In the short space of eighteen years a two-billion-dollar country according to prognostications sent out from Washington. Of course, the Washington basis of estimate is the volume of money obtained by taxation and

election being now over, the Republi- Earhart, who was sitting at a window cans have no motive trying to be econ- sewing, and started on the southeast omical, and at the approaching session | si ie of a straw stack where the farmwill "let'r go" What's the use of hand, George Carson, had been but a being economical if the people keep few moments previous. you to office no matter how extrava-

ning population and taxes. In the took fire. last fiscal year the deficit was \$60,000,- The loss as far as can be gather 000 In the face of monthly deficits Congress appropriated \$80 000,000 more than it did the previous year. The results are already apparent. In onethird of the cur ent fiscal year the deficit is \$44 000,000. That is at the rate of \$132,000,000 a year Even that has no effect upon the Republican stat smen. Washington predicts that Congress will appropriate more at the coming than it did at the last session Even with some improvements in revenues that insure a magnificent deficit in the year 1910. By the end of the fiscal year 1909 here will not be much left of the Treasury surplus-not so much as the Treasury insists is a necessary working capital. The money has got to come from somewhere, and further conversation it was stated in water. the Republicans will have to take their choice between borrowing money and levying new taxes. This will be a novel experience for a period of peace

A QUESTION.

new imposts or another bond issue.

A long time ago, almost too long to be remembered, through the revelations of one named Berry, a Pennsylvania State Treasurer, several men were convicted of having looted the state treasury in a building transacpapers a freak, noted for his bigotry and narrow-mindedness and boot-Can any one now living tell, or is there at the stack opposite the point where Valley, and the hunters who shot it a historical account of, what punishment was in flicted on the convicted men? Is there any information to be had at Harrisburg?

Any scheme of State roadmaking and State maintenance of ro-ds adopted in Pennsylvania will only result in ried into execution by trained men of engineering capacity who should remain in charge during good behavior Politics and political is fluence should lic improvements was woefully illus- the straw shed on the east. trated in Pennsylvania in the building and wrecking of the State canals. That

From Mithelm Journal.

Harry Corman left Monday morning for Pitcairn, where he expects to secure employment.

Mrs Clara Clark, of Williamsport,

visiting their daughter, Mrs. William the direction of the house. Swarm, at Baltimore. Miss Ruth Anderson, of Shick-

shinney, is visiting at the home of Henry Miller, on Penn street.

Ed Confer, who is located at Chicago, arrived in town fue-day to spend some time visiting among relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. N. R. King returned Monday evening from attending the funeral of Mrs King's brother, J. D. Hezlett, at Shickshinney.

Na ional American Red Cross stamps are on sale at the Reporter office. Remember the whole of the proceeds from the sale of these stamps goes toward stamping out the white plague in Pennsylvania.

For ladies only, at Yesgers.

CENTRE HALL, PA., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1908.

the nation has passed from a billion to Calves, Hogs, Grain, Hay, Implements, Harness, Etc., Goes Up in Smoke,-Fire Originated in Straw stack When Farm Hand had Left with a Forkfull of Straw.

The barn and all the outbuildings on the Mary Potter farm (the Potter disbursed through innumerable agen- homestead) about four miles west of cies. Eighteen years ago a single Centre Hall, all the grain, hay, imple-Congress at its two sessions appropriments, harness, some calves and hogs ated a billion dollars, and when the were destroyed by fire Saturday afterpublic exclaimed thereat Speaker Reed doon, the fire originating about 3:35 retorted that this was a billion-dollar o'clock. The tenant, George W. Earcountry. On that basis of calculation hart, and the landlady, Miss Potter, it has now become a two-billion-dollar had an equal interest in the personal country. The last session of Congress property.

appropriated over one billion, and, the The fire was first observed by Mrs.

