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RETRENCHMENT AND REFORM.

The discussion about the salaries for the directors, auditors and steward for the poorhouse, has set some of us to thinking that officials are sometimes extravagant.

It certainly seems to me, that these unfortunate people who have to be left at public expense, if they are not very troublesome, might be kept very comfortable for less than three hundred and fifty dollars per year.

I have known men to keep a family of six or eight for considerably less money. Their rations may not have been so rich as it is necessary to furnish for those who have become a public charge.

I am not personally interested in the management of the poor-house, only in so far as their example may have a bad effect upon other public functionaries.

It is refreshing to find that people are taking notice of the manner their money is being disposed of. Perhaps if this little leak can be stopped, some one or some party may try their hand on larger game.

There is hardly a salary paid to any official from the President of the United States down to our county officers, that might not be reduced one half without any detriment to the public service.

I have no doubt, that the public would be better served for half the money, as there would be less money expended for beer and whiskey. Our officials would be in better conditions mentally and physically to attend to the business for which they were elected.

Were we not as well served in the United States government before the fraudulent increase of salaries, as we have been since. Do not Washington, Jefferson, Madison and Monroe, compare very favorably with any Presidents we have had since?

Was not Davy Crockett equal to, if not superior to many of our congressmen?

Congressmen of the present day are getting from forty to fifty dollars per day for every day that they are supposed to be on duty, saying nothing about the stealings. Stealings may sound a little harsh, but if any one does not like it, let them suggest a more appropriate term, for what they get in the way of pocket knives, pens, pencils, fine-tooth combs, and knick-knacks, sufficient in some cases to start a novelty store; and which they have no more right to than I have. If stealing sounds too harsh suppose we call it petit larceny.

When we come to consider what is done in high places by those who ought to be the best men in our land the little affair at the poor-house dwindles almost to utter insignificance.

They seem only to be imitating in a small way those in higher places. Both seem to have acted upon the principle of "Tickle me Billy do do do. And in return I'll tickle you too."

We hear a great deal of talk about retrenchment and reform, but it generally ends in talk. At least it has never resulted in a decrease of taxation.

Our legislators at Harrisburg are talking about retrenchment, but they do not appear to have a very healthy idea of how the thing ought to be done. They have never done any thing of the kind, and have no precedent to guide them. It is no wonder that they are at a loss as to the how or where.

I would suggest an idea to them, that will no doubt be satisfactory to a very large majority of their constituents. It is this. Commence cutting down your own salaries to about the average of what your masters have to work for; then make a like reduction on all other official salaries that are under your control. Such retrenchment will work like a charm; and will, I have no doubt, secure your re-election. This would be not only retrenchment, but also a much needed reform.

The salaries that are paid to our public servants are in very many cases, an outrage upon the taxpayers. And not only that, but it tends to create an unseemly scramble for office, which frequently prevents honorable men from consenting to enter the race.

If the salaries of our public servants were about equal to what they could get as an employee at some private business, (and there is no good reason why it should be more,) it would drive from the field those patriotic individuals who are so anxious to serve their country for the money there is in it.

As soon as we have reformed salaries, so as to make them no temptation to unscrupulous men, other reforms will as naturally, as day follows night.

The third grand jury of Bradford county has recommended a new court house at Towanda.

197 MILES IN 186 MINUTES.

Fastest Run Ever Made on Delaware & Lackawanna.

The record for the fastest long-distance run on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad was broken on the 28th ult. by a special train which was conveying W. S. Sloan and Sam Sloan, Jr., sons of President Sam Sloan, from New York to Buffalo. The train, which consisted of three cars, left Hoboken at about 8 A. M., and arrived Binghamton at 12:46 p. m. where Engineer William Lonegan, with engine No. 134, of Elmira, and Conductor M. W. Scanlon of that city, took charge. The run to Elmira, 57 miles, was made in 53 minutes. The first stop was at Bath, where four minutes were spent.

From Bath to East Buffalo, 103 1/2 miles, the time was 103 minutes. A stop of four minutes, however, was made at Mt. Morris, so that the actual running time for the distance was 99 minutes. The train was reported at East Buffalo at 3:59 P. M. Deducting eight minutes for the two stops, the traveling time for the 197 miles was just 185 minutes. Engineer Lonegan made two years ago the best previous record, which he broke by this fast run.

Resolutions of Condolence by M. E. S. S., Espy, Pa.

Whereas, it has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from our midst our sister Mrs. S. K. Workman, thus taking from our Sunday School a beloved and faithful teacher; therefore be it

Resolved, that we bow in holy submission to the Divine will and while deeply regretting our own loss are comforted by the knowledge that our earthly loss is her infinite gain.

Resolved, that her Christian life among us shall be an example to each one of us, so that "being dead she yet speaketh."

Resolved, that we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved husband and friends, commending them to the Heavenly Father for comfort.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent friends, and be published in the papers, and be placed upon the minutes of Sunday School.

