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PITHY POINTS.

Happenings Throughout the Country Chronicled for Hasty Perusal.

The Ashland Cycle Club leads in the Miners' Journal piano contest.

The Central Hotel at Drexelburg was sold to the First National Bank, of that place.

Pennsylvania Universalists opened their sixty-sixth annual convention at Reading yesterday.

The seventh annual encampment of the Pennsylvania Sons of Veterans is in session at Towanda.

A number of Ashland's prominent citizens are organizing a winter course of entertainments for that town.

The strawberry crop in Catawissa is unusually large, and fair prices are being realized by the growers.

Harry Zimmerman and Daniel Blew, of Mahanoy City, have signed articles for a 100 yard foot race for \$24 a side.

A brass folding key was found last evening near the Kendrick House. Owner can have same by calling at the HERALD office.

A gun club will be organized in Mahanoy City this evening. The meeting will be held at the Kaiser opera house dance hall.

The children sent out from New York this year by the New York Tribune Fresh Air Fund will be quartered in Hazleton and vicinity.

The seventh annual convention of the Epworth League met at Williamsport yesterday. Two hundred delegates are in attendance. The district includes six counties.

At the third annual commencement of the Nurses Training School of the Cloister, Pa., hospital, Miss Maud Payne, sister of Deputy Controller Bond W. Payne, of Ashland, will be one of the graduates.

The one hundred and fiftieth annual convention of the Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and adjacent states will meet in Trinity Lutheran church, Lancaster, tomorrow, to continue one week.

Fishermen who have lately visited the Lantz creek report a large number of trout floating dead on the water, evidently the work of the "awful" maul of fishermen, who make it a practice of dynamiting creeks.

Marriage Licenses. Almond C. Resler and Cora Geist, both of Hazleton.

Deaths Recorded. From Eva B. Williams at six, to Michael Billek at six, premises McAdoo.

Resignation Accepted. The Adjutant General has accepted the resignation of 1st Lieutenant Jacob Britz, of Co. E, N. G. P., of Mahanoy City.

The only remedy in the world that will at once stop itching of the skin in any part of the body, that is absolutely safe and never-failing, is Doan's Ointment. Get it from your dealer.

THE COCCANUT PALM.

Something About This Wonderful Tree of a Hundred Uses.

The cocconut palm is indigenous to the tropical countries. Its branchless trunk grows to a height of from 60 to 90 feet, and bears at its summit a crown of pinnate leaves that are from 12 to 20 feet in length. It is essentially littoral, and "loves to bend over the rolling surf and to drop its fruit into the tidal waves."

The thick husk and the hard shell of the cocconut are well adapted to preserve its germinating power while it is being carried by the winds and the waves to some distant shore. Hence the cocconut palm "waves its graceful fronds over the Emerald Islands of the Pacific, fringes the West Indian shores, and from the Philippines to Madagascar, crowns the atolls or reefs the seaboard of the Indian ocean."

It is a beautiful tree and "a joy forever," because it yields a large variety of useful products. To the inhabitants of tropical countries the cocconut is an important article of food. It is eaten both ripe and unripe, the young unripe nut containing a sticky fluid that is very palatable. When fully matured, the nut yields a fixed oil, which is used for culinary purposes, in lamps and for manufacturing stearin candles and marine tallow. By compression in the cold, the oil is separated into a liquid called "oleine" and a more solid part called "coconine."

The hard shell of the nut is fashioned into cups, ladles, spoons, bowls, bottles, knife handles, etc., and is often beautifully polished and elaborately carved.

The terminal bud, or "palm cabbage," is an excellent vegetable when cooked. Indeed, it is considered a delicacy, but it is seldom used because its removal necessarily causes the death of the tree. From the trunk of this wonderful palm is obtained a saccharine sap called "toddy," which is esteemed a pleasant, refreshing drink. The dried palm leaves serve for thatching houses, for making mats and baskets, and for cattle fodder.

