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ALTOONA MAIL SCHEDULE. Eastern Way at 6:30 A.M.

RAILROAD SCHEDULE. Express Train East arrives 6:50 A.M.

MEETINGS OF ASSOCIATIONS. Mountain Lodge, A. O. U. M., No. 251, meets on second Tuesday.

COUNTY OFFICERS. Judges of the Court—President, Hon. George Taylor.

ALTOONA BODHOFF OFFICERS. Justices of the Peace—Jacob Good, J. M. Cherry.

LIQUORS—A LARGE AMOUNT. A full selection of LIQUORS has been received.

HENRY LEHR'S STORE IS IN. Let's old stand, newly opposite McCrum's.

PIGS, DATES, PRUNES, CITRONS. and Currants in store and for sale by J. SHOGARD.

PURE WHITE LARD AND ZING. Patent, also Chlorine, Green, Yellow, Paris Green, Zinc.

ALL THE STANDARD PATENT. A MEDICINE AT KESLER'S.

Select Poetry.

Milton on his Loss of Sight. I am old and blind! Men point at me as smitten by God's frown;

Select Miscellany.

Hints to Young Teachers.

The following good hints to those who contemplate taking upon themselves the weighty responsibilities and arduous duties necessarily connected with the profession of Teaching.

An Incident.

Mr. B., a young gentleman of fine talents, was years ago a clerk in a bank in Virginia.

At length he saw a dim light, and pushed forward until he came to a poor, wretched looking log cabin.

Chinese Habits.

Our readers have often read of the peculiar customs and almost incredulous dishes of our underground neighbors—the Chinese.

Whistling Girls.

In one of the curious Chinese books recently translated and published in Paris, this proverb occurs in substantially the same words.

Debating under Difficulties.

Hon. Joshua R. Giddings lectured in Tremont Temple, Boston, the other evening. His subject was, "Twenty years in Congress."

How It Strengthened Him.

A student of one of our State Colleges, had a barrel of ale deposited in his room—contrary of course to the rule and usage.

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A Clergyman gave the following notice for a woman's rights lecture:

A man in battle is not allowed to whistle to keep his courage up, and the whistling of bullets doesn't have that tendency.

Sleeping With the Landlord's Wife.

We give the annexed incident in regard to Rev. Zeb Twitchell, a Methodist clergyman in full and regular standing, and a member of the Vermont Conference.

In the early part of the session, the conference sat with closed doors for the purpose of transacting some private business, and especially to attend to the annual examination of each member's private character, or rather conduct, during the past year.

After a moment's silence, Zeb's traveling companion arose with a heavy heart and grave countenance; he said he had a duty to perform—one that he owed to God and the church, and himself; he must therefore discharge it fearlessly, though tremblingly.

The bishop called upon brother T. and asked him what he had to say in relation to so serious a charge.

"I did the deed! I never lie!" Then pausing with an awful seriousness, he proceeded with a slow and solemn deliberation:

"There was one little circumstance, however, connected with the affair, I did not name to the brother. It may not have much weight with the Conference, but although it may be deemed of trifling importance, I will state it: When I slept with the landlord's wife, as I told the brother, I kept the tavern myself!"

"In the markets, sucking-pigs and dogs are equally exposed for sale; the one being as readily purchased as the other. The latter, however, are not freely bought after they have been fed on animal diet, except by the very poorest classes; but are nourished with milk and rice on purpose for the table.

"We do not see why, if crowing hens are disposed of for fear of misfortune, 'whistling girls' should not also be made the subject of visitation. They are rather in high favor. Witness the popularity of the song, 'Whistle and I'll come to you.' A girl who can whistle, has music in her of no common kind, that is evident; and the 'bad end' she comes to is, generally, to whistle her way into some old bachelor's bosom.

"Put yourself into communication with neighboring teachers. If there is no Teacher's Association, organize one as soon as possible.

