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Local and Personal

A daughter has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Edley.
Miss Alice Tucker spent Sunday with Syracuse friends.

Mrs. Fred Randall of New York City has been visiting her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Dills have returned from a visit in New York City. Alderman Andrew Dwyer has recovered from a severe attack of quinsy.

Surrogate's Clerk Torrey A. Ball, Oswego, has been ill with an abscess in his ear.

The Thursday afternoon Euchre club will be entertained by Mrs. P. Carrington this week.

Ernest Doty has resigned his position in the M. B. Hargrave drug store to accept one in the office of the Newark (N. J.) Courier.

Several of the rural carriers were unable to cover their routes on Monday morning, owing to the impassable condition of the roads.

At a meeting of the Physicians and Surgeons Association, held in the city hall on Thursday evening, Dr. Schlappi read a paper on typhoid and other fevers.

High Priest Frank Newkirk is in Albany attending the annual session of the Grand Lodge, as a candidate from Fulton Chapter, R. A. M.

Mrs. L. E. Taggart on Thursday entertained the West Side Whist club at her home. After refreshments, Mrs. J. J. McGinnis gave the ladies an enjoyable straw ride.

Health Officer S. A. Russell reports for January in this city twenty cases of measles, two of consumption and two of typhoid fever, as having been reported to him.

Mrs. E. T. Munger was recently tendered a very pleasing surprise visit by a number of her friends. Refreshments were served and a delightful social evening spent.

The night school for foreigners held in Phillips street school house, is largely attended and the pupils, many of them being adults, show a great aptitude for the language.

The members of the A. K. A., Fulton High School, will give a ball in Church's Hall on Friday evening. Wilson's orchestra will furnish music. A delightful evening is anticipated.

Messrs. E. E. Hart, E. T. Jones, C. A. Gilkey, V. W. Shattuck and Dr. Cusack, and B. A. Loveless were the committee in charge of the ladies night entertainment at the Masonic club on Friday evening.

Miss Ethel Bonner was tendered a happy surprise visit on Friday evening by a number of her friends in observation of her natal anniversary. Supper was served and a pleasant evening followed.

Rev. and Mrs. Noyes, parents of Rev. W. D. Noyes, the well known missionary who is stationed in Canton, China, occupied the Presbyterian pulpit on Sunday and gave an interesting and instructive talk before the Men's Bible Class of the church.

By the bursting of water-pipes on Monday morning in Mayor Quirk's suite of rooms in First street, the gas office was flooded. The amount of damage done the delicate gas-testing machine recently installed has not yet been ascertained as the water poured down upon it.

Former United States Senator Warner Miller last week made an assignment to his creditors, his financial and business affairs being greatly involved. Mr. Miller, who has been prominent in the political life of the state and Nation, was born in Oswego county.

A number of Mr. M. A. Losey's friends, mindful that Monday was his birth anniversary, surprised him at his home and watched the old year out and the new year in. The guests presented the host with an excellent pair of fur driving gloves. Mr. W. J. Ellis made the presentation.

The Skaneateles C. M. B. A. members have challenged the local C. M. B. A.'s to a game of "forty-five," to be played in the near future. The Skaneateles players have won a trophy of victory from several other lodges and are desirous of testing the skill of the local players. Alderman Dwyer and Craban received the challenge.

On Wednesday evening Mr. F. L. Porter was decidedly surprised by a visitation from a number of his friends. Mrs. Porter was in the secret, but the genial coal-dealer was completely surprised. The guests, who were especially urged to wear their "best clothes," made it very merry for the host and themselves until a late hour.

Snapshots at People

Gossip About a Few Celebrities Who Are Mentioned in the Dispatches—The Pope's Doctor Carries a Sword.



DR. W. SEWARD WEBB.

DR. W. SEWARD WEBB, who, with his wife and son, had to leap from his burning automobile in New York recently, can well afford to burn up a big touring car now and then and never feel the loss. Mrs. Webb was Miss Lila Vanderbilt, daughter of William H. Vanderbilt. Dr. Webb is a successful speculator in and out of Wall street and has money and automobiles to burn. That Dr. Webb is a born speculator is indicated by a little story told of him. Some years ago his daughter conceived the idea of proving her business ability. She paid \$20 for a brood sow and made arrangements for having the animal looked after on Dr. Webb's magnificent country estate of 6,000 acres in Vermont. The sow waxed fat and multiplied. In three years Miss Webb's profits had grown into hundreds of dollars. The fourth year the litter sold for \$700. Dr. Webb concluded to go into the pig line himself, so he bought his daughter out and established one of the biggest and best appointed piggeries in the country. Some years ago Dr. Webb bought a tract of country in the Adirondacks and made it into a splendid hunting camp and preserve. There was a big lake on the land called Smith's lake. The new owner rechristened it Lake Lila, after his wife. A man with money enough to buy a lake and change its name, thus altering the map of a county, may be considered fairly well to do.

Dr. Giuseppe Petacci, physician to Pope Pius IX., is a highly important dignitary in the papal household. While his official salary is only \$50 a month, there are certain compensations in the way of honors which make the post one greatly to be desired by physicians. The man who looks after the physical welfare of the spiritual father of so large a portion of humanity is a person of distinction. Dr. Petacci, like his predecessors in this office, was chosen because of his demonstrated skill and ability in his profession. He succeeded the late Dr. Giuseppe Laponi, who died shortly after the new pope entered the Vatican. Dr. Laponi became famous as the physician of Pope Leo XIII. during the latter years of the aged pontiff's life.

