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Editorial.

NO PAPER NEXT WEEK.

Our employees demand one week's vacation during the holiday season; and, in accordance with that time honored custom among printers, no paper will be issued from this office next week.

During the past year we have labored faithfully to furnish our many readers with a good, clean, family paper, and to give full value in return to those who pay for it.

For the year 1893 we have no pledges to make, except that it will be our sole aim to again merit future patronage, as was so generously extended in the past.

Standing at the close of another cycle and bidding 1892 a final "adieu" we conclude by wishing one and all "A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR."

CONVENTION of township and borough auditors next Wednesday, Dec. 28th, in the court house, Bellefonte.

BLAINE'S ill health continues to keep his name prominently before the public. It does seem that he is the biggest man still in the republican ranks but like the party is on a rapid decline.

CONTRACTS have been signed at Clearfield for the appearance at that place of Hon. J. J. Ingalls, of Kansas, on the evening of Feb. 6, and Hon. Henry W. Waterson, of Louisville, Ky., on the evening of February 21.

An effort will be made to have the next Legislature pass a bill to put a stop to deer hunting for the space of three years in Pennsylvania. It would be approved by many of our hunters in this part of the state. Deer are becoming very scarce of late years.

There are only two ex-Governors of Pennsylvania now living and both reside at Bellefonte. They are Andrew G. Curtin, the great war governor, who filed the executive chair six years, from 1861 to 1867, and Gen. James A. Beaver, whose administration preceded the present one.

If you have any relatives, former citizens of Centre county, who are living in the South, East or West, send them the CENTRE DEMOCRAT for one year, and they will think of you every week in the year. Remember if paid in advance it will cost you but \$1.00.

ON account of a cramped borough treasury, at this time, the borough council ordered Tax Collector Ray to settle up his duplicates, at once, for '90 and '91. It looks as though this official had been negligent in this matter all along; and yet he will want a re-election in February. Ray has been a failure as tax collector.

The dividend disbursed on Monday by the assignee of the Phillipsburg Banking Company was not much short of \$200,000. This snug little sum ought to loosen the money market considerably in that community. It was welcome news to more than one family in Phillipsburg.

ELECTION tickets, for the coming spring election should be ordered in advance to give the printers ample time for printing the same. It involves a great deal of labor and care and as there are 51 districts in the county the printing offices will be crowded to fill all orders. This office is supplied with good presses, perforating machines, plenty of type, rule and binding material to print tickets on short notice.

In an open letter addressed to the republican members of the state legislature, State Senator Frank Ritter earnestly advocates the election to the U. S. senate of George S. Graham, district attorney for Philadelphia, and asks his fellow members of the legislature to give Mr. Graham their support. The proposition is a good one but Quay and his forces have the "pull" in Pennsylvania and not withstanding the opposition will be re-elected. We must endure Quay for another term in the U. S. senate.

CAUGHT IN TIME.

A YOUNG MAN ARRESTED FOR ARSON.

First Crider Arrested on the Charge of Attempting to Fire the Merchants' Block On Friday Evening—Milesburg has a fire.

The numerous fires in Bellefonte of late, and the peculiar circumstances surrounding their origin, in vacant buildings and in places where no excuse can be given other than incendiarism, led the borough authorities to offer a reward of \$300 for the detection, arrest and conviction of any persons guilty of such work.

On Friday evening the Pearl family, who live on Allegheny street, above Bower's and Garman's stores, discovered smoke in their rooms. Mrs. Pearl went down stairs and opened the rear door where she saw a man. The fellow threatened to strike her unless she went back and she did. Word was at once sent to Mr. Bower of the matter. He came down street as quick as possible, got Policeman Garis and they went around to the rear of the building. They discovered a small fire burning at the cellar way of Meese's store and close by was a fellow crouching in the dark. He was arrested at once and the fire was quickly extinguished.

The prisoner turned out to be First Crider, a young man of about 21 years of age, a fine looking young fellow neatly dressed, and for several months past a student of the Bellefonte Academy. He was visibly effected by drink and claimed that as he was on his way to the Academy some fellows chased him for the purpose of beating him, and that he ran into the alleyway and lack of the buildings for the purpose of hiding. He denied having anything to do with the fire and strongly protested his innocence of the crime.

He was taken to the county jail and locked up where he remained until Monday morning. At a hearing John G. Love, Esq., appeared for the young man; he was released on \$500 bail to appear before Judge Furst on Saturday morning for a habeas corpus hearing.

The young man was a former resident of Clinton county and Lock Haven, and has relatives living in Liberty twp., this county. He is a grand-son of P. B. Crider, of this place. His father was accidentally shot, some years ago, while drawing a gun from a wagon by the hammer catching and then discharging the load.

FAVORITISM.

