

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

CENTRE COUNTY SCHOOLS.

From the annual report of the Department of Public Instruction, for 1878, we reprint the following interesting contribution of Prof. Henry Meyer...

With the exception of a general reduction of teachers' salaries, improvements slow but sure are marking the course of educational affairs in Centre county. The number of school-houses...

In nearly all the districts, teachers' wages have been gradually lowered for the last two years, and the tendency is still downward. In some instances the reduction has been from forty dollars per month to twenty...

The directors of Howard, Worth, and Taylor have tried the experiment of furnishing books for pupils at the expense of the district, and considerable improvement was the result...

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which the town is named. The land on which the buildings are located was donated by Messrs. James Dunlop and James Harris. The Legislature made an appropriation of \$2,000 to the school, January 9, 1806...

This institution traces its origin to a private school established in 1852, by Messrs. T. F. Patton, William Burchfield, and William Murray, citizens of Pine Grove. Feeling the need of a higher school accessible to all these gentlemen...

The project of establishing an academy at Bondsburg was originated by Reverend Peter Fisher, Honorable George Hoel, Henry Keller, and George Jack, esquires, and through the generous efforts of these men...

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Court Proceedings.

Court called on Monday morning at ten o'clock, with His Honor Judge Orvis presiding and Associate Judges Divens and Franck.

The following motions and orders were made in the Orphans' Court:

Thomas H. Reifsnnyder, administrator of the estate of John Baney, Sr., deceased, was authorized to sell the real estate of said decedent, with J. C. Motz and Geo. Bower sureties...

In the matter of the estate of Martin Stover, deceased, the balance of the real estate not taken by the heirs was ordered to be sold and proceeds distributed among those legally entitled thereto.

Geo. Korman was appointed guardian of Sarah E. Jamison. Bond required, \$1200.

Geo. Korman was also appointed guardian of Blanch L. Korman. Bond required, \$600.

Geo. Korman appointed guardian of Alfred T. Korman. Bond required, \$600.

John H. McCool appointed guardian of Susan Jameson. Bond in the sum of \$300.

Joel Lowder appointed guardian of Cora May and Willis N. Lowder. Bond required in the sum of \$300.

John Myers appointed guardian of Adaline Myers. Bond required, \$600.

William Stewart, M. D., appointed guardian of Norman A. and Maud Helt. Bond required in the sum of \$600.

C. G. Herlinger, appointed guardian of Lida Helt. Bond required in the sum of \$300.

The following cases were disposed of in the Court of Quarter Sessions:

John I. McCloskey charged with "forgery" by E. F. Troxell; verdict of jury not guilty, but the defendant, John I. McCloskey, to pay one-third of the costs, and the prosecutor E. F. Troxell, the other two-thirds.

B. F. Troxell charged with forgery by John McCloskey. The Grand Jury ignored the bill and put costs on prosecutor, John McCloskey.

Peter Herdic, charged with obtaining money under false pretense by Geo. W. Jackson. Grand Jury returned true bill. It will be impossible to try this case at this term of court...

Jack Turner, charged with larceny and receiving stolen goods by Wm. A. Lyon. Grand Jury returned a true bill.

Charles Miller, charged by policeman, R. Morgan, with assault and battery, aggravated assault and battery and assault and battery upon a police officer. True bill on all three charges...

Robert Patton, charged with larceny and receiving stolen goods; convicted of the larceny count, and sentenced to two years nine months and fifteen days at hard labor and solitary confinement in the Western Penitentiary.

Luther C. Jacobs, charged with fornication and bastardy by Kate Kline. Defendant pleaded guilty, and usual sentence in such cases imposed by the Court.

Harry Crisman charged with fornication and bastardy by Ruth McKinney. True bill returned by the Grand Jury.

Wm. Witmer, charged by his son Jas. Witmer with threats to do him great bodily harm. The court after hearing a statement of the case on both sides, sentenced Wm. Witmer, the defendant, to pay costs of prosecution and be held in the sum of two hundred dollars bail...

Charles Price charged with larceny by Cambridge. Tried and found guilty. S. L. Calahan charged with false pretense by Dr. J. H. Pierce. True bill returned by Grand Jury.

Jane Janet charged with carrying concealed weapons by Margaret Woodring. True bill returned and case being tried.

