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LITTLE RED SCHOOL HOUSE.

DR. NATHAN C. SCHAEFFER, Superintendent of Public Instruction, has just submitted his annual report to the Governor. Here are a few interesting figures: Number of school districts in the state, 1,516; number of schools, 29,046; number of graded schools 16,625; number of superintendents, 141; number of male teachers, 9,194; number of female teachers, 20,850; whole number of teachers, 30,044; average salaries of male teachers per month, \$14.14; average salaries of female teachers per month, \$39.23; average length of school term in months, 8.28; whole number of pupils, 1,161,524; average number of pupils in daily attendance, 847,445; cost of school houses—purchasing, building, renting, etc., \$4,982,093.49; Teachers' wages, \$11,355,334.47; cost of school text books, \$766,987.10; cost of school supplies other than text books, including, maps, globes, etc., not including Philadelphia, \$433,597.76; fuel, contingencies, fees of collectors and other expenses, \$5,275,382.32; total expenditures, \$22,813,395.14; state appropriation for the school year ending June 4, 1900, \$5,000,000; estimated value of school property, \$54,122,398.88.

HISTORIAN MACLAY hasn't yet given out any letters of regret received by him because of his sudden departure from the naval service.

THE Department of Agriculture recently purchased from a well known seed dealer a bushel of clover seed for \$6.00. After taking out the dirt, weed seed, etc. it was found that the price of the genuine clover seed amounted to \$96 per bushel.

NO FARMER will burn corn or hay in a stove, in order to keep his animals warm in winter, but he burns extra quantities of such materials in the bodies of the animals when he does not provide warm quarters. Heat must be procured from fuel of some kind, and the animals must have the fuel or fall off in weight and production. Warm quarters save food and prevent diseases.

THERE is every indication that Congressman Mahon will be elected Commander of the Grand Army as many delegates from various parts of the State and others in his interest will be elected later. At the last election for this position he was second highest and is, therefore, justly entitled to the place next time. He is ably equipped for the position and the Department will make no mistake in selecting him as its head.

THE partial failure of the potato crop in this country has made the importation of foreign potatoes profitable. Nine cargoes are now en route in steamships from Belfast, Ireland, Prince Georges and Inverness, Scotland. The tubers are said to be exceptionally fine. Many orders have been placed in advance for them. These importations are likely to keep the price of potatoes from a material advance at least until spring, when the supply may again grow somewhat short.

THE Republican standing Committee deserves the commendation of every person who believes in fair play. The assessments on candidates for once are low enough to command the respect of honorable men. The members of the committee should get revenue enough to pay their expenses, but the large dividends of the past simply promote dishonesty in public office.

MR. ROOSEVELT is a remarkably lucky man. He had scarcely entered the White House when the fire-eaters were gnashing their teeth over the Booker T. Washington incident. Then he has had the good luck to have Henry Watterson sling ink at him and now Senator Tillman, he of pitch-fork fame, has called him the "stormy petrel" of politics.

STATISTICIANS announce that there were 118 legal executions in the United States last year, of whom 71 were black and 47 white. The number lynched was larger than the number sentenced to death. The Philadelphia Record thinks that the uncertainty of punishment has much to do with mob violence, especially in the South the law is not given an opportunity to be enforced, especially where the culprit is a colored man. He is hunted down like a dog and shot where he is found. If the law was permitted to take its course he would meet with his full measure of punishment, while in many cases, possibly, innocent men would not suffer unjustly.

IS THIS remarkably kind and money-hearted weather to last? Is winter on its last legs before it has got its second wind? In fact, is there to be any winter? Not if the prairie dog has mystical lore. There are thirty of these prophets in Lincoln Park, Chicago. For the first time in thirteen years—mark the fateful number—they have roused them from their sleep in midwinter and come out of their holes; come out to eat instead of waiting for the frost to come out, as their custom has been. The superintendent of the park and the guardian of the prophetic beasts swear that the cold days are over and done. The prairie dog doesn't take the trouble to wake up for nothing. But is the prairie dog trustworthy? He may have a genius for weather, but has he the shrewdness and cool judgment of the woodchuck? Keep on your furs till the groundhog comes.

DURING this cold weather horses should be covered with good blankets when left standing out. When a horse is driven he is warmed by the exercise, and then to be left standing still in the cold air uncovered he becomes chilled and may take cold. Many a good horse is lost by such negligence. Money paid for horse blankets is well invested. It is more than saved in feed, and often saves a horse from sickness and death. Besides that should be done from a humanitarian point of view. To neglect it is cruelty to the animals and violation of the statute and divine laws. "A righteous man regardeth the life of his beast, but the tender mercies of the wicked are cruel." Prov. 12:10

CANDIDATES' ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Congress

To the Republicans of Snyder County: I respectfully submit myself as a candidate for the county nomination for Congressman from the district nomination. I solicit the votes of all Republicans. A. M. SMITH.

Assembly

To the Republican voters of Snyder County: I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Assembly subject to the rules of the Republican Primary. Kindly soliciting your votes and the benefit of your influence, I am very sincerely yours. F. C. BOWERSOX.

State Delegate

Editor Post.—Please announce our names as candidates for State Delegate. JACOB H. RHODES, Shamokin Dam. IRWIN GRAYBILL, Jacksonville, Pa.

Sheriff

Editor Post.—Please announce my name as a candidate for the Republican nomination for Sheriff. I was defeated before for this prize and am still a loyal Republican and always will be, no matter what happens. I kindly ask all Republicans for their faithful support at the Republican primary, Feb. 13. CHAS. E. SAMPSELL, Penns Creek, Pa.

