THE CAMBRIA FREEMAN.

Ebensburg, Pa.,

FRIDAY. - - DEC. 8, 1876.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Here, There, and the Other Place.

—Scarlet fever is said to be very prevalent at Carrolltown just now.

—Tuesday, Feb. 7th, 1877, has been fixed for the holding of the next Argument Court in this county.

—Seventeen innocent infants seeking a like number of unscrupulous sires were among defendants at Court this week.

—Friday, being the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mother of God, is a holiday of obligation in the Catholic Church.

—A entire flock of sheep owned by a resident of Puzzletown, Blair county, named Bare, was pebbled up by two dogs on Wednesday night of last week.

—Like a single bill was ignored by the Grand Jury this week, and in only one instance thus far has there been a verdict of guilty after trial by Court.

—A smoking pipe of some value was picked up on the street a day or two ago and left at this office, where the owner can obtain it by paying for this notice.

—Remember the poor in this world will be with you always, and if you do anything in the world to come unto them the poor some very substantial thing will be remembering him as well.

—A gent's watch chain, red and blue in color, was lost somewhere in Ebensburg on Saturday last. The finder will confer a favor on the owner by returning it to this office, and will be suitably rewarded by leaving it at this office.

—A Hollidaysburg lumberman named Stewart slipped and fell between the "dead-locks" of two freight cars in Altoona, on Tuesday last, while engaged in making a coupling, and was caught and crushed to death.

—Physicians recommend Dr. Ball's Cough Syrup in all other medicines fail, as a sure cure for Bronchitis, Sore Throat, Coughs or Colds of long standing. For sale by Druggists.

—The citizens of Blacklick township will treat all offended if a hunt after bears which are infesting that region be gotten up on a large scale and brought to a successful termination. Who'll volunteer?

—The Altoona *Radical* has been creditably informed that Col. Jas. F. Milliken has been urged by Gov. Hartranft to step down and out from the position in which he has made himself so sublimely ridiculous by his celebrated circular No. 9.

—Quite a few of our merchants did business on Thanksgiving day, and we are not going to quarrel with them if they didn't, their weighs must have been dark, though their tricks, we presume, are not dark. Doors closed and lights out, you know.

—Our young friend S. J. Humphries left last week for Philadelphia on Tuesday last, where he intends remaining for a time, and keeping his eye peeled for a business of some kind. Hope he may succeed to his heart's content.

—It has sometimes been asked why we use the word Church in some instances and not in others. Our answer is that we speak of a Church as an organization with a capital letter but when we refer to a church building only the reverse is true.

—The gentleman who took the colored lady Storm in Clearfield township on the election, and whose full name is John Q. Adams, succeeded on Tuesday of last week in capturing a monster wild turkey which weighed 21½ pounds. Other townskips to follow.

—All Myers & Lloyd's store may be found a great stock of dry goods, dress goods, etc., etc., from which any man, woman and child can buy just what they want, be it a little or be it many, at prices lower than the scale than ever before heard of in this latitude.

—Messrs. James Johnston and Wm. Jackson, of Somerville, this county, succeeded last week in killing two deer each in the county of that place. The last named gentleman is said to have seen no less than a number in one drove, but succeeded in killing only one of them.

—The man John King, of whose criminal assault is given elsewhere, was arrested in Pittsburgh on Tuesday evening last by Detective Seth Wilmot and locked up at the Central Station to await the arrival of officer from Johnstown, who has no doubt ere this secured his prisoner and will shortly have him safely lodged in jail here (Thursday).

—Don't forget to bear in mind and keep remembrance that Godfrey Wolff's reliable low priced Clothing Store is located in Clinton street, next door to the post-office, Johnstown, and that it is the leading emporium for the sale of gentlemen's wearing apparel and furnishing goods in this section of the county. No other dealer can do so well for his patrons. Go see and be convinced.

—The right to use Diehl's smoke consumer has been purchased by the Cambria Iron Company, who expect thereby to save $10,000 to $12,000 per year at their extensive coal and iron works in Johnstown. We know the Diehl had a smoke consumer, but don't know even yet whether sinners will believe or be sorry now that there is no reason to doubt that he has.

—Some distantly wretches entered the house of Mr. H. Stiffler, of Freedom township, Blair county, a few nights ago, and after cutting his horse's tail, cut a set of harness into ribbons and his buggy top in strips, besides committing other acts of malicious mischief. Strange for being instrumental in securing the arrest of certain parties for disturbing a public meeting is supposed to have committed these vandal acts.

—Life is a little nonsense now and then and a new suit of clothing? Because it is worn by the wisest men, among whom are to be numbered all those individuals of the feminine persuasion who make their purchases at Jas. J. Murphy's Star Clothing Hall, 120 Clinton street, Johnstown, where the best garments can be bought and more money saved in the operation than at any other establishment in the county. Go and see it yourself.

