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The School Board held a busy session Monday night, the greater part of the time being occupied in trying to straighten out the difficulty in which it seems that body is involved through the enforcement of the act of 1901 to perfect the practice and procedure of entering tax claims.
The act in question, which repeals all former acts relating to tax, is heavy and complicated and capable of different interpretations. Acting upon what he believed sound advice the President of the School Board along with the presiding officers of the Town Council, the Board of County Commissioners and the Overseers of the Poor signed the tax claims preparatory to their being entered up in the Prothonotary's office where they became a lien against the property.
It was not long until the question was raised whether or not the signature thus given by the chief executive officers without any resolution on the part of their respective bodies authorizing it was according to law and of any force in the premises.
The discussion in the School Board last night was precipitated by the Prothonotary's bill of one hundred dollars for entering up the taxes. Ralph Kiser, Attorney for the School Board, was present and gave an opinion based upon his interpretation of the act of 1901. According to his view the School Board, as well as the Borough Council and the other bodies involved is a parliamentary organization and as such derives its authority from resolution. Under the circumstances he thought it was plain that the President had no right to sign the tax claims without the School Board first taking action. At the same time, he said, he wished it understood that he did not question the good faith of the President or of either of the other presiding officers who signed.
Assuming that this view held good it was a question with the School Board how far the procedure taken in the entering up of taxes is legal and what step would be advisable for them to take next. In the absence of the enlightenment sought they decided to postpone the paying of the Prothonotary's bill and on motion it was laid on the table.
The Borough Superintendent presented his report for the month ending January 8th. Number of pupils in attendance during month, males, 614; females, 624; total, 1238. Average attendance during month, males, 565; females, 589; total, 1154. Percentage total, 92. Number of pupils not absent during the year to date, 288; not tardy during the year to date, 695. Pupils sick, 26; number of deaths, 2.
The following members were present at last night's meeting: Keefe, Orth, Greene, Harnell, Burns, Pursell, Werhloiser, Von Blon, Fischer, Hancock, Beverly.
The following bills were approved for payment:
W. E. Young \$ 7.50
Ezra Haas \$ 1.00
O. M. Leniger \$ 11.55
U. L. Gordy \$ 1.29
A. H. Greene \$ 14.30
Adams Express Co. \$.70
American Book Co. \$ 9.90
Robert J. Peag \$ 11.80
Standard Gas Co. \$ 1.80
Danville Store & Mfg. Co. \$ 97.20
George Schler \$ 1.00
H. G. Salmon \$ 3.00
Interest on Bonds \$ 122.50

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gross of Bloomsburg, visited relatives in Danville over Sunday.
Mrs. Emanuel Wolf of Philadelphia, is a guest at the home of her brother, Elias Maier, Mill street.
Mrs. William Harris and Miss Joy Harris of Plymouth, are guests at the home of A. M. Diehl, Lower Mulberry street.
Thomas James of Berwick, spent Sunday with his parents, East Danville.
Fred Howe transacted business in Harrisburg yesterday.
Leonard Dreifuss was in Sunbury yesterday.
Miss Jennie Carr of Sunbury, visited friends in this city yesterday.
Ira Johnson of Northumberland, was a visitor in this city yesterday.
Mrs. W. A. Seehler visited friends in Montandun yesterday.
Louis Evans transacted business in Sunbury yesterday.
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Yorks of Central, are visiting relatives in this city.
R. T. Smith of Benton, transacted business in this city yesterday.
W. R. Oberdorf of the Sunbury Produce company was in this city yesterday.
Mrs. D. E. Thatcher of Bloomsburg was in this city yesterday.
Augustus Woods transacted business in Sunbury yesterday.
Harry Schott returned to Philadelphia yesterday after a visit with relatives in this city.
Miss Ida Gallagher called on friends in Bloomsburg yesterday.
Mrs. J. M. White left yesterday for a visit with relatives at Milton.
Miss Ella Snyder was a Bloomsburg visitor yesterday afternoon.
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Mrs. Ellen Role and son, George of Philadelphia, will arrive in this city today for a visit with relatives.
C. F. Darrow was a Bloomsburg visitor yesterday.
Dr. I. G. Barber returned home from a visit to Millburg last evening.
Bert Vastine of South Danville, left for Pittsburg yesterday.
C. C. Moyer was in Milton yesterday.