The charge against the young man is that of felonious arson, which means not only setting fire to buildings but also endangering human life. The amount of \$500 bail fixed upon by the court has aroused much bitter comment and is considered trifling in comparison with the circumstances of the case.

The Gazette says of the affair: "It looks more like the pranks of school children when in the act of making a play house." School children do not commit such pranks. Then again it says: "It is a singular case, indeed, and the general impression is that he is innocent of the crime with which he is charged."

It is not the province of the newspapers to pass judgment in such affairs and there that paper oversteps its limits. When it quotes public sentiment it should, at least, endeavor to find out what the "general impression" is, and above all, give it correctly.

Public sentiment has reached that point when it demands that favoritism cease, and incendiarism, if it be proven, receive the full penalty—no matter where it falls.

Fire at Milesburg.

On Sunday morning, at about one o'clock the large carriage shops of L. C. Bullock, Milesburg, were discovered on fire. The alarm was given when it was breaking out of the paint shop, in the second story of the building. Mr. Bullock was called and an effort was made to check it. That was useless and then everything that could be carried out was removed. A telephone message was sent to Bellefonte for assistance. The Logan steamer and a hack load of our firemen were soon on their way to the fire. By the time they arrived there the building was well consumed. The engine was put to work and two streams played on the adjoining buildings and the fire to keep it from spreading. After several hours work the fire was considered under control and the Logan boys returned home before break of day.

The shop was filled with old and new work, a large lot of valuable iron and wood work, carriage trimmings and a fine outfit of all kinds of improved tools required in the business. It was considered one of the best equipped shops in the county. Mr. Bullock estimates his loss at about \$4,000 on which there was an insurance of \$2,570.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

This Thursday Congress adjourns until January 4th and most of the members and Senators will take a little holiday trip somewhere, but the democratic members of House committees having charge of uncompleted appropriation bills will stay right there and work every day. The committee on appropriations cut down the Fortification bill from \$7,642,512, which was the estimate, to \$1,785,055. Mr. Holman is determined that his committee shall not be responsible for a treasury deficit.

The agents of the ocean steamship lines, now in Washington, are in a decidedly uneasy state of mind over the outlook for immigration legislation, and they are doing their level best to make senators and representatives believe that it is much easier to keep the cholera away next year by the use of medical science than by suspending immigration. They thought they made a strong point when they argued that if we did suspend immigration it would be impossible to quarantine the Canadian border all the way from the Atlantic to the Pacific, but they said no more about that when informed that members of the House and Senate Immigration committee had assurances that the Canadian Government was only waiting for Congress to suspend immigration to do likewise.

According to an estimate made by the Commissioner of the Internal Revenue, Representative Scott's bill increasing the tax on whiskey from 90 cents to \$1.25 a gallon would, if enacted into a law at this session, add \$35,000,000 to the income of the government during the next fiscal year.

Representative Antony of Texas, has introduced a bill in the House to suspend the granting of pensions under the Dependent Law enacted by the Fifty-first, or billion dollar congress, and to stop paying those that have already been granted under that law.

Musical Convention.

A convention of vocal and instrumental music will be held in the Presbyterian church, at Buffalo Run, beginning on Monday evening, Jan. 2nd, 1893, with three rehearsals daily, and closing with a grand concert on Saturday evening, Jan. 7th.

The convention will be conducted by Prof. P. H. Meyer, of Boalsburg, assisted by an accomplished pianist. Entertainment free. Books will be furnished by the conductor. Singers coming by railroad will stop at Hunters Station. The committee, citizens and class are active and expect to make this convention a grand success.

All singers and lovers of music are cordially invited to attend and enjoy the first musical convention of the season.

Class tickets, 50 cents; single session, 10 cents; concert, 25 cents. Family tickets in the hands of committee. Committee: Joseph Marshall, Andrew Reeser, Wm. Tressler, John Morris, Jas. Longwell, Geo. Musser, John Kelly, Geo. Markle.

A Preacher Goes Wrong.

A dispatch from Minneapolis, Minn., says: Rev. S. E. Weber, a Presbyterian minister, has left the city in disgrace, Webster for 14 years occupied a pulpit in the largest Presbyterian church of Williamsport, Pa., and was chairman of the Prohibition Committee of Pennsylvania. He went to Minneapolis two years ago and preached at Westminster church. It is declared that he was seen intoxicated on Nicollet avenue two days afterward. He borrowed \$1,200 from various church people and disappeared on December 4.

Masquerade Ball.

On Friday evening the Logan boys will hold their annual masquerade ball in the Bush Arcade hall. All arrangements have been completed to make it an imposing affair. Good music by the Orpheus orchestra will be a special feature. As the proceeds are for the benefit of the steamer fund every body should cheerfully contribute towards making it a success by purchasing a ticket.

