The Beaver Argus.

Beaver, January 20, 1869.

State of the Thermometer for the week ending the 10th of January, 1868.

	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.
Jan. 10,	35 deg.	35 deg.	29deg
" 11,	32 deg.	36 deg.	35 deg
" 12,	32 deg.	35 deg.	30 deg
" 13,	21 deg.	33 deg.	23 deg
" 14,	29 deg.	41 deg.	33 deg
" 15,	36 deg.	44 deg.	34 deg
" 16,	30 deg.	35 deg.	24 deg

R. T. TAYLOR.

The attention of the public is directed to the following new advertisements in todays Argus:

The Wonder of the Age—King Frost.
Drugs & Groceries—H. S. Hibbard & Co.
Notice to Contractors—W. G. Wallace.
For Sale—C. B. Hurst or F. A. Fortune.
Executors Notice—N. McClinton.
Ferry Boat Notice—E. Barnes.
Flour, &c.—J. C. Hammond.
Petroleum Fluid—J. J. Palmer & Co.
Administrators Notice—Catharine Stetzel, J. R. Pendleton, F. M. Anderson.
For Sale—S. B. French.
Special Notice—Mrs. Moorhead.
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Subscriptions to the Beaver Argus.—The following named persons have paid the sums set opposite to their names on subscription to the Beaver Argus, since the date of our last issue:

J. McCullough, North Sewickley,	2 00
S. J. McClure, New Galilee,	50
F. M. Anderson, Rochester,	2 00
John Morgan, Beaver,	2 00
D. M. Donahoo, Beaver,	50
S. S. Taylor, Blackhawk,	3 50
D. Powell, Knob,	2 00
A. Emrick, Baden,	2 00
Mrs. L. Scroggs, Iowa,	2 00
J. Slentz, Blackhawk,	2 00
J. M. Imbrie, New Galilee,	2 00
W. M. Wilson, Blackhawk,	2 00
Wm. Thomas, New Brighton,	2 00
Dr. T. G. Boyd, Blackhawk,	2 00
John Weaver, Beaver,	2 00
J. S. Anderson, Rochester,	1 50
Joseph Newell, Enon,	2 00
S. C. Duff, East Palestine,	2 00
J. T. McMillen, Darlington,	2 00
J. T. Bruce, New Sheffield,	2 00
John White, New Sheffield,	6 00
G. K. Shannon, New Sheffield,	2 00
Rev. J. M. Shields, Beaver,	1 00
H. McFarland, Blackhawk;	2 00
Dr. McElwee, Frankfort,	1 00
E. N. Atkins, Beaver,	2 00
Dr. J. C. Jackson, Fallston,	2 00
Saml. Gibson, Brighton tp.	2 00

Thanks.—D. McCallister, Esq., connected with the publishing house of Hanna & Co., of Pittsburgh, has our thanks for several large Counting-house Calendars for the year 1869.

Horse Stolen.—A horse was stolen from the stable of a Mr. Leslie, in Bridgewater, on Tuesday night last.—Acknowledge, as yet, as to the name or whereabouts of the thief.—[Local.

The Tribune Almanac.—The New York Tribune Association have placed us under obligations for a copy of the Tribune Almanac for 1869. It is an invaluable document, and can be had of the publishers for 20 cents. Send and get one.

The County Auditors.—The Auditors of this county finished up their business last Friday and adjourned sine die. They have been in session almost two weeks, and we learn incidentally transacted a large amount of business.

Attorney General Brewster of Harrisburg, has placed us under obligations for an address delivered before the American Whig and Cliosophic Societies of the College of New Jersey.

Adjutant General McCreery has also our thanks, for an early copy of his annual report.

A Harpist.—A strolling harpist of the Italian persuasion made the rounds of Beaver on last Thursday and Friday. Quite a number of little urchins invested a cent each in his "moosic." May his shadow never grow less, but it is to be hoped it will never be seen here again.

Painful Accident.—On last Wednesday morning Joseph Mitchell, Esq., an aged gentleman of this borough, slipped on the ice and fell heavily to the ground, dislocating his thigh joint and otherwise sustaining injuries. He is at present still suffering much pain, but is in a fair way for a speedy recovery.

