THE COLUMBIAN.

BLOOMSBURG, PA.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1903.

FROM COURT HOUSE CORRIDORS.

The past week has been a record breaker for marriage licenses. When the COLUMBIAN man entered the Prothonotary's office yesterday and inquired of Mr. Terwilliger how many he had made happy during the week, that obliging official drew from the drawer a pack of licenses several inches in thickness and handed them over with the remark "and they're still coming". He appeared to know what he was talking about as the sound of his voice had scarcely died away until a couple entered. "A marriage license if you please," cautiously demanded the groom-to-be. He tried to appear at ease, but his manner betrayed him and his face turned several colors, as the document was being filled out. The girl was not so backward, and the writer concluded that she had been there before, but when the official interrogated her as to whether or not she had ever been married before she rejoined in a loud clear voice "no sir, this is my first attempt." Her answer illustrated to the writer how very easily a fellow can be mistaken. She made several other remarks that amused those in the office at the time, and it required quite an effort for them to keep straight faces. When the couple left everybody indulged in a good hearty laugh. Following are the licenses:

Marvey Keeler, of Fishingcreek township and Miss Elizabeth M. Lemon, of Benton township.

Charles E. Pullen and Miss Clara E. Harmon, both of Berwick.

Pat. Jas. Hagan, of Wilkesbarre and Miss Katie Veronica Donough of Centralia.

Henry W. Lehr and Miss Sara B. Fetterolf, both of Sunbury.

Wm. R. Hidlay of Catawissa and Miss Elizabeth F. Aten, of Mainville.

Geo. E. Strant, of Bloomsburg and Miss Elizabeth Bomboy, of Espy.

Walter Hirleman and Miss Minnie Cole both of Jamison City.

Charles G. Smith of Berwick and Susan Reich, of Nescopeck.

Walter L. Beaver and Miss Irene E. Fisher both of Mainville.

C. L. Whitenight of Fishingcreek and Miss Anna W. Kline of Orangeville.

Uiam H. Hile of Spangler, Pa. and Miss Harriet V. Watkins, of Bloomsburg.

Stewart Poust and Miss Estella Roberts, both of Benton.

Loyd McClintock and Miss Minnie Pifer, both of Berwick.

Charles Floyd Bower and Miss Margaret Marr both of Stillwater.

Chas. H. Brittain ahd Miss Verda Seybert both of Berwick.

Geo. Shaffer and Miss Bertha Viets both of Bloomsburg.

F. M. Golder of Central and Miss Lena Follmer of Benton twp.

THE BEST FARM PAPER.

The New York Tribune *Farmer* is an illustrated weekly, one of the best published Its price is $1.00 a year. We will send it with THE COLUMBIAN for $1.25 for the two. Invest this extra quarter and you will not regret it.

Not Fast.

The apostolic delegation has received word from Rome that the Pope has granted dispensation from abstinence on New Year's Day which falls on Friday this year. The delegation has sent out circular letters to all the bishops notifying them of this fact.

The "Tater" Trust.

Fifty farmers in the region south of Pottsville, clear to Auburn, have formed a potato trust and have 14,000 bushels of tubers stored away, holding them for higher prices. Potatoes are now selling at 60 cents. They propose holding them until an advance is made to $1 a bushel.

Get the Most Out of Your Food

You don't and can't if your stomach is weak. A weak stomach does not digest all that is ordinarily taken into it. It gets tired easily, and what it fails to digest is wasted.

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HITE GETS BAIL.

Has Been Released From the Northumberland County Prison.

After several unsuccessful attempts, Jacob Hite, who stands charged with a deliberate attempt to murder Mrs. Fred Krebs, at Northumberland, has secured bail and has been released from the county jail where he has been confined since the day following the deed.

On the charge of breaking and entering with intent to commit a felony the bail is fixed at $500, and on the more serious charge of attempted murder the amount is $1500, making an aggregate sum of $2000. The rumor that the defendant had already left town, current on the street, is false, although the belief that the case will be settled out of court is growing stronger daily.

Mrs. Krebs has almost entirely recovered from the effects of the wounds. District Attorney Cummings expects to be ready to try the case at the next term of criminal court, which will convene on the first Monday in February.

Judge Miller and the Food Commission.

Dr. B. H. Warren, State Dairy and Food Commissioner, is indignant at the action of Judge Miller, of Mercer county, who has refused to sentence violators of the Dairy and Food laws that have been convicted in his court. Judge Miller holds that the procedure of Dr. Warren's bureau is persecuting and lacking in equity.

He contends that grocers and saloon-keepers, not being expert chemists, should at least be warned previous to arrest and be given an opportunity to determine whether the goods they have for sale are pure or adulterated. Dr. Warren declares that Judge Miller's attitude will seriously interfere with the enforcement of the law, and he proposes to make an effort to compel the Judge to pass sentence in all cases where there is a conviction.

