HE INDIANA MESSENGER

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ADVERTISING RATES.

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THE HOME NEWS

J. N. COLEMAN, of Conemangh, was granted \$18 sheep damage December 11. The show windows on our business

streets are full of holiday novelties and attract much attention

"NICK" HOFFMAN, of White township, butchered a 10-months' old pig last week which dressed 330 pounds.

FIRES in Indiana come in sections of three, with but brief intervals. To the citizens we say, "be watchful."

THE Directors' Association will meet in grand jury room instead of court room, owing to court being in session Institute week

The basket ball season will be opened at Library Hall, Indiana, holiday week by a game between the local team and the Wilkinsburg club.

THE Blairsville councils ask the cour to appoint Coulter Wiggins, Esq., burgess to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of John I. Chapman.

THE Blairsville Courier indignantly denies the rumor that any drug store proprietors of that town have been le gally accused of-oh, well; let it go.

EARL FRECH, of Creekside, is suffering from a broken leg. It was fractured while chopping in the woods, Dr. John St.Clair gave the necessary medical at-

THE Cherrytree Odd Fellows will have a banquet to-morrow (Thursday) evening. There will be a great lay-out and other things to consider the next morning.

"GEORGE H. JOHNSON, Esq., informs us that he is not responsible for the statement that he would be a candidate for the assembly at the coming primary, yet he may be."—Blairsville Enterprise.

ALREADY arrangements are being made for the erection of a new church building on the site of the one burned Sunday morning. The congregation is not strong in numbers but it has courage and determination.

LET'S give our Institute visitors a warm welcome next week. Collectively they deserve it and individually they are entitled to it. Their profession is hard and trying, and the fruits of their labors are found in every home.

TOM E. HILDEBRAND'S handsome store is crowded these days. The force of salesmen has been increased, and purchasers are only delayed by their de lighted examination of the many pretty things in the cases and on the shelves.

THE Episcopal Church Guild women are astir, notwithstanding their recent misfortune. They will entertain the public at White's restaurant Wednesday evening, December 20, with chicken and waffles, &c., and everybody will be wel-

ROBERT MALCOLM, the fearless chief of police of Indiana, accompanied by his wife, stopped in town a short time between trains this morning.-Blairsville Courier.

If the writer of that item should hap-pen to go up against John Malcolm he would find things different.

JEDGE HARRY WHITE and First JUDGE HARRY WHITE and First spectators turned away with flooded National Bank President Mr. W. J. Witchell got between the fire hose and climbing the carsteps that carried him

"Sam" Jones Will be Here.

A rumor has gone abroad that "Sam" ones the world-known orator, would be unable to keep his engagement next Tuesday night in the Institute Lecture ourse at Library Hall. Mr. Jones will be here without fail, providence permit-ting. He is in good health, and Superntendent Stewart has mail and tele graphic assurances that Mr. Jones wil cep his appointment.

Couple of Blairsville "Courier Paragraphs.

We note that Judge White is to assist n presiding over the Steel-Doty contest. We congratulate His Honor upon with ropes. Then the robbers searched the house for valuables. One of the the fact that in this affair it's some-body else that will do the sweating and have cold feet.

We will soon be called upon to bid farewell to Sheriff Neal. The worst thing we can say of him is that he's a genial gentleman and an honorable man.

Hon. H. J. Thompson is a Candidate for Re-Election.

We are authorized to announce that the Hon. H. J. Thompson, of Marion Center, will be a candidate at the next Repúblican primary for Assembly. The

fact was previously stated in these col umns, but a rumor has got abroad that he would not be a candidate for re-election. Mr. Thompson made a most efficient. representative at Harrisburg last winter. He is a full-fiedged and loyal Republican and, as such, recog-nized all over the State. His services in

the last Legislature were faithful to his constituents and honorable to himself.

Big Deed Record.

Yesterday Register and Recorder Stewart received for record 66 deeds. The deeds are from various persons in Buffington, East Wheatfield, West Wheatfield and Pine townships and are made to the Lackawanna Iron and Steel Company. In a few instances the deeds

convey outright certain tracts of land, but they are mostly for the underlying coal. The total amount of money paid out on these purchases will aggregate nearly \$200,000.

The purchases of the company named have been conducted by several parties, Judge Barker, of Ebensburg, being the leading person connected with the big

It is said that it is not the intention of the Lackawanna people to begin opera-tions for some time; and it is intimated that the coal secured will be held for future sale to another corporation. Recorder Stewart will be occupied several days in getting the deeds on record. We hope to be able to publish the details of the big purchase next week.