It was with great difficulty that the horses and a few calves were removed The population has not doubled in from the barn and the fattening hogs eighteen years, and the revenues have from the pen. After this was done atnot. The doubling of the expenditures | tention was given the dwelling house, means that disbursements are outrun- the roof of which on several occasions

The loss as lat as call be	ga	inered
as follows :		
Two calves		
Nine shoats		
Two brood sows and fifteen pigs		
Wheat	250	bushel
Corn	1200	**
Oats	385	**
Barley	80	
Rye	18	**
Cloverseed	8	**
Hay	50	tons
Corn fodder	16	loads
Large amount of straw		

All the farm implements The sum total of this loss is difficult to estimate, and is left to the reader to

calculate for himself. Mr. Earhart called at this office effect :

Mr. Earbart and his hired man, George Carson, went to the woods after dinner to cut fire wood, and about the that eggs of that stripe sell for twelve and prosperity. Of course, there ought middle of the afternoon returned home to be a River and Harbor, bill, which to perform the chores about the house was omitted for economy's sake at and barn. Mr. Earhart went direct to pitcher, has signed with the Will the late billion-dollar session, but if the woodhouse, and the other man to ismsport Fri-State league team the military and naval expenditures the barn. Mr. Carson entered the cannot be cut down, expenditures manure shed on the north side and the first time when you purchase necessary for commerce will compel went to the southeast side of the straw stack, where from the barnyard fence Yeagers. he procured a straw book. He passed around the stack on the east side and on reaching the northwest side, the point nearest the horse stable, he pulled out straw for besiding. But one forkfull was carried into the stable, and while coming near to the door, he was met by Mr Earhart who broke tion for the state. From files of news the news to him that the straw stack comment on the apparent close obser-

the straw book hung on the fence. How the fire was started no one law. seems to know. The man states he The office of triennial assessor for so soon after he had left that point.

stable with little difficulty, their cus- number of applicants for the assessorsystematized jobbery unless it shall tom being to go from the stable when ship, and in time A C Ripka was follow upon the adoption of a well- loosened to the creek nearby for water. appointed, but within a few days after considered and comprehensive plan of After the horses were out an effort was his appointment he resigned, and Mr. procedure. Our present system is s made to turn out four calves. Three Emerick is his successor. failure. A uniform method of control of these ran from the stable, but one Philip J. Auman, of Johnstown, and construction is needed, to be car entered an entry and was burned, as formerly of Apring Mills, writes the was also another calf that refused to Reporter thus: "Your paper has beleave the stable. The two brood sows come a favorite of my wife's since she and their litt ra were in the rear of a became acquainted in Centre county. cow stable, and could not be removed I know I can always get full informa-

experience should never be duplicated. been summoned by telephone, and the presidency. others were first informed of the Drover Mitterling had bought up a catastrophy when they saw the flames car load of milch cows prior to the leap high in the air. Within an hour breaking out of the foot and mouth fully one hundred people were on the disease in Eastern Pennsylvania, and ards occurred at the home of her son, aged about 18 years, and employed at ground, but none came soon enough to just about the time he was ready to David, in Philipsburg, Tuesday of last the Ghom mines, mounted a freight machinery. assist in saving the property about the ship them the section of country in week. She was aged eighty-six years, train at Retort to go to his home just a visited relatives in this place several barn, but did good service in aiding to which he sells was quarantined. The ten months and five days, and her little north of Sandy Ridge. In disprotect the main dwelling from ourn- cows were then sold out to local par- death was the result of general infirm-

Miss Potter and Mr. Earhart, joint owners, will make public sale of all a car load or more of cows, and as soon their stock Saturday afternoon. See posters and advertisement in this issue. sent to market.

One on Biair Grangers.

The following dispatch from Altoons appeared in the North American :

At a recent meeting of prominent grangers this section a boom was launched for H. F Cox, of Bellwood, as overseer of the poor, an office that will be filled at the election h id here during the state grange meeting on December 8, 9, 10 and 11. It is customary for the state grange to give to the county in which it meets on election year at least one of the state offices, and the Blair county patrons have brought forth the name of Cox because of his long affiliation with

That is a good one on the Blair county grangers. No doubt there are some poor among the grangers That one word -FITZEZY -tells throughout the state, but the office of volumes as to the comfore of the shoes. overseer of the poor is unknown in the SHOT EMPLOYER "EAD.

Furious Negro Carried Out His Threat of Marder.

"I'm goin' ter kill yu befo' dis night's over" furiously declared Frank Lee, after a dispute with George Porter, his employer, in the latter's store in Lewistown, late Saturday night. Both were negroes, and Lee was employed as a teamster by Porter, who was well-to-do. They quarreled over the amount of wages due Lee. Slamming the door of the store, Lee went to his home a block away, got his shotgun, loaded it with large shot, and returned to the store. Suddenly throwing open the door he fired at Porter at close range. The full charge took effect, shattering the right lung and cutting off two ribs. Porter died Bosch, of Williamsport. in a few hours. Lee has not been

captured.