Public Documents.—We are indebted to Hon. Thos. Nicholson, of the House of Representatives at Harrisburg for quite a number of official reports, among which are the Adjutant General's report, the Surveyor General's report, the report of the Managers of the Pennsylvania Institution for instruction of the blind, the report of the State Superintendent of Common Schools.

Bank Directors Elected.—On Thursday of last week the National Bank of Beaver county, located at New Brighton, held their annual election for a board of Directors for the ensuing year. Nine were chosen. They are as follows: John Miner, James Duncan, Saml. Wilde, R. E. Hoops, Geo. S. Barker, John Stiles, M. Darragh, Robt. Edgar, and Milton Townsend.

Elliott's Spring Catalogue for 1869.—This is a work of 48 pages, beautifully illustrated with a number of fine wood-engravings of Fruit and Flowers, containing much valuable information, together with a fine descriptive list of plants and trees, vegetable and flower seeds. This work is now ready and will be mailed free to all who apply. Address Elliott Bros. & Burgess, No. 114 Market Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Brought to Jail.—Constable F. M. Anderson brought an unruly individual to jail on last Tuesday evening. His offence consisted, we believe, in making "night hideous with his noise."

On Wednesday morning he brought another man hither (we did not learn his name) and turned him over to Sheriff Littell for safe keeping. He had stolen a hatchet from some person in Bridgewater.

Advertising—How it Pays.—A gentleman of this place put a small advertisement in the Argus, a short time ago, in which he gave notice that he had just commenced the manufacture of an article in general use. Three days afterwards a reader of the Argus, living some ten or twelve miles distant, came to town, alluded to having seen the advertisement in the paper, and immediately made a $65 or $70 contract with the advertiser. This is but a solitary instance of the utility of printer's ink.

Special Police.—It afforded us pleasure last week to learn that our friend, F. M. Anderson, Esq., of Rochester (and, by the way, one of the most efficient constables in Western Pennsylvania) had secured the appointment of special police on the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago Railroad. In connection with W. H. Scott, the detective of the same Road, the two will be on the lookout for rascals between Pittsburgh and Chicago. Their headquarters will be at Rochester, this county, for some time to come.

Dr. Lighthill's Advertisement. The attention of our readers is directed to the column advertisement of Dr. A. P. Lighthill which will be found in to-days paper. Dr. L. is without an equal in the treatment of Catarrh affection of the throat and lungs, deafness, &c., and he has associated with him Dr. J. A. Reid, who makes a speciality of diseases arising from impure blood and affections of the skin, liver, kidneys and nervous system. Our Pittsburgh exchanges contain many favorable notices of the Doctor, and all sufferers are invited to address him at 296 Penn Street, Pittsburgh.

The Pittsburgh Conference, M. E. Church, is to commence its session in New Philadelphia, Wednesday, March 17 instead of March 24, as heretofore announced. Bishop Ames presides.

Lost.—A lady's Pocket Book, containing four dollars and sixty cents, between Harvey's store and Mrs. Moorheads. The finder, by returning it, will confer a favor on Mrs. Moorhead, Bridgewater.

Medical.—Dr. Clark's numerous patients in this county will meet him at the "National Hotel" in Beaver, on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 5th and 6th, '69. The Dr. treats Chronic Diseases only, and his highest recommendation in this county has been in curing many cases considered hopeless. Persons afflicted should consult the Dr. during his short stay at Beaver. 4t

The American Stock Journal,—Where is the farmer that does not admire the Blooded Stock or take pride in caring for it. Every farmer has now an opportunity of obtaining some choice Cattle, Sheep, Hogs or Poultry free, by getting up a club for this Journal. Specimen Copies, Show Bills, &c., sent free. Address N. P. Boyer & Co., Publishers, Parkesburg, Chester Co., Pa.

Its good effects are permanent. In this it differs from all hair dyes. By its use luxuriant growth is guaranteed, natural color and gloss are restored. One trial will cause you to say this of Mrs. Allen's Improved (new style) Hair Restorer or Dressing, (in one bottle.) Every Druggist sells it. Price One Dollar. 4t.

