

TEACHER'S INSTITUTE

In Session in the Court House, this Week.

SESSIONS LARGELY ATTENDED

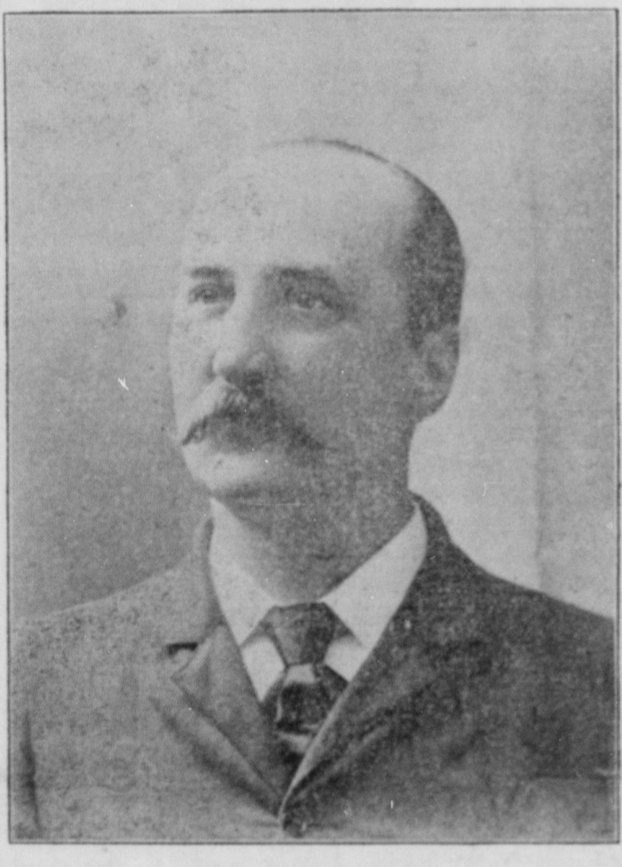
An Able Corps of Instructors Present—Interesting Evening Entertainments—A Complete Report of the Various Sessions Specially Reported.

In a distant part of this State, before a number of prominent people, the writer once heard a well-known educator remark that "Centre county has the most intelligent and progressive body of public school teachers" he had ever met at an Institute. As this compliment came unsought, and entirely unknown to the speaker that it fell on the ear of a native Centre countyman, it was considered a frank and impartial estimate of the young ladies and men who are engaged throughout the county instructing the

m. The Institute enjoyed a piece of music, rendered by an octette of the following ladies and gentlemen: sopranos, Miss Cora Ecker and Miss Cora Neff; altos, Mrs. L. A. Hipple and Miss Alice Neff; tenors, A. A. Pletcher, Prof. A. R. Rutt, and J. L. Gardner; Bass, Harry Gentzel and M. E. Heberling.

The speaker of the evening, Dr. Geo. S. Fullerton, Vice Provost of the University of Pennsylvania, was introduced. The subject of his lecture was "Philosophy." Mr. Fullerton did not dwell so much on the dryness of the subject Philosophy, but interested a large audience on plain practical truths, relating to the mind and how we become conscious of things through the senses. He introduced many things calculated to make us think, and also to develop the faculties God has given us.

TUESDAY FORENOON.
 Supt. C. L. Gramley called the Institute to order at 9. to a. m. All joined in singing after which Rev. Dr. Gearhart conducted the devotional services. Mr. W. F. Leathers, Sec'y, read the minutes of yesterday's session.
 Prof. Gramley made a few sugges-



COUNTY SUPT. C. L. GRAMLEY.

hundreds of children in the methods of gaining an education and fitting them for useful lives and the making of good men and women. That the same standard has been maintained can not be doubted, in fact it has been elevated. The strict and exacting regulations of County Superintendent Gramley, to our mind, has increased the efficiency of our public instructors. The attendance this week is unusually large, as nearly every teacher is present and they not only seem pleased with the instructors but are intensely interested. The evening entertainments also are of a higher order than in former years and are largely attended by the public. On the whole, Institute is decidedly a successful and profitable gathering.

