

MIFFLINTOWN, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 1889.

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HAVANS are having a war among themselves.

A somewhat shaven face and long hair is the coming fashion for men.

The Chinese claim that they used sugar 3000 years ago in China.

The Kings of Europe say, this is to be a year of peace among them.

In Lancaster county in 1888, 1026 marriage licenses were granted.

Is there to be or not to be an inauguration ball? That's the question.

MARRIAGE: The Monroe Doctrine a living issue is a question talked about in Congress.

McKean county people propose that whipping in their public schools shall no longer be tolerated.

Prominent members of the colored race express a desire that President Harrison should place a colored man in his cabinet.

The annual statements of railroads show that the companies in 1888 had net money. The cause is ascribed to retained rates.

The largest corn crib reported in Nebraska is 400 feet long, 42 feet wide and 12 feet deep, and holds 25,000 bushels.

In the past 30 years drunkenness has decreased; in the past 30 years crime has increased four fold according to statistics of Mr. Vines.

The eclipse of the Sun was so complete at Helena, Mont., on the 1st inst., that chickens went to roost and lamps were lighted in doors.

ALEXANDRIA, PENNSYLVANIA, White Caps have been sending notices of warning and now rewards are offered for information that will lead to the identification of the White Caps.

The latest weather prophet hail from New York, and he predicts an open winter, because the Indians in the Northwest are selling the blankets that Government gave them.

The eclipse of the Sun was total in the Rocky mountain region on the 1st inst., but here in Juniata the Sun went down too early to catch even a glimpse of the shadow through a smoked glass.

The question of the annexation of Canada is talked at Washington. It is a little premature. By and by Canada will drop into the lap of Uncle Sam like a ripe apple. Wait till the fruit is ripe.

Governor Hill of New York, in his recent message to the Legislature says, that it is claimed that at least \$100,000 were expended in the 20th and 24th Congressional Districts, in York State during the late campaign. He asks for Legislative enactment against the use of money in elections.

NORWICH new or startling was observed by the Astronomer who viewed the eclipse of the Sun from the shadowed belt on the evening of the 1st inst. What astronomer now need a telescope of greater power than those in use; glasses that will bring the planets nearer to the earth.

All dogs in the town of Hilltown, Lancaster county have been tied, because a mad dog bit many dogs in that place. The dogs will remain tied a period of 30 days. A number of dogs in the town were bitten. It was a mad dog New Year scare, and the developments among dogs and dogs will be watched with great interest in that town.

Governor BEAVER'S recommendation to the Legislature to provide for submitting the amendments to the constitution, to a vote of the people next May or June, is heartily approved by all who have learned of the Governor's recommendation. The question would then be considered on its merits, entirely free from personal and party interests that are involved in elections to fill offices. Let us have the elections on the proposed amendments in May or June.

H. C. ARSWOOD, is the name of the American Consul in St. Domingo, who has had the covetous taste to ask the Dominican government to lease him the bones of Christopher Columbus, that he may show them in towns of the United States of America. He would guarantee to pay the Dominican government 50 per cent. of the bones show receipts, or no less than two hundred thousand dollars for the four years lease. Such a covetous man as Arswood should be recalled by the Washington Government.

The Keystone State gave almost 80,000 majority for the Republican ticket at the late election, but in the face of it all, the chairman of the Democratic State Committee has opened his head-quarters at Harrisburg, and declares his purpose to keep them open till the close of the campaign next fall. The chairman certainly is untried to the back bone, but the sober second thought people of this Commonwealth will likely look upon his open doors as the office of machine politics. Machine politics wherever it is known is in favor only among machine politicians.

Governor Beaver's Message.

Governor Beaver sent an able message to the Legislature, relative to the affairs of this Commonwealth, which he computes has a population of 3,000,000 people, and 1,000,000 voters less than the recommendations and blessings, but does not seek to create the impression that there are no evils to remedy.

The Legislature he considers as responsible for the laws to be enacted.

The several proposed amendments to the state constitution, he favors submitting to the people for their approval in the month of May or June.

He believes one mill of the personal property tax should be given to the assessment of towns and townships where collected.

On the question of the burdensome taxes on real estate he says: The real estate of the Commonwealth is valued in the various cities and counties thereof at rates varying from six mills, which is probably the highest, to twelve mills, which is probably the lowest. Admitting that the assessment made at little more than half the value of the real estate assessed in many localities, it is nevertheless true that we are allowing, under our present laws, the taxation of those lands at a rate such a burden at the rate of from six to thirty mills upon every dollar's worth of value, whilst we are allowing millages of corporate property to escape taxation altogether and imposing upon personal property, which yields greater returns than real estate, only from one half to one tenth of the burden of taxation borne by the latter. It is not therefore true that our farming population and the owners of modest homesteads have a right to complain? It is not also true, in our efforts to prevent money from seeking investment outside of the Commonwealth, we are driving men from home?

