

BLOOMSBURG, PA., THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 1898.

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AGRICULTURAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Columbia County Agricultural, Horti-cultural and Mechanical Association for the purpose of electing officers for

the ensuing year and to transact any other business which might come before the meeting took place at the Court House Saturday afternoon. It was pretty largely attended by the members from all over the county.

The meeting was called to order by President of the Society R. W. Smith, of Mifflinville, and H. V. White was chosen chairman.

In taking the chair Mr. White spoke of the recent very successful Farmer's Institute, and urged the Society to take some action at this time to identify its work with that of the Farmer's Institute. F. B. Hartman and Harry Barton

were elected Secretaries and Prot. G. E. Wilbur, Reading Clerk. The minutes of the last meeting

were read and approved. Next in order was the calling of the roll. The Chairman stated that inasmuch as the Treasurer's report was printed on a slip and distributed among the members he asked that the reading of it be dispensed, with which was agreed to.

The salary question was then taken up, and considerable time taken up in its discussions. There were several motions made, one to let them remain the same a last year, another that they be increased, while another was made that the salary of the Secretary be raised to \$200 a year, with the un-derstanding that he pay for helpers. There seemed to be a great division of opinion on this subject. It was finally decided that the salaries of the Secretary and Treasurer be increased \$25 anice, and the society pay for \$25 apiece, and the society pay for their extra help.

There being no other questions for discussion, the election of officers for the ensuing year was taken up. It was moved and seconded that where there were no more nominations for any oue office than said office required, that the Secretary be allowed to cast the vote of the convention. Carried.

C. G. Barkley Esq. offered the following resolution :

Resolved : As a general regula-tion of the Association that the Treasurer of this Association be not held liable personally by reason of loss of the funds of the Association or injury arising by reason of a suspension or insolvency of a Bank, if the funds of the Association be deposited in the funds of name of the Treasurer as Treasurer of this Association in a creditable Bank of the town of Bloomsburg, the Bank to be selected by the Executive Committee.

Same was unanimously adopted.

Following are the officers elected : President—R. W. Smith, Vice Presidents—A. C. Creasy, J. T. Reeder, C. E. Adams, Stephen Pettit. Secretary—A. N. Yost, Treasurer— J. C. Brown, Librarian—W. B. Allen, J. C. Brown, Librarian-w. B. Auen, Auditors-William Masters, J. B. Delong, W. H. Snyder. Executive Co.nmittee-F. P. Hagenbuch, I. B. Ikeler, E. H. Sloan, Henry Deigh-

W. T. Creasy was elected to represent the Society in work of the Farmers' Institute.

Following is the report of the treasurer

Bicycle meet...... Nat. Association entries. Bonds sold

50. The cash in treasury was \$3383 -26. The excess of liabilities being \$2890.24 for the year 1896. The bonded debt being \$19,600 at that date, or a totai indebtedness January

The bonded debt January 1, 1897, oco is \$20,000 to which add a temporary sum of \$20,000 to which add a temporary sum of \$20,000 mking a total of \$22, 000; to this should be added about \$105.00 interest and bills unp? I making an indebtedness of \$22, 65 After deducting cash in treasury, \$2,191.52, the actual indebtedness January 1, 1898, is \$19,913.48. This indicates a reduction during the year from the proceeds of the Fair of 1897 of \$2576.76.

"PRISONER OF WAR."

The production of "A Prisoner of War," at the Opera House Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights of last week was worthy of the cast who presented it. Although the patronage was not up to what was expected yet the young people had the satisfaction of knowing that the pince was well of knowing that the piece was well played and that everyone who attend-

ed was highly pleased. Miss Clara Turner, who took six different characters, rendered each and everyone in fine style, and in the role of Jake Slack, was undoubtedly the best boy impersonator that has visited this town in a long time. She She is possessed of a sweet voice, and her many songs were catching and well received.

Bert Miller, as Michael O'Honey, and Old Muggins was simply great, his witty sayings never failed to bring down the house.

