

THE POST.

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All communications, business letters &c., for this office, to secure prompt attention should be addressed as follows: THE POST, Middleburg, Snyder County, Pa. Advertisements, communications &c., must be handed in by Monday noon, to secure insertion in next issue.

Snyder County Courts.—The Courts of Snyder County are held on the fourth Mondays of February, May, and September, and second Monday of December.

THIS PAPER may be found on every street where news is sold. **NEW YORK.**

Local News, &c.

Mrs. James G. Couse fell and received considerable injury.

How to make angels—give the little children plenty of green fruit.

The wind is blowing over the oats stubbles and fall will be fast approaching.

Simon Erdley's 3-year-old son, of Middlecreek township, fell from a carriage and broke his collar bone.

Even the "oldest inhabitant" is expected to stand aside when the baby carriage trains start upon their evening promenades.

Don't send gold or silver by mail, neither by registered letter nor otherwise; the weight of the coin will break any ordinary envelope.

Three per cent is the profit calculated on an average farm. Those who follow Hiram's Dairy Book make 10 to 20 per cent with less work.

Hurrah for the Encampment.

Excursion Rates from the 8th to the 14th inclusive—tickets good for one day only—from Middleburg to Lewisburg \$1.20.

Do not fail to attend the singing exercises in the Lutheran church, this place, by Prof. J. Glenn, on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings. These exercises are free with a view to organize a class in Vocal music.

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Don't forget that blue Syrup of Turpentine and Hemlock takes all the prizes for curing colds and colds if you have been unfortunate and contracted for one bring too wet weather.

For sale by John A. Morris, Middleburg Pa.

There will be a Cake-walk at U.S. Mill and Store on Saturday evening, August 12th. Excellent music will be furnished by the Troxel Cornet Band. Come, every one, as we all participate a grand time.

Committee.

NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given, that I will give the person five days time to come, and render satisfaction to me for stealing my peaches, which grew in my lot. I know who the person is that done the stealing, by doing as requested, the person will save costs, and everlasting disgrace.

R. ROTHROCK, M. D.

Theatrical and Circus Life.

The Historical Publishing Co., of St. Louis, have just issued a book bearing the above title. It treats of a new and always interesting subject, and will, no doubt, be welcomed by many amusement lovers who desire to acquaint themselves with the mysteries of the "profession." In fact it will interest all classes of readers, owing to its revelations of secrets heretofore known only to managers and actors. The author is a well known dramatic critic, his style is easy and natural, and the numerous anecdotes and personal adventures with which he enlivens his work, render it refreshingly interesting. Book agents will have a good thing in this volume. See advertisement.

Frederick Home.

There are 78 students attending the Academy of which number 54 are boarders, or non-residents. The number will reach 80 in a few days. The normal lectures of Prof. Dill every morning are very interesting and instructive.

The public lectures in Boyer's Hall every Thursday evening are well attended.

Prof. C. Bauer teaches penmanship in the Academy every day and has a large class that meets in the evening. He is a sociable gentleman, a good penman and an excellent instructor.

The Philharmonic Musical Conservatory opened on the 31st ult., in Boyer's Hall with a full house and excellent music. 21 students have been enrolled for the term.

The recent rains and growing weather have brought out vegetation very rapidly, and the tobacco and corn crop have nearly recovered from the effects of the recent hail storm. READER,

Reports of the Common School of Snyder County, 1882.

A decade of years has passed since I have had the privilege of writing my ninth successive annual school report of our County. Upon re-entering the educational work as in our former capacity I was more deeply than ever impressed with the dignity of the labor, the vastness of the interests and the responsibilities of position.

After an intimate personal acquaintance of twenty years with the prominent educational State, earnest and experienced men in all the affairs, and with a desire that I might perform the work correspondingly with the respective Counties in the State, I sought for information by corresponding with these and the worthy officials of the Department, by close reading of educational journals and works, and by school visits other than that in the County.

It is wrong for one who touches the plow to say he expects to fail. The utmost I can say is that we will try to succeed.

The throng of over 500 children in the County of all ages and character, grouped in their schools and classes, rise before us. In the coming years, they will be the citizen—the doctor, lawyer, judge, minister, mechanic, laborer, or merchant. Church and state, humanity and history will feel the influence of the work done, with and for these children, and in the greater cause. God alone knows the endless stretch of consequences which must follow from this work. This work to be successful must be entered into alike by director, parent, child, teacher and Superintendent.

The school is in perfect order when and only when all these parties are in order.

The dialect may be said to begin or end, when it is able to pay the necessary expenses of the school, when it gives cheerfulness to the employment of a teacher, and the procurement of necessary apparatus and appliances.

The parents are in order, 1st, when they appreciate the value of education to the child; 2d, when they are wise in the daily management of their children's time with a view to school studies and relations; 3d, when they are properly affected toward the school, and thereby sustain its management. The children are in order, 1st, when their hearts are abounding with unadorned happiness; 2d, when they have learned respect for their teacher and his rules; 3d, when they are inspired with an interest in the school and pride in its success. The teacher is in order, 1st, when he is thoroughly master of himself, moral and disc. 2d, when he possesses the eloquent mastery of the subjects he is prompted to teach; 3d, when he apprehends correctly all the relations surrounding and centering in him. The Superintendent must love and honor his work, and be willing to place himself in positions by attending to schools, met 45 directors and 333 persons. I found in many schools enthusiastic teachers and pupils, and in a number of instances when I entered a school room met teacher or pupils present from the school I had last visited, to hear and compare their own work with that of their neighbors.