—Dr. Hoffman reached home on Tuesday evening last after a somewhat protracted absence in the scenes of his childhood, and can be found as of yore at his room's on the second floor, over the store of Messrs. Pryce, Lloyd, Jones & Co., ready and willing to perform all operations in dentistry that he may be called upon to attend to. The Doctor is an adept in his business, and does his work well and at the very lowest living rates. Give him a call if you need his services.

—Emulating the example of their Huntingdon brethern, and anticipating as it were the action on part of the members of the bar of this county, the legal fraternity of Cambria county purchased a few days ago and took to the residence of Hon. John Dean a magnificent and costly set of silver ware, consisting of thirteen pieces, each of which bears the following inscription: "Hon. and Mrs. John Dean. Compliments of the Blair County Bar. Nov. 23, 1876." A commendable act well done.

—We regret very much to learn that Rev. Christy, recently of this place—a gentleman well deserving the title of the "Good Samaritan of the Army of the Cumberland" had the misfortune to injure one of his feet quite severely a few days ago while getting from a buggy at Kittanning. A vein was cut, open the injured member and it is feared that the flesh had been torn from the bone for a distance of three or four inches. We tender our sincere sympathies to Father Christy in his painful affliction.

—A woman's rights woman named Mrs. Walker, who lives on the mountains back of Duncansville, Blair county, has prosecuted her husband for stealing her horse and buggy from the Lutheran church yard in Hollidaysburg while she was attending divine service a Sunday or two ago, thus necessitating her return home on foot. She caused the issuing of warrants for the arrest of her two sons Levi and William, as well as for the latters wife and father-in-law Joseph Laporte, whom she charges with having conspired together to aid the old man in his reprehensible conduct. What the result of the matter has been we have thus far failed to learn.

—A small but well-developed lake made its appearance in our midst at an early hour yesterday morning. Need we assure our readers that it came in shape of a bouncing boy baby and that its worthy progenitor, J. G. Lake, Esq., who was never before blessed in this way, is as happy as the biggest kind of a big *son*-flower. Long life and unbounded prosperity to the "little codger," say we.

—A four-year old daughter of Mr. Adam Reip, a resident of Millville, near Altoona, was burned to death on Saturday morning last. The mother of the little unfortunate went to a neighbor's for a bucket of water, leaving the child in front of the stove sewing a muslin patch, and when she returned she found nothing but the charred remains of her darling child. How the sad accident occured is only a matter of conjecture, but the presumption is that the little one opened the stove door with the piece of muslin and that it caught fire and communicated the flames to her clothing with the terrible result stated. A younger child, a mere infant, was sitting on a table crying bitterly when the mother re-entered the house, and the room was filled with smoke.

—Dr. J. A. Shade, of Shade's Gap, Huntingdon county was shot and killed by his son-in-law, a young man named C. A Reese, who put two bullets from a revolver into the unfortunate man's body. The murder was the result of a quarrel growing out of domestic difficulties, Reese it seems having several years ago married the only daughter of the murdered man, from whom he was subsequently divorced, but re-married her in a few months after, since when the pair lived together at Orbisonia, where they eked out a rather precarious existence until a short time ago, when they parted once more and no doubt for the last time. After the shooting Reese left the drug store in which the tragedy was enacted and started towards Orbisonia, but was soon overtaken by ex-Sheriff Neely, who arrested him without difficulty and took him to the Huntingdon jail where he is now confined awaiting trial for the shocking crime.

—Not to be outdone by those who have gone before the members of the bar and Court House officials of this county have just presented his Honor Judge Dean with a splendid set of silver ware consisting of ten pieces and costing $155. The ceremony took place on Tuesday evening last at the residence of F. A. Shoemaker, Esq., the presentation address being made by R. L. Johnston, Esq., in his usual happy and humorous strain, and responded to by Judge Dean in a well chosen speech full of sentiments worthy alike of his noble mind and generous heart. It was in fact a feeling tribute to the Bar and officials as well as to the people in general of Cambria county, for all whom his honor has on more than one occasion expressed the kindliest regard. Both speeches were taken down in short hand by Mr. Waring, the Court reporter, and will be published in our next issue, want of space preventing us from doing so this week.

—The following from the Huntingdon *Local News* was designed especially for that locality, but as it applies with equal force to this latitude we need offer no excuse for reproducing it: In this community, and perhaps in the county, there are very few families likely to require charity, and yet it would be well enough for those of our people who have enough and to spare to look after those who may not be so comfortably situated. The most deserving poor are often the very last to make known their condition; and not unfrequently a false delicacy prevents them from appealing for aid when they are really suffering from hunger and cold. Our people generally know the families and persons who would be likely to want attention, and they should not be backward about looking after them. It would be proper for each church to look after its members. Help coming in this way is often more readily and cheerfully received.

