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Marines Landed on Isthmus. Will Search for Colombia Troops Said to be Near Panama. Rumors of Speedy Attack.

Colon, Dec. 15 .- A company of marines from the United States cruiser Prairie was landed here under the command of Captain Smedley D. Butler, of West Chester, Pa., and immediately started by train for Panama. The destination of the marines is said to be Yaviza, up the San Miguel gulf and Tuira river.

It is believed that the decision of the naval authorities to station marines at Yaviza may possibly be owing to the reports that Colombian troops have been seen in that direction, but up to the present time there is no reason to believe that any large force is under orders to march on Panama from Cauca. The opinion seems to prevail that the few Colombian soldiers seen were probably scouts who were endeavoring to learn what preventive and protective measures were being taken by the Republic of Panama, and that it was their presence which gave rise to the exaggerated rumors of a speedy attack by Columbia

on the Isthmus. It is more likely that the movement of marines to Yaviza is in conformity with the policy of the naval authorities to concentrate forces at points which offer the best facilities for getting immediate information of any movement by Colombian troops towards Panama and at the same time affording the marines some relief from their confinement to the ships. The marines carried with them all requisites for camp life and also a number of machine

Want Panama to Assume \$15,000,000. London, Dec. 15.—The correspondent of the Morning Leader at The Hague says it is reported there that both Holland and Great Britain insist that the Republic of Panama shall assume liability for \$15,000,000 of the Colombian

Army Officers Anxious to Assist. Washington, Dec. 15.-The news of the movement of marines southward from Panama, based as it was on the reported landing of Colombian troops in that part of the isthmus, was received with keen interest in army circles, where there has been exhibited for some time a desire to participate with the navy in any military movements on the Isthmus. The general staff gave the subject immediate attention. There was, however, no outcome in the shape of orders to troops, though the arrival here of Brigadier General J. Franklin Bell, superintendent of the general staff college at Leavenworth, was regarded as confirming the previous statements to the effect that the army is making ready to do its share at a moment's notice. General Bell was in consultation with some of the members of the general staff.

There are strong reasons to doubt the truth of the report that Colombian troops have landed on Isthmus territory. All previous reports to government officials have indicated that no Colombian troops either have been landed or will be landed until after the result of General Reyes' mission to Washington is known. General Reves stated that he had given his pledge to that effect to the state department. His counsel to the Colombians to abstain from hostile acts until he has ended his work in Washington is well known.

Rear Admiral Coghlan cables that the Mayflower has learned that two Colombian gunboats, with troops aboard, are dodging along the Colombian coast near the Panama line, but cannot learn that they landed men. Coghlan's cruisers are still searching for traces of the party.

Captain Butler is a son of Congressman Butler, of West Chester. He left. school during the Spanish war and enlisted in the marine battallion. In 1899 he was made a lieutenant of marines and took part in the expedition to China for the relief of the legations. He was wounded at Tien-Tsin.

Shot Himself Before a Mirror. Washington, Dec. 14.—Standing before a mirror to make sure aim, Joseph Harnie Thibadeau, 61 years of age, of Falls Church, Va., shot himself through the forehead in a local hotel. He was formerly a clerk in the paymaster general's office. A letter found on the bureau, believed to have been written just before the suicide. shows Thibadeau to have been in financial straits and that he imagined himself to be the victim of a con-

spiracy. Brakeman Has a Charmed Life. Allentown, Pa., Dec. 16. - Charles Miller, a brakeman on a Port Richmond freight train of the Philadelphia and Reading railway, fell between two cars while trying to uncouple his train at East Penn Junction, and 17 cars passed over him. He was rolled over and over by the brake rods and air cylinders, but did not touch the tracks, and was picked up a mass of bruises. At the hospital it is stated that he will

--- Why don't you send the WATCH-MAN to some of your relatives who are living at a distance, though still interested in Centre county people and happenings. It costs only a dollar a year and would make of the committee was harmonious as acceptable a Christmas gift as anything throughout.

