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(LATE OF PARKER TWP.)

Letters testamentary on the estate of Geo. Parker, dec'd, late of Parker twp, Butler Co., Pa., having been granted to the undersigned, all persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment and any having claims against said estate will present them duly authenticated for settlement.

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Notice is hereby given that I will make application to the Court of Common Pleas of Butler Co., Pa., on the first Monday of March Term, 1888, for my final discharge under the insolvent laws, of the State of Pennsylvania, the Court having fixed said date for a final hearing of the case.

J. A. STEWART.

Dec. 5, '87.-3t.p'd

Notice.

The regular Annual meeting of the Farmers' and Breeders' Live Stock Insurance Association of the U. S. Will be held at their office, No. 65 South Main street, Butler, Pa., on Tuesday, Jan. 24, 1888, at 10 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors to serve for the ensuing year.

A. D. WEIR, Pres.
JOHN E. BYERS, Sec.

Butler, Dec. 5, 1887.

Notice.

The Annual Meeting of the Worth Mutual Fire Insurance Co., to elect officers for the ensuing year, will be held in U. P. Church at West Liberty the 2d Tuesday of Jan, 1888, being the 10th day of the month.

W. E. TAYLOR, Sec.

Notice.

The Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Hannahstown and vicinity will hold their general meeting at the house of L. A. Krause's heirs in Hannahstown, Butler Co., Pa., on Saturday, the 14th day of January, A. D., 1888, at one o'clock P.M. All members are invited to attend.

HENRY HECK, Sec'y. D. WALLET, Pres't. 12-20-tt.

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JAMES H. MCMAHAN, Adm'r.
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Election Notice.

The Annual Meeting of the Butler County Mutual Fire Insurance Company will be held at the office of the Secretary in Butler on the Second Tuesday of January, 1888, being the 10th of the month, between the hours of 1 and 2 P.M., for the election of Directors for the ensuing year.

C. ROESSING, President.
H. C. HEINEMAN, Sec'y.

Jury List for Jan. Term, 1888.

List of Jurors drawn to serve in a special term of Court commencing the 3rd Monday of Jan. 1888, being the 16th day.

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Brown W P, Fairview W, producer.
Bedillion Wm, Middlesex tp, shoemaker.
Campbell O P, Cherry tp, farmer.
Campbell Harvey, Concord tp, farmer.
Colbert Wm, Butler boro 2d precinct, laborer.
Dambach F S, Forward tp, farmer.
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The slight of comrade, the scorn of foe,
The smile that is full of bitter things—
They all can tarnish its golden glow
And take the grace from its airy wings.

How easy it is spoil a day
By the force of a thought we did not check,
Little by little we mould the clay,
And little flaws may the vessel wreck.
The careless waste of a white-winged hour,
That held the blessing we long had sought,
The sudden loss of wealth or power—
And lo the day is with ill inwrought.

How easy it is to spoil a life—
And many are spoiled ere well begun—
In some life darkened by sin and strife;
Or downward course of a cherished one.
By toil that robs the form of its grace
And undermines till health give way;
By the peevish temper, the frowning face,
The hopes that go and cares that stay.

A day is too long to be spent in vain,
Some good should come as the hours go by—
Some tangled maze may be made more plain,
Some lowered glance may be raised on high,
And life is too short to spoil like this,
If only a prelude it may be sweet;
Let us bind together its thread of bliss
And nourish the flowers around our feet.

How Can We Best Secure the Co-operation of Parents?

Essay by Miss Mattie Anderson of Adams twp., and read by her at the Teachers' Institute, Butler, Pa. Dec. 26-30, 1887.

The teachers and County Superintendent should always work together. The patrons should assist the teacher. In no other way can the free schools accomplish the work expected of them. How can this co-operation be brought about?

The first and most important thing in the school room is a good teacher. The teacher is the life of the school. Good teachers will succeed under almost any circumstances. The secret of success is enthusiasm.

Every teacher should have faith in his work. He has a right to believe that he is doing much for humanity. The lifeless teacher always does mechanical work; the true teacher will never complain of his work being monotonous; each day he find something to interest him. It is not well for a teacher to talk about being busy when there is some work to be done that will promote the interest of his work.

