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THE COLUMBIAN.
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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

FORKS.

Miss Hettie Richart, one of our favorite young ladies, is back home again, after having a very pleasant visit at Light Street and suburbs.

The new organ of the Zion Church proves quite satisfactory.

A steam saw mill on the timber of Thos Henry is actively engaged in sawing lumber for Mr. Leader, Supt. of the R. R. Mr. Leader seems a popular and efficient manager of the B. & S. road.

E. M. Laubach is busily engaged sawing lumber at his mills.

Miss Myrtle E. Henrie, graduate of Normal, Bloomsburg, is teaching a successful school,—the Savage School house. She will hold an exhibition on the evening of the 12th of March.

Supt. of our public schools, Mr. Miller, is winning golden opinions in his Superintendency. He will, doubtless prove quite as efficient as any of his predecessors.

A pole raising and flag presentation at More's school house on the 12th of March under the auspices of the P. O. S. of A.

The first notes of the blue jay and blue bird are heard.

We trust Beautiful Spring will thrust from her lap Old Winter in a hurry. Let there be no "lingering in her lap."

Jessie Unangst has been seriously ill.

Many of our Comrades are busily talking about the great soldier meeting at Buffalo in August. They say they will get there.

Jack Robbins, a veteran, has gone to join the many comrades who have gone before. At present writing we know not where his remains will be buried.

It is anticipated there will be quite a flood this Spring. The old Fishingcreek is well up at present.

Comrade Harder, of Catawissa gave us a hasty visit recently. He is largely engaged in the planing mill and lumber business at Catawissa, is one of the prominent men of the town. His heart and soul are in the work of getting up a monument in memory of the soldiers in and about Catawissa. Go on, Comrade, you are in the noble work of perpetuating in marble the memory of those who fought and fell for the Stars and Stripes and the Union. But remember there will rise a monument that will outlast your marble shaft—a throbbing, living monument, the hearts of the present generation and the hearts of far away posterity.

Why is it that Washington's Birthday was not more thoroughly celebrated we cannot understand. Have his achievements and those of his comrades faded from our memory? It would seem so. How easily we can forget! The school children of Greece recited daily for 300 years the names of the valiant 300 who fell in the defiles of Thermopylae.

Capt. Gara is engaged building a house in Greenwood. He makes a raid on us every once in a while. Always has a smile in good preservation which he puts on exhibition when he comes.

Wm. Unangst is very much afflicted with rheumatism and sore hands yet he exhibits the remarkable perseverance of getting around.

The blue-bird is hailed as a harbinger of Spring. It is also a reminder that a blood-purifier is needed to prepare the system for the debilitating weather to come. Listen and you will hear the birds singing: "Take Ayer's Sarsaparilla in March, April, May."

Orangeville G. A. R. Post.

Although the following should have appeared at an earlier date yet by request we print it in our columns this week.

The installation of officers of the G. A. R. took place in the post hall of Orangeville on the 6th inst.

There was quite a delegation from Berwick: Lieut. Col. & Adj. Hayman and Comrades Roup, Hartman and Barnard. Prof. Leshar, Asst. Principal of Berwick public schools, attended them. Col. Hayman conducted the ceremonies handsomely. Just before the ceremonies one of the speakers, E. J. Bowman, was called upon and delivered a most excellent address. It was an off-hand effort, filled with beautiful and forcible classical allusions. The address was eloquent and masterly, delighting the audience, characteristic of this conspicuous orator, who is so well known in our communities. Prof. Lester then followed with a very interesting address very creditable to his head and heart.

The newly installed officers are: Commander, J. F. Trump; Adj., C. B. White; Quarter Master, Jas. Amerman; Sr. Vice, A. B. Herring; Jr. Vice, Calvin Herring; Officer of Day, H. C. Conner; Chaplain, Jno. Keller.

After all the ceremonies, followed a sumptuous banquet gotten up by the ladies. The ladies of Orangeville deserve their meed of praise in conducting the festival. Everything went off in good shape. Comrade Trump rendered himself conspicuous in the preparations, and the general oversight as he does on all such occasions.

Comrade Harder of Catawissa, upon the occasion gave an interesting address.