The State indebtedness unprovided for is \$4,676,313.95.

The Governor devotes considerable space of his message to the drawing of the attention of the Legislature to the subject of industrial education.

He speaks of the close of the Soldiers' Orphan School in 1890, and favors a continuance to 1895, after which time the Orphans remaining can be provided for in homes established and conducted by churches and charitable institutions.

In considering the Agriculture of this Commonwealth, he mentions the laws to prevent the spread of pleuro-pneumonia among cattle. In view of the fact that people of this State consume about 300,000,000 pounds of sugar every year, he deems it proper that the bounty of so much per pound be paid on every pound of sugar raised in the State.

He recommends the appointment of a Commission to revise and codify the laws, and to organize by the election of officers as follows:

SENATE: Chief Clerk, Russell Errett, of Allegheny. Journal Clerk, E. W. Smiley, Venango. Reading Clerk, Anthony Damon, McKean. Senate Librarian, J. C. Decker, Mercer.

HOUSE: Chief Clerk, George W. Green, of Butler. Superintendent of folding room, John H. Johnson, of Westmoreland. Pastors and folders, J. W. Moschell, of Allegheny; George W. Moschell, of Allegheny; Harry Morlette, of Cambria; Harris Richardson, of Huntingdon; James S. Woodwell, of Allegheny.

They are both instantaneous pictures—sun pictures, sketched by that wonderful instrument, the eye, and hung in that invisible picture-gallery—the "halls of memory." Between them a mad history intervenes. The first is a bright sketch, done in life some morning. It is a beautiful home, amid green lawns and shade trees, and gardens and conservatory are filled with choicest flowers. But its chief charm is its peace and quiet, its Christian master, with his bevy of beautiful children. The large manufactory across the way are the fountains of his wealth, and he has attained his highest position in the eyes of the citizens of his native State, yet never forgets that by industry, economy, integrity, and the blessing of God, he rose from poverty to his enviable position. The bright happy children are carefully trained in the ways of wisdom, while they enjoy all the advantages which abundant wealth affords.

The second picture is taken when the lengthening shadows proclaim that life's evening is approaching. We stand in the same spot, and are looking upon the original of the picture some many years ago. The lawn is green and velvet-like as before, the trees more beautiful, and the mansion handsome and well preserved, but the conservatory is filled with fading implements instead of rare exotics, and the garden with vegetables instead of flowers. And where is the soul of the home through all this section? The father has gone to the house of many mansions; the daughters occupy homes of their own, and care for the souls who have all fallen victims to the "halls of memory."

"Not all these fine boys, so well trained, and with such a father. Not Governor H's sons?"

"Yes; every one. Only one is living, and he no success. No matter how well boys are trained, they cannot venture abroad but temptations meet them at every turn. The failures of rich men's sons are largely in excess of the successes, and can never amount. The marvel is that any escape."

A pall hangs over the second picture, the reminder of "temples of God" prostrated and destroyed, and glorious possibilities wasted, and only

Neighboring News.

From Perry county papers: The loss of Landisburg and vicinity was killed last week by Jeremiah Keck. Weight 563 pounds.

Chas. N. McKeehan, of Centre county, killed a porcupine on the 17th ult., when C. B. Letter, a local butcher, stuffed a sausage that measured 50 feet, 7 inches.

Abraham S. Kitter, of Shermans township, was shot by a porcupine on the 17th ult. On last Monday night one of the young experts of this place on his way home became frightened at some curious object behind a willow tree, he started and ran very fast when he struck an obstacle in the path that threw him about fifteen feet, scaring him almost to death, but was not much hurt.

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An Interesting Fair and Festival.

The Post held an interesting and profitable fair and festival in their hall in this place, beginning Thursday evening, December 27, and closing Tuesday evening, January 1st, 1889.

Citizens in Tuscarora Valley as far west as McCoyville, and east as far as McAlisterville, and north and south as far as the mountains, manifested an interest in the veterans' fair and festival.

Every evening, chicken, oysters, ice cream, cake, sandwiches, coffee, and music were served.

A Turkey dinner was served on New Year's Day, of which 175 people partook.

A number of articles were voted and contested for a number of ways. A gold handled umbrella was contested for by railroad men, D. I. Cramer and Henry DeHuff of Patton.