Genius is the ability to do much work. Great minds never complain about the trivial affairs of life. We need more devotion—more ambition in the school room. But very few teachers injure themselves by overwork. It is only the careless and indifferent that are always so busy. When your school goes wrong do not complain. Fault finding never yet accomplished any good. More earnest work on the part of the teacher removes many of the difficulties from the school room. It is not the part of a wise teacher to find fault with his pupils. The best results are obtained when all co-operate. A fault-finding spirit will do much to weaken the influence of the teacher. Little evils can be over looked without injuring the success of the school. At the foundation of all instructions is this principle: "To train up a child in the way he should go, you must walk in it yourself." You must ever be ever be exemplers as well as teachers. To make others true, you must be true yourself; to make others wise, you must be wise. If you preach temperance and practice drunkenness, no one will heed you. There are two classes of teachers that I observe:

One class is pedantic, pompous, self-contained, magisterial. When he stands before children he fills them with awe, instead of playing on their heart-strings by the mighty power of love. Such teaching has few results. The child looks up with awe. The little delicate tendrils of his infant mind cannot reach up and grasp instruction from such a teacher. The second class of teachers brings sunshine into the school room. Children turn to them as flowers to the light. There is an atmosphere of sunshine around such a teacher. His own light attracts all to him for their good and growth. You say to your scholars in the morning: "Children, there is a great deal to be done to day; you have got to work very hard, and I don't want to see one idler." How their spirits drop; the old story of the discontented pendulum is as nothing to the herculean task they have before them. And then after that, try your very best, you will be utterly disappointed at the little accomplished. But say nothing of the kind to them; simply go on from one thing to another, making light of this and having a talk on that, interspersing with the "play" hinted at, and your success in the line indicated is assured. They will go home at night buoyant over the happy day they have had. If you want to make a boy honest trust him. Let a boy know you suspicion him and he will deceive you if he can. No one likes to be watched. Teachers seldom make a mistake by placing too much confidence in their pupils. But few men are mean enough to destroy the confidence others have placed in them. Let a boy know that you expect him to do right, and you appeal to his better nature. Teachers who have no confidence in their pupils, and remove their books when they hold an examination usually complain of the results. Those who wish to copy can always find opportunities for doing so. My experience has been that it is best to regard all persons as honest until they have been proven guilty. The average young person will not abuse the confidence placed in him by endeavoring to secure a higher per cent than he deserves.

We should train for life, not for school. In all things the teacher should endeavor to develop the noblest traits of character. If he suspicions his pupils they, in turn, will have no confidence in their classmates. Train the boys and girls to be honest, not because it is a good policy, but because it is right.

Much depends upon a correct beginning. A mistake made the first day is seldom corrected. The best work is accomplished when teachers and pupils work together. A pleasant school house makes school government an easy task. It is almost impossible for the average boy to do good work in an old dilapidated school house. Everything suggests to evil or mischief. The old scarred desks are a temptation even to a jack knife. Boys do not injure good desks and seldom mark on a neat wall. If you want boys to be good make the school room pleasant. The teacher is not expected to purchase desks and furniture. Decorate the walls. Have the pupils help in the work. What they help to make they will not thoughtlessly destroy. In almost every community a few pictures can be obtained to hang on the walls of your school room. Unbleached muslin will answer for window curtains. Polish the stove, sweep the cobwebs from the walls and ceiling, and then keep the house clean. Don't think it won't pay. Try it. If your school room is dingy and dirty it should be ornamented for a still greater reason. A little soap and water applied to the desks and floor would add much to the appearance of many school houses.

But the principal thing in a school room is a pleasant teacher. It matters not how comfortable the room may be, if the teacher is cross and fretful the school will not be attractive. Do what is right; gain the respect of the pupils then we will have the parents to co-operate with us in the great work of teaching.

HOW TO DEAL WITH PARENTS

Says Josh Billings. "When a man kums to me for advice, I find out the kind uv advice he wants, and I give it tu him; this satisfies him that he and I are 2 az smart men az there is living."

