Sunbury American.

SUNBURY, JUNE 26, 1874.

Railroad Time Table.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE OF TRAINS AT SUNBURY.

N. C. R. W., East.		P. & E. R. R. West.	
Phila. Ex.	9.30 a m	Erie Mail,	6.20 a m
Elmira Mail,	11.15 a m	Niagara Ex.	12.20 p m
Erie Mail,	2.05 a m	Elmira Mail	4.10 p m
Niagara Ex.	8.40 p m	Fast Line,	6.50 p m

SUNBURY AND LEWISTOWN R. R.

Leave Sunbury for Lewistown at 6.35 a. m., and 4.20 p. m.

Arrive at Sunbury from Lewistown at 1.35 and 6.40 p. m.

SHAMOKIN DIVISION, N. C. R. W.

LEAVE		ARRIVE	
Express,	11.45a m	Mail,	9.25 a m
Mail,	4.25 p m	Express,	3.55 p m

An accommodation train leaves Shamokin at 7.10 a m, arriving at Mt. Carmel at 7.40 a m. Returning, leave Mt. Carmel at 6.15 p m, arriving at Shamokin 6.45 p m.

LACKAWANNA & BLOOMSBURG R. R. TRAINS, leave Northumberland as follows—9.45 a. m., and 4.40 p.m.; arrive at 10.55 a.m.,and 5.45 p.m.

Accidental Insurance Tickets can be had of J. Shipman, Ticket Agent, at the Depot.

Summer Arrangement for the Post Office at Sunbury, Pa.

Office Open from 6.50 a. m., to 8 p. m., except on Sundays.

TIME OF ARRIVAL AND CLOSING OF THE MAILS.

Arrives as follows:

From the East at 5.15 a. m., 4.10 p. m.,
" South, 5.15 a. m., 4.10 p. m.
" West, 5.15 a. m., 11.15 a. m., 1.35 p. m. and 4.10 p. m.,
" North, 1.50 a. m., 11.15 a. m., 4.10 p.m. Shamokin and Mt. Carmel, 9.25 a. m. Shamokin proper, 4.00 p. m.

Mails close as follows:

For the East, 5.45 a. m., 10.50 a. m., 4.50 p. m. 8.00 p. m.
" South, 10.50 a. m., 4.50 p. m. 8 p. m.
" West, 10.50 a. m., 3.50 p. m., 8.00 p. m.
" North 3.50 p. m., 8 p. m., Shamokin proper 11.15 a. m. Shamokin and offices on that route, 4.20 p. m.

Money orders will not be issued after 6 p. m., on Saturdays.

J. J. SMITH, P. M.

Business Locals.

THE IMPROVED GROVER & BAKER SEWING MACHINE.—These celebrated machines are offered at the most reasonable rate. For particulars apply to D. G. KUTZ, Agent,
Feb.22,'73.-1y. Upper Augusta township.

FOR SALE.—Several to lots in Race street.—Also a house and lot on Chesnut street, near Second. Apply to H. B. MASSER.

SECOND hand window sash and glass; and also second hand shutters, in excellent condition, for sale by H. B. MASSER.

THE celebrated Chickering and Weber Pianos, and Mason and Hamlin and Wood Parlor Organs, are offered for sale by Jno. P. Keefer, No. 79 Walnut street, Sunbury, Pa. Call and see them.

WANTED.—25 worn reapers to repair. If too badly worn for repair, would like to sell you a new one. Apply to.
H. K. GOODRICH,
Rohrbach's Foundry, Sunbury, Pa.—4t.

ALL kinds of Summer Hats of the latest styles can be had at Faust's store, near the Court House. The most beautiful styles are on exhibition at the store window, and will be sold cheap. Collars and neckties of every description constantly on hand.

HOW TO SAVE MONEY.—Miss Caroline Dalius, Market Street, Sunbury, is selling the Golden Tongue Organ, six stops, for One Hundred Dollars. This Organ is being sold by Beatty & Plotts for from One Hundred and Twenty-Five to Two Hundred Dollars, just as they can find the customers, their prices are varied. Miss Dalius will also sell *First-Class Organs* at such prices that defy competition. Remember the place. C. DALIUS, dealer in Organs and Sewing Machines, Sunbury, Pa.

THE Union Park and Agricultural Association will hold their next Annual Exhibition at Sunbury, Pa., Sept. 29, 30, and October 1st and 2d, 1874.

FOR RENT.—The Drug Store Room now occupied by W. D. Melick. Also the room adjoining Faust's hat store. Enquire of H. B. MASSER.

S. HERSFELDER, corner Third and Market streets, has reduced his prices from 10 to 50 per cent., in order to close out. The whole magnificent stock, just received, will be sold at cost, and the greatest bargains ever heard of in this town will be offered. The stock consists of Children's, Boy's and Men's Clothing, Hats and Caps, Gents' Furnishing Goods, Trunks, Jewelry, &c. Call early and have the first choice.
S. HERZFELDER,
Cor. Third and Market Streets,
April 10-tf. Sunbury, Pa.

