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Mrs. Oscar Alexander is sojourning
at Jonestown for the benefit of
her health.

John Watson, the efficient clerk
in the Prothonotary's office is
spending the week at Jerseytown.

Dr. J. J. Brown and Postmaster
J. C. Brown went to Blairstown,
N. J., on Monday to spend a few
days.

S. R. Bidleman's book store is be-
ing newly papered and painted, and
thereby much improved in appear-
ance.

Prof. D. S. Hartline is teaching
at a summer school in the Adirond-
acks. He will be there all the
summer.

Jonathan Loreman and his son
were visitors in town on Saturday.
Mr. Loreman is one of the promi-
nent residents of Franklin township.

The following letters are held at
the Bloomsburg, Pa., postoffice:
Mrs. Maud Burk, Gordon D.
Geddes, Miss Emil Hulshizer, Miss
Beatrice.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Elwell Funk of
Philadelphia arrived here on Tues-
day, and are visiting at the Funk
homestead above town on the Espy
road.

W. H. Moore has purchased the
property of Mrs. Frances Mather
on Market street next to the Meth-
odist Parsonage. The deal was
made through H. A. McKillip, Esq.

C. A. Small, Esq., intends to
erect a double house on a lot on
the corner of Oyer and Ridge Ave-
nues, which he recently purchased
from the heirs of Cyrus Fry, de-
ceased.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Keller, and
little son Harry, and Miss Hender-
shott of Washington, D. C. who
was their guest, started for Wash-
ington on Tuesday in Mr. Keller's
automobile.

The home of Prof. L. P. Sterner
on Third street has been beautified
by a new coat of paint. It is in
the colonial colors, the body of the
house being yellow, the woodwork
white, and the blinds green.

Miss Mae House, of Normal
Hill is spending a week with
friends and relatives at Brooklyn,
N. Y., and Newark, N. J. Before
returning home she will spend sev-
eral weeks at Philadelphia, Atlan-
tic City and Frostburg, Md.

Max, young son of Albertus
Welliver of Light Street, had a
bone in one of his ankles broken
on Monday by falling under a heav-
ily loaded wagon which ran over
him. While playing and running
he fell under the wheels.

Rough on "Rats."

Along with millinery and other
extremes in women's dress, "rats"
on their heads also got a sound
whack from Rev. B. T. Callen, of
the First Methodist church, Potts-
town, on Sunday morning, when
he went back 800 years before
Christ to talk of the idol King
Ahaz, of Judah, set up for worship
in the temple at Jerusalem after he
had thrown out the altar of the
Lord. Dominic Callen referred to
the "rats" as unsanitary and to the
raiment of some women as so daz-
zling and obnoxious that men in
the street are attracted and at the
same time disgusted.

Pastor Callen's castigation of
female toggery naturally caused a
ripple among the women in the
congregation some of whom think
that he ought also pay his respects
to the men whose idol is dress.

One Step Nearer to Jail Doors.

Decree Against Pennsylvania Capitol Trim-
mers Confirmed.

Philadelphia, July 15.—The con-
viction in the Dauphin county court
of the men charged with conspiracy
to defraud the state in the matter
of the furnishing of the new state
capitol at Harrisburg was affirmed
by the superior court today, and
unless an appeal to the supreme
court prevails, former Auditor Gen-
eral William P. Snyder and former
Superintendent of Public Buildings
and Grounds J. M. Shumaker will
have to serve their sentence of two
years in the penitentiary. The
court was unanimous in its decision,
which applies also to John H. San-
derson, contractor, and to former
State Treasurer William L. Ma-
thues, but both have died since
their conviction.

Sanderson, Mathues, Snyder and
Shumaker were convicted on March
15, 1908, jointly charged with con-
spiracy to cheat and defraud the
commonwealth and with having
defrauded the commonwealth of
\$19,309.40. The trial was the re-
sult of sensational charges which
were made during the last guber-
natorial campaign. William H.
Berry, then candidate for state
treasurer, in a speech at Bloom-
sburg, declared the furnishings had
exceeded in cost by \$6,000,000 the
amount appropriated for the pur-
pose.

Judge Kunkle sentenced the four
convicted men to the limit allowed
by the act of 1860 for the crime of
conspiracy, sentencing each man
to two years in prison and a fine of
\$500. The convicted men were
liberated on \$25,000 bail shortly
after the sentence had been im-
posed, pending the decision of their
appeal to the superior court.

Bruin Turns Fisherman.

Protected by Law Himself, He Breaks the
Trout Law.

