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EDITORIAL.

PENNYPACKER declares the monument to Quay shall be erected. The question may be, how long will an outraged public allow it to stand.

The mass of legislators have expressed themselves as approving the step taken by railroad companies, in abolishing the pass system. This doesn't speak of their sincerity; if these legislators believed it to be wrong to accept these favors—and it was wrong—why did they accept the passes in view of the fact that they also accepted mileage from the state to double the amount that was charged for railroad fare to other passengers? One or the other should have been refused, especially the pass.

SPEAKER Cannon is no longer "Dear Uncle Joe" to the Pennsylvania delegation in Congress. He is reported to have deliberately snubbed the delegation which demanded an additional representative on the Rivers and Harbors Committee. When the point was made that Pennsylvania sends the largest Republican delegation to Congress of all the States of the Union, the Speaker remarked that it is "quality not quantity that counts." But then Pennsylvania produces politicians instead of statesmen.

As a result of the recent exhibition of independence among the voters and the revelation of many public and corporate abuses there is a strong demand being formulated for a better class of legislators, State and National. If we had a better class of legislators we should also have better laws and fewer, for it is notorious that the vast majority of our lawmakers have no special aptitude for the task and do not take the proper interest in their work, remarks the Pittsburgh Post, and there is enough sense in it to run a campaign—honest men and better men.

JOHN HIPPLE MITCHELL of Oregon has been convicted and sentenced to imprisonment for grafting. He is still a member of the United States senate. Joseph Ralph Burton of Kansas has just been convicted for the second time for grafting. He is still a member of the United States senate. Chauncey Mitchell Depew of New York hasn't been convicted in the criminal courts, but the disclosures of his operations in connection with the Equitable company indicate graft and show his unfitness for law-making. He is still a member of the United States senate. Republican organs make little mention of the above, and none demand the resignations of these corrupt officials.

A PREDICTION.

During last October this paper made the declaration frequently that Centre county then was in debt. At this time we repeat the statement, as there is additional information at hand to more than verify all that was said at that time. Large sums of money were borrowed to meet current expenses and remain unpaid. Several bridge accounts are over due, and what else, may be a surprise. From present information, at the end of the year when the financial report will be made, we predict that our taxpayers will face an indebtedness of not less than \$25,000 and possibly may reach \$35,000 as a monument to the present board, and a burden to our people.

Such a state of affairs is a condition, not a theory, and will have to be met either by an increase of either our valuation or the mileage for county purposes.

WAR LORDS EXPENSIVE.

Germany was free from debt until 1875, but now the empire owes \$875,000,000, and \$25,000,000 must be paid annually for interest on this sum. Adding to the empire's debt the individual debt of the states forming it makes the grand total \$3,750,000,000—more than \$62 per capita. In the United States the debt is less than \$12 per capita. While Germany has been increasing her debt to the great sum mentioned the United States has reduced her debt of \$3,450,000,000 to a fraction of that amount. The debts of some of the other great states are: Austria, \$2,000,000,000; Hungary, \$2,025,000,000; Italy, \$2,500,000,000; France, \$6,000,000,000, and Great Britain, \$4,000,000,000. Great Britain's combined military and naval expenses have tripled since 1799.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Osceola Lumber Company vs Edward Barrett; this is an action to recover on mechanic's lien filed for lumber furnished by the Osceola Lumber Company to Edward Barret, the husband and agent of this defendant. Verdict on Thursday evening in favor of the plaintiff in the sum of \$18.62.

Mary J. Gates, N. G. Gates, Anna Bertha Honser, Viola Gates, Golda Pearl Gates, by N. S. Gates, their guardian ad litem, vs Minnie Gertrude Rowan and Alfred Rowan, and same vs Daniel Meyers, being two cases in ejectment and both continued under terms of settlement.

Charles Dreifus, doing business as Charles Dreifus & Co. vs Harry R. Curtin and Florence Fox Dale, executrix of John M. Dale, deceased, co-partners, doing business as the Curtin Forge Company; continued.

J. Frank Hatch and John Adams, trading as Hatch-Adams Carnival Co. vs J. C. Thompson and James P. Hale, Judgment confessed.

O. F. Felmler vs John H. Robb. Continued.

James C. Gilliland vs J. H. Ross, Peter Zones, Adam Blazer, Joseph Stone and Joseph Krumbine. Continued.

C. T. Fryberger vs Sterling Simcox, defendant and Charles H. Culick, garnishee. Continued.

Drucilla C. Hess vs J. H. Ross. Continued.

James I. Lytle and Lawrence Lytle vs Samuel H. Griffith; plaintiff suffers voluntary non-suit.

Louisa Bush vs John G. Dubbs. Continued.

