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Educational Questions.

A MEETING of the County Superintendents of Common Schools of the State has been called at Harrisburg on the 4th of December next.

- 1. The minimum length of time the schools should be kept open.—Should it be increased to five or six months?
2. Uniformity of text-books in counties.—Should a provision be made in the law for effecting such uniformity?

Some of these questions are of general interest, while others relate more particularly to subjects with which the Superintendents are specially concerned. In regard to the question of increasing the minimum length of time that school should be kept open to five or six months, there can hardly be two opinions, it seems to us, among the intelligent friends of education.

In regard to a very large number of the children over twelve years of age, this term is the only one during the year that they attend; and every practical teacher knows that the last two months of a five months' session are worth more to his scholars than the first three.

Another argument in favor of long terms in the winter is the fact that, in a great majority of our schools, there is a change of teachers every year. And here again the experience of every teacher is that it takes several weeks to become so familiar with the scholars personally, as to know their acquirements and mental habits sufficiently well to get them properly classified and into the best shape for making progress.

All these considerations, and they are eminently practical ones, lead us to the belief that the minimum length of time for the winter sessions of our common schools should never be less than four, and might well be five months.

There are other topics suggested by the questions we have above quoted worthy of discussion, to which we may allude at some other time.

The Young Men's Christian Association.—The annual meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association last evening at the Academy of Music, presents a fitting occasion for calling public attention to the very important field occupied and work done by that body.

The Young Men's Christian Association has been in existence now for twelve years, and its labors have been crowned with marked success. It seeks to furnish the young men of our city with pure and elevating associations; it affords them the advantages of literary culture and companionship; it supplies them with an excellent reading-room and library; and it seeks, by these and kindred influences, to forestall temptation,

and to throw about them such restraints as are most effectual to keep their feet from the downward road.

We advise our young men generally to join this Association, and go to work with it; and we bespeak for the Society itself an increased measure of public confidence and support.

The Size and Salary of the Police Force. YESTERDAY petitions were presented to both branches of Councils to increase the pay and number of our city police. It has long been a well-known fact that the extent of our city and the number of its inhabitants required a much stronger force than the law at present allows.

It is a false economy which would refuse a fair increase of salary, and it is mistaken wisdom not to enlarge the force to at least 1000, if not 1200 men. We think the petition of the officers of the force is eminently a proper one, and hope that our City Councils will act promptly and generously on the questions submitted.

The Right Kind of an Order. We are glad that there is at least one United States officer who is disposed to put his foot upon those displays of Rebel feeling—ostensibly to honor some dead "hero," but really to afford an occasion for keeping up a sort of esprit de corps with reference to the Rebel cause itself—which have been so offensive to every truly loyal man.

From certain articles published in the Louisville Courier of this date, it is inferred that the remains of the Rebel General R. W. HANSON are to be received with military honors upon their arrival in the city.

THE RIGHTS OF THE REVOLVED SECTION To the Editor of The Evening Telegraph:—BURLINGTON, N. V., November 13, 1865. I have this moment read your very courteous editorial comments on my brief communication of November 11.

While the States, by rebellion, forfeited all their rights, they failed to free themselves from any of their duties as members of the Union. That a criminal loses all rights by his misdeeds, does not free him from his obligations. The right of repudiation was forfeited, but the duty of paying taxes has not been escaped.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC, TUESDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 20. SUBJECT—"THE DANGER OF THE HOUR." Reserved Seats 30 cents. Admission 25 cents.

OFFICE OF THE LEHIGH COAL AND NAVIGATION COMPANY. PHILADELPHIA, November 15, 1866. The Stockholders of this Company, whose names are listed on the books of the company, are notified that the annual meeting of the company will be held on the 1st day of December next, at 10 o'clock, P. M., at the office of the company, No. 111 Chestnut Street.

