

Ayer's Hair Vigor

What does it do?
It causes the oil glands in the skin to become more active, making the hair soft and glossy, precisely as nature intended.

It cleanses the scalp from dandruff and thus removes one of the great causes of baldness.

It makes a better circulation in the scalp and stops the hair from coming out.

It Prevents and It Cures Baldness

Ayer's Hair Vigor will surely make hair grow on bald heads, provided only there is any life remaining in the hair bulbs.

It restores color to gray or white hair. It does not do this in a moment, as will a hair dye; but in a short time the gray color of age gradually disappears and the darker color of youth takes its place.

Would you like a copy of our book on the Hair and Scalp? It is free.

If you do not obtain all the benefits you expect from the use of the Vigor write the Doctor about it.
Address, DR. J. C. AYER, Lowell, Mass.

COOL CO. AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The proceedings of the annual meeting of the Columbia County Agricultural, Horticultural & Mechanical Association, will be found elsewhere.

The list of membership shows that there 206 perpetual members now living. There are 78 members who are not yet perpetual, making a total membership of 284. A perpetual member is one who has paid in ten dollars in dues to the Association, and this can be paid in yearly dues, or all at once. The annual statement shows the total receipts for 1899 to be \$10,327.23. The largest items are the receipts from 23058 tickets sold, \$5764.50; stand rents, \$1065.50; grand stand, \$968.10; horse entries, \$1065.00; and money borrowed from bank, \$1092.40. The ticket item shows how greatly exaggerated were the reports of attendance at the Fair, as sent out from here to the city dailies last October. They made it appear that the total attendance was about 70,000.

The premiums paid amounted to \$4426.83; salaries of officers, \$800; and the total amount paid out by the Treasurer was \$10368.44, leaving a balance of \$41.21 due him. The present indebtedness of the Society consists of this balance due the Treasurer, \$20,000 in bonds, and a \$500 note, discounted at bank. Total, \$20,541.21.

STATE NEWS.

—The old wire suspension bridge, across the Loyalsock, at Montoursville, was removed last week.

—\$35,000 has been subscribed for a new Y. M. C. A. building at Shamokin. Work will be commenced at once.

—Options are reported to have been secured on twenty-six Western Pennsylvania brick plants, with a view of forming a trust.

—The Altoona Iron Company on Monday posted notice announcing an increase of 25 cents per ton in the wages of its 200 puddlers.

—The body of George Herron, a Scranton man who had been missing for several days, was found floating in the Lackawanna river, at South Scranton. How he met death is a mystery.

—A Lock Haven detective has received a letter offering, for cash, to reveal the hiding place of the body of John Rohn, the wealthy lumberman, who has been missing since April last.

—Thomas Davis, who had been falsely incarcerated in the Schuylkill county jail since May 5, 1899, was given his liberty last week, and left for his home in Wilkes-Barre. Davis was arrested on supposition that he was a fugitive from justice, and that he committed some crime in Luzerne county. His innocence was not established until last week.

—Thomas Williams, a young married man, of Blossburg, went violently insane last week. He rushed into the street, where he divested himself of nearly all his clothing. Then he ran along the railroad, cutting his feet quite badly. He was captured and confined in the borough lock-up. On Monday he was taken to the asylum for the insane at Danville.

—The farmers of Nittany and Brush valleys, in Centre county, engaged in a regular cattle hunt. Over 100 fine animals escaped from their herds while grazing last summer, and are running around Nittany mountain. The cattle are wary as a deer, and hunters have been unable to get within half a mile of them. During the last week the farmers tried the experiment of a general round-up of the stock. Fully 100 men, mounted and on foot, surrounded the herd, but even then could not get them out of the woods. Lassoing was then resorted to, and in this way four were caught. Persons who were in the chase declare the stock is as wild as the wildest of cattle on the western plains.

Meat Prices to Tumble.

Retail prices of beef and pork will probably tumble in consequence of the meat war between Eastern and Western dealers, which began two weeks ago. Local jobbers have organized to protect the interests of the dealer in Eastern meats and, if sufficient support can be raised, efforts will be made to shut out Western meat. The competition which has resulted promises to bring down prices.

It is said that the "war" was started by the Western dealers trespassing upon the business of the jobbers who act as go-between to the wholesalers and retailers. A Chicago firm ignored the jobbers and sold meats to houses at reduced prices. Meat dealers in this city are confident of victory, although they realize that enormous wealth is behind the Western packers. —Phila. Times.

ANNUAL MEETING

Of the Columbia County Agricultural, Horticultural and Mechanical Association.

