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OWN PRATTLES.

and Goers in the Town and Elsewhere.

...er's Eye and Penell Busy
 ...ing Local Events and Noting
 ...them for the Post's Many
 ...Readers.

...ll-perplexing problem—what
 ...the blue republican?"

...Name Clelan of Sunbury,
 ...her sick mother at this place
 ...trains on Saturday.

...want a first class Piano,
 ...or Sewing Machine, call on
 ...S. Riegler, Middleburgh, Pa.

...intentions" will not buy
 ...holes in your coffin, much
 ...bride food and raiment for
 ...dow.

...uggard does not go to the
 ...pointers on industry nowa-
 ...but depends on his wife's
 ...together.

...Feehrer and wife of Selinsgrove
 ...died the snow with a horse
 ...ch on Tuesday and visited
 ...city seat.

...H. Wagner of Lewistown and
 ...Sole of Huntingdon, spent
 ...with the latter's son, our ef-
 ...rber, A. E. Soles.

...Long of Selinsgrove was
 ...at this office on Tuesday and
 ...order for sale bills. He will
 ...father's farm in the spring
 ...to Selinsgrove.

...ditor of the Post on Tues-
 ...ing went to Harrisburg to
 ...the meeting of the State Edi-
 ...association. He is on the
 ...to urge Libel Reform
 ...ion.

...Maurer's Market Prices at
 ...in this week: Butter, 21;
 ...Lard, 6; Tallow, 4; Chick-
 ...Turkeys, 10; Flour, \$4.80;
 ...All good butter wanted.
 ...ad. in the Post.

...FLOWERS.—I have recently
 ...d the entire stock of "Chin-
 ...Bulbs" of Mrs. A. H. Ulsh.
 ...sists of some very rare
 ...s, and cordially invites all
 ...flowers to call and see my
 ...C. H. BRISBIN.

...ooth, easy shave, genteel
 ...or other tonsorial work, is
 ...obtained at Soles' Barber
 ...Wittenmyer's Building, op-
 ...ost office. Go to Soles and
 ...make no mistake, Shaving
 ...cream, hair oil and egg-
 ...for sale. A. E. SOLES.

...Miller, the marble dealer of
 ...ve, was in town last week
 ...an order to erect a large
 ...at over the grave of the late
 ...ern. The monument shall
 ...phagus style, 5 ft. high and
 ...completed will weigh 6900
 ...This, when completed and
 ...will be a model of a unique
 ...art which will reflect the skill of
 ...er artist's hand.

...SE GAS—The exclusive
 ...his county is now for sale,
 ...w product, carbide of cal-
 ...in which the wonderful new
 ...ng gas is produced. Can
 ...a any house; gas mains not
 ...Licenses issued under
 ...n patents (32 in number),
 ...olutely controls the indus-
 ...of infringers. For
 ...apply to
 ...NAPHEYS & ADAMS,
 ...72 & 374 Bullitt Building,
 ...Philadelphia, Pa.

...Benner, of New Berlin,
 ...years one of the most suc-
 ...ctioneers in Union county,
 ...ready to close dates for
 ...ss. Mr. Benner is thor-
 ...amiliar with every phase of
 ...and particularly well in-
 ...arding the merits of live
 ...in consequence, is an
 ...who makes bidding ac-
 ...good prices. If you
 ...having a sale you should
 ...at once at New Berlin,
 ...make prompt reply. 2-28.

COURT HOUSE GLEANINGS

Deeds Entered for Record.

Joel G. Stahl, administrator of D. G. Stahl, to Benj. G. Stahl, several tracts of land in Union Twp., for \$625.

Benj. G. Stahl and wife to Harrison Stahl, land in Union Twp., containing 37 acres for \$265.

Benj. G. Stahl and wife to Joel G. Stahl, 50 acres in Union Twp., for \$359.

Jacob Trutt and wife to Andrew Kerstetter, 150 acres in Perry Twp., \$4500.

F. C. Kreitzer, administrator of Wm. H. Hoiges, to Geo. S. Rine, 136 acres in Perry Twp., for \$2400.

Geo. K. Moyer and wife to Joseph Moyer, 32 acres in Washington Twp. for \$512.75.

J. J. Steely to Sarah E. Steely, 30 acres in Spring Twp., for \$300.

Letters Granted.

The last will and testament of Margaret Trutt, late of Perry Twp., deceased, was probated last Wednesday. Franklin Trutt and Charles Trutt were named executors. The children are equal heirs.

The last will and testament of W. Steely, late of Spring Twp., dec'd, was probated on Monday. John D. Goss is the executor. His wife is named as the sole heir, but as Mrs. Steely died about a week before Mr. Steely, so the latter's heirs get the legacy.

In the estate of Josiah Kline, late of Spring Twp., deceased, letters of administration were granted to Ira A. Kline.

Marriage Licenses.

