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Mr. E. C. Caswell is visiting friends in Danielsville, Conn.

Edward Elwell has returned to Trinity College, Hartford, Conn., after a two weeks' vacation.

Silas Riddle was called home from Lafayette College last week by the illness of his mother. As her condition was very much improved he returned to Easton on Monday.

For headache Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills.

The members of the Wednesday Club went to Berwick Wednesday afternoon, and were handsomely entertained by the Twentieth Century Club at the home of Mrs. Col. Jackson.

Judge Evans has ordered a special venire of 175 additional jurors for May court at Danville on account of the trial of Peter Dietrick for the murder of "Corkey" Jones. It will be his fourth trial.

Next Tuesday is the date for the election of a County Superintendent by the school directors of the county. The three candidates in the field are the present incumbent, W. W. Evans, Ralph E. Smith, and Prof. Leshar, of Berwick.

The Woman's Auxiliary of St. Paul's church will hold a reception in the Parish House on Tuesday evening, May 5th at 8 o'clock. A silver offering will be taken, and it will be used for new choir vestments. All members of the parish are invited.

Profs. Wilbur and Jenkins went to Lock Haven on Tuesday to attend a meeting of the Associated Councils of the Royal Arcanum, which was in session that evening. On Wednesday they visited the Lock Haven Normal School.

Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills relieve pain.

Judge Lynch of Luzerne county, insists that the County Commissioners must provide a house of refuge for juvenile delinquents. Chief of Police Long, of Wilkes-Barre, has under arrest several boys under 16 years of age, charged with crimes such as burglary and attempts at killing. At the jail the keepers very rightfully refuse to accept children, and there is no place for them. Judge Lynch said on Tuesday: "The County Commissioners have neglected to provide a house of refuge, although frequently their attention has been called to the great necessity of the same. Unless they proceed to provide a place for these children the Court will try and find what law there is to compel them to do so. This is a public matter and should be taken up publicly. It is an intolerable condition of affairs, and the County Commissioners are directly responsible."

Buy at Home.

These are the times when the people of Bloomsburg can support the stores of Bloomsburg by buying what they need at home. Of course some of the stores don't let you know that they are in existence, but, aside from the opportunity they have to advertise their wares to you, hunt them up and give them the trade that is going out of town. There are enough groceries and dry goods bought in Philadelphia and Chicago to support several good stores and now is the time, when business is dull, for you to show your loyalty to the home merchants who must keep open and who always cheerfully supply you with the little things that you don't want to bother with in your mail order business. Cut out the mail orders and give them the big things as well.

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Inadequacy of Punishment.

The inadequacy of our present system of punishing offenders to make proper amends to those who have been wronged, in many instances, is pointed out by the *Shamokin Daily News* in the following comments on a local case: "A young Shamokin man who had been befriended by a man and his wife showed his appreciation by stealing money and jewelry from the latter after the death of her husband. The poor woman needed the money badly and the loss was a severe one. At court on Monday the ingrate was sentenced to nine months in jail. Thus has justice taken its course. But the widow is still minus the money, and the robber's punishment will not compensate for the loss. 'Justice' is queer at times. It would have seemed more just to have the young fellow set at work and earn enough money to pay back the woman and then serve time. In that way everybody would be satisfied except the criminal. But the laws of the land are not so framed and we suppose the sentence is about the worst that could be imposed."

Successful Mission at Centralia.

The special services at Centralia in the Catholic church closed one of the most successful missions ever held in this section of the state. It appears from the opinion of the people who attended that no mission has ever made so profound an impression and none has had such far reaching effects as this one. The confessions that were heard amounted by actual count to 1,601; of these 1,281 were adults, divided as follows: 610 women and 671 men. The men exceeded the women by over sixty. The men outnumbered the women in the number of Total Abstinence promise cards signed. There were 427 women, and 474 men who voluntarily enrolled themselves under the banner of total abstinence, making over 900 Catholic adults in the town of Centralia who do not touch intoxicating drinks in any manner. There was another feature of the mission and this was the organization of a Holy Name Society, as a protest against the practice of profane swearing and in order to elevate a reverence for the Holy Name of God. There were about 400 men who indicated their intention to become charter members of this organization. These few facts speak louder than any amount of words. They are the results of the mission. The services Sunday night were the renewal of vows of baptism. The baptismal font was set up on high and beautifully decorated with lights and Easter flowers, and after an appropriate sermon all the men stood up and in voice full of earnestness and purpose they solemnly protested their determination to stand by the work of the mission and keep the promises made therein.

