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THE COLUMBIAN. BLOOMSBURG, PA. Democratic Committee Call. The members of the Democratic County Committee of the County of Columbia are hereby notified to meet in the Court House at Bloomsburg Saturday March 27th at 2 o'clock P. M. for the purpose of electing a chairman and secretary and five persons as delegates to the State Convention.

MRS. BEECHER DEAD. Death Came Peacefully to the Great Preacher's Widow Monday.

Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher died at 10.42 o'clock Monday morning. Mrs. Beecher went to Stamford, Conn. shortly before Thanksgiving on a visit. A few days later she fell in her room, cutting a gash in her forehead. She fell the second time a month later, fracturing her hip. For a time she seemed to improve, and it was not until recently that her physicians abandoned hope.

Mrs. Beecher was a native of West Sutton, Worcester county, Mass., where she was born in 1812. Her maiden name was Bullard. She married Henry Ward Beecher when she was twenty-five years of age. They had ten children, of whom only four are living, one daughter and three sons.

Mrs. Beecher died at the home of her son-in-law, Rev. Samuel Scoville. She was unconscious for twenty-four hours before her death and her end came peacefully. None of her relatives, except her daughter's family and niece, were present.

AN ADAGE. Here is an old astrological prediction of the different characters of girls born in each month. January—She will be a prudent housewife, given to melancholy, but good tempered and fond of fine clothes.

February—An affectionate wife, and tender mother and given to dress. March—A frivolous chatterbox, somewhat given to quarrelling, and a connoisseur in gowns and bonnets.

HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Ills, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache. Easy to take, easy to operate. 25c.

HARRISBURG LETTER.

Lively Time Expected Over the Capitol Commission Bill.

RHONE'S SCHEME OF TAXATION

The Farmer Leader Proposes a Tax of One Dollar on Every Voter to Pay for the New Capitol Building—Dr. Swallow's Charge of Corruption.

Harrisburg, March 8.—Although the legislature was in session but a little over one day at their last meeting, they made an excellent record for work. On Tuesday they had three sessions, and during that time they disposed of a number of bills on second and third reading and several others on a final passage. There will be about 20 bills ready for final passage on Wednesday.

Governor Hastings' veto of the resolution requiring that the architects, contractors, mechanics and laborers employed in the erection of the new capitol should be citizens of Pennsylvania was postponed for further action.

The committee appointed to investigate the dairy and food commission has been appointed and will commence their investigation within a few days. The vinegar bill which has been introduced, providing that no vinegar shall be manufactured and sold which is not the legitimate product of pure apple juice, known as apple cider or vinegar, is meeting with some opposition by some who represent districts where there are some manufacturers located manufacturing vinegar from chemicals, and who have a large amount of money invested in their plants.

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.

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.

Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O! Ask your Grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee.

For Sale. One pair of fine large gray horses weight about 3000 lbs. Age six and seven years. Good workers. Call on George M. Hughes, Bloomsburg, Pa.

A desirable house and lot. Corner lot about 50 x 80 feet, beautiful location, all modern improvements; will be sold at once. Cheap for cash, or part down and balance to suit the purchaser; or part in exchange for other property.

persons have been asked to sign receipts for two, three and even four times as much money as they actually received.

"That in the purchase of material and labor for making additions, alterations, repairs and refurnishing the capitol building, cellars and grounds, also for the executive mansion, and now for Grace church, the state has lost many thousands of dollars as the result of an unfair system of competitive bidding. In other words, that the cost to the state has been two, three, four and as high as eight times in some instances as much as it should have been, and that this money went to persons furnishing the materials and labor, and further that at least some of the board of public grounds and buildings custodians have guilty knowledge of these excessive costs."

Among the bills introduced recently was one fixing the term of licenses for selling liquor at three years; one providing for the payment of mileage at the rate of three cents a mile to poor directors in the performance of their duty, and those passed finally were one allowing female teachers the same salary as the compensation secured by male instructors; also the arrest and committing to jail by burgesses of persons violating any borough ordinance, and to protect the right to form, join or belong to labor organizations.

Interest on State Deposits. Representatives McClain of Lancaster, Hoy of Clarion, Baldwin of Fayette, and Scott and Stewart of Philadelphia, the legislative sub-committee having charge of the bills to compel the payment of interest on state deposits, met in Philadelphia on Saturday. It was thought advisable that an entirely new bill should be framed, which was presented to the house this evening. The bill, it is understood, fixes the rate of interest at 2 per cent, provides for three active banks, one in Pittsburgh, Harrisburg and Philadelphia, and allows each \$500,000, but whether this is to receive favorable consideration after its introduction remains to be seen.