ADDICKS FILES ANSWER

Bay State Gas Company Issued \$75,-

000,000 in Stock to Pay \$1,500,000. Wilmington, Pel., Dec. 16.-In the federal court here attorneys for J. Edward Addicks and the directors of the Bay State Gas Company of Delaware filed an answer to the suit of George Wharton Pepper, of Philadelphia, receiver of the Bay State Gas Company of Delaware, demanding the return of \$75,000,000 of the stock of the company which the receiver alleges was fraudulently issued to Addicks. Addicks admits he was the organizer of the Beacon Construction Company of Pennsylvania, and that he turned over to that company 4993 shares of the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts. Addicks disposed of a large portion of the stock of the Beacon Construction Company until he owned only 7500 shares of the 15,000 shares of that company. The stock of the Beacon Construction Company was put up as security when several gas companies in Massachusetts were being acquired by the Bay State Company of Massachusetts, and eventually passed into the control of the Bay State Gas Company of Delaware. No financial consideration for the construction company's stock was given, and the Bay State Gas Company of Delaware decided to pay \$1,500,000 for the stock in order to get a clear title. To pay this \$1,500,060 there was issued \$75,000,000 of the stock of the Bay State company of Delaware

Mr. Addicks denies there was any fraud or that he was the sole owner of the construction company.

UNEXPECTED FORTUNE TO EIGHT Litwiler Family, of Bloomsburg, Pa.,

Heirs to Philadelphia Property. Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec. 15. - News comes from Bloomsburg to the effect that a large fortune has been left in Philadelphia, in which the estate of Mrs. Henry Litwiler, of Roaring Brook, Columbia county, is directly interested, which may result in leaving a comfortable fortune for each of eight children who survive her. It is said that the first information that the family had of this wealth came with a letter from the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad company to Mrs. Henry Litwiler, in which the railroad company asked to release some property in Philadelphia belonging to the Holicher estate, of which Mrs. Litwiler was a lineal descendant. The property in question is located on Broad street. Philadelphia, and is valued at \$400,000. Mrs. Litwiler died some time ago, and the letter was opened by her son Edward, who at once took steps to establish rights to the property. It is expected that their interests will be looked after by ex-Governor Robert E. Pattison. The probabilities are that when their rights are established they will not agree to releasing the land,

but will insist upon a sale. Together with the son Edward there are the following brothers and sisters: William W., Frank H., Stephen L., Mrs. J. E. Blass, Mrs. Amanda Linder-Roaring Creek township. Their interests are one-eighth of all the estate, which would bring to each the comfortable fortune of \$62,500.

# IN MEMORY OF BILL NYE

Movement Afoot to Erect Monument

Over the Humorist's Grave. Asheville, N. C., Dec. 14.-The grave of Bill Nye, the famous humorist, who died nearly eight years ago and was buried at Arden, near here, is unmarked, and a movement is afoot to have a granite monument erected above his resting place. The North Carolina division of the Sunshine Society is raising the fund.

When Nye passed away his devoted widow placed a memorial window in Calvary Episcopal Church, nearby, but her plans for a more fitting memorial were frustrated by the failure, soon after Mr. Nve's death, of banks in which practicaly all the fortune left by her husband had been deposited. At present a little tree is growing at the head of the grave, and some one has laid upon the mound a rude piece of stone picked up on the highway. Other marks there are none. Mrs. J. M. Ransier, president of the Sunshine Society, Hendersonville, N. C., is the active head of the memorial enterprise, and contributions are invited from the friends of Nye throughout the country. They should be addressed to Battery Park Bank, Asheville,

N. C., custodian of the fund. Wages of 30,000 Reduced. Connellsville, Pa., Dec. 30.-A reduction in wages averaging 17 per cent. and affecting 30,000 men in the Connellsville coke regions has been announced. The H. C. Frick Coke Company takes the initiative in this, the first reduction since the great strike of the early nineties, and posted notices at all their plants announcing the reductions. Just a year ago an increast of 10 per cent, was announced by the company. Nothing but advance notices have been posted by the companies of the soft coal region since 1895, and the average advance since February 1, 1904, has been 16 per

