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Notice. All accounts due this office before the first of next month will confer a favor by calling on the undersigned and settling the same.

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Items of Local Interest.

The Cleveland Leader estimates the population of that city at 65,000. Mr. Sherman, of the famous Sherman Wall, has purchased the residence occupied by J. L. Carver, and designs becoming a permanent resident of our city.

The Connecticut Board favors the location of the next State Fair at Erie. It thinks "there is no more eligible and beautiful point in the State for such an exhibition." At a special meeting of the Board on Wednesday evening of last week, a resolution was adopted to pay each man drafted from the city in the last conscription, who went into the service or sent a substitute, the sum of \$100.

The ball of Eagle Fire Company, in National Hall, on the evening of New Year's day, promises to be a very successful affair. The tickets are going off like hot cakes, and the Eagle "boys" are full confident of having one of the largest and most brilliant dances of the season.

Messrs. Kelsey, Disenbacher and others are erecting near the Little Cascade an ice house measuring 75 by 180 feet, being probably the largest frame building in the county. They intend that our citizens shall not suffer for want of ice during future seasons.

If we are to judge by the number of notices in the Corry Telegraph and Girard Union a sort of matrimonial epidemic must be raging in the vicinity of those towns. An extraordinary number of fatal cases have been chronicled within the last few weeks.

Certain young men in New York have formed an "Anti-Matrimonial Society," and will not marry until young ladies become economical. -Exchange.

Unhappy young men; they are doomed to celibacy for life. The religious exercises, peculiar to the Catholic denomination, and known as the "Jubilee," are now in progress in St. Patrick's church. They commenced on last Sabbath a week, and will last until next Sabbath.

The Miltonian Tablet which lately exhibited here is now at Harrisburg. One would think that "Satan" appeared on the scene "in the midst" of that community, in the shape of a Legislature and political conventions, that the citizens would not have a special curiosity in seeing any more of him.

We are pleased to hear that the Young Men's Christian Association have revived their project of establishing a free library in our city. Subscriptions are being solicited from our wealthy residents for that purpose, and several liberal gentlemen have contributed \$500 a piece.

The Tidbits Chronicle says the oil excitement in that locality is on the increase. Speculators are flooding there from every part of the land, and operations in property have become as vigorous as in the palm days of 1861.

Mr. Fay, the professed spiritualist, whose exhibitions in this city, a couple years ago, and the subsequent exposure by a reverend gentleman from Titusville, will be remembered by many of our readers, has himself turned out an exposé of the tricks he formerly performed, and is giving lectures on the subject in New York.

Mr. Nellie Eyster, of Harrisburg, a favorite contributor of ours when we were a publisher in that city, has written a holiday work, which the Lancaster Intelligencer pronounces "the best little book for boys and girls that we have seen for a long time." Mr. E. is a writer of rare talent, and only needs the opportunity to take his place among the most popular authoresses of the country.

A professed observer remarks: "I have often noticed at public entertainments, that when there is anything to be seen, and everybody wishes particularly to see it, everybody immediately stands up, and effectually prevents anybody from seeing anything." A single evening at Farrar Hall will give you any one of the truth of what he says.

The chairman of the committee in Congress on the District of Columbia, is Hon. K. C. Ingersoll, of Florida, Ill., who is well known in this city. The New York Post claims that Mr. Ingersoll is in favor of negro suffrage in the District. From what we have been given to understand of his sentiments, we judge the Post to be wrongly informed.

The Commissioner of Internal Revenue decides that "receipts for a check, note, draft or order, when received as the payment of a sum of money, or of a debt exceeding \$20, are subject to a stamp duty the same as a receipt for money paid."

On Saturday last week, Judge Church, of Meadville, had his pockets picked at the Corry depot, losing \$420 and a valuable gold chain.

The Connecticut Record states that "P. P. Koehler, formerly a merchant in that place, but for the past year doing business in Meadville, failed a couple of weeks since, under liabilities estimated at about \$30,000." His store is in the hands of the Sheriff. Koehler has left for parts unknown, and much gossip has arisen out of the affair.

A universal complaint prevails over the country of the scarcity of dwellings. It is not confined, as some suppose, to the larger places. There is not a little town in our country in which houses are not in demand. People and it hard to account for this state of facts, and the speculations on the subject are many. We attribute it, first, to the astonishing prosperity of the North; and second, to the large number of returned soldiers who enlisted from the country, but finding their tastes changed by service in the army, prefer taking up their residence in the towns to going back to quiet farm life.

It is a curious feature about certain people

that they are always allowing to the obsequies of the most disagreeable to their acquaintance. If a person is fat, they will be sure to say, every time they meet him, "Why, how stout you are getting? I declare it would be very unpleasant to you." - Just as if the fact of one's obesity was not palpable to himself and unpleasant enough without having attention called to the same. If he is lean, or has a blemish on his person, or is pale, or has faded, they invariably allude to the fact, and generally in such a manner as to make the ill-fated individual a dozen times more susceptible to his misfortune than he would otherwise be. It is a pity that people of this class could not now and then be "brought up with a round term" that would teach them to see themselves "as others see them." Unconsciously and unintentionally, perhaps, they are the cause of a very considerable amount of unhappiness. Perhaps if they were to be rebuked upon occasionally as a boy of our acquaintance did on one of his excursions, they would come to a realizing sense of their mischievous habit. "Bob," said the latter, "what an ugly sight you've got; wouldn't you like to trade it off?" "Well, yes," responded Bob, "I don't know Jakes, but I might trade it off, but not for that ugly hook nose of yours!" Jakes had nothing more to say on the eye question.

