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BY virtue of sundry writs of fieri facias, alias fieri facias, venditioni exponas, levari facias, alias levari facias, and testatum fieri facias, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Elk County, and to me directed, I Daniel Scull, High Sheriff of said county, do hereby give notice that I will expose to public sale or outcry at the Court House, in Ridgway, at one o'clock P. M. on

MONDAY, MAY 28TH, 1877.

All the following described lot of land situated in the township of Fox, county of Elk and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Commencing at a post at the northwest corner of John Moyer's land; thence west by lands of Isaac Hays forty-two and three-fourths (42¾) rods more or less to a post, thence south by other lands of said Enos Hays one hundred and seven (107) rods more or less to a beech tree; thence east partly by lands of A. Lindner seventy-two (72) rods more or less to a hemlock tree; thence north five (5) rods more or less to a post; thence west by lands of Thomas A. Gross twenty-nine and one-fourth (29¼) rods more or less to a hemlock tree; thence north by lands of T. A. Gross and John Moyer one hundred and two (102) rods more or less to the place of beginning, containing thirty (30) acres more or less, being part of warrants No. 4083 and 4091, excepting, however, to the parties of the first part all the mineral rights—also, one-half (½) acre of land in Fox township, Elk county, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit: Beginning at a post on Jacob M'Cauley's line, seven and three-tenths (7 3-10) rods south of the northwest corner of a certain saw mill lot, sold by Jacob M'Cauley to J. W. Hays; thence north seventy-one (71) east eleven (11) rods to a post on the line of P. W. Hays' mill lot; thence north seven and three-tenths (7 3-10) rods to Jacob M'Cauley's line; thence north seventy-one (71) degrees west eleven (11) rods to a post, the above mentioned northwest corner of aforesaid mill lot sold to J. W. Hays by said Jacob M'Cauley; thence north seven and three-tenths (7 3-10) rods to the place of beginning, containing one half (½) acre.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of Esther Arner and John Arner, at suit of Matthew Smith.

ALSO.—All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in Jones township, Elk county, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a birch tree corner; thence north fifty-six and one-half (56½) rods to a post corner; thence west fifty-six and one-half (56½) rods to a post corner; thence south fifty-six and one-half (56½) rods to a post corner; thence east fifty-six and one-half (56½) rods to the place of beginning, containing twenty acres of land and being part of warrant No. 3293, upon which is erected a two-story frame dwelling house, 20 feet front by 26 feet deep, with wing or shed, 14x20 feet, one story high.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of John A. Anderson, at suit of Wilcox Tanning Company.

ALSO.—All the right, title, interest, claims and demand of defendant in and to the following described land: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the village of Ridgway, Elk county Pennsylvnia, being the west part of lot No. 141, beginning at the southwest corner of lot No. 142, occupied by Chas. Mead, a post in the north line of South street; thence westerly along the north line of South street thirty (30) feet; thence northerly parallel with the east line of lot No. 141 one hundred and sixty (160) feet to the alley thence easterly along the south line of said alley to a post, the northeast corner of lot No. 141 and the north-west corner of lot No. 142; thence southerly along the west line of said lot No. 142 one hundred and sixty (160) feet to the place of beginning, containing forty-eight hundred (4800) square feet of land more or less, on which is erected one one-story and a half frame dwelling house, 26 feet by 24 feet.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of W. S. Service, at suit of Carrie D. Willis, Administratrix.

ALSO.—All that certain piece of land situated in the village of Benzette, Elk county, Pennsylvania, and numbered on the plot of said village as No. 9 on Second street, being sixty (60) feet front on Second street and extending one hundred and fifty (150) feet in depth to an alley, bounded on the northwest by Second street and on the northeast by lot No. 7, being the same premises conveyed to said parties of the first part by Reuben Winslow, Sr., and wife, by deed dated July 28th, 1866, recorded in Deed Book "L," page 600, &c., upon which is erected one two-story frame house, 16x24 feet, with cellar and wing attached, 14x20, one and one-half stories high.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of Dennis Taylor, at suit of E. Fletcher and Bro, for use of Johnston & Brevillier.