The following is a brief summary of the various sessions, carefully prepared by the CENTRE DEMOCRAT'S special representative, Mr. C. V. DeLong, of Romola, Pa:

OPENING SESSION.

The fifty-first annual session of the Teacher's Institute of Centre county, convened in the Court house, on Monday, Dec. 13th, 1897, at 1.30 p. m.

Enrollment began at 10 a. m., the teachers all being very prompt in reporting.

Institute opened by singing "America." Prof. Rev. E. S. Latsch, Prin. of the Howard High school, conducted the devotional exercises. Hon. J. G. Love, President Judge of the courts of Centre county, delivered a hearty address of welcome. The Judge congratulated the teachers in their profession and gave them a cordial greeting. Hon. Henry Houck, Deputy State Superintendent of Public Instruction, responded in his usual manner, not forgetting to add a bit of wit and humor. Prof. James Gregg, Prin. of Milesburg schools, also gave a brief response, and emphasized the fact that the teachers must be interested in the Institute to make it a success.

A few introductory talks were given by Supt. Gramley, which was followed by music and roll call.

Prof. F. H. Green, of West Chester State Normal school, was presented and pleased his hearers very much on the subject of "Literature." His talk was alive with good things. The Professor did not confine himself to book knowledge, but gave considerable information which he had gained by travel.

Several announcements were made and Institute adjourned.

MONDAY EVENING.

The house was called to order at 8 p.

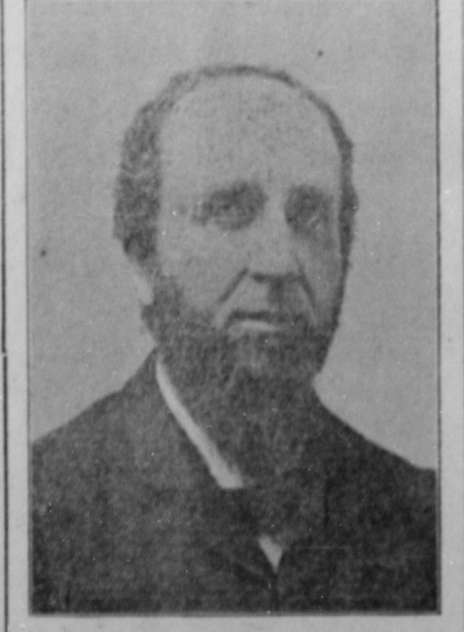
tions in regard to the "Round Table Conference of Grammar and High School Teachers." He desires that the teachers make it a nucleus for advancement in our common schools.

The teachers' session occupied the next period. The subject "What a Parent Should See in an Up-to-date School," was opened by Mr. T. L. Crust, of Benner twp. It was ably discussed by Mr. H. G. Mease; Mrs. Mina S. Latschaw gave an interesting talk, emphasizing that the first element necessary in an up-to-date school, is that the teacher be a Christian. We must have the cooperation of directors and parents and must be earnest in our work.

Prof. H. C. Rothrock mentioned the fact that there is much apparatus essential to make a school a success—out line maps, globes and blocks for illustrating square and cube root.

Mr. Mease stated that corporal punishment is indispensable in our common schools.

Prof. Gramley referred to the neglect on the part of teachers in previous preparation for the days' work. Among many things really necessary to make a school successful, he mentioned the fol-



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lowing: sufficient supplies, ventilation, busy work, order, cleanliness and morality.

Prof. Green gave an instructive talk on the subject, "Guiding Principles in Teaching Literature." In connection with singing we can teach the subject of literature. The first principal: "Teach the best" was illustrated in grand style.