"The Investigator tells a good story of the great 'revival' in Wisconsin—Among the converts was one whose previous profession had been 'three card monte.' Times being somewhat hard, he found little profit in his legitimate 'practice,' and became 'converted,' as the elders say. One night, at the suggestion of an elder, he rose to edify the congregation with his experience, and thus 'delivered' himself: 'Ladies and gentlemen—I mean brothers and sisters; the Lord has blessed me very much—I never felt so happy before in all my life—(embarrassed—I never felt so happy before in all my life—(very much embarrassed)—if anyone thinks I ever did, they can get a lively bet out of me!"

A Little Hero.

Levi Back, a little boy not over twelve years of age, was one of the passengers in the burned steamer Austria, and saved his life by swimming near an hour.

"Does any one know ought against the character of brother Twitchell, during the past year?" asked the bishop, who was the presiding officer.

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Affecting Incident.

On one of the many bridges in Ghent, stood two large brazen images of father and son, who obtained this distinguished mark of admiration of their fellow citizens, by the following incidents:

"Both father and son were for some offense condemned to die. Some favorable circumstance on the side of the son, he was granted a remission of his share of the sentence upon certain provisions; in short, he was offered a pardon on the most cruel and barbarous condition that ever entered the mind of barbarity; namely, that he would become the executioner of his father! He at first resolutely refused to preserve his life by means so fatal and detestable. This is not to be wondered at; for I hope there are few sons who would not have spurned, with abhorrence, life sustained on a condition so horrible and unnatural. The son, though inflexible, was at length overcome by the tears and entreaties of a fond father, who represented to him, that at all events, his (the father's) life was forfeited, and it would be the greatest possible consolation to him in his last moments, to think, that in his death, he was the instrument of his son's preservation. The youth consented to adopt the horrible means of recovering his life and liberty. He lifted the axe—but as it was about to fall, his arm sunk nerveless, and the axe dropped from his hand! Had he as many lives as hairs, he could have yielded them all one after another, rather than again conceive much less perpetrate such an act. Life, liberty, everything vanished before the dear interest of filial affection—he fell upon his father's neck and embracing him, triumphantly exclaimed, 'My father! my father! we will die together!' and then called for another executioner to fulfill the sentence of the law.

Hard must their hearts indeed be, bereft of every sentiment of virtue, every sensation of humanity, who could stand insensible spectators to such a scene. A sudden peal of involuntary applause, mixed with groans and sighs, rent the air. The execution was suspended, and on a simple representation of the fact, both were pardoned, high rewards and boons were conferred on the son; and finally, those two admirable images, were raised to commemorate a transaction so honorable to human nature, and transmit it for the instruction and emulation of posterity. The statue represents the son in the very act of letting the axe fall.

"Why, the fact is, sir that my physician advises me to try a little each day as a tonic, and not wishing to stop at the various places where the beverage is retailed, I concluded to have a barrel taken to my room."

"Indeed. And have you derived any benefits from the use of it?" "Ah, yes, sir. When the barrel was first taken to my room, two days since, I could scarcely lift it. Now I can carry it with the greatest ease."

"The witty student was discharged with a special reprimand.

"An Irishman having accidentally broke a pane of glass, was making the best of his way out of sight; but the proprietor stole a march upon him, and having seized him by the collar, exclaimed, 'You broke my window, fellow, did you not?'"

"To be sure I did," said Pat, "and didn't you see me running home to get the money to pay for it?"

"When Sheridan made his first speech in Parliament, it was regarded on all hands as a most modifying failure. His friends urged him to abandon a Parliamentary career, and enter upon some field better suited to his ability. 'No,' said Sheridan, 'no, it is in me, and it shall come out.' And it did, and he became one of the most splendid debaters in England.

"A Western cotemporary thus sums up the peculiarities of a cotemporary: 'He is too lazy to earn a meal, and to mean too eat one. He never was generous but once, and that was when he gave the rib to an apprentice boy. 'The only time he ever worked was when he took castor oil for honey."

"Lawyers have a ludicrous way of identifying themselves with their clients by speaking in the plural number. Gentlemen of the jury, said a liminary of a Western circuit, 'at the moment the politician says he saw us in the tap, I will prove that we were locked up in the stein house in a state of intoxication."

An exchange speaks of a chap with feet so large that when it rains, or when he wants to get in the shade, he lies down on his back and holds up one foot. Fully answers the purpose of an umbrella.