Bellefonte Makes Investment,

The borough of Belletonte purchased the property in Milesburg of the late Joseph Green, consisting of some thirty acres which includes the brick grist mill, dam and water power rights. The price paid is between ten add fifteen thousand dollars. It is the intention of the borough to erect an electric light plant, and also to generate power to be used in pumping water from the spring into the reser Monday morning, and from him the will prove a saving in expense of lightvoir. It is thought the investment shove losses were secured, and in a ing the streets as well as pumping

LOUALS.

Philadelphia has become so rotten cents a dozen.

FITZEZY shoes. For ladies only, at

same in the near future.

The Millheim Journal makes this was on fire, and that he should begin vation of a deer hunter: A buck, the centre of the flames appeared to be by a party that had camped in Brush took very long chances of clearing the

any reason for the fire having occurred George H. Emerick, of the North took, who occupied her property. precinct. Upon the death of Assessor The horses were got en out of the George W. Spangler there were a

ing embers carried by a good breeze in ties from his stable at Centre Hall. ities. One son survives and two and fell under the wheels, and his present, it is his intention to purchase as the quarantine is lifted they will be

> At State College last week Edna, the Snavely, and several students rooming children. with the Baileys, to give a surprise party for Mrs. Bailey that was highly appreciated by the lady and greatly enjoyed by the fifty or more guests present. Among the many handsome presents received was an Irish linen set, presented by the young men who room in the Bailey hous. These students also threw open the rooms on this occasion, and assisted the little

DEATHS.

died at the home of her son William appropriate to the opening of the Beezer. Always a healthy woman, thank-offering boxes distributed she had known hardly a day's illness in her entire life, but she was stricken with paralysis and died without re- dicating that great tact and effort had gaining consciousness. Mrs. Bosch been put forth by the older ones in was sixty-one years old. When quite training the children of the Mission young she was married to Ferdinand Band. The singing and reciting by B. ezer. Several years after the death the juniors was exceptionally good. of her first husband she was married and every portion of the program emto Frank Bosch. The surviving chil. phasized the need of more mission dren are: William, Ferdinand, George and Miss Agnes Beezer, of Bellefonte : John Beezer, of Punzsutawney; Miss Ella Beezer, of Joplin, Mo., and Frank

Mrs Caroline Rider, widow of the Sunday there was much excitement late Ab er Rider, died at her home in over the murder, and large posses were Coleville from a complication of dissearching the hills for Lee, the mur- eases. She was a born near Bellefonte derer. James Smith has been arrested seventy-eight years ago, and all her as an accessory after the fact and life was spent in this vicinity. These several others will be placed under children survive: Mrs. Lydia Hoy, of A surprise party was held at the Monday morning. arrest under suspicion of harboring the Houserville; George, of Indiana; home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Klinemurderer and aiding him in getting Henry and Wm., of Bellefonte; Wesaway. Smith admits that Lee see ley, of Benner township; Mrs. Sarah their daughter, Miss Ida. A pleasant

> late George W. Murtroff, died at the tiful gifts. The following were preshome of her daughter, Mrs. John A. ent: Misses Ruth Rossman, Rebecca Rhoads, near lipton. About a year Spangler, Ida and Lizzie Bitner, Mary ago she was stricken with paralysis Weaver, Blanche Moyer, Clara Reiber. and other complications setting in Marion Meese, Bertha Miller, Ruth resulted in her death. She was aged and Grace Bower, Mary Neff, Bertha ages remember they will not be comeighty-four years, and moved to this Bible, Myra Rockey, Eva Fleisher, plete without having on them one or section of the state from Adams county where she was born. She was the mother of twelve children, seven of daughter Marion, Mrs. Robert Glaswhom survive.

> John M. Strayer, formerly a resident of Bellefonte, died at the home of his Domer Ishler, George and William men, iron workers and laborers in niece, Mrs. S. H. Zellers. For some Swartz, Charlie Horner, John Neff, Pennsylvania is also alarming. suff ring from paralysis and locomotor ataxia. Mr. Strayer was born at Rebersburg fifty-three years ago. His wife died about a year ago, but he is survived by a number of brothers and

Mrs. John Shay, one of the oldest re-idents of Howard, died as the result from their hunting trip to the of a stroke of paralysis. She was aged Allegheny Mountains along Baker, The men who are at the head of the ninety-one years, and had lived in that Cranberry and Rockey Runs. They movement to erect cement brick works neighborhood all her life. Surviving are all skilled hunters, and had the at Bellefonte have secured their are the following children: Joseph good fortune to see a large number of lease for the location of the Bellefonte and Samuel Shay and Mrs. Mathias deer, many of them being beyond rifle furnace and expect to begin work on Walizer, of Howard; Saul Shay, of range, and not a few does projected Belletonte, and Lionel.

