Elk County Advocate.

J. C. LUTHER, Editor

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1870

The Message.

The *State Journal*, one of our ablest exchanges, and a warm supporter of the Administration, speaks thus of the message. Its views coincide with our own, and is probably better than we could write them should we try:

The message, with marked frankness, defines the position on several important questions. The purchase of one of the West India Islands, and the establishment of a great naval station in front of the main coast line is urged with great force. The President declares that the inhabitants of San Domingo earnestly desire annexation to the United States. The clamor for the consumation of this project will, in all probability, be so great that Congress will be constained to pass an annexation act. The arguments brought forth in the message on this point are ingenious.

The rights of fishermen in the waters off the coast of Canada, the President insists, shall be protected; and, unless our troublesome and crotchety neighbors of the "New Dominion" act with less rashness and more justice, an act of Congress and a fleet of gunboats will propose a speedy settlement of the fishery question."

On the Alebama claims the public is left in the dark as to what has been and what is to be done. "Hold still and do nothing" is impractable.

The position on the European war, is eminently wise. The President assumes the full responsibility for the conduct of Washburne in recognizing the French republic, and in giving protection to the citizens of neutral powers in Europe. The refusal to engage in foreign entanglements will receive universal commendation in this country. Revenue reform is heartily endorsed; but the attempts under that name to destroy our revenues by the overthrow of protection is flatly rebuked.

The civil service is fully endorsed in every application.

Altogether, the message presents the affairs of the nation in a very satisfactory view, and the President, in great confidence, appeals to the American for support and co-operation, in perpetuating the good attained, and in efforts to achieve that which is still higher and more noble.

Home! That is what women makes it Man may be active or indolent, sullen or social, good, bad or indifferent, the home will be pervaded ruled, dominated by the spirit of the wife. Children will love it or hate it gladly remain at or return to it, or fly from it on all possible occasions just as it is enlivened by sympathy or rendered gloomy by care or moroseness. The most fickle and thoughtless man often and the jaded, over-burdened, yet kindly man always, turns with irrepressible yearning to the seclusion, the rest, the free intercourse of home. There, if anywhere, he finds innocent and substantial enjoyment; there if at all, repose which is yet happiness. Woman's kingdom, if it be a circumscribed one, may be made equally despotic and alluring, governed at once with an absolute sway; and an irresistible attraction. If mother Eve was all-potent for evil, her daughters are equally powerful for good. It is the feminine influece which preserves the world from grossness and corruption, in so far as it is saved therefrom, and it is the daily example and exhortation of good and discreet women which prevent the subsidence of the majority of mankind into sensuality, selfishness and vice. If womankind sometimes mistake the when and the how, that is simply saying that even the best and lovliest sex is not yet, and as a whole perfect.

WRESTLIG MATCH.—A wrestling match between J. H. McLaughlin, of Titusville, and J J. Benjamin, of Washington, for five thousand dollars a side took place in Titusville, Tuesday night at Corinthian Hall. The first set-to was a fall for McLaughlin, he getting a "grapevine lock" on his opponent. The Second set-to was a fall for Benjamin by an "inside twist" on his opponent. At this point there was great enthusiasm among the friends of both parties, and betting was high, McLaughlin being the favorite. The third set-to was a fall for McLaughlin by the "cross futtock," which decided the match in favor of McLaughlin. Time; forty-eight minutes from their first appearance on the stage. Many of the celebraties in the profession of this country were present.—Erie *Republican*.

RELIGIOUS DEPARTMENT.

REV. C. M. HEARD, EDITOR.

The Holy Communion of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated at the Court House next Sunday morning. The services will be conducted by Rev. C. M. Heard, and all who love our Lord Jesus Christ will be invited to to the communion.

The Fulton Street Prayer Meeting

A young man, of cultivated manners and appearance, arose in the meeting and asked prayer for himself that he might be converted. He felt that he was a lost sinner, and should forever perish unless God, in his Sovereign mercy, would interpose to save him.

He said but a few words, and in an instant a good brother sitting near him arose, and engaged in a most earnest prayer that this young man might at once believe on the Lord Jesus Christ as able and willing to save him now.