Cair is the most important fibrous product of the tree. It is the fiber or husk of the immature nut. It is prepared for use by being soaked several months in water, and then beaten until the fibers have entirely separated. Cair is a valuable material for ropes, brushes, carpets, mats, beds, cushions and nets. It is excellent for cables because it combines elasticity, lightness and strength. The long foot stalks of the fronds are used for fences, yokes and binding rods.

After the leaves cease to bear fruit it is cut down and its wood is used for many purposes. It is a reddish wood, is beautifully veined, admits of a high polish, and is imported for ornamental joinery under the name of "percupine wood." It is said that no other tree and no other plant contributes in so many ways to the wants and comforts of man as does this "tree of 100 uses"—the cocconut palm.—Philadelphia Times.

Well Attended. The ice cream festival under the auspices of Lincoln Street No. 37, J. T. of H. & T. of Wm. Penn, was held in Bender's hall, at that place, last evening. The affair was well attended and proved a financial success.

When bilious or costive, eat a Cocconut candy-cathartic, cure guaranteed, 10c. 25c.

The Chair She Wanted. One day last week she walked into a large and well known furniture store where there is an enormous stock of stuff and began nooting around among the chairs.

"What is it you wish, madam?" inquired one of the ever present and over-pleasant clerks for which the place is famous.

"I want a chair," she replied in that tired feeling tone of voice which one doesn't always have to know Brooklyn women to hear.

"He seated, madam," exclaimed the chivalrous clerk, "while the chair around for her with such a burst of politeness that he quite forgot his business."

"I mean I want to buy one," she explained.

"Oh, I beg your pardon," he said. "May I ask what kind, madam?"

"The kind you haven't got in the whole store. I'll bet a cent!"

"But we can get it, madam, if we do not have it in stock."

"You can't, either, I'm almost sure."

"New designs are constantly on the market, madam, and surely we can supply any demand made upon us."

"You think so, do you?" she asked, as if she had been to 147 furniture stores that morning only to be disappointed at each place.

"Well, sir, have you got a chair that has got an alarm clock in the back of it that will set off a spring in the seat that will throw a young man out of the window that hasn't got sense enough to go home before 11 o'clock at night, so's my daughter, that's her name, to dip with the housework and wash for six boarders, can get a night's rest, that every body has to get if they expect to do their share? If you have a chair like that, just send it up right away. Here's my address. And charge me anything you please for it; money's no object."

Up to date the suave and sure salesman has not been able to supply the demand, but his house is offering a prize for what is wanted.—New York Sun.

PERSONAL MENTION.

L. B. Fuller, of Ashland, was a town visitor this afternoon.

John Melonis was a passenger to New York at noon to-day.

Michael Toole, of Wm. Penn, transacted business in Portville today.

Mrs. M. J. Muldoon presented her husband with a girl baby last evening.

Clerk of the Courts Shoener, of Orefburg, spent this afternoon in town.

Mrs. William Acker, of East Coal street, spent today visiting relatives at Frankville.

William Strause, Jr., of Snodary, is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Krick, of South Main street.

John W. Curtin, bookkeeper for the Columbia Brewing Company, is in New York attending the graduating exercises of a law school from which his brother, Charles, is a graduate.

Just try a box of Cascarets, the best liver and bowel regulator ever made.

Children's Day. Next Sunday will be devoted to the observance of Children's Day in the United Brethren church on North Jarrilla street.

There will be a special session in the morning, in the afternoon there will be addresses appropriate to the day, and in the evening the children's exercises will be held.

Shared the Expense. While on their way home from work in the mines last night Eric Kroppa and John Wolostrowicz quarreled and the latter called Eric a cow. He started with a fist against Wolostrowicz for breach of the peace and a determination of character, but the parties agreed to share the costs and Justice Shoemaker marked the case settled.

When you want good roofing, plumbing, gas fitting, or general tin-smithing done call on E. F. Gallagher, 18 West Centre street. Dealer in stoves. 1-47

CHILDREN IN HOLLAND.