Chicago Gets Republican Convention. Washington, Dec. 14.—The Republican national convention will be held in Chicago, beginning at noon on June 21 next, the Republican committee reaching this conclusion and adjourning subject to call. Pittsburg and St. Louis were rivals of Chicago for the convention. Each city was well represented in oratory before the committee, and each also had cash offers to make. Pittsburg offered \$100,000. Chicago \$75,000 and a hall and St. Louis \$40,000 and a hall. The vote stood 43 for Chicago, seven for Pittsburg and one for St. Louis. The work

STEEL TRUST TO CUT WAGES

160,000 Men to be Reduced from 5 to

20 Per Cent. New York, Dec. 15.—The statement was made by a leading official of the United States Steel Corporation that beginning January 1, 1904, about 90 per cent. of the employes of the corporation will suffer wage reductions. ranging from 5 to 20 per cent. This reduction will affect about 150,000 workmen in the various grades of the subsidiary companies.

The remaining 10 per cent. of employes are members of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel nd Tin Workers, whose wage schedule

runs to July 1, 1904. The finance committee of the steel corporation has, it is understood, under consideration the dismissal of many high salaried employes, in addition to those already discharged, but no statement on this point was forthcoming. It was asserted that, barring some unforeseen technicalities, employes of the corporation who participated in the profit sharing plan will in the coming month receive a \$5 dividend on the preferred stock to which they subscribed at \$82.50.

### FIVE TRAINMEN KILLED

Two Engines and Train On B. & O. Plunged Into Deep Ravine. Piedmont, W. Va., Dec. 14-Five men

were killed and several severely injured by the overturning of two engines attached to a heavy Baltimore and Ohio freight train on the "17 mile grade." near this city.

The dead are: Engineer Ernest D. Ervin, Cumberland, Md.; Engineer Emery Ervin, Tunnelton, W. Va.; Fireman Walter B. Nine, Terra Alta, W. Va.; Fireman J. V. Carter, Cumberland, Md.; Brakeman John Hays, Staunton, Va.

The more seriously injured were: Engineer Michael J. Gibbon, Cumberland, Md., fatally crushed; Fireman E. C. Buckler, Terra Alta, W. Va., arms and head cut and bruised: Brakeman B. F. Bolinger, Grafton, W. Va., seriously crushed.

While descending the "17 mile grade" the train, to which were attached two engines, left the track. The engines and nearly all of the 24 loaded cars tumbled into a deep ravine, carrying the trainmen with them. The tracks were torn up for nearly 100

### SUIT FOR \$500,000 DECIDED

Court Finds That Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Andrews Died First. New York, Dec. 16 .- It was decided by Surrogate Thomas that Mr. and Mrs. Wallace C. Andrews died about 15 minutes before Mrs. Andrews' sister, Mrs. Gamaliel C. St. John, in the fire which destroyed the Andrews home in 67th street on April 7, 1899. In this the surrogate reverses the report of the referee, who found that the three

victims of the fire met death simulta-

neously. Mrs. St. John was a beneficiary under the will of Mr. Andrews for a large sum, being one of several relations among whom \$500,000 was to be distributed, and had she lived would have received a portion of the property of Mrs. Andrews. The heirs of Mrs. St. John will now receive their respective portions of the inheritance.

Mr. Andrews, who was one of the original standard oil men and at the time of his death was president of the New York Steam Company, left an estate estimated at \$2,000,000.

# LAKE SUPERIOR SOLD

Assets of Concern Bought by Speyer & Co. For \$4,500,000. New York, Dec. 16.—The assets of the Consolidated Lake Superior Company, held by Speyer & Co. for a loan of \$5,050,000, were bought in at public auction by Speyer & Co. for \$4,500,000. Theirs was the only bid. The sale was held in spite of several protests by representatives of other creditors.

Just before the auctioneer asked for bids he was served with a notice that suit had been begun in the State Su preme Court to set aside the same. James Speyer declined to say what disposition the syndicate contemplated making of the collateral now owned outright. Replying to further questions Mr. Speyer and Charles Tweed said that to the best of their knowledge the United States Steel Corporation would have no interest whatever in the property.