A Tyrone Clergyman Called to New York.

Rev. J. R. Davies, who has been pastor of the First Presbyterian church, Tyrone, the past four years, has received a call from the trustees of the Fourth Avenue Presbyterian church, New York, to succeed the late Dr. Howard Crosby. The call was formally tendered last Friday by Colonel Jackson, of that church. Rev. Davies accepted. He is a graduate of Princeton college.

Fire Sunday Night.

W. L. Lanning's dwelling house, about one mile north of Snow Shoe Intersection, was burned to the ground on Sunday night. The cause of the fire was due to a defective flue.

ABOUT THE COUNTY.

Mr. F. O. Hosterman, post master and merchant, for a number of years located at Fiedler, Pa., in Haines twp., will discontinue in his business there and expects to move to Millheim in the Spring.

S. D. Musser, for a number of years engaged in the hardware business at Millheim, expects to become a citizen of Scranton, Pa., where he has opened a ware room for the sale of pianos and organs.

York State Yankees are quite popular among some of the young maidens in Liberty township. A friend thinks some of them should go slow, the girls, and not be in a hurry in making up with such fellows. It may be very good advice.

Julian Fleming will travel on the road the next several months for Huyett, Meyer & Boozer, of Centre Hall, establishing agencies for their complaint. He left last week for a trip down through Virginia and parts of the South. This firm has enlarged its works and will make a specialty of manufacturing this popular farm implement.

M. L. Leitzel, who some years ago kept hotel at Milroy, was engaged in the mercantile business at Sinking Creek, and kept hotel at Potters Mills, died at Lewistown Junction, December 6th. He was a rheumatic invalid for the last twelve years and could only move about by the use of crutches.

Frank Bradford will shortly leave his position as agent at Poe Mills to take charge of the Centre Hall station heretofore so well attended to by Arb. Katherman who gets a higher position in the railroad office at Williamsport. Mr. Bitner, a student with Mr. Bradford in the Poe Mills office, will take charge when Frank leaves for Centre Hall.—Reporter.

An exchange says: A verdant young preacher over in Centre county begins his remarks on every occasion, "It affords me pleasure to announce," and added this the other night: "It affords me pleasure to announce that Brother —, of Snow Shoe, has died according to arrangements, and the funeral will take place on Tuesday next." And a broad smile spread itself over the congregation.

Rev. Chas. T. Steck will deliver his interesting American lecture, "Heroes, Recognized and Unrecognized," in the Phillipsburg opera house, on Thursday evening of this week. He will follow his lecture with recitations from Shakespeare, concluding the entertainment by reciting Poe's "Raven."

Silver Ore in Clearfield.

Last week reports were current that a find of silver had been made in the "Bad Lands" between DuBois, Clearfield county, and Ridgway, Elk county, but as these stories were old ones, no particular attention was paid to the latest version. Captain Alfred Herdman, a mining engineer, pronounces some of the rock specimens shown to him to be a superior grade of galena, carrying silver ore in richly paying quantity. The fact that the find had been made was kept a secret for more than a month and the exact location of the place where the specimens shown Herdman were found has not yet been divulged, but there are mining prospectors becoming interested in the matter who have a general, if not an exact, knowledge of the locality.

The above entitles Clearfield to a first class sensation. It will now be in order for some fellow to begin the gold mining craze somewhere in Rush township, near Karthaus. If successfully worked it would be a first class real estate boom.

Sharp Shooters to Meet.

On Saturday, December 24th, E. D. Fulford, champion shot of the East, and J. A. R. Elliott, champion shot of the United States, will shoot one of a series of contests at Athletic Park, Williamsport. The shoot will be for 100 live birds for \$200 a side. The shoot at Williamsport will be the fourth out of a series of six matches between the two sharpshooters.

Dogs at Sunday School.

Three or four pet dogs followed their owners to the Presbyterian Sunday school in Tyrone, last Sunday afternoon, and right in the middle of the exercises a dog fight occurred. The affair caused considerable fright and annoyance to the little ones. The canines were quickly ejected.

Shot Niagara and Wagged his Tail.

For the first time in history the falls at Niagara were shot last week by a living thing, a big black Newfoundland dog making the fearful trip and coming out with only some severe bruises on his body. A few hours later he was limping about and wagging his tail.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

PROGRAMME FOR THE 46TH ANNUAL SESSION

To be held in the Court House, at Bellefonte, From Dec. 26th to 30th, 1892—List of Instructors, Evening Entertainments and other information.

County Superintendent of our public schools, C. L. Gramley, of Rebersburg, has issued his programme for the coming 46th annual session of Teachers' Institute of Centre county, to be held in the Court House, at Bellefonte, next week, from Monday to Friday 26th to 30th of December. As the sessions of institute are largely attended by young and old, from all parts of the county, we publish the full program for the benefit of those interested and who may attend.

