mother that Mr. Jackson works. He truth. is a "batch," and is devoted to his constitute the Jackson family.

The story that Dr. White is a " coal king" is all a hoax. He has made dentistry a success because he understands his profession and is a business man. That is just the kind of a man wanted in the Treasurer's office.

It looks as though; Mr. Bailey intended acknowledging the corn about the Atlantic City trip. At least he he is ignorant in this matter. hasn't sworn he didn't do it. At all events, if he does make oath to a statement, he wou't say he took a receipt.

There is no doubt that Republican Chairman Phil. D. Foster is putting up the Old Soldier howl for Commissioner Miller, when at the same time he (Foster) is using every effort to chase the Old Veteran, Colonel John T. Stuart, from his roost in the Presidential post office at State College. That is a fair sample of Republican regard for the Old Soldier.

There is no getting arcund it, Ellis L. Shafler is becoming more popular every day. There is no doubt expressed as to his election. He is making a clo e canvass, and there is a favorable sent ment expressed wherever he has b.eu.

There is no likelihood of Democrats being anxious to have Mr. Tuten elected to the office of Recorder. He has been connected with a Republican newspaper all his life, and never missed an opportunity to roast Democrats, at all seasons of the year.

Listen to this, Democrats : When you are asked to vote for Mr. Miller because he is a veteran of the war of 1863, just ask the man who makes the request what Chairman Foster is trying to do to Colonel John Stuart, at State College. Foster is making a desperate effort to dump Colonel Stuart out of the postoffice in order that he (Foster) will get his position as postmaster. Mr. Foster and the Republican leaders in Centre county , had this trick all in mind when Foster was made county chairman. Then there is this other difference : Colonel Stuart never held an elective office nor an appointment of any kind except the postmastership, while Mr. Miller has sucked dry several public teats in his time. The above are facts, and when the "old soldier" dodge is put at you, ask about the Foster vs. Stuart case.

Nobody has said that Mr. Jackson the reason the appeal was not answerwants to be Recorder for someone else's ed was on account of sickness in the benefit, yet it is to support an invalid | clerk's family, which was not the Possibly no one person knows how

mother and sister, who, with himself, many stories Mr. Miller is telling about this one-hundred-dollar-appropriation affair, but the writer knows o' at least two. These two stories are very unlike. One fits to tell in Penns Valley, or, for all that, to any member of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry ;

the other to the enthusiasts of the Bellefonte Fair Association. Since Mr. Bailey is not supposed to

know anything about the county's affais, he tries to make it appear that Mr. Miller talks and swears; Mr. Bailey just "signs up ".

HOW A DIAMOND IS SHAPED.

New Process of Cutting the Gem Faci litates the Work.

"The business of diamond cutting." said a cutter of precious stones to a reporter, "has changed recently. The old idea of imbedding the stone in melted lead and then allowing the lead to harden, leaving only one facet of the diamond exposed for polishing. is done away with. The whole process is this:

"We first take the diamond in its rough state. We find in all Brazilian diamonds six sharp points, the stone being in the form of a cube. We first determine the best way to cut the diamond by examining it for flaws and deciding which way we will be able to reduce the stone to the largest possible perfect size and at the same time cut out all the imperfections or as many of them as possible.

"The only thing which will cut a diamond is another diamond, so one diamond, imbedded in hard cement, is used to cut the rough stone into a fairly symmetrical shape for polishing. The table or top part of the diamond is cut, the sides of the diamond down to about two-sevenths of the depth are cut, and then for the remainder of the stone it is tapered off to the small point called the culet. The culet is supposed to be directly in the center of the table, and by looking into a diamond it looks as though a little hole were cut down the middle

"When the diamond has been cut into this rough shape it is about as black as charcoal. This is caused by the abrasion from the diamond which is used to cut it. Then it is up to the polisher. His work is nearly always the same. Except in the rarest of cases he takes the stone and polishes on it fifty-six facets all told on every stone.

"He uses a holder which grasps and locks the diamond securely at any convenient angle and then he presents the exposed surface to a fast revolving wheel on which is diamond dust and oil. This is his entire work -to put on in regular sequence the fifty-six facets and then polish to a nicety these fifty-six sides and the table and culet. When he completes his job the diamond is ready for the market, impregnable to weather, to acid, to damage, except as it may be cut by another diamond. "The invention of the diamond holders with a lock clasp has done away with the melted lead as a holder except in the case of the very smallest stones."

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The automobile can't crowd the horse altogether out of the news. Vienna is celebrating the centenary of the Frankfurter sausage.

The emphasis that the coaches put on the "weight of the line" this year indicates that football will be a reality and not a theory.

