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NORMAL NOTES.

The first annual Gymnastic Exhibition which took place on Monday evening, was a pronounced success from start to finish. The hall was well filled with an appreciative audience, and the various parts assigned the students were rendered with the precision of clock work. The music, always a pleasing and enlivening feature, was rendered in such a manner by the Normal orchestra as to nicely fill all intermission. The Grand March in which 200 student participated afforded opportunity to see them in drill uniform. But the similarity was confined entirely to the uniform, which was quite neat and appropriate both for male and female participants. To note the ever changing style of bearing and facial expression as the students passed in review, was to the writer quite as entertaining as the lively ball throwing at the close of the exercises, which was certainly the most exciting part of the program. Ball games being in no wise free from danger makes such lively scrambling the more attractive to many no doubt. The following is the program as rendered without comment upon individual participants:

PROGRAM.

Overture.....Normal Orchestra
Grand March.....300 Students
Waltz Drill.....Normal Boys
Parade Bars.....Messrs. Miller, Melhorn, Vaughn, Crobaugh and Patterson.
Combination Work.....Wands and Dumb Bells
Horse Work (sides).....Model Schools Boys
Horse Work (long).....
Messrs. Young, Vannatta, Melhorn, Miller, McKillip, Hutton, Moore, Harrar, Lutz, Cohen and Bywater.
Arvit Chorus.....Normal Girls
Horizontal Bars.....
Messrs. Melhorn, Darlington, Williams, Hutton, Vannatta and Prof. Burdge.
Indian Club Duet.....Prof. Aldinger and Burdge
Orange Race.....Model School Boys
The winner of each heat to receive an orange.
Mat Work.....
Messrs. Vannatta, Young, Vaughn, Dentler and Prof. Aldinger.
"Cossak's Army".....
Basket Ball.....Normal vs. Bloomsburg

Because she was scolded for stealing a penny, little Miss Emma Mark dropped herself into the Delaware river and perished. Whether it was the little theft or the thought of it that actuated the child, no one can determine. Judas Iscariot, who committed suicide for his meanness, which he fully recognized, was a gentleman and a christian compared with some professors we know who will never die till they meet a natural death, and then their chances will be nowhere compared with those of Judas Iscariot.

We will only remark incidentally that when basket-ball players contrive to hang on and hug each other at one end of the room when the ball is in the other, it looks to one unacquainted with the game considerably more like fight than fun. Just about another such a spirited game as that played at the Normal Gymnasium last Monday night and we should not be surprised to see some fun among the players that is not down on the program. Such games, though attractive, are always played at more or less risk.

We are convinced that organized labor quite as frequently invites distress through unreasonable strikes for higher wages, as that capital deliberately inflicts distress upon wage earners through personal greed. Bricklayers, for instance, who are getting \$3.50 per day in these times and yet striking themselves out of work because they are refused \$4 per day, illustrates the point.

Edison now proposes to grease ships for rapid navigation through the water just the same as you would grease and thereby benefit a hard pulling and squeaking wagon. It looks sleek enough at first glance, but whether the lubricating material would stand the swash of the briny deep, is a question.

Last Sunday's storm was quite a fierce blow that was accompanied with more or less hail. No doubt it did considerable damage that was not reported, as well as considerable that we saw and heard of.

The ringing of the court house bell this week reminds us of the tribulations of this life. The number of cases coming on for trial this session is somewhat larger than usual we are informed.

It would seem that the Reading Railroad is a financial wreck, if it be true that its liabilities are in the neighborhood of \$100,000,000 in excess of its assets.

You miss a great saving of money if you don't visit Lowenberg's on Saturday. Goods will be sold at lower prices than other merchants pay for them.

Neiswiter Brothers, of Ohio, will sell at Nanticoke, on the 17th inst., one car load of horses, through J. S. Williams auctioneer.

PURE WATER.

We lived once in a city where the Dutch seemed to get control on the blind side of the law-making power, and with an eye to business, beer-making, the innocent pumps of the city, which seemed to be a perpetual eyecore and hindrance to the down-flow of beer, were filled up. With hearts full of sympathy for reckless water-drinkers, and full themselves to the neck with the effervescent properties of beer, the thing to be done was to do away with the pump nuisance in order to preserve the health of the more reckless who would actually drink water in summer time in preference to beer, swallowing the imperceptible microbes and animalculi at every gulp with the indifference of so many monomaniacs bent upon keeping sober.

