



THE LOCAL INSTITUTE.

LARGE ATTENDANCE AT THE INTERESTING SESSIONS.

The Teachers Owned the Town Saturday.— Full Proceeding of the Sessions.—Dr. Colfelt's Lecture.

The second Local Institute of the year held in District No. 2, was called to order Friday evening, March 4th, at 7:15, in the Methodist church, Centre Hall, by the District Chairman, Prof. Geo. B. Snyder. "America" was then sung by the audience, with Prof. P. H. Meyer presiding at the organ, where he equaled the excellent work done at the former Institute four weeks before.

The Institute was then formally opened with a neat and appropriate prayer by Rev. S. H. Eisenberg, pastor of the Reformed church of our borough. Rev. J. M. Rearick then tendered the Teachers a most cordial welcome to Centre Hall, showing the correlation and close relationship existing between Religion and the Church, and Education and the Public Schools. The response was made by J. F. McCormick, of Ferguson township, who showed very eloquently that the advancement and prosperity of the world depends directly upon education. After these pleasant preliminaries the audience—and by this time aisles as well as seats were more than comfortably filled—was put into still better humor by a solo, rendered by Miss Emilie Alexander, of Centre Hall.

The speaker of the evening, Rev. Lawrence M. Colfelt, of State College, was then introduced and gave an exceedingly entertaining and instructive lecture on "The Man with Open Eye." After speaking of his father's boyhood days at Potters Mills, he referred to Balaam, Galvani, Whitney, Edison, and finally to Darwin, as men who cultivated the power of observation and saw and recognized the opportunities for knowledge or wealth everywhere about them. He strongly advised the boys of Penns valley to not go to the city to earn fortunes, as here among the Allegheny mountains are far better opportunities, if a person but observes and sees them. He closed by paying a high tribute to the teacher of the public schools, saying that they deserve the highest respect of the communities where they labor, second only to the minister of the gospel. Although Dr. Colfelt spoke for nearly an hour and a half, and to a crowded house, yet all were sorry when he sat down. After singing by the audience and a few announcements by the chair, the session adjourned.

Saturday morning's session was opened by a song from "Song Ship" and a prayer by Rev. Faus, Pastor of the church which was placed at the disposal of the Institute. John Hosterman then recited in good style a piece entitled "How the Beggar Taught the King."

R. D. Foreman then set the ball a-rolling on "The Advantages and Evils of free text books." Dr. D. M. Wolf, of Spring Mills, followed with an excellent talk full of thought. Supt. Gramley, Prof. Rutt, J. F. McCormick and A. S. Kerlin, Rev. Faus, Rev. Rearick, Dr. Hosterman and D. A. Tate also spoke briefly. Rev. Eisenberg, Rev. Rearick, H. I. Wise and Dr. Hosterman then sang a selection entitled "Falling into Line." W. A. Krise opened the discussion on "How to teach Civil Government supplementary to U. S. History," in an able manner followed by Prof. Rutt, who had some excellent ideas on the subject. Prof. Gramley also spoke briefly, closing the discourse. Miss Edna Krumrine then recited "The Legend Beautiful" in a manner worthy of the title, and the Quartette who had already delighted the audience so much rendered another selection, "I am Wandering Slowly Down," "Which produces the Better College Student—the average Country School, or the City School with its complex methods" was then opened by J. F. McCormick and R. W. Wassen, both favoring the ungraded township school. Prof. Rutt took the opposite side, and showed that many of our great scholars have been started in the city schools. After another of Prof. Meyer's favorites—and he has a great many, for he is nothing if not versatile—the roll was then called showing that thirty teachers of District No. 2 were present and the following very welcome visitors: County Superintendent C. L. Gramley, Prof. Rutt, and Jesse Rearick; Misses Mabel Sankey and Irene Evans, of Gregg twp. and Misses M. Helen Bartholomew and Stella E. Zerby, of Millheim. The morning session then closed after hearing Miss Gertrude Wieland recite "The wreck on the Hesperus."