Sunday School Convention.—A Convention of Sabbath School Superintendents and Teachers was held in the M. E. Church of this place on last Sabbath afternoon. Nearly all the Sabbath Schools in the vicinity were represented. The object of the convention was to exchange views and ascertain the best mode of conducting schools so as to render them more efficient. Dr. John Murray of Bridgewater presided, and O. R. Coe, Esq., of Rochester, acted as Secretary. Remarks were made by Revs. Murray, Taylor, Lowary, Morrow, Dravo, Wallace, and by Esqs. S. B. Wilson, Coe and Douglass. The proceedings were interspersed with some excellent music.

The convention adjourned to meet on the third Sabbath in February, at Rev. Shields' church in Bridgewater, at which time a permanent organization will be effected.

A Curiosity.—The Painesville, (O.) Advertiser is responsible for the following "hogish" story: "We saw quite a swinish curiosity in front of the Express office on Wednesday last, it being a veritable five-legged hog. The animal was en route to Geauga county, where the owner is collecting a museum of curiosities. The animal is full sized and finely developed, with four natural legs. On the left shoulder is the fifth leg or arm growing out from the shoulder mid-way and terminating in a number of fingers or claws. Take him all in all, the animal is quite a curiosity. We understand that the owner is negotiating for a two-legged sheep that is to be found in this State, and we presume will next go for seven-legged dog, for Barnum like, he is bound to have all the curiosities. The pig was raised at Pine Run, Michigan.

New Nickel Coinage.—It is proposed to withdraw the present one, three and five cent pieces from circulation, and substitute a new and more elegant issue, to be composed of one quarter nickel and three quarters copper, the weight to be one and a half, three and five grains, respectively. The bill providing for the new coinage will also provide for the withdrawal of the ten cent notes in circulation, and for the redemption of the nickels from a fund obtained from the profits arising from the coinage, each piece being worth considerably less than its nominal value.—The dies are being carefully prepared, and are said to be superior in beauty to any others of like denomination. The twenty-five and fifty cent paper currency will remain in circulation, it being found inexpedient to make coin of such size and weight as would represent those values. Indeed the paper is more convenient for common use than the silver coins formerly current.

Extensive Bank Robbery.—Several days since the Peoples' National Bank, on Wood street, was robbed of $12,000 by some adroit and daring thief, who abstracted a small tin box containing the amount from the safe. The affair has heretofore been "hushed up," in the hope that some clue might be obtained to the perpetrator; but it has gradually become known, and now forms one of the common topics of the street. There are many theories afloat in regard to the manner in which the robbery was committed, but thus far the whole operation is enveloped in the deepest mystery, and the only really tangible information is the absence of the money from the bank safe. The money was a special deposit, and as such had been placed in the tin box, as stated, to more perfectly insure its safe keeping. One of the theories which has gained some ground is, that the thief stole the booty during banking hours while the safe was open and unguarded. He would indeed be a bold operator who could march into a banking house during business hours, when the employes were there in full force, abstract from a safe located in the most closely guarded portion of the place a tin box containing such a sum of money, and pass out and away again, without having any attention attracted to his movements or being subjected to obtrusive detentions from those in whose care the treasure had been placed. Possibly there may be an expert in our midst whose brilliant abilities have been displayed in this manner, but it don't seem at all probable. The officers of the bank have been making every exertion, with the assistance of experienced detectives to ferret out the thief, but as yet no clue has been discovered. The affair has been managed in a masterly manner by the chap, whoever he may be, and it is quite probable that he will never be apprehended.—[Pitts. Gazette.

Postal-Money Order System.—We publish the following instructions to persons wishing to remit money through the Post-office, copied from the Money-Order Regulation of the Post-master General.

The money-order system is intended to promote public convenience and to insure safety in the transfer through the mails of small sums of money. The mode by which safety is secured consists in leaving out of the order the name of the payee or party for whom the money is intended. In this respect a money order differs from an ordinary bank draft or check. An advice or notification, containing full particulars of the order is transmitted by the issuing postmaster to the postmaster at the office of payment. The latter is thus furnished, before the order itself can be presented, with the necessary information to detect fraud, if any should be attempted.

Rates of Commission charged for money-orders:

On orders not exceeding $20	10 cts.
Over $20 and not exceeding $30	15 cts.
Over $30 and not exceeding $40	20 cts.
Over $40 and not exceeding $50	25 cts.

