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DR. SWALLOW AT THE OPERA HOUSE.

The announcement that Dr. S. C. Swallow would make an address, attracted a pretty good sized crowd to the Opera House on Monday night. Chairman of the Prohibition County Committee W. B. Cummings called the meeting to order. In response to his request for the nomination of a man to act as president of the meeting James Magee was named and elected.

For Vice Presidents the following were nominated and elected: Rev. C. H. Brandt, Rev. M. E. McLinn, Rev. B. C. Conner, W. R. Kocher, E. M. Kester, Fred Eastman, G. W. Correll, W. J. Beidleman, Robt. Elliot, Henry Kesty, W. B. Cummings, G. E. Enterline, C. K. Taylor, Robert Moore, A. H. Frederick, of Bloomsburg; W. C. Richart, J. T. Farnsworth, of Montour twp.; Rev. J. C. Reeser, Berwick; C. B. White, of Orangeville; C. R. Cox, of Millville; R. M. Johnson, Henry Miller, A. B. White, of West Scott.

For Secretary C. B. Lutz was elected. The choir of the Methodist Church sang a selection after which prayer was offered by Rev. B. C. Conner. After another selection by the choir, the president introduced the speaker, Rev. S. C. Swallow, who is the Prohibition candidate for State Treasurer.

Among other things he said: I am not here to abuse the liquor seller for he belongs to a great system of which every voter who votes with him is also a member. He is made of about the same kind of clay as are we, and when the 70,000,000 of our population shall say at the ballot box to the 250,000 liquor sellers "You must quit and stay quit" they will obey him. Nor am I here to abuse capitalists or laborers; they are of one blood; their interests are identical; the Golden Rule must be the charter of their liberties. I will not abuse either Democrats or Republicans, since they are adepts in abusing each other, and when not engaged in that amusement, too frequently, by their misdeeds, in and out of the Legislature, succeed all too well in abusing themselves.

There are three tests in national life:

First. The power to resist an invasion of the foreign foe. This we did at Bunker Hill, at Lexington and Concord.

Second. In ability to subdue internal dissension. The fratricidal War of 30 years ago settled that question, and to-day the blue and gray mingle under the glad folds of the Stars and Stripes; and swearing new allegiance to a redeemed country, join hands against a common foe.

We are now in the midst of the third great test and must demonstrate our ability to resist and overthrow political corruption which is the product of material prosperity, such as never before came to any people. Strange is it not, that the very blessings of God should be perverted and misinterpreted by us, since we have been taught that "By the mercies of God we should present our bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is our reasonable service." We disclaim being a pessimist, for he thinks the world as bad as it can be; too bad in fact to be made better. Nor is it our ambition to be an extreme optimist, for he thinks the world as good as it can be, and hence no necessity for making it better. We hold to the medium ground that there are evils to be corrected, and that we must co-operate with God in bringing in the millennium of "Good will to men."

Three Murderers Wanted.

The Clearfield county commissioners have offered \$600 reward for the apprehension and conviction of three murderers. The men wanted are: "Piggy" Hart, who is charged with murdering Victor Corretti, and for whose conviction \$200 is offered; for the unknown man who killed John O'Grady, \$200 is offered; and for Charles Brown, who killed Grant Reeder, \$200 is offered. These murders were committed in around Dubois within the last year and a half, two of them within ten weeks. The latest occurred on the 7th of last month.

A hundred acres of land was disposed of at a sale in partition at the court house Saturday. The land was owned by G. W. Koons and O. D. McHenry, and was located in Briar-creek. The consideration was \$650, and was purchased by O. D. McHenry by J. H. Maize, Attorney.

PUBLIC SCHOOL LAWS.

Which Parents of pupils and Directors Ought to Study.

The following laws relating to the public schools of the state were among those passed by the late Legislature, according to the Harrisburg School Gazette.

That school boards may purchase flags and shall display them whenever they deem proper.

That school children shall have the use of the books of the board during vacation for a pay or select school, provided the teacher had a valid certificate.

That the school director shall be authorized to provide transportation for school children, at the expense of the district, to the public school of the district in which they reside or to the schools of neighboring districts.

That a copy of Small's Legislative handbook shall now and hereafter following each decennial census be placed in each public school of the commonwealth, and bi-ennially a copy of the School Laws and Decisions by the State superintendent.

That independent school districts now existing may be abolished by the courts whenever a majority of the taxable citizens of any school district, out of which any independent district may be created, petition for such action.

That school directors may establish and maintain, out of the public school treasury, free kindergartens for children between the ages of three and six years, residing in the district.

That it shall be unlawful for any industrial establishment to employ any minor who cannot read or write in the English language, unless he has attended the preceding year, an evening or day school for a period of 16 weeks.

