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23. Col. M. R. Hamilton retires from editorial chair of the Newark Evening Journal, and is succeeded by Edward N. Fuller, the former editor.

24. Collector Headley had appointed Theodore F. Anderson, Deputy Revenue Collector for Sussex county, vice Joseph A. Orsborne, removed.

24. A horse and wagon hired from Drake & Vanattan's livery stable in Newton, by a young man from Warren county, some two weeks since, had been recovered at Reading, Pa., where he tried to sell the rig, which was valued at \$600.

24. Struble & Hankinson, in charge of Swartswood House, offer to accommodate fishing parties.

24. Trustees of Newton School District announce that on and after April 29, the school taught by Mr. and Miss Chapin, in the Academy; the school of Miss Moran and Miss Terhune, on Church street; the school of Miss Durling on Mill street; the school on Halsted street taught by Miss McCarter, Miss Watson and Miss Hallock, and the school near the Catholic Church, taught by Miss Clark, would be conducted as free schools, under the supervision of the Trustees of the district. It was a radical change, and the cost estimated at \$4,800.

24. H. J. Rudd announces opening of new music store in rooms being fitted by Dr. Smith, on Main street.

24. John A. Peters, tailor, at Marksboro, returns thanks for patronage of past nine years.

24. W. H. Hagaman advertises Newton wagon factory on Mill street.

24. Dr. E. C. Tuttle, dentist, located at Unionville, N. Y.

25. Gold goes up to 136 on strength of rumors of war between France and Prussia.

25. Harper's Weekly stated that the amount of money lost by brokers and others since January 1, in consequence of decline in stocks, would pay for all the improvements New York would require for twenty years.

25. THE REGISTER begins its 55th volume. Robert Mills, of Andover, and John Bunnell, of Wantage, were the only original subscribers still living and on the books.

25. E. I. Mohr had rented the old bookstore building, and expected to open a music store.

25. Wheat flour was selling in this section for \$16 and \$18 per barrel, while in Utah and California the price was \$6 and \$7.

25. Petroleum Centre, Pa., had been destroyed by an incendiary, who first fired the Union Hotel, built two years ago by Michael B. Titman, lately of Newton.

25. Rafting on the Delaware was unusually brisk, with good prices for timber.

25. Dwelling of M. E. Roff, at Mendham, destroyed by fire, with contents. Mr. Roff was barely rescued alive, by two women. He was aged and infirm, and had his rescuers come one minute later he would have perished.

26. A late snow storm followed by rain, and ice formed on the night of the 27th. The weather of the following week was cold and chilly, in fact it was so cold and stormy that the circus exhibitions at Newton and Deckertown were slimly attended.

27. Branchville opens the base ball season, the Frankford club defeating the Independents, 15 to 14.

29. Stone, Rosston and Murray's circus visits Newton, coming from Hackettstown and going to Deckertown.

30. N. T. Meachem exhibits vegetable tallow obtained from bayberries, which grew on the bog meadows. It made excellent candles and mixed with ivory black a superior "heel ball" for shoemakers. Much of this bayberry tallow was made in the New England states, particularly in Rhode Island.

30. There is plenty of evidence to show that at this time THE REGISTER was opposed to expansion. An article suggests that if the government goes on in the purchasing line the United States will in-

clude all the Western continents. The following facts are cited: Purchase of Louisiana and the Mississippi Valley in 1803, from France, for \$15,000,000. Purchase of Florida, in 1819, from Spain, for \$3,000,000. Purchase of California, New Mexico and Utah, in 1848, from Mexico, for \$15,000,000. Annexation of Texas, in 1845. Purchase of Arizona, in 1854, from Mexico, for \$10,000,000. And now the purchase of the icy and sterile Russian possessions from the North Pole to the British possessions for \$7,000,000. Who would part with either now?

MAY.

1. Martin Ryerson, secretary of Sussex County Bible Society, invites competition for a suitable ode to be sung at the fiftieth anniversary of the Society, on June 12.

1. F. Rorbach, M. D., wanted a horse suitable for a doctor, so we judge that Fred had received his diploma about this time.

1. J. W. & L. H. Smith, commission merchants, had office at store of Stoll, Dunn & Co.

2. Stillwater Division, No. 46, organized with 14 charter members; also on the 14th, Stanhope Division, No. 49, with eighteen members, and on the 16th, Sparta Division, No. 48, with twenty members.

3. Newton Division, S. of T., celebrates its anniversary in M. E. Church, and is addressed by Hon. Martin Ryerson.

2-3. Frost and ice form in various parts of the county. In some places snow covered the ground, yet the buds lived through it.

5. Anniversary exercises of the Sunday school of Presbyterian church. Addresses by R. v. Geo. S. Mott and John Lion, Esq. Joseph Coult was superintendent of the school, which numbered 250 scholars.

6. William C. Washer, a veteran of the war of 1812, died near Newton, in his 75th year.

6. Annual meeting of the stockholders of the Sussex Iron Works, at Stanhope.

6-7-8. Three days of more or less rain, the culmination being reached on the 8th, when a remarkable flood prevailed. The Delaware rose 24 feet at Easton.

8. Dedication of the Tranquility M. E. Church postponed to May 29, on account of severe storm.

8. J. K. & W. S. Smith announce purchase and entire renovation of Union hotel, Deckertown, lately kept by William L. Dewitt.

8. Misses A. and S. C. Terwilliger, of Lafayette, say they are still in the millinery and dressmaking business.

8. Miss Lydia K. Lantz, Lafayette, asks patronage in the line of millinery and dressmaking.

8. Dennis & Truex announce that Lafayette, though seemingly dead, is waking up under the influence of railroad extension, and that they occupy the O. P. Armstrong store house.

8. Stern & Rice announce opening of clothing and drygoods store at Branchville.

8. Struble & McDanolds, Branchville, among other things, offer straight A sugar at \$1.05 for 7 lbs.

8. J. M. Chandler and P. L. Struble are advertised as being with "L. D. Rosenkrans & Co., wholesale dealers in everything."

8. William H. Bell offers to give 150 building lots to mechanics or manufacturers who will settle in Branchville.

8. On account of severe storm the Board of Freeholders was without a quorum, and failed to organize as required by law. This was the first event of this character since the county was formed. Only three members were present at 11 a. m. and but twelve at 3 p. m., when adjournment was made to the 9th. The Board was then organized by the election of Richard V. Northrup as Director, and Thomas C. Elston, clerk. A report of the Surplus Revenue commissioners shows a total sum of \$38,689; of which the county had borrowed \$21,616.24; the balance in notes,

bonds and mortgages was \$16,697. A resolution to call in all loans on personal security on Jan. 1st next, was debated and a motion to lay on the table resulted in a tie vote of 14 to 14, the Director then gave his vote against the motion. By vote of 12 to 11 it was then ordered that the county borrow the obligations remaining, and pay the interest to the townships for school purposes. Levi Shepherd was unanimously elected County Collector. A committee appointed to ascertain the amount of the county indebtedness reported it to be \$49,616.28; but if all that was due on former appropriations and the license fees in the hands of the County Clerk, and other dues be collected, there would be enough funds for the purposes of the county. It was recommended that \$30,000 be raised by taxation. The presentments of two grand juries in the matter of jails was discussed, and the Board adjourned to visit the cells. After an animated discussion it was resolved, by a practically unanimous vote, that John Decker, Charles Roe, Thomas Kays, Edward C. Moore and Franklin Smith be a committee to construct and make such alterations as were deemed necessary, at a cost of \$2,000. When the Board re-assembled on Saturday morning, the reports of the Poor House superintendents were ventilated, it being claimed that they were insufficient to show how affairs were conducted. A committee was appointed to investigate the accounts and instruct the superintendents to lay before the board next year a full statement of expenses and disbursements. Then the jail matter was threshed over. Thomas Kays reported a plan for two cells outside the Court House, at a cost not to exceed \$3,590. The resolution of the previous day was rescinded, and the committee instructed to use Mr. Kays's plan, if two iron proof case-mat cells, with proper tanks and sewers, could be put out by contract for the sum named. The sum to be raised by taxation was increased to \$35,000. This action was more important, and the amount of business transacted greater than at any sitting for many years past.

9. Barnes of Samuel Chambers and Dr. J. B. Boss, in the village of Sparta, burned by supposed incendiary fire. Loss, \$600; mostly covered by insurance in Sussex Mutual.

9. Publication of act to create Sussex County Savings Bank, approved April 5; also an act to give voters of Vernon township opportunity to say whether \$300 bounty should be paid to each recruit of the township's quota, under call of July, 1864.

10. George Rosenkrans, of Port Jervis, aged 30, killed while coupling cars on Erie road, at Jersey City. The day before he made a noble, but unsuccessful effort to save the life of George Myers, aged 18, who had fallen from a flat in the Delaware river. Rosenkrans saw the accident, and went to the rescue, but life was extinct when he drew the body from the river, five minutes later.

10. A gang of thieves, following a circus through Orange county, took a silver watch and \$60 in money from a house in Middletown, occupied by Ryerson Space and mother, both former residents of Newton.

10. Burglars had entered the house of Isaac Searling, at Dover, and had secured \$400 in money, besides several hundred dollars' worth of valuables.

11. Dwelling of E. M. Kimble, at Monroe, caught fire in roof at 7 a. m., and before it was discovered had made such progress that it was impossible to save the building. Loss, \$3,000; insurance, about \$1,500.

13. Jefferson Davis released from imprisonment in Fortress Monroe, on \$100,000 bail to appear for trial at Norfolk, Va. Horace Greeley was one of the eighteen bondsmen.

13. Morristown Republicans re-elect Hon. Geo. T. Cobb as mayor.

14. Sussex was well represented at a trot which occurred on this date at Middletown, N. Y., when the famous horse, Dexter, beat Lady Abdallah (commonly known as the Goldsmith mare,) in three

straight heats. The purse was \$3,000, and the best time 2:28. There was an immense crowd, and the backers of the mare were relieved of much cash, though the mare showed great fitness.

14. A large crowd, with much cash invested, witnessed the defeat of the Eureka, of Newark, by the Irvington Club, at Irvington. Score 25 to 17.

14. Col. Peter Young died at his home in Sandyston, in his 79th year. He was an honored citizen and a most worthy man. Had been a member of the Legislature for three terms and a Justice of the Peace for forty years.

15. A riot was threatened in New York city over first enforcement of Excise law closing unlicensed grogshop, etc.

15. Judge Field, of the U. S. District Court, approves appointments of Whitfield S. Johnson, of Trenton, as Reg'ister in Bankruptcy for Second District of New Jersey; also that of Thomas D. Hoxsey, for Fourth District. Un-sex people had urged the appointment of C. S. Leport, of Stanhope.

15. Would-be Emperor Maximilian and others captured in Mexico, and the attempt to establish a French dynasty fails most ignominiously after three years of strife.

15. Orquet had appeared as a local "disease."

15. James M. C. Morrow, for two years past principal of the Millburn school, had been chosen principal of the High School, at Rahway, to succeed Wm. D. Carterline, another native of Sussex, and who went to Bergen, Hudson county.

15. J. P. Osborne and Z. S. Sampson had formed law partnership at 21 Nassau street, New York city.

15. Mrs. J. A. Stoll, milliner at Sparta.

16. Collier & Huston, at Lafayette, offered \$1.75 per bushel for rye and \$1.40 for shelled corn.

16. Merrimac prints were quoted at "only 18 cents" per yard.

16. The trustees of the School Fund had apportioned the following sums: Sussex, with 9,220 children between the ages of 5 and 18, received the annual sum of \$4,256.77, in three equal instalments. Salary of County Superintendent based on 10 cents for each scholar, \$923. Morris, 11,738 children; received \$5,419.18. Salary of Superintendent, \$1,173.80. Warren—9,696 children; received \$4,462.53. Salary of Superintendent \$969.60.

17. Prof. Mohr, Wm. Conky, Thomas Hare, and others gave concert at Branchville.

17. Dogs kill a number of sheep near Robert Sheeler's residence, for which the township of Hampton pays \$100 to John Townsend and Bradner Blanchard.

18. Meeting at Lewis Wilson's store, Huntsville, to determine upon matters concerning the burying ground at that place.

18. Anthony J. Osmann, of Hope, dies of apoplexy, at Belvidere, where he had gone on business.

19. One of a team of gray Patchens, owned by John McCarter died of colic. The owner valued the team at \$5,000.

20. Lewis VanBlarcom and William M. Perrine purchase law office and building erected by John Linn on site of old "County Hotel," for \$3,000. On July 1st Mr. L. intended to remove to Jersey City.

20. The M. & E. R. R. Co. had recently purchased several acres of land near the Passaic river, in Chatham township, where a locomotive station, repair shops, etc. were to be erected. A double track was completed between Chatham and Hoboken, and the coal traffic averaged 900 tons per day. The ruins of a former busy scene still exist, but it is probable that one train of the present period carries nearly as much coal as was transported in one day in the four wheel jimmies.

20. Isaac VanWinkle, recently arrested in Essex county, charged with highway robbery, proved to be the person who stole \$450 in money, a gold watch, etc., from the house of Isaac Searing, in Dover.

22. Note made of the death, on April 22, at Lodi, N. Y., of the celebrated stallion Old Henry Clay, at the age of nearly 44 years. He was the progenitor of all the

famous Clay stock in Sussex and Orange counties; of Sayer's Harry Clay, G. M. Patchen, etc.

22. John A. Potter announces occupation of the store in Sparta, and the business recently conducted by Harvey B. Strait.

22. The patent horse rake swindle on farmers was noted in Orange county, and other portions of New York, with the caution that the sharpers would probably come to Sussex.

22. Wesley House, of Sparta, reported that 14 ewes made him the owner of 30 lambs this spring.

22. Announcement of the result of a census of the United States, taken by actual count in the various revenue districts during the last two months of 1896, showing a total of 34,505,882—an increase of 3,062,561 since the census of 1890.

22. An editorial suggests that the uniform chill in the air for the past month was due to the purchase of Alaska, and that it would be necessary to purchase Cuba in order to restore the atmospheric equilibrium.

24. Conference camp meeting committee met at Morristown and decided to hold another meeting, beginning August 12.

24. Charles Lee, of Beattystown, had been seriously, if not fatally, injured by falling from his wagon. In going down hill his hand slipped from the brake, and being thrown forward his foot caught, and he was dragged over the ground for some distance.

25. Death of Rev. Wm. C. McGee, the beloved pastor of the Yellow Frame Church, aged 53 years. His disease was typhoid fever, and he was made more susceptible to its ravages by incessant labor that had impaired his vitality. For 25 years he had served the congregations at Grattitude, Markshoro and Johnsonburg, preaching not unfrequently a sermon at each place during the Sabbath. His ability and fine social qualities gained him the love and esteem of all his parishioners.

27. Mr. Kling, a sufferer by fire, applies to Chancellor for an injunction restraining use of coal burning locomotives on M. & E. R. R. Chancellor admitted validity of complaint, but dismissed the bill until a new apparatus to prevent scattering of live coals had been tried.

27. Wm. P. Nicholas purchased of Major John Kraber six acres of land on Love Lane road, for \$333 per acre.

27. Laborers digging post holes in the northern extremity of Newton, unearth skeleton of an infant, enclosed in a milk pan.

27. Dexter beats Lady Thorn on Fashion course, for a purse of \$3,000. Though she had beaten Dexter in a former trial of speed, this time the horse took the first heat in 2:24, and distanced his rival in the second heat, trotting clear through in 2:23.

28. Ethan Allen and running mate trotted on Fashion course against Brown George and running mate. Though Ethan was 18 years old he won the race in three heats; time 2:29, 2:21 and 2:18. The last heat broke all previous records, even that of the same horse and running mate against Flora Temple, six years ago, over the same course.

28. Jacob Conise retires from firm of Conise & Woodruff.

29. Thomas Kays retains office in rooms formerly occupied by Rogers & Kays.

29. John Bale and John M. Bale become partners in carding and fulling business at Baleville.

29. Crisman's mill, Branchville, offered \$1.80 per bushel for rye.

29. Dedication of Tranquility M. E. Church. Sermons by Rev. Dr. H. Mattison, of Jersey city; Rev. R. L. Dashiell, of Orange, and Rev. J. T. Crane, of Hackettstown.

29. Dr. Wm. I. Roe and Charles Roe, Jr., announce refitting of their general store at Branchville.

30. The month of May had been distinguished by a succession of rains which had retarded farm work.

30. The Bellfounder trotting track at Warwick had been completed by Mr. Fitzgerald.

30. David Smith had been appointed postmaster at Oxford Furnace, vice Chas. Sitgreaves, resigned.

30. Jesse Phillips, of Frankford, presents his nephews, Jesse C. Phillips and Jesse P. Richards, with title deeds for lots in Branchville, valued at \$1,500 each.

30. H. J. Rudd had opened his new book and music store two doors above Park Hall.

30. State Medical Society met at Newark; Dr. John C. Johnson, of Blairstown, elected president, and Dr. Jonathan Havens, of Newton, a delegate to American Medical Society.

31. Charles A. Parker, swindler, forger and bigamist, arrested at Chatham, being one of the "hay-rake swindlers" operating in Hunterdon county.

JUNE

1. James A. Swayze succeeds Caleb Swayze as postmaster at Hope.

1. Rev. George W. Horton, formerly of Sussex, appointed School Superintendent of Passaic county, vice Berj Ayerrigg, resigned.

2. John, son of Abram Westfall, drowned by upsetting of boat on Delaware river, three miles below Port Jervis. His companion, a boy named Terwilliger, succeeded in gaining the shore alive.

3. Gideon Hopkins, aged 58, a worthy and prosperous farmer of Lafayette, hanged himself while suffering from a painful dyspeptic attack.

3-4-5 North Jersey Preachers' Association held its third meeting at Sparta, at which some fifteen or twenty M. E. clergymen read essays and discussed various matters.

5. Nelson Dawitt and Evi J. Decker, of Deckertown, were agents for a patent screw fork for hay and grain.

5. The great speculation in grain, which had carried the price of breadstuffs to a ruinous figure to consumers, was about to collapse.

6. L. VanBlarcom, clerk of the Town of Newton, furnishes financial statement, from which it would appear that the principal business of the town consisted of paying bonds and interest thereon.

6. County Superintendent Pettit gives notice of meetings with township trustees on dates running from June 10 to July 3.

6. Progress of the work on the railroad extension to Branchville is noted by a correspondent, who also took occasion to criticize the attitude of a citizen of Branchville toward the work.

6. A correspondent furnishes a proper obituary notice of the late Rev. W. C. McGee, giving his birthplace as Paterson, to which place his parents emigrated from the county of Down, Ireland, in 1813. He was graduated from Princeton at the age of 19, taught school for a year, and three years later upon leaving the Seminary, was called to the pastorate of the churches at Hardwick and Markshoro. He was ordained in 1841. His serious illness dated from May 5, after preaching at Markshoro, from Luke 11: 18, though he was then far from well. In his pastorate of 26 years he never asked or took a vacation.

6. Chief Justice Chase opened at Raleigh, N. C., the first U. S. Circuit Court held in any insurgent State since the outbreak of the rebellion.

7. Dexter again beats Lady Thorn on Fashion Course, to wagon. The horse won three straight heats in 2:32, 2:24, 2:28.

9. Christian Church at Vienna re-opened for service, after being repainted and refurnished. Sermon by Elder E. G. Holland, of New York.

10. Wheat flour had declined \$3 per barrel in price.

10. The Morris & Essex had put on the road a new "refrigerator" car.

10. William T. Leport appointed postmaster at Stanhope, vice A. G. King, removed.

11. Semi-centennial meeting of Morris County Bible Society, at Morristown.

11. Sussex Baptist Association held its

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34th anniversary in North Vernon Church. Sermon by Rev. D. Silver.

11-13. A rational horse fair held at Trenton, with purses aggregating \$7,000.

12. Sunday school of Ebenezer M. E. Church, near Hope, holds first strawberry festival of the season.

12. Warbasse & Lutz sell lumber and pay cash for grain at Tuttle's mill, near Centerville.

12. A. Stoddard, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., offers services as medical clairvoyant. A lock of hair left with Miss Clara Garrison, of Newton, was all that was needed for a diagnosis of the patient's disease.

12. E. C. Moore and W. D. Steele offer the Union mower at \$100 cash.

12. Thomas C. Elston announces his candidacy for office of Sheriff.

12. Nelden & Bodine offer Wood's mower at \$115.

12. James A. Goodale and W. A. Vought advertise Dover drug store.

12. Semi-centennial of Sussex County Bible Society held in Presbyterian church at Newton. Addresses were made by Hon. Daniel Haines, Hon. Martin Ryerson, Hon. Peter D. Vroom (one of the founders of the Society), Rev. Bishop E. S. Jones, and Hon. John Hill. Four hundred persons were provided with dinner, the tables being set in the hall of the court house. At a meeting in the evening, addresses were made by Rev. Dr. Sheldon, Hon. John Hill, John Y. Foster, Theo. Little, and Rev. G. S. Mott.

13. Prof. George H. Cook delivers a lecture on Agriculture, at court house, in Newton.

13. An intimation is given that the Town Committee of Newton has discovered some abuses in town affairs and is not disposed to cover up official delinquencies.

13. Items noting the operations of the "hay rake swindlers," with names of victims, were numerous.

13. The trial of John H. Surratt, attempted assassination of the Czar of Russia, in Paris, and the political situation in the Southern States were the chief topics of interest.

14. William A. Pierson, of Morris county, had been appointed Liquor Inspector for Fourth Collection District. THE REGISTER protested, on the part of Sussex Republicans, who had reason to believe that the choice would fall upon Charles Crook.

14. Dexter again wins from Ludy Thorn in two-mile heats; time 4:51 and 5:01½.

16. Samuel G. Whitlesey, a very popular young man in Newton, died at Dover, of typhoid fever. His father was a former missionary to Ceylon. He was one of the crack players on the Newton Star team, and Newton Division, No. 37, S. of T., held a special meeting to testify high appreciation of his character.

17. Change of timetable on Sussex R. R. Morning train left earlier and evening train waited for Easton express.

18. The ministers of Newark Conference, with one layman from each charge, hold an educational conference in St. Paul's church, Newark.

18. County Medical Society held annual meeting at Newton.

19. Annual meeting of M. & E. stockholders, at Hoboken. The report of the Board of Directors caused a stormy discussion. After reciting the additions of rolling stock needed for the Phillipsburg branch, and the execution of \$3,000,000 second mortgage bonds to pay for the same, the report stated that \$1,500,000 of unissued bonds would pay all floating debts and flush the improvements in progress. Stock certificates had been issued for the current earnings of the past six months, instead of dividing them among the shareholders. After referring to the causes which had hitherto prevented a declaration of a dividend, the Directors express a belief that the stockholders would now have a return on their investment, as the road had become a main thoroughfare between New York and the West. Receipts from passengers, freight, etc., \$1,020,037.84; operating expenses, \$715,208.12. One cash dividend and one in stock certificates,

amounting to \$245,000, had been paid. Great dissatisfaction was expressed in the discussion, and a committee consisting of George T. Cobb, Daniel Dodd, Edward C. Moore, Joseph N. Tuttle and Joseph Booth was appointed to investigate the condition of the road.

19. Rev. Dr. Thornton A. Mills, of Dover, a well-known Presbyterian clergyman, and secretary of the Board of Education, died suddenly in ferry house at Hoboken. The previous day his wife had been chief mourner at the funeral of her son (Samuel G. Whitlesey) by a former husband.

19-20. Eighty clergymen and seventy laymen assembled in Newark for the purpose of locating the proposed Conference Seminary. The claims of six places were considered, but no choice was possible at this meeting, and adjournment was made until July 2. A strong application came from Madison, but Daniel Drew forestalled the idea by purchasing the Gibbons property, for \$150,000, to establish the Drew Theological Seminary. However, Madison proposed to purchase the Treadwell property, and Cornelius Walsh offered 25 acres at Irvington with \$5,000 in cash if residents of Newark would add \$20,000.

20. At recent sale of real estate of the late Darius Layton, one-fourth interest in the Richard Stoll farm in Wallpack was sold to Hudson Stoll for \$3,445, or nearly \$100 per acre. The William Clark farm of 105 acres, owned by deceased, sold for \$3,200.

20. A mysterious disease had caused the sudden death of valuable horses as well as cows in various parts of Morris county, and the Farmer's Club was urged to make a thorough investigation.

21. Dexter, in harness, and Erban Allen and running mate, trot on Fashion Course, in view of 20,000 persons. The trot was a wonder, though bets were declared off on account of substitution of another running mate than the one originally selected. Allen won in the unparalleled time of 2:15, 2:16, 2:19. Dexter made the three heats, in harness, in 2:17, 2:18, 2:21.

21. House of George Qlick, at Jacksonburg, Warren county, occupied by John W. Pipher, burned with its contents during absence of family. Loss, \$1,200; no insurance. Elias Snover in a bold attempt to save some furniture was overcome by smoke and came near perishing in the flames.

25. Samuel Morrow, Jr., appointed Revenue Inspector for New Jersey districts.

25. Laying of corner stone of new M. E. Church at Newfoundland. Services conducted by Rev. L. R. Dunn, and C. S. Coit, P. E. (Postponed to August 28.)

26-28. Examinations and exhibition of N. C. I. Annual address by Rev. Thomas McCauley, of Philadelphia.

27. Statement of county finances published in this issue. Many errors and discrepancies were accounted for by the "mis-laying of vouchers." The post-office expenses were \$5,547.38, of which \$1,538.61 was paid for beef and pork. Bridges cost \$8,369.63; courts, \$3,318.24.

26-28. The closing exercises of N. C. I. drew a large attendance, and the community appreciated the benefit to be derived from such a well conducted institution. Henry C. Kelsey offered a resolution, which was seconded by Thomas Lawrence, and which embodied the views of friends of education, at the close of exercises on Friday evening.

27. Notice had appeared for an election on July 10, at Bronton, for seven directors of the Miners, Manufacturers and Farmers Railroad Company, whose road was to connect with the M. & E. at Denville, and was then in process of construction.

27. David Beardslee, a miller, near Monroe Corner, loses an arm through a runaway accident; kangrene afterward set in and his death was feared. The horse was shot to end its sufferings.

27. Friends of a citizen of Branchville, take up \$400 in forged notes. The perpe-

trator, previously supposed to be honest, had left the county.

28. Isaac Casamer, supposed to be from Sussex county, died in Oakland county, Michigan, from sunstroke.

29. Jacob Vanardale, a shoemaker, working for Andrew Beard, near Somerville, cut the throat of a 12 year old son of his employer, who had been sent to call him to breakfast. He then changed his clothes and knocked Mrs. Beard down as he left the house. Evidence was found that he intended to kill the whole family. He was speedily captured. The aggravating circumstance was that a colored servant girl was seated at the breakfast table before he was called.

29. Special school meeting in Stillwater district by a vote of 58 to 18, rejects proposition to establish a graded school.

JULY.

1. Dominion of Canada established under Lord Stanley Charles Monck, as viceroy.

1. A. A. Vance leases the business management of the Morris Jerseyman to C. F. Axtell and J. R. Pierson. Mr. V. retained editorial control.

1. Rev. D. W. Moore, of Bileville, returns home after a trip to a Christian convention in London.

1. Lewis J. Martin moves law office from Branchville to Newton, taking rooms formerly occupied by L. VanBlarcom, in a portion of the Anderson House.

1. Discounts and deposits of Sussex Banks for the quarter were as follows: Sussex, \$212,972.25; deposits, \$37,254.57. Merchants' Bank—discounts, \$147,209.65; deposits, \$80,281.58. Farmers Bank—discounts, \$88,062.52; deposits, \$30,537.77.

1. VanBlarcom & Perrine occupy the law offices of John Linn, which they purchased two months ago.

1. Bach Vanderpool declines to serve longer as president of M. & E. R. R., and is succeeded by Theo. F. Randolph, of Hudson.

3. Delegates from churches of the Newark M. E. Conference reassemble at Newark, and finally agree upon Morristown as the proper place for the proposed Conference Seminary. The trustees were authorized to select and secure the grounds.

3. Congress re-assembled in adjourned session to pass upon reconstruction acts, and other matters.

4. Celebration at Branchville. Orator, Col. Morris R. Hamilton; reader, Hiram C. Clark. The oration was a fine one and the two church festivals netted \$600. A heavy shower in the evening spoiled fireworks.

4. Celebration at Andover. Orator, Rev. John D. Blaine; reader, George H. Nelden. Music by Andover Band, and vocal and instrumental concert in evening under direction of E. I. Mohr, assisted by Misses Tillie Snook, Minnie Osborne, and Messrs. Conly, Hare and Watkins. The oration of Mr. Blaine was spoken of as a masterpiece.

4. Celebration at Johnsonburg. Orator, R. B. Westbrook, Esq. (failed to appear); reader, Col. William Holt. Music by Balvidere Band. Address in afternoon by Rev. Charles Beck.

4. Festival at M. E. parsonage, Blairstown.

4. Celebration at Succasunna. Orator, F. A. DeMott; reader, Rev. W. N. Searles. Music by Mount Hope Band.

4. Celebration at Deckertown. Orator, Jacob Vanatta, Esq. (failed to appear); reader, Joseph A. Orsborne; invocation by Rev. D. T. Hill. Music by Unionville Band. This celebration drew the largest attendance, and the absence of orator Vanatta was compensated for in addresses by Rev. John Faull, and Messrs. Swarts and Coult.

4. Ball at McKinney's hotel, Andover.

4. Alvadore, son of Peter Bross, a farmer living near Unionville, drowned while endeavoring to rescue his brother, who had been bathing.

4. The Star base ball club, though sadly weakened by removal and dispersion of its former members, goes to Morristown,

without any practice, and is defeated by the Alerts, of Newark, 63 to 7.

4. Sussex people had a grievance against the M. & E. management, which had refused to sell excursion tickets to Morristown under the plea that the road was unable to handle the traffic, though it carried 4,000 passengers from Newark to Morristown, that being the largest number the road ever carried in one day.

4-5 Horse fair at Morristown. The great attraction was a trot between Dexter and Ethan Allen and mate. The latter won in three straight heats; the first by a length in 2:20 $\frac{1}{2}$; the second by three lengths in 2:20 $\frac{1}{2}$, and the third by a length in 2:20. Considering that this time was made on a half-mile track, it was equal to the previous race on Fashion Course. The crowd was not so large as expected, owing to poor railroad accommodations.

6. H. J. Ruidt starts a singing class for children.

6. Thompson D. Hubbard, aged 60, left house in usual health, and not returning at noon, was found by his wife and son, lying dead upon the barn floor, on his farm in Hardyston tsp.

8. Henry Brown, a M. & E. switch tender at Millburn, arrested and held to bail in \$2,000, for leaving a switch open, and causing a passenger train to run against a coal train. No one was injured, but discipline was strict in these days.

10. Samuel A. Beardslee announces that he has resumed business at the Stoll mill, near Hamburg. Also, dealing in lumber.

11. First trot of the season on Sussex fair grounds. James A. Decker's "Black Joe" trots a mile heat to a sulkey in 3:05. A wager of \$30 had been made that he could not do it in 3:10. The track was 80 feet over a mile.

11. Sussex Republicans asked to elect delegates to State convention on the 23d, at Trenton, to give expression to amendment to State Constitution.

13. E. C. Everett delivered lecture before Excelsior Debating Society, at Deckertown.

15. Dr. Thomas Ryerson appointed Pension Examining Surgeon vice Dr. John R. Stuart, resigned.

18. Catalogue of Blairstown Presbyterial Academy showed 128 pupils.

19. The prospective annexation of the Sandwich Islands to the United States was discussed: a highly advantageous reciprocity treaty having just been concluded.

18. A medal worth \$250, donated by L. Jerome, a New York broker, to be given to the "first gentleman" of the graduating class of Princeton college, was not taken; no one of the class wished to be singled out as such.

18. A railroad article urges the union of Newton with the Erie railroad.

18. An article upon ice shows that 25 years ago in the country at large there was not one ton used where one hundred were at the present time. The editor says he can well remember when there were but two or three citizens who took the precaution to lay down a few tons of ice. Now there were a dozen houses, any one of which held ten times as much as the quantity that was collected and preserved a few years ago. The average price of ice in New York was \$1 to \$8 per ton, and the consumption during six months of the hottest weather 12,000 lbs. per week.

18. A four-year-old son of James Rhodes, of Vernon, had been drowned by falling into a cistern.

20. James H. Terwilliger had been appointed postmaster at Lafayette, vice Thomas W. Howell; and John Loomis vice John B. Mer, at Deckertown. The post office at Mt. Salem, discontinued some years since, had been reopened in charge of Moses Stoll.

21. Portions of Hampton, Stillwater and Green townships suffer from a severe hail storm.

25. Signs of trouble in the Democratic camp, over the contest for Senator and Sheriff. Three years ago the mass convention plan was changed to the delegate system, and there were signs of a revolt

against the clique's decrees.

22. B. B. Edsall makes his first trip to Chicago, with a party of over 400, the occasion being the inauguration of the silver palace sleeping car service over the "Allentown Route" and the Pennsylvania connections.

23. Captain Pitts had broken ground for the erection of a brick building on Spring street, adjoining Reeves clothing store.

24. Recent rains had caused much cut grain to sprout. Catchy weather, and a backward season made farming difficult.

25. J. Boyd Headley gives notice that income and special U. S. taxes must be paid to the deputy collector, without previous notice.

25. Note made of the improvements in the new cemetery at Newton, which had been laid out by Mr. Sours, while the grading and gravelling had been under the supervision of Charles Stickles. The cemetery had not yet been opened for public use, nor had any lots been sold.

25. An article in this issue intimates that rival mowing machine agents were "talking people to death."

28. Residence of Hon. Peter Smith, at Waterloo, robbed of various articles valued at \$500.

28. A certain youth of Newton was furnishing the New York Sunday Mercury with descriptions of "Rural Bachelors," and at the same time was incurring liability to have his face hurt.

29. Members of Neptune Fire Company No. 3, met in rooms of Star base ball club, and formally disbanded. \$40 in the treasury was donated to Frank McLaughlin, a disabled member. The act was regretted, and was the result of a series of misunderstandings between the members and the officials of the fire department, as then constituted. Inquiry was made why the said officials had taken no steps to sell No. 7 or build a new engine house, as directed by resolution last spring.

30. S. D. Woodruff had purchased the small building three doors above the court house, and located his law office therein.

30. Mr. Howe, author of a history of New Jersey, published some 25 years ago, had been in town getting material and sketches for a new edition of the work.

30. The branch railroad from Denville to Boonton was almost ready for the running of cars.

30. Item: "About two weeks since two young men, who were fishing in the Paulinskill, near Marksboro, raised a large stone in the stream, under which they found twenty-eight silver dollars of an old date, evidently having been buried for a long time."

31. July closed with a record of seven-teen days on which more or less rain fell.

31. Nothing had yet been done toward erecting the new jails ordered by the Board of Freeholders.

AUGUST.

1. Samuel Morrow, Jr., resigns office of Internal Revenue Inspector.

1. Prof. Chester H. Oakes announces his intended return to Newton, as a permanent resident, about September 1.

1. Lightbulb rod swindlers had followed the hay rake gang in Orange county.

2. Burglars rob a safe of Corwin Bros., freighters, at Middletown, N. Y., of \$1,200 in money and papers worth \$4,000.

3. Under this date Rev. G. W. Lloyd writes from Escanaba, Mich., thanking his old parishioners at Branchville for the demonstration of affection made on a recent visit to that town. An impromptu offering of \$135 was presented to him on the day he preached in the Branchville church.

4. Widow of Judge E. A. Ayers had a leg broken by being thrown from her carriage on return from church at Beemer-ville.

5. Jesse Titman retires from the firm of Martin & Titman.

5. Sussex dairymen had generally adopted the system of selling butter as fast as manufacture. On this date over

11 tons were shipped from Newton depot, and a considerable quantity from Andover. The price paid by freighters was 28 @ 32 cents per pound.

6. Special meeting called by Trustees of Newton school district (Joseph Coult, R. A. Sheppard and Robert Hamilton) voted \$1,200 additional for schools. During the last quarter 377 children had been taught at a cost to the town of about \$1,300. The sum just voted, with other resources, would keep the schools free for the remainder of the school year. A vote of thanks to the trustees for services rendered was heartily given.

6. The first cut in the price of coal at Newton was announced by E. C. Moore and George H. Nelden. Prices never were given before, but they ranged from \$8 to \$11 per ton. The announced rate, for one month only, cash on delivery, with 50 cents additional for cartage, was as follows: egg, \$5 00; stove, \$5.75; chestnut, \$5.25.

6. Burglars enter store of Oscar Andress, at Middleville, but secured only \$5 and some broadcloth, owing to the noise of a dog which scented their attempt to get tools from a blacksmith shop, for more effective work.

6. Complimentary dinner given to John I. Blair at the Parker House, Boston, by solid men of that city. In a speech Mr. B. set forth the needs and resources of the west. Owing to regard for his health and advancing years Mr. Blair had declined the presidency of the Pacific railroad, which had been tendered to him.

6. Burglars surprised in the act of drilling the safe of E. G. Worman, at Belvidere. They escaped without taking any plunder.

6. John Beeman, of Newark, had started his brother-in-law, Henry Feder, in business at Lafayette, last spring. He subsequently learned that clothing to the amount of \$2,300 had been sent to Henry Cohen, in New York. Result: Cohen's arrest, and close of Lafayette business.

8. The almost certain prospect of extending the Sussex railroad to Franklin Furnace had caused a real estate boom in that vicinity. John H. Brown purchased the hotel property of William Simpson, for \$13,000; also the McCarter mill, distillery and water power, for \$17,000, together with \$5,000 worth of mountain land. Mr. Brown also purchased the grist mill and farm of 175 acres, owned by Mary Stoll, for \$27,000. Horace V. Edsall had sold the Col. Edsall property, at Hamburg, containing 130 acres, to Daniel Haines, for \$18,000.

8. Noting the recent drowning of Samuel Bernard, in the canal at Port Colden, it was stated that it was the eighth or ninth casualty of the same kind in the same place since the canal was constructed.

8. Rev. L. I. Stoutenburgh, of the Chester Institute, had purchased the Forest Grove house, on Schooley's Mountain, of Patrick Matthews, with intention of opening a school.

8. New York capitalists, including B. G. Clark, of the Merchants' Hotel, purchased the John S. Green iron mines in Vernon township, for \$30,000. Negotiations for the purchase of the Wawayanda Furnace property were made by the same parties.

9. President Johnson suspends Secretary of War Stanton, and appoints Gen. Grant to act ad interim. It was the result of continued difficulties between the policies of the President and his Secretary. Stanton was a thorn and so was Gen. Sheridan, who was ruling matters in the Southern States in a manner that did not please the misguided President.

12. Conference camp meeting opened at Morristown. This time there was no restriction in ticket selling, the excursion fare from Newton being \$2.

13. Branchville Lyceum celebrates its first anniversary.

14. Harvest home of Hamburg Baptist church, in grove of Thomas Lawrence. Horace Waters, of New York, directed the musical features.

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14. Newton clique spent the day in devising plans to deprive W. H. Bell of political control of the New Jersey Herald, of which he was the chief owner.

15. Harvest home festival at Beemer-ville. Concert in the church in the evening. (postponed on account of storm to the 28th).

14. The remains of the late Capt. Geo. V. Griggs, killed near Culpepper, had been brought to Newton and interred. After his death three brevets had been issued by the War Department, one to that of major, another to lieutenant-colonel and the third to colonel.

15. Commenting upon a statement that a resident of Chatham, Morris county, had consumed a gallon of whiskey per day for several years, THE REGISTER states: "About 35 years ago there was a man in this region who consumed a gallon of rum per day without apparently injuring his health. But whiskey in those days was whiskey, and one gallon of it did not contain as much downright poison as may be found in a single pint of the vile compound which is made and sold nowadays under various names."

15. The country was flooded with counterfeit nickel, five cent coins.

15. Samuel Lane had sold his house and lot, near the Episcopal church, to Jacob L. Swayze. Mr. Lane was born within three miles of Newton, and had resided here nearly all his life. At the time he began housekeeping in Newton with his wife, who was still living at this time, and to whom he had been united nearly 57 years, the village contained about one hundred families, with the heads of which Mr. Lane was personally acquainted. Not one of these are living at this late day. Mr. Lane's genial face, and the pithy illustrations with which he was wont to embellish the most common place topics, and his retentive memory made him one of the most entertaining of conversationalists.

28. Corner stone of Newfoundland M. E. Church laid. There must have been a postponement from a previously announced date.

4. Samuel Dimmick, widely known as a hotel keeper and stage proprietor, died at Milford, Pa., aged 74 years and six months. He was a native of Connecticut, but a citizen of Pike county for more than forty years.

6. Death of Gen. Elwin F. Cooke, at Santiago, Chili, where he was Secretary of the U. S. Legation. He was a son of Rev. Sylvester Cooke, of D. Eckertown, aged 81 years, and had won distinction in the army. Disease contracted in the prisons of the South caused his death.

8. The fourth annual excursion of the New York Farmers Club to Newton. The object of the trip was similar to that of the others—to see and examine the famous Kittatinny blueberry. The excursion fare from New York was \$3, and was made under the auspices of E. Williams, of Montclair, joint proprietor with Rev. N. Pettit and Geo. H. Cousen, who first introduced the fruit. The party, about 100 in all, was escorted to the Anderson House. After dinner the excursionists visited Mr. Cousen's farm, and spent an hour making examinations and picking the berries. At 3 p. m. a meeting was organized with Gen. N. N. Halstead, president of the State Agricultural Society, in the chair. Massachusetts was represented by Dr. Smith and Mr. Wetherell; Mr. Lawton, originator of the famous berry at that time; Mr. Hasbrouck, of Newburg, and a host of fruit men, agricultural men, and nurserymen, represented the State of New York. Dr. Webb represented the N. Y. Times; Mr. Meeker, the Tribune; Mr. Burrows, the World; Mr. Wells, the Phrenological Journal, and Mr. Thomas, the Country Gentleman. Remarks were made by P. T. Quinn and Dr. Trimble, of Newark, Dr. Smith, of Massachusetts; Mr. Lawton, of blackberry fame, J. J. Thomas, Mr. Wells, Mr. Wetherell, Rev. M. Barrett, Mayor Peddie, of Newark, and others. The meeting was a notable one, and con-

cluded by singing "My Country 'tis of Thee," the leading part being taken by a gentleman of St. Louis, Mo., a professor of vocal music. Resolutions were adopted expressive of pleasure over the visit to the "hill country," and the grand manner in which the party had been entertained by Ward & Goodrich.

10. J. Walton Fitch, son of Charles W. Fitch, and a young man of rare literary and political attainments, died at Georgetown, D. C., in his 24th year. He was born in Newton, and was formerly one of the war correspondents of the New York Herald, and latterly the Washington correspondent of the Boston Post.

10. William H. Hunt, of Port Jervis, aged 35, killed by falling through a coal dump car.

12-16. A series of flood rains covering New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, during which it was estimated that six inches of water fell. In this county crops on low lands were ruined, potatoes not being worth the digging.

15. Dexter beats his own record at Buffalo, making the mile in 2 1/4, and Robert Bonner immediately purchased the horse, paying \$50,000.

17. Samuel Wilson, of Montague, at tempted an assault upon a young woman at Sparrowbush. Being foiled he made himself offensive to the rest of the family, and Mrs. Hiram Conkling, in the absence of her husband, ordered him away and finally ejected him from the premises. Wilson then threw stones through the windows; while thus engaged Mrs. Conkling took a musket loaded with fine shot, and discharged its contents in the rascal's back. Drs. Hunt and Van Etten extracted over forty shot from the wound, which was a bad one.

19. Death of Joseph A. Lion, at Newton, aged 36 years. His was the first interment in the new cemetery.

20. Daniel Yawger, of the firm of Aber & Yawger, Morristown, died from injuries received the previous evening by accidentally falling down a flight of stairs.

20. Gen. Sheridan relieved from command of New Orleans Military District. On the 26th Gen. Sickles was removed from the Carolina district. These orders were given by President Johnson, and stirred up the wrath which the country at large was ready to pour upon his head. Gen. Grant, who was acting Secretary of War, made an earnest protest.

23. The Star base ball club was scheduled to play the Unique club of Orange, on this date; the Musconetongs, of Hacketts town, on the 23d; the Monitors, of Beemer-ville, on the 26th, and the Blue Ridge Club, of Coleville, on the 29th.

22. The managers of the old Agricultural Society announce, that in accordance with numerous requests, they have decided to hold a fair at Newton, on October 1 to 5.

22. Negotiations were pending for the transfer of the New Jersey Herald to a syndicate.

22. The Oxford iron works had recently been greatly enlarged, and at this period were turning out from 25 to 30 tons of nails per day, and then not keeping up with the demand.

21. At a meeting held on the camp grounds near Morristown, on this date, the Conference Seminary Committee fixed upon Madison as the most appropriate place of location.

22. Completion of the first submarine cable connecting Cuba with the United States.

22. First through car from Chicago arrives at Jersey City, coming via Fort Wayne and Pittsburg, Pennsylvania Central and the consolidated railroads of New Jersey. It was a rival of the new route of the Central Railroad of New Jersey.

22. After a day or two of excitement in political circles the New Jersey Herald is transferred to new ownership. For over a year past it had been jointly owned by Wm. H. Bell and John W. Gillam. An agreement existed that in case either party desired to sell his interest, the other

should have the refusal. The paper was needed in the interest of the Newton clique, and Gillam was prevailed upon to sell his interest to its representatives, without notice to Mr. Bell, the former receiving a bonus of \$2,000 as a salve for any wound to his reputation. Gillam however, denied that such an agreement existed, but as he kept the sale a secret from his partner for over a week the evidence was against him. When Bell found that while he had money invested in the paper he was about to be divested of its control, he began to hustle in his usual vigorous manner. He stepped into the office a little before noon, and quietly took charge of the books, keys, etc., discharged the hands, and locked up the office. A story was at once started that Bell was about to remove the office to Branchville, and a very pretty "tempest in a teapot" was the result of this astounding revelation. Mr. Bell had possession but a short time when a writ of replevin was issued in the name of Henry C. Kelsey, which the Sheriff executed with the aid of a formidable force, the officer apprehending that he would meet with determined opposition. But his fears were groundless. There was not a show of opposition. At this stage of the proceedings, while preparations were being made by Mr. Bell to rebuild the goods, negotiations resulted in a sale of his interest for \$4,000 in cash and \$1,000 in stock. A stock company having been suddenly resolved upon. Gillam's interest was sold to H. C. Kelsey, and so far as known the stockholders were as follows: Thomas Kays, Robert Hamilton, John Townsend, Levi Shepherd, Charles Roe, Henry C. Kelsey, Thomas G. Bunnell and William H. Bell. An estimate of the cost of getting the Herald establishment into the hands of the Company placed it as near \$13,500.

23. On account of several stormy days the camp meeting was continued another week, closing on this date instead of the 20th. 11,000 persons were present on the 18th (Sunday).

25. Rev. Levi Morse, for last five years pastor of the Newton Baptist Church, preaches his farewell sermon, and left town on the following day to assume the agency of the Missionary Union in Central and Western New York.

26. Prof. C. H. Oakes begins piano instruction to class in Newton.

26. Wm. H. Bell had sold the James Ackerson farm, of 130 acres, in Lafayette, to F. Hagne, of New York city, for \$26,000. Less than a year ago Mr. B. had paid \$13,000 for the same property.

27. Captain Henry M. Fowler, of Newton, had been appointed a Lieutenant in the 38th Regular Infantry. No man ever more richly deserved such a position. A narrative of his remarkable escape from Salisbury, (N. C.) prison, and his wanderings for three months before he reached the U. S. lines at Knoxville, Tenn., would exceed any book of fiction.

27. Charles Crook appointed U. S. Inspector of Liquors for Fourth Collection district.

27. Hon. Jas. C. Whitchead, formerly one of the Justices of the New Jersey Supreme Court, died at Morristown, aged 70 years.

28. N. Pettit, County School Superintendent, establishes his office with S. D. Woodruff.

28. Books of subscription to capital stock of Newton Slate Company, open from date until Sept. 23. Robert Ramsden, secretary.

28. Safe in office of D. L. & W. R. R. Co., at Washington, blown open and robbed of \$1,300 in currency and revenue stamps.

28. Isaac Wood, aged nearly 70, found dead in a field on his farm in Vernon, whither he had taken a pleasure walk.

30. At an examination of teachers held on this date 61 teachers were licensed, and three rejected. The highest general average in the second grade was made by John C. Davison, Leonidas VanSickle, and Mary A. Buckley; in the third grade the

honors fell to Emma L. Struble, Edith Dickerson and M. Celeste Bray. We do not think any of the 61 are now teaching, Miss Alice Shorter being one of the last to retire.

30. James Brehaut, an aged and inoffensive Frenchman, and Frank Lupi, both shoemakers, who had stepped in Juliet's saloon for a glass of beer, at a late hour, are assaulted and beaten almost to death for refusing to treat the gang, by David Rude, Frank McLaughlin, and others, who formed the notorious tough gang of Newton. It was the culmination of a long series of rowdism that had disgraced Newton. Brehaut's injuries were very serious. Rude was easily captured the next morning, but constable Struble was obliged to use powder and bullets to capture McLaughlin, who tried to run away.

30. Hog cholera was raging in the vicinity of Phillipsburg, Warren county, the disease having first appeared in the western states.

31. Kean Carroll, aged 25 years, found lying on Main street of Boonton, with a stab wound, which caused his death in 15 minutes after discovery. He accused John Dempsey, aged 30, of having stabbed him. Blood was found on Dempsey's clothing and hands, and he was sent to jail.

31. A census of children between the ages of 5 and 18 showed 602 in the town of Newton, and 40 more in the district embracing parts of Andover and Hampton. At the time of making the enrollment George R. McCarter also made an enumeration of the inhabitants of Newton. The total was 2,280, a gain of 209 in two years.

SEPTEMBER.

1. Mrs. William M. Cramer, of Frankford township, dies in a sudden and most singular manner, from fright. With her husband she had been visiting relatives near Springdale, and on the return trip Mrs. Cramer had occasion to get out of the wagon to obtain a forgotten package. As she stepped to the ground the horse made an unexpected spring, which threw Mr. Cramer backward, and the seat turned over with him. His wife, in great alarm, shouted "whoa!" and called to some children who were in the road ahead to stop the horse. Mr. Cramer, however, soon regained his position and brought the horse under control. Looking backward he saw his wife prostrated, with her face downwards. Mr. C. went to her and raised her up, but she died after one or two gasps. She was 50 years of age, in apparent good health, and the fright undoubtedly killed her.

1. O. B. Wintermute and V. H. Crisman were partners in brick business, 1 1/2 miles from Lafayette.

2. Board of Assessors met. Value of real and personal property was fixed at \$16,009,904; polls, 5,239; State and county tax, \$46,282.91.

3. Judge Dalrymple opens the Sussex Courts. His charge related principally to the crime of personal violence, which had become so frequent and universal as to require special effort on the part of peace officers.

2. Public schools of Newton reopened on same basis as heretofore, except the school in the academy on Division street, was taught by Miss Lucilla Linn and Miss M. J. Coursen.

2. Lots in Newton Cemetery offered for sale at auction, at rates of 5, 10 and 15 cents per superficial foot.

5. H. J. Ruid's juvenile class of over 100 singers, gave concert in Presbyterian church.

3. Tannery of C. J. Cottrell, at Stanhope, destroyed by a fire discovered at 1 a. m. Loss, \$12,000; insurance, \$5,400. The tannery building was 90x25 feet, two stories, and contained steam engine and complete equipment, with a large stock of leather.

4. Space & Taylor announces opening of stove and tin business in Stanhope.

4. Harvest Home in grove of Lebbeus Martin, by First Baptist Church of Wantage.

5. Harvest Home at Middleville, by ladies of Stillwater and Swartswood charges.

5. An antiquarian searches the records and finds that up to this period, but five females had been executed for crime in New Jersey. They were as follows: Mary Cole, Sussex county, July 26, 1812; Elizabeth Freeman, Burlington county, in 1832; Rosa Kew, (colored) Cumberland county, 1853; Catharine Horton, alias Jane Hoff, (colored) Morris county, May 26, 1837; Bridget Duran, Middlesex county, August 30, 1867. A condensed account of the Col. murder and execution is given therewith.

3. Executive Committee of the Agricultural Society met and decided that it was inexpedient to hold the announced fair the present autumn.

5. Regular passenger trains began running between Danville and Boonton.

7. Stars of Newton defeat Musconetcong of Hackettstown, 62 to 14, in six innings.

10. Festival in Lafayette Baptist Church.

10. Opening of ninth annual fair at Easton.

11. Inter-State Fair opens at Norristown, Pa.

11. Festival in Baleville Church.

12. Officers of Eureka Lodge, No. 39, of Newark, visit Harmony Lodge, at Newton.

12. It was alleged that the Board of Assessors were guilty of an irregularity in making the apportionment, through use of the returns of 1885 instead of those of the present year, by which the taxes of some townships were increased and those of others diminished. The Assessor of Byram refused to sign.

12. The present session of court was remarkable for its civil cases and the number of persons indicted for various offences. A seduction case from Wantage cost defendant \$1,500; a verdict against the Sussex Railroad was set aside and carried over to the Supreme Court. Wm. Sears, builder, was non-suited in a case against Newton M. E. Church. Five persons were indicted for riot, and eight for atrocious assault and common assault.

13. Concert at Franklin Furnace, by D. H. Kemble, assisted by H. J. Rudd, Wm. Conly, and others.

13-14-15. Union quarterly meeting of Newton and Andover charges, in John Hill's woods.

14. Whitbey & Co.'s circus and menagerie exhibits at Deckertown; comes to Newton on the 16th, and shows at Hore on the 17th.

17. Fair of Central Agricultural Society opens at Trenton.

17. Antietam cemetery dedicated and corner stone of monument laid.

19. Henry M. Ward takes possession of the Cochran House, having purchased the interest of B. F. Sherwood.

11. Sunday school picnic in grove near Marston church. Speaker—Rev. Mr. Everett, of Stroudsburg, Flavel McGee, and others.

23. Rev. L. I. Stontenburgh opens Schooley's Mountain Seminary.

5. Joseph Ayers offers 200 bushels Red Mediterranean wheat, for seed, at \$3 per bushel.

10. Adam Simmons, a prominent citizen of Lafayette, died at the age of 87 years.

11. Rev. N. Leighton announces purchase of Freeman property at Oak Ridge, with intention of opening a boarding and day school about November 15.

11. M. B. Northrup advertises that cash will be paid for grain at Newton steam mill after Sept. 18, and that he was ready to do custom grinding. This would indicate the completion of the mill on the site of the one burned.

12. Since the County Agricultural Society had declined as a body to undertake another fair, others had taken up the scheme. Wm. McCarty was president, as well as proprietor of the grounds; James Smith, secretary; and Isaac C. Snook, superintendent.

12. Captain A. L. Bassett, editor of Northern Monthly, lectures at Newton, and at Deckertown on the following evening. After the lecture in Newton four members of the Franklin Society debated the question "Ought negroes be allowed to vote?"

12. Wm. Rankin announces engagement of J. H. Hall as assistant in Mendham school.

13. Judge Dalrymple sentences several convicted persons, the chief culprits being Manning Durmer, 2 years; David Rude, 6 years; Francis McLaughlin, 4 years. All were for serious offences, and in Rude's case he had failed to consider the leniency of the court last December. Henry Cohen, who was indicted for the looting of a clothing store at Lafayette, was acquitted.

13. An eclipse of the moon unobstructed by clouds.

13. Burglars blew open safe in Sussex Railroad depot at Newton, and got \$3 or \$4.

15. E. F. Morrow had declined principalship of Chicago High School, and accepted a professorship at Stamford, Conn., at a salary of \$1 per hour and expenses paid.

17. James Blair died at Sycamore, O., aged nearly 77 years. He was a native of Hope township, Warren county; emigrated to Ohio in 1856, and was widely known as a cattle dealer in company with I. & A. Wildrick, and Israel Swayze. He never had the advantage of a common school education, yet he acquired a large estate.