The Passing of Zimmerman.

Sheriff Neal on Thursday morning purchased at the station two tickets for Pittsburg. One ticket was for a round trip, and upon this the Sheriff rode home Thursday evening. The other ticket was for Peter Zimmerman, and it is probably the last carfare Indiana or any

other county will pay for him. Thursday morning at the station there was only the usual small group of sight-seers, and none of these anticipated the appearance of the Sheriff and his aged Zimmerman passed through isoner. the little crowd unnoticed. His bent form and tottering limbs bore eloquent form and tottering limbs bore eloquent testimony that he had passed the psalm-ist's allotted age, but his eyes were bright and eager. Looking westward be-yond the station he saw erected on the site of the Francis Gompers barn, where he had worked fifty years ago, the spire

of an Episcopal church, the result of a gift of the late Judge Thomas White, whose son, Judge Harry White, had, two days previous, consigned him to a living grave. What emotions this view aroused in the aged criminal about to serve out a term of seventeen years, is mere conjecture. His, practically, life. long incarceration behind the grimy bars

abiding.

of the penitentiary is perhaps the best fate that could befall him; still a few day morning on "The Christian's Inher-

The Leaden Heel of Justice. In re: The Passing of David F Smith. It is said that justice some time SECOND CHAPTER moves with leaden heels but always gets Filed in the Prothonotary's office last there. What follows is an illustration: Thursday morning was the petition of On the night of the 16th of April, Frank McAnulty for the liquor license 1896, a party of four men forced an enhitherto granted to, and held by David

trance into the house of Henry Bruner, F. Smith, "then and there" a citizen of in Banks township. He and Matilda. the borough of Cherrytree.

Mr. McAnulty was former postmaster his aged wife, were alone that night Henry was then past 70 years of age. Rumors in the neighborhood were to the at Barnesboro, Cambria county. The town is located a mile or so distant from effect that he kept about his house large the Indiana county line and in Cambri sums of money. He made a stont re sistance to the masked men who came to county. Access to this busy borough is gained over a branch of the P. R. R tending from Ebensburg and from Indi-ana county across a tumultuous stream known as Blacklick creek. These matrob, but he was overcome and he and his wife were brutally assaulted and bound gang stood over the bound victims with

Allowing as indickness circles. These mat-ters, as the court will observe, are men-tioned incidentally. Mr. McAnulty was the postmaster at Barnesboro. He carried on a store, and the office was in the store building. The postmaster was required by the posted a drawn revolver while his companions looted the dwelling. They were disap-pointed in regard to the amount of noney-aggregating \$65-they found and believing that a much larger amount was secreted in the dwelling demanded postmaster was required by the postal authorities to give bond when he aspostal sumed the office. The bond required, it is alleged, was \$10,000. The qualified of the old people its hiding place. Old man Bruner told the thieves they had secured all the valuables he had, but they did not believe him. Lighted can- In aleged, was 510,000. The quinified bondsmen, it is also said, were "Dell"
E. Notley and M. C. Westover.
Notley at the time he became bondsman for Postmaster McAnulty was in the hodles were pressed against his feet and he tel business and operating one part of it under a license granted by Judge Barwas tortured for upwards of an hour and his life threatened. His wife was also abused and horrid imprecations ker, of Ebensburg. Westover, the other heaped upon her. But torture could not McAnulty bondsman, is a wholesale liquor dealer.

make them reveal a secret they did not possess, and finally the desperadoes left the house, their victims still bound, and duor dealer. During a portion of the time Mr. Mc-Anulty held the postmastership, he had employed as a clerk a young man named Donahne. There occurred dur-ing this joint administration of Uncle Sam's voctoffice at Barneshore a shortdire threats made as to what would happen if an alarm was made. Nearly an hour after the departure of the thieves Nearly an Sam's postoffice at Barnesboro a short-age of \$4,000 and more. The postmaster and his clerk came under the espionage of the Department at Washington. Donthe Braners succeeded in freeing them-selves, and rang the farm bell for assistance. Neighbors speedily arrived and the pursuit of the robbers began. A ahue was arrested, and McAnulty's bondsmen, Westover and Notley, made clue as to who they were was found, and upon information made by Mr. Bruner warrants were issued for the arrest of John and Charles Pierce, Daniel C. good in some way the money losses so far as they could be traced. The post-Best, Charles States and Olinton Wright master and assistant Donahue are at liberty. The Indiana County Deposit Bank,

