

THURSDAY, MAY 12, 1881.

The Grand Central, Powell & Kime's are headquarters for fancy and staple fans.

A teachers' examination will be held at the Keystone school house...

Judge Dickinson has ordered about 2000 feet of water pipe and will convey water from a spring to supply all the purchasers of his lots...

D. R. Kline has moved to the house recently occupied by Joel Miller on Centre street.

An accident happened on Friday last at the old Doctor Fuller house which has been moved to South street.

New goods received at Morgester's this week. Pie Peaches, Winslow's and Cumberland Corn, Royal Baking Powder, Dried Apples, Canary Seed, Plunker Hill Chow Chow, Beans, Peas, Corned Beef in cans, New Cheese, Fresh Dairy Butter, Fresh Soda and milk Crackers.

A Letter from District Attorney Wurzell. St. Marys, Pa., May 9th, 1881. Henry A. Parsons, Jr., Editor Advocate.

My Dear Sir:—In your issue of the 5th inst., there appears an article headed \$905.51 in bold large type. The tenor of the article would seem to indicate that by virtue of my office, a detective was employed by me without consultation with, or application to the court, and under cover of an act of assembly full and plenary power was arrogated unto myself for the purposes of this appointment.

At the time the friendless Swede, Johnson, was murdered I was absent from the state, and on my return first learned of his commission; at that time the press of the county and particularly (if I recollect aright) the Advocate strongly urged a full and complete investigation to the end that the guilty parties be punished.

Application was made by me to the court for the appointment of a special officer based upon the act of May 19th, 1874, which provides as follows: It shall be lawful for the district attorney of any county in this commonwealth, with the approval of the court of quarter sessions of the proper county, whenever said court and district attorney may deem it necessary, to appoint an officer as a special detective, whose duty it shall be to assist in obtaining such evidence as shall be directed by the district attorney for the commonwealth, in all criminal cases, and perform such other duties as the court may direct.

The compensation of the officer is wholly left to the discretion of the court as provided by act of April 13th, 1876.

The amount of the bill and character of same was first made known to me on the first day of the term of its presentation.

Had you been familiar with the facts of this case and the law under which the appointment was made, no doubt the injustice done me in your last issue would not have occurred.

Your Truly, G. W. WENZEL.

Note paper and envelopes at this office.

The finest line of Sugars and Syrups for the least money at the Grand Central, P. & K.'s.

The world's best flour at Powell & Kime's.

Evaporated apples at the Grand Central, Powell & Kime's.

A fine assortment of fancy dress buttons at Powell & Kime's.

Silk sun umbrellas at modern prices at Powell & Kime's.

Personal Items.

Ben Dill is cleaning up the court yard.

Mercer Bros. new house on Centre street is under cover.

J. W. Morgester has a new sign on the front of his building.

Judge J. K. Whitmore cut his knee badly with a hand axe Friday morning.

C. H. Rhines has moved into Thos. Noon's house formerly occupied by him, and is working on the engineer corps.

Geo. W. Rhines returned home from Pittsburg last Wednesday. It is reported in this Borough that he has the small-pox.

Superintendent Dixon has moved into Miss B. E. Wilcox's house on South street.

Mr. Mercer and family who formerly occupied the house are now boarding at G. C. Messinger's.

H. H. Wensel has purchased the house for three years occupied by Supt. Dixon, and will move into it in a few days.

Enigma No. 2. I am composed of fifty (50) letters. My 13, 4, 48, 35, 2, 43, is a valley.

My 3, 50, 48, 40, 45, 15, 25, is a nurse. My 39, 31, 38, 46, 8, an article of the priest's official dress.

My 1, 28, 46, 16, 35, 5, 26, 8, 50, 24, is a lake. My 41, 46, 37, 4, 31, 38, 21, 20, 15, 25, a priest of 10.

My 23, 35, 34, 38, 47, 9, is a district of Syria. My 6, 41, 38, 42, 8, a country noted for the production of precious stones.

My 12, 32, 42, 15, 25, an officer in David's army. My 27, 42, 6, 40, is a musical instrument.

My 58, 7, 5, 35, 25, 42, was an Archite. My 10, 17, 25, 20, is the name of a tower.

My 19, 15, 48, 46, 32, is a mount. My 37, 30, 45, 47, 34, a city of Pliencia. My 20, 14, 7, 48, 33, 35, a son of Jacob.

My 40, 46, 44, a son of Hiram. My 22, 14, 47, 46, a mountain. My 11, 18, are consonants.

My whole is found in the Psalms. M. E. H. Ridgway, Penn'a. Answers respectfully requested.

A fine lot of tomato plants at Morgester's.