Little Lads and Lassies in a Scherengen Kindergarten.

Wandering through the crooked streets of the little fishing village of Scherengen, from which the famous Dutch water-lug plant takes its name, I heard merry shouts of laughter issuing from a garden enclosed by high walls. The gate was open and I peeped in. My curiosity was rewarded by one of the sweetest sights I have ever witnessed. About 30 little Dutch maids and lads, their ages varying from 3 to 6 years, were enjoying a game of ordinary American tag, while a little attendant of about 12 years stood by busily knitting while she watched them. A bell sounded. They all fell in line behind the little knitter and walked demurely, two by two, in a serpentine line around the garden and disappeared in a long hall, at the door of which each child took off its little wooden shoes and held them in one hand behind its back.

In the meantime the principal came out and invited me by signs to enter. In the hall I noticed the little maids laid orderly side by side. There were three halls in this kindergarten. In each were 50 children between the ages of 3 and 6 years, the girls in rows to their ankles, held out in a ballroom fashion with haircloth petticoats, little white caps pinned over the shoulders, and caps covering their straight yellow locks.

From this free kindergarten the children of the fisher folk, many of them fatherless, derive all care and attention. They are taught by the same methods used in Germany. All seemed bright and happy. In one room they were singing quaint little nursery rhymes about boats, so one little fellow made me understand by walking across the floor rolling like a sailor and then going through the motions of rowing a boat and pulling in nets. He with great glees made me understand that he would be a fisherman when he was "so big," stretching up his arms and smoking an imaginary pipe. This amused the children so much and made them shout and laugh so loud that the teacher was obliged to send them to their seats and end our fun.—Washington Star.

COTTOLENE.



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Shirt waists and proper dress stuffs, belts, waist sets, ties, collars, etc., are fast finding buyers at tempting prices.

Muslin Underwear, Corsets, Gloves and Handkerchiefs in all correct styles at right prices.

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Percales. Extra value; a hundred new choice styles, 5c per yard.

Dress Gingham. Choice new effects now 5 cts., were 10 to 12 1/2 cents.

New Silks. We carry a superb stock and not a piece that's not proper in price or style.

The McCall Patterns. More than five hundred new styles constantly in stock at 10 or 15 cents, 25c higher.

Carpets, Window Shades, Lace Curtains and Upholstery Goods at Reasonable Low Prices.

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MISCELLANEOUS. WANTED—A mileage book, issued by the Pennsylvania R. R. in the name of "E. D. Fletcher." A reward of \$5.00 will be paid for its return to W. P. Williams, 16 North White street.

FOR SALE—Lot 21510, situated on West Coal street. Two single houses, one on the front and the other on the rear of lot. For price and terms apply to T. B. Reddick, Attorney-at-law, corner of Main and Centre streets. 4-26-17

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF VALUABLE Real Property.—The undersigned, administrator of the estate of James J. Matlock, deceased, will offer at public sale, at his late residence, near Krieb's railway station, Union township, Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, on Saturday, June 23rd, 1897, the following personal property to wit: 2 horses, 2 mules, 2 cows, 1 bull, 1 buggy, 1 heavy platform spring wagon, 1 light platform spring wagon, 1 heavy two-horse wagon, 1 light two-horse wagon, 1 pair heavy bob sleds, 1 light bob sled, 1 truck sleigh, 1 two-horse threshing machine, 1 Champion binder, 1 Champion mower, 1 cultivator, 1 grain drill, 1 fanning mill, 1 fodder cutter, 1 corn sheller, 1 hand roller, 2 spring harrows, 1 horse rake, 4 plows, 1 potato digger, 1 cider press, lot of harness, lot of blacksmith tools, lot of iron and chains, lot of oats, 25c, hay, and straw, lot of storks, balls, hose, scoops, rakes, and a large variety of other articles too numerous to mention. Also all the growing crops on said farm.

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