GOLD AND COPPER MINING CO.

The Serrano Gold and Copper Mining Company was organized in this city yesterday. This is an organization local in its nature which owns immensely valuable mineral land in Mexico.
The officers elected are as follows: President, I. X. Grier; Vice President, John H. Gosser; Treasurer, Myron I. Low of Lime Ridge; Secretary, C. E. Yorks of Central. Directors were chosen as follows: T. H. Collins of Cananea, Senora, Mexico; I. X. Grier, Esq., John H. Gosser, F. C. Angle, Esq., of Danville; C. G. Voris, Esq., of Milton; R. T. Smith, Benton; J. I. Higbee, of Watsontown; Myron I. Low, Lime Ridge and C. E. Yorks, of Central. Other interested in the enterprise are C. P. Hancock of Danville; E. H. Heaton and W. B. Goddard, Milton; and B. G. Keller of Benton.
The report of the rich mineral land was first brought to this locality by C. E. Yorks a former resident of Danville, but more recently living at Central who about two years ago returned from a trip to Mexico. The organization of the company yesterday was the culmination of an indefatigable effort on the part of Mr. Yorks carried on during the interim to interest local investors. During his visit to Mexico he formed the acquaintance of T. H. Collins, of Cananea, a former resident of Scranton, who had been in Mexico for some 25 years and was not only versed in mineralogy but was familiar with Mexican customs and is an authority on procuring Mexican land titles. Mr. Collins was present at the meeting in this city yesterday. Like Mr. Yorks he is familiar with every foot of the valuable ore land held by the newly organized company. The tract, which comprises 276 acres, lies scarcely two miles south of the famous Greene mine, which ranks third in the world as a copper producer. The tract owned by the local company is rich in both gold and copper. Mr. Yorks, who had specimens of the output assayed is satisfied that the proportion of valuable metal in the ore runs very high. The value of the tract is thoroughly appreciated by the Mexican government, by which it is assessed as valuable gold land.
The procedure in obtaining a title to land in Mexico like the general law in this country, no resemblance to the same in this country. In the case of the Serrano Gold and Copper land it required nearly two years to comply with all the formality required. During that time Mr. Yorks was on the ground looking after the interest of his enterprise and the stories that he tells of official formality and delay discounts any thing ever heard of in this country in the form of "red tape." The papers passed through ten or a dozen different hands and are at every stage subject to the closest scrutiny from the government. Even the character of the would-be purchaser is investigated and affidavits as to his standing and reputation are required from prominent citizens in the Republic of Mexico. Those handling the enterprise in the present case stood the test and the signature of President Diaz as a stamp of approval was at last secured. A deed for the 276 acres bearing the signature of the great man is now in the possession of the newly organized company and marks the culmination of their labors to secure ownership. A charter was obtained on December 28th.

