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# CENTRE COUNTY

148th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers.

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[To be Continued.] CHAPTER V. THE PRISONER'S STORY. One day I said to my partner, Skinner, of Hoboken, N. J., "Let us go into business, like some of the rest have done, to keep up spirits." He said, "I have no money, and nothing to sell; how will we get started ?" I said, "I will sell my new over coat to the John- the Altoona district. With the trenies for whatever it will bring. I can mendous prestige and influence this get along as well without as you and will give it, the company will virtual-Adams; besides, I have quite a few | ly dominate the central Pennsylvania

tripkets of value in my knapsack. Everything must go. The same day I sold my overcoat to a Confederate guard for \$27, Confederate money, worth \$2 70 in green-backs, and equivalent to about \$1 22 in "sound money." All of which I paid for one bushel of potatoes and two sticks of pine cord operations might be begun. Next spring the New York Central will wood, with which to cook them. build fifty miles of track in Cambria Skinner split the wood into splinters with a heavy razor and a stone, and began to cook potatoes in water, and smash them into mush, and without pepper or salt, would heap a small amount nicely on a tin plate, in a neat cone, with a spoon sticking in the top and I would take it down to "Market to tidewater over the easiest route. St." to sell. I would stand and yell ; "here you are ! a big plate of cooked sions from the Pennsylvania Railroad. potatoes, just off the fire, steaming hot; take them while hot, they will warm you up, make you fat and happy, etc., all for ten cents or one dollar Confed., only one dollar Confed., ten cents ! ten cents !" When a plate was sold I would stand by the purchaser till he ate them (a short wait) then I would more.

We were the only cooked potato dealers in camp and we sold them fast, at a profit. The first day we cleared and some other little items of use and luxury. We lived better now; we ate extras, while surrounded by prisoners the more when they saw us eat.

For a time we flourished and carried "Honey Dew" chewing tobacco in our

### IN THE CIVIL WAR. Pennsylvania Coal & Coke Company Acquires the Beech Creek Company.

NEW SOFT COAL TRUST DEAL.

ng found in every bush. In fact, a pothunter ignoring the rules of manly Teachers are Preparing for that Eventsport would wreak havoc by a ground The Pennsylvania Coal & Coke Comrake. Whistling past the graveyard

Anti-Roosevelt Republicans are be-

pany, the new soft coal trust, which is lustily maintained by the Presialready owns thirty mines and thousands of acres of coal land in Blair, ulations on his coat sleeve. Quick upon the frank repudiation of his candities, and employs upwards of 15,000 ties, and employs upwards of 15,000 men, has about completed a deal for of Cincinnati, the State organ, he the purchase of the interests of the summons "Boss" Cox to his presence Beech Creek Coal & Coke Company, of despite the protests of Civil Service which ex-Congressman James Kerr, of Commissioner Garfield. In Massa-Clearfield, is the head. When it is chusetts Governor Bates is accused of finally consummated the Pennsylvaplotting against the Lodge machine, nia Company will be the largest prothe Roosevelt reliance. In West Virducing soft coal mining company in ginia Senator Scott is setting up a gic to din into people's ears that all this is Wall street opposition, for that would drive the unthinking to his field, having only one big competitor support. But the revolt spreads -the Berwin-White interests. among the statesmen-they would be Already the Pennsylvania Company

so called if for Roosevelt-and the mohas entered into contracts with the tive must be self-preservation. They New York Central Railroad to extend want another Republican President. its lines to many of its mines, and to Candidly it does not appear that the its virgin coal lands, in order that new Republican party is aflame for Roosevelt. That sentiment is smouldering:

Governor Pennypacker, after pledgand Indiana counties to reach the ing his faith to the people of the State Pennsylvania Company's new mines. that he would serve out his term as Even now the New York Central and Governor, sets this debt of honor and the Pennsylvania Railroad Companies fidelity contemptuously to one side, have entered into traffic agreements and springs his mine to make Brown by which the Pennsylvania Coal & Governor and himself Justice of the Coke Company's coal will be shipped Supreme Court, with a salary largely increased by his own approval of the This is in return for certain conces-Judicial Salary bill of the last Legislature. First he promotes the increase of judicial salaries, and becomes his

own beneficiary by "swapping" off The Semi-final debate for the cham- one-half the constitutional term of pionship of the Intercollegiate Debat- Governor for a twenty-one-year highing League of Pennsylvania was held salaried place on the Supreme Bench. in the auditorium, State College, Fri- For his services as Supreme Judge for day evening, December 11th, between the constitutional term he bargains for hie back to find Skinner ready with Franklin and Marshall College and he will receive the great sum in salathe Pennsylvania State College. The ries of \$210,000. For this he gives up presiding officer was Hon. A. O. Furst. the \$20,000 coming to him for two

