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## TEACHERS' INSTITUTE

Information Regarding the Session for This Year

### CONVENES AT PHILIPSBURG

Commencing Monday, December 28th—List of Instructors, Entertainments Teachers and Directors—Other Information

The 57th annual session of the Centre County Teachers' Institute will be held in Philipsburg from Monday, December 28 and continue in session until Friday of that week. From the manual we gather the following information.

**Officers.**  
President—C. L. Gramley, County Superintendent.  
Vice Presidents—Anna C. Bartholomew, A. A. Fletcher.  
Recording Secretary—Maude Rankin.  
Assistant Secretary—Ella Warde.  
Enrolling Secretaries—J. A. Williams, M. E. Heberling.  
Door Keepers—T. A. Moore, W. T. Winkler.  
Ticket Agent—Harry Crahn.

**Committees.**  
Resolutions—C. D. Koch, H. E. Robb, J. A. Fletcher, James Gregg, Orpha L. Gramley, Elsie Snyder, Sarah J. Walte.  
Legislation—E. P. Osterman, C. R. Neff, J. A. Young, J. D. Meyer, F. M. Fletcher, D. H. Robbins, W. A. Krise, D. P. Fortney, S. W. Weaver.  
Educational Display—Mary E. Warde, Carrie A. Weaver, Florida Duck, Gertrude C. Welland, Eva Meyer, Bella B. Barnhart, Alice E. Duck.  
Elections—S. W. Gramley, Chas. A. Heiss, C. E. Royer, Jacob Delbi, E. E. Wolf, Annie C. Campbell, Sarah Bechtel.  
Auditing Accounts—J. W. Musser, O. C. Frank, J. R. Bible, Cyrus F. Hoy, M. C. Haines, Ushers—Frank Young, J. R. Meyer, John Reish, E. C. Musser, John Rossman, S. A. Beirley, Ernest Spinks, Blair Latshaw, G. A. Williams, N. H. Corman, John Blitzer, R. G. White, Van Jodon, Ira E. Fisher, Ernest Ardery.  
Committee on Permanent Certificates—(Appointed by the State Superintendent) David O. Eiters, H. W. Morris, Lucy M. Rowen.

**Local Institute Districts and Committees.**  
Miles, Penn, Millheim, Haines and Gregg—45 teachers.  
Committee—C. R. Neff, W. P. Hosterman, T. A. Auman, E. S. Stover, R. L. Emerick.  
Centre Hill, Potter, Harris, Ferguson, College and State College Borough—51 teachers.  
Committee—Florida Duck, Elsie Snyder, S. W. Gramley, W. A. Krise, W. W. Keller, E. K. Smith.  
Bellefonte, Spring, Hunter and Walker—56 teachers.  
Committee—C. A. Heiss, H. E. Yearick, L. W. Musser, J. V. Brungraff.  
Minesburg, Boggs, Curtin, Howard Borough, Liberty and Marion—41 teachers.  
Committee—James Gregg, Alice S. Neff, W. S. Holter, J. L. Gardner, H. E. Robb, F. M. Fletcher, L. B. Neill.  
Unionville, Union, Huston, Worth, Taylor, Half Moon and Patton—35 teachers.  
Committee—Alice E. Duck, Maggie Williams, J. K. Williams, J. A. Williams, Rose Hoover, W. T. Wrye, Mabelle Norris.  
Philipsburg, South Philipsburg, Rush, Snow Shoe and Burnside—52 teachers.  
Committee—D. Koch, G. E. Taylor, Ella M. Warde, D. P. Fortney, Rhoda E. Bowes.

**Statistical Report for Year Ending June 1903.**  
**SCHOOLS.**  
Schools 287. Graded Schools, 129. Schools in which higher branches are taught, 119. Pupils enrolled, 19,081.

**EXAMINATIONS.**  
Public examinations held, 23. Provisional certificates granted, 173. Professional certificates granted, 17. Applicants rejected, 64.

