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Does Centre County Want a Poor Farm?

The question of doing away with the overseer system in Centre county and establishing a county home for the poor is again being agitated after a lapse of fifteen years. The poor directors of Rush and adjoining townships have taken up the question and will endeavor to secure the signatures of two-thirds of their fellow officials in the county, so that they can go before the court and have the question submitted to a vote of the people at the February election.

In the event of the question carrying it will be necessary for the county Commissioners to purchase a suitable farm, erect buildings and equip them with all the necessary paraphernalia, the same to be paid for by an issuance of bonds. They will elect each year a superintendent of the home and a physician, constituting themselves its board of managers. The county Treasurer to be treasurer of the home.

The advisability of such a course should necessarily be carefully considered before it is adopted. Many arguments can be offered both for and against the plan. There can be no doubt that the concentration of all the poor funds expended in the county would provide a better home for paupers and serve the purpose more directly through the hands of the Com missioners than by being apportioned out by the overseers of the various townships. Under a concentrated management a poor farm could be made almost self-sustaining, as is done now in 33 of the 67 counties in the State. And statistics show that where county poor houses are maintained the tax rate is one half lower than where the over seer system is in force.

But with all these advantages the WATCHMAN is not in favor of a plan that will make districts, when paupers are hardly known, pay taxes to keep indigents in other parts of the county. Through Penns valley there are precincts where there is practically no poor tax necessary and it would be unjust to force residents of that district into the payment of taxes to keep people in others. However, it would be reasonable to put the question to an election test then let the districts that vote in favor of a county home go ahead and build one for themselves. This plan would be entirely practicable and fair. For afterwards if other townships should desire to change their methods they could be admitted to the home by paying a proportionate share of its organization expenses, which could be used toward raising the bonds that had been issued. The WATCHMAN will have more to say on the question in its next issue.

## A Slight Improvement in Business.

Though the pre-election Republican promises that gulled unthinking Democrats to desert their party are by no means being fulfilled, yet there is a slow and sure increase in the volume of business that is reported by the trades agencies. Laboring men who were promised \$1.25 a day, if they would vote the Republican ticket, have not gotten it, nor will they very soon, but with the general increase in business there is bound to come an increase in prices all along the line, and it is but natural for labor to expect its share. Dunn's Trade Review for the week end

ing, Nov. 24th, contained the following: There are some changes for the better. The gain is slow, and in some directions not very distinct, but the signs of it are a little more definite than last week. The most important of them is larger employment of labor, answering a better demand on the whole for manufactured products. Much of this is due to the unnatural delay of orders for the winter, which resulted from prolonged uncertainty, but it means actual increase in earnings and purchasing power of the millions, and so gives promise of a larger demand in the future. Prices of farm products in the aggregate do not improve, but the prevailing hopefulness is felt in somewhat larger transactions.

It must be born in mind that Damocratic laws are now in operation and will be for two years and a half to come, so let whatever of prosperty or distress that is noted in this time be credited to the Democratic party. We are not like the Republicans who blamed a Democratic administration for the effects of dash and succeeded in getting inside expressly for the purpose, and 120,000 their McKinley bill, while it was still the harbor. The Japanese artillery in operative. We want to stand wholly the rear kept up a continuous fire upon on our own merits.

## Senator Hill and the Income Tax.

There is a report that Senator HILL intends to fight the income tax in the next session of Congress. An appro- stricken and fled. priation will be asked for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the income tax law, which was neglectel at the last session, and without which that two Cninese warships were sold the law will be in-operative, but it is at Port Arthur.

said that the Senator intends to op pose such an appropriation. If this is true, it is to be regretted that be has not been properly impressed by the re sult of the recent election. The over whelming majority by which he was deteated should teach him that neither himself nor his party was benefited by the attitude of opposition he assumed toward the Democratic tariff and income tax. He has rather reason to believe that if those Democratic mess ures had received the hearty support of himself, and of the other disaffected Democratic Senators who impaired their object and delayed their passage the popular expression against the Democratic party would not have been as pronounced as it has been. The income tax is the fairest and most equitable form of taxation. It is greatly needed to supply the sources of revenue which have been impaired by bad Republican fiscal legislation. There should be no hesitation in granting the appropriation required for the operation of the income tax law.