and his brother Sharpe. The Pierce boys and States were arrested and tried at the following June term of court. The jury acquitted John Pierce and the principal sharcholder being Judge Harry White, anxious that the Cher-States, but found a verdict against Charles Pierce, and he was sentenced rytree hotel property (of which Da-vid F. Smith was dispossessed under the circumstances related in these colfor his part in the terrible crime to imprisonment in the penitentiary for ten years. He is now serving out his time. Best fied from the neighborhood. Reumns last week), recognizing the prop-erty as deadwood, seems to have con-veyed its interest to the Westover cently it was learned that he was workbove-named, who seeks to revivify i ing in a sawmill in Garrett county, by having its profitable license privilege transferred from the passing David F Maryland. Last week Deputy Sheriff "Joe" Neal arrested him and he is now Smith to the alert Frank McAnulty. So far as we can learn Mr. Smith has

in jail and will be tried for the crime charged against him at the March term. not assented or applied for the transfer f the license. The incidents attending Best's arrest

were interesting. He was on the look-out, and was keenly alive to the fact that he was wanted for the crime which it is alleged he had committed. To some of bineral and the second second second second here three days last week assisting Judge White in the multifarious and of his fellow-workmen he had made he regular term of the December court. known the fact that he was charged From an examination of the list of causes to be judicially settled at this with the Bruner crime and they agree term we do not find any "certified" cases—that is, cases Judge White would be disqualified to pass upon. Hence the assumption appears to be well-founded that Judge Miller was here to act upon the transfer of David F. Smith's license to sall licence to Frank Weak putter to assist in protecting him and giving him warning if an officer should appear. Officer Neal secured the assistance of a former deputy sheriff of Garrett county. When Neal drew near the mill he saw at a distance a man who bore Best's de-

To fulfill legal requirements, Mr. Mc-Anulty files his petition. The petition-ers are D. E. Notley, J. E. Trees, Harry Brickley, T. A. Davis, C. A. Grumb-ling, J. G. Buterbaugh, L. D. Pittman, A. S. Daugherty, E. Somerville, P. King, R. H. Shaw, Albert Johnston, A. H. Harter, A. P. Condron, J. L. Davis and J. A. Trinkey. The bonds-men are Harvey Brickley, D. E. Notley and J. L. Davis. was armed with a Winchester and when he commanded Best to halt the latter broke into a run. But just at the moment when Neal was about to fire Brown sprang from his concealment in the brush and immediately in front of Best. He had a bulldog revolver in his hand, and when Best looked into its loaded chambers, not more than two and J. L. Davis

stated. The Wrights are under bond, and it i loubtful if evidence sufficient can be obtained to secure their conviction. It is amounting to \$3,415 and no assets. lleged, however, that Best can hardly

s judge of the Tenth Judicial District

Grocer's Delusion. A GROCER said to us the other day, "I have been 'de-

dles, or in other words what the newspaper reporters call a 'scoop.' So a flour salesman came along the other day and said 'We have a new brand of flour; I want you to try a sample lot.' He assured me that it was the only good flour on earth, and in the same breath said, 'It's much superior to Tidal Wave.' I said it must be pretty good, then. He re-assured me that it was and if I handled it the other grocers might as well shut up shop. So I ordered 12 sacks. I have sold five of them; two have been returned and I have not had any report from the other three, but I am atraid to put out any more, and if that salesman was here to-night he a would be invited to take the other seven sacks away. Send would be invited to take the other seven sacks away. Send me five barrels Tidal Wave to-morrow. It's the flour the people want anyway, and I don't have to stand up and make a stump speech every time I sell a sack."

Tidal Wave is like Uncle Tom's Cabin, the more the public gets of it the more they want. Other grocers might profit by this one's experience. For sale everywhere at \$1.15 per sack. Victor Roller \$1.00 per sack. Bran \$17.00 per ton. Wheat, 60, buckwheat 50, rye 45.

Penn Roller Mills, Indiana, Pa.

David Ellis & Sons,

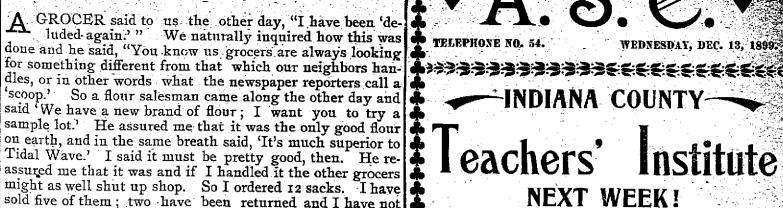
A Christmas Grocery

ceries and Provisions. A full stock of Reymer's delicious Candies and Bonbons. I respectfully solicit your custom. Goods delivered free.