Girls Confess to Robbing Schools. Washington, Dec. 16. - Two girls, giving the names of Celia Gilson, 16 years old, who said her address was 14 East 114th street, New York, and Fannie Lewis, 18 years old, who said she lived at 180 East 101st street, New York, were arrested by Detective O'Day and were lodged in the house of detention pending a hearing in the police court. They confessed to an extensive series of robberies, and acknowledge having committed thefts in over 100 school houses, most of them in New York. A number of local schools also have been entered and ransacked.

Dowager Queen's Marriage Denied. Rome, Dec. 15. - The report telegraphed from Bologna that the Dowager Queen Margherita, during a recent journey to Norway, had contracted a morganatic marriage with an engineer 30 years old is authoritatively denied. The engineer to whom the queen mother is alleged to have been married is named Tenerand. He is over 50 years of age, and is employed as caretaker of the numerous charitable institutions which are supported by the queen.

Bank Defaulter Pleads Guilty. Trenton, N. J., Dec. 15.-James M. Edge, the defaulting Paterson bank teller, pleaded guilty in the United States District Court, and will be sentenced next Monday. Edge was recently arrested after an absence from Paterson of nearly a year. His peculations amounted to searly \$100,000.

### A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED.

Thursday, December 10.

The eighth annual convention of the American Anti-Saloon League was held at Washington, D. C. Fifteen buildings in the town of Ab-

bott, Tex., were destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of \$100,000. Four men were drowned at Redding

Cal. while attempting to cross the Sacramento river in a wagon at an unfordable point. The Fortress Monroe Y. M. C. A. building, donated to the soldiers by

Miss Helen Gould, of New York, was dedicated in the presence of a large assemblage. Senator William A. Clark, of Montana, was operated on for an effection

of the ear, and will be confined to the house for several weeks. The operation was entirely successful.

Friday, December 11.

Austria-Hungary has formally recognized the independence of Panama. In a colliery accident in the mine at Kushu, near Victoria, B. C., 35 men were killed.

Rear Admiral Bancroft Gherardi, retired, died at his home in Stratford, Conn., of diabetes.

A second explosion occurred in the Euclid mines, near Greensburg, Pa., killing Superintendent A. W. Sweeney and fatally injuring two others.

authorized the Federal National Bank. of Pittsburg, Pa., which closed its doors October 21, to resume business. Saturday, December 12. Miss Rose Leo, of Petroskey, Mich.,

was found frozen to death in a snow drift near her home. Disturbances from outlaws in the

Philippines are dying out and less ladroneism is reported than ever before. One man was killed and seven others seriously burned in a fire which destroyed the Armstrong cork factory at Pittsburg, Pa.

Mrs. Z. T. Hazen, wife of Judge Hazen, of the United States district court of Kansas, was fatally burned in a gasoline explosion at her home in Topeka.

Congressman J. S. Williams, leader of the Democrats in congress, addressed the Democrats of Baltimore, Md., and assailed the protective policy of the Republican party.

### Monday, December 14.

To escape arrest for stealing a horse and buggy, John Harkett, of Elwood, Ind., cut his throat.

Lewis Morse and wife, of West Scranton, Pa., celebrated the 60th anniversary of their marriage.

Emperor William, of Germany, accompanied by the empress, attended the military review at Potsdam.

Thomas Murray was killed and four injured in a collision on the Pan Handle railroad near Wheeling, W. Va. tune was estimated at \$25,000,000. In a railroad wreck near Madrid, pain. 14 persons were killed and

many injured. The train was derailed by the collapse of an embankment. Tuesday, December 15.

Viola Sands Hazard, aged 105 years, the oldest woman in Rhode Island, died at her home in Wakefield. W. H. Ennis, a former Brooklyn policeman, was electrocuted at Sing

Sing prison, N. Y., for wife murder. Miss Helen Gould declined to accept the presidency of the lady managers of the St. Louis World's Fair. John H. Fisher dropped dead when his name was called in a Chicago trusted him. court. He was a witness in a bogus

check case Rev. Edward Everett Hale, aged 83 years, of Boston, has been elected chaplain of the United States senate.