Teachers who have trouble with their patrons might learn wisdom from the quaint proverb of Josh Billings quoted above. Is any person who never taught school and knows nothing of the principles of teaching likely to give advice to the teacher? There are usually in every sub-district one or two men who know more about teaching than any teacher in the county.

When such persons come to the teacher with the advice it is well to listen attentively. When the teacher can consistently do so he should commend their suggestions. Even if he cannot heed their advice it will do no harm to listen.

A little judgement on the part of the teacher will do much to allay ill-feeling and even opposition among his patrons.

Not that he should even sacrifice principle for the sake of popularity. Only cowards would do that. It is possible however to refuse a request without offending any one.

Respect must be paid to all. Frequently parents who have called upon the teacher to complain have gone away to commend his work. It is no humiliation for a teacher to hear the suggestions of others, and even follow them when they are good. If you know what a man wants you to do, do it if you can do so consistently.

The Wool Mens' Protest.

At the recent conference of the wool growers and wool dealers of the United States, which was held at Washington, D C., under the Call issued by the president of the National Association of Wool Growers, the following address to the country was unanimously adopted:

"The wool dealers and wool growers of the United States, representing a capital of over $500,000 000 and a constituency of over a million wool growers and wool dealers, having read the first annual message of the President to the Fiftieth Congress, declares that the sentiments of the message are a direct attack upon their industry, one of the most important of the country, and in positive violation of the national Democratic platform, 1884, as interpreted by the party leaders and accepted by the rank and file of the party; that the argument made by the President for the removal of our protection against foreign competition is the old one repeatedly made by the enemies of our industrial progress and so effectively answered in nearly every school district of our land, and so thoroughly disproved by the logic of facts and the demonstrations of experience and history as to need no answer from us. We acknowledge that our "small holdings," our scattered and unorganized condition, makes us the easy prey of the Free-trader, but we have a right to expect something different from the Chief Executive of the nation at once the most happy, prosperous and contented of any of the world, made so by a policy of Protection and development, which he now seeks to destroy. We had a right to expect our President would favor the wool-growers of the United States, and confess our deep disappointment that instead he favors the interests of our foreign competitors.

"Justly alarmed at his position we make an appeal from his recommendations to the people, to all the people, to the seven and three-fourth millions of our fellow citizens engaged in agriculture, to the millions engaged in manufacturing, to the army of wage earners whose wages are maintained by the Protective system; to the tradesmen and merchants, whose prosperity depends upon ours, confident that their judgment and decision will be be based upon justice and patriotism, and therefore for the maintenance of the American policy of Protection to which the country is indebted for its unexampled development and prosperity.

"To demonstate the injustice of the President's policy and the fallacy of the remedy he proposes for the reduction of the surplus, we point to the fact that if the whole amount of the revenue derived from wool was abolished it would reduce the surplus only about $5 000,000, or less than ten cents per capita of the population, which is paid by foreigners, while the old war taxes he recommends retained yield over $119 000,000 and are a direct tax per capita of $2 each, and are what make up the great bulk of the surplus of $140,000 000 and which foster a most dangerous monopoly.

"We would further add the following statistics in regard to the wool industry: The annual revenue derived from imports of wool under the tariff of 1867 was less than $1,700,000. Under the reduced tariff of 1883 the revenue last year was over $5,000,000. The number of sheep in the country in 1884 was, 50,626,626; in 1887, 44,759,324, a decrease of nearly 6,000,000 and a diminution of the annual wool product of over 35,000,000 pounds, thus showing that reducing the tariff by the act of 1883 has increased the revenue from imported wools and diminished the number of sheep in the United States about 12 per cent and the annual product in the same proportion. The President's policy would bring about the destruction of this industry, and the same policy of reduction or abolition of the tariff would end in disaster to all the other industrial productive enterprises of the country."

Abolishing Santa Claus.