ALSO.—All that certain tract or parcel of land situated in the town of Caledonia, in the township of Jay, county of Elk and State of Pennsylvania, known as the Caledonia Hotel property, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a post set for the certain point of lot No. 5, sold to Benjamin Brownlee from Reading and Bartles; thence west along the middle division of warrant No. 5285 fifteen and nine-tenths (15 9-10) perches to a post; thence south forty-three and one-half (43½) degrees east ten and seven-tenths (10 7-10) perches to the northwest side of township road; thence north forty-six and one-half (46½) degrees east along said township road eleven and eight-tenths (11 8-10) perches to the place of beginning, containing about sixty-three perches, upon which is erected one two-story frame house, 18x30 feet and basement, with wing 18x30 feet, two stories high, with cellar and kitchen attached, 16x20 feet and barn, 24x24 feet.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of Luther Lucore, at suit of B. E. Morey, for use of Erasmus Morey.

ALSO.—All that certain tract of land situate in Benezette township, Elk county, State of Pennsylvania, known and numbered as number five thousand and one (500) and bounded as follows, viz: On the north by warrant forty-nine hundred and ninety-six (4996;) on the east by warrant five thousand (5000;) on the south by warrant five thousand and ten (5010,) and on the west by warrant five thousand and two (5002.)

ALSO.—The one undivided half part of a certain tract, piece or parcel of land situate in Jay township, in the county of Elk and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a beech corner; thence north seventy degrees east ninety perches to a small hemlock; thence south about nineteen degrees east one hundred, seventy four and a half perches more or less to a maple; thence south about seventy degrees west eighty-eight perches more or less to a post, and thence north twenty degrees west about one hundred seventy-four and a half perches to the place of beginning, containing ninety-eight acres more or less, and being the purport number four (4) of the Morris Webb estate.

ALSO.—The undivided half part of a certain other tract or piece of land situate in Jay township, in the county of Elk and State of Pennsylvania, and in great lot 4893, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at the northeast corner of said great lot 4893; thence west on the line of said lot 4893 so far that a due south line to the north line of the lot or piece of land belonging to Charles Gardiner, which is part of the aforesaid great lot 4893, and from thence east on the north line of the aforesaid Gardiner lot to the east line of the aforesaid great lot 4893, so that a line to the place of beginning will make and contain ninety-three acres and three-fourths of an acre, strict measure.

ALSO.—All that certain tract of land situate in Jay township, Elk county, part of warrant No. 4893, containing two hundred and seventeen acres more or less, being the same assessed in the name of Woodward & Finney.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of Hiram Woodward, A. C. Finney and S. D. Barrows, at suit of John Tudor, now for use of Isaac Breneman.

ALSO.—All that certain piece or parcel of land containing two hundred and seventy five (275) acres, situated in Benezette township, county of Elk, State of Pennsylvania, being part of warrant No. 5481, which was sold to John Brooks, of first part, by the treasurer of Elk county, by deed dated June 9th, 1856, and was located by Edward Vosburg, by lines marked on the grounds, beginning at the corner on the north line of warrant 5481, about one hundred and ninety-eight (198) perches from the northwest corner of said warrant; thence east about one hundred and forty-five (145) perches to a corner; thence south three hundred and twenty (320) perches to a corner on the south line of said warrant; thence along the said line one hundred and forty five (145) perches to a corner; thence north to the place of beginning.

ALSO.—All that certain piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in Benezette township, Elk county, Pennsylvania, described as follows: Beginning at a post, said post being the northeast corner of R. Johnson's lands; thence south along the said R. Johnson's east line one hundred and two (102) rods to a post; thence north fifty-four (54) degrees west ninety-one (91) rods to a post on the line of the railroad; thence north forty-five (45) degrees east seven (7) rods; thence north thirty-eight (38) degrees east twenty-one (21) rods; thence thirty-four and one-half (34½) degrees east fourteen and three-tenths (14 3-10) rods; thence north thirty-two (32) degrees east seventeen and two-tenths (17 2-10) rods to a post; thence east thirty-seven (37) rods to the place of beginning, containing twenty (20) acres and ten (10) perches, being more or less. They reserve one-half the coal and mineral rights to Ralph Johnson, Jr.