SOLD OUT.—Wm. H. Miller, for some twenty years engaged in the boot and shoe business, has sold out his Excelsior Store, on Market Square, to Messrs Smith & Brother, who will keep up the usual assortment of boots and shoes, as formerly. Messrs Smith & Brother have had long experience in the business. They are young men of excellent character and full of enterprise. Their stock comprises the best quality found in the markets. They are well stocked with the latest fashions, and those desiring to make bargains should call as they will sell at retail and wholesale. Country merchants will save money by buying at wholesale prices, as they cannot buy cheaper in any city than here, nor have a better chance of selecting their stock.

NOTICE.—As I have disposed of my Excelsior Boot and Shoe Store, all parties indebted to me, are hereby notified to settle their accounts on or before the first day of August next, as after that date my books will be placed in the hands of a Justice for collection. Until that time the books will remain in my posession, and settlement can be made by calling at my residence.
WM. H. MILLER.

ICE CREAM FREEZERS. A new lot just received by H. B. MASSER.

Local Affairs.

IN market—Cucumbers.

KEEP your dogs at home.

SEASONABLE—Spring chickens.

SUNDAY last was the longest day.

AND still they come—new subscribers.

FARMERS are now gathering their hay crop.

THE corn is now ready for the cultivator, and farmers are busy in their corn fields.

SIMON & OPPENHEIMER receive new goods every week. They sell rapidly at the lowest prices. Call at their store, on Third street, below Market.

IN Sunbury the other day we met a man who wished to buy an old cluck. He had purchased some spring chickens in market and thought they were "weaned" rather soon.—*Watsontown Record.*

Could'nt you have loaned him that black hen, John, you took home from Sunbury about a year ago?

MESSRS. NEVIN & KREBS serve our citizens regularly with all kinds of fresh vegetables. They also supply this section of country with ice cream, wholesale and retail.

Sunbury never looked better than this summer. Strangers are loud in praise of the town, and well they may be.

EXCURSION tickets from Mt. Carmel to Philadelphia and return, over the Lehigh Valley railroad, are issued at greatly reduced rates. The trains on the Shamokin Division of the N. C. R. W. connect with the Lehigh Valley, and Philadelphia can be reached as soon as by any other route.

MARKETS.—Cherries sell at 8 cts. per quart with a downward tendency. Butter at 18@25 cts. Spring chickens, 60@75 cts. per pair. Radishes, 5 cts. per bunch. Eggs, 20 cts. per dozen. Strawberries, 25 cts. per quart.

L. H. KASE, Esq., of this place, was admitted to practice in the U. S. District Court at Williamsport, last week.

IT is said that powdered alum sifted or strong alum water sprinkled on potato vines will kill the potato bug. Try it.

A FARMER of the upper end of the county, informs us that he has completely conquered the potato bug by the use of Paris Green with slacked lime—the proportion being about one pound of the Green to a half bushel of lime, sifted or sprinkled on the vines.

ALL the saloon keepers in this place and Northumberland, sell none but J. & A. Moeschlin's Cold Spring Brewery Lager Beer, because it's considered the best in this part of the State. Neighboring towns are now giving it a trial, and we warrant will sell no other if the trial is a fair one.

THE house of Gideon Landau, in Caketown, caught fire from the pipe of a cook stove, on Tuesday last, but was extinguished by several members of the Hook and Ladder Company, who were in the vicinity, before an alarm was given.

THE steam saw mill of Messrs. Isaac Albert & Lahr, located at Herndon, this county, was consumed by fire on the night of the 11th inst. A large amount of lumber also fell a prey to the flames. The mill was located near the railroad, and the fire is supposed to have originated from sparks of a locomotive passing over the road.

STILL LIVES TO CONQUER ALL PREJUDICES.—D. H. Koch informs those desiring painting and paper hanging done, that he is prepared to do every kind of work of that description in first-class style, and at short notice. The best of material used and best of workmanship guaranteed. june26,4t.

MRS. JOHN ROUP, JR., and MRS. Conly, on returning home from Turbutville in a buggy, were upset by the horse taking fright at a show bill put up at a barn, and seriously injured.

EXCURSION TICKETS over the different railroads will be issued, good from the 3l to the 7th of July.

THE continued dry weather will lessen the hay crop, which gave promise of being a large one. The crop of grass is nevertheless a fair one. The wheat fields are beginning to color, and the harvest will be upon us in a very few days. Grain of all kinds look well, and the prospects of an abundant crop is more favorable.

ROBERT MCCLOW of Shamokin, was committed to jail for an assault on his step mother.

THROUGH the instrumentality of Hon. J. B. Packer, our member of Congress, a Bill has been passed, appropriating four pieces of captured cannon and sixteen balls, to be placed on the four corners of the Soldiers' Monument, in Market Square, which will soon be placed in position. We are are pleased to see that something besides cattle will occupy our Park.