A meddler is a person who fails in his attempt. The meddler who succeeds is no meddler, but a hero.

Says the Augusta Herald: Mr. Edison says he does not associate with men whose lives are devoted to getting money. That's probably why Mr. Edison has been able to save something.

The opening of the school year has shown no decline in the popularity of the American public school system. The people everywhere continue to regard it as one of the country's finest institutions and best assets.

Many of the exciting stories told daily concerning the sins and miserles of our fellow-creatures excite an interest like that aroused by the detective stories of Conan Doyle, and serve no other purpose.

The commercial man has no educational status, however well educated and highly cultured he may be. Any fool with an Oxford degree is accepted by society as a gentleman. The banker, the financier, the stockbroker, the merchant, and the manufacturer have all to establish their individual claims to be gentlemen.

In selecting the name Sequovah for the new state of what has hitherto been the Indian Territory, the statehood constitutional committee has conferred a fitting and proper honor upon one of the leading members of the Cherokee nation, who did more than any one else to advance ' the cause of education and civilization among his tribe.

The United States are the chief source of the world's supply for cotton. Our cotton mills have access to the raw material grown almost at their doors. Yet we are apparently unable to sell our cottons in successful competition with European makers in near-by South American markots.

In many towns and cities the public school is avoided by those who dread the rough contacts of democracy. It would be instructive to have a census which would show the results in culture and character of the training provided in public and private schools.

ing these suits. The great majority

of these suits grow out of personal

injuries, or alleged injuries, due to

The Philadelphia North American

remarks: "The short of the matter is

that any such misuse of life insur-

ance money, or savings bank money,

or other kind of trust funds, is a

crime. That the financiers who com-

mit the crime cannot perceive that

it is criminal proves nothing but that

the moral fibre of these men has de-

terioriated and that long familiarity

with the crookedness of high finance

has benumbed their power to distin-

The horrors of modern warfare sink

into insignificance when compared

with the horrors of modern railroady

ing in the United States. An army

larger than the Union forces at Get-

tyshurg is killed and wounded every

year on the railroads of the Unifed

States During the year ending June

30, 1904, there were 10.046 people kill-

ed and \$4,155 people injured by acci-

dents on American railways. Of the

killed, 441 were passengers, and of

the injured, 9,111 were passengers.

The number of employees killed was

8.632, and the number of injured em-

the slain were neither passengers nor

employes, probably the greater num-

modern battle, but as the casualties

occur in small numbers every day

we have grown callous. But is it not

time that the public take an interest

safety for employees and patrons?

Pearl Fishing in the United States.

has been carried on in many States,

including Kentucky, Tennessee, Texas,

Wisconsin, Illinois, Arkansas, Mis-

souri, Georgia and Kansas. One pearl

from a freshwater mussel was sold

for \$1,500, while a round, pink pearl

from Tennessee brought \$650. One

of the finest pearls ever collected in

the United States was the "Queen."

It had a beautiful lustre and weighed

ninety-three grains. It was found

near Paterson, N. J., in 1857, and was

sold to the Empress Eugenle for \$2.-

000 .- Randolph I. Geare, in the Scien-

Today it is probably worth \$10,-

Pearl fishing in the United States

asks The Commoner.

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tific American.

guish right from wrong."

defective sidewalks.

THE KEYSTONE STATE

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Order.

Elmer Long and Peter Dowd, Coal Township Commissioners, returned to Shamokin from Harrisburg, being as-sured by the State Road Department that a macadamized road will be built from Paximos to Shamokin, a distance of six miles.

Fire in the home of tax collector A. udewick, at Freeland, damaged the building and furniture. The loss is \$3000. Heroic work on the part of firemen prevented the fire from spreading.

The Taxpayers' Association of Lucerne County has commenced action against the auditors of Pittston Townhip to compel them to publish an item ized statement of the receipts and expenditures of the public school directors, reasurer and tax collector of the town ship, which they had refused to do. Mrs. Joseph Savin, of Nanticoke, fled

from her home because her husband, who had been acting peculiarly for some time, took a saw to bed with him and threatened to saw her to picees. The authorities took him to an insane asylum.

Dr. Arthur J. Wilson, City Bacterioogist, has reported that the water of the wells in Scranton is better than it might he expected. In only one case out of 109 was typhoid bacteria discovered.

Before Justice Morgan the first suit of the Borough of Shamokin to recover mouey from the property owners due for street paving was heard. John P. Mahe- was the defendant. Judgement for \$140 was entered. This is the first of a series of suits to be filed.

