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We desire to state, in relation to the somewhat personal correspondence in another column, that we are in no way responsible for the opinions of Mister Brewster, or any of the Pilgrim Fathers.

WE cordially welcome contributions to THE ARROW, asking only that correspondents bear in mind the limited space at our disposal. Lengthy communications corrupt the good manners of the editor.

One of the choicest building sites in Short Hills—the corner knoll south of "The Anchorage"—has been purchased by W. I. Russell, Esq., who will build at once, the plans submitted by the architects having already been approved.

We print the communications from Wyoming just to show there is nothing small about us—although we cannot exactly see why one of the writers should take Short Hills in general under his arm and pound its head, just because of the personal unrighteousness of Elder B.

WE understand that the movement for the establishment of an Episcopal church at Short Hills is progressing favorably. On Wednesday, the 19th ult., a delegation of our citizens appeared before the bishop and the Standing Committee of this diocese, at Grace Church, Newark, in furtherance of that object. All those (of any denomination) interested in the project are invited to meet at the Music Hall, Friday evening, May 5th, at eight o'clock.

THERE are rumors far, wide, and near by, to the effect that the enthusiasm of the audience at the recent entertainment at Morristown was largely sustained through the efforts of Mr. Henry (as Kester Chedzod), whose histrionic ability is well known in this and other neighborhoods where lovers of amateur theatricals abound.

AN excited and apparently down-trodden public may wonder why April has been slighted through the publication of no ARROW during that month. We hasten to the relief of the unsatisfied and longing subscriber by explaining that hereafter the paper will be issued the first instead of the last of the month as heretofore, which necessitates a jump into May, without, however, the crushing loss of a number of THE ARROW.

DR. LEWIS P. CLOVER, rector of St. Stephens P. E. Church, Milburn, has resigned the charge over that parish, his resignation to take effect June 30, 1882.

Dr. Clover has been in charge of St. Stephens parish for some eight years, and during that time has seen many changes in it. Coming there at a time when the church membership of St. Stephens parish was, to a great extent, limited to the immediate vicinity of Milburn and Springfield, he has remained to see flourishing settlements spring up around it at Short Hills and Wyoming, each, through its growing community of churchmen, contributing to increase the membership of "St. Stephens" and bear a share of the burden of its support.

To the new comers at Short Hills, Dr. Clover has not had an opportunity to become well known; but, among the older residents who have enjoyed a long and intimate acquaintance with the departing Rector, there will ever linger pleasant remembrance of the Christian gentleman, kindly adviser, and genial friend who is now so soon to leave them.

Departing from among us he bears with him our sincere regrets and heartiest well-wishes for his future happiness and well-being.

Says Belmont to Blaine,
"To me it's quite plain,
My questions you don't want to answer;
If my theory be true,
Your dispatch to Peru,
I would have you explain, if you can, Sir."

Quoth Blaine to the youth,
"I've told you the truth,
And if you don't like it, begad, Sir,
I'd have you to know
That for Rothschilds & Co.,
I don't care; nor for you, nor your Dad, Sir."

TOWNSHIP MATTERS.

The Township Committee met for organization, March 18, 1882. De Lancey Cleveland was elected Chairman. A number of the new officers were sworn in and filed the necessary bonds. The Collector's bond was fixed at \$6,000.

At a subsequent meeting held March 22d, P. C. McChesney was elected Treasurer, with bond at \$3,000. Road Overseers were appointed in districts where an election had failed, and Caleb Van Wert was re-engaged as Superintendent of the Poor-farm (including his services as Overseer of the Poor) at an annual salary of \$300.

At the meeting held March 27th, L. C. Goodrich, Collector, presented bond for \$6,000 with Stewart Hartshorn, and John S. Parsell, as sureties.

On April 8th the Treasurer's bond was presented, with Stewart Hartshorn, Wellington Campbell, and Jessie B. Rogers, as sureties. John B. Drew and Aaron S. Ross as sureties on Caleb Van Wert's bond for \$500, were also approved. John S. Reeve was appointed Surveyor of Highways in place of John Kenny, who failed to qualify. The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That whereas Mr. Horace Park, Collector, has failed to make his statement of uncollected taxes as required by law, and we, the Township Committee of Milburn Township, N. J., having met especially for the purpose of examination of said statement, and are unable to act in the matter, the responsibility of the non-collection of the unpaid taxes of 1881 rests with the said Horace Park, Collector.