PROMPT.—The insurance money on the house of Mr. Samuel Bloom, which was damaged by fire last month, was adjusted last week by Jacob Shipman, agent for the York Insurance Company. This company always pays promptly, which gives it a reputation second to none in in the country.

DR. JEFFRIES serves spring chickens every evening to his customers at the European House.

THE Sunbury Band will give a free concert in Market Square, on this (Friday) evening. The gates of the Park will be *left open* for all visitors on the occasion.

We are glad to notice the great improvement made by the Band under their new instructor and leader. They have learned from Mr. Kirchner, that true melody and harmony in music, are inconsistent with loud blasts, and imperfect arrangement of parts.

EARLY MATERNITY.—Col. David Taggart has an Alderny heifer, purchased from the Hon. Eli Slifer, which bore a bull calf on the 10th inst., one year and three daps after her own birth. Mr. Geo. Mertz has become the lucky owner of the calf.—*North'd Press.*

THOSE who use Spectacles, can have no greater comfort than a perfect pair; such can be procured from our well known agent, L. V. B. Soper, sole agent in this place for Lazarus & Morris' Perfected Spectacles. ju26,2t.

ON Tuesday last the train on the East Mahanoy branch, says the *Tamaqua Item*, struck two cows and a bull, near Herndon, which resulted in damage to one car, and the tearing up of the sills and rails.

NARROW ESCAPE.—At the funeral of Mrs. Elisha Kline, of Upper Augusta township, on Thursday last, a narrow escape of an accident was made. As the funeral procession was passing through a piece of woods on the road to Kline's Grove graveyard, a pine tree was blown down across the road by a gale of wind, within a few feet of Mr. Samuel Oberdorf's wagon. Had the tree struck the wagon a serious accident would no doubt have occurred.

STRAWBERRIES.—The prospect of a fine crop of this delicious fruit two weeks since was most favarable, but the drouth has reduced the crop fully one half. Our market has been almost exclusively supplied with fruit raised at home, which is much superior to the best brought from abroad. But the prices are too high. At Washington, Baltimore and other cities, 15 cents is a good average price. Here it rates over 20. The sales in market the past week was 20 cents per quart. Our dealers, however, who have a monopoly of Mr. Youngman's berries charge 25 cts.

THE POTATO BUG.—There is a general complaint of the ravages of this insect. The earliest potatoes seem least affected. Paris green is said to be an excellent remedy, but one of the surest and best remedies is to bend the vines over a coal hod or bucket, and shake or tap the vines with a stick, so that the bugs fall into the vessel. In this way one person can go over an acre a day and gather ten times as many as by picking them off by hand.

MR. JOHN HAAS is building a handsome and convenient house nearly opposite his residence on Chestnut street. The building will be an ornament, and like all Mr. Haas' buildings substantially constructed.

THE latest style is to hang the bonnet on the bump of self-esteem. The more prominent this organ is, the more fashionable a lady can be.

ALL able bodied lawyers who can be spared from the bar, and who are willing to make an honest penny in other fields of usefulness and respectability, are now wanted in central Pennsylvania, to smash potato bugs. Gentlemen of weight had best work by the thousand; light parties, per diem.

DEMORESTS' MONTHLY, for July is fresh, beautiful and useful as ever. It is specially adapted to ladies who take pleasure in dressing themselves and children (if they have 'em) tastefully. *Demorests'* Young America, adapted to little readers is also a welcome visitor. W. Jennings Demorest, N. Y.

IF there is anything for which a young man is excusable for using "swear words" it is leaning against a fence, on Sunday night, dressed in his store clothes, to kiss his lady-love, and then discover that her lips and the fence have just been painted. Don't ask who it was, for it's none of your business.

ASSESSORS, TO THE FRONT!—The County Commissioners have sent a copy of the list of voters to each assessor in the county, whose duty it is to proceed to the enrollment of all the voters in each ward, borough and township, striking off the names of all who have removed from the district, or who may have died, while they will add thereto all the names of those having moved into the district, since the last assessment was made, returning their work to the office of the Commissioners, not later than July 1, 1874.

THE Sunbury Insurance Company is making rapid headway, and will soon be one of the most reliable insurance companies in the State.

ENVELOPES and cards of every description can always be found at this office at the most reasonable prices.

GO TO Soper's Jewelry Store for your silver and silver plated ware. All spoons, knives and forks bought of him are engraved free. All kinds of engraving neatly done to order. j26,2t

WM. H. HYERS, conductor on the Peipher freight line for a number of years, and well known in this place, died at Harrisburg on the 15th inst., after a severe and lingering illness.

ICE of any thickness can be cut in perfectly square blocks with a piece of iron an eighth of an inch thick, bevelled on both sides to an edge similar to that of a printer's column rule. By applying the edge to the ice and striking it lightly with a mallet, it will divide in exactly straight lines. This mode is superior to the pick, as it avoids waste. Try it.