The annual meeting of the members of the Columbia County Agricultural Society was held in the Court House on Saturday, January 20, 1900. The meeting was called to order at 2 o'clock p. m., by President E. H. Sloan.

H. V. White was elected chairman. Harry S. Barton and A. N. Yost were elected secretaries, and C. C. Yetter, reading clerk. The chairman made some pointed suggestions as to farmers' institute work and recommended that a farmers' institute be held on the day of the annual election in connection with same.

The minutes of the preceding annual meeting were read and approved. The roll of membership was called. 127 perpetual members, and 53 members in good standing answered to roll call, making 180 in attendance out of 296 members.

As the treasurer's report was printed and placed in the hands of members, the reading of same was dispensed with.

The matter of fixing salaries for ensuing year being the next business, on motion of O. T. Wilson, duly seconded, the salaries to be the same as last year.

The election of officers was then proceeded with. E. H. Sloan was nominated for president. There being no other nominations, the reading clerk was authorized to cast the ballot of the Society.

The following were nominated for vice presidents: John W. Bowman, Stephen Pettit, I. B. Ikeler, C. E. Adams, A. C. Creasy and J. T. Reeder. The chairman named as tellers to count the vote: G. E. Wilbur, J. W. Hilday and H. Mont. Smith.

A. N. Yost was nominated for secretary, J. C. Brown for treasurer, and W. B. Allen for librarian. There being no opposition, the reading clerk was authorized to cast the ballot for the nominees, and the chair declared them elected.

For executive committee, F. P. Hagenbuch, W. J. Hilday, Henry Deighmiller, Elisha Ringrose, A. R. Henrie and Thomas Mensch were nominated. W. H. Eyer, Wm. H. Stahl and F. E. Miller were appointed tellers to receive and count the vote.

William Masters, J. B. DeLong, E. E. Low and John Scott were nominated for auditors. The chair appointed F. B. Hartman, T. D. Strauser and W. A. Evert, tellers.

H. V. White was elected a member of the State Board of Agriculture for the term of three years.

W. T. Creasy was elected to represent this Society in the organization of farmers' institutes.

While the several tellers were counting the vote, the advisability of holding a farmers' institute in connection with the annual meeting was discussed, and on motion of A. P. Young, duly seconded, the executive committee was authorized to prepare a program for a farmers' institute, to be held in the forenoon of the day of the annual election.

The vote for vice president resulted as follows: C. E. Adams, 138, Stephen Pettit, 132, A. C. Creasy, 115, I. B. Ikeler, 93, J. T. Reeder, 92, and J. W. Bowman, 82. Messrs. Adams, Pettit, Creasy and Ikeler, were elected.

For members of the executive committee, F. P. Hagenbuch had 110 votes, Henry Deighmiller, 92, W. J. Hilday, 91, A. R. Henry, 67, Elisha Ringrose, 63, and Thomas Mensch, 42. Hagenbuch, Deighmiller and Hilday, were declared elected.

The vote for auditors was as follows: William Masters, 119, J. B. DeLong, 114, E. E. Low, 76, and John Scott, 75. Masters, DeLong and Low, were elected.

There being no other business to transact, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

HARRY S. BARTON,
A. N. YOST,
Secretaries.

To the Young Men of Bloomsburg.

If you would like to spend an hour next Sunday in a profitable and enjoyable way, go to the Mens' Meeting in the Y. M. C. A. Building on Market Square at 2:30 o'clock. If you have never been there, drop in and see how you will like it. We believe you will want to be there often after you start. Don't miss it!

Philippine War Scenes.

Our brave soldiers are still fighting and struggling for supremacy in the Philippine Islands, and some excellent pictures have been secured of the boys in blue while in camp and in action. The scenes are depicted in a very realistic manner by the Lyman H. Howe Moving Picture Co., at the Opera House on Thursday evening, February 1st. Reserved seats at Bidleman's.

The bread which received the first and second premiums at the Columbia county fair in 1898 and 1899 was baked from the Leader flour manufactured by Ikeler & Fleckenstine. 11-30 2mos

Hummel Revealed Dead Babe's Grave.

SAID HIS MURDERED WIFE SPOKE TO HIM WHILE HE LAY IN A TRANCE.

Despite the efforts of the Lycoming county officials to keep the matter a profound secret, it has developed that William Hummel, the accused murderer of his wife and her three children, furnished Sheriff Gamble with information that enabled the officers to locate the remains of Baby Delaney in the stable on Thursday morning.