At an adjourned meeting held April 15th, the Committee on Road Accounts appointed at a previous session, reported having visited Mr. I. D. Condit. They received from him a few papers, he promising to bring all the documents in his possession to the hall for this meeting. Mr. Condit failed to appear.

At the last meeting held by the Committee, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That a tax warrant for the unpaid taxes of 1880 be issued at once to C. C. Morrow, Justice of the Peace, directed to A. I. Jones, Constable.

Resolved, That each Road Master of the several road districts be notified of the amount of appropriation assessed for his district.

Resolved, That the Town Clerk notify Horace Park, late collector, that the Town Committee require from him a statement of the amount of moneys he has on hand belonging to the Township of Milburn; also, that he at once pay over the School Fund to L. C. Goodrich, present Collector, and the Township Funds to P. C. McChesney, Treasurer of the Township.

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THE ARROW,
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A LETTER TO ELDER BREWSTER.

ABOUT THE WYOMING CHURCH, AND THE SHORT HILLS MEETING HOUSE, WITH A LITTLE ADVICE TO THE ELDER.

To the Editor of the ARROW:

Dear Sir:—Referring to the last issue of the ARROW, and the article from the quill of Elder Brewster "so-called," I desire to say a few words, which so far as I am concerned shall be final on this subject. Opposition from some, sneers from others, and just such senseless articles as the one referred to, are to be expected in almost any enterprise, but particularly in the erection of a church (not a meeting house), which always seems to stir the animosity of one half the people—especially those not personally interested. Elder Brewster's opinion, in itself, is of little consequence to us; it is as impossible to please every one as to fly, but a few additional facts might not be out of place here.

The building which we propose to erect is small, neat and attractive, and when, in after years, it becomes necessary to build a larger church, this building will then be suited for and used as the lecture and Sunday school room. Now this Short Hills man (I mean the Elder) would have us put up an \$800 building—about on a par with the station, which had to be abandoned as a place of worship—and which in after years would have to be demolished as entirely inadequate, thus putting us to double expense—all forsooth, because 200 years ago, when \$800 was a fortune, and labor and materials were for the most part contributed, they could erect worse than a modern barn, and call it good! The Elder may be a great financier, but evidently is not acquainted with the price of building materials now.

A church was a secondary consideration at Short Hills—a hall was first erected. Of course every one understands that the Short Hillers can take no credit for this—it was erected and paid for by one man. Possibly he consulted the wishes of the people in this matter, rather than his own, but would it not have been better to have built an \$800 Brewster shed to the Muses, and put the balance of what the hall cost into a neat little church? What has the Elder to say to this? A hall is a secondary consideration at Wyoming. The people intend first to build a church for the worship of God. The Wyoming circular was not intended as an appeal to Elder Brewster and the rest of the poor fishermen of Cape Cod.

I understand the people of Short Hills now intend to erect an Episcopal church—although the one in Millburn should have the support of the combined Episcopalian population of the township. Of course, as soon as they have secured a lot and about \$800—scarcely so much will be needed—the "experienced" Elder will be placed in full charge, and being a firm believer in small beginnings (by the way, he had a very small beginning himself, and has never seemed to outgrow it), and as he understands "meeting houses" of 200 years ago far better than churches of today, it will be easy for a reader of the last ARROW to picture the building; and if the people can desire more than this, they can make application to the Elder for his arm-chair

and flagon so magnanimously offered to us, and which we most respectfully decline, without thanks! Oh, how we envy the Short Hills people their "meeting house," and the presence in their midst of such a man as Elder Brewster!!

