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HARRITY'S REPORT.

Secretary Harrity has submitted his annual report to Governor Pattison. It shows that during the past two years 1,158 charters were granted under the act of April 29, 1874, and seventy-nine locomotive and 127 street railway companies were incorporated, besides a great deal of miscellaneous business. The fees for the last twenty-two months amount to \$71,577.50, which does not include the bonus fees received on the granting of charters. The expense of the department for the same period was \$61,104. From this it appears that the fees more than exceed the expenditures of the department by the sum of \$10,473.50. In addition to this there has been received from commissioners, certified copies and miscellaneous sources the sum of \$12,015.12, which would make the excess of such receipts over the expenditures amount to the sum of \$22,488.62. The total commissions issued were 6,342.

Secretary Harrity refers to the defects in the new ballot law and makes some suggestions for the benefit of the legislature. He thinks that nominations made by nomination papers which do not have attached thereto the number of signers as required for any state or district nominations should not be certified to county commissioners and sheriffs as directed in section 10 of the act. The reason for this addition is that no authority is given in any part of the act to any one to determine what the required percentage of the vote at the previous election in the district for which a nomination paper purports to come. It is suggested that section 4 should be so changed as to set out clearly what political appellation may or may not be used by parties making nominations by nomination papers. He thinks that the time for filing objections to nomination papers and certificates should be reduced at least one-half.

Regarding the form of ballot, he says: "In justice to the several political parties compelled to make nominations by nomination papers this section should be so amended as to allow their nominations to be arranged on the ballot in the same manner as nominations made by certificate of nominations." Further he suggests that the manner of marking the ballot by the voter could be simplified by providing that one cross mark opposite the party name or appellation at the head of the list of candidates shall be considered as a vote for all the candidates of that party.

MANY there are who turned over a new leaf on January 1, will turn back and look at some of the pictures.

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A DISGRACE TO HIS PARTY.

The Republican party and all its prominent organs have revolted at the seating of ex-State Chairman Andrews over Higby in the legislature. Andrews was twice defeated for the legislature in his county of Crawford, and the last time contested the election of his opponent on the Democratic ticket on the charge that certain township voting places were in boroughs which is illegal, and he won on this technicality, directly in the face of a majority of the citizens of Crawford county.

The Republican party can redeem itself by taking action in the legislature to rid the parasite of his ill-gotten gains, and it is called upon to do so by all fair thinking citizens of that Commonwealth.

Andrews is a disgrace to his party and the state, and none but a loafer and braggart such as he, who is in direct keeking with the machine politicians of the state would seat himself in the legislature against the direct will of the people whom he is supposed to represent.

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FROM all sections of the country come reports of this weeks cold spell, rivers frozen over, persons frozen, and the like.

THE Williamsport Daily Times, a new venture, has reached this office. The Times is bright and spry and the very picture of its namesake, in Philadelphia. We wish it success. N. S. Bailey, late of the Bellefonte Gazette, is city editor of the Times.

FRANCE'S CRISIS.

The government of France has trembled in the throes of the balance the last week and vague fears were held that the government would be over-

thrown and a monarchy established, but happily the crisis has passed and the government remains. The disclosures made by the investigation of the De Lessipo Panama Canal scandal, which resulted in the public disgrace of many prominent officials and even implicated the heads of the government, was the cause of the trouble.

The investigation which is still in progress discloses the fact that millions of dollars were spent in bribery, and embezzlement, and the sum total aggregates an enormous sum. All officials connected with the canal seemingly vied with each other in the embezzlement of large amounts of money which had been furnished mainly by the laboring classes of France.

ANDREWS who holds his seat in the legislature by having several townships thrown out that voted in a boro, an old custom, may safely be put down as a big hog. He seems to enjoy wallowing in the mire.

A DEAL is being engineered to consolidate the wire, wire nail, and wire rod interests in the United States. If the combination can be effected it will be one of the biggest concerns in the country. The capitalization will be \$25,000,000.

The proposition comes from the Washburn-Meun Company, and was made to the Consolidated Company, with headquarters in Pittsburg and Chicago. A barbed-wire trust was organized about three months ago, but the idea is to wipe out the limited consolidations and unite all in a grand combination that will regulate the output and maintain prices.

BLAINE CLOSE TO DEATH.

James G. Blaine a few days ago suffered from a relapse and his condition at present is such that it is thought his death is only a question of time. His condition is serious, but he displays wonderful recuperative powers and rallies from time to time. Blaine's illness is of such a nature that while he may die at any minute his life may be protracted for weeks.

It is creditable to a number of leading Republican journals and politicians that they discountenance the holding of a seat in the legislature by hog Andrews, on a trifling technicality, after his own county defeated him the second time.