### Carlisle and the Income Tax.

The Secretary May Not Ask for an Appropria tion to Carry it Out.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27 .- It is re ported that Secretary Carlisle will devote at least a paragraph of his annual message to the income tax by calling the attention of the lawmakers and the public to the fact that Congre-s at its last session failed to make an appropriation to carry out that portion of the Gorman Tariff bill. It i not thought that the Secretary will commend that an appropriation be made at the coming session, but that he will content himself with laving the facts before the members of Congress for such action as they may desire to take. Although it cannot be stated could not be collected, if money should Internal Revenue Bureau could assume the great task of doing the work which, in Secretary Carlisle's letter to Congress last session, he said would necessitate the appointment of at least which such uncertainty breeds. 250 deputy collectors and an expense or \$500,000.

The Secretary of the Treasury can find a very prompt method of nullitying the Income Tax law if he cares to do so, by simply following the precedent established by himself in the case of another provision of the Gorman Tariff law. He has nullified the provision relative to the free importation of alcohol, to be used in the arts, for the reason that he has found it impracticable to frame regulations that would prevent fraud under the peculiar wording of the law, and also because Congress made no adequate apfor rendering th of the law operative.

The only appropriation that was made by Congress for the collection of joint resolution rushed through Con gress in the closing hours under the general purposes of the Internal Revenue Bureau and not especially for the Income Tax law. This money is all gone now. Exactly one-half of it was set aside for the salary of the so-called superintendent of the Income Tax, an official not known to any law on the statute books. Secretary Carlisle, in the exercise of his discretion, deemed it right to use the money to pay the salary of an officer who had been legislared out of office by the Dockery law, and he has devoted himself in a general way to arranging the preliminaries for all the new class of work of the In ternal Revenue Bureau.

The method of starving a law to death by withholding appropriations has been practiced before now with regard to internal revenues. During the war a law was passed that the Secretary of the Treasury declared to be inoperative, because no appropriation was made for it. Congress was so in formed, and regarded the reasons assigned by the Secretary of the Treasury as good, and the law was effectually starved to death. The opponents of the Income Tax have only to make a united and determined opposition to an appropriation and they can defeat

## Capture of Port Arthur.

Japanese Torpedo Boats in Front.-Troops in the Rear-Chinese Made a Desperate Defense.

London, November 24.—The Central News correspondent at Shanghai says, the fall of Port Arthur has creatgreat excitement in the native quarter of Shanghai. The news of the capture of Port Arthur by the Japanese was brought from Che Foo vesterday by a British steamer. No details of the fight have yet been received, but all accounts agree that the Chinese fought gallantly and desperately. Some of the officers and men in the forts reinsed to surrender and were all cut down by the Japanese.

The Star publishes a despatch savengaged the attention of the forts while the troops closed around the ed especially for the purpose. forts at the rear. Then the torpedo the Chinese forts and the infantry made a succession of attacks upon the outer defenses, which they captured. After the first onslaught by the Japanese the resistance of the Chinese is said to have been feeble and finally the Chinese troops became panic

The Shanghai correspondent of the Central News save it is estimated that 14,000 to 20,000 Chinese troops detended Port Arthur. It is supposed

Eckels on Finance

Currency of the Country Confused by Experimen-

NEW YORK, Nov. 27 .- In an article entitled "An Essential Condition of Prosperity," contributed to the Decemher number of the North America Review, which will be published to mor row, Hon. James H. Eckels, comptroller of the currency, contends that there substantial prosperity to all classes of the American people unless and until tem of the country is formulated into one harmonious plan, in which each | bers attempted to rob the station. part shall be absolutely sound in principle and the embodiment of monetary tion has been of the most pernicious character, and had legislation in the field of finance must always exert a destructive influence on business. There is scarcely a single act upon the statute book affecting our currency system which has not been placed there simply to meet some emergency that confronted the country at the time, in the belief that a difficulty might be bridged over."