—Ralph L. Rollins, one of the Chambersburg bank robbers, who escaped from jail in that place on Sunday night week, as noticed in our last issue, was tracked as far as Altoona, where all traces of him were finally lost. A Chambersburg correspondent of the Phila. *Times* says that Rolland went in a northwestern direction from that place, giving a man fourteen dollars to carry him across the mountains into Amberson's valley. Thence he went through Doylesburg and Concord across the second range of mountains to Orbisonia, at which place he jumped a freight train near Mt. Union, and was ejected from it, and at eleven o'clock Tuesday he was last seen making his way toward Altoona on foot. Mr. Greenawalt reached Altoona Wednesday evening and telegraphed in all directions a description of his eagerly-sought-for prey, but was about twenty hours behind him. Detectives in Chicago are on the lookout.

—This seems to be rather an unhealthy season for the Rager family, no less than six of that name having of late got themselves into rather unenviable positions. The first of them, John Rager, we need scarcely remind our readers, went into the affidavit business with very poor success just before the recent election, two others of the name, Charles Rager and one of the Misses Rager, have fallen victims to the ciles of a sharper named King, the probabilities being, however, that the lady in question is not a very innocent victim, the fourth on the list, Jordan S. Rager, has just been tried and found guilty of burglary, the fifth one, Thomas S. Rager, of Jackson township, was brought to jail here on Wednesday night last on a charge of fornication and bastardy, while the sixth and last, a cousin of the defendant, Miss Mary Ann Rager, appears as prosecutrix in the case. The Ragers, it would seem from this, have struck rather a bad streak.

—John King is the name of an individual who will be called upon when arrested, if he ever should be, to answer the double charge of bigamy and swindling, he not only having entered into the bonds of matrimony with a certain Miss Rager, of Jackson township, this county, while his own lawful wife was still in the full vigor of womanhood, but having also obtained a watch from Mr. Charles Rager, of Conemaugh township, by representing that he had money in a Johnstown bank which he intended to draw out on Saturday last, at which time he promised to meet Mr. Rager in that place and make it all right. This he failed to do, however, owing to the fact that he had in the meantime found it convenient, if not absolutely necessary in order to avoid trouble, by betaking himself to other scenes. An information charging him with the offence was nevertheless made before Esq. Strayer on the same day by Mr. Rager, which charge was preceded on the day previous by that of bigamy preferred before Esq. Custer, of Jackson township, by King's own wife who supplemented the proceedings on the day following by bringing a like suit before the same official against Miss Rager, who, the Johnstown *Tribune* alleges, has no better excuse to offer for her conduct than that King had told her "he never married that other woman, but only picked her up in Pittsburgh, and was merely living with her."

—Five tramps were passing up Main street, Johnstown, about dusk on Saturday evening last, when two of the party grabbed each a pair of boots hanging in front of Dibert's store, after which they and their associates started on a full run in the direction of Clinton street, and when opposite the clothing store of Judge Barnes another of the party grabbed a coat from the rack outside and made off with it also. They had not gone far, however, before three of them with the stolen articles in their possession were overhauled and eventually consigned to the care of Chief-Police Harris, who took them to the lock-up, where the other two eventually appeared and virtually gave themselves up—the evident, may, the expressed purpose, of some of the party in committing the thefts to secure lodgings for the winter, they all alleging that they would rather be inside the walls of a comfortable prison than to be tramping the country at this inclement season of the year. The three who stole the boots and coat gave their names respectively as John C. Stewart, who claims to be a distant relative of the merchant prince, A. T. Stewart, recently deceased, Wm. Lewis and John Sullivan, the other two answering to the names of Joseph Curry and Edward G. Dalton. One said he was from Omaha, another from Ogden City, a third from the Island of St. Thomas, and the remaining two from New York and Chicago respectively. They were brought to jail here the same night and on Monday a true bill was found against them by the Grand Jury, with what result will be seen by consulting the proceedings of Court published elsewhere.

DOINGS IN COURT.—Immediately after the arrival of the second train on Monday morning last the Court was convened and at once proceeded with the swearing in of the Grand Jury, of which Joseph Hogue, Esq., of Allegheny township, was named as foreman, receiving the returns of constables etc., after which came adjournment for dinner. On reassembling in the afternoon the first case called was that of the

Com'th vs. George Heisel and Jos. Wm. Gallagher, indicted for larceny and receiving stolen goods. This case was from White township and defendants were charged with stealing a quantity of butter from the spring house of Thomas A. Powell. Gallagher not having been arrested, Heisel was put upon trial and found not guilty.

EVENING SESSION.

Com'th vs. Maurice McNamara—embezzlement of funds as tax collector. Defendant pleads guilty. Sentence deferred until Argument Court.

Com'th vs. Albert Flanagan—fornication and bastardy. Defendant not taken.