Saturday afternoon's session was opened by singing from "Song Ship," after which D. Wagner Geiss discussed the topic "Would the schools be benefitted by observing Monday as a holiday instead of Saturday? Roll call and singing by the Institute followed in order, after which F. W. Bathgate recited "The Dream of Greatness." John T. Lee, President of the Centre Hall school board, then gave a learned exposition of the Compulsory Attendance Law now in force, after which the Quartette rendered another much-appreciated selection, "The Beacon Light." Prof. Gramley followed with a brief talk, showing the advantages of a uniform system of grading, and mentioning that all the ungraded schools of Centre county, excepting two townships had adopted the Berkeley System of grading. Prof. Krise then told how successful this system had been in Cambria county. Prof. A. R. Rutt, of the Bellefonte High School gave a very eloquent and sensible talk on Literature in the Public Schools, holding up the higher and nobler literature and condemning most emphatically the "dime novel" variety of reading. Miss Maybell Keller recited "The Widow" in a fetching manner and was followed by F. A. Foreman, who opened "The Parent's Duty to the School." Rev. Eisenberg and others said still other good things on this timely topic. The last discussion of the Institute was opened by the secretary, D. K. Keller, and continued by the writer. A vote of thanks was then given the citizens of Centre Hall for their hospitality; Dr. Wolf, Prof. Rutt and John T. Lee for their instructive discussions; the trustees of the Methodist church for the use of their building; Miss Emilie Alexander, Messrs. Eisenberg, Rearick, Wise and Hosterman, and Prof. Meyer for excellent music rendered. The writer regrets that W. O. Rearick was not included for kindly proffering his hall for the sessions of the Institute; the recitations by Miss Maybell Keller and John Hosterman ought also have been acknowledged. G. B. S.

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WASHINGTON.

Four-Day Personally-Conducted Tour via Pennsylvania Railroad.

In order to afford the residents of Williamsport, Wilkesbarre, Sunbury, Harrisburg, and neighboring cities in Central Pennsylvania an opportunity to avail themselves of the peculiar advantages of a personally-conducted tour to Washington, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has arranged for a four-day tour to the National Capital on Monday, March 28.

Special train will leave Williamsport at 12:40 P. M., Wilkesbarre 10:15 A. M., Sunbury 1:55 P. M., Mt. Carmel 11:30 A. M., Harrisburg 3:30 P. M., stopping at the principal intermediate stations and at York. Connecting train leaves Centre Hall at 7:13 A. M. Returning, special train will leave Washington at 3:40 P. M., Tuesday, March 31, passengers from the Shamokin Division will use regular trains from Washington returning. All tickets will be good to return also on regular trains until Saturday, April 2, inclusive.

Round-trip rate, covering transportation, hotel accommodations from supper on date of tour until after luncheon on the following Thursday, \$13.00 from Williamsport, \$13.75 from Wilkesbarre \$12.00 from Sunbury, \$10.50, from Harrisburg, \$13.60 from Centre Hall, and proportionate rates from other stations. Guides to Washington will be distributed free on the train.

Fortineries, rates, tickets, and full information apply to ticket agents; E. S. Harrar, Division Ticket Agent, Williamsport, Pa.; or address Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia. mar10-2t

NO WAR.

The Spanish government has made the announcement that it does not think of having a war with the United States.

Our government at Washington disclaims having any cause to go to war with Spain. So it should be a settled matter there is to be no war.

A Central American War.

Specials from San Jose, Costa Rica and Nicaragua indicate that war between these two Republics is unavoidable. Costa Rica is completely cut off from telegraphic communication with the outside world. The wires from San Jose to San Juan are in good condition, but the Government refuses to permit the transmission of messages, commercial, diplomatic or otherwise. The situation is really grave. Troops are hurrying to the front daily.

Married at Albany, N. Y.

Miss Maggie Potter, west of Centre Hall, was married last week to Dr. Kent, of Albany, N. Y., at that place. The couple are at present located at the home of the bride, but will reside at Albany, where the Dr. will resume his medical practice.

For Rent.—The Willow property in Centre Hall, suited for bakery, with ovens, tools and pans, is for rent. Apply to Virginia C. Lobaugh, Millington, Pa.