The young man was found to be a clerk in one of our Broadway dry goods stores, and, on being spoken with, expressed great anxiety to be a christian, and to find the way to Christ.

Another young man came into one of the meetings and stood in the aisle, leaning against one of the columns. As the meeting proceeded, he seemed absorbed in the deepest attention. He came farther up the aisle, and leaned against another column. He stood thus through the first half-hour, then he took a seat' Your reporter made his way to him when the services were concluded, to make some inquiries. He was a fine-looking, intelligent young man, in robust health. He said he was from Maine, was the son of pious parent; had no previous knowledge of this meeting, but as he was passing the old church, he saw the sign out—"Fulton Street Prayer Meeting"—and seeing some persons entering, he, came in also. He said he had never been in such a prayer meeting as he found this to be.

"I will be here to-morrw, said," he. "I am interested to know more of this meeting."

The next day, sure enough, he was in again, occuying a seat in the back part of the church. His fine, intelligent face was all aglow with emotion We made our way to him as soon as the benediction pronounced, and expressed satisfaction at seeing him present again.

"Are you anxious to become a christian?" we enquired.

"I am. My father and mother were christians," he answered, "and why could I not be anxious to be a Christian? Why not?" he added,

"Why not?" we inquired. "Why not now? Why not here?—from this good hour be a believer on the Lord Jesus Christ?'

"I mean to try."

"Oh, no!" we said—"don't try. Trying is not believing. Take Christ at his word, believing that he means what he says, as he says, as he says now to you and to every sinner—'Him that cometh unto me, I will in no wise cast out.' These are the words of one who cannot speak anything but the truth, and would not promise what he would not perform."

We trust that he, like hundreds of others who have just stepped into the meeting, will find it none other than the House of God and the Gate of Heaven to his soul. We shall see.

How to Pick out Sunday School Boys.

A Christian man who had journeyed much in the far west, said he could almost always pick out unerringly the Sunday school trained boys and young men. They were uniformly more civil and obliging to the traveller, giving full half the road on passing and turning out for the faster teams to pass them, when going the same way. This was often a difficult matter when the deep snows were drifted high and only one track broken through them. Indeed it would be hardly possibe in many places without the concurrence of the team in advance. The same gentleman said he had been obliged to ride three miles behind an ox team driven by boys, who refused to permit the carriage to pass. They were not Sunday School boys. A man boasted and laughed loudly over the boast, that he had travelled three hundred miles and made everything turn out for him. He was not a Sunday school-worker, you may be assured.

There is a power in a good Sunday school and in the precious Bible truths taught there, to refine the manners, and to make its members courteous towards all. And this is not one of the smallest benefits that flow from it. How much is the happiness of society affected by it. The temporal blessings of the Sunday school would be quite sufficient return for all its out-lay, if there was no other consideration. Said one of a Sunday school establishment in a wretched neighborhood, "It really seems as it its members had more to eat and wear than they did before it was established;" and I do not doubt but this was the case. Thrift and Bible wisdom go hand in hand. There is no agent like for doing good both to the souls and bodies of men

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WINTER TIME TABLE.

ON and after MONDAY, DEC. 5th, 1870, the trains on the Philadelphia & Erie Railroad will run as follows:

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" " " Ridgway	1.56 p. m.
" " arrive at Erie	7.40 p. m.
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" " " Ridgway	2.20 a. m.
" " arrive at Erie	7.40 a. m.
Accomodation, leaves Geneva	7.15 a. m.
" " Ridgway	5.01 p. m.
" arr at Kane	8.00 p. m.

EASTWARD.

Mail Train leaves Erie	9.00 a. m.
" " " Ridgway	3.00 p. m.
" " arrive at Philad'a	6.50 a. m.
Erie Express leaves Erie	9.00 p. m.
" " " Ridgway	2.20 a. m.
" " arrat Philadelphia	5.30 p. m.
Accomodation, leaves Kane	7.50 a. m.
" " Ridgway	10.40 a. m.
" arr at St. Marys	12.00 m.
" leaves St. Marys	7.15 a. m.
" " Emporium	9.35 a. m.
" arr at Renovo	5.00 p. m.

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