The Somerset Herald.

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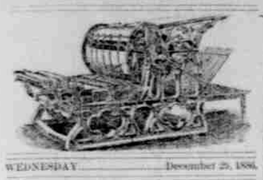

WEDNESDAY.....December 29, 1886.

Every promise is a debt.

All attention at Benford's Drug Store.

Holiday Goods at Benford's Drug Store.

Don't forget the poor during this festive season.

We are on the eve of a new year. How time flies!

Go see the grand display at Benford's Drug Store.

Call on George the clerk at Benford's Drug Store.

Payeto county owes the State $88,473.45, delinquant taxes.

The lights of other days—the red nose from yesterday's drunk.

Johnstown's lovers of pleasure are building a toboggan slide.

All Silverware sold by E. McDowell engraved free of charge.

Sleighing is fairly good, and the music of the bells rings out gaily.

Tincture of Iodine, it is claimed, will relieve the soreness of corns.

Finest line of goods at Benford's Drug Store ever brought to Somerset.

The last regular session of the present parliament will end on Tuesday.

Just received at E. McDowell's, for the Holidays, a fine lot of Rogers Plated Ware.

A western woman has caught the cattle disease. That's like a woman; hard to have every new thing in the market.

Somebody says that glucose dipped into hot potato water will give an immediate and complete relief to the agonizing pains of rheumatism.

For marrying a white woman a colored man in Hagerstown, goes 18 years in the penitentiary. Pity some laws could not go in Pennsylvania.

Keep one eye on the horoscop and the other on the stock-gun. This is the season when poultry is liable to sudden evaporation unless carefully guarded.

Some of the employes of the Cambria Iron Company are opposed to the proposition to accept the company store of Wood, Morrell & Company and turn it into a co-operative concern.

We have on hand a large number of good bricks which we will sell in quantities to suit the purchaser. Prices very reasonable. Yard opposite the planing mill.

HOLBROOK BROS. & PARSON.

Four pairs of Men's Heavy Pure Woollen Socks sent postpaid to any address on receipt of one Dollar. M. L. TAGGER,
Manufacturer of Hosiery,
Gladdens, Somerset Co., Pa.

MEAT MARKET.—We have just added a large Refrigerator to our Meat Market, in which all meats can be kept cool and clean. Mutton, beef, pork, &c., kept constantly on hand. Open daily. Parties buying meat can have it kept in the refrigerator until wanted.

ROSE DAVIS & CO.

At Benford's Drug Store can be seen one of the largest and best selected stock of Holiday Goods ever brought to Somerset. Here you can buy your Christmas presents from the most trifling to the most expensive. Call and see our stock.

GEO. W. BENFORD & SON.

Quite a number of our citizens were unfortunate enough to get heavy falls during the slippery condition of the sidewalks last week.

The sale of the Everett Iron Company's furnace, lands and leases, was postponed until January 12, on account of no bidders.

A Chicago preacher asks: "Can a man be a Christian and at the same time be a successful business man?" On certain conditions he can; if he is a liberal advertiser his customers will be so numerous that he will not be forced to prevaricate to sell his wares and by following this course he can secure a passport to "the happy land beyond."

December 1, 2, 3, and 4 the Grand Opening of Holiday Goods will take place at Fisher's Book Store. Come every one and take in this gorgeous display at Fisher's Book Store.

TOBACCO AND CIGARS.

To Dealers we quote as follows by the box:

Lorillard's "Climax"	42c
" "Army and Navy"	40c
" "Splendid"	38c
" "Canary"	32c
" "Tip Top"	31c
" "Maggie"	30c
Venable's "Vinco"	31c
Good Tobies, ₩ 100	90c
Good Cigars, ₩ 100	$1.10

Cash orders only (less 2 per cent.) Solicited.
Respectfully,
COOK & BEERITS.

Somerset, Pa., June 16, 1886.

Many Sunday-schools are puzzled to know just where to go to get wax candles, candle holders, gilt papers, and other ornaments for Christmas trees. Everybody is hereby notified that at Fisher's Book Store everything of the kind can be obtained. At Fisher's Book Store Sunday-school teachers and scholars will also find a large variety of Bibles, Testaments, reward cards, chromos, Christmas cards, and a very large stock of elegant books, large and small, cheap and handsome, suitable for Holiday gifts. If you want pretty and cheap Holiday gifts go to Fisher's Book Store.

Of the many handsome Holiday goods in Somerset none surpass that of C. N. Boyd. The many readers of the HERALD ought to call there before they make any purchases, nice goods at low prices seem to be the rule. No "samples" bought from traveling men after having been carried on the road until they are worn, and then bought because they are cheap. Goods new, fresh and attractive.

