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Opposition to Currency Reform.

It cannot be otherwise than that the Democrats will meet with much difficulty and harassment in the task of reforming the currency which they have undertaken. The monetary system of the country had been left in such disorder by the party that had tinkered with it for more than a quarter of a century that it is not to be expected that those upon whom has devolved the duty of reforming it will do it easily. A monetary question is always a difficult one, not only on account of the intricacy of interests involved, but also by reason of the conflict of opinion which seems to be peculiarly prolific of strife when the currency is the subject of legislation. There are so many people that have pet monetary theories and think they know more than any body else about such matters.

What adds to the difficulty of the Democrats in their undertaking of currency reform is the dastardly conduct of the Republicans. Not in the least abashed by their having been the cause of the monetary derangement which the administration has to encounter and is trying to correct, they endeavor to embarrass its action, and stop at no misrepresentation that may create a false impression as to the measures proposed for repairing the injury done by their own financial legislation. It is the same game they played in opposition to tariff reform, and the same false assignment of the blame for the injury resulting from their own measure.

The obvious purpose of the Republicans is to prevent the consummation of currency reform by the Democrats. They again purpose to make political capital out of public distress, employing the same mendacious means. With this intent they misrepresent every movement that has been made by Secretary CARLISLE to meet and provide for deficiencies that have their origin in the defects of a Republican financial system. The howl raised by the organs is intended to attach a culpability to the administration for a derangement which existed when it came into power, the same as their calumny howl saddled upon the Democrats the blame for the disastrous effects of a Republican tariff.

In view of the kind of opposition to currency reform, the probability is that there will be great difficulty in consummating the measures that have that object in view. The Republican opposition to it is unscrupulous, and that which is to be expected from the Populists, will certainly be implacable. The passage of Secretary CARLISLE's bill without great modification can scarcely be hoped for, but if a Democratic Congress at this session will reform the currency as much as it reformed the tariff at the last session, the party may safely leave two such achievements to the verdict of the people.

Why Is This Thus?

This is one of the largest senatorial districts in the State. The three counties comprising it show up at Harrisburg with five Republican Representatives and a Republican Senator—a solid Republican delegation ready to do the bidding of the bosses, just as they may imagine the interests of their party demands.

In the division of party patronage in organizing the Senate and House, last Tuesday, there were ninety-three positions to parcel out—an average of two places for each Republican district in the State, with seven additional positions for the districts most deserving of special recognition. We have scanned every list of appointees and read every report giving the names of the successful aspirants for places, and have failed to find in any of them the name of a resident of the 34th district.

It may be "none of our business," but we are anxious to know, why this is so? For what reason has the claims of the Republicans of Centre, Clearfield and Clinton been so flagrantly ignored or disregarded? Are they unworthy the recognition accorded other districts? Have their Representatives in the House and Senate failed to demand their share of the party patronage or are they without the influence to secure for their own people, that which under ordinary fair treatment, should have been given without asking? The answers to these queries are no matters of ours. They are political problems, for the scores of Republican applicants for place at Harrisburg, from this district, to figure out at their leisure.

The State Legislature in Its Biennial Session.

Some of the Features of the Legislature's Opening Session.—New Hall Was Dedicated.—Aged Representative Lawrence Making a Touching Speech.—Senators Show an Inclination to Work.—Session to be Held To-day—House Adjourned Until January 9—President Pro Tem. of the Senate Makes an Interesting Address, Discussing on Leading Topics—Good Roads Question and Public School Matters Discussed—Proceedings in Detail.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 1.—There was a vigorous pounding of gavel at noon to-day in both legislative halls. In the Senate Lieutenant Governor Warren appeared behind the desk; in the House the tall form of the retiring chief clerk, Charles E. Voorhees, loomed up in the stall in front of the Speaker's stand, and his strong, rotund voice was heard calling for order. The members filed into their seats and the one hundred and eleventh session of the Pennsylvania Legislature had commenced.