Miss Fannie Nestlerode, an aged loosening the horses. The fire was with horns less than inch in length, maiden lady, died at her home in wearing, was the chief executive at first observed by Mrs. Earhart, and was brought into town. It was shot Liberty township, after a brief illness from asthma. She was born, raised and lived all her life in the vicinity of bear meat which was highly relished her death. All her near relatives preceded her to the grave, and for the past six years she had been taken care was not smoking, and cannot assign for Potter township, is being filled by of by the family of Torrence McClin-

> resident of Ferguson township, died at considerable effort to start the flow of vehicles, etc. the nome of his son William, at Burn- water, but once begun the theory The Thanksgiving supper in Grange bam, of a complication of diseases, be- worked out to perfection. Lead pipes Arcadia was fairly well patronized, ing past seventy years of age. He was are used, but previous to using them and the result is the treasury has been a furuace-man and had been employed wooded and iron pipes had been ex- replenished to some extent. The at the Pennsylvania furnace until the perimented with. Lead was resorted funds accruing from the supper, and plant closed down. He is survived by to because it was the only pipe that all similar affairs held in the hall by four sons and four daughters.

Joseph Chambers McCloskey died over by others, for no doubt there debtedness of Grange Arcadia, which be altogether eschewed. The experiThe fattening hogs were turned from tion about the happening about my very suddenly at his home near Beech are many people using up muscle in structure is a credit to Centre Hail. ment of politics | management of put- the pen and saved. The pen joined old home." Mr. Auman is an enthusiastic Socialist, and believes that four disease. He was fifty-five years old, duced to flow by simply applying Hall, is having a well dug on his farm. It was not long until many of the years hence his party will be one of and followed mining for a number of brains in constructing an inexpensive The drilling is being done by the neighbors were on the ground, having the two foremost in the struggle for years. His wife survives with two system. sons, John and Joseph; he also leaves a number of brothers and sisters.

Campbell, died at her home in Miles- taken to the Cottage hospital at Philburg. She had been an invalid for ipsburg, but his condition was such as several years but the direct cause of to give little or no hope, and wnile little daughter of Mrs. Margaret E. her death was paralysis. She was everything possible was done for him, Bailey, managed by the assistance of aged fifty-nine years of age and is sur- he died the next day. Mrs. Harvey and Mrs. (Rev.) C. C. vived by her husband and several

wiped out by death.

Missionary Exercises.

Sunday evening the Missionary So-A very sudden death in Bellefonte ciety connected with the Lutheran was that of Mrs. Margaret Bosch, who church at Tusseyville gave an exercise among its members. The program was rendered in the best of style, inworkers and funds to carry on the great work.

> The Missionary Society of this church is not large, but the workers and Philip Bradford. are enthusiastic, not only when it comes to preparing programs and ren- Harry Goss, of Philipsburg, as deputy dering them on public occasions, but sheriff. Mr. Goss bears a good repuin giving. Last year the minutes of tation, and doubtless will make a good the Central Synod have this society under officer. credited with \$116 00, and the collection lifted Sunday evening was \$62.20.

felter, near Tusseyville, in honor of cured a suit of clothes at his house Emenhizer, James, Clayton and Abevening was spent playing games. ill, is much better, and it is hoped she Refreshments were served, consisting of ice cream, cake and lemonade. Miss Mrs. Anna Murtroff, widow of the Klinefelter received a number of beaugow and son Fred; Messrs. Wilbur and Frank Dashem, John Bitner, John Frazier, Elmer Miller, Arthur Fulton, Harry and Lester Cumings, Bruce Weaver.

The Hecia Hunters.

The Hecla hunting club, composed of Shuman Zimmerman, John Zimmerman, William Zimmerman, Samuel Heines, Perry Heins, William Homan and Al. P. Krape, the latter two of Centre Hall, Friday returned Milesburg; Mrs. William Monsel, of by the law, but they brought with them three large deer, one having six and two each eight prongs, and a bear weighing three hundred pounds; also, a bob cat.