**TEACHERS.**  
Male teachers employed, 183. Female teachers employed, 146. Teachers who had no previous experience, 57; who taught five years or more, 144; teachers employed who hold provisional certificates, 122; teachers employed who hold professional certificates, 41; teachers employed who hold permanent certificates, 44; teachers employed who hold Normal diplomas, 60; teachers employed who attended a State Normal but did not graduate, 28; teachers employed who are graduates of Colleges, 17.

**VISITATIONS.**  
Number of schools visited by County Supt. 284. Number of visits by Supt. 358.

**MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.**  
Directors in the county, 37.  
Rural districts using the Burke system of grading, 41.  
Pupils who received the common school diploma, 47.  
Schools visited by Directors, 222.

### INSTRUCTORS:

Dr. Nathan C. Schaeffer, State Superintendent, Public Instruction. Topics—The School Curriculum. Three Great Orations.  
Dr. F. M. McMurry, Teachers' College, Columbia University New York City. Topic—Handwork, History, Geography.  
Dr. F. B. Pearson, East High School, Columbus, Ohio. Topics—Literature, Government, Methods.  
Dr. J. R. Flickinger, Principal State Normal School, Lock Haven, Pa. Topic—Civil Government.  
Prof. Charles Lose, Superintendent Schools, Williamsport. Topic—School Management.  
Music: Director—Prof. F. H. Meyer, Pianist—Bessie H. Durworth, Bellefonte.

### ENTERTAINMENTS:

Tuesday evening—Lecture, "Sunshine and Shadow" by A. W. Hawks, Baltimore, Md.  
Wednesday evening—Original Carolina Jubilee Singers, assisted by Sara Strange Scroggins, Reader and Impersonator.  
Thursday evening—Lecture, "The Empire of the East, the Great Bear of the North," by Rev. Robert Stuart MacArthur, D. D. L. D., New York City.  
Excursion orders will secure special rates to teachers and others wishing to attend the Institute, and will be forwarded to any desiring them, by sending a stamped and self-addressed envelope to Prof. C. D. Koch, Philipsburg, or to the County Superintendent.  
Arrangements have been made whereby anyone can secure board and room with private families at 75c and \$1.00 per day; at hotels will be \$1.00 and \$1.50

per day. For particulars, write, Miss Mary E. Warde, chairman of the committee on Entertainment, or C. K. Koch, Superintendent Schools, Philipsburg, Penna.

Institute will be divided into three sections, and each section will have a session on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, beginning at 11 o'clock as follows: High and Grammar School Teachers will constitute a section and will be in charge of Prof. W. P. Hosterman and Prof. D. H. Robbins.  
Intermediate and Primary Teachers will be in charge of Mary E. Warde and Orpha L. Gramley.

Teachers of Ungraded Schools will be in charge of the County Superintendent.  
Owing to a recent act of Assembly, the convention of School Directors of the county will not be held at same time as County Institute. The date has not been announced but we are told that it will likely be the first or second week of January, in the Court House, at Bellefonte.

**PENNA MINING AND SMELTING CO.**  
On Tuesday Robt. F. Hunter and F. H. Thomas left here for Joplin, Missouri, to inspect the zinc operations at that place controlled by local capitalists. Heretofore there were four distinct zinc mining companies organized in Bellefonte that were operating in that section. They were the Blue Jacket, Republic, Clinton and the Prairie. These holdings were consolidated recently into one company that is known as the "Pennsylvania Mining and Smelting Company" with the following as officials: President, F. H. Thomas; Vice President, R. G. H. Hayes; Secretary, J. C. Meyer; Treasurer, C. M. Parrish, all of Bellefonte; Directors: F. W. Crider, F. H. Thomas, E. L. Orvis, J. C. Meyer, W. Harrison Walker, R. G. H. Hayes, Harry Keller, all of Bellefonte; A. Walter, Millheim; E. H. Heaton, Milton; C. G. Voris, Milton; J. I. Higbee, Watsonstown; T. M. Stevenson, Lock Haven; Reese Kintzing, Lock Haven; Chas. T. Aikens, Pine Grove Mills; C. P. Gephart, Lavansville, Pa. General Manager, R. F. Hunter, Bellefonte, Pa.

The holdings of this company are in some of the best zinc mining fields in the famous Joplin district and the organization of the company represents some of our best business men, so that there is every reason to hope that under judicious management there should be splendid returns for their investments.

