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To Lock Haven State Normal for the Winter Term.

THE CENTRE DEMOCRAT will give away a free scholarship to the Lock Haven State Normal, for the Winter Term which commences January 6th, 1896, and continues 12 weeks. This will entitle the recipient to all the privileges of that institution, tuition and boarding, and is worth \$15.00 in cash. In addition to the above we will give a second prize, tuition for the Winter Term, worth \$15.00.

Persons paying their subscription in advance will receive Premium Coupons entitling them to one vote for every month paid in advance, or 12 votes for a yearly-advance-paid subscription. Any person sending in a NEW, cash subscription will be entitled to a Premium Coupon equal to 18 votes.

The votes will be counted each week and the result announced by the auditing committee: Messrs. R. F. Hunter and Wm. G. Runkle, Esq.

The following is the newspaper coupon. Cut it out and vote for some deserving young man or woman whom you would appreciate this scholarship.

Scholarship Coupon.

Write in the blank space below as indicated, the name and address of person preferred to receive the CENTRE DEMOCRAT'S scholarship in the Lock Haven State Normal. NAME: ADDRESS: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1895. Cut this out, bring or mail to the CENTRE DEMOCRAT office. After 30 days from date this coupon will not be counted.

THE COUNT.

The following is the total number of votes cast for the above mentioned scholarship, to date:

Table with 3 columns: NAMES, NO. VOTES, and names of candidates like Wm. Corman, Bertha Atwood, etc.

The following number of votes were cast for the week ending Dec. 18: Bertha Atwood, 1; Wm. Corman, 420; F. H. King, 0. Ballots past 30 day limit not counted, Wm. Corman 27.

ROBT. F. HUNTER } Com. / W. G. RUNKLE }

RULE ON HEIRS.—Pennsylvania, Centre County, ss: I, George W. Rumberger, Clerk of the Orphans' Court of said county of Centre, do hereby certify that at an Orphans' Court held at Bellefonte, the 25th day of November, A. D. 1895, before the Honorable Judges of said court, on motion a rule was granted upon the heirs and legal representatives of Andrew S. Zimmerman, deceased, to come into Court on the fourth Monday of January next to accept or refuse to accept at the valuation, or to show cause why the real estate of said deceased should not be sold. Same notice to be given as in requisition. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court at Bellefonte the 25th day of Nov. A. D. 1895. GEORGE W. RUMBERGER, C. O. C. Sheriff's office Bellefonte, Pa., 1895.

CORRESPONDENTS DEPARTMENT.

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HUBLERSBURG ITEMS.

Yearick's Store Robbed—Large Funeral—Vacation.

BELOW ZERO—The thermometer was down to and below zero some mornings last week, and made one think that winter was here again.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Carner were visiting at Wayne, the beginning of last week.

KOBBERS:—Some unknown person gained an entrance in to Wm. Yearick's store one night last week, and helped himself to coffee and tobacco. They entered at the front door.

Mrs. John Weaver is reported on the sick list at this writing, hope she may soon be able to be about again.

HALF HOLIDAY:—The teachers of this town had a half holiday on Friday, having been barred out at noon by some of the pupils.

TAKING VIEWS:—Mr. Bergstresser, our experienced photographer, has been busy for the last few weeks calling on the schools in different parts of the county, and taking views of them. He has taken views of some 80 schools this fall, and expects to take some more.

LARGE FUNERAL:—The funeral of Henry Klug, on last Wednesday, was attended by a large concourse of relatives and friends. He was interred in the Reformed cemetery, at this place. Services were conducted by Revs. Diehl, of Snyderstown, and Brown of this place.

VACATION:—The pupils of our schools are having vacation this week while the teachers are spending their time in Bellefonte, attending Institute.

Miss Edith Weaver is housed up with chickenpox at present.