Out of about 800 male citizens over the age of twenty years, Philadelphia has only a few more than a hundred who are qualified by the State laws to vote and hold office. The recent local election there was somewhat exciting, and though the votes of persons not qualified to exercise the elective franchise were of no legal avail, they decided at least to give an "expression of opinion." Accordingly two voting places were opened; the one regular and the other irregular. At the latter 646 votes were cast, and at the former only 112, notwithstanding which the persons who received a majority at the regular ball are the ones who will be called upon to serve.

The next meeting of the Erie Co. Teachers' Association will be held in Harbor Creek, on the 24 and 25 days of January. In answer to several inquiries from teachers, we will say that no request was made of us to publish the programme of proceedings. Whether this was merely an oversight, or due to the political character of the managers, we leave to those better acquainted with the circumstances to decide.

Tompkins' band continues to be the favorite for dancing parties throughout all this section of the State. Its services are in steady demand, and we have yet to hear the first whisper of dissatisfaction against it. John Tompkins, the leader, is a "brick," and his band is an "institution" which the amusement loving portion of the people would not willingly do without.

A boy named John Johnson, aged about 15 years, was instantly killed upon the Pottsville and Erie R. E. last week. "He was coming in on a coal train, and as it passed near his dwelling it is supposed he jumped off to save walking back from the depot. The train passed directly over his body, nearly covering it in train."

At the recent local election in Pottsville, Roger Sherman, Esq., received 302 votes for School Director. Follies have little influence there, and men are judged by their personal merit, and we are pleased to see that the citizens of Pottsville place the high estimate upon Mr. Sherman in this respect that he deserves.

The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has decided that all letters acknowledging the payment of any sum of money of \$20 and upward must bear the two cent revenue stamp the same as ordinary business receipts.

We are gratified to learn that a well in which Jas. C. Marshall, Esq., of this city, is interested, situated on the St. Clair property, Kennebec, C. W., commenced flowing a hundred barrels of oil per day on the 6th inst. At all there sells at \$8 per barrel in gold, the striking of this well makes a sang little thing for Mr. Marshall.

We trust our citizens will not forget the Fair for the benefit of St. Vincent Hospital, to be held in Farrar Hall, on Friday evening the 22d inst., and continuing until Saturday evening of next week. The object to be promoted recommends it to the patronage of all.

We see in the list of prominent men named, in the Tribune as among the arrivals in New York city, the name of "Judge R. Ross, of Erie." There must be a mistake somewhere. We know of no Judge by that name residing in this city.

A young woman employed in the family of B. Z. Smith, on Myrtle street, fell down the cellar stairs, on Tuesday forenoon, and injured herself severely. Her arm was badly broken near the wrist, and her hand out in several places. Her parents live in McKean township.

The next lecture of the course will be delivered on Wednesday evening next, the 27th inst., by John B. Gough.

A social party, under the management of Messrs. M. Hoggan and M. Sweeney, will be held at National Hall, on Friday evening, December 29th. The parties in charge are determined that it shall not be surpassed by any of the season.

Several communications intended for this issue were obliged to be held over to next week.

The School Board advertises for a Principal to take charge of one of the ward schools.

Cucumber Pickles in brine, by the half barrel or hundred, at Goff's, 515 French Street.

Barren Church. - The expense of refitting this edifice, up to the present date, has been \$11,025 55, of which the sum of \$8,773 has been raised, leaving nearly \$2,250 of debt still to be provided for. Of the amount of \$4,000 was contributed by a single member of the society, Mr. W. J. P. Liddell, of the Erie City Iron Works. About a thousand dollars are still to be expended in overhauling the outside of the church with mastic next spring, and erecting a fence, making a total debt on the church will be comparatively small, and the congregation are determined that it shall be liquidated in as brief a time as possible. The sum expected to be realized from the sale of slips is about two thousand dollars for the next year, which will more than cover all the expenses. We know of few more timely, convenient and pleasant forms of worship than our Baptist friends now possess, and they have abundant reason for the pride they feel in it.

Our preceding business duties prevented us from attending the dedication ceremony, on Wednesday and Friday of last week, which, we are informed, were remarkably interesting. The examination of the pastor of the congregation, Rev. M. R. Balbridge, recorded in a unanimous vote in favor of his ordination - a fact quite complimentary to him, and which we are happy to give to our readers.

Cucumber Pickles in vinegar, put up in kegs, at Goff's, 515 French St.

THE LATE MARY ANN BURNETT.

Mr. Burnett was well known in the southern portion of our county, to any particular reference to his death will be read with great interest by his friends there. The manner in which he met his end is thus detailed by the Freedom Advocate:

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