Com'th vs. Frank Murray and Samuel Griffith—assault and battery with intent to kill. Defendants not taken.

Com'th vs. Joseph Storm—assault and battery with intent to commit a rape. Defendant not taken.

Com'th vs. Mary Jane Sanders—fornication. On leave of Court District Attorney Rose entered a *nolle prosequi*, county to pay the costs.

TUESDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Com'th vs. John C. Stewart and Wm. C. Lewis—larceny. This is the case reported elsewhere as having occurred in Johnstown on Saturday evening last. Defendants plead guilty and submitted to the decree of the Court. Not yet sentenced.

Com'th vs. John Sullivan, Edward G. Dalton and Joseph Curry—larceny. These defendants also belonged to the same gang of tramps as the parties named above. Sullivan plead guilty and the other two were put upon trial and acquitted.

Com'th vs. Thomas Dougherty—seduction and fornication and bastardy. This case came from Conemaugh borough, the prosecutrix being a young, handsome and seemingly guileless girl, nineteen years of age, named Ellen Harlan, who was, as alleged seduced nearly three years ago by the defendant, who kept up his intimacy with her until a bastard child was the result. The father of the prosecutrix corroborated the testimony of his daughter as to promises of marriage having been made by the defendant, which he, however, failed to fulfil. Jury found defendant guilty as in manner and form indicted. Not yet sentenced.

Com'th vs. John Wilte—larceny. Defendant plead guilty and was sentenced to pay a fine of one dollar and costs of prosecution, and to undergo an imprisonment of ten days in the county jail.

Com'th vs. John Hurdman—assault and battery with intent to commit a rape. This case comes from Coopersdale, a little girl only ten years of age, Sarah Marsh by name, who is a cousin of the defendant, being the victim of the alleged outrage sought to be committed. The child testified that Hurdman called at her father's house during the absence of the other members of the family and tore one of her garments and injured her person with his hand. Defendant denied this story under oath, but it availed him naught, as the jury after deliberating for an hour or two found him guilty of the offence charged. Remanded for sentence.

Com'th vs. Chalmer Dick—assault and battery. Defendant plead guilty and was sentenced. Same day sentenced to pay a fine of ten dollars to the Commonwealth and the costs of prosecution.

EVENING SESSION.

Com'th vs. John Sutton—fornication and bastardy. Mary Jane Sanders, prosecutor. These parties are colored and hail from Laurel Hill. The prosecutrix is quite a young woman, while the defendant is rather tending towards the sere and yellow leaf—that is if the yellow leaf can be said to have any dealings with one so extremely black. Daniel McLaughlin, Esq., was directed by the Court to take charge of the case on behalf of Sutton, who, although he admitted his guilt, seemed to think a lawyer might be of some use to him. A jury was then called and the trial proceeded, during which a very novel defence was set up in shape of the baby itself, which was exhibited to the jury in hopes that its light complexion would induce the belief that a white man and not a colored one was the real father of the infant. The jury couldn't see it in that light, however, and so the defendant was adjudged guilty.

Com'th vs. John Brown—fornication and bastardy; Sarah Jane Clevinger, of Jackson township, prosecutrix. Defendant found guilty, notwithstanding he swore point blank that he was many miles away from the scene of the offence at the time it was unquestionably committed.

WEDNESDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Com'th vs. Michael Kirsch—adultery; Aloysius Stinebiser, prosecutor. This case was from Barr township, and the evidence adduced was to the effect that the defendant had been for the past four or five years holding relations more cordial than chaste with the wife of deponant. Verdict, guilty. Not sentenced.

Com'th vs. John Ream, Jordon S. Rager and John Cuthbert—larceny and receiving stolen goods. The facts in this case were given in our last issue and need not be recapitulated here. Culbart plead guilty to the second count and turned State's evidence. Ream and Rager were then put upon trial and convicted, after which they were remanded for sentence.

Com'th vs. Simon Weakland—larceny. Defendant found guilty. Sentence deferred.

Com'th vs. Margaret Weddell—malicious mischief. True bill; continued until next Court.

Com'th vs. Henry M. Weddell—charge, desertion. Settled as per paper filed.

Com'th vs. John Erb—fornication and bastardy. Continued until next Court.

Com'th vs. Jas. and Wm. Dronesfield—assault and battery; Jethro Oldham, prosecutor. Defendants found guilty. Sentence reserved.

THURSDAY FORENOON.

Com'th vs. John Burns, jr.—surety of peace; John Burns, sr., complainant. Acquitted on the ground of insanity and county to pay costs.

Com'th vs. Wm. O'Donnell and Robert Murray—aggravated assault and battery and simple assault and battery. This was a prosecution brought against defendants for striking with a stone and severely injuring a little girl, daughter of Mr. John W. Logan of Johnstown, said stone having been thrown at Mr. Charles Kress during the progress of an assault on that gentleman in the street. Verdict, guilty; not yet sentenced.