### Smallpox at Eagleville.

Smallpox has developed in the family of John A. Nestlerode, who lives a quarter of a mile from the Eagleville station. Dr. Kurtz of Howard, who was appointed by the state board of health to look after the situation in this valley since William Nestlerode and family visited his father two weeks ago, was at the Nestlerode home Monday and found Mrs. Nestlerode with a fully developed case. There are six children. Other members of the family are showing symptoms of the disease.  
The start of the disease in that community can be easily traced. Wm. Nestlerode, a son, with his family and his sister, all of Youngstown, Ohio, were here on a visit and left for home two weeks ago. At Altoona a physician on the train discovered that Nestlerode and his sister had smallpox which created something like a panic on the train. The entire party of Nestlerodes were taken to the county pest house.  
The authorities of Liberty township, through the secretary of the school board, George Eaton, and the board of health of Beech Creek borough took strenuous precautionary measures and placed the family of John A. Nestlerode under quarantine and several others who had been at the latter's home.

### New York's Big Bridge.

On the 19th inst. the new bridge over the East river at New York, will be formally opened for travel. The structure cost \$11,000,000. The length of the bridge between its terminals is 7,200 feet, or over one and one third miles. The main span, from the centre of one tower to that of the other, is 1600 feet long. The width of the structure is 118 feet. Its minimum height above mean high water at the pier head lines is 122 feet and its minimum height for 200 feet on either side of the centre of the main span is 135 feet. The masonry in the tower foundations is 23 feet above high water. The height of the cables on the tops of the towers is 333 feet at their centre.

Plain white and fancy vests, single and double breasted. Full dress vests—could anything be more appropriate? See the values that enter into these vests of ours. Sim the Clothier.

On Tuesday, Dan. Runkle, of Spring Mills, while working in a stove mill got his right hand against a circular saw which cut the tendons, and made an ugly wound.

—Florida oranges—at Sechler's.

## "OLEOMARGARINE BILL BROWN"

To Succeed to the Governorship of this State

### A KNOCK OUT FOR ELKIN

Pennypacker, the "Press Muzzler," to go to the Supreme Court Bench Next Year—The Gang Find him a Stubborn Proposition—Sad News for the People

A great game in state politics is being played at present and, in order to grasp the situation more clearly, we will review recent events:

The spectacular campaign of John P. Elkin, the "Indiana County Plow Boy," for the republican nomination for governor a few years ago, certainly is not forgotten. He had three-fourths of the party with him, was the popular choice, had a majority of the delegates instructed—Quay said he should not be nominated and a few days before the convention Pennypacker was produced, nominated and elected.

It was a remarkable feat, unprecedented in political annals in this state. Money flowed free as water, and big sums were used by both sides, while neither candidate had the financial standing to pay a fraction of the enormous outlay. The real issue, it is asserted, was a fight between two great railroads: The Penna R. R. and the Wabash system, the latter at present trying to extend its lines through the state and invade territory long occupied by the former. Elkin was the Wabash's choice and Quay looked after the other interests. All know the result. Elkin took his defeat gracefully, with the assurance that his vindication would come as Gov. Pennypacker's successor. Public sentiment generally conceded that point. It even was thought that Quay could not check the Elkin tide of enthusiasm, but a new deal has been made and it looks as though John P. Elkin was completely bowled out of political life in Pennsylvania. Since Pennypacker has been Governor the Quay machine at times have found the old codger a contrary and stubborn proposition, and this uncertainty has caused them great anxiety in maturing their plans. Pennypacker was picked up to beat Elkin, now they want to get rid of Pennypacker and they planned well, to dispose of him gracefully and at the same time deliver to the ambitious "Indiana Plow Boy" a solar plexus that will put him to sleep. The following is the plan:

There was a vacancy on the State Supreme Court Bench. Gov. Pennypacker had a long list of able republican jurists from whom he was urged to make an appointment for the unfinished term of a year. Such an appointment naturally would imply a nomination by the party and election for a full term of twenty-one years. To the surprise of all, Samuel Gustine Thompson, an able lawyer and democrat, was named. But there was a shrewd purpose in it. The Quay people have induced Pennypacker to seek this position on the Supreme Court Bench and by appointing a democrat, he leaves the way open for himself to secure the nomination and he has formally announced his candidacy in an open letter. The Quay people all over the state are now booming Pennypacker for Supreme Court and his nomination and election are assured. Then there will be a vacancy in the Governorship and Lieut. Governor Brown takes his place for the unfinished term, and in that time his prestige and opportunities will enable him to scoop the nomination for the next term, thus dispose of Elkin's political boom.

