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LA GRIPPE.

Mistaken for Consumption--Given Up to Die.

To some people the mention of la grippe calls forth a smile. They are the people who have never had it. Any one who has ever had even the slightest touch of la grippe knows well the complete misery it brings. And not only misery for the time being, but unless properly treated its sequella follow it month after month until the patient despairs of ever getting well again. Pe-ro-na is the remedy for all such cases. Mrs. Lou Davis, Fayetteville, Tenn., writes as follows: "I was afflicted with a disease commonly known as la grippe the doctors said I had consumption. I had a dreadful cough and could not sleep at night. I was advised by a friend to try Pe-ro-na. I got one bottle, and the second night my cough stopped. I took ten bottles, and I will say that I believe I would be a dead woman now if it had not been for Pe-ro-na. I recommend Pe-ro-na to all those who suffer with la grippe."



Send for free book on "Winter Cough." Address The Pe-ro-na Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus Ohio.

PERSONAL.

James W. Pichot and son Gifford, spent last Sunday in Milford.

Mr. Frank Hallet, of New York, sailed last Saturday for Havana on business for his employers.

Mrs. Susan Grandin who has been spending the winter at Hawley returned to Milford Monday.

Mrs. Kelley, Mrs. M. Van Alken, Mrs. Edward Cahill, of Parker's Glen visited Mrs. Wm. McCown on Monday.

C. J. Gebhardt has removed his blacksmith shop from Dingman and will begin business in Port Jervis this week.

Mrs. Rudolph is building an addition to her house on Broad street, which adds to the appearance and convenience of her home.

Mr. Ash, of Philadelphia was in town Wednesday to adjust the loss on the barn of Sarah Brown of Dingman, which burned recently.

T. R. J. Klein has the contract and is this week putting new closets in the jail and doing considerable plumbing in connection with them.

Henry Pfaffle an industrious citizen of Delaware was injured last week by the falling of a tree, his shoulder and leg being badly sprained.

Mrs. Wittaker, mother of Rev. C. H. Wittaker, pastor of the Reformed Church at Bushkill, visited with the family of Hon. Jacob Klaier in Milford this week.

Hugh O. Brodhead qualified as tax collector of Delaware on Tuesday by filing the necessary bonds with D. O. Brodhead and Robinson Shepherd as sureties.

Frank Rudolph employed by Happ Bros. of Port Jervis lately removed his family and household goods to that place. Frank was a good citizen and the town regrets his loss.

George M. Decker formerly of this county but now residing at Gardear, McKean county has been granted a pension of \$6 per month with \$541.73 back pay. He was a private in Co. B 151 Pa. Vol.

A. G. Rowland will soon remove to Milford and occupy the Berthoud house on Harford street. With C. P. Mott he will engage in the bottling business using the former watch case factory building as a warehouse.

The Evangelical conference was held at Pottsville this week and Rev. J. A. Wiegand is returned as pastor of that church at Matamoras. This action will greatly please his many parishioners.

G. D. Williams who has been a resident of this county for many years, and lately employed at Grey Towers, will remove to Greenpoint, L. I., this spring where he will engage in truck farming with his brother.

Sam. P. Palmer, of Stroudsburg, accompanied by his son, Bernard, visited Milford a couple of days last week. He stated that his business was to market his crop of fine, fresh strawberries. Sam never gets the truth, so we may look out for him in a new role.

Rev. C. S. Ryzman, D. D. of Summit who is well known by many in this town to have few superiors as an entertaining and instructive lecturer, will deliver his masterpiece "Building nests and finding mates" in the Newton M. E. Church Thursday evening March 10--Sussex Register.

He lectured in the M. E. Church at Flemington, N. J., Feb. 23, subject Lincoln.

BRIEF MENTION.

Cottage prayer meeting was held Tuesday evening this week at the home of Mrs. J. H. Van Etter.

A salmon trout weighing nearly thirteen pounds was recently taken from the Lackawaxen river near Rowlands.

L. Creter died at the home of his father Louis Creter in Matamoras Wednesday afternoon, of consumption aged 10 years.

The opera of Priscilla was given last evening at the Opera house in Port Jervis and there will also be a performance this (Friday) evening.

Seranton representative lawyers were in Washington Wednesday to urge the bill providing for a central federal judicial district in Pennsylvania.

Making maple sugar and lasses is now in order. Gamble Bros., have been taking orders this week for the Greene township pure concentrated sweetness.

Sheriff Martin took the stand in his own behalf Tuesday and said that he was struggling with the strikers when the deputies began to shoot without any directions from him.

Preparatory services will be held in the Presbyterian church this Friday evening, at 7:30 and the Sacrament of the Lords Supper will be administered Sabbath at 10:30.