ALSO.—All that tract or parcel of land situate in the town of Benezette, county of Elk and State of Pennsylvania, known as part of warrant fifty-four hundred and eighty (5480,) bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake and stones in Stephen hollow in the south line of said lot; thence north twenty (20) degrees west sixty (60) rods to the Sinnemahoning creek; thence west fifty (50) rods; thence north sixty-nine (69) degrees west fifty-eight (58) rods thence north seventy-eight [78] degrees west thirty-two [32] rods; thence west forty [40] rods; thence south seventy-five [75] degrees west eighteen [18] rods to a post on the west line of said lot; thence south ninety-seven and forty one-hundredths [97 40-100] rods to a hemlock in the southwest corner of said lot; thence east two hundred twenty-three and fifty-eight one-hundredths [223 58-100] rods in the south line of said lot to the place of beginning, upon which is erected one two-story dwelling house 20x30 feet, with addition 16x18 feet, frame barn, 40x50 feet, and well of water.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of Martin Enz, at suit of D. J. M'Donald & Co.

ALSO.—All that certain tract of land in the town or settlement of St. Mary's in the county of Elk and State of Pennsylvania, situate on Elizabeth road; thence west one hundred and thirty-three (133) perches and one-third (⅓) of a perch to a post; thence south thirty (30) perces to a post; thence east one hundred and thirty-three [133] perches and one-third [⅓] of a perch to a post; thence north thirty [30] perches to the place of beginning, containing twenty-five (25) acres and being number two on Elizabeth road in the map or plan of the town or settlement of St. Mary's, upon which is erected one one-story log house, 18x24 feet, and frame barn, 18x36 feet.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of Car. Schneider, at suit of Casper Emmert.

ALSO.—All that certain piece or parcel of land situated and being in the township of Jay, in the county of Elk and State of Pennsylvania, known and described as follows, to wit: Commencing at the southeast corner of Meribah B. Lucore farm, where the new road starts and runs through the orchard, on the old farm formerly owned by Benjamin Legget, now deceased, and being part of warrant number four thousand eight hundred and forty-four (4844;) thence along the south line of said old farm or warrant No. forty-eight hundred and forty-four [4844] east sixty-four rods to a stake; thence north to the north line of said old farm; thence west along said north line about fifty rods to the northeast corner of Rebecca C. Morey's farm [which is a part of said old farm,] and from thence south along the east line of R. C. Morey's farm to a stake on the road; thence along the road, thaough the orchard, to the place of beginning, containing fifty-one and one-fourth [51¼] acres more or less, upon which is erected a two-story frame dwelling house, 20x20, and one log barn, 24x30.

ALSO.—One other tract of land, situated in town, county and State aforesaid, and being part of said warrant number four thourand eight hundred and forty-four [4844,] bounded and described as follows, to wit: Commencing at the northwest corner of George W. Huller's farm at a stake in the road, running thence easterly along the road between B. Z. Leggett's and G. A. Huller's farm; thence easterly along said Huller's line to the east line of said old farm about forty-eight [48] rods more or less; thence north along said east line to the notheast corner of said old farm; thence west along the north line of said old farm to the northeast corner of the above fifty-one acres of land; thence south along the east line of said fifty-one acres of land to the place of beginning, containing thirty-six [36] acres more or less.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of E. F. Morey, at suit of J. B. Coryell.

ALSO All that certain tract piece or parcel of land in Benzinger township, Elk Co., Pa. on St. Michael's Road.

