The Huntingdon Journal.

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Leap year is drawing to a close.

Business is as flat as a flounder.

Life is too short to waste in strife.

Holiday goods are being displayed.

The Institute was largely attended.

Buy a gold pen at the JOURNAL Store.

Potatoes have been rotting very rapidly.

The juveniles are hunting up their sleds.

The church fair and festival season is at hand.

The season for shooting matches is at hand.

Now is the time to advertise holiday goods.

A polar wave has been sweeping over us for a few days past.

The popular "Pioneer" cigar can be had at the JOURNAL Store.

The borough treasury of Mifflintown, Juniata county, is bankrupt.

The shop windows are beginning to put on their holiday appearance.

The turkey population was very much curtailed on Thanksgiving Day.

The furnace at Logan, Mifflin county, will be put in blast in a week or two.

Some very valuable real estate is advertised for sale in another column.

The juveniles are on the tip-toe of expentancy. The holidays, you know.

J. G. Jones, esq., has been appointed Postmaster at Shade Valley, this county.

Great depression is felt in business growing out of the Presidential muddle.

A hop came off in the classic precincts of "Gravel Point" on Thanksgiving eve.

Religious revivals are reported in every direction. What is Huntingdon about?

Most of the stores, in this place, did a back-door business on Thanksgiving day.

Col. McCrum's defence of the irrepressible Jim Milliken is rather an ingenious one.

Ex-Sheriff Neeley, delivered Reese to Sheriff Henderson on Saturday evening last.

Mt. Union panteth for a Lock-up.—What is the matter with the boys, Mr. Mayor?

Gantz's colored Band treated our citizens to some street music on Thanksgiving evening.

Some few of our business men are beginning to appreciate the value of printers' ink.

The pond, at the base of the hill, across the river, is the popular resort for skaters just now.

The Baptist church, when completed, will be the most imposing structure in Huntingdon.

The weather, for some days past, has been suggestive of "two in a bed and spoon fashion."

Our green grocer friend, Westbrook, drove a lively trade in shell-fish on Thanksgiving day.

Tax executions are now in order.—Where in the world is the money to come from to pay?

A religious revival was commenced in the West Huntingdon chapel on Sunday night last.

The Lakeside Library, sold at ten cents per single copy, has knocked the *dime novel* business.

Tramps do not seem to be so numerous as they were a week or two ago, on this route, at least.

The squeal of the dying porker is heard now more frequently than the "song of the dying swan."

The little village of M'Veytown, in Mifflin county, spent $10,000 in seeing the Centennial.

As there is nothing to distract the minds of the people it will be in order to get up a few revivals.

The annual re-union of the 131st Reg. P. V., will be held at Lewistown on Wednesday, 13th inst.

The neat and trim appearance of the JOURNAL Store is admired by all lovers of the beautiful.

Buy Domestic Fashions at the JOURNAL Store. They are more reliable than any other in the market.

All the active instructors engaged for the Institute acquitted themselves with entire satisfaction.

A full line of tobaccos and cigars just opened at the JOURNAL Store. The best 5 cent cigar in town.

Dr. Shade, it is said, was the most prominent man that has been murdered in Huntingdon county.

Every reader of modern literature buys Daniel Deronda. Price 40 cents. For sale at the JOURNAL Store.

The tramp with frozen feet and frosted fingers, is now in order. We pity, heartily pity, the poor fellows.

The report of the murder of Dr. Shade created much excitement on our streets on Saturday evening last.

Miss Chidester's Reading Entertainment during the Institute was very much appreciated and highly complimented.

Geo. J. Akers, esq., late editor of the Altoona *Mirror* is about starting an independent Sunday weekly in that city.

Have you paid that little bill you owe the printer? If not, why not? Go and attend to it at once. He needs his money.

It is astonishing what a number of people want to correspond from Washington and Harrisburg. Their name is legion.

Mr. Protzman, and old gentleman employed at J. C. Miller & Co's tannery, fell, one day last week, and was severely injured.

Newspapers have been in demand since the election. Congress met on Monday and now we will have more than usual interest.

Photograph Albums, pocket books, fancy Papetries, Diaries, and an endless variety of stationery articles at the JOURNAL Store.

Phrenology received quite a number of additional "bumps" during the Institute. It brought down the house but held its own.

Never ask a man to make a pledge unless you know he can live up to it. Otherwise, if he commits moral perjury, you are responsible.

The Board of Pardons refused to pardon Wm. Stutsman, now serving an imprisonment for manslaughter in the killing of Stephen L. Madigan.

There was a total suspension of business, in this place, on Thanksgiving Day. It was more generally observed than any before to our recollection.

There is no doubt but Huntingdon county has suffered more severely from the crisis than any other county in the State. What is the cause?

The annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference will be held in Williamsport, commencing March 21st, 1877, Bishop Bowman presiding.