Suppose you had said, at the outset of the war, to the thousands who flocked to the Federal standard, "This is not a war to maintain the supremacy of the Constitution, or to restore the Union, but simply to put down the Rebellion, and then to establish a Congressional Democracy out of the senators and Representatives from the Northern States, who shall debate what terms it may please for the restoration of the late-revolted States to the Union."

[Remarks.—In reply to our correspondent, we would briefly ask:—"What is a State?" It must consist of one of three things,—either the territory within its borders, or the people living in that territory, or the civil corporation created by those people, and endowed with certain privileges. It is clearly not the territory, for if the State of New Jersey were to be annexed to Pennsylvania, the territory would remain the same, but the State would have ceased to exist.

Our correspondent says the status of the State remains the same as before the war. "That this is so, is evident from the fact that the judges of the United States have assumed their functions in most of the lately revolted States without the passage of any law. In order to do this, the States where they exercise their authority might exist as members of the Union, because where a State ceases to be a member of the Union, the Federal authority of the United States must cease."

The Circuit Courts of the United States have not sat in any of the Southern States since 1861. The District Courts are appointed to sit in certain sections of country, geographically allotted, and bearing no relation to the States. That part of the United States lying between the Delaware river and the Alleghenies, and between New York and Maryland and Virginia, constitutes the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. If the State of Pennsylvania was to be blotted out, it would not change the power of this Court. It sits in a certain territory, and so long as the territory belongs to the United States, so long does its power remain.

"If the State of Georgia does not exist, how comes it that it is recognized as such organism for the purposes of taxation?" "If the State, then, is such for judicial purposes, why is it not equally so for the purposes of representation?"

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In bringing this argument to a finality, we agree with our correspondent that the war was prosecuted to maintain the supremacy of the Constitution, and in order that, through all eternity, its supremacy may be secured, we demand guarantees of the South for future good behavior. It is but a consistent conclusion of the great struggle; and as soon as the bonds are signed, the North will receive back the new States, redeemed, regenerated, and disenthralled by the irresistible genius of universal justice."

SPECIAL NOTICES.

MUJAVIRO—THE GREAT SUCCESS of this delicious perfume in the comparatively brief time it has been before the public, does not surprise us as a right rich, delicate, and lasting perfume. It has no superior, and we think no equal. For sale by all the principal Druggists—Wilmington Daily Commercial, 714 6mp.

NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING.—JOY, COE & CO., N. E. corner of FIFTH and CHESTNUT Streets, Philadelphia, and TRINITY BUILDING, New York, are Agents for the "EVENING TELEGRAPH," and for the Newspapers of the Whole Country.

WENDELL PHILLIPS, THE GREAT ORATOR, AT THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC, TUESDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 20.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE MERCANTILE BENEFICIAL ASSOCIATION. The Twenty-fifth Anniversary of this Association will be held at the ACADEMY OF MUSIC, on TUESDAY EVENING, November 21, at 7 1/2 o'clock.

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CORNER-STONE OF THE LUTHERAN CHURCH. B. M. CHAPPEL will be laid on SATURDAY, November 17, at 10 o'clock, at the corner of Tenth and Oxford Streets. Services at 9 o'clock, P. M., at the residence of Mrs. JOHN CHAMBERLAIN, HENSON, and DE WITT TALKAGE. Come! All come!

SPECIAL NOTICES.

OFFICE OF THE DELAWARE MUTUAL SAFETY INSURANCE COMPANY. PHILADELPHIA, November 11, 1866. The following Statement of the Affairs of the Company is published in conformity with a provision of its Charter:—

Table with columns for Description, Amount, and Balance. Includes items like Premiums received, Losses, and Assets of the Company.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a CASH DIVIDEND OF EIGHT PER CENT on the CAPITAL of the Company, payable on and after the 1st day of December proximo, free of National and State Taxes.

PREPARED OIL OF PALM AND MACE. FOR PRESERVING, RESTORING, AND BEAUTIFYING THE HAIR. And is the most delightful and wonderful article the world ever produced.

THE MARVEL OF PERU. A new and beautiful perfume, which, in delicacy of scent, and the tenacity with which it clings to the hand, is unequalled.