Clean up your back yards, and clean out your cesspools. Cleanliness is next to Godliness, and besides saves doctor's bills.

Get your tomato plants at Morgester's.

Note paper and envelopes at the Advocate office.

Now is the time to get your flowering and vegetable plants. Orders left at the Advocate office will receive prompt attention.

BIRTH. IRWIN—On Thursday morning, May 5, 1881, to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Irwin, of Osterhout's tannery, a daughter.

MARRIAGE. HORTH—Rites at the Lutheran Parsonage, by Rev. J. Sunder, on Sunday, May 8th, 1881, Mr. Theodore Horth to Miss Katie Reis, both of Ridgway, Pa.

DEATHS. IRWIN—Monday night, May 5, 1881, at 10 o'clock, Catharine, eldest daughter of Peter Irwin, aged about 25 years.

LAMB—Wednesday night, May 4th, 1881, at 12 o'clock, Mrs. Bridget Lamb, wife of Patrick Lamb, aged about 75 years.

Nearly a year ago Mrs. Lamb was stricken with paralysis from which she never recovered. The interment took place in the Ridgway Catholic cemetery on Friday last.

Axe Handles, Wash Tubs, Pails, W. Boards Willow Clothes Baskets, Handle Baskets, Half bushel, Peck and 2 quart measures at Morgester's.

A. Swartz Ross, Merchant Tailor, over Maginist's Billiard Hall, has on hand, and is constantly receiving the latest and newest samples of cloth for spring and summer suits.

Prices to suit the million. Work guaranteed to be as represented and delivered at the time agreed upon.

The public has long since awarded to Ayer's Hair Vigor the foremost place among reliable Hair Restoratives. It is effectual, agreeable and absolutely harmless.

It makes the hair fresh and luxuriant, and old age scarce and unfashionable.

An Editor in Luck. (Warren Ledger.) Whitlaw Reid, of the Tribune, was recently married.

His wife is beautiful and amiable, and brings to the editor a million of dollars as a marriage portion.

This added to Mr. Reid's holdings, say \$800 or \$900, makes a nice fortune on which to start house-keeping.

Mark Twain is said to be worth over a million of dollars, a million and two hundred,—all of which, except a million, was made in the newspaper business.

Last Day of School.

The Ridgway Graded Schools closed their sessions yesterday with appropriate exercises.

Misses Wilcox, Barrett, and Ross closed their respective schools with giving various presents to the scholars, as candy, nuts, chromo cards, etc.

But the main attraction was the graduating or Senior class of 1881. This class of six passed a thorough examination in the common English, and several higher branches, and were awarded beautiful diplomas handsomely lithographed on parchment paper.

The young ladies and gentlemen of the class are certainly deserved of great praise for the labor and pains they have taken to gain the honor so proudly won.

Below we print the programme of exercises together with the essays and orations of the graduating class.

Music—"The World is Moving On." Essay—The Golden Age in English Literature.

MISS M. A. FLYNN. That England bears the palm of the world in the valley and expanse of its literary productions there can be no question.

In its history and in its literature we find the most perfect and the most beautiful of all that man has ever produced.

One who writes to us from the other side of the Atlantic, and who has just returned from a visit to our island, tells us that he has seen the most beautiful of all that man has ever produced.

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He accomplished his object, but if viewed in this light, the old Scotch Sage with his hatred of shams, who would have lifted the world into a strong and enduring life, he was a filigree. But, while the years roll on, and the world grows old, we wish to be remembered, and weep over the place where he lies buried.

Thomas Carlyle won true fame, he earned his pay, and his pay is an immortality of love and regard from the world that was made better by his having lived in it.

Music—"Moonlight, Music, Love and Flowers." Misses Katie and Jennie Gresh.

Essay—What are you Going to Do? MISS KATIE MEEHAN.

This is the question we often hear in our daily lives, and yet sometimes how useless it seems to ask it. We do not know now what we may do.

We may intend to do something in the future that will be a bright and shining example to the world, but when the time arrives that we intended to accomplish it, it is far from us as ever.

How often we build our hopes on something that like a building keeps constantly going from us. How often all our hopes our plans are destroyed; perhaps it was the loss of a friend at the time we most needed him or perhaps it was that while we were thinking of these things we were neglecting the things by that we should have been using for building the foundation of them.

We must all have some plan. The one that embarks upon the voyage of life without a plan is like a man who goes to sea without a rudder, and after being tossed upon his waves for sometime he will sink into oblivion.

But it is the one who has a fixed plan that will succeed. He does not expect himself to change his mind, and hence suffers no change from them. So if we intend to accomplish anything we must know how we are going to do it.