In the mean time, we shall see whether the Elder's advice is to be practiced by himself and among his own people, or whether it is only of the kind which is always kept on hand by some people, to be preached. He has kept his identity a profound secret. For aught I know "he" may be of the gentler sex, but it matters not; this is not written for the Elder's sole benefit. If his article was intended to be very cutting and apt, he overshot the mark, and the arrow cannot be found. The wit, if any was intended, is wanting. The aptness cannot be perceived, but instead, its utter foolishness and poor taste is only too apparent. Let the Elder return to his Cape Cod wastes, where his extraordinary talents can be appreciated, or "seek the seclusion which Short Hills grants," and hereafter not meddle with that which does not personally concern him.

WYOMING.

STILL THEY COME.

To the Editor of the ARROW:

You are to be congratulated upon the acquisition of such a correspondent as William Brewster. According to ancient chronicles he was born in 1560, so that your venerable letter-writer has arrived at the ripe age of 322 years in round number. This fact I pray you to keep quiet, for should it come to the ears of the great and good Barnum, the Elder would be dragged from his solitude, in order that Joyce Heth might be eclipsed; even Jumbo would have to look well to his laurels.

We must make all due allowance for the querulous temper of the old man, for does he not inform us he is troubled with the gout? and then his occupation is not conducive to very bright views of life, for an antiquarian and collector is apt to live too much in the past; and delving among cracked china, broken furniture, and rusty armor, does not give one broad ideas. Macaulay tells us "the Puritans hated bearbaiting, not because it gave pain to the bear, but because it gave pleasure to the spectators." Under such influences was Brewster nurtured, and it is not strange that, now, in his second childhood, he indulges in a growl at the expensive designs of his neighbors, not so much on account of the money to be expended, but think of the pleasure they may derive from having a handsome meeting house!

We can picture the old man in his dotage, clad in a homespun suit, eating his meals with his pewter spoon and two-tined steel fork, and, oh, horror! using his knife to convey his food to his mouth, because, forsooth, what was good enough for his youth, answereth for his old age. Let us confess that having passed most of our lives in cities, we are not content with that which would suit a Cape Cod fisherman; and being young, in comparison with this modern Methuselah, it would be retrograding altogether too much to go back to the primitive tastes of our forefathers. We are not such Christian martyrs that we would willingly leave our comfortable homes and luxurious arm chairs, to sit on hard benches in a cheerless meeting house; even was it to listen to the impassioned eloquence of an elder Brewster, discussing upon the text: "Judge not that ye be not judged."

WYOMING, N. J.

PROGRESS.



The "English Opera night" of *The Informals* came off, according to programme, on April 10th, at the Music Hall, and was a substantial and gratifying success. The enterprise passed through the preliminary vicissitudes which always beset the amateur path, particularly when anything of importance is underlined, but it culminated in an unusually good performance.

The stage setting of the *Doctor of Alcantara* was the finest thing of the kind ever seen in Music Hall. The scene itself was entirely new, and its furnishing rich and tasteful. The music of the opera is of a light and taking character, well adapted for enjoyment at first hearing, and the singing and acting apparently well up to its requirements. *Cox and Box* is an irresistibly comical production, which, with the added attraction of Sullivan's charming music, seldom fails to please; and its presentation on this occasion formed no exception to the rule.

The audience on this evening filled the hall. Everybody and his friends were there from Short Hills and the immediate vicinity, together with considerable delegations from Summit and intervening stations to and including New York; and so far as demonstrations and expressed opinions may be relied upon as an index of gratification, the audience seemed thoroughly to enjoy the entertainment. The only *contretemps* of the evening was the premature leaving of the special trains which had been engaged by the Club to convey passengers up and down the road after the performance. The understanding in engaging these trains was, of course, that they should wait for the close of the entertainment; but it proved that they were under positive orders from the superintendent to leave at a certain time, which arrived some ten or fifteen minutes before the falling of the curtain on *Cox and Box*. The result was that over one-half of the audience were obliged to retire in haste from the hall, to their own great discomfort and that of the remaining listeners. This episode was as unexpected to the management as it was disagreeable, and we have been requested to express to all sufferers thereby the sincere regrets of the Club.

A SOCIAL EVENT.