Beginning at a post on said St. Michaels Road; thence south 54° east following the line of St. Michael's Road, thirty perches; thence south 40° west seventy perches to a post; thence north 54° west thirty perches to a post; thence north 40° east seventy perches to the place of beginning, containing thirteen acres and being so much of the northerly part of number two [2] on St. Michael's Road in the map or plan of the town or settlement of St. Mary's. Upon which is erected a log dwelling house 18x20 feet 1½ stories high and a frame barn 30x40 feet. Said land is all improved, and is under fence; has an orchard thereon, and a good living spring of water and is about ¼ of a mile from St. Mary's Borough.

Seized and taken in Execution as the property of Yost Wehler at the suit of Joseph Wilhelm.

This last above described property to be sold at the Court House in Ridgway on Friday, June 1st, 1877, at one o'clock P. M.

TERMS OF SALE.

The following must be strictly complied with when the property is struck off:

1. All bids must be paid in full, except where the plaintiff or others lien creditor becomes the purchaser, in which cases the costs on the writs must by paid, as well as all liens prior to that of the purchaser, and a duly certified list of liens shall be furnished, including mortgage searches on the property sold, together with such lien creditor's receipts* for the amount of the proceeds of the sale, or such portion thereof as he shall appear to be entitled to.

2. All sales not settled immediately will be continued until six o'clock P. M., at which time all property not settled for will again be put up, and sold at the expense and risk of the person to whom it was first stuck off, and who, in case of deficiency at such re-sale, shall make good the same, and in no instance will the deed be presented in court for confirmation unless the bid is actually settled for with the Sheriff as above stated.

DANIEL SCULL, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Ridgway }
Pa., May 1, 1877. }

*See Purdon's Digest, 9th, edition, page 446.

Elk Advocate.

THURSDAY, MAY 17, 1877.

STATEMENT OF THE AUDITORS SETTLEMENT OF THE ACCOUNTS OF RIDGWAY TOWNSHIP FOR THE YEAR 1876.

O. B. Fitch and James Riley, Supervisors and ex-officio overseers of the poor of Ridgway township, in account with the several funds.

ROAD FUND.

To amount tax levied on unseated property	1382 51
To amount tax levied on seated property	1694 13
	3076 67
Excess of expenditure,	673 61
	$3750 28
By amount expended building and repairing roads &c.	3423 48
By supervisors service 1876	326 80
	$3750 28

POOR FUND.

To amount tax levied on unseated property	520 84
To amount tax levied on seated property	635 15
To amount received for rent for house on south street	18 00
To amount received from Horton Tp.	51 86
	$1225 85
By amount paid for keeping and supplying paupers	985 84
By amount paid for keeping and transporting tramps	48 94
By amount paid O. B. Fitch's bill for services	21 00
	1055 83
Excess of levy of tax	170 02
	1225 85

SIDE WALK FUND.

To amount of tax levied	314 36
	314 36
By amount expended building and repairing side walk	291 93
By supervisor O. B. Fitch's services	9 50
	301 43
Excess of levy of tax	12 93
	$314 36

We, the undersigned, auditors of Ridgway township, for 1877, having met on the second Monday of April 1877, for the purpose of settling the accounts of the several township officers, do hereby certify, that in the presence of O. B. Fitch and James Riley, supervisors and ex-officio overseers of the poor of said township for 1876, we settled their accounts with the several funds thereof for 1876, and that the above statement is the result of said settlement.

Witness our hands this 15th day of May, A. D. 1877.

JAMES PENFIELD. }
J. S. POWELL. } Auditors.
Attest, M. S. KLINE, Clerk.

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF FOX TOWNSHIP FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 2ND, 1877.

ROAD FUND, ASSETS.

By amount due from Henry Largay, Collector	163 31
By amount due from P. W. Hays Col.	39 74
By amount due from county Treas.	60 70
By amount due from P. M'Cready, Collector	11 41
By amount due from Elk Co., on account Joseph Windfelder	325 57
By Cash in Treasury	3 03
By Excess of Liabilities	1153 99
	$1748 75

LIABILITIES.

To outstanding orders and judgments	1748 75

POOR FUND, ASSETS.