CLEMENTS, the Grocer, Indiana House Corner.

corner of Ninth and Philadelphia streets, on Sunday morning. The fire orignated from the heater, in which gas was permitted to burn on Saturday night after the adjournment of the choir meeting. The fire was discovered shortly after two o'clock by Miss Annie Sutton, who ives with her mother directly across the street from the church. She aroused her brother, Treasurer Phil. Sutton, who alarmed the neighborhood by firing several shots from his revolver, ringing the for bell at the engine house and crying out "fire! fire!" during these busy mo-monts. The fire department reached the scene and could have prevented the total loss of the church had the water pressure peen sufficient. It was a quarter of an

of the residence of Dr. Purrington. His daughter, Miss Lila, mounted to the roof and broom in hand, swept the burning sparks off. The big crowd on the streets cheered the young lady. Former Sheriff D. C. Mack, the owner of the 'Checkered Front'' building, immediatey opposite the church, also had a busy ime saving the building, sparks having ignited the roof. A local patrol was oranized and through its watchfulness ind activity many blazes on buildings in the vicinity were extinguished. The building was insured for \$2200 and there was an insurance of \$1000 on he organ. In an interview with Miss Fannie W.



HE BIG ANNUAL ASSEMBLING of the educators of the county is to many a time of learning ideas as to the best methods of advancing the educational interest of the county's schools. A time when friends meet, when new acquaintances are made, when the teacher's experience is related. The annual meeting brings together a social, cheerful and intelligent crowd of people. Directors, visitors and friends help to swell the large audiences that are called together at each session and entertainment during the entire week, and join with teachers in giving praise to the free school system.

Our Greeting to Teacher, Director, **Visitor and Patron:**

We are doing business at the old stand. We are increasing our annual sales. We are employing better methods of merchandizing. We are adding new lines to our large stock. We are making new friends and caring for former ones. No other store in this county can show as large a stock. No where will you receive a more cheerful welcome. No other store can give you a more perfect service. No other store has so many cheerful salespeople. A welcome to all to inspect the thousands of useful Xmas articles,

"This store is making more news than it can profitably print."

ABOUT TOILET ARTICLES. There is a fine showing of uaint novelties in this toilet article section. Suggestions for gifts pleasing variety.

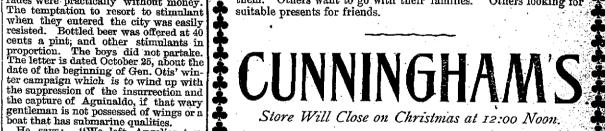
GENTLEMEN'S FURNISHINGS. The kind that make acceptable Holiday remembrances. Put here to make your choose ing easier, that's all

UMBRELLAS. A very extensive assortment here. Exqui-

site and novel handle designs. Prices are very interesting. XMAS DRESS GOODS. Have you a personal need or a Holiday thought? This store can fill it. The acceptableness of a dress pattern is generally manifest.

SLIPPERS. Guess it is safe to say that no such assortment of Slipper newness and Slipper goodness ever entered this town. If you are looking for them we have men's, boys', ladies' and children's. Wonderful what 50c, 75c or \$1 will do in this slipper stock.

Stores open evenings now to Christmas. Many men who want to surprise their wives with a Xmas gift cannot get to the stores during the day these busy times. The evening is a good time for them. Others want to go with their families. Others looking for suitable presents for friends



hope to escape. Should he be convicted of the offense he is charged with he will reensburg Press.] likely receive the same sentence as who will be brought from the penitentiary as a witness against him. Church Notes.

Rev. D. M. Kinter will speak Lord's

fraud were

Judge Miller, of Mercer county, was various duties incumbent upon him at

to sell liquor to Frank McAnulty. To fulfill legal requirements, Mr. Mc scription, and as he approached him the man quickened his pace along a tram-way leading into the woods. Mr. Neal

yards distant, and then, glancing over his shoulder, saw "Joe" with his Win-Up to this date the proceedings are not devoid of interest. The third chap-ter to be written on the "Passing of chester in position to fire, he threw up his hands and submitted to arrest. He David F. Smith" will have for its text was brought here Thursday night, and if nothing happens will be tried as the further court proceedings. In the United States District Court at

Pittsburg on Monday Frank McAnulty, Barnesboro, filed a petition in bank ruptcy, setting forth his liabilities a

Westmoreland Judge Contest.