Jeff. Davis and Gov. Hendricks, of Indiana, passed through this place, in company, one day last week, *en route* for the west. "Birds of a feather," &c.

A note coming due, no money, and the weather as cold as Greenland's icy mountains, is enough to raise the temperature in your immediate neighborhood.

A standard household remedy of undoubted and acknowledged merits is Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. And it costs but 25 cents; large size, 50 cents.

Christmas makes a skip of one day this year. Last year it came on Saturday, but this being Leap year, it gently glides over Sunday and occurs on Monday.

The long evenings are here. Cannot the Professional and Literary people of the town get up a Literary Society of some kind to pass away the heavy hours.

A party of three or four hunters, from this place, spent last week in the woods, but we have not heard whether they were successful in bagging any game or not.

It is reported that Rolland, the escaped Chambersburg bank robber, was in Mt. Union on Friday last, where he purchased a pair of spectacles from a dealer in that place.

William D. Harpster, a fugitive from justice in Mifflin county, was re-captured at Sunbury, the other day, and assigned to his old quarters in the jail at Lewistown.

The most phlegmatic individual was brisk as a kitten during Saturday and Sunday.—It is astonishing what an amount of activity Old Boreas can stir up in a few hours.

The Grand Central Hotel, New York, was the first leading hotel to reduce and schedule its rates according to the location of its rooms. It now charges $2.50 and $3.00 per day.

There is no investment that pays as good percentage as judicious advertising, and there is no better advertising medium in the Juniata Valley than the JOURNAL. Try it. tf.

The canal basin, along the foot of Allegheny street, was covered with a thin sheet of ice on Monday morning, not of sufficient strength, however, to answer the purpose of skaters.

Thirty-two rabbits, we are told, is the number gobbled up by an Altoona sportsman in the neighborhood of Marklesburg, in two days, and they were not good days for rabbits either.

The State Board of Charities are circulating a petition for signers asking for the building of a third penitentiary, to be located somewhere in the Central part of the State.

Editor Bowman, of Mt. Union, dropped in to see us one day last week, and passed editorial compliments. The *Times* starts the second volume under his management with the next issue.

The School Board, in all probability, will go into the "taffy" and "pea-nut" business on the hill during the coming holidays for the benefit of the scholars. Who will sell the "pea-nuts?"

The attention of those of our readers who are thinking about changing their residence, is called to the advertisements of the Grand Rapids and Indiana Rail Road Company in another column.

We have the finest stock of wedding stationery this side of sundown, and we are prepared to get up wedding invitations in a style unsurpassed anywhere. Call and see specimens and hear prices. tf

The most disgusted person we have met for months was a book agent who penetrated to this region last week. Her contempt for Huntingdon's "solid men" was only limited by a want of language to express it.

The man who has been sitting on an empty dry-goods box all summer, looking for a job, has transferred his quarters to a warm saloon stove, where he still continues to lament the situation, but he is much more comfortable.

Hon. C. W. Ashcom, of Hopewell, one day last week, shot a wild turkey weighing twenty pounds. He was so elated at his success that he called all his family about him, from Dan to Beersheba, and gave thanks on the 20th ult.

The happiest moments in a woman's life are when she is making her wedding garments; the saddest when her husband comes home late at night and yells to her from the front steps to throw him out some key-holes, assorted sizes.

The latest report in regard to Col. Milliken's foolish order is that the valiant Colonel has lost his shoulder straps. This would be making a serious thing of a joke. If so, we hope they may be restored after the anger is over.

Some one says we are to have a three dollar excursion to Philadelphia during the holidays. Guess there is nothing in it. But it would be the means of taking a number of persons to the city of Brotherly Love that would not go otherwise.

Mr. McNeal and other Educators express themselves highly gratified at the success of the late Institute. The former gentleman thinks it was the best held during his administration.—We are glad to note this healthy advancement in our school affairs.

A Ministerial Association for Huntingdon county was organized in the Chapel of the Presbyterian church of this place, on Monday of last week, which will meet regularly hereafter on Monday of each week. Wonder whether they will admit reporters?

We would be much pleased if some one, acquainted with the life and public services of Levi Evans, esq., would furnish us with a just tribute of respect to the memory of a man who was known by almost every man, woman and child on the south side of the county.

The *Scientific American* informs us that ammoniumhexanitrodiphenylamid is the proper name of a compound for dyeing silk and woolen fabrics a beautiful orange yellow. It will be an easy word for little children to remember, when they are sent to a drug store to buy three cents worth.

Mr. Fleming has disposed of his interest in the Altoona *Mirror* to his late partner, Harry Slep, who is now sole proprietor. Geo. J. Akers, esq., who slung ink for the concern, has also retired and has been succeeded by a gentleman named Hart, who hails from Lancaster. Success to all parties.

If some young men could see themselves as others see them, we think they would try to behave themselves when in a public assemblage. It is a sign of bad breeding to visit such a place and laugh and giggle to the annoyance of the audience. Young men, learn to behave or stay away from such places.