We are producing nearly 18,000,000 tons of pig iron every year. The question very naturally arises, To what use is this vast amount of pig iron put?—for after all, pig iron is but the crude material from which the finished products are manufactured. For the purpose of answering this question, the SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN has issued a special Iron and Steel number, which includes the result of many visits made by the members of the SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN staff to the great iron and steel works of the Pittsburg district. The issue contains full statistical data, well illustrated by diagrams showing the growth and present colossal proportions of this industry, and a discussion of the causes which have led to our unquestioned supremacy. It is a note-worthy fact that the SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN was permitted to inspect and photograph especially for this issue several great works, to which the management have hitherto strictly refused to admit any other representatives of the press. The illustrations which are presented have been especially prepared for this issue, and have never before been published. The articles have been written only after a personal inspection of each plant described.

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The January Lippincott's Magazine.

Mr. Edgar Fawcett's new novel in the New Year's number of "Lippincott's Magazine" is "Doreen." Its heroine is a young English girl whose destiny is fixed by a chance resemblance which she bears to a girl who has died, lamented by parents and lover—though from far different motives. The plot is woven with infinite skill and power, and under the visible romance lies a subtle love-interest which works along to a triumphant finish.

Marie Van Vorst contributes a short but masterly tale called "The Lady and the Property." This is a love-story in which there is involved an estate and a grasping parent as well.

Edward Boltwood contributes "The Marriage of Stitch O'Sullivan." A man in hard luck saved from suicide by a sympathetic woman repays her by risking his life in her behalf. But he has not counted on woman's unreasonableness—and the result is not what he hoped, though it sets him on his feet financially.

"How Placide Won the Capital Prize," by Francis Lynde, is a rather out-of-the-ordinary kind of story of an unsophisticated Creole, the winner of the capital prize.

Virginia Tatnall Peacock's child-story called "A Little Girl's Kingdom" is sweet and appealing to grown-up hearts.

A truly humorous contribution comes from the pen of John Swain under the title, "A Matrimonial Lottery." In this the "race question" is shown up in an original and very amusing light.

Prof. A. Schinz, of Bryn Mawr College, presents a plea for a National Theatre.

George Moore's "Avowals" are continued this month by a paper discussing the relative characteristics of Loti and Rudyard Kipling. Of the former he says, "His phrases flow like water-colors—beautiful blooms." And of the latter that "he knows nothing of the heart, for he can only observe, and the heart cannot be observed."

Contributions of verse are from Phoebe Lyde, Ingram Crockett, Ethel M. Kelley, Zitella Cocke, and Susie M. Best.

A witty contributor calls the "Walnuts and Wine" department the Magazine "dining-room," presumably because there's "plenty of spice and all that's nice" to be found there.

For fast and reckless driving of a horse which terminated in the demolition of a wagon, Chas. MacCrea, of Berwick, was placed in jail on Saturday. MacCrea was in the employ of D. W. Mitchell & Son, liverymen. The team was theirs and it was at their instance that the arrest was made. Judge Little, at the recent session of court made an example of an offender of this sort, but it doesn't appear to have had the desired effect.

Are unhappy married people more numerous than formerly, or are they talking more about it?

STORY OF CAL-CURA.

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Dr. David Kennedy was born in New York City, but at an early age his family moved to Roxbury, N.Y. He was graduated in 1860 from the New York College of Physicians and Surgeons. He at once volunteered as a surgeon and was assigned to the United States Army General Hospital in West Philadelphia, and soon became President of the Examining Board and Consulting Surgeon. After the war, Dr. Kennedy settled in Rondout, City of Kingston, N. Y., where for a number of years he enjoyed a large practice as an operative surgeon. He was one of the Presidential Electors of New York State, Mayor of Kingston for four years, and held many other professional, business and political offices.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Lesson in the International Series for January 3, 1904—The Boyhood of Jesus.

THE LESSON TEXT.

(Luke 2:40-52.)

40. And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon him.

41. Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover.

42. And when he was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem after the custom of the feast.

43. And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not of it.

44. But they, supposing him to have been in the company, went a day's journey; and they sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance.

45. And when they found Him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking Him.

46. And it came to pass, that after three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions.

47. And all that heard Him were astonished at His understanding and answers.

48. And when they saw Him, they were amazed; and His mother said unto Him, Son, why hast Thou thus dealt with us? behold, Thy father and I have sought Thee sorrowing.

49. And He said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?

50. And they understood not the saying which He spake unto them.

51. And He went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them; but His mother kept all these sayings in her heart.

52. And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.

GOLDEN TEXT.—And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.—Luke 2:52.

OUTLINE OF SCRIPTURE SECTION.

Jesus' Divine Origin.....Luke 1:26-38.
The Babe Jesus.....Luke 2: 1-39.
The Boy Jesus.....Luke 2:40-52.

TIME.—Probably December, 5 B. C.