The galleries in the House and Senate were crowded with spectators, while people elbowed each other in the corridors and arranged themselves along the walls or around the Speaker's platform. Several desks were ornamented with large baskets of beautiful flowers, but in general there was a noticeable absence of decorations.

The usual preliminaries were quickly performed. Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth Tilden delivered to the House the election returns, which will be counted January 10. C. Wesley Thomas was elected President pro tem. of the Senate and Harry F. Walton was soon installed as Speaker of the House.

BOUND TO BE RECOGNIZED.

John Fow made himself very conspicuous. He was on his feet whenever he got a chance, and that was frequent. He was determined to show the Republicans that the lonely Democrats could not be overawed by numbers. His colleague, Representative Parcells, created a laugh when, in seconding the nomination of Fow for Speaker, he said: "At our funeral it doesn't make much difference who drives the hearse."

After Speaker Walton had made a short speech, A. D. Fetterolf was elected Chief Clerk, and the other officers slated were appointed. In the Senate President Thomas in his address referred to the need of better roads, of more insane asylums and hoped that some improvements would be made in the public school system.

All the leading officers by the House and the members were sworn by Judge McPherson. Judge Simonton performed the same duty in the Senate.

A vote of thanks was given Charles E. Voorhees and Judge McPherson. The usual committees were appointed in both branches to visit each other and the Governor to announce that the Legislature was ready for business.

THE NEW HALL DEDICATED.

The feature of the morning session of the House was the dedication of the hall, which has been redecorated and refurbished. The address was delivered by George V. Lawrence, of Washington county, the oldest man in the Legislature. He was eloquent and pathetic in giving some reminiscences of Legislatures of the past. His voice choked up at times and his eyes filled with tears as he recalled his father, who was once Speaker, and spoke of Thaddeus Stevens, the founder of the common school. He was glad that he had heard Daniel Webster deliver an address in the old hall.

When Mr. Lawrence referred to himself and said this would be the last session he would ever attend, that his life was nearly ended, it touched the hearts of his colleagues. He gave the young members some good advice, advised them to be honest and respect the wishes of their constituents, warning them of the temptations of legislative experience.

Mr. Lawrence was vigorously applauded when he sat down and received the thanks of the House.

The Senate will hold a short session to-morrow. This is something unusual and indicates that at least a bluff will be made to shorten the session as much as possible. The main object is to receive the appointments made by Governor Pattison during the recess. It is understood that Factory Inspector Watchorn and a number of trustees of State and charitable institutions, who were not confirmed by the Senate, will be turned down at once. Insurance Commissioner Luper is in the list. John Morris, of Vanetta, one of the assistant door keepers of the House, is a minor.

PROCEEDINGS IN THE SENATE.

F. L. Bardens, the new chaplain, opened the session of the Senate with a brief invocation. After the votes cast for Senators had been announced the 25 elected were sworn into office by Judge Simonton. Sixteen swore by the uplifted hand, four by the book and five affirmed. Those who kissed the book were Senators Cronin, Penrose, Thomas and Becker, all of Philadelphia. The calling of the roll showed all the Senators present except Mr. Baker, of Delaware, who was absent on account of illness.

It is a source of gratification to know that our State is in an excellent financial condition. In 1880 the State debt was nearly \$14,000,000, but by a careful and economic administration of the various departments it has been reduced to \$2,000,000. It was readily observed that should this system of liquidation continue before another Legislature shall meet Pennsylvania shall be free from debt, and will probably be the only State in the country enjoying this desirable condition.

BETTER PUBLIC ROADS.

Mr. Thomas suggested the enactment of a law for the building, improvement and maintenance of public roads in the State. He said:

The people of this Commonwealth and thousands of our farmers and others are waiting patiently for the Legislature to meet and solve the problem. Plans and systems have been devised,

many of which seem to evoke a difference of opinion as to their feasibility, but one fact stares us plainly in the face—here must certainly be an improvement upon the existing laws and the wasteful and provincial system.

I believe this Legislature is competent and capable of settling this question and hope that it will place Pennsylvania on a footing with her sister State in the advanced and modern method of building and maintaining her public roads.