The committee of prosecution having charge of the case of Dr. Briggs met to consider their future course with reference to an appeal. They decided after a careful scrutiny of the judgment of the court to appeal directly to the general assembly. The reason for doing this was given in a statement addressed to the public. The next general assembly convenes in Washington on May 19 next. By appealing direct to the general assembly the committee will save a year's time.

EUROPE has also had cold weather persons are reported frozen to death.

THE predicted clash between the Republicans and Populists of Kansas over the organization of the house has come, but in a totally unexpected manner. The Populists made a bold bluff to exclude from participation all those members against whom contests were pending. The Republicans would not listen to such a proposition which would mean the surrender of the house to the enemy and the result is that two houses are organized and are in full blast side by side in the same room. It has settled down to a case of freeze out and the side with the most endurance will win.

The Place of Meeting.

The Methodist church is the place appointed for holding the services of the Society of Christian Endeavor on Sabbath evening, at a quarter before six o'clock. This is a union society and it was thought advisable to hold the meetings in the different churches in town. The meeting held in the Lutheran church last Sabbath evening was well attended. It is the earnest desire of the members of this society to have all the young folks join with them and take an active part in the work.

Sleighting Parties.

Sleighting parties to Centre Hall and from Centre Hall to other places have been very numerous the last week or so, and almost nightly one comes in to the town or leaves. This evening a number of the young folks expect to sled to Millheim and take supper there.

Spent Sunday in Lewistown.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Arney and daughter Mabel, drove across the Seven mountains on Friday last to Lewistown where they were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Shimp, formerly of Centre Hall. They returned home on Monday afternoon and report a pleasant trip.

Insurance Report.

In this issue appears the thirty-fifth annual report of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Centre County, with office at Centre Hall. The affairs of the company are on a reliable basis, and the report makes a satisfactory showing.

Sixty Million Bushel of Wheat.—A Bushel for every Inhabitant of the United States. The Kansas Crop of '92.

Never in the history of Kansas has that state had such bountiful crops as this year. The farmers cannot get enough hands to harvest the great crop and the Santa Fe Railroad has made special rates from Kansas City and other Missouri River towns, to induce harvest hands to go into the state. The wheat crop of the state will be from sixty to sixty-five million bushels and the quality is high. The grass crop is made, and is a very large one; the early potatoes, rye barley and oat crops are made and are all large. The weather has been propitious for corn and it is the cleanest, best looking corn to be found in the country to-day. Cheap rates will be made from Chicago St. Louis and all points on the Santa Fe east of the Missouri River, to all Kansas points, on August 30 and September 27, and these excursions will give a chance for eastern farmers to see what the great Sunflower State can do. A good map of Kansas will be mailed free upon application to Jno. J. Byrne, 723 Monadnock Block, Chicago Ill., together with reliable statistics and information about Kansas lands.

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Travelers may learn a lesson from Mr. C. D. Cone, a prominent attorney of Parker Dakota, who says: "I never leave home without taking a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhea Remedy with me, and on many occasions have run with it to the relief of some sufferer and have never known it to fail." For sale by J. D. Murray, Druggist.

—This cold weather makes heavy clothing a necessity for comfort, and the question arises where can it be procured at a low figure and at the same time receive goods that are not shoddy. Lewins, at the Philad. Branch, Bellefonte, keeps just such a line, and when a purchase is made of him satisfactory returns can be relied upon.

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Office of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Co. of Centre County, Pa. CENTRE HALL, PA., Jan. 9, 1893.—In compliance with the provisions of their charter, the thirty-fifth annual statement of the transactions of the company is hereby presented.

ASSETS.

Real estate, including land, buildings, and other improvements, \$125,000.00. Cash on hand, 2,500.00. Cash in bank, 116.02. Total, \$127,606.02.

LIABILITIES.

Wm. F. Reynolds, 120.00. B. F. Frankenberg, 60.00. Mrs. P. O. Parsons, 60.00. J. C. Smith, 50.00. Samuel Garner, 85.49. Borrowed money, 500.00. Total, \$925.49.

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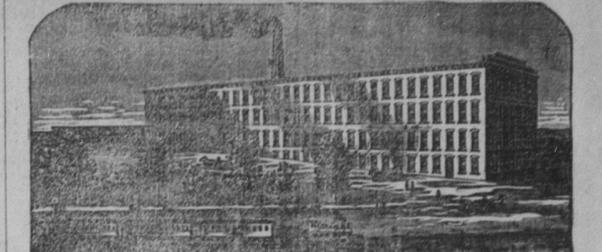
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