Of the other characters that were taken by young people of town, too much cannot be said; they all took

The tableaux "Defense of Old Glory," "Oath of the Vendetta," "Dawn of Liberty," "Rock of Ages," ord 4B outputed Breas" at the set of and "Reunited Peace," at the end of each act were beautiful beyond de scription.

The play was for the benefit of the Sons of Veterans, and while they didn't get wealthy over it, yet they cleared a little money. Arrangements are being made for a return engagement, and we bespeak for them a big business.

AN AWFUL DEED.

One of the most shocking tragedies ever heard of was brought to light in ever heard of was brought to hight in New York City Tuesday morning when the lifeless bodies of John H. Matthews, his wife and two children were found lying in their home at 426 Columbus Avenue. It appears from evidences discovered about the house that the terrible butchery had been made ont and agreed to be the made ont and agreed to by the parents some time previous. The tollowing note written by Mrs. Matthews was found on the table :

"Herman is going to die, and I am going with him and we are going to take the darlings along."

Then the woman had written of her illness, saying that she had been two months in St. Luke's Hospital last summer and had an operation per-formed. She wrote : "I want my little girl buried in a white casket and I want to be buried at highlands.' She also asked that her cousin prevent publicity of the tragedy.

Matthews had evidently followed suit as another note signed by him was found The man was in fairly good financial circumstances had a bank account of \$900 and the only cause given is poor health as the note refers

"No healthy man or woman even commits suicide from poverty or busi-ness reverses. He is so healthy that 210 00 35 48 24 10 400 00 1500 00 hope and activity are boiling rampant

within him. "My wonder is that suicide is not

GYMNASTIC EXHIBITION AT NOR-MAL SUHOOL.

The Normal School gymnasium was well filled last Thursday evening by an audience composed of Bloomsburg's best townspeople, a number of people from a distance, and the many friends of the students who took part in the gymnastic exhibition.

This was the fifth annual exhibition since the opening of the gym-nasium, and it was in every way a uccess

An overture by the Normal School orchestra, opened the evening's enter-tainment, and was immediately follow-

ed by a grand march of about two hundred and fifty-five students, repre-senting nearly all the members of the different gymnasium classes. In this march the little folks from the Model march the little folks from the Model School, bringing up the rear, called forth considerable applause. The con-trasting suits of the different classes, gave additional variety to the march. The Junior grade of Model School pupils gave the first exhibition of practical work. The audience was well pleased with the schools with well pleased with this, especially with

well pleased with this, especially with the hopping and jumping exercises of the little people, which caused con-siderable laughter. Eight girls and twelve boys from the Senior grade of the Model School gave one of the most beautiful wand drills of the evening. The even white drills of the evening. The airy white dresses of the girls, and the combina-tion white and dark suits of the boys tion white and dark suits of the boys made a pretty contrast to the wands wound with red, white and blue. The accompanying music to this drill was The Star Spangled Banner, sung by

the Normal School chorus class. The horse work and other special work on rings, parallel bars and hori-zontal bar by Messrs. Berry, Apple-man, Frederickson, Oplinger, Stephens L. H. Dennis, Fred. Dennis, Hart, Waltz, Shipe, Knauss, Howarth and Rarick, showed both skill and careful training

training. Another special feature of the exhibition was the height jump of eleven feet by Mr. H. E. Aldinger.

For the first time at these exhibi-tions, special work was given by ten of the girls on parallel bars. This was done with considerable skill.

An Indian club drill by fifty five of the Junior girls, and a wand drill by

thirty-six Junior boys, was followed by an exhibition of broad sword and single stick practice, given by Prof. A. F. Kennedy, physical director of the Y. M. C. A., Scranton, and Mr. Geo. Russ. Prof. Kennedy gave also during the evening, cavalry sword exercises, and cavalry pursueing practice.

The largest drill of the evening was a dumb bell chorus given by seventy-five of the Senior girls. After an exhibition of fencing, by

After an exhibition of rencing, by Prot. Kennedy, Mr. Geo. Russ, and Mr. Stuart Plumley, a fancy march was given by eight ladies and eight gentlemen selected from the graduate class. This was the most beautiful thing on the program, and was repeat-ed in response to an enthusiastic encore.