MISSIONARY ANNIVERSARY

The missionary anniversary of St. Paul's M. E. church Sunday was celebrated with an address from Miss Anna Limberger, a missionary stationed in Mexico. Miss Limberger, whose home is in this city, is laboring under the auspices of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of St. Paul's M. E. church. Since her return to this country she has spoken at several different places throughout the Central Pennsylvania Conference and has still several other appointments to fill before she returns to Mexico.
Her address Sunday was intensely interesting and conveyed much information relative to the unique Republic south of us which possessed a peculiar value coming as it did from an eye-witness in touch with life there in one of its most interesting phases.
Miss Limberger gave a most charming description of the natural beauty of the Mexican landscape in connection with which she dwelt upon the antiquities and the most romantic features of early history. Beginning with Cortez, the Spanish invader, she followed his fortunes through his various exploits which culminated in the capture of Montezuma, the Indian ruler, the overthrow of the ancient system and the establishment in its stead of the Roman Catholic religion. Tracing the progress of events she arrived at a period coincident with the Declaration of Independence in our country when the spirit of rebellion in Mexico first began to manifest itself against the existing regime, after which she described the insurrection after insurrection which occurred until all religion was overthrown.
From the depth of unenlightenment and superstition, Miss Limberger says, the pendulum has swung far to the other extreme. The reins of government today are in the hands of a set of agnostics, men without any positive conclusions as to the existence of a personal Deity or of a future life. Miss Limberger conceded that the men in authority as a class are scholarly and in a worldly sense intensely progressive. Free intercourse with other nations is upheld and no one is more welcome on Mexican soil than the inhabitants of the United States.
Nothing speaks better for the tolerance and the spirit of freedom in our country than the fact that Catholics are accorded much more liberty in the United States than in Mexico, the land where that church for so many centuries reigned supreme. The slight frequently witnessed here of Sisters of Mercy, a Catholic church appearing on the streets in the garb of their order is no never witnessed in Mexico. The nunneries as well as the monasteries are all under the ban and if any at all are maintained it is done surreptitiously.
It is the province of the Missionaries in Mexico to check the strong reaction toward practical skepticism as well as to educate a class which need it badly. The missionaries under the policy of protection toward foreigners have unlimited protection from the government. The time was when missionaries who went to Mexico faced martyrdom, but those days are past and faithful devoted effort in the cause of Christ at the present is sure to bring its fruit and the element of personal danger hardly enters into it.
The missionaries devote their labors almost exclusively to the young. The schools established in the past have grown to considerable proportions. Here the young people of both sexes are educated and in most instances converted and in turn sent out to exert their influence on their own people. Miss Limberger drew a very pleasing picture of this phase of missionary effort in Mexico. Each girl passing through the school in time becomes the head of a household and as wife and mother with her newly acquired views and accomplishments has before her almost boundless opportunities for accomplishing good. The conference of the Methodist church in Mexico is made up almost wholly of the graduates of the Theological school at Pueblo, native boys who were gathered in from many remote parts of the republic, now preachers laboring zealously to educate and convert their own people.

NO LONGER IN NEED OF RELIEF

Burgess Pursell yesterday stated that no further effort will be made to collect money for the typhoid fever victims at Butler, but that the sum subscribed, which now amounts to \$93.50, will be forwarded to its destination at once.
It was stated on Monday that a further effort would be made to obtain subscriptions by circulating a paper through town. The solicitor appointed had barely started out when the statement issued by the general relief committee of Butler appeared in the public prints explaining that the necessity for further contributions had passed.
The statement says:
Investigation shows that unless some unforeseen circumstances arise which the members of the general relief committee can have no knowledge, we are of the opinion that with the funds now on hand, together with money contributed, but not yet received by the treasurer, T. J. Shufflin, we will have sufficient money to pay all debts thus far contracted, or to be contracted.
We, therefore, request that from this day no further moneys be solicited for or subscribed for the relief of the typhoid fever sufferers at Butler.
In making this statement to the public we do it as a result of a careful and thorough investigation of the conditions as they now appear to us, and trust our conclusions will be fully warranted by the results.
We are united in the opinion that the crisis in the epidemic is passed, basing our judgment on the reports made by the chairman of the ward committees, supplemented by statements from the State Board of Health.
We wish to accompany this announcement with an expression of our heartfelt gratitude to an ever generous and loving public for the liberal and spontaneous response to the call for aid, and to assure each and every one who contributed to the fund of the very deep appreciation on the part of all who have received and will receive assistance as a result of such generosity.
Charles M. Heineman, chairman of general relief committee; James N. Moore, chairman executive committee; H. T. Rattigan, secretary of general committee; Richard H. Brodhead, secretary of executive committee.

MAIL CARRIERS CHANGE HOURS

There is a change in the carriers' hours in town which is made to correspond with the change in train schedule. Hereafter each of the carriers will start out at 8:15 in the morning instead of at 8 o'clock. In the afternoon instead of at 2:20 they will leave the post office at 2:45.
Carrier No. 1, whose route covers Mill street, who heretofore started out on his business trip at 6:40 p. m. under the change will start out at 5:10 p. m. The latter change will be highly appreciated by the merchants, who during at least a portion of the year close at 6 p. m. Previously they were obliged to tarry at their stores or leave their mail lie until the next morning.