Headquarters for School Teachers and Directors during the Institute, will as has been the custom for eight years past, be established at Fishers large book store. A large room and good fire will ensu comfort and convenience, and teachers desiring seats reserved can be accommodated by writing to Chas H. Fisher, Fishers Book Store, Somerset.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 24.—Mrs. Elizabeth Gist, living near Westminster, Carroll county, brought home a can of coal oil late yesterday and put it down in the sitting room, in which were her little son and baby. She went out for a minute. The boy took the can began to pour the oil on the fire. An explosion followed. The mother ran in and found her children in flames. She at once grabbed the boy, and taking him out rolled him in the snow. She quickly returned for the baby and treated it in the same way. Her own clothing was on fire, but she gave no thought to that until she had saved her children. Then she rolled herself in the snow, but not before her own clothing had been burned off and her body terribly scorched and blistered. These injuries, however, did not conquer her courage. She got up, went to the well, drew two buckets of water and extinguished the fire in the room. Then she walked to a neighbor's nearly a half mile distant and sent for the doctor. To-day the children are all right. The physician says that the mother's bravery will cost her her life.

LIME, PLASTER, CEMENT.—Car load in Stock and we quote as follows:

Best White Lime ₩ barrel	$1.25
Akron Cement ₩ barrel	$1.75
Portland Cement ₩ barrel	$4.00
Calcined Plaster ₩ barrel	$2.50

Somerset, Pa., June 16, 1886. | Respectfully, COOK & BEERITS.

A happy New Year.

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This is a large week for the teachers.

Superintendent Weller is a very busy man this week.

Judge Baer is holding an adjourned court at Bedford.

The school children are enjoying their holiday vacation.

The county teachers Institute is in session at the Opera House.

The snow fall of Sunday night has made the sleighing quite good again.

Mrs. Lydia Sips, of Somerset, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Emery Warden, of Johnstown.—*Johnstown Tribune.*

It was a white Christmas, the ground being completely covered with snow.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. B. Scull, of Cresson, came over to Somerset to eat their Christmas turkey.

Mrs. Lewis, wife of Dr. George R. Lewis, of St. Paul, Minn., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Dr. Bills.

Mr. Will Endsley, of Johnstown, is spending the holiday week with his parents in Somerset.

Messrs. Noah S. Miller and James L. Pugh, members of the Legislature from this county, will leave for Harrisburg Friday.

Messrs. Will A. Kimmell, Park Y. Kimmell and John P. Knable, all of Pittsburgh, spent Christmas with their relatives in Somerset.

About seven hundred people listened to T. T. Everett, D. D., lecture in the Opera House Monday evening on the "Winning Side of Life."

The tobies had a large time on Christmas day. There were tobies in sleds, tobies in sleighs, tobies on foot, and tobies on horseback. There were a great many tobies.

It is a much mooted question among the teachers as to whether the Opera House is preferable to the Court House as a place of holding the sessions of the Institute.

Read Parker & Parker's large advertisement to be found elsewhere in in this issue, and then attend the third "Red Letter" sale and be convinced that goods are being sold at a bargain

Mr. Frank Stutzman, for many years Deputy Revenue Collector under Collector Scull, spent Saturday and Sunday in Somerset. Mr. Stutzman is at present employed in the Johnstown *Tribune* office.

Some of our merchants, those who advertised freely in the HERALD, report their Christmas sales as being far in excess of those of last year. Some of them say that their sales were larger than ever before at this season of the year.

Mr. Daniel Dickey died at his residence in Milford township, Sunday morning. He was in the seventieth year of his age. His wife, aged sixty-five, died on Wednesday of last week. They enjoyed the respect and esteem of all who knew them.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Mr. Edward Everett Patton to Miss Florence Emerson Anthony. The wedding will take place at 10 o'clock Thursday evening, January 6, 1887, at the home of Miss Anthony's mother, No. 601 North Madison street, Peoria, Illinois.

Jury Commissioners Custer and Hay have been engaged for the past two weeks in filling the jury wheel with the requisite number of names of persons to be drawn as jurors in 1887. The old jury wheel was worn out from much grinding, and they have had a new one built.

Prof. S. J. Wiley, of Fayette County, spent Christmas with his friend, A. C. Holbert, of Somerset. Mr. Wiley is a prominent candidate for County Superintendent of Fayette, and is well qualified for the position. He left on Monday for Uniontown, where, we believe, he is to deliver his lecture on the "Monongahela Valley."

The Harrict Snyder farm, in Stonycreek township, was sold last Thursday by the Executor to Mr. William Baldwin, of Shanksville, for $1,430. The sale was a very good one, which no doubt is attributable to the fact that James L. Pugh, Esq., was the Executor, and he always manages to get a good price for any real estate he disposes of.