Hummel has been representing himself as a spiritualist to the Sheriff during the past month, and on Wednesday of last week asserted that the spirit of his murdered wife communed regularly with him. He said his wife desired to have the body of the child recovered in order that it might be properly buried, and besides, its finding would greatly aid him to establish his innocence of the four-fold murder. After interesting the Sheriff Hummel said that his wife had told him that she would divulge the hiding place of the dead babe if he would incorporate certain questions in a letter and send them to parties whom she designated; that when the letter was answered she would be free to reveal the location of the grave.

Sheriff Gamble agreed to send such a letter and, as Hummel is unable to read or write, the Sheriff prepared the letters. He read them to Hummel on Wednesday night. Hummel relapsed immediately into a seeming trance. After rousing himself he informed the Sheriff that the body of the baby would be found buried in the dirt of a horse stall in the stable on his farm. A few hours later the remains were dug up at the exact spot indicated by Hummel.

The authorities say that the revelation made by Hummel as to the whereabouts of the body is a virtual confession that he committed the murder and buried the body. Dr. H. W. Cattell, of Philadelphia, has been engaged to analyze blood spots found on clothing worn by Hummel.

Plans For Census Taking.

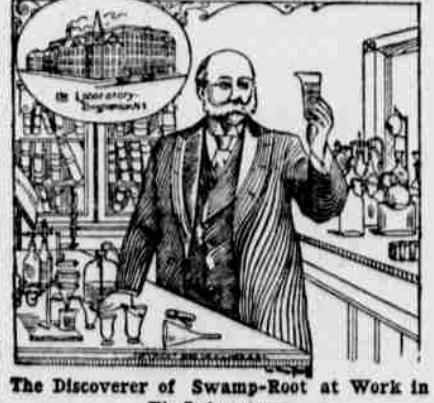
Opportunities for Employment of Men Other Than Enumerators Are Limited.

An official statement has been issued by the Census Office at Washington, with reference to the industrial census. It is as follows: The census act provides that the statistics of manufactures may be collected by enumerators or by special agents, at the discretion of the director. He may designate certain cities, towns or other manufacturing centres in which the manufacturing schedule shall be withheld from the enumerators and placed in the hands of special agents. A list of such cities and towns has been prepared, numbering in the aggregate over 1,000 and a careful estimate shows that all of the manufacturing establishments included in the localities to be withdrawn from the enumerators can be visited, and returns from them secured, within the brief space of thirty days, by the employment of 2,000 special agents, who will be paid by the day. The compensation which it is proposed to allow them is \$4 per day, except in special cases, but it can in no instance exceed \$6.

In the collection of manufacturing statistics the director proposes to utilize as far as possible the organization created for the general enumeration by placing the supervisor of census of the proper district in charge, by grouping the localities withdrawn, and by employing the best of enumerators for an additional month as special agents.

It will thus be seen that the opportunities for the employment of men not employed as enumerators will be limited, and that the amount to be

The Eminent Kidney and Bladder Specialist.



The Discoverer of Swamp-Root at Work in His Laboratory.

There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs, or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell. Then the richness of the blood—the albumen—leaks out and the sufferer has Bright's Disease, the worst form of kidney trouble. Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root the new discovery is the true specific for kidney, bladder and urinary troubles. It has cured thousands of apparently hopeless cases, after all other efforts have failed. At druggists in fifty-cent and dollar sizes. A sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling about Swamp-Root and its wonderful cures. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., and mention this paper.

I. W. Hartman & Son. I. W. Hartman & Son.

Hartman's \$10 Ladies' COATS going at \$5.00.	Bad Weather Makes Good Prices for the Buyer & Wearer.	Hartman's \$15 Ladies' COATS now \$7.50.
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SELL 'EM? YES! If price will do it.

Buy a Coat or Cape now. Bound to be in style next winter because they are the latest productions of this season.

SAVE HALF YOUR MONEY.

Hartman's 5.00 Ladies' COATS for \$2.50.	If you could place \$5.00 in some secure place in 1900, and be sure that you could go there in 1901 and find \$10.00, you would do it, wouldn't you? This opportunity is identical.	Hartman's 12.00 Ladies' CAPES at \$8.00.
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500 Women's Night Dresses.

Nothing superior as to quality, or superior as to price, anywhere.

98c.	Gowns are made full width and full length, good quality and well trimmed.
\$1.19	Gowns are as good as many gowns selling at \$1.39, and they look as well, too.
\$1.29	Gowns are fine enough, trimmed beautifully, and they'll wear as well as \$2.00 gowns.