A Defense of the Surgeon

The Popular Delusion That Leads to Many Deaths.

In a recent lecture at the Harvard Medical School Dr. Maurice H. Richardson set forth the absolute need of resorting to the knife in certain cases. The idea that the surgeon lacks sensibility and is more or less indifferent to human suffering and may even perform an operation when not absolutely necessary he declared to be all wrong. He said that the contrary was shown by the fact that the surgeon is constantly laboring to make his profession unnecessary, by preventing the recurrence of the diseases for which he operates, as well as by endeavoring to cure without resorting to operation. "A popular delusion that the surgeon is simply looking for an opportunity to keep busy at the time," Dr. Richardson added, "results in thousands and thousands of deaths of sufferers who are persuaded by friends not to submit to operation, until it is too late to save the patient."

The Poultry Yard.

Good sour milk is fine for the little chicks—and the big ones, too. Give them some every day.

I find beets far superior to any kind of roots. I hang them up so that the fowls will have to stretch to get them.

Sitting hens are lice breeders. This is one reason why the incubator is to be preferred for hatching chickens.

It is not too late to order a setting of eggs in order to introduce some new blood in your flocks. Better do it right away.

Pens that are set outdoors in barrel nests will not only do better work but will be less likely to have vermin to contend with.

I feed my chickens on boards that are kept clean by scrubbing, and since doing so have not lost a chicken with the gapes.

The secret in growing May-hatched chickens is to feed well, provide some shade in the runs, and see that the chicks get some green food.

The first thing that should be done after removing the pretty, downy chicks and their mother from the nests, is to destroy with fire the old filling in that nest.

If the chicks are not growing, something is sure to be wrong with the management. Keep them housed from cold winds and dampness. Chilling lowers their vitality.

The first of May is a good time to set the turkey eggs, as the weather is warmer and there is less danger of the cold, rainy spells that so tell on the April-hatched turkey.

A red rag hung to the top of a four-foot stick in the ground near the coop will give the hawks and the crows a pointer that they had better keep away; they are likely to mind it, too.

Never fuss with the sitting hen; let her alone. See that she is constantly provided with water and food, so that she can help herself at will, and then allow her to do the rest. She knows her business. —*May Farm Journal.*

Hints for Growing Chickens.

Farm and Fireside's poultry expert gives the following sound advice:

After chickens are hatched, do not feed them for twenty-four hours at least. The yolk of the egg in the chicken's abdomen supplies nourishment for this length of time. To force the chicken to eat may mean serious bowel trouble. Give plenty of fresh water.

The first feeds should be given at short intervals—every two hours—with fresh water. Millet is a fine feed for young chickens. At first scatter it on a newspaper, so they will have no trouble in finding it. In a few days it can be scattered in clover chaff, and the chicks will enjoy scratching for it. Give millet until the chickens are large enough to eat wheat. Thrashing screenings, such as weed seed, cheat and small cracked grains of wheat, will be desirable food for them. Never feed sloppy foods.

Keep plenty of dry, coarse sand in the scratching or exercising pen. Instead of beef scraps curdled milk may be fed. Scald the milk, and the curd and whey will separate. Drain it by hanging up in a muslin sack, and when it is sufficiently dry crumble it to the chicks.

Above all, don't turn the young chickens out in the early morning dews. They will bedabble themselves and take the gapes or some bowel disease. Have good shelter for them on rainy days, and make the coops rat proof. Be careful also to see that the coops are spacious.

POULTRY POINTS.

Sell off the roosters now. Don't forget that chickens all need pure, fresh water where they can get it all the time.

Share the skim milk with the hens. They will make as good use of it as any creature on the farm.

Count the chickens every night. Sometimes they will wander a bit too far away, and need to be hunted up.

Coarse food is out of place for the little chicks. Make their rations all as fine as you can. Their throats are small.

Do you keep an egg record? Begin now, if you never have done so before. Set down the number you get every day.