John D. Gill, of Greensburg, Prohibition candidate for Justice of the State Supreme Court, filed in the State Department a formal notice of his with Irawal. A recting of the Prohibition State Commi he will probably be called o nominate a candidate to take his place.

Reports received by State Fish Comnissioner Meehan from all sections of Pennsylvania show that the present bass season is the best in ten years, and that the trout season was the best in thirty vears.

Guisseppi Lonizzi, an Italian, who was o have been married to Theresa Paetari, at Steelton, disappeared a few hours before the time fixed for the marriage and is still missing.

J. Sutton Wall, Chief Draughtsman of the Internal Affairs Department, and four assistants left Harrisburg for Eric to make a survey of the shore of Lake Erie to determine the point which was the western terminal of the old boundary line between Pennsylvania and New York.

Governor Pennypacker honored a requisition from Governor Higgins for the extradition of Edward Carney, who s wanted at Buffalo, N. Y., to answer a charge of being a pickpocket. Carney was arrested in Harrisburg during the Old Home Week celebration.

The new home of the Rescue Hook and Ladder Company of St. Clair was dedicated. The annual donation day at the Home

of the Aged and Infirm Deaf at Doyles town netted the institution \$187.95. While nicking annies Albert McCart

LEELEENERENE DE SETTERE DE STANGERENE DE STANFERSE STERE There is Money in **Growing Ginseng**

Prof. W. L. Howard of the Missouri State Agricultural College says: "I advise American farmers to cultivate Ginseng. Big profits may be realized. It is a hardy plant and is easily grown."-A recent bulletin issued by the Pennsylvania State Agricultural College in part says : "The supply of native Ginseng root is continually diminishing and the price per pound is correspondingly increasing, while the constant demand for the drug in China stands as a guarantee of a steady market for Ginseng in the future. The market for our cultivated root will exist as long as the Chinamen exist."-Consul General W. A. Rublee of Hong Kong says in the U. S. Consular reports : " The sale of Ginseng root grown in America is very large here and the demand is so great that much more could be disposed of advantageously. The root is as indispensable to the 400,000,000 Chinese as is their rice."

Ginseng is a staple on the market the same as corn, wheat and cotton. The present market price varies from \$5 to \$8 per pound according to quality, while the cost of production does not exceed \$1 50. There is room in an ordinary garden to grow several hundred dollars worth each year. The plant is hardy and thrives in all parts of the United States and Canada, except in arid regions. We are successful growers and can show you how to make money growing Ginseng. You can get a good start in the business for a small outlay, and soon have a comfortable income. We have several thousand choice roots for sale for fall delivery. The planting season begins in August and continues till the ground is frozen. Write us today for literature.

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Mr. Bailey got himself elected county commissioner by keeping his mouth shut, but during the three years he has held office he has been a party to the extravagant administration of county affairs. He left the remainder of the board do the talking. Bailey simply signs up, because he knows that he couldo't open his mouth for a minute without getting his foot into 44 it ??.

MR. . A. WEAVER.

In these days of "graft" in public offices it is well for the voter to consider who among the different candidates will fill the office for the public goo i instead of for private gain. In C A. Weaver, one of the nominees for Commissioner, we have a man who is more than ordinarily well qualified for the office to which he aspires. He is a well trained and successful business man, and if elected will take with him into the office the same business methods which he uses in his every day operations, and, so far ns he can control it, there will be an end to the loose methods of controlling the affairs little back of the jaws, but they are of the county, which have lately become the custom.

Mr. Weaver is one of the younger members of the party who deserves to be rewa ded and encouraged for the good he has done. Coming, as he does, from one of the oldest and most r-spected families in the valley, he always took an interest in public sffairs, but like his ancestor, not as an office holder. At a very early age be took a prominent part in public matters, and is well known to be an honorable and usef il citizen.

Mr. Wesver will undoubtedly receive a haudsome complimentary vote from his friends and neighbors in the opposite party, for his political career has not been of the "offensive partisan" kind.

Vote for him and ask your neighbor to vote with you.

TWO TALES : BY A. V. MILLER.

Will Commissioner Miller please tell the Bellefonte Fair Association the same story he told Penns Valley Grangets about that \$100 appropriation for premiums.

What is the use of denying it-the commissioners had decided not to pay any attention whatever to the appeal of the Centre County Pomona Grange, through their representative, Hon. Leonard Rhone, and acted accordingly.

But-

The Reporter called attention to their shabby trick, and then to cover it all up, the commissioners wrote to Mr. Rhone (and forwarded a copy of the letter to this office) saying that Hence it is called "the flying frog."

Anent Frogs' Ears.

