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#### NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Interesting Items From Various Points in the County, Reported by Our Staff of Correspondents.

#### EAST BENTON.

The hard times more than ever press the poor to pay their bills more promptly.

A sleighing party of young people called on us last Friday night.

Our family paid Will Pealer's a visit last Tuesday where we enjoyed a rare treat of a musical concert.

Ralph Doty, a young man and son of David Doty, is a boy of rare accomplishments. He is not only an expert with the mouth organ in playing any tune in unison with the piano, but is also an expert in drawing and painting. While he has never had any instruction in these arts, and while the natural talent has led almost to perfection, he now contemplates taking a course in drawing and painting.

We are now enjoying an old fashioned winter with an unusual depth of snow.

Last Friday one of your townsmen, William Chrisman, passed this place. It is so seldom that we see a Bloomsburger in this section except in campaign seasons.

Miss Rhetta Depoe of this township and Mr. Albertson of Cambria were united in the holy bond of matrimony last Thursday by Rev. T. H. Tubbs.

Bowman Crawford of this place is complaining ill at this time.

#### A Greatly Afflicted Family.

Within one week Mr. Henry C. Learn and his wife Rhoda A. of Briarcreck, lost three promising children by diphtheria. Their names and ages are as follows: George P. died Jan. 14, age 6 years, 11 months and 20 days; Isaac K. died Jan. 17, age 5 years, 2 months and 16 days; and Mary Pauline died Jan. 22, aged 3 years and 12 days. The bereaved have the heartfelt sympathies of the community.

#### LEGISLATIVE RECORD.

A New Congressional Apportionment Bill. -- Also a Judicial Apportionment Bill, &c.

On the 21st instant Senator Meredith introduced his Congressional apportionment bill which, having the approval of the republican leaders, is expected to become law with but little or no amendment. If so, it will give Philadelphia and Allegheny each an additional Congressman. In Philadelphia the old plan is pursued of placing all the Democratic wards into the Third district, making the other five districts all overwhelmingly Republican. The only change in the Third district is that the Second ward is added to it.

Many important charitable bequests have fallen because of the provision of the act of 1855, making such bequests void if the will is executed less than 30 days before the testator's death. To avoid all such failures to carry out the wishes of the deceased, Senator Vaughn, of Armstrong, introduced a bill repealing that provision.

#### JUDICIAL APPOINTMENT BILL.

Senator Brewer, of Franklin County, introduced the Judicial Apportionment bill, which provides for the creation of Circuit Courts of Appeal, to be presided over by Common Pleas Judges, and which will finally dispose of certain cases and tend to greatly relieve the Supreme Court. A similar bill was introduced in the House by Mr. Kunkel, of Dauphin.

Among the other bills introduced were two by Senator Gobin, one of which makes an appropriation for the construction of the approaches and other surroundings to the equestrian statue of General Meade in the rear of the angle at Gettysburg. The other is a supplement to the act providing for the acquisition by the State of land for a public park at Valley Forge, making an additional appropriation and providing for the acquisition of additional ground.

The act reorganizing the banking department and increasing the salary of the commissioner from \$4,000 to \$6,000 was passed on second reading in the Senate.

[It is, perhaps, a burning necessity to increase the pay of this commissioner from \$4,000 to \$6,000, in view of the trend of the times and the affluent condition of the unappropriated funds in the treasury.]

#### A LITTLE MORE JUSTICE TO JUSTICES AND NOTARIES.

A bill having a very wide scope was introduced by Mr. Smith, of Jefferson. It gives Justices of the Peace authority to hear and determine cases in certain offenses with the aid of juries, and to impose sentence.

Governor Hastings has inaugurated a new policy in the matter of making nominations for notaries public. Senatorial courtesy has always "hung up" such appointments when a Senator from the district objected. Governor Hastings will submit all applications for appointment to the Senator from the district before nominating to the Senate. When there is objection efforts will be made to adjust all differences.

The Governor also recalled from the Senate to night all appointments made by Governor Pattison and which had been rejected by the Senate, so as to open the way for new appointments.

Mr. Lawrence, chairman of the joint committee to invite Colonel McClure to deliver an address on the life and services of the late Andrew G. Curtin, reported that the committee had discharged its duty, and that Colonel McClure had fixed the evening of January 30 as the time for delivering the address.

[The subject being one well worthy of eulogistic effort, and Mr. McClure being just the man to do it up right, this occasion will be raised above the ordinary, and the promised eulogy of Gov. Curtin by Alex. McClure will reach the remotest parts of the civilized world through the greatest educational medium known to the world, namely, the press.]

Bills were read in place as follows: Mr. Bliss, Delaware, providing for additional Law Judge in the Thirty-second district; making appropriation of \$10,000 to John Morton Monument Association, Chester; authorizing street railway companies and traction motor companies and lessees of any street railway company to carry freight and collect compensation therefor.

[As to the little fish thus attempting to nibble at the same bait the big ones have monopolized for, lo, these many years, time alone will tell just how



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Mr. Griner, Luzerne, for the prevention of sectarian influences in the schools, and prohibiting teachers from wearing any uniform designating a religious, civic, political or military organization.

