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## \$24,000—\$44,000 Which Do You Prefer ?

The average man earns about \$1,100 a year. He works 40 years and earns a total of \$44,000 in a life time. The average day laborer gets \$2,000 a day or \$600 for a year of 300 days. He earns \$24,000 in a life time. The difference between \$44,000 and \$24,000 is \$20,000. This is the minimum value of a practical education in dollars and cents. The increased self-respect cannot be measured in money. Why not stop plugging away at a small salary when the International Correspondence Schools, of Scranton, Pa., can give you an education that will make high salaried man of you? No matter what line of work you care to follow, this great educational institution can prepare you in your spare time and at a small cost to secure a good-paying position. Our local Representative will show you how you can triple your earning capacity. Look him up today. He is

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## Price Redaction On Stylish Suits

Most of the savings are greater than you would expect this early—in the season—You can't afford to miss such an opportunity as this one if you are interested in Suits.

One lot Ladies' Spring Tailor-Made Eton and Jacket Suits—made of new striped and fancy checked or plain colored materials—These Suits were cheap at \$20.00 to \$30.00

Now \$15.

Another lot of Ladies' Eton and Jacket Tailored Suits made of light and dark striped and mixed materials. Spring Styles, regular \$18.00 to \$22.50 Suits

Now \$10.00

Still another lot of Ladies' Eton Tailored Suits—mostly mixed materials but good styles and as well made Suits as you could expect to purchase for \$12 to \$15

Now \$6.50

## Misses Suits Half Price

We have a few Misses' 12 and 14 year size Suits. Some are plain, others mixed materials. Former price on these Suits were from \$10.00 to \$15.00 Now

\$5.00 to \$7.50

## Ladies' Wrappers

One lot Ladies' Percale Wrappers, mostly small sizes, but \$1.09 and \$1.25 qualities, to close them out we make the price

50 Cents.

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Mrs. Ella B. Deegan of Dushore died Monday morning, May 4, of dropsy. She was born in Monroeton, March 19, 1843. Mrs. Deegan was married to Jeremiah Deegan April 5, 1863. Mr. Deegan died March 21, of this year. Mrs. Deegan was the mother of nine children, of whom five survive: George T., Mrs. J. P. Carmody and Mrs. H. E. Arnold of this place, and Mrs. J. L. Castle and Mrs. E. L. Solomon of Wilkes-Barre. The funeral was held Wednesday morning, interment taking place at St Basil's cemetery.

### AN INK PENCIL ALMOST FOR NOTHING.

Everybody nowadays is buying a pencil. A first-class ink pencil is worth \$2.50. You can get the Commercial Ink pencil, one made by a reliable American manufacturer, worth \$2.50, and THE PHILADELPHIA PRESS, daily edition, one year worth \$3.00, or both worth \$5.50, by sending a check for \$3.50, to the Circulation Department of THE PHILADELPHIA PRESS, seventh and Chestnut Streets, Philadelphia. This pencil is always ready and will do all that a fountain pen or lead pencil will do and responds to quick touch and is important for rapid writing. It makes clear carbon copies, is leak proof and can be carried in any position; it is perfectly simple and cannot get out of order. Just the right size for the vest pocket, purse or bag, and is invaluable to the teacher, preacher, student, clerk, stenographer, farmer and business man. Every one is guaranteed to give universal satisfaction. Here is your chance to get a great metropolitan news paper, THE PHILADELPHIA PRESS, for one year, together with this ink pencil both for \$3.50. Send your order to-day.

### The Bird Enjoys the Sport and is Landed Uninjured.

With the birds settling by the dozen it is easy enough to capture specimens for examination without causing injury or pain. Any sharply barbed hook is altogether superfluous. The albatrosses absolutely enjoy the excitement, and the sport obtained is not without a novel interest.

A small metal frame should be made in the shape of a hollow triangle attached to 100 yards of stout line and kept afloat by a good sized piece of cork. The sides of the metal frame are then covered with bits of fat pork, the hard skin of which is securely bound thereto. The bait is thrown astern, and the line is slowly paid out.

Presently a great albatross swoops through the air, impelled by curiosity to investigate the nature of the floating pork. It settles before the dainty morsel of food; numbers of birds follow suit, each one made bold by competition, and then the sport begins.

At this moment additional line must be given in order to compensate for the progressing of the ship, thus enabling a bird to seize the desired food. With a sudden rush the supreme effort is made. Once or twice the attempt proves ineffectual; but, rendered bold by greediness, a final grab finds the curved bill securely wedged inside the apex of the triangle, as the fierce tugs on the line quickly indicate.

Steadily the haul is made, hand over hand, until a helpless albatross is bodily lifted on to the poop in an absolutely uninjured condition. A slackened line enables the bird to escape, and if scattered wits permitted such an effort sudden flight would obtain release.

