

Local Affairs.

FRAS DEVLANS passed through this place on Friday last, he having delivered a lecture in Milton on Thursday evening.

MAD DOG.—A mad dog was killed, last week, in Lower Augusta township, near Culp's tavern.

PORT AUGUSTA LEASE No. 629, I. O. of O. F. held their first session in their new Hall, in Bright's building, on Tuesday evening last. The room is fitted up handsomely, and is one of the finest in this section of the county.

CHANGED PROPRIETORS.—The Sunbury Hotel, on Fourth street, in this place, owned by W. Arhogan, was sold, on Monday last, to John Weaver, Esq. of Torrington, for the sum of thirty-seven hundred dollars. Mr. Weaver intends to make extensive improvements, and will no doubt make it one of the finest hotels in the place.

The annual election for officers of the Sunbury Mutual Loan and Building Association will be held in the Masonic Hall, on Friday evening, January 16th. All the stockholders are requested to be present.

SHERIFF BECKLEY had twenty-three Sheriff's deeds acknowledged during this week, for property held in different parts of the county. These deeds were got up with a good deal of taste. Mr. Beckley is one of the most practical officers that has been in this position, always ready to give advice and accommodate those that have business to transact with, and treating all fairly, without regard to party distinctions.

The warm weather and thaw of last week caused a rise in the river, and on Sunday morning, at 10 o'clock, the ice on the river at this place broke up and drifted, to the great regret not only of those who have failed to fill their boats, but also of a numerous class who crossed it for trade and business in this place.

SNOW STORM.—Monday last was one of the most disagreeable days of the season. Sleet, snow and rain were falling during the week, for property held in different parts of the county. These deeds were got up with a good deal of taste. Mr. Beckley is one of the most practical officers that has been in this position, always ready to give advice and accommodate those that have business to transact with, and treating all fairly, without regard to party distinctions.

ROBERT D. NEPHEW, a brakeman on the Northern Central Railroad, employed in shifting trains between Harrisburg and Maryland, was killed by falling from a car when in motion, on the 14th. He was Orderly Sergeant in Co. D, 12th Pa. Reserves, and served with that regiment until it was mustered out, when he re-enlisted in the 191st Regt., and served until the close of the war. He leaves a wife and one child.

PERPETUAL PASTE.—A perpetual paste may be made by dissolving an ounce of alum in a quart of warm water. When cold, add as much flour as will make it the consistency of cream, then stir into it half a teaspoonful of powdered resin, and two or three cloves. Boil it to a consistency, stirring all the time. It will keep for twelve months, and when dry may be softened with water.

APPOINTMENTS.—The Commissioners of Northumberland county have made the following appointments for the ensuing year: Clerk—John Farnsworth; of Upper Augusta, Meronite Appraiser—C. C. Vengthig, of Jackson township.

JOBBING.—G. W. Haupt, of Sunbury, 1411 Philadelphia; L. Haupt, of Sunbury, 1411 Philadelphia; S. Haupt, of Sunbury, 1411 Philadelphia; S. Haupt, of Sunbury, 1411 Philadelphia.

FIRE.—On Wednesday morning last the second story of the dwelling house of Mr. Samuel Neidig, along the Shamokin Valley Railroad, was discovered to be on fire. The alarm was given, and in a short time it was extinguished by the fire engine. It is supposed that the fire originated by a defect in the flues. The fire was in the attic, and for some time it was supposed the building could not be saved, and the household goods were all carried out. Under the excitement some thoughtless persons in the second story were playing with matches on the window ledge. The crash of crockery, falling on the window, awakened the attention of bystanders to the danger of their position, whose sympathies, as well as risible faculties, were excited at one and the same moment, on witnessing the practical result of the operation.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.—At an election of the stockholders of the Danville, Hazleton and Wilkesbarre Railroad, held on Monday last, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Vice President—Thomas Woods, of Philadelphia. Treasurer—S. P. Wolcott, of Sunbury. Secretaries—B. F. Pine, of Philadelphia, and George Hill, of Sunbury.

Directors—Robert B. Sterling, Benj. Hendrick, Russell and Dr. Hugh W. McKeighan, General Supervisors—J. F. Kase. We learn that the work on this road is being pushed forward with great vigor. The grading was many points ready for the laying of the track. We have no doubt that this road will be completed in an early day, and when done will become one of the best paying roads in this section of the county.