D. O. Ethers, vs the School District of Bellefonte Borough. This case remitted from last week's list and is brought to cover a balance of salary by the plaintiff against the defendant district of \$275. The plaintiff was elected sometime in 1904 as supervising principal of the Bellefonte schools for a period of three years, resigning at the beginning of June of 1905, and accepting the office of County Superintendent, but claiming this balance as due him as being the end of the fiscal school year; the defendant alleging that he was elected by the year and at the sum of \$1500 per year, and that this balance was not due him as the full year was not up at the time of his acceptance of the office of County Superintendent. The case is largely a question of law, and the Court submitted the case to the jury, who found a verdict in favor of the plaintiff in the sum of \$250, subject to a question of law to be passed upon later by the Court as to whether or not the plaintiff was entitled to recover.

Court adjourned until Monday to hear some equity proceeding.

Monday and Tuesday an interesting hearing was held before Judge Orvis in the case of the Pennsylvania railroad against J. Edward Horn & Co. relative to the right-of-way at One Mile Run, near Philipsburg. Years ago the Penna. R. R. established a route through that territory which for years was practically abandoned. When the latter company attempted to construct a branch into the new coal field to connect with the N. Y. Central R. R. the Pa. R. R. instituted proceedings to prevent them from crossing their survey. Judge Orvis has not, as yet, filed his opinion in the case.

CURFEW LAW.

Some of the good people of our town are arguing the enforcement of the Curfew Law. It is a good proposition frequently agitated, but never was accomplished in our locality. The average individual is so much engrossed in other matters that such moves remain neglected.

The Curfew Law is as meritorious as the compulsory education act. Since that measure has been in operation in this state every community appreciates the vast benefit accruing from it; so much so that the thought of repealing the act would not be tolerated. It is making useful men and women out of children who otherwise would have grown up to ignorance. The Curfew Law is intended to aid our public schools by having children home at night, making use of their time preparing lessons. Further than that, spending the nights on the streets brings children in contact with evil associations and crime, when they should be under the parental roof. Almost every sensible parent would approve of a Curfew Law. To have it adopted and enforced means some effort and attention, but it is worth all that. As it is a move for guarding and bettering the morals of the young we believe that our various ministers should discuss the question with their congregations; prepare petitions and by a concerted move bring it to the attention of our council and borough officials and through them such a policy could be adopted. Back of all, public sentiment must be awakened, and people interested to make it a success. The Curfew is one of the ancient customs, good enough to be revived.

\$25,000 For One Story.

Conan Doyle, the famous creator of "Sherlock Holmes" has just been given the highest price ever paid in America for one story. The great historical romance, which will, the critics say, be the literary sensation of the day, will begin in "The Philadelphia Sunday Press." Remember the date, December 3, and don't fail to get "The Sunday Press" that morning.

WHERE IS CENTRE CO.

The state highway department at Harrisburg has suspended operation on road construction until next spring, but will continue to make surveys for new work so long as good weather prevails. The entire office force will be kept busy during the winter getting ready for work next spring. Commissioner Hunter finds it impossible to approve all applications as fast as they are filed because of the lack of funds. Chester and Montgomery counties have already applied for more road money than either is entitled to receive. The records of the department show that the townships in eastern Pennsylvania are taking advantage of the new law more generally than those in western Pennsylvania. Should the next regular session of the legislature adopt the plan suggested by Auditor General Snyder of increasing the public roads appropriation to \$5,000,000 a year Pennsylvania will, in a short time, have the finest system of public roads in the country.

Plan to Get Rid of Rats.

The latest recipe that we have heard of for exterminating rats sounds rather foolish at first, but a little reflection will soon convince one that it is not so foolish after all.

The recipe comes from a farmer who has used it with good results and here it is: Mix a quantity of molasses and Banner lye together and spread it where the rodents will get their feet into it.

A rat is very particular about his feet, and when he finds that they are sticky, he will at once proceed to lick them.

If the lye does not kill him, it will at least burn his mouth badly, and a rat won't stay around premises when he gets anything that interferes with his health, so he will hunt a new boarding place.

Try this experiment.

The Complexion.

With perseverance, any woman, whether she works at home or in business, can keep and improve her complexion. At night when work is over the face should be cleansed with a good cold cream. Rub it all over the face with a rotary motion, wipe it off at once with a soft towel, and you will be astonished at the amount of dirt you will remove. If desired, a good face powder can be dusted over this, but always cleanse the face with the cream just before retiring. In the morning bathe the face with cold water and pat it for several minutes. This induces firmness. When you wish to cleanse the face with soap and water, choose a pure soap and use warm water, but not hot. If evidences of a double chin appear, cold water used on it freely and patting will be found helpful.

Spoiled Children.

What a difference there is among our little ones in times of sickness! The spoiled, wayward child becomes more self-willed when ill, and, as a result, the thought of a doctor or the very suggestion of a remedy or medicine throws it into a passion. We are not exaggerating at all in saying that many children's lives have been sacrificed because they were not obedient. This is especially noticed in throat cases, such as diphtheria and scarlet fever, when applications to the tonsils are imperative. We have seen cases where a spoiled child was so frightened and fought so with his nurses that the exhaustion consequent on the application and struggle did really as much harm as the omission of the treatment.

