

COUNTY INSTITUTE.

The county Institute met at Centreville Pa., April 25th, 1870, and was called to order by Rufus Lucore, Esq., who explained its objects. The exercises were opened by Miss Sophia Coleman, reading; followed by Mental Arithmetic, Miss Lube; Grammar, Miss Coleman, and a discussion on the use of text books by teachers during recitation. After exercise in Arithmetic by Mrs. Killinger.

Adjourned to half past nine Tuesday morning.

Tuesday, April 26th. Institute met pursuant to adjournment. Minutes of previous session read and approved. Addresses were delivered by Hon. C. R. Earley and Prof. Wm. M. Lindsey, of Warren. Prof. Lindsey having taking charge of the Institute, an intermission of ten minutes was announced. On reassembling, the exercises proceeded as follows: Practical Arithmetic by Mr. W. E. Hewitt; General discussion; Exercise in Reading, Prof. Lindsey; Institute adjourned.

Afternoon Session. Met pursuant to adjournment. The following exercises were proceeded with; Mental Arithmetic, Miss Coleman; Discussion on methods of Teaching; Composition, Prof. Lindsey. Recess of fifteen minutes; Orthography; Miss Luce, Grammar, Prof. Lindsey. Adjourned until Wednesday morning.

Wednesday, April 27th. Met pursuant to adjournment. Order of Exercises. Composition by Prof. Lindsey. Recess of fifteen minutes; after which, Rev. Wm. Sampson delivered an address; exercise in Gymnastics, by Prof. Lindsey; Geography, with method of teaching it, by Miss Spencer; Reading, by Prof. Lindsey. Adjourned to meet at two o'clock, this afternoon.

Afternoon Session. Order of Exercises. Discussion, "Teachers, and their salaries." Opened Hon. John G. Hall, Hon. C. R. Earley, and Prof. Lindsey; close by Mr. Lucore.

"School Terms: How shall they be divided? Opened by Hon. C. R. Earley; followed by Hon. J. G. Hall and Horace Little, closed by Prof. Lindsey.

"Text Books; How can uniformity be obtained?" Opened by J. C. McAllister, closed by Hon. C. R. Earley; after which, the following Resolution was, on motion, adopted:

Resolved, That it is the imperative duty of the several School Boards of Elk county, to call a meeting of the Boards, in connection with the Teachers, and adopt a series of Text Books to be used in their respective Districts, and having so done, to see their action be enforced.

Adjourned until half past seven this evening.

Evening Session. Met pursuant to adjournment. Orders of Exercises. Discussion: "Should corporal punishment be abolished? Opened by Peter Thompson Esq., followed by John C. McAllister Esq. The discussion was closed by Hon. C. R. Earley; after which Prof. Lindsey lectured on "Universal Education." Adjourned until to-morrow morning at half past nine.

Thursday, April 28th. Met pursuant to adjournment. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Order of exercises: Mental Arithmetic, Mr. W. E. Hewitt; Practical Arithmetic, Mr. Lucore; Composition, Prof. Lindsey; intermission of ten minutes, after which, Prof. Lindsey illustrated his method of teaching Mental Arithmetic, and Grammar. Adjourned until two o'clock this afternoon.

Afternoon session. Met pursuant to adjournment. Order of Exercises: Appointment of committee on Resolutions; Mr. N. G. Bundy, and Misses Spencer, Coleman, Luce, and Addie Taylor were appointed; after which Mr. Lucore instructed in Practical Arithmetic; Mr. Lindsey in Spelling. Recess of fifteen minutes; after which Hon. C. R. Earley addressed the Institute on the Study of History, and Prof. Lindsey instructed in Spelling, and answered such questions as were proposed by the Teachers.

Adjourned until this evening at half past seven.

Evening Session. Met pursuant to adjournment. Hon. C. R. Earley delivered a lecture on Physiology, after which Laurie J. Blakely Esq., lectured on the Duties and Responsibilities of the Teacher.

Adjourned until to-morrow morning at half past nine.

Friday April 29th. Met pursuant to adjournment; Minutes of previous session read and approved. Prof. Lindsey having answered the questions propounded by the Teachers, Mr. Lucore called on Messrs Earley, Lindsey, Blakely, and Rev. M. V. Moyer to address the Institute. The gentlemen named having complied, Mr. Lucore returned thanks to the Teachers for their attention throughout the session, and expressed the hope to meet them next Institute. He then declared the Institute ad-

journal and die. RUFUS LUCORE, Supt N. G. BUNDY, Sec'y Following are the resolutions adopted by the Institute:

Our pleasant labors being about to cease we deem it not only appropriate but right, before separating to record the pleasure we have experienced in our associations of the past week, and our sense of the advantages we have reaped.

Resolved, therefore, That our thanks are due in the first instance to our Superintendent, Rufus Lucore, Esq., for the admirable arrangement of the Institute, and the solicitude displayed by him in reference to our physical comfort. In him we recognize, an officer who is eminently worthy of our confidence and support in his labors and efforts to advance the cause of Education in our county.