J. Nelson Alsip, esq., of Pittsburgh, formerly of Bedford, will be an applicant for Journal Clerk in the Lower House of the Legislature. There is no better man for the place.—"Nelse" has been "brought up" among records, and what he does not know about such matters is not worth knowing. We most cordially recommend him to Messrs. Port and Dewees.

We publish the proceedings of the Institute as reported by Professor White. The report, as prepared by the Secretaries,—handed to us at the eleventh hour—is entirely too lengthy. We are willing to do anything in reason, but it is asking too much to take up seven or eight columns of our paper with the proceedings of an association that we do not even get thanks for publishing.

One of our exchanges advises its readers to always avoid dealing with the business man who doesn't patronize his local paper. Ninety-nine times out of a hundred you will find that such a man is best let alone. He doesn't deserve your patronage, and will not appreciate it if given him. Patronize the man who wants to do his part toward building up the town and country in which he does business.

The fearful exposure of the condition of one of the schools in the "coop," at the Institute, last week, by Dr. A. B. Brumbaugh, created quite a sensation. Quite a number of teachers and others visited it to satisfy themselves of the entire correctness of the Doctor's statement. How many precious lives will this room cost? Many may linger through years of wretchedness and misery and then die the victims of the inefficiency of a school board.

The family of Mr. Joseph Bardine took their departure from our midst on Saturday morning last, with Colorado in view as their destination. Mrs. B. and her two daughters propose stopping a few days with friends in Cambria county, when they will proceed to join husband and father in South Puebla, Colorada, where the family will make their future home. We wish them a pleasant and safe journey, and a favorable impression of their new abode.—*Mt. Union Times.*

Where can you get dress or business suits made to order from 10 to 20 per cent cheaper than any place else in the county? At Montgomery's. He has 200 samples to select from. Takes measures and guarantees good fits.

OLD MEN, ATTENTION. Young men and boys, if you need an overcoat, dress coat, or suit of clothes, save your money till you examine the stock just now arriving at Henry & Co's.

LADIES! LADIES! LADIES! LADIES! *FURS! FURS! FURS! FURS!*—Mink, Seal, Lynx and Artic Mink, from $2.50 to $50.00 a set, at Harry Cohen's Clothing and Hat Store.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT.—The Victories of Science.—*Domestic Remedies.* Steam, Electric Telegraphs, Printing, &c., have each had their particular ovation, but the man who has reduced the sphere of disease, and alleviated the sufferings of millions of his fellow beings, is, to say the least of it, entitled to our admiration. Holloway has expended a lifetime in the suppression of sickness throughout the world, and for the effective cures of measles, small-pox, ring-worm, whooping-cough, and all disorders affecting childhood, his Pills and Ointment are as familiar as household words in Europe, Asia, Africa and America. Mothers should never be without a supply. 188

Can you tell me where I can get the cheapest and best underclothing?—Yes, at Montgomery's. 75 cents a suit and upwards.

A HORRIBLE MURDER.—DR. J. A. SHADE, *of Shade Gap, Killed by his Son-in-law, Cresswell A. Reese—The Doctor Receives Four Shots and Dies in Ten or Fifteen Minutes—A Family Feud at the Bottom of It—Narrow Escape of Mrs. Shade—The Capture and Incarceration of the Murderer—Scenes, Incidents, etc., etc.*—The town of Huntingdon was thrown into a feverish state of excitement, on last Saturday afternoon, by a telegram addressed to Mrs. C. A. Reese, who was on a visit to the family of W. H. Woods, esq., informing her that her father had been killed by her husband, and requesting her to come home.

Little was known of the actual facts until the arrival of the mail train, at 5:30 P. M., which brought up ex-Sheriff D. R. P. Neely, of Orbisonia, in charge of the murderer. A large crowd had collected at the Station, but no attempt was made to interfere with the officers, and Reese was marched off to jail and locked up.

The history of the case, down to the culmination of the horrible crime, which it now becomes our painful duty to record, is one filled with much bitterness and sorrow. Dr. J. A. Shade located at Shade Gap in 1842, and a felicitous marriage blessed him with a son and a daughter. These grew up as the years rolled away, and the daughter, against her father's protests, married Cresswell A. Reese, a native of Burnt Cabins, Fulton county, Pa. A short time after their marriage Dr. Shade placed Reese on his farm, where he and his wife continued to reside until the father learned that his son-in-law was not treating his daughter properly, which resulted in a separation and terminated in a divorce. The fruit of this union was an only child.