By amount due from J. Hewitt Col.	463 81
By amount due from Denis Toomy, Overseer	49 03
By amount due from Elk Co., account Joseph Windfelder	162 11
By am't due from unseated taxes '76.	245 00
By amount cash in Treasury	36 36
	$946 31

LIABILITIES.

To amount due Elk Co., for support of Kate Williams	306 25
To outstanding orders	577 00
To excess of assets	63 06
	$946 31

Amount of taxable property in Fox township $240,519 00

We, the undersigned, Auditors of Fox Township, having settled and adjusted the accounts, of said township find the assets and liabilities of the funds as above set forth.

JOHN HERSHEY. }
P. A. JORDAN. } Auditors.
J. R. MEREDITH. }
Attest, J. J. TAYLOR, Clerk.
Fox, April 30th, 1877.

FLOUR is declining in price.

REV. I BRENEMAN has moved his family into the Lutheran parsonage.

THE woods above B. F. Ely's mill have been on fire for several days.

THE Ridgway and Fox township statements appear in this issue.

J. S. POWELL has a new awning in front of his shop.

The report of the Sunday School Convention, held at Wilcox, occupies considerable space in this issue.

Rev. H. Q. Miller of Smethport will officiate in Grace Church on Sunday next at the usual hours.

FOUND.—A pair of spectacles, on depot street, the owner can get them by calling on Mrs. R. H. Coats.

THE Tanning & Lumber Co., lost between 400 and 500 cords of bark at Scahonda by the recent fires.

The rain storm last night was a blessing in several ways. Vegetation is benefited, and the fires extinguished.

SEVERAL townships have as yet published no statement, in accordance with the law. We advise the negligent officers to look out for breakers.

SEVERAL children were poisoned at Grant's tannery last Saturday by eating poke root. None of the cases proved fatal, although some of the children were very sick.

Appleton's Ame rican Cyclopedia.

Vol. 8 of this admirable work is just out, making it half complete, as there are to be 16 in all, of 800 pages each, one being issued in two months. It makes a complete library, and no one can afford to do without it who would keep well informed. Price $6,00 a volume in leather, or $7,00 in elegant half Turkey. C. K. Judson, Fredonia, N. Y., controls the sale in Elk county. Address him for particulars.

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Elk County S. S. Convention.

This convention met at Wilcox, in the chapel of the Dutch Reformed Church at four o'clock P. M. of the 8th inst., and was called to order by Mr. A. B. Preston, chairman of the Elk Co. S. S. Association Committee.

The Convention was organized by electing the Rev. Robt White, of St. Mary's, Chairman, and H. M. Campbell, of Wilcox, Secretary.

The exercises were opened by reading a selection of scripture and prayer by Rev. Crittenden.

The following constitution for the Elk Co. S. S. Association was submitted by Mr. A. B. Preston, and was adopted and signed by all present.

CONSTITUTION.

ART 1. The name of this organization shall be The Elk County Sabbath School Association.

ART 2. The object of this association shall be to promote the Sunday School work of the county, co-operating with both union and church schools already established, and rendering assistance in establishing others whenever practicable.

ART. 3. Pastors of the churches, officers and Teachers of the Sunday Schools, and such other persons as are actively engaged in Sunday School work in this county, may become members of this association by subscribing its constitution.

ART. 4. The officers of this association shall be a President, two vice Presidents, a County Secretary, a Treasurer, and a Secretary for each Township or Borough, or other convenient districts, to be elected at the annual meetings of the association.

ART. 5. The duties of the officers of this association shall be such as customarily devolve upon like officers. The peculiar duties of the Township Secretaries being to collect and transmit to the county Secretary, in time for his annual report the statistics of the Sabbath Schools of their respective districts.

ART. 6. The annual meetings of this association shall be held at such places as may be chosen in the month of May in each year. Other meetings may be held as ordered by the association or its executive committee.

ART. 7. The President and county Secretary, together with five persons appointed at each annual meeting, shall constitute an executive committee, who shall be charged with the management of the work of the association during the year.

ART. 8. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any annual meeting.