It was charged by the Dutch that surface drainage filtered into wells 40 feet deep, whether cemented or not, and whether the streets were macadamized or not. And though the well-water was actually the purest in the city, the wells were punctually filled up by regal order and royal command in the interest of those selling beer and soda water. Only this and nothing more. As for the water furnished from reservoirs, the only source of supply after the wells were filled up, an epicure could never tell which it tasted most of as between decaying fish or imprisoned frogs and tadpoles. Right next to pure morals we say give us pure water. Nothing more justifies the use of intoxicants than impure water, and the Dutch know it, and so ought Americans.

NOT ALL THE SAME KIND.

EDITOR OF THE COLUMBIAN:
The article that appeared in the Bloomsburg Daily last Monday in regard to the colored element of this place, it is very true that there is a lowly, degraded set of colored people in this place that makes it hard for a better class that tries to take a step higher in this world toward progress. Now, the class that participated in that ungodly affair Friday night is among the lowest. Wake up you brethren and sisters, and make men and women out of yourselves. It isn't the color that makes the person; it is Principle. Don't get trashy because you are black.

A RESPECTABLE COLORED MAN.

K. L. C. E. CONVENTION.

The Ministerial, Sunday-school and K. L. C. E. Convention of Lewisburg district, Cent. Pa. Conf., Evangelical Association, will be held in the Bloomsburg Evangelical Church, May 15th, 16th and 17th. A full programme covering local church work is prepared for the occasion. Ministers from Lycoming, Sullivan, Wyoming, Susquehanna, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Columbia, Montour, and Northumberland counties will attend the convention, and delegates from some of these counties will be present.

ROPE JUMPING.

We published a short time ago a case of death resulting from rope-jumping 132 times by Miss Henrietta Purcell, of New Jersey. For the benefit of little girls given to this habit for want of better exercise we mention another case, that of Miss Dora Frankell, of Pottstown, who jumped the rope 200 times and fell exhausted. Permanent disability the doctors say, will be the result in this case.

THE BAND.

The Bloomsburg Band gave the citizens quite a serenade on Tuesday evening, from the gallery or veranda of the court house. The pavements were thronged with eager listeners and the music was of the kind well calculated to entertain.

And now the big property is in jeopardy as well as the smaller estates. At Mahanoy City, on the 3d inst., the Sheriff seized a big colliery owned by the Primrose Coal Company, on a confessed judgment in favor of the Delano Land Co. for \$52,000. The colliery employed 500 men and boys.

As a business enterprise, agricultural fairs are not thrifty these days, it seems. While Benton has already announced a determination to have no fair this year, both the charter and effects of the Luzerne County Agricultural Society have been sold recently by the sheriff for \$15.

Almost anybody can see the propriety of the "good roads" feature of Coxey's urgent demand from our statesmen in Congress assembled. When roads are bad it is difficult for commonwealers to get along very fast. Let us have good roads by all means.

BRIEF MENTION

About People You Know.

Clifton Creasy has put up a nice portico in front of his house.
Herman Knies is learning the photographic art with Capwell.
Mrs. Fulton and Mrs. J. G. Freeze went to Philadelphia on Tuesday.
We are glad to report the improved condition of Mr. Benshoff's child.
Louis Bernhard Jr., has registered with Fred Kleier Esq., as law student.
Consable S. W. Reeder, of Franklin, was among callers at this office this week.
Mr. Ira Doty, of Berwick, we notice among others attending court this week.
Ernest Brittain, of New Columbus, was among early passengers on the B. & S.
Mrs. F. P. Drinker entertained her son W. W. Drinker, of Scranton, on Sunday.
Stanley Bryfoyle is the happy owner of a fine bicycle, and he makes good use of it.
Mr. William E. Hower, J. P., of Franklin, was among callers at this office on Monday.
G. M. Tustin, John Harman, C. A. Small and C. Bates were admitted to the bar last Monday.
Mr. Randall, editor and proprietor of the Catawissa "News Item," dropped in upon us on Monday.
During the illness of Miss Jennie Utt, Miss Della Staden has been clerking in Parsel & Harman's store.
Editor C. H. Dorr, of the Berwick "Independent," was one of a number of bicycle riders who came to town on Sunday.
Mrs. J. S. Gilbert, Miss Martha Clark, Miss Maggie Fox, Mrs. M. L. Kline and John Fox went to Philadelphia last Friday.
We must report another little victim of the measles in the person of William G. Savage, whose burial took place last Saturday in Rosemont Cemetery.