The extension drill by thirty-three Senior boys was one of the most picturesque, and perhaps the most difficult drull given. This closed the exhibition.

The work done by all of the students did credit to the efficient training of the director, Prof. A. K. Aldinger, and his assistants, Miss Margaret Bogenrief, and Mr. A. L. Smethers. These annual exhibitions are not only highly entertaining to those who attend, but also show the good results of regular and shifting abuvient training of regular and skillful physical train-The last exhibition is especially ing. an evidence of the rapid growth of the department of physical culture since the opening of the Nor nal School gymnasium six years ago.

LICENSE COURT. When the Court House bell rang at ten o'clock on Monday morning the room was well filled with persons interested in the proceedings of the license court. All old applications where there was no opposition were granted.

Remonstrances had been filed in three cases. viz. J. L. Girton and W. S. Fleckenstine, new applicants for hotel license, and J. R. Fowler, applicant for restaurant license all of Bloomsburg.

Judge Ikeler and Associates Fox and Kurtz were on the bench. The Girton case was first called. B. F. Zarr, C. C. Evans and G. M. Quick B. F. Esqs. appeared as counsel for the applicants, and Ex-Judge H. M. Hinckley of Danville and R. R. John Esq. represented the remonstrants. The objection was that the license was unnecessary. The witnesses called in support of the application were J. L. Girton, C. H. Sterner, J. M. DeWitt, Levi Shoemaker and Thos. Chrisman, who thoaght there was a necessity for who thought there was a necessity for the hotel, on Main street near Leonard. W. O. Holmes was called Leonard. W. O. Holmes was called and said he believed that J. L. Girton

was a fit person to keep a hotel. In opposition were called W. T. Wayne, G. W. Correll, Jacob Brobst, Benjamin Vinton, Frank Bomboy and W. L. Lemon, who stated that there was no necessity for the license.

J. R. Fowler's case was next called He was represented by Fred Ikeler Esq. The objections were that Fow-Esq. The objections were that For-ler is the manager of the Opera House, and that there is an inside passage between the restaurant and the Opera House, and that the law forbids a license to such a place. The following witnesses were called by the remonstrants: W. B. Cummings, who had rented the Opera House of Fowler on Jan. 2, ; J. R. Stout who cut a doorway leading from the res-taurant to the Opera House ; Jacob Stiner who saw men go through the doorway ; Chas. Fornwald who saw J. R. Fowler on the stage last Satur-day night giving instructions how to day night giving instructions how to shift scenery; A. M. Wintersteen who knew there was an entrance from the saloon to the Opera House. J. R. Fowler was called for cross-examination by Judge Hinckley. He said he got a license in Feb. 1896; was in-dicted Dec. 8, 1896 for selling liquor on election day. On Dec. 7th the license was transferred to John Gross. On Dec. 8, 1897 it was transferred back to Fowler. Door leading to Opera House was nailed up about Jan. 4th. Man-agement of Opera House has been leased to Harry Stees. Arguments were made by Judge Hinckley and Mr. Ukeler. Mr. Ikeler. The case of W. S. Fleckenstine

The case of W. S. Fleckenstine was heard, the witnesses for the license being W. S. Fleckenstine, James DeWitt, Alfred Gross, C. P. Girton, Stephen Hill, A. C. Hid-lay, William Wirt. In opposition were called Geo. Whary, W. M. Lemon, John Pifer, Chas. Rabb, Lecob Robst Jacob Brobst.

The court held the cases under advisement, and a decision is looked for on Saturday, to which time court adjourned.

A REVIVAL NEEDED.