Com'th vs. Wm. Williams—assault and battery with intent to kill and assault and battery. Not guilty on first count, but guilty on second.

Com'th vs. Bartley Butis—larceny and receiving stolen goods; Dorsey King, prosecutor. Defendant plead guilty to the last charge and the District Attorney entered a *nol. pros.* as to the second. A shot-gun stolen from the livery stable of complainant, in Johnstown, was the cause of action.

Com'th vs. James Callahan—murder. This is the Lilly's Station homicide case, in which Jacob Boast lost his life. On trial as we go to press Faursday.

—Some six months or more ago a heartless wretch in female form came to this place with an infant in her arms, for whom she expressed a desire to secure a home in some respectable family, alleging as a reason that her husband was kept very busy (what at we believed she failed to tell) and that she, being obliged to assist him in his work, was unable to give her child the attention required. She was directed to the residence of a young married lady living in Cambria township to whom she proposed to pay ten dollars a month if she would take charge of the infant and keep it until called for. This proposition was willingly accepted, the heartless mother, if mother she be, paying five dollars in hand and stipulating to send the amount agreed upon at regular intervals every month. She then took her departure and has not only remained away ever since, but the poor woman who was so badly imposed upon has not heard a word or received a dollar from that day to this. That is not all, however, nor by any means the worst, as our readers will readily admit when we assure them that within a week or two the discovery has been made that the little waif is totally blind, and there is also said to be good reason to fear that it is idiotic as well. A clearer case than this of heartless desertion on one side and of confiding innocence on the other has never came to our knowledge, and we sincerely hope that the inhuman wretch who committed this ignoble act may yet be made to feel the penalty which she so richly deserves.

SALES BY THE SHERIFF.—The following properties were disposed of by the Sheriff at public outcry on last Monday afternoon:

House and lot in Ebensburg, the property of D. H. Kinkead; sold to Jno. E. Scanlan, Esq., for $1,050.

Tract of land containing 123 acres, located in Susquehanna township, the property of Wm. McCombie; sold to F. A. Shoemaker, Esq., for $125.

Seven acres of land in Cambria township, the property of Wm. R. Tibbott, sold to E. Roberts for $40.

House and lot in Carrolltown, the property of Dominick Eger, sold to Julius Stich for $1,200. Also, house and lot in same place, owned by Dominick Eger; sold to J. W. Sharbaugh for $750.

Four hundred acres in Clearfield township, the property of Aaron Dougherty; sold to J. W. and Rebecca Dougherty for $975. Also, 400 acres in same township, the property of Aaron Dougherty; sold to John Dougherty, for 225.

Thirty acres of land in Barr township, the property of Francis Wismiller; sold to N. Lambour for $400.

The sale of the other properties advertised was postponed until Monday next, except in cases in which the writs were not stayed.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.—We give here with such proceedings of the Teachers' Institute not already published as have been furnished us, the gentleman to whom the duty of furnishing the report was entrusted having, as will be seen, failed to furnish an abstract of the doings on Thursday afternoon, which for that reason we are obliged to omit:

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION.

In accordance with previous adjournment, the Institute convened at the Congregational church at the usual hour and was called to order by Sup't Berg.

The first exercise of the evening was music by the choir—"A Hundred Years to Come"—after which Prof. Sharpe gave a select reading entitled "Revolutionary Rising."

Prof. Curry was then introduced and delivered a lecture on "The World as a Model School."

Music by the choir—"On the dewy breath of evening."

Following this was a lecture by Prof. Delap on the subject of "Ventilation," and after him came Prof. Potter in a few rambling remarks on "Imaginary Troubles," which was succeeded by a choice selection entitled the "Soldier's Reprieve," admirably read by Prof. Sharp.

The minutes of the afternoon and evening sessions were then read and approved, and a motion adopted to hold no forenoon session on Thursday (Thanksgiving). "Merry Sunshine" was then sung by the choir, after which the Institute adjourned to meet at the Court-House at 1½ p. m. Thursday.

THURSDAY EVENING'S SESSION

was opened with music by the Ebensburg silver cornet band, after which the minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

A talk on "A method how to read" was then indulged in by Prof. Sharpe, during which many questions were propounded by the teachers and answered by the Professor.

Music by the band.

A discussion on "How to improve our schools" was then opened by Mr. A. S. Brubaker and continued by Mr. Hadds, Rev. J. N. Metcalfe, Messrs. Lavers, Graubling and McFeaters, and by Prof. Sharpe.

Music by the band.