A short time after the divorce, we think through the medium of the child, a reconciliation was brought about, and a second time they were united in marriage. This was in defiance of the parents' wishes, and the consequence was that Reese and his wife were forbidden to visit the Doctor's residence. A year or two ago the son died while attending medical lectures in Philadelphia. Friends then endeavored to bring about a reconciliation, and succeeded so far as to get the Doctor's consent to his daughter visiting her parents. The trouble between the Doctor and Reese, during all this time, appears to have principally grown out of the fact that Reese was impecunious and constantly wanting his wife to secure her father's pecuniary assistance. Some time after the death of the son Dr. Shade and his wife went west, and left the Doctor's drug store in the hands of a clerk. A day or two after the Doctor left Reese came and took possession and run the business until the return of the former. Such an audacious outrage was mildly rebuked, on the Doctor's return, by forbidding him his house.

Reese located at Orbisonia, where he built a house, but he was soon overwhelmed with debt, and much annoyance only made him annoy his father-in-law the more. A few months ago, after much vexation and many trials, the Doctor agreed that he would pay Reese a certain sum of money if he would never molest or annoy him again, and the contract was drawn and executed, and obligations passed upon which Reese raised the money. This was soon spent in the payment of debts, and Reese found himself short once more.

In the meantime, it is alleged, on the authority of his wife, that he began to maltreat her again; threatened to shoot her and her father, and otherwise intimidated her. He appears to have had a singular control over her. A week or so ago they separated, not finally, but to meet at Orbisonia one day last week. Reese's parents reside at or near Burnt Cabins, Fulton county, where he was delayed a day or so longer than was contemplated. On his return to Orbisonia he found that his wife had been there according to previous arrangement, but had gone away, it was said, to Isaac Taylor's, Mrs. Taylor is an aunt. It is currently reported that Reese visited Dr. Shade at or about this time and that they had a violent quarrel. Reese learned, in the meantime, that his wife had come to Huntingdon, and on Wednesday evening he followed her. He called at the residence of W. H. Woods, esq., where she was stopping, and endeavored to obtain an interview, but Mrs. Reese refused to see him. He remained an hour or two at Mr. Woods' reciting his matrimonial troubles in rather an unimpassioned manner. Late in the evening, after Mrs. Reese had retired, he sent a note and requested an immediate answer. This was returned to him next morning unopened. He spent the day about the town, and on Friday morning endeavored to induce the Rev. Mr. Hollifield to accompany him to see his wife, which, after consultation with Mr. Bailey, Reese's counsel, and Mr. Woods and others, the Reverend gentleman declined to do. He called again at the house of Mr. Woods and insisted upon seeing his wife "only for two minutes," but, though assured by Mr. Woods that he would protect her, she peremptorily declined to meet him.

It appears that he subsequently returned to Orbisonia where he remained all night in his own house as he states himself. On Saturday he armed himself with a five-chamber revolver and paid a visit to Shade Gap.

He found the Doctor and Mrs. Shade in the Drug Store. An altercation took place, in which, it is said, he struck the Doctor. Mrs. Shade caught up a piece of wood and attempted to defend her husband, but, after a violent struggle, in which she was badly tramped and bruised, the piece of wood was wrenched from her, and with it Reese delt the Doctor two stunning blows over the forehead, laying bare the skull. he then drew his pistol and shot the Doctor through the right shoulder. At this point two parties ran up and Reese levelled his pistol at them and told them not to interfere or he would shoot them. While this diversion was going on the Doctor must have recovered from the shock, and, as he lay weltering in his blood, he said: "Reese, for God's sake, do not kill me!" The report has it that Reese stepped up to him quickly, and aimed three shots at his head—two taking effect in the skull and the third in the eye. Feeling sure that he had finished the Doctor he turned and emptied the fifth and last chamber at Mrs. Shade, the ball striking and breaking her comb and lodging in the frame of the door. He then left the house in the direction of Orbisonia.

In the excitement that followed, the arrest of the murderer did not occur to the frightened citizens. Fortunately one of the first persons to hasten to the scene of the butchery was ex-Sheriff D. R. P. Neeley. He found the Doctor lying in his gore, and still breathing. He turned him over and placed him upon a sofa. The Doctor lived some fifteen or twenty minutes after, when all that was immortal of Dr. John Alfred Shade passed away.

Sheriff Neeley prepared to follow and capture the murderer; a horse was furnished him and about three miles this side of Shade Gap he hove in sight of the fugitive, who espied the Sheriff just as he was passing a neighbor on the road, to whom he remarked: "There comes Capt. Neeley. I guess he is after me." As the Captain approached him he tendered the butt end of his pistol, remarking: "Here, Captain, you take this. I guess I have done enough with it. I don't want any of my friends to see this pistol," or words to this effect. He was told by his captor that he must return to Shade Gap, which he did without objection. Here he manifested a want of knowledge of what had occurred. He wanted to know what was the cause of the extitement and what the crowd meant. At Orbisonia some one told him that they would hang him for shooting Dr. Shade. He asked who Dr. Shade was—he didn't know such a man.

Mrs. Shade was not seriously injured, but is almost distracted. She complains of her head, and appears wild at times. The excitement in the "Lower End" has been very great. Hundreds flocked to see the corpse and the scene of the butchery. The funeral took place on Tuesday last, at 2 o'clock P. M.