That school boards shall have power to levy a per capita tax of \$1 annually on every male inhabitant who is of age.

That the compulsory school law be so amended as to increase the compulsory age of 16 years, to require attendance continuously during at least 70 per cent. of the term, which period shall begin at the beginning of the school term, or at a time to be fixed by the school board, and that between the ages of 13 and 16 a child shall be excused if he has regular employment.

Better Times for Centralia.

There is a general resumption of confidence, if nothing else, at Centralia, and everyone is living in hopes of the return of better days in the very near future. The people have unlimited confidence in the Lehigh Valley Coal Company as far as its relation to Centralia is concerned, and the employees have the best words in its behalf, and especially as regards the gentlemen who supervise the affairs of the company there. The carpenters are working day and night on the Centralia breaker, which is to be the mainstay of the town. In addition the work of sinking a new shaft into the at one time abandoned Continental colliery to reclaim a rich deposit of coal is rapidly progressing. It is estimated that the resumption of work at these two collieries will give employment to nearly 3,000 men and boys, mostly residents of Centralia and outlying territory, and will give the town a boom such as it has never experienced in the past. May it be fully realized.—*Weekly Item.*

SHARPLESS—GARRISON.

A very pretty wedding was solemnized on Thursday evening of last week, when Charles H. Sharpless and Miss Agnes Garrison were united in holy matrimony. The ceremony was performed in the new house recently erected by the groom on East Fifth Street, by Rev. B. C. Conner of the Methodist Church. Joseph Sharpless, brother of the groom was best man, and Miss Minnie Pollock was maid of honor. When the ceremony was completed, which united them for life, a reception was given. Mr. and Mrs. Sharpless were showered with numerous good wishes and hearty congratulations. Only immediate friends of the contracting parties were present. They went to housekeeping at once.

In connection with the Y. M. C. A. meeting held at Oak Grove Sunday afternoons, a Sunday School has been organized, which meets every Sabbath at 2:30 an hour previous to the other meeting. F. N. Turner is the Superintendent. A large number of children attend.

BLOOMSBURG METHODISTS.

The beautiful stone church built by the Methodists of Bloomsburg is about completed and will be fully ready for dedication Sunday, Sept. 19, 1897. Bishop Charles H. Fowler DD. LL. D. will preach at 9:45 A. M. and Rev. David H. Moore D. D. of Cincinnati will preach at 7:00 P. M. All expecting to attend the morning service are requested to especially note the hour for beginning, viz. 9:45 o'clock.

On Monday evening Sept. 20, at 8:00 o'clock in the new church, Bishop Fowler will deliver his wonderful lecture on "ABRAHAM LINCOLN." This is without doubt one of the greatest lectures of the times and it will be a rare treat to hear it. That our readers may know what others think of it, we furnish a few of the hundreds of eulogistic comments from editors and others—

Bishop John H. Vincent says: "I have heard Bishop Fowler lecture on 'ABRAHAM LINCOLN.' It is one of the ablest lectures to which I have listened."

St. Paul Pioneer Press: "It is one of the finest productions of eloquence and character portraiture ever delivered from the American platform."

Minneapolis Tribune: "A rare treat it is to listen to eloquence as it flows with remarkable grace from the lips of the speaker. Brilliant thought, faultless, polished style, wonderful delivery, graphic delineations, is a moderate description of Bishop Fowler's lecture."

The Ironton Register: "Bishop Fowler's lecture on 'ABRAHAM LINCOLN' was really an event in the history of the town. It is such an appeal to the best emotions of human nature as to leave the community higher in thought and emotions than before. Bishop Fowler is an orator and a strong, vigorous speaker."

Chicago Tribune: "It lifts him into the highest rank of American orators."

Minneapolis Times: "It is enough to immortalize him."

Northern Advocate: "Most of those present regarded it as the greatest oration to which they had ever listened, and few of those who heard it have any expectation of hearing another to be compared to it."

We unhesitatingly urge our readers to hear this lecture because of its own intrinsic merit and also because by so doing they will be aiding a worthy people in a commendable enterprise.—Special trains will take persons to Berwick and Danville and intermediate points after the lecture.

READY WITH GUNS.

The strike situation in and around Hazleton must be, according to the following, which we take from Tuesday's *Phila. Inquirer*, reaching a crisis. It says:

The arrival in this city to-day of Sheriff Martin, of Luzerne, Setzer, of Carbon, and Scott, of Schuylkill, has put a new phase on the strike situation and the crisis now appears to be close at hand. The Sheriffs of the three counties held conferences with the coal companies' representatives and decided to take a determined stand.