He cites as an example of emergency measures the greenback. The greenback measure he claims, fosters a sentiment for fiat money, in which he in- their canture. cludes silver tree coinage. The national bank currency measure, he claims, was also an expedient to provide a market for the government bonds. It was valuable as affording a perfectly sound currency, but not sufficiently elastic. The Bland act and the Sherman silver act are reviewed as mischievous measures of temporary ex-

pediency. The currency system of the county resulting from the constant passing of experimental laws has become so confused and unsound that Mr Eckels wonders not that we have suffered so much financial disaster during the years of its construction, but that we have suffered so little. "It is not at all surprising," he says, "that each with positiveness that the income tax morning the first inquiry that addresses itself to the business men of the be appropriated for the work, yet no country appropriated for the work, yet no country appropriated himself as official of the Treasury Department is to business conditions is. Have a willing to express the opinion that the thousand dollars of gold come into the treasury, or have a thousand dollars of gold gone out of the treasury? No one can overestimate the detrimental influence upon the country's prosperity an uncertainty which calls a halt upon every new undertaking, and blocks every avenue of trade in which a busy people are engaged.

### Sensational Divorce Suit.

It Startles Both Political and Social Circles in Several Rastern Cities - The Detendant a Leading Candidate for United States Senator From

WILMINGTON, Del., Nov. 26.-Mrs. Rosalie Addicks, wife of J. Edward Addicks, the leading Republican contestant for the United States Senatorship in this State, has filed a libel divorce from her husband in the Su preme Court of Newcastle county.

In her libel Mrs. Addicks charges the Income Tax was \$9,000, given in a marital infidelity as the ground for the application and names Mrs. Ida Carr Wilson as co-respondent. Mrs. Wilargument that it was needed for the son lives at Miraflores, a handsome county seat at Claymont, Del., adjoining Mr. Addicks' home tarm. Mrs. Addicks' application is for absolute divorce, with alimony. Her counsel are William E. Hilles, of this city, and John J. Johnson and H. S. Cattell, of Philadelphia. Herbert H. Ward, of this city, is counsel for Mr. Addicks.

A dispatch from Philadelphia says J. Edward Addicks was seen this afternoon at the Union League Club in reference to the charges made by his wite in her libel for divorce. Mr. Addicks was not disposed to talk on the subject, but when pressed for a statement for his side of the case, said:

"The charges are entirely false; trial of the case will demonstrate this.

That is all I have to sav. The news that Mrs. Edward Addicks has begun suit for divorce will undoubtedly create a sensation in social and business circles in New York, Boston and Newport as well as Philadelphia, where both Mr. and Mrs. Addicks are well-known. The utmost secrecy has been observed by the attorneys representing the wife, and very little can be learned as to the nature of the allegations contained in the libel. which was filed in court in Wilmington more than a month ago. The news would not have become public to-day were it not for the fact that the court rules required that service should be made and the notice in court by the last Monday in November. Summons to answer the charges was therefore served upon Mr. Addicks on Saturday, and he acknowledged the service, notice thereof being filed to-day.

## To Europe By Balloon.

Professor King Planning for a Trans Atlantic Trip by the Air Line.

Professor Samuel A. King, the zeronaut, is about completing the plans for a balloon trip to Europe. He says that a balloon properly adjusted can remain in the air for the length of time ing that the Japanese torpedo boats required to make the trip. One of both dams into the cars and it will be enormous dimensions will be construct-

It will be filled with hydrogen gas boats made a sudden and disconcerted from an immense apparatus constructed pounds of fine iron, 130,000 pounds of fine sulphuric acid, forty bushels of lime and twenty tons of ice will be consumed in the process.

The ascension will be made as the sun sinks in the west on the day announced, provided always that the wind favors a direct approach to the New Jersey coast. No attempt will be made to use the drag-rope until reaching the ocean, or possibly far out upon it. Then the rope will be lowered, and a thousand ounds or more of water ballast taken in by means of bags carried for the purpose will put it well down upon the waves for the ocean part of the voySeven Express Robbers Caught.

Surrounded in the Antelope Hills in Texas-Murderers as Well as Thieves.