Upon motion of J. O. W. Bailey a committee of three was appointed by the chairman to nominate officers for the permanent organization of the S. S. Association. The chairman named J. O. W. Bailey, Jas. E. Pugh and A. B. Preston as such committee, with instructions to report at the evening session.

The convention then adjourned until 7:45 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

This session of the convention opened with music by the choir, followed by reading of the 78 Psalm by Rev. Robt. White, and the recitation of the Lord's Prayer by the convention. Mr. A. B. Preston, in a few well-selected remarks, bade all welcome to the convention, and to the hearts and homes of the people of Wilcox Responded to by Rev. Robt. White, in behalf of the convention. After music by the choir, the Rev. Mr. Gillette of Kane, entertained the convention by an eloquent address upon the position of Sunday Schools in relation to the church.

At the close of the address Mr. A. B. Preston offered the following resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved That the Rev. Mr. Gillette bear to the S. S. of Kane the salutations of this convention, and request their attendance here.

The committee appointed to nominate officers for the S. S. Association reported the following persons as officers for the ensuing year: President, W. H. Osterhout, of Ridgway, Vice Presidents, J. C. Malone, of Wilcox, and C. Winslow, of Benezette; Secretary, J. O. W. Bailey, of Ridgway; Treasurer, Mrs. Horace Little, of Ridgway; Executive Committee, A. B. Preston, of Wilcox; Jos. Patton, of St. Mary's; Geo. R. Dixon, and Rev. Wm. Jas. Miller, of Ridgway; and Rev. E. Chilcote, of Benezette. On motion of J. E. Pugh, the officers nominated were elected by acclamation.

The question, "what is the object of Sunday Schools was discussed by Rev. R. Crittenden, A. B. Preston, R. W. Brown and others, the principle objects stated being "to prepare the young for eternity." "To diffuse a knowledge of the Bible and to teach the young to live nobly in this world." "To dive out skepticism," &c. Mr. J. L. Brown then called for the reading of the 3rd section of the constitution, which was read by the Secretary. Mr. Brown moved to amend by adding, after the word work, "or those wishing to become so." The motion not being entertained by the chair, Mr. Peston moved to amend the 3rd section, by striking out the words "actually engaged," and inserting "interested." The amendment was agreed to.

After music by the choir and benediction by the Rev. R. White, the association adjourned until 9:30 A. M. of May 9th.

MAY 9TH, MORNING SESSION.

The association was called to order by Vice President J. C. Malone, at 9:30 A. M. and was opened by prayer by Rev. R. White. The association was then entertained by a very interesting exercise in responsive Biblo reading conducted by Rev. Crittenden, followed by the temperance song "Dash it Down," by the association.

One hour and twenty minutes was then devoted to answering questions from the question drawer. The first question. "Shall a teacher be placed over a class of young men or women who is not thoroughly orthodox, or who is at all skeptical?" This question was answered at length by Geo R. Dixon, who believed we should get those who are orthodox if we can, but get teachers for all classes of the best material at hand, whether orthodox or not.

2rd "What is the best method of conducting question reviews?" Answer by Rev. White, with remarks from others, who expressed different opinions, though all agreed that teachers and officers of the Sunday School, should thoroughly prepare themselves upon the matter to be reviewed.

3rd. "How shall we teach our children to be strictly temperate in principle and practice? Answered by Rev. Crittenden. "By home example and teaching."

4th. "Should our Sunday Schools be taught to repeat the ten commandments in concert. Answer by Rev. Hoffman, in affirmative

5th. "What is the best method of conducting musical exercises in Sunday Schools." Answer by J. O. W. Bailey. A variety of opinions were expressed by members of the association.

6th. "Shall we repeat the Lord's Prayer as Christ gave it in 6th Mathew, or otherwise." "Answer by Prof. McPheran, who believed we should repeat it as given by Christ.

The Rev. R. Crittenden then stated that he had many times offered to present a copy of the Bible to any person who would repeat the Lord's Prayer, word for word, as given in the Bible, and had never been called upon for a Bible, as all who attempted to repeat it had failed.