No fractions of cents to be introduced in an Order. United States Treasury Notes or National Bank Notes only received or paid.

A celebrated New York barber said not long since, that nine-tenths of his customers preferred to have their hair dressed with "Barrett's Hair Restorative" to any other substance, as it keeps the scalp so cool and free from dandruff.—[Troy Daily Whig.

Found.—A Gold Breast Pin, some two weeks since, by calling at Mr. Moorhead's, proving property and paying charges, the owner can have it.

Institute.—Institute will not convene on Thursday 21st, as per adjournment, from the consideration that neither of the gentlemen appointed to lecture can be present at that time. Next meeting will be announced through the papers, by which all will get timely notice.

By order of Committee.

Roman Cement.—The Ohio Farmer says: "After making common mortar, add one fourth of fine unslacked lime, mix, and use at once. This is said to be the Roman cement which resists water, and becomes as hard as iron."—This, although a very good cement, is not the Roman cement, so called, but is a material recently brought forward as the production of a German. The true Roman cement owes its efficacy to about twenty per cent. of alumina which it contains. An artificial substitute for this is sometimes made by mixing with the lime about the same proportion of calcined clay.

Religious Intelligence.—On last Sabbath one week ago, fifteen persons were received as members in the Bridgewater Presbyterian Church, of which Rev. J. M. Shields is Pastor. Four have since been taken into the same church.

On the same day several persons were also admitted to membership in the Presbyterian Church of Beaver, (D. P. Lowary Pastor.)

Quite a number have also been taken into the M. E. Church of this place recently. (Rev. Jas. Hollingshead Pastor.)

Interesting revivals are also in progress in the M. E. Churches of Bridgewater and Rochester, and in fact in nearly all the religious organizations of the neighborhood, but as to the number received, on probation or otherwise, we are not informed.

Resolutions.—At a regular meeting of Beaver Lodge No. 306, I. O. O. F., held in Bridgewater, on Tuesday Jan. 12th, 1869, the following resolutions were adopted.

WHEREAS, This Lodge having heard with profound sorrow the death of our late much beloved, esteemed and honored brother, William Curtis, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of this State, therefore be it

Resolved, That it is with a feeling of grief that we are called upon to record the death of one whose actions during our existence as a Lodge has been of such a pleasant and cheerful nature, and one whose honest and wise counsel has always been cherished, not only by ourselves but by all the brothers of the order, who had the pleasure of knowing him. We feel that the order has lost one of its brightest jewels, and whose position among us cannot be filled with more honor and integrity not only to the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, but to the order in general throughout this jurisdiction!

Resolved, That we feel called upon to express our deep felt sympathy with the widow and children of our late esteemed brother, and with fraternal kindness we offer our condolence to them in this their hour of trouble, distress and bereavement, and to the Fraternity in general in the loss of our distinguished Grand Secretary, and that the Lodge be draped in mourning and the members of this Lodge wear the usual badge of mourning for the space of six months.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Family of the deceased, and the same be published in the Beaver county papers.

JOHN CARTER,
C. MASTEN,
D. WOODRUFF,
WM. HURST,
J. V. MCDONALD, } Com.
BRIDGEWATER, Jan. 13, 1869.

Transfers of Real Estate, in Beaver county, for the week ending January 16, 1869.