Dogs that chase hens ought to be shut away from them. They will worry the hens and keep them from laying, as they otherwise would.

Remember that the mother hen that is shut up in a coop is a prisoner, and give her the best care you can, so that when her season for caring for the little fellows is over she will be in condition to begin work right away. Sometimes they will begin to lay before they are released. That shows that they have been well cared for.—E. L. Vincent in the April 10th *Farm and Fireside*.

The Summons of Spring.

Some day it comes—the subtle announcement of the spring. We may not have responded to the first bluebird, the first robin, the first rain; none of these has appealed. But suddenly spring is thrilling within our soul. We want to go barefoot.

Children are going barefoot. Their feet and legs singularly white after the months of confinement, they are gleefully scampering upon the smooth, hard asphalt of the city's pave, and, peeling shoes and stockings, are braving the policeman in the parks. And in the country—ah, in the country!

Here exists the real luxuriousness of barefoot state. Once discarded, shoes and stockings are not resumed again until frost. Small and soft are the feet exposed, say, along in April; small and soft and white and exceedingly tender. Every little pebble hurts, and one must tread gingerly, with sundry screwings of the features and many an "Ouch!"

There can be no offense more egregious than at this time to step with shod foot upon somebody's naked toes. "Look out! Get off, darn you!"

Oh, the sensation of lightness and buoyancy which appears one in accord with the summons of the season! And (in the country) the sensation of the lush, cool soil against the sole, when the sappy moisture is drunk in by all those pores, long denied, and ascends to vivify the entire being, and when the mud "squashes" up between the wriggling, happy toes; and the bliss of the June road, where the warm dust lies like a velvet pad, so comforting!

How a kid—lad or lass—can run barefoot! How he, or she, wants to run! How he, or she, must run! Bless my heart! This zest to "go barefoot" typifies spring universal, when it is in nature to burst bonds, to revel in youth, and to be thankful for life.—Edwin L. Sabin in *May Lippincott's*.

QUEER CUBAN JUSTICE.

Criminal Laws That Surprise Americans—Autocratic Police.

The Cuban idea of justice is a peculiar thing, although it doesn't differ very much from that in other Latin American countries, and one of the things the Americans want most to do is to revise the penal code. But there appears to be no demand for it just now and the chances for any changes seem small. Not many months ago one of the courts in Havana rendered two verdicts on the same day. One man was sentenced for stealing a mule and for falsely registering him as his own. He got six years for stealing the mule and eight years for making the false registration, a total of fourteen years in prison.

On the same day the court sentenced a man for killing his mistress. It was a peculiarly brutal crime. The man and woman had separated. They met after a couple of months on the street and the man begged the woman to return to him. She refused. He became violent and she ran, turning into the first open doorway. There he overtook her, stabbed her repeatedly, several times after life must have passed away, and was then arrested. He got two years in the penitentiary.

And according to the statutes the Judge did nothing illegal. The man was proved to be "obsecado," or beside himself, and the crime was "passional." But had the woman killed the man she would probably have been sent up for life or possibly sent to the garrote.

The policeman of Havana is an autocrat. He can do just about as he pleases, and any resistance whatever of his authority is a serious matter. There is a standing sentence for striking or even pushing a cop around. It is now one year, four months and seven days. It used to be two years, eight months and fourteen days. It was so fixed on the books of law and was unalterable. The policeman makes an arrest. If he is resisted by his prisoner he can file charges to that effect and the prisoner must prove his innocence. The theory that one is guilty until proved innocent runs through the whole thing.

An American hero awoke one night to find a burglar in his room. He got up to chase him out. A fight ensued in which the American shot the burglar in the leg. The police came and the American was arrested for shooting the thief. This American has influence, but it took all he could muster to keep out of jail, and the case was not finally settled until he had paid the burglar \$5,000 for that damaged leg. Under the law the American had no right to shoot, and by so doing he was guilty of attempted homicide. It is very difficult for Americans coming to Cuba to understand the system and they often get into trouble.

Another odd thing happens when there is a fire. The fire department is, of course, called out and, the police follow along. The police arrest the owner of the establishment which is burning and hold him until he proves entire innocence. It is said that this is on the theory that whenever there is a fire the owner of the property must have started it.

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