Each Sheriff issued a proclamation calling on all good citizens to aid in suppressing disorder and all unlawful assemblages. The Sheriffs have already a large number of deputies commissioned and they expect to have the law upheld. To-night fourteen cases of Winchester rifles were unloaded at the Wyoming street depot, consigned to the coal companies. There are stacks of guns and ammunition in the different offices and things in general have taken on a decidedly business like appearance.

The strikers in the Honey Brook district held a big demonstration to-day, parading through the south side towns. After the parade they held a meeting and decided to start on the march to-morrow morning at 6 o'clock. Such a move must lead to a clash with the deputies and the gravest apprehension is felt here to-night. Silver Brook and Yorktown men have joined the strikers.

B. F. Zarr, receiver of the Bloomsburg Banking Company, began paying out to depositors on Monday. Fifty cents on a dollar was paid. It is expected that another payment will be made soon.

Danville has a new daily paper, *The Morning News*. The first issue was sent out on Monday. It is a four page paper and printed in good style.

BASE BALL.

After losing six straight games last week, the Blue Jays surprised everyone, themselves included by winning a game from the Shamokin club. But they didn't know it till some one told them, at least, one of the nine, was heard to ask an outsider in the eighth inning what the score was, and when told that it stood 11 to 9 in our favor, he nearly fainted. The game was won by Kid Hallman's fine work with the stick, he having three hits, two of which were home runs. Smith pitched good ball for the locals, but the support accorded him was such as to dishearten any pitcher. Score.

R. H. E.
Bloomsburg—0 0 5 0 1 0 2 3 1—12 12 4
Shamokin—0 1 0 0 1 2 0 5 0—9 5 2
Batteries, Smith and Chamberlin; Miller and Schrengost. Umpire, Forred.

PICKUPS.

Goodhart!
Wait till next year.

The same old toboggan.
It is to be hoped that the young bloods from the seashore will infuse some new life in their playing.

"Messery is too fast for this league." I don't think.
Hepting went home. One quitter gone. Ship a couple more.

Keep Owens, he's all right, and he knows enough to run when he hits the ball, one or two others don't.

It was a bad blow to the game here, when Lipp of the Sunbury's threw the ball over the grandstand and the home management stood idly by and refused to make a kick about it.

Dunkle has won two out of three games since he joined the Phillies. We had a chance to get him once, but the manager thought he knew the game and took "Dusty" Rhoads instead. Now he's sorry that he spoke.

The rejuvenated Blue Birds had things easy with Williamsport at Athletic Park on Tuesday. Schoenhut the new Atlantic City twirler had the opposing batters shooting ducks all through the contest, and three scratch hits was the sum total of the visitors effort in the way of batting.

The whole team played with more life than usual, and their whole performance was such as to keep the audience continually cheering. Owens, the new player signed last week, was tendered an ovation when he came to bat, and he responded in great style by bumping the sphere over the right field wall for a homer with two men on bases, netting three runs. The general impression is "he'll do."

Pitcher Delaney of the visitors, got badly mixed up in the fourth inning, and after he had given voice to some profane and improper language umpire Forred politely ordered him out of the game, and he witnessed the balance of the contest from the bench. Score.

R. H. E.
Bloomsburg—0 0 0 0 4 2 0 0 0—6 7 3
Williamsport—0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 1—1 3 4
Batteries, Schoenhut and Summers, Delaney and Hickey, and Rice and Bates. Umpire, Forred.

The Shamokin Club went under on Tuesday owing to lack of patronage. The players were all paid up in full. Schrengost, the catcher has received an offer from the Washington National League Club. Durnbach, goes to Sunbury and Molesworth, Miller, Foulkrod and McCoach have been signed by Williamsport.

Mr. George McCauley, wife and two daughters, of Hiawatha, Kansas, and Stephen Seeley, wife and son, of Doniphan county, Kansas, are the guests of Adam Clayberger. Mr. McCauley removed from Ohio, his native state, to Kansas when a boy and this is his first trip east of the Buckeye state. He is the owner of three large and valuable farms in Doniphan county, Kansas. Mr. Seeley and Mrs. McCauley were natives of this county. They removed with their parents to Kansas eighteen years ago, where they successfully engaged in farming. They are having a pleasant time while in Berwick, having greatly enjoyed a drive to Berwick Heights from which place they had a splendid view of the surrounding country. The party will remain here sometime yet and then visit Bloomsburg, Catawissa and other towns. Before coming to Berwick they visited C. H. Harpster who enjoyed their hospitality seven years ago. In their section of the state the crops have failed but once in eleven years.—*Berwick Independent.*

The Soleder room on Main street, formerly used by Lyons as a meat market, will be occupied by Otto Kemper, who will carry on a gents' tailoring store.

School Clothes for Boys.