A genuine revival of religion is greatly needed both in and out of who love God and souls should earn-estly pray and labor that the unsaved may be brought to accept Christ. God's children of every name are ased to pray for the revival of religion now in progress in the Methodist Church. The interest in these meetings is growing. Several have pro-fessed salvation and others are serious. The meetings are held every night

SEE OUR GOODS AND PRICES IN OUR SHOW WINDOWS. THIRD WEEK OF JANUARY REDUCTIONS. **RED LETTER PRICES.** Our Great - --Stock Reducing Sale

Has had an effect. Never has there been a sale touching what we have on hand at present. It's the unusual conditions—over-stocked. No extra push would have carried off these surplus goods. The only way we knew was to make prices so low that buyers could not turn away from them as we did. As near as we can figure you are getting double for your money. Make no decan figure you are getting double for your money. Make no lay in attending this great sale. Come to-morrow, Saturday.

Men's Suits.

\$ 6.00	Suits	reduce	ed to	\$ 3.50
8.00	"	"	"	4.95
10.00	and I	2.00 St	its reduced to	6.75
15.00	Suits	reduce	ed to	9.50
18.00	••		"	11.75
20.00	"	"	"	14.75

Men's Overcoats & Ulsters.

7. 8, 9, and \$10 Ov	ercoats and	Ulsters,	\$ 6.75
11, 12 and \$13	"	"	9.75
19, 20, 21 and \$22	"	"	15.75

Boys' and Children's Department.

The price of every Suit, Overcoat, Ulster and Reefer in the house has been reduced for this great sale. Two garme ats for almost the price of one is an offer that no economical mother can afford to miss. Bring us your boys to-morrow if you want to save money.

BOYS' ULSTERS. \$5 Ulsters	4 and 4 to Suite reduced to
5 " ····· ····· ···· ··· ··· ··· ·· ··· ·· ··· ·· ··· ·· ··· ·· ··· ·· ····	Two-Piece School AND Dress Suits. 1.25, 1.50 and \$1.75 Suits 3, 25 and \$2.50 Suits, 1.65 3, and \$3.50 Suits, 2.35 4 and \$4.50 Suits, 2.6 5, 6 and \$7 Suits, 6.5 8, 9 and \$10 Suits, 6.5
GIDDIN	G & CO.

Minister Scores His Congregation.

Tyrone Divine Makes Some Pertinent Re-marks Concerning Devotion to Society.

Rev. H. L. Jacobs, of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Tyrone, has caused a sensation in his covgregation. A successful revival is in progress at the church. On Friday night last there was a society ball in town. In making his usual announcements to the congregation Mr. Jacobs referred to the revival meeting on the same night as one of unusual interest and spiritual power and which continued until a late hour, it being about 10.20 before it finally closed.

He thought there should be no com-plaint as to the lateness of the hour, "when some people dance until 4 o'clock in the morning," and contin-ued by saying that all, whether sitting in the chor or the pews as members of the church, who were at the social function on Friday night, he desired that they take a less prominent place in the revival services in the future and if any members of the official board of stewards, trustees or other in prominent places were there he hoped they would place their resig-nations in his hands at once.

It has not developed that anything of this kind has been done as yet. This summary action of the pastor has NORNAL LECTURE COURSE.

The Students' Lecture Course has been fully arranged, and will open next Monday night with the Mozart Sym-

phony Club, a splendid musical organ-ization. On January 29th Rev. Sam Jones, the Evangelist, will lecture. This is the first time the people of this section have had an opportunity to hear him, and a large audience will be present.

On February 14th, Miss Ida Ben-fey, a talented elocutionist of Boston, will appear. Her entertainment is much like that given by Leland T. Powers, so well-known and so popular

The course will close with George The course will close with George R. Wendling on February 26th. He has been here several times, and never failed to give satisfaction.

A large number of course tickets have already been sold, and the course will prove a success. Seats can be secured at Bidleman's Book Store.

NICHOLAS KINDT.