The same offer was made to the association and the first Bible won by Co. Supt Geo. R. Dixon.

The 7th question, "What are the benefits of S. S. Libraries?" was answered by Jas. E. Pugh.

8th. "Shall we have novels in the S. S. Library?" Answer by J. L Brown in affirmative, as to a certain class of novels. The regular exercises were then continued.

What are a superintendent's duties?" was briefly answered by Geo. R. Dixon, who classified their duties as executing, legislative, and judiciary.

"What is the best time for holding Sunday Schools. This question elicited a variety of answers. Messrs Preston, Brown and others, favoring afternoon, while Messrs Crittenden, Pugh, and others, argued strongly the benefits of morning sessions.

Adjournd until 2 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The association convened at 2 o'clock, J. C. Malone presiding.

After prayer by Rev. R. Crittenden, there was an illustration of black board exercises by J. O. W. Bailey, the lesson illustrated being from Acts, 3rd, 12-26th.

Rev. White moved to amend the 6th article of the constitution, by leaving the time for the annual meeting of the association to be fixed by the executive committee.

J. O. W. Bailey moved to amend by inserting the month of May. Amendment agreed to, and the motion as amended agreed to.

The Rev. Crittenden was then called upon for an explanation of institute work, which was responded to by an interesting exercise conducted by Mr. Crittenden and participated in by the entire association.

Method of teaching in Sunday School, was illustrated by A. B. Preston, by a class drill of the Wilcox Sunday School, which received general commendation.

This was followed by remarks on class work by Rev Crittenden.

The length of S. S. session was then discussed by Messrs Bailey, White, Brown, Straight and others, the time stated by the different gentlemen varying from one to two hours.

On motion, the association proceeded to elect delegates to the State Sunday School Convention, to be held in Harrisburg, June, 12, 13th and 14th. Messrs. W. S M'Pherran, Robert White, J. L. Brown, J. C. Malone and J. O. W. Bailey, were elected.

On motion the association adjourned until 7:30.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION.

This session was devoted to addresses by Rev. R. Crittenden, upon the depth, breadth, length and preciousness of the Bible to every true christian. Mr. A. B. Preston spoke of S. S. work; Rev. Mr. Hoffman and W. S. M'Pherran on S. S. Libraries; a gentleman from Renovo spoke of his love for, and interest in Sabbath School work. After the closing address by Rev. Robt. White, the association adjourned "*Sine die.*"

J. O. W. BAILEY,
Secretary.

I am indebted to W. S. M'Pherran, of Wilcox, for the minutes of the latter part of the Wednesday afternoon session, and the whole of the evening session. For myself and all others who attended the convention, I can truly say that the hospitality of the Wilcox people is all and more than they promised. The fatted calf was killed, and we were welcome to partake, without money and without price. The meeting of the association was a decided success, and enjoyed by all who attended. J. O. W. B

The pupils of the Ridgway school will give a public entertainment at the school building on Friday evening May 25th. The exercises will consist of dialogues, tableaux, charades, recitations, orations, vocal and instrumental music. Proceeds to be used in paying expenses of entertainment and rent of piano.

State Notes.

Truckers at the Pittsurgh markets who in good times sold $200 worth of vegetables a day cannot realize more than $25 a day.

Mrs. Catharine Nallin, of Minooka, Luzerne county, was killed on the railroad on Friday. She was aged sixty years and deaf.

Miss Laura Pierce, aged sixteen, is in the Union county jail, having confessed that she fired a farmer's barn which was burned some weeks ago.

Burke Bownes, a boatman, attempted to jump on a train near Mauch Chunk while drunk last week. He fell under the cars and was fatally injured.

In view of the presence of mad dogs on the streets of Shenandoah the burgess of that town has issued a proclamation notifying owners of dogs to muzzle them until August 31, 1877.

Two daughters of the late John D. Lee, of Mountain Meadow, noteriety, have been living near Mill Run, Fayette county, until quite recently, when they removed to Somerset county.