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THE HATFIELDS AND M'COYS

A Big Time in Curtin Township Last Friday

JOHN DALEY'S HARD-CIDER

One Man Seriously Wounded and Others Got Choked and Bruised.—Punched With a Poulitce—Curtin Township Ahead Again—A Remarkable Mixture—Fortune for Some One.

Last Friday a shooting match was held in Curtin township, about three miles west of Romola, by Robert Mann, for a lot of turkeys. It was attended by sports, expert marksmen from that vicinity. A dispute arose over the measurements of shots by Mitchell Weaver and Wm. Knarr. Mr. Mann considered Knarr the closest, others differed and an animated dispute followed. Some proposed that the dispute be settled by shooting over.

The men then began to exchange compliments and James Boon plunked his fist at Robert Mann. The fun then began. A young man by the name of Nyman threw a rock that hit Harry Weaver on the head, inflicting a painful scalp wound and he dropped unconscious.

A battle royal then followed, Chas' Weaver, a brother, then took a hand in the fray. Although he carried a bealed hand in a poultice bandage, several chaps got effectually punched by it. Stones were flying in every direction. Some fellows got well choked and one chap, an innocent lookeron, was completely thrown over a fence before he could say Jack Robbison. In the midst of the riot the venerable John A. Daley, standing with a bucket of hard-cider in hand, is said to have screamed out: "For God's sake boys, quit throwing stones!" Gradually peace was restored and one of the belligerents in an exhausted condition was given a bit of cider to revive him.

He turned violently on Mr. Daley and threatened to do him bodily harm, all because the cup was only half full.

It is said that later in the day one of the principals in the squabble awoke and found himself sitting on the sixth rail of a stake and rider fence over three miles out in the wilds of Curtin townships.

Harry Weaver was seriously wounded by the stone that struck him on the head. He was unconscious for several hours, but is recovering and no serious results are apprehended.

Since the blowing up of the schoolhouse in that vicinity some time ago by dynamite, there has been no excitement the equal of this hard-cider-turkey fight. It has caused a division among neighbors who threaten dire vengeance. Some expect to see the Hatfield-McCoy-Kentucky fends repeated in Centre county.

The method by which Mr. Daley cures his cider must be new. From all sections of the county inquires are coming as to how to compound the stuff. "John Daley's Hard Cider" is a brand that should be copyrighted—there is a fortune in it. Apple-Jack, "Tangle-Foot," "Jersey Lightning" and other favorite brands are not in it for a quick response.

We are farther informed that another shooting match will take place in the same section the latter portion of the week. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Medical attendance and ambulance service will be furnished free. Throwing stones will be eliminated from the program, as unprofessional.

Vaccinating Cattle.

The first vaccination of cattle by the State Sanitary Live Stock board since its recent meeting, when it was decided to stamp out disease, was ordered recently by State Veterinarian Pearson. "Blackleg," a form of disease premonitory of anthrax, was reported in cattle at Warriors Mark, Huntingdon county, fourteen in three herds being affected. The state authorities secured vaccine matter from Washington last week and a man was sent from Philadelphia to give the herd attention.

Death of Mrs. Eckley.

Mrs. Catherine Eckley, wife of Mr. Crist Eckley, of Morristown, died on Sunday afternoon.

She resided with her husband at Coleville and for some time past she had been ailing with consumption. She is survived by a husband and three children. The children's names are Arthur, Lewis and Bertha.

Two Deaths.

On the 11th of December, 1897, in Union township, after a long and severe illness, Mrs. Matilda Stine, widow of Hiram Stine, aged 74 years, 9 months and 24 days.

On the 12th of December 1897, in Boggs township, from the effects of wounds received during the war, Mr. Thomas H. Mills, aged 70 years 4 months and 17 days.

ALARM AT MILL HALL.

Afraid the Axeworks may be closed by the Trust, same as at Bellefonte.