The prisoner, since his incarceration, has been visited by a number of our citizens. He expresses an indifference in regard to his fate. The trial will take place in January.

HUNTINGDON FIRE COMPANY, No. 1.—At the Annual Election of this organization, held on the 4th inst., the following persons were chosen officers for the ensuing year: President, J. Simpson Africa; 1st Vice President, F. Frank Isenberg; 2d Vice President, George A. Joy; Treasurer, J. W. Greenland; Secretary, Samuel A. Steel; Financial Secretary, J. C. Miller; 1st Engineer, John Miller; 2d Engineer, W. A. P. Wilson; 3d Engineer, Fred Moebus; 1st Fireman, John Port; 2d Fireman, B. F. Lamberson; 3d Fireman, Fred Richardson; Trustees, George A. Joy, J. C. Miller, J. Simpson Africa; Representatives, George B. Orlady, Frank W. Stewart; Directors, William F. Bathurst, Geo. B. Orlady, J. C. Long, W. H. DeArmitt, W. F. Cunningham, Herman Lorenz, Geo. Warfel, F. W. Stewart, C. C. Read, R. A. Orbison, P. M. Lytle, Jerome Buchanan.

Reported by Prof. J. IRVIN WHITE.]

HUNTINGDON COUNTY TEACHERS INSTITUTE.—On Monday afternoon, Nov. 27, the teachers of Huntingdon county convened at the Court House and organized their annual institute, by electing James Norris and Samuel Weight Secretaries. Before this organization, however, the exercises were opened with singing by the pupils of the Huntingdon schools, and by the reading of scriptures and prayer by Rev. A. Nelson Hollifield Mr. Hollifield, afterward, made a short address to the teachers, in which he eulogized their calling, and urged them to be faithful, advising also that they should not teach as a "make shift" merely, or until they could find something better to do, but that they should make teaching their life work. All very excellent advice, certainly, but the latter part not likely to be adopted while our schools can be kept open only four or five months in the year, and then at a salary of from $30 to $40 per month!

A committee on Permanent Certificates was then balloted for, resulting in the election of Miss Emma Isenberg, Miss Sarah E. Gregory, W. H. Sheeder, Geo. W. Sanderson and J. Irvin White. Adjourned to 7 p. m.

Evening Session.—Mr. J. M. Zuck delivered a lecture on the subject of Popular Entertainments, in which he characterized the popular amusements of the past as habitually evil in their tendencies, and those of the present generally, little better. He spoke principally, of the race course and theatre as representatives of our popular entertainments of the present day, condemning both in the strongest terms. The race course is the Jerusalem of wicked men, and as for the theatre, where virtue has a single temple, vice has a hundred dens, filled with rottenness and dead men's bones. Where there is one Charlotte Cushman, or one Sheridan, there are a hundred immodest prudes, who dare not cross the threshold of decent society, or a hundred wretches who spend their days and nights in rioting and drunkenness.

The question of Parents Interference in school work was discussed, opened by M. F. Fleming. It was agreed by all who participated in the discussion that parents should never interfere in school work in the objectionable sense of the word interfere, but that it would be a very desirable thing for parents to visit the schools, more frequently and encourage the teachers by sympathy, good advice, and kindly criticism. When a parent sends his child to school he resigns him to the care of the teacher, and has no legal right to interfere with the teachers work unless the child is abused.

Tuesday Forenoon.—Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. R. Akers. James Norris opened the work of the institute by a talk on the subject of Metaphysics, in which he said many interesting, not to say startling things. He characterized a fondness for Metaphysical study and speculation as a disease—useless, and leading to no practical results. Still it was admitted that this study develops vigor of intellect, mental concentration, and gives general intellectual culture—results, very practical, in their nature, we think. We are inclined to think that the gentleman himself owes much of his ability to say so tersely and so clearly what he has to say, to his reading and study in this very direction.

Miss Florence Chidester was then introduced to the institute and gave instructions in Elocution; saying, among other things, elocution is an old and new subject; the pupil must understand what he reads; the character of the piece determines the manner in which it should be read; punctuation marks have nothing to do with the manner of reading, but perform their sole office when they show grammatical relation, read as you would earnestly speak the same sentiment yourself; the child makes its wants known by tones, because its tones are natural but at school the manner and tone are allowed to become artificial.

Prof. A. N. Raub, by the way, no stranger to the teachers of Huntingdon county, this being his fifth consecutive year as instructor before our institute, gave a talk (Prof. Raub always gives *talks,*) on the subject of Primary Instruction. Build the foundation well, and there will be little trouble afterwards. Primary teachers are too often inexperienced, and do not understand the nature of the human mind. The custom is to place in the primary schools the teachers who will teach for the least money; but a far worse mistake is made by so doing than would be made by employing a man who knew nothing of masonry to build the foundation of a costly mansion. Pupils are sent to school at too early an age. Let most of the teaching be in the concrete, using objects to give the idea. Teachers often give too much help, and often criticise too severely.