18. Miss Ella Struble opens dressmaking business over store of Stewart, Adams & Co.

16. Festival on camp ground at Knowlton Presbyterian church.

19. Union picnic of Temperance organizations of Newton, Stanhope, Stillwater and Sparta, at Whitehall reservoir.

19-22. Woods meeting for Branchville and Frankford Plains Charge, on lands of Robert Adams.

21. Harvest home at Paulina. Blairstown band furnished music.

23. Miss M. M. Hunt opens select school at Branchville.

24-26. Fair of Morris County Agricultural Society at Morristown.

22-24. First frosts endanger corn and buckwheat whose growth had been retarded by heavy rains in August.

24. Morris County Agricultural Fair opened. It was deficient in agricultural display, but large on horses. The attendance was not so large as expected, owing to fair in Hunterdon county at same time.

24. Directors of Goshen and Deckertown Railway met at Goshen and resolved to increase capital stock to complete the road.

25. M. & E. R. R. receives proposals for express business on its main line and branches.

25. County Sunday School Association met at Branchville. It was the fifth annual meeting, and was largely attended. Addresses were made by Jonathan Whitaker, Hon. John Hill, Rev. J. N. Fitzgerald and Rev. C. S. Cott, P. E.

25. Railroad reforms were in evidence even at this date. A recent meeting of officers of the principal roads in New Jersey had resulted in adoption of a plan for two-cent a mile rate on all trains and for all distances in the State; tickets were to be good on any train and until taken up by the conductor. Some eight different changes were adopted, and the people were congratulating themselves upon the proposed reforms, but it seems that they were lost somewhere, as there is no proof of existence in 1899.

25. The scheme of building the Midland Railroad had fully developed, and the route across Sussex county was being located.

25. A three-year-old boy had died in Stillwater, at the home of his grandparents, through eating arsenic which had been purchased to kill rats and left where the child could reach it.

25. Post office at Brainerd, Warren county, had been discontinued.

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25. Trustees of school districts in Stillwater and Hampton invite proposals for building school house at Swartswood.

25. Stewart, Adams & Co. advertised rubber army blankets, bought at auction. Also, buffalo robes at \$5 to \$20. More robes were brought to Newton at this period than ever before or since. Ira C. Moore had made purchases in the Indian reservations and the bales contained some common as well as uncommon specimens.

25. Dr. Jacob Lansing Vandusen died at Montague, in his 81 year.

25-30. Colored camp meeting at Swartswood.

26. Burglars make a raid on premises of John M. Knight, Wm. H. Stackhouse, Aaron S. Willr, and John Glover, at Stanhope. The total amount of booty was about \$50, Mr. Stackhouse being the chief loser.

— Laundry of Heath House, Schooley's Mountain, burned, causing a loss of \$1,500, without insurance.

27. A circus mule throws a boy named Pool, at Hackettstown, and a broken arm is the result of trying to earn \$5 by riding the beast three times around the ring.

28. A thief takes \$203 in money and two silver watches from dwelling of Aaron G. Vansyckle, at Andersontown.

30. Passenger train coming north collides with coal train near Chatham, this afternoon, and Robert Osmun, brakeman, of Hackettstown, dies from result of injuries.

30. North Jersey M. E. Preachers' Association opened a three days session at Hainesville, at which essays of unusual interest were read.

OCTOBER

1. John B. Morford, for 15 years with the Erie, but lately a conductor on the M. & E. R. R., was now superintendent of the branch road from Denville to Boonton.

1. Jacob Raub, of Harmony, Warren county, shoots himself while lying ill in bed.

1-4. The hastily arranged fair at Newton was only moderately patronized; it was started at too late a period to awaken any considerable degree of interest. There was some good trotting, and the horsemen had an agreeable time. Only one ball game was played; the Stars of Newton defeating the Jersey Boys of Deckertown by a score of 60 to 28. The premium list covered only 44 names.

2. Personal property of late Rev. W. C. McGee sold.

2. Dr. J. S. Newman offers sets of teeth for \$15. He had located in Merchants National Bank building, next door to Dr. Case.

2. John W. Gillam announces that since his withdrawal from the New Jersey Herald he has engaged in the sewing machine business.

3. A reminiscence of "Fiddler's Green," by V. M. Drake, is republished from the Goshen Republican, which would be very interesting at the present day to the residents of that town.

3. Political matters in the Democratic camp were very lively about this period, and the new paper which Wm. H. Bell had arranged to print at Branchville, was soon to appear and take a hand in the factional fighting. The new paper was called the Sussex Record, and was edited by Col. Morris R. Hamilton. Its appearance had been fixed for October 9, but it did not appear until the 15th. The press was driven by water power, (motors were not invented yet) which was a novelty at this period, though about 30 years ago Woodward & Son, of New York, famed as publishers of school books, put up and propelled by water power two or three presses at Morristown, N. J. The Branchville paper lasted about a year, when it failed for lack of support, though starting with 1,000 paid-up subscriptions. The press being located in the basement of Bell's woolen mill was nearly ruined by dampness, which also interfered with proper printing of the paper. The Taylor press afterward was sold to and used by the Orange Chronicle.

3. Jacob L. Swajze, M. Barrett and Joseph Coult, committee of trustees of N. C. I., issue circular saying that at a recent meeting of the board, it was resolved to take measures to secure the bequests of the late David Ryerson.

3. Elias Howe, Jr., inventor of the sewing machine, died at Brooklyn, N. Y., aged 48. He devoted 27 years of his life to the invention and development of this great aid to humanity.

4. Public installation of officers elect of Newton Division, No. 37, S. of T., in court house, with an address by Hon. Martin Ryerson.

6. Remains of a human being found strewn along track of M. & E. R. R., a mile below Dover. After an investigation and examination of a portion of the man's garments, it was found that the unfortunate man was Mark Dempsey, an engineer of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, who resided at Easton, and who was on his way to Morristown to engage the services of Jacob Vanatta, to defend his brother John Dempsey, who was in jail charged with the murder of Kean Carroll, at Boonton. He had a letter from an Easton lawyer, and \$150 in money. It was supposed that he fell from a coal train and was dragged until his body was cut in pieces.

6. Revivals in M. E. Churches at Lafayette and Frankford Plains, under Revs. Blakeslee and Ranyon. About 50 conversions at Plains church.

7. Reports of the three banks in Sussex show total discounts of \$426,732.88 and deposits aggregating \$155,139.31—a sum much less than either of the Newton banks report in 1899.

8. Sussex Democrats held convention at Branchville, and nominated Richard E. Edsall for Senator, all the delegates, 63, casting their votes for him. On an informal ballot for Sheriff, Peter A. Vansickle received but 23 votes, when he withdrew and Jesse Ward was unanimously nominated. The contest for Senator was an utter rout of the Wm. M. Babbitt party, and cost the candidates not less than \$15,000. The venality and corruption at the primaries rivalled the scenes of 1864, when the convention was held at Deckertown.

8. On this date 53,940 lbs. of dead pork, independent of butter and other articles of produce, were shipped from Newton depot.

8. Dr. Dennis E. Smith, of Brooklyn, N. Y., had issued a volume of some 300 pages, describing events in his practice. Dr. Smith was a native of Newton, and after spending his earlier days as a mechanic studied medicine and achieved great success.

8. Mary R. Swisher, of Knowlton, sent to Belvidere jail on a charge of infanticide.

9. A free reading room was opened on third floor of McCarter building, corner Spring and Moran streets, three evenings each week, from 6.30 to 10 o'clock.

9. Dr. L. D. Miller locates permanently in Newton, with office over Stuart & Co's. drug store.

10. John White & Co. offer Scranton coal by the cargo, at following rates delivered at Hackettstown: stove, \$3.93; egg, \$3.68; chestnut, \$2.83. For delivery at Waterloo, 23 cents per ton was added, and at Stanhope 9 cents more.

10. George A. Juller sells his saloon to Gustave Freche.

10. Frederick Wendt had opened a tailoring establishment in Hope.

11. The last thunder shower of the year, accompanied by hail. The thunder was deafening and the lightning frequent.

12. Stars of Hackettstown defeated the Resolute of the Seminary, 23 to 15, in a well played game.

14. Horace Vibbert, a former well-known and useful citizen of Deckertown, died at Pine Plains, N. Y., aged 80 years.

15. James Snotwell, the wealthiest farmer in the county, died at Augusta, in his 75th year. He owned in and around Augusta, independent of his other prop-

erty, eight or ten farms, of about 2,000 acres, in a high state of cultivation. All acquired by his own industry and good management. With him labor was enjoyment. From early manhood to old age he was hardly ever idle.

15. Erection of the elevated railroad on Greenwich street, New York, had begun, and it was considered a novel affair.

15. Rosenkrans Bros. and Nelden & Bodine, selling out preparatory to closing business in Newton.

16. During a drunken carousal by some young men of Port Jervis, Judson Elston stabs James Ready, aged 20, in the abdomen. The wound was serious and arrests followed.

16. Juller & Zineth offer cash for tallow and grease at the soap factory, corner of Water and Hamilton streets.

16. Drew Theological Seminary at Madison opened for students.

15-17. Seventh fair of Warren County Agricultural Society.

18. John Whitehead begins the first of a course of twelve lectures on History, for Academic department of N. C. I.

18. Miss Oram, aged 18 years, fatally injured by a runaway accident while driving through the streets of Dover.

19. Warren Democrats held county convention at Belvidere.

19. Miner's Benevolent Society at Franklin Furnace reorganized on a firm basis, with William Cronin as president; Peter Cummins, secretary, and Philip Brady, treasurer.

19. A 12-year-old son of Thompson Taylor, of Boonton, killed by fall from chestnut tree. Another lad named Carey had a leg broken.

19. An overturned lamp caused a small blaze in Gillam's upholstery shop on Spring street.

19. First Assembly district convention, held at Deckertown names, Jonas Crisman, as Republican candidate.

21. Widow of Price VanNostrand died from injuries received in a runaway accident two days previous, near Glenwood. Her son and daughter, who were riding with her, were also seriously hurt.

21. Republican County Convention at Newton nominated Joseph Coult for Senator; also Joseph H. Coursen, Vincent P. Walling and Samuel Loder, for coroners.

21. Republicans of 2nd Assembly district in convention at Newton, nominate T. H. Andress of Sparta.

22. Hiram C. Clark, of Sandyston, nominated for Assembly by Democrats of 1st District, in convention at Franklin. There was a contest in convention; it was claimed that friends of Obadiah Bevans had held a snap delegate meeting, and two sets of delegates were present from Sandyston, besides nearly every Democratic voter in the township. A committee decided that the Clark delegation were the regulars.

22. Samuel H. Hunt nominated for Assembly by Democrats of the 2nd district in convention at Newton. His rivals in a previous personal canvass were John S. Coursen, Dr. R. A. Sheppard, and the laboring element of Newton had the temerity to run Andrew J. Landon as a candidate at the primary. This revolt from party dictation was put down in an unceremonious manner.

23. Gold had advanced to 144%.

23. N. H. Dikeman and George McCracken had opened a new place of business in Hackettstown, removing from Washington to Main street.

22-23. Horse fair on A. B. Wilson's pleasure grounds at Deckertown. \$1,000 in premiums. John E. Adams, president; W. S. McCoy, secretary; Thomas Armstrong, treasurer. It was a success in all respects.

23. Medical Society held semi-annual meeting in Newton.

24. Rev. Levi Morse receives present of a well filled purse while on a visit to Newton.

24. William McCarty lost considerable sum in the late fair, though he was

commended for paying all premiums and other indebtedness. He might have saved himself had he not refused to sell privileges for disreputable purposes. He took the ground that a fair should have the approbation of moral people, and proposed to make another effort in 1863.

24. Note made of the first appearance, last week, of Morry Hamilton's Sussex Record. It was a neat and well printed sheet and edited with the ability Morry possessed. B. B. E. says: "We shall endeavor to hold our own, treating him all ways with personal courtesy, for neither he or ourselves have the poor excuse of youth for indulging in clownish contests that cause the unblinking to laugh, but 'make the judicious grieve.'"

27. Rain interferes with opening of the Vernon horse fair. Editor declines to publish report sent in of the Deckertown races, as the time affixed would make himself as well as the Deckertown people the laughing stock of horsemen. Heretofore the Pochuck fairs had furnished the amusing and fictitious time, but this report of time made on a new and rough track, with two hills, exceeded the Vernon reports.

27. A gunsmith named Orner, at Port Jervis, died from a gunshot wound sustained two weeks before, while repairing a gun sent from Andover, in this county. The weapon had been loaded for nearly a year.

28. A timely rain had come to fill up the depleted streams and wells, the fall weather having been dry, sunny and delightful.

28. Burglars rob store of Simeon H. Stivers, and steal horse and wagon of Edgar A. Dunning, to carry away the plunder. Next morning the horse and wagon was found in Mampton township, while a portion of the goods were found in Newton, stored in a barn, and a young man was arrested for the crime, but was afterwards discharged as guiltless. A gypsy gang was suspected.

28. Sussex Cornet Band had reorganized under leadership of Prof. C. H. Oakes, and met semi-weekly in rooms over Cannon's store.

29. Union chapel at Greensville dedicated, Rev. Thomas McCauley, of Hackettstown, preaching the sermon. (Postponed to Nov. 14, on account of storm.)

29. State Reform School at Jamesburg formally opened. Hon. Daniel Haines, on the part of the trustees, welcomed the visitors. The Institution had 24 boys in charge at the start.

30. Ladies festival at Monroe Christian Church.

29. Julier & Ziruth produce the first lot of "Sussex Soap."

30. A party of Newtonians had returned home after a visit to Omaha, on the invitation of John I. Blair.

31. A previous report of the reopening of Mt. Salem post office was premature; it was now a fixed fact.

31. Second lecture in Historical Course of N. C. I., by John Whitehead, Esq. It was devoted to the Siege of Syracuse.

31. Store of Hersk & Myers, Morristown, has been robbed of \$3,000 worth of goods.

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2. Jacob VanArsdale convicted of murder in the first degree in the Somerset courts, Judge Dalrymple presiding. It will be remembered that he killed the son of his employer, who went to call him to breakfast, and being enraged at not being called before a colored girl had eaten, he killed the boy and prepared to murder the whole family. The jury recommended mercy, though an attempt to prove insanity failed. On the 5th he was sentenced to be hanged January 6, 1868. On November 29 the Court of Pardons commuted the sentence to imprisonment for life.

3. Fifty-three persons baptised in Lafayette M. E. Church, ten by immersion. This was the end of a great revival which had within six weeks added 85 probationers to the church roll, and exhausted the pastor, Rev. W. E. Blakeslee.

5. A perfect election day, and yet a light vote. Democrats win county and state. The total poll was 1169 behind that of 1866, the Republican vote being short 887 and the Democratic vote 279. Richard E. Edsall had 1772 majority over Joseph Coult, for Senator. For Assembly, Hiram C. Clark 419 majority over Jonas Crisman, and Samuel H. Hunt 783 over T. H. Andress. The only real contest was between Jesse Ward, regular Democrat, and Thomas C. Elston, Independent Democrat, for sheriff. Ward won by a majority of 1316. Inspectors of Registry were also chosen, but the newly elected Democratic Legislature afterward repealed that law.

5. The Democracy at this time had a tight grip on Morris county, having re-elected Surrogate J. W. Ballentine by 543 majority, and giving J. W. Bryant 454 majority for the sheriff's office.

6. Coursen & Decker offered 300 Artillery overcoats at \$5 each. The day has passed when one of the old army coats was a frequent daily sight in cold weather.

6. A car load of buffalo robes, consigned to Ira C. Moore, arrives in Newton, direct from Omaha, 1,400 miles without breaking bulk.

7. Bill Barton and Robert Cummings have a prize fight near Port Jervis, for a stake of \$250. Both fighters were badly bruised, but Barton was declared the winner in the 38th round, having knocked out his opponent.

7. Supreme Court licenses William M. Davis and Oscar Jeffrey, of Warren county, as counselors, and makes attorneys of William M. Perrine, George T. Werts and Alexander T. McGill.

7. Prof. George H. Cook delivers lecture on agricultural topics at Court house. It was extremely interesting, and the discussion following it is printed, and occupies $2\frac{1}{2}$ columns of space, every line of which was of practical benefit to Sussex county farmers. On motion of John H. Wood, a Farmers' Club was organized, of which Thomas Lawrence was president, John H. Wood, vice president, and Robert H. Howell, secretary and treasurer, with an executive committee of practical men.

7. Dr. T. A. Rogers locates in Deckertown.

7. B. C. Chetwood, Master in Chancery, advertises property of Musconetcong Iron works, in Byram and Roxbury, at public sale, on Dec 9. This was the largest sale ever advertised in this county, the description covering about three columns, 15 ems wide.

7-8. Horse Fair at Lafayette. A. Casady, president; John B. Armstrong, secretary; Robert Hopkins, treasurer. It drew a numerous attendance, and came up to the expectations of its projectors.

8. At this time Morris county exhibited a strong temperance spirit, Morristown, Boonton, Madison and Mendham had Temples of Honor, which from a small beginning had increased to a membership of 600.

8. Alaska formally transferred by Russia to the United States.

8. Real estate sales: Joseph Slater to J. H. Runyon and Mr. Lawrence, 210 acres in Green township, at \$90 per acre. The Warren House, in Belvidere, by John Canfield to Dr. Mattison, of Washington. Martin Grover to James H. Simpson, house and lot on Halsted street, Newton, \$2,800. Phebe A. Inglis and Robert Sheeler to Benjamin Beach, 116 acres, near Newton, at \$100 per acre.

9. Meeting to consider purchase of lands for Frankford Plains cemetery.

10. Rev. D. C. Weston, D. D., of Connecticut, who had been called as rector of Christ Church, Newton, officiated on this date, but afterwards declined the call.

10. Joseph Bliff writes of his journey from Easton to his new home in Lawrence, Kansas.

10. The M. E. Church, of Belvidere, had received 130 probationers.

11. Jacob Coursen died near Newton, aged 79 years. He was one of the best practical farmers in the county, and had accumulated a large property.

11. Grant campaign in New Jersey begins with a meeting at Trenton, in which Union men of all shades of opinion participated.

11. Winter came with a snowy robe. While at Newton it was by no means a chilly rain, ten miles northwest the mountains were blanketed with snow.

12. Rev. Thomas A. Sanson, of Malta, N. Y., had accepted a call to pastorate of Presbyterian church at Blairstown.

12. Dr. William Titus, of Hackettstown, announces disposal of his office and practice to Dr. C. W. Thayer, of Maryland.

12. Festival at McDonald's store, Swartswood, for the benefit of the Presbyterian church.

12. H. J. Rudd, assisted by Miss Raymond, pianist, and a number of amateur Newton singers, gave a concert in Presbyterian church.

12. Benjamin Beach sells his tannery property at Swartswood to Jacob H. Todd and Alexander Hunt, for \$5,000.

13. M. E. Church festival at Montague.

13-14. Entertainments in Town Hall, Deckertown, for benefit of Presbyterian Sunday school.

14. Dedication of Greensville chapel (previously postponed through storm.)

14. Third lecture by John Whitehead, Esq. Subject: "The battle of Arbelia, B. C. 331.

14. Farnum VanInwegen & Co., of Port Jervis, deny a report that they had gone out of the coal business, and offer different sizes at \$4.50 per ton.

14. Brown, Baily & Berry, of Glenwood, and other creameries, had sold 4,000 boxes of cheese, at a fraction below 12 cents a pound.

14. Those in this section who looked for a return of the great meteoric shower were once more disappointed, though in New England and some other portions of the country there was a notable display.

15. Congregation of Balville church make a donation of \$240 to Rev. John C. Soule and wife.

15. Reports of the U. S. Collector showed great stagnation in manufacturing at Paterson. The returns of manufacturers were one-fifth less than 18 months ago. The Government reports at Washington showed a loss of \$100,000,000 from whisky, and \$25,000,000 on tobacco, within a year.

15. Winter styles for men were overcoats to the knees, very tight pants, and silk hats with low crowns and rims. A reproduction of the styles of thirty years ago.

15. Joseph Little, aged 65 years, of Newton, killed by fall in mill of Collier & Huston, at Lower Lafayette. At seven o'clock p. m. he was bringing a bag of oats down, and stepped out of the door of the second story under the mistaken impression that he was on the lower floor. His neck was broken by the fall.

16. Timothy Kent barely escapes death through a gash in the head, caused by an axe which he was carrying on his shoulder through a piece of woods near Newton. Wm. Coon, who was with him, brought the wounded man to town in a wagon, but the patient was reduced almost to the last extremity before a physician could check the flow of blood.

17. Death of John F. Voorhees, an influential citizen of Morristown, at the age of 63 years. He was an earnest supporter of all philanthropic and evangelical enterprises, and was for several years a member of the Republican State Executive Committee.

17. House, barn and shoe shop at Wallpack Centre, owned by Jesse Clark, and occupied by Alfred Dimon, destroyed by fire. Uninsured.

18. A. G. Hull had struck a bed of coal five feet thick at Bushkill, Pa., after boring through rock and slate for 120 feet.

20. Presbytery of Newton in session at Washington, celebrates its semi-centennial, having been organized November 20, 1817.

20. Winter sets in, after a very pleasant fall, and the boys are skating.

20. Three recent sales of blooded stock

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in New Jersey and New York showed a decline of fully one-half in prices of horses.

21. In noting the recent death of Geo. Wilkins Kendall, for many years chief editor of the New Orleans Picayune, B. B. E. writes an entertaining sketch of the deceased, with whom he had worked side by side as a printer, in New York and Philadelphia during the years 1831 and 1832. Despite Kendall's talents he utterly distrusted his literary powers, and induced Mr. Edsall to write toasts for a public dinner, and an elegy in verse for a deceased friend. In 1832 Kendall drifted South, and with other printers, started the Picayune, plucked up courage to write, and finally made a great fortune; bought a rancho in Texas, and ended his life contented and comfortable, at the age of 59 years. The whole article contains other interesting facts about Kendall's career, who was possessed of great talent as a story teller, collected in travels through the country.

21. Hon. William E. Dodge delivers lecture on temperance in Presbyterian church, Newton, attracting a very large audience.

21. Residence of D. W. Ailing, at Summit, took fire in the attic, and was wholly consumed, this evening. At the time a wedding party had assembled, and the ceremony was being performed when the fire was discovered. The party was forced to make a hasty retreat.

21. At this date no less than 33 choice farms in Sussex and Warren counties were advertised for sale, besides town houses and lots.

21. Cooper shop of Martin E. Hough, at Swartswood, destroyed by fire.

22. Flouring mills of Henry Little, at Middletown, burned. Loss, \$30,000; no insurance.

23. On this date the M. & E. transported from Eiston to New York 72 cars of freight from the Lehigh Valley; the road was becoming a great rival of the Central of New Jersey for the carrying trade of that region.

24. Death of James Willson, at Quaker Settlement, aged 70 years. He was nearly the last of the Society of Friends in this county.

26. Death of Cyrus S. Leport, Esq., at Stanhope, aged 58 years. He read law in office of W. S. Johnson, in Newton, was admitted to the bar in 1836, and combined a taste for agriculture with practice of law. He was appointed Prosecutor of the Pleas by Gov. Olden, in 1861, and re-appointed by Gov. Ward, in 1867.

25. Lewis Dunn follows two men to Deckertown, who had tried to sell him a handsome team of horses. At Smith's hotel they were finally charged with being horse thieves; they made light of the charge, but soon afterward disappeared, leaving the horses in the stable. One of them was captured by Geo. W. Hamilton and Coe Smith in Hardyston township, the next afternoon, and brought to jail in Newton. The elder of the two thieves was overhauled in the mountain near Snufftown, by Constable Crabtree, but he resisted arrest, overpowered the officer and escaped. The horses proved to have been stolen from Hon. John Bigelow, of Highland Falls, N. Y., and he had paid \$2,300 for them.

27. J. H. & A. Struble had opened a restaurant in basement of Goodale building.

28. Thanksgiving day.

28. Information was wanted of John W. Knapp, a sophomore at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., who left his home in Hackettstown, on Sept. 9, and had not been seen or heard of since the 12th.

28. Fourth lecture in Historical course.

28. Note made of marked revivals in M. E. Churches in Newton district, as follows: Dingmans, 115; Sandyston, 44; Coleville and Libertyville, 70; Greenville, 30; Lafayette, 85; Branchville and Frankford Plains, 150; Andover and Roseville, 120; Tranquility, 20; Green's Chapel, 20; Newton, 19; while on other charges much in-

terest still existed.

28. Congregation of North Hardyston Church presents \$300 to Rev. A. A. Haines.

28. M., U. & W. G. Railroad completed to Westtown, and a celebration had occurred.

28. Rev. John S. Swaine, once a pastor of the Newton M. E. Church, was keeping a private boarding house at Jacksonville, Florida.

28. At this time there were eight ex-Sheriffs in the county, five of whom resided in Newton. There were only two ex-Surrogates, and only one ex-County Clerk, and these were also residents of Newton.

29. Quarterly examination of school teachers at court house; 42 applicants, 4 rejected. First grade certificates given to David D. Dildine, S. Lizzie Hardin, Henry S. Fountain, Carrie Morrow and Charles W. Austin.

29. The "parsonage farm" of Christ Church, situate in Hampton township, and containing 310 acres, had been sold to George Conklin, for \$16,700, or a fraction over \$77 per acre.

30. Railroad meeting in town hall at Deckertown, to consider the building of the first division of the Sussex Valley Railroad, to form connection at or near Unionville.

30. Mrs. Deckett, aged 65 years, killed by locomotive at Asbury.

30. Railroad meeting at Deckertown, presided over by Philletus Wilson. Jonathan Whitaker opened the meeting with a statement demonstrating the utility of the proposed Sussex Valley Railroad from Deckertown to Unionville. Addresses were also made by Messrs. McCoy and Coykendall, of Deckertown; Pronk, of Middletown; Hayne and Wadsworth, of Unionville; and Burt, of Warwick. A committee of seventeen residents of Wantage was appointed to solicit subscriptions.

DECEMBER.

1. Jonathan Minton, aged 55, found dead in a small building at Stanhope, in which he resided alone. He was a robust man in appearance, but not healthy.

1. The Messrs. Ames had sold the Wayanda Furnace property to the Thomas Iron Company, and also their mineral property and works at Franklin, to Moses Taylor, and others.

1. Bishop Odenheimer visits Christ Church.

1. Rev. Dr. Stevenson delivers address at anniversary of Youth's Tract Society, in Presbyterian church.

1. Rev. A. D. Willifer accepts call and begins pastorate of Newton Baptist church.

2. Ball Osborn, of Changewater, killed by his own train at Hampton Junction.

3. Directors of the Midland Railroad and those of the Montclair Railroad of New Jersey, met in New York, and decided upon consolidation of interests.

3. Sussex Courts opened by Justice Dalrymple. Cyrus S. Leport, Prosecutor of the Pleas, having died on November 26, Gov. Ward appointed Joseph Coult, as his successor. Mr. C. did not desire to take the office, and requested the appointment of Robert Hamilton. The Court decreed that it was better for Mr. Coult to act until the Governor should provide a successor. County Clerk James J. Martin and his Deputy, Lewis J. Martin, being both ill, William M. Perrine acted as Clerk of the Court. Judge Dalrymple called attention to the unwholesome jails. Thos. Kays said the Freeholders had taken action last May, and if any one was to be censured it was the Committee, which had failed to act. Nevertheless the grand jury was instructed to probe the matter.

4. First annual meeting of County and City School Superintendents, under the new law, held at Trenton. Rev. N. Pettit was chosen as secretary.

4. First meeting of Sussex Farmer's Club. A constitution was adopted consisting of six articles condensed into a stickful and a half of nonpareil. The effect of lime and barnyard manure on crops was discussed by various members.

5. Sunday school exhibition in Quaker Hall, Quaker Settlement.

7. By a vote of 57 to 107 the House of Representatives refuses to impeach President Johnson. As the Republicans were divided nearly equally on the subject, and under threat of continued debate, which might lead to a serious break, the subject was dropped for the present.

8. Congregation of Christ Church, Newton, held service in court house, as mechanics who were examining the church building with a view to repairs, the previous week, had discovered that the supports of the slate roof had rotted away, and there was imminent danger of the roof falling in at any moment. A new and larger church was now deemed a necessity.

9. William C. Vansyckle, a constable at Port Jervis, was called to arrest James Riley, for disorderly conduct. Riley made such resistance that in self-defence the constable shot him, causing almost instant death. Two coroner's juries acted in the case—the first of which would have acquitted the officer of all blame; but one jurymen stood out; the second agreed on a verdict without expressing any opinion. Subsequently the officer was arrested and put under \$2,500 bail. On the 17th, after the grand jury had heard only two of the dozen witnesses summoned, it dismissed the case, freeing the officer.

9. Members of Sussex Bar adopt resolution on death of the late Prosecutor, C. S. Leport.

10. A recent survey of the boundary line between Sussex and Passaic counties, developed the suspected fact that men who lived in Vernon were paying taxes and voting in West Milford township, and vice versa. West Milford refused to accept the result and it became necessary to apply to the Supreme Court for Commissioners to fix the line.

10. The Cooper Iron Works at Phillipsburg, with all the land and mining property owned by Cooper & Hewitt, in Sussex county, had been sold to I. G. Tell and A. Pardee, for the reported sum of \$600,000. This included the Andover mine, which is one of the few historic mines in the United States. It formed a portion of the tract purchased by William Penn, in 1714, and ore was taken from it and made into iron years before the Revolution. The first lot of American bar iron to go to Europe was made of Sussex ore, from the Andover mine, and was landed at Liverpool about 1745. Its superior quality at once attracted attention. The article on the subject is quite lengthy, and gives much of historic interest relative to the use of the mine during and after the Revolution. It was really a hill of ore rather than a mine, and yielded at least 200,000 tons of ore before the water level was reached. Iron made from this ore is used in the great suspension bridge at Niagara, and the iron printing establishment of the Harpers, in New York city, is constructed from it. In 1853 Sussex also sent to the World's Fair at London a lump of zinc ore from Franklin, that weighed 6,000 lbs. It was so large that it could not be taken into the Crystal Palace, and attracted admiration both for size and mineral richness.

11. Storehouse occupied by Rev. George W. Horton, at West Milford, Passaic county, destroyed by fire, inflicting a loss of \$2,500, with insurance of \$1,500.

11. L. D. Rosenkrans announces that he has bought out the firm of A. P. & A. Rosenkrans.

11. Rev. A. D. Willifer, formally recognized as pastor of the Newton Baptist Church. Rev. D. T. Morrill, of Newark; Wm. H. Berger, of Lyons Farms, and J. D. Merrill, of Millburn, took part in the services.

12. Local retrospect notes that the longest term of official service in Sussex county was that of Thomas Anderson, who was Surrogate 35 years—from 1768 to 1803, and during six years of that period officiated also as County Clerk. The next longest term was that of Charles Rhodes, who was Clerk of the County for 17 years.

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12. Noting the fine stock of venison in Newton market, from Pike county, it was stated that fifty years ago Sussex county had the best breed of deer to be found in the Union. But Samuel Lane, in connection with several of his sharp-shooting accomplices, made such sweeping raids upon them that in fifteen years they killed about three-fourths, and compelled the residue to take advantage of a low stage of water in the Delaware, to swim over into Pike, and take refuge in the mountains of that county. Not five deer had been shot since 1833, when Lane sold his deer dog to Judge Morris, and gave up the business.

12. Fifth lecture by John Whitehead. Subject: The battle fought in Germany in A. D. 9, between Arminius and Varrus. (Postponed to 19th on account of severe storm.)

12. A severe and wide-spread snow storm; travel obstructed in all directions. For two days Newton was without mails from New York, or elsewhere, and country mails were two to three days late. Snow fell to a depth of 12 or 15 inches, and was badly drifted. Intense cold prevailed; the mercury ranging at 2:30 and below during the storm.

12. Obadiah P. Howell, formerly of Deckertown, admitted to practice as attorney and counsellor, by Supreme Court, at Brooklyn, N. Y.

16. Port Oram was growing rapidly, and plans were made to build during the coming year a blast furnace, a silk factory, and twenty-five dwellings.

16. Willard House, in Newton, owned by Levi Potter, and occupied by J. C. & S. W. Swayze, destroyed by fire, originating in roof from a defective chimney, and discovered at 6 a. m. There was no water near the house, and no effort was made to use either of the fire engines, owing to disbandment of the companies. It was a full hour before the flames crept down to the second and first floors, therefore most of the furniture was removed. A boarder, crippled by paralysis, was forgotten in the confusion, and he was barely saved, as the flames encompassed his room when an inmate happened to go to his rescue. This was the second time that a hotel on this spot had been burned. Mr. Potter was uninsured; the Swayzes were insured for \$2,500. The peril of the town, through neglect to keep up its fire department, through the obstinacy of a few men, resulted in a call for a public meeting on the 19th.

16. Business of all kinds in New York was so dull that at least 50,000 persons were out of employment.

17. William Kerr had sold his farm in Independence township, Warren county, for \$100 per acre.

18. John Tims advertises completion of a large building in Hackettstown, which he has stocked with furniture.

18. Blair Hall, at Blairstown, destroyed by fire, while the pupils and the family of Principal Stevens were absent, attending a school exhibition in Mechanics' Hall. Much furniture was saved, though Mr. Stevens lost heavily, as did many of the teachers and pupils. The fire began in a wing, and some time elapsed before it reached the main edifice. The loss was about \$20,000. Good judgment in giving the alarm prevented a panic and possible loss of life in the audience assembled at the exhibition.

18-19. Examinations and exhibitions at Blairstown Academy.

18. Some excitement had been created on Sparta mountain through the fact that two grandchildren of Jane Lozier had suddenly disappeared. One a boy of 10, and the other a girl of 13, whom the old woman had treated pretty roughly, had been sent to a spring for water. Both concluded to run away, and leaving their pails, disappeared. Neighbors missed the children, and made inquiries of Mrs. Lozier, who gave answers that suited her whim and were contradictory. While there was talk of arrest, the boy reappeared, told his story, and said his sister was at Pompton. From these facts a

sensational murder story was manufactured and sent broadcast over the country.

19. Mischief has ever been the characteristic of the average Sussex youth, but at times it bordered on maliciousness. At a recent wedding in an adjoining township, about twenty couples in light wagons attended a guests. It was a merry party until at a late hour preparations were made for departure. Then it was discovered that all the burrs had been removed from each wagon, and the clergyman's alone escaped through being locked in the barn. No trace of the burrs could be found, and the whole company, at great inconvenience to the family, were obliged to stay where they were all night, and until burrs could be procured the next day at Newton and elsewhere. The perpetrators of the act were not discovered, nor were the burrs ever returned.

19. "W. P. V." writes "Concerning Obituaries." He says they have, except in rare instances, so little general interest, that they are not even read beyond the circle of the near friends and acquaintances. He advises obituary writers to study the Bible and conform to its brief but strikingly beautiful models, of which he cites several. His complaint is that lengthy and laudatory obituaries occupy too much space in newspapers.

19. A vicious slander to the effect that the late President Lincoln, while visiting the battle-field of Antietam, had indulged in ribald songs and vulgar jokes, had been traced to its author, who was Joseph Scoville, the New York correspondent of London papers. The editor then pays his respects to Scoville, who was an unprincipled scamp, and who had after a residence of two or three years on a farm near Newton, managed to swindle all persons with whom he had financial transactions. He lived by borrowing, and abused all who refused him.

19. A company at Bridgeport, Conn., had begun the manufacture of a hard rubber wagon body, the invention of Dr. J. S. Campbell, of Newton.

19-25. Jerome Blitz, the noted magician, gave series of entertainments at Deckertown and Newton.

20. Theodore Chandler and Aaron Blanchard, millwrights, of Newton, lose \$600 worth of tools through burning of Beam's saw mill and Brown's grist mill, at Wyncokie.

23. Rev. Gershom Goble, a son of Enos Goble, formerly of Deckertown, died at Washington, D. C. His was the fifth death in the family within a year—the father, mother, brother, brother-in-law and himself.

24. Howell & Pellet sell their hardware business to Job Woodruff and Joseph Hart.

24. A. P. and Allen Rosenkrans dissolve partnership at Newton.

24. Festival at Blairstown; proceeds for repair of Presbyterian parsonage.

24. Cotillon party at Fountain House.

24. Ladies Aid Society of Deckertown M. E. Church held festival in town hall.

25. Fair and festival at Branchville Presbyterian church.

25. Festival and concert in Presbyterian church, Stanhope. I. P. Miller, musical director.

25-31. Ladies of Andover held a holiday festival continuing one week.

25. Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Orsborne celebrate, at Newark, their fiftieth marriage anniversary. Rev. Mr. Orsborne was ordained as an evangelist, July, 1819, at Frankford, Sussex county, by the Presbytery of New Jersey, Rev. Dr. Cox officiating in the ordination service. He continued two and a half years in that town, organizing the First Presbyterian Church of Frankford. He was installed as pastor of the Presbyterian church at Newfoundland, Morris county, July, 1821, and served that church sixteen years, in connection with the church at Berkshire Valley. His second settlement as pastor was at Succasunna Plains, and with this charge he organized the church at Stanhope, and served both churches for many years. His past twenty years had been spent as City Missionary in Newark.

26. Real estate sales: Harmon L. Emmons, 135 acres in Stillwater, to Albert Roy, for \$10,125. John Dovell to John Canfield, 280 acres in Hampton township, (G. L. Vansyckle farm) for \$23,000. Joseph Coult to Henry Hart, house and lot on Halsted street, \$5,000. William H. Walker to Mrs. Effy Beemer, house and lot on Trinity street, \$2,800. Jesse Lewis to John F. Dunn, house and lot on High street formerly owned by A. J. Rogers. Ralph Titus to Martin J. W. Youman, grist mill property at Stillwater, \$10,000. John B. Decker bought the Unionville hotel property, at auction, for \$7,300.

27. Cotillon party at Henry Whitaker's hotel, Deckertown.

27. Harmony Lodge installs officers and has a collation.

27. Dwelling in Vernon, known as the parsonage of Saint Thomas' Episcopal Church, destroyed by fire. It was occupied by George W. Tinkey and Robert Baughn, both of whom lost household goods valued at \$2,000 each, without a dollar of insurance. Mr. Tinkey also lost \$1,100 in money. The house was uninsured, and valued at \$1,000.

29. Rev. Robert Atkinson, formerly of Sussex, resigns pastorate of North Baptist Church, Newark, to supervise mission work in Kansas.

30. Dwelling of J. Lovell Canfield, at Morris Plains, destroyed by fire, causing a loss of \$20,000, though most of the furniture was saved.

30. Sussex Courts adjourn, after a session lasting sixteen days, for which the jurors drew \$1,533, and judges, constables, etc., not less than \$400. Five days were spent in appeals from justice's courts that didn't average \$10 each.

31. North Church congregation holds festival at Franklin Hotel.

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1. A swindle on the school districts of Sussex and Warren, is developed through the sale of some \$1,400 in orders given to one I. Smith Wachob, who had sold maps, globes, etc., to the different school districts, though State Superintendent Aggar has issued a warning circular, in September last. The orders were so worded as to become payable on January 1, 1868, and if the County Collector refused to pay then the Trustees were bound individually. Some time before January, Wachob sold his orders to a Newton man, and then left the victims to squirm.

1. Benjamin W. Decker retires from firm of Decker & Gould, and becomes a member of the firm of Tutthill, Miller & Co., taking the interest of George A. Slater.

1. John R. Pettit removes cigar store to Rosenkrans building, Spring street.

1. James W. Crigar enters the field as an auctioneer.

2. The deaths of Nicholas Ryerson, at Deckertown, in his 87th year, and Robert A. Linn, aged 81, of Hamburg, occurred on this date.

2. Reopening of Stanhope M. E. church, after improvements which cost \$1,100. One-third of the cost was contributed by Andrew Rose, who also gave the bell and organ to the church. Preaching by Rev. J. Atkinson and Rev. R. L. Dashiell.

2. Basement lecture room of Rockaway M. E. church dedicated, previous to completion of the edifice. Sermon by Rev. C. Larew; \$1,800 subscribed after the sermon, with a large addition at the evening service. The church was 42x60.

2. Warren county adds to its list of newspapers, the Phillipsburg Democrat, published by Sigman & Werkheiser, and the Washington Star, by E. W. Osman. These made five papers in the county, and all Democratic except one.

2. George Duckworth, a farmer in comfortable circumstances, residing near Belvidere, kills himself while temporarily insane through domestic trouble, for which he was primarily responsible.

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3. Railroad meeting at Deckertown; it was confessed that there were conflicting views which would be harmonized at the meeting.

4. Meeting of Farmers' Club discusses underdraining, and the best mode of applying manures.

4. Persons interested in Frankford Plains cemetery met at Branchville to discuss improvements.

4. Another railroad meeting at Deckertown, which adheres to the proposed route to Goshen. Residents of Wantage are advised that it would be cheaper and more feasible to build four miles to Hamburg, and intersect the road to be built from Warwick to Newton.

7. A public meeting of citizens of Newton at the court house, to consider overtures made by Directors of Sussex Railroad Company in reference to location of road about to be built from near Warwick to the Water Gap. Robert Hamilton presided; Joseph Coult was secretary. The matter had been worked up previous to the meeting, and the proposition was that the road would pass through Newton if the citizens would secure the right of way and grade the track from the depot in town to a point on the Branchville Extension, and also secure the right of way from Warbasse's farm to Franklin. An effort to comply with the provisions had failed, because parties interested in having the road run in a more easterly direction, had excited prejudice against Newton, and it was found impossible to negotiate on fair and reasonable terms. Hence this public meeting, which unanimously resolved to make this proposition to the Sussex R. R. Co., viz: the citizens of Newton would secure the right of way from this town to the Branchville road, and in lieu of grading the track to that road and purchasing the right of way from Lafayette to Franklin, would pay for these purposes the sum of \$15,000.

7. Merchants National Bank election; only three of the directors living in 1899.

7. Election of Farmers National Bank, Deckertown; all except one of the directors elected are dead.

7. Congress having abolished the practice of putting the prefix "Hon." to names of members, the Church Journal recommends that "Rev." and "D. D." and other titles be cut from ministers' names. The editor says "amen."

8. Real estate sales: John S. Counsen to Samuel Johnson, house and lot on Trinity street, \$3,700. William McDanolds to James Ayers, 145 acres in Frankford, at \$110 per acre.

8. An engine of the N. J. Central railroad named "Sussex," exploded its boiler at Bloomsbury, killing the engineer and fireman, and mortally wounding three brakemen. All except one were residents of Phillipsburg.

10. A married man (Daniel Baker) was under arrest in Newton charged with abortion. At a hearing on the 16th he was discharged and the young woman held in \$200 bail.

10. Walter Rutherford died at Newark, aged 56 years. He was a brother to John Rutherford, of Vernon, and his father Robert W. Rutherford, formerly lived in Sussex county, where he was a leading man. Deceased was a lawyer, but devoted his time mainly to literature, religion, philanthropy and politics. He was the framer of the existing Registry law, and one of the founders of St. Barnabas Hospital.

10. The Sussex Railroad Company having rejected the offer made by citizens of Newton, another meeting was held on this date. Judge Ryerson detailed the negotiations which had taken place, and the new proposition was in effect that the railroad through line would be located so as to bring it to Newton if the right of way to Franklin was secured, or a bond given to the company in an amount not to exceed \$25,000. The ultimatum was unanimously accepted. A bond was signed on the spot by thirty citizens, and an indemnifying bond by some 80 or 90 property holders.

About nineteen-twentieths of the property holders eventually signed the indemnifying bond, but a few men of wealth refused to come into the agreement, which made the passage of a law necessary to assess the sum on all taxable property.

13. John Dempsey, found guilty of murder in second degree, at Morristown, for the killing of Kean Carroll, at Boonton, was sentenced to sixteen years imprisonment.

14. Legislature organized.

14. Report that a boy named Smith had been killed at Branchville, while coasting.

14. Congressman Hill, of this district, introduces a resolution favoring the assumption by the General Government of the local county war debts of the several states, cities and townships.

14. Secretary of War E. M. Stanton resumes direction of War Department, from which he had been suspended by President Johnson. Gen. Grant had been acting Secretary until the U. S. Senate declared the President's reason for suspending Stanton to have been insufficient.

14. The alleged wife of one of the leading men in a band of gypsies, encamped near Springdale, leaves town, after making some purchases for herself and boy, on the afternoon train. She said she had been maltreated and misused, and would not stay with her tribe. Soon after the train left her husband came in search and represented that she had taken \$13,000 of his money. A telegram secured the woman's arrest, at Newark, where the actual sum was found to be about \$2,000, of which \$600 was in gold, \$150 in silver and the remainder in greenbacks.

14. Sussex Bank election. E. C. Moore succeeded the late David Ryerson and John McCarter took the place of Thomas N. McCarter, resigned.

15. New depot of the M. & E. R. R. at Hoboken completed and opened for public use.

16. Presbytery of Newton, in session at Blairstown, adopts resolutions thanking John I. Blair for his proposal to rebuild the burned boarding house of the Blairstown Presbyterian Academy and asks donations of money, etc., for S. S. Stevens, the principal, who had lost nearly all he had of this world's goods.

16. Annual meeting of State Historical Society. John Y. Foster read a paper on the gallantry of our New Jersey soldiers in the late war.

16. Sixth lecture by John Whitehead. Subject "The Battle of Chalons."

16. Real estate sales: L. D. Rosenkrans to Richard M. Bennet, house on Madison street, \$300. Elijah Rosenkrans had sold several houses and shops in Flatbrookville to S. D. Smith and O. Fuller for the gross sum of \$8,000, and had purchased for \$7,500, the property on Halstead street, owned by his nephew, Allen Rosenkrans. Morris Hoppaugh to Thomas G. Bunnell, house and lot on High street, \$2,200. John Durling to Jesse Lewis, Vail farm on Springdale road, \$100 per acre.

16. Isaac Hopper, of Port Jervis, killed by collision of two Erie trains, on one of which he was conductor.

16. George Haggerty, aged 38, killed while felling trees, in company with Wm. Cortelyou, three miles southeast of Newton. He warned his comrade to get out of the way, and then moved from his own position, which proved to be a fatal mistake, as the tree struck him on the head, causing instant death.

17. Negotiations concluded between citizens of Newton and the Sussex R. R. Co. in relation to the location of the Franklin branch. A portion of the work had already been placed under contract.

20. R. N. Clark succeeds L. Quick as proprietor of the stage line between Newton and Deckertown.

22. Anti-monopoly State convention held at Trenton. Sussex was represented by John Rutherford.

22. Meeting at Presbyterian Church in Newton to urge union of Presbyterian bodies throughout the country. The main object was reunion of the Old and New

School branches. A severe snow storm the previous day kept many clergymen and elders away who had expected to be present.

23. Kate Warren placed on trial in Newark, for abortion on Maria Tozer, which resulted in death, in December. Clarkson Drake, of Sussex, who had been arrested and placed under bail for supposed complicity, had been discharged.

23. J. A. Peters, of Marksboro, advertises his "grand gift enterprise" to be drawn at J. S. Ball's hotel, on March 7. The chief prize was a house and lot in Johnsonburg, valued at \$2,500 and other prizes were wagons, harness, stoves, clothing, etc. 3,500 tickets were issued at \$2, and the prizes aggregated 385 in number. Peters was a tailor. He sold a large number of tickets. On the 7th the drawing was postponed until the 19th, but it never occurred, as Peters disappeared.

24. Free schools in Newton temporarily suspended owing to exhaustion of funds.

29. W. I. Ross opens law office in Lafayette.

30. Real estate sales: Charles H. Newbaker to J. S. & R. H. Howell, dwelling on Mill street; \$2,050. George Greer to Joseph and David R. Warbasse, 278 acres in Green township, at \$5 per acre. C. P. Rorbach to Mrs. Susan M. Nelden, dwelling on High street, \$4,500. The Dorell house and lot on Mill street, recently sold to John Canfield, had since been sold to Merritt Pinkney, who in turn had sold it to Jacob Lawrence.

29. John I. Blair was so overwhelmed by applications for work on a western railroad, based on false rumors, at fabulous wages, with free transportation, etc., that he publishes a card denying that he had any such to offer. He had advertised for men in Chicago papers, but never east of that point.

17. Asa Miller arrested at Andover and lodged in jail. Two years ago he was indicted for larceny, but could not then be found, nor had he been seen since. It seems that for a long time he had been secreted in the rooms of a female tailor at Andover. She had been able to do a large amount of work and make garments for men that were marvels as to fit, and yet the measurements were on only two or three exterior lines. The secret, which was divulged with Miller's discovery and arrest, lay in the fact that he was an expert tailor, and as such, during his former business career in Andover, had obtained measurements which needed but little alteration. The tailor also sold material at lower figures than the merchants, but when the secrets of Miller's prison house were exposed by accident, it was learned that by means of skeleton keys he had visited the stores and taken not only remnants, but whole pieces of cloths. He seemed to have robbed every tradesman in Andover, not even neglecting the village tavern and oyster saloon. The young woman who had been Miller's accessory as well as mistress, had heretofore borne a spotless reputation.

14. M. E. Preachers Association held a meeting at Stanhope, at which Rev. C. E. Walton preached the quarterly sermon.

23. Real estate sales: Swartswood hotel property to George W. Lattimore, for \$5,000. Austin Carpenter to William W. Dekay, farm in Frankford, \$5,500. Jonathan Whitaker to Thomas Armstrong, dwelling in Deckertown, \$8,000. Gabriel Coykendall to George W. Coe, dwelling in Deckertown, \$1,000. Ira C. Moore to James M. Kidney, house and lot on Mill street, \$1,400. Michael Quinn to Henry C. VanGilder, house and lot in Union Place, \$1,100. Thomas C. Elston to Levi Shepherd, house and lot on Trinity street.

23. Peter Force, a distinguished son of New Jersey, and a brother to the late Rev. Manning Force, died at Washington, D. C., in his 77th year. He served an apprenticeship to the printer's trade, in New York city, and afterward published the organ of John Q. Adams's administration. He was elected Mayor of Washington, and held other offices.

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25. Officers of proposed Goshen and Deckertown Railroad elected at Florida.

27. Brooklyn pond was yielding some fine pickerel, and the State had not begun feeding the big fish with little ones. A sled load was brought to Newton on this date, and the driver had two strings, one of three, and the other of four fish, that he held at \$5 each. The first weighed 18 lbs., and was purchased by H. M. Ward, who made "ye editor" a present of one of the three, which weighed 6 lbs.

27. Rev. Holloway W. Hunt died at his Schooley mountain home from an internal injury received on the 19th, by being thrown from his sleigh on his way to Stanhope. He was in his 69th year, had been pastor of the Presbyterian church at Pleasant Grove, and for nearly forty years his counsels, deeds of kindness and charity had made him beloved through all the surrounding region.

28. John C. Williams receives patent for improvement in collars.

28. Two of Hardyston's aged residents died on this date, viz: Francis Hamilton, aged 82 years, and the widow of Israel Munson, aged 90 years.

29. Louis Fritz, a "bone picker," after an examination lasting a whole day, is held to bail in the sum of \$500 for stealing Steve Cortelyou's dog.

30. The new building erected by Captain Fltts, on Spring street, was about completed. Truex & Decker had leased the first floor, and the New Jersey Herald Association had taken the third floor for a term of years.

30. Deckertown awakes under prospective railroad facilities, and the following sales were noted: Jacob E. Hornbeck to Dr. T. A. Rogers, property occupied as a grocery store, for \$1,000. Josiah Decker to Abram J. Decker, house and lot, for \$2,200. Captain William Spear, house and lot to William McCoy, for \$1,100. Mrs. John S. Decker to Loomis & McCoy, store house, for \$1,750. Mrs. L. Cole to Jacob E. Hornbeck, the Cooper grist mill, for \$7,200. Jonathan Whitaker to J. R. & O. J. Little, his store house, for \$4,500, and 11 acres of land to the same parties, for \$2,000. So many sales and such prices had not been known in that town for years.

30. Traders' Express Company succeeds Breese & Co., on the M. & E. R. R.

30. Miss Eva Couse, of Newton, takes first honors in graduating class of State Normal School.

30. Money was plentiful in business centers and among farmers, but the securities desired were not forthcoming.

30. A printed petition circulated among the patrons of the M. & E. R. R., as well as its bond and stockholders, had been numerously signed. The petition prayed for the removal of A. P. Berthoud, as superintendent, and the appointment of a thorough and efficient "railroad man." Numerous wrecks and disarrangement of regular passenger traffic incited the petition.

29. Peter S. Decker and George Hardin were driving the lumber business in Newton.

30. Mr. Whitehead delivers seventh lecture, subject "The Battle of Tours."

31. George Nelden opens an auction store in the Foundry building.

FEBRUARY.

1. Sussex Farmers' Club discusses Rotation of Crops, Fruit Culture, etc.

1. Samuel L. Beardslee and John L. Brown form partnership at Franklin Furnace.

1. James J. Martin, on account of continued ill health, deputizes his son Lewis J. Martin to act in his stead. Therefore L. J. M. closes his law office in the Anderson House building.

3. Sussex Mutual Insurance Company held annual meeting. Daniel S. McCarter, secretary and treasurer, retires on account of infirmities of age, and is succeeded by Oakley B. Pellet. Meeting adopted resolutions complimenting the retiring secretary on his official life, and expressing

ing regret at his retirement. The report showed 1143 policies in force.

4. Buildings of Jacob Pope and Mrs. Harry Stuart, on Pike street, Port Jervis, burned.

5. Aaron H. Roy advertises tailoring at Fredon.

5. "A grand gift enterprise" is advertised to occur in Newton during the April term of Court. Tickets, 3,000 at \$2 each; prizes 1,008. The chief prizes were a building lot at \$1,000, and a trotting mare formerly owned by Dr. Nelden, valued at \$850. Two weeks later Joseph N. Chandler was announced as proprietor and manager.

5. Chancellor delivered an opinion in the suit of the Sussex Railroad Company, relative to a construction of the contract between the two companies as to freight and passengers, not only between Waterloo and Newark, but over the whole road, east and west, from Waterloo to New York and from the same point to Easton. The contract not only gave the Sussex road a pro rata proportion of the freight and passenger business over the two roads, but a drawback of 25 per cent. on passengers and 30 per cent. on freight. The contract is a perpetual one.

5. A son of Peter Tice, of Oxford, Warren county, had disappeared, and though a judicial investigation failed to bring proof, it was suspected that the father of the boy, who was very passionate, had whipped him to death, or otherwise foully dealt with him. The father offered a reward of \$15 for the boy.

6. A horse attached to a sleigh ran away at Chatham, Morris county, plunged down an embankment 30 feet high, into the Passaic river, and was rescued uninjured, but very much chilled.

7. Abby Jane Bradbury, aged about 20 years, daughter of Benjamin Bradbury, of Sparta, died suddenly in convulsions. As her health had always been good until a similar attack about two weeks previous, there was suspicion of poison, and the stomach and contents were sent to New York for chemical analysis. The sad event created a great deal of excitement in Sparta.

10. Elias D. Goodrich, at the Anderson House, had a mounted specimen of bald eagle, measuring seven feet two inches from tip to tip of wings. It had been captured alive in some manner by Abram Ellett, of Sandyston. After a captivity of three months it had been released, but it had become so tame that it remained in the neighborhood, and was often seen perching on trees and fences. A hunter saw the bird sitting on a rail, and shot it. Ellett claimed the bird and gave it to Goodrich.

10. Books of subscription for stock (\$175,000) of Sussex Valley Railroad, opened at Deckertown. Mr. Robinson, of Goshen, subscribed \$90,000, and Wm. H. Bell, of Branchville, subscribed the same amount, which made \$5,000 over the desired amount. The Goshen man made the first move, (the idea of each being to get control of the charter,) and paid five per cent. in cash. Bell also paid in five per cent. but took the precaution to affix a stamp to his signature, and by that obtained a receipt. But that did not settle the matter.

10. Among Legislative proceedings was the passage through both Houses, in one day, of a supplement to the charter of the Sussex Valley R. R. Co. Amendment to act authorizing Wantage to raise bounty money reduced poll tax from \$10 to \$8. Reformed Church of Wallpack was authorized to convey certain lands, and the Water Gap Railroad Co. sought permission to bridge the Delaware in the neighborhood of Broadhead's Creek, to connect with D. L. & W. R. R.

10. John H. Westbrook and Joseph N. Chandler open lively stable, in rear of McCarter store house.

10. The Legislature of Dakota Territory had issued a pamphlet devoted to letters and reports of railroads being con-

structed under the supervision of John I. Blair.