At one time Bellefonte had an important industry in the axe factory near this place. For some years the works have been closed down, the machinery shipped away and the enterprise is gone. The same fate now threatens Mill Hall. The Lock Haven express of Saturday says: "The people of Mill Hall are greatly agitated over an article that was published recently in the Pittsburgh Times, to the effect that the American Axe and Tool Company intend to concentrate all their manufacturing plants near Pittsburgh and abandon their present factories. The company owns sixteen axe factories, among them being the factories at Mill Hall. The Pittsburgh Times' article says:

Plans are being prepared for immense buildings to cover from 25 to 30 acres of ground, and to cost from \$250,000 to \$300,000. It is thought that the company will locate in the Monongahela valley. The company controls the output in the United States of axes and edged tools, making at its various factories 80 per cent. The directors of the company want the plants concentrated. Only 10 of the 16 factories are now in operation.

The different factories are the Hubbard & Co. plant, at Beaver Falls, Pa.; Robert Mann & Sons, Mill Hall, Pa.; Fearon Mann, Bellefonte, Pa.; Johnsonville Axe Manufacturing company, Johnsonville, N. Y.; Douglas, Axe Manufacturing company, East Douglas, Mass.; Romer Bro's, Manufacturing company, Gowanda, N. Y.; H. Knickerbacker, Balston Spar, N. Y.; two factories; Wm. Mann, Jr., & Co., Lewistown, Pa.; Thos. R. Mann & Co., Mill Hall, Pa.; Powell Tool company, Cleveland, O.; Jamestown Axe company, Jamestown, N. Y.; Underhill Edge Tool company, Nashua, N. H.; Francis Axe company, Buffalo, N. Y.; and Hubbard & Blake Manufacturing company, Oakland, Me., and one other.

All the steel used in making the tools is secured in Pittsburgh and so is the fuel, and the company concluded that it would result in more economical operation to build an entirely new plant near the mines and steel mills. When the new factories are placed in operation the old plants in the various cities will be abandoned. The capacity of the new factories will be the same as those now separated.

The American Axe and Tool Company was originally capitalized at \$5,000,000, but last year a new charter was taken out at Harrisburg with a capital of \$2,000,000. Charles W. Hubbard, Jr., of Pittsburgh, is president.

Mr. A. C. Mann, superintendent of the Mill Hall factories, when asked for information on the subject said that at a meeting of the directors of the American Axe and Tool company held in New York about two months ago it was decided to concentrate the business of the company where cheaper fuel and cheaper transportation was available. He said further that it was the opinion of those interested at Mill Hall that as the double bit ax business is already concentrated at Mill Hall the works at that place will not be abandoned.

2,500 FIVE-INCH TROUT.

The Whole Lot Placed in Fishing Creek and Its Tributaries.

One of the United States Fish Commission's cars arrived in Lock Haven this week, having on board 2,500 young rainbow trout. The trout are one year old and about five inches in length. The whole lot was placed in Fishing creek and its tributaries.

The car started from the U. S. hatching house at Wytheville, Va., with 7,400 trout all of which were placed in Pennsylvania trout streams.—L. H. Express.

Fire in Nittany Valley.

The house of Andrew King, in Nittany Valley, was destroyed by fire last week. The fire was discovered about 3 o'clock in the afternoon and spread so rapidly that only a part of the household goods were saved. In the cellar was 300 bushels of potatoes which were all destroyed. The house was a new structure, erected last year. There is a small insurance.

She Killed a Doe.

A few days ago Miss Rena Uzzie, of Snow Shoe, while out on the mountains with her father, heard a noise in the brush a short distance ahead. Snatching her father's Winchester she ran a short distance up the road when she saw a young doe. She took aim and killed the animal.

Will go to Klondike.

Frank Pecker, W. E. Myers and James Anderson, three Montgomery men, intend leaving for the Klondike gold fields about March 1. The men will take a large dog along to haul their provisions when they reach that country.