Judge Millard, being able again to be about, is now at his post of duty and the recipient of many friendly greetings. His friends are numerous.

Mr. Edgar, the proprietor of Stillwater planing mill, boarded the morning train at Zaner's on Monday, with tools and implements to build with in Bloomsburg.

Torrance Andrews, an old soldier friend, whom we had not met since the close of the war, by chance took seat beside us on the Monday morning train. He is older by some 30 years.

J. S. Williams, auctioneer, is a busy man these days. His orders for sales this week were at Shenandoah on Monday, Locust Dale on Tuesday, Wilkes-Barre on Friday, and Jerseyshore on Saturday.

Mrs. Z. H. Stevens, of New Columbus, who has been for some years helplessly prostrated with spinal affection, anticipates going soon to Philadelphia to undergo a course of medical treatment there.

Capt. John Buckalew, of Fishingcreek, came down on the B. & S. on Monday. He spoke of the possibility of depositing his collection of Indian relics with the trustees of the Normal School of Bloomsburg.

We are pleased to mention the call of our old friend and school teacher H. H. Brown, of Light Street. Though the indelible marks of remorseless time have changed him somewhat, the old time expression still remains.

Editor W. H. Smith of Benton, was in town on Friday, and met Mr. Bausher of Williamsport, passenger agent of the P. & R. road, with whom he made arrangements for an excursion train to Atlantic City next August.

George C. Roan, J. W. Moyer, Frank Dawson and Charles Thomas attended the State Convention of the Knights of the Golden Eagle, the former representing Theta Castle of Bloomsburg for the third time, started on Monday morning for the Convention in Easton.

Mrs. R. W. Oswald went to New York on Monday, with her mother and grandmother, Mrs. Hanly and Mrs. Woodin of Berwick. With them was Woodin Hanly, who will sail about the 15th for New Zealand, Australia, and other foreign lands. He will be on the water over 100 days before landing, and will be absent from home over a year. He goes away for his health.

Rev. John Hewitt spent last Sunday and Monday in town as the guest of Col. Freeze. On Sunday he made a brief address in St. Paul's Church in the morning, and preached in the evening. Large congregations were present at both services. Mr. Hewitt came here in 1870 as Rector of St. Paul's Church, and remained until 1875, and was Principal of the Normal School from 1871 to 1873. He is now rector of a large parish at Lincoln, Nebraska, and is Principal of a school there. His business in the east was to obtain \$30,000 for the school on a mortgage on the property.

A large number of copies of "The Magic City" are being sold in Bloomsburg, and some have been sent out by mail to subscribers through the county, but not nearly so many of the latter as there should be. It may be that the trouble of cutting out the coupon, and sending ten cents by mail has deterred some from ordering the work. To such we say that they can get the portfolios at this office at any time when they are in town, as they want them, one or more at a time. Don't miss this opportunity. Regular subscribers need not bring the coupons. Those who are not subscribers must either become such, or buy a paper containing the coupon. Numbers 9 and 10 are ready this week.

Some boy's who were playing ball on Main street by the Episcopal Church, knocked the ball through one of the stained glass windows. This kind of amusement on Main street ought to be prohibited.

The big discount Sale at Lowenberg's on Saturday.

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Belts,
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IT'S NOT A QUESTION

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\$7.98

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BOYS' SUITS in cheviots, cashmeres, worsteds and whipeords, light medium and dark colors, elegant fitting, at

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Not one of them worth less than \$8.50 and up to \$13.00. Beautiful all of them at the above prices.

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