After complimenting the State for her liberal appropriations to the public schools, the President pro tem. said:

While we observe with great admiration the fact that 900,000 scholars are enrolled, and there is an average daily attendance of nearly 700,000, it is a well known fact that many children who should be educated are from some cause not found in either the public or private school. Pennsylvania is rapidly forcing itself to the front as the leading State in educational matters in this country, and she can do nothing that will better promote the interests of our people and provide for the future of the Government than by educating her young.

SHORT SESSION IN THE HOUSE.

In the House A. D. Fetterolf, of Montgomery, was elected Chief Clerk. Among other officers chosen were these: Resident Clerk, Jere B. Rex, Huntingdon; Reading Clerk, James A. Watkins, Lackawanna; Message Clerk, Forest B. Nichols, Crawford; Journal Clerk, E. H. Randolph, Allegheny; Sergeant-at-Arms, John T. Schoen, Schuylkill; Assistant Messengers, Sanford Almi, Beaver; William F. Howard, Blair; Pastors and folders, Adolph Heckel, Allegheny; William E. Henderson, Westmoreland; George Metcalf, Allegheny; McClure Hartzell, Lawrence; Howard C. Evans, Cambria; Richard L. Davis, Fayette; N. Losh, Indiana.

Speaker Walton announced the appointment of Rev. Dr. B. B. Hamlin, of Harrisburg, as Chaplain of the House. Mr. Hamlin, of Philadelphia; Fireman in basement, J. J. Jones, Mercer; Fireman on floor, David Davis, Allegheny. George R. Payne, of this city, was reappointed Chief Page.

At the afternoon session the business was confined to the reading of the Governor's message. The Speaker appointed Fletcher and Telize, Philadelphia; Cotton, Allegheny; Kunkel, Dauphin; and Shapler, Luzerne, the Inaugural Committee. Adjourned until Wednesday evening, January 9.

THE OFFICERS CHOSEN IN THE SENATE.

The following officers were elected: Chief Clerk, E. W. Smiley, Venango; Journal Clerk, Joseph Young, Philadelphia; Reading Clerk, James M. Cavan, Berks; Message Clerk, W. J. Robinson, Erie; Transcribing Clerk, C. E. Milliken, Allegheny; Isaac Martin, Sergeant-at-Arms, J. H. Harrah, Beaver; Assistant Sergeants-at-Arms, R. N. Greenman, Philadelphia, and H. T. Reynolds; Postmaster, John A. Seiders, Franklin; Doorkeeper, A. C. Little, Jefferson; Assistant Doorkeeper, Levi Knott, Blair; Messenger, Horace H. Hess, Lebanon; Assistant Messenger, J. G. Smith, Allegheny; Superintendent of Folding Room, James Riley, among the pastors and folders is J. D. Upmeyer, of Pittsburgh.

Senator Smith, of Philadelphia, offered a concurrent resolution, which was adopted, authorizing the appointment of a committee of five to make arrangements for the inauguration of Governor Hastings on the 15th inst.

Senator Gobin, of Lebanon, offered a resolution, which was also adopted, providing for a joint convention on the 10th inst., for the counting of the votes cast at the recent election for Governor and other State officers, when the Senate took a recess until 3 p. m. to listen to the reading of the Governor's message.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

A CHANCE TO HAVE DISEASED HORSES TREATED FREE.—As was the case last year the experimental work before the students in the Agricultural courses at The Pennsylvania State College will make it necessary to have a number of animals upon which experimental operations can be made. As the instructor in the department of veterinary science is none other than the noted Dr. Leonard Pearson, of the University of Pennsylvania, it can easily be understood that an excellent opportunity is offered to those who have horses, cattle or sheep that need the attention of a veterinarian.

We have received the appended letter from Prof. H. J. Waters, who is head of the department at the College. It is self explanatory and we would advise any of our readers, who wish to avail themselves of this opportunity to correspond with him. The animals that were taken to the College last winter to be operated on turned out well, as a rule, and you need have no fear as to results as Dr. Pearson is considered an authority in this work.