"MISTAKEN SOULS WHO DREAM OF BUSS."—The following marriage licenses have been granted since our last publication:

Isaac Kunkle,	Monroe Twp.,
Maggie V. Benfer,	Union Twp.,
M. G. Shellenberger,	W. Perry,
Nancy Long,	Union Twp.,
Emanuel Longacre,	Union Twp.,
Ellen S. Cawley,	Washington
J. A. Herman,	Adams Twp.,
Alice J. Fetterolf,	Adams Twp.,
J. C. Baley,	Monroe Twp.,
Mary C. Stahl,	Union
E. E. Bowersox,	Winfield, Pa.,
Lydia Pontius,	Middlecreek twp.

Republican Nominations.

HERMAN SPEAKS.

Snyder's Able Representative Defends His Position on the U. S. Senator Question.

An Opinion on Quay's Attitude in Political Fights. The "Old Man" May be Governor. Local Political Conditions Made Many Friends for Wannamaker.

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 26, 1897.

EDITOR POST:—

Two years ago during the session of '95 I tried to inform the people of the county concerning the doings of the legislative branch of our State Government and upon the urgent request of a number of citizens I will again during the session just fairly begun give the readers of your paper my views of the leading questions as they present themselves for the consideration of the House.

A faithful performance of the legislative duties, requires all the time at one's disposal and for that reason no effort will be made to embellish and adorn. Oratorical flights and literary adornments will all be varied and the cold facts will be given in a plain, simple way just as they occur to a plain country member.

Several weeks have already elapsed since the session opened and nothing of any note has transpired since the election of a U. S. Senator. The capital for several days previous to the caucus which decided upon whom should fall the Senatorial toga worn for twenty-three years by J. Donald Cameron was a scene of wild tumult.

The so-called business men were here with all the artifices of the modern politician. Commonwealth Hotel, the finest and most expensive in the city, was the centre of the forces battling for the merchant prince. Here Frank Willing Leach a business man, who is in politics for pastime and pleasure, lauded the virtues and services of his champion and in the next breath hurled the most violent invectives against the Quay regime. Thos. Dolan, Blankenburg, Sen. Kauffman, Van Valkenberg and others were equally vigilant of everything that would be conducive to the success of the movement so earnestly espoused.

The Lochiel Hotel was headquarters of those who had enlisted in furthering the candidacy of the young State Senator.

Here Senator Quay was entrenched and with his old time vigor and persistency directed the movements against the opposition.

Quay is called by some a dictator, an autocrat, a tyrant in politics. In my judgment he is much like other persons who are in positions to influence men. In addition to the prestige which his position gives him he is the spokesman for his friends.

The fight was not his own and for thus showing a preference between candidates he has been severely criticised.

As a citizen he has a perfect right to express his preference between men aspiring to political preferment in the State, and his critics must be content to censure the policy rather than question the right to give expression of his choice. His future is largely in his own hands. If he chooses to be re-elected to the Nation's Senate as the representative of Pennsylvania two years hence, I take it, he will have little difficulty. Dame Rumor has it that he is tired of Washington life and as a fitting climax to his public life and services he would like to become governor of his State next term. Moreover some of his sympathetic friends (?) are already preparing for him a bed of roses or other equally restful couch with the admonition that his warfare is over by reason of his age and a disinclination to continue in active public life where soon the mutations in politics would engulf him.

And as they are about to lay him aside they herald his matchless leadership and genius displayed in

REPORT OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

(To be Continued.)

Recognizing the increasing interest, manifested by the citizens of our county, irrespective of daily vocation or occupation, in the Public Schools of the county, a few words concerning the work performed thus far in this term may not be amiss.

All the schools in the county have been visited once and a goodly number twice. If health permits those schools not as yet examined the second time will be visited in due season. The Compulsory Law for which a great many good citizens entertained a sort of mystified fear and gloomy anticipations, I am glad to say, has proven itself a very salutary and beneficial statute. In many schools the regularity of attendance as well as increase in number of pupils is remarkable,—the full credit for which must in the larger measure be given to this wise law and in many instances to the enforcement by school boards. In some districts, there seems to be an inclination to leave the law go by default, which experience has shown me to be a sad mistake.

Parents, who are deeply interested in the welfare of their children, need no law to compel them to appreciate the blessings flowing from our free public institutions. They have and always will avail themselves of their privileges, law or no law. But those children, who seem to have no one interested in their future; who are permitted to grow up without any conception whatever as to what the world will expect or demand of them until they have attained man and womanhood's estate, when it is entirely too late; who are allowed the privilege of dawdling away the precious time of youth, laying no foundation for usefulness and happiness, but idly inhaling the air of carelessness and indifference which ultimately, too frequently, culminates in pauperism and crimes, these are they to whom this law extends a warm and friendly hand.

Should it not even with its faults and objections be heartily supported and upheld in every part and parcel of our county? Should it not, at least, be given a trial in every school district in the state, the results to be the test whether it shall be condemned or commended? A number of districts have placed new and varied apparatus in their schools which is a very gratifying sight. Without improved machinery in the school-room there positively cannot be the intelligent teaching that should be proven. In the absence of apparatus, teachers are driven to the necessity of explaining and reviewing points and principles continuously, which, in the presence of scientific apparatus, graphically demonstrated, the pupil would be able to grasp and hold forever in perhaps a single recitation.