BED BUGS.—The Altoona *Tribune* (where they have plenty of bed bugs) gives the following method for killing these harmless creatures: A new way to get rid of bed bugs has been discovered which we gladly publish for the benefit of the Altoona people who are annoyed by these pests. It is nothing but a strong solution of common salt. The bugs, after drinking freely, get thirsty and go off for water; you can then move your bed quietly into another room during their absence, and on their return they become disgusted with life and commit *suicide.*

THE ROWING MATCH.—The rowing match announced last week, came off on last Friday evening, and created considerable interest. About the time set for the match, a large number of citizens repaired to the river to witness the sport. About 7 o'clock the river bank was lined with people and carriages. The Judges, Martin Walls, Major Dewart, Judge Whitner, and J. E. Eichholtz, Umpire, were promptly on hand. Five boats entered, and positions were taken by lot. Peter Krohn secured the first choice, and took his position on the outside. James Roye came next, followed by Jacob Sensenbach, E. B. Westfall, and Philip Trutt. The umpire and Martin Walls were in a boat, half a mile from the starting point, near Bird's Island. At a signal given the race commenced, and the umpire's boat was reached is the following order. First, well ahead, Peter Krohn; next, Philip Trutt, and closely following James Roy, E. B. Westfall and Jacob Sensenbach. They passed the umpires boat, and pulling reached the starting point in the same order. As they neared the starting point, the crowd on the banks gave vent to their feelings by vociferous cheering.

This match originated with Mr. E. B. Westfall and Mr. Jacob Sensenbach, who are desirous of bringing into notice the beautiful basin of water to amateurs in rowing, to induce occasional matches among those fond of the sport. We are happy to note their successful experiment, and we learn that arrangements are already being made to organize a regular club to exercise in the athletic sport. They will make arrangements to invite rowers from abroad to test the speed of their craft upon the waters of the Susquehanna river at this place. We are satisfied that when the character of our beautiful basin becomes known to sportsmen, few will seek other places less attractive.

THE VISITING FIREMEN.—Sunbury was the scene of another pleasant gala day on Saturday last. As was stated in our last issue, the Cataract Fire Company of Lock Haven, together with the Mayor, members of the bar and those of the press, arrived at this place about 11 o'clock a. m., on their return from an excursion to Allentown, Easton and Danville. All the preliminary arrangements for a proper reception on the part of our fire department, Burgess and Council having been perfected, as the train stopped at the depot a hearty welcome was extended. A procession was formed with the firemen in advance accompanied by the Lock Haven and Sunbury Bands, and the dignitaries of the two towns, and citizens, in carriages. A parade then took place through the principal streets of the town, and then proceeded to the Park, on Market Square, where a reception speech was made by Wm. A. Sober, Esq., extending a hearty welcome to the visitors on the part of its citizens, firemen and municipal officers. His speech was received with great applause. S. R. Peale, Esq., of Lock Haven, who was once a Sunbury boy, and who spent many of his childhood's happy days among us, then responded in behalf of the visitors. He said he was present at the planting of the trees which now shade our Park, and referred to his youthful days in our town, and its liberal hearted people—that the spot was hallowed to his heart—was near and dear to him; and knowing the generosity of its citizens, he was glad to once more mingle with them for a short time in company with gentlemen of the highest respectability of his adopted home, that they might learn by experience the hospitality of Sunbury, and would accept the invitation extended to the Cataract Fire Company, and the municipal officers and citizens of the city of Lock Haven.

The Cataract Company were the guests of the Sunbury Steam Engine Company, No. 1, and were handsomely entertained at the Clement House, and Washington House. In the afternoon, by invitation, the firemen visited the Good Intent Hook and Ladder House, where they met with another handsome reception. They were received with a neat speech by Gen. J. K. Clement, which was responded to by Mr. J. Hipple on behalf of the Cataract boys. The Chief Burgess, Sol. Malick, spoke in behalf of the Washington Company, regretting that they had no house in which they could give them an evidence of their appreciation by a proper reception.

At the Good Intent house the firemen became properly acquainted with each other, and a social time was spent together until the arrival of the 4 o'clock train, when the guests departed for home.

The members of the bar of Lock Haven were handsomely entertained at the Central Hotel by a number of the members of the bar of this place. Geo. Hill, Esq., presided. Toasts were drank and responded to by H. T. Beardsly, S. R. Peall and W. H. Hipple, Esqrs., of Lock Haven, and Geo. Hill, Jno. K. Clement and T. H. B. Kase, Esqrs., of the Sunbury Bar.

We feel confident that the hospitality of our borough fathers, and the firemen was highly appreciated by the visitors, and we were happy to notice the good feeling that prevailed during their stay, as it left a favorable impression upon all, as they remarked, that their reception here was the most generous along their route. We hope that they will soon pay us another visit, and become better acquainted with our citizens and their hospitality.