FORT WORTH, Tex., Nov. 26.-The first definite news of the attempt to hold up the Gult, Colorado and Santa Fe Station and Wells Fargo Express office at Canadian on Friday night last reached here yesterday. Five packages of money, consigned from George can be no hope of undisturbed and Isaacs, Karsas City, to George Isaacs, Canadian, and purporting to contain \$425,000, arrived at Canadian on Frithe whole currency and banking sys. day night. Within forcy-five minutes after the train came in a band of rob-

Sheriff M. Gee of Hemphill county, who was there alone, attempted to science. American financial legisla- stand the robbers off. He was shot and mortally wounded. He died of his wounds on Saturday night. The robbers escaped unhurt. A posse was made up on Saturlay morning and a search for the robbers begun. Word has reached here that the posse surrounded the bandits in the Antelope Hills, in Cheyenne county, and after a desperate fight captured seven of the party. Particulars are not obtainable.

A relief party containing surgeons, has left for the scene. The robbers were heavily armed and well mounted. A reward of \$4,000 has been offered for

Princess Bismarck's Death. Had Long Been a Sufferer but the End Was Not Expected so Soon--Kept Her Real Condition Secret-The Prince Broken Down With Grief

VARZIN, Nov. 27 .- Princess Bis marck, who died at 5 o'clock this morning, had for years been a sufferer catarrh. Eighteen months ago she was found lying in a faint at the foot of her bed. These fainting attacks were repeated from time to time. The immediate cause of her death was dropsy complicated with heart disease. The disease rapidly became worse dur-

ing the last few days. The Princess was cheerful to the end. She tried to deceive her husband as to her real condition. She spent much of her time out of bed. Dr. Schweninger and Dr. Crysander regarded her case as hopeless a month ago, but concealed the truth from Prince Bismarck.

#### Cleveland's Foot Still Weak.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27 -As the president is still obliged by his physician's orders to refrain from using his strained foot, he did not come to town to-day, so the regular Tuesday cabinet day was abandoned, there being no urgent business requiring attention

# Foot Ball Scores Yesterday.

At Lock Haven, Bellefonte Acade my 6, Lock Haven 10. At Pittsburg; The Pennsylvania State College 14, Pittsburg Athletic Club 0.

At Philadelphia, University of Pennsylvania 18, Harvard 4.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

-J. W. Stover, of Millheim, killed two pigs, on Thursday, the combined weight of which were 939 pounds.

-The Philipsburg papers say the coal business is very dull and the likelihood of there being a merry Christmas for the miners is duller still.

--- On Monday evening Bellefonte Odd Fellows received a fraternal visit from Canton lodge of Lock Haven. A pleasant evening was spent in the hall in the Crider building.

LECTURE AT HUNTERS AND PINE GROVE MILLS. -Dr. McKinley's lec ture, which was necessarily postponed, is now arranged for next Monday evening, Dec. 3rd, in the Buffalo Ron Presbyterian church, and for Tuesday evening, Dec. 4th, at the Presbyterian church at Pine Grove Mills.

CHANGE OF TIME ON BEECH CREEK RAIL-ROAD. -On the new time card of the Beech Creek railroad, effective November 26th, train No. 33 runs through to Patton and train No. 36 starts from Patton The Beech Creek road continues under this new schedule the excellent local and through service that hes been furnished in the past.

-Before this session of court sheriff Condo, had twenty-three prisoners in his keeping. Two of them will go to the penitentiary, one will go to the Danville asylum, a young Irvin from Bald Eagle valley; Annie Simpson will be sent to a home for incorrigibles in Altoona, four will be released and three will more than likely spend a few years in the Huntingdon reformatory

----The Central rail road Co. of Penna is fixing up both dams in the Hecla park, and expect to do a big wholesale ice business during the winter. Chutes will be arranged to run the sawed ice right off the breast of delivered in this place at a surprisingly low rate. Already the company has received orders for fifty carloads that will be shipped to distant points.

-Rev. Miles O. Noll, pastor of the cepted a call to serve the Reformed people of Carlisle, a charge which pays a turned, breaking his leg in two places. also. He will move to his new home in time to begin his work there by the first ered one of Bellefonte's best ministers the sufferer is getting along as well as and he has certainly done a great deal can be expected. His pain must have

the Methodists will have, in their lecture the benefit of the Sunday school library

fund, which which will be well worth attending. John Powers, Hard Harris, Lee Woodcock and Philip Waddle will to take part are stars of the same mag-

-A brave but misguided scrub foot-ball team from State College is here to play our team this afternoon. They teacher's institute will meet in the court are nice young fellows and we are sorry | house here during the week of Dec. 17th for them. The ones who escape with to 21st. Last week we published the list their lives will doubtless get back to the of instructors who have been engaged, college some day to tell the story of the but omitted the evening entertainments slaughter. The dead will be held for since they had not then been fully aridentification at Haworth's undertaking ranged for. They will be as follows: rooms.-Philipsburg Ledger.-Editor Monday evening, "Bound to Win," Williams has doubtless changed his Hon. Henry Houck; Tuesday evening, opinion since the defeat of the Philipsburg team by the score of 10 to 0.