After this the following report of the committee appointed to examine the manuscripts of the teachers in spelling was presented:

We, the undersigned, your committee appointed to examine the different spelling lists, report that we have done so, taking Webster's Academic Dictionary as authority, and submit the following:

There are twenty-nine 1 sts, and we find Mary A. Howe, E. G. Lavers and James Iteij equal, each having made *zero* mistakes. We also find one with *five*, one with *six*, eight with *eight*, three with *nine*, five with *ten*, two with *eleven*, one with *twelve*, two with *thirteen*, two with *fourteen*, and one with *fifteen* mistakes, fully submitted.

C. T. ROBERTS,
GEO. A. KINKEAD,
A. W. BUCK.

On motion, the report was received and the committee discharged.

A few remarks were then made by Mr. N. N. Keener, who was followed by Prof. Sharpe in a choice selection entitled "The New Church Organ," after which the Institute adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION.

After the usual preliminaries of opening, the exercises were commenced with the reading of a paper on "Moral Instruction in our Common Schools" by Mr. John McCormick.

Next in order was the selection of a committee on permanent certificates, for which duty the following named ladies and gentleman were chosen: Misses A. H. Quinn, S. A. Carter, Mary Hughes and Messrs. E. C. Lavers and F. A. Lyte. This committee subsequently reported as follows:

1st. That they would hold an examination on the third Saturday of April, 1877, in the Fourth Ward school house in Johnstown.

2d. That examinations will be written wherever possible.

3d. That the standard for passing the examination will be to answer correctly or to discuss properly eighty-two per cent., or four-fifths, of the questions or topics presented.

The auditing committee then presented their report, which was adopted and the committee discharged.

On motion, Mr. Lewis Strayer was re-elected Treasurer for the ensuing year.

By request of the teachers, in the form of a motion, Sup't Berg extended to all the teachers of the county to attend the next session of the State Teachers' Association at Erie, Pa.

A talk on "Primary Teaching," with some examples in gymnastics were then given by Mr. Lewis Strayer.

Music—"The Brooklet"—by the class.

Prof. Sharpe then talked on "A method to teach advanced classes in reading," after which the committee on resolutions presented the following report which was accepted and the committee discharged:

WHEREAS, It is the custom of all educational bodies of this kind to express in a series of resolutions their sentiments on various subjects; therefore be it resolved

That we tender our thanks to the trustees of the Congregational church of this place for the free use of their place of worship; to the county commissioners for the gratuitous use of the Court House; to the representatives of the press who have noted our proceedings; to the hotel keepers for reductions made in boarding bills; to the Ebensburg cornet band and to pupils and directors of the Ebensburg schools for music furnished, to Profs. Sharpe, Curry, and Delap for instruction given; and to all who have in any way conduced to the success of the Institute.

That we recognize in Co. Sup't Berg a faithful school officer, to whom we will continue to give our most earnest support.

That as funds are necessary to the well-working of a County Institute the County Superintendent is respectfully requested to draw upon the County Treasurer for the full amount of money to which the Institute is entitled by law.

Whole number of teachers present—ninety-three.

Some encouraging remarks were then made by Mr. F. J. Parrish, Rev. McGonigle, Dr. Evans, Mr. Lem. Davis, T. W. Dick, Esq., and "Chaplain" Wm. T. Davis, who were followed by Prof. Sharpe in a select reading entitled "The Burial of Moses," after which the Doxology was sung, the minutes read and approved, and the Institute adjourned *sine die*.

Local Correspondence.

HOUTZDALE, Pa., Dec. 4, 1876.

DEAR FREEMAN—A centennial Tea-Party was given in aid of the M. E. church of this place on Thanksgiving evening and proved a decided success, and affording much amusement and pleasure to all concerned. Mr. Robt. A. Leonard represented the "Father of his County" in revolutionary costume, while Miss Elwilda Shoff personated Martha Washington, who by purity of reasoning must have been the mother of that same. Messrs. G. W. Dickey, M. McCraney, Thos. Watchman, A. S. Everits, J. E. Arnold, Ben. Hess, Samuel Parsons and J. D. Sprout, also appeared in continental costumes and relished much admiration. The tables were laden with those delicacies and dainties, of which all partook with great relish everything passed off quietly and with great credit to the managers.

Another unfortunate has fallen a prey to the lacerating wheels of a locomotive on the Pa. R. R., about one half mile from this place the victim in this instance being Daniel Doran, who met his sad and terrible fate on the 29th inst. Mr. A. J. Sharbaugh took charge of the badly mutilated body and had it conveyed to Osceola for interment. Deceased was about forty years of age and leaves a wife and one child.

The "Black Diamond Dramatic Association" of this place gave a very interesting entertainment at Leopold's Hall, on Saturday night, Dec. 24. The audience for some unexplicable reason was rather slim, but all who attended were well pleased with the exhibition, and especially with the clog dances by Messrs. McVey, Murphy and McCormick. The company is under the management of Mr. J. J. Maloney. We wish the troup unbounded success.