Hartman's 10.00 Ladies' CAPES only \$6.77.	WHITE SKIRTS \$1.39	Hartman's 5.00 Ladies' CAPES selling at \$3.33.
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If you buy one, and don't like it, or buy one so good cheaper elsewhere, bring it back and take your money back.

I. W. HARTMAN & SON, BLOOMSBURG, PA.

earned by the special agents is not large.

The reasons for adopting the system here outlined are two, namely, economy in expenditures and the desire to meet the wish of Congress for a "quick" census.

Newspapers Pay the Best.

Prompted by a desire to settle the long standing question as to what kind of advertising is the most remunerative Frank Daniels, the well known comedian, made an experiment last week at Wallack's Theatre, New York. The result will no doubt, set at rest all arguments in regard to the much discussed subject hereafter. Speaking of it to a New York newspaper man, the experimenter said: "As everybody with eyes must know, theatrical organizations pay out a fortune every year for advertising. This advertising takes many forms, newspaper, billboards, lithographs in windows, elevated railroad stations, postal cards, street cars and a hundred and one other things supposed to catch the eye of the public. "There was a pretty warm argument the other night in my dressing room over the best form of advertising. I didn't take part because I knew how it would result, as I had heard the same argument many times before. "But the next day I consulted my manager, Kirke LaSelle, and we concluded to test the thing by the only reliable means, so that night between the acts, ushers distributed among the audience slips with a brief printed statement setting forth the disputed question and politely asking the recipient to indicate by a check mark in the list of various advertising forms employed, what had attracted him to the performance—the ad. in the newspapers, bill-boards, window lithographs or something else? "Well, the people seemed to take kindly to the idea and the response was most liberal. Eleven hundred slips were handed to the ushers after the next curtain, and of that number nine hundred and ninety-one showed that that many of the eleven hundred had been attracted by the newspapers solely. Henceforth, the comedian concluded, "the newspapers will get ten-elevenths of all the money Manager LaSelle sets aside for advertising purposes." And it will apply to every other business with equal force. Good, reasonable and judicious advertising never fails to bring its returns.

An Old Game Worked Successfully With New Trimmings. A slick young man, says an exchange, recently succeeded in swindling women in a number of county towns out of considerable money. He was selling table cloths at \$3 each and giving a dozen napkins to match as a premium. The table cloth, of which he had only one with him, had the appearance of being worth at least \$5, to say nothing of the value of the napkins, which were even of a finer quality, and the sale was something phenomenal. He collected one-half in advance, and now every time the door bell rings the guileless housewives think they are going to get their table cloths and napkins.

Hotel For Rent.

The Park Hotel, at Towanda, Pa., is for rent. Possession given April 1st, 1900. Located in the heart of the town, opposite Court House. For terms, apply to Geo. E. Elwell, Bloomsburg, Pa., or E. W. Elwell, Towanda, Pa. tf.

The following letters are held at the Bloomsburg, Pa., postoffice, and will be sent to the dead letter office Feb. 6, 1900. Persons calling for these letters will please say "that they were advertised January 23, 1900". J. C. Gibbon, Mr. James Sibert. One cent will be charged on each letter advertised.

For Rent.

Proctor Inn, well furnished, from Feb. 1st 1900. Rent cheap. Apply to G. E. Elwell or A. L. Fritz, Bloomsburg, Pa. tf.

His Alert Suspicion.

"Did you say the man who talks of coming to this place has money to burn?" said the citizen who had been complaining about the way things were run. "Yes, sir; that's the phrase I used; 'money to burn'." "Well, we don't want him. I can see through him. He's one of these oppressors. He wants to burn all the money he can get his hands on, so's to make it scarce."—Washington Star.

Deductive Reasoning.

"I believe you have been secretly married to young Mr. Noodle!" cried the irate father. "How ridiculous!" replied his daughter. "Well," said her sire, "he used to come here at eight o'clock and stay till 11:30, and now he doesn't get here until nine o'clock and leaves at 10:15."—Philadelphia Press.

Fatuons.

"Harold," murmured the beautiful maiden, shyly, "am I the only girl you ever told you loved?" "I will tell you the truth, dearest," answered the manly youth, leaning fondly over her. "You are not." "I think you might have had a little, Harold—for me," she said, turning tearfully away.—Chicago Tribune.

WANTED—SEVERAL PERSONS FOR District Office Managers in this State to represent me in their own and surrounding counties. Willing to pay yearly \$600, payable weekly. Desirable employment with annual opportunities. References exchanged. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. S. A. Park, 320 Caxton Building, Chicago. 12-21-166

Ask to see the new style of visiting card at this office. Can't be told from an engraved card, and costs less than half as much. tf