MISS MARTHA ROBINSON,
" BESSIE HAGENBUCH,
" BERTHA ANGLE,
WM. MILNES, JR., } Com.
JOHN K. MILLER,
EARL M. CREVELING,

The party who hired Winner's horse and buggy and failed to return, was captured last Friday at Millersburg by officer Leonard Saxe of Lewisport, and brought to Bloomsburg on Saturday. He was taken before Guy Jacoby Esq., and after hearing the officer and A. M. Derr, he was committed to jail, the law not permitting bail to be taken by a justice in such cases. Mr. Derr identified him as the man who hired the rig, and officer Saxe said that he got on track of him through a postal card sent out by the Jamestown Protective Association of Jamestown, N. Y., of which Winner & Derr are members. The prisoner gave his name as August Kline, and said his home was in North Adams, Mass. His reason for selling the rig was that the horse got the blind staggers and he had to hire two horse doctors, and this made his expenses so high that he sold the rig to get his money back. He is an innocent looking German about 60 years old, and has been in this section before, registering at Shickshinny and Catawissa under different names. He cannot be tried until September court as no jury has been drawn that can try a felony at May court.

This is a peculiar world, remarks an exchange. One is struggling for justice, another is fleeing from it. One man is saving money to build a house, and another is trying to sell his for less than it cost to build it. One man is spending all he can make in taking his girl to the theatre and sending her flowers, with the hope of making her his wife, while his neighbor is spending what money he has in getting a divorce. One man escapes all diseases that flesh is heir to and gets killed on the railroad. Another escapes with a scratch and dies with the whooping cough. One man stands off his creditors and goes traveling while another pays his debts and stays at home.

"Grog," the sea term for rum-and-water, it may not be generally known, derived its name from Admiral Edward Vernon, who wore program breeches, and hence was called "Old Grog." About the year 1745 he ordered his sailors to dilute their rum with water.

P. O. S. OF A CELEBRATION.

W. C. No. 319, P. O. S. of A. of Bloomsburg Pa. will celebrate their Seventh Anniversary on the evening of May 7th, in the Opera House, commencing at 8 o'clock to which the public is cordially invited. Admission free by ticket. Music will be rendered by Elwell's Orchestra, Bloomsburg Cornet Band and a quartette.

Tickets and programmes will be distributed through the town. Those not receiving any can procure them by calling at J. G. Wells' or Hess' Jewelry Store.

PROGRAM.

Patriotic Medley... Elwell's Orchestra.
Opening Prayer... Rev. G. E. Weeks.
Address of Welcome... W. A. Evert.
Music... Elwell's Orchestra.

Address... Subject, God.
Rev. P. A. Heilman.
Tableau, Subject, Patriotism
Goddess of Liberty, Miss Lizzie Girard, and 40 members of the order. Music by Quartette.

Recitation... Heroes of Sumpter
Miss Anna Evans.
Music... Elwell's Orchestra.
Address... Subject, Our Country
Rev. C. H. Brandt.

Tableau, Subject, Education,
School house and teacher, and 40 children going to school.
Address... Subject, Our Order.
M. P. Lutz.

Music, Sword of Bunker Hill... Quartette.
Tableau, Subject, Fraternity
Forty Members of Order.
Music.

G. G. BAKER, Chairman. M. P. LUTZ,
C. W. McCASLIN, W. MANNING,
C. L. RUPERT, C. N. OHL,
W. D. CREAM, J. FIDLER,
I. E. HOLTZ, Secretary of Com.

A SUSPICIOUS PROWLER.

On Sunday at midnight Dr. Bierman was called to a patient on Fifth street, and started down the alley. At the rear of his house he saw a figure standing, but could not tell whether it was a man or woman. He inquired what was wanted and a man's voice replied "nothing." The doctor then asked what he was doing there, and was told that it was none of his business, but the man disappeared. On the doctor's return his wife told him that someone had tried to open a back window during his absence, and it is supposed to be the same man that was seen in the alley. The doctor now carries something with him on his night visits, that is more dangerous as a means of self defense, than his medicine case.

SELLING ON THE INSTALLMENT PLAN.

In a recent decision the Supreme Court of this state has reaffirmed the legality of selling goods on the installment plan. Articles leased under bailment for use remain the property of the lessor until the final payment is made in accordance with the terms of the lease, and cannot be seized by creditors of the lessee for his debts. This applies to sewing machines, organs, pianos, stoves, bicycles, wagons, horses, and most anything else that can change hands without changing the character of the article in any way. Leases in compliance with this law are printed, and for sale at this office.

The annual meeting of the Knight's of the Golden Eagle will be held in Williamsport on May 13, 14 and 15. Geo. C. Roan will go as the representative of Theta Castle.