Like the Apostle Peter, Bre'r
Bear is a fisherman, but unlike that
holy man, he has no respect for the
law and he won't play fair. Where-
fore some of the stream owners in
Lycoming county are declaring that
either Mr. Bear has got to observe
the fish law, or somebody's going
to forget to obey the bear law one
of these fine days. Since he has
been under the protection of the
game law, Bruin has been bold
and bad in these parts, and his lat-
est crime is illegal fishing.

The streams are low in the mount-
ains, lower than for many a day,
and the panting trout that infest
them, planted and cultured at con-
siderable expense, have little pro-
tection in the shallow waters against
the lumbering bear, who, in spite
of his awkward appearance, can
scoop up a trout with a lightning
movement of his paw.

Christian Schuler, of the Sugar
Camp Run district, reports that for
four years he has been husbanding
a colony of trout until they were fit
for a King's sport. He had them
in a pond on his farm. During the
past week the waters of the pond
were low and bears visited the spot
and had the time of their lives.
Some of the fish were over 15 in-
ches long and hundreds were over
ten inches long. The bears waded
right into the pond, drove the fish
into shallow water and scooped
them up by dozens. Schuler esti-
mates that two-thirds of the whole
number of trout were stolen.

Disinfect and Fumigate.

Good Suggestions About Keeping Your Houe
Healthful During Hot Months.

Antiseptics and disinfectants are
too seldom used in homes, perhaps,
because their importance is under-
estimated. When disease comes
and physicians advise us to use
them, and tell us what to use,
we follow their advice assiduously
for a time—then forget all about it.
But the day is surely coming when
these things will be just as much a
part of household routine as mak-
ing the beds every day. We are
breathing all the time poisonous
vapors that escape into the house
through the drain pipes of the
kitchen sink and the closet in the
bathroom. It would be so easy to
pour some dissolved copperas or
boiling concentrated lye water
down the pipes every few days,
and thus be sure the slime that ac-
cumulates on all such pipes had
disappeared for the time and the
pipes thoroughly disinfected. Once
a month through the summer burn
a sulphur candle in the house, af-
ter closing all doors and windows
(shutting yourself outside), thus
fumigating the house and keeping it
free from all insect life. And
here's a warning: Disinfectants are
poisons. Put them under lock and
key, away from the children's cur-
ious reach.

The Whitmire Murder.

Mystery of Brutal Muncy Valley Crime Still
Unsolved.

Our readers will remember the
brutal murder of Mrs. Sarah Whit-
mire in her lonely home in Muncy
Valley about four years ago. The
mystery surrounding her killing
remains unsolved. Recently a
young man named James Spring
died, and the report became gen-
eral that he had confessed to the
crime. His family were indignant
at the charge and immediately com-
municated with the minister to
whom the confession was alleged to
have been made. The reply sets
at rest the false accusations against
the young man. The minister
says: "Your letter of June 21st,
enclosing clipping from the Wil-
liamsport Sun, containing the sto-
ry of an alleged confession by some
one concerning the murder of Mrs.
Sarah Whitmire in 1905, was re-
ceived. I was very much surpris-
ed to hear your brother's name was
in any way connected by people
with the story. In reply to your
question whether your brother,
James, ever confessed that he was
the murderer of Sarah Whitmire,
of near Muncy Valley, I answer no.
He never made any such confession
to me, nor did he ever intimate to
me by conversation or action or
give me any reason to think that
he had any such confession to make;
nor was the subject of the murder
of Mrs. Whitmire ever mentioned
between us in the time I visited
him during his sickness. And all
such reports, purporting to come
from or through me, are utterly
without any foundation. I am
very glad to be able to give you
this statement, and give you liberty
to use it in any manner you think
best, and hope it will set at rest
the rumors connecting him with
the crime."

Visiting cards and Wedding invita-
tions at the COLUMBIAN office.

Electric Railways.

Will Before Long Penetrate Every Section of
the State.