The other birds invariably commence to attack a wounded comrade, a steady pull being required, even if the line does cut your hands, to save it from its friends. Once safely on deck the mandibles are tied together, for otherwise the bird throws up an oily fluid, a disagreeable habit possessed by all the tribe.

Subject to this precaution it may wander gravely around to survey the new horizon of life. The large eyes gaze with a truly pathetic confidence expressive of anything but fear.

It is a strange spectacle to witness the inquisitive bird solemnly waddle to and fro among the equally inquisitive human beings around. True, it objects slightly to the process of measurement, pecking sharply by way of protest, but a gentle box on the ear soon induces submission as the dimensions are rapidly noted, the albatross meanwhile reposing affectionately in the arms of the second officer.

The specimen happens to be a small one, but the wing expansion from tip to tip is less than ten feet, the extreme length of body is three feet six inches and the formidable bill measures upward of four inches.—Cornhill Magazine.

### County Superintendent Killgore Re-elected and Salary Increased.

The tri-ennial convention of the School Directors of Sullivan county was held at the court house Tuesday afternoon, for the purpose of electing a county superintendent for the ensuing three years and fixing his salary. J. E. Reese Killgore, the present incumbent, was unanimously re-elected and his salary made \$1500 an increase of \$300.

The convention was called to order in the main court room at 2 o'clock, with nearly every school district in the county represented by one or more directors, 57 being present.

Frank Magargle was elected President, Jacob A. Meyers and Harry Minnier vice presidents; F. W. Meyert and Charles B. Heverly Secretary.

Are power companies in a conspiracy to make Niagara Falls entirely Canadian? That will be the result according to Dr. Joseph W. W. Spencer, if they avail themselves to the full extent of the grants under their franchises. He is an eminent Canadian geologist, and according to Leslie's Weekly, probably the best known authority on the water flow and power capacity of the Niagara River. He is the author of a monograph published under the authority of the geological survey branch of the Canadian department of mines entitled "The Falls of Niagara: Their Evolution and Varying Relations to the Great Lakes; Characteristics of the power, and the Effects of its Diversions".

After making a careful survey of the river above the first cascade which rushes over the wide ledge at a considerable distance above the Canadian Falls, he is convinced that the division of water has decreased the flow over the rim of the cascade by one foot, and perhaps three feet at more remote date. The American Falls, now about a thousand feet wide will then be reduced to a few shallow streams trickling over the edge of the precipice, and the main fall which has already lost 415 feet of its width as the result of artificial embankments will lose 2.50 feet more, while its depth at the brink will be two or three feet less.

Since 1900, when the Canadian Falls were 2,950 and the American 1,000 feet wide, the total width has been diminished to 3,500 feet; if the power companies insist upon utilizing all their grants for diversion, the width of the cataract will be reduced to 1,500 feet, all of it in Canadian territory.

To make St. Louis the greatest grain market of the west, a grain barge line company, capitalized at \$2,000,000, has been formed in St. Louis, to operate on the Mississippi river from that city to New Orleans. The grand Growers, Exporters' Transportation company, which was chartered a year ago with a capital of \$50,000, is the originator of the project.

It is sincerely to be hoped that with the fruit trees budding so rapidly there will be no more heavy frosts. For the past several years there has been a scarcity of fruit on account of late frosts, and if we escape similar loss this season we shall be lucky.

Oil has been discovered on Pennsylvania property belonging to a church. Just how the congregation is to profit by the find without coming in contact with "tainted money" is more than we can figure out.

A Colorado man who killed four persons has just been sentenced to prison for life—or until pardoned. Murder is considered a mere pastime in some of the western states.

Mrs. Anna Sadler died at her home in Hillsgrove Wednesday, April 29, after a short illness of grip and pneumonia, aged 73 years. Her maiden name was Bothwell. Her husband died about 17 years ago. She has lived all her married life in Hillsgrove, and was a woman of sterling worth, a faithful wife and mother. She is survived by one son, Weldy Sadler of Hillsgrove and one daughter who resides in Wisconsin.

### Pennsylvania Educational Association at State College in July.

A meeting of the Pennsylvania Educational association will be held at State College Center, county, beginning Tuesday evening July 7th., and continuing until Thursday evening July 9th.

State College is one of the most beautiful places in Pennsylvania. All Superintendents, Normal school principals, college presidents and teachers in this state should avail themselves of this opportunity of spending a few days in rest and recreation at the noted college. There will be first class accommodations for one thousand five hundred people. The table board will be exceptionally fine and unusually cheap. The members of the convention will be given every opportunity of visiting the different departments of the college and will see some of the most complete laboratories in this country.

It will pay any one interested in popular education to spend a few days at State College for the purpose of seeing what wonderful work is being done there in science, dairying, manual training, scientific farming etc.