Woman's Happiest Moment.

Which is the happiest moment of a woman's life? Is it when she is first engaged, when she receives her husband's first kiss, when she smooths her first baby's tiny hand with her own, so weak and trembling, or is it when she sits, her work finished, her hands folded, her patient soul waiting and listening for the good angel, death? If we could only know! If we could! But the engaged girl thinks, "How happy I'll be when I'm his wife!" The young wife is looking forward to the happiness that is just ahead, the young mother to the time when the baby can say "mamma," and I have heard grandma say, "The happiest time was when the children were all tucked in bed."—Exchange.

A fellow may lead a girl to the altar, but after that she generally takes the reins.

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OUR GIFT LIST:

- Art Cases, Ash Trays, Bibles, Books, Bookmarks, Bill Books, Booklets, Calendars, Christmas Cards, Card Cases, Cigar and Cuff Boxes, Diaries, Daily Reminders, Finnish Cocks, Fountain Pens, Gold Pens, Hand Bags, Ink Stands, Letter Openers, Manicure Sets, Medallions, Military Brushes, Mirrors, Music Rolls, Paper Weights, Paper Pens, Pocket Books, Prayer Books, Pictures, Pipe Cases, Post Card Albums, Pen Trays, Picture Frames, Photograph Albums, Photograph Boxes, Shaving Sets, Smokers' Comports, Toilet Sets, Tabourettes, Waste Paper Baskets.

The Big Line of Toys

It is an advantage to have a big line to choose from; look in

THE INDEX.

A set of the "20th Century Encyclopedia" is on exhibition at the Index for public inspection.

Vaccination Law Upheld.

The state vaccination law was declared constitutional and upheld in an opinion of Judge D. Watson Rowe, of the Franklin county Court, handed down Tuesday afternoon in which he dissolved the temporary injunction granted against Superintendent J. H. Reven, of the Waynesboro schools. It was asked by S. C. Stull, Waynesboro, whose daughter, Ruth, was refused admission in the schools of that place on account of her not being vaccinated.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of LEWIS DORMAN, late of Haines twp. dec'd. Letters of administration in the above estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims to present the same without delay, to J. J. OKSAY, Adm'r., Woodward, Pa. Gettig, Bower & Zerby, Atty's Woodward, Pa.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

In the matter of the estate of Wilbur F. Reeder late of Bellefonte boro. deceased. In the Orphans Court of Centre County. The auditor appointed by the Court on November 9 A. D. 1905, to hear and dispose of the exceptions filed to the account of Lillie Reeder, adm'x. of the estate of Wilbur F. Reeder deceased, and to distribute the funds in the hands of said accountant to and among those legally entitled to receive the same, will meet the parties in interest at the office of G. H. H. B. Zerby, Esq., Bellefonte, Pa., on Monday, January 2, A. D. 1906, at 10 o'clock a. m., to perform the duties of his appointment. All parties having any claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same at the above named place together with legal proof thereof or be forever debarred from coming in on said fund. W. D. ZERBY, Auditor.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE BELLEFONTE TRUST COMPANY

Table with columns for RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. Resources include Cash on hand, checks and other cash items, Due from Banks and Bankers, Commercial and other paper, Call Loans upon Collateral, Time Loans upon collateral, Investment securities owned, Stocks, Bonds, etc., Mortgages, Real Estate, Furniture and Fixtures, Overdrafts. Liabilities include Capital Stock paid in, Undivided Profits, less expenses and taxes paid, Deposits subject to check, Deposits, special, Due to Banks and Bankers.

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA: ss. COUNTY OF CENTRE. I, JOHN P. HARRIS, treasurer of the above named company, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. JOHN P. HARRIS, Treasurer. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of Dec. 1905. HARRY KELLER, Not Public Accountant-Attest: C. T. GERBERICH, A. C. MINGLE, LAUDE COOK, Directors.

NOTICE!

Our Sugar Prices FOR SATURDAY

Table of sugar prices: 19 lbs. A Sugar, 1.00; 18 lbs. B Sugar, 1.00. Flour, 1.04; Butchers' Pepper, .25; Mothers Oats, .10; 5 gal. Headlight Oil, .60; Baker's Chocolate, .18; Pure Baking Molasses, .13 a qt.; Tea, .30; Loose Coffee, .16; Salt per sack, .03; Baker's cocoa, .21; Mackerel, .5c a piece 6 for .25; Dried peaches, .10; Prunes, .08; Soup beans, .09; Oyster crackers, .06; Gilt Edged syrup, .40; Scouring soap, cake, .02; Canned tomatoes, .09; Canned corn, .07; Fine mixtures, 3 lb. for .25. 1,000 pounds in stock.

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