We were shown Tuesday morning, by Mr. W. Frank Gaul a very handsome flag and banner painted by him for the G. A. R. Post and S of V Camp at Meyersdale, which are to be contested for by the Posts and Camps of Somerset county at a fair and festival being held there this week. The banner is 40x72 inches and is an original design of Mr. Gaul's. On one side is to be placed the name and military record of the man after whom the Post or Camp securing the prize is named and on the reverse the name and location of the Camp or Post with the Camp or post badge. The flag is 60x72 inches and is beautifully and artistically executed. Both are of silk.

Mike Hadderman, a leader at the Connellsville Coke & Iron Company's Leisenring Works, a couple of miles west of Connellsville, shot and killed a fellow-employe named John Gibbons at an early hour Christmas morning. The murderer gave himself up to the town authorities, and was committed to jail Christmas afternoon. It seems that there were no other persons present during the struggle in which the fatal shots were fired. The affray took place at the house of Hadderman about 1 o'clock, and Gibbons died five hours later. The murder was the result of a dispute about the strike at the Leisenring Works in March. Both men were drunk.

Hadderman is said to have killed a man in Somerset County, some years ago, over an election dispute.

At a regular meeting of Somerset Council No. 385, Royal Arcanum, held on Friday evening, December 24, 1886, the following officers were elected to serve during the coming year:

Regent—H. S. Endsley.
Vice Regent—J. B. Snyder.
Orator—C. J. Harrison.
Past Regent—S. U. Trent.
Secretary—Dennis Meyers.
Collector—A. J. Hileman.
Treasurer—L. C. Colborn.
Chaplain—Rev. D. P. K. Lavan.
Guide—John A. Lambert.
Warden—James McKelvy.
Sentry—Jacob F. Pile.
Trustees—Oliver Knepper, H. C. Beerits, J. H. Uhl.
Representative to Grand Council—S. U. Trent.
Alternate Representative to Grand Council—D. J. Horner.

This Council was organized July 9, 1886, and now numbers 28 members.

An exchange says: Poor soul, he never knows anything of the world's doings outside his narrow circle of acquaintance which is invariably narrow in proportion to his infinitely narrow soul. His world is his farm work his religion and money his God. He rises at four o'clock in the morning kicks the half-starved dog because he looks hungry and threatens a pennys worth of bread, walks one, two, three, or four miles to town before breakfast on Monday morning in order to be first at a jew store to get a bargain in a pair of dollar and a-half pants, returns home dry because almost everybody knows him and won't "set it up" to a miser; never sends his children to school because he needs them at home to do work of a man; trades turnips, pumpkins, buckwheat straw and eggs that failed to hatch for his groceries and works his wife to death rather than hire help; is outwardly a devoted christian but inwardly capsheaf, cheating the Lord out of His snipper, chews hill-side navy raised on his own farm, knows nothing about temperance, prohibition, civil service reform tariff or anti-railroad discrimination.

Pugh Items.

Mr. John H. Snyder has been very ill for the past few weeks.

Oliver Lease is the champion coon hunter of this section, having bagged four.

William Coleman makes a very popular postmaster. Everybody likes him.

David and John Snyder are each making preparation for new barns next summer.

Ephraim Coleman is the boss barber, and Phillip Will the boss butcher of this neck o' woods.

Mr. Philip Kimmell, of Desota, Ill., a brother-in-law of William Will, paid his old friends here a visit recently, and expects to return again in the spring.

It seems the school directors of Stonycreek township do not care what kind of teachers they put in our school. They must surely know that we pay our tax, as well as any other district.

W. J.

Newspaper Laws.

Subscribers who do not give express notice to the contrary are considered wishing to continue their subscription.

If subscribers order the discontinuance of their periodicals, the publisher may continue to send them until all arrearages are paid.

If subscribers neglect or refuse to take their periodicals from the office to which they are directed, they are responsible until they have settled their bills and ordered them discontinued.

If the subscribers move to other places without informing the publisher and the papers are sent to the former direction, they are held responsible.

The courts have decided that refusing to take periodicals from the office or removing and leaving them uncalled for is prima facie evidence of intentional fraud.

If subscribers pay in advance they are bound to give notice to publishers at the end of their time, if they do not wish to continue taking it; otherwise the publisher is authorized to send it, and the subscriber will be responsible until an express notice, with payment of all arrearages, is sent to the publisher.

The latest postal laws are such that newspaper publishers can arrest any one for fraud who takes a paper and refuses to pay for it. Under this law the man who allows his subscription to run along for some time unpaid and he orders it discontinued, or tells the postmaster to mark it "refused," and have a postal card sent, notifying the publisher, lays himself liable to arrest and fine, the same as for theft, &c.

HOLIDAY GOODS.