We recommended that next year less time be devoted to the faculty of the mind and more time to the general work of applied knowledge. Pupils learn so much and know so little, because they study for the sake of showing, putting their minds upon the words without seeking to comprehend the thought.

Any teacher will be convinced when holding his Friday review exercises, that these exercises come into general use. They are important to clinch the ends of the nails, so they will stay.

In order to afford patrons an opportunity to be present and giving us also more time to the examination of schools 15 evening educational meetings were held. They were largely attended by teachers of the locality and citizens. These are now much preferred to public exhibitions. The local music, either band or choir was present together with singing by the schools to enliven the occasion. The educational tone of the people can thus be raised. Nearly all the schools excepting in singing. In no exercise do the children sing with so much clearness and animation. We recommend teachers to take care of the children's voices during the period of transition, between the ages of 12 to 17 years. Do not allow over-exercise nor sing in too high a key.

About 60 teachers desired an examination in this branch, and a number is worth twice as much as the teacher who is satisfied with 45 percent.

The school registers show the existence of great irregularity of attendance, and the teachers have just reason to complain of it. Did not the children stay at home constantly and the other part as constantly attend, we might have better schools. Pupils are now taught in classes, and individually as was the case years ago a single pupil may derange and hinder the whole class. We cannot expect the most satisfactory results until the attendance becomes regular.

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mer, carpenter, or painter from books alone; that he must have observation practice and experience. That the end to be reached is the stimulating of the pupil's thoughts, arousing his mind to the free use of his self-activities, presenting the subject matter, so that the best government schools where there seems to be the fairest appearance of government, "Teach to make perfect, but perfection is no trifles." Teachers fail not because they lack educational application and industry, neither do they succeed by some great plan, but by attention to the small matters in the work. It is felt by all instructors that the saddest perplexity they have to meet is the right moral management of their charge. Since teachers are so mutually dependent upon each other, I would especially urge confident and hearty cooperation among those who teach the schools. Teachers are not to be measured by their numbers, but by their worthiness and ability.

Considering the low average salary teachers are receiving, we commend you for your preparation, and the money you see cheerfully invested in Works on Teaching, Educational Journals, Newspapers and additions to them, library from year to year. For when the library of a teacher grows, it grows also. When a tree stops to grow, it begins to die. A Teacher can not retain for any number of years, his vigor and freshness unless he studies. Light is what we want all along the line. May more follow the example of the directors in Beaver, Jackson, Middlebury and Selinsgrove who have subscribed for the Pennsylvania School Journal.

The importance of school visitation in some parts of the country is not fully appreciated, by directors and parents. I need not enumerate many advantages it can have. Habit, cleanliness, good order, punctuality, better learning, directors will be more progressive, better school men, because better acquainted with the operations of the work, better prepared to meet and defend the teacher, or pass censure upon him if necessary. It will be well if many more schools next year adopt the plan of visiting one another in a body. By comparison you may know whether you are going ahead of the times with your teaching, or whether you are falling to the rear.

I much enjoyed this part of my field work 231 visits were made to schools, met 45 directors and 333 persons.

I found in many schools enthusiastic teachers and pupils, and in a number of instances when I entered a school room met teacher or pupils present from the school I had last visited, to hear and compare their own work with that of their neighbors.

This book will gain instant recognition as one of the handsomest and most important works ever contributed to American literature. It will take its place as a valuable addition to the complete records of our national history. The life struggle it portrays will be enacted as a standard emblem to the youth and manhood of America, who without such examples might well doubt the possibility of climbing so high from a condition so low, that scarcely less important to the work and the lesson "has to teach" it possesses attractions quite equal to holding interest, and is on all classes of minds its inherent principle of freedom and manhood.

The narrative of Douglass' days of slavery and escape from bondage is hardly less interesting than "Peculiar Education," while the truths less told in comparison with the details of that work, and it carries its subject through a wider range of accomplishment, so as to rank sufficiently exalted to win all admiration. It is needless to speak of the literary style of the book; the accomplishments of the writer are known to all who read. Americans will be proud of this donation to their literature, and thankful to Mr. Douglass, that he has made it himself.

Nervousness, debility, and exhausted vitality cured by using Brown's Iron Bitters.

The annual reunion of the "Sixteeners," will be held in the Opera House, Harrisburg, on the 6th, 13th and 18th of August. Addresses of welcome will be delivered by Gov. Hoyt and Mayor Herman. Gen. J. A. Beaver will address the orators during the reunion.

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The Dog Law.

If anybody is attacked on the high way by a dog, the party has a right to kill the dog, and the owner can be held accountable for any injury inflicted by the animal. Even on the premises of the owner of a dog should a party be attacked and injured, after endeavoring to protect himself, the owner can be made responsible for damages inflicted, provided it can be shown that at the time he was in the pursuit of business or on a friendly visit. If a dog, by barking at passing horses and vehicles, occasions any damage, its owner is liable for the loss sustained. Thus the law very properly affords ample protection for loss or injury caused by dogs.

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