Lieutenant Governor Brown, formerly known as "Oleo Bill Brown," is nothing better than a political rooster—one of the gang and will work with them anytime and anywhere. It will mean that when the next legislature meets there will be high carnival in jobbery and corruption, as the political roosters will control the whole affair from start to finish, and it is not at all likely that John P. Elkin and the Wabash people can change the program.

### Snow Shoe Boy Honored.

At a meeting of the Athletic association of Bucknell University, Aug. 5, Keck, of Snow Shoe, was unanimously elected manager of the foot ball team. Bucknell has one of the strongest athletic teams in the country and the management of the same is a great honor. Mr. Keck has good executive ability, is a good student and very popular among his fellow students.

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### ABOUT DAN. CLEMSON.

The following are extracts from an extended article in the Pittsburg Post about a successful Centre county lad:

The Pittsburg Steamship Company, a subsidiary corporation of the United States Steel Corporation, is to be reorganized under new officers, and operated from general offices in Cleveland, instead of from Pittsburg. This announcement was made last week when the resignation of President Daniel M. Clemson as president of the company, was announced. President Clemson resigned simultaneously with Vice President A. B. Walvie, of the same company. Their resignations take effect the first of the year. It is understood he will assume another office in the steel concern.

Daniel M. Clemson is one of the Carnegie junior partners, and for a long time has been active in the operating department of the Carnegie Steel Company and its former allied interests. His friends look for him to take a step higher in the corporation management, but what that will be, is not definitely determined. During the early portion of this year Mr. Clemson purchased the former handsome home of Charles M. Schwab, the Vandergrift property in Fifth avenue, and is occupying that place now.

Daniel M. Clemson was born in the eastern portion of this state and at the time he came before the notice of the steel magnates of Pittsburg, he was a blacksmith, employed in the old iron mines operated by George Lauder. His excellent work there made him popular and he finally arose to the position of foreman and then to superintendent. He was then brought to Pittsburg and was placed in charge of the Carnegie Natural Gas Company and its operations. He is still president of this part of the company's operations and still serves as a director of the Carnegie Steel Company and devotes most of his time to that work.

### Hides Six Days in Cellar.

Angered because she was scolded, Francis Strine, 14 year old, an adopted daughter of Warren Brindle, a farmer living near Granville, Mifflin county, hid under a porch. During the six days that elapsed thorough search was made for the girl, but no trace of her whereabouts could be found, and it was feared that she had met with foul play. Almost starved and shivering with cold, the girl crawled from the cellar of the Brindle house. She said that she had become offended at Mrs. Brindle for scolding her, and hid under the porch, remaining there for several days, when she entered the cellar through an outside door.

She found a small amount of cold food in the cellar, and managed to eke out a living until the last scrap disappeared. Then unable to bear the hunger and cold, Frances crawled upstairs to the living room of the family where she collapsed. The girl is in a frightfully nervous condition from her long exposure, and her feet are badly frozen.

### Deer and Hunter Fight.

A Clearfield county hunter recently shot a large buck, and as the animal seemingly lay dead the hunter began leisurely to cut its throat. At the first prick of the knife the animal lunged to its feet and attacked its would-be slayer and struggle for several minutes, the man fighting single handed against the maddened brute. The buck would knock him down and then attempt to stamp out his life with its fore feet. The man would struggle with his feet and then rushing tactics would be repeated. The luckless hunter was butted around in the snow for rods until utterly exhausted. At last the buck, hearing a noise, gave his antlers a defiant shake and bounded away through the woods. His victim was left in a sorry plight, bruised and sore from head to foot. Nearly every stitch of clothing was torn from his body and he was barely able to drag himself to the nearest house.

