

**The Pedagogues Convene.**

The school teachers of Columbia County have spent this week at the county seat in annual session of the Teachers Institute. They assembled in the Opera House on Monday, October 22d, and were formally called to order by County Superintendent W. C. Johnston, who had spared no pains to arrange an interesting program.

Prof. I. D. Gresh, of Milton, was first introduced as director of Music, after which Rev. I. M. Patterson offered prayer.

The welcome address was delivered by Rev. C. H. Brandt, who ably reviewed and compared the past with the present methods of teaching school. Able and pertinent remarks along this line were also made by A. U. Lesher and Boyd Trescott.

Organization was affected as follows: President, Supt. W. C. Johnston; Vice-Presidents, E. E. Garr, D. E. Murry, W. W. Heffner and W. C. Mauser; Treasurer, A. F. Terwilliger; Secretary, J. P. Yorks.

After a brief musical entertainment Dr. J. P. Gordy gave a talk on Psychology, or the laws of nature, and their relation to educational work. The successful teacher to-day, he maintained, must be something of a psychologist.

Miss Edmund, of the East Stroudsburg Normal School, next spoke upon Teaching American History and aptly illustrated the best methods of presenting history to the student. The simpler story-telling method she deemed most apt to adhere and prove effectual.

Miss Moore, of Chicago, spoke next on Geography. This she thought should be taught by both observation and imagination. As geographical names are learned, while directions are not, the student may easily speak of a place without knowing where it is or how to locate it.

After a solo by Prof. Gresh, Dr. Byron King gave a number of his dramatic recitations which were highly appreciated.

Since the inauguration of the Teachers' Institute a few years ago, it has rapidly grown in favor with the teachers male and female. On the first day of assembly this year Superintendent Johnson announced that 237 teachers were present out of a possible 239; but as the two absent teachers put in an appearance later in the day, the full number are present on this occasion. A good program has been arranged and the Institute is a pronounced success.

**Orangeville.**

A rousing Democratic meeting was held at Orangeville on Saturday evening last. It organized by the selection of A. B. Herring, President, and Joseph Hilday, Secretary.

The meeting was addressed by District Attorney Hanly, County Chairman Chrisman, W. H. Snyder and John G. Freeze. Judging by the temper of the meeting Orangeville will give a good account of herself at the election, and do her share in rolling up our old majority. Young men and old were out and the fire was in every man's eye. Demonstrations like that mean victory.—victory all along the line. Vote the ticket, the whole ticket, and nothing but the ticket.

**Y. P. S. O. E.**

The sixth convention of the Christian Endeavor societies of Columbia and Montour counties will be held in Danville next Tuesday afternoon and evening, October 30. An interesting program has been prepared, including a paper on "The Missionary Extension Course," by Miss F. M. Schuyler, of Williamsport, and an address on "The Christian Citizen," by Hon. H. M. Hinckley. A large attendance of delegates is expected.

Electric locomotives are now being built in Boston. Just think of the pleasure of traveling like lightning and of being able to stick your head out of the window without getting your eyes full of cinder and your mouth full of smoke. And if electricity thus curtails the use of coal what will become of the striking miner? It looks as though he would have to return to the field of "pauper labor" re-called.

F. T. Gallagher has located here. He is a sign painter, scenery and landscape artist. He did all the advertisements at the fair ground, and last week he painted a new sign for the Columbian on the west wall of the building. His work is done in first class style, and any one in need of work in his line will do well to secure his services. He can be found at Harry House's.

**THE CHURCHLESS EVANGELICALS.**

All the Evangelical church members of Pennsylvania, aside from the comparatively few that are affiliated with the Bowman—Esher wing, are now to all intents and purposes churchless by virtue of a legal decision from the Supreme Court of the State, in which it became necessary for the court to settle jurisdiction and control of church property within the power of one or the other of the two factions that is between the Dubs wing of the church and the Bowman—Esher wing of it. The Dubsites being in the vast majority throughout the State, as we are informed, the inequity of the decision is what the Dubsites of this neighborhood are complaining about. The decision, however, was no doubt rendered according to law, and the highest kind of law in the State, since it emanates from the Supreme Court, and is not subject to reversal.

