

LOCAL MISCELLANY.

Happy New Year!
Learn to write 1908.
All the heroes don't draw pensions.
Pepper and salt are always in season.
Even happiness may become monotonous.
A girl may lose her appetite without being in love.
The one-legged man buys his shoes at so much a foot.
Many a man who dresses well is not a credit to his tailor.
The man who sets the pace generally has a large following.
It cannot be said of the mathematician that he doesn't count.
The doctor seldom tries to cure people of the medicine habit.
Even the patent medicine man isn't in business for his health.
Absence may make the heart grow fonder, but so do presents.
Great personages are generally disappointing at a cross range.
Take care of the pennies, and the dollars will take care of you.
When doctors disagree it generally takes an autopsy to decide.
You may burn your books, but my the smoke will come in vol-whic of my may wear a smoking quer without having clothes to r.n.
The average boy outgrows his trousers faster than he does his deviltry.
Some people seem to have an idea that he laughs best who laughs the loudest.
Wise is the man who takes his troubles in homeopathic, sugar-coated pellets.
Many a man dresses more expensively than the man to whom he owes money.
Lots of opportunities are wasted because the wrong people get hold of them.
According to the lawyer's point of view every man should keep his own counsel.
Few men are satisfied with their wealth unless they have more than their neighbors.
It is better to depend upon your own strength than upon your enemy's weakness.
At any rate, Adam never had to buy Christmas presents for a lot of his wife's relatives.
In the make-up of some people it is hard to distinguish between ambition and greed.
The higher a man climbs up the ladder of success the more people he has to look down upon.
We hope that Santa Claus remembered all our patrons with the things they most desired.
The fellow who is always waiting for something to turn up gets used to being turned down.
There is surely a reward hereafter for the man who lives up to his wife's expectation of him.
Many a man has acquired a reputation for popularity simply by keeping his troubles to himself.
Some people's idea of philanthropy is to persuade others to spend their money for the public good.
Some people are fond of looking for a needle in haystack, while others are too lazy to even look for a haystack.
It never occurs to the man who is always waiting for something to turn up that he might lend a hand at the lever.
Some people are never satisfied. They go South for the winter when they know very well they can get twice as much winter right here.
Miss Rebecca Gordon of Warfordsburg, Pa., killed a hog which weighed 511 pounds.
Watson C. Lynch has left Altoona and is now employed at the American House at Hollidaysburg.
A. W. Tritle of Waynesboro, is spending the holidays with his parents Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Tritle of this place.
The Hollidaysburg School Board has increased the pay of the borough teachers ten per cent., to take effect to-day.
Miss Jessie Geinger of Buck Valley, spent Thursday with her aunt on Water street. She is a student at Lock Haven State Normal.—Everett Press.
Ed Hyman, a Jew, died in the hospital at Toronto, Canada. He lived by begging and selling newspapers. \$100,000 was found on his clothes after death. His wife and child did not know he had any money.

Maynard Sipes of Pittsburg, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Sipes of this place.

Mr. James Steak of this place handed us a few flower seeds of a plant that grew for him in four months last summer, twelve feet high and eight inches in diameter near the ground.

Walter Smith of Emmaville who had been teaching in Bedford county, was compelled a few days ago to resign his work on account of ill health.

Dr. William T. Hughes one of Bedford's most prominent physicians died at the German Hospital Philadelphia on the 21st ult., where he had gone for treatment for appendicitis.

Samuql Bancroft, Jr., of Wilmington, Del., has bought the interest of his partner, Jessie Hilles, of Baltimore, in the Bedford Springs property and is now the sole owner of the famous summer resort.

We are requested to say that the report which seems to have been started by some malicious person that Seth H. Mellott and Eiss Estella C. Mellott who were married lately had parted, is false and that if the talk isn't stopped somebody will get into trouble.

Local Institute.

The first number on the program at the local institute held at the Road schoolhouse in Ayr township last Friday evening was a recitation by Meta Fryman and one by Ross Ott, both of which were well rendered.

A very interesting discussion on "Discipline" was opened by Gilbert Mellott, who impressed the importance of self-reliance, and advised that no pupil be allowed to recite from the open book; also, that the teacher should be prepared to hear the class recite without the teacher having a book in hand. He told the importance of home training and its beneficial influence upon the pupil. The parent should always be on the side of the teachers.

After singing by the institute Kitty Mentzer gave a very pretty little recitation, which was followed by one by George Nelson, and one by Jessie Brewer, both well prepared.

Next was a discussion "Duties of Pupil, Teacher and Patron," opened by Frank Henry, who said it is the duty of each pupil to be present promptly and regularly. Then he gave some of the duties of the teacher and parents and advised a co-operation on the part of both, and insisted that the teacher should have a thorough knowledge of the subject he endeavors to teach. Without a co-operation of pupils, teacher and patrons, the school cannot prosper. Mr. Henry was followed by Mr. C. J. Brewer, who pointed out the facts that there should be respect of pupil to parent; next, obedience; few rules, and strictly obeyed. Kindness, but firmness, on the part of the teacher. No partiality should be shown. Patrons should stand by the teacher. Earl Morton gave a few points on the subject, followed by James Keefer who pointed out the duty of punctuality and promptness.

