WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, 1897.

### Legislative Appointments.

On the re-assembling of the legislature at Harrisburg last week the minor officers of both houses were announced, some of which are as follows: Senate-Transcribing Clerks, G. W. Oster, W. C. Hagan; Sergeant-at-arms, T. Lally Eyre; Assistant Sergeants at Arms, A. T. Moorehead, John Cake; Postmaster, John Selders; Doorkeeper, J. K. Billingsley; Assistant Doorkeepers, George M. Baker, Elridge Snyder; Messen ger, Alexander KcKee, Assistant Messenger, Adolph Beyerlin; Superintendent of folding room, James McGinnis; Pasters and Folders, Charles R. Deitz, Jones Huber, Granville Aubie, Logan Schall, George H. Snyder, W. M. Brown.

In the House-Reading Clerk, Fred W. Fleitz, of Lackawanns; Message Clerk, A. J. Zeth, of Bedford; Bill Book Clerk, J. F. Austin, of Erie; Transcribing Clerks, Henry M. Eston, of Erie; James D. Davis, of Forest; S. L. Mull, of Lycoming; D. H. Fee, of Washington; Sergeautat-Arms, Joseph Wytt, of Schuvlkill: Assistant Sergeants-at-Arms, E. C. M. Rawlins, of Philadelphia; Washington L. Hershey, of Lancaster; William R. Seffery, of Luzerne; T. L. Snyder, of Clearfield; Postmaster, Robert P. Pomeroy; Chief Doorkeeper, Colonel Theodore J. Burchfield, of Blair; Assistant Postmaster, W. W. Fiscus of Armstrong; Assistant Doorkeepers, Samuel Glassmoyer, of Berks; H. G. Dunbrow, of Chester; J. H. Vailes, of Susquebanna; J. B. Jacobs, of Venango; Doorkeeper of Rotunds, Lawrence F. Smith, of Perry ; Messenger, Cline years. Morris; Assistant Messengers, Henry L. Walker, of Somerset; W. H. Johnson, of Allegheny; R. H. Hoy, of Philadelphia; Superintendent of Folding Room, Joseph Johnson, of Beaver.

### The Extra Session of Congress.

President Cleveland, before concluding his official labors as President, will issue a proclamation summoning the new United States Senate to executive session to meet on the 4th of March next. This is always done by a retireing President to enable his successor to nominate his Cabinet and fill such other appointments as may be deemed necessary in starting upon his great work. It would be obviously indelicate for a new Cabinet to enter upon its duties without confirmation by the Senate. This executive session of the Senate can consider only nominations and treaties; it cannot take up any legislative measures.

It is understood that one of President McKinley's first acts after his inauguartion will be to summon Congress in extra session about the middle | the many kinds of machinery which have of March. As it is generally known that an extra session will be called, Congress could as readily meet in ten days after the inauguration as at a later period. All appreciate the importance of having an extra session meet as early as possible, since it has been decided that such a session is is that so many of our young women do

The new administration transfers the national authority from Democratic to Republican control, and it logically involves some important changes in the policy of the national government. As the tariff entered largely into the last campaign, it is expected that tariff revision will be one of the features of the new administration, and if any material tariff revision is to come at all, the sooner it is accomplished the better it will be for the business interests of the country. tion, there will be more or less paralyais in business and industrial inter-Congress meets and the sooner it disposses of the tariff issue, the sooner itself to the new conditions .- Phila. many other important walks in life. Times, Dem.

THE fact that the deficit is about \$90,000 a day is tempered by the repeople will have to stand it is taper- bare articles of necessity, ing off beautifully.

teed a painless death. It is not every one who dies from natural causes who made painless.

THE official statement of exports and imports for December shows very clearly that the wave of prosperity is steadily approaching, and that the beginning of Republican rule is all that is needed to bring about a rapid restoration of the country's former prosperity.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

them taught how to use it.

Allow each member of the family the privilege of thinking and acting a little for himself. Give the family a holiday occasionally as well as taking one your seeing as well as taking one your action of the country's former prosperity.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

There are numerous R. R. excursions which are in themselves great educators; if patronized the family will become somewhat familiar with travelling which are in themselves great educators; if patronized the family will become somewhat familiar with travelling which are in themselves great educators; if patronized the family will become somewhat familiar with travelling which are in themselves great educators; if patronized the family will become somewhat familiar with travelling which are in themselves great educators; if patronized the family will become somewhat familiar with travelling which are in themselves great educators; if patronized the family will become somewhat familiar with travelling which is "as good as a feast,"

Happy would we cach one be if we could say with Shakespear's shepherd. "Sir, I am a true laborer, I carn what I happy would we cach one be if we could say with Shakespear's shepherd. "Sir, I am a true laborer, I carn what I happy would we cach one be if we could say with Shakespear's shepherd. "Sir, I am a true laborer, I carn what I happy would we cach one be if we could say with Shakespear's shepherd. "Sir, I am a true laborer, I carn what I happy would we cach one be if we could say with Shakespear's shepherd. "Sir, I am a true laborer, I carn what I happy would we cach one be if we could say with Shakespear's shepherd. "Sir, I am a true laborer, I carn what I happy wonld we cach one be if we could say with Shak perity. -St. Louis Globs-Democrat. well as affording recreation for the pres- vant.