FALL STYLE HATS. THEO. H. M'CALLA, Hat and Cap Emporium, No. 804 CHESTNUT STREET.

BAILEY & CO., No. 819 CHESTNUT STREET. Offer For Sale a Large Assortment of EUROPEAN FANCY GOODS.

REAL BRONZES, FINE CLOCKS, ETC., RICH JEWELRY, ENGLISH PLATED WARE, PLATED CUTLERY, SILVER-WARE, ETC.

CAUTION.—ALL PERSONS ARE CAUTIONED against receiving or negotiating our check on CHS National Bank, dated November 16, 1866, \$500 for \$1000.

WANTED.—ONE OR TWO ENERGETIC AND INDEPENDENT MEN to join the proprietor, or to assist him in completing the formation of a Co-operative Association, for the purpose of manufacturing and selling a special variety of goods.

CONSUMPTION—SCHENCK'S PULMONIC SYRUP. A POSITIVE CURE FOR CONSUMPTION. SCHENCK'S PULMONIC SYRUP AND THE MANDRAKE PILLS.

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FINE OPERA GLASSES. IMPORTED AND FOR SALE BY JAMES W. QUEEN & CO., No. 924 CHESTNUT STREET.

J. T. GALLAGHER, LATE OF BAILEY & CO., FORMERLY BAILEY & KITCHEN. Invites attention to his NEW JEWELRY ESTABLISHMENT.

MAGIC RUFFLE COMPANY. This Company have Manufactured Expressly for the Season

LINEAM CAMBRIC MAGIC RUFFLING. E. M. NEEDLES, No. 1024 CHESTNUT STREET.

SIMON COLTON & CLARKE. Have Decided in Store and in Bond, 100 CASES JULES MUMM'S WINES.

GREAT STOCK OF ENTIRELY NEW STYLES OF CLOAKINGS AND COATINGS FOR LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.

WM. T. SNODGRASS & CO.'S CLOTH HOUSE, No. 54 South SECOND Street.

CANTON GINGER. Fresh Imported Canton Preserved Ginger, Dry and in Syrup, OF THE FINEST QUALITY.

JAMES R. WEBB, No. 23 STRAWBERRY Street. DEALER IN FINE GROCERIES.

SCOTSWELL SWEET CIDER. Our usual supply of this celebrated CIDER, made from Harrison Apples, just received.

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J. C. BECKEL, TEACHER OF Piano and Singing, No. 170 North Eleventh Street.

NORTHERN CENTRAL BONDS. WE OFFER FOR SALE A LIMITED AMOUNT OF THE BONDS OF THE NORTHERN CENTRAL RAILWAY, AT 89.

FREE FROM ALL STATE TAX, And are Coupon Bonds in amounts of \$500 and \$1000 each. The holder has the privilege of having them made registered at the office of the Company in this city, this being a great protection in case of loss.

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7 PER CENT MORTGAGE RAILROAD BONDS. We offer for sale \$250,000 of the Consolidated Mortgage Bonds of the Huntington and Broad-Top Mountain Railroad and Coal Company at 70.

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NATIONAL BANK OF THE REPUBLIC, Nos. 309 and 311 CHESTNUT Street PHILADELPHIA. CAPITAL \$500,000, FULL PAID.

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ELEGANT FAMILY CARRIAGES. Beckhaus & Allcaier. Desire respectfully to call the attention of the public to their extensive manufactory of FIRST-CLASS VEHICLES.

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FACTORY AND WAREHOUSES, No. 1204 FRANKFORD Avenue, ABOVE GIRARD AVENUE.

WE INVITE ATTENTION TO OUR LARGE ASSORTMENT OF PINK CORAL.

Believing that our Stock will bear able comparison both in STYLE AND PRICE WITH ANY IN THE COUNTRY.

CLARK & BIDDLE, JEWELLERS AND SILVERSMITHS, No. 712 CHESTNUT STREET.

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