This age grows daily more practical and prosaic. Now it is proposed to do away with the children's saint, who gets more prayers than any other in the calendar; to take all the poetry out of the night before Christmas, and the stockings hung at the chimney, and the rush of the children in the dim light of the morning to see what Santa Claus has left behind him besides the sound of his sleigh-bells which the little folks, with their glowing imaginations, almost beleive they could hear. The good old saint, who has done more to diffuse the warmth of kindly feeling throughout the human family than all the others on the list, it is to be stricken off, strange to say, on moral grounds. *Babyhood*, an interesting little magazine devoted to the welfare of infants and very young children, has been having a tiny "symposium" on this subject, to which parents and pastors have been contributing. "A. P. C," Jamaica Plain, Mass., is "surprised that excellent parents, who intend to be perfectly truthful and to teach their children to be so, will yet tell the most deliberate falsehoods in regard to Santa Claus." When the children learn this "must not their moral nature suffer some injury at the discovery?" "C. B. M," Canton, Ill., decided long before her first baby was old enough to be told anything about Santa Claus, to tell her the truth. Her two little ones, nearly two and four years old last Christmas, enjoyed their presents and the day just as much when they understood who Santa Claus was. She was even careful to tell them that the old man in the Sunday-school is "made up" to please little folks. "Materfamilias," New York, thinks that to "keep up such a delusion in larger children there must be many 'white lies told,'" and that when they find out the deception the children "will never have the perfect confidence in anything that their parents tell them that they had before." She thinks there is a happy medium between doing this and giving up Santa Claus entirely. When December comes she tells them stories in the half hour before bedtime about a make believe man named Santa Claus Poor children.

But one of the most emphatic opponents of Santa Claus is Dr. John Hall, who says:

"I do not think there is any need for a long statement as to the wisdom of telling little children lies about Santa Claus or any other saint. Lies never do good. The danger is that when the little children find out the lies—as of course they do in time—they will be tempted to class with them the religious truths which they are taught. True, the lies about Santa Claus and the like may give them temporary pleasure; but enjoyment bought through lies is "gold bought too dear," if indeed it can be called gold."

Santa Claus is corrupting the little children of the country. Now the warm apple red would deepen in his cheek if he could hear this accusation, and from a man he admires so much as he does Dr. Hall, too. What! he do anything to diminish the respect of the children for truth and honor? If anything could destroy the cheerful equanimity of Santa Claus, it would be such a charge as that; and you can almost imagine him so far losing control of himself as to give Dasher and Prancer a real cut with the whip, something that has not occurred before in centuries, and causes Donder and Blitzen, who are as gentle as their names are terrible, to wonder what has got into their kind-hearted master. But he doesn't lack for defenders. The chief of them is Rev. Dr. Wm. M. Taylor, who comes to the aid of the old saint in this positive way:

"I cannot see that any harm is done by the references to and representations of Santa Claus at Christmas. In the Sunday school of the Bethany Church, which is supported by the Broadway Tabernacle and does its work in Tenth-ave, we have had Santa Claus every year since I have been in the country, and, so far as I have been able to discover, with no detriment to the truthfulness or truth-lovingness of the scholars. The purism which would rule that out of all Christmas celebrations would deprive the nursery of all such 'classics' as "Jack and the Bean Stalk," Jack the Giant Killer," "Gulliver's Travels," and the like; would overlay entirely the youthful imagination; would put an end to all childish playing at this or that; and would, in a word, make it all only very dull prose. I am not sure but that, fairly carried out, it would taboo all the literature of imagination, and destroy everything in the shape of a book that is not literal fact. Perhaps your correspondent has not sufficiently pondered the distinction between truth and fact, and has failed to perceive that a thing may be true without being fact. The proper antithesis to fact is fiction, and fiction may teach a deep truth. Santa Claus is a fiction; but the truth beneath that fiction, which sooner or later comes to the surfaces, is love—the love of parents for children, teachers for scholars, and Christians for each other; and probably in the end that truth is more effectively taught because of the impression made by Santa Claus in the beginning.—*Ex.*

Value of a Hobby.

If we ever became vindictive toward a fellow man, and desired to punish him, we would deprive him of his hobby; without that, he would be lonesome in a crowd, and crowed in a