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Entered at the Post Office, Bloomsburg, Pa., as second class matter, March 1, 1888.

Jacob Geisinger of Forks was a visitor to town on Monday. C. E. Geffer has been reappointed Postmaster at Catawissa.

The college students will soon be home for the Christmas vacation. William Ipher, one of Benton township's prominent citizens, was in town on Monday.

Governor Stuart will be invited to be present at the dedication of the P. O. S. of A. Orphanage at Millville, which will probably be on next Memorial Day.

Mrs. Mary Hopper, widow of the late William Hopper, died at her home in Almedia Monday afternoon, aged sixty-eight years. She had been ill for a year.

Deputy Sheriff Maust last week took a young man named Veits to Fort Slocum, N. Y. The young man had deserted from the army, and was captured at Briarcliff.

Every Woman Will Be Interested. There has recently been discovered an economical, pleasant herb cure for women's ailments.

Charles N. Hartman of Danville, was arrested on Saturday for desertion from the United States Navy, two years ago.

Hon. William H. Berry delivered an address to the Young Men's Christian Association of Danville on Sunday afternoon.

A. H. Bloom has resigned as treasurer of the Luzerne County Trust Company at Wilkes-Barre.

Dr. S. B. Arment, State Health officer for this district, addressed the students in the Medical Preparatory Department at the Normal School last Thursday afternoon.

Washington, Pennsylvania, had the first crematory erected in the United States. The first cremation took place 32 years ago.

On December 6, 1877, the remains of Baron de Palm were reduced to ashes in the crematory built by Dr. F. J. LeMoine on Gallows Hill, south of that town.

In all, 42 bodies have been cremated there, the last having been that of M. Compton, a resident of East Washington, who died in 1901.

The LeMoine heirs withdrew the local crematory from public use in 1881 and since that time only four bodies have been burned there.

The LeMoine heirs believing that the purpose for which their father erected it, that of turning the attention of the world toward cremation, instead of inhumation, had been well served and that newer and more modern crematories had been erected.

Today there are 30 crematories in the United States, one in San Francisco having an average of over three incinerations a day.

Albra W. Baker, M. D., HOMEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. DISEASES OF CHILDREN A SPECIALTY.

Corner of Third and West Sts. BLOOMSBURG, PA. Hours—Until 10 a. m., 1 to 3 and 6 to 8 p. m. Both Telephones. 5-7-6m

The Mailing of Holiday Gifts.

A Number of Suggestions to Those Who Will Use the Mails at Christmas Time.

To aid those who are desirous of sending out Christmas packages and who are not familiar with the various classifications, the following valuable suggestions and postal rates are given:

4th class, merchandise—1 cent an oz. or fraction.

3rd class, printed matter or books—2 oz. for 1 cent or fraction.

2nd class, newspapers, periodicals—4 oz. for 1 cent.

1st class, written matter, letters sealed or unsealed—2 cents an oz. or fraction.

It is well to remember that no writing is allowable in 3d or 4th class matter, but such inscriptions as "Merry Christmas," "Happy New Year," "With best wishes," together with the name of the sender may be written on a card and enclosed therewith in 3d or 4th class matter.

The limit of weight of a package is 4 pounds. It is urged very strongly that all packages be sent by registered mail, especially during the busy holiday season, in order to provide against loss.

The registry fee is eight cents in addition to the postage.

DURING FARMER'S WEEK.

The Horticultural Department of the School of Agriculture at the Pennsylvania State College has secured a fine exhibit of apples for instructional purposes during Farmers' Week, Dec. 30, to Jan. 6.

Many counties in Pennsylvania and several other states are represented. Take a half dozen of your best round apples with you for comparison.

The Dairy Husbandry Department will hold its regular bi-monthly butter scoring exhibit during Farmers' Week.

Creamery and farm butter-makers are not only invited to send butter, but also to be present, hear the judge, and see the butter. Write the department for information and shipping directions.

Program of all the lectures and other exercises may be had by dropping a card to the School of Agriculture, State College, Pa.

Plan to take the wife, son or daughter for a week's vacation and meet others interested in the problems that interest you.

There were several hundred farmers there last winter.

Little Want Ads. Always Pay. The tremendous buying and selling possibilities of a small classified advertisement in a great newspaper are seldom appreciated.

The Philadelphia Press goes into thousands of homes and is read by a multitude of people, some of whom have what you want or want what you have.

The advertisement brings buyer and seller together. For instance, a man in the South wanted a certain rare book. He wrote to the leading booksellers in New York, Philadelphia and Chicago without success.

He then tried a small advertisement in "The Philadelphia Press" and secured the book within forty-eight hours. You can satisfy your wants as quickly by putting an advertisement in the "The Philadelphia Press."

If you have dogs or birds to sell, a small want ad placed in "The Press" will accomplish the desired result.

Lawyers Increase Fee. Wilkesbarre Attorneys Organize to Charge Liquor Men \$25.

FINES IN CRIMINAL CASES.

Grand Jury Recommends the Repeal of Special Act Giving Them to Law Library.