-Irvin Speer, plucky and lucky as ever, is away down in Morgan city, La., putting in electric plants on sugar N. J. plantations. He has erected eighteen in that vicinity, but is coming north as soon as his present contract is finished, for the country is very unhealthy and Irv. would sooner move than be an angel. He has had a hand Bishop street. in every electric light plant of any size on the Pacific coast. He has worked in Alaska, Chili, Texas and with a bronchial trouble and gastric every one of the Rocky Mt. states, and could no doubt do better by the West than did Harper's pet, Richard Pa. tracks the crew of a train on that Harding Davis.

> MARRIAGE LICENCES. - Issued during the past week taken from the docket, Jeremiah L. Rachau, of Cedar Springs, and Bertha V. Mechtley, of Nitiany.

William Fetterolf, of Gregg Twp., and Martha Emerick, of Potter Twp .. Geo. M. Walker, of Milesburg, and Almira McCloskey, of Romola.

Harry H. Tressler, of College Twp. and Nettie Benner, of Benner Twp. Wm. C. Kelly and Mollie Saylor,

both of Spring Twp. Frank Tharp and Regina Gettig,

both of Harris Twp.

IN THE WAKE OF DIPHTHERIA .-Realizing what an awful scourge dipththeria is to an afflicted community and wishing in some way to express their sympathy for those bereaved the Spring township school board held a special meeting, on Saturday Nov. 24th and

passed the following resolutions: WHEREAS it has pleased an allwise Providence to send into our schools that dread disase diotheria. That we therefore extend or heart felt sympathy to the bereaved parents in their distress in the neighborhood in which

the schools have been closed. Also that when the schools open again that we require a physician's permit from both teacher and pupils from families affected with

said disease. MURDERED NEAR THE TYRONE DEPOT. -An unknown man was found dead in the woods, about a quarter of a mile above the Pennsylvania rail-road depot at Tyrone, on Tuesday morning. Beside his body was a broken razor and a four inch gash under the left ear told the cause of his death. The spot where the body was found is known as "Camp Retreat," where tramps put up during their stop in Tyrone between trains. Everywhere there was evidence that a struggle had taken place and it is believed that the tramps got into a drunken fight on Monday night and killed the

THE SENIOR ASSEMBLY .- At the Senior Assembly in the armory of The Pennsylvania State College this evening the following ladies will be patronesses Mrs D. H. Hastings, Mrs. F. S. Shep pard, Mrs. W. A. Buckout, Mrs. J. M Smith, Mrs. H. T. Harvey, Mrs. J. B Johnston, Mrs. H. P. Glover, Mrs. O. F. Delo, Mrs. W. P. Duncan, Mrs. Geo. W. Atherton, Mrs. T. W. Kinkaid, Mrs. M. E. Kilgore, Mrs. R. M. Foster Mrs. J. A. Rohrer, Mrs. J. E Colt Mrs. J. F. Wilson, Mrs. Cyrus Gordon and Mrs. Edward Smith.

Stopper & Fisk's orchestra will furnish the music for the dance which will doubtless be greatly improved by the addition of a harp. Among the dances will be found both of Bellefonte's young composer's pieces, Mr. Lee Woodcock's "Oranje Boven" and "Keystone March."

BROKE HIS LEG WHILE CHASING AN UNRULY SCHOLAR .- Teacher William Gentzel, who has charge of what is call ed the Forge school in Spring township, located at the Valentine iron works, met with a most painful accident last Friday. He heard one of his scholars using profane language and told him to stop, but the boy swore all he more. Then the teacher started after him and the youngster ran away. Gentzel gave Reformed church of this place, has ac- chase and it was while running as fast as he could that he stepped on a stone that larger salary and has only one church. The break was so bad that part of the While here Mr. Noll preached at Zion bone protruded through his flesh and stuck clear out through his clothing.