County Treasurer

To the Republican voters of Snyder County: I am candidate for the nomination of County Treasurer and solicit your support at the coming primary election on Feb. 13. W. H. RIGGLE, Spring Township.

County Commissioner

To the Republicans of Snyder County: I wish to announce myself as a candidate for the nomination for Commissioner, promising, if nominated and elected, to faithfully discharge the duties of the office. I ask for loyal support of all Republicans. B. NORMAN APP, Monroe Twp.

County Commissioner

Editor Post.—I desire you to announce my name through your worthy paper as a candidate for County Commissioner. I have been a voter in this county for the past thirty four years and have always been a staunch Republican. I have never been a candidate for a county office before, and if the people see fit to elect me, I would assure them that I would do all in my power to carry out their wishes. Respectfully yours, JONATHAN BEICHENBACH, Shadle, Pa., Dec. 16, 1901.

Editor Post.—Please announce my name as a candidate for County Commissioner. I am willing to stand upon my past record as Commissioner and solicit your votes. JOSEPH P. WETZEL, Beavertown, Pa.

Editor Post.—Please announce my name as a candidate for the Republican nomination as Commissioner subject to the rules governing the primary election. HARRISON MOYER, Middleburg, Pa.

Editor Post.—Please announce my name as a candidate for nomination of County Commissioner. Monroe has not had a commissioner for 12 years. I respectfully solicit the votes of all Republicans. BENJAMIN HUMMEL, SR., Monroe Twp., Jan. 13, 1902.

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BEST FOR THE BOWELS
10c, 25c, 50c.
Genuine stamped C. C. C. Never sold in bulk. Beware of the dealer who tries to sell "something just as good."

Divorce Notice.

To John F. Stank, late of Shamokin, Pa.: WHEREAS, Stella V. Stank, your wife, has filed a libel in the Court of Common Pleas of Snyder County of December Term 1901, alias subpoena in divorce No. 3, praying a divorce against you, now you are hereby notified and required to appear in said court on or before Monday, the 25th day of February, 1902, next, to answer the complaint of the said Stella V. Stank, and in default of such appearance you will be liable to have a divorce granted in your absence. G. W. KUW, Sheriff of Snyder County. Middleburgh, Pa., Jan. 14, 1902.

He Did His Best.

Mamma (severely)—Aren't you ashamed to be caught stealing the jam? Willie—It ain't my fault. Mamma—Not your fault? Willie—No'm. I did my best not to let you catch me.—Philadelphia Press.

Malignant Slander.

"Never will I give my consent," said Mr. Fairchild, firmly. "He only wants to marry you so that he can pay his bills." "Pshaw! papa," pouted his daughter, "Charlie never thinks of paying his bills."—Town Topics.

Entirely Too Young.

"No," said a fond mother, speaking of her 25-year-old daughter; "no, May isn't old enough to marry yet. She cries whenever anyone scolds her, and until she becomes hardened enough to reply vigorously she isn't fit for a wife."—Tit-Bits

Domestic Differences.

Mrs. Enpeck—James, you are good on language; what is the difference between exported and transported? Mr. Enpeck—Why, my dear, if you should go to England you would be exported, and I—well, I would be transported.—Sunny South.

Saving Time.

He (at a swell restaurant)—You may have anything on the bill of fare, dearest. Shall I read it to you? She—No, darling. Just read it to the waiter.—Chicago Daily News.

Too Expensive a Luxury.

She—What did papa say? He—He said he'd be delighted to have me for a son-in-law, only he couldn't afford it.—Stray Stories.

New Century Comfort.

Millions are daily finding a world of comfort in Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It kills pain from Burns, Scalds, Cuts, Bruises; conquers Ulcers, and Fever Sores; cures Eruptions, Salt Rheum, Boils and Fekens; removes Corns and Warts, Best Pile cure on earth. Only 25c at Middleburg Drug Co., Graybill, Garman & Co., Richfield, Pa., Dr. J. W. Sampsell, Penns Creek, Pa.

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We believe this will be the greatest buying opportunity ever offered to the people of this section.

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A straight 20 per cent. Discount on every dollar's worth of

We begin 30th year of our business with a Great Sale

A sale so far reaching in its money saving importance that it will appeal to the economy of our buying public for miles around.

To make this sale all that it pretends to be, we shall offer a straight Discount of 20 percent. on every Dollar's worth of goods in the store.

This is to be a SPOT CASH SALE and every customer, who visits our store during the period of the sale and buys one Dollar's worth of goods or over, will be entitled to a discount of 20 percent. All purchases under one Dollar will be at regular prices.

There will be nothing reserved.

The entire stock is at your disposal.

This Sale will begin Saturday morning, January 18th, and end on the following Saturday night, January 25th.

Make out your lists and come prepare to buy liberally, as these chances don't often come your way.

Again we would emphasize that this sale is strictly for CASH and the discount only on a continuous sale of one Dollar and over.

A straight 20 per cent. Discount on every dollar's worth of

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- Carpets,
- Window Shades,
- Watches,
- Cloth, Calicos,
- Sheetings,
- Yarns,
- White Goods,
- Hosiery,
- Oil Cloth,
- Jewelry,
- Etc., etc.

- Dress Goods,
- Ginghams,
- Linings,
- Embroideries,
- Kid Gloves,
- Blankets,
- Linoleums,
- Silverware,
- Silks,
- Muslins,
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