THEY SLEPT:—A little event occurred here that is too good to keep quiet. According to report, and it seems true, on the night of Wednesday, December 11th, there were two passengers at the depot waiting for the late train for Bellefonte. It was a cold dreary night and as the wind whistled about the lonely station, the weary passengers soon dropped away in a quiet doze. It was not long until the station agent joined the sleepers. Ere long the train came thundering by, but the sleepers slept. The long, loud whistle from the engine brought no signal to stop, and the train swept by unchecked and the sleepers continued to sleep the sleep that knows no wakening. They did wake up later but none the wiser. Imagining that the train must be late they continued to wait and sleep and snore for the train that was gone. Thus the weary station agent and sleepy passengers spent the time—waiting, sleeping and snoring until four o'clock in the morning. They became impatient, tired and disgusted with the blasted train and went home none the wiser. They say the passengers were none other than Herb Bartley and bride, who had been down home on a short visit to attend Papa Gramley's butchering. This was given out on the quiet and should not be told around.

N. W. Ream has been getting pulley, shaft, belting etc., this week and expects to start his stove mill within a week or so.

S. P. Hockman and wife, Mrs. H. Brown and Miss Sophia Rockey, went on a visit to Millheim.

Geo. P. Hoy has shipped another car of wheat of about 1000 bu., to Lycoming Co.

W. H. Yearick, who lately started in the mercantile business, has sold out to Edward Evers, of Hublersburg. Hope the new proprietor may do a good business.

—Pure candies and confectionery for the Christmas season at the Bishop street bakery.

MILESBURG ITEMS.

GOOD SKATING:—The Bald Eagle Creek has been frozen, over for several weeks and the young people have been taking advantage of it, by skating day and evening.

Miss May Stevenson, of Osceola, who has been visiting her grandparents at this place, returned to her home last Saturday. She made many friends while here, and they were very sorry to see her leave.

The "Asaph Concert Company," from Wilberforce University, gave a concert in the M. E. church last Friday evening. Every one present was pleased with it. They had a very large audience, and took in quite a nice sum of money, part of which will go toward the payment of a lot which the church has purchased for the purpose of erecting a new church in the future. The remainder of the proceeds was for the benefit of the University.

Most of the Sunday schools have begun to practice for their Christmas entertainments.

SUPPER:—The Hook and Ladder company expect to hold a chicken and waffle supper on Christmas eve. This should be well patronized as the boys are trying to pay for their ladders and truck.

Mr. Theodore Lipton, of Renovo, is visiting his parents in this place, and intends to remain until after Christmas.

The schools of our town are now having vacation. The teachers are all in attendance at Institute.

SPRING MILLS ITEMS.

What is Transpiring at the Busy Town—All the News.

BIG HOGS:—Our landlord, D. H. Rhule, killed three hogs that dressed 1,369 pounds. Average 456.

AFTER RABBITS:—John Loyd, with his party of rabbit hunters, on the morning of the snow, bagged six fine rabbits. They shot sixteen loads at one and then did not get it.

NEW GUN:—C. P. Long bought a fine Champion shot gun. He is now ready for the cotton tails. I have no doubt if he gets a chance he will make the fur fly.

Prof. Frank Rerick left for Philadelphia, where he has accepted a situation. Quite a number will take advantage of the holiday excursion.

Calvin Finkle is hustling his cream separator. There is no better. ONE DERR:—Georges valley young buck

tail hunting party came home from a two weeks hunt with a fine doe. McClelan Smetzle was the lucky one this time. They reported game plenty. They saw deer every day they were out. John, how was the free concert at the hotel.

CRITICAL:—Dr. Vanvalzah reports J. B. Fisher and Mrs. Fred Moyer in a critical condition.

Mrs. Aggie Runkle and daughter, from Altoona, are visiting her mother, Mary A. Stover, and many other friends.

Mr. and two Miss Gillway, from Huntingdon, were visiting for the past few days at Isaac Strunk's.

LUMBERING:—Prail Snyder says it will take a week yet to finish the lumber job at Nittany mountain. Then the mill will be moved on the Long track, at Penn Cave.

FREE FOR ALL:—The next on the slate is the convention for free grub, free fun and no work.