Mothers, we've made extremely good preparations for your boy who is ready to start to school. We've gathered together from the leading makers of the Best Clothing Manufacturing Centers in the Union, [New York, Rochester, Philadelphia,] what we consider is unquestionably the strongest line of Boys' Suits in north eastern Pennsylvania. As strong as this statement, we're ready and willing to back it up if you but give us the opportunity. Cloth and labor, as you well know, have been and are advancing rapidly. Fortunately for you, and as we placed our orders early in the summer at the old prices, hence are able to sell to you the same way while the first shipments last. We've already been notified that later duplicates will not be filled at old prices. The Boys' Suits are here, at least first shipments of certain lots, and it'll surprise you what little money can do in the way of boys' Suit buying.

Some Hints are Here.

Boys' suits of neat grey mixed goods, double breasted, sizes 4 to 14, (4 to 8 with large sailor collar) were made regular \$1.50 grade, at

98 cts.

BOYS' SUITS of all wool fancy plaid cloth, strongly made nice fitting, sizes 4 to 14 (4 to 8 with beautifully braided sailor collar) a regular \$2.50 suit at

\$1.98.

A special lot of Boys' Fancy Plaid Suits, ages 4 to 14 (4 to 8 with braided sailor collar) well made, perfect fitting, goods that command \$3.50 at any store, this lot

\$2.50.

Largest, Finest and Best Clothing House in this section. Retailers of Everything to Wear for Men or Boys.

GIDDING & CO.

Nearly Opp. Court House.

BLOOMSBURG, PA.

Harvest Home Services.

The annual harvest home services will be held in Trinity Reformed Church next Sunday both morning and evening. The church will be appropriately decorated with grains, fruits and flowers, and the pastor will preach sermons suitable to the occasion. An interesting time is expected, and everybody is cordially invited.

On Sunday, September 19th, the new M. E. Church will be dedicated. This building has cost nearly \$60,000, and a debt still remains to be provided for. This church property is a credit and a benefit to the entire community, regardless of creeds and sects, and the raising of money to liquidate the indebtedness is a most worthy object that should enlist the interest and cooperation of all. An effort will be made on the day of dedication to secure a large sum toward this end, and contributions will be acceptable whether the givers are connected with the congregation or not. Money given to this purpose is not merely a gift to the Methodists; it is for the general good of the whole town.

All that Paderewski has to do to get himself talked about from one end of the world to the other is to drop in at a barber's and have his hair cut. The news leaps over a thousand wires and sets off a thousand journalistic squibs. Not even Samson's historic hair-cut was so much talked of at the time; though, of course, the world was smaller in Delilah's day, and probably there was less foolishness in it than there is now.

The stable of H. J. Knorr, at Willow Grove was broken into about 12 o'clock on Monday night, and a valuable horse stolen. By inquiring of different people along the road the animal was traced down the river, and found on Monday forenoon grazing along the road side near George Jacoby's. The thief has flown. This is the third horse stolen from that place within a very short time.

The corner of Sixth and East Streets presents a rather lively scene, at all hours of the day and night. A crowd of young men numbering at least eight, were engaged pitching quoit there at ten minutes of twelve Monday night.

Milton's Inter-County Fair.

The inter-county fair at Milton, will be held October 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th. In addition to the usual liberal premiums in all departments, there will be three special attractions. Exhibition of fancy shooting. Balloon ascensions and parachute descents daily, and exhibition by a wonderful Japanese. Races every day. Bicycle races, etc. Excursions on railroads and specially low rates.

A decision of the Supreme Court says that every person who crosses a railroad at grade, "must stop, look and listen," and that if the track is enveloped in smoke, must wait until it clears away. This places all the responsibility for accidents on the persons crossing the track. What is now needed is a decision requiring railroad companies to erect gates at grade crossings and keep a watchman there to manipulate them. Why not divide the precautionary requirements about evenly.

Labor Day was observed on Monday last. Heretofore it had always been observed on Saturday in this State, but Pennsylvania united with other states in conforming to a general day for recognition of the holiday, hence the change. The law making the first Monday of September Labor Day was approved June 23rd of this year.

Invitations are out announcing the marriage of Geo. B. Hunt, traveling salesman for Moyer Bros., to Miss Hattie Edgar, daughter of B. F. Edgar, Ex-County Commissioner, of Stillwater, to take place at the home of the bride's parents Wednesday September 15.

We have received from Prof. Charles J. McHenry a copy of his latest composition "V. M. I. Cadet March." It was written for and dedicated to the class of '97 of Virginia Military Institute. The piece is very pretty and reflects much credit on the popular young composer.

The twenty-seventh annual exhibition of the Muncy Valley Farmer's Club will be held at Hughesville September 29, 30, and October 1 and 2. The purses for the races aggregate \$1200. It is the only fair in Lycoming County.