ANOTHER WOMEN SCRAPE.

A Lively Cowhiding Affair at Phillipsburg. Centre county is becoming famous for notorious scrapes with women in them.

Not for a long time past has Phillipsburg furnished as sensational an incident as it did late on Monday evening. It was shortly after eight o'clock when a vehicle drew up in front of a hotel in said town containing three persons, a gentleman and a lady, supposed to be husband and wife, and the driver. Supper was ordered for the three. The lady was directed to the upstairs parlor.

Shortly afterwards she was summoned to supper, but hardly had she taken a seat at the table when another woman rapidly entered the women's entrance of the hotel, tripped lightly upstairs to the parlor, cast a hasty glance around the room, and not finding the object of her search there, came down stairs and left the hotel. Woman number one, from the dining room, had observed number two go up stairs, and recognizing her, immediately left the dining room, and going out of the hotel, was standing on the pavement when number two appeared in front of her, and demanded to know the whereabouts of her husband, drew a cowhide from the folds of her dress and proceeded to give number one the severest kind of a castigation.

The attack was vigorously resisted and at one time it looked as if the battle would be won by the attacked party, but the cowhide proved successful. The battle between the two women attracted an immense throng of persons, curiosity being all the greater on account of the fine appearance of the combatants and the fact that they were strangers.

A later account says: A young woman named Beck, whose residence formerly was in Bellefonte, but more recently at Lock Haven, in company with J. L. Rinn, of Lock Haven, drove to the Passmore house and ordered supper. While in the dining room Rinn's wife entered. The alleged Miss Beck saw the wife go upstairs and made a hasty exit. The two met as above stated, on the pavement when the horse-whipping took place. After the whipping Rinn and his wife went to the Lloyd house.

LATE WAR NOTES.

Brazil denies that Spain has purchased any of her war ships, but is prepared to sell ships.

Our government is rushing work to be prepared for war. Torpedo boats are being prepared to go into action.

Congress passed the bill providing for two new regiments of artillery.

Two more Spanish torpedo boat-destroyers are on the way to Cuba.

It has been telegraphed that Spain has secured assistance to the amount of \$40,000,000 from private sources.

A bill has been introduced in congress making appropriations for national defense, providing that the sum of \$50,000,000 be expended at the discretion of the president and remain available until June 30, 1899.

From Washington a special says: There will be no headlong rush into war on the part of this government. If war must come the aim of the president will be to have the country as well prepared as is possible to meet it, and to this end the final report of the Maine court of inquiry may be held back.

A Teacher Without Pupils.

Last fall Maurice Stayer was employed by the directors of Woodbury township, Bedford county, to teach the Paradise school. For some reason Mr. Stayer incurred the displeasure of the patrons and pupils, and for the last three or four weeks no one has attended the school, but the teacher has been on hand each day. He has been asked to resign, but has refused to do so. A few days ago some of the citizens called the door shut and took the stovepipe down and broke it. The directors, hearing of what had happened ordered the door and mended the stovepipe, and now Stayer is still holding the fort. The directors are in a quandary.

For some time, I have suffered with rheumatism and tried every imaginable remedy, without effect. Mr. F. G. S. Wells advised me to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm, telling me that it had cured many cases of long standing like mine. I have used four bottles and feel sure that one more bottle will make my cure complete.—A. P. KONTZ, Claremore, Ark. Sold by S. M. Swartz, Tusseyville; F. A. Carson, Potters Mills; J. H. Ross, Linden Hall and H. F. Rossman, Spring Mills.

The Musical College, Freeburg, Snyder county, Pa., is one of the foremost schools of music in the country. \$33 will pay for a term of six weeks, instruction and board. Spring Term will begin May 3. For catalogues address, Henry B. Moyer, Director. 4t

WASHINGTON LETTER.

WAR WITH SPAIN BOUND TO COME VERY SOON.