Now since the Dubsites represent the majority of the laity, and the Bowman—Esherites represent and own all church property, (and without regard to who built them and paid for them) it looks as though there would be more empty Evangelical churches than are needed upon the one hand, and that the country school houses and highways and byways would have to be called into requisition by the unfortunate Dubsites, since to get permission to worship in their own churches will be rather too humiliating to think of. But this is apt to be the result of the row if compromise is not effected.

To the writer it seems that without regard to denomination we have too many empty churches already, and it is certainly demoralizing to the best intentioned worshipper and layman to observe the traditional force of old Roman church government wherein all ownership and power lies with the absorbing and controlling Bishops rather than with the supporting and maintaining laity. The day is coming when the laity will have something to say about ownership in this country.

**The Bloomsburg Bridge.**

We have no doubt our readers will be very much interested to know the several items of cost attending the construction of the free county bridge at Bloomsburg. The commissioners have tabulated the same and we are now privileged to give our readers the information:

The King Bridge Co., superstructure.....	\$35500 00
Joseph Hendler, masonry.....	35415 86
O. B. Mellick, filling and rip rapping.....	2384 21
John Huber, supervisor, et al. Small bridge, south side approach.....	50 30
Creasy & Wells, lumber.....	76 91
E. Utt and W. E. Weaver, work at guard rail.....	21 00
C. W. Runyan, nails.....	4 77
N. McLaughlin, posts.....	5 00
J. C. Brown, Engineer.....	372 80
" expenses.....	21 90
W. H. Eyer, asst. engineer.....	472 25
John A. Wilson, expert.....	410 00
Total cost.....	\$74,735 00

After the contract was concluded for the Milton bridge, some comparisons were made between the cost of that structure and the Bloomsburg Bridge with the object of showing an extravagant contract for the latter. It was said that the former although about two hundred feet longer cost less. But in this comparison it was not stated that the Bloomsburg Bridge contained 140 tons more iron than the Milton Bridge, and is consequently a heavier and stronger structure.

**BIOCYCLING.**

Robert Swayze, whose leg was broken in a bicycle race at the fair is now convalescing. It seems that Robert was pushing the leader uncomfortably close at the time of the accident and his attempt to look back was the cause of it. Not only he that puts his hand to the plow and looks back is condemned and liable to get hurt, but the bicycle racer particularly wants to look straight ahead and never mind the hindmost. This should be the inexorable rule, even though the hindmost becomes foremost in the race. We have noticed that when the nerves are at the high tension incident to racing and the breath comes and goes in short pants in consequence of vital exhaustion, that bicycles tip over as easy as other things that have lost their equilibrium. The most expert are apt to fall in turning or dismounting at the end of a race.

See the new advertisement of the Keystone Foundry & Machine Company in this issue. This company is well prepared to do all kinds of planing, mill, foundry and machine work.

**The Theatre.**

The Limited Mail, as rendered in the Opera House of Bloomsburg on Friday evening was a pronounced success from first to last. Besides the scenic effect, which was thrilling, the acting was good, the singing taking, and the music superb throughout. Beatrice took her role well as a leading character, whether as a rollicking boy or in artistic song and dance, being in fact the most lithe and supple little girl we have yet seen on the stage. The play as rendered here was well supported throughout, and Prof. Elwell's orchestra acquitted itself with its usual artistic ability. The insidious effect of appropriate music lends fifty per cent. to the impression the best actor can produce—at least that's our opinion. No matter what the scene may be, appropriate music is always helpful, whether it be to blacken the crime or cheer the spirits or to add to the gloom or brightness requisite to the occasion.