Mr. Krape and Mr. Homan sent the Reporter a nice roast of venison and by the office force. Thanks, gentlemen, thanks.

Siphoniag Water from well.

Joseph Y. Kurtz, a resident of the sipuons the water from a thirty foot

Fatal Accident on Railroad.

A distressing accident, which proved fatal, occurred near Sandy Ridge. right arm and right leg were virtually list. He has been appraiser in a num-

Mrs. Maria A., wife of William Ross | The unfortunate young man was

An Afflicted Family.

Friday's Beliefoute Daily News says: Joseph Rice, of Philipsburg, buried Mrs. Solomon Barlett, of Coleville, good supply of the needful during the their only child. Two weeks ago Mr. died of diphtheria, when their six- past six months. And as to the cost, Rice died after a lingering illness and year-old son Boyd succumbed to the if compared to the expense of supplythe other week Mrs Rice died of heart disease. There are four others of the ing the average farm with water, the trouble, the whole family thus being family who are ill at present, and borough is again fortunate, as the cost their affliction is such as call forth the has not been nearly as much-per sympathy of all. The remains of dollar of assessed valuation—as it costs daughter in receiving the guests, by which act the students ingratiated themselves more than ever to their from the very best materials. For brother Randolph, who died last cases serves him only when there is

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HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Once a wearer is always a wearer of FITZEZY shoes. For ladies only, at

Miss Jennie Kerstetter, of Laurelton, s spending a short time with friends in Centre Hall.

Pruner Orphanage, in Bellefonte, has been placed in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clevenstine.

The members of the Bradford hunting party who killed deer this season were John Bohn, George W. Bradford

Sheriff elect Hurley has appointed

Miss Maude Sechrist, the primary school teacher in Centre Hall, made a trip to New York city, leaving here Wednesday afternoon and returning

Miss Nellie Harpster, the sixteenyear-old daughter of George Harpster, will continue to recover.

Rev. W. D. Donat, pastor of the Reformed church, Aaronsburg charge, was elected stated clerk of the West Susquehanna classis at a special meeting of classis held at Williamsport.

In making up your Christmas pack-Maude Neff, Mary Farner, Naomi more National Red Cross stamps. Martz; Mrs. Thomas Farner and These stamps can be had at this office, at one cent each.

The foot and mouth disease among the cattle in Pennsylvania is becoming serious. The "hand to mouth"

Emanuel Kerstetter, who has been occupying the Kerstetter farm near Coburn for the past thirty-five years, will retire from farming pext spring. W. F. Musser, of Pine Creek, will take possession of the farm on April 1st.

A double house on Lamb street, Bellefonte, owned by Boyd Noll, Zion, and occupied by William Miller, was burned Thursday morning of last week. The loss to Mr. Noll will be about \$1800. None of the personal property of either of the tenants was

A five-pronged buck came home with the cattle of Eli Masemore, near Atkinson Milis, Wayne township, Mifflin county. The deer followed the cattle into the barnyard and as soon as Mr. Masemore could get the buck in range without danger of killing one of his cows he shot it.

The commodious cow barn erected J. W. Mitterling has been painted by John T. Noll and assistants, of Pleasant Gap, and now presents a fine appearance. The barn has stalls to accommodate forty cows, and then Back Mountains, near Belleville, ther remains room for others that can be safely turned loose. The barn also David Rhoads, a former well known well to his residence nearby. It took has quarters for several horses,

could be made air tight. This is a the members of Progress Grange, are question that ought to be studied applied to the liquidation of the in-

William H. Baird, south of Centre Ecroids, of Pennsdale, Lycoming county. For many years the water supply on the farm has been uncertain but Mr. Baird intends avoiding future shortage of water provided it can be Jesse S. Pfoutz, a son of G. W. Pfoutz, found within a depth that can be reached by modern well-digging

Assessor George H. Emerick thinks there is a considerable increase in the dog stock in Potter township over that indicated in the old assessment ber of cases where dogs and sheep were mixed up, and doubtless has come to the correct conclusion that the dog should bear his full share of the tax burdens. Really, there is not the first shadow of reason for the existence of one-twenty-fifth of the dogs.

The cost of supplying Centre Hall with water has not been measured in pennies, yet this town can consider About one year ago Mr. and Mrs. Thursday the second child of Mr. and itself very fortunate in having had a plenty of water everywhere.