Dr. A. B. Brumbaugh introduced the subject of Physiology—explaining the cell structure of the human body. The Dr. gave a very clear explanation of an abtruse subject, laying the foundation for more practical talks to follow.

Prof. Potter of the firm of Potter, Ainsworth & Co., followed with instructions in Penmanship.—Begin right. Penmanship requires much practice, much training of the muscle and the eye. A blackboard exercise was given showing how all the letters are formed from a few simple principles.

Tuesday Afternoon—D. M. Giles answered a referred question pertaining to physical culture in our country schools. Man is a complex being—material and spiritual. An imperfection in the mind. If the laws of health were not violated, man would live out his allotted time of three score years and ten. There is more need of physical training in our country schools than in any other schools, because the children of the country are accustomed to active life, and the confinement of the school room is very irksome to them.

A. L. Guss argued that physical training is as important and as necessary in town schools as in country schools.

Miss Florence Chidester gave her views upon physical culture, followed by an exercise in Calisthenics. In the former, she said that the word education should embrace our whole nature; we need just the amount of physical strength that is our moral right. She would, if she were absolute monarch for a very short time banish all corsets from the land. Narrow chests and waspish waists are not beauty. Would drill daily in Calisthenics in public schools. An illustration of the above named exercise was given, several of the teachers taking part. The exercise was very amusing, interesting and no doubt beneficial, to at least two of the puny, emaciated gentleman who took part in it.

The next subject presented was Drawing, by Mr. J. M. Zuck. Drawing is important because it bears so intimate a relation to Penmanship.—He who can learn to write can learn to draw, and *vice versa.* Drawing is a species of language—the language of the eye, and the eye is the window of the soul. Show children pictures and you interest them at once, because the mind is more easily reached through the eye than through the ear. In drawing we should aim at freedom and accuracy. The former is easily attained by mere copying, the latter mostly by inventive drawing. Let pupils combine lines, two, three, four, several, and trace letters in copy books to get freedom of movement.

Mr. Potter continued his instruction upon the subject of teaching Penmansnip. He urged the importance of fastening instruction as it is given, which he seemed to do himself by ludicrous comparisons. Begin right, he said again. Begin every letter upon the line. Uniformity of space and slope were urged as important. Teach pupils to hold pen correctly. First, teach legibility, afterward rapidity of execution. Mr. Potter put upon the board several letters, incorrectly formed, which created considerable merriment—the lecturer said because the audience recognized in them familiar faces.

Evening Session—Mr. J. M. Zuck continued the su ject of Drawing, speaking principally of its utility. Erroneous views are entertained concerning the subject, as for instance that it is an accomplishment merely: it is only play, &c. It is an accomplishment, but it is more. Not mere play as those teachers seem to think who punish pupils for making pictures on their slates. Drawing cultivates the perceptive powers, the attention, the judgment, the imagination and the taste. It affords, then, much mental development by appealing to as many faculties as any other branch of study. It affords moral discipline, too, in many ways—in providing work for idle hands to do, if in no other way. Mr. Zuck made a good argument in favor of Drawing, showed himself in sympathy with his subject, and conversant with it.

Miss Chidester read two selections: The Child Wife, from Dickens, and another selection which we have forgotten, after which Prof. Angel from Shippensburg addressed the institute upon the subject of The Needs of the Teacher.

According to Prof. Angel, the teacher ought to be a very superior sort of being. Among the most important characteristics spoken of as necessary are amiability—the faculty of being all things to all men—Self-possession, patience, Keep cool—never getting excited over anything—Tact; tact, if not a sixth sense, is the life of all the other senses. Teachers should always be punctual.—Begin school in time, work to time, and close school in time. Knowledge is a thing that a teacher needs—knowledge of matter and method. General information is also needed. The teacher who has the greatest amount of general information, other things being equal, will be the best teacher. The speaker closed with a few earnest words upon the importance of the teacher's work—it is not for time only but for unending eternity.

Wednesday Forenoon.—Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. Mr. Dole Prof. Raub gave a talk upon a graded course of study for our country schools, urged the importance and need of such a course of study in our own county, and gave a list of the studies he thought ought to be taught in connection with the first and second readers.

Miss Chidester followed with a talk upon the subject of Articulation. Good articulation is the main element in good reading. The institute was resolved into a class and a drill given upon the elementary sounds. Much interest was manifested and much information given. If more of the work done at our county institutes were of this practical character it would be more beneficial.

Dr. A. B. Brumbaugh continued the subject of Physiology. He talked upon the subject of digestion principally, explaining the process, and advising against exercise immediately after meals. He condemned pickles as food, and all other substances that are very difficult to digest, and have little or no nutritious properties.

Written reviews and their value were discussed by M. H. Black. Written reviews may be an exercise in all grades of schools, and may be applied to the whole range of studies. They are valuable as an exercise in penmanship, orthography, language and grammar.

