

Butler's new and energetic High Constable means business with a big B. and threatens all persons who block the sidewalks, streets and alleys, or throw refuse upon the same, with a big B. He also gives notice that covers will be forced for sale at his residence on the island, most any time at 12 o'clock.

Lovers of flowers who would like some fine things in the line of floral album, are invited to send to E. F. Tillighatt, at P. O. Box 67, La Plamo, Pa., for his new floral album. It contains nearly 500 sets of drawings and finely colored pictures of flowers of general interest and should be in the hands of every friend of the "posie."

We had another touch of winter this week, but whether it was a part of last winter or next winter few people would care to decide. Thursday last was a very quiet day, and as the astronomers have not informed us to the contrary, we take it for granted that the sun was over the equator that day, and that the equator is lengthening the days and shortening the nights remain the same as heretofore, but the workings of the machine have not produced the usual results of late.

The flurry in soda ash and other chemicals, which are used in glass works, is quickening the interest in a monopoly, recently organized with a capital of \$100,000. A member of the company, and one of the largest of the Pittsburgh stockholders, said yesterday: "We will at once proceed to enlarge our plant so as to be able to meet the demand for soda ash and other specialties for which there is a large home demand. We have plenty of space to expand it to any extent desired. The proposed improvement will cost considerable money, but we believe business will justify it."

The Parson Board, at its session at Harrisburg last week had a curious case to consider. In 1874, Chas. Larabee was tried and convicted in Venango county of the murder of Lewis Williams, and he was sentenced to death. In 1876 Larabee's sentence was commuted to imprisonment for life, and he is serving his time in the Western Penitentiary, Harrisburg. A white man and Williams was a negro, who worked about the hotels in Oil City. Mrs. Williams, it was alleged, was a terror and made Williams's home life so unbearable that he preferred death to living with her.

There is no better evidence of the prosperous and steady growth of a place than the enlargement of its general business. If this be true, the growth of Oil City, and Kirkpatrick & Reed show one of the best evidences of the town's prosperity in their new store at No. 68 N. Main St. Located at a point at which a few years ago they invested in the stock market, they are now the heights of folly, and carrying a stock which would alike have seemed ruinous, they to day command one of the best trades of the town and bear the reputation of a sound and reliable house.

The senior member of the firm, John Reed, is well known in Butler. He is a son of John Reed, the founder of the firm, and for many years salesman in the firms of Ritter & Ralston and B. C. Haselton, where he made many friends. Will Kirkpatrick, the junior member, is also well known in Butler. He is a son of John Kirkpatrick of Unionville, and has been in the grocery business in Butler for some years. Together, the gentlemen make what is termed "a strong team," and their rapidly increasing trade is but the natural result of their capability, aided by their own efforts to secure a share of the patronage of the town.

Our grocers are paying 25 for butter, 16 for eggs, the price of the day, 12 for turkeys, 4 for dried apples, 6 for dried peaches, 12 for dressed potatoes, 1.75 for hand made beans and \$2 to 2.50 per bushel for onion sets.

At Herd's Island, Monday sales of keeves were made at 31 to 34; bulls and dry cows 2 to 34; Volstead treated 120 head of veal calves at 44 to 54; the weekly dairy purchased all the good fresh cows in market at \$25 to \$45.

The Oil Market. Closed Monday at \$4; Tuesday at \$4; Wednesday \$5.

Col. Young's Book. "The History of mg Life" which will shortly be published by its author, Col. Samuel Young, will doubtless be a most interesting volume. It will treat of the life experience of Mr. Young in Pittsburg, Franklin, Clarion, East Brady, Zellenopolis and other places, and will to a great extent be of value as a history of these places.

All the new styles in Brains and Gumps at M. F. & M. Marks'. Slippery Rock State Normal School offers advantages equal to any in the State at a cost of about three dollars and twenty-five cents a year. Spring term opens April 2, 1930. For catalogue, send to JAC. S. MORGAN, Principal.

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At the meeting of the Soldiers' Orphans Commission in Harrisburg, Monday, it was shown that the Soldiers' Orphans Schools cost the State about \$100,000 less the first year of the Commission than the last year under the old system. The annual examinations of the scholars will take place in May or June.