The Judges' were, Dr. Herrin Y. Roop, years' salary for his incompleted term President of Lebanon Valley College ; of office. Certainly it recalls the race \$25. Later we added tobacco, onions, Prof. Llewellyn Philips, Bucknell track gamble of three-card monte. University ; Frank C. Wellman, Sha-

dyside Academy, Pittsburg. Subject : Governor Pennypacker in a letter to Resolved: That Labor Unions tend the Philadelphia "Ledger" frankly who watched us eating and hungered to injure the industrial welfare of the avows his candidacy for the supreme court bench next year, and he fails to

Affirmative, State, Walter U. Will- perceive that any canon of ethics is vioiams, Oscar C. Hays, Alex. Hart, Jr. lated by furthering such ambition. He Negative, Franklin and Marshall, pleads that he gave Justice Samuel G. Martin W. Witmer, Paul B. Rupp, Thompson, a Democrat, all the time he could, the 13 months of the vacancy The judges decided the contest in fa- caused by Justice McCollum's death. vor of the Franklin and Marshall But the effect is to raise to the executive chair a man whom the people never did elect, and doubtless never would have elected, to that position. It is a direct breach of the promise year he was engaged at the same kind made on the stump by the governor of work, when his left hand was branch to branch, fearlessly entering that he would serve out his term, and was not running to achieve an ul- several fingers, so that practically he terior ambition. But it is only another example of the Pennsylvania system of politics.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

### Committees Appointed.

The fifty-seventh Centre county teachers' institute will be held at Philipsburg beginning Monday, December 28th and closing January 1st. The list of instructors has previously been noted in these columns.

CENTRE HALL, PA., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1903.

The institute is the one topic of discussion among the teachers at the present time. While there is some objection to having the institute held so | ly allied to melancholia. far from the center of the county, there is every indication that the attendance of teachers from the south side of the county will be quite up to the av-Hanna delegation. It is quite strate- erage. Those who stay away from this gathering will be tabooed as nonprogressive, and may and ought to suffer in the future.

The committees appointed are as follows :

Resolutions-C. D. Koch, H. E Robb, J. A. Fiedler, James Gregg, Orpha L. Gramley, Effie Snyder, Sarah J. Waite. Legislation-W. P. Hosterman, C.

R. Neff, J. A. Young, J. D. Meyer, F. M. Pletcher, D. H. Robbins, W. A. Krise, D. P. Fortney, A. P. Weaver. Educational Display-Mary

Warde, Carrie A. Weaver, Florida Duck, Gertrude C. Wieland, Eva Moyer, Bella B. Barnhart, Alice E. Buck.

Elections-S. W. Gramley, Chas. A. Heiss, C. E. Royer, Jacob Deihl, E. R. into England and so into popular no-Wolf, Annie C. Campbell, Sarah tice. Henry VIII. gave such splendid Bechdel.

Auditing Accounts-L. W. Musser, O. C. Frank, J. R. Bible, Cyrus F. Hoy, M. C. Haines.

Usbers-Frank Young, J. K. Moyer, John Reish, E. C. Musser, John Rossman, S. B. Beirley, Ernest Spotts, Blair Latshaw, G. A. Williams, N. H. the splendor. Corman, John Bitner, R. G. White, Van Jodop, Ira E. Fisher, Ernest Ardery.

Committee on Permanent Certificates-(Appointed by the State Superintendent.) David O. Etters, H. W. Morris, Lucy M. Rowen.

Lost Hand in Fodder Shredder.

Tuesday morning of last week Alfred Grove, a dairyman and farmer, who lives just east of Bellefonte, lost his right hand. He was shredding cornfodder for his cows when his right WATER AS MEDICINE.

fail to Cure Dyspepsia if Taken In Safficient Quantities.

Repacter,

the use of water not only as a remedial and therapeutic agent, but also as a mechanical agent, in the treatment of certain forms of dyspepsia, especially those forms characterized by a fullness in the left epigastric region, with frequent eructations of sour or acrid matter, accompanied by loss of appetite, insomnia and a mental condition close