11. Beach, VanCampen & Co. dissolve partnership. B. VanCampen remains in charge.

12. Real estate changes: Coult & Anderson to Philip L. Garrison and Elvin A. Vernon, the "Anderson House," in Newton, for \$15,000. P. L. Garrison to Coult & Anderson, house and lot on Mill street, and property on Church street; subsequently sold by the latter to Jesse Lewis, for \$7,000. At the same time C. & A. purchased of Mr. Lewis for \$100 per acre, the Stickles farm, 1½ miles from Newton, which had been bought of John Durling, a short time before. A day or two afterward C. & A. sold this farm to R. B. Westbrook, at the rate of \$105 per acre. Dr. Westbrook almost immediately purchased a lot of 18 acres, contiguous to the Stickles farm, of the Vestry of Christ Church, for \$1,600, and the same day sold to Dr. Franklin Smith the lot corner of Main and Division streets (on which THE REGISTER office formerly stood) for \$1,100, and the next day Dr. Smith sold the lot to John F. Conger for \$1,200. Henry Hart to Rev. N. Pettit, house and lot on Halsted street, \$5,000. E. C. Moore to John W. Westbrook, 90 acres in Hampton township, \$5,100. Edward Chandler to Jacob J. Roof, 163 acres in Stillwater township, for \$10,366. Joseph C. Ogden to John Hecker, shot, 203 acres of mountain farm in Stillwater, at \$21 per acre. G. W. Lattimore to Daniel Lattimore, hotel property at Centerville, \$5,000.

12. To this date there had been continuous sleighing for nine weeks, and the prospect was good for another month, as the snow averaged a foot in depth.

13. Wm. T. Leport opens law office in Stanhope.

13. Eighth lecture by John Whitehead; subject, "The Battle of Hastings."

13. Dr. John Miller, coroner, began inquest at Sparta, in case of Abby Jane Bradbury. Some testimony was taken, and then the inquest was adjourned three weeks to await chemist's analysis of stomach.

13. President Johnson balked in his attempt to annoy General Grant, through the refusal of General Sherman to accept a nomination as lieutenant-general by brevet, with a new command, having his headquarters at Washington.

13. Commenting upon severity of the winter it is remarked: "The temperature of the air having fallen so frequently this winter to zero and below, it has ceased to be a novelty to speak of the weather as having been on this or that particular day intensely cold. Extreme atmospheric fridity has been for two months the rule rather than the exception. At Newton the mercury has fallen several times to 2° and 3° below zero, while at Hamburg, 11° below was recorded."

14. Bill to repeal law prohibiting sale of liquor on election days rejected in House of Assembly, by vote of 29 to 27. Messrs. Clark and Hunt, of Sussex, voted no, and the former made an earnest speech in favor of the original law. On the 18th the House, by a vote of 43 to 10, (Democrats in the affirmative) repealed the "sunset" election law. The party was divided on the repeal of the registry law.

15. Samuel Peer, of Danville, Morris county, whose death had occurred recently, in his 79th year, had lived to see 114 descendants, 89 of whom were now living.

15. Bodine's foundry has narrow escape from destruction by fire, a wooden partition near boiler having taken fire in the night, and smoldered for lack of air.

17. By a vote of 8 to 6 the Commissioners of the Sussex Valley Railroad, at a meeting in Deckertown, decide that Mr. Robinson, of Goshen, who first put his name down for \$90,000 worth of stock had the preference over Wm. H. Bell. This caused much excitement, and ill-feeling.

18. Both Houses of the Legislature, by party vote adopt resolutions of an assinine

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character trying to rescind the ratification by a previous Republican Legislature of the 14th amendment to the U. S. Constitution. Gov. Ward returned them without approval.

19. Henry Post, known to every patron of the Merchants Hotel, New York city, as "doctor," died at the age of 53 years.

19. Building committee of Christ Church announce that plans may be seen at office of Robert Hamilton.

19. Cotillion party at Fountain House.

20. Newton Brass Band makes its first appearance in a concert at Court House, under instruction of Prof. Oakes.

20. Rev. William M. Wigger, of Newark, lectured in St. Joseph's Church, Newton, on "Confession and its beneficial results."

20. A religious revival was in progress at Phillipsburg, which bid fair to equal the recent one in Belvidere, which added 225 to the church rolls.

20. Real estate changes: Dr. Franklin Smith purchases Howell farm in Newton limits, paying \$15,000 for 100 acres. Halsey Coykendall to Wm. R. Mattison, house and lot on Halsted street, \$1,975. Estate of David Ryerson to Morris Hoppangh, house and lot on Liberty street, \$6,500. Sylvester Hill to Wm. M. Perrine and W. R. Mattison, house and lot on Trinity st., \$1,500. House on Trinity street sold by Wm. McCarty to Charles Newbaker, for \$1,400 cash, had been again sold to S. S. Decker for \$1,500.

22. The whole country stirred to renewed excitement in the controversy between President Johnson and Congress. The Reconstruction Committee having recommended impeachment proceedings. On the 24th the House voted in favor of the resolution; yeas 126, nays 47.

23. Rev. Mr. Chamberlain, a missionary from Brazil, delivers a discourse in Presbyterian church, on that country.

25. Mrs. Howard, aged 82 years, fell dead while washing at her home in the rear of English's shop, on Spring street.

26. Stock of Newton Slate Company, to the amount of \$100,000, offered by Joseph Coult, president; Robert Ramsden, secretary.

27. Dedication of new Baptist Church at Belvidere. Its entire cost was about \$9,000, and, from different parts of the country, all had been collected except about \$2,000.

27. Firm composed of James W. Crigar, James W. Lewis and Joseph Warbasse dissolved by withdrawal of Mr. Warbasse.

27. Real estate changes: John M. McCoy to Jacob Snyder, house and lot on Spring street, \$5,000. W. K. Trelease to Dr. R. A. Sheppard, house and lot on Mill street. Simon S. Cook to John Crotty, house and lot on Hamilton street, \$1,100. Martin Ward to J. A. Massaker, house adjoining above, for same price. Estate of Jacob Vaughan, 115 acres in Lafayette and Sparta to David Ackerson, at \$105 per acre. Also, 139 acres in Sparta, not fully improved, to George Vaughan, at \$39 per acre.

28. Quarterly examination of teachers.

28. Gabriel Adams, executor, begins sale of store goods of Lebbeus Potter, a merchant in Deckertown, who died February 1, aged 63 years.

29. Andrew Merring shot a large wild cat, which his son saw coming out of the burying ground at Myrtle Grove. Hunger had apparently made it tame and spiritless, and Mr. M. was enabled to shoot it at close range. It was afterward mounted by Dr. UpDeGraff.

MARCH.

1. Beginning of a snowstorm that developed on the following day into a furious northeaster. The snowfall would have averaged 2½ feet on the level, if there had been a level, but it was scattered in such huge banks as to delay travel by rail and effectually blockaded the public highways, causing postponement of many sales fixed for the 2d, 3d and 4th insts. Stagnation in business was such that for three days the freight trains of the Sussex ran comparatively empty. On the 31st the

mercury dropped to 3° below zero, and the wind was so cutting that few cared to expose themselves in clearing the roads.

2. James A. Decker having retired from the firm of Coursen & Decker, harness makers, opens a store near Cochran House.

2. Citizens of Wantage "called to the rescue," a meeting being held at the Town Hall, to make public expression of the attempts being made to defeat the railroad enterprise to Unionville.

2. Morris Hoppangh sells half of the double dwelling on Liberty street to Job Woodruff. W. R. Mattison to Samuel C. Willson, house and lot on Halsted street, \$2,250—a gain of \$375 in two weeks.

2. Gabriel Collier retires from firm of Snyder & Collier. Joseph Warbasse had purchased his interest.

3. Stockholders of Sussex Valley Railroad Company met at Deckertown, and elected nine directors, viz: John Loomis, Charles A. Willson, S. M. Coykendall, John B. Decker, H. H. Hunt, G. L. Dunning, Jonathan Whitaker, Wm. H. Bell and D. B. Irwin. The Goshen papers insisted that this Board was not fairly chosen; that nine other persons, whose names they gave, were really the recipients of a majority of votes cast, and ought to have been declared elected. It was evidently a free fight with Goshen and Middletown as the bottle-holders.

4. Report of Hardwick Mutual showed that 203 policies had been issued during the year; losses paid, \$2,343.30. The charter of the Company had just been renewed by the Legislature.

5. Silas Beeman, an aged pumpmaker of Belvidere, had recently hanged himself with a chain.

5. A prominent young lawyer and a young married merchant, both residents of Newton, wrestled for \$150 a side at the Ward House. The lawyer was the favorite, but appearances are deceitful. The first hold was decided to be "a cat-fall," and the merchant took the other two. The social prominence of the parties created intense interest; much money changed hands, and as dissatisfaction was expressed with the decision, a new match was made on the spot for \$500 a side.

6. Death of Marshall B. Stull, of Green township, in his 32d year. He was a graduate of THE REGISTER office, a veteran of Co. D, 15th N. J. Vols., and was the writer of a series of the best and most interesting letters coming from the seat of war, which were printed in THE REGISTER. He was badly wounded in the battle of Cold Harbor, and yet to the surprise of almost everyone, recovered in a few months, rejoined his regiment, and participated in the battles in the Shenandoah valley.

7. Farmers' Club discusses "Fruit Culture and the best method of applying Manures." Jacob L. Lawrence was chosen secretary in place of R. H. Howell, resigned. The attendance was not large, but the meeting was considered more interesting than any heretofore held. Hon. Isaac Bunnell, of Montague, sent an interesting letter upon his system of farming and fruit culture.

8. Rev. George S. Mott begins a course of sermons on "The Life of our Lord."

8. Dedication of the Drew M. E. Church at Port Jervis, by Bishop Jones. The edifice cost \$30,000, of which Daniel Drew contributed \$1,000.

9. Coroner's jury in Bradbury case met at Sparta, pursuant to adjournment, but owing to non-receipt of chemist's analysis, adjourned to 13th.

9. William Watkins, Andrew Oliver and Joseph Tanguay, painters, form partnership in Newton, under name of Wm. Watkins & Co.

9. John H. Westbrook retires from firm of Westbrook & Chandler.

10. A contract had been given to Dillon & Smith to construct double track from Hackettstown to Phillipsburg. Grading had been completed between Morristown to Hackettstown, and rails were to be laid as soon as the weather permitted.

10. Presbyteries of Newton, Rockaway, Raritan, 2d and 4th Philadelphia, and the

Classis of Raritan, hold a convention at Easton.

11. Legislature in joint meeting reappointed Henry K. Winans as Common Pleas Judge in Sussex, for five years; also Henry C. Kelsey for the unexpired term of John Townsend, resigned on this date, on account of ill-health. In Warren county Jehiel T. Kern was appointed to succeed Judge Joseph Sharp. James H. Fancher was reappointed in Morris. Commissioners of Deeds were also appointed, and it is worthy of note that at this period the appointees were entirely confined to the dominant party. There was no division on party lines, as in later years.

11. William E. Taylor had a blacksmith shop on Moran street.

11. Beardslee & Brown offer \$1 per 100 lbs. for bones at stone mill, Hambur.

11. John A. Peters gives notice that his gift enterprise at Marksboro, is sure to come off on the 19th.

12. Legislature killed bill to build a second lunatic asylum north of Trenton; voted down the Delaware dam bill, and repealed the sunset law, and made the election hours from 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

12. Agitation was rife for removal of county buildings from Belvidere to Washington or Phillipsburg. So long as the opponents of Belvidere were divided, it was assumed that there would be no change.

13. U. S. Senate organizes as a Court of Impeachment for trial of President Johnson.

13. Commissioners of Sussex Valley Railroad Company met at Hoppangh's Hotel, Newton, and received a communication signed by the Directors declared elected at the meeting in Deckertown, on March 3, and listened to a statement from A. P. Robinson, of Goshen, who claimed to have subscribed for a majority of the stock. The Commissioners finally decided that they would not recognize the directors declared chosen at Deckertown, and forbade the cashier of the Deckertown Bank to pay any money on stock to said directors, or deliver to them any books or papers.

14. Iron bridges spanning the Lehigh and Delaware rivers at Easton completed, and a train passed over to Phillipsburg and returned.

14. Sussex Republicans elect delegates to State convention, on 18th, at Trenton, to choose delegates for National convention at Chicago, to be held May 20.

15. Congregation of Christ Church begin to hold services in Rinker's Hall. Rev. Dr. Cox officiated on this date.

15. Ice gorge in Delaware Water Gap, which had been accumulating for several weeks, broke under a fresher pressure. The backwater had reached nearly to Flatbrookville, a distance of 18 miles.

15. Under clear skies flashes of lightning appear at several points around the horizon, from 9 to 11 p. m. There was no thunder. The entire absence during the winter of the aurora borealis had been a subject of remark.

16. A special election held in Morristown to decide question of public ownership of water works. By a vote of 434 to 124 it was decided not to erect expensive works and bring the water from a distance of four miles or more.

16. The directors of the Sussex Valley Railroad, representing the party known as the "Middletown interest," met at Deckertown and organized by electing John Loomis as president; Charles A. Wilson, secretary; treasurer and attorney, S. M. Coykendall. Committees were also appointed, and one composed of Wm. H. Bell, John B. Decker and G. L. Dunning, to confer and act conjointly with a like committee of the M., U. & W. G. Railroad to explore the route from Columbia, near the Delaware river.

18. Real estate changes: VanBlarcom & Perrine, agents for owners, house and lot in Newton occupied by Patrick Flynn, to John W. Foster, \$1,350; also house occupied by James D. Armstrong to Elijah Rosenkrans, \$2,550. John Canfield had purchased of S. Weller, the brick hotel at

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Washington, for \$22,000.

18. Gold selling at 139½¢.

18. Republican convention at Trenton nominates Hon. A. G. Cattell, Hon. Geo. T. Cobb, Cortlandt Parker, Esq., and John I. Blair, as delegates at large to Chicago convention. Martin Ryerson represented Sussex in the Fourth district. The convention declared Gen. Grant to be its choice for President.

18. Senate, by vote of 12 to 4, kills bill to repeal law forbidding sale of liquor on election days. Senator Edsall voted against repeal.

18. Martin & Searles, clothiers, were advertising W. & G. sewing machines.

18. John R. Pettit offered three lots on Millstreet (or North street) of 6, 7 and 8 acres, at \$250 per acre.

18. Newark M. E. Conference met at Plainfield.

19. John Whitehead resumes his lectures which had been suspended on account of illness among students at the Institute. Subject: "Joan of Arc."

19. President and directors of the Boston Franklinite Company make affidavit that the total amount of stock paid in cash on March 1, was \$118,700; amount of debts, \$226,222 86; assets valued at \$380,000.

19. Burglars get much plunder from residence of S. T. Scranton, at Oxford.

19. Barn and outbuildings of Nathan S. Smith, 2¼ miles west of Blairstown, burned through careless use of matches by small boys. The loss was heavy, with a partial insurance of \$1,200.

20. Proposals received for new school house at Cassidy's (No. 2) Hampton township.

20. Beginning of a deep and severe snow storm, which continued through the following day. Stage lines were all behind time, and the M. & E. R. R., which seemed to have been in sore straits all winter, was badly tangled in its schedule. Though the storm caused much discomfort it proved of great benefit to winter grain and fruit trees.

21. A large frame building in Decker-town, originally built by Peter Decker, and occupied for several years as a tavern, by Horace Vibbert, destroyed by fire discovered about midnight. It had recently been sold by Jonathan Whitaker to Thos. Armstrong, and the previous day Mr. W. had removed nearly all his furniture, and Mr. A. had moved nearly all of his into it. No one was sleeping in the house. The loss was placed at \$6,000, with insurance of \$2,000 in Sussex Mutual and \$2,000 in the Home, of New Haven.

21. A snow storm prevents Coroner Miller from going to Sparta, and the inquest is again adjourned another week.

23. Newton Harmonic Association organized by the election of John T. Stewart as president; John C. Williams, vice president; G. Beakes Dunning, secretary; Chas. A. Crissey, treasurer; David R. Hull, A. W. Shafer and R. C. Albright, executive committee.

24. Gilbert Chardavoyne had purchased of the Wickham Brothers, the Minsink House, at Port Jervis, for \$11,000, and Milton Roy had sold 126 acres in Stillwater township, to Robert Hammond, for \$6,000.

24. Store house of Jesse Titman, at Bridgeville, Warren county, occupied by Smith & Ellenberger, burned with contents, including the mail matter in the post office. It was believed that the store had been robbed and then fired. The loss was about \$8,000, with an insurance of \$600 on building and \$4,000 on stock.

24. Jane Martin, wife of Moses B. Northrup, of Newtor, aged 59, died suddenly in New York, where she was under treatment for a rheumatic affection.

25. Subject of Mr. Whitehead's lecture this evening, "The Spanish Armada." A postponement was necessary, as owing to a coal train wreck the lecturer did not arrive until 1 a. m. the next day.

26. Statistics from the annual reports of the Railroad and Canal Companies showed that the Morris & Essex earned \$128,947.38 above its operating expenses, and had 14 fatal accidents. The Morris

canal earned \$124,995.23 above expenses for repairs, navigation and management. The Ogden Mine Railroad earned \$9,957.17 above operating expenses and a dividend of 3 per cent. The report of the Sussex road showed receipts of \$66,638 83, and a balance of \$2 415 41, after paying \$2,327.14 for surveys on Sussex extension; \$33,672.56 for current expenses; \$12,441 95 for interest on bonds; \$666.28 for internal revenue tax, and \$15,115.39 for new rolling stock. Total number of miles run, 27,750.

25. Jacob Snyder, John Snyder and Joseph Warbasse make their first business announcement, as the firm of Snyders' & Warbasse.

27. Stillwater parochial school and the choir of the Presbyterian church give a joint entertainment.

27. Benjamin Bailey Edsall died after a brief illness, aged 57 years, 2 months and 2 days. His disease was typhoid-pneumonia. From the first attack his case seemed almost hopeless, and he sank rapidly under the malady. In his death THE REGISTER suffered a sore bereavement, for he had been its head and life since he came to the service of John H. Hall in the fall of 1833. Deceased was born at Maspeth, L. I., January 25, 1811. His parents were poor and unable to afford him even a common school education. Upon the death of his father, when he was but a little over 10 years of age, he was apprenticed to Harper & Brothers, and remained in their family and service until his apprenticeship expired. In the school of the printing office his literary taste was developed, and had he graduated with University honors his education would not have been more complete. His wonderful memory gave him an inexhaustible fund of anecdote and apt quotation, while his poetic temperament and natural eloquence of speech gave him other honor than that won by his pen, or rather by his fingers, for until the later years of his life his editorials were composed at the case. At his funeral service, held in the M. E. Church, on March 30, full justice was done to his memory by the clergymen of the town, and citizens generally. In respect to the wishes of the deceased, the forms and ceremonies were dispensed with, and remarks were made by Rev. C. S. Colt, P. E.; Rev. S. W. Hilliard, and Rev. J. N. Fitzgerald. Revs. G. S. Mott, Myron Barrett and John Faull, assisted in the services.

27. Saloon of Gustave Freche, in Newton, robbed of 5,000 cigars, some wine, etc.

27. A child of Henry Degraw, of Montague, aged 3 years, burned to death in a bonfire.

28. David Mann, of Oxford, fatally injured by fall from a freight car at Delaware station.

28. The "East branch" was yielding a fine lot of trout. A Newtonian caught 21 on this date, averaging half a pound each, and William Doyle, always successful, showed a still finer string.

28. Sparta inquest again adjourned. Criticism was made of the manner in which the case was allowed to drag.

30. A religious revival at Port Jervis had resulted in 300 conversions.

30. Real estate sales: Crions Terwilliger to James P. Case, 240 acres in Lafayette township, for \$15,225. Franklin Smith to Jacob L. Swayze, 10 acres of the Howell property in Newton. Joseph Coult to John McCoy, lot on Halsted street, 75 ft. front, part of Ryerson property, \$1,500. Joseph Coult to Jacob D. Gould, lot on same street, with half the depth of above lot, \$688.

30. A young mare owned by Col. W. M. Babbitt was frightened by the striking of the hour of 11 by the town clock, and breaking from her fastenings ran down the court house hill, and striking one of a team of horses owned by Nicholas Mabee, of Hardyston, inflicted a wound which caused its death.

31. Presbyterian union convention held in First Church, Morristown.

APRIL.

1. N. Burrows opens a store at Unionville.

1. John F. Conger retires from firm of Mattison & Conger, in charge of Newton bookstore.

1. Vernon & Garrison become proprietors of the Anderson House.

1. David Bayley takes charge of Lockwood Mills, formerly run by Joramelon & Howell, and quotes the price of grain, cash on delivery: rye, \$1.70; corn, \$1.25; oats, 75¢; wheat, \$2.50 to \$3.00.

1. Rev. Wm. Travis, after four years of successful work as principal of N. C. I., resigns to open a school at Coytesville, Bergen county, called Linnwood Institute.

2. Barn and sheds of the American House at Hope, owned by Nicholas Martenis, burned through breaking of a lamp by a negro. Loss, \$1,500; insurance, \$300. The hostler lost \$50 which he had hidden in the barn.

4. George Rochelle, employed in Ogden mine, lost his right leg by accident.

4. Farmers' Club expected to discuss the use of plaster, but owing to lack of heat in court room the Club adjourned until the 9th.

5. Elizabeth, wife of Pettit Brittin, died at Newton, aged nearly 87 years. She was the oldest native resident of Newton at the time of her death, and her memory was accurate on matters relating to the history of the town and vicinity.

5. Dwelling of Mrs. Craig, at Belvidere, burned, with contents, including \$700 in money.

6. Patrick Donohue brought to Newton, by officers of New York city, charged with the murder of one John Keenan, at the Ogden mine, in February, 1854. The charge was preferred by Thomas Keenan, his son, then residing at Hackettstown, who had for a long time tried to find Donohue, and did not succeed until April 4, when the arrest was made at Greenpoint, L. I. The facts in the case seemed to be that on February 27, 1854, John Kenna—or Jack Kenna—was found dead in Donohue's house at Ogden mine. Being an unusually strong man, foul play was suspected. An inquest was held at Sparta, on March 1, before Coroner David W. Smith. The verdict of the jury was death resulted from causes unknown. The body was exhumed, and there being no marks of violence or any sign of poison, it was concluded that Kenna had died from apoplexy. The grand jury afterward dismissed the case, it being learned that Keenan died after a drunken frolic, and the inside story was the title to a tract of 30 acres which had become valuable to the mines. Donohue never owned the land, or claimed to own it.

7. Temple of Honor organized in connection with Newton Division, S. of T.

7. Sussex Courts opened by Judge Dalrymple, who charged relative to the illegal sale of liquor in Walpack township, and also as to the neglect of the Freeholders to carry out the resolution for building a new jail.

8. Sawmill of William L. Bevans, at Centreville, burned. Fire originated from stove in office; loss \$500; no insurance.

8. Amelia, wife of William L. Ames, and daughter of John H. Hall, died at St. Paul, Minn.

8. George A. Julier retires from firm of Julier & Ziruth, soap and candle makers.

8. Capt. James G. Fitts was about to begin the cultivation of cranberries on the marsh just outside the limits of Newton. He had ditched and prepared three acres as a starter.

9. Attention was directed to the law just passed authorizing the building of a public school house in Newton, at a cost of \$20,000, one-tenth to be raised by tax each year until paid.

10. Sawmill of Gabriel L. Dunning, near his residence not far from Beemerville, destroyed by fire. Some of the machinery was saved. Loss \$500; no insurance. Fire originated from a stove.

12. Change of railroad time table causes a decided change in mail hours, though on the whole the new schedule was favorable to Newton.

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12. Rev. William Welles Holley, of Stamford, Conn., preached for the congregation of Christ Church, in Rinker's Hall. Rev. Dr. Cox officiated on the following Sunday.

12. Richard W. Hiff died at Indianapolis, Indiana, aged 53 years. He learned the printer's trade in THE REGISTER office, and his was the eighth death among those once connected with the paper since 1860.

13. Annual town meeting.

13. Peter B. Shafer died near Madison; aged 71 years. He was a brother to the late Rev. Joseph L. Shafer, D. D., of Newton.

14. Officers of Goshen and Deckertown Railroad elected at Goshen.

14. John M. Bale succeeds to fulling business at Baleville, through retirement of John Bale.

14. P. Wolcinkse & Bro. announce location as wagonmakers, on Water street.

15. Shaw & Doel open cigar store opposite Court House.

15. Twenty-two persons killed outright and about 50 wounded, some of whom died afterward, by an accident on the Erie R. R., at Carr's Rock, near Port Jervis.

15. Burglars rob stores of Daniel A. Derry and A. Wighton, at Dover.

16. Trustees of the Newark M. E. Conference Seminary met at Hackettstown. After considering the various offers that had been made, that of the people of Hackettstown was accepted. That consists of \$19,000 in money and a large tract of land.

16. Sentence day in court. Among others Asa L. D. Miller, on three indictments, received a sentence of two years.

16. The clothing store of Oliver D. Reeve, a wooden building on the site of his present brick structure, destroyed by fire discovered at 4 a. m., with its entire contents. There was no fire department, and citizens generally ridiculed those who made an effort to use one of the engines. It was believed that the store was first robbed and then set on fire. The loss of Mr. Reeve was \$2,000 beyond his insurance of \$2,000 on stock and \$1,200 on building—the latter being new, and erected at a cost of \$1,600. The saloon and bowling alley of Gustave Freche, in the basement, was badly damaged, though the loss was covered by insurance.

17. Legislature adjourns after a prolonged session.

18. Nathan Beers, brakeman, caught his foot in a frog at Waterloo, and a train crushes it.

20. Directors of Middletown and Unionville Railroad Company had made favorable arrangements with the Erie, to furnish rolling stock and operate the road, which was to be open for business on May 4, running two trains per day.

20. Gov. Ward had appointed Robert Hamilton Prosecutor of the Pleas for Sussex county.

20. J. T. Smith and I. M. Reed were partners in a varied business at Andover.

20. Miss Phebe J. Rochelle opens millinery at Andover.

20. Vestry of Christ Church had received a number of bids made for the erection of the new church, but all were above the amount proposed to be expended.

20. The M. & E. R. R. had recently established its own telegraph service, and was making other improvements.

21. A largely attended school meeting in Newton, but as the District Clerk had failed to post notices required by law, no action could be taken toward the new school building. Adjourned to May 4.

21. At an adjourned school meeting, held in the court house, it was voted that no more than \$4 per scholar be raised for school purposes. A motion that the trustees build a school house was carried by a division, more than two-thirds voting for the motion. Then it was unanimously resolved that \$20,000 be raised by taxation to build a school house and purchase lands for the same. Another motion was carried that the trustees take immediate steps toward the object in view. The district trustees were also instructed to confer with the trustees of Newton Academy, secure the lot on which the old academy stood, and devote the proceeds to educational

purposes.

22. De Mott & Ward's circus and menagerie exhibits at Stanhope; at Newton on the 23d, and at Deckertown on the 24th.

23. The spring had been unfavorable and very backward. Grass was just beginning to show green in favorable localities.

23. The burning of Reeve's store is made the occasion for an article on the Newton Fire Department, which through personal feeling had been allowed to disband, and the officials had even neglected to comply with the instructions of 1867, when they were instructed to sell No. 7, collect \$500 by tax and build new engine houses, etc. Had it not been for the gratuitous service of Charles Crook, former Chief, in keeping old No. 4 in repair, the loss on the night of the Reeve's fire might have easily been ten times what it was. In getting the engine and hose into service none of the persons who had formerly been connected with the department raised a hand.

23. Report of grand jury committee to investigate delay in building new jail is printed in this issue, with supplementary resolution calling attention of the new Board of Freeholders to the matter. The excuse was that the limit of \$3,500 would not build such a jail as was desired or required.

23. Franklin Furnace Division S. of T. organized.

24. Bryan's circus and menagerie exhibits at Newton.

25. Samuel Lane celebrates his 80th birthday by a visit to Newton.

25. A late snowfall of three inches, extending pretty generally over the whole country.

25. Gustave Ziruth, bone-picker, soap maker, etc., arrested on a charge of passing counterfeit money. He was admitted to bail, though the case against him was pretty clear, and his reputation not of the best.

27. H. Wellington Gibbs opens hat and cap store, next to Park Hall.

27. John R. Pettit moves his cigar store to the Courteen building.

27. Misses Childester & Crisman open millinery and dressmaking at Andover.

27. Sussex Valley R. R. Co. calls for five per cent. installment on stock, to be paid May 16.

27. Rev. William Welles Holley accepts call to become Rector of Christ Church, and expected to assume the duties on May 10.

27. John L. Hawk, of Hope, realizes \$155.05 for a Durham-Ayrshire calf 13 months old. He sold the meat for 20 cents a pound, \$141.60; the rough tallow for \$4.00, and the hide for \$9.45.

28. Store of Stewart, Adams & Co. robbed of goods to the value of \$600.

28. Store of J. C. Allen, at Hackettstown, robbed of a quantity of goods.

28. Harmony Temple of Honor elects officers.

28. Farmers' Mutual of Warren County reports 689 policies in force, insuring nearly \$1,500,000 worth of property.

30. Capt. Joseph W. Washer struck for higher wages, and on the plea that the business "did not pay," leaves the readers of THE REGISTER, as well as those of the Herald, on his route to wonder why he was slower than usual. This worked the end of the carrier service in this county, as all routes were taken up and the papers sent by mail to the nearest postoffices.

30. A brakeman named Snyder, with a family residing at Washington, killed in coal train wreck near Madison.

MAY.

1. Trustees of Ogdensburg school district receive proposals for building new school house.

1. A hearing in the case of Gustave Ziruth, charged with passing counterfeit \$2 bills, resulted in his being bailed in the sum of \$1,000 by George A. Juiler and Joseph Squinton. He was almost immediately re-arrested by U. S. Detective Nettleship, who with another secret service officer, had been in Newton for several

days. Mr. Juiler became so excited over the arrest that he was taken into custody as a confederate, and went to Newark with the officers. He was admitted to bail in the sum of \$2,000 by Commissioner Whitehead. The affair created intense excitement in Newton, where counterfeit 25 cent pieces and \$2 bills had become very numerous. Henry Schaffer, who had kept a saloon in Newton, was also arrested in Newark, where he had once served as a policeman. He had been strongly suspected of being in the business of moving the "queen" in Newton, and with Z. Ruth had been suspected of the robbery and burning of Reeve's clothing store, and the burglary at Stewart, Adams & Co's. Charles Becker, a constable and detective of Newark, who was in Newton when the arrests were made, and had \$6 of the bogus stuff in his possession, was also arrested, and gave bail in the sum of \$2,000. It was afterward learned that Becker was in the employ of the detectives.

4. Workmen began demolition of the Episcopal church, erected in 1838, to make room for a new edifice.

4. Cornelius Sweeney, watchman on bridge at Chaugewater, killed by passing locomotive.

4. Middletown, Unionville and Water Gap Railroad opened for passenger traffic, though much work remained to be done ere final completion. There was an excursion from Middletown.

5. Warwick elects Thomas L. Vandevort as village president, but votes down a special tax for purchase of a fire engine and building an engine house.

5. Negotiations between Wm H. Bell and the Sussex Railroad Company had been satisfactorily completed, and the road to Branchville would now be prepared for use, possibly opened by July 4. The terms of settlement with Mr. Bell were liberal. John I. Blair spent the last week in April in this vicinity, and much progress was reported on securing the right of way for the extension to Franklin.

5. James Post, of Wantag, aged 80, died suddenly from paralysis.

7. Warning given that the practice of noticing editorially every new advertisement that appeared in the paper had become such a burden that it could be borne no longer, and that hereafter a charge would be made and insertion given under a special heading.

8. Snow whitens the Blue mountains; frost nearly every morning up to May 12.

8. "Justice" writes from Stanhope, giving credit to constable Jephtha Baldwin, for the arrest of a desperate horse thief, for which Newark officers had been wrongly credited.

8. David Cox died in Newton, aged 83 years. He was once a noted hotel keeper.

10. C. A. Wallberg opens shoe shop under Levi Shepherd's law office.

10. Rev. Wm. W. Holley assumes rectorship of Christ Church.

10. Jabel G. Shipman delivers address at Sunday school anniversary in Presbyterian church.

10. Rt. Rev. James R. Bailey delivered lecture in St. Joseph's Church, and on Monday morning administered the rite of confirmation in the same church.

10. Burglars enter house of Perry Villet, at Vienna, and take \$400 from Mr. V's pocket. Other places visited by the thief or thieves were store of E. W. Bartron and dwelling of A. J. Cummins.

11. Derrick Gulick, an aged resident of Mansfield township, Warren county suicide by hanging.

11. George T. Cobb, elected mayor of Morristown, by 37 maj., and 5 Republicans in a Council of seven.

11. Coroner's jury met at Sparta and received report of chemical analysis made by Prof. Dormus in case of Abby Ann Brailbury. He found no poison in the contents of the stomach. The jury returned a verdict of death from cause or causes unknown. The death occurred February 7, and the case had dragged until this time.

11. Work of laying iron on the Branchville extension begun. Contracts awarded to grade the Franklin extension by September 1st.

12. Dr. Alex. Linn died at Deckertown, aged nearly 57 years. He was the eighth son of Judge John Linn, was born at Harmonyvale July 11, 1811; educated at Union College, Schenectady, N. Y.; studied medicine with his brother-in-law, Dr. Byington, at Johnsonburg, and was graduated from Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia. He practiced his profession for 34 years in Deckertown, and was in the front rank as a physician.

13. Special meeting of Directors of Sussex Mutual.

14. Board of Freeholders organized by the election of Peter Smith as Director, and George R. McCarter, Clerk. Levi Shepherd was re-elected County Collector. The receipts of the County for the past year were \$86,653.21; expenditures, \$78,240.37. There was a deficiency in taxes of \$1,493.52, from the townships of Byram and Hardyston, the Assessors of which had refused to sign the abstract, which they claimed to have been illegal and in violation of law. After a statement by Thomas Kays, the committee appointed at the last annual session of the Board, was authorized to proceed immediately under the plan proposed by said committee and erect a new jail at a cost of \$1,000. The analysis and other expenses in the case of the death of Abby Ann Bradbury, at Sparta, footed up \$421. The indebtedness of the county was reported at \$39,589, and \$35,000 was ordered to be raised by tax.

15. Two employes in the tannery of Aaron Keyser, at Hainesburg, Warren county, engaged in a friendly scuffle, with the result that one sustained a broken leg and dislocated knee-cap.

16. The corporators of the Newton Library Association, and citizens generally, met at court house to consider the offer of Alfred L. Dennis. No report of this meeting appears but a notice is printed in the issue of the 21st calling a meeting of the corporators on May 23, and subscribers to the stock to meet on May 30, and choose thirteen directors. Unless the directors were chosen before June 1, the charter would be forfeited.

17. Sheriff Ward serves an injunction upon the Directors of the Sussex Valley Railroad, while in session at Deckertown. It was secured by the so-called Goshen interest. The Board had anticipated the action, by declining to receive further moneys, but resolved to proceed with the work of procuring the right of way.

18. D. S. Anderson, Rev. John Faulk, Moses N. Strader, Moses B. Northrup, Henry D. Martin and Gershon Hull called to Newark as witnesses in the Ziruth case. Examination not completed. Adjourned until June 1.

19. Application had been made for a tri-weekly mail route between Newton and Sparta.

20. It was expected that this would be a boom year for Newton on account of public improvements, including extension of the Sussex Railroad, new public school building, new Episcopal church, new Jail, and new Library building.

21. Residents of North Vernon were looking for the immediate establishment of a post office, and Samuel Edsall had taken a contract to build a Baptist church there.

22. William A. Magill, of Lyne, Connecticut, assumes charge of Newton Colliery Institute.

23. Owing to recent heavy rains repairs at N. C. I. could not be completed, and opening postponed to the 25th.

24. THE REGISTER appears in enlarged form, and in a new dress of type. Width of columns changed from 15 to 14 ems.

25. George Hendershot, aged 60, driver of a stage between Hackettstown and Hope, found dead near Vienna. While the mail was being changed at that place, but a few moments previous, he was apparently in good health.

26. Miss Crater, a young lady engaged in teaching school at Waterloo, entered the plaster mill of Samuel T. Smith, in company with Mrs. Hunt, wife of the miller. While looking at the crusher her clothing caught in the shaft, and she was drawn down upon it, face foremost, and in such a way that she was completely doubled around it. In this position she was carried around three or four minutes, her hair sweeping the floor and her feet just touching. The shaft was making about fifty revolutions per minute. Mrs. Hunt, in her effort to release Miss Crater, was struck violently by the shaft and somewhat hurt. Her screams caused a boy employed in the mill to shut off the water, and Miss Crater saved from a horrible death. She was unconscious for many hours afterward, and suffered very much from her experience.

27. Sale of the extensive real estate of the late James Shotwell, of Augusta, by John Linn, Master in Chancery, reached a total sum exceeding \$85,000. The tracts and purchasers were as follows: Homestead farm, 200 acres, to widow of deceased, at \$125.10 per acre; Sayder farm adjoining, 130 acres, to Canfield Struble, at \$110 per acre; old Shotwell homestead, 200 acres, to William Slater, for \$80 per acre; Guslin farm adjoining, 25 acres, to Dr. F. Smith, at \$79.10 per acre; 300 acres at Mt. Pisgah to Wm. H. Bell, at an average price of \$35 per acre.

28. Ulysses S. Grant nominated for President, by R-republican convention at Chicago. He received the whole 650 votes on the first and only ballot. Schnyder Culf nominated as vice president on the fifth ballot.

29. Family of John Linn leave Newton for a sojourn of three years in Germany, for educational purposes.

30. A large hotel and boarding house burned at Summit.

31. Hurdstown mine accident causes death of one man and the serious injury of another.

32. Death of Henry Hilliard, a prominent citizen of Morris county, aged about 70 years.

33. By a vote of 35 to 19 the U. S. Senate declares President Johnson not guilty of the charges upon which he had been tried by the High Court of Impeachment. Charges of bribery in the interest of the President were freely made, and proven beyond a doubt.

34. More than \$5,000 in stock required to be subscribed to secure the gift of \$25,000 from A. L. Dennis had been secured with little trouble after the terms of the gift had been made more familiar. Before this there had been some reluctance shown.

35. Complaint of gloomy, uncomfortable and disagreeable weather for weeks past. Rains were frequent, and the trees were just struggling into leaf, giving fresh instance of the pursuit of duty under difficulties.

36. The last stones of the old Episcopal church were about level with the street in the process of demolition. The contract for the new church had been awarded to Mr. Overton, of Newark. Regret was expressed that the noble trees on the site had been sacrificed, it being claimed that many years would elapse before others of equal size and beauty would grow. In this, as in other matters, time has quickly eradicated the loss and the new trees are as efficient for shade and fully as ornamental as the old ones.

37. Examinations in the counterfeiting cases were dragging. The cases of Julier and Becker had been postponed another week, and Henry Schaffer had been discharged. "When the arrests were made the public were promised some 'startling disclosures,' but so far the stupid and unimpressive public have not been so startled as they were led to expect, and we question very much if they will be."

38. Watkins & Oliver dissolve partnership in painting business.

39. Potatoes were selling at \$3 to \$5 per barrel.

40. Joseph Coult, Robert Hamilton and Rutherford Tuttle advertise \$20,000 of 7 per cent. school bonds for sale. The trustees had purchased of Dr. John R. Stuart a lot on Halsted street, containing 1½ acres, for the sum of \$3,000. Its secluded position and other advantages were commented upon, though it was admitted that a more central location would have been convenient, but a lot of the desired size could not have been obtained with the sum available for purchase. At this later day it is recognized that the Trustees builded better than they knew, for with the town's expansion the building is now abnormally centrally located.

41. Gustave Ziruth, under bail in the counterfeiting case, attempted to escape to California, with the wife of a Bonton man, with whom he had been living in New York city. Detective Nettle ship arrested both, and took them to Newark. Ziruth secured bail in the sum of \$4,000, and the husband of the woman came down and took her home with him.

42. Dance at Corteljou's hotel, Greensville.

43. Auction sale of lots owned by Christ Church, in Newton. The larger portion was purchased by Dr. F. Smith, Thomas Kays, and Jacob L. Swayze, for \$10,000. The old rectory and lot on which it stood was reserved.

44. First observance of Memorial day, in compliance with order of Gen. Logan, commander-in-chief of the G. A. R.

45. At a Master's sale of lands owned by estate of Henry Struble, John Rutan buys 68 acres adjoining the County House farm, for \$130 per acre. The land was only partially improved, and had no buildings of value.

46. While excavating for the new Episcopal church in Newton, among the roots of a tree was found a large mason's hammer, the eye of which was completely filled by one of the roots, that had grown through it, forming a shoulder on each side, fastening it as tight as iron and wood could be put together. The hammer was probably lost or thrown aside when the old church was built.

47. Thirteen directors elected for Newton Library Association, only five of whom are now living. They received all the votes of the 1,040 shares represented.

48. Meeting held at Pine Island hotel to take action on removal of dam and other obstructions to drainage of Downed Lands. A price of \$5,000 was given, and a committee was appointed to solicit subscriptions. The Sussex members were Clark Bird, Peter N. Ryerson and Andrew VanSickle.

JUNE.

1. George C. Kenney opens dry goods store opposite Court House.

2. Ex-President James Buchanan died, at Wheatland, Pa., in his 77th year.

3. Democrats of Newton organize a campaign club, at Court House, with H. C. Kelsey as president.

4. A savage fight in the "Monitor saloon," in Newton, between some of the Yorkshiresmen employed in the slate quarry and a party of Celts living in town. The Saxon element triumphed in this fight.

5. Work on Deckertown and Goshen Railroad begun at Goshen.

6. New post office established at North Vernon. A. J. Cooke, postmaster; also, at Pahaquarry, Moses C. Shoemaker, postmaster.

7. Robert Hopkins and Asa W. Kyte dissolved partnership at Lafayette.

8. Robert T. Johnson, who had completed his law studies with John Linn in New York city, had been admitted to practice in that State.

9. Lewis VanBlarcom receives degree of counsellor-at-law.

10. Counsel for the two interests in the proposed Sussex Valley Railroad, agree to postponement of a motion to dissolve the injunction served in behalf of the Goshen interest.

11. County Superintendent Pettit publishes a list of text books agreed upon by himself and the trustees of 72 districts

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represented.

4. Note made of the great growth of Middletown, N. Y., through its manufacturing interests. The present population was 5,643, and yet not many years ago it did not have as many inhabitants as Newton.

4. Grant and Colfax campaign club organized in Newton, in hall over Cannon's store. Lewis Van Blarcom, president; John C. Howell, treasurer.

6. Newton was suffering from a severe attack of "horse fever." A doctor and a lawyer matched horses on this date, on the Stuart track, inaugurating the trotting season.

6. William E. Skinner had opened law offices at Hamburg.

7. Medical Society met in Newton.

8. The handsome lot of Gen. Lyman Edwards, fronting on Main and Church streets, purchased by the Corporation of Christ Church, for \$6,500, the General reserving fifty feet on Main street. This gave needed room for the new church, and cleared the Vestry from danger of an injunction. A liberal offer was made for the reserved lot, but it was declined.

8. Sussex Mutual orders assessment of five per cent.

9. Stewards of Newton District held annual meeting at M. E. Church in Newton.

10. Peter J. Brown, of Vernon, sells two Alderney calves, for \$30 each, to go to Long Island.

10. Bible Society met at Tranquillity. Sermon by Rev. N. Vansant.

10. Sussex Baptist Association held its 35th anniversary at Mt. Salem Church. Sermon by Rev. D. T. Hill.

10. Old School Baptist Association met at New Vernon.

10. A movement had begun to erect a monument over the neglected grave of Captain James Walker.

11. Jackson B. Pellet, Frank Allen and M. D. Ayers attend competitive examination at Newark, for appointment to West Point. S. M. Holmes, of Morris county, received the appointment. W. D. Rosencrans, of Bergen, received the Naval appointment.

12. Directors of Newton Library Association held first election for officers, making Robert Hamilton, president; Daniel S. Anderson, vice president; Henry C. Kelsey, secretary and treasurer; Rev. Myron Barrett, librarian. Committees were appointed, and Mr. Dennis was expected to make a selection of site for the building.

12. A son of Josiah Dewitt, of Delaware Station, loses a hand through discharge of a "thought it wasn't loaded" shot gun, in the hands of an invalid brother.

15. Henry S. Morris, of Wantage, arrested by U. S. officer, on a charge of forging bounty and pension papers. This was not his first offence with a pen.

15. James J. McCarter, of South Carolina, addressed Democratic club at Court House.

15. Match race on Sussex track between "Sussex Girl" and "John O."

15. John Canfield sells his hotel property at Washington to Joseph Stewart, for \$23,000.

17. Trustees of Fredon school district invite proposals for moving academy to adjacent lot.

17. Isaac Savres, aged 46, of Summit, killed by M. & E. train at Chatham.

18. John McCoy, of Newton, knocked down and somewhat injured by explosion of fire engine No. 9, working at a fire in the Bowery, New York city. Four men and two boys were killed, and between 30 and 40 others seriously injured by the accident.

18. Member of Sussex County Medical Society contributes lengthy obituary of Dr. Alexander Linn.

18. Benjamin Lrzier has his skull crushed by a falling piece of ore in Ogden mine.

19. M. B. Fredericks, of Mt. Hope, killed by his train between Madison and Morristown, by dropping of bottom of car.

20. Isaac Dennis, of Myrtle Grove, prostrated by sunstroke.

20. A peddler arrested at Deckertown for alleged theft at Middletown. He tried to escape by treating to cigars, and took off while the weeds were being lighted. An unfortunate stumble spoiled his game.

20. Surveyors of the Highways lay out a new street to be called Elm street, in Newton.

21. Hotel of Clinton Vass, at Greenville, slightly damaged by fire discovered at 3 a. m. It was occupied by William Cortelyou. James Heater, a young man living in the place, was arrested upon suspicion, and acknowledged the deed, claiming to having been hired to burn the building.

23. Andrew Shorter, of Wantage, fell a distance of 25 feet from a new barn, and seriously injured.

24. Annual meeting of M. & E. stockholders. Net earnings for year \$264,547.40. During the last six months of the year the earnings equalled 50 per cent. as compared with previous six months. Expenditures for construction account were \$1,764,372.28. The total debt of the Company on December 31, 1867, was \$11,645,287.64.

24. Disastrous collision of coal trains at Denville. New engine Broadway, making its first trip, was almost entirely demolished.

25. Trustees of N. C. I. make a lengthy and urgent appeal for funds to place the Institute upon a firm, and self-sustaining basis, pointing out the fact that the most successful schools and colleges owe their progress to gifts from wealthy persons.

25. George Opydyke, boss trackman of the M. & E. R. R., killed at Drakesville by large piece of coal flying from tender and striking him on the head.

26. Penn. B. Horton gave a farewell supper to his friends, at the Cochran House, and sailed for California, on July 1st.

26. Walls of old Episcopal Church, which had been undermined, fell with a terrific crash at 10 30 p. m.

30. William A. Linn, of Deckertown, delivers class poem at Yale commencement.

JULY.

1. Post office at Wykertown discontinued.

1. S. B. Youmans, of Stillwater, purchases Sylvester Layton's mill property in Sandyston, for \$5,000.

1. Wallace Myers, who had come from Warwick to Newton, in April last, announces himself as successor to Jacobs & Brother.

1. John Townsend died at Newton, in his 531 year. He was born in Vernon township, of humble origin, but by the force of his character, developed talents that caused him to seek a wider field. He cultivated a mountain farm in Warren county, but at the age of 28, he came to Newton in 1843, and at once began to take an active part in public affairs. He was a leader because he was competent to command, and as a citizen few men did more to build up Newton than he.

1. Dr. T. A. Rogers locates at Deckertown.

2. Notice given that all persons holding notes against the Farmers' Bank of Wantage must present the same by July 13, when the old corporation ceased to exist.

2. School bonds of Newton, to the amount of \$13,000, at 7 per cent. interest, offered for sale.

2. Storehouse of Robert Hopkins, at Monroe Corner, burned by supposed incendiary; insurance \$3,400.

3. Directors of Newton Library Association met and heard report of committee which had selected as a site for the new building, the lot on High street, opposite Hoppaugh's hotel. The plan of the building was for two stories, the first for a public hall, and the second for library and reading room. The report was adopted, as it was understood to meet the views of Mr. Dennis.

3. Sussex Republicans elect delegates to electoral convention at Trenton, on the 9th.

3. Ball at Dotterer's hotel, Coleville.

3. Cotillon party at Brick House, kept

by James Wyker.

3-5. Severe thunder storms pass over Orange county, resulting in the loss of over a dozen lives. At Middletown, on the 3d, a woman and two children were killed; on the 5th three children at Port Orange, three men near Shawangunk, two men at Snake Hill, and Thomas Collyer, a cartman, at Port Jervis, were included in the list.

4. Celebration at Markesboro. Reader Robert T. Johnson; orator, H. K. Coddington. The Presbyterian church realized, nearly \$800 from a festival, for a parsonage.

4. Celebration at Greenville. Reader, Rev. Wm. C. Stitt; orator, J. Flavel McGee; music by Belvidere cornet band.

4. Festival at Hurdstown M. E. Church.

4. Picnic of Miners' Benevolent Society at Franklin.

4. Celebration at Swartswood; orator, Martin Rosenkrans.

4. Trotting on Stuart track, Newton.

6. Reports of the three county banks show total discounts of \$459,980.50, and deposits aggregating \$177,603.39.

7. Res'ts of school districts No. 10, of Frankford, and Nos. 16 and 22, of Wantage, met at Beemerville to consult upon consolidation of districts.

8. Charles Lynch, a boy of 12, had his leg crushed at the iron works at Franklin, and died after amputation was performed. His father fell dead in the road, and the lad had been given employment about the works to aid his mother and brother.

8. Richard Shackleton, of Hope, aged about 73 years, killed by fall from cherry tree.

9. The U. S. Courts were doing a lively business in bankruptcy proceedings, issue of this date containing five notices of Sussex bankrupts.

9. Second concert by piano class of Prof. Oakes, at Court House.

9. House of Peter Smith, at Waterloo, badly damaged by lightning.

9. Republican convention at Trenton nominates, by acclamation, John I. Blair for Governor; also an electoral ticket.

9. Ernest Martin, a German, but eight months in this country, and in the employ of Jacob Lane, at Stanhope, shot and killed by constable Jephtha Baldwin. On account of numerous robberies in the vicinity, Baldwin had for some time past acted as private watchman for Mr. Lane, and slept in his shop. Martin going to his boarding house at a late hour, found the door closed, and then determined to go to the shop and sleep. While endeavoring to gain entrance, he awakened Baldwin, and either did not understand his challenge, or answered in a low tone, was shot as a supposed burglar. Medical aid was at once summoned, but the ball having entered a vital spot, the man died at 8 o'clock the next morning, after suffering great agony. Constable Baldwin at once surrendered himself, and Justice King held an inquest, the jury rendering a somewhat remarkable verdict, reciting all the facts, but neither condemning or acquitting Baldwin.

10. Dead body of Marietta Johnson found in canal near Phillipsburg. Coroner's jury charged William Gould with rape and murder, and he was arrested.

11. Democratic convention held in Tammany Hall, New York city, nominates Horatio Seymour for President, and Frank P. Blair for vice president.

11. Mrs. Henry, a daughter of Joseph Plotts, of Stillwater, killed by lightning in her home near Blairstown. Her child, playing in the same room, was uninjured.

11. The interest of the late B. B. Edsall in THE REGISTER transferred by his executrix to Aaron C. Goodman, of New York city, and the firm name changed to Coult & Goodman.

11. A train of 40 empty coal cars drawn by an engine of the Lehigh and Susquehanna railroad, collided with engine Hackensack, near Black Rock cut, two miles from Stanhope, with disastrous results. The M. & E. engine was going east to be attached to the gravel train waiting at Stanhope station, and the flagman had

orders to hold all trains until the engine arrived. He failed to do this, and a young man named Burt, of Hackettstown, who was riding on the engine bumper, was mangled so badly that he died soon after being taken from the wreck.

12. Mrs. Abraham Hendershot, an aged resident of Stillwater, dropped dead while milking.

13. Democrats of Newton held ratification meeting. On account of the great heat the meeting adjourned from the Court House to the park. The speakers were one Mullins, of South Carolina; M. R. Hamilton, Thomas Kays and V. M. Drake.

13-15. Four cases of sunstroke in the county inside of three days, one of which proved fatal—the victim being named Graham, and resided at Gratitude.

15. Dr. A. P. Farris had left Beemer-ville, and placed his accounts in the hands of a lawyer.

3-16. Excessively hot period. 95° in the shade.

16. Burglars take \$400 worth of shoes from store of George W. Drake, at Morristown.

16. William H. Bell, of Branchville, sailed for Europe.

16. A concert in the Court House, at which Prof. Oakes was the redeeming feature. The "comic singers" skipped the town.

16. Presbytery of Newton installed Rev. Frank E. Miller as pastor of Asbury church.

16-23. A series of temperance meetings in various parts of the county, addressed by G. H. Hicks.

19. An extraordinary rainfall during a shower that lasted about one hour.

20. Mrs. John O'mun, of Asbury, Warren county, while returning home from a visit with her two children, is thrown out during a runaway accident, and one of the children killed.

22. Sussex R. R. begins sale of excursion tickets from Newton and Andover to New York, at reduced rates, Wednesdays and Thursdays only, and good for the day on which sold.

23. W. J. Cole and E. B. Courtright announce purchase of mills at Coleville, from G. P. Swarts, of Dundee, N. Y., and propose to do a business of grinding coffee and spices.

23. John Y. Foster and R. B. Westbrook address a Grant, Colfax and Blair meeting, at Court House. Notwithstanding a severe storm, it was a very large and enthusiastic gathering.

23. A rate of \$1.25 from Newton was advertised for a Templars of Honor excursion to Bethlehem, Pa., on August 5.

23. Democrats in convention at Trenton nominate an electoral ticket, and also Theodore F. Randolph for Governor.

22. Grand Division of S. of T. held its quarterly session in Newton—about 80 persons representing fifty divisions. A public meeting in the evening was addressed by Judge Morton, of Somerville, Rev. A. J. Lawson, of New York, and G. H. Hicks, of Philadelphia.

24. Burglars visit various places in Milford and Port Jervis. At Milford they failed to get in a safe containing \$7,000, though they opened one that contained only books and papers; at Port Jervis they cracked two safes, getting about \$80.

24. Daniel Drew makes formal presentation at Madison of 100 acres of land, the buildings, library, etc., with an endowment of \$350,000 for Drew Theological Seminary.

26. John W. Griggs and Oscar J. Hardin graduated with a class of 14 others at Lafayette College. Mr. Griggs delivered the Latin Salutatory oration.

27. A team of horses valued at \$800, owned by Geo. C. Shaw, ruined in an accident on M. & E. R. R. at Milburn. They were in transit to a New York purchaser, and had been insured.

27. The first band stand in the park had been erected by contributions of both parties. It was a mere platform of planks with rough railing, but it was hailed as a precursor of summer evening concerts.

30. Inquiries were being made as to

why the new jail, the new library, and the new school building, had not been commenced. There seemed to be unnecessary delay in each case.

30. Timothy Case had been absent two weeks in the west, with John I. Blair, and there was a rumor that he was to be sent to a wider field of usefulness. During his absence Charles Arvis managed the affairs of the Sussex R. R.

30. Vinegar sold at 60c. per gallon; best wheat flour, \$6.50 cwt.; Brahma chickens, \$5 per pair.

30. George P. Swarts, of Dundee, N. Y., had been held to bail on a charge of issuing bogus live stock insurance to Wantage farmers.

31. Democratic ratification meeting in the Park. The enthusiasm began by firing of cannon at 4 a. m., and continued at intervals through the day. This and other efforts drew out a large crowd, which was addressed by Robert Gilchrist, Robert Hamilton, E. M. White, Joseph A. Osborne and V. M. Drake. Theo. F. Randolph, candidate for Governor, exhibited himself previous to the speaking.

AUGUST.