Wednesday Afternoon.—Prof. Angel spoke of importance of Physical Geography as a branch of study, and the importance of a knowledge of the subject by the teacher in order that he may teach political Geography well. The speaker dwelt at considerable length upon the influences which are constantly at work in changing the features of the land and the crust of the earth,—frosts, rains, winds, rivers, waves, tides, currents, glaciers, and icebergs.

Dr. Brumbaugh, Physiology. Nothing pays back so certainly as Nature; violate her laws and you must pay the penalty. Food containing carbon does not produce cells but makes heat for the body. Nitrogenous food only makes tissue. Meats, the best type of which is beef, contains 14 per cent. of nutriment, white bread only 7 per cent., but oatmeal contains 93 per cent. of nutritious matter. We eat too much because we do not eat the right kind of food. The speaker had eradled 120 dozen of wheat in a day and walked home whistling while all others had "given out." He had eaten nothing but rice and milk! Do not drink with meals. After a Christmas dinner we are liable to take cold, because the process of digestion is so exhaustive that the capillary circulation is stopped and cold is the result. Pork is not fit to eat, because it contains parasites, measles and trichinae. Beer is not good, nor pickles. An excess of acids taken into the system causes rheumatism.

Prof. A. N. Raub, Primary Instruction. *Talk much* is good advice to a primary teacher, if the talkings of the right kind, and is done at the proper time and place. Hold conversations with primary pupils to teach them language. Give short lessons. Be sure that pupils understand the lessons given, and then prepare them well. Secure slates and pencils for every one of your pupils. Keep children busy; interest them and they will give no trouble. We might as well expect to cage up a keg of gunpowder and set it on fire without an explosion, as to expect to keep children quiet and orderly without keeping them busily employed.

James Norris aroused the institute by a little speech very positively denying the claims of Phrenology to be ranked as a Science. He ridiculed the idea of mapping out the brain into faculties, and pretending to say from outside bumps or protuberances what the mental and moral characteristics of the individual are. It may be said, however, that phrenologists themselves repudiate the idea of "bumps" indicating character. Several persons showed a disposition to take issue with the gentleman on the subject.

Evening Session.—In the evening Miss Chidester entertained an appreciative audience by reading in very pleasing and effective style the following selections: The Hero Pilot, Nothing to Wear, The Charcoal Man, etc. The readings were varied with most excellent music furnished by a quartette club composed of Misses Ellie Africa and Hattie Miller, and Messrs. E. C. Stockton and J. R. Akers.

Thursday Forenoon.—Elocution by Miss Chidester. The subject considered was inflections.—Miss C. showed how different sentiments are given by different intonations, and how two directly opposite meanings may be given to the same words, merely by *changing* the tone and inflections.

Prof. Raub finished his outline of a system of gradings for country schools, showing what should be taught in connection with the third and fourth readers. He condemned, and very justly, too, the common practic of allowing pupils to go far ahead in one branch while neglecting others equally or more important. Mental and Written Arithmetic should be taught as one, and should both be combined in one book.

Dr. Brumbaugh continued the subject of Physiology. Rare beef is more wholesome than overdone beef; pork is not fit to be eaten in any form. Improper eating is the cause of most chronic diseases. An overloaded, or disordered stomach is generally the cause of headache, also of neuralgia. The lungs and the process of respiration were described. Impure air causes dullness and gives impure breath. We never use the vital, or full capacity of the lungs in ordinary breathing, but to develope lung power and expand the chest we should frequently inflate the lungs to their fullest capacity always, however, in very pure air. At this point, 10½ a. m. the institute adjourned to afford all so disposed an opportunity to attend church.

Afternoon Session.—Wm. H. Sheeder discussed the subject of foundation work. First principles are too rapidly passed over in the haste to get something higher. Put the best teachers into the primary schools. Let everything be done thoroughly. Don't attempt too much.—Too many studies are pursued, and "hobbies" are ruinous to our public schools.

Miss Chidester gave another talk upon the subject of Elocution, and another drill in Calisthenics. The teachers who took part in the former drill showed a very considerable improvement in their gesticulations this time, and the two emaciated individuals showed a slight tinge of healthful coloring in their cheeks.

Dr. Brumbaugh continued his instruction in Physiology, speaking principally upon the subject of Ventilation. It is impossible to be healthy, have a good color, or a pure breath in an impure atmosphere. Our school rooms are usually not fit to occupy. Impure air is heavier than pure air and settles near the floor, therefore to ventilate it is better to open the door for a short time than to lower the windows from above. The Dr. was very severe upon school directors and patrons who even permit too many children to be crowded into one room.

Prof. Raub, Primary instruction. It was asked: How would you introduce your graded course of study into a school where pupils had studied Arithmetic almost exclusively to the neglect of Reading, &c.? In answer it was said teach more reading and less of arithmetic, and thus seek to balance the pupil up. He condemned school exhibitions because they take too much time from school work He explained and urged the "word method" of teaching the Alphabet.