Henrici & Lenz, Trustees of the Harmony Society, to John Reeves, Nov. 11, 1868, 2 lots in Beaver Falls, valued $400
Henrici & Lenz, Trustees, to Chas. L. Wright, May 11, 1868, 1 lot and 2 part lots in Beaver Falls, $350
Henrici & Lenz, Trustees, to Jas. Dunn, Sept. 14, 1868, 1 lot in Beaver Falls, $250
Jas. Dunn to J. Reeves, Dec. 28, 1868, 1 lot in Beaver Falls, $1,350
Henrici & Lenz, Trustees, to J. A. Siddell, June 1, 1868, 2 lots in Beaver Falls, $450
J. A. Siddell to T. W. Kennedy, Jan. 5, 1869, 2 lots in Beaver Falls, $1,600
Henrici & Lenz, Trustees, to S. H. Meyers, Dec. 31, 1868, 1 lot in Beaver Falls, $250
S. H. Meyers to John Reeves, Jan. 1, 1869, 1 lot in Beaver Falls, $1,300
W. Kennedy to W. J. Vanlear and wife, Dec. 31, 1868, 1 lot in New Brighton, $300
Wm. Davidson to Mrs. L. Harn, Oct. 30, 1868, 1 lot in Borough of Bridgewater, $75
S. Black et.al. to A. J. Marks, Mar. 19, 1868, two pieces of land in Brighton tp., containing about 45 acres, $2,800
T. J. Power & wife to Geo. C. Speyerer, Dec. 21, 1868, a piece of land in Rochester tp., $750
Henrici & Lenz to T. O. Waddle, et. al., April 15, 1867, 2 lots in Beaver Falls, $500
J. & E. Hastings to S. Armstrong, Nov. 8, 1867, 29 acres and 152 perch. New Sewickley tp., $2,500

The Petroleum Fluid manufactured by J. J. Palmer & Co., of Pittsburgh, under letters patent, supplies a necessity as well as a household convenience. It has been in use more than a year, and is growing in favor wherever used. It makes the neater and is in every respect the best light. No offensive odor, no smoke, no grease to soil garments, no danger from explosions in lamps, does not injure weak eyes, gives a softer light than kerosene, can be used with or without chimney, can be burned in any lamp with the trifling expense of changing burners. It is cheaper than any light except daylight. All who use it will endorse all we say. The following opinion, one of many, we have seen worthy of attention:

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.—This is to certify that I have used the Petroleum Fluid in my house for some time with entire satisfaction. It not only affords a clear white light but is perfectly safe, being by me regarded as non-explosive.

J. H. PALMER,
Inspector of Board of Fire Underwriters for the city of Buffalo, N. Y.

A Valuable Reference.—We have, through the courtesy of the Petroleum, Messrs. Corft & Phillips, the enterprising Real Estate Agents and Brokers, No. 130 Fourth avenue, Pittsburgh, received a copy of the January issue of the Pittsburgh Real Estate Register. As the name implies, this work is devoted to the advertising of such properties as are placed in their hands for disposal.—The present issue contains descriptions of over seven hundred thousand dollars worth of real estate, consisting of houses, lots, farms, hotels, stores, western lands city and suburban residences, with prices and terms of sale. Messrs. Croft & Phillips are the only agents in the city that issue a work of this kind, yet the extensive real estate business they do fully justifies them in the undertaking, as their efforts to supply the want of such are being fully repaid by an appreciative public. As the circulation of the Register is gratuitous, we would say to all those seeking homes or investments in real estate to get a copy, as they cannot fail to get suited out of the very large list it contains. The office of the firm, as above stated, is No. 130 Fourth avenue, where copies can be obtained or they will forward it by mail free to any address. Those having real estate for sale will find it to their interest to secure the services of the above firm, as they have superior facilities for bringing what they present before the people. Don't fail to call and get a copy. jan20:1t

(For the Argus.)

Hours of Sadness.

While I'm sitting in my den,
I keep thinking now and then,
Of the happy days of yore,
Shall I see them never more?

Oftimes when the world round me is resting in sleep,
They come to me—those dark hours of sadness—
Bringing sad heart tears, they visit my pillow,
They come in the midnight, so stilly and dark.

Day after day and year after year,
Ah! when I look at it, it seems so queer,
That as I view them o'er and o'er,
I fear I shall see them never more.

When shall I see that cottage door,
Where I've spent hours of joy before?
'Twas there I knew no grief or care,
My heart was always joyous there.

But if I never see it more,
Nor stand upon my native shore,
No matter where I'm doomed to roam,
My heart shall be with those at home.

MATTIE M. WARNER.
Lewisburg Seminary, Union Co., Pa.

Abandoned his Practice.—We were sorry to learn a few days ago that our clever friend, J. S. Rutan, Esq., had abandoned the practice of law in the goodly town of Beaver. Rumor with her thousand tongues has it that he has for some weeks past, and will continue to be engaged in the future, in "doing up" the Washington, Philadelphia, Harrisburg and Pittsburgh correspondence of the "Radical" with headquarters at Beaver, Beaver county, Pa. In addition to this responsible duty, we understand that he is just now taxing his energies to the utmost in educating public opinion up to believing that John Scott was Quay's candidate for the United States Senate. We wish him great success in his new vocation. X.