1. Daily mail route established between Andover and Hunt's Mills; Alex. Morrison, carrier. The name of the post office had been changed from Gratitude to Washington, but out of respect for the memory of the first settler of the town, this was changed to Hunt's Mills.

1. William Pellet had recently taken charge of a daily stage line between Newton and Deckertown.

3. The fine stables of Mr. Phoenix, in the rear of Morristown court house, destroyed by fire.

4. A severe rain storm.

4. Sudden death of Lewis F. Barnes, at Milford, Pa., who at one time edited the Port Jervis Union.

4. Newton Harmonic Association, under direction of Profs. H. J. Rudd and C. H. Oake, gives concert in court house.

5. Warren County Bible Society met at Greenwich.

5. E. F. Morrow announces reopening of Deckertown Academy, on August 10. The residents of that town had decided "to raise enough money to keep him at home."

5. A number of Sussex people go to Bethlehem, Pa., on the Good Templars excursion.

5. Body of an unknown man found lying dead along M. & E. track near Drakeville.

5. Patrick D. Houston killed by train near Milburn.

6. Heath House and equipment, at Schooley's mountain, sold at public sale.

7. Edwin A. Stevens, of Hoboken, died in Paris, leaving a wife and eight children to share a property valued at \$18,000,000. His father, who died in 1838, transmitted to his children the entire territory embraced now in the city limits of Hoboken.

8. Grant and Colfax club organized at Branchville, with Peter C. Osborne as president.

9. William Beach died at the residence of his son, in Hudson county, aged 81 yrs. He was one of the first settlers of Newton, and for many years a leading merchant on the corner of Spring and Main streets, though first starting in life as a tailor.

10. A wigwag to seat 1,000 persons was being built by the Grant and Colfax club on the lot adjoining the Presbyterian church.

11. Two men hold up James Coit, an employe of John Wills, near Stanhope, compel him at the point of a pistol to tell all he knew about Mr. Wills's wealth and where he kept it, and then finding that Mr. W. was fully armed and prepared to defend his property, compelled Coit to take an oath not to reveal what he had heard or seen that night.

12. M. R. Hamilton offers \$100 for detection of persons who stole two forms of type from the Sussex Record office, in Branchville, on the night of the 10th, and says the paper will appear as a half sheet until the loss can be replaced.

12. Freeholders' committee receives

proposals for building new jail.

14. Branchville Lyceum celebrated its second anniversary.

15. Corner stone laid for new M. E. Church at Boonton.

16. Thief stole a valuable horse from Mr. Bross, at Stillwater. The man was pursued to Deckertown, where trail was lost.

17. The fiftieth anniversary of the organization of the Sussex Bank celebrated with a dinner at the Cochran House, to which the stockholders, and officers of adjoining banks, were invited. Sixty-five persons enjoyed the most sumptuous and best arranged dinner ever served on a public occasion in Sussex county. Henry M. Ward was paid \$625 for this dinner, which averaged about \$10 per plate, and it comprised the choicest of birds, fish, etc.

18. S. S. Decker and George Myers open livery stable on High street.

18. Death of Daniel Stewart McCarter, at Newton, aged 70. He had been deputy sheriff, justice of the peace, common pleas judge, and for the last years of his life secretary and treasurer of the Sussex Mutual.

18. S. J. VanCampen had purchased of Benj. Beach, the leather store corner of Spring and Water streets.

19. Burglars get \$400 worth of goods from VanDuzer & Palmer's store at Warwick, and are frightened away from Cowdry & Hynard's, after effecting an entrance.

20. The speaking campaign begins early, and it was one of the most exciting presidential campaigns ever known.

20. Newton M. E. Sunday school have a picnic in John Iliff's grove.

21. Corner stone laid for the new edifice of Christ Church, by Bishop Odenheimer. With other clergymen present were the former rectors of the parish, Revs. Clarkson Dunn and N. Pettit. About 1,000 persons witnessed the ceremonies, part of which were conducted in Rinker Hall. The new church was designed by J. V. Nichols, of Orange; contracted by J. L. Overton, of Newark, and under the supervision of J. D. Daley. The estimated cost was \$25,000; style Gothic, in broken ashlar, not showing mark of chisel or hammer. The spire is 108 feet, surmounted by a cross 12 feet high.

21. Andover M. E. Church held a harvest home in Springdale woods. Addresses by Rev. S. B. Rooney and John D. Blaine.

24. John Geraghty, of Warwick, owned a horse for which he had refused an offer of \$16,000.

24. Daniel Griggs, father of Attorney-General John W. Griggs, died near Newton, in his 71st year.

25. Lawrence Dempsey, of Boonton, one of a party of excursionists going to Hoboken, killed at Madison, by his head striking a stone wall, while looking out of a car window.

26. Warren County Sunday School Association met at Hackettstown.

25. Evidence of politics in railroad management was not wanting, and Theodore F. Randolph was using his influence as president of the M. & E. R. R. against John I. Blair, Moses Taylor, William E. Dodge, and others in the matter of extensions of the Sussex road, looking to the development of the iron interests in Hardyston, Vernon and Sparta. He refused to withdraw opposition in the Legislature and through his railroad, unless the Sussex Company would give up, or materially change its old contract under which it was entitled to drawbacks and other privileges from the M. & E. R. R. Randolph and Blair not only represented rival railroad interests, but were rival candidates for the office of Governor of New Jersey.

26. Large Sunday school picnic in grove near Fredon.

27. A severe form of dysentery had prevailed in the vicinity of Andover, and out of 75 cases 18 had proved fatal. The deaths were mostly children under 6 years of age. The disease had not yet been stamped out, but was less virulent.

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27. Town improvements were noted in the thorough repair and remodeling of the old rectory of the Episcopal church, built in 1709; Jacob Gould had commenced to build on Halsted street; Isaac A. Walker and Joseph Coult were the first builders on Elm street; Gen. Lyman Edwards had begun his new house on Church st., and James Smith was rebuilding the front of the "old foundry" with a brick edifice of large dimensions.

28. H. J. Rudd's juvenile singing class gives concert in the new wigwam, opposite the Ward House.

29. Monitors of Beemerville defeat a picked nine from Branchville and Wykertown, at the latter place, by a score of 37 to 17. On September 5th the Monitors took another game, 23 to 21, on their own grounds.

30. Mrs. John Weber killed by upsetting of a wagon in a runaway accident near Oxford, while on the way to church with her husband and family.

30. The stock of campaign argument against Gen. Grant consisted of obscene pictures representing him in various stages of drunkenness, and the opposing orators dwelt upon this theme. "Morry" Hamilton, in a speech at Lafayette, asserted that "he had treated Gen. Grant hundreds of times when he was Captain Grant." The abuse failed of its object, as it generally does.

30. Rev. Dr. Thomas C. Teasdale, of Mississippi, revisits Sussex county, and preaches on this date at Lafayette, Branchville and Newton, in morning, afternoon and evening.

31. Newark Conference camp meeting opened at Morristown.

31. A large amount of railroad history could be gathered from the columns of THE REGISTER about this time. There was a series of articles showing how the M. & E. had fought the Sussex, and had never paid it a cent of the drawback, which the courts had decided it was entitled to. The policy toward the people of this county had been illiberal and oppressive, and the discrimination on lumber and coal freights was cited. It was also stated that the M. & E. had refused to sell excursion tickets to and from New York, Newark, etc., and when the company appeared before the Legislature to get a charter for the extension from Newark to Hoboken, the vote of Hon. E. C. Moore was essential and to obtain his support they promised to give the excursion tickets and other facilities. When they got the charter the promise was broken, and it was not until two years afterward, when Theo. F. Randolph became a candidate for Governor that the order was given to sell such tickets on two days of the week, and refuse the privilege on other days.

SEPTEMBER.

1. The Republican wigwam on High street opened with an immense gathering of people; speeches were made by John Linn, the president; Hon. Thomas N. McCarter, Hon. Theo. F. Frelinghuysen, Hon. A. W. Tenney and John I. Blair. It was the greatest meeting ever held in Sussex, fully 2,500 persons were jammed inside the wigwam, and as many more were unable to obtain admittance. Delegations from every part of Sussex and upper Warren were present, and the Blairstown Band accompanied the delegation from that place.

1. Justice Dalrymple opens Sussex Courts.

2. Large Democratic meeting in Newton, addressed by Hon. W. W. Eaton, C. C. Burr and Captain Whelan.

2. Thirtieth fair of Orange County Society opened at Goshen.

3. Store of Isaac J. Durling, in Newton, entered and robbed of \$100 worth of goods.

4. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Magill give a reception at the N. C. I.

4. Morris County Sunday School Association met at Dover.

4. Severe storm causes great damage at Phillipsburg and vicinity.

5. Assemblyman George Gage, one of the most promising of New Jersey's law-

yers, died at Dover, of typhoid fever. He was an officer in the Union army, and had just returned from a European tour.

8. Harvest home of Tranquility M. E. Church.

7. Sussex Board of Assessors report 5,354 polls, and value of taxable real and personal property, \$16,761,002.

8. Fourth district Democratic convention nominates Philip Rafferty for Congress.

8. Morris County Fair opened.

9. Middletown horse fair opened.

9. Hamburg Baptist Church holds harvest home in grove of Thos. Lawrence.

10. Fourth district Republican convention, at Morristown, renominates Hon. John Hill.

10. Rev. N. Pettit had accepted a call to the church at Bordentown, and expected to remove his family about October 1.

10. M. R. Hamilton quits the editorial charge of the Sussex Record.

11. Clinton Vass acquitted of a charge of procuring James Heater to fire the Greenville hotel, occupied by Wm. Cortelyou. In turn, Heater, who had pleaded guilty, and claimed that Vass instigated the act, promising a reward of \$50, was sentenced to three years imprisonment, with costs of prosecution added. The affair had excited more than usual interest on account of the prominence of Mr. Vass, and the fact that he was the owner of the hotel. Heater was a weak-minded fellow, and doubtless concocted the story to cover his crime.

12. Branchville Lyceum has a picnic at Culver's lake, and christens the new steamboat.

14. Trustees of North Church cemetery sell lots at public sale, in the enlarged and improved grounds.

15. A. W. Price had received the contract for erecting the new jail and had commenced work.

15. Gen. Kilpatrick arrived from Chili.

15. Trustees of district No. 2, Lafayette, receive proposals for erection of a brick school house.

15. The daily record of accidents to coal and passenger trains on the M. & E. R. R. seemed to increase, and were the cause of much annoyance to Sussex residents.

17. Rails were now arriving for the extension to Branchville and Franklin. The roads would have been in operation by this time if the rails could have been procured from the mills. There was such a demand from every quarter that the Sussex Company had been utterly unable to get rails as fast as wished or as had been contracted for.

17. Corner stone laid for new M. E. Church at Sparta. Preaching by Rev. C. Larew, P. E., Rev. C. S. Colt, and Rev. A. L. Brice.

17. The epidemic at Andover had not abated and 26 deaths were now recorded.

17. Sussex railroad buys a new passenger car at a cost of \$4,500.

17. The Sparta Presbyterian church was being raised, and a basement constructed.

17. At this time F. M. & N. Smith were the leading oyster dealers in this county, and their purchases, inside of three years, aggregated \$12,000.

17. Daniel Richards had opened an eating house next to Faulk's store.

17. Henry Christine, of Washington, aged 25, killed at East Orange, while in discharge of his duties as a freight brakeman. He left a wife and child.

17. Dwelling of Benjamin Crane, near Beemerville, burned at 5 p. m. with most of contents. Loss, \$4,000; no insurance.

17. Large Sunday school picnic at Coleville. The Greenville brass band led a procession of 120 wagons.

18. Samuel A. Anderson, aged 45, injured in a wrestling match in a barn at Hamburg, from the effects of which he died on the 21st.

18. Boiler in engine house at Munson mine, near Dover, exploded, wounding four men, one mortally.

20. Picnic for children of Christ Church Sunday school.

20. Lewis Willson, Andover, offered to sell Early Rose potatoes, for seed, at \$1 per pound. Three other varieties, \$2 per bushel.

20. New iron bridge at Carpenter's Point had been opened for travel.

21. Harbershop of Prof. E. B. Wilson, in Newton, damaged by fire from a defective stove pipe.

22. Freeman Hough announces opening of stove and tin store at Andover.

22. William Buseldt severely injured by lever of a hand car, which hurled him off the car and under the wheels of another.

23. Sussex County Sunday School Association met in Newton.

24. By the fall of a mass of rock weighing about 100 tons, in the Mount Hope mine, near Rockaway, the lives of four young Englishmen were crushed out. The names of the unfortunates were James Richards, whose wife and two children were coming from England; Richard Sampson, William Moore and James Thomas, each aged 24 years.

24. The greatest political demonstration ever known in Northern Jersey occurred on this date, as a welcome to Gen. Kilpatrick. The 23d had been fixed as the date, but a heavy rainstorm caused a postponement until the next day. 2,000 men from Newark, Orange, Morristown, Boonton and Dover, were delayed en route by the inadequacy of the M. & E. and Sussex train service, and the great parade did not begin until after 11 p. m. The parade, and feeding of the men on the Park, occupied until 3 a. m. on Friday, when the trains started homeward. During the afternoon an immense crowd filled the wigwam, where speeches were made by Gen. Kilpatrick, Wm. A. Stiles, and Hon. John Hill. In the evening, while waiting for the Grant legions, the wigwam was again filled, and addresses were made by Hon. John Hill, S. M. Carpenter, General Kilpatrick, James L. Hays, Cornelius Walsh, Mayor Peddie, Samuel Morrow, Jr., Joseph Coult, Jacob L. Swayze, and others. The torchlight parade, with its numerous bands and drum corps, was the most magnificent political demonstration that Sussex ever knew. It was witnessed by thousands, yet other thousands had been obliged to go home on account of the lateness of the hour.

25. Brainard House, at Delaware Water Gap, robbed early this morning. Thomas Brodhead, the proprietor, and his brother, Theodore, started in pursuit of the robbers, and came upon them in the carriage road some 50 yards south of the hotel. Thomas Brodhead took hold of one of the men, and ordered him back, and he appeared willing to go, when the robber's accomplice stepped off about ten feet and drew a revolver, and in response to the call of his pal, to "shoot them down," shot Thos. Brodhead in the face and left side. His brother Theodore came up and grappled with the robbers, when he was shot thro' the body and instantly killed. Before leaving the murderers pounded Thomas Brodhead on the head with stones. Searching parties captured the murderers at 1 o'clock that afternoon, and amid great excitement lodged them in jail at Stroudsburg. Sheriff Henry had great difficulty in preventing their being lynched.

26. Uncompleted dwelling of Peter Kidney, at Marksboro, burned. Loss, \$2,000; insured for \$2,300.

26. A coal train of thirty cars coupled with a single engine at the M. & E. depot in Newark, at 7 p. m. Matthew Nichols, engineer, was killed. In clearing up the wreck flagman Burns, at the Broad street crossing, was fatally injured at midnight.

29. James Armstrong announces opening of machinist's repair shop near Anderson House.

29. Sussex fair opened. It ran largely to horse, but nevertheless was a good show.

29. Another M. & E. brakeman killed at Washington. Name not given, but he left a family at Phillipsburg.

29. John B. Adams announces rebuilding and reopening of Park Place Hotel, at Branchville, formerly Telegraph House.
29. Sunday school exhibition in Plains M. E. Church.

OCTOBER.

1. After much exertion the tri-weekly mail service between Newton and Sparta is put in effect.

1. Independent Hose and the Morris-town Brass Band make a visit to Newton, making a fine appearance.

1. Warren county grand jury had refused to indict William B. Gould, who had been held some three or four months on a charge of murdering a young girl found near Phillipsburg.

2. Sussex fair closed. It was all horse, and the following comment is made: "The exhibition held on the fair grounds and by courtesy known as the 'Sussex Fair,' came to its conclusion on Friday last, when everybody seemed willing to consider it the last show of the kind ever to be held in the county. * * * The recollections of the Sussex fairs of those days only serve to make the recent performance seem more of a failure than if they had never come off at all." Not above 1,500 people were on the ground at any one time.

2. Corner stone laid for new M. E. Church at Port Oram.

5. Ladies of Newton present two flags to Grant & Colfax club. One was 20 feet in length, intended to be stretched across the street, and the other mounted on a rosewood staff. Thomas M. Moore acted as spokesman for the ladies, and on account of the crowd the event was transferred from the club rooms to the wigwam.

6. Dan Rice's circus visits Newton.

6. Warren County Fair opened.

6. Isaac Lyons and wife, of Lehman township, Pa., indulged in one of their numerous domestic jars, following which Mrs. Lyons loads a gun with buck-shot and at a favorable moment discharged the gun at her husband's face, putting out his eyes, and probably ending his life.

6. Presbytery of Newton held meeting in church at Middle Smithfield, Monroe county, Pa. Rev. David Tully elected Moderator, and by a vote of 20 to 14 Presbytery disapproved the first article of General Assembly's basis of reunion.

7. J. H. Cornell & Co. advertise nursery stock for sale at Struble's Corner.

7. Grant Legion, of Newton, fully equipped with cap, cape and torch, go to Newark to participate in the great day and night demonstration. The "boys" returned at noon the next day, tired and sleepy, but it was an event to be remembered.

9. Sussex Democrats in convention at Newton renominate Charles Roe for Surrogate; Jesse Ward was nominated for Sheriff, and the Second district convention, held at the same time, renominated Samuel H. Hunt, for Assembly.

11. A son of Benjamin H. Edsall, of Hamburg, having loaded a gun to shoot a squirrel, discharges its contents, by accident, into the arm and side of an older brother, who was with him. The wound was very serious.

12. Judge Ryerson and Prof. S. M. Hewlett address meeting in wigwam. Previous to this the Grant Legion paraded through town, and two new features were noted, viz: a Boys' Grant Legion, and a number of girls wearing sashes with names of candidates inscribed thereon.

13. Monroe County Fair opened.

13. Havens's Harry Clay and Doty's Black Harry trot at Belvidere, for a purse of \$1,000, best 3 in 5. Black Harry was the favorite, but losing the first and second heats, the betting changed to two to one on the Havens's horse. Black Harry, however, won the race and his owner took the purse.

13. First district Republican convention held at Branchville, nominated Wm. McDanolds for Assembly.

14. Dr. David Bell addresses meeting in Court House, heavy rain preventing the

use of the wigwam. He was followed by Hon. Wm. E. Dodge, Hon. John Hill and James M. Scovel.

14. Evening train on Sussex road delayed two hours at Andover by an encounter with a bull which strayed upon the track soon after leaving Andover station.

15. The Randolph Guards make their first parade in campaign shirts of red flannel, and Judge Naar speaks at the Court House.

15. New Jersey Herald returns to its original folio form, and enlarged to size of THE REGISTER.

15. The speaking campaign began early in September, and it would require too much space to mention all the meetings that intervened between that date and election. Sussex never had such a shaking up, and every school district and town had a meeting. The only sign of disturbance was at Andover.

15. Harvest home festival at Monroe Corner, with an address by Rev. D. Silver.

16. Name of post office at North Vernon changed to Glenwood.

17. Second district Republican convention held at Newton, renominated Uzal H. Struble for Assembly.

17. The Grant Legion visits Decker-town.

21. Jonas Crisman gives a "campaign ball" at the hotel in Franklin Furnace.

21. Disastrous collisions on M. & E. R. R. at Stanhope and Summit. The attempt to do a heavy coal business on a single track road was resulting in continued loss of life and road equipment, besides delay to passenger trains.

22. Old M. E. Church at Sparta sold at public sale. (Adjourned to Nov. 5.)

22. Republican county convention, held at Branchville, nominates James B. Titman, for Surrogate.

23. Firm of M. Fretz & Co., dissolved at Stillwater.

19. A day of wrecks on the M. & E. R. R. A locomotive was going down the grade below Stanhope, when the engineer discovered a coal train in his way; he reversed the lever and jumped, but the engine collided with the rear of the coal train, and receiving a backward momentum, started back in the direction of Stanhope, where it collided with an express train just started from the depot. Both engines were wrecked, and several passengers were injured, though none fatally. A train made up to carry passengers to their destination collided with another coal train east of Summit, and the engine was wrecked with several cars. All of which was proof of the inefficiency of Mr. Randolph's management, and primarily of Mr. Berthoud.

22. Afternoon and evening meeting at Branchville, though heavy rain prevented appearance of some speakers. Addresses were made by John I. Blair upon the railroad extension, and by Joseph Conit. The Grant Legions of Newton and Stanhope paraded in the evening.

24. Under this date, B. Lane writes: "The devil let loose for a little season, I hereby inform the poor, lousy, sneaking, half-starved, narrow-gutted, cloven-footed, white-livered, black-hearted, conscience-seared Copperhead cuss, that, if he will use the flag he stole out of my barn recently, for his winding sheet when the 31 of November comes, I will have a suitable Salt river dirge ready to march him to his last resting place. N. B.—The dirge selected is the Rogue's March."

26. Republican meeting at Andover, and parade of the Grant Legion, of Newton. Captain VanBlarcom and H. K. Coddington spoke from depot platform. Party feeling ran high, and it may be stated here that in anticipation of trouble, nearly every member of the party had a shooting iron.

26. Barn of Jesse G. Roe, near Branchville, burned, with its contents, causing a loss of \$3,000; no insurance. Incendiarism suspected.

27. Large mass meeting of Democrats at Newton, addressed by Hon. Joel Parker, A. S. Hewitt, Jack Rogers and Captain

Whelan. In the evening there was a fine parade by the Randolph Guards, with some amusing features. The speakers at the evening meeting were Theo. F. Randolph and Wm. B. Guild.

29. Grant Legion of Newton visits Belvidere, making the trip by wagon. They returned at 4 a. m. the next day, went to Dover the same night, returning home about 1 a. m. on Saturday, and that night paraded at Baleville.

29. Eliza Garthwait, a widow, residing in New York city, and aged 57, recovers a verdict of \$2,000 against Richard Howell, a widower, aged 77, living at Flanders, Morris county, for alleged breach of promise. Defendant's plea was that the widow was such a termagant that he thought the best thing he could do was to break the engagement, and marry another charmer.

30. Dancing school opens at Crisman's hotel, Franklin Furnace.

NOVEMBER.

3. General election. Grant and Colfax elected over Seymour and Blair, the former having 217 and the latter 76 electoral votes. New Jersey went Democratic, giving Theo. F. Randolph 4618 over John I. Blair, for Governor; Seymour had 2,880 over Grant. Sussex gave 1,083 maj. for Seymour, 992 for Randolph, and 1,025 for Rafferty. John Hill was re-elected to Congress by a majority in the district of 79 over Philip Rafferty. In Sussex the Republican vote gained nearly 500 over 1865. The total poll in Newton was 559, the highest ever cast. Total vote 5,467. Charles Roe, for Surrogate, had 1,114 over James B. Titman; H. C. Clark's majority for Assembly in 1st district, 623; S. H. Hunt, in 2d district, 458. Jesse Ward received 4,802 votes for Sheriff; the balance being scattered among twenty different individuals.

3. Martin Clifford stabbed Daniel Utter during an altercation in the Mt. Pisgah hotel.

2. Hat factory of Gibbs & Smith, in rear of Spring street, had been completed, and was running with 12 hands, expecting soon to increase to 50.

3. Lewis C. Cochran admitted to practice as an attorney.

5. In issue of this date Rev. W. B. Wigg contributes an article upon the recent sickness at Andover, giving a list of the deaths—45 in number, and mostly children—which occurred in that town between July 29 and October 28. It was a form of dysentery, and was the direst epidemic ever known in this county.

6. George H. Wells, proprietor of the Brick House, died from injuries received six weeks previous while jumping off a train of cars.

8. Rev. George S. Mott resigns pastorate of Newton Presbyterian church, after serving nine years. During his pastorate 213 persons became church members on profession of their faith and 70 by letter.

8. Another coal train accident at Morris Plains, causing extensive loss of property, and injury to George Hughes, brakeman.

8. Charles G. Cook, aged 7½ years, drowned at Drakesville, while amusing himself in a boat.

8. Anniversary of Youths' Tract Society held in Presbyterian church. R. C. Albright, president, was in the chair, and addresses followed reading of letters. The speakers were Dr. Eastman, Mr. Brower and Judge Ryerson.

9. The first half mile of elevated railroad on Greenwich street, New York, had proved a success, and the line was to be extended northward, it being claimed that passengers could be carried from the Battery to 13th street in fifteen minutes. It is now done in less than that time.

9. George Simmons had manufactured over 1,000 gallons of sorghum molasses at his works at Stillwater township.

9. A suit was pending in the Supreme Court against Harris McCarter, ex-Collector of the Town of Newton, who was short some \$7,000 or \$8,000 in his accounts.

10. Sussex Medical Society met at Newton. Several essays were read, and Dr.

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Miller, of Andover, made a statement of the malignant epidemic that had prevailed in that vicinity.

12. H. K. Coddington, who had been doing editorial work on THE REGISTER, for past five or six months, left to enter up in the practice of law in New York.

13. Republican jubilee at Newton. The Grant Legion made its final parade, headed by the Boonton brass band. At the whizman speeches were made by the Hon. George T. Cobb, Hon. John Hill, General Kippatrick, and S. F. Headley. The Boonton band and Glee Club furnished music at the meeting, and also at the supper at the Anderson House, where some 200 persons were feasted. During the parade Moses N. Strader fulfilled an election bet by wheeling big, fat and jolly W. R. Morris from the steam mill to the Cochran House.

16. A roque calling himself Clinton A. Wheeler came to Newton, with Mrs. Wells, of Montague, and her adopted son, to examine papers which Wheeler pretended had been given him by the young man's father, in California, making him executor of a large estate, bequeathed up on the father's death to the son. After staying here two days, Wheeler suddenly departed, leaving several debts owing to friends in Montague and elsewhere, but failed to work his scheme to obtain money from Mrs. Wells.

17. Boiler of an Erie engine exploded in Port Jervis, killing engineer Fred Hardening. Fireman Nichols was not on the engine, but a piece of the boiler took away a portion of his house, exposing to view a bed room in which he had turned up-side down.

18. The Sussex Record, of Branchville, is issued for the last time. The valedictory of Wm. H. Bell, is reprinted, in which he gives his reasons for starting the paper, and incidentally lashes the merchants of the village for lack of support. Vanduzer & Bro. and Re & Smith were the only men who advertised, the rest using pen scrawls on cardboard. Mr. B. expressed his contempt for the "old fogies," and said the day would come when his statements would be verified.

19. Three prisoners escape from Warren county jail.

19-20. The Court of Errors hears argument in the appeal of the M. & E. R. R. Co. from the decision of the Supreme Court affirming the validity of the drawback contract, made fifteen years ago. Jacob Vanatta appeared for the M. & E. and Thomas N. McCarter for the Sussex R. R.

21. Store of Struble & McDanolds, at Branchville, entered by burglars, who blew open the safe, and took \$100 in currency belonging to the firm, and \$2,500 in U. S. bonds deposited for safe keeping by administrators of estate of Joseph McDanolds. The fire was discovered at 6:30 a. m. and when the doors were forced an explosion of kerosene repelled the citizens. However, after a hard fight the flames were subdued, but not until the stock was ruined. The firm's loss was \$5,000, with an insurance of \$3,000 in Sussex Mutual. The building, owned by James H. Struble, was not insured, and his loss was \$500.

23. Hearing at Newton in injunction case of the officers of the Deckertown and Unionville railroad.

23. R. M. Pettit, of Sandyston, had sold a farm of 121 acres in that township, to John S. Depue, for \$70 per acre.

24. Presbytery of Newton met to act upon resignation of Rev. George S. Mott. The matter was finally adjourned until next meeting of Presbytery.

24. M. & E. coal train goes through trestle at Hoboken, and Alexander Bates was fatally injured.

25. John Lian had secured discharges in bankruptcy for Joseph L. Shafer, Chas. V. Boss, Levi H. Truex, H. Selden Linn and Andrew J. Hill.

25. Rumors that the D. L. & W. had purchased the M. & E. R. R.

25. Congregation and friends of Rev. Sylvester Cooke, in Wantage, give him

\$300.

25. Judge Simon F. Wyckoff died at Oxford, Warren county, aged 70. He was a recognized leader in his township.

25. Grading of Sussex R. R. to Franklin about finished. Isaac L. Overton, builder of the Episcopal church, had taken and begun contract to lay the iron. Wm. H. Bell had the contract to lay the iron on the Branchville branch.

25. Thomas E. Smith and Lewis K. Gray succeed to hat, cap, millinery and fancy goods business of H. W. Gibbs, on Main street.

26. Thanksgiving day.

26. THE REGISTER stirs up the gas question, urging action in forming a company instead of so much talk, while citizens were buying gas machines costing from \$500 to \$1,000.

26. The numerous friends of Gen. Lyman Edwards, whose kind offices in sickness and death, made him a friend of rich and poor, partly pay the debt of gratitude by presenting him with a silver tea service.

27. J. W. Howell and P. M. VanSyckle announce opening of grocery and provision store at Andover.

28. Directors of Newton Library Association met and adopted with slight alterations the plans submitted by architect J. V. Nichols.

29. George Lattimore, of Swartswood, rescued from drowning in Delaware river, at Dingmans, after being in the water for half an hour, having been knocked off the ferry boat by a raft.

30. First rails laid on Goshen and Deckertown railroad.

30. Benjamin Hull, of Walpack, held up in the ravine near Baleville, by a suspected robber, who had followed him from Newton. By whipping his horse Mr. Hull escaped, and though he returned from Baleville with a searching party, failed to find the robber. Mr. H. carried a large sum of money from Newton.

DECEMBER.

1. Philip Kirchner succeeds to market business of Thomas C. Elston.

1. Gabriel S. Holbert resigns cashiership of Warwick Bank to go to Watkins, N. Y.

1. The rumored sale of the M. & E. was now a fact. The D. L. & W. agreed to pay 7 per cent to the M. & E. stockholders for five years and 8 per cent. thereafter if the net earnings amounted to a certain sum. The transfer was to take place January 1, 1869.

1-3. The Dutch standard of winter pre-sages a severe one. The cold weather set in before Thanksgiving, and had continued with much severity. On the 4th and 7th snow storms left 17½ inches, which had been supplemented by other storms until the evenly spread snow and keen air made perfect sleighing conditions.

2. Semi-annual meeting of Grand Temple of Honor of New Jersey held at Newton. G. W. C. Augustus W. Cutler and others instituted a Council Lodge. Not one of the officers are now residents of Newton.

2. Sussex Courts opened, Judge Vredenburg, presiding. There were 10 supreme court cases, 21 circuit court cases, 41 jury appeals and 31 court appeals.

3. Among notices of application to the Legislature were: To incorporate the Round Hill Hotel Company in Newton, with capital of \$50,000; to incorporate the Town of Newton; to incorporate Mill Owners Insurance Company.

4. Edward A. Stiles appointed School Superintendent for Sussex county, vice N. Pettit, resigned.

7. Coal train wreck at Morris Plains. Trains delayed two hours; much loss of property.

7. Sylvanus Lawrence, Austin S. Drake, Joseph L. Vought, Nathaniel Reed and Luther H. Reed publish a caution against promissory notes given to Bennett & Hunt, aggregating \$2,824.

8. A. J. Adams, a licentiate, called to the Lafayette Baptist church, ordained to the work of the ministry by members of

the Sussex Baptist Association. Sermon by Rev. D. T. Hill; charge to candidate, by Rev. A. D. Willifer.

"Clinton Wheeler" with several other aliases, who attempted to defraud Mrs. Wells, of Montague, arrested in Westchester county, N. Y., where he was charged with bigamy, etc., in Putnam county, and elsewhere. He was an accomplished scoundrel, and several young women mourned their hasty confidence in his professions.

8. Death of Wm. H. Talcott, president of Morris Canal Co., at Jersey City, aged 60. He was interested in the Thomas Iron Company and the furnaces being built at Dover.

9. C. A. Wallberg removes shoe shop to O'Leary building.

9. John Casey, conductor of a M. & E. coal train, shoots Patrick Devy, a milkman, who threatened to report him for blocking a crossing.

10. Limit set for proposals for public school building.

10. Sussex Mutual orders assessment of five per cent.

11. Philip Mowry, ex-State Senator from Warren county, died suddenly while returning from a visit to Washington. He was aged 65 years.

11. Donovan and Margrels fight 36 rounds eight miles from Port Jervis, the ring being pitched in the snow. Margrels was declared the winner.

11. John Downs, master builder of the Erie railway, killed by M. & E. train at the tunnel. George Manning, of Hoboken, killed by freight train while repairing a car in depot.

13. Newton M. E. Church made an effort to raise parsonage debt of \$4,000. At the morning service, after sermon by Rev. R. B. Yard, subscriptions were taken amounting to \$2,095. Rev. Geo. H. Whitney preached in the evening, when \$665 more was subscribed.

14. Gravel train on Sussex R. R., going up the road at noon discovers an intoxicated man lying on the track with a jug of whisky by his side. The man was removed and his jug broken. On the return of the train, at 6 p. m., the same man was back on the track, with a carpet bag for a pillow. Engineer succeeded in stopping train within fifteen feet of the man, who was not handled so carefully this time, but pitched into the snow and left to dig out the best he could.

14. Robert Gray and James Albertson, who recently escaped from Belvidere jail, captured in New York city. Newell, the other escaped prisoner, was still at large.

15. Sussex train thrown down an embankment near Stackhouse's crossing, by breaking of axle on locomotive. Felix Burns, brakeman, injured.

16. Thieves enter store of St. John & Sons, at Port Jervis, and take \$300 worth of silks.

16. St. Mary's Catholic Church at Port Jervis, destroyed by fire.

17. Issue of this date contains presentment made by grand jury, of which F. M. Ward was foreman, in regard to bribery at elections.

21. Barn and stables of John Rutherford, at Vernon, destroyed by fire, together with 35 cows, etc. Mr. Hazen, lessee of farm, lost half of stock, grain, etc.

24. Tableaux at court house and entertainment for children of Christ Church Sunday school.

24-25. Holiday fair in Sparta M. E. Church. Net profit \$530.

24. Harmony Lodge elects officers and has a supper at the Cochran House.

24. Festival in Marksboro Presbyterian church.

24. Sloging class started at Andover by H. J. Rudd.

24. Musical entertainment in Branchville Presbyterian church.

25. Children of Presbyterian Sunday school entertained at court house, with Christmas tree, etc.

25. Death of D. V. C. Crate, at Hackettstown. He served three years in the Assembly, was Director of the Board of

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Freeholders, and highly esteemed as a citizen.

22. Students of Blairstown Academy give exhibition in Mechanics' Hall.

23. James Bailey, a former marketman of Newton, had been arrested at Port Jervis, whither he had fled from Washington, Warren county, having lost \$600 in "fancy stock" speculations, and left his creditors without ceremony.

24. Farm of the late Daniel Griggs, near Newton, sold at public sale, to Mrs. Henry C. Northrup, for \$18,150, or at the rate of \$110 per acre.

25. Leonard Cox had sold the Warwick Advertiser, which he established three years ago, to John E. Servin. Daniel F. Welling, of Newburg, took charge of mechanical work.

26. Firm of Hazen, Slater & Co. dissolved.

27. William M. Knox advertises broom making at his residence near Stillwater.

28. Festival and fair in M. E. Church at Beemerville.

29. Oyster supper at Captain Bailey's house, Glenwood, to secure funds for furnishing new Baptist church.

30. Festival in Mechanics' Hall, Blairstown.

31. Charity Assembly at Cochran House, Newton. Tickets, \$2. Ladies appeared in calico, flannel, cloth or worsted dresses, each dress to be given "after the ball" to Mrs. H. V. Edsall, president of the Ladies' Parochial Aid Society. Long trails and Grecian bands were not allowed. Entertainment consisted of coffee and cake, cider and doughnuts.

32. Charles A. Crissey, of Newton, had received appointment as cashier of First National Bank of Warwick.

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1. First train runs over Sussex Railroad to Lafayette. The event was celebrated by an excursion, and a dinner at the Anderson Hotel in that village. Owing to a furious snow storm, the number of passengers from Newton was reduced to 190, among whom were two ladies. Owing to the drifts the train was unable to make the trip in less than one hour. After a good dinner, impromptu speeches were made by V. M. Drake, Robert Hamilton, Joseph Coult and Thomas Kays.

2. Festival for Catholic Church opened in second story of foundry building.

3. A fine exhibition of tableaux, pantomime and music at the court house, nets \$140 for charity, having been repeated the following night.

4. D. L. Duncan and C. R. Nelden dissolve partnership in practice of medicine.

5. Rev. Peres B. Bonney has vendue at Branchville, preparatory to removal.

6. First meeting of M. & E. stockholders under its new arrangement with the Lackawanna. The entire Board of Directors resigned, but seven were re-elected. Moses Taylor and William E. Dodge were among the new members, and Samuel Sloan was elected to the place of E. A. Stevens, deceased. John Brislin was elected chief engineer, and Percy R. Pyne, general manager.

7. Rev. W. E. Blakeslee writes to correct a sensational story from Lafayette, which had found its way to city papers, in an exaggerated form. Mrs. Ellen White, some five or six hours previous to her death, remarked to those then in the room, "I have something to tell you before I die. I poisoned my family—I did it." The only cause for such a remark was the death of a favorite child, but as Mrs. White had been ill for seven weeks, and during most of the time had been kept under the influence of morphine, and dosed with brandy to keep her alive it was convincing that her deathbed confession was a hallucination, brought about by the morphine.

8. M. E. Preachers' Association met at Lafayette.

9. The County banks report discounts amounting to \$488,375 81; deposits, \$271,344.94; circulation, \$360,000.

10. Oakley B. Pellet succeeds John Linn in the Board of Directors of the Merchants National Bank.

11. Col. William Brittin died at Madison, in his 91st year.

12. Real estate changes: Peter M. Case, farm near Washingtonville at \$106 60 per

acre, and a small lot adjoining, for \$400. Estate of Lewis C. Roe to John S. Ogden, farm in Hardyston and Lafayette, 215 acres, at \$81 60 per acre. John and Albert Canfield to George L. VanSyckle, the Shaw farm near Gratitude, \$18,000. Nelden & Bodine to Isaac A. Walker, front part of foundry building on Spring street, \$8,500. Michael Quinn, house and lot on Trinity street, \$2,800; and buys of Wm. H. Walker a lot on same street, for \$800. Mrs. Job Drake, house and lot on Halsted street, \$1,700. Redmond O'Leary purchased part of Lane lot on Spring street, at \$40 per foot front.

13. Announcement made that the services of David H. Ayers, of Newark, had been secured as manager of THE REGISTER.

14. Proposals had been made to build a gas plant in Newton.

15. Soldiers of Connecticut present Gen. Kilpatrick, at Hartford, with a tea service valued at \$2,000.

16. Trustees of Presbyterian church had decided to erect a new church edifice, the cost of which had been more than half subscribed.

17. Rev. Halsey Dunning, son of John Dunning, of Beemerville, died at Baltimore, Md., in his 50th year. After obtaining a common school education in Sussex, he entered upon a clerkship in New York; then he formed the idea of entering the ministry, and taught school until he obtained means for a collegiate course. After graduation from the seminary he was appointed chaplain at Sing Sing prison. He staid there one year, and then accepted a call to preach at Richmond, Va., after serving fourteen years he went to Baltimore and served his new charge until his health failed. He never was very robust in health.

18. A severe snow and ice storm causes havoc among trees.

19. Fair of St. Joseph's Church closed with net profits of about \$400.

20. Richard Lane, of New York, lost portion of arm through contact with a threshing machine on farm of Moses Shoe maker, Sparta.

21. Trains began running over Chester branch of the M. & E. R. R.

22. James J. Martin, Clerk of Sussex county, died at his home in Newton after an illness of several weeks. He was a native of Wantage, and engaged in mercantile business when he removed to Newton in 1865. He was elected Clerk in 1859, and re-elected in 1864.

23. Annual meeting of stockholders of Newton Slate Co.

24. Stockholders of New Jersey, Hudson and Delaware Railroad, met at D. E. Culver's office, Jersey City.

25. A contract had been awarded to H. paugh & Moore, to build a school house in Newton, on plans drawn by J. D. Daly, calling for a brick structure 60 x 100, three stories high, for \$23,000.

26. Annual election of Farmers National Bank.

27. E. C. Everitt opens law office at Branchville.

28. Charles Malone, Jr., stabs Nelson Myers in the side during a row hatched up at a religious meeting in the Frankford Plains Church.

29. George McPete dangerously injured at Pleasant Valley while sawing wood for Joseph Hill. His forehead was cut by buzz saw.

30. An article over a column in length, by Dr. Thomas Ryerson, gives meteorological information, and includes the December weather report, which was the first of the Newton series. The mean of the month was 23.91; ranging from zero to 46° above. Depth of snowfall 20.42 inches. The month was below the average in temperature, but very uniform.

31. The streets of Morristown had but recently been lighted with gas.

32. Further evidence of the patent brake swindle appears in a notice signed by George W. Coe, Judson J. Wickham, Thomas Gray, George F. Cole and Alanson G. Crane, cautioning persons against notes amounting to \$4,500 obtained by ar-

thief and fraud on the part of Bennett & Hunt.

33. James L. Tobin and A. B. Peloubet dissolve partnership at Huntville.

34. Dwelling and shoe shop of Thomas Donohue, at Stanhope, destroyed by an incendiary fire. Loss covered by insurance.

35. Sussex National Bank election. Levi Shepherd succeeds George D. Turner, resigned.

36. Robert Hamilton, John Linn and D. S. Anderson, Commissioners, call for first payment on stock of Newton Gas Light Company, by February 1.

37. Vernon & Garrison begin running a free stage between depot and Anderson House.

38. Repairs and improvements to Presbyterian church, Stanhope, about completed.

39. M. & E. R. R. Company give notice that the old burying ground, east of the Dover station, will be used, and give parties having friends or relatives buried there until April 1, to secure their removal.

40. Presbytery of Newton met at Washington, and dissolved the pastoral relations of Rev. Geo. S. Mott, at Newton, and Rev. B. S. Everitt, at Stroudsburg.

41. Real estate sales: Rev. Myron Barret to Robert S. Wintermute, double lot corner of Elm and Maple streets, \$1,000.

42. H. C. Kelsey to Wm. H. Walker, lot corner of Townsend and Trinity streets. Jos. P. Hill to R. B. Westbrook, farm at Springdale, for \$120 per acre. Estate of Abraham Richards, deceased, to his widow, by public sale, house and store room at Lafayette, \$3,000. George W. Cross to David Monroe, 12 acres at Lafayette, \$1,400. A. J. Anderson to George W. Cross, hotel property at Lafayette, \$6,000. Alex. Hough to Maurice Chamberlain, grist mill, saw mill, etc., at Branchville, \$10,000. John M. Hagaman to Mahlon Bailey, 11 acres near Lafayette, \$1,500, and the latter sold to Mr. Hagaman a farm of 223 acres in Hardwick, Warren county, for \$8,900.

43. Charles Latour, of New York Progress, addresses temperance meeting in Presbyterian church.

44. The Library project seemed to have been lost, and inquiries were made as to its condition.

45. Congregation of Lafayette M. E. Church surprise Rev. W. E. Blakeslee with a gift of \$114.

46. Excursion train from Lafayette to Waterloo and return, at 50 cents for the round trip, carried 203 passengers.

47. Death of John Bonnell, of Wantage, in his 91st year. He was one of the few remaining original subscribers to THE REGISTER.

48. John L. Ojdyke, of Hackettstown, killed by Central R. R. train at Elizabethport; he was a brakeman and left a wife and four children.

49. Lewis J. Martin receives his commission as County Clerk for the unexpired term of his deceased father.

50. Walker & Smith announce opening of grocery store in foundry building.

51. George A. Julier had completed and opened a bowling alley in front of the hat factory, on Spring street.

52. A district donation to Rev. C. B. Colt, P. E., at the district parsonage, in Newton. Mrs. Colt was surprised by a donation of \$50 worth of silverware.

53. Real estate changes: John E. Howell to William H. Bell, C. W. Reeves property in Goshen, for \$16,000. Horace Storms to N. H. Hopkins, mountain farm in Vernon, at \$40 per acre. George W. Cross to William L. Slater, house and lot in Lafayette, \$5,000. Harmon Hockenberry, house and lot and ten acres in Lafayette to Halsey Cox, \$3,500; also, five acres of land to Ruben Randolph, for \$1,000. Estate of George Konkle to William Crigar, house and lot on High street, Newton, for \$5,000. Jonas Crisman to Blair, Dodge and others, hotel and mill property at Franklin Furnace, \$30,000. Philip Brady, to same parties, house and lot in Franklin, \$5,000.

54. Old No. 7, which was formerly the property of Neptune No. 3, had been sold by the Newton authorities to Morristown.

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28. Gristmill of W. C. Compton, near Beemerville, destroyed by fire. Loss, \$6,000; no insurance.

29. State Normal school graduates Martha E. Price, Branchville; Sarah Lewis, Allamuchy; Mary Alice Drew, Vernon; William H. Wyaer, Deckertown.

30. Real estate transfers: Heirs of Alvah Crane to Wm. McDaniels and Wm. I. Roe, 164 acres in Frankford, at \$63.50 per acre. Oakley B. Pellet to James A. Decker, residence on Linnwood avenue, \$5,000. Robert Ramsden to D. H. Ayers, house on Hamilton street. John T. Stewart to G. B. Dunning, lot corner Elm and Maple streets, \$1,800. Wm. Crigar to Ira G. Owen, Konkle property on High street, at an advance over the \$5,000 purchase of the week previous. Horace H. Shaw to Noah H. Hopkins, farm in Vernon, \$5,000. William J. Williams to Horace Storms, farm in Vernon, at \$75 per acre. John E. Howell, at sheriff's sale, the mill property at Pinkneyville. James Buchanan to Andrew Vansickle, farm near Unionville, at \$125 per acre. Peter S. Decker to Miss Reid, house and lot on Trinity street, \$3,000. Residence of Mrs. Hallock, on Main street, to Thomas Kays, for \$6,500. Isaac A. Walker to Peter S. Decker, lot on Elm street, 65 feet front, \$875. Mr. Decker also purchased the adjoining lot of Samuel J. Coursen, for \$1,000. Peter Cannon to Jos. Hart, house and lot corner of Halsted and Main streets, \$5,500. Thomas McGuigon to John B. Losey, house on Mill street, \$1,850. Townsend heirs and Thomas Kays to John Murphy, house and seven acres on lower Trinity street, \$3,375. Wm. McCarty to Levi Puder, house and lot on Main street, \$1,000. Robert Hamilton three houses on Hamilton street, as follows: Charles Harrold, \$1,000; Mrs. Wm. Fox, \$1,000; John McCluskey, \$1,000. Robert Hamilton to John McCarter, four building lots on old parsonage land, Main street, for \$1,500.

31. Rev. George S. Mott delivers farewell sermon in morning; an address to Sunday school in afternoon, and to young men in the evening. He went to Flemington church from which he had accepted a call.

FEBRUARY.

1. R. J. Shaw retires from firm of Nelson & Shaw, in drug business.

1. The Musconetcong Iron Works, lately released from a receivership, were in full blast under the management of Dr. G. G. Palmer.

1. On the first day of opening subscription books for stock of Newton Gas Light Company, the treasurer, J. L. Lawrence, received \$6,000 from a few individuals.

1. There was delay in building the branch road across the meadows to intersect the Branchville extension, because the right of way was in dispute.

1. Sussex Mutual held annual meeting. The Company's report, one of the best yet made, shows a total of 1165 policies in force. Losses of the past year, \$3,750.

3. Thunder and lightning at night, followed by hail and snow.

4. S. Schultz opens a cycling shop in Newton.

4. House passed bill confirming transfer of M. & E. R. R. to the Lackawanna, by a vote of 45 to 1, as it came from the Senate. The lobby tried to defeat it, but hadn't the price. The Lackawanna, in order to double track and improve the road, executed \$3,000,000 in bonds, and offered them at 7 per cent. interest, and at 85 per cent. of their value.

4. Joseph McDavitt, a carpenter, who lost some fingers while operating a circular saw in the new Episcopal church, at Newton, died at his home in Andover, from lockjaw.

5. Reading by S. Gilmore Plumb, at Court House.

5. Stables of Peter Myres, in Sandyston, burned with 14 cows, 2 horses, and other live stock. Loss, \$2,500; insurance \$1,300, but having failed to pay his assessment in Sussex Mutual his loss was total.

5. Congregation of Wantage and Deckertown M. E. Churches visit Rev. J. N. Keys, and leave \$150 in greenbacks.

6. The iron had been laid 1½ miles beyond Lafayette for the Branchville road, and on this date there was a tie hauling frolic on the part of those who desired the early completion of the road.

7. Rev. Stephen D. Noyes, formerly an assistant in Rev. R. Crossett's school, at Beemerville, called to pastorate of First Constitutional Church of Baltimore, Md., whose pulpit was formerly occupied by Rev. Halsey Dunning, lately deceased.

8. Peter Hardin, unmarried, aged 23, fell from a M. & E. freight train at Deenville, and wheels passed over both legs above the ankle. His mother resided in Newton.

10. Work had begun on a new Episcopal church at Hamburg.

10. Isaac L. Overton, contractor, of Newark, gives notice that his partnership with David M. Lewis, of Hackettstown, expired on January 1, 1869.

10. Ground had been broken for the new school building on Halsted street.

10. Real estate transfers: Farm of Mrs. Christian Kyte, Sandyston, to John Kyte, for \$90 per acre. Dr. Franklin Smith to Joseph Hart, lot on Main street, 87 feet front, \$1,800. Dr. C. R. Nelden to Dr. Jonathan Havens, lot on Elm street, 100 feet front, \$2,000. Henry Whitaker to Jonas Crisman, hotel at Deckertown, \$15,000. Isaac Shiner to Frank M. Hough, house and lot corner of Trinity street and Union place, \$6,500. William Simpson, Jr., to Thomas Drew, hotel at McAfee, \$3,200. R. B. Westbrook to R. A. Sheppard, lot 45 feet front, corner Main and Division streets, \$1,500. Aaron H. Roy to Andrew R. Savacool, farm of 66 acres in Stillwater, \$4,000. D. S. Anderson, agent, to Robert H. Howell, Miller property, corner of High and Liberty streets. John Trusdell to D. S. Anderson and Ira C. Moore, house and lot on High street, \$4,500.

11. Meteorological report for January, published in this issue, shows a mean of 28.92°. Rain and melted snow, 4.053 in. An ice storm on the 11th and 12th was more destructive to trees than any within recollection. Lowest temperature, 2.1°; highest, 50.9°.

11. Re-dedication of Stanhope Presbyterian church. Sermons by Rev. Dr. Duryea, of Brooklyn, and Rev. B. C. Megie, of Dover.

23. Tri-county musical convention held at Hackettstown.

26. Brooks and Orme, who were sentenced to be hanged at Stroudsburg, on this date, for the murder of Thomas Brodhead, had secured a stay on a writ of error.

Report of Hardwick Mutual for year ending January 1, shows 863 policies in force insuring \$1,751,839 worth of property.

3. Daniel Wesley Ingersoll died at St. Paul, Minn. He had but recently graduated from Yale, and begun practice of law in New York, when he was forced to give up and return to Minnesota, by failing health.

7. Dedication of lecture room of new M. E. Church in Boonton. \$3,300 subscribed.

9. James Couper Lord, one of the proprietors of the Boonton Iron Works, died at the age of 42.

9. Fire at Port Jervis destroys a building owned by John Dutton, who had no insurance. An adjoining building owned by Mr. Tossard, was also destroyed. The tenants were store and saloon keepers, whose aggregate loss was about \$10,700, with insurance aggregating \$7,000. Tossard also had insurance of \$2,000.

10. Board of Directors of Warwick Valley R. R. met at Warwick to receive maps and profiles prepared by Mr. Noble, Engineer of the Sussex Railroad, for an extension to the State line. Four routes had been surveyed, all feasible, with no grade over 40 feet to the mile.

10. Rev. William Stikeman, who was obliged to give up the Vernon and New Milford charge, on account of ill-health,

died at the home of his father-in-law, W. B. Hagaman, near Swartswood.

15. Jacob L. Lawrence advertised lots on the new street he was about to open between Water street and Branchville avenue, now known as Clinton street.

15. E. C. Tuttle and F. N. Friend had opened dental office over store of Edwards & Dunn, on Spring street.

15. Real estate transfers: John Linn to Wm. R. Mattison and George Nelden, 18 acres bounded by High street and Love Lane road, for \$8,000. Captain James G. Pitts exchanged his brick store on Spring street for the residence of L. L. Martin, on same street. John M. McCoy to James English, lot on Halsted street, running through to Elm, 75 feet front, for \$2,000; now the Catholic church property. Timothy Hough to John McCarter, 14½ acres near Swartswood, at \$100 per acre. David Foster to Jacob L. Swayze, 6 acres on Love Lane road, adjoining Kraber lots, \$2,500. Hotel property at Andover, occupied by James B. Slater, at public sale, to Wm. Hunt, of Stillwater, for \$7,725. Edwin Young to Rev. Daniel Hill, house and lot in Deckertown, \$3,500. Gilbert Chardavoyne to E. K. Sanford, house and lot in Deckertown, with shops thereon, \$1,400. Amos Munson had sold several building lots from his lands near Deckertown. Isaac Rosenkrans to Stephen O. Cortelyou, hotel in Blairstown, \$6,500.

16. Through mail and Dover accommodation train collided near Rockaway, causing a bad wreck and severe injury to two brakemen.

16. Death of Paul Angle, an energetic business man at Allamuchy, aged 59.

16. Slate factory and bending works at Hainesburg, Warren county, owned by Gershom Parr, and operated by Lance Brothers, and Marshall Reed, destroyed by fire.

17. Newton Library Committee invites proposals until April 1 for erection of building. The plans called for a two-story structure 60x80 feet, with hall on second floor, and library rooms on the first floor, to be built on High street, opposite Hoppaugh's hotel.

17. Samuel F. Lawall desired to sell a store, dwelling and tailor shop at Lafayette.

17. Trustees of Sparta M. E. Church make another effort to sell old church edifice.

17. Members of Episcopal Church were raising a purse of \$200 for the widow of Joseph McDavitt, whose death resulted from an injury received while working on the new church edifice.

18. At this period there was great speculative interest in Newton real estate, prices having risen from 25 to 50 per cent. within a year. The result was high rents and a desire to own a "town lot."

18. The bicycle mania, which had raged in the cities for some time, had reached Newton, and Charles Crook had constructed the first and only one then in the county.

18. By sheer force of ability, Caleb Valentine, in spite of party opposition, secures the passage through the House of Assembly, by a vote of 34 to 20, of a bill creating the county of Musconetcong out of parts of Warren, Hunterdon and Morris. The next day he defeated an effort to reconsider the vote, and stated that on this issue he could beat any man, even Gen. Grant, in his district.

19. Samaritan Lodge, No. 98, F. & A. M., instituted at Deckertown, by Deputy Grand Master Robert Rusling. The lodge room was over the store of Owen Little, and formerly occupied by the Odd Fellows.

19. Meeting of citizens of Branchville to consider proposition of the "Chase Lock Manufacturing Company" to locate its business there. A committee was appointed to investigate, and if their report was favorable, capitalists of that town would invest \$50,000.

20. Samuel Hauser, a Newark lawyer, acquitted after trial at Morristown, on a charge of attempted rape upon a lady resident of Boonton.

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20. William T. Coe, aged 78, died near Deckertown, from an injury received two months previous. His hip was fractured by a fall, and on account of his age, he refused to have it properly treated, and the bone was never reset.

22. Plas Trugillo and a companion, students at the N. C. I., leave town to go to Cuba to fight for the independence of their native land. Queen Isabella had been dethroned and a severe struggle was in progress in Cuba.

23. Festival at N. C. I. by the pupils, together with charades and other attractions.

23. The Babbitt farm was offered at public sale, and after being bid up to \$134 per acre, the sale was adjourned one week.

23. The Lackawanna was securing interests in other roads leading to Buffalo, and now had 328 miles under its control.

25. A. B. Burrell writes reminiscently from the Water Gap of "Old Enos," the colored paper carrier, who for many years carried THE REGISTER to subscribers in the over-mountain townships.