LEGAL NEWS.

LICENSES GRANTED AND REFUSED. The hearing of the applications for license was completed Thursday afternoon, when Judge Hazen said he would announce his decisions the following afternoon at 2 o'clock. Nearly all the applicants remained in town, and shortly after the bell rang Friday afternoon a large audience had assembled in the courtroom.

Judge Hazen pronounced the reading of the list with a few remarks. He said that a year ago he had hoped that he would not again be called upon to hold a license court, but he was expected that the Constitution Amendment election would settle the matter, but he will know the result of that election, and that the laws regarding the sale of liquors had not been changed, the duties of the court were the same now as then, the question of granting or refusing license for the legislature and not for the court, and that many good people had been misled in this matter; then he quoted Judge Agnew's decision on the discretion of the court, each case must stand on its own merits, each of the applicants when had stated under oath that he had observed the laws in the management of his business but yet there was too much drunkenness in Butler county; he hoped none of the applicants feared the pirates who attacked their business and again warned that a license is a monopoly, none dared sell in violation of the law, and yet there was too much drunkenness in the streets and alleys of Butler, in Saxonyburg, in Evans City and in towns where there are no licensed houses; licensed houses do not sell on Sunday, to minors, men of intemperate habits, men visibly affected, or on election days and he would inquire stringently as to their observance of the law, was happy to say that the character of the applicants as shown by their neighbors was good.

Then he opened the docket and read his decisions as follows: Wholesale. Geo. Reiber and Jacob Reiber, Butler, bond approved and license granted. Geo. W. Campbell and John D. Brown, Butler, on due consideration license refused. C. Bauerlein Brewing Co., refused. J. T. Keil, refused. Fanny E. Gamble, granted. John M. Q. Smith, refused. Jas. Cogan Miller, Zellenopolis, granted. Low Stahl, Zellenopolis, granted. Joe B. Graham, St. Joe, refused.

Retail. Jno. F. Lovry, Butler, granted. Hy. L. Beck and J. H. Faebel, Butler, granted. H. Eisenmiller and H. Leibold, granted. W. H. Reihing, granted. Geo. Farquhar, Evans City, granted. Jno. N. Miller, Evans City, granted. Samuel Dean, Harmony, granted. Jno. Dolan, Millertown, granted. Aug. and Adolf Hoch, Millertown, granted. C. M. Bennett, Petrolia, granted. W. H. Jellison, granted. Chas. Wetzel, Saxonyburg, granted. Christian Kobb, refused. Francis Laube, jr., Saxonyburg, granted. Chas. Steyer, Zellenopolis, granted. H. W. Stokely, Zellenopolis, granted. P. Nicklas, Petrolia, withdrawn. Geo. Hochley, Saxton St., refused. Pat Shields, Galt, refused. David Stecher, Kenfrew, granted.

And the clerk was directed to issue the licenses, bearing date of April 23, provided the fees were paid, and licenses lifted within fifteen days, otherwise the licenses to be revoked.

LICENSES IN LAWRENCE CO. A dispatch from New Castle, dated last Thursday, said the liquor license question is settled for another year. Of the 21 applicants only three were refused, two because the houses were not necessary, and the other for the violation of the law. In the latter case Judge McMichael made an important ruling, and in the application of W. W. Simpson to keep a hotel at Edinburg, said that last summer Mr. Simpson, who had license, had sold liquor to two minors. The minors were placed on the stand, and the judge asked them if they had drunk and if they were of age, and they told him they were. Their misrepresentation of the age of the minors, and the fact that Mr. Simpson had sold liquor to them, and the fact that Mr. Simpson has violated the law, and the license is therefore refused.

NOTES. At the session of Court last Friday, Judge Hazen refused to approve of the trial held by Esq. Easley on the bodies of Peter Seaman and Peter Slipek, the two men killed by a land slide on the new railroad, and adds in his order: "An inquest should not be held if the cause of the death is not doubtful, and there is no reason to suspect foul play, or if the cause is so suspiciously circumstantial attending the death as to hold the cause of the death as a homicide, with, therefore, not held."