A meeting of the directors of the Delaware Valley Lehigh and Hudson Railroad was held at Stroudsburg recently, and the line as surveyed between that place and Matamoras was adopted.

DeVoe's blizzard predicted for the 27th must have thought better of it and concluded to let up. At all events it did not materialize, and the pesky thing and not the prophet must be blamed for our disappointment.

Several Lafayette college students have been suspended. Sophomores for not treating Freshman, and two freshman because they would not disclose who of them number had issued posters against the Sophomores.

The Lehigh Valley Railroad company has resumed burning soft coal on its passenger engines because it is a few cents cheaper a ton than anthracite of which it owns several large mines. This is a step to the rear.

In the Martin trial at Wilkesbarre the defendants are producing evidence to prove that the strikers were armed and aggressive, and terrorizing the people, and that the shooting by the Sheriff and his deputies was done in self defense.

The Government will abandon the project for relief of Klondikers as no necessity for it now exists. The war department has asked Congress for authority to dispose of supplies already purchased including the reindeer just arrived from Norway.

The Crissman House is now lighted with acetylene gas, a plant having been put in by the Malven Gordon Company of Port Jervis. This is a grand improvement over kerosene and will make that popular hotel a still more attractive stopping place.

The Sheriff will sell March 19 a large quantity of land in the lower townships. These tracts were selected by the late Jacob Ottenheimer as being especially adapted for a large game and fish preserve and many of them have fine trout streams.

The Rochester Club, of the Eastern League, has signed a very promising left-handed pitcher in the person of Harry S. Angle, of Milford, Pa. We confidently expect to see him take a position among the top notch pitchers of the league in his position--P. J. Gazette.

From several sections of this district a wall goes out that Post office appointments are not being made with sufficient celerity to satisfy the aspirants and their friends. Why not assemble yourselves, gentlemen, and not compel the Congressman to take all the burden of deciding between your conflicting and perhaps meritorious claims?

Congressman Kirkpatrick has received and presented to the House several petitions favoring legislation to prevent the admission of illiterate pauper and criminal classes to the United States. Also resolutions favoring the passage of the bill to prevent ticket brokerage and one protesting against the passage of the anti-visitation bill now before the Senate.

Court of appeals for Dingman was held Tuesday and the assessment was reduced about \$700.

The C. L. S. will meet March 10 at the home of Mrs. J. J. Hart on Ann street. Mrs. Frank Crissman is on the program for a reading.

The latest thing out, except the man going home from his lodge, is an electric floor scrubber designed for use in large buildings. It is run by a motor and the brushes revolve over the floor very rapidly.

Those elected to the office of Justice of the Peace at the February election are required by law to file their acceptance with the Prothonotary within thirty days after the election, or commissions will not be issued to them, March 17th will be the last day.

The C. L. S. met last Thursday evening at the home of the Misses Bull. Beside the usual lesson the Company was entertained by Miss Lizzie Rull, who sang a song by Reginald De Koven, and by Mrs. Josephine Bensell, who read one of Schiller's poems.

The motion for a new trial in the case of Kaul vs Coss ejection at Stroudsburg contained the affidavit of five of the jurors who swear that both before and while the case was in progress, they were approached by the defendant.

Enston is to have another large silk mill, Simon Bros. having decided to erect one this year. Their plant now employs 800 hands and the new one will require additional operatives. If only Milford could have such a boom what a blessing it would be to this county.

Surveyors are at work running a line for the Delaware Valley, Hudson and Lehigh R. R. from Stroudsburg to Saylorsburg. During the past two weeks an able bodied corps would do considerable transferring of real estate to which skeptical farmers might, with more or less reason object.

Rev. John Thompson, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Mt. Bethel, Northampton county, last Sunday evening after the sermon denounced secret societies and said that the people should rise up and drive the organizers of a proposed new one out of the place. That Reverend will likely find the temperature around him considerably warmer in future.

John Mc Giner, a married man of Allentown and a travelling agent has been lodged in jail in Stroudsburg for asking a lady for a kiss. He called at her house during her husband's absence, and when about to leave took her by the arm and committed the alleged breach of etiquette. The husband Mr. Palmer had him arrested with the above result.

Railroad News.

The New York State railroad commissioners have granted the application of the Kingston and Rondout Valley R. R. Co., to build a road from Kingston to Ellenville. The Port Jervis and Monticello Railroad officials are interested in this route as it will extend their road to the Hudson river, and we trust either theirs or some other road from Port Jervis to Stroudsburg.