THE gates of the enclosure of the Park in Market Square are still standing open, and the place has become the resort of many of the cattle owned within the limits of our borough. This no doubt is a comfortable arrangement for the cows, as the beautiful shade trees found there afford them ample protection against the summer's heat, but it doesn't meet with the approbation of nine-tenths of the people of the place. A few evenings ago we visited the Park, and counted 15 cows which had made a dormitory of the concern. As we passed along, one becoming disturbed, arose from its slumbers, stretched itself, and wagged its tail, undoubtedly in approbation of the course of our borough council. The Park was intended to be a place of beauty, and at a heavy expense was transformed from a goose pond into, it seems, a cattle yard. This Spring the enclosure promised much. The grass which had been sown the year previous, sprung up vigorously. Flowers and trees were set out, and all interested expected to see them growing there in all their inviting beauty. But how is it now? Through the stupid policy of some one, the Park has been turned into a grazing place, the trees have been made scratching posts for the cattle, and instead of the *fragrant* cowslip we have *the other kind.* How long must the good people of the place endure this thing? The cats pass in full view of our Park; the citizen who don't feel the effects of this circumstance is a queer fellow.

AN ACCIDENT AT WATSONTOWN.—On Saturday last Mr. John Ellis, of Turbutville, and mail carrier between Conly and Watsontown, was driving through the main street in the latter place, and was met by runaway horses attached to a buggy belonging to Mr. Gillespie, of Turbutville, and in attempting to turn his team a-side was run into and thrown from his wagon and his left leg broken at the thigh. He was carried into a neighboring house and Drs. Treon and Rhoads called in who attended to his wounds. One of the horses belonging to Mr. Gillespie had his leg broken below the knee, and was killed to end his suffering. The buggy, which was valued at $500, was broken to pieces, and the mail wagon of Mr. Ellis considerably damaged. Much sympathy is elicited for Mr. Ellis as he is poor and a man of excellent character and an accommodating official.

DON'T feed your turkeys on potato bugs, if you would enjoy the national Christmas dinner. The Charlestown *Press* says: A lady living a few miles from Charlestown, exasperated by the depredations of bugs upon her potato vines, and bent on exterminating them, turned loose in her patch twenty-seven turkeys. Many bugs were "surrounded" by the agile turks, but in less than an hour seventeen of the attacking party were stone dead upon the field—the bugs having cut their way out. The turks were active, made the charge heroically, but hadn't sand enough in their gizzards.

PERSONAL.—We regret our absence from our sanctum on Saturday last, to extend the hand of friendship to C. F. Leidy, Esq., of the Lock Haven *Republican*, and B. R. Somes, Esq., of the *Montour American.* Having been engaged at the time in some important political matters of the county we missed the pleasure of their call. We hope you will call again soon when we are at our post.

IT is singular how some editors can afford to take tours to the west and to watering places. They certainly cannot be panic stricken. We hope our turn will come next. If we should be disappointed, we certainly wish to be the pastor of a rich congregation for a few months during the summer season.

WE have frequently heard the remarks of strangers who were traveling in the cars between this place and Northumberland, in reference to Bird's Island, as an eligible location for the establishment of cotton factories and lumber mills. The island is about a quarter of a mile wide, and extends over a mile northward in the North Branch of the Susquehanna river, immediately between Sunbury and Northumberland. Its banks are high and safe against inundation. The ground is nearly level, and its shores are edged with groves of forest trees. It can be approached with steamboats or any other craft. The P. & E. R. R. crosses at the lower part with ample room for any number of sidings. This island is beyond a doubt the most desirable place along the river for the purpose alluded to. We are informed that a portion of it will soon be laid out in lots, and that several have already been engaged whereon private dwellings will be erected. We hope the project will not fall, and while its centre is being built up with dwellings, its banks will be built up with manufactories. This island in connection with the facilities for transportation of Sunbury, is destined at no very remote day, to become a large manufacturing centre. Here among our mountains of coal, iron and limestone, exist fortunes for future investments. Articles of manufacture can be produced at less cost than elsewhere, and with Northumberland laying immediately to the west with her beautiful scenery and natural advantages, the three locations being connected with bridges, will form a central city in the Keystone State unequalled in wealth, health and beauty.

THE festival of the Sunbury Cornet Band, which closed on Saturday last, was very successful, as the Band realized about four hundred dollars. This is a deserved compliment to the Band, and shows the favor in which they are held by our citizens. We never before had an association of musical talent in our place which promised so much. We have always believed that the material for the formation of a good Band was among us, and only needed an efficient leader to develope and confirm the fact. Since Mr. Kirchner has become the leader of our Band, who is probably one of the best leaders in the State, its improvement has been almost a miracle. The citizens of the place should now give it their heartiest support. Don't let it complain that any reasonable demand has not been granted. We have a fire department of which we can well boast, established through the energy of our young men and the enterprise of our citizens—a Park beautifully enclosed in the centre of our town which will soon contain our Soldiers' Monument—all the evidences of a growing and prosperous town, let us in addition to all this have a Band equal to any in the Sate. It is here in embryo, let us assist in its full developement.