### Haunted by Hungry Bears.

Bears have become so numerous and hungry in Mifflin county that recently frequent reports mention of their having been seen crossing the valley and swimming the Juniata River to get from Shade to Stone Mountain. A large black bear passed through Lockport, a mining village three miles west of Lewistown. The men were all at work in the mines, and when Bruin came sniffing about the doorsteps the women were almost panic-stricken. Being very hungry, the bear entered a pig sty in the heart of the village, killed and partly devoured two half-grown pigs belonging to James H. Beaver; then ambled along toward Stone Mountain.

### Irvin-Turner.

Miss Kathryn Alvina Irvin, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Irvin, of Julian, and J. Howard Turner were married Wednesday afternoon, 9th, in the First Presbyterian church, of Altoona, Rev. J. W. Bain, the pastor pronounced the ceremony and it was witnessed by Miss Mary Struble, of Zion, and Arthur Irvin, the bride's youngest brother. They will make their home at Julian, where the groom, formerly of Pittsburg, recently purchased the Irvin store.

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## OUR HISTORICAL REVIEW

Another Chapter of Thrilling Pioneer Life

### ANOTHER INDIAN INCURSION

Cruelty of the Redskins and Manner of Waying Settlers—Adam Reed's Story—Account of the Curry Family and her Escape

In connection with the thrilling narratives of the capture of females by the Indians, printed in our Historical Review during the past four weeks, some idea may be formed of the scenes of horror, in central Pennsylvania, in the days of the early settlers and pioneers, from the subjoined letters, samples of many similar ones by men prominent on the frontiers. James Galbreath, 9th of August, 1756, wrote to Ed. Shippen, Esq.: Honored Sir:—

There is nothing here almost every day but murder committed by the Indians in some part or other. About five miles above me, at Manady gap, there were two of the Province soldiers killed, one wounded. There were but three Indians, and they came in among ten of our men and committed the murder, and went off safe. The name or sight of an Indian makes almost all, in these parts, tremble—their barbarity is so cruel where they are masters; for by all appearances, the devil communicates, God permits, and the French pay, and by that the back parts, by all appearances, will be laid waste by flight with those who are gone and going, more especially Cumberland county.

The above is corroborated by the following letter.

Hanover, Aug. 7, 1756.

To Edward Shippen, Esq.  
Sir: Yesterday, Jacob Ellis, a soldier of Captain Smith's, at Brown's about two miles and a half over the first mountain, just within the gap, having some wheat growing at that place, prevailed with his officers for some of the men, to help him to cut some of the grain; accordingly ten of them went, set guards, and fell to work; at about ten o'clock, they had reaped down, and went to the head to begin again, and before they had all well begun, three Indians having crept up to the fence just behind them, fired upon them and killed the corporal, and another who was standing with a gun in one hand and a bottle in the other was wounded—his left arm is broken in two places; so that his gun fell, he being a little more down the field than the rest; those who were reaping had their fire arms about half way down the field, standing at a large tree; as soon as the Indians had fired and without loading their guns, leaped over the fence, right in amongst the reapers—one of them had left his gun behind on the outside of the field—they all ran promiscuously, while the Indians were making a terrible halloo, and looked more like the devil than Indians. The soldiers made for their fire arms, and as three of them stood behind the tree with their arms, the Indian that came wanting his gun, came within a few yards of them, and took up the wounded soldier's gun, and would have killed another, had not one who perceived him, fired at him, so that he dropped the gun. The Indians fled, and in going off, two soldiers standing about a rod apart, an Indian ran through between them, they both fired at him, yet he escaped; when the Indians were over the fence, a soldier fired at one of them; upon which he stopped a little—the three Indians escaped. Immediately after leaving the field, they fired one gun and gave a halloo. The soldiers hid the one that was killed, went home to the fort, found James Brown, who lives in the fort, and one of the soldiers, missing.