Editor DEMOCRATIC WATCHMAN:— Doctor Leonard Pearson, Professor of Practical Veterinary Science in the University of Pennsylvania, will again give the instruction, in Veterinary Science to the classes in Agriculture at The Pennsylvania State College during the winter term beginning January 24, 1895.

A free clinic will be held at the Experiment Station barn at State College once every two weeks, beginning Saturday morning, January 24, when a limited number of horses, cattle, sheep, etc., will be treated free of charge, to give the students a better opportunity to become familiar with the diseases and ailments of live stock.

Any one having an animal which they wish treated will kindly communicate with the undersigned at the earliest possible moment giving a description and history of the case. To obtain such animals as are accepted, ample notice will be given of the date on which such animals will be treated. Address the communications concerning the matter to:

H. J. WATERS, Professor of Agriculture, State College, Pa.

BELLEFONTE TO HAVE A NEW DRY GOODS STORE.—Among the business changes that will be made in this place in the spring none will be fraught with more interest than that by which Joseph Bros. & Co. will withdraw from the old Loeb store room, on Allegheny street, to make way for a new dry goods store to be conducted by A. Katz, with his sons, from Wichita, Kansas.

The new store will be an exclusive dry goods concern and will be strictly first class in every particular. It will occupy the entire first floor of the Loeb building, which is one of the largest rooms in town, and as the proprietor is a man of experience in operating stores in cities we can look for some attractive departure in handling dry goods lines. The new store will be opened about April 1st. Just as soon as Mr. Katz can settle his business in the west and locate here. He visited Bellefonte on Saturday and seemed much pleased with the chances for a good opening.

NECROLOGY OF CENTRE COUNTY.

The assessors of Centre county have finished their work for the seven months ending December 31, 1894 and the following is the report of the births and deaths in all the precincts except two, which have not yet been returned. In all there are 589 births recorded and 269 deaths:

	BIRTHS.	DEATHS.
Bellefonte, N. W.	8	7
" S. W.	13	12
" W. W.	17	1
Centre Hall Borough	5	1
Howard Borough	5	8
Millsburg	9	6
Millheim	8	4
Phillipsburg, 1st W.	12	5
" 2nd W.	14	3
" 3rd W.	14	12
South Phillipsburg	8	4
Unionville	12	2
Benner, N. P.	8	2
Boggs, N. P.	11	5
" E. P.	6	1
" W. P.	11	4
Burnside, E. P.	3	5
College, E. P.	10	3
Ferguson, E. P.	9	2
Curtin, E. P.	13	5
Ferguson, E. P.	13	5
Gregg, N. P.	4	4
" E. P.	8	6
" W. P.	10	4
Haines, W. P.	13	10
" E. P.	9	2
Halfmoon	5	4
Liberty	15	2
Howard	15	15
Huston	18	8
Marion	15	8
Miles, E. P.	8	0
" W. P.	21	13
" W. P.	3	3
Patterson	24	10
Penn.	20	3
Potter, N. P.	6	3
Rush, N. P.	20	17
" S. P.	9	2
Snow Shoe, E. P.	9	2
Spring, N. P.	18	5
" W. P.	15	2
" W. P.	18	12
Taylor	12	4
Thomas, E. P.	13	1
Walker	17	7
Worth	15	5
Total	589	269

FOSTER'S WEATHER FOR THE NEW YEAR.

Year.—Times may be good or bad, but the business of the weather wisecracker is little affected. He goes on watching the sun, moon, stars, barometer and thermometer and calculates accordingly. Little does he care what comes of his work so long as he can tell people what he thinks is going to happen. Mr. Foster begins his work for the new year by heralding a storm and we have little doubt but that it will show up as he says:

My last bulletin gave forecasts of the storm wave to cross the continent from 27th to 31st, and the next will reach the Pacific coast about Jan. 1, cross the western mountain country by close of the second, the great central valleys from 3rd to 5th and the eastern states about the 7th.