At the festival several contests tock place between different parties, for which the ladies deserve great credit in giving interest to the matter. The pig between Dr. Jeffries and F. Bright, was voted to Dr. Jeffries. The cake between L. T. Rohrbach and Lem Shipman, was voted to Rohrbach. A cake between Oliver Drumheller and Frank Cooper, was won by the latter gentleman, and brought a high price. The cake between the foremen of the different fire companies, was decided in favor of Major Cadwallader of steamer No. 1.

THE appeal of the Mercantile Appraiser, on Monday last, was more largely attended than any previous appeal ever held in this county. This was mainly owing to the Mercantile Appraiser, who, it is alleged, had a proneness for making the assesments outrageously high. There was much dissatisfaction expressed against the appraiser. When Mr. Druckemiller was appointed, we then stated our disapproval of the appointment, and that we considered it the worst appointment that could have been made. We have not yet seen anything to change that opinion, and we would not be surprised if many merchants in the county would agree with us now. It is a good lesson, however, to county Commissioners, as it teaches them the necessity of inquiring into the character and qualifications of men before appointing them to important positions, and to choose none except those who come up to the standard required by Jefferson "Is he honest, is he capable."

PEAK FAMILY.—At the Opera House on Saturday evening, June 27th, the original Peak Family will give one entertainment only, introducing several new faces, and an entirely new performance. The company is a splendid one, having two Comedians and a boy artist. After an Olio, the entire company will appear in that celebrated extravaganza entitled: "The Belles of the Kitchen" which has made the Vokes Family so famous. Many notices given upon the performance of this specialty say that the Peak Family are creating a sensation wherever they appear with the above specialty. Reserved seats can be obtained at C. S. Hazeltine's Book Store, without extra charge, where a diagram may be seen.

MEETING OF THE REPUBLICAN STANDING COMMITTEE.—The Republican Standing Committee of Northumberland County, met in the Court House, in Sunbury, on Saturday last, pursuant to call. Em'l Wilvert, Chairman, presiding, and L. M. Morton, Secretary. The different districts were well represented by the members of the Committee. On motion, Col. Alex. Caldwell, of Shamokin borough, was elected by acclamation Representative Delegate to the next State Convention, in addition to the Hon. R. M. Frick of Milton, who was appointed by the last county Convention.

On motion, Resolved, That Saturday, September 19th, be fixed upon for holding the delegate election, and the following Tuesday, September 22d, as the time for the nominating County Convention.

THE ejectment suit of Dull, Tryon and others against Campbell, Tower and others, was called up in the Columbia County Court last week, before Judge Ellwell. The suits involve directly the title to a large and valuable tract of coal lands in Schuylkill county, embracing 2800 acres, worth in the market, perhaps one million and a half of dollars. The actual defendant in the case is the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company, which has acquired the lands in question.

Both sides were represented by counsel of unusual eminence. For the plaintiff appeared Frank Hughes, John W. Ryan, Senator Bechtal, of Pottsville, together with Hon. Jeremiah S. Black; while for the defense the counsel were Judge Woodward, Hon. Charles R. Buckalew and S. P. Wolverton, of Sunbury. The cause was continued until next October term.

WE are always ready to make amends when we are in the wrong. We would therefore state we were strictly in error when we stated last week that our neighbor J. E. Eichholtz would not go near water. He did venture on the river in a boat, but says it was a severe trial; that he felt shaky, and that it took considerable beer to neutralize the effects it had upon his nerves. He also thinks that by gradual practice on water, will prepare his system for a trip up salt river this coming fall.

A FEW days ago, as Mr. Thomas Reber, of Lewisburg, was walking in Northumberland county, on the farm of Benjamine Rine, he picked up a few very large teeth belonging, apparently, to some extinct species of animals. One measured 4½ inches in length. Others are nearly the same size. In diameter they are at places over an inch. Mr. Reber showed the curiosities to some of the professors of the University, who believe them to have belonged to some species of grass feeding animals, hundreds of years extinct. They are much different from the teeth of the mastodon. Since the first teeth were found, Mr. Reber and Prof. James visited the spot and found a portion of the jaw bone and nine more teeth, which make fourteen in all. It is the intention to send them to an institution in Philadelphia for inspection.—*Lewisburg Journal.*

IRON WEDDING.—Last Friday evening being the first anniversary of the wedding of Mr. A. G. Goodwill and Pet Klace, several of their friends got up a surprise for them in the way of an iron wedding. It proved to be a complete surprise to the happy pair and a source of great enjoyment to all present as well as to a few spectators across the way, who seemed to enjoy it as much as those participating. Many were the presents, all made of iron—pots, pans, kettles and cans. What can bind a fellow to home closer or make him long to be there more than a waffle iron, (if properly used,) and what will drive a fellow away quicker than a poker (if improperly used? There were two of the latter presented to Mrs. G., and we are concerned about Toney's welfare. May each succeeding year of their wedded life be crowned with blessings multiplied.—*Shamokin Herald.*