Nicholas Kindt died at the home of his son, G. F. Kindt, in Greenwood township, on the 28th of December, aged eighty-five years. His son G. F. and Mrs. Richard Kitchen are the only surviving children. Mr. Kindt

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	" " Cyclone loss 120 00	more common. It seems to me a		commencing at 7:30 o'clock. The	created considerable town talk, and	was born in Germany, and came to-
	Annual dues	wonderful provision in nature that	Bit His Ear Off.	public is cordially invited to attend.	he is generally commended.	this county in 1836 and settled at
	\$ 15971 04	one need not live when life is burden-				Rohrsburg, and followed blacksmith-
	JAMES C. BROWN, TREASURER, CR.	some.	Jack Spellman, and Eugene Strunk,			ing for many years, and then bought
	By premiums paid \$ 6277 96		two woodsman who reside near Jami-		last Saturday evening was a success	a farm, and spent the remainder of
	** Police	On Saturday evening a large party	son City, fought Saturday evening,		in avery way. The gross receipts were	his life there. He was a man of bright
	" Water rent		and as a result Strunk is minus one of			and cheerful disposition, a member of
	" Attraction 2000	home of A. W. Jones on First Street	The two had been on bad	county agricultural society in the state,	over thirty-one donars. The Parish	the Presbuterian shursh a staunch
	" Postage. telegrams, etc	and at 6:30 covers had been laid for	terms for some time, over one thing	will hold its meeting in the supreme	nouse was wen miled, though the	the Presbyterian church, a staunch
		forty persons when Mr. Jones and his		court chamber on Wednesday, Jan-	weather was inclement, and a pleasing	Democrat, and a good citizen. He
	" Miscellaneous	genial wife were invited to partake of		ware af Officers will be alacted and	program was given, consisting of piano	was one of our oldest and most esteem-
	" Suspensions and fines forwarded to National Associations	a bountaous accest to partake of	fight was immediately started. Besides	papers presented. State Secretary of	solos by Miss Runyon, vocal solos by	ed subscribers, and his occasional
		a bounteous repast to which all did		Agriculture Thomas J. Edge is secre-	Mrs. Melick and Mr. Harding, recita-	visits to this office were always pleasant
				tarv.	tions by Fred Ikeler and H. A. Mc-	ones. His last illness was of about
	14 Indres and expenses 189 5	spent, the guests returning to their	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Killip, and a duet by two little tots,	three week's duration, and he died
	" Music. 218 5 " Assistants, Secretary and Treasurer 101 0	homes feeling that it was good to be	Ohange of Date.			leaving behind him the record of an
	" Assistants, Secretary and Treasurer 101 0 " Expenses delegates State College 8 56	there. Mr. and Mrs. Jones have a			Sherbet and cake were served by the	
	" Supplies 14 1	large circle of warm friends here, who		froze to death on the fateful Sunday		
	" Printing and advertising	a feel sorry to see them leave our town	ment to be given by Miss Ada Benfay	evening of January 24, 1897 last,	all sold, and ar desiring to purchase,	Mrs. P. R. Kocher, died at her
	"Repairs and material for same 2191 22 Balance in Treasury	and wish them success in their new	in the Student's Lecture Course, was	when he and Miss Maud Gothie,	can do so by calling on Mrs. A. W.	home at Fowlerville of Monday
		nome at whikes-barre.	February 7, but this date has been	together with his team were swallowed	Duy. They are pretty and very cheap	She had not been ill, and her death
	\$15971 0		changed to February 14th, in order	up in a cave-in on Bunker Hill, near	at the prices asked for them.	was very unexpected. Her husband
1	The unpaid bills and premiums at	Isaiah Hagenbuch was on Saturday	to avoid conflict with the Crary	Shamokin, has settled his case with		Prof. Kocher, was at one time Priz-
	the settlement of January 14, 1897.	, nominated by the Republicans as their	Lecture course which begins in the	the Mineral Pailroad and Mining	The usual cale at the Ladies' Fr	I cipal of the Bloomshure D. 14.
	amounted, \$5773.50 with a nove of	candidate for Poor director of Bloom	Opera House on the evening of Feb-	Company, and received between	change in Clark's basement Saturday	Schools. The funeral was held
	\$500 discounted or a total of \$6273.	- Poor District.	ruary y.	\$14,000 and \$16,000.	morning.	yesterday.
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