Supt. Barton then took the floor, and earnestly urged the importance of co operation on the part of the patron and teacher, adding that if there be a co-operation on the part of these, there will be no trouble between pupil and teacher. He advised an acquaintance of patron and teacher; visiting the school; encouraging the teacher; and, instead of increasing trouble by spreading school trouble, to go kindly and tell the teacher and help him out of the difficulty. The discussion of this subject was very ably closed by Ed Reisner.

Recitations were next given by Johnny McLucas and Howard Hoke.

Prof. Barton, then talked on The Value of Education.

John Mentzer recited a very carefully prepared poem, followed by Lizzie Nelson who recited "Papa's Letter."

Edward Reisner gave a very interesting talk on "What Are Your Highest Aims as a Teacher in Your Methods?"

This was followed by recitations by Ella McLucas and by Helen Kendall.

Closing remarks by the teacher, James Keefer.

JAMES H. KENDALL,
Secretary.

FOR THE LITTLE ONES.

How Polly Made Mirrors of Spoons and Had Fun at Work.

Every Saturday Polly has to scour the spoons. That is all that mother asks her to do, and it does not take much time, but Polly has always dreaded it so long beforehand and grumbled so while she rubbed them that it seemed like very hard work indeed. Every week it was the same old story, and you would think that the little girl was asked to clean the family plate in some big house.

But last Saturday mother heard her laughing all by herself in the kitchen and asked what she was doing.

"Making mirrors, mother!" shouted Polly gleefully.

So mother came to see. Polly was rubbing away on a spoon, and when it grew quite bright and shiny sure enough there was a little mirror in the bowl of the spoon, and such a funny Polly reflected there, with very fat cheeks and very small eyes and no hair. When she moved her head, her cheeks grew thin and her eyes as large and round as an owl's. How Polly did laugh!

Then she scoured another spoon, and soon there was another tiny looking glass and another queer little Polly as funny as the first.

When she had twelve of these droll little mirrors, her work was done, and she was surprised to find that it was only play after all.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Honest Little Dick.

In all my life I never saw so honest a little cat as our Dick. He not only never stole himself, but he would not allow any other cat to steal if he could help it. The dear little fellow, however, was strongly tempted once and came very near to losing his good name.

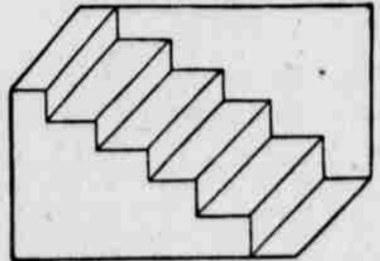
One day the cook carried out a pail of nice little frostfish and set it down in the yard. Dick was there. Dick always was near by when there were good things to eat. The cook went back into the house, and Dick sat down to wait for her return, and two of his especial friends were at the window upstairs, looking down to see what "honest little Dick" would do.

The cook was a long time coming back to dress the fish, and all the while Dick kept watch, now on the pail, now on the kitchen door. At last he went somewhat nearer to the pail, then nearer, then nearer. Ah, frostfish smell so good! Dick's little nose almost touched them, and then he sat down and cried at the top of his voice for cook to return quickly and save him from becoming a thief.

Still she did not come. At last Dick put his fore paws on the edge of the pail. Then he looked at the kitchen door and cried again. But the door did not open. So slowly, softly a paw reached down into the pail. But before it had gone as far down as the fish it came back with a jerk empty, and its owner ran around the corner of the house, where he would not see or smell those nice frostfish any more. He did not want to be a thief, and we believe that the little fellow never came so near it again.—Little Folks.

The Magic Picture.

Here is a curious little picture that will puzzle some of the chicks. It is what is called an optical illusion. When you first glance at it, you will see an ordinary flight of steps, with nothing strange about them. But if you look at the steps for some time you will find that they suddenly seem to turn upside down, and what was formerly the top surface of each becomes as if by magic the underneath surface. It



TURN IT AROUND.

may take you some little time to see this change, and should you be unable to see it there is another curious thing about the picture which we would like to mention. If you take the picture and look at it upside down, you will find the steps remain unaltered and appear exactly the same as they did when you held it the right way up.

A Clever Cat.

A young lady once had a cat that amused itself by drawing all the pins out of the cushion. When the last was removed, it looked up into its mistress' face with an expression that meant, "Please stick them in again." And as often as they were put in just as often were they drawn out. This cat had another favorite amusement. If a vase of flowers stood within reach, it used to pick the flowers out one by one and eat them.

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