Our custom heretofore has been to advertise earlier in the season for the Holiday trade, but, owing to the rush of business already on hands, our advertiser could not find time to give the matter the necessary attention until now. There comes a drummer.

"Do you ask; Have we candies?"

"One ton, at prices ranging from 10c. to 40c. a pound."

"What about oranges?"

"Five barrels of the finest Florida'ons the market."

"How is your stock of raisins?"

"Dehesa, London, Sultans and Valentia."

"How about your crop of nuts?"

"Stacks of them. Almonds, Walnuts, Brazil Nuts, Pecans, Filberts, together with 50 bushels Fresh Roasted Peanuts."

"So you are well stocked?"

"Oh, yes. An abundance of finest Jersey Sweet Potatoes, best Messina Lemons, Fard Dates, Layer Figs, Aspinwall Bananas, Grapes, and—"

"Great Cæsar; give us a rest!"

"All right." And he goes across to the 5 and 10 cent counters, managed by Master Harry Keifer.

"How are you, young man?"

"All broken up, sir. No time to take a rest here, much less to take a long breath. Do you see all these goods and toys on our counters and shelves for the Holidays? It's enough to make your head ache to look at them, without handling them; and, besides opening up, and marking what you see here, I have already sold half a box-car load of them, with enough left in stock to supply the town, and the people of five townships besides. Sell us any goods to-day? Oh, no, sir; our stock is complete, and we propose to sell the goods before the 1st of January 1887, even though it takes two or three extra men to handle them. Customers? Here they come now, by twos, fours, and lines of them, and indeed Mr., you must excuse me, our motto still is 'Business before pleasure.'"

Headquarters,
COOK & BEERITS.

Our Kansas Letter.

DENSMORE, KAS., Dec. 21, 1886.

Editor Somerset HERALD:—By perusing the columns of the old HERALD, I see reports from different parts of the county of the snow and excellent sleighing you are enjoying. A cold shiver creeps over me to think of the mercury being down to zero there while we are enjoying temperate weather, the workmen going about their labor with coats off, making full time.

Our farmers are busily engaged plowing the soil for spring planting. We are not exempt from winter, however. We had a snow storm of short duration a month ago, but this premature. It found many of the herders on the prairie without shelter for sheep or cattle. Thousands of sheep perished, being exposed to the elements, grouped closely together for warmth. The weaker ones, trampled under foot, never rose again. Our snow falls are light; sleds and sleighs have not been introduced here.

The crops have all been gathered excepting corn. This comes in last, the bulk being gathered during the months of November and December. The yield is good throughout this county. I have frequently referred to the poorer classes of our inhabitants. I do not wish to represent this country void of wealth. The capitalist is here with his money-bags, reaping a rich harvest on his investments. Many Eastern Loan and Mortgage Companies are here represented. Insurance and real estate agents are quite numerous, and claim to be a great boon to the western country by tendering money to those in want. But I am inclined to believe they are a detriment to the place, as they demand a high rate of interest, and first mortgage on the land for security. Many of our homesteaders get a home by actual settlement. As soon as they get a title to the land, they will procure a loan by mortgaging their all. This often results in a loss of their entire possessions. In some instances it proves a good investment, if the money is rightly used; for instance, a farmer gets a five-year loan, and invests in cattle; keeps and feeds the same until prices are up, then by selling, they realize a handsome profit. Our bankers, too, are operating successfully here. They are termed "the 3 per cent. men" as this is the rate per month usually charged.

Very Respectfully,
J. A. G.

Stop at Fisher's Book Store.

And take a look through the immense and handsome display of nice goods for Holiday Gifts.

NOVELTIES, RARE WARES AND CURIOS.

Books in Sets, Books of Poetry, Books of Prose, Books of Travel and Adventure, Elegantly bound and handsome gift books, toy books for the little ones, and interesting valuable and instructive books for the boys and girls. Teachers' bibles, family bibles and handsome testaments, albums, picture frames, plaques, decorated, painted and plain, writing desks, card cases, wall pockets, easels, hand painted ornaments, wisp holders, Christmas and New Year cards and novelties, scrap books and pictures, fancy ink stands, fancy match safes, paper weights, gold pens and holders, pencils, ladies and gents first class pocket books, box papers, also, a well selected assortment of toys.

Notice.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Husband Cemetery Company will be held at the office of Henry F. Schell, in Somerset Borough on Monday, the 3d day of January, 1887, at 1 o'clock P. M., to elect officers for said Company for the ensuing year. A full attendance is requested.

DAVID HUSBAND, President.

THIRTIETH ANNUAL

Session of the Somerset County Teachers' Institute

Convenes in the Opera House—A Large Attendance—The Superintendent's Address—A. B. Grof Elected Vice President and W. H. Cover Secretary—Notes.

MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

Institute convened in the Somerset Opera House at 2 P. M. W. H. Cover was appointed Secretary *pro tem.* E. O. Excell, joined by the Institute, sung "Blest be the tie that binds," from Excell's school songs.

Devotional exercises by Rev. Bash: Reading of the 19th Psalm, and prayer.

Music—"My country 'tis of thee."

Opening address, by County Supt. Weller: "The Institute in its relation to the past, the present, and the future. At its 30th mile stone in 1886, we expect the largest enrollment ever had in the county. The Institute is not a mere rallying time for the teachers of the county for the sake of amusement, but enlivens the teacher and awakens in him increased love for his calling. The Institute is like an oasis in the teachers' life, and awakens increased activity."

Permanent Organization: A. B. Grof nominated for Vice-president; on motion, nominations closed; on motion, the Secretary *pro tem* authorized to cast the vote of the Institute for Vice-president, and A. B. Grof was declared elected.

W. H. Cover nominated for Secretary; on motion nominations closed, and Chairman authorized to cast the vote of the Institute, and W. H. Cover declared elected.

Nominations for Query Manager—H. C. Coughenour, A. C. Holbert and J. D. Meese were nominated; Holbert and Meese declined, and Mr. Coughenour was unanimously declared elected.

Enrollment of teachers resulted in the fact that about 160 teachers were present.

Music—No. 105 Excell's Collection.

Notice that petitions would be circulated for signatures praying the Legislature to increase the length of school term to a minimum of six months instead of five months, as at present. These petitions were placed in the hands of the teachers from the various townships.

Prof. T. B. Noss, of the California Pa. State Normal School, was then introduced. He said that he believed that it was the first time that he had met an Institute in a building that looks better on the inside than on the outside. That the profession is a noble one, and the teachers occupy a far higher position to-day, than they did fifteen years ago. That teachers to-day are, as a general thing to be found among the leaders of society, and command the respect of society; there is a chance for any young man or woman to make a reputation in the field of teaching, and does not need to expect to make it a stepping-stone to some higher business. If teachers fail, it is because they have not rightly used their opportunities; there is a prospect that the term will be increased within two years; parents are coming to think more of the training of their children than of the rearing of live stock; he always loved the teachers institute better than any other gathering he ever was called on to attend; there is inspiration in the institute; the chief benefit is not in the knowledge imparted but in the mental quickening resulting from coming into contact with those engaged in the same work; we cannot imitate other men; as Emerson has said, "Imitation is suicide." It rests with teachers to say whether this week of institute shall be a profitable or a profitless one; the weakest place in the institute system is a result of the fact that teachers do not come into the institute with a determination to hear and profit by ALL that is said; but he does not think this so much the case in Somerset county, for he is satisfied such is not the case; in some parts of the United States the teachers are divided into classes, and the classes are placed in different rooms, and teachers are held responsible for what is said in their presence; this week might be made a turning-point in the lives of the teachers present.

He would talk of the subject of teaching Geography and History at the several sessions of the institute, and would pay little attention to Higher Geography. Much of Geography is introduced too early; for instance, to try to demonstrate the change of seasons to young children is waste of labor; children cannot even understand the *proofs* of the rotundity of the earth, but they will take it on faith; after all, the preparatory work in Geography ought to occupy about three years before a text-book is put into their hands."

Report on *Written Reviews*, by Prof. Livengood, of Rockwood—He said: "A pupil will fail to retain knowledge, unless he understands what he acquires. One method of conducting reviews is for the teacher to give at least 25 questions from work gone over; ten questions on the day following as written review; theorists go wild, go to extremes. Mental arithmetic as an adduced examples. Mental arithmetic gives a language and reasoning power that can be obtained from nothing else. Corporal punishment, another illustration; oral work, another; written work is also an extreme. Newton, asked how he made the discovery of the great law of gravitation, replied: 'By incessantly thinking about it.' Without frequent reviews, knowledge will pass from the mind; if we work upon marble, it will perish; if we work upon brass, time will efface it; if we rear temples they will crumble to dust, but if we work upon the mind we work for eternity." The discussion of the topic was deferred until another session.

Music, led by Prof. Excell on the organ, accompanied by Miss Ada Knepper, of Somerset on the piano—No. 72 of Excell's Collection, "Ring Those Charming Bells."