The statement is made on what is said to be good authority that the Vanderbilts purpose tunnelling the Pocono mountain when they obtain control of the D. L. & W. R. R. This and shortening the curves will the report says, make that the shortest route between New York and Buffalo by 80 miles.

The Middletown--Goshen Traction company has been taken in charge by the bondholders. It is said it will not be allowed to go in a receivers hands. The road has not been paying recently and is over a month in arrears to its employees, and defaulted the interest on its bonds due in January.

A Chapter Of Accidents.

Mrs. J. F. Greening, when alighting from a wagon last Saturday at her home, broke her leg between the knee and ankle. Her husband, while coming to Milford the same day for Dr. Emerson to attend the injury, had a lively experience with his team, which was frightened by the breaking of the king bolt of the wagon, and ran away. Greening held to the lines and was dragged some distance. His hands were blistered by the friction, and he was considerably bruised.

Something new, a spring tooth harrow with wheels. Syracuse plows and "Planet Jr." cultivators at W. & G. Mitchell's.

The Maine Mystery.

There is no solution yet of the terrible disaster which befell the vessel in the harbor of Havana. The court of inquiry has made no report and divers are still busy making examinations and recovering bodies imprisoned in the sunken wreck. The disclosures so far made would seem to indicate that the explosion was outside, and the cause not an accident, but the government is holding any judgment it may have in abeyance, as is proper, until sufficient positive evidence can be secured to determine the true cause. This may or may not be possible and the present secret may forever remain hidden. It is well to trust the conservative course being pursued by the President and his Cabinet, with the assurance that their action when taken will be wise and such as to completely vindicate the honor of our nation. The Spaniards are making active naval preparations as if they expected difficulty, but the steps also being taken by our authorities are fully commensurate with the gravity of the situation, and should the worst come we will be in a position to fully maintain our dignity and prowess.

THINK THE COURT WILL REPORT TREACARLY.

The Philadelphia Press correspondent says: The members of court have been officially mute, but I believe the tenor of their report is a foregone conclusion.

Enough is known already of the results of investigation fully to warrant the definite belief that they are now convinced to a man that the Maine was blown up by an agency outside the vessel.

Entirely apart from the rumors of the drift of the evidence, much has been authentically learned privately from the officers and other witnesses.

The theory of accident has been discarded upon the strength of the evidence already taken.

There is a Hereafter.

Here is a little pointer for those whose conduct conveys the impression they think there is no hereafter.

The late lamented Bill Nye once said: "Do not attempt to cheat an editor out of his year's subscription to his paper, or any other sum. Cheat the minister, cheat anybody and everybody, but if you have any regard for the future consequences, don't fool the editor. You will be put up for office some time, or want some public favor for yourself or friends, and when your luck is a thing of beauty, a joy forever, the editor will open upon you, and knock your castles into a cocked hat at the first fire. He'll subdue you, and then you'll curse your stupidity for a driveling idiot, go hire some man to knock you down and kick you for falling."

The country newspaper publisher toils every day to make his paper interesting, mentally and mechanically--that's labor; once in a while a patron comes in and pays a subscription--that's capital, occasionally one moves off without paying and has his postmaster send a card to say the paper is refused--that's stealing.--Press and Printer.

Let Us Have Light.

Had the several township committees obeyed the instructions of the secretary of the County committee to send the certificates of nominations for township offices at the February election to the chairman of the county committee, would there have been any Republican nominations filed? Greene and Palmyra sent the papers as instructed, and they never reached the commissioners office. The inquiry is being persistently made as to what the scheme was any way. Pastors were printed for those two townships and the bills sent for same, and they are wondering why this was done without their authority, and why they should pay for stickers when the nomination papers were sent in ample time to the county chairman. The secretary of the county committee should explain by what authority he gave his instructions, and the chairman owes to the Republicans not only of those townships, but of the county an explanation as to why papers mailed him in time did not reach their proper repository, with the commissioners.

We are on the eve of an important campaign and it is proper that the Republicans of Pike should know where the laxity which might disfranchise them lies. The Press columns are open for communications.

Countess De Plasse Found.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 24.--The "Post-Dispatch," of St. Louis, Mo., says, under date of Feb. 24th, that Countess Marie De Plasse, wife of Dr. Comte Louis de Plasse, the Belgian nobleman, of 29 East Twenty-seventh Street, New York City, who has been mysteriously missing from her Eastern home for a year, has been located in St. Louis by one of Chief Desmond's men.

She is at St. John's Hospital. The first trace of her was secured at the residence of Mr. Wickham, Vandham Place, where she was employed as a dressmaker. From there she was sent to the Hospital, where she is waiting until she can secure a situation.