PLACE.—Jesus was born in Bethlehem, Judea; His home was in Nazareth, Galilee, and when 12 years old visited Jerusalem.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Jesus' Divine Origin.—Many of our lessons, possibly most, have to do with the details of Christian living. Frequently, however, our attention should be recalled to the fundamental facts of the religion we profess, and we must not forget that these fundamentals are the decision places of our study. What do we believe about God, about Jesus Christ, about mankind? Much of what we believe about God depends upon what we believe God's Son. A part of this lesson lays great emphasis upon Jesus' Divine origin, or, we should say, His human and Divine origin. He was a man, just like ourselves in many particulars. That He was no more than this, some men would have us to believe. On the other hand, some have laid so much emphasis upon His divinity that the human side of Jesus' character seems entirely crowded out. Our record declares he was the son of Mary, human, and the Son of God, Divine. If we accept the New Testament record as given in all four Gospels, we cannot ignore either. In Him God and man are one.

The Babe Jesus.—Joseph and Mary of Nazareth, Galilee, in accordance with the imperial edict ordering that a census of the Roman world be taken, went back to the home of their ancestors, which happened to be Bethlehem, a Judean village, to be enrolled with their fellow tribesmen of that place. The couple found themselves too late to find entertainment at the inn, and were forced to find shelter in a stable. Here the Child Jesus was born. In poetic contrast to the birth in the stable Luke tells of the vision and the visit of the shepherds. Nothing more beautiful is recorded anywhere in all literature. At night an angel appeared to these humble men, and they were the first to learn that wonderful message: "Be not afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people: for there is born to you this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." Then was heard the angel chorus: "Glory to God in the Highest, and on earth peace among men, in whom He is well pleased." Matthew records the visit of the wise men.

The Boy Jesus.—Eight days after the birth of Jesus He was taken to Jerusalem and circumcised according to the Jewish ritual law. Then came the Joseph's vision (Matthew 2:13-18) and the flight into Egypt. After about two years the death of Herod permitted the return of the little family to their home in Nazareth. Here Jesus was educated in the Mosaic law, taught to attend the synagogue, and possibly picked up something of the art of the carpenter, from being with His father. And during all this time (quoting the revised version) "The Child grew, and waxed strong, filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon Him."

Ram's Horn Blasts.

Sin sows the seed of sorrow.

Character is never born full grown.

The life that does not go out cannot go up.

A human cry of need is a heavenly commission.

The gods that men make are always less than the men that God makes.

The flight of time ought to remind us of the coming of the time of our flight.

A prayerful hearing of the sermon is as important as his prayerful preparation.

The survival of the fittest may be the way of law, but the salvation of the failures is the way of love.

Grapes from Canaan.

Aspiration is more to life than respiration.

One bad habit may bind as fast to the devil as twenty.

There never yet was a currency that could purchase content.

That which is not honest with men is not honorable with God

There is more danger in the underground currents of desire than in the overhead winds of temptation.

Some men pray in the morning for the death of their passions and then spend the day in feeding them.—Ram's Horn.

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GRANGE NEWS.

By J. T. Allman, Press Correspondent and Secretary Penn'a State Grange.

Men of brains are rapidly developing the science of agriculture. To master these principals and to apply them practically requires education and skill second to none of the industrial arts. The coming farmer must be no less a student than a worker and he will be recognized among men and respected as such. The grange is in the lead of the agencies that are bringing this about.

The receipts of the National Grange treasury for 1903 were $40,208.39.

Second to no meeting ever held in point of numbers, earnestness and harmony by Bradford and Sullivan counties Pomona grange, No. 23, convened in a two days session with the members of Open Hand grange, at LeRoy, Nov. 20th and 21st. Three hundred enthusiastic patrons were present from nearly every section of the district which embraces twenty-seven active granges. A fifth degree team conferred the degree of Pomona in a highly efficient manner. Resolutions favoring Direct Legislation and extending and reducing the cost of the parcel post system were adopted.

The telephone and the trolley are rapidly banishing the isolation of of the farm. As these extend rural life loses its most objectionable features Men can live in the country and yet be in constant touch with their fellows. This means a higher home life for the people of the farm. The grange has already advocated better education for the tillers of the soil. With advance of education the grange itself will increase in numbers, in influence and in power. Organization is a condition of civilization; the one grows with the other.

The question of help on the farm is one of the most serious ones that confronts the farmer at present. Its solution need not be difficult. The prudent farmer will carefully note his possible labor force for the coming year and plan his work accordingly. Instead of trying to stretch his force over a large acrage he should contract his acres to his force and let nature clothe the rest with grass. The grange has no Amen for the man who is praying for help to glut the market with farm products.

At the recent National Grange meeting Hon. Aaron Jones, of South Bend, Ind., was re-elected Master. Gov. N. J. Bachelder, of New Hampshire, Lecturer and C. M. Freemen, of Ohio, Secretary. Prof. T. C. Atkeson, of West Virginia, was elected Overseer.

Send organization and re-organization blanks. I shall reorganize Keystone grange this week (Since organized with 34 members) and expect to re-organize Nicholson grange in the near future.

O. E. REYNOLDS,
Deputy for Wyoming Co.

The new grange, No. 1242, at Hegins, Schuylkill county, report that they are getting starte in good shape.

Twenty five states were represented at the National Grange at Rochester.

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