The Grand Jury made their report on Thursday, making a number of recommendations, among them being one for the repeal of the special act of Assembly which provides that the fines in criminal cases shall go to the Law Library.

The act referred to was passed March 3, 1868, and reads as follows: "An Act relative to the establishment of a law library in the county of Columbia.

SECTION 1. That all fines, amercements and penalties imposed by the courts of Columbia county, and all recognizances declared forfeited by said courts, which under existing laws are not payable to the commonwealth of Pennsylvania for its own use, are hereby directed to be paid to the committee hereinafter named, for the establishment and maintenance of a law library, to be kept in the court house of said county for the use of the court and bar thereof.

Provided however, That the provisions of this act shall not extend to any moneys which under existing laws are payable to the public school fund or funds for school purposes; And provided further, That this act shall not be construed to impair or affect any claim for costs or for damages to which any person may, under existing laws, be entitled out of such forfeited recognizances, for injuries sustained by such person by the commission of a crime or misdemeanor on account of which such recognizance may have been given.

SECTION 2. The money thus arising shall be expended from time to time under the direction of a committee composed of three resident members of the bar of said county, to be appointed by the court of common pleas of said county at the next term immediately after the passage of this act, said committee to continue until the succeeding first day of January; and the said court shall annually, at the last term of said court in each year, appoint said committee to serve from the first of January then ensuing for one year, or until their successors are chosen; Provided, That said court shall have power to fill any vacancy which may occur in said committee by reason of death or otherwise.

SECTION 3. The said court shall from time to time adopt such rules and regulations as may be necessary or expedient for the proper use and preservation of said library, and shall require said committee annually, at the last term of said court in each year; as well as at other times when it may be deemed expedient, to present to the court a detailed account in writing of their doings, showing the condition of the library, number of volumes, and such other information as may be required, together with a statement of all moneys received or expended by them during the year; which report shall be inspected by the court, and remain open to exceptions until the first day of January then next ensuing, after which, if no exceptions are filed, the same shall be filed among the archives of said library; and all funds and property belonging to said library, in the hands of said committee, shall be immediately handed over to their successors, which duty may be enforced, in case of default, by attachment or otherwise, as the court may direct.

SECTION 4. The county commissioners of said county are required, as soon as practicable, to designate and fit up a room in the court house of said county for said library, from whence the books of said library shall not be removed except by order of the court in term time, or in accordance with the rules and regulations adopted as above directed; and the clerk of the court of quarter sessions is required to prepare, within ten days after the close of each term of said court, two certified lists of all recognizances forfeited during said term, one of which lists he shall deliver to the committee aforesaid, and the other to the district attorney of said county; and it shall be the duty of said district attorney to proceed forthwith to collect the amounts thereof and pay the same to said committee.

SECTION 5. All laws inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

The Grand Jury's report is as follows: The Grand Inquest of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania inquiring in and for the County of Columbia respectfully report:

That we have pursuant of our required duties, investigated all bills of indictment presented for our consideration, and have passed upon them according to their respective merits. We have also examined the public buildings and find that jail and court house are in a well kept condition. We, however, noted that some repairs are

needed and recommend the following:

In Court House, repairs of ceiling in Judge's room, in steps in basement to toilet and a light for the same; renovating of walls in the hall, repair of sewer pipe connecting wash bowl in the Recorder's office; new book to replace deed book "G"; painting of wood work in hall, and new lock for front door.

In the jail, linoleum for kitchen floor, repair of leak in the pipe over the cellar, whitewash and plastering, heat pipes covered with asbestos, electric light at entrance to furnace room, electric light at top of rear basement steps, paint for inside of jail, replacing of broken windows, repair at the hydrant at the barn and repair of pavement to the jail.

We also recommend the special law applying to the distribution of fines toward the library fund be repealed, and the fines distributed under the general laws, and that the Commissioners take this matter up.

Also that the Justices of the Peace should be censured for sending trifling cases to Court that should be settled by them.

All of which is respectfully submitted. J. H. Eisenhower, Foreman.

Here and There. Prosperity is coming right along, but it is well to keep in mind the fact that the perils of trying to get rich quick still abound.—Boston Herald.

Tioga county has so little Criminal Court business that Judge Cameron dispensed with the November term of the Quarter Sessions Court. Tioga county has nearly 50,000 inhabitants and its lack of Criminal Court business indicates that the majority of its 50,000 people are willing to enter an honest living and are not in a hurry to get rich.

Machinery for prospecting for coal on the Jessup farm, near Hunlock's Creek, Luzerne county, has arrived at the Hunlock's Creek station, and boring will be started as soon as the drill can be placed in position. A six-inch hole will be bored for a distance of 600 to 700 feet. The work will be under the supervision of William Jessup, of Shickshinny.

A great religious revival will be inaugurated in Scranton on the night of December 31, under the direction of Rev. Dr. Torrey. The meetings will be held in a large tabernacle that has been built especially for the purpose at the corner of Adams avenue and Mulberry street. Forty-seven churches in various parts of the city are interested in the movement.