Grand Jury have finished all business which was to have been brought before them except the case of the Commonwealth against N. M. Bretzin, charged with selling liquor without license. An attachment has been issued for the witnesses in the case and is now being served.

The above are the proceedings of the court down to three o'clock, P. M., of yesterday.

—Mayor R. R. Bridgins, of the city of Lock Haven, paid Bellefonte a visit on Tuesday of this week. The Mayor is still a democrat "without fear and without guile" and his numerous friends at this place always give him a hearty welcome whenever he happens to put in an appearance.

The Treasurer's report reveals the fact that the finances of the Society are in good condition, and it is hoped that by the present plan of selling life-membership tickets all indebtedness may be cleared.

A Catalogue.

The "Loan Art Exhibition" of Williamsport has been the chief attraction in that city for the past two weeks, and from all that we can learn seems to have been a decidedly successful affair. The exhibition proper numbers something more than six hundred articles...

Mementoes of the Great Coal. Interesting Letters. I. O. U. Things that end in Smoke. Segars. Flower of the Family. Flour. Seaside Reminiscences. Oyster Shells. Wayworn Travelers. Old Shoes. A Modern Belle. Call bell. Family Jars. Fruit jars. The last Hop of the Season. Green Hop. The Sower of Tares. Needle and Thread. Fireside Scenes. Poker, Tonga and Shovel. The Rose of Castile. Castile Soap. Bust of a well-known Commentator. Po-tato broken.

Pacific Rocks. Baby and cradle. Shades of Evening. Lamp shade. The Dutch Roll. Rye bread. One of the Bourbons. Whiskey bottle. Youthful Impressions. Whips. The Lay of the Last Minstrel. Egg. A Brass of Woodcock. 2 Wood Spigotts. A Complete Bone. Sardine. Study of Fish in Oil. Sardine. Red Sea and Plain Beyond. Red C and plane. The Greatest Bet ever Made. Alphabet. Drive through the Wood. Nail through block. Tales of the Sea. Codfish tails. Three Follows that ought to be Licked. 3 P. O. Stamps. View of Havana. Segars. We Part to Meet Again. Scissors. Sweet Sixteen. 16 lumps sugar. A Great Drawback. Porous Plaster. My Native Land. Earth. Common Sense. Copper cents. The Young Ladies' Delight. Hand glass. Winter View of Long Branch. Glass leafless branch. Good Quarters. 25 cent pieces. Fork over the Cash. Fork over money. Ruins in Turkey. Turkey bones. Fancy Ball. Ball of different colors. Abomination of Modern Society. Fine cut. Eve's Temptation. Apple. The Crisis. Baby girl. The Modern Trapper. Fine comb. Just out of Cork. Cork screen. Scene near Brussels. Picture and piece Brussels carpet. Tallow candles. Distant View of Cologne. Empty Cologne bottle. The Red Sea Divided. Red C cut in two. View of the Flats. Flat Iron. Our Country's Flag. Piece flag stone. Mustard Jar. Comparison pieces. Mustard in a dish and some outside. Attack on the Picket. A tack on a picket. A Broken Heart. Sugar heart broken. A Good Match. One Match. Coming Through the Rye. Toy mouse wading through a plate of rye. The Unopposed Letter. O. One of the great Composers. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. My Bark is on the Sea. Piece of bark on a C.

The Candidates. Dates. A Loaf Bread. A loaf of bread. A bad spell of Weather. "Weather." The Grub that makes the Butterfly. Pan cakes. Old Times. Newspaper. Indian on the Scent. Cent—Indian head on it. Colors Warranted not to Run. American flag. Horse Fair. Corn and cats. Ruins of a Great Fire. Ashes. Things to Adore. Hinges. The Old Snuff-takers. Snuffers. Young Man's Horror. Mitten. A Knotty Subject. Knotty piece of wood. In the Centre of Light. "G." The Champion Jumper. Bull-frog. Cain and Abel. Cone and a bell. Marble Group. Marbles. Tax on Tea. Carpet tacks on tea. Bridal Scene. Horse bride. Woman's Rights. Right hand gloves. The Lassies of the South. Molasses. Military Ball. Bullet. Afloat. Cork on water. One of Noah's Sons. Piece of Ham. Little Wood-chopper. Hatchet. States of Penn. Pen and holder. Old Smokers. Pipes. View of the Sun. Newspaper. One of the Constellations. Big Tin Dipper.