DEATH OF JAMES L. BEACH

James L. Beach, an old and esteemed resident of Montour County, died at his home, Mooresburg, at midnight Tuesday. The deceased was 73 years of age. Dr. Beach of Montoursville is a son of Mr. Beach. Miss Maggie, a surviving daughter, resides at home.
The funeral will be held from the late residence, Friday at 1 p. m. Interment in the cemetery connected with the Methodist church at Mooresburg.

HEARING APPEALS

The Board of County Commissioners of Northumberland County met at the Susquehanna Hotel, South Danville, yesterday for the purpose of hearing appeals. They were called upon during the day by a number of persons living in Gearhart and Rush townships and in Riverside, Borough, who were not satisfied with the valuation.

AFFLICTED FAMILY

The family of Howard Farley of Riverside is badly afflicted. Anna, the fourteen year old daughter is down with typhoid fever and is critically ill. Last week Arthur, the little son of the family, was taken with the disease and yesterday Mr. Farley, the father, was reported ill with symptoms of typhoid.

A BIG REDUCTION

The Board of Directors of the American Car and Foundry Company met in their New York office and adopted a resolution cutting the salaries of officials and entire clerical staff all the way from 10 per cent. to 60 per cent. Notices have also been posted in the works at Berwick reducing wages 10 per cent. The night turn at the steel plant has been suspended throwing 400 men out of employment.
New York is on the verge of a pneumonia epidemic. The records show that there were 235 deaths from the ailment last week, and many cases are reported every day. Cars too hot or too cold, draughty ferriesboats and the bad weather are held responsible for the fatalities. So much pneumonia in such a short space of time was never before known in that city. The disease is of a peculiarly virulent type, many of the victims dying after only two days' illness.

MR. MILLER CRITICALLY ILL

Word was received in this city yesterday to the effect that Mrs. Mary Miller, of Lewisburg, sister of the late Thomas and Jesse Beaver of this city, is lying seriously ill and that very slight hopes are entertained for her recovery. Mrs. Miller is about eighty-three years of age. She resides with her elder sister, Miss Eliza Beaver, who notwithstanding her years, continues in good health.

SLASH AND WATER TURN TO LEO

Yesterday was one of the most unpleasant days of the season. Snow and rain fell alternately so that it was as disagreeable as could be. The pavements were covered with slush and at many places flooded with water.
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The manufacturers of valentines complain that there is a general slump in the business this year, which goes to show that the standard of intelligence is rising in this country.
Oyster dealers predict a famine in the bivalves the next two weeks. This is due to the extreme cold weather. The ice along the oyster beds makes it impossible for dredgers to work.
One of the sites mentioned for purchase by the government as a government camp for soldiers is that formerly occupied by the soldiers from this city who were stationed at Camp Meade during 1898.

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Directors in Session.

The board of directors of the Odd Fellows' Orphan's Home near Sunbury met at that institution yesterday. The object of the meeting was to close the business of the year passed and the consideration of any projects for the welfare of the Home.

A session was held Monday but very little of great interest to the public was done. The majority of the time was given to the hearing of and action on the reports of the different committees which showed that everything was in a flourishing condition, with bright prospects of still better results this year.

Yesterday afternoon representatives from all lodges in Central Pennsylvania, interested in the home, met and elected a board of directors for 1904.

This year promises to see a great growth in the home. Before the directors will be laid plans for the \$30,000 addition to the building, a fund to erect which has been raised during the past year.

The plan suggested is to use the Home for a refuge for aged Odd Fellows and their wives, and to use the addition for the home for orphans. The institution is the largest of its kind in the east of the State and has done a world of good.

State Editors Will Meet.

The annual meeting of the Pennsylvania State Editorial Association will be held in Harrisburg on Tuesday, Jan. 19. Arrangements have been made to have the meeting in the parlors of the Lochiel Hotel, and if the attendance is too large for holding the meeting there it will be transferred to the Board of Trade Building. Important business will be considered, among which will be the advisability of holding a summer meeting at St. Louis during the World's Fair.

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