The second storm wave of January will reach the Pacific coast about the 7th, cross the western mountain country by close of the 8th, the great central valleys from 9th to 11th and the eastern states about the 12th.

Warm waves will cross the western mountain country about 1st and 7th, the great central valleys about the 3rd and 9th and the eastern states about 5th to 11th. Cool waves will cross the western mountain country about 4th to 10th, the great central valleys 6th and 22nd and the eastern states 8th and 14th. January temperature for the whole United States will be above the average and rainfall about an average, while some localities will go above and others below the average.

For weather purposes eastern states include the Atlantic coast east of the Alleghenies, including Maine to Florida. In that weather division January temperature and rainfall will be above the normal in north part, average in central and below normal in southern part.

Great central valleys include all the country from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico and between the summits of Rocky and Allegheny mountains. In that division the temperature and rainfall for January will be about normal, rainfall increasing to above normal toward the southeast and to below normal toward the northwest. Temperature will increase to above toward the northwest and to below toward the southeast.

On the Pacific slope the temperature and rainfall for January will be above the normal and gradually decreasing to below normal on the southern part. The Ohio valley and Tennessee and the lower lakes will have an average temperature and rainfall in January, the upper lakes inclined toward warm and dry, east gulf cold and wet, west gulf average temperature and rainfall.

UNION VETERAN LEGION OFFICERS FOR 1895.

At a recent meeting U. V. L. No. 59, of this place elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Colonel, W. H. Musser; Lieut. Col. J. W. Stuart; Major, Geo. A. Bayard; Q. M., W. H. Taylor; Chaplain, Rev. George Zehner; O. of D., Amos Mullen; O. of G., James Krebs.

BELLEFONTE GOLDEN EAGLES ELECT OFFICERS.—The following are the officers of Bellefonte castle, No. 357 of Bellefonte, Pa., for the ensuing six months term: past chief, John Yearick; noble chief, John M. Strayer; vice chief, Charles C. Bell; high priest, James L. Rote; venerable hermit, John Garbrick; master of records, H. Wilbur Bickle; clerk of exchequer, A. Lukenbach; keeper of exchequer, William H. Taylor; sir herald, Walter Crosthwaite; worthy bard, A. Lukenbach; worthy chamberlain, A. V. Hamilton; ensign, Charles J. Taylor; squire, T. C. Bell; first guardsman, S. D. Gettig; second guardsman, Wm. Kuhn; trustees, Geo. Taylor, E. Straub and Dr. H. K. Hoy; representative to the grand castle, Milton Johnston.

WHO WILL BE JURORS.—The first session of court under Judge Love and the first quarter sessions for 1895 will convene here on the morning of January 23rd, 1895. The following named persons have been drawn as jurors and will be expected to respond to their names when called.

GRAND JURORS.	
Jacob Bortoff, farmer	College
Miles Taylor, farmer	Union
J. W. Biddle, farmer	Huston
James Hockman, miller	Millheim
J. A. Crider, lumberman	Boggs
Michael Dempsey, clerk	Rush
James Reeder, painter	Howard
H. H. Schreyer, merchant	Bellefonte
J. Frank Recker, printer	Gregg
K. Blumer, farmer	College
E. G. Vanept, machinist	Centre Hall
W. W. Bigler, farmer	Rush
Isaac Fiedler, farmer	Haines
S. R. Pringle, merchant	Worth
Daniel Eisenhuth, laborer	Penn
Robert Musser, farmer	Phillipsburg
Frank Pennington, farmer	Patterson
Oscar Stover, farmer	Harris
John Danks, farmer	Walker
J. W. Wagner	Haines
W. H. Karstetter, farmer	Penn
J. H. Holt, gentleman	Snow Shoe
Thomas McCann, gentleman	Snow Shoe
G. H. Yarnell, engineer	Walker

TRAVELERS' JOURNALS—FIRST WEEK.