In filing his petition for the proposed contest to the seating of Lucien W. Doty

John B. Steel is backed by the united Republicanism of the county. Investi-gation of the methods used by the Dem-

perats, so the petition declares, shows

that bribery, coercion, intimidation and

Christ Episcopal Church Burned. Fire destroyed Christ Episcopal church, "Ned." McCune, of Johnstown, nephew of Miss Fannie W. Nixon, of

hour before the proper pressure in the water mains was secured, and by that time the fire had gained such headway as to make the saving of the building an impossibility. Most of the chairs in the basement were saved, but aside from hese everything in the interior was consumed. A strong wind from the south-cast prevailed during the fire, and burning embers filled the air. These fell on neighboring buildings, and the roofs of some of them caught fire. Twice blazes thus caused were observed on the roof

the suppression of the insurrection and the capture of Aguinaldo, if that wary gentleman is not possessed of wings or a boat that has submarine qualities. He says: "We left Angelies two weeks ago and went to San Frandano, two days, preparing

Letter From the Philippines.

this place, has written an interesting

letter from the Philippines, from which

we are permitted to make some extracts.

He is a member of Company O, Twenty-

Second U. S. V. When the ship on which he sailed from San Francisco ar-

rived at Honolulu the recruits were

vasseme hilarity-not unnatural-when

the men, after a long voyage, gained land, and three of the soldiers had a lit-

tle fuss with a native policemen. The affair did not reach the dignity of a riot,

and the offenders were only mildly dis-ciplined when they returned under guard to the ship. "Ned" says upon

guard to the ship. "Ned" says upor his arrival at Manila himself and com

rades were practically without money.

There

given a few hours shore leave.

the burning church Sunday morning They report the water they encountered as being unexpectedly cold and forceful Mr. D. C. Mack had a similar encounter and says the unexpectedness of it was

A HARRISBURG dispatch says that Governor Stone has not appointed the judges asked for by John B. Steele in the Westmoreland county judicial case, because the respondent, Judge Lucien W. Doty, requested a hearing before the Attorney General to meet the questions embodied in the petition of the contest. Until this shall have been had no further action will be taken in the case.

OUR Utah correspondent last week stated the distance between Utah postoffice and the newly-established office at Leard, both in Green township, as one mile. He, it appears, was mistaken. The distance between the two offices is two miles. The proposed Sample Ran office is on the Old, not the New, State

road

CHARLES PIERCE, serving a 10-years sentence in the Western -Penitentiary for complicity in the Henry Bruner torture case, was brought here on Monday in charge of Keeper James I. Mitchell Pierce is a witness of the Common-wealth against Daniel C. Best. Officer Mitchell is a guest of the Clawson House and a very affable gentleman.

THE Lindsey Press has reorganized it self and hereafter will be known as the Panxsutawney Republican. The Republican is an ambitious journal, and will prove a formidable but not an unpleasant competitor, we hope, of Punx sutawney's two other papers, the Spirit and News. Both these two last-named journals were established to fill a "long-felt want," and the desire seems now big enough to include a third venture.

FRANCIS MURPHY, the temperance advocate, was in Johnstown Wednesday, Indiana County Prohibition Executive Committee meets soon, License Court is not far off, Judge White will serve on the contest board in Westmoreland, the legal time for killing deer has passed, some of the women are padding here and there, and trouble of every kind may be expected if the weather don't change,

MRS. C. A. J. SMITH, the spiritual medium, remains at Mrs. Jobe's resi-

nence, Water street, for an indefinite She visits the homes of people who ask for her presence. The seances given are attracting serious considera-tion in many social circles, and some of the manifestations are mysterious and wonderful. Mrs. Smith apparently is in the possession of remarkable occult

THE nicest line of Fancy Vests can be found at Pennington's.

WANTED-A young married man to take charge of a farm for one year. Apply to J. C. Moorhead, Indiana, Pa. FOR SALE-Three shares Oakland Cemetery Association stock. Make me an offer. G. L. SHARRETS,

6005 Madison ave., Chicago, Ill. 7. [EfELD

A NICE watch or piece of jewelry makes an excellent Christmas present, nd one that will last for years. Yo can obtain either of them at Max P Wilson's, 572 Philadelphia street, at. v reasonable price.

Extend a cordial invitation to al o call and bie our immense lines of initian Accellan Back and contacts for anothering Konstrations for anothering Konstrations Strategies and Specific and the initian and specific and the

nd in the evening on "The for the last time from Indiana. Three Kingdoms-Nature, Grace and Glory." Don't fail to hear him. The way of the transgressor is hard. Human sympathy, thank God, also is

Pierce,

Mercantile Appraiser Appointed. (says one of them), "will pay their so-Mr. Lewis W. Neal, of Young towncial debts in Library Hall on Thursday evening, December 28. There will be ship, has been appointed mercantile appraiser for the year 1900. The appointcity music, elegant decorations, &c." ment of appraiser is made each year by

Telephone to Johnstown, Etc. Telephone connection is now estab-

Will Probated.