Resolved, That our thanks are due to the School Directors of Fox District, for the use of School House No 1, in which our sessions have been held; to the citizens of Centreville and vicinity for their hospitality, and to the several directors who attended, and by the interesting discussions in which they participated showed the practical interest they take in school matters.

Resolved, That our thanks are due to Rev. Messrs. Sampson of Ridgway, and Moyer of Kersey, for their attendance upon and interest taken in our sessions.

Resolved, That our thanks are due to the gentlemen who have lectured to us during our session. To Prof. Lindsey of Warren county, for the thoroughness of his instructions and the patience with which he has borne with our many defects, and for his lecture on Universal Education; to Hon. C. R. Early for his lecture on Physiology; and to L. J. Blekeley, Esq., for his address on our duties and responsibilities.

Resolved, That we call the earnest attention of the citizens of Elk county to the questions discussed on last Wednesday, relating to the obstacles in the way of improvement. First: The small salaries paid to teachers; Second, The brevity of school terms; Third, The lack of uniformity in text books.

Resolved, That in separating we tender each other our adieus with the hope that we may meet next fall at the fourth session of the County Institute.

Resolved, That we deem it the duty of every teacher to subscribe for the Pennsylvania School Journal, or some other educational periodical.

Resolved, That we have learned with sincere regret, of the death of Mrs. Maria Gillen, (nee Maria O'Conner) a member of the County Institute; and we desire to place our tribute of unfeigned regret for her death, and respect for her many virtues, and attainments, upon the minutes of this Institute.

Resolved, That our thanks are tendered to the editors of the Democrat, Gazette and Advocate, for their notices of the Institute; and especially the Editor of the Gazette, for his offer to send to each member of the Institute a copy of the paper containing a report of our proceedings.

Resolved, That the Superintendent be requested to cause these proceedings of the Institute to be published in the several papers in Elk county.

N. G. BUNDY, Sec'y

The Pennsylvania Anti-Slavery Society.

The ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment is an event over which the members and friends of this Society may truly rejoice. As an organization their work is accomplished. Their pledge to the colored people of this nation has been fulfilled. After a long career of faithful and efficient service in the cause of liberty and equal rights, the Society proposes to disband.

On May 5th, in the hall of the Assembly Building, the final meeting was held, and the occasion was one of deep and solemn interest. The old friends of the triumphant reform, those who have been accustomed to assemble together time after time, were deeply impressed with the importance of the event, and their rejoicing tempered by the realization they parted to meet no more under the auspices of the time honored Society. But their exultation over the great victory of equal rights was nevertheless fervent and enthusiastic. Their greetings and congratulations will be heartfelt and sincere. Not only to them, but also to others, to all who are imbued with the spirit of the hour, the feeling of gratification in view of the successful issue of the great amendment.—Harrisburg Pictorial.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.—The annual convention, for the year 1870, will be held at Harrisburg, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, June 14, 15 and 16. George H. Stuart, Esq., is expected to preside. Each Sunday School in the state is invited to send two or more delegates. Pastors of Churches, Superintendents of Sunday Schools, and prominent Sunday School workers from all parts of the State are invited to attend and participate.

Our Sunday School brethren from other States are also cordially welcomed. It is requested that the names of those who ex-

pect to attend shall be sent to Rev. Thom. H. Robison, or John M. Sayford, Secretary, on or before the first day of June, as it will be necessary for those who would avail themselves of a reduction of fare on the railroads, to procure excursion tickets before leaving their homes for Harrisburg. The committee of arrangements will secure orders for tickets for all who notify them in time to do so and forward them.

Places of entertainment will be provided for all who give due notice of their coming.

T. H. ROBISON, Chairman. J. M. SAYFORD, Sec'y.

The Old School House.

TO ELICK. Do you remember the time, Alick, when you and I were small; I was rather short of stature, while you were very tall; We had much fun together, and played many boyish tricks; You went by the name of Alick, and I by the name of Rich.

Long years have passed since then, Alick—our hair is getting gray; The Old School House is gone, too, and we are far away.

I passed that way not long ago,—no sign of it was seen, But in the place where it had stood, the grass was growing green.

Do you remember the slab seat, Alick, that stood up near the door? My legs were not quite long enough, and would not touch the floor.

I often got leg-weary, yet I strove to do my best; Yours were much longer on the floor, and you could let them rest!

Everything has changed, Alick; we nevermore shall see Our early school companions, with all their youthful glee;

Upon the old Log School House we nevermore shall look, Nor enter its old door again, with any kind of book.

You remember Uncle Ben, Alick; I know you heard him preach; what lofty flights he used to take!—go way up out of reach!

He seemed to be inspired by the spirit of God's love; No doubt he's gone to glory, and dwells with Him above.