Dr. Geo. F. Harris, of this place, was such a terrible condition.

-On Saturday evening the 8th, ATTEMPTED SUICIDE -Debby Foulk a pretty little girl and daughter of Joshua room, an entertainment and sociable, for Foulk, of this place, attempted to end her life on Monday night, by drinking laudanum. Her intention was frustrated by the prompt work of antidotes and the girl is alive and well to-day, but unsing and the others who have promised happy as ever over some gay Lothario who don't love her as she thinks he should.

> INSTITUTE WEEK .- The forty-eighth annual session of the Centre county "Conversers and Orators," Dr. A. E. Winship; Wednesday evening, "The Spirit of the Teacher," Dr. A S. Draper; Thursday evening, "Patrick Henry," Dr. L. I. Handy, of Newark.

> Thursday, December 20th, will be Directors day and it is desired that as many as possible be present when the meeting is called to order at 10 o'clock, a. m. in the High school building, on

> AN ACT OF KINDNESS .- On Saturday night the dwelling house of James Auman, a short distance on this side of Hublersburg, caught fire. As the house is located very near to the C. R. R. of road noticed the first glimmer of the flames and thinking that the danger was possibly unknown to the inmates of the house the train was stopped and run back. The trainmen then jumped off and running to Mr. Auman's notified the family that the house was on fire. They had not even thought of any such danger and were entirely unconscious that their house was being consumed by flames at the time. The warning saved them, however, for with the prompt application of water the fire was extinguished and the family was happy again, while the train sped on down the

valley. Such an action as this was on the part of that train crew is certainly deserving of the highest praise, for had they not taken the trouble to inform Mr. Auman of his danger his house would have been in ruins to-day. He feels deeply indebted to those who thus averted such a catastrophe and their action will be commended by everyone who reads these circumstances.

BELLEFONTE'S ENTERPRISING FLOR-IST .- Mr. George Baldwin, late head gardener at The Pennsylvania State College, whose flower store, next door to the WATCHMAN office, has been the center of attraction among lovers of rare plants ever since he opened in September is daily enlarging his stock. His new hot houses at the rear of Parrish's drug store, on Allegheny street. have been completed and are being put in readiness for the culture of all kinds of

foliage and flowering plants. A green house is a new thing in Bellefonte and from the growing trade which Mr. Baldwin is enjoying promises to be a paying venture. It certainly is a much needed store and we trust that Bellefente will encourage it into permanence. All kinds of cut flowers, chrysanthemums, carnations, roses etc., are constantly to be seen bedecking his display windows with their lovliness and attract the attention of pedestrains on west High street He will have an extra supply on band for the dance at the College to-night as well as for the holiday season. He will grow all kinds of flowers in his hot houses so that he will be in readiness to fill orders of any kind at all times.

UP TO DATE ON THE WEATHER --Mr. Foster says in his latest observations . "My last bulletin gave forecasts of the storm wave to cross the continent from the 21st to the 26th, and the next will reach the Pacific coast about the 27th, cross the western mountains by the close of the 28th, the great central valleys from the 29th to Dec. 1 and the eastern states about Dec. 2. The principal feature of this disturbance will be the severe cold wave following it, which will be accompanied by extensive snows in the northern states.

The first storm wave of December will reach the Pacific coast about the 2d, cross the western mountains by the close of the 4th, the great central valleys from the 5th to the 7th and the eastern states

about the 8th.

This disturbance will be of more than average force, and will be followed by cold weather. The coldest waves of the month will cross the continent from Dec. 1 to 4, and 7 to 10. Warm waves will cross the western mountains about Nov. 27 and Dec. 3, the great central valleys about Nov. 29 and Dec. 5 and the eastern states about Dec. 1 and 7. Cool waves will cross the western mountains about Nov. 30 and Dec. 6, the great central valleys Dec. 2 and 8 and of the year. Mr. Noll has been considucabled and set the injured member and the eastern states Dec. 4 and 10. The average temperature and rainfall for December and the general character of of good for his church during his stay been excruciating indeed with his leg in the incoming winter will be given in my next bulletin."