The will of Dr. Robert McChesney

was filed December 7, 1899. The follow-

ing bequests are made: To his daugh-

ter. Mary E. McChesney, 10 shares of

the capital stock of First National Bank

deceased's farm, dwelling house, surgi-cal instruments and all other real estate.

and William McChesney. William Mo-Chesney is appointed executor. The will is dated November 22, 1899, and is

witnessed by W. J. Wilson and J. N.

Congressional Doings.

Representative Jack, of Indiana, has

recommended S. E. Jobe for the post-

master at Crete, Indiana county, and

Banks.

ment, is conceded one appointment durlished between Indiana and Johnstown. ing his term. This year the duty of nam-ing the appraiser came to Commissioner The Johnstown exchange has over 1,000 C. F. Murray, and naturally his selection is a Democrat. Mr. Neal is of that polisubscribers and its co-operating lines reach Windber, New Florence, Nmeveh,

Cresson, Altoona, Somerset and pretty tical faith, and is also otherwise creditearly into the National capital. Commissioner Murray, upon whose houlders rested the responsibility of nawires connecting Johnstown with Indi-ana are in splendid condition and talk ming the official, was considerably emover them is as distinct as from this barrassed. The other applicants who filed their applications with Mr. Murray were J. D. Martin, of Pine township; Thomas place to the nearest connecting station. There are no woods between Indiana and the rest of the world.

G. Murray, of Blairsville; Wm. Shelito, of Cherryhill; Walter Blose, of Montcomery; Sloan Walker, of Shelocta, and J. B. Younkins, of Indiana.

the board of county commissioners.

Each commissioner, by courteous agree-

They are seven good men, and Mr. Murray was perturbed in regard to his selection, as all were personal friends. He wrote the names on separate slips of paper, and placed them in a hat, and in of Indiana; to his son, William A., 15 the presence of the other members of the shares of above-named stock, also the the presence of the other members of the Board requested Clerk John W. Neal to

take one of the slips from the hat, and appointee. Capt. Neal gave the hat a E. McChesney, who also holds eight vigorous shake and Commissioner Stuchell another. The slip withdrawn bore vided share and share alike between her the name of Lewis W. Neal. Mr. Mur. and William McChesney. William Moray would have liked to appoint the entire seven, but was handicapped by being empowered to appoint but one only. The appointment is satisfactory.

Grand Jury Presentment.

The grand jury for the December Quarter Sessions concluded its labors last Thursday. Mr. A. W. Steele, the foreman, energetically prosecuted the business which came before the body, and in discharging the jury upon the completion of its labors the court complimented it upon the expedition and thoroughness with which it had performed its duties.

The following presentment was made to the court : "Your Honor having submitted us a

statement of the financial condition of the county, the jury offers the following recommendation in regard to the disposition of the surplus funds: First, it being called to our attention that the ninth issue of county bonds, amounting to \$22,000, bearing 4 4-10 per cent. interest,

matures on the first day of January 1900, we recommend that these bonds be re-issued at a rate of 3 4-10 per cent. second, it appearing from a statement submitted that there will be in the coun-ty treasury at the date of the maturity

of these (\$22,000) bonds about \$9,000, we recommend the application of \$6,000 of this amount to the payment of a portion of the bonds of that issue."

The recommendation of the grand jury above quoted is perfectly proper. It is even possible that a lower rate of interest on the debt can be obtained.

The incoming board of commissioners will doubtless take whatever opportuni ties offer for refunding at a lower rate the outstanding obligations of the county. It is apparent and recognized that. financially, as well as in every other re-spect, Indiana county is, to use a slang phrase, "velvet," and those who own its built of the state built of the state of the state

winds, &c., may properly regard them-klyes as the salt of the earth Marine and sold plate at

used. Although no districts are noted in the petition, where the al-ledged irregularities were made, figures A Social Event. "Twenty-five of our young men," show that Doty received not more than 11,341 votes, thereby giving Steel a ma-jority of 1,261. Although it is a matter f history in Pennsylvania that a judge

has never been unseated in a contest. the petitioners are confident that corruption will be proven. They declare hat the contest will bring to light grosser fraud on the part of the Democratic organization than in 1889.