The pope's physician wears a uniform prescribed by the regulations of the papal residence. It may seem odd to an American that one who corresponds to "family doctor" should go about the premises with a sword dangling at his heels, but it does not look odd in the Vatican, where practically everybody wears some sort of uniform. Representative John A. Kellher of Massachusetts tells of a teacher in his district who read "The Old Oaken Bucket" and then told the little ones to make three drawings that would illustrate what they had heard. One of the little chaps made a circle, three rude pants and some dots. "What is the circle, Johnny?" the teacher asked. "That's the well." "And what are the three pants?" "One is the old oaken bucket, one is the iron bound bucket, and one is the moss grown bucket that hung in the well." "And what are the dots?" "Those," said Johnny, "are the loved spots which my infancy knew."

Joseph W. Folk, governor of Missouri, is just at present the proud possessor of two booms—one for the presidency and the other for the United States senate. He is willing to succeed Theodore Roosevelt as president or William J. Stowe as senator. He tells a story about a colored man who was brought before a court for a trivial offense. "The state of Missouri against John Anderson," was read in a loud voice, and the colored man's eyes bulged nearly out of their sockets, and he seemed overcome with terror and astonishment.

When he was asked if he had anything to say or plead guilty of not guilty, he gasped out: "Well, yo' honor, of de whole state of Missouri is agin dis one pore niggab, I's gwine to give up right now."

The governor is a shrewd judge of men, as the following story shows: One day upon reaching his office at the capitol in company with a friend Governor Folk found a number of men waiting in the anteroom. He passed



JOSEPH W. FOLK.

that was a decided chestnut. When the governor and his friend were in the private office, the friend remarked: "Say, that was a fearfully old one you got off just now." "I know it," was the reply. "Then why did you do it?" the puzzled friend asked. "Did you notice which of those fellows laughed? Well, they are the ones who have favors to ask."

Dr. W. Seward Webb's Odd Experience—Allan Ryan, Who Will Take His Father's Place—Sulzer's Marriage.

Congressman William Sulzer of New York, who recently surprised his friends by getting married, was at first reported to have eloped with his bride, Miss Rodelheim of Philadelphia. It was also said that the legislator fell in love with her while she was nursing him through an illness in a hospital. The congressman corrected these reports, saying: "I met her in a hospital, but my only ailment at that time was a case of love at first sight, which I hardly believe she will be able to cure in our lifetime. There was no elopement, but we wished to fool the people who had expected that we would have a big wedding, and I guess we did it."

"Another reason for our marriage at Atlantic City was my desire to carry out a promise made long ago to the Rev. Herbert Geasner to allow him to marry me should I ever wed. We were boys together in Elizabeth, N. J., and later, while we were classmates at Columbia, I promised to let him marry me when I had picked out a wife. He acknowledges that he had about given up hope of ever fastening me with the shackles of matrimony when myself and my intended bride descended upon him and asked to have the knot tied."

Martin W. Littleton, chief counsel for Harry K. Thaw, is always in great demand as an after dinner speaker and is noted for his stories. "One day," the lawyer said recently, "I misbehaved at the table, and my father told me to go upstairs. I knew that meant he would be around after awhile with a paddle. So I got busy as soon as I reached the bedroom."

"When he came up he dumfounded me by saying briefly, 'Take off your pants.' I began to whimper. 'I don't want to,' said I. He inspected me narrowly. 'Strikes me you look rather stout,' said he. "Executing a flank movement, he caught me over his knee and stripped down my trousers. Under the first pair he found another. Under the second pair he found another. Under the third pair he found another. When he got to the fourth pair he stopped and said gravely: "How many pairs of pants did you put on?" "I dunno; I put on all of mine and all of Jim's," said I weakly. "He burst out laughing, and from that day on I never got a licking. But he used to talk to me when I was bad, and it wasn't long before I would have taken half a dozen lickings thankfully rather than one of those grave, earnest lectures that made me feel ashamed of myself for hours and hours afterward."

It is announced that Thomas F. Ryan, the noted New York financier, is shortly to retire from active business and that he is coaching his third son, Allan A. Ryan, to succeed him in the commercial world. The elder Ryan proposes to retire to his native state, Virginia, with a winter home in Richmond and a summer home in Nelson county.

Allan A. Ryan, on whose shoulders the financier's mantle of responsibility will fall, is already a member of the New York Stock Exchange, having received his father's seat in 1906. He is married and is in business with one of his four brothers under the firm name of Allan A. Ryan & Bro. He is also president of a type-writer company.

Thomas F. Ryan is building a million dollar residence in Richmond. It is said also that he will erect a costly skyscraper for his favorite city and that he has political inclinations. Mr. Ryan at present is a member of the Democratic state central committee of Virginia, having always maintained his official residence in the state.

An Ohio representative has discovered the "original Taft man." He declares that at a banquet given in Cincinnati in 1897, when Secretary Taft was then only a judge on the federal bench, Hiram Rulison made the prediction in a speech that "Judge Taft will some day be president of the United States."

It is related by persons in Washington who attended that dinner and heard this proclamation that Secretary Taft turned the incident aside by saying: "Why, Hiram, what have you

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