The Lieutenant, accompanied by some more, went out and brought in the dead man; but still Brown was missing. Notice was given on that night, I went up next morning with some hands—Captain Smith had sent up more men from the other fort; these went out next morning, against I got there word was come in that they had found James Brown, killed and scalped, I went over with them to bring him home; he was killed with the last shot, about twenty rods from the field—his gun, his shoes and jacket carried off. The soldiers who found him, said that they tracked the three Indians to the second mountain, and they found one of the Indian's guns a short distance from Brown's corpse, as it had been not worth much. They showed me the place where the Indians fired through the fence; and it was just eleven yards from the place where the dead man lay. The rising ground, above the field, was clear of standing timber and the grubs low, so that they had kept a look out.

The above account, you may depend upon. We have almost lost all hopes of

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## FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

Bright Sparkling Paragraphs—Selected and Original.

### THE GROCER'S HEAVEN.

Last evening I was talking with a grocer aged and gray, When he told me of a dream he had I think 'twas Christmas day.

While snoozing in his office The vision came to view, For he saw an angel enter, Dressed in garments white and new.

Said the angel, "I'm from heaven; The Lord just sent me down To bring you up to glory And put on your golden crown.

"You've been a friend to every one, And worked hard night and day, You've supported many thousands And from few received your pay.

"So we want you up in glory, For you have labored hard, And the good Lord is preparing Your eternal, just reward."

Then the angel and the grocer Started up towards glory's gate But when passing close to hedges The angel murmured, "Wait!"

"I've a place I wish to show you: Its the hottest place in hell Where the ones who never paid you In torment always dwell."

And behold, the grocer saw there His old patrons by the score, And grabbing up a chair and fan, He wished for nothing more.

He desired to sit and watch them As they'd sizzle, singe and burn; And his eyes would rest on debtors Whichever way he'd turn.

Said the angel, "Come on, grocer, There are pearls gayer to see," But the grocer only muttered, "This is heaven enough for me."

His eyes drank in the landscape, As he was strolling by, For he was very thirsty, and It was a field of rye.

Don't live on Grumble street. A left handed compliment isn't right. The rest cure becomes a habit with some people.

Lots of people make a good front without much backing. The Christmas shopper fully realizes what a counter irritant is.

In order to take lessons on the cornet it isn't necessary to engage a private tutor.

It doesn't require much strength for a man to break his promises. Some fellows are like sponges except that sponges will take water.

The man who gets shaved every day is regarded by the barber as a smooth customer.

Bellefonte mashers mark this: A man who goes to see a girl twice a week and takes her to entertainments occasionally is legally engaged to her, according to a recent court decision. If that is the case, there are a number of fellows in Bellefonte who can consider themselves "hooked."

A Tyrone woman who is noted for her skill in the culinary art had some company for dinner the other day. When dessert was passed, one of the guests remarked upon the beautiful appearance of the pie, and inquired how she got such a pretty "scallop" on its edge. He nearly fell dead when she replied, "Oh, that is easy; I use my false teeth."

### Centre and Clearfield Trolley.

Christmas Day is set for the running of the first trolley car over the Centre and Clearfield street railway company's tracks at Philipsburg. It is expected that the power house will have been then completed, the tracks having already been laid and the trolley wire strung.

The line runs from Philipsburg to Winburne, a distance of twelve miles, through a thickly populated mining district, with an aggregate population of 60,000, touching North Philipsburg, Empire, Decatur, Hawk Run, Morrisdale, Oak Grove, Maytown, Allport, Manson and Winburne.

The plant represents an outlay of \$500,000. No stock has been issued, the money necessary being derived from the sale of bonds, all of which are held in Centre county. J. G. Platt is the President.

Next spring the line is to be extended to Osceola Mills, Houtzdale, Ramey and Madera. In time the company expects to extend its lines through the mountains to Altoona.

McNitt Bros. & Co. are building saw and stave mills at Snyderstown, Walker twp., near the station. They have had a siding put in connecting with the Central railroad and are getting ready to cut the timber from the ridge which they bought some time ago. They have put down a tram road and haul the logs with a donkey engine. They have built a very complete mill, with all conveniences for hauling logs and lumber. About twenty-five men are now employed there.

It is said that Jersey Shore people are among the heirs to a fortune of \$50,000,000 left by John Schellenberger, who died last August in Oregon.