The Chairman, Prof. Weller, then introduced Dr. Findley, of Akron, Ohio. He said "He had heard it remarked that men have infinite capacity for being amused, very little for hard work. The record of 1886 is nearly made up, and we are to write the few last pages. That he supposes the regulation thing to have said was that he was glad to meet a body of Pennsylvania teachers, this being the second institute he has ever attended in Pa. There are things in Pennsylvania that they have not in Ohio; we in Pennsylvania have county superintendents—they have none in Ohio. Political parties are so nearly equal in Ohio that each is afraid to take the responsibility of the expense of 88 superintendents. *We* must have obtained county superintendents by a struggle; he heard in Harrisburg that Prof. Wickersham was mobbed in Lancaster county in his first term. In Pennsylvania we have State Normal Schools—not one in Ohio except by private enterprise of Boards in Cincinnati, Columbus, and one other city. Young men and women who contemplate teaching in Pennsylvania, should avail themselves of the State Normal. In Pennsylvania we have township organization; the township is the unit; in Ohio the sub-district is the unit. Garfield said that Mark Hopkins on one end of a log, and a student on the other, was a good school—because Mark Hopkins was a good teacher, and the teacher is the soul of the school. He would talk on:

I. Our Aim.
II. Our Attitude.
III. Our Outfit.

With reference to our training our aim should be first, to know our work. He believes many teachers do not know their business. The teacher needs to know how to organize a school, he needs to gain power so that he may influence their minds and hearts, and third, the teacher's work consists in teaching.

Teaching consists, first, in instruction—building up mind and character, by building in knowledge. Second, teaching consists in training; there is a difference between instruction and training; illustrated by the piano. Third, Teaching consists in *testing*. Work is never complete until it has been tried. All these points imply a very thorough study of the child. Col. Parker says "The study of a little child is the grandest study in which a man ever engaged. A second aim should be to know means and methods of its accomplishment. This implies knowing the branches taught. Is our knowledge full and exhaustive? A college president said that many teachers do not know their subjects; that his teacher did not know Latin, and grubbed it out day by day. If the teachers here do this, they are hardly prepared for their work. A teacher is not a teacher who has not studied the principle of teaching. As an illustration, he mentioned mind—is developed by self-activity. The teacher's business is not to do the pupil's work. If you want to go fast with a child, pick him up and carry him; if you want to teach him to walk, wait on his toddling steps. He has said to pupils of his own when they came to him for help, 'Go get your dinner, and I'll eat it for you.' But teachers must not go too far; it is a very nice point to discriminate between carrying and leading pupils. There is a middle ground; each must find it for himself.

There is a natural order of mental development; teachers often try to train faculties that have not yet budded. Teachers should know methods of teaching. A method of teaching is a series of teaching acts tending to specific end.

Music—No. 72 again, Prof. Excell being assisted as before by Miss Ada Knepper, on the piano.

MONDAY EVENING SESSION.

Lecture—by T. T. Everett, D. D.—Subject—"The Winning Side of Life."

Opened by Music from Prof. E. O. Excell, "The Captain's Daughter," after which Prof. Weller introduced Dr. T. T. Everett, on "The Winning Side of Life," who said:

"A French soldier was crossing the Desert of Sahara accompanied by a single Arab, persisted on the single score of duty. The guide, encouraged him saying they would be there in an hour. The hour went by, and the guide said he had been deceived but that two hours would bring them to their journey's end, but when that had passed and the soldier fell upon the sand, the Arab once more encouraged him by saying that five hours would bring the goal. The soldier pushed on, and when five hours had passed he fell apparently dying on the sands, but the Arab lifted him to his shoulders and showed him almost at their feet a beautiful lacustrine oasis. So with men, though they faint and die, some of them they fall on "the winning side."

"The musician never gets out of the instrument the chords that exist in his own soul. A Marquis said, as his message to a young man 'tell him to realize his ideals.' The man that aims at a barn door will never hit the weather cock, and a fickle man will not even hit the barn door. No work of God has ever been a failure. St. Francis Xavier dying alone was not a failure. The great apostle of the Gentiles dying in a Roman amphitheatre was not a failure. The life of the carpenter of Nazareth—who shall call it a failure. Empty this community or country of the men that commenced poor, save in character and you destroy—paralyze the community.

"A few years ago John W. Forney was engaged in conversation with a Western Senator, watching a surging crowd when the Senator asked 'where are our leaders coming from?' Forney replied 'coming out of the mind, where they always come from.' Leaders as a class are never ashamed of lowly origin if he forges his way to a great and glorious destiny, on the contrary they are proud of their origin. Harry G. Davis, worth 10 millions of money was at a dinner with Gen. Sherman and Simon Cameron, when the General began telling of the time when he was a young, inexperienced lieutenant in the army. 'Is it possible,' said Davis, 'that you were ever so?' 'Why, yes,' said Sherman, 'and about the same time you were a brakeman on the road you now own.' 'What do you think of that, Cameron?' said Davis. "About that time,' said Cameron, 'I was sawing cordwood for a living.'

