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#### EDITORIAL.

TEACHERS INSTITUTES. The Lausford Record editorially

comments in last weeks issue on the value of the teachers institute in that county to the teachers, as it was conducted. It says the star attraction was paid \$150 "simply to amuse the teachers," and that a concert company costing \$100 was simply a musical feature, and pertinently asks of that attraction told the teachers anything about how to improve their school work. The arti cle says "that an institute which would give Principals an opportunity to exchange practical views on how to handle scholars, and at the same time impart knowledge, would be worth more to the cause of education than these high priced fun makers, theatrical singers and Normal school boomers."

It also deplores the injury to the schools by the interruption in their studies, and thinks it would be better to hold the institutes during the summer vacation. There is good sense in all its remarks. The assertion is made that Pennsylvania with her much lauded school system and her generous allotment of funds for the support of common and Normal schools stands the twenty seventh down the list of states in illiteracy. If this is true there is something radically wrong in the management of our schools, or the system on which they are conducted. We may well ask do county superintendents superintend, and do directors direct? Is there sufficient care exercised in giving certificates only to those competent to teach. There should be no favoriteism in this matter. It is argued that good teachers cannot be obtained for the meagre salaries some districts are able to pay. If our rank in the states showing illiteracy is correctly given, better no school for no good result is obtained. Do our directors visit the schools un der their care and see that proper to increase the revenue are doing an methods are in use and that pupils injustice to the law and to business are making satisfactory progress ? interests which are, of course, dis-Do parents evince the interest they turbed by any proposition for furth should have in the education of their children in the schools !

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#### POLITICAL GOSSIP

The manufacturing industries which the protective system has brought to such perfection are still steadily moving southward and carrying with them the protection sentiment into that section of the country. The latest example of Entered at the post office of this is found in the Indian Head Milford, Pike county, Pennsylvania, Cotton Milis of Cordova, Ala., whose

five years' period. the passage of the tariff bill may re- their labors.

the Spanish promises of autonomy every true Christian. and justice to the Cubans are not administration instead of attemptthe Government by such Congres many people a few months ago.

Dingley law earnings first four months... \$90,517,114

Wilson law earnings first .. \$82,038,007 four months ... The above official figures are moted for the purpose of calling attention to the injustice and absolute falsohood with which opponents of the present administration attack its neasures and operations. The New York "Journal," the eastern mouthpiece of the silver party, on the morning following the presentation of President McKinley's message. said specifically in its editorial colamas that the "President finds the Dingley bill producing smaller revcaues and greater deficits than the masures which his platform denonneed ever did." Of course the neasure his platform denounced was the Wilson law, and the inac- Christ. surney of this statement by this mouthpiece of the silver party is shown by the official figures quoted

party framing it. The Dingley law, the people who are demanding that Ghost since ye believed." Congress shall immediately legislate or tariff agitation at present.

## Historic Letters.

pal of the State Normal School at dering whether there might not be should take its coloring from this the citizens and " if our grand old Westchester, Pa., has issued in the some truth in the frog's statement, supreme offering.

Commonwealth " takes such a low form of a namphlet a compilation allowed him to take the place of inrank, surely there is cause for under the above title, which com- structor. alarmas to the position which her prises letters now in the possession of the school written by General Frog straightway began to reform sons shall occupy in the battle for George Washington. Benedict Ar- all previous methods of horse trainmaterial presperity and intellectual members and intellectual members. How ing. Instead of giving the horses a Him who gave Himself for us. Mifflin, John Sullivan, William Irv- steady amount of exercise carly and ine, Anthony Wayne, Israel Put- only now and then allowing them to nam, P. Schuyler, Nathan Greene, go at top speed he made them trot Winfield Scott, George B. McClel. as fast as they could from the time Few people perhaps realize the len and Z Taylor, also one by Jef- they reached the track until they cost of the system of punishing ferson Davis to General Persifer F. left it. crime in the United States. There Smith. The spelling, punctuation, The result was that when the limble to result in that dread disease as in the originals.

It also contains a handsome porsupported at an expense of our hundred million dollars per annum.

If the costs of trial and other incidentals were added to the sum it would make an aggregate truly startling.

Trait of Washington painted at Value of Evaluation on the Computation of the Style of Computation of the

Everybody Sars So.

esson For the Week Beginning Dec. 19. Topic For the Week Beginning Dec. 19th., Comment by Rev. W. J. Vates, A. M. SCHIPTURS BRADING .- Hom. vill, 1-4, 15,

0; v, 1, 3; xiv, 17; xv, 13. It is now quite generally recognized among evangelical Christians this is found in the Indian Head that a person may have clear assurance that his sins are forgiven and proprietors have just closed a con- be conscious of the presence and tract for the sale of the entire out- favor of God. This truth has not put of their mills in China during a always been held by the Christian church in full view. Multitudes of There is a growing feeling that earnest souls have earnestly sought the elements of patriotism and of God and served Him faithfully acwillingness to give the party in cording to the light they possessed power an opportunity to test its who yet never dared be sure that proposed principles which caused God was pleased with them and

alt in drawing to ether a sufficient | It was the mission of Methodism number of votes in the Sanate to to emphasize the Scriptural teachtions of President McKinley's mes- saved from his sins by the grace of sage, in which he recommends a God, but he may also have the wif- and the gateway of heaven would system by which it will be impossi- ness of his own soul and of the Holy be too narrow to admit them. It ble to embarrass the Government Spirit to the fact of his salvation. greenbacks to draw gold out of the Spirit" has been made particularly The calm, clear, and forceful ex- professional evengelists in all the ment in the Cuban question in case | that which should be possessed by

carried out have impressed the indeed until the Wesleyan teaching the kingdom of heaven. country very greatly in his favor, had pervaded the church at large it and have developed a general will- was generally supposed that all one ingness to leave this important and could be certain of regarding his be convicted of our sinfulness. We delicate question in the hands of the salvation was that it he was one of must first feel that we really are the "elect" he would be surely sinners and that sin is an awful ing to force action and embarrass savel at last; if not one of the thing before we will cry out to God sional action as was demanded by so He could during life only had to realize his sin before he resaved till the day of judgment.