IN taking a flying trip to Shamokin a few days ago, we were impressed with the beauty of the scenery along the Shamokin Valley R. R. The train being in charge of that handsome and accommodating conductor, D. E. Schuster, we felt perfectly safe, as we knew him to be one of the most reliable employees on the road, and one who understands making passengers feel comfortable and pleasant. Soon after leaving Sunbury, we noticed the improvements being made by the farmers along the Shamokin Creek. Their farms look clean, and are supplied with good substantial barns and fine dwellings—their fields adorned with a luxuriant growth of waving grain and purple-headed clover. Arriving at Snydertown, we found that improvements in the way of building comfortable dwellings was one of the main features of that thriving borough. At Reed's station, the residence of our esteemed friend Sol. Martz, Esq., has also been much changed within a few years, and has become one of the principal stations for the exchange of passengers. Approaching the weigh scales, we noticed several buildings in course of erection, a neat office belonging to the Mineral R.R. & Mining Co., (noted for containing a number of fine young business men as clerks,) which ships more coal than any other in the region. Mr. R. A. Fisher, Esq., we understand, is at present filling the position of principal clerk, with general satisfaction. Mr. Fisher is a man of excellent business qualifications, and labors hard for the interests of his employers. We also got a glimpse of that prince of landlords in the Shamokin Valley, Mr. Jesse Hensyl, who knows how to keep a hotel, and make guests happy at his Mountain House. He is far too good a man to be a Democrat. From the scales to Shamokin the mountain air and scenery is perfectly delightful, and as the train passed the collieries the noises produced on the breakers, gave evidence that the coal business had not altogether ceased. The borough of Shamokin is improving rapidly, and already the town is beginning to spread over the adjacent hills. The water works lately introduced into the town gives general satisfaction, and soon gas will extend to all its streets, when we shall not be surprised if the town will change from its incorporation as a borough, and put on that of city.

MORE BOAT ROWING MATCHES.—A meeting was held on Monday evening last for the purpose of making arrangements for a rowing match on the 10th of July. The following conditions were adopted:

The first race will be open for all watermen. Boats to be used, the common river boat, of about the same build and weight. Prize to be a barrel of good flour. Entrance fee, 50 cents.

The second race to be open to all amateurs. Boats to be used, duck boats, or boats of similar build or weight, as near as they can be selected. Prize to be a small silk champion flag, to be carried by the winner until won by another. The winner of the flag must be prepared to accept at least one challenge per month, and in default of his accepting the same without some good and sufficient cause, he must surrender the flag to Ways and Means Committee, and it will then be put up again to be rowed for.

The distance to be one-half mile from Market street landing to a stake boat and return.

The following gentlemen were appointed a Committee of Ways and Means to report at the next meeting, on Monday evening next: Messrs. Wm. Whitmer, Jacob Shipman and Jno. Youngman.

THE CENTENNIAL OF THE DISCOVERY OF OXYGEN.—A few evenings ago a number of gentlemen assembled at the residence of J. Priestley, M. D., to confer with Dr. H. Carrington Bolton, of the city of New York, who came here to make the necessary arrangements for the proposed meeting of Chemists at this place, on the first of August.

The Doctor was kindly welcomed, and after a preliminary organization had been effected, proceeded to state the object he had in view in visiting the place. He is an active member of the committee in New York, and desired, in common with his colleagues, that their intentions of celebrating the hundredth anniversary of Oxygen at the grave of Dr. Priestly, the discoverer, should meet with a cordial welcome from the local population. He read a call, bearing the names of many of the most distinguished chemists and scientific men in the United States and Canada, a large proportion of whom may be expected to be here and take part in the ceremonies.

In response to the desires of the Dr. and his friends a permanent committee of corporation was organized for this borough and its vicinity of which Joseph Priestly, M. D., was chosen Chairman, assisted by several secretaries. On motion of Joseph Bird, Esq., an Executive Committee of five citizens was named to take general charge of the arrangements, assisted by subcommittees on details, such as procuring a suitable place of meeting, the committee of reception, address of welcome, quarters and entertainment of visitors, amusements, &c., &c.

The meeting adjourned to re-assemble at the call of the presiding officer, when further information shall be received from the Central Committee in New York.

Dr. Bolton returned home on Monday morning, bearing the assurance of all who feel any interest in the town and the cause, of a hearty co-operation on the part of our people.—*North'd Press.*

THE *Miltonian* has adopted the cash in advance system for subscription. A sensible plan, and we hope all newspapers in the county will agree to adopt the same plan. This advance pay plan has been adopted in the majority of the counties in the State. Not only subscription but all other printing should be paid in advance, and we hope the publishers throughout the county will meet and adopt a better system of business, and stick to it after it has been adopted.

LOOK OUT FOR HIM.—A tea swindler is playing his game quite successfully in some of the country town. He sells a number of five pound packages, telling his customers that it is better not to disturb the tea, but to use from the top of the package. On examination it is found that these five pound packages contain about one pound of tea—the rest is made up of wads of paper. Look out for his advent.