Senator C. C. Kaufman, of Lancaster, leader of the "Seventy-six," last night gave out a statement over his own signature declaring that "the interest bill proposed by the sub-committee of the house ways and means committee, if enacted into a law on the form proposed, will defeat the purpose of all this agitation and rob the state of thousands of dollars of revenue. It proposes to keep \$500,000 of the state funds as an active account in each of three banks located in Philadelphia, Dauphin and Allegheny counties, respectively, and thus exempt \$1,500,000 from the payment of interest. The purpose of the original measure, allow a wide margin for personal and political spoils, deprive the state of much needed revenue, and array the country banks and country members of the legislature against the whole movement in the house."

The Proposed New Libel Law. The proposed new libel law, which bill has not yet been reported from the committee, is likely to receive attention very soon. It is altogether likely a new bill will be introduced and pushed for passage.

Dr. B. H. Warren, the state zoologist, in his annual report, gives a remarkable showing in that, notwithstanding the great slaughter of animal life, the fur trade of the state is very large. In his report Dr. Warren shows that in York county alone the fur-chiefly muskrats, skunks, opossums, raccoons, minks and foxes—last year obtained sold for about \$20,000. In Chester county, one dealer in West Chester has for several years past sold in New York annually from \$3,000 to \$5,000 of skins above named.

In Jefferson county a very conservative estimate would place the amount received for skins from fur bearing animals at \$12,000. Statistics gathered from nine counties show that the payment of bounties has grown to considerable importance, and during the last few years bounties have been paid on 16,000 foxes, 1,000 wild cats, 1 panther, 5,000 weasels, 8,000 minks, 1,900 hawks, 2,000 owls, and thousands of other animals and birds.

THE BROADWAY

An attractive line of New Goods opened this week.

Read the list of bargains for March.

The china, glass and queensware stocks still attract many buyers. New goods are opened almost daily, and we give below prices on a few lines which are worthy of the attention of all buyers. 100 pieces decorated English porcelain dinner sets, \$7.98 and \$10.00. Set decorated English porcelain plates, 10c each, decorated English porcelain cups and saucers, 60c set. Best white granite handled cups and saucers, 42c set. English decorated toilet sets, \$2.25 per set.

GLASSWARE. Tumblers, 2 for 5c. Medicine glasses, 4c each. Wine glasses, 4c, 5c, 6c, 8c each. 10 in. glass bread plate, 10c each. Footed fruit dishes with cover, 10c each. Celery trays, 10c each. Celery stands, 10c each. 8 in. round fruit dishes 10c each. Sugar bowls and spoon holders, 10c each. Cups and saucers and cream pitchers, 5c each. Small lamp chimneys, 2c each.

House Furnishing Goods and Cooking Utensils.

Muffin pans, 7c each. Best smooth finish iron drip pans, 6x9 in. 5c, 8x10 in. 6c, 8x12 in. 7c 10x12 in. 8c. each. Lipped sauce pans, 5c, 6c, 7c, 8c, 10c, 12c each. Tin tea kettles, 13c each. 4 qt. covered pails, 10c each. 6 qt. covered pails, 12c each. 4 qt. coffee pots, 10c each. 3 qt. coffee and tea pots, 8c. Bowl strainers, 4c each. Tea strainers, 1c each. Wire soap dishes, 3c each. Wire sponge baskets, 8c ea. Towel rollers, complete, ready to put up, 8c each. Spigots, 3c each. Rolling pins, 10c each. Best shelf oil-cloth, 5c yard. Potato mashers, 3c each. Toy sad irons and stands, cold handle, 10 and 14c. Bread toasters, 2c each. Coffee pot stands, 3c each. Cake cutters, 2c each. Mouse traps, 3c each. Egg whips, 2c each. Washing powder, 3c pkg.

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JONAS LONG'S SONS' WEEKLY CHATS.

WILKES-BARRE, PA., March 11th, 1897.

Have you taken that long promised trip to Wilkes-Barre? If not you want to do so now, right in the beginning of the spring season is the time to see the big store at its best. Lack of space prevents us from giving you even an inkling of the magnificent stock of goods we are showing for the spring and summer trade.

This week we offer 1,436 yards Shepherd Check Dress Goods in all colors, a splendid fabric for children's dresses, real value is per yard 15c., our price is 10c.

38-inch all wool Henrietta, beautiful silk finish and very rich in colors, worth 75c., our price is 49c.

Large assortment of Covert Dress Materials in solid and blended colors for street or bicycle wear, usually sold at 65c., our price 49c. 50-inch Black Mohair Sicilian, always popular, the most serviceable of dress fabrics, worth 50c., our price 33c.

The newest in Wash Silks is what is known as the Roman stripe. It comes in delicate shades with very narrow and broad stripes, intended to blend in harmony by gathering the folds loosely together.

We want to say a word about our recent shoe purchases. A skilled buyer, who knows the markets thoroughly has watched the process of making our shoes and he has seen that every care known to shoe makers has been taken with them.

Our Glove stock is complete in all the most fashionable and standard makes of women's Gloves. Foster's Kid Gloves, the highest quality made, genuine are sold by no other house in this city.

Respectfully, Jonas Long's Sons

Cor. W. Market and Public Squares Wilkes-Barre.