The suggestion that the advocates of anarchy be sent to some lonely island where they could try out their theories of freedom and no government is offered by the Rev. Dr P. S. McArthur, of the Calvary Baptist church, New York, in his latest sermon. He expresses a belief that a brief experience in the actual practice of those theories would make anarchists of the Berkman and Goldman type glad enough to return to civilization which they now denounce and try to destroy, while the rest of the world would learn with great composure of the result which would follow their theories on this lovely island.

Dr. McArthur does not hesitate to connect the invectives and activities of the better class of Socialists with the throwing of the bomb in Union Square.

A question to be brought before the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church held at Baltimore, which finds opposition and support is contained in paragraph 248 of the book of Discipline. It is the intention of the church delegates to have this rule, which refers expressly to the discipline of members of the church who indulge in cards and dancing or the patronizing of other amusements not in conformity to the faith, changed so that certain of these minor matters may be left to individual selection.

The difference in the new and old widow's pension law is this: The old law would not pay to widows having an income of \$250 or more a year or to widows whose husbands did not die from illness contracted in service.

The new law pays to all civil war widows married before 1890 no matter what their income or cause of husbands' death and also pays to widows of Spanish war soldiers. A proportionate increase is paid to orphans of soldiers under 16.

A Connecticut potato grower has found a way to get into market with his potatoes some where from two to three weeks earlier than any body else, a decided advantage, all potato growers know. He puts the potatoes in a warm place, gets the sprouts started until the leaves begin to come out, and then sets them in the field same as tomato plants. The Start they have received puts them into market ahead of field-planted potatoes.

Boston May 5.—Charles C. Clapp, who has returned recently from Mexico, has called the attention of Professor Louis Agassiz to the discovery of a cave containing 200 skeletons, each of person more than eight feet in height. The cave was evidently the burial place of a race of giants who antedate the Aztecs.

Mr Clapp arranged the bones of these skeletons, which he found to total of eight feet, eleven inches. The molars he said, were big enough to crack a cocoanut. The head measured eighteen inches from front to back.

### BERNICE ITEMS.

Rev. Rufus K. Bent has taken charge of a church at Scranton. He will move his family in the near future.

J. A. Helsman and son were at Wilkes-Barre visiting Mrs. J. A. Helsman who is a patient in the Mercy hospital.

John Fitzgeralds and C. E. Jackson were Towanda visitors last week. Mrs. Patrick Hannon and son Edward were visiting Scranton friends last week.

Hon. John C. Schaad was attending the Republican Convention at Harrisburg last week.

C. E. Jackson has moved his moving picture show to Cortland N. Y. Buster left on Monday to operate the same.

Joseph Ryan of Lehighon is calling on friends at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Myers and daughter of Beech Creek Pa. are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Meyers of Mildred.

If you don't see any thing in the Item about you or your friends it is your own fault. If you have any items for the paper, by leaving them with William Davis manager of the store or in box 58 Mildred, they will be attended to.

Our Township audit is like some ailment which the Doctors fail to cure and the patient dies; they declare it a complication of diseases.

James J. Connors is making some alteration on his house, on account of Nora getting a Merry Widow hat.

It is said that there are three different kinds of liars but we have a man who has all three combined and he is a lulu at it.

F. T. McMahon was a Sonestown visitor last week.

It is a matter of common observation that grass does not grow so well close to trees as in the open. Experiments in this country and in England have shown that the deleterious effects of the near neighborhood of grass and trees are natural. The trees suffer as well as the grass. This is especially true of fruit trees.

The cause is ascribed to the excretion of the trees, on the one hand of substances poisonous to the grass, and by the grass, on the other hand, of substances poisonous to the trees. It thus appears failure grass to grow well near trees should not be ascribed to too much shade, but to the exhaustion of the tree roots of the food supply needed by the grass.

Notice has been received by the dealers in peanuts that the supply is smaller this year than in the past ten or fifteen years and that as a consequence the price has been raised from one and a half to two cents a pound on the various grades of peanuts. The scarcity of the crop was due to inability of the nuts to mature last fall and the rotting of a lot of them while still in the shock.

Harry Lear of Gray's Run, a brakeman on the S. and N. Y. railroad, was instantly killed on a log train near Marsh Hill Saturday afternoon. The shifting of one log in a large pile caused several to roll over upon Lear. He was 25 years of age and is survived by his mother, three brothers and two sisters. The remains were removed to Grays' Run for burial.

A good idea pertaining to Memorial Day which has found favor in one of the largest towns in the State is for each child old enough to care for them to cultivate some plant, the blooms of which be used to decorate soldiers' graves. No time to loose, so begin at once by selecting a plant that is far enough on the way to bloom about May 30.

Prof. Warren, of the State Agricultural College, Ithica, states that the markets are being flooded with cheap and almost worthless clover seed, imported from Europe. This is of so low grade that it will not pass European inspection, and so is dumped into this country and finds ready sale among farmers, the majority of whom pay little attention to getting tests of seed, but are looking for something "cheaper".