It is the pleasant privilege of THE ARROW to chronicle the first wedding in Short Hills. On Thursday last, at Oak Lodge, Miss Elizabeth Bleecker, daughter of the late Rev. J. B. Henry, was married to Mr. Daniel Warfield, of Baltimore, the Rev. R. M. Abercrombie, of Jersey City, officiating.

The house, which was tastefully and elaborately decorated, was filled with guests from this place, New York and Jersey City.

We offer our warmest congratulations and heartiest good wishes—not altogether in an individual sense, but as a kind of public anticipation of the friendly words from many which will greet Mr. and Mrs. Warfield upon their return to Oak Lodge, where they will spend the summer.

If in the new garb with which THE ARROW has clothed itself (that cloak of seriousness which it has assumed in order that its present standing may be apart from the place it occupied when alleged wit and abandoned humor were its precarious capital), it might be permitted to assume a light vein, it would in connection with this chronicle, caution all young ladies who desire not to go and do likewise, to avoid that fascinating but fatal game wherein "love" and "hand in" are unblushingly demanded.

THOSE LADIES' HATS!

"Couldn't see a thing! Those confounded round hats! Why didn't they buy reserved seats for them!"—*Exclamations of the back rows; April 10th.*

We sat behind them at the play
Of Doctor Alcantara;
All black enough and big enough
To make the back rows swear-a.

They said Don Carlos was thrown in
A river just in season;
But peasant hats with cart-wheel brim
Concealed from us the reason.

They said three maidens sang good night
To Balthazar—in yell, O;
But how they looked, or what he did,
Well—ask the front row fellow!

They said that Cox was there with Box,
And Bouncer in between them;
But how they worked that rataplan,
We'd tell if we had seen them.

Those Spanish hats, like city cats,
May do for midnight revel;
But at the play in Music Hall
We wished them to the ———!

"FROM SMALL BEGINNINGS."

SUMMIT, April 15th.

To the Editor of THE ARROW:

Dear Sir: Fifteen months ago, my life was blighted by the death of my only child—a boy of eight years. This child left me a tiny legacy, the first two dollars of which he earned himself by painting horse-shoes, and which he carried proudly in his pocket, until one morning, when he came to me saying: "Mamma, I have concluded to give this money to Uncle Frank, to put in bank, but, maybe, Mamma, —maybe I shall not live to spend it, then I would like papa to have one-half." Such words made the little legacy, and all that was added to it, very sacred. Valuing these two precious dollars especially, he had them placed in a bank apart from his other savings, and became very anxious to think of some object for which to save, and was assisted, I think, in his choice by a visit to a very beautiful farm, as he soon after came to me saying, "Mamma, I think if I should save from now until I grew to be a man, I might buy you a home in the country; then I could go to business every day, and have men to work the place, and you and grandma could sit up at the windows and see the horses, and cattle, and green fields." From that day, during the short time allowed him, he saved for his object with the most entire unselfishness—always planning and thinking of me, and so earnest was he in pursuing his project, that he was continually gathering garden seed from every quarter (of which I have now a large package), toward planting the garden of the new home. His object was defeated, and through all these months I have been trying to conceive a plan by which I could make the tiny savings grow to a home for others, as they could not grow to one for me. Having matured a plan in my thought, I was met by a grave difficulty. Since my affliction, I have been wedded to seclusion; to pursue my project was to throw myself into the work, and into the world. Myself and my project stood opposed. After a conflict of several months, I decided in favor of the latter, and having concluded to put myself into my project, I was anxious to know the need of a home for destitute children, as I wished to begin nothing on mere sentiment. I visited persons of knowledge of the field of charity in

this portion of the State, and was everywhere urged onward. During all this time, I kept my thought an entire secret, as far as Summit was concerned, until the tenth of last month (March), when I called upon a number of my friends, asking for co-operation in my work, and received it so fully that by the next night we had our own little, plain house of ten rooms engaged, our matrons engaged, and a sufficient amount of money subscribed to insure our success. The Institute will be under the control of the Episcopal church, and supported by the Diocese of Northern New Jersey, together with the assistance rendered by members of other religious bodies, of whom we propose having upon our Board of Managers, in a proportion of one-third of the entire number, as I think our work will be the more interesting in its progress, if united in by us all. We will accept boys from all parts of the diocese, and of the orphan boys of the clergy of the Episcopal church, from all parts of the United States. Our interest will chiefly be directed toward orphans, for the care of whom no charge will be made, but under certain conditions: half orphans will be admitted, when the remaining parent will be expected to resign entire control of the child, and pay a nominal board to be regulated by the vote of the Managers according to the circumstances of the case.