25. Complaint is made editorially that Newton and the county generally was suffering through the excessive freight and passenger charges of the Sussex and Morris & Essex railroads. As a result of these excessive rates the Erie had drawn a large share of traffic by its more liberal rates. Excursion tickets from Newton to New York cost \$3.30, and were only sold on Wednesdays and Thursdays of each week, and good for the days only on which they were sold. From Deckertown the trip could be made for \$2.50, including 8 miles of stage transportation to Unionville, with a three day limit on tickets. From Hamburg, the round trip, including 14 miles of stage to Warwick, cost \$3.50.

24. Gen. Lyman Edwards celebrates his 68th birthday by a reception to his friends.

25. Real estate transfers: Heirs of Daniel H. Case to Edward C. Moore, 160 acres near Newton, at \$74 per acre; Mr. M. resold to one of the heirs at an advance of \$500. John C. Howell purchased half an interest in tract of six acres on Love Lane road of Jacob L. Swayze and a new street was immediately opened to Linnwood avenue. Jacob L. Swayze to Wm. M. Perrine, lot on Main street, recently purchased by Joseph Hart, \$2,350. P. Swarts to John L. Hough, mill at Coleville, \$5,100. Robert Hamilton to John C. Howell, lot on Main street, 82 feet front, \$1,600. Heirs of John Townsend and Robert Hamilton to Robert Gray, "mule stable" property on Division street, \$700. William Hunt to Linus Little, hotel property at Andover, at an advanced price. Theophilus Roy to Austin P. Mott, farm of 124 acres near Marksboro, at \$80 an acre. Nelden & Mattison to Martin Grover, lot corner of High street and Love Lane road, \$800. Sylvester S. Decker to Martin Kintner, house and lot on Trinity street, \$1,850. Henry L. Masker to Sebastian Frankiewicz, house and lot on Hamilton street, \$1,195. R. H. Howell to Levi H. Truex, 60 foot front lot on Miller property, Liberty street, \$1,500. R. H. Howell to Stephen W. Gordon, 60 foot lot adjoining above, \$1,200. W. R. Mattison to Joseph Coult, lot 100 feet front on Elm street, \$1,600; resold to Morris Hoppaugh, for \$1,800. Joseph Coult to Wm. H. Lepore, lot on Main street, 95 feet front, adjoining David R. Hull's lot, \$1,800. James Ayers to Eugene C. Thompson, farm at Struble's Corner, for \$20,000, or \$125 per acre. Richard Dalrymple transfers his farm in Branchville, for \$16,000, or \$200 per acre. E. C. Thompson to James Ayres, house and lot in Branchville, \$3,000. D. & L. Iron Co. bought 32 acres of Fowler property at Franklin Furnace, at public sale, for \$187 per acre.

25. Supreme Court examiners, who were J. G. Shipman, H. C. Pitney, and Frederick Kingman, give attorney's license, among others, to Ludlow McCarter, of Sussex, and Gilbert Collins, now Supreme Court Justice. Also, a counsellor's license to F. A. DeMott, E. D. Halsey, James H. Neighbor, Joseph Coult and

William H. Morrow.

25-26. Concert by piano pupils of Prof. Oakes.

26. Samuel Sloan elected president of D. L. & W. R. R.

26. M. & E. engine Paterson, in use only three months, plugged over draw of Hackensack bridge, and buried in sixty feet of water and mud.

27. Real estate transfers: Nelden & Mattison to Marshall McDaniels, three lots on Love Lane road, \$3,000. Lewis J. Martin to Oakley B. Pellet half interest in lot corner of Linnwood avenue and Thompson street, \$1,200. Swayze & Howell to Owen Connell, lot on Love Lane. Coult & Anderson to A. J. Rogers, house and lot on Haled street, near cemetery, \$1,600. R. B. Westbrook to Joseph Coult, the John H. Hall property on Main street, \$10,500. Nelden & Mattison to Dr. C. R. Nelden, four lots on Linn tract. Wm. M. Babbitt to Dr. F. Smith, at public sale, the farm of 126 acres, not including mansion or other reserved tracts, at \$137 per acre. Levi Shepherd, Master, to Noah Howell, 16 acres near Libertyville, \$675.

28. Rev. T. L. Byington was supplying the pulpit of the Presbyterian church.

MARCH.

1. A thrice-a-week mail established between Newton and Stillwater, to check disorder caused by discontinuing the Blairstown route. The Milford mail was run via Baleville, and the postmaster at Newton was authorized to contract for a mail to Swartswood twice a week.

1. S. Gilmore Plumb gives another reading at court house, and is assisted musically by Miss Harvey, Miss Belle Way, and Charles Barlow.

1. Argument for a new trial in case of Broadhead murderers began at Stroudsburg, but not being finished, was postponed to 16th instant.

3. Michael Smith, formerly of Roseville, killed by accident in Hibernia mine.

4. Ulysses S. Grant inaugurated as President.

4. Barnes Lane holds one of his novel celebrations.

5. George M. Wilson, aged 24 years, son of Robert Wilson, of Newton, killed by falling embankment in M. & E. railroad cut near Port Murray, where he was operating a steam shovel. A man named Cherry, who had but recently removed with his family from Pennsylvania, was also killed by same accident.

7. Robert Mills, the last one of the original subscribers to THE REGISTER, died near Andover, aged 91 years, 3 mos., and 4 days.

8. The Boonton iron furnace, after suspension from a chill, had resumed working.

8. Members of Harmony Lodge present ice pitcher and plate to Past Master John T. Stewart, at his residence.

9. Nelsen Current, keeper of a livery stable at Deckertown, died suddenly after complaining for a few days of a cold in the head. Afterward suicide was suspected, and strychnine found in a bottle in his stable, but no inquest was held.

10. Real estate transfers: M. R. Dennis had purchased the Henry Dildine and David Reed farms, below Stillwater, in all about 225 acres for \$14,000. He had also purchased Col. Babbitt's entire herd of Alderneys, a portion of his Dvones, and all of his Southdown sheep, for about \$1,800. Trustees of Sparta M. E. Church to William Earles, old church building, for \$485. David Bross to Mr. Quick, farm in Wantage, for \$93 per acre. George Smith to Dr. Potts, dwelling and store-house in Coleville, \$7,500. Heirs of Horace Tinney to Jesse Corwin, farm near Mount Salem, \$2,400. Peter Snook to James Smalley, farm near Coleville, \$60 per acre. Martin Cole purchased 70 acres of Mahlon McCann and 60 acres adjoining Ed Cole's place, and 133 acres of the Vall estate.

10. Walker & Smith open velocipede rink in second-story of foundry building.

10. Daniel Uter had sold to James H. Bowman, of Branchville, a three-year-old Hambletonian colt, for \$2,500.

10. Third quarterly meeting of Sussex Baptist Association at Lafayette.

10. Congregation of Andover M. E. Church presented Rev. W. B. Wigg and wife with set of silverware.

11. Congregation and friends of Rev. J. N. Fitzgerald, pastor of Newton M. E. Church, visit the parsonage and leave a purse of \$213.

11. Meteorological report for February shows mean temperature of 28.91°. Highest, 54.1°; lowest, 6.09°. Snowfall, 11.5 in.; total precipitation, 1.881 inches. The winter had been very mild, the lowest mark being zero in December, and there had been little frost in the ground. Total depth of snow for three months, 40.82 in.; yielding with rainfall a total of 8.432 in. There was long continued lightning on the 3d of February, and bluebirds appeared on the 13th.

11. School exhibition in Lafayette Presbyterian church.

11. Contract let for building the Port Jervis and Monticello Railroad, to W. D. Colt & Co., for \$570,000.

12. Rev. G. S. Mott presented with an album containing photographs of 200 members of his former congregation, besides cabinet pictures of the elders of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Mott and family left for Flemington on March 19.

12. The hatters were making things unpleasant to visitors in the foundry velocipede school, and Dr. Case starts one in the Cannon building.

13. The congregation of Presbyterian church met at lecture room to examine plans for new church. There was a somewhat excited discussion over a motion to proceed immediately with the building, and finally the matter was placed in the hands of a committee of seven, and adjournment made to March 19.

15. Stockholders of Newton Gaslight Company elect Daniel S. Anderson, R. H. Hamilton, Jacob L. Swayze, Dr. F. Smith, John McCarter, Rev. Myron Barrett and Ira G. Owen as a Board of Directors. J. L. Swayze was chosen as president, and Jacob Lawrence, secretary and treasurer. The full amount of stock had been subscribed, and a contract had been made with James M. Lowrie for the construction of the necessary works and laying of the main pipe.

15. New York Life Insurance Company notifies agents that future payments of interest on bonds and mortgages assigned to said company by ex-cutors of Arthur Bronson, must be paid in coin. There were a number of such mortgages in this county, and previously they had been satisfied to receive the interest due in greenbacks.

15. Butler & Flock dissolve partnership at Middleville.

15. Lackawanna establishes half-fare rate for clergymen.

16. Newark M. E. Conference opened session at Newark.

18. W. A. Stiles was dealing in pianos and organs, as well as life and fire insurance, at 165-167 Broadway, New York city.

18. Real estate sales: Jacob B. Cortright to Merritt Hart, mill property at Coleville, \$3,000. Isaiah Roloson to Dr. Joseph Hedg-s, one acre near Branchville, \$325. John Dotterer to Noah Bross, farm near Coleville, \$2,000. George Cole to Thos. Armstrong, 205 acres in Wantage, at \$65 per acre.

19. Congregation of the Presbyterian church held adjourned meeting, at which the troubles that beset the new church project were adjusted. The trouble had been over the will of David Ryerson, which devised \$8,000 if the old church was left standing, and a second congregation formed. By unanimous vote it was decided, after a lengthy speech by Rev. M. Barrett, that offer of Mr. Ryerson be rejected and a new church built upon the site of the old one. The outcome of the meeting was considered to be a very auspicious event.

16. Locomotive Paterson, which had dropped into sixty feet of water, raised from the Hackensack, when one chain broke and it had another bath. It was subsequently raised successfully.

16. Moses Stern and Gustave Rice dissolve partnership at Branchville.

17. Great effort made before Court of Pardons to secure release of Dr. David D. Wickham, who had served eight of his ten year's sentence.

18. At sale of Jeremiah B. Peters, in Lafayette, 13 dairy cows averaged \$80 each.

19. House in Sparta township occupied by Owen and James Connelly, burned by accidental fire. Most of Owen's furniture was saved, but that of James was destroyed, with \$140 in cash.

20. Joseph L. Shafer, general car agent of Sussex R. R., resigned to become superintendent of Lehigh Navigation Company.

20. Law in force providing \$10 fine or 10 day's imprisonment for tearing down or defacing a handbill.

20. Smith & Reed dissolve partnership at Andover.

20. Trustees of Branchville Cemetery Association met to sell burial plots.

21. John F. Conger sent to Hon. John Hill his resignation as postmaster, and recommended as his successor William R. Mattison. The idea of Mr. Conger was to promote party harmony, and as O. B. Pellet had been an active contestant for the position, he was asked by Mr. Hill to withdraw: this was done, and the motto was, "Let us have peace."

21. James Sharlston, a wandering shoemaker, suicides at Stanhope, because he had been stricken with palsy.

22. Boston Franklinite Company reports cash capital on March 1, 1869, as \$113,600; liabilities, \$364,715 19; assets, \$480,000.

22. A fire discovered at 11 p. m. in the two-story brick building owned by Israel Congle, in the rear of Spring street, destroyed the building and contents. There was no organized fire department, and after failure to work the two old engines, a resort was had to pails to save the adjoining property. The factory was operated by H. W. Gibbs, whose loss was about \$1,000, a large quantity of finished stock having been sent to New York the previous afternoon. He employed 10 to 15 girls and 20 to 25 men. Congle's loss on building, \$2,500, was covered by \$1,500 insurance. Mr. Gibbs had gone to New York to secure more help for his factory, and the loss was a serious one to himself as well as his employees.

22. Robert Hamilton resigns office of County Prosecutor.

22. Rev. H. B. Shermer, a former pastor of the Newton Baptist Church, died at School-y's mountain.

22. John S. VanArsdale appointed postmaster at Stanhope.

22. Thomas C. Eleton opens fruit store next to Merchants Bank.

23. Conference adjourns. Rev. J. N. Fitzgerald returned to Newton; C. R. Barnes sent to Andover, and W. B. Wigg to H. pr.; W. W. Voorhees to Stanhope; J. Carmichael to Stillwater; J. F. Dodd to Blairstown; C. S. Ryman to Milford; Jas. N. K-y to Deckertown; J. B. Howard to Branchville; John Faull to Hamburg; W. E. Blakelee to Lafayette; C. E. Walton to Sparta; C. S. Colt to Dover. N. VanSant succeeded Mr. Colt as Presiding Elder.

23. Justice O'Leary's court occupies the dining room of the Durling House from 2 to 11 p. m., when the jury was sent out to wrestle until daylight with the amount of damage that Cornelia Lewis should recover from Ephraim Henderson, for having been bitten by Henderson's dog. The parties were residents of Pouchuck, and the verdict of \$15 damage was appealed.

23. A B Kelsey succeeds J. N. Givens as postmaster at Johnsonburg, and John Moore at Marksboro in place of J. S. Ball.

23. Dr. Wm. I. Roe offers to donate \$3,000 for a first-class school at Branchville.

24. L. D. Rosenkrantz, Peter L. Struble and James M. Chandler begin a business partnership.

25. Dead body of James Holly found near Baker's Mills, Morris county. Edward Ryan and John Sweeney arrested on charge of having beaten him to death during a drunken row.

25. Real estate sales: Joseph Hill to Seymour H. Stickles, farm of 225 acres near Pleasant Valley, \$12,000. John B. Phillips to David B. Ayers, 95 acres near Boemerville, \$3,500. Salmon VanDeren to E. I. Barber, 70 acres near Newton. Mr. V. reserved stillhouse and 32 acres.

25. Lewis VanBlarcom nominated as Prosecutor of the Peace vice Robert Hamilton, resigned.

25. A state tax to pay interest on war debt, etc., from which we are now happily relieved, imposed a burden of \$11,660 97 on Sussex; \$15,400,43 on Warren, and \$18,105 46 on Morris.

26. Bishop Odenheimer visits Christ Church.

26. Trustees of Newark Conference Camp Meeting Association met at Morristown and organized under their charter.

29. Parish election of Christ Church; rector's report showed an increase of 118 communicants, 58 persons had been baptized and 29 confirmed.

29. Real estate sales: A. O. Decker to A. G. Crane, 117 acres near Branchville, \$13,000. S. R. Crane to Dr. J. Hedges, 8 acres in Branchville, \$1,350. A. G. Crane to A. O. Decker, house and six acres in Branchville, \$6,000. N. K. Bray to A. J. Anderson 165 acres in Frankford, \$12,000. Lyman Edwards to Thomas Anderson, 30 feet on Main street, \$1,200. Captain Isaac Goble to J. Goble distillery property in Sparta, \$4,000 and his house and lot to Orlando Goble for \$1,500.

30. A reward of \$50 was offered for John Bailey, who escaped from an officer in Hardwick township, being under arrest for f. and b.

APRIL.

1. S. S. Stevens reopens Blair Hall, which had been rebuilt since the destruction by fire.

1. M. A. Stone succeeds Daniel Richards as caterer, in store on Spring street.

1. Joseph Schooley and Thomas R. Everitt open meat market in Newton.

1. Coult & Anderson dissolve law partnership.

1. The Enterprise, a monthly advertising medium, started at Dover, by Lindsay & Dickerson.

1. Court of Errors, by a vote of 7 to 2, sustains Judge Bedle's opinion that the decree of the Chancellor in favor of the Sussex Railroad, in its suit against the M & E, should be reversed. Also, dissolves injunction obtained by Stickles, et al., to prevent M. & E. from running a new track through a street in Dover.

2. Brooks & Orme, the Broadhead murderers, escape from Stroudsburg jail. One of them feigned sickness, and when the jail keeper came, took his key from him and threatened his life. Orme was recaptured on the 5th, in a haymow, four miles from Stroudsburg. The prisoners had stolen two horses, but having lost their way, left them in the road. The Sheriff offered \$1,000 reward for Brooks, who was still at large. Afterward the reward was increased to \$2,500.

2. Legislature adjourns after a session of eighty one days. Bills to allow M. & E. to build a branch to Paterson and to incorporate a railroad from Morristown to Newark both failed. Incidental bill also failed to pass.

1. Report presented to Legislature showed 103 persons killed and 55 injured during past year on New Jersey railroads. On the M. & E. 25 were killed.

1. D. R. Warbasse and W. Lantz dissolve partnership in milling and lumber business at Centreville.

3. Two coal trains collide at Waterloo. Charles Eaton severely burned by overturned stove in a caboose. Richard Ryan, another brakeman, died from injuries.

3. Track laying completed to Branchville.

5. P. Northrup Shotwell withdraws from firm or B. H. Keys & Co.

6. Justice Dalriddle opens Sussex Courts. Lewis VanBlarcom, the newly-appointed Prosecutor, qualified and entered upon his duties. Of the 35 persons to whom tavern licenses were granted, George

J. Bowman, of Branchville, is the only one remaining in the business, or who has not ceased to live.

6. Mrs. R. A. Cramer announces purchase of book and stationery store of H. J. Rudd, and addition of a stock of fancy goods.

7. Wm. H. Bell was bound to make the Branchville railroad go, even if he had to furnish the motive power, and had purchased and placed upon the road a \$12,000 locomotive called the "Fury."

8. The M. & E. was engaged in improving the grade between Stanhope and Hackertstown, by raising it some 10 or 12 feet. It was rumored that the Waterloo depot would be removed a mile west, but that was never done, and the raised platform to the upper track remains as a daily nuisance.

8. Work had commenced on the gas plant for Newton, with expectation of completion by July 1.

8. The D & L R. R. Company was pushing the work on a second tunnel at Manunka Chute, for double track.

3. Burglars enter Stackhouse's bakery at Stanhope.

3. Post office at Morristown robbed of stamps and money to the value of several hundred dollars.

4. Dead body of Jacob Vanderhoff found at Boonton dam. He had been missing seven weeks from his home at Stony Brook.

6. News received that Ramon de Pasada, a N. C. I. student, who joined the patriot army in Cuba, had been captured by the Spaniards and exiled to Fernando Po.

6. The Hudson car shops, at Dover, were nearly completed, and Overton Bros. were making steel velocipedes.

8. At this date the membership of the eight churches in the Sussex Baptist Association was 1,044. The oldest church, First Wantage, was organized in 1756; the youngest, North Vernon, in 1802.

8. General Kilpatrick delivers his lecture, "Sherman's March to the Sea," in Presbyterian church.

8. Meteorological report for March shows a very cold month. Highest temperature, 61.5° on the 28th; lowest, 3° on the 5th. Mean, 31.47. There were six white frosts, seven snows, and six rains. Precipitation, including melted snow, 4.889 inches.

9. Farmers Mutual of Warren County held annual meeting at Danville. Reported losses of year, \$3,975; policies in force, 905; insurance, \$1,654,582 98.

10. Congress adjourned. One of the last acts of the House was the passing of a resolution, couched in the strongest terms, authorizing the President to recognize the independence of Cuba when a Government was founded on Republican principles.

10. Coroner's jury at Hoboken censures Conductor Benjamin F. Haines for carelessness, which resulted in a collision at Waterloo, and the death of Richard Ryan.

12. Township elections.

13. Annual meeting of Newton Fire Department brings a change of officers, and an appropriation of \$1,500. John C. Williams elected president; Job Woodruff, secretary, Morris Hoppaugh, treasurer; W. W. Woodward and L. D. Rosenkrantz, managers; Theo. F. Anderson, assessor.

14. Denton, Myres, of Sandyston, died from gunshot wound accidentally received while hunting on the 19th. In an endeavor to get a shot at a flock of wild geese in the Delaware, his foot slipped and the charge of heavy shot passed through his right leg.

14. A young man giving the name of Allen hires a horse at Northrup's livery stable, and fails to return it. His valise left at the Cochran House contained an old buffalo robe and several stones to give it weight.

14. Miss Ella Struble removes her shop to rooms over store of Snyder & Warbasse.

15. Mrs. Elizabeth Honey, a German, 70 years of age, hangs herself to a small tree, one quarter mile from her home in

Stillwater.

15. Robert Stoddard, a farmer living at Quaker Settlement, hangs himself in his barn, being demented.

15. Miss Rose Roy announces a dress-making business on Moran street.

15. Miss Jennie Lindsley has opened dressmaking rooms in Dunning's new brick building, at Branchville.

15. Dr. E. C. Tuttle announces removal to Deckertown, and opening of office in Overhiser's building; having sold his interest in the dental business at Newton.

15. Thomas Anderson and Ludlow McCarter form law partnership in Newton.

17. Congregation of Presbyterian church gives a unanimous call to Rev. Theo. L. Byington.

20. Potatoes of choice seed varieties were selling at \$1 to \$2 per bushel. Early Rose quoted at 40 cents per pound. Flour had come down to \$6.50 and \$9 per barrel, and yard wide muslin reduced from 20c. to 12½c.

20. Real estate transfers: Mark A. Hardin to Gasper R. Carr, 110 acres in Wantage, at \$80 per acre. Levi Winters to Isaac Winters, 104 acres in Wantage, at \$50 per acre. Martin Cole purchases three tracts near Mount Salem, containing 267 acres, from Mahlon McCann, Eli Cole and estate of John Vail.

20. William T. Leport, recently of Stanhope, had law office in Rinker building.

22. Report of Morris Canal Company for fiscal year ending Feb. 27, shows net earnings of \$187,090.43, being a decrease of \$26,176.16 from the previous year.

22. Port Jervis Evening Gazette about to appear as a tri-weekly, under the management of J. H. Norton and W. H. Neapass.

22. At this time Paterson had eighteen establishments producing silk goods, employing some 3,000 hands. John Ryle first started the business in 1840.

22. In this issue is printed a lengthy account of the claim of the heirs of Nicholas Albertson, who came from Amsterdam, in 1731, and settled near Rockaway, L. I.

22. Dr. J. S. Campbell, formerly of Newton, had sold the patent right of an India rubber carriage body for \$300,000.

22. Benj. Stewart, James A. Decker and John Campbell were doing business under the name of B. Stewart & Co.

22. Work begins at Port Jervis & Monticello Railroad.

25. John F. Conger, Wm. E. Morford and W. A. Stiles had received appointments in New York Custom House, and Michael Cochran had been promoted to a \$2,000 clerkship.

26. Miss Kate S. L-port opens school for children, corner Husted and Madison streets.

26. William Burgess had sold the Belvidere Intelligencer to Dr. J. L. Brotherton, who changed its name to its original appellation, the Apollo.

26. Directors of Newton Library Association resolve to postpone erection of Library building for one year.

26. Miss Malla Drake announces opening of millinery rooms over David R. Hull's store.

27. S. M. Hewlett delivers temperance lecture in Newton M. E. church.

27. Josiah F. Morford died at McMinnville, Tenn. He was a brother to Samuel D. Morford, of Newton, and like him, was a man of just views and generous nature. He graduated from Princeton and went to Tennessee, where he resided for nearly 40 years, and for 25 years and up to the time of his death was Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court.

28. Presbytery of Newton met at Stewartsville. John I. Blair announced his intention to present buildings at Blairstown to Presbytery, and erection of Blair Hall. Presbytery adjourned to May 4, at Blairstown, where a conference was held with Mr. Blair.

28. John Stoll opens a jewelry store on Spring street.

29. Reports of National Banks appear. The Sussex Bank had loans and discounts

of \$340,329.16, and its statement shows the proportion of commercial paper, time accommodation loans, bad debts, suspended and overdue paper, and indebtedness of directors.

29. Dr. John R. Stuart had retired from drug business, which was continued by his partner, George L. Smith.

29. Commissioners of Bushkill, Walpack and Delaware Bridge Company received subscriptions to stock, at Bushkill.

29. Louis Funk arrested in New York, charged with various robberies in Morris and Essex counties, was a notorious and desperate burglar, and was said to be the person who robbed and fired O. D. Reeve's clothing store, in Newton, in April, 1868.

30. Continental Old Folks appear at Court House.

30. A commission had settled the boundary dispute between the townships of Vernon, in Sussex, and West Milford, in Passaic. The latter received \$500 in taxes and a large tract of mountain land.

30. Decker & Hardin purchase of Dr. John R. Stuart, four acres of land adjoining their lumber yard, for \$4,000. Capt. James G. Pitts purchased 5½ acres in the same locality.

MAY.

1. M. & E. R. R. begins sale of excursion tickets to New York, good for one day only, six days in the week instead of two.

1. "J. T." sends from Readington an old paper called the Historical Chronicle, which gives an account of the murder of the family of Nicholas Cole, by thirteen Indians, on the afternoon of Monday, May 15, 1758, near Nominaek (note the spelling) Fort, in the township of Walpack. The Indians killed a boy of 18, (Mr. Cole being absent from home), and then plinked Mrs. Cole and dragged her outdoors to witness the killing of her eldest daughter, aged 13, her son, 8, and her youngest daughter, 4. Mrs. Cole and her 10-year-old son were carried off, with two Germans, taken by another party of Indians. Soldiers guarding the frontier rallied, and the next day encountered the tribe, which, after being fired at, fled, leaving Mrs. Cole and son at liberty. Other facts relative to Indian history are given.

1. G. V. D. Conover becomes partner of W. W. Woodward, under firm name of Woodward & Conover.

1-2-3. Notwithstanding an unusually warm April, and early blossoming trees, a cold northeast storm, accompanied by hail and snow, prevailed on these days, and great fear was entertained for safety of crops.

2. Anniversary of Presbyterian Sunday School postponed one week, on account of severe storm.

3. Stockholders of Musconetcong Iron works held annual meeting.

4. Commissioners under Drowned Lands act met at Crisman's hotel, Deckertown.

4. Dedication of new M. E. church at Sparta. Sermons by Rev. Dr. Dashiell and Rev. R. R. Meredith. The cost of the church, exclusive of lot and gratuitous labor, was \$6,300, and \$1,700 was raised on the day of dedication, which freed it from debt. Presiding Elder Vansant conducted the dedicatory services.

4. Dover held its first charter election. It was made non-partisan by choosing nearly equal number of officers of both parties.

4. The Hudson River car shops, at Dover, were now in full operation, employing 100 men.

5. Annual meeting of Newton Library Association.

5. Lockwood & Co. and S. H. Bodine, of Newton, had taken a contract to build twelve freight cars for the Sussex R. R.

5. Horace P. Larue met a horrible death while working in a grist mill at Chester.

5. Brooks, one of the Broadhead murderers who escaped from Stroudsburg jail, while awaiting execution, was captured five miles west of Port Jervis, by Mr. Laureant, but the fellow made his escape

afterward by plunging down a high embankment.

5. Store of Hevener & Simonton, at Asbury, robbed of \$100 worth of goods, and a \$300 horse stolen from Charles Bowlby. Same night store of Wm. Miller, at Lower Harmony, robbed of \$300 worth of clothing, etc.

6. Meteorological report for April shows a mean of 47.818°. Maximum, 78.1°; minimum, 24.9°. Precipitation, 1.757 inches. Month remarkable for its dryness, and a very brilliant aurora on the 15th. We give but a mere summary of these reports, made by Dr. Thomas Ryerson, which are extremely valuable for their details.

7. S. Gilmore Plumb gives his third reading, and is assisted in his entertainment by J. N. Pattison, pianist, and Miss J. B. Harvey, soprano. (Postponed to 21st on account of illness of Miss Harvey.)

7. Newton Division, No. 37, S. of T., observed anniversary in hall over Hart & Woodruff's store. Rev. A. M. Palmer made the chief address.

7. The Morristown Aqueduct and its franchises, owned by the estate of Mr. Voorhees, had been sold at public sale to Daniel D. Craig, for \$19,200 over the incumbrances, which were understood to be about \$7,000.

7. A vacant lot cor. South and Boykin streets, Morristown, considered the most valuable unimproved property in the town limits, sold for \$18,000.

8. The last rail connecting the Union and Central Pacific Railroads laid, and the country was congratulating itself upon the completion of this grand work. Much of the success was due to John I. Blair, whose line across Iowa facilitated transportation of material.

9. Postponed Sunday School anniversary exercises held in Presbyterian church. Eight classes constructed the "Monument of Truth." Address by Rev. W. C. Stitt. Seven scholars received prizes for learning the shorter catechism. "Among them was Frank Swayze, a bright little fellow from the infant department."

10. U. S. Revenue officials reported that since the whiskey tax had been reduced from \$2 to 50 cents per gallon, the revenue had doubled, and that there was increased efficiency in the workings of the income tax.

10. Of the \$30,000 desired to erect a new Presbyterian Church, about \$25,000 had been secured, and the Trustees had determined to proceed with the work without further delay.

10. George, Jr., aged 12 years, son of George Bruen, of Newton, drowned in canal at Easton.

10. Change of railroad time table gives Newton advantage of noon train from New York, arriving at 3:05 p. m., and makes leaving time for New York 1:30 instead of 12:15. The schedule was somewhat like that of the present time, though not as frequent train service.

11. Corner stone of new Presbyterian Church, at Goshen, was laid, being the third church built by this congregation since 1720.

11. Annual meeting of Union Turnpike Company.

11. Rev. George S. Mott installed as pastor of Flemington church.

12. Board of Freeholders organized by electing James G. Pitts as Director, and C. H. M. Angle as Clerk. Levi Shepherd was re-elected County Collector. \$35,000 ordered to be raised by taxation. John Ayers asked county to assume some of the expense incurred by Andover township during the epidemic last year; but motion was tabled. Alms house expenses amounted to \$8,048.30. Dr. J. L. Allen granted an extension of his lease of portion of county farm property, to further test a slate quarry. Counsel for Board, Robert Hamilton, was authorized to have gas fixtures placed in Court House.

12. Warren Freeholders elected J. V. Swayze as Director; J. C. Hartung, Clerk; Amos H. Drake, County Collector. Board appropriated \$25,000 for building a new court house and jail, to be located in the centre of the public square, at Belvidere.

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12. Morris County Freeholders elect Wm. G. Lathrop as Director and James V. Bentley as Clerk. The non-productiveness of the Poor House farm was discussed, and a committee appointed to negotiate its sale. A committee was also appointed to prepare plans and estimates for a soldiers monument in the Morristown park; a Democratic board rejected a similar proposal three years ago.

13. Jacob H. Beemer, a prominent citizen of Wantage, died suddenly, without having shown any indications of failing health. He was aged 65 years.

13. Barn of Henry Miller, at Stephensburg, burned by lightning.

13. Rev. Theo. L. Byington installed as pastor of Newton Presbyterian church. Rev. T. B. Condit presided over the meeting, for which a special call had been made by Presbytery. The exercises were opened by an anthem chant, composed by C. P. Rorbach, for the occasion, and which was a musical gem. After prayer by Rev. Andrew Tully, of Beemerville, a sermon was preached from Ephesians 1:22, by Rev. Thomas McCauley, of Hackettstown. Rev. T. B. Condit asked the usual constitutional questions of pastor and people; Rev. David Tully, of Belvidere, gave charge to pastor, and Rev. Dr. Hand, of Greenwich, charged the people. Presbytery looked upon the event as a most important one in the restoration of harmony to the entire congregation.

14. Citizens of Sparta highly excited over a rumor that Brooks, the escaped murderer of Mr. Broadhead, had been seen in that vicinity. Weapons were hastily provided and parties started in pursuit. One of them overtook the suspected individual near Woodport, only to find that he was a respectable citizen of Dover.

15. Citizens of Lafayette and vicinity met to consider plans for procuring and preparing a cemetery.

15. M. & E. train wrecked by misplaced switch between Broadway and Stewartville. Locomotive and baggage car went down 25-foot embankment. Geo. Hicks, fireman, had collar bone broken; James Allen, engineer, and Miller Osborn, wood-passer, were slightly injured.

15. Wife of Wm. H. Armstrong, of Hope, saved by chance from a watery grave. She left her sick room about 2:30 a. m., unknown to her nurse, and went to a mill pond over 200 yards distant, in her night clothes, and had been, it is supposed, at least an hour in the water. When found she was floating on the water near the shore, supported by the branch of a tree, her face only being visible.

15. Samuel Bowiby, of Junction, while driving a span of fractious horses, is thrown from wagon, and receives injuries that result in death same evening.

18. Store of Josiah Meeker, at Succasunna, robbed of money, no goods being taken.

19. Dwellings of Reading Bell and E. D. Cramer, in Hackettstown, entered by burglars. At the Bell house they took \$30 from Mr. B's pants pocket, but overlooked a vest in which was \$200. At Cramer's they took nothing of value, but ate heartily of provisions.

19. Felix Burns, baggagemaster on Sussex Railroad, fatally injured at Waterloo, by falling from car platform as he was disengaging bell rope, prior to a flying switch. He died the same night at his home in Newton, leaving an invalid wife and a family of four children.

19. Trotting meeting at Morristown. 20. Sussex Railroad Company opens books for increase of capital stock to \$2,000,000.

20. Commissioners to drain lands along Walkkill, in Sussex and Orange, had appointed Lewis Dunn, Peter A. Vansyckle, Clarkson Bird, Caleb K. Scott, James F. Martin and Peter V. Decker as Directors, and they held their first meeting at Crisman's hotel, Deckertown, on May 29.

20. The title to 10,400 acres of land in Morris county had been decided. It turned

on the dotting of an "P" as to whether the word was Dennis or Dunn's Mills. It provoked a long and expensive suit in Chancery.

20. H. C. Pitney, H. O. Marsh and E. Pierson had purchased the Morristown Aqueduct property. The daily consumption at this time, in Morristown, was from 5,000 to 6,000 barrels.

23. Bruen's stove store, at Rockaway, damaged by fire.

20. A brilliant meteor passed from southeast to northeast, a few minutes after 11 p. m.

20. Annual meeting of State Historical Society, held at Newark. Rev. Joseph F. Tuttle, President of Wabash College, Indiana, read an important paper upon the early history of Morris county, giving a succinct account of the settlement of the different towns, with sketches of prominent individuals. The settlement of Dover dates from 1722.

20. Trotting meeting at Morristown.

25. A new locomotive, the "Franklin," had appeared on the Sussex road.

25. New bell in Episcopal Church, presented by Pemberton Brittin, raised and rang for first time.

25. Warren Teachers' Institute opened at Hackettstown.

26. Ebenezer Hamler, of Allamuchy, killed by his own train at Hackettstown, as he attempted to jump on a moving car. His place was taken by Wm. F. Stewart, a brother of one of the conductors, and he too was killed the next day, at South Orange, by falling between cars. Stewart was 29, unmarried, and resided at Chat-ham.

26. Lightning caused \$1,000 damage to Delaware bridge, at Belvidere.

26. A high wind accompanying a shower, causes some damage.

29. Dr. Lewis Westfall died at Deckertown, aged 30 years.

29. Notes on the revolution in Cuba read much like items in 1898. Gen. Cespedes had sent an American bearer of despatches to President Grant giving the strength and equipment of the Cuban army. 24,495 had muskets and guns of all calibres; 6,852 had inferior arms—pistols, sabres, etc., and 42,552 were in instruction camps, partially armed with machetes or sugar knives; total, 73,899.

29. S. H. Bodine's bay mare wins two straight heats from John McCarter's horse, on Newton track.

29. Mrs. Susan Folkner, of Hope tap., found dead in her bed, having died without a struggle, at the age of 65.

30. Second observance of Memorial Day more general than the first, but it had not yet become a day of sports.

31. Gustave Ziruth, ex-soap maker, alleged counterfeiter and ex-U. S. detective, arrested on a charge of rape, at Newark, preferred by a woman whom he had arrested a year ago for passing counterfeit money, and who had been in jail for nine months.

31. Collision of two coal trains at Oxford. Three were injured, one of whom, a resident of Bridgeville, named Woolever, died within an hour afterward.

JUNE.

1. M. & E. reduced its fares and sold excursion tickets daily instead of two days each week. Single fare from Dover, \$1.35; excursion, \$2.20; Hackettstown, single, \$1.75; excursion, \$3; Washington, single, \$1.90; excursion, \$3.40; Morristown, single, 90c; excursion, \$1.50.

1. An association had been formed at Branchville to put the trotting track on the Struble property in condition for use.

1. Robert G. Hall, a brother to Rev. Dr. John Hall, had come to Newton, and was pushing business for the Equitable Life.

1. Mrs. Maria Morrow, formerly of Sparta, died at Green Bay, Wis., aged over 90 years.

1. A special election held in Newark instructs Council to repeal ordinance preventing the running of horse cars on Sunday.

1. Amos Little starts a tri-weekly stage

line between Newton and Port Jervis.

2. Supreme Court at Trenton overrules demurrer of Sussex Mutual Insurance Co., in suit brought by Thomas Armstrong. Warren Railroad Company gets judgment on demurrer; the court deciding that at the time William Silverthorn, as treasurer of the town of Belvidere, sued the Company for non-payment of taxes, he was not treasurer, and had no legal standing. Thomas M. Moore, of Newton, was among the sixteen attorneys admitted to practice.

3. Prof. Oakes' class of 40 voices gives juvenile cantata of "Lalia" at court house.

3. Dr. J. W. Poole announces his connection with dentistry business of Dr. G. B. Garrison.

3. John McCarter announces purchase of lumber business of George H. Nelden.

4. Isaac Shiner died at Newton, in his 68th year. He was a member of Assembly in 1837-38, and served five years as a Common Pleas Judge. He was an enthusiastic agriculturist, and in public life was conspicuously upright and honorable.

5. Adjourned meeting at Lafayette to hear report of committee on cemetery project.

6. Boonton Presbyterian Church observes 25th anniversary of pastorate of Rev. D. C. Megie, and the pastor receives a purse of \$300, and a handsome silver service.

6. Rev. R. S. Feagles resigns pastorate of 2d Presbyterian church of Mendham.

6. Last service held in old Presbyterian church of Newton. It had stood forty years, and the work of demolition began on the following morning, though there wasn't a flaw in the old structure. Necessity compelled its removal for a larger and more modern edifice.

7. Daniel Sullivan, miner, from Succasunna, while in a somnambulist state, fell from third story window of Stickle House, at Dover, and his injuries were believed to be fatal.

8. Annual meeting of the Sussex Medical Society brings out 23 of the 27 members, being the largest meeting ever held.

9. Bible Society met at North Hardyston church. Sermon by Rev. T. L. Byington, and addresses by Rev. Dr. Sheldon, Hon. Wm. E. Dodge and Hon. Martin Ryerson.

9. First passenger train on Franklin extension of Sussex railroad, run to Big Spring station, for benefit of Sussex County Bible Society. Carriages covered the half mile between the station and the church.

9. A communication from W. H. Bell says the first train over the Branchville road would be run on this date, to a point near Franklin.

9. John B. Adams, a graduate of THE REGISTER office, and recently foreman of the New York Leader office, died in that city.

10. Vice-President Schuyler Colfax visits Boonton, as the guest of Hon. John Hill, and also the old homestead at Pompton. On the 11th he went to Morristown as the guest of Hon. George T. Cobb, and was again serenaded.

12. Stars of Hackettstown defeat a nine of Schooley's Mountain Seminary students, 63 to 49.

13. Joint services begin in M. E. Church by pastors of Presbyterian and Methodist churches. Owing to demolition of Presbyterian church, the congregation was without a home, and until the Episcopalians vacated Rinker Hall (which would occur as soon as the new church was ready for occupancy) the two congregations united, Rev. J. N. Fitzgerald and Rev. T. L. Byington preaching alternately morning and evening. The Presbyterian Sunday school met at 9 a. m. in the basement of the Methodist church.

14. Thieves steal a horse from pasture lot of Wm. M. Iliff, Andover.

14. Death of Joseph Dixon, of Jersey City, aged 71. His career was extraordinary. He made a machine to cut files before he was 21; learned the printer's trade, then wood engraving, then lithography; studied medicine, became an expert chem-

ist, a thorough optician, and had no equal in knowledge of photography. He had no ends of patent, and was the inventor of the anti-friction metal known as "Babbitts," and was the father of the steel smelting business in this county.

15. Owing to inability to get coal, because of the miners' strike, the mill at Boonton had been idle two weeks, and there was danger of the furnace stopping for same reason.

15. A syndicate of five persons had purchased for \$25,000 the farm of C. Paul, deceased, in Belvidere, which had long been a detriment to improvement.

15. Andrew A. Smalley was about to enlarge his former residence at Stanhope, and fit it up as a large summer boarding house.

15. Captain James G. Fitts, at Newton, and Dr. Miller, at Andover, had engaged in experimental culture of cranberries.

15. At Government sales of gold, the highest price bid was 139.12, and the lowest 133.68, showing it to be a speculator's scheme to keep the price above par instead of a scarcity of gold.

15. Thomas M. Moore opens law office over store of Stewart, Adams & Co.

15. Railroad fever in Deckertown becomes epidemic. On this date a meeting was held in the Town Hall to listen to representatives of the Midland Railroad. John Loomis presided, and addresses were made by Hons. Henry R. Low and D. C. Littlejohn, in which the rosier views were predominant.

16. District Stewards met at Newton M. E. Church. Salary of Presiding Elder was fixed at \$1,735.

16. M. Harris, leader, advertises Dover Cornet Band.

17. County Collector's report printed. Bridges cost \$3,030.04; elections, \$341.10; lunatics, \$2,830.55; public buildings and new jail, \$4,102.95; court expenses, \$5,804.88.

19. Festival at Andover Presbyterian church.

19. Store of Wm. Vanhorn, at Marksboro, entered by a thief, who only secured \$6, having been interrupted in his labor by the return of Wm. Reed, a clerk who slept in the store. The thief also stole a horse from the stable of Wm. J. Cook, but abandoned it near Newton.

19. Moses W. Northrup, of Pleasant Valley, fell a distance of 14 feet in his barn, and sustained serious injury.

20. The Cincinnati "Red Stockings" had just finished their tour of the Eastern cities, defeating a dozen first class ball clubs serially.

21. Matthew Armstrong, Jr., grandson of the late John H. Hall, fatally injured at the home of his parents in Hudson county, by discharge of a pistol that he was carelessly handling. The bullet only cut off a piece of his ear, but in falling to sidewalk concussion of the brain was produced, from which he died unexpectedly the same night. The day after his death the announcement of his marriage to a daughter of Chief Engineer Wood, of the U. S. Navy, on May 31, appeared for the first time.

22. Festival for benefit of Blairstown Presbyterian church.

22. Final date for paying taxes on incomes, carriages, watches, jewelry, etc.

23. Coal had commenced running over the M. & E. and the famine was partially broken.

22. Boonton M. E. Sunday School gives an excursion to Bridgeport, Conn. On account of low water, party could not land. Some of the patrons who went ashore in small boats, got into trouble. The party came home the next morning, having been detained four or five hours by the low water.

22. Correspondent asks what has become of the money raised for widow of Joseph McDavid.

22. Directors of Morris Canal Company begin a trip over the canal, using the first steam tug ever placed on its waters.

22. New Jersey Editorial Association begins a trip through the coal fields.

23. Rev. David Conway, pastor of Andover Presbyterian church, receives de-

gree of M. A. from New York University.

23. Warren Freeholders met in special session; rescinded resolution to build new court house, and appropriated \$10,000 for repair of old one. Mr. Strader was the only member voting against the change.

24. Amos McWilliams, working on new stack of Stanhope furnace, fell 30 feet, being knocked off the scaffold by a derrick boom.

24. Miss Martha E. Price, of Branchville, delivers salutatory address at Normal School.

24. Children of Newton Baptist Sunday School entertained with strawberrier, cream, etc., to which was added a humorous descriptive poem by Rev. A. D. Willifer.

24. William A. Thompson, of Newton, graduated from Polytechnic Institute, at Troy.

24. Ground broken for Port Jervis and Monticello Railroad.

24. Lewis Cochran takes rooms in law office of Conit & VanBlarcom.

24. Bank statements to June 12 appear. The Merchants gives its time accommodation loans and indebtedness of directors, a feature not covered in the statements of the present day.

25. George M. Robeson, Attorney General of New Jersey, appointed as Secretary of the Navy, in President Grant's cabinet.

25. Paul Rose and Philip Gilbert mangled by premature explosion of a blast in Ford mine, near Dover.

27. Rev. N. Pettit instituted as rector of Christ Church, Bordentown.

30. Conductor John Hefferman badly injured at Stanhope, through being caught between bumpers while making a coupling.

30. Annual meeting of stockholders of M. & E. R. R., at Hoboken. The road having been leased to the Lackawanna, there was little interest in the gathering beyond the election of directors.

JULY.

1. Hiram C. Clark locates at the Forest House, Budd's Lake.

1. Princeton College confers degree of LL. D. upon Hon. Martin Ryerson.

2. A second mammoth railroad meeting assembled at Deckertown, and was presided over by Dr. Chas. A. Cooper, with D. Jayne Hill as secretary, who furnished a full report of the proceedings to THE REGISTER (Mr. Hill is now Assistant Secretary of State under President McKinley.) Hon. H. R. Low, president of the O. & W. Midland, was the first speaker, and he stated that there were two routes feasible through New Jersey, one via Greenwood Lake and Warwick to intersection with the main line, and the other through Munson's Gap, Deckertown and Unionville. The latter route would be chosen if citizens of Wantage would give the right of way across the township and subscribe for \$150,000 in stock, upon which 7 per cent. interest was guaranteed. D. C. Littlejohn followed in a lengthy speech giving details of the enterprise and its prospects. In reply to a query by John Loomis, Mr. Low stated that the company wanted \$75,000 from Hardyston, \$50,000 from Sparta, \$50,000 from Newfoundland and \$100,000 from Minisink. On motion of S. M. Coykendall, a committee of twenty citizens of Wantage was appointed to solicit subscriptions.

3. Trotting track at Unionville, recently sold by W. Autway to a syndicate, opened for racing, after repairs and improvements. About 1,000 present.

3. George A. Slater, formerly a well-known commission merchant in Newton, died at the age of 87, in Newark, from erysipelas.

3. Celebration at Sparta. Reader, Geo. H. Nelden; orator, Augustus W. Cutler. Music by the Boonton Band. Capt. J. G. Fitts was Marshal, and a festival was held in the Presbyterian Church.

3. Celebration at Stanhope. Reader, J. Seward Willis; orator, Henry W. Scott, of Easton. Music by Washington Band. Marshals, Major T. J. Halsey and Samuel C. Caskey.

3. Celebration at Johnsonburg. A festival was held near Federal Spring grove. Rev. J. N. Fitzgerald was orator.

3. Miners' B. S. of Franklin celebrate in Munson's grove.

3. The principal diversion afforded to Newtonians on this day was a trip over the Branchville railroad, which was just opened for business. Wm. H. Bell was master spirit, and he was in charge of the ticket office in the Branchville station. All the people along the line, who wished, enjoyed a trip over the road, those too poor to pay being furnished with a ticket gratuitously.

3. An elaborate celebration was announced at Lafayette, with two orators, a brass band from Newton, and a procession. There was no band, no procession, and only one orator—Martin Rosenkrans. Guernsey Bros. furnished vocal music, and a successful festival was held.

4. Rev. T. L. Byington preached an intensely patriotic sermon, which suited the occasion and the circumstances of the hour.

5. Corner stone laid for new Catholic Church, at Port Jervis.

6. Rev. W. W. Holley, of Christ Church, had received a call from Grace Church, Manchester, N. H.

7. A box car containing 55 head of calves, sheep and lambs, shipped from Hackettstown to Newark, was opened at destination, and not one animal was found alive, all having been suffocated.

7. Samuel Cassidy, a widely known and progressive farmer, died at his home near Newton, aged 67 years.

8. First notes on the advent of the current worm.

8. In issue of this date is a list of persons, residing in Sussex county, who were paying a tax upon an income larger than \$1,000, which was the amount exempted by law. It is very interesting, and we may find occasion to republish it. The largest income was \$14,976, by John Rutherford, and the smallest \$13, by Mrs. Joanna Hill; Peter M. Ryerson came next with \$17; William M. Iliff, \$18, and Pemberton Brittin, \$21. The list comprises 123 individuals and estates.

8. A list of Methodist churches and their vote on the question of lay representation, shows a larger vote in the country than in the towns. Eleven churches in the Newton district voted against and six for.

10. Large sum of money changes hands on result of a trot on Unionville course.

12. The New Jersey Western Railroad had appeared as a rival of the New Jersey Midland, claiming an advantage of 24 miles in distance over the Erie route between New York and Port Jervis.

15. Regular trains began running on the Newark and New York railroad, the initial train having been run amid much rejoicing on July 1.

25. Morris R. Hamilton and wife celebrate 25th anniversary of their wedding, at St. Louis, Mo.

6. Two out of a family of four New Yorkers, named Smith, who were going to the New Providence station, on the M. & E. road, killed by a train as they stepped from one track to the other.

9. Firm of Struble & Gustin at Branchville dissolved by death of John E. Gustin; and Nathaniel K. Bray enters under firm name of Bray & Struble.

10. Four-year-old daughter of Edgar Grover drowned in mill race at Andover, while its mother was engaged in some work about her garden, situated near the race. As the mother finished her work she called the child, who answered, but did not accompany the mother to the house as bidden to do, and a few moments after was found lying in water not more than a foot in depth.

11. Christ Church, Newton, first opened for divine service, and notwithstanding the intense heat of the day, it was filled at each service. Its dimensions were 82x52 feet, with a nave ceiling 35 feet in height. The tower is 113 feet, surmounted by a gilded cross. The entire cost of the edifice was \$23,000, all of which had been paid.

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The formal consecration ceremonies were necessarily postponed until September. A contract had been given to Thomas Malloy to build a rectory, for \$4,900.

11. Presbyterian congregation begins use of Rinker Hall, it having been vacated by the Episcopalians.

11. Samuel Cummins, of Vienna, suicides in a horrible manner. He was 60 years of age and undoubtedly demented.

12. A fire at Unionville, N. Y., destroys two stores and three dwellings. It originated in barn in rear of Clark & Elston's store, by accident. The total loss was \$25,000, with insurance of about \$8,000, though the Sussex Mutual saved \$1,500 on the loss of Dr. E. D. Owen, who had neglected to secure a transfer of policy.

12. A young man named Brown, of Stewartsville, Warren county, was beaten and then tarred and feathered by a party of men, who had been informed that the victim did not intend to marry a young lady to whom he had been paying attention. Afterward they paid him \$50 for their fun, and he married the girl.

12. Two scapegraces from Jersey City, aged 10 and 12 years, rob ticket office at Andover station of \$2 and two tickets to New York; they are arrested in woods near Andover, the next morning, and committed to the new county jail, at 9 o'clock; at noon the sheriff found that his prisoners had escaped, having crawled through a narrow aperture in the wall intended for light and ventilation.

12. A bridge across the Delaware, from Columbia to Portland, had been completed at a cost of \$37,000.

12. The cotton mills at Branchville and other places were running at one-quarter capacity owing to high price of raw cotton and low price of manufactured goods, and to excessive importations from England, where labor was cheaper.

14. Sheriff Ward discovers a dinner knife, sharpened to a dagger, in the cell of Casper Filber, who had been in jail for a month on a charge of forging orders on stores at Johnsonburg and Kennedytown.

14. Wreck at Mast Hope, on the Erie, ends eight lives.

14. Death of Major John R. Pettit, Newton, aged 60.

15. Israel McDanolds, a native of Sussex, appointed Inspector of post offices and affairs in State of New York.

15. Steamer Mountain Belle, owned by Alexander Hough, of Branchville, placed on "Big Pond at Swartswood." It had accommodations for 40 persons.

15. John Buckley, aged 58, killed by fall from scaffold on his new barn, in Wantage.

16. Regular daily trains began running over Franklin branch to the Fowler mansion, within half a mile of the village. Further progress awaited the completion of a \$5,000 stone bridge over the Walkkill.

16. Peter Kollbocker, foreman on construction train, severely injured by fall on track between Andover and Waterloo.

17. Paper mill at Morris Plains, operated by Elam R. Brant, destroyed by fire.

18. Little son of John Nearpass, of Montague, severely burned by powder which he had obtained during absence of his parents.

19. John H. Dunn, brakeman, of Phillipsburg, killed by cars at Port Morris.

20. Rev. Wm. S. Moore, pastor of Montague Reformed Church, accepts call from Gilboa, N. Y.

20. Horace H. Day had recently purchased extensive tracts in the Pequannock valley, with a view of concentrating the hard rubber manufacturing interests of America.

20. Trustees of Newark Conference Institute met at Newark, and awarded contract for building at Hackensack, 180x40 feet, to Clawson, Hazen & Stryker, for \$78,000.

20. George Hasbrouck, a negro, while hunting woodchucks near Carpenters Point, shot and accidentally killed an 11-year-old daughter of Henry Hoffman.

20. Preparatory work had commenced on the great post office building in New York city.

20. U. H. Struble opens insurance agency in Stan one.

22. Caveat against will of John Binnell, of Wantage, withdrawn.

28. Quarterly meeting of Grand Division, S. of T., held at Belvidere.

28. Excursion to Mauch Chunk, under management of J. L. Shafer, "Perseverance Knox," and others.

23. David Bruen, a son of Alfred Bruen, of Madison, boarded a M. & E. train, and being without ticket or money, was put off at Morristown. The young man was subject to temporary fits of insanity, during warm weather, and he immediately jumped in the mail wagon at the station, took the mail to the office, and after delivering it, an attempt was made to arrest him, but by neglect of Marshal Moore to serve warrant secured by Postmaster Vance, he escaped. Late in the afternoon he turned up near Succasunna, and attempted to climb into a carriage in which Robert Shaw and wife were riding. Mr. S. beat him off with a whip handle, and escaped by running his horse, as the young fellow seemed bent upon something desperate. In the evening, at the Succasunna hotel, while relating his adventure, young Bruen appeared, and Mr. Shaw, not knowing of his insanity, began an altercation. Bruen did not seem disposed to get away, and a warrant was issued for his arrest. At 9.30 several men attempted to take Bruen into custody, but being strong and wiry he baffled their efforts. He was finally thrown down, when he drew a large knife and threatened death to any one who touched him. This frightened the posse, and as Bruen was walking deliberately away, William Buck, a clerk in his father's store in the village, walked toward Bruen, when the desperate man turned suddenly and stabbed him fatally. Buck lived but four hours. The next morning Bruen was captured and placed in jail at Morristown.

22. John Haynes and Frank Kane seriously injured at Ogden mine, by falling 60 feet from the bucket.

22. The young thieves who had so easily escaped from the Sussex jail, went in the direction of Hainesville, accompanied by two Newton boys. At Hainesville they entered the dwelling of Nelson Haggerty, from which they took jewelry, silverware, and about \$20. They were arrested in Port Jervis, but Haggerty did not appear to pay the \$25 reward, and the thieves were released.

22. Two Swedes killed by falling earth in railroad cut at Montville. The same day, west of Boonton, James Oplinger and James Feeny were killed by premature explosion which ignited a keg of powder.

23. Daniel Camp, a native of Sussex, and a widely known business man, died at Newark, in his 79th year.

25. Death of Col. Samuel F. Headley, aged 60, a prominent citizen of Morristown, and at one time superintendent of the M. & E. R. R.

26. Store of John Frome, at Karsville, burglarized.

26. Unknown man killed by train at Drakesville station. Thought to be a Scotchman, 30 to 35 years old; buried at Dover.

27. Railroad laborers were offered \$2 per day on Sussex railroad extension at Franklin, and the M. & E. wanted another 100 men at \$1.75.

27. Col. Aaron Griggs badly injured by the kick of a horse.

27. The Court of Chancery had rendered a decision in the suit brought in the spring of 1868, to test the validity of an election for directors of the Goshen and State line railroad. The bill was dismissed, with costs upon complainants.

27. Death of Dr. Theophilus H. Turner, at Fort Wallace, Kan., aged 27. He was a son of George D. Turner, of Hope, and after graduation entered the volunteer service as a surgeon. He was with Sheridan in the Shenandoah valley, and entered the regular army at the close of the war.

28. James A. Swayze, of Hope, announces his desire to close out his store business.

28. Symons & Hocken, liquor dealers and grocers, had left Dover with liabilities of from \$10,000 to \$20,000.

29. Peter Cohen, aged 15, of Washington, who had been sent out to gather blackberries, hanged himself in a barn at Hampton Junction.

29. Linseed oil had dropped to less than a dollar per gallon.

30. The Milford bridge, which had been constructed by John A. Roebing's Company, at a cost of \$13,000, was so far completed as to allow the passing of teams.