COMRADE.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common water glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates a diseased condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is positive evidence of kidney trouble. The frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

WHAT TO DO.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists price fifty cents and one dollar. For a sample bottle and pamphlet, both sent free by mail, mention THE COLUMBIAN and send your full post-office address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

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Ask your Grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as an adult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. $\frac{1}{4}$ the price of coffee. 15c. and 25c. per package. Sold by all grocers. 2-4-4td.

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He Stared Death in the Face.

With His Foot Caught in a Frog He Could Not Move.

With a passenger train bearing rapidly down upon him, Joseph Plozinski had to stand still and look death in the face, near Mt. Carmel, Sunday night. The heel of his left shoe was wedged in a frog, and he couldn't release it or take off the shoe in time. Both of his legs were ground to pieces, and he died soon afterward.

HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Ills, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache. A pleasant laxative. All Druggists.

HARRISBURG LETTER.

Dr. Swallow's Indirect Charges Against State Officials.

SOME NEW MEASURES PRESENTED.

A Bill to Provide for Pure Beer and Another to Reconstruct the Prison Management of the State—To Pass the Quay County Bill.

(Special Correspondence.)

Harrisburg, March 1.—The legislature during the sessions of last week showed a disposition to work, and succeeded in the dispatch of considerable business. All the committees have been active, and at tonight's session quite a number of bills were reported from the various committees for further consideration. At this period of the sessions it becomes both houses to be as diligent in the work for which they have been chosen as possible, as according to the developments of the past few weeks, there will be very many questions for both branches to consider that should not be passed upon too hastily.

Each week seems to add additional work to what is usually required, and if this continues it will be well along to the first of July before all the business can be disposed of. A resolution will be offered this week fixing May 1 as the date for final adjournment, but in the present state of affairs this is impossible, as very little will be accomplished this week, owing to the inauguration of President McKinley, and if they get all their work finished by the last of June it will be about as much as can be accomplished.

Dr. Swallow's editorial in The Methodist, setting forth a series of startling accusations that persons have been paid money out of the state treasury who rendered no service to the state; that persons have been asked to sign a receipt for from two to four times as much as they actually received; that articles have been furnished the orphan schools that cost the state eight fold more than reliable bidders were willing to furnish the same for; that the burning of the capitol buildings was if at all accidental was also in a sense incidental, and that it was a logical sequence of having exhausted excuses for expending public money, etc., has caused quite a sensation.

In his testimony before the committee appointed to investigate the cause of the capitol fire Dr. Swallow refused to answer questions relating to these charges, and gave as his reasons that as soon as a certain commission is appointed the witnesses will be forthcoming and the evidence supplied to prove the charges made.

Detectives Have Been at Work. The said rumor is current here that special detectives have been at work on this case for some time, and that the charges made in The Methodist is the outcome of their investigation. These charges seem to astonish very many of the members, who are loth to believe that any dishonesty has been practiced by any of the state officials.

It is thought that the business of the state has been too closely watched in the past ten years for any of the officials to practice dishonesty without being found out. But, on the other hand, it is alleged that Dr. Swallow is a reputable citizen, responsible for his acts, and deserves to have a hearing, and if he can substantiate his charges let the guilty be punished. He claims that he will not divulge further information unless a committee is appointed entirely devoid of any political influences, and when that is done he is prepared to disclose some very startling news. He seems to invite a prosecution and a trial through the courts, in the belief that he will be enabled to more thoroughly investigate and prove to the satisfaction of a fair minded jury that his accusations are correct.

The friends of Dr. Swallow claim that an indictment brought by state officials against the doctor for libel on the strength of the publication is just what he wanted. This accusation has no doubt result in the appointment of another committee composed of members of both the senate and house to inquire into these charges and ascertain if there is any truth in them. It is probable that the members of the committee to investigate the food and dairy commission will be announced this week, and a beginning made to investigate this department.

Dr. Swallow claims he is receiving offers of assistance from different parts of the state to aid him in his prosecuting the charges he has made. One wealthy gentleman has offered to go his security to the amount of \$100,000. His arrest has brought to his assistance many who are anxious to aid in having a fair and complete exposition of the purchasing agents of the state supplies.

There are now three investigating committees, two of which are organized and at work, and the third will be ready to commence business in a few days; and it is possible there may be other developments to follow requiring more investigations.