#### He is a Congregationalist. Wednesday, December 16.

Two men were found dead and a third dying, in New York, from drinking wood alcohol. The Pennsylvania rolling mills, at Lancaster, Pa., employing 400 hands,

have shut down indefinitely. The Virginia legislature has passed a bill appropriating \$10,000 for a state building at the St. Louis fair.

William J. Buchanan, the first United States minister to the Republic of Panama, sailed from New York for Panama to take up his new duties.

General Benjamin Viljoen, a Boer commander, who comes to arrange for an exhibition of Boer life at the St. Louis fair, has arrived in New York.

Wife Murderer Hanged at Media, Pa. Media, Pa., Dec. 16.—Henry, alias "Kid" Jones, colored, was hanged in the county jail yard here for the murder of his wife in Chester on March 8 last. His neck was broken and he was pronounced dead in six minutes. The condemned man, who had been surly since his conviction, became pacified some time ago, and he went calmly to his doom.

Newspaper of 160 Pages. St. Louis, Dec. 15.—The twenty-fifth anniversary of the publication of the Post Dispatch was celebrated by the issuing of an edition a single copy of which weighed two pounds and contained 160 pages. Ten street cars and more than 60 wagons were required to distribute the paper in St. Louis. Although 260,000 copies were issued, the supply was soon exhausted.

Cardinal's Strange Bequest. London, Dec. 16.-The will of the late Cardinal Herrero y Espinosa contains, according to a special despatch from Madrid, the extraordinary bequest of \$10,000 to the "first Spanish general landing in United States territory with an army sufficiently strong to avenge the defeats of Cuba and the Philippines." Pending the happening of this event the legacy is to remain deposited in the bank of Spain.

#### Real Estate Transfers.

The following real estate transfers have been recorded during the past week by Recorder John C. Rowe:

W. Harrison Walker Trustee to Thos. E. Griffith, dated Dec 8 1903, laud in Boggs twp; consideration \$3200

William Colyer et ux to W. F. Bradford et al, dated July 2 1903, land in Centre Hall Boro consideration \$150 A. M. Hoover Trustee to William E.

Fisher, dated Dec. 8 1903, land in Bogg twp; consideration \$300 H. T. Thompson et ux et al to John A Way, dated Nov. 27 1903 land in Half Moon; consideration \$650

Mary A. Mattern to David Bryant, dated Aug. 11 1903 47 A in South Philipsburg; consideration \$259 N. Beerly et ux to Thos. E. Griffith,

dated March 28 1895 tract in Boggs twp; consideration \$700 Michael Evert et ux to Thos. A. Hosterman, dated March 27 1901, land in

Penn twp; consideration \$220 Logan Iron and Steel Co. to William Whitmer and Sons Co., dated Nov. 5 1903 land in Centre and Huntingdon Co. consideration \$3066.25

J. B. Irish et al to John Lorsar, dated Nov. 5 1902 lot in Rush twp; consideration \$95.80 M. L. Beck et ux to Wm. B. Irwin.

dated Dec. 1 1903 house and lot in Walker twp; consideration \$600 John W. Dale et ux to Benjamin F. Hoy, dated Dec 12 1903 land in College

twp; consideration 355.95 The Comptroller of the currency has John W. Dale et ux to Chas. H. Williams, dated Dec. 12 1903 land in College twp; consideration \$234 32

> W. M. Cronister Sheriff to C. M. Bower, dated Aug. 31, 1899, land I : Huston twp; consideration \$25 H. S. Taylor Sheriff to Brinton H. Miner, dated Nov. 30 1903, land in Tay-

lor twp; consideration \$45 00

-Mince meat-our own make-fine as it can be made at Sechlers.