LIST OF INSTRUCTORS.

During the week the following prominent instructors will be present and take part in the various sessions:

Prof. James M. Coughlin, Supt. public schools, Wilkesbarre, Pa.; Maj. James M. Lee, Supt. public schools, Huntingdon, W. Va.; Prof. A. D. Meloy, State Normal School, Lock Haven; Prof. J. D. Anderson, Phillipsburg; A. Judson Smith, musical director, New Millport, Pa.

In addition to the above, addresses will be delivered by the following distinguished gentlemen of our county all of whom will be worth hearing. The subject of their talks have not been announced yet: Geo. W. Atherton, LL. D., State College; Gen. Jas. A. Beaver, Bellefonte; Rev. W. E. Fischer, Centre Hall; Gen. D. H. Hastings, Hon. John H. Orris and D. F. Fortney, Esq., of Bellefonte.

EVENING ENTERTAINMENTS.

The evening entertainments of institute week are always enjoyable occasions and well attended. This year the following will be provided: Monday, "Character Building," by Supt. James M. Coughlin; Tuesday, "Black the Heels of Your Boots," by Maj. James M. Lee; Wednesday the Schumann Concert Company; Thursday, "Hits and Misses," by John R. Clark. Single admission 25 cents, except Wednesday evening, when admittance of 50 cents will be charged. Course tickets \$1.00.

GENERAL INFORMATION.

Enrollment:—Enrollment begins 9:30 a. m., Monday, Dec. 26.

A fee of \$1.00 will be charged, upon payment of which, a membership ticket will be given that admits the holder to to every session, but is not transferable.

Excursion rates:—Reduced rates will be granted during institute week without the use of excursion orders.

OFFICERS OF INSTITUTE.

C. L. Gramley, Pres.; A. M. Butler, Vice Pres.; W. P. Hosterman, Sec.; J. C. Morris, Roll Clerk.

DIRECTORS' DAY.

Annual Meeting of the School Directors of Centre County.

Thursday, Dec. 29th, will be Directors' Day, and every director is cordially invited to attend. Every school district should be well represented.

Addresses upon interesting school topics will be made by the following gentlemen: Hon. John A. Woodward, "Duties of the Directors Concerning the World's Fair;" Maj. James M. Lee, "Country School Buildings—Location, Plans, Heating, Ventilating, Etc.;" D. F. Fortney, Esq., "Duties of Directors as Contained in the School Laws;" Prof. J. G. Anderson, "The Director."

OFFICERS OF DIRECTORS' ASSO.

W. K. Alexander, President; W. B. Rankin, Secretary; W. M. Grove, S. H. Bannison, R. C. Gilliland, Daniel Heckman and Dr. P. S. Fisher, Executive Committee.

Swallowed a Needle.

Ivy Bartges, of Spring Mills, informs us that he recently killed a beef that had a darned needle in one of the main tubes of the lung. The needle was about three inches long and the point was imbedded in the side of the tube. It had caused no soreness or inflammation and was rusted somewhat indicating that it had been there for some time. The animal was perfectly healthy and dressed 700 pounds. The needle did not appear to cause any trouble.

Immigrants Brought in Like Cattle.

The biggest load of steerage passengers that ever came into any port in this country on one vessel arrived in New York on Thursday on the North German Lloyd steamer Stuttgart, from Bremen. She carried 2,263. The largest previous number was brought here last May on the Darnstadt, of the same line and was 2,063.

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The very place to buy Boys' Clothing is where you can find a big stock of good goods—no end to our line of Chevots and Cassimere suits, double breasted, perfect fitting, well made and trimmed. Price, look! \$2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00 and \$8.00

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The greatest line of Dress goods, Chevots, Serges, etc. Send for sample.

We have over two hundred different styles of Ladies, Misses' and Children's winter coats. There is not such a stock outside of Philad. or New York, and we will ship same on approval, by express C. O. D., with the privilege of examining same before paying for them, by the purchaser paying expressage one way.

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Look at our line of low priced goods. Say you want something cheap for common wear, a man's suit at \$3.50—a winter coat for \$1.50 and \$1.75.

We have suits for little, wee toddlers. Ye fond mothers come and see our Jersey suits in navy blue, bottle green, brown, trimmed in braids, and embroidered—2.50, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00 and \$6. All sizes, 3 years up.

Ladies, no matter how hard you may be to please in a coat, come and see our stock. We are sure to please you. There is not a style and price we do not have. Fur trimmed \$5, 5.50, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12 and \$15.00. Plain of any sort and from \$3 up. Bound in wide braid at all prices. Misses hoods in light colors, trimmed in light furs—fur loops, etc. Little girls refers and long coats from \$1.50

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