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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1897.

A bill offered in the house of Representatives last week by Mr. Seibert of Lancaster, makes it a misdemeanor to play foot ball under a penalty of not less than \$10, or more than \$100.

"The very first step along the line of Quay reform," as shown by the legislature upon which the able and Statesmanlike Senator from Beaver County holds a chattel mortgage, consists in leaving off positions of honor in the committee assignments all the men who seemed to believe that they had a right to vote as they pleased for U. S. Senator, and not as a "reformer" and a purifier of politics Mr. Quay will doubtless take high rank. The legislators whom he owns—body, boots, and breeches—will probably give us fine exhibitions of "pure politics."—Ex.

McKINLEY'S CABINET.

It is reasonably certain now that the cabinet of President McKinley will be constituted as follows:

Secretary of State—John Sherman, of Ohio.

Secretary of the Treasury—Lyman J. Gage, of Illinois.

Secretary of War—Russell A. Alger, of Michigan.

Secretary of the Navy—John D. Long, of Massachusetts.

Secretary of the Interior—Joseph McKenna, of California.

Secretary of Agriculture—James Wilson, of Iowa.

The places of Attorney General and Postmaster General, are yet to be filled. Charles G. Dawes of Illinois is likely to be comptroller of the Currency, and General Daniel E. Sickles of New York may be the Commissioner of Pensions.

GEORGE B. ROBERTS DEAD.

PRESIDENT OF THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD EXPIRES AFTER A LONG ILLNESS.

George B. Roberts, president of the Pennsylvania railroad, died at 4:30 Saturday afternoon at his beautiful mansion in Bala, Montgomery county, of gastro-intestinal trouble, from which he had been confined to the house continuously since August 23 last, with the exception of two days about six weeks ago, when he was able to be about. He had been to some extent an invalid during nearly the entire period of his presidency of the greatest railroad organization extant, but was always, until last August, able to attend to his arduous and important duties, with a single exception.

Six years ago he was seriously ill for two or three weeks, with the same malady that caused his death. But he rallied from that attack, and this announcement will be the first to tell that he was ever so seriously sick before, for his condition was then guarded as a secret of the greatest value. His last illness took a serious turn about the middle of last August, while he was at North East Harbor, Me. Hurrying home, he was so fortunate as to meet at Boston Dr. J. W. Lodge, of Bala, his own family physician. Since the arrival home on August 23 Mr. Roberts has been a confirmed invalid, but his malady has defied the best efforts of science.

For years there have cropped out perennial rumors that President Roberts was about to resign, and that this, that or the other Pennsylvania railroad magnate was to be his successor. First Vice President Frank Thomson, of Philadelphia, who for years, although a young man, has been at the head of "Pennsy's" transportation department, may be the new president. The Pennsylvania railroad is like a clock. Every man has been elevated to his present position by reason of his certain qualifications therefor, not only, but for the place next higher. Each executive officer near the head will simply step up one peg, and the machinery will not even be jarred by this noteworthy stoppage of its principal part.

As a result of charges and counter charges between Superintendent House and the physicians of the West Pennsylvania Hospital, at Pittsburg, the trustees have dismissed the entire force.

DAVID R. PHILLIPS DEAD.

Ex-Representative David R. Phillips, one of the best known politicians of this State died Monday morning at his home at Ashland. He was born in Wales, but came to America in 1857, and served through the war. He was twice chosen County Chairman, and twice elected to the Legislature. He was a national delegate in 1888.

Johnston a Murderer.

The jury in the case of Dr. Thomas L. Johnston, who was being tried for the murder of Druggist George S. Henry, at New Bloomfield, Pa., returned a verdict on Saturday of guilty of murder in the second degree. The verdict was a great surprise to many, for either a first degree conviction or an acquittal on the ground of insanity had been looked for. Counsel for the defense, made a motion for a new trial, which was granted.

At a meeting of the directors of the Pennsylvania railroad company, held yesterday, Frank Thompson was unanimously elected president, to succeed George B. Roberts, deceased.

The law makers at Harrisburg are homeless, and although the Governor hustled around to find a meeting place, we don't think the people would have objected had their vacation lasted some time.

Mrs. William McKinley was the guest of honor at an amateur performance of "The Coming Woman," in Chicago the other evening and was cordially greeted by the audience.

Great Sales

proved by the statements of leading druggists everywhere, show that the people have an abiding confidence in Hood's Sarsaparilla. Great Cures proved by the voluntary statements of thousands of men and women show that Hood's Sarsaparilla actually does possess Power over disease by purifying, enriching and invigorating the blood, upon which not only health but life itself depends. The great Success of Hood's Sarsaparilla in curing others warrants you in believing that a faithful use of Hood's Sarsaparilla will cure you if you suffer from any trouble caused by impure blood.

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF BLOOM POOR DISTRICT, for the year ending January 4, 1897.

JOHN K. GROTZ, Treasurer.