I am glad to be able to report that that quite a number of districts have recognized this fact. Nearly all the schools are now equipped with standard dictionaries; many with charts, globes, maps and mathematical blocks; some with numeral frames and kindergarten supplies, but, too frequently, the teachers are compelled to purchase these lesser devices themselves, if they have them at all, and their wages being very meager, in many instances, they cannot obtain by any means what they should use in exemplification of the several branches,—especially is this true in the majority of mixed or ungraded schools.

However, I am glad to state that there seems to be an arousing, upward tendency, among many school officials, along this line. This has been one of the most encouraging signs of the present year. Our earnest hope is that it may continue thus until our schools are as well equipped for thorough, scientific work as the schools of any of our neighboring counties, yes, if possible exceed them.

F. C. BOWERSOX.

BORDER RAID.

CONGRESSMAN MAHON'S EFFORTS TO BRING THE BILL THROUGH.

The Committee Favors It. Speaker Reed Will be Asked to Assist in the Passage. Our Great War Loss.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Representative Thaddeus M. Mahon, of Pennsylvania, chairman of the Committee on War Claims, at the last session obtained unanimous consent to report a bill providing for the adjudication and payment of damages sustained by citizens of the United States in the border counties of York, Adams, Cumberland, Franklin, Fulton, Bedford, Somerset and Perry, in the State of Pennsylvania, from Union and Confederate troops during the late war of the rebellion.

The bill simply proposes to refer all the claims to the Court of Claims, with authority to inquire into and finally adjudicate all damages and claims for property of citizens taken or destroyed by Confederate troops in their several invasions into the above border counties in Pennsylvania. As the bill does not take money out of the Treasury, but simply refers all the claims to a tribunal created by Congress for the adjudication of all claims of this character, Representative Mahon feels very confident that if he can secure recognition from the Committee on Rules a day for the consideration of the bill, it can be easily passed, as it received the unanimous support of every member of the committee, both Democrats and Republicans.

Representative Mahon intends to confer with the Speaker and the Rules Committee some day this week with a view of securing a day for its consideration.

At the last session General Mahon talked the matter over with the Speaker, and he advised him not to press the matter then, but allow it to go over to the present session. These claims have been pending for many years, and it is but fair and just, in the judgment of the members of the committee, that they should be settled and disposed of at as early a day as possible.

The aggregate amount of the claims of the several counties, as ascertained by careful investigation and inquiry by commissions and committees created by the Pennsylvania Legislature in an act passed in 1871, is \$3,450,565.45.

Diphtheria is raging most alarmingly at Beavertown. Three or four deaths are reported and quite a great many cases. We trust ere this reaches our readers the scourge will be checked. One case is reported from Paxtonville.

G. W. Long, attorney, got pensions for Geo. E. Crone, Samuel Crawford, Trenton, Nathan Roush, Chapman, John L. Mark, Selinsgrove, Alex. Wray, Amelia Bucher, Sunbury, Elizabeth Eister, Stoneington.

Hood's Comedy Co. came down from Beavertown on Tuesday to give a show in Seebold's hall but the Board of Health denied them the privilege on account of mingling in diphtheria districts at Beavertown.

The question of better roads is to be taken up again by the present Legislature and it is to be hoped that some arrangement can be arrived at by which the country roads can be placed in better condition than they are now. The difficulty with the bills presented at the last session was that they were nearly all in the interest of large contractors, our own people deriving no benefit from the work to be done at all. There are 80,000 miles dirt road in the State which cost \$48.73 per mile annually to maintain. This seems like a large amount and for it we should have better roads. The Legislature could do no better act than pass some measure that will bring us good roads, but let the work upon them be done by our home people.

CURE FOR DIPHTHERIA.

The following simple cure for diphtheria or sore throat is given to the public by a well known lady of Harrisburg: She says it has cured all cases where tried, and being within the reach of every one, will doubtless save much suffering and many lives. A teaspoonful of tar is mixed with a tablespoonful of turpentine. Both are heated and the patient inhales the fumes. This usually causes the sufferer to vomit and after having taken a sleep of several hours, the soreness soon disappears. It is said to be an unailing cure for croup, and being perfectly harmless it can be administered by any one. The lady is well known and vouches for the cure of all cases if taken before the patient has become exhausted.

If you want a first class Piano, Organ or Sewing Machine, call on Frank S. Riegler, Middleburgh, Pa.

The Bellefonte Gazette last week says: Mrs. M. L. Kreeger of Millersburg is spending a week with friends in Bellefonte. She is a dear friend of Mrs. T. H. Harter and her presence in the editor's home brings back memories pleasant as the echo of the "good old songs that never die." Mr. Kreeger, who used to be the editor's companion in field sports, is now enjoying himself at hunting quail in Georgia and writes that game is abundant and the weather like May in Pennsylvania. Hence our heart is "way down in Georgia."... John M. Steininger, of Middleburgh, spent Sunday in Bellefonte as the guest of the editor of the Gazette. He was the writer's right hand man for twelve years as foreman of the Middleburgh Post, and was always true to his trust as the needle to the pole.