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I have written you thus fully of the growth of the work, that you might the more entirely understand our enterprise, as Dr. Burling tells me that you will be kind enough to devote a scrap of space in THE ARROW to the commendation of the project, which pleasant promise, I thank you for, in advance, it being but one more of the innumerable proofs of the kindness of friends on every side—kindness which is, indeed, almost overwhelming, as I look at its present result, and remember the uncertainty in which I stood five weeks ago.

Very respectfully,
GEORGIANA KLINGLE HOLMES.

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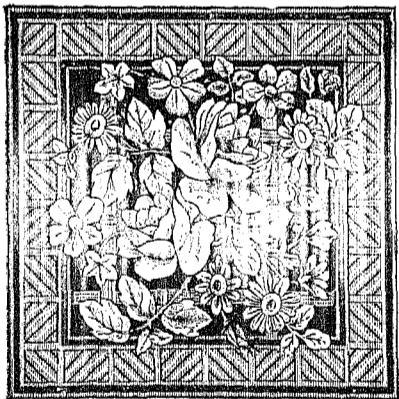
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SPRINGFIELD ITEMS.

—Our real estate agent reports that the movement in real estate mentioned in the last issue of THE ARROW still continues, and that there are parties negotiating for a property with water power, suitable for a hat manufactory. The names of the probable purchasers are withheld from the public for the present. Improvements are also being made on the M. E. church grounds and property; the interior of the church is to be frescoed and repainted, and new carpet and furniture take the place of the old.

—The first sociable of the season of the Presbyterian congregation was held in the church parlors, March 30th, and was well attended. It is proposed to hold similar meetings monthly during the year; and as sociability has not entered very largely into church circles in the past, it is to be hoped these gatherings may prove beneficial in many ways.

—The May term of Union County Court begins at Elizabeth, May 2d. Samuel Blodget and William Taylor have been summoned as petit jurors, and Asa F. Woodruff for grand juror, for the term. There are several appeal cases from Springfield to be tried, mostly suits known as the Collins' suits, from Squire Mulford's docket.

—The newly-appointed pastor of the M. E. Church, Rev. Crook S. Van Cleve, preached his introductory sermon Easter morning to a large audience. Mr. Van Cleve is widely known as a preacher of decided ability and a zealous Christian worker; he has filled with great acceptance nearly all of the most prominent stations in the conference. His appointment to Springfield receives the hearty approval of all the members of the church and congregation.

—The Elizabeth Presbytery have elected the Rev. Messrs. Teller, Mason and Henderson, delegates to the General Synod to be held at Springfield, Ill., May 15, 1892.

—The next annual parish meeting of the congregation of the First Presbyterian Church will be held in the Lecture Room on Friday, May 5th, at 4 o'clock P. M.

PUZZLE.

CHARLIE'S STORY.

I was sitting in the twilight
With my Charlie on my knee.
(Little two-year-old, forever
Teasing, "Talk a 'tory, please, to me.")
"Well," I said, "talk me a 'tory."
"Well," reflectively, "I'll 'mence:
Mamma, I did see a kitty—
Great, big kitty—on the fence."

Mamma smiles. Five little fingers
Cover up her laughing lips.
"Is she laughing?" "Yes," I tell him,
But I kiss the finger-tips,
And I say, "Now tell another."
"Well" (all smiles), "now I will 'mence:
Mamma, I did see a doggie—
Great, big doggie—on the fence."

"Rather similar, your stories,
Aren't they, dear?" A sober look
Swept across the pretty forehead;
Then he sudden courage took:
"But I know a nice new 'tory.
'Plendid, mamma! Hear me 'mence:
Mamma, I—did—see—a el'funt—
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