In the latest bulletin of the anti-McKinley managers, New-Jersey is credited with two McKinley votes out of an estimated grand total of 325.

Howard McSherry, who has been politician, actor and lawyer, writes thus to "The New-Brunswick Home News."

We wish some one would tell us the difference between a New-Jersey Democrat and a New-Jersey Republican.

"Bob" Davis is the Democratic boss of Hudson County, and the "angels" of the party have rather excuse for shutting their eyes to the fact.

The Armstrong bill compelling railroad companies to carry bicycles as baggage has been signed by Governor Morton and is now a law of the State of New-Jersey.

Trenton citizens, who wanted a better enforcement of the Excise laws, succeeded at the polls last week, because they took the right way of getting at it.

The East Jersey Water Company promises to give Jersey City a complete supply of Pequannock water before the end of this year.

If Newark's Women's Improvement Association will force the trolley companies in that section to provide better accommodation for the travelling public a large slice of fame may be gained.

A HOBOKEN SOAP MANUFACTURER BADLY INJURED IN ORANGE.

Orange, April 21 (Special).—Arend Stenken, a wealthy soap manufacturer of Hoboken, who lives in St. Cloud, met with a serious accident this afternoon in West Orange, near St. Mark's Church.

He was out driving with his son and daughter, and just as he had turned to go into Northfield, the front wheel of the carriage came off and the vehicle partially capsized, throwing Mr. Stenken and his children out.

Mr. Stenken was taken into Geiger's drugstore, where Dr. Holmes was called. It was found that his injuries were serious, his leg being broken and his skull fractured.

A HOUSE DAMAGED BY FIRE. Franklin, April 21 (Special).—The house of Henry Ackerman in this place was badly damaged by fire at an early hour this morning.

FINE PICTURES ON EXHIBITION. The fine collection of paintings, curios and bric-a-brac belonging to Dr. Coles, which has been on exhibition in the Art Gallery of the Coles Homestead Building, No. 22 Broad-st., Newark, for the last two weeks, will be on free exhibition the rest of the week.

ANOTHER RAILWAY IN EAST RUTHERFORD. Rutherford, April 21 (Special).—The Union Tractor Company last night applied for a franchise along Hackensack-st., East Rutherford, and urged an early date for a public hearing, as its counsel, H. H. Copeland, said that it hoped to have the line in operation under its present control, by the middle of the next month.

DOCTRINES AND POLITICS. THE CONGREGATIONALIST ASSOCIATION HAS AN INTERESTING SESSION.

THE REV. JOHN L. SCUDDER MAKES WHOLESOME CHARGES OF BRIBERY AGAINST MACHINE POLITICIANS—WE HAVE NOT GOVERNMENT BY THE PEOPLE, HE SAYS—PROFESSOR BRIGGS ON SALVATION.

The Congregational Association of New-Jersey, composed of representatives from all the Congregational churches of New-Jersey, Delaware, Maryland and the District of Columbia, met yesterday in the First Congregational Church of Newark.

The most striking incident of the day was the address made just before adjournment in the afternoon by the Rev. John L. Scudder, of Jersey City, who asserted that the United States have government by the people in name only, and that public affairs



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When the convention opened in the morning a welcome was extended by the Rev. L. W. Hainer, the pastor of the church in which the meeting was held.

The moral problem in New-Jersey is the same as that in Pennsylvania. All practical reformers sooner or later become acquainted with the fact that they are opposed by two subtle powers.

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THE WILL OF M'RAE SWIFT. New-Brunswick, April 21 (Special).—The will of Melroe Swift, who died on Easter Sunday, was filed in the Middlesex County Surrogate's office this afternoon.

RUTGERS, 17, TRINITY, 7. New-Brunswick, April 21 (Special).—The baseball nine of Trinity and Rutgers colleges played on Nelson Field, this city, this afternoon.

THE WAY OUT. The first is the referendum, which means that if a bill is passed which meets with popular disfavor, upon formal application by a certain portion of the voting population the measure is submitted to a popular vote.