At Bradford, M'Kean county, a boy named Thaddeus Smith was killed by unconciously inhaling gas while lying on the cover of an oil tank, looking into it while the well was pumping.

The body of Roderick Frazier was exhumed at Meadville the other day, after having been in the earth 161 years The bones were found to be in a good state of preservation.

The Christian railroad men of Allegheny and Pittsburgh are about organizing a Railway Young Men's Christian association, having for its object the improvement of the spiritual, moral and social condition of the railroad men of the two cities.

A Monongahela city ghost in an old mill turns out to be a lot of young men who consumed the nights in making merry over sundry barrels of hard cider stored in the mill. The ghost vanished with the disappearance of the cider.

The jury in the case of Bott a Philadelphia preacher involved in an ugly scandal, disagreed on Saturday, one juror refusing to join the others in a verdict of guilty. Subsequently he was arrested on the charge that he had stated that it mattered not what the evidence was he would not convict Bott. A. H. Hodgson, the juror, was held in $1,500 bail.

John Mitchell, a highly respected citizen of New Castle, Lawrence county, attempted to committ suicide last week. He had been laboring under the hallucination that he had perpetrated a murder and that justice was on his track, and while in that condition he stabbed himself several times in the neck and cut himself across the throat, almost severing the windpipe. He was in a dangerous condition at last accounts. His insanity is attributed to failure in business.

Ellen Croft, a domestic employed at the residence of N. C. Barclay, editor of the Altoona *Sun*, committed suicide on Saturday by taking strychnine. The following note was found in the room where she died:

"I want you folk's to send my things home. I have a silver dollar, that is for Lottie Croft. I want to be laid side mother. Lottie, I don't want you to think hard of me.

ELLEN CROFT

"I am going home to die no more. I hope to meet my friends in Heaven. Good-bye, sister and brother."

The Shenango Valley *News* says: "In 1875 the iron product in the Shenango Valley was 137,025, and the product of the Mahoning Valley 115,993 tons, total 253,018 tons. In 1876 the product of the Shenango Valley is estimated to have been 150,000 tons, and the product of the Mahoning Valley 134,000 tons: total 285,000 tons. This gives the Shenango Valley an increase of 12,975 tons, and the Mahoning Valley an increase of 18,007 tons; total increase for the two valleys 30,982 tons. The total capacity of the two sections is 581,000 tons. Of 32 stacks in the Shenango Valley, 8 are in blast, and of 22 in the Mahoning Valley, 11 are in blast."

Wheat Fluctuations.

The advance of breadstuffs of all kinds forms a topic of conversation in almost every household, just now. The following comparative statement made in the Pottstown *Ledger* of the ruling prices of wheat in April of each year, for the past ten years, will therefore be read with interest: In 1867 wheat sold at $3.30 per bushel; in 1868, at $3; in 1869, at $1,85; in 1870, at $1,30; in 1871, at $1,45; in 1872, at $1.90; in 1873, at $1.90; 1874, at $1.70; in 1875, at $1,25; in 1876, at $1,40 and 1877, at $2,15 per bushel. The highest price at which wheat was quoted during the past ten years, was in April, '67, when it sold at $3.30 per bushel. The lowest price for the same time was in February, 1876, when it sold at $1,29 per bushel.

Township Officers.

Judge of Election—Will Dickinson.
Inspectors—James Penfield, P. R. Smith.
Justices of the Peace—Charles Mead, Jas. D. Fullerton.
School Directors—O. B. Grant, Jas. Gardner, G. T. Wheeler, N. T. Cummings, W. S. Service, Eug. J. Miller.
Supervisors—O. B. Fitch, Jas. Riley.
Treasurer—W. H. Hyde.
Assessor—M. S. Kline.
Assistant Assessors—Geo. Dickinson, John Walmsley.
Auditors—J. H. Hagerty, James Penfield, J. S. Powell.
Clerk—M. S. Kline.
Constable—J. W. Morgester.

THIS COLD WEATHER REminds us that POWELL & KIME have a nice lot of Thermometers on hand.