The Archbishop of Canterbury said in my hearing. 'Success must be the boy's resolve ere it can be the man's reward.' Men who stand the highest began the lowest. Instanced by David C. Broderick who fought his way from a bar-keeper to a seat in the U. S. Senate. The peer of Fessenden, Blaine, Cameron, Sumner, Toombs, Houston, Bob Toombs, in a passage at arms with him said, 'Sir, you are an arsenal of political chain-lightning and a magazine of anti-slavery gunpowder. The worst element of California was roused against him. He said "I will stand by the old flag and the Government of our fathers.' They met in secret session and doomed him to assassination. He told J. W. Forney, 'John, I am going home to be killed but I shall never abate one jot of my duty.' On the 13th of the following September he fell mortally wounded in a combat with Terry. The people arose *en masse*, and his name stands on the high galaxy of fame first among the foremost, and Logan has added his name to it.

There are a great many visionary people in the world, usually quite harmless. I am always reminded by them of Swift's famous school containing 500 students and every one an idiot. The men that have made the great inventions and discoveries have been considered chimerical and visionary. Columbus Franklin, Morse and many others all faced this indictment. So did the men that made great war ships 600 feet long, 10,000 tons burden, and the great printing presses running off 25,000 impressions in an hour. What took these men through? Grit—only grit. A man who sets out to do a thing determined to do it or die—he never dies—he always does it. A young man had business on Staten Island, but found the boat gone and a heavy storm blowing in from the Atlantic. He with difficulty hired a boat and made his way through the storm and reached Staten Island. That man was Cornelius Vanderbilt, and in telling the story he used to say, 'That's the kind of nerve that pulled me through.' An ambitious man often has to tear himself up by the roots and seek new soil if he would get on "the winning side."

Some men think they have cheated God because they have cheated somebody else. There was never a more dangerous error, but it is found in every community. The brightest angel in God's paradise cannot do more than his best. A man's success must be measured by what he honestly endeavors to do, and not by what somebody else has done. Good habits mould a man's character and shape his destiny. The man that sells peanuts or bananas must be as honest as the man that sells money or securities in a bank on Wall street. A man taught that we should teach by example. He undertook to show how gun powder scintillates in the fire. He took his boy to the kitchen, heated up the range and poured a canister of powder into the fire. Result, a general scintillation.

The doctrine of Confiscation, or a general distribution of property will up the foundations of American Society. So long as there is not a general equality of brains there can be none of property. Because the rich may have less is no reason that the poor will have more. A grand distribution would only give about fifty cents a day. The man that makes fifty cents a day has no grievance. 60,000 men avowed this doctrine in the candidacy of Henry George. When these men deny that they preach this doctrine they tell what is not true. The country gets a large divided from the capitalists of the country. The man who has a million of money has made many millions. Let every man be the architect of his own fortune.

The man described as the Jack of all Trades may be very handy to have about the house, but he can never be a success. But this is very different from trying different occupations. A man tried different occupations till he went into textile fabrics in Philadelphia, and to-day is worth two millions of dollars. Out of this grows the specialist. The lawyers take some certain branch of the profession as a specialty. So in Medicine, so in Theology. Men now go to some school, instead of studying with some minister. A young preacher electrified his audience by saying, 'And now brethren we have arrived at that point in the history of Jonah when he spent three days in—the whale's society.' For solid cash men will make any sacrifice in the world. Shelley once said 'Hell was a city very much like London.' Many men have gone to London to make money, and a great many more have gone to the other place. A very poor man in London thought he had one garme nt to pawn, and was offered three-pence for it, and took the money and bought a meat pie, a dog stole the pie and the man said 'Well, thank God, I've got my appetite left, anyhow.'

Speculators become no fewer, notwithstanding the number of failures. They resemble the vast army that, when it came to a river the rear ranks forced the front ones into the current and the rear forced their way over on their bodies. Keeping out of debt is simply doing without things and is an excellent means of judging of a man's character.

Don't be a lobster. When a lobster is thrown high and dry among the rocks, he never tries to work himself off. There are many human lobsters. Hard words break no bones. There's hope for any man that can face a failure. When D. Israeli rose in parliament to make his maiden speech a brutal member made a spit ball and threw it at the curled locks that "Dizzy" used to carry. He drew himself up and said, 'You will not hear me now, but the day will come when I'll not only make you hear me but I'll make you follow me.' Forty years after the prediction was fulfilled.

Treat men kindly—welcome them. A man went into an undertaker's shop and came out looking very mad. 'Why' said a friend 'hasn't he treated you right.' 'No' was the reply, 'I left him an order for a $35 funeral, and he never asked me to come back again.'

No man ever got on the "Winning Side of Life" without a woman.

I am ordained; if you bachelors will get married I'll perform the ceremony and throw in 50 cents for cash. I have heard of a young man who called upon his girl, and coming home carefully put his silk umbrella to bed and stood himself in the corner all night.