Some Proposed New Laws.

Among the new bills introduced recently was one which provides that the minimum salary hereafter paid to all teachers of the public schools shall be \$40 per month, and another fixing the school term at eight months.

Another bill which has been offered will affect every beer drinker in the state. This provides that brewers shall keep all beer in stock for at least six months before it is offered for sale or put upon the market. In the event of this becoming a law it would contemplate the appointment of pure food inspectors, whose duty would be to inspect breweries, as well as have regular and systematic chemical analysis made of the beer brewed and sold in the state. A similar law has been in effect in England for many years, and has been the means of securing a quality of pure malt liquors, free from any adulteration. Considering the amount of beer used in the state annually it is thought there should be some measures established looking to the purity of its manufacture.

What is in reality the Raines bill of New York is another liquor bill which

has been introduced. This provides for the sale of liquors in hotels on Sunday, or at any time of the day or night to those who are designated legitimate guests of the house.

The chairman of the committee on appropriations has given out that the appropriations asked for the ensuing two years by state and other institutions for support, new buildings and other causes amounts at the present time in round numbers to \$28,571,720, while at the same time the estimated revenues from all sources for the ensuing two years was only a trifling over \$19,000,000. This estimate does not include an appropriation for the rebuilding of the new capitol. The demands for appropriations are not all in yet, and it is altogether probable that \$30,000,000 would be required to satisfy all the demands.

The State Forestry Reservation.

A bill introduced for the state forestry reservation provides for a commission to be composed of the forestry commissioner, chairman of the state board of health, deputy and secretary of internal affairs and two other persons to be appointed by the governor, with full power to take by right of eminent domain and condemn lands, which shall be paid for by warrants drawn upon the state treasurer. Forest reservations are to be established of not less than 40,000 acres, upon waters which drain mainly into the Delaware, Susquehanna and Ohio rivers, and each as far as practicable to be one continuous area. The land selected is to have an average altitude of 600 feet above the level of the sea.

It is proposed to maintain free scholarships in the Pennsylvania State college for graduates from public schools, and the bill introduced provides for two free scholarships for each senator and two for each member, and ten for the state at large, to be appointed by the governor.

A bill presented in the house a few days ago provides for a state railroad commission of three experts to be appointed by the governor to hold office for five years. They are given full power and supervision of the railroads, and have the power to investigate accidents, and a chief clerk is to receive \$2,000. This measure is not likely to receive much consideration, as there are now too many sincere positions in the state. This is the opinion of a number of the members, and it is now time to call a halt on such legislation.

The Proposed Quay County.

This week several new county bills will be introduced. These will provide for Quay county, of a part of Luzerne and Schuylkill, and form a new county from parts of Washington, Fayette and Westmoreland. These bills provide that the territory divided must have an aggregate population of 750,000. The proposed new county is to have not less than 40,000 people, 400 square miles of territory, and no line must be within ten miles of any county house.

This bill is likely to provoke a lively contest, as there are other districts interested in the formation of new counties, and this measure will shut out any possibility of their accomplishing their purposes. Owing to this opposition it is doubtful whether any legislation of this kind can be accomplished during this session.

The impression is general that the short sessions and frequent adjournments of the present legislature have a significance, and among the reasons advanced for this the chief one is that an excuse can be given for not reappointing the state into congressional, senatorial and representative districts. It is thought that a very grave error will be made if this is not done.

The state, it is claimed, has now nearly 2,000,000 more population than it had at the time the last apportionment was made, and if ever there was a necessity of the kind it is at the present time.

Reform in Prison Management.

The bill now pending before the legislature which may be known and cited as the prison act of 1897, and which provides for the taking under state control and support of the entire prison system of the commonwealth and all its counties, is still in the hands of the committee to which it has been referred, and is said to be receiving a consideration that augurs well for its passage. The measure was drawn on lines largely suggested by General Isaac J. Wistar, of the board of prison inspectors. It proposes to consolidate the 47 county jails of the state into a smaller number of larger and better jails; to abolish factory labor by convicts, substituting manual labor as far as possible; to provide separate accommodations for untried prisoners, first offenders and reformatory convicts, and to establish separate wards for insane convicts and for female convicts.