View of Little Rock. Stone. Chest Protector. Lock. Switch Tenders. Hair Pins. The Cabinet Maker. Grant. Charge of the Light Brigade. Gas Bill. The Absorbing Subject. Sponge. The Seasons. Salt, &c. German Diet. Potatoes. The Milk Maid. Chalk and Water. Beaux and Belles of Williamsport. Bells and Bows. The Lamp-lighter—a wood cut. Splint of Wood. Evangeline—in oil. Photo. of Evangeline in Saucer of Oil.

—Yesterday morning about half-past nine o'clock, as Willie, son of Mr. Edward Tyson, together with two or three of his playmates, were coasting on West Allegheny street, the sled on which they were riding ran into a cow, causing the animal to fall upon Willie. He was soon carried to the office of Dr. Dartt, and for a long time lay in an unconscious condition, but was finally restored to consciousness. We did not learn the full extent of his injuries, but believe he is now doing as well as can be expected.

—The standing committees of the two houses of the state legislature were announced last week, and by an examination of the lists we find that the Centre county members have been assigned as follows: Senator Alexander to Judiciary General, Corporations, Public Buildings and Compare Bills; Representative Gehhart to Appropriations, Education and Accounts; Representative Murray to Judiciary Local, Manufacturing and Compare Bills.

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MEETING OF AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.—

As we announced in our Agricultural Department, last week, a meeting was held on Monday evening last, in the Court House, in connection with the Agricultural Society of Centre county.

The election of officers being in order, the President appointed John H. Hunter, B. Liggett, J. W. Marshall, William Shortridge and John Rishel a committee to nominate candidates for the various offices. The officers proposed by the committee were elected, and are as follows:

President—George M. Boal, of Potter. Vice Presidents—John Wolf, of Potter; Robert Brett, Ferguson; Samuel Bennisson, of Marion; Reuben Underwood, Union. Secretary and Treasurer—S. D. Gray, Bellefonte.

Librarian—Wilbur F. Reeder, Bellefonte. Executive Committee—James H. Weaver, Milesburg; John Rishel, Benner; James McClintock, Gregg; Clement Dale, Bellefonte; Matthias Elder, Half Moon; Professor John Hamilton, State College.

The question of life-membership had been discussed at a previous meeting at which time a resolution was introduced to reduce the tickets from \$25 to \$15. On motion, a resolution was offered and adopted to appoint a committee of three to place life-membership tickets for sale in every borough and township in the county.

—A former resident of this place, Mr. Emory Leabhart, at one time in the employ of Schroyer & Son, died at Williamsport on the 19th instant of lock-jaw. While in the latter place and at work in a planing mill he had the misfortune to lose his thumb and several fingers by bringing them in contact with one of those dangerous saws for which Williamsport is so famous. So great was the pain as to superinduce this terrible malady. His remains were taken to Huntingdon.

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THE DEATH-RATE OF—Our country is getting to be fearfully alarming, the average of life being lessened every year, without any reasonable cause, death resulting generally from the most insignificant origin. At this season of the year especially, a cold is such a common thing that in the hurry of every day life we are apt to overlook the dangers attending it and often find too late that a Fever or Lung trouble has already set in. Thousands lose their lives in this way every winter, while had Boesch's German Syrup been taken, a cure would have resulted, and a large bill from a Doctor been avoided. For all diseases of the Throat and Lungs, Boesch's German Syrup has proven itself to be the greatest discovery of its kind in medicine. Every Druggist in this country will tell you of its wonderful effect. Over 250,000 bottles sold last year without a single failure known. Sold by F. POTTS GREEN, wholesale and retail. 23-cov-1y

As this is the season when colds are most likely to be taken, a word of advice to our readers would be in season: First, then, keep your feet dry; wear flannel next your skin; do not sit or stand in draughts of air, and upon the first symptom of a cold or a cough call at Green's Drug Store, in Bush House Block, and procure a bottle of his "Compound Syrup of Tar, Honey and Bloodroot," which will give you almost instant relief. It is a pleasant and effective preparation, containing the virtues of Tar combined with some of the best expectorants and anodynes, allaying all those distressing symptoms which if not promptly arrested will too frequently result in that fatal disease, Consumption. Price, 50 cents a bottle, or six for \$2.50. 21-cov

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