The theatrical performance that never touches the finer sensibilities through acting and music combined, or never draws a righteous and sympathetic tear, fails in its proper mission. As for the other order of entertainment, they are generally well calculated to get up a laugh that is good for dyspeptics, but the effect is evanescent for want of depth, and it is just as well no, doubt, that it is so.

As for the theatre proper, and when properly conducted, they may as certainly be made to enlarge and strengthen the finer sensibilities, as by their neglect and abuse (which is too frequently the case) they may be made to enlarge and cultivate the baser nature and passions.

**Democratic Political Meeting at Mainville.**

On Wednesday evening October 17, one of the most enthusiastic meetings of the campaign was held at Mainville. The meeting was called to order and elected Charles Reichart Chairman and Wm. Fisher, Secretary. The following speakers were present and made the air tume with Democracy: Hon. Grant Herring, who made a rousing speech, Fred Ikeler, Esq., and Rush Zarr, Esq.

The Democrats of Main showed their colors and turned out in full force and by their countenances showed they meant to turn out as well at the polls in November and do their full duty as Democrats.

The time in which Mr. Breckinridge was allowed to appeal from the decision of the Court which gave judgment in the penal sum of \$15,000 in favor of Miss Pollard having been allowed to expire, she is now at liberty to get her money if she can; but it begins to look as though there might be some trouble about her realizing the cash that the judgment calls for, inasmuch as his pay as Congressman is not attachable and his other possessions may perhaps have been made secure against the exactions of Madeline through the \$15,000 judgment aforesaid.

The Town Council having contracted for 500 feet of hose, should now invest in a bell clapper in order to quiet the calamity howler who thinks he ought to know when the alarm is given, in order to avoid a calamity. In this case the calamity howler should continue to howl until the bell clapper strikes hard enough to be heard several-squares from the belfry.

As the harsh blow and the heavy sword will not cut fine silk, when soft silk needs cutting it is best done with gentle handling. So in dealing with erring humanity, kindness and sympathy is generally most effectual, while harshness generates resentment in nine cases out of ten, the tenth case being a cowering cur who is devoid of the higher and more noble impulses of true manhood, and therefore only fit for perpetual serfdom.

**BRIEF MENTION**

**About People You Know.**

Miss Lillie Doak is in the city this week looking after the fall fashions in dressmaking. Mrs. I. S. Wintersteen spent last week in Philadelphia visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. John Shoemaker spent Sunday among Berwick friends.

Miss Mary Moore entertained Miss Mattie Lloyd, of Danville, on Sunday.

Mr. Boyd Trescott, of the Millville "Tablet," was in town on Monday.

A. W. Marvin, of the Normal, paid his home at Muhlenberg, a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Lockard are being visited by Mrs. Freas Hicks, of Hummelstown.

Messrs. Hoffman and Welliver, of Danville, were visitors in Bloomsburg on Thursday.

Woodin Beishline, of Stillwater, dropped off at Bloomsburg on his way to Easton last Monday.

James Scarlet, Esq. of Danville, is seriously ill with typhoid pneumonia. His many friends here hope for his speedy recovery.

Collector Herring is traveling through the State with the other distinguished Democrats who accompany Candidate Singery this week.

Rev. W. C. Leverett was elected Archdeacon of the Williamsport Archdeaconry at the session of that body at Milton this week.

Editor Emanuel Bogert, of the Wilkes-Barre "Leader," has resigned his position and has resolved to get married, and go to California, we are informed.

Mrs. A. C. Carman, who has been ailing for some time, died in Bloomsburg, at the home of her brother-in-law, G. W. Hoster, last Sunday.

Mr. Sanford Kuyana, the efficient traveling salesman for Cummings & Verdy, has again reached home after an extended tour through the Eastern States.

Messrs. Mears & Moyer, manufacturers and repairers of bicycles, were among the Bloomsburgers who patronized the Danville fair. They rode down on their Diamond Tandem bicycle.

Mr. Ar buckle, not the world-famous coffee dealer, but yet no stranger in this vicinity, has returned to town to spend a brief sojourn at Hotel de Mourey. He was accompanied by the chief of police on his return trip to the familiar scenes of Bloomsburg.