The Election of Senator Penrose.

The formal election of a United States Senator by the Pennsylvania legislature took place on Tuesday of last week, resulting in the choice of State Senator Boies Penrose, of Philadelphia, the Pepublican caucus nom prove the appearance of the individual ince. The vote was as follows: In the Senate-Penrose, 42; Chauncey Moore of Chester county bolting the officer, Lieut, Gov. Lyon, declared the official result as 210 for Penrose, 39 for Black, and 1 for Wanamaker, and signed the certificate of election of Mr. Penrose.

ENGLAND is reminded by the famine and plague in India that an empire with its roots in every part of the world is subject to great cares along you accordingly. Few persons care to with its great possessions.

THE queen's speech shows that lady's mind, but she manifests no inclination of turning over to Albert Edward the cares of the British Em-

victory last year, but they can see in the vigorous growth of their party the coming regeneration of two great states, and when it comes it will stay.

JOHN SHERMAN'S career shows that a man need not be President in order to make American history of the highest importance. A President lasts eight years at the outside, while Sherman's tenure has been over forty

Essay Read by Mrs. T. E. Armstrong at Farmers' Institute.

SOCIABILITY IN COUNTRY LIFE. He who has not spent at least a part of his life in the country has missed one of the greatest means of happiness a loving Heavenly Father has to bestow on His children.

It is there we sit on the lap of Mother Nature and study her beauties and delve among her secret treasures and cull from her every source gems of rarest beauty and design; and as we drink in the notes of the sweetest songsters, or listen to the low murmer of the pebbly brook as it hurries along, or wander in the deep shadows of the forest it seems fitting that we should thank God for placing us in such a pleasant part of the universe.

But, it has been apparent for many years that there is a growing discontent among farmers and farmers' families, for, no matter how great may be the moral, physical and financial benefits derived from a life on the farm there still remains the desire to associate more with their fellow-beings and to be in closer touch with what they consider the more fortunate portion of our population, i. e., those who reside in city or town.

It is true there are not so many persons needed now on the farm to do the work as were required a quarter of a century ago. This is due in a great measure to been invented for the farmer's benefit. What formerly required several persons weeks to accomplish may now be done in as many days. This is specially true of the harvest season; hence the boys, yes and girls too, rush off to seek their fortunes elsewhere.

One other reason why so many of our young men are anxious to leave the farm not consider farmers sons so desirable for life partners as are the young men reared in town. This is a false idea; for whatever may be lacking in the "rubbed finish" of the man will generally be overbalanced by his sterling integrity, correct idea of morals, his industrious habits usually acquired with life on the farm. While he may not be able to discuss the latest plays or the newest figures cut on the waxed floor of the dancing hall, there is no reason under the sun why his better self may not be as well

cultivated as his city cousin. It is a well known fact that country boys and girls are capable of filling important positions both in the trades and professions. I have in mind a little With tariff changes inevitable, as long country church which in a few years sent as the specific changes are in supposi- out nine of her sons to preach the gospel, some of which are now filling important pulpits in N. Y. and Philadelphia, and one is a professer in one of our leading ests of the country until the question Penn's colleges. I can name a great is disposed of, and the earlier the new many farmers' daughters who stand high in the medical profession, on the lecture platform, as public singers, as music teachers, as principals of schools, as can the business of the country adjust nurses, as milliners, and in fact in a great

There are some country people who have an idea that magazines, books, papers, and music are not intended for the inhabitants of the rural districts, and consider it of no use for them to waste flection that the number of days the either time or money on anything but the

Would you have your sons and daughters grow to be intelligent, refined men and women provide them with good MURDERERS will belong to a pri- books; subscribe for a good magazine or may contract habits which will blast vileged class when they are guaran- two and some other papers besides the lo- their lives for all time. cal paper which of course should be in every house in the land. Teach them to sing, furnish them with a good musifinds his way into the next world cal instrument of some kind and have

them taught how to use it.