J. A. Bowersox, gentleman	Penn
Christian Holter, farmer	Liberty
Emanuel Roan, farmer	Benner
James Dumbelton, laborer	Rush
Wm. Hobsbald, farmer	Union
Morris Fitzgerald, miner	Rush
J. Miller, farmer	Ferguson
James W. Clark, photographer	Liberty
John T. Hoover, clerk	Phillipsburg
James Hunter, laborer	Spring
Geo. W. Long, laborer	Liberty
James K. Barnhart, bank clerk	Bellefonte
James F. Hazel, laborer	Benner
A. H. Hosterman, farmer	Harris
J. W. Tressler, farmer	College
John T. McCombs, farmer	Phillipsburg
James Harris, merchant	Bellefonte
P. R. Gorman, laborer	Rush
A. Quigley, merchant	Liberty
Irin G. Watson, laborer	Show Shoe
Wm. Hettlinger, farmer	Gregg
W. M. Malin, superintendent	Bellefonte
Wm. Bible, farmer	Harris
E. C. Eckenroth, laborer	Bellefonte
Robert Kline, farmer	Potter
W. M. McCoy, farmer	Spring
Emanuel Gorman, carpenter	Spring
Samuel Uebel, farmer	Marion
W. H. Neff, undertaker	Howard
M. Biddle, agent	Phillipsburg
Thomas Pilkington, foreman	Phillipsburg
Snyder Tate, teamster	Spring
James Carl, teacher	Spring
J. Weston, farmer	Worth
George M. Homan, farmer	Haines
Thomas Askey, miner	Rush
John E. Ely, farmer	Walker
G. K. Eishburn, teacher	Benner
J. H. Fleming, insurance agent	Bellefonte
R. H. Ruder, farmer	Ferguson
Amos Koch, gentleman	Benner
George Kowal, farmer	Huston
W. M. McGowan, coach maker	Bellefonte
John C. Mullinger, farmer	Spring
Thomas Harper, farmer	Haines
A. J. Gordon, laborer	Phillipsburg
John Ardel Jr., lumberman	Bellefonte
Moses Montgomery bookkeeper	Bellefonte

TRAVELERS' JOURNALS—SECOND WEEK.

Elmer Ross, merchant	College
Henry Stoner, farmer	Potter
A. A. Fletcher, teacher	Walker
John T. McCombs, farmer	Ferguson
Frank Leitzel, laborer	Spring
P. H. Haupt, tinner	Millsburg
Robert Strunk, laborer	Spring
G. W. Williams, farmer	Worth
J. S. Smith, Justice of Peace	Snow Shoe
D. B. McEntire, merchant	Benner
Jacob E. Snyder, dentist	Liberty
Joseph Grossman, farmer	Potter
John McKelvey, laborer	Union
Abram Luckenbach, merchant	Bellefonte
John A. Dorman, shoemaker	Walker
Wm. McKelvey, laborer	Huston
Thomas E. Smith, carpenter	Haines
R. B. Fredericks, carpenter	Union
H. H. Kunes, gentleman	Miles
William Linbert, teacher	Miles
Lincoln River, brick-maker	Rush
G. E. Kunes, farmer	Liberty
George R. Meek, journalist	Bellefonte
H. C. Thompson, farmer	Worth
James Hannon, gentleman	Centre Hall
John C. Eaton, farmer	Liberty
William Woodward, farmer	Howard
Charles Weizel, carpenter	Spring
Alfred Wasson, marble dealer	College
William McDowell, farmer	Marion
John Kern, farmer	Penn
W. C. Patterson, superintendent	College
John J. Norman, laborer	Boggs
Jack Kelly, blacksmith	Howard
A. P. Jones, banker	Phillipsburg
John J. Ocker, farmer	Miles

Port Matilda Pointers.

Mart and William Sterner killed nine teen rabbits on Christmas day. Beat this record if you can.

Mr. William Lingenfelter and family of Altoona, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Pringle during the holidays.

Pearl, the little son of Porter Woodring, came near drowning one day last week. He was skating on Cherry and Thompson's saw mill dam when the ice gave way and he went under. John C. Marks pulled him out before life was extinct.