> deemed every one of the race, that sinfulness before they will ever get God offers eternal life to all. "The rid of sin. This should not be free gift came upon all men unto hard matter. "All have sinned and justification of life." Every one come short of the glory of God." enters this life saved and so con-Even then he is not abandoned, but lead to repentance and conversion, the Holy Spirit witnesses with his Repentance means to turn from sin own Spirit that he is wrong, sinful to God. If convicted of our sinfulturns from the evil and chooses the sin. We should turn from it in diswhen in unwavering trustfulness he and learn to do well." It is not accepts the offers of pardon and enough to give up evil; we must peace made by God through Jesus ear estly do good.

who profess to be friends of the come a Christian neglect of duties Christ calls us. and privileges causes a loss of joy to its enactment, has increased its possession of the witness of the iii, 1.6; Rev. xxi, 27. earnings more than 25 per cent. and Holy Spirit. It is as unreasonable there is prospect that the earnings, and dangerous for a person to live which are now over \$25,000,000 a without this clear evidence of God's month, will be increased from \$5,- favor as for one to be careless of the 500,000 to \$7,000,000 per month deeds which give him his title to shortly after the beginning of the lands and houses and worldly possesnew year. It is thus apparant that sions. "Have ye received the Holy

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capital letters, abbreviations, etc., day of the race came, on which they have been retained and reproduced were to be tried, they were tired out and found wanting.

Moral: Do not reverse all previthousand occupants who were being trait of Washington painted at Val-ous order of teaching, nor hold ex dhere to the old rule of teaching known to be a certain preventive of

chapel, City road, London, in 1901. Pike county.

Comment by Hev. S. H. Doyle.

The lesson presents Christ on His last journey to Jerusalem. "He teaching and journeying toward there was work for Him to do. He clared, because of professions of religion, would expect to enter in, but would be disappointed. The reason why they would not be saved was

is very important that we get rid of by a continuance of the use of the In recent years this "witness of the our sins. We may have witnessed the wonderful works of Christianity prominent in the preaching of many in the world, we may have taken some part in this work ourselves, pressions of the President as to the different denominations and is an yet unless we are cleansed from sin prospective course of the Govern- experience which is recognized as when we stand before the gate of heaven we will be refused admittance. Nothing that defileth or Before the days of Wesley and maketh ashamed shall enter into

2. To get rid of our sins we must tinues till actual sin is committed. repent of our sin. Conviction should and condemned and persuades to re- ness, there should come into our pentance and trust in God. If he hearts a hatred and loathing of our good, his conversion is attested by gust. But we should not only turn his own soul, and his pardon is testi- from sin, but begin at once to serve fled to by the Holy Spirit of God God. We should "cease to do evil

No one need ever wander into have faith in Christ. We must acactual sin. It is possible though capt the payment Christ has made sadly infrequent for one from earli- for our sins. We must have our est childhood to remain innocent sins washed away in His blood. A revenue law which increases its and grow up in conscious virtue and | Convicted of our sinfulness, we earnings more than twenty-five per favor with God. This is the normal should be filled with sorrow for and cent, in four months and has a pros- Christian development. Years of hatred of sin, turn to Christ, and in spect of continuing that increase for wickedness, remorse and bitter re- His blood have our sins washed everal months at an equally rapid pentance is the usual but abnormal away, and by his help and strength cate ought not to be embarrassed by course in which men find salvation. give up sin. Then, rid of sin, we suspicion or denounced by people Too frequently after one has be-shall be ready for heaven, when

Bible Readings .- Deut. ix, 7, 8: which started in under the embar- and conscious acceptance with God. Joshua i, 18; Ps. i, 1-6; Prov. xxiv, rassing circumstances under a con-dition in which the country has been filled with foreign goods prior been filled with foreign goods prior closely question himself as to his 10-18; Heb. xii, 1-4; I John i, 8-10;

Next to Easter the Christmas festival is the grandest and gladdest of all the Christian year. Its return should ever be made the occasion for the rehearsal of the story of the Bethlehem manger. No heathen customs or stories should be allowed to growd back the Christ story. The A frog watching a nearby school full significance of the advent of the for young horses did not like the Saviour should be freshly set before slow progress they were making the minds of old and young at this under the instruction of an old time. The sacrifice of the Master, the gift of the great God our Father, He communicated his criticisms to should be so clearly understood that Prof. George M. Phillips, Princi- the owner of the school, who won- all other giving of this glad season

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Toric .- Our sins and how to get rid of som-Loke zitt, 33-80.

went through the cities and villages Jerusalem," says the introductory verse. Christ taught not only in the great centers of population, but in the quiet, obscure villages, Wherever there were human souls is asked whether many or few will be saved and answers by urging all to agonize to enter in. Many, he depass a bill based upon the proposi- ing that a man may not only be that they were still in their sins. They had not got rid of their sins,

HOW MAY WE GET RID OF OUR SINS? 1. To get rid of our sins we must "elect," he would be surely lost. in sorrow for forgiveness. David "hope" he might be saved. He pented. The dying thief realized would never be certain that he was that he received the due reward of his deeds before he turned to Christ It is now seen that Christ re- for help. So must all realize their

3. To get rid of our sins we must

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ognition of the meaning of the Christmas festival and use the casion for some offering for the work of the church

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