ent, and the point to which the excursion usually runs is likly to be of more than local importance, but beware of the Sabbath excursion which is one of the great

evils of this fast age in which we live. Dress yourself and family as well as your means will allow, "Clothes don't make the man" or woman but they Im-

very much after be is made. When you go to town don't stint your wife or child in the price of a decent hat F. Black, 6; Senator Penrose did not that you may have the other 50 cents with vote, and Senator B. B. Mitchell of which to lay in a stock of tobies suffi-Bradford was absent on account of cient to last you till your next visit to town and then wonder why she, whom sickness. In the House-Penrose, you have chosen from the whole world as 168; Black, 33; Wanamaker 1, your help-meet doesn't look as trig as some other women you have seen. Just think of the fact that you are sending up Republican ticket. On Wednesday in smoke that which would have added the Senate and House met in joint materially to her appearance and that session, and the journals of each you are also polluting the air which she branch was read, and the presiding of necessity must inhale as she sits or walks by your side.

And now a word to the feminine poron of the household.

When you select a hat or dress or whatever the article may be, don't choose the cheap, gaudy, high colored acticles which you will find displayed conspicuously. but take a little time and select a quieter color and a better quality and have it neatly made and when you come to wear the article you will have more respect for yourself and other people will respect associate with a woman dressed so she resembles a walking circus bill-board.

Interest yourself in what is going or there are heaps of trouble on the old around you. Pay a little attention to the birds and bees and smaller insects; you will be surprised how much you can learn from their habits and the time will be well spent. Find out the names of the numerous plants and flowers which abound on every farm, and which are THE Republicans of Virginia and noxious and which useful, their imporlennessee were cheated out of their tance to the medical world and various things of interest about them.

But what has this to do with "Sociability in Country Life?" Just this! We are each one created for some mission in life and are only able to occupy our place in society when we have improved the talents God has given us. Our moral, physical and intellectual lives must be cultivated and developed before we can expect to become important factors in se

sibility is necessary to bring about a better state of society, and a better condition for the individual members of it.

How may cordiality in the country be promoted?

A deeper feeling of individual respon-

1st. Be sensible. Make your home attractive. When I say attractive I do not mean expensively built or furnished; but make the best of the means Providence has given you, and thus you will be silently but powerfully influencing the lives of all who come in contact with

Don't be afraid to entertain. Invite your nieghbors in to spend a part of a day and take dinner with you. You have an abundance of everything that is good and in its best condition with which to supply your table, and to take off ones wraps and visit a few heurs seems so much more satisfactory than are the short formal calls which fashion has decreed are the proper thing in town. Think of a woman making from twelve to twenty calls in a single afternoon and then terming it sociability.

And the men-welt what man would care to accompany his wife on a round of this kind.

2nd. Be sociable. If you have friends THE KACT or acquaintances in the city or large town don't fail to livite them to spend a few days at your country home in the course days at your country home in the course of the year. It will not add materially to your labors and expenses and will be to your labors and expenses and will be so much appreciated by those whose lives are so crowded and crushed in the bustle and whirl of the city, and who perhaps never had a ride except on the street GROCERIES, PROVISION.

I recall a party of girls from the city who spent a few weeks at our farm home one summer when I was a girl who said they had never enjoyed anything so much as horseback riding along the quiet country roads and in the fields and woods and in exploring a coal mine near by all such simple ways all of which were new and instructive to them and meanwhile they were brightening our quiet home by their presence.

Then there are city people who would enjoy a visit to the country in winter, for sleighriding in the city is a luxury and one has to possess a well-filled purse to be able to patronize a city livery stable.

The city friends won't forget your kindness but will be only too happy to invite you to visit their homes and thus afford you an opportunity to see some of the sights with which you are not familiar. Thus, in bringing happiness to

them you bring happiness to yourself. 3rd. Be sociable. Let the young folks have lots of pienies and boating parties if near a stream and sleighing parties in the winter.

The ladies might meet with their work such as sewing, knitting and crocheting and fancy work, yes, and mending and talk while they work and thus break up

the monotony of a quiet country life. 4th. Be sociable. In one farming community with which I am familiar the diffferent families took turns at entertaining all the other families of the neighborhood, one eve each week They had music, games and interesting selections read each eye, a plain supper or lunch was always served and the whole winter filled with sociability, for each eve was

pleasanter than the preceding one. Revive the old fashioned spelling bees and reading circles both of which are entertaining and instructive.

Let the young people meet together often at your home and thus counteract the tendency of the boys to go where their morals may be corrupted and where they

Above all learn to be contented with your station in life. "It is the heart that makes a man rich. He is rich or poor according to what he is, not according to what he has," Be content with enough

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