George Woodring, Philip Young, Archie Woodring, Ed. Whippo, John Williams, Misses Olive Woodring, Maggie Williams, and Susie Reese scholars of Mrs. Orle Jones, lately the teacher of the Port Matilda grammar school were royally entertained at the home of their teacher on Christmas day.

Monday evening, December 24th, was an eventful one at the home of Matthew Adams, near Port Matilda. The marriage of his daughter Lucy to Mr. Jesse Cowler was celebrated that evening. Rev. G. P. Sarvis, of the Methodist church performed the ceremony in the presence of a number of invited guests. After the happy pair were united in matrimony an elegant supper was served. Long and happy may their wedded life be.

Pine Grove Mention

When the mercury is in degrees below zero and the snow is the deepest we have had for years.

Rev. Forest is conducting a revival meeting at Fairbrook church which so far has been very well attended.

Among the numerous holiday gifts was a new girl at the home of Amos Koch, his advent increased the glee in that happy household.

W. M. Shiffer and wife of Sunbury spent Christmas with his mother on Main street. They had many callers and received a royal welcome.

G. W. McWilliam's friends will be glad to learn that he is improving—even if it is slowly. His eyes are very much better and his general health need cause no more alarm.

Mr. Sten-t Cummings of McAlvays Fort died suddenly last week of paralysis aged 68 years. His Commission was well known here and is the father-in-law of A. W. Oliver.

Cards are out for the marriage of Martin A. Dribble and Miss Mattie Ewing, which is to take place the 3rd inst at the home of the brides father, Hezikiah Ewing, near Fairbrook.

Burglars entered the Presbyterian Parsonage at Penna Furnace and robbed Rev. Ermintrout of a coat, silverware and jewelry besides beholding a gold headed cane. As yet there is no clue to the robbers.

Capt. J. M. Kepler is contemplating a trip to the Hot Springs in Ark., where he will remain during the winter. He will be his third visit to that famous resort from which the Captain expects to return sound and wells in the winter. MAN hopes he will not be disappointed.

For some it was indeed a sad Christmas news has just been received from Mrs. Beila Miller formerly Miss Hoover for the last year has been a resident of Memphis Tenn. of the sad and sudden death of her only boy aged 13 months. He was playing near a grate fire and his clothes caught and before help could reach him, was burned so that he died several hours later.

Prof. Ira Ellenberger spent his holiday season down in old Kentucky and brought back with him a handsome young wife last week. A great big reception was given the newly wedded couple at the home of the groom's father, Samuel Ellenberger at Galesburg, where the professors associates and admirers gave him a hearty greeting. Ira is a graduate of State College and at present is principal of the Tyrone High school where he and his bride will go to housekeeping.

On Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Walker and their children were down at Sallito attending a family reunion at John Jamison's and their drive home is one that they will not likely forget soon. Mr. Jamison was formerly a Centre county man; but is now proprietor of the Iron Water Hotel at Sallito. The reunion was a perfect success. Out of the 60 members of the family 40 were present, grand parents, children and grand children enjoyed the turkey dinner and the tales of the old mired spud. Both Mr. and Mrs. Jamison enjoy good health and while Mrs. Jamison is blessed with more than her share of avoidpups. Uncle John is still the same slender old man quite sprightly for one of his years. Their children can indeed call them blessed.

CHRISTMAS IN THE CHURCHES.—Christmas has come and gone again. The great event was generally celebrated especially in an old fashioned way by Christmas festivities that engaged loving hearts and kind hands. Everybody was remembered from grand parents to great grandchildren with gifts of love and kindness. In all the churches it was indeed a childrens day, Christmas Eve crowds of people thronged the streets notwithstanding the blinding snow storm on their way to the Brethren church eager to have their share of the gifts. Rev. Black delivered a brief address on the Christmas tree, its evergreen a symbol of immortality and its numerous candles all ablaze with radiant flame the emblem of heavenly light.

Christmas evening the Presbyterians had their merry entertainment and a jolly happy crowd were present to enjoy the beautiful decorations and hear