After several months' absence abroad, in Ireland, E. E. Caldwell and mother are again at home in Bloomsburg. They landed in New York on Monday morning at ten o'clock, and got through the custom-house in time to take the one o'clock train for home. They had a three days' storm on their way over.

E. E. Bittenbender, of Constantine, Michigan, was in town on Monday on a business trip. He travels for the Anti-Kalsomine Co., of Grand Rapids, and the preparation which he sells is used for interior decoration, and is cheaper and more lasting than wall paper. It is handled here by Moyer Bros. and P. K. Vannatta. Mr. Bittenbender went from here to Philadelphia, where he is spending this week. The handsome new Hotel Hanover, in that city is decorated with anti-kalsomine.

The Danville *Sun* of October 19th reports the conviction of Silcox as guilty of manslaughter. In charging the jury Judge Ikeler graphically exhibited to them the testimony, but also informed them on all points of the law, so that they might fully comprehend the subject. There was but one or the other verdict to be given, that of manslaughter or that of acquittal. He was accordingly convicted of manslaughter.

**THE CAMPAIGN.**

Now, by Saint Paul, the night goes bravely on, and the spirit of the Democracy is aroused. Two or three meetings a day will be held in Columbia county until the election. Mr. Buckalew is daily on the stump, and is now in the county of Northumberland, at meetings in Mount Carmel and other important points. From them the information is favorable, and we give it, not to relax effort, but to encourage greater exertions. Let no day pass without work. Now is the time. See every man and have him to the polls. The cause is your cause, the candidates are your workmen to carry out your purposes. Go and vote—Nov. 6th.

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of good things for the coming week, also specials here and there. These specials are of more than usual merit.

Can we get you to look at them?

- 27 inch wide black dress silks, at \$1.00 usual price \$1.40.
- 24 inch black faille silk, 79c., usual price, \$1.00.
- 24 inch black rhadames, 90c., usual price \$1.25.
- 24 inch black Poi Desoi silk, \$1.50, usual price, \$1.75.
- 40 inch Priestlys all wool black dress goods, 85c., usually, \$1.10
- 38 inch all wool serges, black and colors, 40c., usually 50c.
- 1 lot ladies fleece lined hose, 15c., usually 20c.
- 1 lot boy's heavy hose, 19c., usually, 25c.

**BIG BARGAINS IN CHILDREN'S**

**ALL WOOL UNDERWEAR.**

- You want to see them before they are all gone.
- 50 inch all wool dress cloths, 50c. yd.
- 1 lot plaid dress goods, 40c., usually, 50c. yd.
- 1 lot all wool blankets, at \$3.00 per pair.
- 1 lot cotton filled comfortables, at \$1.25, worth \$1.50.
- 1 lot ladies' ribbed vests and pants at 25c. each.
- 1 lot men's undershirts, at 25c. big value.

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All the newest, and at prices lower than ever.  
A good child's coat at \$1.00  
A good ladies' coat at \$5.00 and up.  
Fur capes, cloth capes. Ladies' all wool skirts, fancy hair pins, kid gloves, ribbons, plaid silks.

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We will let the weather prophets attend to that, whilst we go on selling goods. The following conversation will introduce our subject:  
Mrs. Smith to Mrs. Jones—How is it that ladies scarcely ever buy a coat until they first take a look at HARTMAN'S? "Well, that is easily reasoned out. In the first place, they buy their coats from the makers. They look at samples and styles, then have them made to order, and receive them almost every week during the season. In the second place, they will not urge you to buy one that does not fit. So you see when they send a person home with a good coat and a good fit, the neighbors say, 'how nicely that coat fits, and how well it looks on you,' it brings others to buy. They also have a handsome line of dress goods and piles of gingham, muslins, flannels, underwear, table covers, counterpanes, napkins, with a select line of fine dishes for presents.

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