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The date of the National Repub-
lican Convention having been fixed
for June 19, 1900, all state conven-
tions must be held earlier than usual and
county primaries will be called
earlier so as to select delegates to
the state and national conventions.
Hence, it is likely the Republican
primary will be held earlier this year
than last year.

We congratulate the people of
Philadelphia and also the people of
Pennsylvania on having secured the
National Republican Convention. It
will meet June 19, 1900 to renom-
inate President McKinley who will
be the first President of the Twentieth
Century. There were four contest-
ants—New York, Chicago, St.
Louis and Philadelphia. Pennsyl-
vania is the father of Republican
majorities and it is fitting that the
next National Convention should be
held within its borders.

The Lewisburg *Saturday News*
says that Union County will have a
full-fledged candidate for State
Senator. This remark was made by
our much esteemed contemporary in
reply to the Post's statement that
Union County would probably not
ask for it owing to the fact that ex-
Representative Focht would ask to
be returned to the lower house at
Harrisburg. It appears now that
the Hon. Benj. K. Focht has been
called by the powers that be and he
will step forth to become a candidate
for State Senator. He is the one
who will be a full-fledged candidate
for State Senator next year. Snyder
County will be asked to give Union
County the State Senatorship next
year and the President Judge in
1901. Union County does not want
much. They might ask for the con-
gressman, too.

Encourage all improvements.
Help all industries that give em-
ployment to those who need it. Sel-
lingrove and Middleburgh both have
secured new industries lately. There
are other towns in the county that
should have a place to employ their
idle men, boys and girls. Every
improvement has a beneficial in-
fluence. An idle man has no place
in this world, and enforced idleness
is due to the fact that unemployed
capital is not properly used. Vol-
untary idleness is an inactivity of
quite another character. It neither
receives nor deserves encourage-
ment, but there is enough of enforced
idleness to demand the attention of
every business man and capitalist in
every village and hamlet in Snyder
County.

"What heart can think, or tongue express,
The harm that growth of idleness."
JOHN HEYWOOD—IDLENESS

The principal of the Middleburgh
public schools rightfully alludes to
the English language as a living
language. It must be so of necessity
owing to the progress of the age.
The words "gramophone" and
"phonograph" are new in our
language owing to the recent discovery
of the articles to which they refer.
Lexicographers will not be slow to
accept such words and philologists
will be prompt in endorsing them
because every new article for con-
venience must have a name. The
best English writers of the day will
use them, but how is it with words
that are coined by novices to substi-
tute for good established words?

"Be not the first by whom the new are tried,
Nor yet the last to lay the old aside."
POPE—ESAY ON CRITICISM.
A tyro shows exceedingly bad
taste, first to use words before they
are accepted by the very best writers
and secondly he assumes a still more
nonsensical position in making a
puerile attempt to justify the use of
such words. The newspaper writers
who have a sufficient reputation to
justify the use of new words in our
language are exceedingly rare. Charles
A. Dana in his time might have
done it; Alexander McClure
might not be criticised if he attempted
to introduce a good word, but we
doubt whether either of these gentle-
men ever thought of risking their
reputation in using a word before it

found a place in the dictionary, ex-
cept in case of a word to apply to
an invention or discovery. Prof.
Killian's articles on Language are
well worthy of consideration and
should be most carefully studied
where they obtain their publicity.

McCLURE.

Edward Kinney of this place is
now night operator at Middleburgh.
The Evangelical Sunday school will
hold an entertainment on Christmas
evening. . . . Don't forget your good
friends on Christmas. . . . Our old
veteran, Israel Young, killed a pork-
er last week weighing 482 lbs. . . .
John Stuck spent Sunday under the
parental roof. . . . Mrs. Specht of
Beavertown deserves much credit
for the grand musical concert render-
ed to us by herself, and class of this
place last Thursday evening. . . . I
had the pleasure of grasping the
hand of my fellow teacher, William
Zimmerman of Paxtonville who deliv-
ered an able address at the music-
al concert. Isaac Dreese and Andy
Odonell are busily engaged in ship-
ping poles and prop timber. . . .
Harley Romig, wife and daughter,
Margaret, of Adamsburg spent a
few days at this place. . . . Mrs. R.
F. Krebs and two daughters of Sun-
bury are visiting friends at this place
at present. The teachers' institute
held at the Ridge school was a great
success, all the teachers but one be-
ing present. . . . Last Wednesday eve-
ning the members and sweethearts
of the G. A. R. Post of McClure
held an oyster supper in the Hall
and report having had a good old
time.

MIDDLECREEK

Quite a number of our people at-
tended court last week. . . . H. I.
Swartz, who had been sick for the
past eight weeks, is up and around
again. . . . Protracted meeting is in
progress at Manbeck's church. May
much good result therefrom. . . . Ed-
ward Heimbach and wife and Master
Ernie and W. H. Heimbach and
wife were visiting Al Heimbach in
Union County a few days. . . . Farry
Zeiber and wife of Burnham were
the guests of her father, Jesse Knepp,
on Monday. . . . Galen Goss and wife
were the guests of his brother, E. F.
Goss, over Sunday. . . . Samuel Shil-
ling and wife made a business trip
to Lewistown Monday. . . . Palmer
Musser was a Sunday visitor in our
section, attracted here by some of the
fair sex. . . . Adam Thomas and Henry
Gross left for Lewistown Monday
to work for the Spring Telephone
Company. . . . Edward Mitchell and
wife visited Elias Furman on
Sunday. . . . Mrs. Wilson Mattern
and daughter Grace were the guests
of T. A. Ewig on Sunday.

**Did you ever
See a Snow
Storm in
Summer?**

We never did; but we have
seen the clothing at this time
of the year so covered with
dandruff that it looked as if it
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As the summer sun would
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you expect from the use of the Vigor,
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sisting of Cake Dishes, Fruit
Stands, Celery Trays, Butter
Dishes, Pitchers, Spoon Hold-
ers, &c., &c. at prices ranging
from 5 to 15 cents.
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**MATTRESSES,
AND SPRINGS FOR
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- Youths' Worsted Suits, \$3.98 to \$15.
- Boys' Suits, 75c. to \$8.50.
- Children's Suits, 75c. to \$6.50.
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- Youths' Overcoats, \$2.50 to \$15.
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- Children's Overcoats, \$1.48 to \$5.
- Men's Canvass Coats, \$1.00.



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- Men's Shirts (colored) 50c. to \$1.50.
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- Men's Gloves, 25c. to \$2.
- Men's Umbrellas, 50c. to \$7.00.
- Ladies' Umbrellas, 50c. to \$7.50.
- Children's Umbrellas, 50c., 75c., \$1.
- Trunks, \$1.25 to \$12.
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