MARRIAGE LICENSES .- Following is the list of marriage licenses granted by orphan's court clerk, A. G. Archey, during the week:

Francis Joseph Motler and Estella Johnston, both of Philipsburg. Augustus Emel, of Bellefonte, and Alice

E. Ebert, of Spring Mills. John C. Cherry and Rena E. Black both of Bellefonte.

--- Cranberries-never so fine. Olives, olive oil, ketchups, flavoring extracts. Sechlers.

### The Meanest Criminal.

From the Altoona Tribune.

The special report of Assistant Postmaster General Bristow in connection with the postal frauds which have humiliated the country was made public yesterday. It is a very interesting document, but as it covers dle railroad near Wheeling, W. Va.

Judge James Cheney, the wealthiest
man in Indiana, died at his home at urgent, we have simply been able to give Fort Wayne, aged 86 years. His for the concluding words, together with a few suggestive phrases from the accompanying paper by President Roosevelt. We observe that Perry S. Heath has become wildly excited, indulging in language that many sober citizens that the public service might have profited if he had never beonged to it. A careful reading of the Bristow report fails to show anything but a somewhat monotonous recital of dreadful facts, all going to show that the government of the United States was the victim of an understanding between some of its employes and certain contractors. Every nonest man in the country will indulge the hope that the guilty men will be convicted and properly punished. The meanest criminal the world contains is the man who betrays a free country which has

-Florida oranges, malaga grapes, bananas, grape fruit and pomegranates. Sechlers.

# They Can Always Fight.

From the Pitisburg Post.

It is harrowing to note that a National Suffrage convention in Washington of negroes required the attention of the police before proceeding far in their profound deliberations. One faction, headed by a functionary of the Pennsylvania league, sought to indorse Mr. Roosevelt for appointing a few negroes in the South, whom the Senate would not confirm, while another faction upheld Booker Washington's view that depriving the negro of the elective franchise conduces to his intel-ligence, thrift and character. It disengorges him of that uncomprehended piece of stuffing which makes the southern negro rely upon his voting privilege for a living, and instills false ideas of his importance as a presiding elder in the congregation of the people.

-California heats the world on fine walnuts and almonds. We have them and all other nuts. Sechlers.

# Displays His \$5,000 Ear.

reporter was permitted to view at New York on Wednesday Dr. L. Nelden's celebrated patient, upon whom he has grafted a "living" ear from the head of a man who sold his ear for \$5,000. Dr. Nelden was in his residence on East Twentyninth street, and the man was lying in the operating chair with the grafted ear ex-

Except for a single swelling and inflammation the ear had a perfectly normal appearance. It adheres to the head.

Forceps Left in Side Killed a Physician Dr. I. B. Washburn, of Rensselaer, Ind., is dead at a private hospital at Valparasio, Ind., as the result of a curious blunder

made during an operation performed two years ago. He had complained of his side ever since the operation, but did not know the cause of the trouble, and recently decided on a

second operation. Dr. Loring operated on Dr. Washburn, and was amazed to discover in the patient's side, near the liver, a steel forceps about five and three-fourths inches in length. The forceps had become rusty. Dr. Washburn died a few hours after the operation. His son, who also is a doctor, says the forceps caused death.

#### Pine Grove Mention.

Ice ten inches thick is being housed. The mercury registered 5° below 0 Mon-

Davy George Reed, of Bellefonte, was here on business last week.

Mrs. Thomas Allen is ill with pneumonia at her home in Boalsburg.

Prof. A. W. Hunter, of State College, was shaking hands here last Saturday. Station agent J. H. Ward spent the Sabbath

among relatives at Greenwood Furnace. A Christmas entertainment will be held in the Lutheran church here on Christmas eve. The Leitzel-Weiland wedding is set for the 22nd inst., at the bride's home near Linden

Hall. Miss Catharine Reed, of Benore, is visiting her friend, Mrs. Clyde Shuey, at State Col-

D. G. Meek and wife came up from State College to the old farm home on Friday to stir pon-haus.

Penns valley lodge 276, will hold their fifty-fifth annual banquet in their new hall

on the evening of the 22nd inst. Rev. Walter Harnish the newly installed pastor will preach in the Presbyterian church

here Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Scott Bailey are putting their house in order to hold their

wedding anniversary on the 23rd. Edward Mateer, one of Mifflin county's prosperous farmers, is visiting his father,

Joe Mateer, in the Glades this week. For careful attention to her mother while sick with fever Miss Bessie Marts was rewarded with a \$30 gold watch and chain.