She was known at the Hospital and at Mrs. Wickham's as Alice Morris. The Countess told the mother superior that if her husband would send for her now she might return, and this information has been forwarded to New York. The Countess says that she left her home because of a quarrel with her husband, due to her appetite for morphine.

Protect the Forests.

The recent ice storm was very destructive to timber in this county. The trees have been literally stripped of branches and many have the tops broken out. Great care should be exercised this spring that fires do not break out, for with the quantity of fuel on the ground to feed them the ruin would be complete. The timber is nearly gone and every effort should be made to preserve the young growth just starting. Had this been done in the past many tracts which are now barrens would to-day be valuable timber lands. The matter of forest preservation is attracting wide attention and no where is their greater need for its practical consideration than in this county.

Another County Boarder.

Constable Kelley, of Lackawaxen brought Thomas Leahy to the County Jail last week on a bail piece. Leahy was indicted several courts ago and Lorenz Goetz of Greeley became surety for his appearance. Failing to respond when called and bail refusing to longer stand responsible proper papers were given the constable who last week located the man at Fishers Eddy in New York and arrested him. Leahy voluntarily returned to Pike and now boards at the hotel de Hissam at 25 cents per day payable out of county funds.

In Sunny Africa.

R. D. Sayre is in receipt of a letter written by Prof. Maxwell Sommerville at Algiers, Africa dated Feb. 12.

The Professor had visited the Bey (King) and looked on his harem of seventy wives. He describes the dress of the women, which is as fantastic and airy as any lover of the decollette styles might desire, but then a man with that number of wives could hardly be expected to get them all out in full dress tailor made suits.

Brown & Armstrong are selling 75 cent underwear for 50cents.

OBITUARY.

W. M. SINGERLY.

Hon. William M. Singerly editor and publisher of the Philadelphia Record died suddenly of heart failure last Sunday. For some time he had been in ill health but was supposed to be recovering when the end came without warning or premonitory symptoms.

He was born in 1839 and after obtaining his education was connected with his father in the management of passenger railways and also the commission business. In 1877 he became owner of the Record and built it into a great and popular paper. In 1887 he aided in establishing the Chestnut Street National Bank of which ex-Governor Pattison became President, and subsequently Mr. Singerly himself took its presidency. He was also largely engaged in farming and owned a paper and pulp mill at Elkton, Maryland. In 1894 he was the Democratic candidate for Governor of this state, and took an active part in the campaign making over seventy speeches. He was public spirited, generous, with fine impulses, and of marked ability.

LOUISA BRISCO GIBBONS.

Mrs. Gibbons widow of the late Edward Gibbons died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Nye in Milford township, Sunday afternoon Feb. 26, aged about sixty eight years. For some time her health has been declining and the weight of years spent in rearing and caring for a large family, added to a delicate constitution prevented the hoped for improvement. She was born in Milford and has all her life resided in this vicinity with the exception of some ten years spent with her husband in Lackawaxen. She is survived by three sons, Richard, Thomas and Milo of Milford, two daughters, Ella wife of Jack Nye, of Milford township with whom she resided and Louisa unmarried, one brother Patrick D. Brisco of Milton, Ulster county, N. Y., and a sister Margaret also remain. The funeral was held Wednesday at the Catholic church Rev. Father Treis officiating.

JOHN G. PICOT.

Mr. Picot who was formerly a resident of Delaware, in this county and well known to many here died at his home in Middletown, N. Y., Wednesday Feb. 23, aged about 45 years. His occupation was that of a mason and builder. His immediate relatives who survive are his wife who is an inmate of the State hospital, four sons Harrison J. Frank, Burt and Samuel and two daughters, Hettie J. and Nellie E. all of whom resided at his home. His father and mother are still living at a ripe old age in Delaware township. Two brothers, Philip J. of Newark and George residing with his parents, and three sisters, Elizabeth wife of Wm. Irwin, Jennie wife of P. J. Orben and Mary wife of Lewis Rockwell all living in Newark, N. J., also remain.

JOHN VANDERVORT.

John Vandervort, of Matamoras died at the residence of his son Ambrose Wednesday morning March 2 aged 67 years. The deceased was a respected citizen and his death will be mourned by a large circle of friends. Beside the son above named he is survived by another, John, also living at Matamoras. Funeral to-day and burial at Callicoon.

JOHN S. HELLER.

John S. Heller, of Shawnee a director in the Monroe county Agricultural society, and a well known farmer in Monroe county died suddenly last Sunday.

HYMENEAL.

SPINKEN-BRIARD.

Rev. S. Morris at his residence 21 Pearl street, Port Jervis, Feb. 24 th married August Spinken and Miss Louisa Briard both of Milford, Pa.