Cramer's votes realized in cash \$33.75. Total cash for umbrellas votes, \$71.63. Considering the closeness of the vote and the large amount realized on it, DeHuff was treated with an umbrella similar to the one contested for.

Miss Annie Stambaugh and Miss Flora Reese were contestants for a lamp. The votes for Miss Stambaugh realized \$23.19. The votes for Miss Reese, realized \$20.76. Total cash for lamp \$43.95. Considering the closeness of the vote and the large amount realized on it, Miss Reese was presented with a lamp similar to the one contested for.

A solid gold G. A. R. pin was voted for at 10 cents a chance. The cash return on this vote was \$8.00. The votes for the pin were 100. The highest number of votes was given the pin.

An upholstered platform rocking chair was contested for by Elmer Beale and Frank Goshen. Beale's vote realized \$21.10. Goshen's vote realized \$9.30. Total \$30.40.

A second rocking chair was contested for at 25 cents a chance, which returned \$17.75 cash. John Bergy realized the chair.

An upholstered one arm chair was disposed of in the same manner at 10 cents a chance on which was realized \$10.40. This chair was won by Miss Edie Oberholzer.

A 22 pound turkey was on exhibition as a present to the exhibitors could guess nearest to the number of grains of shelled corn in a bushel. The guesses on the crop realized cash \$10.85. Lee Gattie won the turkey by guessing the exact number of grains of corn in the bushel, which was 737 grains.

Wood and horse was voted to the injured man. The cash secured by the wood saw and horse was \$6.15. W. E. McNeil won the prize.

The entire receipts for articles contested for was \$143.32. The total receipts from all sources was \$423.71.

The expenses were \$105.25 leaving a clear gain of \$318.46.

Through the clear vision of Lieutenant D. H. Wilson, Post #124 G. A. R., the committee appointed to arrange for the Post and Festival, was instructed to relieve the citizens of the town of the burden of the Post and Festival, and to make special mention of thanks to business firms and persons from abroad for contributions to the Post.

Through C. P. Hinkle, merchant, was received from A. J. Miller & Co., Philadelphia, a largely and handsomely ornamented case from Henry Gregory of Harrisburg, a lot of perfume and notions; also from John H. Elliott, of Newville, Pa., 10 pounds of cash; also from the National Cash Register Co., of Philadelphia, a Dealer, from Baxter & Co., Philadelphia, one Sofa Chair; also from W. R. T. Weiner & Co., Sunbury, Pa., contributions of cash; from the National Cash Register Co., of Philadelphia, 2 Upholstered Platform Spring Rockers, 1 Combined Hardware and Cash from Smith, Selzer & Co., Philadelphia, a set of silver plated dessert spoons, a set of silver plated table spoons.

Through W. N. Sterrett from Hood, Bonbright & Co., Philadelphia, a contribution in cash; also from the National Cash Register Co., of Philadelphia, 25 pounds of Confectionery; also from Miller & Hartman, 200 Cigars.

W. R. Wharton of Port Royal contributed a Solid Gold G. A. R. Badge.

Committee: A. H. WEIDMAN, J. W. HUGHES, C. McCRELLAN, J. B. EVANS, JOHN PANZARINI, GEORGE GOSLER, W. H. RODGERS.

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—The Railway Age reports that during 1888 nineteen railroads, with almost 1500 miles of line and nearly \$65,000,000 of bonds and stock, had been closed out for the creditors.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 8.—James Mason, aged 18 years, living near Monongahela City, shot at a cat with a revolver to-day, when the bullet struck a post, glanced and killed his infant brother, who was playing in the yard. The cat escaped.

Some Foolish People Allow a cough to run small it gets beyond the reach of medicine. They often say, "Oh, it will wear away," but in most cases it is not so. It is a cough that is being cured by the successful medicine called Keap's Balm, which will sell on a guarantee to cure, or your money back. The excellent effect after taking the first dose. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial size free. All druggists.

From the Fulton Republican: Hog cholera prevails to a considerable extent in the Southern part of Ayr township, County Treasurer Mellott lost about a dozen head of hogs and pigs with the disease, among which were five large fattened hogs, that he was about to butcher. Other farmers in the vicinity have suffered in like manner.

I WISH TO STATE

A FEW FACTS Worth Knowing.

That I can extract teeth in less than five minutes; no pain, no extracting.

That I can extract teeth without pain, by the use of a fluid applied to the teeth and gums; no danger.

That I can cure a sore throat in five minutes; no danger.

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Wm. Radam's Microbe Killer

The Great Germ Destroyer. To Cure Disease, Remove the Cause.

Physicians, Druggists, and others, have discovered the cause of many commonly called "Microbes," and have found a cure by destroying them.

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