Those young and happy days, Alick, again we shall not see, For surely we are drifting out upon life's great sea;

Soon we shall pass from sight, and they'll see us here no more; I hope we may land safely upon the heavenly shore.

Rich'd R. C. B.

We perceive that Hon. Glenn W. Scofield, Representative in Congress from the Nineteenth district, has returned an affirmative response to the request from a large number of leading Republicans of Jefferson county for permission to bring forward his name for renomination. We are gratified to notice this announcement. Mr. Scofield belongs to the class of men who cannot well be spared from Congress. He is one of the able members not only of the Pennsylvania delegation but of the House, some of his speeches standing as models in logical force and impressive eloquence, and is, without industrious, attentive, and faithful to the interests alike of his immediate constituents and the whole country. We cannot doubt that he will be renominated and consequently re-elected.—Phil. Press.

A WALKING MATCH.—Two Utica men, says the Herald, are in training for a walking match. They will start from that city on Monday, May 2d, and strike first for Buffalo. "From there their route is mapped out as follows: Erie, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Wheeling, Pittsburgh, Cumberland Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, New Haven, Providence, Boston, Springfield, Albany and Utica again. The stakes are \$2,000. Fifty days will be consumed on the trip, and each day will consist of twelve hours. The contestants will walk a distinct match each day, the one walking the greatest number of miles in the twelve hours winning the day, and the entire will be decided by the days' races; that is the winner of twenty-six day's races or over will win the stakes.

THE CENSUS.—The ninth census of the United States will be taken on the first of June next. Citizens can do much to forward the work and insure its thoroughness by preparing statistics beforehand for the deputy marshal. The names, ages, numbers, sex, color &c., of every family will be required; statistics of farm product, manufactures, etc., must be furnished. Heads of the families are the proper persons to give this information; but in their absence any member of the family over twenty may act as their agent. A refusal to furnish the information, or furnishing a false statement with knowledge, renders the person so offending liable to a fine of \$30, to be sued for and recovered in action of debt by the deputy marshal, or assistant to whom such refusal or false statement shall be made.

Car Time at Ridgway. Erie Express East..... 9:41 p. m. do do West..... 8:30 a. m. do Mail East..... 2:50 p. m. do do West..... 2:00 p. m. Local Freight East..... 11:00 a. m. do do West..... 6:35 p. m.

Elk Lodge, A. Y. M. Stated meetings of Elk Lodge will be held at their hall on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. J. K. WHITMORE, Sec'y.

I. O. O. F. The Regular meetings of Ridgway Lodge, No. 256, held every Wednesday evening at their Lodge Room. H. A. PARSONS, W. S.

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ATTENTION, ALERTS!—The members of the Alert B. C. will be on their ground, ready for play, at four o'clock this (Saturday) afternoon, when the first nine will play the field.

BASE BALL.—A game of base ball will be played at St. Marys, on Saturday, the 14th inst., between the Alerts, of Ridgway, and the St. Marys, of St. Marys.

The McFarland trial is to be brought to a close this week. The question before the court now is, did he shoot Richardson or did he murder him.

This is to be a terrible season for snakes. Whiskey, if used in time, is a sure antidote for their poison. No person should think of an excursion to the woods without a plentiful supply of good whiskey.—Forest Press

THE author of the communication signed "A Lady of Ridgway," should know that names of correspondents are required, not for publication, but as a guaranty of reliability.

REV. WM. SAMPSON'S appointments for the ensuing week are as follows: Ridgway, Court House, Sunday May 8th. Centreville, Tuesday May 10th. Toby School House Wednesday May 11th. Helen, near Oyster, Tuesday May 12th.

The Commissioners have plowed the public square, leveled it and seeded it down with buckwheat and grass. The grass has not yet made its appearance, but the buckwheat is up and has the appearance of a good crop.

SCHOOL HOUSE.—The new school house so long needed in this place is under course of construction. The building was let to St. Jackson and is to be completed this Summer. We have not learned what the dimensions of the house are, however it is to cost between six and seven thousand dollars.

THE WEATHER.—After a long dry spell a refreshing rain visited us commencing Wednesday night which served a double purpose, starting vegetation and extinguishing the fire in the woods and on the hills near town which had done but little damage, but probably would had it continued dry longer.

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MURDER IN CRAWFORD COUNTY.—Early in March, Christian Richards, of Vernon township, Crawford Co., left his home with over \$300 in his pocket, to buy cattle in the northwest part of the county. His disappearance for over a week caused some apprehension for his safety. Last Wednesday his body was found in the creek about two miles below Meadville, in a condition that leaves no doubt he was foully murdered and his money taken. He was last seen at Meadville, where he took dinner. The murder is supposed to have been perpetrated that same night, but as yet there is no clue to the human perpetrators of the atrocious crime.—Erie Gazette.

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SALE LIST OF BENEFIT TOWNSHIP FOR UNPAID TAXES OF 1868 AND 1869.

Table with columns: Wt. Acres, Warrant No., Owners, Am't tax. Lists various land parcels and owners.