Trial List.

For March term, 1898:

Gertrude Hartz and Jacob Hartz, vs. Frank Drilloc.

Honry Van Frank use of W. B. Holmes vs. Anton Podluzki, administrator of Anton Podluzki, deceased.

A FINE FARM of 25 acres, 10 acres under cultivation; 7-room cottage; barn, stable, fruiting apple avenue; 30 fruit trees, full bearing; horse, cow, poultry, wagons; all farm utensils; all crops and fodder gone with it; only \$2,200; cash \$800; balance your terms. FRED HAWKINS, Patchogue.

A lot of new felt hats at W. & G. Mitchell's.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

THE PRESIDENT CAUTIOUS, NO WAR TALK IN THE CABINET, BUT PREPARATIONS ARE ACTIVE. LAND DEFENSES ARE COMPLETE AND OUR NAVY EQUALS SPAIN'S. CIVIL SERVICE REFORM NOT A SHAM.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28, 1898.

Few men occupying the position of President McKinley at this critical time would be able to withstand the temptation to do a little spread eagle posing by cutting, in talk, at least, to the unmistakable fighting sentiment of the country. Whether he has been tempted to do so, I cannot say, but that he has not done so is known to all the world, and it reflects great credit upon him as a man and an official, and has, beyond a doubt, increased the respect felt for the U. S. by all civilized nations. Not a line officially indicating what the verdict of the naval court of inquiry will be has been received by either the President or Secretary Long, but that very fact has tended to convince the public that the investigation has already shown the court that the explosion, which wrecked the Maine, was not accidental and that it did not occur inside the vessel; whether it has convinced the President and Cabinet, their active preparations for war show better than anything said for publication by any of them. These preparations are for the purpose of putting the country in condition to hold Spain to a strict accountability, if the verdict of the court shall be that the Maine was blown up from the outside; that it will be. Holding Spain responsible is likely to cause war, and although not one warlike word has been uttered, either by the President or any member of his Cabinet, this country is quite well prepared for war.

Our navy is equal to that of Spain in guns and armament, and as superior to it in fighting qualities as the American is to a Spaniard; and the following remarks made by a War Department official will give some idea of our coast defenses: "From Portland, Me., to the South-eastmost point on the American coast, big guns and mortar batteries have been planted, and in case of war, an invading force could not land on Uncle Sam's soil, without suffering severely. The Pacific coast has not been neglected by any means, and a hostile fleet seeking an entrance to a harbor anywhere along that coast line, would find violent opposition. One good result of the present critical times, if it only amounts to a score, is that there will be less opposition to appropriation for coast defenses and for needs of the army and navy."

Justice Harlan, of the U. S. Supreme Court, made the following reference to the loss of the Maine, in a lecture to the law students of Columbia University: "It is idle for any man to say he knows how that calamity occurred, and any man belittles his nature and lowers himself in the estimation of his fellow men, when he expresses the anxiety that it will turn out that it was an accident, but that it was treachery rather than an accident. Brave generous men do not want to think so badly of their fellow men. We don't want to believe that that was an act of treachery and duplicity; We hope it will turn out otherwise. And we ought all to have this feeling if it turns out to be accidental, we shall rejoice; if it turns out not to be accidental, we shall be no more of North, South, East or West, no more of Republicans, Democrats or Populists. We will hear only of Americans."

The President and the Secretary of the Navy believe that it would be both fitting and patriotic for Congress to authorize the building of a new warship, to be as good as it can be made, to be named the Maine, but they also regard as wise the opinion of the men in Congress who have studied this subject, that it will be best to wait until full particulars of the loss of the Maine can be carefully studied before deciding whether it would be advisable to build any more vessels of the battleship type.

Representative Pearson, of N. C., indignantly reverts the imputation, made in some quarters, that the flight made by the Republicans of the House to secure modification of the civil service law and rules, in which he has been conspicuous among the leaders, is a sham, and says he intends, if within his power, and he thinks it is, to see that every member of the House is put on record on this question before the close of the present session. There is reason for the belief that President McKinley would have issued an order materially modifying the civil service rules before this, had not his attention been so fully taken up with matters following upon the de Lamo letter and the destruction of the Maine.

The failure to secure unanimous consent for the House to take up the bill, already passed by the Senate, providing for the enlistment of two additional regiments of artillery, in order that the Government might properly man the batteries of heavy guns which have been planted in connection with our sea-coast defenses, owing to democratic objections, speaks much louder to observant persons than do the war whoops which certain democrats have recently been indulging in. This temporary delay will not affect the bill, which will be passed this week, but it should serve as a pointer for all intelligent persons.