"Sam" Jones Heard From Again. PITTSBURG, PA., Dec. 11, 1899.

PROF. J. T. STEWART, Indiana, Pa. Dear Prof. Stewart :-- Concerning Rev. Sam. Jones and his engagement with you, will say that he begins with us on a block of dates at Titusville to-night. Every night is filled to and including Indiana. The work has been done care-fully and well. He expects to fill the

dates, he wants to fill them, he wants the money they will bring just as bad as you want him to come there. He is as sure to be in Indiana on the date agree on as anything in the future. Contrary to general impression, Mr. Jones is not noted for breaking engagements. "We have done business for him for the last en years and the only trouble in all that time was the engagement made at ndiana some years since, when he was uddenly taken ill and could not reach J. E. BROCKWAY,

Manager Pittsburg Lecture Bureau.

The Case of a Horse Theif. ittsburg Times.]

Peter Zimmerman, the aged horse thief, was tried in Indiana county this week. When brought before the court

his plea was guilty, and he suggested to the court that to hang him would be the best way to dispose of a perplexing problem. His attorney made a plea for mercy, and Zimmerman confessed that if he were liberated he would probably steal

Benjamin C. Reitz, at Pansy, Jefferson county; Miss Linn C. Webster, for postmistress at Munderf, same county. another horse before he was out of jail Michael Smith has been appointed postmaster at Oak Ridge, Armstrong county; S. H. Grimm, at Olivet, same county; William H. Helm, at Worthvery long. He was given a sentence of 17 years to the penitentiary, which he will never live to serve out, for he is now 75 vears old.

ington, same county; James A. Sum-merhill, at Sardis, Westmoroland coun-Zimmerman is one evidence that so ciety does not yet know what to do for some of its members and at the same ty; Z. H. Fritz, Youngstown, same ounty. Mr. Jack has secured an increase of time protect itself. The man has been horse thief from youth, and has spent

salary for William McCandless, clerk in the Kittanning postoffice, from \$500 to nearly half a century in prison. He talks as freely about his various offenses as though they were trivial affairs, feel-ing no shame in the matter but insist-\$600 a year, beginning December 1, 1899. Mr. Jack has also asked the Postoffice Department to furnish two telephones ing that he cannot help his peculiar for the Greensburg postoffice. for the Greensburg postoffice. Daniel Tinkcom, of Armagh; Indiana county, gets an increase of pension to \$12 a month from May 15, 1895; John K. Myers, of Homer City, gets an in-crease to \$10 a month from July 20, 1898; W. W. Altemus, of Brushvalley, gets \$12 a month from October 4, 1899. The Congressional Record states that Mr. Jack, last week, introduced the fol-lowing special bills: To pension Peter Napoleon, Hannah Osborne, Agnes Cook, David Davis, Margaret E: Guth-rie and Susan Coho; to increase the pen-sions of Charles W. Hoffman, Franklin Eckenroade and John A. M. Seitz: to promptings to steal horses. He never profited by his thefts, and realized that to steal meant to land in prison, but the impulse invariably drove him to the crime. Zimmerman's case is sufficient to show that the criminal law is not comprehensive enough. While society must be protected from the work of such a man, the man ought to be cared for in ome other way than as a malicious offender, and his care should not be un-dertaken on the premise that a term, in prison will cure his peouliar disease. The sentence given seems long at first thought, but it is wiser than a short sentence; for a short sentence might get Eckenroade and John A. M. Seitz; to, correct the military records of George H. Warren, of West Manoning, and Aaron Loughner, of Latrobe. Mr. Jack has also presented a bill to ingrease the previous of Cart the man into another scrape of the kind, while the present one will keep him from further danger. The trouble is not in the length of the sentence, but

increase the pension of Capt. Henry in its nature = Restraint is proper for Schnetberg. of this place to \$50 per the dd man, but until scolety draws a month. The captain is nearly 100 years line between the violons criminal and of age, and entirely dependent upon his the abnormal promptings that make an wrise care. The dd hady is nearly worn infinitentional criminal of Peter Zimmer, only. Mr. Jacksvill urge speed of another mathematical and many the rest problem.

Nixon, a MESSENGER reporter learned the following of the history of the "Protestant Episcopal church," burned

Sunday morning: The ground for the church was donated to the congregation in 1855 by Judge Thomas White, deceased, the value being about \$450. . The original structur was erected the same year. The public subscriptions, including the gifts of the late Judge White and William M. Stewart, amounted to \$1500. Judge White and William M. Stewart were then regarded as the mainstays of the church The dedication, which took place late in 1855, was conducted by Bishop Alonzo Potter.