[This is an American notion somewhat in conflict with the old Roman sectarian idea about what kind of school teaching we should have in this land of religious freedom. Romanism and Americanism are too largely at variance to blend very sweetly to-day in the public school room. This bill is well calculated to avoid the attempt now being made by the Romans.]

#### Caucus Nominations.

Voters can cast their ballots for only one inspector of election in each district. In making nominations for that office, therefore, only one name should be selected at the caucuses on each party ticket, as otherwise the commissioners may send the certificates back for correction. The same applies when several persons are to be elected to the same office; as for instance members of a borough council. No more than the number to be elected should be named by the caucus, as the law contemplates the selection of the proper number by the caucus and does not intend that voters shall leave that fight until the election, thus putting the county to extra expense in printing tickets, besides making the ballot much more complicated.

G. A. Lohman, a prominent restaurant keeper of Wilkes-Barre, committed suicide by drowning in a pond near Kingston on Saturday morning.

Before making the fatal plunge Lohman had taken off his overcoat, hat and necktie, placed his gold watch and diamond stud in the pocket of his overcoat and left them all on the bank. His name was written with a blue pencil inside his hat. The water at the spot where he was drowned is about eight feet deep.

He had \$80,000 life insurance, and though supposed to be a wealthy man, it is believed that the premiums became burdensome, and rather than permit his policies to lapse, he killed himself so that his family could get the insurance.

#### A Printer Suicides.

Harry Pierson, a well-known Camden printer, committed suicide on Sunday by taking laudanum. He entered the composing room of a daily newspaper and picked up a bottle containing the drug, with which one of the printers had been bathing a contused eye. Before any one in the room realized what he was doing Pierson lited the bottle to his mouth and saying, "Here goes," swallowed its contents. He then went out upon the street and, after walking a half block, reeled and fell to the pavement. He was removed to his home, where he died before medical aid could be rendered. His family and friends are unable to account for his action.

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#### Drowned in Ice Cold Water.

On the 20th instant the State of Missouri, a passenger steamer running between Cincinnati and Memphis, sank in ten minutes after striking a rock. Strange to say but thirty-seven of the 100 passengers on her drowned, 63 out of the number having been rescued. Consternation seized the passengers and it was a fight for life in many cases.

The State of Missouri is a very long stern wheeler, plying between Cincinnati and New Orleans. She had on board a fairly large cargo of freight and 100 cabin passengers, besides a crew of sixty. At Alton the river narrows, and the water being high an extremely swift current results. This threw the stern of the boat in towards the Indiana shore. Before the pilot could regain control of the boat she hit a rock, tearing a long hole in the hold at the water line. The shock was terrific and consternation seized upon the passengers and in a moment they were frantic. Without regard of consequences they rushed to the upper decks in the hope of delaying the inevitable, as the boat was rapidly sinking. Women and children were trampled upon, but it is believed all got out of the cabin. Then the scramble for seats in the yaws began. It was a fight for life, in which many combatants are believed to have gone to their death. The first yaw launched was sunk within twenty feet of where it struck the water. It is believed every one in it was drowned in sight of the affrighted people huddled together on the sinking steamer. A second yaw was then pushed off containing four women. This is believed to have reached shore. Just when there seemed hope that by means of this yaw the passengers could be saved the steamer gave another terrific lurch and literally broke into pieces, and in ten minutes from the moment the rock was struck nothing but the hull remained.

The cabin, decks and pilot house floated away, dragging down into the water every one upon it. The lighter freight was washed from the main deck and on this men, women and children clung as best they could, many, however, only to fall back into the ice cold water. Several succeeded in getting into the trees and were rescued by farmers and by passing steamers.

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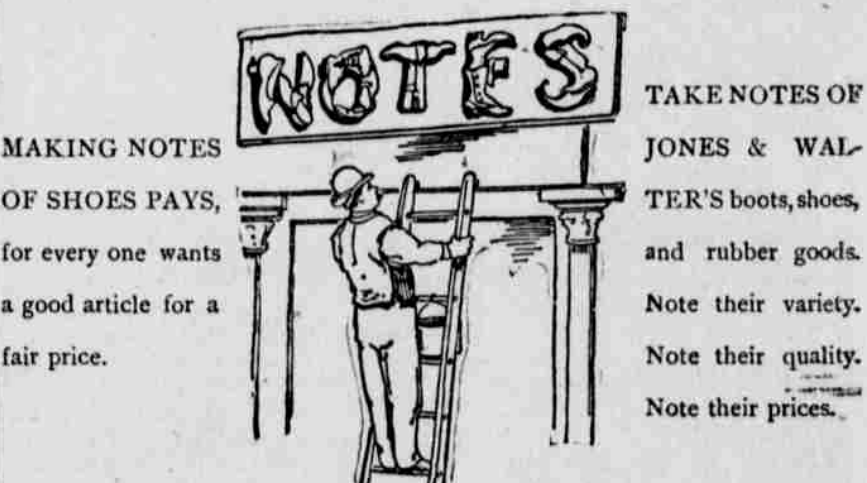
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