The Fred Ross property in Butler Twp. was bid in by Sarah Ross, last Friday, for \$100.

A. E. Egbert and others had numerous in ejectment issued by the Hundred-Foot Oil Co. for 15 acres in Lancaster Twp., bounded north by John W. Reider, east by Michael Wehr, etc., and John S. Campbell and H. W. Christie had numerous in ejectment issued by the same company, bounded north by J. C. Brandon, east by J. M. McKinney, etc.

The will of Samuel Kerr, of Harrisville, was probated and letters to Alkley Kerr; also will of Elizabeth Magill, of Harrisville, probated and letters to Peter Kerr, and to John Kerr; also will of Solomon White, of Harrisville, probated and letters to J. A. Stevenson.

Letters of administration were granted to Elizabeth Collins, late estate of Ann Macmanama, of Parker Twp.

The Co. Commissioners are working on the school duplicates and have about half ready for printing. They will have them all ready by the middle of April.

A. Meching was appointed Burgess of Saxonyburg, A. O. Eberhart was appointed Burgess of Saxony Twp., and Wm. J. Dumbaugh, supervisor of Butler Twp.

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A man 75 years of age, and a lady of 59, took out a license to marry, last Saturday.

On Friday last E. E. Conins, convicted of larceny at last term, was sentenced to W. Work House one year.

LATE PROPERTY TRANSFERS. A. Flegen to G. A. Tilly, lot in Millertown for \$1000. James Brindley, trustee, to Oil Well Supply Co. lot in Butler for \$1500. W. B. Hilliard to M. S. Hilliard, 5 acres in Washington Twp. for \$1. May 10th to M. E. Mong, lot in Petrolia for \$200. S. W. McCross to M. W. Shannon, 2 lots in Butler for \$1000. S. H. Thors and E. Reiber to S. W. Crawford, 100 acres in Forward, for \$500. C. Rossing to B. E. Rossing, lot in Butler for \$1000. S. O. Stewart to R. J. Ewing, lot in Adams for \$100. Butler Savings Bank to J. B. Dickey, late estate of R. B. Ewing, \$250. J. L. Snyder, \$250. Sarah Hilliard to A. Hilliard, 35 acres in Washington Twp. for \$1000. John C. Scott to Mary Kennedy, 50 acres in Venango for \$2500. Thomas Doughty to Sadie Ginter, lot in Butler for \$1100. W. D. Huff to W. Kennehan, lot in Butler for \$1000. H. Bastion heirs to Wm. Irvin, lot in Zellenopolis for \$300. Nancy Estler to Emma McCollough, lot in Butler for \$1. D. Dumbaugh to C. B. Love, lot in Butler for \$1000. C. E. Love to A. H. Behn, lot in Butler for \$1000. E. Feige to Irvin Anderson, lot in Butler for \$2500.

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Isabelle O'Connor of Hilliard, mother of Andrew Bigley, has been granted a pension.

The friends of Jos. Eisenman and his wife of Franklin celebrated his 35th birthday, by giving him a surprise party, on Tuesday of last week.

Mr. H. J. Fishel, lately of this town, was cured of chronic catarrh by a celebrated French specialist, and now his picture appears in the Pittsburgh papers.

Prof. N. C. McCullough of Fairview Twp. announces his name as candidate for Superior this week. He graduated from Grove City College in 1887, and for the past two years has been Principal of the Kams City Schools.

Quite a number of the friends of Mr. George W. Fleezer gave the happy couple a surprise party last Tuesday evening and spent a very pleasant evening with them. Messrs. Gumpfer and Fleezer and Master Albert Gumpfer, favored the company with music.

Mr. John G. Thompson, of Utah Territory, was the guest of Mr. Josiah Wait, of the South Side, this week. Mr. Thompson passed some time in Butler when he was a boy, and went to Utah thirty years ago. He holds a property in Utah worth \$129,000 miles from Salt Lake City, and he gives an interesting description of the progress of the people of that territory, and particularly of their redemption from church rule. Mr. Wait's brother, John Westwood, Co. was also his guest this week.

A Great Financial Institution. Though A. J. Frank, whose death we recently noted, was a young man, he was very successful in business. He was quick to discern good investments. About a year ago he