REV. J. B. REIMENSNYDER, pastor of St. Luke's church, Philadelphia, and son of J. J. Reimensnyder, Esq., of this place, has received a unanimous call to the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the city of Savannah, Georgia, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Rev. D. H. Bittle, D. D.

THE Lock Haven fireman, on an excursion to Allentown last week and return, give the following report to the Lock Haven *Republican* of their reception at this place:

Sunbury was reached at 10:45, and the grand entertainment received by us all along the route was continued here. The entire Fire Department, composed of the best material of Sunbury was at the depot, and our welcome was in keeping with the well-known generosity of the citizens. Geo. B. Cadwallader acted as director of ceremonies. After parading the streets of the borough the procession brought up at Market Square, over the entrance to which was an arch, and depending therefrom a banner, inscribed, "Welcome Cataract of Lock Haven." In the park a stand was erected, and after the line had been drawn up in front, Mr. William A. Sober, Esq., attorney at law and fireman, delivered a neat and appreciable address of welcome, to which S. R. Peale, Esq., responded. After this, Mr. Sober read an invitation from the Good Intent Fire Company, requesting Cataract and visitors to call at their house about 2 o'clock. Three times three cheers were given for Sunbury and her firemen, after which the line broke and the excursion party was divided, and sent to different hotels, where bounteous tables awaited them.

A noticeable feature of this reception was that the Chief Burgess and every member of Council was present, and entered into the pleasures of the occasion with heart and soul.

At 2 o'clock we proceeded to the house of Washington and Good Intent Companies. Gen. Jno. Kay Clement welcomed the boys in behalf of the companies, to which Mr. Hipple responded in a neat, humorous speech, the appreciation of the hearers being indicated by the rounds of applause that interrupted him, especially after his "camp meeting experience." Chief Burgess, Sol. Malick, also addressed the guests, and extended to them an invitation to partake of the generous lunch spread before them. No second bidding was necessary; no common mortals were ever supplied with better appetites, and no matter how often we ate, there were still room for more.

The extensive arrangements made for the entertainment of our party had all been made under the direction of the council, who had held a special meeting for that purpose. And they were successful in their undertaking, for when the hour of departure came, it was the universal regret that we could not remain with the good citizens and brave firemen of Sunbury a longer time.

At 4:10 we again entered the cars, but not until we had been refreshed by a collation at the hands of the Sunbury fire company.

THE CENTENIAL OF DR. PRIESTLEY'S DISCOVERY OF OXYGEN.—At a meeting of citizens of Sunbury, held in the Court House on Thursday evening, June 18th, A. N. Brice, Esq., was called to the chair. Lem. Shipman and Jas. McDevitt were elected vice presidents and Dr. F. L. Haupt and P. W. Gray, secretaries. The object of the meeting was briefly stated by Wm. L. Dewart, who offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That the citizens of Sunbury heartily approve of the project of celebrating the centennial of Dr. Priestley's discovery of oxygen, to be held at our sister town of Northumberland on the 1st of August, 1874.

Resolved, That we will co-operate in every way in our power to insure the success of the celebration, and to make the visit of the gentlemen from a distance pleasant and agreeable.

Resolved, That when this meeting adjourns it adjourns to meet on Friday night, June 26th, at 8 o'clock p. m., in the Court House, to perfect the arrangements.

Resolved, That the proceedings of this meeting be signed by the officers and published in our papers.

Adjourned.

A. N. BRICE, Pres.

L. M. SHIPMAN, J. M'DEVITT, } Vice Presidens.

F. L. HAUPT, P. W. GRAY, } Secretaries.

LIST of letters remaining in the Post Office at Sunbury, Pa., on June 24, 1874:

Col. Fred. C. Arms, Susan Bartholomew, Patric Bolau, Capt. Cyrus Crist (Boat Hope of Harrisburg, 2,) A. S. Crawford, J. F. Campbell, Sarah S. Dome, Solomon Kessler, Charles Lashols, M. McGuire, Herman Moyer, Norman Price, F. Right, Maria Schaeffer, A. J. Shoh, Henry R. Schwartz, John Waltz.

Persons calling for the above letters will please state that they were advertised.

J. J. SMITH, P. M.

ACCIDENT AT THE MINES.—Samuel Rhodan was slightly injured at Buck Ridge colliery last Monday. He had prepared a shot, lit the match, and in running to a safe place fell down, the shot exploding and striking him. His injuries are not serious.

Patrick McIntyre was burned severely at Brady colliery last Monday by explosion of some loose powder, which ignited from his lamp while making a cartridge.—*Shamokin Herald.*

SUFFERERS from coughs, colds, bronchitis, croup, influenza or whooping cough, will find relief in Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry, which has now been in use for nearly half a century, and still maintains its long established reputation as the great remedy for all diseases of the throat, lungs and chest.

A CHALLENGE.—The boat race on the river last week appears to have attracted attention abroad. Since our last issue we received the following letter which speaks for itself:

GEORGETOWN, June 20, 1874.