

THE LUTHERAN SYNOD.

REPORT OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY DIRECTORS SUBMITTED.

New Members Admitted to the Seminary—The Application of Candidates for Ordination—The Pastoral Appointment of Candidates for Ordination—The Pastoral Appointment of Candidates for Ordination—The Pastoral Appointment of Candidates for Ordination.

Synod opened Friday afternoon with the singing of the 91st hymn, followed with prayer by Rev. H. H. Poole, of Philadelphia.

The tellers appointed to count the votes for members of the executive committee made report, from which it appeared that the following were elected:

Rev. F. J. Schantz, Myerstown; Rev. Dr. T. L. Saip, Allentown; Rev. Dr. E. M. Schmucker, Pottstown; Rev. Dr. J. Jacob Fry, Reading; Rev. M. C. Horine, Reading; Rev. W. W. Weiser, Reading; Rev. F. M. D. Schmitt, Allentown; A. R. Lehman; W. A. Henry and C. H. Lohm, Reading.

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THE PAGE ANNIVERSARY.

A LIBRARY SOCIETY'S CELEBRATION ON FRIDAY EVENING.

The Exercise Enjoyed by a Large Audience—The Rev. Dr. R. H. Luther presided and the Rev. Dr. E. M. Schmucker acted as the emcee.

MILLERSVILLE, May 25.—One of the most successful anniversaries in the history of the Page Literary Society, of the State Normal school, was held this evening. A large chapel was crowded to the doors; all the standing room in the state and corners being occupied. The decorations consisted of flowers, ferns and exotics tastefully arranged upon the stage. The music for the evening was furnished by Oscar Trost's orchestra, of Lancaster. Miss Anna J. Meyer sang a solo entitled "Spring Flowers." Miss Meyer is noted as a very sweet singer and this evening seemed to excel all former efforts. The president, Mr. A. G. C. Smith, of Media, Pa., and the secretary, Mrs. Harris M. Lohm, of Lancaster, presided with dignity and grace. After the opening music by the orchestra, Rev. J. W. Goodlin, of this place, in a fervent prayer asked the blessing of God to rest upon the society, the school and the exercises of the evening.

The president then delivered the salutatory address. He extended a hearty welcome to all and then spoke about preserving the individuality of the person. We should not become the imitators of great men. The life of Abraham Lincoln should not lead us to become rail-splitters in the hope of once being president, but rather should inspire us to develop our own powers and our own individuality. Follow the motto of the Page society: "Rich in Faith, and always be true to her colors."

The Page oration was delivered by Wm. F. Porter, White Haven, Pa. His subject was "A Vital Need." The speaker made a strong plea for greater patriotism and purer politics. The patriotism of the earlier period of our national history was described as having been especially strong. It was nourished by the Revolutionary war, the war of 1812 and the war with Mexico. Now we have no war to arouse our patriotism, and it has become weak for want of exercise. The late war was a fraternal strife and made the vital need of patriotism the greater. The fact that in the last fifty years fifteen millions of foreigners came to this country and brought with them their own ideas of government and laws which always differ from our own creates a still greater need of patriotism. A surplus in the United States treasury is also a menace to the liberty of the nation. So is also a moneyed aristocracy. The way to meet this need is to teach patriotism in our common schools and public institutions.

Lee L. Grumbla, esq., of Lebanon, recited three selections during the evening. All were much enjoyed by the audience and he was frequently applauded. The honorary address was delivered by Rev. Dr. R. H. Luther, D. D., of Philadelphia. The speaker began by saying that the subject of his address, as printed on the programme, was "Social Ethics." Unforeseen circumstances had prevented him from making the proper arrangements with the society, and he was advised to make an address on this subject. He did not do this, but gave the audience an excellent address upon life and customs among the East Indians. He had for seven years been principal of a normal school in India, in the country between Siam and Burma, and gave an interesting account of his experiences there. He described the habits and some of them as being full of serpents and ferocious wild beasts. He gave a humorous description of his first ride upon an elephant and explained some of the acts of the animals when trained to perform. He showed the audience a picture of the simple natives and concluded by urging the members of the society the happy life of a successful missionary, teaching the truths of science and of the Gospel in this or in foreign lands.

Mr. L. L. Grumbla recited "Irish Lullaby," an effectively told round of applause were given him. He also recited "Only a Lock of Golden Hair."

After another selection of music by the orchestra the president adjourned the meeting.

FIVE GRADUATES.

Commencement Exercises of the High School at Littleton.

LITTLETON, May 25.—Never before in the history of the Littleton public schools were so many commencement exercises marked with such pleasant features as on the occasion last evening. The exercises were held in the Methodist church, and were presided over by the Rev. Dr. R. H. Luther. There were five graduates: Miss Mary T. Thedy, Miss Emma R. Erb, Miss Phoebe F. Frederick and Miss M. Grace. Mary Thedy delivered the salutatory, "The Bird and the Snake"; Emma R. Erb, the valedictory; Emma R. Erb, being a class prophetess, and Miss Phoebe F. Frederick delivered an address on "Our President," in which James G. Blaine was his eulogist. All the young speakers had well prepared subjects, and they were congratulated on every side. In a felicitous speech Dr. Shenk, president of the school, presented the diplomas to the graduates. Rev. Lewis was booked to deliver a closing address, but excused himself from a lengthy speech on the plea of the lateness of the hour.

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CURRENT COURT BUSINESS.

The Bond for \$50,000 of the Assurance of Steam River, Approved.

Court met at 10 o'clock this morning for the transaction of current business, and the sitting of the judgment docket.

The bond for \$50,000 of the Assurance of Steam River, approved, was presented and approved by the court. The bondsmen are John B. Ward and R. J. Johnston.

J. Fred. Suter, city, was granted a renewal of his soldier's license.

Albert Steinhilber was appointed constable of Manheim township in place of John Ford, resigned.

The tavern license of Elizabeth Kendig, Conowing town, was transferred to Mary Kendig.

Albert Adams, who served a term for surety of the peace, was discharged under the insolvency law.

Casper Mauer, city, was appointed guardian of the minor children of Mary Haggen, deceased.

A new law giving to married women the benefit of the marital earnings was passed by the legislature.

Nineteen judgments were entered for want of a plea, appearance and affidavit of defense.

A. L. Muser, B. G. Stark and Samuel McKellen, who served three months in jail for indecent exposure, were discharged under the insolvency law.

Albert Sharp, of Harrisburg, against whom an attachment was issued for failing to pay over trust funds which came into his custody, appeared before the court. After a discussion between counsel for the trust fund and Albert Sharp, the latter was ordered to pay the trust fund.

The motion to dissolve the preliminary injunction restraining Samuel E. Lied, of Stevens, East Coalbrook township, from building over a well of water which John S. Heiser has the right to use, was granted.

John S. Graham, city, was appointed guardian of Anna Mary Flieg, the minor grandchild of Lewis Zuercher.

The following opinions were filed: Steiner vs. Mansour, preliminary injunction to remain until one is finally disposed of.

Assigned estate of Joseph Stark, the court declined to issue a writ of habeas corpus to make an order for the purpose of compelling the accountant to produce certain books and papers.

A rule for a new trial was denied in the suit of Beck vs. Stauffer.

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