Lambertville, April 21 (Special).—At a meeting of the Common Council last night an exciting time was had over the proposed extension of the New York and Erie Railroad.

THE MEESER-MASTERS WEDDING. South Orange, April 21 (Special).—Jeremiah Meeser, of Prospect and Third sts., South Orange, was married on Sunday at the home of the Rev. Mr. Morley, pastor of the Hilltop Methodist Episcopal Church.

THE BEST OF ALL. From The Sun-Jersey Register. The New-York Tribune publishes the best New-Jersey edition of any paper in the Empire State.

IT MAY BE A DRY RUN. HUDSON COUNTY GRAND JURY TAKES UP THE LIQUOR QUESTION WITH A VENGEANCE.

The Hudson County Grand Jury has taken a decided stand on the liquor question, and during its existence the Sunday law will be enforced to the letter.

The police commandant means the loss of popularity. The injunction means the loss of officials in the town and the townships of the north-ern end of the county, where the population is composed principally of Germans and other foreign born, who have for years been accustomed to quaff their beer on the Sabbath and regard it as a privilege to be deprived of the privilege as a result of the temperance fanaticism.

FOR REVENUE ONLY. Let me give you a sample of these men who believe in politics for revenue only. A prominent Assemblyman from Hudson County, one of these thick-skulled short-haired aristocrats, so conspicuous in governmental circles of American cities, once told me in my own parlor and with the utmost frankness that he, like every other member of the Legislature, had no other business but to make money.

CHANGES IN CITY BOARDS. The terms of Tax Commissioner James Love, Police Commissioner Hugh Abernethy, Fire Commissioner John Brennan, Finance Commissioner James C. O'Brien, and the general and the general of the Board of Public Library Trustees Stephen Harvey, of Jersey City, will expire to-day.

A BOGUS PRIEST ARRESTED. HE WAS TRAVELLING FOR HIS HEALTH AND INCIDENTALLY FOR MONEY. Orange, April 21 (Special).—A short, stout man, dressed in black and wearing a clerical collar, walked into the West Orange police station yesterday evening and asked Captain Hamford for a certificate of marriage.

HE ALLEGES CONSPIRACY. A HOBOKEN MAN ACCUSES A JUSTICE OF BEING ALMIED WITH A WOMAN AGAINST HIM. Allison Mather, twenty-nine years old, a well-known real estate dealer of No. 134 Washington-st., Hoboken, was arrested yesterday afternoon on a warrant issued by Justice of the Peace Jesse C. Harnise on complaint of Mrs. Carrie Black, a widow living at No. 923 Third-ave., New-York.

A REFRACTORY GRAND JURY. AFTER BEING ADMONISHED IT REFUSES TO FIND INDICTMENTS AGAINST POLICE MEN. New-Brunswick, April 21 (Special).—The Middlesex County Grand Jury finished its labors this afternoon and returned into court with twenty-five indictments.

FOREST STILL BURNING. Egg Harbor City, April 21 (Special).—The forest fires in the vicinity of this city, which raged furiously all night, are still burning.

AFRAID OF HIS WIFE. Jacob Greb shot himself in the head with a revolver near his home, No. 113 Komorn-st., Newark, yesterday morning.

HIS COLLARBONE BROKEN. William Williams, forty-two years old, a painter, of No. 59 Washington-st., Hoboken, fell from a scaffold while working on a building in Wall-ave., yesterday afternoon.

WOMEN ORGANIZE TO CLEAN STREETS. NEWARK THOROUGHFARES NEED ATTENTION, SO THE WOMAN'S MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION IS FORMED.

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ACCORDING TO COUNSEL IT WILL TAKE THREE WEEKS TO CONVENE THE VOTE AGAIN.

The argument on the application for the recount of the votes cast for the Board of Works continued in the charter election in Newark was adjourned in the court yesterday afternoon.

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SEVERAL BILLS SIGNED AND A NUMBER OF NEW APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED.

Trenton, April 21 (Special).—Governor Orange was at the State House to-day, and besides signing ten or a dozen bills left in his hands by the Legislature, he appointed the commission to examine into the pollution of the filthy Passaic River.

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