Let the patient drink from one to three pints of water one hour before each meal and then comfortably seat himself in an easy rocking chair and rock backward and forward for half an hour. The rocking will agitate the. water in the stomach, wash the walls completely, detaching any mucus that may be adhering and dilute and mix the contents thoroughly. By this means absorption will be more rapid, and as a consequence the skin, kidneys and bowels will act more freely, eliminating from the blood uric acid and all effete and deleterious matter, while the stimulus of the water will cause the stomach to contract and gastric juice to be secreted in such quantity as to

cause digestion to go on uninterruptedly and painlessly .- Farm and Fireside

### A Historic Lemon.

Who ever thinks of connecting such commonplace article of diet as the lemon with the romantic history of ill fated Anne Boleyn? Yet indirectly she was the cause of its first introduction feasts and pageants in honor of the coronation of Anne and of their previous nuptials as had seldom been ac corded to queens of the blood royal. These kingly entertainments were in turn followed by the great civic feasts of London, for which the whole world was searched for delicacies to add to

At one such banquet, graced by the presence of the royal pair, a lemon was introduced as an elegant novelty. To an epicure such as Henry the acquisition of a castle in France would have proved less acceptable, and such was the importance attached to the discovery-so says an old biographerthat a special record was made of the fact that the cost of this precious lemon was six sliver pennies!

### **Birdlike** Reptiles.

The most birdlike reptiles in the world are the beautiful iguanas of Innibal Amaria bers of this family, belonging to the genus anolis, swarm in the bushes and found necessary to amputate the hand trees of the West Indies and in many at the wrist. Mr. Grove wapted to points resemble humming birds. Gosse in "A Naturalist's Sojourn In Jamaica" gives a vivid description of them. On a bright day hundreds of these brilliantly colored creatures may be seen on trees and fences, entertaining visitors by their gambols, leaping from houses and even alighting on individu als. When irritated, they will suddenly change their brilliant colors for a dull, sooty brown. Analogous to these, but not nearly so graceful, are the flying lizards of the old world. With hinder ribs prolonged to support a parachute-like expansion. these brightly marked reptiles are often mistaken for birds as they take flying leaps from tree to tree, for they are thoroughly arboreal.

## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

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### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Good sleighing in Union county. The fields are well protected by snow. Progress Grange will give a public entertainment on Washington's birthday.

The borough schools will close Thursday evening, 24th inst., and open Monday, January 4th.

The home of Mrs. Myra Kerr, in Centre Hall, is offered at private sale. See advertisement in this issue.

Remember the big cash discount of 18 per cent. at Krumbine's furniture store on all goods sold up to 1904.

Krumbine's holiday goods are all new and up-to-date, and if you want to make the big cash discount come at once.

Ellis L. Orvis, Esq., and wife, accompanied by their niece, Friday went to Philadelphia to remain for several days.

No one would be led to think that here is such a place as Bellefonte by ooking through the institute manual for Centre county.

Go to the Grange Arcadia Friday vening to hear Miss Smith recite. Her father, the baritone soloist, is a vocalist of rare talent.

Christmas services will be held in he Salem Reformed church Sunday evening, December 27. The program promises to be interesting.

Miss Smith, the elocutionist who is to appear in Grange Arcadia Friday evening of this week, is a cousin of Mrs. George O. Benner, of this place.

There was considerable more snow bout Philadelphia last week than in Penns Valley. There was good sleighng in the country adjoining the city. The Mill Hallax works owned by the American Ax and Tool Company about the first of the year will be operated by the Mann Edge Tool Company.

C. S. Brown, of Fayette, New York, has been in town for a few days looking after some "property" in which he is interested. Mr. Brown is a drug agent.

Miss Helen Hosterman is expected

A physician has called attention to

pockets to give free chews to the distressed and to those who served us by doing errands.

We were great men in this city of misery. We were liberal with those who stole of our goods.

Time went on, and we could get no more potatoes; then we bought flour and baked flap-jacks and sold them. two for a dollar. To make these flapjacks flour and water only, were made available grease. Then we began to pound.

liver pudding, for one hundred dollars; but I was nervous and hesitated on and costs. taking the risk as a number had been shot as they crossed the line to trade. tensely dark; but I heard him walk rotten so they got some of it. his frozen beat not twenty feet away, just outside the parapet.

"Johnnie, will you trade?"

The Johnnie yelled, "Get out of this for a silver dollar." you d---- Yankee, I will put a ball my man.

When he came I signaled, "whist," he said. he answered, "aye," very low. I said guards who, it was said, received fur- ed yellow and slimy. lough home for shooting a Yankee outside of the dead line. The risk was always great; any other guard seeing me would shoot me; but I clambered to the top of the parapet and whispered, "Here is the money," and he handed me the pudding. I slid over the para pet and was gone so quickly and quieted. We could not sell it; so we ate it

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Amos E. Kraybill.

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Debate at State College.