In discussing the measure General Wistar said: "It is expected that this bill, if it becomes a law, will give first and permanent satisfaction to honest outside labor. It will do away with factory and machine work and take prison labor out of competition. One feature of labor in this connection will constitute a great saving in the line of construction of buildings. There need be but a small first cost in connection with the proposed new jails. The necessary sites can be secured at low rates if proper precaution is observed. The construction of restraining walls ought not to cost beyond \$30,000 in each instance, and after that the convicts themselves, temporarily housed in barracks, can erect the permanent jail buildings. At the Eastern penitentiary we erected a new section of 22 cells at a cost of \$11,000, with convict labor, that would have cost fully ten times as much if let by the contract."

"The number of jails in England was reduced some years ago from 113 to 59, and the result was not only a saving of \$200,000 in salaries alone, but a perceptible decrease in crime, owing to the improved system. As a matter of fact, from 39 to 40 per cent of the expenses in this connection are general fixed expenses, so that the great saving can readily be recognized as possible in the line of subsistence. Sheriffs now charge 50 cents a day for feeding prisoners. The cost per day in the Eastern penitentiary is 18 cents. There is no reason why this proportionate saving cannot be maintained in the proposed consolidated jails."

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English decorated 10 piece toilet sets in blue, pink and brown decorations, large size, pretty shapes, only \$2.25 per set.

The same in 12 piece sets with jar, at \$3.98.

Solid color oatmeal dishes in maroon and cobalt blue with gold edges, 10c. each.

The same in fruit saucers at 5c. each.

Tubular lanterns, 46c. each. Lantern globes, 5c. each.

Lamp chimneys, all sizes, 6 for 25c.

Lamp burners, 4 and 7c. ea.

6 bladed chopping knives, 19c. each.

Gold edge small glasses, 5c. each.

China egg cups, gold bands, 5c. each.

Japanese tooth picks, 200 in box, 2c. box.

Large wire sponge baskets, 7c. each.

Key chains, 1c. each.

Ladies' seamless black hose with mao feet, 2 pairs for 25c.

Apron gingham, 4c. per yard.

Special job in No. 2 all silk satin ribbon, at 2c. yd. or 15c. piece.

Wire hair pins, 2 papers for 1c.

Wadding per sheet, 3c.

Boy's heavy bicycle hose, 15c. pair.

Fast color Chambray, light blue and pink, 10c. yd.

Crash toweling, 3 1/2c., 5c., 6 1/2c., 8c., 10c. yd.

Figured silkolines and Hance draperies, 8c., 10c., 12c., 16c. yd.

Bed ticking, 10c. and 13c. yard.

Towels at 5c., 10c., 12 1/2c., 19c., 25c., 39c. each.

Cuticle soap, 8c. cake.

Buttermilk and Roses toilet soap 10c. box.

Tooth brushes, 2c., 4c., 5c., 8c. to 24c. each.

Rug fringe, 9c. yard.

Coque feather boas, 1 1/2 yds. long, 48c. each.

An excellent line of ladies' kid gloves in black and colors, at 75c. per 4 buttons.

Yard wide fine unbleached muslin, 20 yds. for \$1.00.

Best indigo blue calicoes, 4 1/2c. yd.

Men's extra heavy seamless cotton half hose, 10c. pair.

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Separate Skirts of figured brilliantine, 4 yard wide, well lined and velvet bound, at \$2.48.

Fine all wool Serge Skirts percaline lined and finished with velvet, at \$3.48.

Figured Mohair Skirts, percaline lined, made in the new bell shape, are \$5.98.

Fine Percale Wrappers for house wear, made with ruffle yoke, new style sleeves, turn back cuffs, very full skirts, bodies with tight lining, at \$1.25.

Flannelette Wrappers in dark colors and pretty new patterns, braided collars and yokes, fully worth \$1.25, our price 98c.

Have you seen the new Silk Finish Linens for ladies' waists, dresses and children's wear. We show them in a variety of pretty colors, including small checks and plain grounds. These fabrics will be the most popular of the summer wash goods, being pure linen, you may wash it as often as you like. The more it is laundried the shearer it becomes. In general appearance it is far prettier than the best French gingham and far more durable, then you know. Linen is dust proof, a feature that adds to its desirability. Write for samples, per yard 35c.

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