The Shamokin Dispatch says:
Few people realize fully the great
extent of trolley systems through-
out the state and what these systems
have done and are doing to bring
the people of towns in closer touch
with each other as well as giving
residents of country sections easy
access to the outer world. For the
past several weeks the metropolitan
papers have been making much of
the fact that one can trolley from
Philadelphia to Delaware Water
Gap, publishing maps showing the
several routes. A study of these
maps is also of interest to people of
this section, as it shows that one
can travel from Philadelphia to
Trevorton by trolley, with but a
few miles missed where connections
have not as yet been made. One
can leave City Hall, Philadelphia,
on a trolley and go as far as Slat-
ington. From Slatington to Le-
highton, a matter of but three or
four miles, there is no trolley line
but connections can be made via
the Lehigh Valley road. From
Lehighton the trolley ride can be
resumed to Tamaqua, but from Ta-
maqua to East Mahanoy Junction,
(Lakeside), the trolley link has not
as yet been made. The Reading
road, however, runs frequent trains
between these points. From Lake-
side, one can take a Schuylkill Val-
ley line car and continue on through
to Ashland. There the Mt. Carmel
Transit Company cars can be
taken for Shamokin. Here the
Trevorton branch of Edgewood line
will convey the traveller to the
Zerbe township town.

Hill Predicts Prosperity.

Railroad Magnate Says Good Times Will Re-
turn.

"As soon as the tariff is out of
the way," said James J. Hill, the
railroad magnate, "this country
will enjoy a prosperity which will
at least equal if not surpass that
which it knew under the McKin-
ley administration.

"Last month I traveled exten-
sively through the West and I
never saw such activity among the
farmers. Everywhere I made in-
quiry I learned and saw that the
crops were abundant and that the
farmers were satisfied. Signs of
the financial depression of 1907 are
fast fading.

"Freight cars will be at a pre-
mium within a few weeks. We of
the railroad world judge the pros-
perity of the nation as much by
the number of idle cars as anything
else. Throughout the past year
there have been thousands idle,
but they will soon be rolling about
the country filled with freight."

Children Cry
FOR FLETCHER'S
CASTORIA

The State Debt.

It is now Less than Twenty Thousand Dollars.

The net debt of the Common-
wealth of Pennsylvania is now \$18,-
237.51, and within the next sixty
days it will be obliterated comple-
tely, so far as the ledgers of the state
treasury will show. The quarterly
meeting of the sinking fund com-
mission was held Saturday; at the
conclusion this statement of the
debt was exhibited by State Treas-
urer John O. Sheatz, Auditor Gen-
eral Robert K. Young and Sec-
retary of the Commonwealth Robert
McAfee. Three months ago the
net debt was \$44,569.91. Interest
on deposit during the interim
amounted to \$26,486.84. This in-
terest was turned into the sinking
fund Saturday and reduced the
net debt to \$18,237.51. The total
debt of the state is \$2,684,617.02,
of which amount \$2,033,500 is in
interest-bearing bonds. The sinking
fund commission has on deposit
in various banks, however, a total
of \$2,666,379.15, so that the
entire debt could be wiped out at
once with the exception of the odd
\$18,000. Interest on the deposits
during the next three months will
be approximately the same as dur-
ing the past quarter, \$26,486.84.
This means that in about two
months the accumulated interest
will counterbalance the present net
debt of \$18,237.51. In addition to
the sinking fund commission the
regular meetings of the board of
revenue commissioners and the
board of accounts were also held
but only routine business was trans-
acted.

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Pure Food Law Rot.

Oysters Cannot be Packed in or Served With
Ice Unless Marked Adulterated.

The Agricultural Department,
which has charge of the adminis-
tration of the Pure Food law, has
ruled that ice packed in with raw
oysters constitutes an adulteration.
That is, the water which melts out
of the ice is an adulterant addition
to the oyster juice, within the
meaning of the law. This decision,
which has been officially conveyed
by the department to the National
Oyster Growers and Dealers' As-
sociation, is soon to be followed by
the active enforcement of the new
regulations, which provide that
raw oysters must be shipped in re-
frigerated packages where the ice
and the bivalves do not come in di-
rect contact. This latest and most
curious government interpretation
of "adulteration" will not only
considerably increase the cost of
oysters to the consumers, but will,
it is said, drive out of business
many firms which made a specialty
of the packages in which oysters
are now almost universally shipped
to the interior of the country. Un-
der the new regulation it will be
unlawful to serve raw oysters in
cracked ice unless the sign, "these
oysters are adulterated," is stuck
on the plate. It will be against
the law, too, for a retailer, for ex-
ample, to send a dozen on the half
shell on ice even to the nearest cus-
tomer, who may be waiting only
next door. The big New York
oyster dealers are protesting against
the government's view on the sub-
ject of oyster "adulteration." It
is just plain unadulterated "tom-
myrot," they say, particularly in
view of the fact that the Agricul-
tural Department, in its secret in-
vestigation, admits it shipped oys-
ters from Biloxi, Miss., on the Gulf
of Mexico, to Denver, Col., where
the bivalves, at the end of the long
journey, stood all tests, gastromo-
mic and chemical.

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