William Musser, our ticket agent, is adding some new improvements about his premises.

Calvin Huss has returned from Philadelphia. No city life for him.

SWAPPED:—The other night, while going home from a practice for Xmas entertainment one of our young ladies, with her brother, took a round-about way to get home. She swapped her brother off to another lady for her fellow. That was imposing on good nature.

As there is no paper published during the week of the holidays, we wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

—Fifty different kinds of the finest taffies you ever saw; always on hand at Sourbecks.

PENN HALL.

Mr. Henry Mark made a business trip to Bellefonte on Saturday.

Mr. H. K. Weaver has a new invention on a cook stove, which no doubt he will soon present to the public.

Those on the sick list are, Daniel Bartges, Mrs. Frederick Meyer and Maj. J. B. Fisher.

There are a few weddings contemplated here in the near future.

Eddie Escher, of Chicago, representing the so called Escher faction, is going the rounds looking up church property in this section.

Mr. and Mrs. Snyder, of Sunbury, were the guests of J. B. Fisher's last week.

Prof. J. S. Meyer is at Madisonburg conducting a convention this week. Sheriff Condo was seen here on Monday.

Candidates for constable are at a high fever at present, and are busy looking up their interests.

A. P. Barrell, accompanied by Miss Ida Barrell, spent Sunday at Penns Cave. Our nimrods brought in rabbits by the wholesale last week.

Robert Bartges has the carpenters at work putting up a new henry.

—The stock of the Philada. Branch is being closed out by the new purchaser, S. Oberdorfer. It must be converted into money.

THE EX-QUEEN OF MADAGASCAR.

A Remarkable Woman, Who Goes Barefooted in Worth Gowns.

The defeated queen of Madagascar, the third largest island in the world, is, according to the London Woman, one of the most interesting women of the moment. It is true that she has lately been in trouble, but it seems now that the chivalrous French government will leave her almost as well off as ever. Her majesty's great charm lies in the originality of her manners and of her habits of life. She wears \$5,000 Worth dresses, and goes about in them barefooted. She chews tobacco and drinks champagne all day long. She imports perfumes from Paris, but uses palm oil on her hair. Many similar illustrations of her originality might be given. Her great passion, however, was the acquisition of Worth dresses. She wore them everywhere, no matter how injurious to them the occupation she was engaged in might be. Visitors saw her majesty sitting on the floor of her palace busily transferring a meal of rice, oil and chicken to her mouth with her fingers, and incidentally spoiling a magnificent Worth creation of silk, velvet and lace. The revenues she derived from her unfortunate people were sufficient to purchase her all the dresses she needed.

She scarcely approved of all the vexatious details of civilized feminine dress. For instance, corsets, stockings and shoes formed no part of her wardrobe. When her majesty crossed the street on a wet day, the foreign residents of her capital were treated to a spectacle which amused them, but which the natives gazed at with awe and reverence. Under these circumstances it may be imagined that her majesty was very much pained when she had to go to war with the French, the source of all her misery. But they proposed to annex her country, and she had to make a stand. She harranged her people in the streets of her capital, Antananarivo, and told them it was a holy war, and made them swear to follow to the death. At the first encounter with the French they showed themselves useless.

Now, after a march into the interior of Madagascar, during which they suffered terribly from disease and other hardships, the French have arrived at Antananarivo, the capital. At first the queen fled to the forest. Her supply of Worth dresses had been getting low, and she was in rags. On this account, probably, she has come to terms with the French. It is announced that she will be permitted to reign as queen under French protection, but that her husband, who is likely to be more dangerous to their interests, will be banished from the island. The queen will have money enough to buy a reasonable number of dresses. She is good looking, having regular features, without negro characteristics, and a light brown complexion.

A CHICAGO VIGNETTE.

The Clerk's Excuse About the Sick Baby Is Investigated by the Manager.

He had been in the habit of uncerebrally absenting himself from the office for two or three days at a stretch at varying intervals for about a year, and at last the manager got mad and swore up and down that he wouldn't stand it any longer.