No Indemnity Will be Taken for the Bowling Up of the Maine.—Cuba Cannot be Bought to Avert War.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—There is no denying that the present policy of the administration is aggravating and galling to the average American, regardless of his political affiliation. It is difficult to understand, when Spain is moving heaven and earth to borrow money and to buy warships to fight us, why we should not be openly preparing for war by having Congress appropriate the money needed to buy additional warships and to put us on a war footing generally, instead of pretending that the preparations for war which the administration is making, not only to the extent of available appropriations but in anticipation of appropriations, are merely routine proceedings. We are not fooling Spain, and it seems nonsensical trying to fool ourselves. Mr. McKinley knows just as everybody else knows, that there is not one chance in ten that war will be avoided. He knows that the acceptance of blood money from Spain will not be countenanced, and that a peace at any price policy would have no supporters outside of Wall street and its connections. Knowing these things it is his duty to ask Congress to make the necessary appropriations to put the country in a proper condition of defense and to enable it to give Spain the thrashing it has been itching for during the last year or two. It is no valid excuse to claim that doing so would be a reflection upon the Naval Court of Inquiry. If so, Spain has been casting reflections upon that Court quite numerous during the last few days. But, as a matter of fact, would it be any more reflection to openly ask for the money from Congress to make proper and needed preparation for war than it is to be secretly making conditional contracts for the same thing, in anticipation of appropriations that Congress has not even yet been asked to make? There is probably not a man in Congress who would ask that a gun be fired in advance of the verdict of the Court of Inquiry, but inasmuch as everybody now thinks that that verdict will show that the destruction of the Maine was not an accident, there is little doubt that a majority of Congress would like to see the administration openly making ready to fight after that verdict is rendered.

Few men in Congress are willing to believe the rumors connecting Mr. McKinley's name with the scheme to buy Cuba from Spain. Some of his advisers may be in the scheme, but Mr. McKinley ought to know the people of this country well enough to know that they would bury every man out of sight, politically speaking, who dared to support the necessary legislation to make this country guarantee the payment of Cuban bonds which would go to the present holders of Spanish bonds. If this scheme is seriously pushed, it will soon be discovered that the universal sentiment of our people is, millions for the preservation of our national honor, but not one cent for Spanish bond-holders.

It appears that the friends of Hawaiian annexation by a joint resolution, owing to threats of the opposition to keep Congress in session all summer, if they do. At a secret meeting of the Senate committee on foreign relations it was decided to make another attempt to ratify the treaty. If that fails, as it is expected to do, the whole matter may be dropped until the next session of Congress.

Czar Reed's latest ruling, that Democrats shall not when the House is sitting as a Committee of the Whole criticize the administration, the Republican party, or any individual Republican, is another step towards the absolute throttling of free speech in the House, and is just as outrageous as any of those in the same direction which have preceded it. From the birth of Congress the custom has been to allow the very widest latitude to members who made speeches while the House was sitting as the committee of the whole, but this new autocratic mumbo jumbo says that no Democrat will be allowed to make a political speech, except when the bill under consideration is purely political. This muzzling rule would be outrageous even if it were made to apply impartially to all members of the House, but when applied, as it has been, solely to anti-Republican members it is more than outrageous; it is depriving the representatives of the people of their constitutional right to be heard at all times.

The U. S. reward has been increased to \$1,500 for the arrest of any person or persons who were connected with the killing of the negro postmaster at Lake City, S. C., and his child, and a number of Government detectives have

been put on the case. The members of the South Carolina delegation in Congress all say that the State authorities are also trying hard to run down and punish the perpetrators of this barbarous crime.

APRIL JURORS.

The Following is a List of Grand and Traverse Jurors for April Court.

The following is a list of Grand and Traverse Jurymen drawn for the April term of court, commencing on Monday, April 25th '98, and continuing for two weeks:

GRAND JURORS—1ST WEEK.