# Poultry Shippers Fined.

A number of poultry shippers in Mifflin county have been put to coninto a batter and fried in any kind of siderable trouble by suits being brought by an agent of the Philadelphia societrade in meats, onions, tobacco, etc., ty for the prevention of cruelty to aniand did fairly well; but meat was mals, charging them with shipping high; fresh beef cooked, five doilars a poultry in crates made contrary to law. or as they are called "closed crates." One day I made a deal with a Rebel Calvin Slear, of Belleville, was so

guard for twenty-five pounds of stuffed charged. Rather than go to the expense of a trip to Philadelphia he paid the guard was to deliver the pudding the fine of ten dollars and costs. Samat an hour fixed, when he would be on all Runk, Henry Forgy, and John C. post. At the appointed hour I crept Coulter, shipping from Newton Hamup to the dead line in the darkness; liton, were also each fined ten dollars

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could not see the guard as it was in- mess mates, who were glad it was half

Our capital was now gone. We had Within a few feet of me to my left, a Skinner asked; I said, "We must get succeed Representative Mahon in Con- sure 600 pounds and the flow of gas in prisoner who had crept up to the dead- even with the fraud of a Reb.; this tin gress, the leaders of the Machine are twenty-four hours to be 700,000 feet. line so quietly that even I had not medal with my name, company and said to have decided that the Union heard him, asked in an undertone, regiment on it is the size of a silver County statesman shall be retired from

When our friendly guard was on through you," and I heard the click of post that night I went out to the dead too vociferous in his loyalty to the Orleans, La., December 28 to January the guu-hammer as it was drawn pre- line and sigualed, "Whist;" "Aye," paratory to shoot. If ever I heard a came the answer. "Trade?" I asked; Yankee run in darkness it was then. "Yes;" "What have you?" He said I kept very still till the guard of the "Four pounds of beef and a stick of National committee has called a meet-on its lines, December 24, 25, and 26, other beat came up in hopes it was cord wood;" I said "I will give you a ing of that body for January 12 to be

I crossed the dead line and ditch, "pudding ? " "Yes," came the answer, climbed the parapet and handed him "Have you the mouey ready?" I said the medal, got the beef, cleared the "I could raise only ninety dollars; is it ditch and ran. On coming in, Skin\_ a go?" "Yes, let me have it." Quick- ner asked, "What luck?" I said, velt, if given a regular term. That is which every mortal is more or less ly I stepped over the dead line into "Good, I was too much for the disthe ditch, the valley of death, where honest devil this time." Next mornmany a prisoner was murderously ing we looked at the "beef" and found shot, in obedience to orders, by the it was a chunk of a cows udder, it look-

Skinner thought if we cooked it thoroughly we could eat it, hungry as Odell and Senator Platt are having a people who contemplate dying should we were. He split the wood with razor bout. and stone and cooked the udder till the wood was all burned; as it was cooked it turned yellow, slimy, scummy and odoriferous, but we ate of it; all at convention shoul | be held in Chicago, ly that the guard did not know what I have a pain now; Skinner said he once I felt sick; I said, I have enough June 21st. became of me. But the pudding smelt felt sick too and had a pain; we gave like limburger cheese. Next morning the balance to other prisoners, and I imagine they all got a pain. It was a week before we fully recovered from the effects of this mess.

ily. Reports from Washington to the Administration organs state that the war lord at the head of the Government is making preparations for active successful test made by an expert who hostilities with the Republic of Colom- visited the newly found natural gas bia. Is it not enough to have encour- wells at Hyner, Clinton county, the aged revolution and secession in one of directors of the company have anthe States of that Republic, without nounced that six additional wells will threatening to make war upon her be sunk. while her President as well as her reg- Application has been made to the ularly accredited Minister are still at Lock Haven Borough Council by the I listened and watched closely; I ourselves, dividing with the rest of our Washington holding peaceful relations gas company for a franchise to lay with this Government.

While State Senator Ben. K. Focht, failed in business. "What now?" of Lewisburg, is laying his plans to cently drilled at Hyner, shows a presdollar, I will pass it on him tonight business altogether. Of course it is not because of the infamous ballot law that bears his name, but because he is Elkin wing of the State Machine.

silver dollar for it." "Hand it over" held in Washington. The place for holding the National Democratic Con- cific information consult ticket agents. vention will be named, and other business transacted

# Now is the time when organs must

pendence of stormy"Panama. President Roosevelt's "dead sure" der the necessity of compromising the nomination is anything but dead sure truth. Ministers of the gospel and ed--Congress is in session and Governor itors of newspapers have rights which

The Republican National Committee Saturday decided that the Republican

manship of the Republican National dist church, which meets in Harris-Committee.