In the state there are 500 castles, 100 commanderies and nearly 100 temples. The temples are composed of ladies, and these will be represented by delegates. Commanderies are expected from Reading, Philadelphia, Lancaster, Allentown, Harrisburg, Erie, Pittsburg, Altoona and other places.

The cash prizes to be contested for by the commanderies will amount to \$250. The first prize will be \$100, for the best drilled commandery; second, \$50 for the finest equipped commandery; third, \$50 for the commandery making the finest appearance. The contests will take place in Market square after the parade.

Headquarters will be established at the Updegraff, and the grand ball be held at that hotel on the evening of Tuesday, May 14. The sessions will be held for three days in the Lycoming opera house. It will be a big time, sure.

Miss Grace Woodward was married to Mr. O. K. McHenry of Berwick on Thursday of last week. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. E. Weeks at the bride's home on East Street.

BRIEF MENTION.

About People You Know.

A. Z. Schoch went to Washington on Wednesday.

C. W. Miller Esq. spent a couple of days in Philadelphia this week.

John Hagenbuch, Millville's efficient typo, spent Sunday at his home in Espy.

Col. Freeze, J. R. Townsend and Geo. E. Elwell spent last Sunday in Lancaster.

Rev. W. T. Auman spent Thursday in town. He is located at White Haven.

F. P. Pursel went to Philadelphia on Sunday night, and returned home on Tuesday.

J. G. Wells took the noon train on the D. L. & W. for Philadelphia on Wednesday.

John N. Gordon was called to Philadelphia last Saturday by the serious illness of his brother.

Dr. J. P. Welsh and J. C. Brown were in Harrisburg on Wednesday on business connected with the Normal School.

C. W. McKelvey and C. W. Funston bagged five snipe on Friday, and the former and H. G. Eshleman got six on Monday.

H. O. McHenry of Benton passed through town on Tuesday, on his way to the city to buy new goods for the J. J. McHenry store.

J. H. Coleman was a visitor at this office on Tuesday, and renewed the subscription of his mother who lives in Fishingcreek township, and who is an old subscriber to this paper.

M. F. Eyerly of Williamsport has been confined to the house for the past six weeks, and we are sorry to learn from his son-in-law, C. D. Spiedmyer, who was in town on Tuesday, that his condition is not improving, but rather growing worse. His disease is heart trouble and dropsy.

O. O. Laidig of Buffalo, N. Y., stopped in town a few hours on Monday. He was on his way to visit his mother at Ringtown. Mr. Laidig graduated at the Normal in 1885, and at Lafayette College in 1892. He now fills the position of head chemist at the iron works of M. A. Hanna & Co. of Buffalo.

HOW TO SPOIL THINGS.

To spoil a wife—Find fault.

To spoil tea or coffee—Boil it.

To spoil custard—Bake it too long.

To spoil house plants—Water them too much.

To spoil butter—Do not work out all the milk.

To spoil a carpet—Sweep it with a stiff half worn broom.

To spoil scissors—Cut everything, from a sheet of paper to a bar of cast iron.

To spoil children—Humor them in everything they happen to think they want.

To spoil garments in the making—Cut them out carelessly and run all the seams.

To spoil a school—Change teachers every time some one in the district finds fault.

Making Much of Irish.

Irish is spreading in the schools of Ireland; 1050 candidates presented themselves for examination in their native tongue last year, as compared with 331 the year before. The number of school-masters who obtained certificates to teach Irish doubled. Irish was taught in 11 new board schools, and the sale of books of the Society for the Preservation of the Irish Language was greatly increased.

The following letters are advertised April 30, 1895. Mrs. Katherine Coleman, George Cornelius, Mr. William Fiester, Mr. Seymour L. Lash, Miss Annie L. Musselman, Mrs. R. E. Peale, Mr. J. G. Sargen, Miss Sue Stine, Jr., Miss Mary Shelhamer. Cards. Miss Mary Achenbach. Will be sent to the dead letter office May 14, 1895.

JAMES H. MERCER, P. M.

A case that has been before the Lancaster Court for 43 years was ended on Tuesday, when the jury rendered a verdict in favor of Charles F. Smith, of Philadelphia, against Edward F. Schoenberger, also of Philadelphia, formerly of Lancaster county, for \$17,685.53. The amount of the original judgment, entered September 2, 1852, was \$3,154, and the verdict was for the original amount and interest for 43 years.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rutter Jr., have the warm sympathy of all their friends in the affliction that has come upon them in the death of their only daughter, Marion Wilbur. She died on Thursday morning at 8:35 o'clock, aged 4 years, 9 months and 29 days, after an illness of two weeks.

The Supreme Court on Monday announced its decision in the case of W. R. Ringrose vs The Town of Bloomsburg, in favor of the plaintiff. The verdict were for \$5000, and the interest and costs will increase the amount to \$7000 or more.

As much interest has been manifested in the Vanderslice-Snyder case, we print the opinion of Judge Rice, refusing a new trial, in full in this issue.

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