The congregation was small, and after struggling for some years, during which it was twice advertised for sale and twice released by Bishop Kerfoot, it gave up and services were not held for a core or more of years. Some years ago he ladies of the church, among them Miss Nixon, decided to restore the church. Rev. Vance came in 1893, and after much hard work the church was repaired to so great an extent as to lmost make it a new building. The building was then worth between six

nd eight thousand dollars, and had an organ valued at \$1600, the church women raising the money. Miss Nixon twice saved the church

from the hands of the sheriff, and has ever since its erection been one of the most prominent of the congregation in the financial as well as other church

The church possessed the following memorials: Vestibule window, memorial to Mrs. P. B. Nixon, value \$500; choir alcove and two other windows memorial of Mrs. Hetty Palmer, value \$800; pulpit memorial to Bishop Brooks,

ented by Miss Mary Mulholland, o Blairsville; brass lectern, memorial to Thomas White, value \$200; altar memorial to Bishop Kerfoot, value \$250; chan cel window, memorial to Edward Nixon and family; tablet, desk and book, me-The original vestrymen were William Scott, William M. Stewart, Eg.

Paige and Alex. Taylor, all of whom are The church at present has about thirty

ommunicants and Rev. Laurence Bair is the rector. The Nixon memorial window, through

efforts of A. O. Cravener, D. O. Mack and others was safely removed before the flames reached it. All the other effects mentioned above are destroyed.

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mired and our wagon train carrying rations and ammunition was stuck for two days. It took all that time to cover distance of 15 miles. At Reio Grande Lawton's brigade, in the lightest of marching order, passed us. It is a gen-

eral advance." Further on "Ned" describes his picket duties. Two men occupy the same post. One night he went on duty, he says,

"at nine o'clock, and then it began to rain, and talk about rain! It came down in bucketfuls, and kept it up all night. And when we did sleep a little bit it was on top of a rice ridge to keep from drowning. When we came back to camp for breakfast," continues "Ned," "we had over a mile to walk, and the mud was ankle deep the whole way. It was simply awful. We are living on hardtack and canned beef, and have been for over three weeks.

well and enjoying myself out of sight. I would not have missed this scrimmage for anything. Don't worry if you don't hear from me for a while, for it is hard to get paper on the march and mail facilties are far from good."

The writer accurately states the move-ments in contemplation by Generals Wheaton, Lawton and Young, and the cable news indicates that his information must have came from the most reliable sources.

Marriage Licenses Issued.

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Sheriff's Sales.

The sheriff disposed of the following properties at his quarterly sales, Deember 1-8:

Two lots in Saltsburg sold as the prop erty of Simon B. Mercer with notice to Oliver B. Mercer and S. B. Mercer, ex-centors of Simon B. Mercer, deceased, to

Charles Lockard for \$30. Seventy-five acres in Pine township 150 75 acres and 40 perches in the same ownship, also 23 acres in Pine township, sold as the property of Maria Mc. Clements to F. H. McCaffery for \$825. Fifty acres in Cherryhill township sold as the property of D. W. Stahl to Jacob Denison for \$175.

Mary Slusser in 140 acres in Conemaugh

The interest of Margaret A. Garver n one-fifth acre in Strongstown, Pine

Jane Deemer in one acre in Center town

cott for \$1600.

hip to the Security and Savings and

ownship to E. B. Earhart for \$415.

The interest of Samuel Nelson and amuel Nelson, administrator of Agne J. Nelson, in 140 acres in White town-ship to John T. Stuchul for \$520. The interest of James Armstrong in

180 acres in Armstrong township to Arch. G. Earhart for \$3075. The interest of William Earhart and

Hollday Sightseers Delighted.

The store of Tom E, Hildebrand is rowded day and night with holiday sighteers and buyers. The display of things suitable for holiday gifts is retownship, to F. A. Cresswell for \$20. The interest of James K. and Mary ts no better place in town to secure a suitable gift for a friend, and fastidious indeed must be an intending purchaser Loan Association of Minneapolis, Min-nesota, for \$50. The interest of Albert Young in 50 acres in Buffington township to John A. Scatt for \$1600

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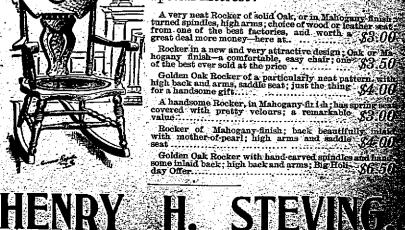
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