31. Rev. J. N. Fitzgerald tries an old trick of cutting wood under a clothes line, and is laid up with a severe wound that prevented his preaching the next day.

31. Railroad meeting at Deckertown, at which it was reported that \$130,000 of the \$150,000 desired had been pledged. President Low gave the committee four more days, when, if the money was not raised, the Deckertown route would be abandoned.

AUGUST.

1. Books for stock subscriptions for Pequest and Walkkill Railroad, opened at Danville, Warren county.

3. J. H. Williamson has a sale of town lots in Branchville.

3. Choice of lots at Mount Tabor offered to purchasers.

4. Mr. Terhune, of Binghamton, takes contract to complete Presbyterian church at Goshen, for \$79,000. A former contractor had been paid \$19,000 for work done before he threw up the job.

4. Conductors T. N. Bentley and J. M. Stewart manage excursion over M. & E. and by boat Magenta to Long Branch. Fare from Newton, \$2.50.

5. Work of demolishing the old residence of General Edwards, on Main street, begun, to make room for new rectory of Episcopal church.

5. About 100 lots sold at Camp Tabor, at a fixed price of \$30 each, with a premium for choice. The premiums aggregated over \$800.

5. A negro named John H. Stuart, of Blairstown, having purchased three rattlesnakes, attempted to charm them. He was bitten by one, and his death occurred the next day.

5. David Bruen, who killed William Buck, at Succasunna, removed to Trenton Asylum.

5. Warren Fellows, a peddler of notions, etc., shot and killed Alex. Swinton, aged 64, in his own store at Port Jervis.

5. Warren County Bible Society met at Belvidere.

7. Henry Hyde, aged 30, of Phillipsburg, killed by his train between Stanhope and Waterloo. An imperfect rail caused the accident, and ten or twelve coal cars were derailed, delaying passenger trains. The coal train was running at high speed to clear the track for the passenger trains, but the accident that followed had another result.

8. Total eclipse of the sun.

8. The charred remains of Michael Mahoney and John Caffrey, two youths of 12 years, residing at Elizabeth, were found in a pit at Hampton Junction. The boys were persistent truant, and sought shelter in the ash pit at Junction, on the night of the 6th. During that night a locomotive dumped live coal and ashes into the pit, and the lads were burned and suffocated to death. They were found locked in each others arms, and charred to a crisp.

8. At a meeting in the Academy at Branchville, a Baptist church organization was made.

8. Joseph Haines, of Dover, apparently in perfect health, died suddenly as he was driving from Pompton to his home.

8. Rev. N. Pettit visits Newton and officiated at the afternoon service in Christ Church.

9. John M. Jones, a salesman at Hough & Leport's, leaves town for Tiffin, O., to engage in business with his brother Edward, formerly of Hope.

9. A. P. Berthoud, formerly superintendent of the M. & E. R. R., assumes the superintendency of the eastern division of

the Erie, vice H. H. Hobbs, removed.

9. John Harkins, a slate roofer, formerly a resident of Sussex county, badly injured at Chatham, Morris county, by a fall of 30 feet from a house roof.

10. Dover's citizens begin laying flagging and curbing in front of their properties, as required by ordinance.

10. McFarlan's iron works and Overton's foundry at Dover had passed into new hands, of which George Richards was one of the moving spirits.

10. Dr. Jonathan Havens retires from drug business. His partner, G. B. Dunning, continues.

10. John M. Wyckoff, of Washington, had received contract to repair the Warren county court house.

10. The mines at Andover had passed into possession of men of means, and were about to be energetically worked under direction of George Richards, of Dover.

10. Executive Committee of State Baptist Association met in Newton.

10. The "soap factory," corner of Hamilton and Water streets, was being converted into a dwelling.

10. Mrs. Barret Dewitt, of Phillipsburg, killed in a runaway accident.

10. Maggie, the 15-year-old daughter of Patrick Shay, drowned in pond at Franklin, from which she was dipping water.

11. The hanging of Charles Orme, one of the Brodhead murderers, at Stroudsburg, was a sickening scene. He was taken from his cell to the gallows to make a farewell speech; returned to his cell to await arrival of a mail which did not bring him a reprieve; taken again to the gallows, where the rope broke, and he was finally strangled to death.

12. Charles Cummins, of Hackettstown, a trackwalker between that place and Waterloo, killed by Easton express train, as he was screwing up a bolt. The noise of water falling over dam of Stephen's saw mill prevented his hearing the train until it was close on him.

12. Peter P. Swarts buys at auction 66 acres in Wantage, $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles south of Unionville, at \$108.50 per acre.

13. Dr. Edward Byington, of Belvidere, died suddenly, from quinsy.

14. Election at Deckertown for directors of Sussex Valley Railroad.

14. Profs. Rudd and Oakes, with a five amateur quartet, give concert at Deckertown.

14. Stockholders of Sussex Valley Railroad Company meet at Deckertown, and elect directors, and subsequently officers. The contesting parties in the Chancery suit just decided also appeared.

15. Pastoral relation of Rev. David M. James with the Presbyterian church at Mount Olive, dissolved, that he might accept call to Bath, Pa. He had served the Mt. Olive church fifteen years, and doubled its membership.

16. The Delaware river had not been so low in the last twenty-five years.

16. John I. Blair had returned from a trip to California, during which he had traveled thousands of miles on horseback beyond the limits of civilization.

16. Building committee of Hackettstown Seminary decides to add another wing of 50 feet to the structure, and increases the contract price to \$106,000.

16. John Bowen confesses in the Milford jail that he caused the Carr's rock disaster on the Erie, by tearing up a rail, and that he committed perjury in charging one James Knight with the crime.

16. Newton Building and Loan Association organized. A. W. Price was president; Joseph Coult, vice president; S. S. Cook, secretary; John C. Howell, treasurer.

17. Valentine Yanch, freight brakeman, killed at Summit.

17. Miss Gertie Clark, of Warwick, who disappeared in May last, having become afflicted with a desire to shine as an actress, returns from Ireland, in charge of her brother, W. M. Clark, who had gone for her, after receiving notice that a kind woman in Cork was caring for her.

17. Twenty-one boys, from 12 to 15 years of age, participate in a foot race at Mata-

moras, Pa., where the first four received prizes of a New Testament.

17. Isaac Dilliston, a farmer, of Wantage, receives serious injuries from the actions of his frightened horse, as Mr. D. and family were returning from a trip to Port Jervis.

17. Wife of William Hill, Newton, attempts suicide with strychnine.

17. Sussex Mutual orders an assessment of five per cent.

18. Martin E. Greene, of New York, (a former Newtonian) was at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., with a trotting team, for which he had paid \$25,000.

18. Harvest home of Hamburg Baptist church.

18. The oat crop was one of the best ever gathered. The average yield was 15 bushels to the 100 sheaves, and one farmer gathered 60 bushels per acre.

18. E. F. Morrow, principal of Decker-town Academy, announces reopening of school in the following laconic manner: "Dear boys and girls: Trouble commences August 30th."

20. Corner stone of new Presbyterian church at Newton laid by Rev. George S. Mott. The exercises began at 3 p. m., and were as follows: Invocation by Rev. M. Barret; history of old church edifices; hymn used at dedication of second church in 1828; address by Rev. J. Few Smith, of Newark; laying of corner stone; prayer by Presiding Elder Vansant; doxology, and benediction by Rev. T. L. Byington. The size of the new edifice was to be 98x64, with tower 20 feet square, projecting six feet, and 54 feet in height, surmounted by a spire 124 feet. A synopsis of the history of former church edifices is given, from which we make these extracts: The first church was commenced in 1786, or the following year; but was not completed until 1791. The building was of stone, fronting the southeast, with door in the center. There was also a side door, which was in the gable end, and faced Church street. The pulpit was in the northerly end, with a sounding board overhead, on which perched a gilt dove, with wings extended, holding an olive branch in its mouth. Brown's self-interpreting Bible, in two long volumes, 10x16 inches, rested on the book board. The cushions and hangings for the pulpit were purchased in Philadelphia in 1803. The dimensions of the church were probably 45x45 feet on the ground, and would seat 300 persons. The pews were square, with seats on all sides, some of the occupants sitting with their back to the minister. There were fourteen pews and sixteen seats in the body of the church, and five pews and fifteen seats in the gallery, which were rented as well as those below. The ceiling was of boards, unpainted. Only a few of the pewholders were aristocratic enough to have their seats painted. For many years there was no stove or fireplace, and the preacher performed his duties with mittens on. At length stoves were introduced, the smoke being discharged through a pipe in one of the windows. The church was too poor to own a bell, but the faithful were summoned by the bell in the steeple of the old court house; the bell ringer having the free use of seat No. 23 for his services. At a sale of pews Nov. 9, 1801, Thomas Anderson purchased No. 8, for \$45, and presented it to the congregation for the use of the "Reverend Clergyman." The congregation at this time was very poor, and pecuniary embarrassments were frequent and heavy. A lottery was authorized to aid in raising money to relieve the financial embarrassment of the church; finally it was sold to Daniel Stewart. These difficulties continued until 1813, when the debt was finally paid off. In 1823, after the old church had stood 40 years, a new one was built on the same site, at a cost of about \$6,000. The historical sketch concludes with a tribute to the graceful acts of the M. E. and P. E. Churches.

20. Patrick Quinsey, keeper of a boarding shanty near Waterloo, run over by an excursion train, at 9 p. m. He died at 9 a. m. on the 21st. He was intoxicated during the day and in wandering about in the

dark, attempted to cross the track in front of a moving train.

20. Newton first illuminated by gas-light. The gas was of superior quality, as the projectors desired only interest on the capital invested. The town took 12 street lamps as a starter.

20. The drouth had lasted nearly two months, and Sussex crops which promised finely a month since, were cut to half an average.

21. The late residence of Gen. Edwards, with the old tin shop, on Main street, was now entirely removed to make room for the new rectory.

23. Seymour H. Stickle had sold to Eugene Thompson, 97 $\frac{1}{4}$ acres in Frankford at \$80 per acre; also, a wood lot of 9 $\frac{1}{4}$ acres for \$200, and bought of Mr. T. a building lot near the depot in Branchville for \$1,000.

23. Newton steam mill property sold by sheriff.

23. Camp meeting opens at Mount Tabor.

24. Lewis Raub, a German, in the employ of H. C. Kelsey, robbed of \$100 by two negroes, who had followed him from Julier's saloon.

25. All the mills at Oxford were idle, and had been so for some weeks. The men were seeking labor in various other sections.

25. Dr. F. Smith announces abandonment of general practice.

25. Sylvester Hill advertises coal delivered at yard in Newton, at \$3.24 for stove and \$7.74 for chestnut. Office with Decker & Hardin.

25. Rev. George H. Whitney had been appointed president of the Hackettstown Seminary, and was about to resign the pastorate of Trinity church, Jersey City, to supervise its erection.

25. The car shops in Newton, under the superintendence of John Drake, had completed a new passenger car that compared favorably with others built at Wilmington, Del.

25-26. Fair of O. C. P. G. A. at Middletown.

27. Examination of teachers, at Deckertown.

28. Bids received for completion of stone fence around the Lafayette burying ground.

28. Mrs. Johnson, of Asbury, makes a second and successful effort to end her life, while mentally deranged.

28. The long continued drought is broken by a shower which extends over a wide range of territory.

SEPTEMBER.

1. Samuel J. Coursen, Jr., reopens cigar store formerly conducted by the late John R. Pettit.

1. James L. Smith purchases the Swayze building on High street, with intention of removing his furniture business to it.

1. Sussex County Sunday School Association held annual meeting at Libertyville. Addresses by Hon. John Hill, Rev. B. C. Magie, Judge Cory and Rev. D. Tully.

1. European circus comes from Deckertown to Newton, and exhibits at Hackettstown on the 2d.

1. Lackawanna sells 80,000 tons of coal, averaging \$6 75 per ton, delivered at Ellzabethport.

1. Death of Major John Loller, of Centerville, Warren county, aged 70. He was a leading politician of the county, and served three years in the Legislature.

1-2. Fourteenth fair of the Orange County Society for the Improvement of Horses, held at Goshen.

2. William Bunn farm in Stillwater, of 171 acres, sold to Mrs. Mary A. Bunn, for \$45 per acre. Eugene C. Thompson sold 106 acres (McDanolds farm) in Frankford, to Jesse W. Lewis, at \$140 per acre.

2. Death of "Billy" Coon, at Newton, aged 78 years. He was a character so well-known by his abbreviated name that otherwise he would scarcely be recognized. For 25 years he was the chief transporter of all the produce and goods between Newton and New York, and before the

advent of the iron horse was known to almost every person on the route. He was never married, was wholly without education, yet could transact business more accurately than some who claimed superiority in that matter. For several years he carried a delivery route for THE REGISTER, and though he could not read nor write, he never missed the proper delivery of a single paper or package.

2. Branchville Lyceum held picnic at Culver's lake, using the steamboat "Mountain Belle."

2. Wantage M. E. Church reopened for service, after having been closed some time for repairs. Sermon by Rev. N. Van Sant, P. E., and Rev. J. W. Seran.

2. Guernsey Bros. give concert in Frankford Plains church.

5. Two houses and a barn at Dingmans, Pa., destroyed by fire originating through son of owner, Peter Plummerfelt, playing with matches. Loss, \$2,500; insurance, \$1,000. Mr. Probasco, who occupied one of the houses, lost everything.

6. By a fire in the Avondale mine of the Lackawanna Coal Company, at Plymouth, Pa., 108 Welsh miners are entombed. 73 wives were made widows and over 150 children orphaned. Only five men were left in the once happy hamlet.

6. Thomas Kays and Robert Baughn chosen as school trustees in Newton to succeed Robert Hamilton and Moses B. Northrup, whose terms had expired.

6. Miss Laura Armstrong opens the school formerly taught by Miss Moran, on Church street.

6. Burglars get goods valued at \$50 from store of Hiram Hulise, McCainsville.

7. Election for directors of Pequest & Wallkill Railroad, held at hotel of Oscar Simpson, in Andover. List contains names of many of the present officers and directors of the Lehigh & Hudson R. R.

7. Justice Dalrymple opens Sussex Courts. There were seven Supreme Court cases, one argument in the Circuit Court, two circuit certioraris, twenty-seven circuit court issues, twenty-eight jury appeals, and twenty court appeals.

7. The total valuation of Warren county was \$22,092,573. The State and County tax was \$55,430.43, being at the rate of 2.509 mills.

7. Dan Stewart makes a brutal attack upon his wife and child at Sparta. He was a terror, having already served a term in State prison.

7. Morris County's valuation increased \$500,000 over last year, the total being \$23,700,000; State and county tax, \$76,102.40.

7. Total valuation of Sussex county, reported by Board of Assessors, \$16,435,536. State and county tax, \$46,670.07.

7. Unknown man, who had letters "Mc. D." on his arm, killed by train between Dover and Drakesville.

8. Walker & Smith announce a branch of their store at Swartswood, of which Benjamin E. Knox had charge.

8. An unknown laborer killed at Waterloo, as he attempted to get upon a moving train. He was intoxicated at the time.

8. Joseph Northrup announces opening of "Cochran House Saloon," under Goodale's drug store.

8-9. Horse fair at Unionville. Severe storm prevented first day's program.

9. Bishop Simpson lays the corner stone for Hackettstown Seminary.

9. Excursion to West Point, via M. & E. R. R. and steamboat Sleepy Hollow, under management of T. F. Grandin and E. D. Coe.

9. Residence of Isaac Albertson, Hope, destroyed by fire.

9. During the removal of a small building containing the hoisting apparatus over a shaft at the Ogden mine, and which had been condemned as unsafe, the supports gave way, and four of the six men engaged in the work were hurled to death in the mine below, a distance of 150 feet. The names of the men were Thomas Fox, William Fitzgibbons, William Ross and Jas. Turner: all were married men and had respectively families of six, five, six and seven children—twenty-four in all. James Hyde and Frank Pierson saved themselves.

The bodies were buried under several feet of debris, and the work of rescue was impeded by the masses of over-hanging rock, which had to be removed ere the descent could safely be made. When this was accomplished, it was found that life was extinct in all save Fox, who gave directions to the men engaged in cutting him out, but he lived only about ten minutes after being extricated. The mine was then worked upon contract by Lawrence McCarty and Owen Conley, and Mr. Condict was superintendent.

10. Four men killed by explosion of a locomotive drawing an Erie coal train at Sparrowbush.

11. J. Edward Pierson, an esteemed citizen of Stillwater, supposed to be fatally injured while returning home with a load of straw from the farm of Jacob Roof. The load shifted and threw him under the wheels of the wagon, breaking his leg and fracturing his skull. He was found in an insensible condition on the road by Andrew Huff.

12. Barn, carriage house, etc., of Wm. N. Wood, in Morristown, destroyed by a fire of incendiary origin.

13. First sale of funds by Newton B. & L. Association. Patrick Tierney took \$300 at a premium of 17 per cent. and David Langdon \$400 at a premium of 12 per cent. The Association had 950 shareholders, with indications of increase to 1000 within a week.

14. Barn and outbuildings of Jacob Lantz, in Hardyston, destroyed by fire, with their contents, including a valuable colt owned by the tenant, Gordon Case. The loss was \$5,500, and the buildings were uninsured. A week later Elizabeth South, aged 19, who had been employed for nine years in families of Messrs. Lantz and Case, confessed that she set fire to some straw in the barnyard to see it burn, and the flames communicated to the buildings. The young woman was below the average of intelligence, and was committed to jail.

14. H. J. Rudd's juvenile singing class gives the cantata entitled "The School Festival," in Rinker's Hall. Repeated on the 17th.

14. Ten Sunday schools held a union picnic in Samuel Oliver's grove, on the line of the Franklin railroad. At least 2,000 people were on the ground, part going by train and part by wagon. Addresses were made by Rev. A. J. Adams, Rev. J. B. Woodward and Rev. D. Silver.

14. A mysterious fire in the dwelling of George H. Course, in Hampton township, destroyed the contents of a room before it could be extinguished.

15. The coal famine being broken the works at Oxford had resumed operations.

15. Hough & Lepout adopt cash system for their business in Newton.

15. Two days excursion to Mauch Chunk, under management of John B. Morford. Fare, \$3.

16. Newton M. E. Sunday school went by train to Franklin, on a picnic excursion. The Presbyterian school went to the same place the next day, and on the following day the Episcopal scholars enjoyed themselves on the Mucklehoney grounds.

16. Fire at 1 a. m. destroys a building in Sparta, once owned and occupied by Dr. D. M. Sayre, as an office, but then occupied by Jonathan W. Longcor, as an oyster saloon. Insurance on building, \$1,500; on stock, \$250. Origin of fire, incendiary.

16. Court was still in session, and a number of important cases had been heard. Charles A. Wilson secured a verdict against the township committee of Wantage, on a note given to secure exemption from draft. Judge Dalrymple's charge was so important that a summary of its three points is given. Thomas Armstrong sued the Sussex Mutual Insurance Company to recover \$2,000 on loss of a dwelling. As part of the house was saved the jury awarded him \$1,950. The Company claimed that Armstrong had secured additional insurance without notification to them, and that the building was fired by design. The company excepted from Judge Dalrymple's charge, and took an

appeal to the Supreme Court. George C. Shaw sued the Sussex R. R. to recover damages for loss of a horse. His evidence was a receipt from the Company, but as its liability was limited to Waterloo, and the horse killed near Summit, on the M. & E. R. R., a non-suit was granted. The case of Fuller vs. Carr, a contest over the flagstone quarry in Wantage, resulted in a verdict of five cents damages. The case occupied the attention of the court and jury for seven days, and nearly forty witnesses were sworn. The question now depended upon the title to the land. Wm. Rickey failed to recover value of a promissory note alleged to have been signed by Miles Harden. The defense was forgery, and though Rickey did not deny that the signature of Harden was a forgery, he claimed a promise to pay the note. The suits of the Northrup Brothers against Sheriff Ward, to recover property alleged to have been wrongfully seized and sold by the Sheriff, were sent over to December as one of the plaintiffs was under age.

18. Judge Depue hears argument for an injunction to stop Hibernia R. R. Co. from running steam cars instead of horse cars through property of H. S. Stickle, at Rockaway.

18. Trot on Brick House track, between John Layton's Harry Clay, R. W. Palmer's Frank Palmer and George Jillet's Bay Aleck.

18. At a meeting held in Newton, the town was divided into five general districts, and committees appointed to solicit funds for the relief of the families of the men killed at Ogden mine. The churches were represented as follows: Thomas M. Moore, Presbyterian; Frank M. Hough, Methodist; William E. Taylor, Baptist; Ezra Williams, Episcopal; Francis Gray, Catholic.

18. Lady Thorn takes three heats on Prospect Grounds, Brooklyn, in 2:23 1/4, 2:23, 2:22.

18. John Faulk assigns to Jacob L. Swayze and Oakley B. Pellet.

19. A mad dog bites a son of Mr. Bar-chard, at Matamoras, Pa., and also scores of dogs. A panic prevailed in that region.

20. Printers in Middletown Mercury office go on strike for 35 cents per 1,000, the rate prevailing in the other offices.

20. Katie Murphy, a female jumper, of Dorchester, Mass., was the wonder of the country, having a record of 11 feet 2 1/4 in., standing.

20. A morning train service opened to Franklin. Branchville train also connected at Junction.

20. Rev. R. S. Feagles had taken charge of Mt. Olive Presbyterian church, removing from Mendham.

21. Mrs. Ryan killed and Mrs. Ferguson seriously injured by train while walking on Lackawanna railroad track at Port Washington.

22. Bowen, who confessed that he was the cause of the railroad disaster at Carr's Rock, sentenced at Milford, Pa., to ten years imprisonment, and a fine of \$10,000.

23. Notice of death of Morgan L. Smith, on August 20, in Hendricks county, Indiana. He was a native of Wantage, and after he removed to Indiana, acquired considerable property and rose to prominence and influence. He was aged 63 years.

23. The Pequest at Belvidere was never known to be so low; the bed could be crossed below the lower dam without wetting a shoe sole. On the Pennsylvania side of the Delaware people were so scant of water that they came down the river to a spring on the Jersey side, near the bridge, for drinking water, and hauled their wash water from the river.

23. Gabriel Post had a hen of changeable colors. Two years ago it was entirely black, last year it became entirely white, and now was half and half.

23. Dedication of new Presbyterian church, at Asbury, Warren county. Rev. Dr. Aaron Hand officiated.

23. Sussex County Fair advertised for October 19-22.

23. James Wyker advertises Brick House fair for October 13 and 14.

23. Sylvester Hill advertises Scranton coal at Newton at \$8.50 for stove and \$3 for chestnut, adding that the Company has authorized him to sell Lehigh coal by the earload at cost, at any point along the road.

24. A panic in Wall street, as a result of speculation in gold. The bidding began at 145 and amid the greatest excitement fluctuated from that up to 162½. Fortunes were made and lost in a second, and finally when Secretary Boutwell issued notice that President Grant had directed him to sell \$50,000,000, if necessary, the market broke to 133, and never recovered. Men went crazy over their losses.

24. Newton Division, S. of T., elects officers. Only three are now living, viz: H. P. Wardell, A. J. O'Leary and Wm. Drake. The deceased officers includes Rev. M. Barrett, Jacob L. Swayze, James A. Terhune, William Doyle, Ira B. Stewart, Oakley B. Pellet and Gershom Hull, Jun.

25. Democratic convention at Decker-town nominated Peter A. VanSyckle for County Clerk. He received 42 votes to 24 for Samuel Dennis. Moses Stoll was also a candidate; the result of the convention was not cordially received, but it had been conceded since the primaries were held.

25. The double track of the Lackawanna through Vanness tunnel was about completed, which finished the entire line between Scranton and Hampton Junction.

25. State Fair at Waverly closed. Three horses from Sussex won prizes, viz: Jas. L. Northrup's four-year-old Clay distanced eight competitors in a race, 2.51 and 2.48½. Mr. N. declined an offer of \$2,000 for the colt. George C. Shaw's Patchen, and Wm. Simonson's Clay colt won premiums.

25. Forest House, Budd's Lake, closed after the most successful season it had had since its opening seventeen years ago.

26. Rev. A. D. Willifer, pastor of the Baptist Church at Newton, had received a call from the church at Lambertville.

26. The heaviest rainfall in this locality in the last fifteen months. A fraction over 3½ inches was recorded, more than had fallen in all the storms combined since the first of July.

28. John F. Dunn appointed a trustee of Newton school district, vice Thomas Kays, who had declined to serve after his election.

28. A total of \$225 had been raised in Newton for the relief of the Ogden Mine sufferers, and at a meeting on this date the fund was placed in hands of F. M. Hough to await disbursement.

28. Court postpones until October 11, the application to revoke the license of John B. Dotterer, at Coleville.

28. Jabez L. Allen, a widely-known citizen of Dover, fatally injured by a fall from a pear tree. He was making preparations to spend the winter in Florida, having packed a portion of his furniture for removal. Out of eleven children born to him only one, the widow of Hon. Geo. Gage, survived him.

28. The pork season opens lively, the shipments on this date from Newton, were about 33 tons, of which the commission buyers took 550 carcasses at an expenditure of \$8,096.40.

29. Special meeting of Morris Board of Freeholders appropriates \$14,000 for new county officers, and postpones soldiers monument question until legislative authority is made clear.

29. J. Edward Pierson, of Stillwater, who was so badly injured by the tilting of a load of straw, on the 11th instant, died from lockjaw.

29. Rev. J. K. Freeman bids farewell to the congregation of Presbyterian church at Harmony, Warren county, to accept a call from church at Mendham.

29. Word received in Newton of the death of H. S. Linn, at his home in Texas.

30. Work was progressing fluently on the reservoir to supply Hackensack with water.

30. It was a common remark that "so dull a September had not been known in years." Owing to drouth farmers were limiting their purchases, though the

actual average yield of their farms was but little less than in former years. Scant pasturage had cut the butter crop and the top price was 55 cents.

30. Attention was called to old academy on Division street, which was going to wreck a little faster than was warrantable, through the vandalism of boys and the work of the wood thieves.

30. Dover was having a great boom, the M. & E. shops were being concentrated there, and other industries that would pay out from \$5,000 to \$7,000 per month. The iron furnace in course of erection at Port Oram was also helping the town trade.

30. Newark had just made a contract for a fire alarm telegraph system.

30. Indications pointed to a union of the interests of the New Jersey Midland and the Western Midland companies.

30. The double track between Washington and Phillipsburg was entirely completed, with the exception of the culvert at Stewartville, and the force of men had been transferred between Stanhope and Port Murray.

30. Francis M. and Nelson Smith had been adjudged bankrupt in U. S. Court.

30. Auction sale of 90,000 tons of coal by D. L. & W. company, showed an average of \$6.10 per ton, or 66 cents less per ton than in August. The average of September, 1898, was \$5.82.

27. Stacy Bowby, aged 55, of Washington, dropped dead in his store, while in the act of depositing a package of leather. He had been judged as in perfect health.

30. Burglars failed to open safe in Washington Bank, but rifled private boxes in the vault, Nathan Atwood, of Broad way, being the greatest sufferer, to the tune of \$390.

OCTOBER

1. THE REGISTER passes into the control of Richard F. Goodman, who purchased the interest of Joseph Coult, his father purchasing that of Aaron C. Goodman.

1. Benj. B. Hutchings, brakeman, killed at Washington, by engine.

1. William H. Ball was in the height of his prosperity. In company with Mr. Schenck, of the Merchants Hotel, New York, he had just cleared \$93,000 on a real estate transaction near Newark. Last spring they bought 59 acres of land for \$50,000, and now had sold it to a capitalist from Kingston, for \$80,000. Mr. Ball had invested largely in real estate in South Jersey, and the D. L. & W. had lodged with him sole control of their real estate purchases between Hoboken and Dover. He had purchased the "Bassenger homestead" at Denville, for \$35,000, and in one operation alone at that place he had saved the company the expenditure of at least \$50,000 in the construction of their road.

1. Western Union Telegraph Company reduces rates between Newton and New York about one-third, and a general average of 15 per cent. throughout the country.

1. Post office had been established at Smith's Mills, Passaic county.

2. A wide-spread and disastrous rain storm began this Saturday evening, and continued until Monday noon, 4th. The total precipitation at Newton exceeded seven inches. From all directions came stories of the destruction of bridges, the breaking away of dams, the obliteration of fences, and the washing away of standing crops, and all the minor casualties attending a freshet, together with the more serious incident of the drowning of Mrs. Daniel Vail and her child, in Wantage. In Newton the damage was chiefly through washing of streets and sidewalks, but the meadows were flooded as never before. A German dyer named Schultze, living below the gas works, saved his family by carrying them to terra firma through water waist deep. At Sparta, Byram's mill brook was on the rampage and took out Titman's forge dam, the dam leading to Titman's mill, and the one leading to Decker's mill. R. R. Morris said that in sixty-two years he had never seen anything equalling in destruction this freshet. At Branchville, Morris Chamberlain's

mill dam broke, and did other damage to his cider works estimated at \$1,500. A large portion of the foundation of Wm. H. Bell's woolen factory was washed out, also some of the machinery. The railroad track was badly damaged, and four bridges in the village were carried away. V. H. Crisman sustained heavy loss, and all living along the line of the stream were losers to a more or less extent. The valley of the Paulin's Kill suffered beyond all precedent. Stillwater reported the loss of a dozen or more bridges, and the roads were gulched out to a depth of five or six feet. Saw mill dams owned by John H. Losey, Decker & Address, Henry Vanstone, and Isaac Wintermute, as well as the grist mill dam of James Butler, were destroyed. A family named Barker, at Stillwater, were extricated from their house by means of boats on Monday morning. Every stream in Wantage was over its banks, while there was great loss in bridges, and the grist mill dam of Thos. Gray was washed out. Daniel Vail, who lived near Cooper's mill, found his house surrounded by water on Sunday night to a depth of three feet. Monday morning he attempted to rescue his family with a horse and wagon. Mr. Vail and wife, his wife's brother, and a little daughter of James Rodgers were in the wagon, and were making their way to higher ground, when the wagon struck some stones that had been washed into the road. The traces broke, the horse became detached, and the wagon was upset by the current. Mr. Vail and Mr. Gilson succeeded in saving themselves, but Mrs. Vail and the little Rodgers girl were swept away and drowned. The body of the child was found a mile away that afternoon, with the clothing stripped from its body. The body of Mrs. Vail had not been recovered, though some of her clothing had been found attached to drift wood. John Harden, wife and little girl had a narrow escape in crossing the Papakating near James Shelley's. The horse broke loose from the wagon, and after a desperate struggle in water waist deep, Mr. H. succeeded in saving his wife and child. The furnace dam at Hamburg was carried away; also, the dam attached to the stone mill. A month's labor was lost through damage to the railroad embankment at Franklin. Railroads suffered but little, though there were heavy landslides on the M. & E. between Drakesville and Hackensack, while at other points the tracks were submerged. The heaviest loss fell upon the county, in the matter of bridges, which was estimated at from \$30,000 to \$50,000. Boats were used in the streets of Belvidere. The residence of Mr. McMurtry was destroyed. At Phillipsburg, on Monday, the flood was still rising and the water 28 feet above low mark. Tracks of the B. & D. and D. L. & W. were badly washed, and the latter lost a bridge at Mr. Bethel and one between Water Gap and Stroudsburg. In New York and Pennsylvania, and as far south as Baltimore the storm created great havoc. The Erie, New York Central and the Hudson River trains were blocked by washouts. The greatest damage occurred at and near Philadelphia, where the wharves were submerged, and stores flooded as high as the second story. Coal and even railroad cars were carried away by the force of the current. Every section of New Jersey suffered more or less, though the northern and middle counties bore the brunt. The grist mill dam at Rockaway was washed out, and others at Flanders, Bartleyville and Mendham. In Hunterdon, Clarksville sustained a loss of \$30,000, and at Clinton a bridge and dam were carried away. The loss in Passaic county was \$30,000 or more.

2. Hiram C. Clark renominated for Assembly by Democratic convention of 1st district, at Hainesville.

2. Judson Kimble, an Erie brakeman, whose parents resided at Baleville, seriously by coming in contact with a bridge.

5. Presbytery of Newton met at Mount Bethel, Pa. Rev. Mr. Freeman was released from pastorate of Harmony church, and Rev. J. B. Woodward dismissed to

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Presbytery of Rockaway. Vote on reunion stood 14 yeas and 4 nays.

6. Fair qualities of beefsteak were now selling in Newton at 15 to 20 cents per pound, owing to rivalry among butchers.

5. James Webb and George Campfield, English laborers on the railroad, attack and seriously injure James Nash, at the hotel in Port Murray. Nash was a boss for Dillon & Smith, contractors.

6. William Nightengale, white, shot and killed by James Scall, colored, at Phillipsburg. The row began on the Delaware bridge, and there was a woman in it.

6. Gold down to 128½.

6. A Masonic social and family excursion to Mauch Chunk, under management of Dr. Wm. Mead, and conductors I. L. VanOrden, Charles R. Hulme and T. N. Bentley. Postponed one week on account of destruction of railroad bridges, etc., by storm.

6. Wm. H. Reed announces himself as successor to grocery business of J. W. Lewis, opp. Durling House.

6. Joseph W. Vought, aged 70, died suddenly of apoplexy, in his barn at Springdale, just after returning with his family from a visit to Warren county.

7. Benjamin and S. J. Van Campen form partnership in leather business at Newton.

8. Firm of Woodward & Conover dissolved by retirement of G. V. D. Conover.

8. Death of ex-President Franklin Pierce, at Concord, N. H., in the 65th year of his age.

9. Andrew Mercer, machinist, killed in Boonton mills, while removing a belt with a stick.

9. Isaac J. Durling assigns to John F. Dunn.

9. Reports of Sussex county banks show the following total: loans and discounts, \$454,394 01; circulation, \$260,000; individual deposits, \$171,357 36.

9. Joshua Cole's stallion and H. M. Bull's bay mare trot for \$100 purse on Brick House track.

10. Republican county convention held at Branchville, but adjourned without making nominations for Assembly.

10. Rev. A. D. Willifer announces acceptance of call from Lambertville church, and expects to leave Newton about Nov. 1.

11. Second sale of B. & L. money. John T. Waeleer took \$400 at 21 per cent. premium; David Langdon \$300 at 22 per cent.; and Thomas Stewart \$400 at 21 per cent.

12. William McCarty had sold a house and lot on Water street, to John Canfield, for \$5,000, and bought the Geo. L. Vansyckle farm of 282 acres for \$25,000. He had also sold fourteen building lots on Railroad avenue and Springdale road, for a total exceeding \$5,000.

12. Isaac A. Walker had sold his house and lot corner of Elm and Madison streets, to Thomas T. Hiles, for \$3,500.

12. Special term of Common Pleas Court marked by a very lively legal contest over a new highway in the village of Branchville.

12. At Andover the new M. E. parsonage was completed; Freeman, Hunt and Totten were constructing a steam saw mill, and E. I. Mohr had a concert billed for the 15th.

12. Warren County Fair opened at Belvidere.

13. J. P. & B. J. Northrup advertise wood working in connection with grist mill at Pleasant Valley.

13. A new Baptist church organization formed at Branchville. Sermon by Rev. A. D. Willifer. Revs. J. M. Carpenter, A. J. Adams, and T. M. Grenell took part in the services.

14. Dedication of Baptist Church at North Vernon. Sermon by Rev. G. C. Baldwin, of Troy, N. Y. Addresses by Rev. Messrs. Cordo, Silver, Baldwin, Willifer, and others. Rev. Z. Grenell preached in the evening, when balance of indebtedness, some \$2,000, was raised, and the church freed of debt.

14. Prof. Geo. H. Cook, State Geologist, delivered his annual lecture at the Court House.

14-15. Horse fair at Vernon.

15. An escaped bull, fresh from the prairies of Texas, roams the streets of Hoboken, and finally darts into the Erie tunnel, in spite of the protests of the watchman. After repeated and ineffectual attempts to drive him out, meanwhile delaying all trains (including those of the M. & E.) for over an hour, an engine was sent after his bullship, and with screeching whistle frightened the animal so that he ran out on the Pavonia side, where he was captured and killed.

16. Warren Democratic caucuses nominate Joseph B. Cornish for Senator; Samuel H. Lanterman for Sheriff, and Wm. M. Mayberry for Surrogate.

18. Through the falling of an embankment of earth on the farm of George S. Smith, near Hackettstown, three of a party of railroad laborers were badly injured, and Alfred Thomas was killed.

19. A young man named Hopkins, of Statesville, loses part of his arm in an attempt to remove a loaded gun from a wagon.

19. Sussex county heirs of Wm. Ennis had delegated William Kye, of Sandyston, to proceed to Scotland, and lay claim to the estate in question.

19. Services connected with consecration of Christ Church, Newton, opened with confirmation of nineteen candidates by Bishop Odenheimer, and the preaching of a centennial sermon by the rector, Rev. W. W. Holly. Bishop Odenheimer was assisted in the ceremonies by Rev. Drs. Abercrombie, of Rahway, and Frost, of South Orange, and Rev. Messrs. Stansberry, of Newark, Pool, of Long Branch, Dunnell, of Red Bank, Hoyt, of Tenafly, Gray, of Nova Scotia, and the rector. The exercises were merely formal, the church having been finished and occupied for several months. The sermon by rector Holly traced the history of the parish from its institution in 1709 to the present time, and was of peculiar interest. This history was divided into three periods: the first from the establishment of the church in 1769 to the resignation of the first rector in 1784; the second from 1784 to 1820, during which time there was no settled clergyman; and the third from 1820, when Rev. Clark-on Dunn assumed the rectorship, down to the present time. The village of Newton was founded in 1761, and in 1770, Rev. Uzal Ogden became the rector of the church. In the same year Jonathan Hampton presented a tract of land on which was erected the first parsonage house; the next year he donated 200 acres of land "to be located in any place unappropriated in Sussex co." The choice fell upon a tract some three miles southwest of Newton. In 1784, Rev. Mr. Ogden resigned to assume the rectorship of Trinity church, Newark. In May, 1820, when Rev. Clarkson Dunn became rector he found six communicants and about 45 families and contributors. The lot on which the first church was erected cost \$200, and this edifice was used 44 years, when it was demolished to make room for the present structure. In January, 1852, Rev. N. Pettit was procured as assistant rector, and one month after Mr. Dunn resigned the rectorship (March, 1857.) Mr. Pettit was installed as rector, which position he filled until April, 1868. Under his direction the old church was repaired and modernized, in 1860, at a cost of about \$1,000. Mr. P. was succeeded by Rev. W. W. Holley, in April, 1868. In May, 1865, a subscription was started for a new church which culminated in the handsome edifice in which the parish now worships. During the rectorship from 1820 to 1868, there were 510 baptisms, 241 confirmations, 334 marriages, and 463 funerals.

19-21. The Sunday School Institute held in Newton M. E. Church was a very successful affair, not only in attendance, but interest. Revs. C. R. Barnes and J. M. Freeman made capital addresses on Tuesday. On Wednesday Mr. Freeman gave another lecture, and was followed by Rev. H. M. Simpson, who exhibited models and diagrams of Bible topics and

scenes, and also by Prof. S. W. Clark. Thursday was occupied with lectures by Revs. C. R. Barnes, W. B. Wigg, S. J. Morris and W. W. Voo-hees.

20-22. The Sussex Fair, as usual, during its declining years, ran largely to horse. The weather was unpropitious, and the attendance slim. Some of the races were closely contested, and of considerable interest to horsemen; the most exciting was a stallion race in which Major Edsall beat "the talent" as well as Grey Messenger, Abe Lincoln and Long Island Patchen.

20. George H. Nelden announces his candidacy for office of County Clerk. Moses Stoll was also in the field as an independent candidate.

20. M. D. Ayers, formerly of Beemer-ville, send from Michigan, a specimen of apples, measuring 14 inches in circumference, that were selling at \$1.25 per barrel; peaches and wheat each brought the same price, \$1 per bushel.

20. At this date Sussex county had fourteen students in the University at Ann Arbor, Mich.; six were in the Law, five in the Medical, and three in the Literary department.

20. Dr. James H. Struble, Jr., locates at Stanhope, succeeding to the practice of Dr. Hedges.

25. Ground broken for the Midland railroad, near Middletown, on the C. S. Hulse lot.

26. Engineers affirmed that Unionville was the most difficult place to get out of and Deckertown the most difficult place to get into with a railroad in all this section.

27. Up to this time Hackettstown had contributed \$13,000 in cash and ten acres of land worth \$1,000 per acre, to the C. C. I. It was hinted that "the village had better assume the entire job and take the credit of it."

28. A committee of three appointed at a recent railroad meeting in Branchville, met the managers of the D., L. & W. road in New York. The chairman was authorized to call a meeting on their return and report the exact condition of the extension from Newton to Branchville, and the Company appointed a committee to inform Mr. Bell that unless he immediately finished the road they would depose him and close up the job.

28. Fine country residence of J. T. Foote, at Morristown, destroyed by fire from the bursting of a portable gas machine.

28. Barn of Eliakim Everett, near Coleville, had recently been destroyed by lightning, causing a loss of \$1,500, with insurance of \$100.

28. Hattie Ayers, aged 24, a daughter of Mark Ayers, formerly of Beemer-ville, fatally injured by a fall from wagon, while descending a narrow mountain pass in Wayne county, Pa. The brother and sister were forced to jump in the dark, to allow passage of a road hog who wanted the narrow passage for his own safety.

29. Congregation of Perry's Mills and vicinity gave their pastor, Rev. J. C. Soule, a purse of \$116.

30. Trot on Lafayette track between horses of W. W. McDaniels and Lynch Phillips, the former winning.

30. Spark from locomotive sets fire to wagon house of Asa Vashinder, at Buttville. Loss \$600 over insurance.

31. Rev. A. D. Willifer preached his farewell sermon in the Newton Baptist church.

31. A sail boat on Lake Hopatcong, is upset by a strong wind, and one of the five occupants, Edward Rogers, was drowned. He left a wife and family.

NOVEMBER.

1. By a new train to connect with the Scranton express going east, the Sussex road now had connection with all trains on the M. & E. R. R.

2. General election. In Sussex there was no party contest. George H. Nelden ran as an independent candidate against Peter A. Vansyckle, and was defeated by a majority of 300. Moses Stoll withdrew just before election. Nothing but a lavish

expenditure of money saved Vansyckle from defeat; the total vote was only 3,962. Except through scattering votes there was no opposition to Sheriff, Assemblymen or Coroners. In Newton George H. Nelden received 344 out of the 484 votes cast.

2. A seven-year-old boy named Welden, living near Hope, Warren county, had been sent after a pail of water, by some men who were husking corn in an adjoining field. Not returning as soon as expected, search was made, and it was found that a ram had driven the lad into the corner of a stone fence, and nearly killed him.

2. Gold drops to 127½, the lowest price since 1865.

3. The condition of town buildings at this time was thus noted: The basement and first story of the public school building was completed; the walls of the new Presbyterian church were nearly finished. David R. Hull had moved into his new residence on Elm street, and the residence of Peter S. Decker on the same street was nearly completed; the houses of O. B. Pellet on Linnwood avenue, M. Quinn on Trinity street, and Joseph Hart, Thomas Kays and the rectory of Christ Church, on Main street, were nearly ready for occupation.

3. A revival at Branchville M. E. Church, under Rev. J. B. Heward, had resulted in forty conversions. Rev. Mr. Adams, of Lafayette, was conducting services for the new Baptist congregation, which met in the basement of the Presbyterian church.

3. Frank Kroenlein opens barber shop in O'Leary building, next to D. W. Smith's store.

3. Opening ball at Brick House.

3. First water let into Newark's high service reservoir.

4. Joseph Coult announces the sale of his interest in THE REGISTER on October 1, to Richard F. Goodman, and the announcement of the new editor and proprietor appears in this issue.

4. After a service of eight months on THE REGISTER, David H. Ayers retires to resume his connection with the Newark Daily Courier.

4. Trouble appears in the horizon for Wm. H. Bell, in the shape of a sheriff's sale under thirty different executions.

4. George Peabody, the great philanthropist, died in London, aged 74 years.

4. A peddler who had entered the house of Mr. Cox, near Hamburg, to sell spectacles, stole a \$20 bill from Mr. C.'s pocketbook, as it lay on the table. The money was missed before the peddler left, and though he denied the theft, the money was found tucked away in the finger of one of his gloves.

4. Driver of a team of horses owned by Schooley & Everett, struck one of them over the head with a club because it had balked. The horse dropped to the ground and died without a struggle.

5. Death of Dr. Jetur R. Riggs, at Paterson, in the 61st year of his age. He was a successful and skilled physician in upper Morris; was twice elected to the Assembly and served from 1855 to 1858 in the State Senate. In 1853 he defeated John Huyler, for Congress, in this district, on the anti-Lecompton issue, after one of the most bitter contests ever known in our politics.

5. Rockaway post office robbed; culprits arrested.

5. Citizens of Morristown in public meeting uphold Council in its refusal to grant licenses to sell beer.

5. E. I. Mohr and others give concert in M. E. Church at Sparta.

5. Leavitt's troupe of bull ringers gave entertainment at Court House.

6. Evening train delayed two hours by an accident at Chatham, which resulted in serious injury to John Ness and Benjamin Gibbs, brakeman, also the loss of cars and engine, through a collision between a heavy freight train and a train of empty coal cars that had jumped the track.

6. Rear Admiral Charles Stewart died at Bordentown, aged 92 years. He was one of the most noted naval officers of the world.

6. James L. Northrup's 4 year-old colt trots a half-mile on Newton track in 1.17.

7. Andover Presbyterian church reopened for service after remodeling and repairs. Sermon by pastor-elect Rev. David Conway. The whole cost of repairs was paid at the close of the service.

8. V. M. Drake called the officers and members of the Agricultural Society together, to consider a proposition from citizens of Newton to reorganize the Society, and hold a fair in 1870. After considering various propositions, at request of President Dunn adjournment was made to November 23.

9. Ball at Pavilion Hotel, Branchville.

9. Cornelius Anderson, Benjamin E. Knox, and J. Harkinson return from Pike county, with 51 pickerel, weighing 181 lbs. The largest specimen weighed 7½ lbs.

10. Great pleasure was expressed at the cutting down of a hickory tree, which stood in the sidewalk at the corner of the corner of Moran and Trinity streets, and which had been the cause of many curses on dark nights.

10. W. R. Mattison secures a lease of drug store in Rinker building, occupied by Dr. C. R. Nelden, from April 1, 1870, intending to devote it entirely to post office use.

10. Issachar Stull had sold his farm of 134 acres in Green township, to William Hunt, of Stillwater, for \$90 per acre.

10. Gen. Wool died at the age of 86. He was born at Newburg, N. Y. Besides his services in the war of 1812, it is related that at the breaking out of the war with Mexico, in 1846, he sent 12,000 recruits there, and then selected 3,000 men and marched a distance of 900 miles to Matilla without losing a single man, and preserved such good discipline that he gained the good will of the inhabitants of the country through which he passed. After the attack upon Fort Sumter he offered his services to the Government, and his energy alone prevented Fortress Monroe from falling into the hands of the rebels.

10. Formal reunion ceremonies at Pittsburg, Pa., of the Old and New School General Assemblies.

10. Branchville all excitement over the finding of a nearly full grown infant in pond behind Stivers & McDaniel's store.

12-14. Rev. Dr. Thayer, of New York, begins series of Universalist services in old M. E. Church at Sparta.

13. James W. Ingersoll, of Lafayette, assigns to Wm. T. Leport.

15. Samuel Schoch becomes General Superintendent of the M. & E. R. R., vice John Bri-bio, resigned.

16-17. A severe wind and rain storm causes loss of life and property throughout the State and elsewhere.

17. T. W. Howell advertised his harness business at Andover.

18. Barn of John J. Willis, at Morristown, burned, with contents, including two cows.

18. Thank-giving celebrated at Morristown by a wild bull hunt. Three that had escaped from herd of J. B. Headley, and had defied all attempts at capture, were killed.

18. The town was warned to put its fire engines in order, and organize companies for them.

18. The New Jersey Herald and THE REGISTER adopt a uniform rate for advertisements.

18. Thanksgiving Day.

22. A rip up in railroad matters cuts off morning train to Franklin, and connections with all other trains to that point were possible only by riding or walking to Drake's pond.

22. Jacob Dufford, of Schooley's Mountain, fell dead in his wagon, as he was returning home from Hackettstown depot.

23. Olive Logan delivered her lecture, "Girls," in Rinker Hall.

23. A. S. VanHorn, of Marksboro, purchases farm of Anthony J. Osmun (170½ acres) near Hope, for \$12,000.

23. The side walls of the Presbyterian church were finished, but the rafters could not be raised, owing to the fact that there wasn't a stick of timber in this vicinity that would do duty as a derrier. These

rafters, four in number, weighed three tons each, and a stick of timber sixty feet in length had just arrived from Pennsylvania for use in raising them.

24. John Carey, a lad of 15, claiming Andover as his residence, arrested at Syracuse, N. Y., charged with incendiarism.

24. Coal declined from one to two dollars per ton at sale of the Lackawanna on this date. The lowest prices were \$4.05 for lump; \$5.15 for egg; stove, \$7.15; chestnut, \$4.15.

24. Real estate sales: The Judge Wm. Hunt farm, at Fredon, to Jeremiah L. Savacool, 150 acres at \$70 per acre. Farm of W. H. Daye, Montague, to New York parties, for \$11,500.

24. Rev. M. Barrett loses sight of one eye by accident; a small stone chipping from a mason's hammer destroyed the eye ball.

24. Miss Minnie C. Swayze, teacher of elocution, at Vassar College, offers her services for entertainments during the holidays.

24. Gold down to 126, and wheat flour selling at \$6.30 to \$12 per barrel.

24. The first half of November was the coldest in many years, the average temperature being 38°.

25. Within a week \$250 had been subscribed to buy instruments for the Sussex Cornet Band, which was about to be reorganized. The residents were looking forward to concerts in the Park.

25. Workmen were placing slate over the shingle roof on the Newton M. E. Church.

25. William M. Perrine had purchased the foundry property at Lafayette owned by Theresa M. Hagaman. The rumor was that the purchase was for Newark parties, who intended to erect a paper mill.

25. R. R. Morris justly criticises the foolish economy in reconstructing the bridge at Sparta. A second freshet destroyed the repairs being made after the freshet of October 14.

25. Amos Beemer announces his desire to retire from business at Libertyville.

25. Albert D. Richardson, the well-known war correspondent, shot by Daniel McFarland, of Newark, in the Tribune office.

25. The maples at the side of Christ Church had just been planted.

26. Alonzo B. Corliss, a local preacher of the M. E. Church, formerly of this county, dragged from his house at Company Shops, N. C., by a band of Ku-Klux and scourged. They beat his wife on the head with a revolver to hush her screams for help.

26. Examination of teachers, at Newton.

27. Barn on Vail premises at Morristown, burned, together with two horses owned by Nathan Myers.

27. From Dover the news was that the Dover rolling mill was employing 60 men; George Richards & Co. were erecting a three-story building, 40 feet square; James A. Goodale had purchased 60 acres of Henry McFarlan, within the corporation limits, for building lots; the late Jabez Allen had willed \$15,000 to the Presbyterian church, for a new church and a parsonage; James H. Neighbor had bought the Allen property for \$19,000.

27. Augustus Straway waylaid near residence of Joseph Warbasse, and seriously injured by a blow on the head with a club.

27. Drs. Allen, Miller and Sayre try to save life of son of Daniel Kimble, of Baleville, by trepanning. His skull was fractured eight weeks previous while working as brakeman on the Erie.

28. Rev. John T. Craig preached as a candidate in Newton Baptist Church.

29. Fire at Belvidere destroys five buildings, near corner of Belvidere and Washington avenues, causing a loss of \$20,000.

29. Stables of American Hotel, Phillipsburg, destroyed by fire.

30. There was agitation due to the rumor that cruel and barbarous discipline in the State prison, abolished by Gov. Ward, had been revived.

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30. Burglars wreck safes and vaults of National Bank of Port Jervis, and get away with \$50,000 in bonds and securities.
DECEMBER.

1. Perry Cory's name appended to adv. of Sussex boot and shoe store, with new list of prices, which were double the figures of the present day.

1. Emery & Wilson assume charge of carriage shop formerly run by W. H. Hagaman, on Mill street.

1. Edwin Turner becomes postmaster at Hope, vice James Berry.

1. The Musconetcong Iron Works at Stanhope were in full blast.

2. The suit between Goshen and Middletown interests for control of charter of Sussex Valley Railroad had been amicably settled.

2. At this period Paterson had sixteen silk factories, employing 3,500 persons.

2. Frank McCall found dead in vacant pit near Hyram mine, Dover.

4. A lad named Reynolds killed by explosion of boiler at Shupe mine, near Dover. He was running the engine. His father was killed near same spot six years previous.

5. Rev. Nathaniel Elmer, of Middletown, had become pastor of the Reformed Church of Montague.

6. The new public school building in Morristown is opened. Beside Principal Havens and his assistant, ten teachers were employed.

7. Sussex Courts opened. There were 5 supreme court cases, 1 argument, 34 circuit court cases, 47 jury appeals and 24 court appeals.

7. An order from Gen. Kilpatrick to Major W. R. Mattison called for the purchase of \$6,000 worth of horses, to be shipped to Chili. John B. Decker paid \$2,000 for the stallion Abe Lincoln, to be shipped to the same market.

7. Mattison Block and several other buildings at Washington, Warren county, destroyed by fire, causing a loss of over \$90,000, with insurance of about \$50,000. The town had no fire apparatus, and the flames spread rapidly. The chief losers were Dr. J. V. Mattison, Cummings, Rockwell & Co., Carter & VanDoren, Trowbridge & Gibbs, Good Templars, S. E. Craft and H. VanDoren. The fire's progress was checked at the Washington Bank.

7. Concert at Rinker Hall, by Prof. Oske, at which Miss Emma C. Thursby, soprano of H. W. Beecher's choir, was the chief attraction.

9. A list of successful candidates, who passed the examinations for teachers' certificates in November is given. Ten out of twenty-six applicants failed. Charles J. Baxter, of Unionville, the present State Superintendent, headed the list, taking a first grade certificate. None of the others are teaching now.

4. Barn of Swayze & Drake, at Port Murray, burned, through boys and matches.

6. Prof. Hartwell had completed and opened a school building near Unionville.

6. Port Oram furnace put in blast.

9. New M. E. Church at Rockaway, which cost \$11,400, was dedicated, free of debt.

9. John Hargetty had sold 137 acres in Wantage to Joseph D. Elston, at \$90 per acre.

10. Indications were that the Boonton mills would stop work soon. Notices had been posted of a reduction of wages on January 3.

10. During a recent snow storm Frank Gallagher, of Swede's mine, perished on the road through exposure.

10. John B. Chardavoyne, of Wantage, had purchased 110 acres of James L. Vail, near Waterloo Mills, for \$85 per acre.

11. Farm of 117 acres at Myrtle Grove, owned by estate of Isaac Dennis, sold at public sale to Nathan Dennis, at \$86.50 per acre. He refused an offer of \$90 per acre after the sale.

11. Jacob Wildrick, a lad of 15, broke through ice at Marksboro, while attempting to skate; his father shared a similar fate in an attempt to rescue the lad, and

finally neighbors rescued both from a perilous condition.

14. Citizens of Morristown met in Washington Hall, and adopted resolutions in favor of increased railroad facilities to New York.

14. A donation of \$200 to Rev. G. F. Hendrickson, of Schooley's Mountain Baptist Church, made him happy.

15. About this time "green goods" circulars were as plentiful as they ever have been.

15. Ten German silver instruments had arrived for the new band, and with the re-enlistment of some of the old organization, the members were making rapid advancement, rehearsing twice a week under leadership of James L. Northrup.

15. A fair in Rinker Hall, for the benefit of the Presbyterian church, was so successful that it was continued another night. The net proceeds were \$400. A handsome Fallbank's scale which received the first prize at the Paris exposition, contributed not a little to the fund, by weighing people at 10 cents per head; weights being given before and after supper. (This scale was afterward purchased by F. M. Hough.)