- Wm. E. Irwin, Phillipsburg Boro.
- Lot Jones, Phillipsburg Boro.
- Geo. W. Campbell, Milesburg.
- Wm. C. Korman, Snow Shoe.
- Wm. Smith, Ferguson.
- Henry Lewis, Taylor.
- Blair Alexander, Union.
- L. E. Swartz, Walker.
- Geo. Fehl, Haines.
- John A. Bitner, Liberty.
- D. B. Geary, Penn.
- C. H. Gramley, Miles.
- Ed. R. Hancock, Boggs.
- Lemuel Dougherty, Phillipsburg.
- Geo. B. Haines, Miles.
- J. C. Johnston, Phillipsburg Boro.
- D. W. Pletcher, Howard Boro.
- J. R. Pheasant, Howard.
- John B. Shaw, Liberty.
- H. B. Herring, Gregg.
- Jas. Kimport, Harris.
- R. E. Stover, Haines.
- P. W. Bunkett, Halfmoon.
- Samuel Baisor, Patton.

TRAVERSE JURORS—1ST WEEK.

- Joseph S. Smith, Snow Shoe.
- Arista Lucas, Union.
- Charles C. Wetzel, Spring.
- Wm. D. Dukeman, Bellefonte.
- Collins Mattern, Halfmoon.
- Wm. Pownell, Boggs.
- W. W. Spangler, Liberty.
- Wm. Shaffer, Walker.
- Charles Sayers, Marion.
- Daniel C. Lingle, Gregg.
- James Garland, Rush.
- Jeremiah Runner, Liberty.
- Oscar Adams, Phillipsburg.
- Franklin Reese, Union.
- A. R. Price, Taylor.
- Wm. H. Page, Bellefonte.
- John Gunsallus, Snow Shoe.
- J. T. Rothrock, Phillipsburg.
- M. L. Emerick, Centre Hall.
- Jacob Clarr, Rush.
- U. H. Bloom, Ferguson.
- John McGowan, Snow Shoe.
- Shuman Lyon, Spring.
- Samuel Shaffer, Bellefonte.
- Samuel Wayne, Rush.
- David Frantz, Ferguson.
- Malcolm Laurie, Bellefonte.
- Willis Weber, Miles.
- Wm. M. Allison, Gregg.
- Jas. Fleming, Spring.
- Thos. Riley, Harris.
- W. H. Hoy, Spring.
- W. E. Bair, Miles.
- T. Scott Bailey, State College.
- Nathan J. McClosky, Curtin.
- Wm. Heaton, Rush.
- Christ Shearer, Taylor.
- Thos. Watson, Boggs.
- J. Frank McCoy, Potter.
- G. J. Woodring, Worth.
- Frank Yearick, Gregg.
- Ed. Griest, Unionville.
- P. S. Richards, Taylor.
- Henry Kline, Spring.
- Adam Kelley, Benner.
- J. C. Showers, Bellefonte.
- T. J. Meyer, Phillipsburg.
- Thomas Eckenroth, Union.

TRAVERSE JURORS—2ND WEEK.

- Gideon Bechtol, Snow Shoe.
- Roger T. Bayard, Bellefonte.
- Isaac Shawver, Potter.
- Geo. Fisher, Burnside.
- Geo. R. Quick, Boggs.
- S. D. Tice, Howard.
- Jas. Cokely, Boggs.
- Milton Nieman, Boggs.
- L. P. Lonsberry, Bellefonte.
- Emory McAfee, Halfmoon.
- J. B. Heberling, Ferguson.
- D. Y. Hoy, State College.
- Charles Sharpless, Phillipsburg.
- F. Gutelius, Millheim.
- Charles Smith, Bellefonte.
- John Gowland, Phillipsburg.
- Elias Confer, Penn.
- C. M. Dale, College.
- Jacob Royer, Miles.
- David Gingery, Huston.
- Frank Beck, Phillipsburg.
- Sanford Stonebraker, Taylor.
- Phil. D. Foster, State College.
- J. D. Wagner, Ferguson.
- Wm. Glenn, Patton.
- Jacob Lee, Potter.
- D. L. Jones, Bellefonte.
- John R. Hosterman, Miles.
- D. B. Weaver, Miles.
- John Tate, Spring.
- Wm. Brandt, Boggs.
- J. I. Reed, Ferguson.
- John Yearick, Marion.
- Wm. T. Fulton, Boggs.
- John Griffith, Spring.
- Adam Rishel, Harris.