STREAM FERRY.—While the ice was on the river, and people could cross over it in safety, we noticed that a number of our Snyder county friends thought their marketing in this place, and our merchants found a considerable increase in their business. The trade from the other side of the river is certainly a very large item in our business, and we are glad to see that there is another branch of trade in this place, which has been brought to this town, if proper efforts were made. The immense amount of produce raised in Snyder county could be drawn to this point if ferry facilities were afforded in crossing the river during all seasons of the year. Those interested should not allow the Legislature to adjourn without having an act passed to establish a steam ferry at this place, in order to secure the trade from the other side of the river. It is not only of interest to the merchants, but every consumer is benefited by it. The ferry will not only prove to be a great convenience, but a successful investment.

OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT.—We have on several occasions referred to the miserable condition of our Fire Department in this place, and urged that some action should be taken to put it in better order. We are liable to fires at any moment, yet we find our Borough fathers turning a deaf ear towards providing that which every citizen is interested in. Should a fire break out we would really feel the want of a Fire Department. There is nothing new in the place to aid in extinguishing a fire, except water buckets. Our fire engines are all out of order, owing to the fact that we have no shelter for them. We find two in stables and one standing in an alley. It is certainly deplorable to think that we have not sufficient funds to keep up a well organized Fire Department. What is the cause of this? Certainly not the firemen, who are generally men of limited means, and perform the labor while a fire is raging, risking life and limbs to save property. The Borough Council refuse to make provision on account of want of power to do so. While this is the case we would suggest that an application be made to the Legislature to empower our Council to levy a tax for the express purpose of keeping up a Fire Department, and to procure fire engines that will be serviceable when needed, and for the erection of suitable buildings to preserve them and keep them in order. We hope that a move will be made at once towards accomplishing that which interests every one.

PROCEEDINGS OF COURT.—The following is a continuation of the proceedings of Court: Com. vs. Samuel Stetson.—Larceny by bailment; recognizance for trial. Com. vs. Catherine Crick.—Disorderly house; Michael Culp, prosecutor; true bill. Com. vs. John Koble.—Larceny; Hannah Kline, prosecutor; true bill. Com. vs. Edward O'Connell.—Larceny; Mrs. O'Connell, prosecutor; no bill. Com. vs. Andrew Doherty.—Larceny; A. W. Newberry, prosecutor; no bill. Com. vs. Geo. W. Freed.—Fornication and bastardy; Emma Mott, prosecutor; on motion, prisoner discharged.

REPORT OF GRAND JURY. To the Hon. Alexander Jordan and his Associates, Justices of the Courts of Northumberland County: The Grand Jurors having passed upon all bills laid before them by the District Attorney, and made the necessary examination of the County buildings, do, to state that we have made a thorough examination of the County buildings, and find that the same are in a state of repair, and that the same are well adapted for the purposes for which they were erected. We also recommend that the County buildings be kept in good repair, and that the same be well lighted and ventilated. We also recommend that the County buildings be well kept, and that the same be well lighted and ventilated.

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A NATIONAL INSURANCE ENTERPRISE.—The ten days of the time to the meeting of the National Insurance Company of the United States, which was held in Philadelphia, on the 10th inst., was a most successful one. The company, which was organized in 1888, for the transaction of insurance business, has since that time been steadily increasing in its business, and is now one of the largest and most successful insurance companies in the United States. The company's capital is \$1,000,000, and it has a surplus of \$500,000. The company's business is conducted in a most efficient manner, and it has a reputation for its promptness in paying claims.

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BREAD & FANCY CAKES. DAVID FRY. Respectfully informs the citizens of Sunbury and vicinity, that he will bake to order all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc., and also keep on hand and manufacture out of the best material. All orders left at his shop in Market Square, on a door east of Mrs. Anna Patzer's Millinery Store, or at his bakery on Spruce Street, between Front and Second streets, will be promptly attended to. Orders are respectfully solicited. DAVID FRY. Sunbury, Dec. 12, 1897.

Valuable Property at Private Sale. Underwritten offers his valuable lot, 56 feet front by 210 deep, on the south-west corner of the Shamokin Valley and Northern Central Railroad, on Third street, on which is erected a FRAME WAREHOUSE, 20 by 40 feet. The warehouse is a new one, having been built about two years since, and is a splendid stand for any one wishing to go into the flour and grain business. The terms of the contract will be offered for sale, at a reasonable price. This property is offered for sale for the reason that the owner is desirous of leaving the country. I intend giving up business in Sunbury. For further particulars, apply to J. M. CALDWELL, Esq., at his residence, 101 North Street, Sunbury, Pa. Sept. 19, '97—3m.

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Estate of Silas Peeter, deceased. NOTICE is hereby given that letters of administration having been granted to the undersigned, he will receive and pay for the estate of Lower Augusta township, Northumberland county, deceased. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and all those having claims to present them for settlement. JOHN SNYDER, Adm'r. Lower Augusta, Pa., Dec. 3, 1897—3t.

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