A young man about to be married made a mistake and committed the sin of Baptism; when he was asked, 'Do you take this woman to be your wedded wife?' responded, 'I solemnly renounce them all.' The minister said, 'Sir, I really think you an idiot.' To which the young fellow replied, "All this I firmly believe."

Woman has a "winning side" to her life. Give girls the same chance to make a success that you give boys. Any place without love in it, isn't fit for the occupancy of the devil himself. But some people will quarrel under any circumstances. I am reminded of the story of Pat and Bridget:

They quarreled on all occasions. One night the first time for years their cabin looked like heaven. The dog and cat came in and lay down, quietly and Pat spoke of it. 'Sure your comparison is not fair' said Bridget 'Tie them together and see how they'll act.' Story of Eginhard and Emma daughter of Charlamagne—She carried her lover through the snow and Charlamagne gave her in marriage to Eginhard, said he in the words of Longfellow:

"Thus I pay to you the debt I owe,
And cover up the footprints in the snow."

Music by Prof. Excell, Song—"The Old Arm Chair."

TUESDAY MORNING SESSION.

Institute called 9 A. M., opened by Music No. 56. "Bringing in the Sheaves," led by Prof. Excell, Devotional Exercise by Prof. Noss, 24, chapter 1st James. Prayer. Music. Being firstly practice on the scale a considerable amount of amusement was evolved, and some very good singing was done; No. 48, Excell's collection, "My Heavenly home is fair." Minutes of previous meeting were read by Secretary W. H. Cover. There being no corrections approved.

Executive committee:
J. C. Spelcher, Levi Lichliter, G. M. Baker.
Committee on Resolutions:
J. D. Muse, J. F. Dively, J. A. Berkey.

Remarks under head of Miscellaneous business, by A. C. Holbert, J. D. Meese, and Levi Lichliter. After which Prof. Thos. B. Noss continued the subject of Geography, the opinion of the institute as indicated by Holbert and Lichliter in reply to questions from Prof. Noss, being that lessons in Geography should be commenced in the very first year of the child at school. A book should not be placed in the hands of the pupil under the third year. The child, in the introductory lessons should not be conscious of a plan of work but there must be a plan in the mind of the teacher. The first lesson may be on form. Prof. Noss took up the cube, cylinder and sphere to illustrate object lessons on form. Lines would come next, and position should be taught, as perpendicular, horizontal and others. A college president said that he succeeded in his teaching in direct proportion as he was elementary; but there is danger of being too elementary. From this the elementary ideas of Geometry may be fixed on the mind of the pupil. Size would come next, Color next, and color is perhaps as important a subject as falls within the province of the teacher. He would sell out his knowledge of the details of Geography for more knowledge of colors. His work on microscopic map details cost him weeks of labor, and might have cost him the right use of his eyes.

Teachers of years ago seemed bent on making their pupils take every thing clean; (Dr. Findley thinks some of them turned out pretty lusty boys after all), Prof. Noss said the boy turned out something in spite of the bad methods and not because of them. Plants next. Animals next. What plants furnish us food from roots, leaves, stems? etc. What animals furnish benefit to us from thin covering, thier skins, flesh? etc. These were furnished as illustrations not as models. Next would come instruction as to the form, size, &c., of the earth, and the directions on the maps.

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STEARN—SHAULIS.—. December 21st, at the Lutheran parsonage in Somerset by Rev. J. F. Shearer. Mr. Noah H. Stearn and Miss Annie C. Shaulis, both of near Somerset.

DIED.

GEISEL.—Dec. 20, 1886, near Hooversville, Pa., Curtis S. son of Simon P. and Mary Geisel, age 6 years 7 months and 26 days. Text: Mark 10:14.

CUSTER.—Mrs. Sarah Custer, was born March 17, 1812, Died Dec. 20, 1886, age 74 years, 9 months and 3 days. Mrs. Custer has been a member of the Lutheran church of Stoystown for many years. She united with the Lutheran church of Berlin many years ago. She is the mother of 9 children, her husband and 2 children have preceded her to the spirit world. The funeral services were conduted by the pastor in the Lutheran church of Stoystown on the 22d of Dec.

GIFFIN.—Huldah Giffin, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Giffin a mile west of Stoystown. Huldah was born June 5, 1868, died Dec. 11, 1886, aged 18 years, 6 months and 6 days. Huldah was held in high esteem by the neighbors and friends, which was shown in acts of kindness by the many who came to see her and ministered to her wants, and especially the immense concourse of people who were present at the funeral which was conducted by her pastor, Rev. A. Sell at the Lutheran church of Stoystown on the 12th of Dec. She was a great sufferer during the last week or more of her life, but she bore it all with christian fortitude and without a murmur or complaint, until she fell

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