Go to the Grange Arcadia Friday night.

hand was caught in the rollers, and so badly cut and mashed that it was hold on to the member, but the doctor was afraid of blood poison setting in. Mr. Grove has been a very unfortunate man, as just about this time last caught in the same way and he lost is a bandless man. He is a young man and one of the most prosperous farmers in the county. He has a fam-

The Hyner Gas Field.

Following the announcement of the

pipes there to convey the gas for heating and lighting purposes.

A test of well No. 2, which was re-

### Reduced Rates to New Orleans.

On account of the meetings of the American Economic Society and the American Historical Society, at New 1, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell round-trip tickets to New Chairman Jones of the Democratic Orleans and return from all stations good for return passage until January

### Make a Note of This.

If a man were wise he would live as difficult as guaranteeing the inde- likely to do, the man who preached his funeral sermon and the man who wrote his obituary, would not be untake a little into consideration.

Date of Methodist Conference Changed. Announcement is made that Bishthe approaching session of the Central Senator Penrose is after the chair- Pennsylvania conference of the Methoburg next year, has changed the meet-

ing from March 16 to March 23.

Centre Reporter \$1.00 a year.

#### Baldness Due to Indigestion.

"There seem to be fewer baldheaded men than there were years ago," said a physician. "Time was when four out of five men more than forty-five years old were baldheaded or fast approaching that stage. Nowadays the average has fallen nearer to two than to three. "What's the cause? I suppose there to be found in the general increase of outdoor exercise. Nervous disorders result in the falling out of the hair and impaired digestion brings on nervous disorders. Exercise, as is well known, stimulates digestion, and there above all else is the secret of preserving the hair. Keep your digestion in good condition and your nerves will not trouble

you. All the scalp diseases in the catabaldheads as indigestion."

### A Story of Brignoli.

Praise went a long way with Brigvigorously. He was much pleased and, advancing to the footlights with many a bow and smile of satisfaction, said: "Gentlemen, immediately after the may have the honor to meet you all merchant. Rules work both ways. there."

It is needless to remark that they supper cost Brignoli \$500.

#### The Noble Character.

Here is Aristotle's definition of a noble character: He does not recollect in-justice; for accurate recollection, especially of injuries, is not characteristic of the magnanimous man, but he rather overlooks them. He is not fond of he does not care that he himself should be praised nor that others should be

Clothing, Confidence and Real Value -MONTGOMERY & CO., Bellefonte. who once lived in this locality.

home from the Allentown College for Women Friday of this week. Miss Helen has been getting along splendidly with her studies. She will graduate in June.

Charles Boyer, of Paxtonville, died last week. He was one of the wealthiest men in Snyder county, and for thirty-one years was postmaster at Paxtonville. He was also a veteran of the civil war, a member of 172d P. V. I. The Scientific American has issued another special number, this time devoted to the Iron and Steel industry of the United States. Technically considered, the number is one of the best of the special issues which have so far been prepared by that journal.

Mrs. Maria Wagner, of Tusseyville, Thursday of last week returned from Altoona where she visited her sons Samuel and William Wagner. She was met at Centre Hall by her son-inlaw, William Bitner, of Tusseyville, with whom she makes her home.

The January Delineator contains literary and art features of exceptional value and reliable fashion information, including a letter from Mrs. Osborn, are many reasons, but one certainly is the foremost modiste in America, who has become a regular contributor. The pictorial presentation of the season's styles is excellent.

The Pope bicycle daily-leaf calendar. can be secured by sending five twocent stamps to the Pope Manufacturing Company, Hartford Connecticut, The calendar contains 366 leaves, half logue are not responsible for as many blank for memoranda, the other containing freshly written lines from the pens of college presidents.

Patronize your home merchants. noll. One evening at rehearsal in New Don't discredit your home town by York the orchestra laid down, their in- going away from home to do your struments as one man and applauded Christmas shopping. Buy your things his singing of a favorite song long and at home, because they are here in abundance and good enough for anybody. The customer has the right to insist on the merchant doing the same rehearsal there will be a champagne thing. The home business men alsupper at the Everett House. I hope I ways deserve the patronage of the

James A. Moyer, of Barneveld, Iowa, were there, every man of then. The who with his father went west in 1869 from near Pine Grove Mills, is the only survivor of that family, both his parents, and brother George and sister Annie having died. Mr. Moyer relates in a note to the Reporter, in which cash for five years subscription was neatly folded, that his graudfather was one of the first subscribers to the op C. C. McCabe, who is to preside at talking of people, for he will neither old Centre Berichter. The Reporter speak of himself nor anybody elve; for | will always be glad to have its patrons state the occupation or business engaged in; or any information that may be imparted to the readers of the Reporter, who are always auxious to see recorded the movements of people

blamed.