Some time ago Beatrice Nathans of Philadelphia, wrote to St. Nicholas sving, "Have toads and frogs ears?" The answer to her question included the hearing equipment of turtles and snakes as well, and was very interesting.

The ears of a frog are the thin, flat spots back of the eyes. Scientists call the vibrating tissue over each shot a tympanic membrane. This vibrates after the manner of the head of a drum-only, of course, on a very s nall scale.

There is no opening as in the ears of higher animals.

Turtles have similar membranes a smaller than in the frog and do not s low conspicuously. Indeed, unless you know just where to look, you will tail to find them, because they are below thick skin. You can usually feel this membrane by pressing with thumb and finger on both sides of the head, as an elastic spote surrounded by a hard, circular wall.

In most fishes the internal ear dues not have the tympanic membrane, and the "ear" is probably not for hearing, but an organ of equilibrium (that is, of keeping right side up) only. Some salamanders do not have this membrane, but others, and all the higher amphibians, like frogs and turtles, have the membrane.

Snakes have no membrane, and the hearing is right through the bone of the skull, which we can somewhat understand by comparing it to our hearing' noises or other sounds through the partition between two rooms of a house. Snakes are not charmed by music.

Days of Training Ship Ended.

Especial interest attr thed to the recent distribution of pri: s on board H. M. S. Britannia, at Dartmouth, England, as it was the last function the decks of the old cadet ship will witness. The cadets, after the holidays, will be housed in the new Naval college, erected at Dartmouth at a cost of nearly £500,000.

This Frog Flies.

A species of frog found in Borneo has very long toes, webbed to the tip. This creature can leap from a high tree, and, by spreading its toes, be supplied with four little parachutes, which enable it to easily descend.

Judgments rendered in personal-inof Bucksville, fell from a tree and frac jury damage suits brought against the tured his collarbone.

city during the last seven years foot Because he fell on an icy pavement and up to the impressive totals of \$5,000.permanently injured his hip, a jury awarded Henry Clemmens \$1500 dam-000. The sum named represents only ages against the city of Reading. part of the cost imposed on Chicago John Koset, a young Hungarian, was killed at the Bethlehem Steel Works. taxpayers, for many thousands of dollars are expended annually in defend-

Christian Nixdorf, 70 years old, o Lancaster, was fatally injured by the premature explosion of a brass canon. which he, with other old veterans, was engaged in discharging along the route of the G. A. R. parade at Myerstown He was struck in the breast by the breech block of the canon, which was blown off.

Robert R. Koch, of Philadelphia, who sued Edward Semmel, of Easton, for \$5,000 damages because of alleged slander, was given a verdict of \$100. The allegation was that Koch had been called a crook by the defendant.

A train of eleven heavy freight cars dashed down a steep grade on a siding and crashed into Luckenbach's grain elevator, in Bethlehem, doing considerable damage.

Susan J. Cunningham, professor of mathematics and astronomy, and Elizabeth Powell Bond, dean of women, have returned their resignations to the faculty of Swarthmore College, to take effect at the end of the current year.

The Waynesburg Southern Railroad Company, capital \$120,000, was chartered by the State Department to build twelve miles of railroad in Greene county.

Zembo Temple, Ancient Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, Harrisburg, celebrated its first anniversary at its temple by taking in fifty novices. A banquet followed, at which Illustrious Potentate Harrison Dingman, of Washington, was the principal speaker.

ployees was 68,067. Six thousands of The jury of inquest impaneled by Coroner King in Royersford to hear evidence in regard to the fatal wreck at ber being killed at grade crossing or Aramingo rendered an accidental verdict and did not place the blame on either of while walking the tracks. This shocking casualty list would cause a the train crews. shudder of horror if it occurred in a

Excelsior Temple, No. 63, O. of N. A., celebrated the third anniversary of its founding by a banquet.

Residents of Spring Citty have protested to Manager Corbin, of the Montgomery and Chester Street Railway, in the matter and demand greater against allowing cars with flat wheels to run on the line.

Henry Kane, a negro, was arrested near Oley Line on suspicion of having murdered John Carter near Chester last Kane had been under surveil month. lance for some time. He denies knowing anything about the murder.

Department Attorney General Fleitz has instructed State Fish Commissioner Meehan that persons authorized to take carp, suckers and mullets from the waters of Pennsylvania with seine nets from September 1 until June 30 may enploy others to assist them in working the seine, but are responsible for any illegal acts committed by the persons so employed. Mr. Fleitz has also instructed the Commissioner that the licenses to fish in Lake Erie confer no right upon the holders to fish with nets or other devices between November 15 and March 15 of the year succeeding the year for which such licenses are issued.

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