Wilkes-Barre is about to abandon its old Court House in the Public Square and some of the citizens are proposing that the city acquire the building and use it for a city hall. The site of the old Court house reverts to the city when the county vacates it. It is argued that the present city hall, while not central enough for city purposes, is yet in a good business location and can be disposed of at a good price, and that the money could be used to remodel the old Court house and transform it into a fine building for the city officials.

Washington has seldom been so interesting as it is at this moment, with the President threatening the members of the House with exposure if they do not unleash the Secret Service men and let him set them on anybody who gets in his way, and with Congressmen swearing the atmosphere of the cloak rooms blue on account of the President's insinuation that they are afraid of the detectives. With the Administration so near its end that prudence no longer restrains any one from using bad language, the conditions for exciting episodes are uncommonly favorable.

CENTRALIA RELIEF. Owing to the recent disastrous fire at Centralia, many families are in need of food and clothing and bedding. A number of cash contributions have been left at the Farmers National Bank. Other donations of bedding clothing etc. can be sent to the Relief Committee at Centralia.

The advance sale of seats for "The Lion and the Mouse" at the Columbia Theatre on Friday night, is very large, and a full house is expected. This play has been having long runs in the cities and will be presented here by an excellent company.

CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought. Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Little.

Church Bars Pennies.

Pastor Says These Too Poor to Give More May Refrain.

Pennies will in the future not be accepted in the collection baskets at St. Mary's Catholic Church, of Wilkes-Barre which has the largest congregation in that city. A short time ago the pastor, Rev. R. A. McAndrew required that nothing less than a nickel be placed in the baskets. This request was not heeded and Sunday morning he made the announcement at all masses that after this pennies will not be accepted.

"Anyone who is too poor to give the Church no less than a penny at the Sunday collection," he said, "need the cent more than the Church does."

He said if his words are not heeded he will be compelled, disagreeable as it may be, to accompany the collectors and personally return all pennies placed in the basket.

He said that last Sunday no less than 1000 people gave pennies.

Horticultural Exhibit.

An exhibition of horticultural products of Pennsylvania will be a special feature of Farmer's Week at State College next winter. Large consignments of apples are being received and placed in cold storage for this purpose. It is hoped that this will be the largest and best exhibit of apples and other garden and orchard products ever made in the state.

Every county should be represented. The cooperation of Granges, county organizations, local societies and individual growers is earnestly solicited. The success of the exhibit is now assured, but assistance in every section is needed to make it representative of the entire state.

Farmers and fruit growers in different sections are requested to work up collections and send them as soon as possible to the Department of Horticulture, State College, Pa. Detailed instructions will be furnished persons who can assist in this work.

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MISS SOPHIA KITTLESON.

HEALTH VERY POOR—RESTORED BY PE-RU-NA.

Catarrh Twenty-five Years—Had a Bad Cough.

Miss Sophia Kittleson, Evanston, Ill., writes: "I have been troubled with catarrh for nearly twenty-five years and have tried many cures for it, but obtained very little help."

"Then my brother advised me to try Peruna, and I did. My health was very poor at the time I began taking Peruna. My throat was very sore and I had a bad cough. Peruna has cured me. The chronic catarrh is gone and my health is very much improved."

"I recommend Peruna to all my friends who are troubled as I was." PERUNA TABLETS—Some people prefer tablets, rather than medicine in a fluid form. Such people can obtain Peruna tablets, which represent the medicinal ingredients of Peruna. Each tablet equals one level teaspoonful of Peruna.

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PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD Bulletin. THE STEEL COACH-A TRAVEL SAFEGUARD. The Pennsylvania Railroad now has in operation on its lines east of Pittsburgh over two hundred passenger coaches, dining cars, baggage cars, and mail cars of the new all-steel type. The solid steel framework of these cars, designed to resist shock and minimize the dangers of collision, is further strengthened by the steel sheathing enclosing the body of the car. In fact, everything about the coach is steel, save the window frames, the cushions of the seats and the flooring. Such little woodwork as enters into the make-up of the coach, the plush with which the car seats are covered and the hair with which they are stuffed is treated to a fireproofing process, whilst the floors are cement, thus rendering the coach at once practically indestructible and thoroughly fireproof. It is built like a battleship. The new coach is longer than the standard car generally in use on the railroads of this country, and has a comfortable seating capacity of sixty to ninety people according to the style of the coach. The unusual weight of the coaches give to them a solidity that greatly increases the comfort of the passenger. The seats are adjusted to a more convenient space and angle, the coaches are all lighted with electricity and amply ventilated in winter as well as summer by new and thoroughly tested methods. The interior finish of the coach is plain though pleasing to the eye. The absence of ornamentation enhances the idea of strength and at the same time assures absolute cleanliness and thorough sanitation. Steel cars are now in use on the principal trains between New York, Philadelphia, Washington, and on the Main Line between Philadelphia and Pittsburg. The number of cars is constantly being increased as the finished product comes from the shops. The Pennsylvania Railroad's equipment is recognized as the Standard of America.