Our friend, Mr. John B. McGrath, has recovered entirely from his recent illness, and is once more looking well and hearty.

D. B. Gibbons has returned from his trip to Cambria county. He enjoyed a sleigh ride on the Allegheny Mountains during his absence.

Fowls are easy to be had now on the streets from farmers of this vicinity. Every day our streets are crowded with wagons containing different kinds of produce and game.

The new time table on the P. R. R. has given us four trains daily in and out of town. An extra convenience much appreciated by our citizens.

Hoping we'll have a sleigh ride before you hear from me again, I am

Yours, &c., BYRON.

USE YOURSELF WELL.—The sufferings of the chronic invalid are of such varied kinds as to enlist the sympathy of every one who loves his fellow-man. A month's good treatment, however, such as is given by Dr. Keyser, of Pittsburgh, will do more to cure than whole years of complainings, especially as the doctor has investigated and treated chronic ailments for over thirty years. Dr. Keyser is the only man in Pennsylvania who has given the subject of consumption a thorough and complete investigation to any practical purpose, and it may be said of him, that when that disease can be cured, he can cure it. One of the great means of cure which he uses, is a discovery called DR. KEYSER'S LUNG CURE, which cleans out the blood, renews the tissues, makes the ulcers in the lungs heal, and furnishes the blood with plastic material to renew the powers of life. You can have his Treatise sent free by application or letter.

Price of Lung Cure $1.50 per bottle or $7.50 per half dozen. To be had at Dr. Keyser's Laboratory, 240 Penn avenue, Pittsburgh. His private consulting office is No. 120 Penn avenue.

—Any man who buys eggs at the ruling prices is sufficiently Democratic enough to demand a "fair count."

Communication.

A NEW HAND AT THE BELLOWS—HE COMPLIMENTS "JUSTICE"—HE'S MISTAKEN—HE FALSIFIES—HE LIES—HE KNOWS EVERYTHING.—REPUBLICAN GENEROSITY—POWDER—"BULLDOZING" A GERMAN VOTER, ETC.

PORTAGE, Dec. 6, 1876.

EDITOR FREEMAN—In the issue of the Ebensburg *Herald* of Dec. 1st a writer with the noon de plume of "Seldom" spreads himself muchly. He gives his location "near Portage." Though aware that many brilliant intellects, encased in human frames, have lived and moved in our neighborhood, I did not have swarmed off I speak correctly of the fact that we had a veritable Demosthenes *almost* in our very midst, until my attention was called to this "Seldom" equaled and never excelled "upheval" of true inwardness of a "bulldozing" Republican.

This mighty writer "opens up" by slinging a left handed looking—compliment at his confrere, "Justice." Whether or not "Justice" will consider if exactly "Fair Play" to have the wreath so unceremoniously snatched from his own brow, is something that will "Seldom" trouble anybody but "we three."

"Seldom" is *mistaken*, however, if he imagines that *this* reformer "casts slang and berates" any of the good citizens of Portage. He falsifies when he says it was done in the article referred to by him. He *lies* when he says *this* reformer denounces all those who differ with him in opinion, etc. It is only those whose political teachings are culpably wicked that are denounced, and they will be denounced until the Country is purged of the "pesky critters." But when those who are in invincible ignorance," like as "Seldom," come under our notice, nothing but the kindest and most charitable feelings are entertained; and we wouldn't touch a hair of their heads—not if we know ourself.

"Seldom" says he happened in Portage "on that memorable evening in question (who question it?), pulled at the ropes (what ropes?), learned some facts (for a fact?), and took a few dr——ms, notes." Whose notes did you take?

Again he says, "It is an undeniable *fact* that Republicans did tender and afterwards did cheerfully furnish (at what price?) powder to burst the anvil which it was said was to celebrate the anticipated return of Boss Tweed." Well, if that pesky anvil was intended for *celebrating* that *anticipation* it deserved to be busted—and that too by Republican powder! In this opinion all honest Republicans will no doubt "bare" me out.

"Seldom" again says that "in justice to the author of the article, he did all in his power to keep order," etc. You will always find Democrats doing all in their power in the interest of order and reform.

Again he says, "the meeting went on (where?) until none were left, etc., save one gentleman, an aged German friend, who was death to hang on," etc. This is the same "German Democratic friend" whom some of the Smart Republicans tried to "bulldoze" on the morning of the election by tendering a seat in a wagon to ride to the polls, on condition that he would vote the Republican ticket, but who replied that he had voted the Democratic ticket all the days of his life and would continue to vote it until the day of his death—if he lived so long. He is death to hang on!

"Seldom" squelches all further attempts at reform and completely knocks the "gas" out of all reformers by the following *very* profound sentence, as a conclusion: "Taking into consideration that much abused word, reform, so much used in the campaign just closed, how used, and by whom, and for what intent, it became a stench in the nostrils of the better thinking class of the American people." Jewhillikins! Pittsburgh *Gazette* please copy.—More troops! more affidavits! and less—

REFORM.