15. John Han'ey killed by a fall of rock in Hibernia mine.

15. Fair and festival for benefit of the Marksboro Presbyterian church.

16. A miner named Willoughby, working in the Cooper mine, near Dover, was ill in the forenoon, but feeling better at noon, went to work against the urgent remonstrance of his wife. He had not reached the bottom of the shaft ere he was caught in a cave of earth, and fatally injured.

16. Daniel Sickles and wife, who lived near Stewartville, were recently taken to the Warren county almshouse, though they had many descendants. The affidavits of the couple showed that the husband was 95 and his wife 104 years old.

16. Michael Cassidy killed by a fall through coal chutes at Phillipsburg.

16. Burglars visit residences of J. L. Fichter and Richard George, at Rockaway, and get away with about \$150 worth of silver and clothing. The previous night the same gang entered several houses in Dover, carrying away furs, etc., to the value of \$500.

19. Congregation of Newton Baptist Church give a unanimous call to Rev. John T. Craig, of Livingston, N. J.

20. George Jarvis, of Deckertown, who had been bitten by a dog supposed to be mad, had gone to New York for treatment.

20. The Sussex R. R. had put up a shelter for passengers at Drake's pond junction.

20. Religious revivals were evident in the churches of Vernon and Lafayette.

21. Annual meeting of Warwick Valley stockholders elected old officers; the report of business was gratifying, and the engineers reported that the grade for a line to the Delaware, through the Pequet route, would not exceed 23 feet to the mile.

21. A reunion of Presbyterian churches in Sussex and Warren counties, met in Rinker Hall, and was addressed by Rev. Dr. John Hall, of New York, and others. The gathering was intended as a jubilee over the union of the old and new schools.

21. James Searing, an aged resident of Dover, badly injured by a train as he attempted to cross the track of the Mount Hope railroad.

23. Miss Minnie C. Swayze gave reading in Johnsonburg Christian Church.

23. Charles Cox purchased at public sale the farm of Jacob Cox, deceased, at \$90 per acre.

24. Ball at Jonas Crisman's hotel Deckertown.

24. Sudden death of the great War Secretary, Edwin M. Stanton, aged 55 years.

24. A particularly fine Christmas entertainment in Newton Baptist Church.

25. Gertrude Beemer, an attractive young woman, and a former resident of Newton, attempts suicide at her mother's home in Newark, by taking belladonna.

25. Festival at Sparta M. E. Church netted \$310. On Christmas eve there was a row, during which the aggressor, Winfield Reed, had an ear bitten off. In revenge he fired a revolver in the crowd, one bullet passing through the rim of a hat worn by a young man named Hammel, being a narrow escape from a fatal wound. Another bullet passed through a door. Reed then took to his heels, with officers in pursuit.

25. A dull Christmas in town, the rains having removed the snow, though for a time there was skating on Drake's pond. In the evening the town was greatly excited over the disappearance of Annie, the little daughter of Gabriel Post, who had been seen at the pond, but had not returned home. Searching parties were out in all directions, and the young miss was finally located at the home of Samuel Warbasse, at Branchville junction. She had been wrongly directed by a young scamp, when she left the pond. Though she had retired for the night, she was not permitted to remain, and was brought home to her over-anxious parents.

25. Ladies of Port Jervis Reformed Church make \$600 by a fair, and lose \$500 of it few days afterward by the robbery of the Port Jervis bank.

25. Beginning of a week's fair in Cannon's Hall, for new church fund of Saint Joseph's parish.

26. A man named Rosewall had been killed at Mount Hope mine, through falling down a shaft 100 feet in depth.

27. Charles Riker, aged 27 years, and his brother John, aged 18, drowned in Culver's pond, where they were fishing through the ice. Their shouts for help were heard, but as no one saw them drown, it was uncertain whether Charles, who had a pair of skates on, had broken through the ice, and his brother had gone down in an attempt to save him. The bodies were recovered four hours afterward. They were sons of Jerome Riker, of Branchville, and the eldest brother left a young wife.

27. Andrew Nye, of Harmony, Warren county, died from a sudden and severe illness in the woods where he had gone to see his son, who was cutting timber.

27. Harmony Lodge celebrates Saint John's Day, with ceremonies in lodge room, and a supper at the Cochran House. A gold watch and chain was presented to Past Master Wm. H. Hagaman.

29. At the monthly coal sale by the Lackawanna there was a general average advance of 25 cents per ton on all sizes except stove, which declined \$1.12½ per ton as compared with November sales.

29. Shooting match at Lattimore's hotel, Swartswood.

29. John G. Hulsizer, M. & E. brakeman, of Phillipsburg, killed by overhead bridge at Roseville.

30. Burglar entered residence of Jacob Aggar, at German Valley, fell down stairs and broke his leg, being easily captured when the family returned.

30. Real estate sales: F. Smith to Jas. Daly, two lots near depot in Newton, for \$1,075. James G. Flitts had traded his new brick building on Spring street to Decker & Howell, for the Willard house property, with intention of rebuilding the hotel.

31. Postponed Christmas tree and concert in Andover M. E. Church.

31. The total amount of internal revenue collected in the Fourth district (Sussex, Morris, Passaic and Bergen) during 1869, was \$430,928.58.

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1. A remarkable weather record opens the year. Mercury rose to 50°, and for a week the ground was scarcely frozen at night. Mud prevailed everywhere.

1. St. Joseph's fair closed with net profits of \$650.

1. Rev. G. W. Lloyd, formerly of Branchville, had located at Horicon, Wis.

1. Three children, aged 10, 7 and 5, sons of Joseph Wible, of Wynockle, Passaic county, go into the woods to play, and are not seen alive again. The search and finding some weeks later was one of the most exciting as well as touching incidents ever

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recorded in Northern Jersey.

1. John S. Ogden, of Branchville, had purchased the hotel at Unionville of Moses Dunn, for \$5,000.

2. This day was set for reopening of Sparta Presbyterian Church, with sermon by Rev. T. L. Byington, but on account of storm it was postponed until the following Sunday, (9th.) Between the first and fourth days of January the church was entered by vandals, who cut the new carpets, pulpit furniture, etc., and left a warning message "Fire Next Time," the words being cut from a newspaper and pasted on the slip of paper. A reward of \$500 was offered by the trustees for the arrest and conviction of the vandal or vandals.

2. Rev. J. T. Craig begins pastorate of Newton Baptist Church.

4. Real estate sales: Dr. Joseph Hedges to James J. Struble, farm near Frankford, \$80 per acre. Canfield Struble to Joseph Strader, farm at Augusta, \$115 per acre. Jacob A. Coursen to Wallace Myers, house and lot on High street, Newton, \$2,300. Nelden & Bodine to Thomas Anderson, foundry building on Moran street, \$4,000.

5. Charles P. Rorbach's name appears as successor to Perry Cory, in boot and shoe store.

5. Card of J. Campbell, attorney-at-law, Lafayette, appears.

5. James A. Swayze, Hope, announces desire to sell out his business.

6. George H. Smith retires from firm of Smith & Walker, grocers, at Newton.

8. Farm of John Reed, deceased, in Lafayette township, sold at public sale to John Durling, at \$119.50 per acre. James Byram bought a forty-acre lot at \$101.50 per acre, while three wood tracts averaged \$14 per acre.

9. Freeholder Jacob G. Staley, of Stillwater, died suddenly, though he had retired the previous night in apparently good health, after returning from a visit to his son at Sparta.

9. Presbyterian church at Sparta reopened for service, Rev. T. L. Byington preaching the sermon.

10. Annual meeting of stockholders of Newton Slate Company.

11. Edward Palmer died suddenly in Newton, under suspicious circumstances. A coroner's inquest was held, and his stomach was sent to a chemist for analysis, as Drs. Miller and Rorbach could give no natural cause for death.

11. Death of Rev. Clarkson Dunn, the oldest Episcopal clergyman in New Jersey, at Elizabethport, N. J. Funeral services were held in Grace Church, Elizabeth, on the 14th, and at Christ Church, Newton, on the 15th, after which his remains were interred in the old cemetery.

11. Annual election of Merchants National Bank. Only four of the thirteen directors are now living.

12. William Nightingale, of Phillipsburg, indicted for murder of Charles E. Robinson, a negro, on October 6, 1869, had escaped from two officers, who went to his home to make an arrest.

14. Rev. Dr. John Hall preached a sermon in Newton M. E. Church.

16. Death of Wm. A. Wood, aged 52 years, a prominent business man of Woodport.

16. Elder John C. Soule resigns pastorate of Monroe and Perry's Mills churches, and accepts a call to Lockton and Frenchtown churches. Elder Wm. H. Pittman, formerly of the same charge, comes to Soule's old charge.

18. A brown stone chapel at Morristown, costing \$50,000, is dedicated by congregation of First Presbyterian Church.

18. Sussex Bank election. Only two of the thirteen directors survive, and Wm. McDanolds is the only living member in the present Board.

19. Thomas Ryerson, Franklin Smith and John McCarter, building committee of the Newton Library Association, give notice that bids for erection of a building will be received until February 15.

19. Dedication of new Reformed Church at Port Jervis.

20. Warren Fellows convicted at Goshen of murder in second degree, and sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment.

20. Dr. Foote had selected 230 acres at Middletown as a site for a new insane asylum. The tract was parts of three farms.

21. Jonathan Burrell, of Newton, claimed to have been assaulted and robbed of \$22, near Deckertown.

21. Musconetcong Lodge, I. O. O. F., dedicates its new hall at Hackettstown.

22. Trustees of Newton school district, at a public meeting in Court House, make statement of progress, and necessity of providing more means for completion of building. The lot cost \$3,000; \$23,000 had been paid to the contractors, Hoppe & Moore, and \$6,000 more were needed. A resolution was adopted authorizing Collector Fitts to pay money in his hands, and the Legislature was to be asked to legalize the action.

22. Theodore F. Margarum retires from firm of Stoll, Dunn & Co.

22. Matthias Hyther offers Johnsenburg foundry at public sale.

24. Barn of John Sherred, Branchville, burned, with 13 cows, a team of horses, grain, etc. Loss, \$2,000; insurance, \$500. Mr. S. had sold his farm and had advertised a sale of stock for February 9.

24. Directors of Sussex Bank re-elect David Thompson, as president, and voluntarily add \$300 to salary of Theo. Arvis, as bookkeeper.

25. Ground had been broken for the new church of St. Joseph's parish, on Hackett street. It was to be built of brick, and 50x80 feet in size.

25. Citizens of Port Jervis, at a public meeting, declare the prosperity of the town to be due to the location of the Erie's machine shops, and pledge themselves to adjust taxation in such manner as to induce an enlargement of the Erie's works in that village.

26. Boonton had a scandal case, in which one T. T. Bice, a tea agent, was claimed by twelve women as a seducer. His wife and child had recently arrived from England, and he escaped from custody while the Justice was hearing the first complaint.

26. Storehouse of Boston Franklinite Company, occupied by John H. Brown, at Franklin, destroyed by fire discovered at 9 a. m. Part of stock saved; loss, \$10,000; insurance, \$6,000.

26. All efforts to "bull" the price of coal failed and the Lackawanna sale showed a decline of \$1 per ton, as compared with December prices.

27. Recent real estate sales: Quackenbush farm in Sparta township to George M. Dally, 156 acres at \$97.50 per acre. W. M. Perrine trades a vacant lot and \$4,500 for house and lot recently occupied by Dr. D. L. Duncan, on Main street, Newton. John B. Adams, farm in Frankford, \$5,000, and sold it a week later to Daniel H. Rutan, for \$5,500.

27. Hon. John Hill's bill to abolish the franking privilege passes the House by a vote of 174 to 14.

27. William Winter, Clerk of Warren county, died suddenly from rheumatism of the heart. He was 62 years of age, and was serving the last year of his term.

28. Rear car of noon train on the Sussex railroad jumped track and went down an embankment at Andover. After a drop of 25 feet the car's flight was stopped by a telegraph pole. Miss Martha Courson, a school teacher, was the most seriously injured; Fox and son, peddlers, were cut and bruised, the latter internally, while other passengers suffered more or less.

30. John Nixon kicked David Sisco to death, during a drunken row at Bloomingdale, Passaic county. Nixon was not unknown in Sussex county, having been before the courts twice. The first charge was bigamy, and to escape the penalty he feigned insanity. After a short period in the State Asylum he was discharged, when he returned and tried horse stealing. For that he served a term in State prison.

31. Real estate sales: C. W. Williams

to G. B. Dunning, house and lot on Trinity street, \$4,600. Robert and George Shottwell to Jesse W. Lewis, 207 acres on Springdale road, \$21,500. The same parties to Jacob Hiles, house and lot on Mill st., \$4,500. Samuel C. Willson 19 acres of woodland, above Fredon, to James G. Fitts, Jacob Bryant and A. Losee, at \$75.25 per acre.

FEBRUARY.

1. C. A. Wallberg, shoemaker, is succeeded by S. Swanberg, in building next to M. E. Church.

1. Stewart, Adams & Co. absorb and remove the business of the Sussex Tea and Coffee Company from the Swayze building.

1. John George appointed postmaster at Ogdensburg.

1. Dr. C. R. Nelden removes his drug store to new building on Spring street, adjoining B. Stewart's stove store.

1. The revival meetings in the Newton M. E. Church had resulted in 45 hopeful conversions.

1. Coykendall & Moore form law partnership at Deckertown.

1. Friends of Rev. W. E. Blakeley of Lafayette charge, present him with gold watch, while Mrs. Blakeley received an album and \$20.

2. Bodies of the three Wyble children found by accident on Wynockie mountain, after various searching parties had failed since January 1, when they were lost.

4. William Mackie was accused of gross inhumanity. As he was driving through Bridgeville, Warren county, in a light carriage, some young boys caught hold of it. One of the boys named Ayling, a lad of 7 years, caught his leg in one of the wheels, and was badly hurt. He and his companions asked Mr. Mackie to stop, but he paid no attention, and as he drove on the little fellow was whirled around until the flesh and cords of his leg were twisted entirely from the bone. Finally the other boys ran ahead and caught the horse, and held it until the sufferer was released, and then Mr. M. drove away leaving the boy in the road. Dr. Clark, of Belvidere, was summoned by telegraph, and exerted his utmost skill to save the little fellow's life.

8. John Bennett, M. & E. brakeman, killed at Phillipsburg.

8. The Port Oram furnace, which cost \$300,000 to construct, and which was put in blast about seven weeks since, was in trouble. About 400 cords of wood had been burned in a vain effort to secure a current of hot air to the bottom of the stack, and the furnace was about to chill.

9. Death of Rev. George Banghart, at Bridgeville, Warren county, in his 88th year. He was one of the earliest Methodist preachers in this State.

11. James Hill, of Philadelphia, killed by falling from bridge over Rockaway river at Boonton. One of his companions working on the new bridge, fortunately caught one of the timbers of the bridge, and saved his life.

11. Thieves enter workshop at public school building, and steal \$100 worth of fine tools owned by the mechanics.

12. John I. Blair subscribes \$5,000 toward building a Re-union Hall, at Princeton.

13. Protracted meetings in Newton M. E. Church close with admission of fifty probationers.

15. The M. & E. was about to begin work on a tunnel through Bergen hill.

15. Elener & Heller had opened liquor store on Water street.

16. Prof. G. F. Coleman delivered a lecture on Chemistry, in Newton.

16. Ceremony of breaking ground for the New Jersey, Hudson and Delaware Railroad, at Deckertown, viewed by 700 persons. The event occurred on the farm of Augustus Wilson, about half a mile north of the village. E. P. Wheeler, president of the M. U. & W. G. R. used the same shovel that he did when ground was broken for that road at Unionville. Speeches were made by J. N. Pronk, E. P. Wheeler, H. R. Low, and Jonathan Whitaker. Adjournment was made to the

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village, where Victor M. Drake spoke in congratulation, and Judge Low gave assurance that the road would be completed to Franklin by Nov. 1, 1870, and to New York by May 1, 1871.

16. George Scripture, track foreman, killed at Stanhope, by Easton express train. He was picking up some tools by the side of the track, and the noise of escaping steam from a drill engine prevented him from hearing the approach of the train.

17. Michael Lomping, a farmer, aged 50, hanged himself at his home near Stewartsville.

17. Real estate sales: John F. Dunn to Lewis VanBlarcom, house and lot on High street, \$7,500. The John Faull property on Spring street; one part to W. W. Woodward and Samuel Johnson, for \$3,500, and other half to Dr. F. Smith, for \$2,500. The VanDeusen property in Montague township for a total of \$11,793 71—the homestead farm of 108½ acres going to Joseph S. Hornbeck, at \$65.50 per acre.

20. Dead body of Richard Lantz found in road near Branchville, at 6 a. m. There was a mystery connected therewith.

20. On account of death of his wife, Rev. A. J. Adams resigns pastorate of Lafayette Baptist Church.

20. Rev. F. E. M. Bachelor, of Sparta, had received a call from the Congregational Church at Dudley, Mass. Also, from a church in Connecticut.

22. Father Edward M. Hickey, of North Orange, delivers lecture, "Rome and the Vatican," in St. Joseph's Church.

22. The \$4,000 needed to secure the bequest of the late David Ryerson, to N. C. I., had been raised, despite the numerous calls for subscriptions to churches, railroads, library and gas, with the burdens of taxation of public school, etc. The school was now free of debt, and upon a broad and firm foundation. Speaking of the event the editor says: "Never has the liberality of this town been so heavily drawn upon as within the last two years, and the speedy and triumphant success of this best effort added to all the others, shows that it is not yet exhausted. Never has the town been as flourishing, attractive, or as desirable a place of residence, as now, by reason of its increasing advantages. The public spirit and enterprise already awakened will never let Newton stop and vegetate just as it now is, although some of its citizens have been predicting its decline during all the growth of the last fifteen years. The day of success for us has but just begun and will continue to grow brighter and brighter until it reaches its zenith of prosperity, when all may be proud to say, 'I am a citizen of Newton.' Prophetic soul! If this were true thirty years ago, what do we see to-day?"

22. Edward D. Green, aged 28 years, killed by cars at Boonton.

22. Smith & Gray succeeded by Thos. E. Smith and Roy Randolph, the latter taking Lewis K. Gray's share in hat business on Main street.

24. Gold drops to 116½, the lowest price in eight years, and U. S. bonds were selling at a premium, viz: 114½ for five twenties, and 108½ for ten-thirties.

24. Barney King, of Mine Hill, drove off a bridge without railing, and himself and horse were found dead in a stream between Succasunna mine and McCainsville.

24. Rev. A. J. Adams receives gift of \$65 from his Lafayette parishioners.

25. Out of eighteen applicants the following passed the test of a teachers' examination: L. H. Vansyckle, A. Lewis' Morrow, Jane Carmer, Jennie Marshall, Chas. Coykendall, Simeon Parcell, John P. Wyker, Harvey S. Leach, Jennie Emmans.

25. Warren County Teachers' Association met at Phillipsburg.

28. A purse of \$50 added to a donation of \$240 by Vernon charge, to Rev. Isaac Thomas.

28. Margaret, widow of Samuel Rorbach, of Newton, died very suddenly.

28. Real estate sales: Merritt Pinkney to John F. Dunn, L. L. Martin property

on Spring street, \$7,500. Barret Havens to Jonas Crisman and William S. McCoy, 24 acres and two dwellings in Wantage, \$3,400.

28. Major Benjamin Perry, a one-armed veteran drummer of the war of 1812, died suddenly in Frankford, aged 80 years.

MARCH.

1. Drs. Jonathan Havens and Charles R. Nelden form a professional partnership at Newton.

1. Henry M. Freeman and David L. Hunt dissolve partnership at Andover.

1. James L. Smith removed furniture waterrooms to his building on High street. 1. A new paper was billed to appear on this date, at Boonton, managed by a Warren county man named Orlandt.

1. The Port Oram furnace had proved a failure.

1. David W. Smith purchased the Edwards building, on Spring street, for \$14,000, expecting to remove his store there on April 1.

1. A third rail for Lackawanna cars had been laid from Port Murray to Hackettstown, and from the Musconetcong to Waterloo. The entire work from Washington to Hoboken was to be finished before May.

1. Squire Douglass celebrates his 110th birthday at Elizabeth. He was born March 1, 1760, while on a voyage from Virginia to the place upon which Newton now stands. He was a slave in this country for half a century. He was still very active, and capable of doing all kinds of work.

2-3. Entertainment at Sparta, introducing Davie Lyon, the eight-year-old musical prodigy of Woodport.

3. M. E. congregation at Hackettstown presents \$188 to Rev. J. R. Bryan.

4. Warrant in bankruptcy issued against estate of Isaac A. Walker.

7. John H. Westbrook assumes proprietorship of tobacco store formerly conducted by Samuel J. Coursen.

8. Lewis R. Morris retires from firm of Hoppaugh & Morris.

8. James W. Crigar and James W. Lewis dissolve partnership in commission business.

8. Lewis J. Martin opens law offices at Deckertown.

8. Dr. J. Hasbrouck, of Goshen, N. Y., begins practice in Newton. He was the first homeopathic physician in Sussex.

10. Real estate sales: R. B. Westbrook to Jacob L. Swayze, Vail farm on Springdale road, 118 acres, at \$95 per acre. Jacob L. Swayze to R. B. Westbrook, the Samuel Lane house and lot on Main, \$8,500. Martin Grover to Jacob L. Swayze, lot corner of High street and Love Lane road, \$600. Hotel at Unionville, N. Y., to Peter A. VanSickle, \$3,200.

10. The local matters first appear on third page of THE REGISTER.

10. Specie payment had been resumed in many places, and Newton merchants were paying out silver as a trade inducement, for the first time in many years.

11. Prof. Abbey closes his musical convention at Marksboro with a concert.

13. Sim Jefferson, of Montague, suffocated in Bennett's lime kiln, where he had gone to warm himself.

14. Deckertown M. E. Church presents Rev. J. N. Keys with a purse of \$50.

14. Sale of B. & L. money brings a premium of 27 per cent.

15. Gov. Randolph sends a message to the Legislature advocating the taxation of corporations, to meet a probable deficit in State finances.

16. Nelson Stoddard and John D. Lanterman dissolve partnership at Ogdensburg.

16. Meeting at Warwick receives report of Engineer Noble, and \$10,200 subscribed to Pequest and Walkkill Valley Railroad.

18. Tableaux, etc., at Court House, for furnishing fund of Presbyterian Church. It netted \$175 and was a superior affair.

18. Patrick Carey killed by fall of lime stone at Boonton furnace, at which work had been resumed.

20. Storehouse of Mrs. S. L. Sharrer,

with adjoining tenant house, at Stillwater, burned with contents. The storehouse tenant was Isaac Rosenkrans, whose loss of \$1,500 was covered by insurance. James M. Harker, who occupied the tenant house, saved all his furniture. Storehouse insured in Sussex Mutual for \$1,500; tenant house uninsured. Residence of Rev. Henry Rinker, near by, saved with difficulty.

20. Rev. J. N. Fitzgerald preached his farewell sermon, after serving three years as pastor of the Newton M. E. Church.

20. A religious revival at Phillipsburg, under ministrations of Rev. J. W. Seran, had resulted in the professed conversion of 300 persons, 170 of whom had become probationers.

21. A mortgage for \$3,000,000 on the Pequest railroad, required \$3,000 in revenue stamps.

21. R. Tuttle and M. P. Tully form partnership in clothing business.

22. Dedication of new M. E. Church at Morristown. Its cost was \$103,000, and \$6,000 more was needed to finish the surroundings.

23. Newark M. E. Conference opened at Jersey City. The Conference vote on lay delegates was announced as 3,126 for and 1,696 against. Newton district gave 309 for and 402 against. Rev. C. C. Winans appointed to Newton.

23. Bridge over the Delaware at Matamoras blown down during a great gale.

24. Fire at Warwick destroys carriage factory of Hurst & Case, and tin shop of J. L. Finch & Co.

24. Deposits in Sussex Banks aggregated \$254,564.73.

25. Pleasant Vally Mills, owned by James F. Mertin, and leased by J. P. & B. J. Northrup, burned by fire which broke out in the drying room, at 4 p. m. No insurance.

26. Daniel Richards assigns to Jacob L. Swayze and Moses VanAuken.

27. Brick hotel of Horn & Vough and drug store of Carter & VanDorn, at Washington, destroyed by fire discovered at midnight. Loss, \$55,000; insurance, \$39,250.

27. Ford's pond in Dover burst its bounds, and the water rushed through the streets.

28. Morris canal opened for the season.

28. Joseph Schooley retires from firm of Schooley & Everett.

28. William Gordon killed by train at State Hill, this being the first fatal accident on the Unionville railroad.

29. Henry Strader, a soldier in the Florida war, under Gen. Scott, died at Andover, aged 70 years. He was an oft quoted character.

30. University of Michigan confers degree of M. D. upon Joseph P. Conso, of Branchville, Horatio N. Crane, of Papa-kating, and John A. Rutan, of Beemerville. Also, graduated from the Law Department, Munson D. Ayers and James E. Howell, of Beemerville.

30. President Grant issues proclamation announcing ratification of Fifteenth amendment to the Constitution.

31. Death of Seth Boyden, at Newark, in his 82d year; one of the most remarkable inventors of the age, and the originator of a famous variety of strawberry.

31. Lodge of Sons of Temperance organized at Dover.

31. John Snyder retires from firm of Snyders & Warbasse, and is succeeded by Martin R. Snyder.

APRIL.

1. Lewis H. Sutton succeeds Edwards & Dunn, and opens store and tin shop opp. Court House.

5. Baptist churches of Lafayette and Branchville had called Rev. George F. Love, of Newburg, to pastorate.

1. A rumor that Supt. Timothy Case was to go to a western railroad was denied. Mr. Hemingway, of Branchville, had been assigned to a position in the Sussex R. R. freight office.

1. Firm of Edwards & Dunn dissolved.

1. Jewett's lead sold at \$14 per 100 lbs.

4. Citizens of Washington, Warren

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county, met and organized a fire company. It was the intention to procure a steamer.

5 Justice Dalruple opens Sussex Courts, with eight cases in the supreme court and twenty-six in the circuit.

7. Hon. John Hill presents a petition fifty feet in length and containing 1,300 names, asking Congress, for various reasons enumerated to abolish the income tax.

7. "The Gift Enterprise Store" was advertised by L. D. Rosenkrans and Thomas S. Hiles.

7. Infant daughter of William Lazaw, of Hamburg, strangled in its cradle thro' beans placed in her mouth by a little sister.

9 Sudden death of mother of Lewis Adams, near Deckertown, as she was preparing to make a trip to the village. She was 70 years of age.

11. Annual township elections. In Newton five votes were cast by colored men, that of Ben Parker being the first ever cast in this county. George Hardin chosen Assessor, after serving one term as Collector, and has held the office almost continuously since then. Moses McCollum defeats John Earl for Street Commissioner, by six majority.

12. Election of Newton fire department, which had been extensively advertised, votes \$2,000 for purchase of a lot and erecting an engine house. These officers were chosen: John C. Williams, president; Job Woodruff, secretary; Morris Hoppaugh, treasurer; Theo. F. Anderson, assessor; Wm. W. Woodward and L. D. Rosenkrans, managers.

13 Presbytery of Newton, in session at Danville, severed Allamuchy from the Andover church, on account of growth of work in latter place.

13. Thomas Halloran killed his wife at their home near Boonton.

14. William T. Lepore had removed to Dover, and opened a law office.

15. Edith O'Gorman, an ex-sister of charity, mobbed after a lecture at Madison, where she entered the sisterhood.

16. New Temperance Hall at Sparta dedicated. At this period there were active Temperance organizations at Sparta, Franklin Furnace, Stanhope, Branchville and Newton.

16. D. S. Anderson removes law office to rooms in Rinker building.

18. J. & J. S. Johnson announce a general trade stimulation at Andover.

18. Misses M. & L. Franks open millinery at Andover.

18. David W. Smith removes from O'Leary storehouse to his recent purchase on Spring street, which he dubs "Excelsior building."

19. School meeting held in Court House was a lively one. Committee reported that the third installment of \$6,000, due contractors for school building, would be paid when the building was enclosed. A resolution was adopted that trustees notify contractors that they must finish the building without unnecessary delay, or their bond would be prosecuted.

20. Dr. V. M. Swayze opens dental office over Donning's drug store.

20. Kerosene oil "reduced" to 40 cents per gallon in Newton.

23. Death of William M. Rysdyck, the owner of old "Hambletonian."

25. Rev. W. W. Holley occupies the new rectory of Christ Church.

25. Spring term of Miss Kate Lepore's school commenced in lecture room of Presbyterian church, Newton.

25. Gov. Randolph appoints Henry C. Kelsey as secretary of state to succeed Horace N. Congar, resigned.

25. John F. Congar had removed from Newton to Jerome Park, N. Y.

25. Prospectus issued for the Sussex County Independent, to be issued May 4, at Deckertown. Size 23x17 inches.

25. J. H. Cornell & Bro. advertise Sussex Nursery at Struble's Corner.

27. Store of C. V. Boss, at Sparta, robbed of a lot of pork, which was found in a house in the village, and though the culprits were named, they escaped arrest.

28. Presbytery of Rockaway held spring session in North Hardyston Church. Hon. Daniel Haines and Rev. P. B. Bonney chosen as Commissioners to General Assembly.

28. Lewis R. Morris opens grocery store next to C. R. Nelden's drug store.

30. Previous to departure of Rev. F. E. M. Bachelor, for Massachusetts, the Sparta congregation had given him \$230.

MAY.

1. Anniversary of Sunday school of Presbyterian church. Address by Rev. Oscar Hardin, on "The Mission Schools of New York." The school at this period numbered 239 scholars.

1. After a winter suspension, work had been resumed on the Hackettstown Seminary. The stone trimmings came from Nova Scotia.

2. Dr. J. S. Newman ceases traveling and opens dental office over Hull's store.

3. Samuel Lane visits town, and said of the thirty-five families who resided here in 1809 when he settled in Newton, only six persons were left.

3. Newtonians somewhat excited over a statement made by Judge Low, to the effect that the Directors of the New Jersey Midland R. R. contemplated building a spur from the main line at Ogdensburg to Newton. This, it was calculated, would bring Newton within two hours of New York instead of three by the M. & E. R. R.

4. Chandler Quintin had opened a training stable in Newton.

4. John J. Nixon, a criminal who had previously received sentence in Sussex courts, convicted at Paterson, of murder in the second degree, and sent to State prison for twenty years. He killed a man named Sisco during a drunken spree at Bloomingdale.

5. Note made of an exhibit of Continental money in possession of the Shaver family of Johnsonburg.

5. Temperance Society called the "Star of Peace," organized in Newton, by four officers from a lodge at Orange.

5. The church wedding of George A. Julier and Miss Maggie Murray was the topic in Newton, it being the first elaborate affair of the kind in Saint Joseph's Church.

5. Peter Case and wife, of Washingtonville, celebrate the 60th anniversary of their wedding, and have their first photograph taken. The occasion was made eventful by a dinner for forty persons, furnished by their neighbors, and prepared while the "old folks" came to Newton. The "young ladies" who assisted in the affair were Aunt Sallie Morris, aged 85, and Mrs. Alice Northrup, aged 72. The particulars, with facts in the life of Mr. and Mrs. Case, form a very interesting sketch.

6. Building owned by Thomas Shields, at Hackettstown, damaged by fire to the extent of \$4,000.

7. Meeting at Court House to arrange for 4th of July celebration.

8. Stewart Creveling, a M. & E. brakeman, seriously if not fatally injured at Hackettstown.

9. Concert at Rinker Hall, under direction of Prof. H. J. Rudd.

9. The Dover Enterprise, a monthly paper published by Lindsey and Dickerson, purchased by Edward Nevins, and is to be issued hereafter as a weekly.

9. A settlement effected by which the Sussex R. R. Co. took possession of the Branchville extension, and were to place it in running order and operate it. This was the result of the sheriff's sale of the W. H. Bell interests, which had been adjourned four times since January 3.

9. Newton B. & L. Association sells \$2,200 in three lots, at premiums of 24, 26 and 18 per cent.

9. Real estate sales: O. B. Pellet and L. J. Martin to Mrs. E. M. Hunt, lot 60 feet front on Thompson street, \$500; also lot on same street to Asa Kluner, 54 feet front, for \$400. O. B. Pellet to William E. Taylor, 20 feet front lot on Llanwood avenue, \$400.

10. Warwick was congratulating itself over the fact that it had a daily mail in spite of the opposition of some of the neighboring villages; that the telegraph would be in operation in a few days, and that a new post office had been opened.

11. Morris Fresholders unanimously settle the long-debated question of a site for the proposed soldiers' monument, by a choice of Morristown Green, and a committee of five was appointed to prepare plans for a monument to cost \$15,000.

11. Barn of James G. Scott, Hardyston, burned.

11. Board of Freeholders organized, choosing James G. Fitts as director, Chas. M. Angle, clerk; Levi Shepherd, county collector; Robert Hamilton, attorney; George T. Smith, overseer of park. Collector's salary made \$500, and term of office three years. \$35,000 ordered to be raised by tax for county purposes. The indebtedness of the county was stated to be \$23,885.45.

12. At a meeting of stockholders, held in Jersey City, the interests of the New Jersey, Hudson and Delaware, the New Jersey Western, and the Sussex Valley Railroad Companies were consolidated under one management, to be known as the New Jersey Midland Railroad Company, with C. A. Wortendyke as president; John Loomis, vice president, and Henry R. Low, treasurer.

12. Rev. M. A. Depue installed as pastor of Presbyterian church at Schooley's Mountain.

14. A New York audience showers stones and eggs upon Andrew Jackson Rogers, as he attempted to speak without coat or hat at a Tammany ratification meeting.

15. The demolition of the old Presbyterian church at Blairstown was in progress, preparatory to the erection of a new church 55x80 feet in size. Yetter & Helmsmore had a contract for the stone work at \$8,500.

15. James Stewart had been appointed postmaster at Washington, vice Wm. H. Cornwell, removed.

15. William G. Lathrop was erecting the \$100,000 mansion at Boonton now owned by the State Firemen's Association.

16. John C. Westbrook began manufacture of woolen goods in the mill near Park Place Hotel, Branchville.

16. Henry D. Chapin, of Antrim, N. H., had been engaged to take charge of the Deckertown Academy.

18. Work on the Midland Railroad was progressing rapidly, with a large force of laborers. In the cut west of Hamburg, a number of skulls and bones were exhumed, presumably those of Indians, who had been buried in a sitting position.

18. Dedication of new M. E. Church at Port Oram.

19. William and Moses Lanterman break ground at Ogdensburg for the Midland railroad, the contractor between that place and Franklin being Mr. Arnold. J. & P. Norton were the contractors on the Stockholm section and one McAdams was in charge of the heavy rock cutting.

20. William Lawrence delivered a temperance lecture in Rinker Hall, after which Rev. C. C. Winans and Dr. Thomas Ryerson made addresses.

23. The famous Fenian raid upon Canada began at St. Albans, Vt.

23. Hendrick Young died at Vernon, aged 77. His mother was born in the Revolutionary army, while her father was in active service as one of Washington's commissary generals. His patriotism was inherited, and he sent six of his nine sons and one grandson to fight for the Union in 1861, of which one was killed and four brought back scars. He was the first successful strawberry grower in upper Sussex.

25. First train run to Paterson over new branch of the Lackawanna railroad.

25. The iron fence around the Episcopal church and rectory grounds had been completed.

25. Alexander Hunt purchases the interest of his partner, Jacob H. Todd, in the tannery at Swartswood, for \$3,000.

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25. Unusually severe thunder storm passes over the county. Lightning struck house of Jacob Gould, on Halsted street, also killed two cows on farm of Henry Lawrence. Matthias Goble and four men narrowly escape death at Sparta. Tenant house of Martin Siple, Stillwater, struck.

25. Bird & Martin were making from 350 to 400 lbs. of butter each day at the new creamery on the Linn farm at Hamburg, and had 25 to 31 cheese presses in operation.

26. Card of Peter Woychinske, wagon maker, on Water street, appears.

26. "M. C. W." controverts an insinuation made through a Herald correspondent, that the "free darkies" in the Clove region did not enjoy as many "comforts" as when slavery existed.

26. A supplement to the charter of the Newton Gas Light Company authorizes an increase of \$10,000 to the capital stock, and makes it lawful for the Town Committee of Newton to contract for putting up lamps and lighting the same with gas.

26. Guild of Christ Church, Newton, organized.

26. Alanson Stephens, during an altercation on the road, shot twice at Benjamin H. Kays, one bullet passing through the fleshy part of the arm and another grazed his ear.

27. A lawsuit of considerable local importance tried before Justice Courson and six men, at Newton. Thomas C. Elston alleged that George Ham, of Andover, had received \$25 of his money to carry the voters of Stag pond to Andover polls. Elston claimed non-fulfillment of agreement. Ham said he used the money, besides \$1.50 of his own, and was not only defeated, but had a swelled head beside. Verdict for defendant.

29. Congregation of Lower Walpack Reformed Church adopt resolutions expressing regret at departure of their pastor, Rev. Alexander McWilliam, who went to East Millstone, N. J.

30. Simeon J. Struble suicides at his home between Newton and Sparta. He suffered intensely from dyspepsia, which seemed the sole cause for the act. The same afternoon that he purchased strychnine in Newton he bought a watch for his daughter, and twenty hours later the watch seller was engraving his coffin plate.

30. Thomas Halloran, who killed his wife at Boonton, sentenced to 17 years' imprisonment.

30. "Decoration" day more generally observed than since its inception.
JUNE.

1. Taking of the census begun. J. McConnell assigned to townships of Hardyston, Sparta, Byram and Andover. Chas. V. Moore to Stillwater, Frankford, Walpack and Sandyston. Joseph Hill to Newton, Lafayette, Hampton and Green.

1. District Stewards met in Newton M. E. Church. There was a large attendance, and a very interesting session.

1. At an examination for teachers' certificates on May 29, twenty-five were successful, viz: First grade, A. B. Cope, H. D. Chapin, Sarah Ribbie; second grade, Emma Lantz, Joel Campbell, Martha VanBlarcom, A. W. Stockbower and Wm. F. Smith, besides seventeen in the third grade.

2. Note made of a visit by E. W. Nevins, who expected to succeed the Dover Enterprise with a new paper to be called the Morris Co. Vidette. The Enterprise was to cease publication in June, and the new paper appear on July 7.

4. Trot at Lafayette between horses owned by John Armstrong, Joe Chandler and Charley Shiner.

5. Death of Moses Case, at Newton, aged 84.

5. Rev. R. S. Feagles resigns pastorate of Mount Olive Presbyterian Church.

7. Supreme Court admits a class of 18 applicants for attorney's license; it was the largest in the history of the court. Among them were the following Sussex lads: Martin Rosenkrans, Robert T.

Johnson, Walter I. Ross, J. W. Swarts, William Luse and William M. Johnson. A counsellor's license was given to Wm. T. Lepore.

8. Lyman Edwards, Whitfield S. Johnson, Robert Hamilton, James R. Hull, Isaac Vangelder and Anthony D. Morford, as trustees of old Newton Academy, under act of Legislature, advertise the building and lot on Division street, at public sale, on July 3.

8. Death of Job B. Woodruff, at Newton, aged 71.

8. Death of Charles Dickens, the novelist.

8. Corner stone laid for Masonic Temple, Sixth avenue and 231 street, New York.

9. Dr. S. H. Moore locates in Newton, with office at Fellows' drug store.

9-10. Sussex Baptist Association in session at Lafayette.

13. Sussex Mutual orders seven per cent. assessment.

14. Medical Society met at Newton.

14. At annual meeting of the County Medical Society there were 22 members present and four new ones admitted to the association. Dr. Miller read a paper on "hydrate of chloral." Mortimer Lampson chosen president, John Moore, vice president.

15. County Bible Society met at Sparta. Sermon by Rev. J. K. Burr, of Morristown.

15. The remains of Captain James Walker, of Co. D., 15th N. J. V., who was killed May 12, 1864, had recently been brought to Newton, for interment, and there was renewed agitation to provide a monument over his grave.

15. Incorporators of Longwood Valley Railroad met at Dover, and \$200,000 was subscribed to capital stock, preliminary to election of a board of directors.

15. Festival by ladies of Christ Church in store room formerly occupied by Walker & Smith. Net proceeds \$300.

15. Concert in Andover M. E. Church.

16. Regular train service began to Branchville, one passenger train each way, with a freight train in the afternoon.

16. Newton cornet band gives first concert of the season in park.

16. There was a general kick over the management of the M. & E. R. R. and a soft coal burning engine had added to the grievances.

16. Contract to erect soldiers monument at Morristown, awarded to H. F. Shearman, for \$9,000. Designed by H. H. Davis.

17. Carrie E. Jones, a daughter of Geo. H. Jones, of Newark, suicides at Mt. Retirement Seminary. Her father had expended over \$2,000 in educating her, with a hope that she would be able to support herself if she should be thrown upon her own resources. Recently he had met with business discouragements, and his health also failing; he wrote her a kind letter suggesting that she find some situation in which she would support herself. She tried, but did not meet with success, and being out of harmony with her stepmother, who was very cruel, she rashly took poison, an act which she regretted before she died.

18. The "devil" of THE REGISTER stands erect on the top of the woodwork of Presbyterian steeple, on a space one foot square, and 180 feet above ground.

18. John Vanetten offers \$23 for races at Lafayette track.

18. Nine-year-old son of Levi Dalrymple, of Oxford township, killed by falling under wheels of a heavily loaded wagon.

20. Mowing machine contest on lands of David Thompson, in Newton. Four machines contested, viz: Advance, Wood, Sprague, World. Judges, John McCarter, Henry C. Northrup and Bartley Larew, of Warren. Premium awarded to the Sprague.

21. Thomas Anderson and Robert T. Johnson form law partnership.

22. Mrs. Nedge, of Boonton, died from effects of a fall the previous night.

23. National hotel, near depot, adver-

tised by James G. Flitt, as newly built and just opened.

24. William Donnelly, brakeman, killed by overhead bridge near Washington.

25. The census of Belvidere had been completed, showing a population of 1,883, an increase of 330 since 1865. There were 308 dwellings, with 357 families.

26. Elias T. Hemmover and Anthony H. Buchner, two Sussex boys, who went to Australia in 1852, and who were believed to be dead, had just been heard from in British Columbia.

27. Frank W. Baldwin, of the Orange Chronicle, had purchased the material used in Billy Bell's Sussex Record, and was about to remove it to Orange.

27. Edward A. Ackerman, of Easton, Pa., fatally injured by a construction train at Waterloo. He was formerly a Central R. R. conductor, from which he was discharged six months previous, because in ejecting a passenger, the latter's leg was broken.

30. War between Erie and Lackawanna over possession of Bergen tunnel.

30. The court house had received a thorough and long-needed renovation; in-grain carpets replace rag for the first time.

JULY.

1. Henry C. Kelsey takes formal possession of office of Secretary of State.

2. George Tuhf, engineer, killed by his train at Chatham.

3. Temperance work was very active in Newton about this time, and the churches were alternately holding special services.

4. Trustees of Newton public school receive a severe shaking up. While inspecting the building, from which the ladders had been removed, they swung themselves from floor to floor, by means of a rope. This broke near the second floor, and Joseph Coult and R. Tuttle were precipitated to the basement.

4. Excursion trains on Sussex railroad carry 1,757 passengers to and from Newton.

4. A grand celebration at Newton, in which the whole county participated. Judge Morris, aged 78, who bore the cap of liberty in the procession, walked in that morning from Sparta, unaided by a cane. Reader of Declaration, Jacob L. Swayze; orator, Jacob Vanatta, of Morristown; a delay of train deferred the oration until afternoon. There was a trot on the fair grounds in the afternoon, and 4,000 persons viewed the fireworks in the evening. A festival held in the uncompleted Presbyterian church, netted \$1,000.

4. Trot on Brick House track attended by 2,000 persons.

4. Dedication of soldiers' monument at Phillipsburg.

5. Drug store of George L. Smith, on Spring street, gutted by fire discovered at 4 a. m., and supposed to have originated from a firecracker spark falling through the cellar. Though the town had no fire department, the boys had cleaned up one of the engines for the 4th of July parade, and it was effectively used to keep the fire within the building. Loss on building, \$500.50. Loss on stock, \$10,000; insurance, \$9,000. Considering the combustibles in the cellar, and that the heat had melted lead pipes leading from oil tanks outside, the destruction was much less than might have been expected.

8. Insurance companies must have been more prompt in 1870 than thirty years later. The loss of Dr. J. R. Stuart, on the 5th, (\$560.50) was adjusted and paid by the Aetna's agent before 3 p. m. of the same day. The State Fire Insurance Company had within four days paid Harmony Lodge \$50, Miss Fannie Coykendall, \$76; Peter Cannon, \$300; and George L. Smith's loss had been adjusted at \$7,100.

8. Jacob L. Swayze purchases old Newton academy and building lot, for \$560.

9. Special meeting of Freeholders' committee at Morristown, awards contract to erect soldiers' monument to H. H. Davis, for \$10,000, the previous contractor having failed to fulfil requirements.

10. Work had commenced on a new

trotting track on the farm of George H. Coursen.

10. Martin Rosenkrans opens law office in Rinker building.

12. Franklin base ball club defeated Newton 30 to 24. A return game was played at Oliver's grove, on the 21st, the date of the Baptist picnic, when the tables were turned, the score being 27 to 7 in favor of Newton.

13. Hiram C. Clark announces his successorship to H. C. Kelsey's insurance business; office with Levi Shepherd.

14. Two year-old child of James Simpson, accidentally drowned at McAfee, while playing on a bridge.

15. Death of Amos H. Kennedy, aged 72, a highly respected and widely-known citizen of Green township.

18. Dr. John J. Case's fine new boat, the "Oweenee," placed in the Walkill at Deckertown, equipped for a three weeks cruise by a party of fishers and hunters.

19. Judge Fisher, aged 80, found dead in a chair at his home in Beattystown.

21. Newton Baptist Sunday school has a picnic and excursion over Sussex railroad, to Franklin, Branchville and Waterloo, accompanied by Newton silver cornet band.

20. Dan Gardner's circus and Forepaugh's menagerie exhibited on old fair ground at Newton. It gave a poor return for the money.

20. Walter I. Ross opens law office at Lafayette.

20. The census of Newton showed 2,402 persons, of whom 1,113 were males, 1,229 females, 40 colored citizens, and 571 voters.

20. The first number of the Lafayette Shooting Star had been issued; a monthly paper for boys and girls.

20. Contracts had been awarded for a new school house at Dover, 52x34, with wings, to cost \$8,000.

21. Two fine horses owned by Gardner's circus, killed while descending Hurltown mountain, after exhibiting at Newton the previous day. Hotel proprietors at Morristown refused to furnish accommodations for the same show which desired to exhibit there.

21. Stickle House, at Dover, damaged by a fire originating in third story.

25. Slater & Vass open a grocery store opposite Anderson House, at D. W. Smith's old stand.

25. Grist mill and saw mill belonging to Joseph Fisher, near Blairstown, had been burned, with entire contents, causing a heavy loss, with insurance of \$2,500. Heldmore & Andress, late occupants, sustained a loss that was covered by insurance. A barn owned by Mr. Martin was fired by sparks and destroyed; insurance, \$1,200.

26. Caroline Ripley, an "unfortunate," suicides in Newark, being turned out in the street by a heartless landlord, while she was dying. Ripley was the maiden name of the woman, who was once the wife of William Lynn, of Bloomfield, who was the owner of considerable property. After his death she went down very fast. She was born in Sparta, Sussex county, and went to New York about the same time with Amelia Norman, (who afterward stabbed her seducer on the steps of the Astor House.) Amelia went into the service of Francis Merriam, who was the first occupant of the little brick store on the corner site of Park Block, Newton. She was acquitted through the influence of New York women, but the final ending of the lives of herself and her friend Ripley, were quite similar.

26. Barn of James M. Kennedy, at Stewartsville, burned by lightning, causing a loss of \$1,200 to Mr. Kennedy, and \$1,000 to his tenant, Mr. Godfrey.

28. Grand temperance demonstration at Denville camp grounds. Addresses by Hon. Henry Wilson, of Massachusetts; Hon. T. W. Ferry, of Michigan; Colonel S. S. Fisher, of Washington; General Neal Dow, of Maine; William E. Dodge, Bishop Janes and Wendell Phillips. (The largest guns spoke only by letter.)

29. A drove of 13,000 sheep passed thro' Newton, having been driven from the cars at Port Jervis.

30. Two brothers named Babcock and a man named Stephenfield indulge in a row at the house of the latter, in the Clove. The Babcocks demanded some clothing which they said belonged to their sister. During the quarrel, Mrs. Stephenfield was hit over the head with a bottle, and the husband retaliated by cleaving the skull of one of the Babcocks with an axe. Justice Morrow sent John Babcock to jail, released Stephenfield, and awaited the recovery of the other Babcock.

30. June and July had been excessively hot. The Boonton mills had shut down on account of the temperature.

30. George Bockover died at Beemer-ville, aged 80 years.

30. The New Jersey Zinc Company having worked the mines at Ogdensburg to a depth of 400 feet, were removing the machinery to Franklin Furnace, where the expense of hoisting and mining would be less, and the ore equally as rich.

AUGUST.

1. Special meeting of Board of Freeholders, at Franklin, to take action on bridge over Walkill.

1. Post offices were established at Greenville, to be called "Lincoln," with John B. Stinson as postmaster, and at Huntsville, Lewis Willson, postmaster, both to be supplied by daily route from Andover to Hunts Mills, and including Tranquility.

1. Post office established at McCainsville. G. W. Drake, postmaster.

1. Higgins' Combination opens a week's engagement in Howell's hall, over C. R. Nelden's drug store, on Spring street.

1. A party of 200 persons from Stillwater, Franklin and Newton pay a visit to Bonnie Brook, the new country home of M. R. Dennis. The house, built in 1791, had been remodelled.

2. Morris Freeholders refuse to confirm nomination of R. A. DeHart as County Superintendent.

3. Thomas Dutton, foreman of the Erie's boiler shop at Port Jervis, caught in a belt and lost one of his arms. A day or two later assistant foreman Coykendall, of the repair shops, was killed by falling from some coal dumps.

4. Warren County Bible Society met at Oxford.

— George T. Cobb and J. Boyd Headley, of Morristown, killed in an accident on the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad. Mr. Cobb became a millionaire while engaged in the iron business, and represented this district in Congress, as well as Morris county in the State Senate.

4. The excursion to Central Park filled nine cars. The party was taken by boat from Hoboken and landed at 55th street, spending five hours in the Park. The party boarded the boat for the return trip in time to escape a shower, and after a trip down the bay, again took the cars at Hoboken, arriving in Newton at 10.30. It was a very pleasant trip and much praise was awarded to Charles Arvis and Conductor Duffield for their management. The excursion netted between \$600 and \$700, and the funds were to be devoted to the purchase of a new bell for the Presbyterian church.

4. Excursion to Central Park, New York, under management of Charles Arvis, General Agent of the Sussex R. R. Train left Franklin at 5.45 a. m. Fare for round trip, \$2.50. Proceeds for benefit of building fund of Presbyterian church.

5. By the breaking of a scaffold rope on the new Seminary building at Hacketts-town, three bricklayers were precipitated a distance of 40 feet. James McDowell was instantly killed. He had been in this country only two weeks, being a native of Ireland. John Potts and Frederick Taylor, his companions, were terribly cut and bruised.

— Adam Shafer, teamster, killed in Oxford rolling mill.

7. New Union Church at Schooley's mountain dedicated. Sermon by Rev. Dr.

Moffet, of Princeton.

8. A brakeman from Phillipsburg killed at East Dover.

9. Wheelwright shop of Frederick J. Rogers, in Stillwater, burned in night, with contents. Loss, \$1,000; insurance, \$700.

9. Bethel M. E. Church at Snufftown struck by lightning.

10. County Sunday school convention held at Glenwood church.

10. Death of General Lyman Edwards, aged 72 years. He was born at Elizabeth, and learned the tinner's trade under Caleb Price. At the close of his apprenticeship he removed to Wilkes-Barre, Pa., but soon came to Newton, where he lived until his death. He was an enthusiastic military man and expended large sums of money in endeavoring to establish an efficient State military system. He held several positions of trust and responsibility, and served one term as County Clerk. For 30 years he made it his special duty to visit every family where a death occurred, and take charge of the funeral arrangements. For that kindly office, performed with so much tact, he left a memorable record.

11. Harvest home in grove of Lebbius Martin, near Deckertown.

11. W. R. Mattison announces intention to issue a periodical called "Our Magazine."

11. E. M. White writes in denial of statements made last week by an "eye witness" in reference to a trial at Andover.

11. Hacketts-town Presbyterian Sunday school makes an excursion trip up the Hudson. The Andover school went with the party.

14. Admiral David D. Farragut died, aged 69.

15. The Lackawanna's coal tonnage had increased 359,068 over last year.

15. James R. Hull removes his leather store to the O'Leary building, opposite court house.

15. The school census of Newton, taken by John C. Shiner, showed 571 children between 5 and 15 years. Twenty-five from Hampton and four from Andover attended Newton schools.

15. The Longwood Valley R. R. Co. had organized by electing Charles McFarlan as president; James H. Neighbor, treasurer and attorney. The route was from a point on the New York State line to Sterling, near Dover. The survey was made under direction of engineer Edward Canfield.

16. Camp meeting opened at Denville. It was a more notable affair than in the present age.

16. Operetta "Ganevieve" given at the court house, by a class of thirty young ladies.

17. Annual harvest home at Hamburg. Net profit, \$400.

18. Oneida base ball club of Newton wallops the Morristown club, 46 to 11. The Morris battery was Werts and Van Fleet; that of Newton, Osborne and Ward; umpire, Winfield Coursen.

21. There was trouble over a new toll gate on the Milford turnpike, at Tuttle's Corner.

22. Levi Shepherd made vice president of the Sussex Bank.

23. A correspondent writes of the outcome of a trial for larceny, at Andover, before Justices Valentine and Allen. Isaac Oliver charged a female of the neighborhood with larceny. The Justices found her guilty. A majority of the citizens believed the woman to be innocent, and took up her cause; this had the effect of exciting the rowdy element, which procured tar and feathers for all who took any part against the woman; principally Valentine, Oliver, and his lawyer, E. M. White. Oliver was chased out of the village, White fled to the depot for protection from a mob of 300 persons, and the harness on Justice Valentine's horse was cut to shreds, but he was unmolested.

23. Lent & Skinner's Indian show exhibits at Newton.

25. Rev. A. M. Jolly accepts call to Washington Presbyterian pastorate.

25. Stephen H. Sayer purchases a half interest in Sussex County Independent.

26. A lengthy article in reference to the Pequannock river, contains many points of interest. It is related that the old Stockholm forge was built by one Asher Thorp, (known as old skin flint.) Thorp leased the forge to deacon John O. Ford, who "did it for him." Thorp supposed the lease was for one year, but the lease read "as long as water runs and grass grows," and it is still running, though all the parties are long since dead.

27. Sussex Republicans elect delegates to Congressional convention to be held at Paterson, on September 1.

27. A gang of incendiaries captured at Morristown, as they were about to fire the old academy.

28. Morris county peach growers were in the height of prosperity.

30. Miss Berry, of Germany Flats, suicides through disappointment in a love affair.

30. Union Sabbath school picnic in Oliver's grove. Train ran from Branchville.

31. Fair and festival at Vernon M. E. Church, at which the Warwick brass band furnished music.

SEPTEMBER.

1. Dedication of new M. E. Church at Newfoundland.

1. George Herbert & Co. open dry goods store in Flitts building, on Spring street.

1. Orange county milk producers were receiving five cents per quart from New York dealers.

1. Republican convention at Paterson renominates Hon. John Hill for Congress.

1. The summer just closed was the hottest in 92 years, and one of the driest.

2. As one of Bailey's circus wagons was descending a hill near Coleville, the horses became frightened and dashed into a carriage in which were several of the attaches of the show. The result was the fatal injury of the ticket agent, severe injuries to other occupants, and the death of one of the runaway horses.

3. Bailey & Co's. menagerie exhibits at Newton, coming from Deckertown, and going to Hackettstown.

5. Assessor's meeting. Total valuation of county, \$16,322,855. State and county tax, \$51,546 01.

6. Sussex Courts opened with eight supreme court cases, and forty-two in the circuit. The term was noted for seven patent brake suits, on notes passed with a shave.