BELLEFONTE BOYS ARE IN TROUBLE

Several Now are in Jail at Lock Haven

SERIOUS CHARGE PREFERRED

George Conway Attacks a Landlord With his Knife—Cuts Several Others—Young Parsons and Garis Arrested for Stealing an Overcoat.

The Lock Haven Express on Tuesday contained the following:

"A man who registered as G. A. Grumbaugh, of New York, created considerable excitement at the Eagle hotel Lock Haven, on Tuesday noon, by his too free use of a large pocket knife. When the proprietor of the house, P. B. Smith, demanded payment of his bill at noon Grumbaugh is said to have whipped out his knife, and created consternation by striking out right and left at all who came in his way. He first struck at the proprietor, cutting his clothing on the left arm open, and just grazing the flesh. Next, Fillmore Summerson, of Hammersley's Fork, a guest at the house, was struck and slightly cut on the wrist. Another guest, A. L. Trifer, of Lamar, was struck at but was not hit.

The man with the knife ran out but was captured and while "Than" Smith and Mr. Summerson were taking their prisoners to police headquarters they met Chief of Police Keller and turned the man over to him. Chief Keller lodged his prisoner in jail. To Chief Keller he stated that his name was Geo. Conway and gave Bellefonte as his residence.

Grumbaugh was given a hearing on Wednesday. Another hearing will be given on Friday morning.

Young Grumbaugh is a Bellefonte lad who has been working at the Brandt House for some time. His parents are dead, but a brother and sister are living here. His conduct was quite a surprise to his friends at this place.

Stole an Overcoat.

The Lock Haven Democrat of Friday says: Two young men, named Parsons and Garis, both of Bellefonte, were lodged in jail this morning by Officer Griffin, on the charge of stealing an overcoat. Parsons, accompanied by Garis, went to J. F. Considine's hotel, Renovo, last evening, where the first named redeemed an overcoat, which he had given as security for a debt. They both left the hotel, but shortly after one of the men returned to the building, and going to the rear of the office, stole another overcoat, which belonged to a woodsman named James McCloskey. As soon as the coat was missed a search was made for Garis and Parsons, when it was learned that they had boarded a freight train and were coming this way. Mr. Considine notified the police authorities here to be on the watch for the men. When Officer Griffin boarded the freight in the upper yards, he captured Parsons, but Garis fled. Garis was caught lying in a gondola car at Mill Hall this morning by the same officer.

This afternoon Alderman Anthony held the two men for trial at court.

Death of Mrs. Francis Garber.

On Tuesday morning Mrs. Frances Garber died at her home near Nigh Bank, in Spring township. About three months ago Mrs. Garber was stricken with paralysis that effected her right side and both limbs, and had been an invalid ever since.

Her death on Tuesday morning was sudden and unexpected, as she appeared to be enjoying better health of late.

The interment will take place on Friday morning, in the Catholic cemetery, at this place. Mrs. Garber was 66 years of age. She leaves a husband and six children as follows: Mrs. Ed Woods, of Bellefonte; Daniel Garber, Butts City, Mont.; Geo. Garber, Gallitzin, Pa.; Mattie Garber, Norristown, Pa.; Mrs. Joseph Schulty, Williamsport; Catharine Garber, at home; and Thomas whose address we could not learn; Harry Garber, Gallitzin.

The deceased's maiden name was Lillian Simmons, and two brothers and two sisters survive.

Refused War Time Currency.

An odd case was decided in the Blair county courts Thursday. John Bement sued the Logan Valley railroad company to recover \$5,000 damages for being put off a trolley car midway between Hollidaysburg and Altoona during the blizzard last January. Bement had offered to pay his fare in ten cents fractional currency issued in the war times. The conductor did not think the money was good and refused to accept it. Judge Bell charged the jury that if, in their opinion, the currency had become obsolete there could be no recovery. The jury found for the company.

The lecture of Eli Perkins, last evening, was well attended, but was hardly a success. Perkins can't "get there, Eli!" to save his son; the audience was not much pleased.