There is nothing great done in life without hard mental and physical labor, and if we intend to do anything in life we must not succeed. Some may have wealth that will give them a broader field to work upon; others may have a bright intellect and fine talents, but they cannot do anything until they have something.

No one has ever done anything until he tried. Look at our authors, our statesmen, they all had to try. They were not afraid to try, and they were not afraid to fail. For the one that cheats others cheats himself, and if we succeed in making our lives useful to ourselves and to our neighbors it is all we need.

For we will have the pleasure of doing good, and we will have the pleasure of doing good. Then let us make our plans for the future, and if we can never reach the position we hoped to obtain we can do our best. There are many things that he beyond the reach of our power, but if we try we may succeed.

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Music—"Gipsy Cooness." Jennie Gresh. Oration—Work and Win.

GRACE McALLISTER. Many people would pass this, our motto by, with scarcely a thought; with a shrug of the shoulders, and many reasons, why we, as members of the Senior class, should choose this motto in preference to many other.

Must we work to win, or can we win without work? No, we cannot, and hard work is the only way to success. It is the only way to success. It is the only way to success.

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these palatial halls. How many hours we spend with the people there, friends of our own choosing. There at least we are supreme. None come but as we bid them; and the wealth of fancy which purchases the surroundings grows more abundant, the more lavish is the treasure upon this beautiful castle.

Friends are there who live only for us. The breezes blow, the sun shines, and the grass grows because we want them to, and enchanted music "sprinkles the notes in a silver shower."

How painful it is sometimes when we are enjoying the society, the pictures, the music of our enchanted castle, to be called back to the real life in which an adverse fate has placed us.

While on the other hand, when friends deceive us, and pain wears upon us, and labor wears us, what a rest it is to fly to our castle in Spain. No one tells there, for we bid them, and the feast is spread; no one suffers there, no one deceives us; and yet one day a messenger came to our castle, and he said, "The messenger has called the messenger to witness his shame. Yes, we had invited him there; foolish that was you; but he had invited him from this real world of ours, and the messenger has called the messenger to witness his shame. He was stronger here than we, but there he reigned. So it is always. A wise providence has given us these castles where we may reward our friends with all the good things that they themselves are unable to give us. Our enemies as they should be punished.

A beautiful poem, a work of fiction is but the record of the author's visit to his castle in Spain. Let us build our castles, and let us fill them with all that is grand and beautiful and true; let us invite the wise and the good there; let us hear earth's blessings upon our friends there; Yes, let us even punish our enemies there, but let us not forget that this is but a castle in Spain, and remember that right here in our own loved Pennsylvania, we have our homes, and our friends. Whatever we do for our friends, let us do it here, and let us do it well. Our friends will do us no good. The fees that we punish do not suffer in that castle. There we may go and learn to confer benefits or even to inflict injuries. But here is where the good things are done, the sick are healed, the sorrowful made happy. Let us not therefore come back from our Spanish possessions without bringing with us some lesson, some treasure of knowledge, that shall make the world in which we live the better for it.

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seeing the downfall of his comrades? No, it is because he has seen. Why is it that in school when the pupil stands at the head of the class, after many days of hard study, that he surveys the remainder of the class with the eye of a monarch? Is it because he delights in seeing his fellow pupils bent? No, it is because he has won. And so he goes on all through life ever trying to reach the top round of the ladder of fame. How is it with the boy when he starts up the mountain side? Does he ascend a few hundred feet? When sitting down upon a rock and surveying the vast plain below does he feel satisfied? No, he does not feel satisfied until he reaches the very highest point of that mountain and then sits down tired and weary, but with a joyous heart. So it is with us, never satisfied always wishing that we were something greater, that we could do something nobler. How many times have we heard ourselves say, "Oh, if I only had that" or "if I only had this" I would be satisfied, but give it to them and they would be as far from being satisfied as ever. And is this the only reason why we try to win? In this age of the world, in this age of railroads, telegraph, telephones, electric lights, etc., does a person that has not won an education stand an equal chance with a person who has won? You are going to like a person to work, would you hire a person that was not educated at least in the kind of work you wished him to do? Or would you not, the better he was educated the more confidently you would hire him? Certainly you would. And does not this prove that the person that wins not only stands a better chance to succeed, but is honored by all who know him; but it is only after many long and months of steady work and many after many trials and troubles, that you will succeed. In the latter part of the 19th century, there lived two great philosophers Galvani and Volta. Galvani one day was experimenting in electricity, he being several frogs legs on copper hooks, from an iron railing; he noticed that when the wind blew them against the railing that they were convulsed as if in pain; he, therefore, concluded that he had discovered the agent,