6. Excursion to Rockaway Beach, under auspices of Newton M. E. Church. Rate, \$2.50. Five carloads were taken; only one hour and a half was spent at the beach, and the party arrived in Newton at 8 p. m.

7. Election for directors of Pequest & Wallkill Railroad, at Danville.

7. Newton Collegiate Institute reopens in charge of Chester L. Teel and Lucien W. Doty.

8. Harvest home at Andover; music by Newton cornet band.

8. Republicans of Third district nominate Robert Rusling, of Hackettstown, for Congress.

8. John W. Howell's store at Andover burglarized; safe broken with drills and powder.

11. Rev. W. Wells Holly resigns the rectorship of Christ Church, to go to Hackensack.

— John Hill and Steward Hardy suffocated by foul air in a well near Change-water.

12. Remains of Gen. Edwin F. Cooke, who died in Chili, arrive in Newton, in charge of Gen. Kilpatrick. The funeral services were held at the home of his father, in Wantage, on the 16th.

12. German citizens of Newton hold a jubilee over the victories of the Prussians in France. Guests from Hackettstown and Dover were met by the Newton band. Speeches were made by Joseph Coult, Mr. Win. E. M. White, Jacob L. Swayze and Prof. Kluppelberg.

13. Newton Building and Loan Association elects officers. The monthly dues aggregated \$1,200, and the assets \$16,263.48.

14. Musical entertainment in Beemer ville church, under direction of Miss E. Kanouse.

14. Large flocks of wild pigeons were furnishing daily sport for hunters in this vicinity.

15. The census of Hackettstown shows a population of 2,303, a gain of \$51 in ten years.

15. Assessed valuation of Warren county, \$22,345,200; state and county tax, \$67,092.57.

15. Philip Rafferty again nominated for Congress by the Democrats of this district.

15. Mail train delayed two hours by a bad wreck of coal trains near Morristown.

15. Population of Washington reported to be 1,332, with 27 shops and mills.

15. Fair and festival at Franklin for benefit of M. E. Church.

19. Mrs. Cooper died at Blairstown from the effects of a rattlesnake's bite on the previous day.

19. Democratic county convention at Newton nominates Thomas T. Simonson for Sheriff. The vote stood as follows: Flitts, 4; Ross, 16; Cortelyou, 5; Simonson, 39. Richard E. Edsall was unanimously nominated for State Senator.

22. Beemer ville cornet band gave concert in Monroe Corner Christian Church.

24. Orange county milk producers met at Goshen and appoint committees, who form what has since become the Milk Exchange.

24. Shoo Flys, of Beemer ville, wallop the Independents, of Branchville, 35 to 13. Ayers brothers were the Beemer ville battery, and Cole and A. Roe performed the same duty for the Independents.

26. Daily stage line between Newton and Deckertown discontinued. Passengers were to go by cars to Franklin, and take stage from that place. The daily stage line to Branchville was also discontinued.

28. Traders Express Company, noted for its exorbitant charges, had been ousted by the Lackawanna from the M. & E. division.

30. Obsequies of Admiral Farragut occur at New York in a drenching rain. The body was transferred to the sloop of war Brooklyn, and finally interred at Woodlawn cemetery.

30. Charles Harold, a widely known hostler at Newton hotels, died suddenly.

28-29. Horse fair held at Vernon.

OCTOBER.

1. Contest in Wantage over Assembly nomination results in choice of Lebbeus Martin. It was estimated that the nomination cost himself and the party leaders, \$4,000. A week before Jacob Wilson carried the town by more than two to one, but another primary was ordered because the Martin men seceded and elected a second set of delegates.

1. A number of U. S. Internal Revenue taxes are abolished, the estimated amount being \$25,000,000.

1. Firm of Todd & Hunt, at Swartswood, dissolved by limitation.

3. Republicans of Sussex nominate John Hill for State Senator, and John Layton, Jr., for Sheriff. James B. Huston named for Assembly to represent 2d district.

4. Presbytery of Newton, as reconstructed by the recent action of Synod, met in Newton. Sixty-five members and elders were present. Opened with sermon by Rev. S. Cooke; Rev. Dr. Hand elected Moderator, and Rev. E. C. Cline, Clerk.

6. John Diller announces a reduction of prices at his shoe shop in the Murrey building.

6. James Spruell convicted of murder in the third degree, at Belvidere. Just a year previous, during a row between a party of white and colored men, Spruell killed James Nightengale, colored. For various reasons the trial had been postponed, and the excitement that prevailed at the time had died out. Sentence—five years in State prison.

6. The Sussex Independent published details of the Assembly war in Wantage,

which had resulted in two primary meetings, the expenditure of much cash, and no end of hard feeling. An iron-clad oath prepared by James McCoy was rigidly enforced at the meeting on October 1. There were a little over 500 Democratic votes in Wantage, in the fall of 1869, but the primary brought out 623. Mr. Martin had 80 majority over Mr. Wilson, and the latter announced himself as an independent candidate. The Independent awarded the victory to the Newton clique.

6. Misses Jennie Givens and Lizzie Kernick announce opening of millinery over Stoll & Dunn's store.

7. A bad wreck on the M. & E. through a misplaced switch at Chester Junction. Noon mail delayed more than six hours.

8. A new bell for the Hamburg Baptist Church had arrived at Franklin. It was from Troy, and weighed 1350 lbs.

8. Ex-Governor Haines writes a letter repudiating the nomination of Philip Rafferty, for Congress.

10. Dawson Woodruff had purchased Henry C. Kelsey's residence on Trinity street, for \$7,000.

12. Store and post office occupied by James McDanolds, at Branchville, burglarized.

12. E. K. Sanford advertises facilities for undertaking business at Deckertown.

12. About this date there was a great decline in prices of tea and coffee.

12. Branchville had five hotels at this date.

12. Director Flitts advertises for proposals to paint exterior of Court House.

13. Lewis H. Sutton had opened a stove and tin store in L. D. Roekrans's building, opp. Court House.

13. Concert in Presbyterian church, Branchville, by members of the Beemer ville Cornet Band and Dramatic Association, under management of Dr. Lampson.

13. A wooden bridge over the Pequest at Belvidere, built only three years previous, gives way, and seriously injures the driver of an omnibus and two passengers.

14. David Cory died at Sparta. He was said to be the wealthiest man in the county. He was aged nearly 80 years.

15. Independents, of Branchville, had defeated Shoo Flys, of Beemer ville, by a score of 50 to 18.

18. Miss Ada Farrar, of Hamburg, seriously if not fatally injured by the discharge of an "unloaded" gun in the hands of a ten-year-old son of T. A. Beardslee.

19. Through a drop in price commission merchants of Newton lose \$500 on \$8,000 worth of pork purchased to day.

19. A mansard roof was being placed on the Merchants National Bank building.

21. Nancy Fat and Harry Clay, Jr., trot for a purse of \$100 on Stuart track. It requires five heats to decide the race.

22. Timely discovery of a fire above the boiler in Nelden's foundry, and a handy supply of water, prevents its destruction.

22. Thomas Sowden, an Englishman, with a wife and three children in the old country, drowned in canal lock at Dover.

22. William Altmann, aged 22, a German, but a short time in this country, fatally injured by a fall from a construction train near Waterloo station.

23. Fiftieth anniversary of Methodism at Washington, Warren county, observed by raising over \$5,000 to pay church debt.

24. Isaac Dolsen, of Beemer ville, filed petition in bankruptcy.

25. Work had commenced on a new driving park at Deckertown.

25. Rev. W. H. Moffitt, who had been preaching in Christ Church during the present month, had accepted an invitation to take charge of the parish.

25. William H. Bell had engaged in the promotion of a scheme to establish a large deer park in Pike county.

25. M. & E. engineers had a grievance. Samuel Baldwin had been dismissed for running too rapidly through Dover, thereby causing an accident, although it was proved that by remaining at his post the engineer had saved the lives of the passengers. His fellow engineers met and resolved to abide by the second time table, which was in conflict with the first require-

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ing schedule time. Thereafter trains were behind time.

25. Arrangements had been made to bring black bass from Harper's Ferry, Va., and place them in the Delaware at Easton.

25. Will of David Cory, deceased, admitted to probate. The value of real and personal estate was about \$125,000. He bequeathed \$12,000 toward the erection of a Universalist Church in Sparta.

25. The Belvidere Manufacturing Company had earned nearly 26 per cent. on its capital stock during the past year. A dividend of 15 per cent. had been declared. Its output of mowers and rakes was very large.

26. Henry Miller, aged 65, living near Boonton, Morris county, and reported to be worth \$25,000, died suddenly in a wood lot on his farm, after eating a lunch put up by his housekeeper, Mrs. Peterson, a sister of Miller's deceased wife. His dog also died after eating some bread his master had thrown away. Mrs. Peterson expressed no surprise when word came of Miller's death. The same evening while sitting up with the body, in company with Mrs. Renshaw, she conversed about the death, saying it was awkward to have the neighbors talking about her, but added that they could prove nothing. Mrs. Renshaw then mentioned the death of the dog, and the certainty that Miller's stomach would be examined by a chemist, and that the purchaser of the poison would probably be found. In a few moments Mrs. Peterson went to a closet, cut a piece of bread and after going into another room returned and calmly ate the bread, as she continued conversation with her neighbor. In a few moments the poison began to show its effects, and the guilty woman died within half an hour. The coroner's jury charged Mrs. Peterson with the murder. The populace was so enraged that it refused her body burial in the public burying grounds, and it was interred in a lot beside that of Acker, who murdered a man named Gordon a few years previous.

28. Robert Hancock killed in Richards mine, near Dover.

29. Two men from Allamuchy drove to Newton at night, with a barrel of whiskey in the rear of their wagon. They had scarcely left their rig on the street, before the barrel disappeared, and was not found until the following morning, with its insides nearly demolished.

29. Two celebrated five-year-old horses owned by A. J. Coykendall and Chandler Quintin trot on Stuart track for a purse of \$50.

29. Sale of money by Belvidere B. & L. Association, brought a premium of \$77 on each of five loans.

31. Misses Della and Anna Winfield, of Coleville, were thrown from their wagon while returning home from Port Jervis, by the antics of a wild horse. The former was seriously if not fatally injured and the latter was badly kicked by the horse. Their mother and another lady, who had refused to ride down the hill, picked up and conveyed the injured girls to their home in Coleville.

NOVEMBER.

1. Farm buildings of John Bell, in Hackettstown, burned by a fire of incendiary origin. Loss, \$5,000; insurance, \$1,500.

4. Mrs. Power, whose husband had spent her property in riotous living, delivered a lecture in Riker Hall, on "High-toned Spree."

6. Rev. Wm. H. Moffett, late of Marshall, Mich., assumes charge of Christ Church parish.

7. Congregation of Sparta M. E. Church, through Rev. R. S. Feagles, of the Presbyterian Church, present their pastor, Rev. C. E. Walton, with a set of silver mounted harness and a purse of \$30. Mrs. Walton received a purse containing \$75.

7. Antonie Sobolowski, aged 80, an inmate of the County House, drowned while fishing in Little Swartswood pond. His body was not been recovered until Dec. 22,

when the head was found in the ice. He had been employed on the M. & E. and Sussex railroads, under the name of Chas. Snyder, until ten years ago, when he became deaf and went to the poor house. He was once a wealthy Polander, who lost his fortune in the revolution of 1830. He served afterward in the French army, and later kept a restaurant in Paris. He was a crack shot.

8. William H. Bell purchased the Hibler property at Springdale, of John S. Coursen, for \$13,590, or \$90 per acre.

8. General election. John Hill re-elected to Congress by 2,769 majority over Philip Rafferty. The latter had only 342 majority in Sussex, as against 1,025 in 1868. Hill had 1,355 majority in Morris, of which Pequannock contributed 603. The total vote in Sussex county was 5,111; 11 ballots rejected. Richard E. Edsall had 770 over John Cliff, for Senator. Thomas T. Simonson 768 over John Layton, for Sheriff. Peter Smith, for Assembly, had 232 majority in Second district, over James B. Huston; the Republicans did not make a nomination in the First district, and the two Wantage candidates fought the battle, Lebbeus Martin winning by 122 over Jacob Smith, independent; Rafferty's money defeated him. The Legislature was Republican in both branches.

8. D. Foster, formerly of Unionville, announces reduced rates for undertaking, at Deckertown.

8. Edward I. Simpson opens fruit and vegetable store, adjoining Merchants National Bank building.

8. Warren Democrats elect entire ticket, with exception of Caleb H. Valentine, who defeated the regular nominee in the 2d district, by 400 majority. Andrew H. Konkle was one of the three coroners elected.

10. George R. McCarter, son of George H. McCarter, deceased, died in Newark, aged 47 years. His first venture in journalism was in 1853, when he took charge of the Sussex Democrat. When that paper was merged with the Herald he assumed the position of local editor. Afterward he was employed in the same duty on THE REGISTER, and for the last two years had been employed as exchange editor on the Newark Journal. He made no pretensions to brilliant writing, but he always got the facts. His death was hastened somewhat by a fall from the deck of a ferryboat in attempting to board it after starting.

10-11. County Sunday School Association met in Newton M. E. Church, and held a very interesting Teachers' Institute.

10-11. Deckertown held a good horse fair, at which there were nine races for county horses. "Nancy Fat," of Newton, started in nine races, and carried off seven first premiums and two seconds. The half mile track was completed in three weeks, over a rough mountain field, and besides this the Deckertown people put up \$650 in premiums. The attendance, owing to the cold weather, was small the first day, but between 600 and 700 persons were on the ground the last day.

11. Barn of Jeremiah L. Savacool, near the Fountain House, at Fredon, burned with its contents, including three horses. Loss over \$3,000; insurance, \$1,400. The fire was believed to have been the work of a woman who gave her name as Dolly Darohn, who had been refused employment and lodging for the night. She was arrested.

12. Warrant in bankruptcy issued against estate of Israel C. Cogle, Newton.

12. Attempt to wreck evening train for Branchville at Augusta.

14. Newton B. & L. Association sold \$1,400 to three parties at premiums ranging from 126½ to 128½.

14. John W. Griggs (now Attorney-General of the United States) gave a bachelor's entertainment in Newton. Ladies only were bidden to the feast, with the request that they should invite a gentleman to accompany them, ask him to dance, take him out to supper, and escort him home. The program was faithfully

carried out.

14. George F. Herbert, who had been running a "cheap dry goods store" in Newton, failed in his attempt to carry away his goods and cheat his creditors. This was his regular line of business, but he failed to work it here, as a friend settled all debts after the goods were seized at the station.

14. Jane Douglas, aged 16, fatally burned at Boonton, by her clothing taking fire.

15. Post office established at Lake Hopatcong, with C. C. Veber, as postmaster.

15. The walls were up and the roof on the C. C. I. buildings at Hackettstown.

16. In a fit of spasmodic liberality the M. & E. railroad company had repaired and remodelled the depot at Dover.

16. Charles A. Righter, aged 11, killed while hunting rabbits, by the discharge of a gun which he drew after him in climbing up a rock, near his home at Powerville, Morris county.

16. A boy named Tush killed by a falling bucket at Boonton furnace.

17. Tracklaying on the New Jersey Midland railroad begun at Middletown.

20. A tar and gravel pavement had been laid on Main street, fronting stores of W. W. Woodward, George L. Smith and Mrs. Cramer, and it was commended to general use.

20. Carl Dormmeo, of Oxford Furnace, died from excessive drinking of liquor on that day.

21. Teachers Institute opened at Belvidere and continued three days.

23. George D. Cummins appointed agent for W. & W. sewing machines at Newton, with office corner Main street and Park Place.

23. Allen Ridgway loses a \$300 horse in a runaway accident.

24. Rev. A. A. Haines gave a Thanksgiving dinner to his Sunday school children at the North Church, and is surprised by a purse of over \$500. All the donation visits and gifts of this period ran into large figures.

24. Thanksgiving day.

28. Francis Graey's harness shop had been removed to building adjoining Merchants Bank.

28. Richard's building on Spring street bid in by Joseph Conit, for \$7,000.

28. D. W. Smith was the first business man in Newton to heat his store with a basement furnace.

28. Henry M. Ward, of the Cochran House, bought of James G. Fitts, the National Hotel, for about \$7,000.

28. A. C. Hopkins had opened a law office in Branchville, in rooms formerly occupied by the late E. C. Everitt.

30. Charles M. Woodruff resigns position of Deputy County Clerk, after five years service, to prepare himself for admission to the Bar.

30. Sussex and Orange butter sold at 40 and 50 cents; eggs, 35 and 37 cents per dozen; pork, 10 to 13 cents per pound.

DECEMBER.

1. Dedication of the Presbyterian church at Montana, Warren county.

1. Among notices of application to the Legislature were the following: to incorporate the Newton and Ogdensburg Railroad Company, to connect with N. J. Midland; to authorize the Sussex Railroad to build a branch south of Andover, to connect at Starhope, with M. & E. R. R.; to set off townships of Frelinghuysen and Hardwick, Warren county, to Sussex; to incorporate Franklin Iron Company, with capital of \$200,000, with privilege of increasing it to \$1,000,000.

1. Jacob Couse had a sewing machine agency over D. W. Smith's store.

1. Congregation of Presbyterian church attend a reception at the parsonage. More than 500 persons, old and young, partook of Pastor Byington's hospitality. It was an occasion long to be remembered.

1. The furnace at Port Oram had started again and was now doing well.

2. Another row at Bergen tunnel between the managements of the Lackawanna and Erie. E. A. Stevens, who had furnished the Erie with funds to complete

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their tunnel, claimed a return consideration for M. & E. That was disputed by the Erie people, and it made continued trouble for passengers. On this occasion the Governor ordered out a company of militia from Jersey City, and Sheriff Mount had 150 deputies to preserve peace.

27. Pem. B. Horton, of San Francisco, who was at home on a visit, had constructed a skating rink near the Horton mansion.

3. A Catholic fair at Dover realized \$1,000 clear profit, and the pastor, Rev. P. Fitzsimmons, was given \$400 to expend in a trip to Ireland.

3. Rodman McCamly died at Vernon, aged 74 years.

5. Benjamin Schwartz, proprietor of a hotel at Phillipsburg, found Richard Wilkins lying dead on a porch in the rear of his premises. Wilkins was taken ill while Schwartz was serving patrons on the previous (Sunday) afternoon. Coroner's jury censured Schwartz.

5. The Sussex road was considering the question of building a depot at Drake's pond, with horse cars to Newton, or a track across the meadows to connect with the Branchville extension.

6. Judge Dalrymple opens Sussex Courts. The principal case was the suit of Cyrus Peck, et al., vs. The Sussex Railroad Co., for money due for services of his father. There were 5 supreme cases, 3 arguments, and 31 circuit cases.

8. Rev R. S. Feagles receives \$300 at a donation in Sparta, of which \$275 was in cash.

8. Donations of \$290 to Rev. W. E. Blakelee, at Allamuchy, and \$175 to Rev. Geo. R. Searles, at Baleville, are recorded.

9. Louis A. Eisner, one of a firm of liquor dealers, with headquarters in Newton, assaulted and robbed by a man who asked for a ride as he was driving on the highway near the Delaware Water Gap.

10. First sale of lots in new M. E. cemetery at Sparta.

11. Thompson Ward, formerly of Newton, died in Newark, under suspicious circumstances.

11. Barn of Harmon Compton, near Coleville, destroyed, with contents, including 16 cows. Fire supposed to be of incendiary origin. Insurance, \$1,500.

12. Gibson Kent, leader of a gang of Morristown incendiaries, sentenced to 16 years imprisonment; five others received from one to three years.

15. A revival in Andover M. E. Church.

15. B. A. Barnes had come to Newton as assistant in the County Clerk's office.

15. Exhibition in Rinker's hall for benefit of Presbyterian Sunday school.

15. The Dover Era about to appear under management of Fenj. Vogt. The first issue was in January.

15. There had been great delay as well as discrepancy in census figures, and it was not until this date that full figures were given. Since 1860 Sussex had decreased 357; Morris increased 8,083; Warren, 5,893. These figures were claimed to be official, with Hardyston and Sparta estimated:

Andover.....	1128
Byram.....	1333
Frankford.....	1776
Green.....	859
Hampton.....	1023
Hardyston.....	1823
Lafayette.....	894
Montague.....	934
Newton.....	2404
Sparta.....	2200
Sandyston.....	1250
Stillwater.....	1636
Vernon.....	1979
Walpack.....	647
Wantage.....	2636

Total.....23,504

16. The new public school building in Newton was dedicated. Addresses were made by County Superintendent E. A. Stiles, State Superintendent Appar, Rev. M. Barrett, Rev. T. L. Byington, Joseph Coult, Rev. J. T. Craig, and Wm. D. Castelite. The school term began on the 19th, under the direction of E. M. Allen, principal, with an attendance of 376 in the morning, and increased to 400 in the afternoon.

noon. The assistant teachers were Miss Sarah Ribble, Anna Gustin, Kittie Trudell, Carrie Hamilton, Kate Lepore, Agnes Hallock, Theresa Badgley, music teacher. At the time there were accommodations for 475 scholars, and as there had been no public school facilities for a year the boys needed to be retained. The building was 61x77, with two wings 12x24 feet, three stories high; cost of the building and grounds, \$40,000.

18. Burglars enter dwelling of John White, at Sparta, and take away \$40 in money, a gold watch and other valuables.

19. Boonton branch of the Lackawanna opened for first time for passenger travel.

19. Crigar & Clark form a real estate and auctioneer business.

19. Horse stolen from stable of David R. Swayze, near Fredon. Neighbors passed the thief on the road, recognized the horse and informed Mr. S., who started in pursuit. At Johnsonburg the thief was overhauled, and the horse recovered, together with \$100 worth of goods stolen from some store. Alex. Hamler grabbed the thief but he managed to escape, even though Mr. Swayze shot at him. A portion of the goods found on the horse were afterwards found to have been stolen from the store of Cockendall & Little, at Deckertown.

20. The State tax of one mill upon the dollar imposed a burden of \$16,435.53 upon Sussex, and \$22,093.57 upon Warren.

20. The New Jersey Midland Railroad Company had purchased the Weehawken ferry.

20. Rev. H. C. Fish, of Newark, lectured to an audience of 150 in public school hall, on "City Life." The weather was inclement, and the affair was under the auspices of the Baptist Church.

20. Armand P. Daire had refitted and opened an eating saloon, formerly kept by Geo. T. Smith, under Myer's clothing store.

20. Typhoid fever had been prevalent in central part of the county. Twenty deaths had occurred in the County House from this cause alone.

23. A hop given at the Cochran House in honor of G. D. Conover and P. B. Horton. The former was about to leave Newton, having formed a co-partnership with Oakley B. Pellet, and purchased the seed and implement business of C. G. Crane & Co., at Newark.

22. Lake Hopatecong entirely frozen over and there was skating in a magnificent rink, 14 miles in one direction by a width of three miles.

23. Contractor Hackett had skipped, leaving a heavy indebtedness to parties in Deckertown and Unionville, besides mechanics and laborers on the Midland. There were several such cases between Newfandland and Unionville.

24. General Kilpatrick delivers lecture in public school hall. Subject—"Incidents and Battle Scenes in the Rebellion." Proceeds for benefit of Baptist church.

24. Lewis Dunn, a highly respected citizen of Wantage, and the president of the old Agricultural Society, hanged himself in his barn. There was no apparent reason for the act. He was sixty years of age and worth \$60,000.

24-26. Fair and festival in lecture room of Newton M. E. Church.

24. The congregation of Rev. T. L. Byington presented him with a purse of \$350.

24. John Titman accidentally killed in Koonilt n Mills, Warren county. He had relieved the regular miller just a moment before the accident, and the latter was hardly out of the building before the mill stopped. When he entered he discovered the young man's body mangled in the machinery.

25. Building in Hope, owned by James K. Swayze, and occupied by Treat & Wise, boot and shoe makers, B. Morrison, tailor, and Dr. Dildine, destroyed by fire.

26. A musical entertainment given in hall of public school building, with the following Newark singers: Miss Letitia Foster, soprano; Miss Mary Campbell, alto; F. L. Benjamin, tenor; C. N. Clert-hew, baritone; Morris Cohn, violin; S. A. Ward, pianist and conductor.

26. In this issue is the first monthly report of the Newton public school, and as one glances over the names of those who were on the roll of honor, the list reveals men and women who are now prominent in social and business life. There were 423 names on the school roll; average attendance, 385; 400 had not been tardy, and 12 usually tardy.

27. Rev. W. B. Wigg delivers an address at Masonic anniversary, held at National Hotel, Newton. It is printed in issue of Jan. 5, 1871.

27. Rev. Jacob Gesler, of Jersey City, installed as pastor of Mount Salem Baptist church.

29. Morrison's route abandoned. Thereafter THE REGISTER was sent to post offices in Green and Stillwater, instead of by carrier, to each subscriber.

29. Andover M. E. Church held a Christmas entertainment. Supt. C. J. Davison, in behalf of the Sunday school, presented the pastor, C. R. Barker, with a troche for throat, in the shape of a \$50 greenback.

30. S. Gilmore Plumb gave reading in school hall. J. N. Pattison, pianist, and Mr. Barlow, singer, also appeared.

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JANUARY.

1. Lackawanna changes name of railroad station from Mt. Bethel to Portland.

2. Residence of David Thompson narrowly escaped destruction by fire, through the overturning of a lighted lamp by a cat left in the room, during temporary absence of the family.

2. Lewis Cochran becomes a member of the law firm of Coult, VanBlarcom & Cochran.

2. John H. Wells sells his house and lot on Madison street to George T. Smith, for \$1,500; and the latter sells his house corner of Elm and Madison, to James W. Lewis, for \$2,700.

2. Couse & Kyte open meat market next door to post office.

3. The "Trophy" tomato seed was being introduced throughout the country.

3. The ice crop was being gathered, and was in great contrast with last year. Losee had filled one house at a cost of \$18; the same filling cost \$105 last year.

3. Employees of Sussex railroad were on a strike because of reduction in wages.

4. John Roe and Halsey Wyker capture a deer on the ice at Culver's lake.

5. Notice made of receipt of first issue of Dover Iron Era.

5. Daniel Pittenger had begun work on a cobalt mine at Stillwater, that promised great things for the manufacture of paint.

7. Conductor Duffield knocked from roof of a freight car by an overhead bridge on the Whitehall grade, and is saved from death by Baggage-master Iliff.

8. Rev. J. G. Entricken resigns pastorate of Belvidere Baptist church.

9. Annual meeting of Newton Slate Company.

10. Rev. Thomas S. Long called to pastorate of Greenwich Presbyterian church.

12. THE REGISTER appears in a new dress of bold face minion type.

12. "Capt." Hawke, of Port Oram, fatally injured while coupling cars.

13. Coaggregation of Rev. J. B. Woodward, at Lafayette, assemble at his residence and present him with \$115 and other articles of value.

14. James Norman, aged 19, of Chester, fatally injured by accidental discharge of a gun he was loading.

15. English rails were being laid on the Midland railroad between Franklin and Hamburg.

15. Jonathan Wright purchases mill property in Wantage, of Wm. J. Shorter, for \$5,000.

15. John Iliff, of Andover, purchases "Titman" property in Newton, of Coult & McCoy, for \$5,000.

15. "Necktie parties" were the favorite winter amusement, but they were not of the western type.

15. Rev. Mr. Underwood was conducting a series of evangelistic meetings in Presbyterian church of Newton.

20. Store and post office at Unkenville, kept by Clark & Elston, entered by a thief. Mrs. Elston heard the noise, and calling her husband from their apartments over the store, he managed to surprise, wound and capture the fellow while he was looking through the letters for plunder.

20. John McNerny and "Jack" Bond, two sub contractors on the Midland railroad, had skipped after receiving their monthly pay, and left many creditors in Deckertown.

20. An English miner named Painter, killed in Mt. Hope mine; his brother-in-law, working with him, had his leg broken, and then climbed a ladder and crawled almost a quarter of a mile to tell the fate of his companion, afterward undergoing amputation of his injured leg.

20-25. Severely cold weather.

21. A team of horses valued at \$500, with wagon and harness, besides ten bushels of clover seed, stolen from barn of Wm. Kyle, in Green township. The thieves were chased to the Delaware river, below Belvidere, where not being able to cross on the ice had abandoned the whole outfit with the plunder.

25. Lewis C. Adams and Theo. F. Margaram had formed partnership, and expected to do business in store occupied by Stewart, Adams & Co.

25. State Senate holds a memorial service to honor the memory of the late Geo. T. Cobb.

25. Hon. James F. Randolph, father of Gov. Randolph, died at Easton, Pa., aged 90 years.

26. Here we are again: "We understand that it is the intention of the Sussex Railroad Company to discontinue the running of trains to Waterloo after this season; but to lay a new track from near Whitehall to Stanhope, thus shortening the distance eastward very materially, and accommodating the M. I. W. with a direct route for limestone, etc., etc." Thirty years later the same thing is talked of and "promised."

26. Real estate sales: John S. Wintermute to Reuben VanAukin, 90 acres in Stillwater, for \$4,800. William Vanhorn to Isaac H. Yetter, 124 acres in Stillwater, for \$4,000. A. H. Blanchard to Aaron S. Blanchard, house and lot in Lafayette, \$1,300. Farm of John H. Losey, deceased, to Casper Losey, for \$3,340.

26. Fire at Morristown, originating in store of C. Muir, destroyed that building and its contents, also Cooper & Troxell's grocery, and damaged stores of Shedd Bros. and J. R. Ruoyon. The cold was intense, and firemen suffered severely.

28. Proposals received for building new school house at Hunts Mills.

28. Edward Riley, aged 19, fatally injured at Hamburg, by caving bank.

29. Union meeting in Rinker's Hall, in behalf of Howard Mission, in New York, addressed by J. D. Foote.

31. William I. Roe and Charles Roe, Jr., dissolve partnership at Branchville, and are succeeded by Charles Roe, Jr., and Alanson O. Decker.

31. William T. Simonson, of McAfee, offers his services as veterinary surgeon.

31. The frescoing of the new Presbyterian church was finished; the new bell, weighing 2095 lbs. had arrived, and was hoisted to the steeple, and first rang for worship on Sunday, February 5.

31. A new weekly paper called the Touchstone, had appeared at Washington.

31. Horace Gretley delivers lecture on "Wit," at public school hall. Owing to bad weather only 200 persons attended.

FEBRUARY.

1. H. H. Decker and Benjamin Fuller begin produce shipping business at Branchville.

1. Donation to Rev. T. B. Condit of \$220.

1. Firm of Stewart, Adams & Albright dissolved, and succeeded by Adams & Margaram.

1. W. R. Mattison and Stockton H. Shafer form partnership in stationery business.

1. Post office re-established at Augusta, in charge of William C. Cramer.

1. Storehouse of Jesse Titman, at Bridgeville, burned.

1. Joseph Hart retires from firm of Hart & Woodruff, and is succeeded by Dr. Wm. I. Roe.

2. Rev. C. R. Barnes, of Andover, receives a donation of \$180, and this was one of several within a few months.

2. Friends of Rev. N. Vansant, P. E., visit him at the district parsonage, and through Rev. C. R. Barnes present him with a pair of spectacles; and two bank checks.

2. Fair and festival by ladies of Lafayette Presbyterian church, at hotel of Geo. W. Cross.

4. A prisoner named Lewis attempts suicide by hanging in the county jail, and almost succeeded before he was discovered.

4. John Ball and Ira Batson quarrel at Budd's lake, and as the latter drew a revolver Batson's brother Joseph sprang forward and received the ball in his wrist.

5-8. Days of intense cold.

5. Rev. George H. Whitney gave a discourse in Newton M. E. Church, and secured \$200 for Hackettstown C. C. I.

6. Sussex Mutual Insurance Company held annual meeting. John T. Stewart elected as secretary and treasurer to succeed O. B. Pellet, who resigned January 1. The losses of the past year aggregated \$4,825. Policies had decreased 107.

8. The supply of coal in Newton yards was exhausted.

8. Rev. Joel Campbell has a donation at Lafayette, at which \$100 was received from Newton friends.

8. Dwelling of Henry Nickel, on Trinity street, destroyed by fire, and a five-year-old boy, a son of Mrs. Jane Struble, burned to death. The sad event occurred near noon, and Mrs. Nickel had left the child alone while she went for a pail of water. The loss of personal property was made good by voluntary contributions.

9. Real estate changes: Walker property opposite Durling House, to A. F. Fellows, for \$2,600. Farm of Timothy S. Huff to Peter Cramer, at \$53.50 per acre.

9. Andover had offended the Sussex Railroad, and an order was booked for March 1, that no trains should stop unless "flagged."

9. Leslie Hough, formerly of Newton, seriously injured by an overhead bridge on the Erie, near Gosken.

10. Presbyterian church gives first test of its gas lights on the frescoing just completed.

13. B. & L. money, \$1,400, sold at a premium of 22 per cent. Shares of stock sold at \$26 each.

14. Port Jervis has a \$30,000 fire, destroying building of Jacob May, and others.

14. Firm of Williams & Rowlands, slate manufacturers, dissolved.

15. A. J. Landon sells his house and lot, corner Madison and Washington sts., to Andrew Shaw, for \$1,500 cash.

16. This issue contains a letter from President Sam Sloan, 1½ columns in length, explaining and defending the Lackawanna's course in its quarrel with the Erie officials over the use of the Bergen tunnel.

16. S. S. Cook, secretary of Newton B. & L. Association, gives notice of a special meeting March 15, to consider propriety of changing rate of interest on loans from 6 to 7 per cent.

16. Among joint meeting appointments was that of Robert H. Howell, of Sussex, to be State Prison Keeper.

17. Residence of J. Shuster, near Stillwater, burned in night, during absence of occupants. A neighbor rescued a chest containing Mr. Shuster's papers, and \$100 in money; this and a feather bed were the only articles saved. Insurance \$300.

17. Twenty tons of rock fell on B. & D. railroad near Manunka Chunk. A vigilant track-walker saved the Philadelphia passenger train from wreck.

18. Erie and Lackawanna officials make a settlement of the Bergen tunnel contro-

versy, the terms being a rental of \$100,000 per annum to be paid to the Erie; the joint use of the tunnel for ten years, and a division of business from western New York.

19. Congregation of Tranquility M. E. Church frees itself from debt by raising \$3,000, after services conducted by Rev. C. S. Coit and Rev. C. R. Barnes.

20. Delaware Bolt Works at Phillipsburg, destroyed by fire. Loss, \$45,000.

21. Incendiaries attempt to burn Palmer's pattern shop at Dover.

21-22. County Sunday School Association held meetings at Andover.

22. Dedication of chapel and Sunday school rooms of Morristown M. E. Church.

22. Death of Hon. Abraham Wildrick, at Blairstown, aged 68 years.

23. Festival in Rinker's Hall by ladies of Presbyterian church, netted about \$300.

24. France and Germany conclude a treaty of peace at Versailles.

24. The scarcity of coal continued throughout the country, owing to the miner's strike. Many factories were obliged to shut down, and in the large cities the retail price to those who purchased in small quantities went up to \$28 per ton. The miners demanded \$3 per ton, and the railroad operators offered \$2.50. It was strike against strike, and it was proposed to fix a rate for transportation by rail as a check on the operators.

24. Teachers' examination at Deckertown.

24. Robert Steele, aged 70 years, brother to Daniel Steele, died at Newark from injuries received two weeks previous, having been run into by a party of coasters.

25. A narrow gauge engine for the gravel train and half a dozen freight cars for the Midland arrive at Franklin.

25. Samuel Preston, Jr., aged 15, lost his right eye and received a gash across his nose, by the sharp edge of an axe flying in his face as he dropped a log upon it, at his home in Stillwater.

27. Firm of B. Stewart & Co. dissolved by retirement of James A. Decker.

28. Bull's new opera house at Middletown was the pride of the young city.

28. Thomas P. Simpson and William J. Williams dissolve partnership.

28. Real estate sales: Frederick J. Rogers to John S. Mains, house and lot in Stillwater, \$450. Heirs of Casper Crouse to Jacob E. Huff, 68 acres in Hardyston township, \$3,680.

MARCH

1. H. J. Rudd opens a musical convention at Hamburg, which closes with a concert on the 31.

1. Bartle Weidner, aged 50, of Bridgeville, with a wife and five children, killed by B. & D. train while asleep on the track.

1. Samuel Johnson removes his store to the rooms under the Herald office, intending to rebuild his storehouse on the opposite side of Spring street.

1. F. M. Hough retires from firm of Hough & Leport; the latter continues at the old stand, and Mr. Hough opened a new store in the Howell building.

1. James W. Crigar and Harris W. Losey form freighting partnership.

1. George Thomas, of Port Murray, killed as he was returning from Washington. To avoid a train he stepped into a culvert and broke his neck.

2. H. M. Gallagher lectures in public school hall. Subject—Put money in thy purse.

2. A disastrous fire in Morristown destroys the post office, and two other buildings, causing a loss of about \$40,000.

5. Stewart M. Brant, a native of Newton, died at Newark, aged 50 years. He was noted as a detective, having served under Colonel Barker, during the war, in the Secret Service.

6. Boonton puddling furnace resumed, substituting soft coal for anthracite, the latter was unobtainable owing to strike at the mines.

6. House of Assembly defeats a Local Option bill by a vote of 33 to 17.

7. Rev. R. B. Yard organizes a lodge of Good Templars in Newton.

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8. The ice on Lake Hopatcong was safe for foot passengers up to this date. A Newark brewer had stored 1500 tons, the ice being 23 inches thick.

9. Coal sold in Newton at \$12.50 per ton.

9. Newton Gas Light Company had increased prices to \$4.50 per thousand feet.

9. Real estate sales: James A. Decker to Mrs. M. J. Lehn and Mrs. Julia T. Stoddard, house and lot on Linwood avenue. Stoll & Dunn to F. C. S. Wintermute, the Gabriel Post property on Fredon road, in exchange for property in Stillwater and \$2,275.

12. Youth's Tract and Missionary Society observes its fourth anniversary, at Rinker Hall, and was addressed by Rev. S. I. Prime, D. D., of New York. At the election for officers on the following evening, John W. Griggs was chosen president.

13. After many adjournments the sale of the farm of Simmons Struble was made at \$14,000, which was not enough to liquidate claims.

14. The Sussex Railroad had a steam shovel at work at Haines's cut at Hamburg, pushing its line toward McAfee. The locomotive and cars were taken overland from Franklin by a temporary track which was taken up and relaid as the machine progressed.

14. Barn on John Wintermute farm, Hardwick, recently sold to Reuben Vanauken, burned with contents. Loss, \$1,100; insurance, \$800.

15. Another supposed incendiary fire in Morristown, destroys the planing mill of Greenwood & Hays, and 25 carpenters each lost a chest of tools. The total loss was \$25,000; insurance, \$9,000. Citizens subscribed \$1,200 to replace the tools of the workmen.

15. J. Shields, Jr., desired to dispose of his large interests at Washington, on account of ill health.

15. Jonathan Foreman Shafer died in Newton, aged 56 years. He was a respected business man, but ill health caused his retirement a few years previous to death.

15. The old Beach store house, corner of Spring and Main streets, had been razed to make room for a new structure.

15. Under the new apportionment Sussex and Warren each lose one member of Assembly.

15. Albert Canfield had paid \$3,000 for the property of Joseph Hill, near the Fountain House.

15. Henry D. Chapin had resigned principalship of Deckertown Academy, and gone to Antrim, N. H., to try farming.

15. George W. Coe was pushing the sale of his new invention, the Sussex plow.

15. Dawson Woodruff had purchased the Francis Gray property on High street, for \$2,500.

13. B. & L. money to the amount of \$1,400 sells for 19 and 18 per cent.

15. Order given to supply Glenwood with a daily mail from Pine Island, instead of semi-weekly service from Warwick.

20. The young ladies connected with the Presbyterian church were raising \$2,500 as their share of the memorial fund, in order that the new church might be dedicated free of debt.

20. A new organization called "The Union Lodge of Good Samaritans and Daughters of Samaria, No. 3," had just been organized in Newton, by Henry Russell, Deputy Grand Sir. It had 38 charter members. Rev. Myron Barrett was chosen chief officer.

20. Henry S. Fountain had resigned the principalship of Branchville public school to go to Johnsonburg school, and was succeeded by Samuel B. Price, and his sister, Miss Martha Price.

20. Wallace Myers removes store from High street to Snook building, Spring street.

20. S. Swanberg removes to Frank Lupi's old stand on Spring street.

20. The Library Committee had purchased the old drug store lot on Main street, for \$5,000, thus indicating an abandonment of the plan to erect a building on

21. Aaron B. Campfield, of Newark, suicides in Luse's hotel, Morristown.

21-22. Pupils of Sparta Academy gave exhibitions in old M. E. Church.

24. Wendell Phillips delivered lecture in public school hall. Subject, "Present Issues."

22. Newark M. E. Conference began its annual session at Morristown. The report of Presiding Elder Vansant was rather rough on Newton district, but Rev. S. W. Hilliard, former P. E., said the conditions had improved 100 per cent. in seven years. Port Jervis was chosen as the next place of meeting, by a vote of 87 to 35 for Hackettstown.

23. Real estate sales: Peter Hammond to Jacob VanHorn, farm in Stillwater, \$2,500. Robert M. Ogden to Robert T. Johnson, house and lot on Trinity street, \$5,500.

23. Levi Lanning had donated a farm valued at \$3,000, to the Yellow Frame Church, in consideration that \$1,000 be raised for present and future repairs.

23. A reward of \$500 was offered for the arrest and conviction of the incendiary who had recently attempted to burn the O. U. A. M. lodge room at Washington.

23. J. C. Shultz had issued a claim that he had killed the last bear in Orange county.

24. Legislature passed bill to enable Hackettstown to buy the water works of that place.

24. Wendell Phillips delivered lecture in public school hall. Hon. Daniel Haines presided and introduced the speaker. Over 500 persons attended the lecture, a carload coming from Branchville.

26. Albert Green, of Hamburg, makes a second unsuccessful effort to end his life.

27. C. C. Drake causes sheriff to seize 16 locomotives at Port Jervis in satisfaction of a judgment for \$35,000 and \$5,000 costs, for injuries received in disaster at Carr's Rock.

28. Daniel S. Anderson confirmed as President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas and Orphans' Court. John Iliff appointed a Lay Judge.

29. W. R. Mattison formed a copartnership with Gen. Judson Kilpatrick in publication of "Our Magazine."

29. Crigar & Losey began to ship produce from Franklin, buying there on Wednesday of each week.

30. Newton Slate Company offers at public sale the unexpired lease (35 years) and machinery of the quarry. The sale was due to insufficient working capital.

30. Post office re-established at Tuttle's Corner, in charge of Sidney M. Seplin.

30. William McDanolds had resigned the office of Common Pleas Judge.

30. Many improvements were being made about the National Hotel, kept by Jesse Ward.

30. A letter from Morristown, printed in this issue, quotes an obituary notice in proof of the fact that the first Sabbath school in America was established by Rev. Joseph L. Shafer, in Newton, in 1812, thus controverting a claim made that the first school of that character was established in the old Newark Academy, in May, 1815. Further than this it says: "Miss Maria Susan Johnson, and five other young ladies from Newton, started a Sunday school in the region known as 'Sprout Hill,' in 1814, thus antedating the Newark claim by one year. These young ladies sacrificed the comforts of their homes for some months during many years. Taking their own provisions, they went out, two at a time, and remained for a period of two weeks, when they were relieved by two more. The village known as Swartswood, with its churches and houses, now occupies the place of the forest that then towered above the lake, and smiling farms have succeeded to the gloomy wilderness."

30. The census figures of the county, as printed by order of the Legislature, gave Sussex a population of 23,168, of whom 205 were colored. The corrected table follows:

Andover.....	1136
Byram.....	1332
Frankford.....	1776
Green.....	868
Hampton.....	1023
Hardyston.....	1669
Lafayette.....	884
Monticue.....	932
Newton.....	2403
Sparta.....	2051
Stillwater.....	1230
Stillwater.....	1622
Vernon.....	1979
Walpack.....	647
Wantage.....	3636

Total.....23,168

30. Prospective business changes at Branchville included the removal of Jas. H. Bowman to Port Jervis, and Henry Whitaker came from Port Jervis to Branchville, it being an exchange of hotel properties. Wm. H. Ball had leased his woolen mills to Wm. Dear, of Philadelphia. The railroad had given a boom to mountain products, and during the past winter the shipment of 300 tons of bark and 260,000 hoop poles was recorded.

30. A letter from Franklin Furnace noted a fire on the 25th; the roof was on the new school house; the main line of the Sussex Railroad had been extended to the Iron Company's store; work had begun on a brick stable 101x40 feet, and also a brick house for the resident manager, J. V. Platt, Jr. The Company store had introduced gas, using 34 burners, and the walls of the new stock house were 20 feet high, and 15 feet more were to be added. The bases for the iron pillars numbered 70.

30. Annie Chambers, aged 16, of Knowlton, had suicided.

30. Mill of J. F. VanDeren, at Washington, had been burned, causing a loss of \$30,000, with insurance of \$18,000.

30. Robert Ramsden purchased the lease and movable property of Newton Slate Company.

APRIL.

1. Abram Shafer resigns conductorship on Sussex railroad, and baggage man Geo. B. Iliff is promoted to the vacancy.

1. John McCarter and Wm. H. Lepoit had purchased the Babbitt limestone quarry.

1. Frederick H. Linn retires from firm of Guild & Linn, at Newark, and is succeeded by Ludlow McCarter, of Newton. Mr. McCarter was the court reporter for THE REGISTER and Herald.

1. The old Andover mine had been reopened, and the ore was to be shipped to Pennsylvania.

1. Track completed from Franklin to residence of Gov. Haines.

1. Mrs. S. E. Laing occupies store corner of Spring and Main streets. C. E. Barker opens business in Richards building, vacated by the Laings.

1. John Inness, colored, reached his 31st year as sexton of St. James Lutheran Church, Greenwich, Warren county. He had dug over 600 graves, and was absent from church but four times through illness.

2. Mrs. Robert H. Howell died suddenly at the Continental Hotel, in Newark, having been taken ill two days previous while en route to Trenton. She complained of illness at Waterloo, and when the train arrived at Newark, she could proceed no further on her journey.

3. Alpheus Beemer succeeds Ephraim Lindsley as postmaster at Dover, the latter having been in office eight years. E. B. Dawson succeeded Dr. E. B. Gaines, (resigned) at Boonton.

3. Geo. Kelley, employed on the Sussex R. R. extension to McAfee, killed while coupling cars.

4. Justice Dalrymple opens Sussex Courts, and Judges Anderson, Iliff, and Winans, sit with him. There were four supreme court cases and 33 circuit cases.

4. Rev. H. M. Gallagher delivers a second lecture, and closed the course instituted by the Baptist church. His subject was: "Ireland and the Irish." It was an intellectual treat.

4. James R. Hull, a resident of Newton,

since 1835, died at the age of 64. No man ever enjoyed the confidence of the business community to a greater extent, and he was especially noted for his social attachments and great good humor at all times.

6. In this issue is an extended notice of an old paper in possession of Joseph H. Courteen, of Stillwater. It is No. 2, Vol. III, dated February 21, 1798, of the Farmers Journal and Newton Advertiser. This was the first paper issued in Sussex county. It was originally started by Eliot Hopkins and William Hurst, but ceased to exist in about a year, and was then revived by E. Hopkins and P. Smith.

6. Hall of public school building filed to overflowing for the first time. The occasion was the closing exercises of the first term of the school.

7. John B. Kelsey and wife celebrate golden wedding at Rockaway. The children and grandchildren numbered 67.

10. A. Drake, Jr., had established a market for the sale of live hogs, at Berkshire Valley.

10. Rev. Levi Morse, formerly of Newton, had removed from Pittsgrove, N. J., Unionville, N. Y., and had assumed charge of the Baptist church.

10. B. & L. money sold in three lots of \$1,000 each at premiums ranging from 20 to 26 per cent.

10. Annual town elections. Board of Freeholders had 5 Republicans and 25 Democrats. Republicans carried Sparta by an average majority of 20. In Newton the offices were about equally divided between each party, and John W. Griggs was chosen Town Clerk by six majority over James M. Chandler.

10. Terminus of route of mail stage from Blairstown had been changed from Waterloo to Hackettstown.

10. New law in force assessing a tax of two mills on the dollar for school purposes, to be distributed by the State.

10. Joseph Bishop had a cooper shop in Newton.

11. Gabriel Struble died at Deckertown, after having taken chloroform previous to the removal of a piece of steel from his eye.

13. Lumber yard of Bruen & Schofield, at Madison, destroyed by fire. The town had no fire apparatus, and the safety of adjoining buildings was due to the energetic work of students at Drew Seminary.

16. Thomas A. Lindsley, an aged resident of Dover, died from injuries received from a fall down a flight of stairs a few hours previous.

18. At the annual school meeting in Newton it was voted to raise \$6,000 by bonds to meet the unpaid obligations on the building. A committee of five was appointed to audit the accounts of Hopough & Moore, and effect a settlement, which the trustees thus far had been unable to do.

18. Synod of Newton met at Phillipsburg.

20. Grading on the Midland railroad had been nearly completed between Hamburg and Unionville. Over 1,000 men were at work in the vicinity of Munson's Gap, and the superstructure of the high bridge over the Walkkill at Ogdensburg had been completed.

20. S. G. V. writes from Ann Arbor, Michigan, saying that Old Sussex had seven students in different departments of the University.

20. The contract to build a new Presbyterian church at Dover had been awarded to M. & I. Seating. David Tucker & Son were to do the masonry work.

20. Lease of the Morris canal to the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company had been signed.

20. John H. Sutton announced opening of a new store at Monroe Corner.

20. J. W. Howell was trying to close out his business at Andover.

21. "Brick" Pomery delivers lecture upon "Success," at public school building.

24. Martin Rosenkrans conducts his first case in a higher court, before Judge

Anerson, and the subject in dispute was the ownership of a cow, alleged to have been stolen.

24. Directors of Dennis Library met and decided upon the general plan of the building as it now stands.

24. Henry C. Kekey succeeds the late James R. Hull as a director of the Sussex Bank.

25. Owen Gaughran, aged two years, drowned in mill race at Phillipsburg.

26. W. E. Treadwell, Horace Smith and Theodore Morford kill 110 out of 125 birds in a match on Muckleboney grounds.

26. Locomotive "Walkkill" makes its appearance on the Sussex railroad.

27. The past three issues contained interesting reprints of articles that appeared in the Newton Advertiser, of February 21, 1798. In January of that year the Legislature voted to cut off the township of "Stanhope" from Newton. A discussion of the act for the suppression of vice and immorality discloses some severe penalties. John Willing wanted to sell one-half interest in Windom forge. There was also a forge at Augusta, run by William Townsend, and Hugh Bulkley offers \$10 reward for the return of a ten gallon keg of Jamaica spirits stolen from the forge office. A whole column is devoted to a description of the keg as well as of the supposed thief with a history of his life.

27. George R. Leport, formerly of Stanhope, had opened a bakery in Branchville.

27. A new departure had divested Newton Collegiate Institute of its denominational character, and a new Board of Trustees had been chosen.

27. In issue of this date R. Tuttle, district clerk, presents a financial statement of the affairs of Newton school district, which were involved through a dispute with the contractors over extras.

27. Mrs. Beers, aged about 70, had recently been frightened to death by a fire alarm in Belvidere.

28. Philip Brady, of Port Jervis, aged 28, unmarried, killed by cars of his train.

MAY.

1. Early morning train scheduled to leave Newton at 5.45 to connect with mail train on the M. & E. division.

1. Tri-States Union, of Port Jervis, passes into control of the Tri-States Publishing Company.

1. Henry S. Fountain succeeds J. M. Williamson as station agent at Branchville.

1. Newton Gas Light Company held annual meeting.

1. Debate on the question: "Have women a right to vote?" occurred in public school hall, between representatives of N. C. I. and the Public School. The affirmative was taken by the N. C. I., represented by Wm. H. Miller, Hallie Moore, Harry Ryerson and Kittie Shepherd. The negative by Hattie Ridgeway, Amelia Struble, James Steele and Wm. Rinker. The judges, Jacob L. Swayze, Revs. T. L. Byington and C. C. Winans, decided in favor of the affirmative upon the merits of the argument.

1. Rev. J. F. Butterworth, of Dover, had been called to rectorship of St. Mark's Church, Jersey City.

2. At congregational meeting of Presbyterian church, Judge Ryerson read a statement of the financial condition, showing that there was still a deficit of \$1,700, which the trustees hoped to raise on pew premiums at the sale and rental on May 10th.

2. Citizens of Paterson by vote of 2,656 to 634 refuse to purchase the Passaic Water Company's plant.

4. Stockholders of New Jersey Midland Railroad held annual meeting at Godwinville, Bergen county.

4. Committee to select site for new Insane Asylum met at Trenton.

5. Madison was excited over incendiary fires and the citizens had offered a standing reward of \$500 for the arrest of the culprits.

5. First train of limestone sent from quarry near Andover, to M. I. W. at Stan-

hope. It consisted of sixteen cars with an aggregate of eighty tons. Heretofore the limestone for the furnace had been hauled by wagon.

6. Balthus Bummer drowned while fishing in Split Rock pond.

7. Mrs. Hendrickson, of Mount Olive, fatally injures herself by sticking a fork in the veins of her throat with the intention of suicide.

7. Dwelling at Newfoundland, owned by John P. Brown, destroyed by fire.

8. Trustees of Newton school district offer to sell \$6,000 in bonds, of \$500 each.

8. Laborer named Barker fell from pump car on Sussex road, breaking an arm and cutting and bruising his body.

9. Quarterly Sunday School Institute, under auspices of County Association, held at Branchville.

10. Engineers were engaged in a survey across the meadows, beginning at Nelden's lumber yard.

10. Wm. P. Nicholas exhibits a copy of the New England Weekly Journal, dated April 8, 1728.

10. Freeholders met in annual session Thomas Anderson elected Director, and C. H. M. Angle re-elected as Clerk. Board adopted a resolution, offered by William H. Edsall, to hire a teacher for children who were now or may hereafter be placed in the almshouse. There was a little contest over the office of superintendent of the park, resulting in the choice of Thos. C. Elston. Robert Hamilton was re-elected as counsel to the Board, and Levi Shepherd unanimously re-elected as County Collector. He recommended the raising of \$35,000 by tax, for county purposes.

10. Sale of pews in Presbyterian church brought a premium of \$1,200, leaving 35 to be sold at another date. Joseph Coult paid the highest premium for first choice, \$65.

11. Temperance convention at Hackettstown.

11-19. Frosty mornings finish growth of early vegetables.

12. O'Brien's circus and menagerie exhibits at Newton, coming from Hackettstown.

12. Franklin Deveraux delivered temperance lecture in Rinker Hall.

12. The iron jawed man with O'Brien's circus skips from Newton to avoid arrest on a requisition granted by Governor Randolph, for severely injuring a boy in a Pennsylvania town, who did not satisfactorily assist him. Sheriff Simonson and ex-Deputy Ross, went with the two officers from Pennsylvania, and succeeded in arresting the fugitive on the following morning at Tuttle's Corner. He was taken to Philadelphia for trial.

13. Frolic to clear ground around new Presbyterian church.

15. John W. Griggs resigns office of Town Clerk, owing to removal to Paterson to complete his law studies, and Jas. E. Howell is appointed as his successor.

15. Within a week David W. Smith had received ten carloads of Ashton salt, amounting to 140 tons. It was the first salt of this brand to reach New York inside of two months, and was retailed here at \$1 per sack.

15. The Midland officials had secured a 99 year lease of the Unionville Railroad.

15. A seventeen-year-old son of Anthony Kline, fell from pile of brick in Newton yard, broke one arm, sprained the other wrist, and also his ankle, rendering him helpless.

16. Dedication of new Presbyterian church at Newton. Services began at 2 p. m., and were participated in by Rev. T. B. Condit, Rev. Myron Barrett, and Rev. P. B. Bonney, of Branchville. Rev. Dr. John Hall preached the dedicatory sermon, taking as his text Jeremiah 31: 23. After the sermon Judge Ryerson read a history of the enterprise. The total cost of the church was about \$50,000, all of which, except \$4,000, had been raised in this vicinity. Rev. Thomas McCauley made a congratulatory address, and the