Walter Woods, a student at the Penna. University Medical Department at Philadelphia, is home laid up with bronchial trouble.

Miss Ella Ripka enjoyed her first car ride last Thursday when she went to spend a week or two among relatives at Spring Mills. We were wrongly informed last week when we noted the illness of Mrs. Sarah Gardner, when it was really her daughter Mary who

was ill. Chas. H. Marts came home from Lewistown, where he has a good job in the iron works, to see that his little family have the

necessaries for cold, cold winter. Mrs. J. A. Goheen, of Tyrone, was in town Saturday as the guest of Mrs. J. G. Bailey, on Main street. Little Ruth, who has been visiting here for some time, went home along. Hess and Musser threshers pulled home last week after a season's run of 85 days; having hulled out 51,540 bushels of the golden grain. This is the best tally they

ever made. In this section Charley Kuhn holds the belt having killed the heavy weight porker that dressed 530 lbs. J. H. Weber followed close with one that weighed 523 lbs.

His two hogs tipped the beams at 1028 lbs. The venerable Chas Snyder and his daughter Marie have taken rooms with Geo. W. Potter, who is a tenant on one of his farms at White Hall; better known to most of the WATCHMAN readers as the David Krebs farm.

George R. Meek, of Bellefonte, came up

Monday evening to destroy what little game was left at the heels of the hunt. Hon. J. Will Kepler showed him the lay of the land will go a long ways toward convincing and where the cotton tails abound but are not so easily found. For the next two weeks the Pine Grove High school will be closed and the young Americans will have a full holiday romp.

> old home at New Castle and the week following he will be at institute. On Monday evening the parsonage was all aglow. It was a pleasant social event and none but the church crowd were bidden to the feast that had been prepared on the sly by his

Next week Prof. Deihl intends visiting his

"shane frau, to remind Rev. Aikens of his 42nd birthday anniversary. G. W. Homan attended the sale of the Tressler farm near Linden Hall last Friday. He stood to the back of his brother Henry who was a bidder for the farm, but it was knocked down to J. J. Tressler at \$47.60 per acre. It is the old home farm, and Jonathan

is to be congratulated on his purchase.

John E. McWilliams son of W. E. Mc-Williams, of Rock Spring surprised his family and friends by taking unto himself a wife in the person of an Ohio lady. The ceremony was said last Thursday. John is a sturdy, industrious young man and is bound to succeed. For some years he has been associated with a civil engineer corps making big money; sufficient to keep the wolf from the door this zero weather. His many friends here join in extending congratulations.

# Lemont.

Jared Maye's child is getting better slowly. Sunday, Monday and Tuesday were the coldest of the season thus far. John H. Williams and wife spent Friday

at the home of B. F. Homan, of Oak Hall. The new Presbyterian minister was installed Tuesday, and the reception will be to-day.

The Methodist protracted meeting is still

being held and thus far there have been four The first sleds and sleighs were seen Thursday, of last week, but the roads were

quite rough. Harrison K. Whitehill is home for a few days rest and he enjoyed the last few days of the hunting season.

The surprise party held for Mrs. William Hoy was well attended and everyone had a pleasant time and lots of oysters. Noll Bros, shipped a car of fine lumber

from this place Friday; it being the first shipment from the Schreck tract. A young son of S. C. Bathgate is quite ill

from vaccination as he took cold in the sore and it is feared that it may prove fatal. Jesse Klinger is getting his ice dam repaired, for when he thought everything was

in readiness the dam sprung a leak. But he

will soon have it in readiness again so that he can fill his many orders for ice. Jacob Ray and wife went to Selinsgrove, Thursday of last week to visit her brother, the Rev Thomas C. Houtz, who has been, quite ill of late with stomach trouble. Latest reports were to the effect that he is improv-