DL. To balance on hand at last settlement \$ 948 41

Cash from all sources 5556 27 \$6504 64

CR. By old orders paid 38 67

" new orders paid 5921 61

" Note paid 304 00

" commission 2 per cent 125 00 6375 28

Balance on hand \$ 129 86

RECAPITULATION OF MONIES RECEIVED.

J. M. Rote, collector \$ 218 83

D. S. Patterson, collector 483 79

S. N. Smith, collector 390 30

C. E. Hartman, collector 674 59

John K. Bittenbender, col 2901 81

W. W. Kester 91 50

Self 37 65

Farm produce 429 47

Discounts 757 91

County 43 69

Cook wages 11 64

Returned by Gibbons family 10 00

Mary Long settlement 198 00

\$5566 23

IN ACCOUNT WITH COLLECTORS. J. K. Bittenbender, col. 1896 amt. duplicate \$ 2935 25

Table listing various goods and their prices, including Dry goods, Medical supplies, Blacksmithing, Harness, Wagon and implements, Hardware, etc.

OUTSIDE RELIEF

Table listing names and amounts for outside relief, including Tracy Welliver, Gibbons family, Daniel Hardow, etc.

SUNDRY EXPENSES

Table listing sundry expenses such as Traveling expenses, Orders of relief to different persons, Printing, Stationery, Postage, etc.

PRODUCTS OF FARM FOR 1896

Table listing farm products for 1896, including 223 bushels wheat, 1410 " corn ears, 66 " buckwheat, etc.

LOSSES BY STORMS

Table listing losses by storms, including 350 bushels buckwheat, 100 " corn ears, 300 " oats, etc.

VALUE OF REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY

Table listing the value of real and personal property, including Balance on Bloom dup. 1896, " " Scott " 1896, etc.

FARM AND BUILDINGS

Table listing farm and buildings, including 4 horses, 5 cows, 1 bull, 11 sheep, etc.

OCCUPANTS OF ALMSHOUSE

Table listing occupants of the almshouse, including Number of paupers at last report, Admitted during year, Discharged during year, etc.

ISAIAH HAGENBUCH, O. T. WILSON, M. H. RHODES, Directors

Advertisement for JOHN R. TOWNSEND, Merchant TAILOR, AND Hatter. Features a hat illustration and text: SUITS FROM \$18.00, CORNER MAIN & MARKET STS. BLOOMSBURG PA., TROUSERS FROM \$5.00.

Advertisement for OUR ANNUAL CLEARANCE SALE. Text: We are through stock taking, and in order to clear up our winter stocks in the different departments we have started our Annual Clearance Sale. Great bargains are here for every one. Don't fail to take advantage of them.

Advertisement for Extraordinary Coat Selling. Text: We have divided what Coats we have left in 3 lots. They are rare bargains, all of them. Lot No. 1.--Coats that we sold at \$4 to \$7. Now \$3.86. Lot No. 2.--Coats that were \$8 to \$12, we offer at \$5.95. Lot No. 3.--Coats that sold from \$12.50 to \$18.00, go for \$8.15.

Advertisement for Blankets. Text: We want to reduce this stock to its proper size, and in doing so we know that the price is the keynote. Kindly note them. Blankets that sold for \$3.00, now \$2.45. Blankets that sold for \$5.00, now \$3.98. Blankets that sold for \$6.50, now \$5.40.

Advertisement for Special Linen Sale. Text: We put on sale all our Table Linen, which is the finest stock to be found anywhere in this part of the state, at greatly reduced prices. Unbleached 19c to 75c. Bleached 40c to \$2.00. Red Damask 15c to 37c.

Advertisement for Shoes. Text: \$4.00 Shoes, without tips in now widths not quite all sizes at \$2.00. In going over our stock we find lots of pieces of Dress Goods which contain full dress patterns, some only skirt lengths, others less, but we have put a price on them all which will move them. In every instance less than FIRST COST.

Advertisement for Dress Goods. Text: Another lot of those Dress Goods that were 45c. to \$1.00 at 29c. the yard. Hill muslin, for January only, 6 1-2c. the yard. Lancaster Gingham, for January only, 5c. the yard.

Advertisement for PURSEL & HARMAN, BLOOMSBURG, PA.

Advertisement for OUR HOLIDAY STOCK. Text: Not Mere... Foot Covers... Is now ready for your inspection. The line is complete and in it you can find something for each member of the family. Games from 3 cents to \$1.75. Toy Books 5 cents and upward.

Advertisement for TEACHERS' BIBLES WITH NOTES. Text: \$1.10 to \$7.00. Framed and unframed pictures. Any book published furnished at Wanamaker prices.

Advertisement for WILLIAM H. SLATE, EXCHANGE HOTEL BLD. Text: SUBSCRIBE FOR THE COLUMBIAN. Includes logo for Jones's Patent Feet Fitters.