Evening Session.—This session was devoted to music and the answering of referred questions. Samuel Weight gave his views as to how a higher sense of honor and greater purity of character may be developed among the pupils of our schools. He was followed by Mr. J. M. Zuck. Both advocated kindly precept in connection with good example as the most effective means to be employed. Mr. James Norris gave his views as to what constitutes a practical Mental Philosophy. Inasmuch as this gentleman seemed to give too much importance to outward circumstances in moulding character, a further discussion of the subject was provoked after which he made a more extended statement, showing that he held very correct and orthodox views in regard to human responsibility. Should pupils be encouraged to read current literature during the school term? Answer in the affirmative by Dr. Brumbaugh and J. Irvin White, provided all pernicious literature be rejected. Much of the trash read by our boys and girls, and by older folks too, has a positively injurious effect upon the mind and character.

Friday forenoon.—Mr. J. M. Zuck finished his talks upon the subject of Drawing, explaining the synthetic and analytic methods of teaching the subject. He argued that there is now time for the study in our public schools and expressed his opinion that it would soon be made a part of the common school course by legal enactment.

Miss Chidester concluded her talks before the Institute, this time giving advice as to the method of teaching composition. She ended all with the same exercise in Calisthenics; said she had spent a very pleasant week, and bade good-bye. In justice to all it may be said, that she added much to the interest and success of the Institute.

Prof. Raub's talk was upon elements of good discipline, which are Friendliness, Firmness, Mildness, the two latter combined as a wall covered with roses—the roses covering the wall, *but the wall still there.* Protect the rights of the pupils,—not of the large pupils, but of the small ones. A teacher should be fertile in expedients, should have a good moral character, and a good knowledge of human nature. Those schools are best governed which are least governed. Prof. Raub retired amidst applause, which plainly said, we will welcome you again.

Dr. Brumbaugh finished, or rather ended his talks upon physiology, giving directions how to bathe, and condemning the use of tobacco. The teacher should be the guardian of the health of his pupils, as well of his own. The Dr's. talks if heeded, will be the means of doing much good.

The interest in the work of the Institute kept up and increased until the close. Many were in favor of an afternoon session, but the Superintendent thought best to close while the people were wishing for more. A number of resolutions were passed, which, though good as far as they went, were manifestly incomplete, because they did not compliment everybody who had anything to do with the Institute. The hotel keepers who gave good meals at low rates, the authorities who granted the use of the Court House, those who gratuitously answered referred questions, the editors who intend publishing the proceedings, the boys who so often swelled the volume of applause, with many others, were forgotten entirely. Thus ended one of our most pleasant and profitable Institutes, affording much to commend and not much to condemn.

FARMERS, Mechanics, Laborers, and everybody look here: One of the largest stocks of Winter goods ever brought to Huntingdon is arriving this week at the mammoth store of Henry & Co's.

LADIES, The prettiest assortment of black Beaver cloth, black Chinchilla and brown Chinchilla cloth for coats ever before offered in Huntingdon, is this week opened up at Henry & Co's.

OVERCOATS, OVERCOATS, OVERCOATS. 500 different styles and quality, from $5 upwards, at Harry Cohen's.

MAPLETON, Dec., 4th, A. D., 1876.

MR. EDITOR:—You mentioned in your paper, some time ago your visit to this place, and gave a description of the developements then making by Messrs. Hatfield & Son, in mining into Rocky Ridge a short distance south of this village. The work still continues in mining out an excellent white sand rock for glass purposes, which is being hauled daily through our town, to their sand works erected at the east end of the town, and, by the way, their works are no small affair. They are substantially erected, with all the late improvements for crushing, washing, and drying sand rock preparatory to its shipment to Pittsburgh glass manufactories. It has been a matter of congratulation to many of us, at our good fortune in getting the enterprising firm to start up their business in our place. I wish your town success in getting the Belgium Plate Glass Manufactory. We have now works that can supply the quality of sand wanted for that purpose. The quality of sand is first-class, and I have it from good authority, that the test made of the sand in market proves it to be equal in quality to any other first-quality sand, so that in every respect these works are a success notwithstanding the prophecy on the part of some croakers that they would be a failure. The Messrs. Hatfields certainly deserve the best wishes of our whole community for their perseverance in bringing this branch of business to perfection in the manner they have done, and especially in these times, when our town needed something to bring life into it, and give employment to labor. They are giving employment to about twenty workmen. A SUBSCRIBER.

IN spite of the close contest between Hayes and Tilden, Harry Cohen sells the cheapest and finest goods in Huntingdon county. Give him a call.

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A tremendous stock of Winter Goods arriving this week at Henry & Co's.

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ITEMS FROM BROAD TOP.—The "Church of God" (called by some the "Winebrennarians") have been holding