There are three little things which do more work than any other three little things created—they are the ant, the bee and DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the last being the famous little pills for stomach and liver troubles; for sale by Smith & Crawford.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Callings of More than Ordinary Interest from Everywhere.

QUITS. Said a young and tactless husband To his inexperienced wife, "If you would but give up leading Such a fashionable life, And devote more time to cooking— How to mix and when to bake— Then perhaps you might make pastry Such as mother used to make." And the wife, resenting, answered (For the worm will turn, you know) "If you would but give up horses And a score of clubs or so, To devote more time to business— When to buy and what to stake— Then perhaps you might make money Such as father used to make." Exchange.

Town is beginning to hum.

Advertise in the Reporter; it's biz. See Smith Bro's new furniture ad. Boob's steam whistle boo-o-s again. Sam Rowe is busy building bicycles. Measles have about played out here. Are having fine, springlike weather this week.

The bluebirds, harbingers of spring, have made their appearance.

Norman, son of Rev. Muma, of Rebersburg, has left for Steelton.

Next agony ahead is the coming of the trout season. Troubles never end.

An original widows' pension was granted to Sarah E. Confer, Bellefonte, \$8.

Calvin Williams of Martha Furnace, received an addition to his pension, \$5 to \$8.

Benjamin, a ten year old son of John Reed, of Coleville, died Tuesday of last week.

On the sick list in Miles township are reported Cyrus Erhard, Reuben Gramley.

The groundhog will feel so ashamed of himself that he may never come out of his hole again.

Our townsman, John Dauberman, Sr., is one of the many laid up from the effects of a cold.

In this issue appears the announcement of C. U. Hoffer, an old-line Democrat, as a candidate for Prothonotary.

A. S. Musser, son of John H. Musser, dec'd, of Aaronsburg, has opened a dental office at 1006 Fairmount Ave., Philadelphia.

In 1897 C. K. Sober, the lumberman, shipped 1541 cars of props and lumber. The total for this year is likely to reach the 2000 mark.

Reporter subscribers changing their post-offices this spring should not fail to notify us, giving the old address as well as the one moved to.

Rev. Rearick's appointments for Sunday, March 13: At Centre Hall, at 10 a. m.; at St. John's church, at 7 p. m.; at Georges Valley at 2 p. m.

Wallace, son of Newton Brungart, of Wolf's Store, Herbert Yearick and Charles Wise, of Madisonburg, have gone to Republic, Seneca county, O.

"Seventy-Seven"—("77"). "77" is Dr. Humphreys' famous Specific for the cure of Grip and Colds, and the prevention of Pneumonia. All druggists, 25c.

The Nittany Valley Rod and Gun club Friday received 1,000 wild quail from Iowa. The quail were turned loose in the woods of the reserve at Hecla park.

Polly Royer, unmarried, died at Penn Cave, on 28 February in her 83 year. Her remains were buried in the Union church cemetery on Thursday following.

Charles A. Sturgis, of Lewisburg, has decided to leave that town and locate at Watsonstown, April 1st; years ago he lived at Millheim, engaged as a watchmaker and jeweler.

Gov. Hastings on 3rd appointed F. W. Crider, of Bellefonte, a trustee of the State Insane Hospital at Danville, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Wilson M. Gearhart, of Danville.

Too many men in this country, says the Pittsburg Times, are eager to save the honor of the nation who ought to be saving their wives from breaking their backs scraping the bottom of an empty flour barrel.

Millheim loses another mill, says the Journal. Confer's planing mill will be moved to Spring Mills on the 29th of this month, under the firm name of Spring Mills Planing Mill Company, Lim., with Harvey Confer, as manager.

From all over the country, come words of praise for Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Here is a sample letter from Mrs. C. Shep, of Little Rock, Ark.: "I was suffering from a very severe cold, when I read of the cures that had been effected by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I concluded to give it a trial and accordingly procured a bottle. It gave me prompt relief, and I have the best reason for recommending it very highly, which I do with pleasure." For sale by S. M. Swartz, Tusseyville; F. A. Carson, Potters Mills; J. H. Ross, Linden Hall, and H. F. Rossman, Spring Mills.