"When he comes back this time," said the manager, rumping his bushy gray hair with one hand while he brought the other flat down on the stenographer's desk with a bang that made the typewriter keys rattle, "I'll dock him for every minute that he has been gone. I'd discharge him on the spot and be done with it, but he's a good worker when he's here and I like him and will try to put up with this hit and miss way of coming around for a little while longer."

That was on Monday. The clerk didn't show up till Wednesday at noon.

"What's been the matter?" asked the manager, pushing his glasses down over the end of his nose and eyeing his employee severely.

The man took his place at the long table and commenced slowly pulling up his black office sleeves.

"The baby has been sick again," he said gravely taking up his pen and beginning to write.

"I'm sorry," he said, "but please bear in mind that the next time you go off this way you will lose your wages."

The man's face seemed to take on another degree of paleness, but he answered calmly, "All right," and went on writing.

It was six weeks before he staid away again and that time he was gone two days. He came back on a pay day. His face was sallow and haggard and his eyes were sunken and red.

"Baby been sick again?" asked the manager, with a facetious little smile.

"Yes," was the quiet answer. "She was worse than usual this time." And the clerks grinned and made up their minds that he had had a high old time that trip.

Six dollars were deducted from his salary to offset the pleasures of that little spree, and the manager thought that such summary punishment ought to bring about a pretty effectual reformation. But it didn't. At the end of three weeks he staid away again, and although his salary was again diminished at the same rate, he took another self appointed vacation within a month. When he sent a note around the fourth time after the docking process commenced and accounted for his absence by the same old plea that the baby was sick the manager made up his mind that he would investigate things.

"I'm going over to his house and straighten this matter out," he said to the stenographer between sentences of the letter he was dictating. "That child isn't sick any more than I am, and not half as much so, and I'll catch him face to face in his trickery. If I go over there and find him drunk, as I suppose I will be pretty sure to do, I'll discharge him so quick he won't know what his name is."

The stenographer said she thought that was the only way to fix him, and right away after lunch he started for the South Side to hunt up his delinquent employee. The man lived in the third flat, and by the time the manager had puffed and panted himself up the two long flights of stairs he was enraged with the world in general and his clerk in particular for putting him to so much trouble.

The clerk himself opened the door and let the manager in. His coat was off and his eyes were swollen and his hair was pushed back in reckless confusion. The manager tapped his cane emphatically on the hardwood floor as a prelude to the coming lecture and said with a testiness that was made still more bitter by suspicion:

"Well, sir, I did happen to find you at home, didn't I? How's that baby?"

The man held out his hand with a gesture of entreaty.

"Hush!" he said, with a quiet dignity made strong by grief. "She's dead. She died just an hour ago."—Chicago News.

South African Joys.

A correspondent writes from Johannesburg: "Money can be made here, but the conditions are terrible. Talk about South Africa's being a health resort or general world's sanitarium! Rubbish! It is only very strong, those with sound constitutions, who can survive in Johannesburg, at any rate. The terrible things here are the dust storms. The dust is mixed with filth from a town in which there is next to no sanitation, and also with cyanide from the mines, and that, entering the lungs, produces pneumonia—fatal in a few hours. The dust storms are so bad at times that they are comparable to a London fog. Just now they are particularly bad, as we have had no rain since March or April—I forget which—and about half the population is sick with some ailment or another. However, when the rains come we shall see a marvelous change—then the climate will be one of the finest in the world. At present the candles are melting from the heat."—London Realm.

Reasons For Living.

The Duke of Marlborough will now have to take better care of himself than ever. It is said that he always puts cotton wool in his cigarettes to keep from swallowing the nicotine. When a man comes into so much money, he has reasons for preserving his health. "Pardon me," said the man in the car, "will you please put down that window. I've come into \$10,000 a year, and feel I must take care of myself."—New York World.

The Making of a City.

Our town is growing very rapidly. There is a new baby on every corner, and some of the corners can even show twins. Let the good work go on. We will yet have a city.—Huntsville Chronicle.

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