KLONDIKE GOLD.

A Centre County Boy on His Way Home With \$20,000 in Gold.

Clarence Kaup, son of S. M. Kaup, of Brush mountain, and one of the first Centre countyans to go to Klondike, is on his way home with upwards of \$20,000 in gold dust and nuggets, according to a letter received from him written in June. Young Kaup's parents are very poor, and their little home on the mountain was on the brink of being taken from them. Clarence, although not yet 22 years old, determined to seek for a fortune in the northern El Dorado, and with only one dollar in his pocket made the trip to Alaska, working for his passage. He, with five others, sought for the precious metal. It was several weeks before fortune favored them. In the meantime four of the party had deserted the claims and Kaup and his companion were almost starved, when one day they struck a rich placer, and in one month succeeded in taking out from 1,000 to 2,000 ounces of dust and nuggets. Staking their claim, the two men started on their return to the United States, and Kaup expects to reach home in time for Christmas.

LEAD AND IRON ORE.

More talk about the finding of lead and iron ore in Culvey's gap comes from that section. Mr. Stover, who is making the investigation, informs the Bellefonte Gazette that the scene of operations is about four miles from Lamar. The deposits of lead and iron ore are something that far exceeds that gentleman's expectations. A drift of sixty feet has been made into the mountain where the lead ore is now being taken out. Tuesday one pound and a half of the raw material was smelted and yielded one pound of pure lead which is a big percentage. Wednesday four hundred pounds of the raw material was smelted in the cupulo of the Mill Hall foundry, and a large number gathered to witness the process and to hear the result which was highly encouraging. The vein of iron ore is said to be seven feet thick and the very best to be found in this country.

The valuable mines are located along the new railroad which has been surveyed from Lamar to Clearfield, and which, when built, will be known as the Bellefonte & Clearfield railroad.

Tussey Mountain Gold Mines.

The Tussey mountain range has its eastern terminus on the western border of Centre county, extending down through Huntingdon and Bedford.

A dispatch from Altoona, Dec. 4, says: The Tussey Mountain Gold Mining & Smelting company to day consummated the sale of its shafts, steam drills and crushing apparatus to a New York syndicate, with a capital of two million dollars, which will operate the plant.

Along with the mines and tools go 250 acres of mountain land, under which the lode is supposed to pass. A new shaft opened by the company recently brought to light an ore bearing gold, silver and copper in paying quantities. The assay of the new lode is reported to be extraordinarily high. The eastern capitalists are convinced that they have come into possession of valuable mining property.

Got Wrong.

Willie Craven, errand boy in Switzer's store, in Philipsburg, is only fifteen years old, yet the Ledger of that place says he has been detected in a systematic robbery of his employers. For several months money had been missed from the safe, that stands at the rear of the store, and it became so frequent as to direct suspicion to the boy. One evening last week the drawer containing \$19 was looted and a few days afterwards Willie was accused of the theft. He confessed and implicated Fred Matern, another fifteen year old lad. In all nearly \$100 had been taken. The boy's parents at once offered to make restitution and it is probably that the case will be settled.

Cow Disappeared.

Last week's Millheim Journal contained the following: On last Monday afternoon the following occurred on the farm of Henry Keen, who lives near town. Mr. Keen had let his cow into a field for a short time, and when he wanted to stable her she could not be found. He and his hireling made a search, and found the cow in a hole about 15 feet deep. On examination of the ground it was found to be only a thin crust of earth and getting on, the crust broke through. The hole is about 15 feet deep and has four feet of water, covering a space of from 12 to 30 feet wide. The cow was extricated by means of ropes.

Death of Mrs. Harpster.

Mrs. Samuel Harpster, of Gatesburg, was buried on Friday morning at 10 o'clock. She died from the effects of a paralytic stroke suffered some time ago and leaves a husband, a daughter and several sons to mourn their loss.