STRAY STEER.—Came to the enclosure of the subscriber in Chest township, on or about the 13th day of October last, a one-year-old steer, red and white in color, but no marks. The owner is hereby notified to appear, prove property, pay charges and take the animal away, failing in which, the steer will be disposed of as the law directs.

Dec. 8, 1876-3t. ANSELM WEAKLAND.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of JOHN BRADLEY, dec'd.

Having been granted letters testamentary on the estate of John Bradley, late of Allegheny township, Cambria county, deceased, the undersigned hereby calls upon all persons indebted to said estate to make payment without delay, and those having claims against the same should present them fully substantiated for settlement.

HENRY MANSFIELD.

Allegheny Twp., Dec. 8, 1876.-6t.*

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.—The partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned in the mercantile business was dissolved by mutual consent on the first day of November last. The books and other accounts of the late firm have been left in the hands of the junior member, who can be found at the Ebensburg Woolen Factory, where all indebted are requested to call without delay and settling the amounts standing against them.

SAMUEL BAXTER,
WM. S. BAXTER.

Ebensburg, Dec. 4, 1876.-6t.

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At the sign of the BIG CLOCK on the sidewalk.

All goods bought *direct* from manufacturers at lowest *cash* prices, and will be sold *cheaper than ever*. [12-8.-1m.]

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IS prepared to buy FURS of all kind, for which he will pay the highest price in CASH. Red and Grey Fox, Bear, Raccoon, Otter, Mink and Muskat skins are specially desired.

P. S.—A large assortment of elegant CLOCKS on hand and for sale at the very LOWEST FIGURES. Clocks, Watches, Jewelry, &c., promptly repaired and warranted, and that too at lower rates than has heretofore been charged in this community. Those who have tried me know what I can do and those who have not are respectfully invited to give me a call. JOSEPH WEISSER,

Dec. 1, 1876. Colonnade Row, Ebensburg.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE.—The undersigned offers at private sale an excellent FARM situate in Carroll township, Cambria county, containing FIFTY-ONE ACRES, and allowance, adjoining lands of E. Dishart, J. Snyder, and others, having thereon erected a two story PLANK HOUSE and FRAME BARN. There is also a good orchard of choice fruit on the premises and the farm is well watered. Title perfect. For terms call on or address

MICHAEL HUBER,

Nov. 24, 1876.-4t. Carrolltown, Pa.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of BENJ. BYERS, dec'd.

Letters testamentary on the estate of Benjamin Byers, late of White township, Cambria county, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, who hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate that payment must be made forthwith, and those having claims against the same will present them properly probated for settlement.

JOHN S. McKIERNAN,

Dec. 1, 1876.-6t.* Executor.

STRAY CALVES.—Came into the enclosure of the subscriber in Washington township, on or about — — —, two red calves, one of which is a year old and has a slit in each ear, the other being a Spring calf and has a piece cut of the under side of the left ear. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take them away, otherwise they will be disposed of according to law.

MICHAEL DONAHOE.

Washington Twp., Dec. 1, 1876.-3t.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of WM. QUINTON, dec'd.

Letters of administration on the estate of William Quinton, late of Blacklick township, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are hereby notified to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same are requested to present them for settlement.

F. A. SHOEMAKER,

Nov. 14, 1876.-6t. Administrator.

TO ALL!

DR. SWAYNE,

The discoverer and compounder of the far-famed

DR. SWAYNE'S

COMPOUND

SYRUP OF WILD CHERRY,

And other valuable preparations, entered upon his professional career with the important advantage of a regular Medical Education in one of the oldest and best schools in Philadelphia and perhaps in the world. He subsequently served a faithful term of practice in the Philadelphia Dispensary, and for many years attended also in the Hospital. In these institutions he enjoyed the fullest ample opportunities of obtaining an insight into diseases in all their various forms as well as for ascertaining the best methods of their treatment. In offering, therefore, to the people of the United States the fruits of his extensive professional experience in the medical compounds as the best results of his skill and observation, that he feels that he is but proffering a boon to every family throughout the land, resting, as he does, confidently in the merits and efficacious virtues of the remedies he herewith commends. The vast amount of testimony from all parts of the world has proven "Dr. Swayne's Compound of Wild Cherry" the most efficacious remedy known, and it is admitted by our most eminent physicians, and all who have witnessed its wonderful healing properties. The Wild Cherry, in all ages of the world and in all countries where it is known, has been justly celebrated for its wonderful medical qualities, but its great power to cure some of the worst and most distressing diseases among us, was never fully ascertained until the experiments of that skillful physician, Dr Swayne, had demonstrated its high ad