Our correspondent we think is laboring under a slight misapprehension.—Whatever other duties Mr. Rutan has undertaken, we think his law office will still be found open, and himself as ready to receive clients in the future as in the past.—[Ed. Argus.

Resolutions.—At a regular meeting of Harrison Graham Encampment, No. 116, I. O. O. F., held on Thursday evening, Jan. 7th, 1869, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, In the dispensation of an all-wise ruler of the universe we are called upon to mourn the loss and death of Wm. Curtis, late Grand Scribe of the Grand Encampment of Pennsylvania, therefore be it

Resolved, That in the death of our worthy Grand Scribe, we feel its appropriate and proper to extend to the family of our deceased and well beloved Patriarch our sympathy, and that we sympathize with them in their hours of trouble, distress and bereavement, and feeling that the Patriarch is gone and left us, and believing in an adorable God that all is well, we recommend his widow and children to Him, believing he will give unto him his heavenly care and protection, and the members of this Encampment feeling the loss of our worthy Grand Scribe extend to the family of the deceased the right hand of fellowship.

Resolved, That we believe the order has lost one of its best Patriarchs, one of its brightest jewels, and one whose position amongst us will with difficulty be filled, one so full of honor, integrity and correctness.

Resolved, That the charter and emblems of this Encampment be draped in mourning for the space of six months, and a copy of these resolutions be furnished the family of the deceased, and the same be published in the Beaver county papers.

Resolved, That the members of this Encampment wear the usual badge of mourning for six months.

WM. HURST,
DAVID WOODRUFF,
JAS. Q. EAKIN,
B. M. MULHERN,
JOS. E. MCCARE, } Com.
BRIDGEWATER, Jan. 8th, 1869.

Robbers' Raid.—During the past ten days a regular raid seems to have been made by robbers upon houses in the north-eastern part of our county. On Saturday night of last week (as was stated in our last issue) the store of John H. Hill, in Nottingham township, was robbed of several hundred dollars worth of boots, shoes, clothing, &c.

About noon on Tuesday the dwelling of Wm. C. Bryant, in the same township, was entered by four persons (while the family were absent attending the marriage of a relative,) who gained admittance through a window of the sleeping room. The house was thoroughly ransacked, and beds, bedding, &c., turned upside down. The thieves carried away two good coats, a revolver, a vest and about one dollar in money.

On the same day the house of Samuel Whitely, in Peters township, a short distance from Bryant's, was broken into by the same parties, evidently, while the owner was at church. The contents were scattered about the rooms in beautiful confusion. Mr. Whitely being an old bachelor, and being careful to keep his "heaps of gold and silver treasure" elsewhere than about his "sleeping bunk," the robbers here made but a sorry haul—their entire booty comprising a hat, pair of boots, several pairs of socks (they about cleaned out the gentleman of the latter branch of podal warmers), and some other articles of wearing apparel.

On Thursday, between ten and eleven o'clock, the dwelling of John Johnson, in North Strabane township, was entered while the family were at church, entrance being effected by bursting the rear door of the kitchen. The rooms were thoroughly searched for money, but, with the exception of between two and three dollars in copper coins contained in a desk drawer, nothing of value was obtained. The villains removed a small iron safe from one of the rooms to the cellar, where with a pick and other implements they broke it open—indeed smashed it pretty considerably into "smithereens," as our Irish friends would term it. They evidently anticipated a handsome turn-out of "swag," but were sadly disappointed, obtaining for their trouble nothing but a few papers of no value to any one beside the owners. One of the papers, however, a certificate of stock in some corporation, they took with them, but afterwards dropped it a short distance from the house.

About three o'clock of the afternoon of the same day four persons approached the residence of James Throme, also in North Strabane township, a short distance north of Clokeyville, and while three of them stood at the fence, some distance off, the other one entered the kitchen and asked Mrs. Throme for a loaf of bread, to add to some meat and other eatables, so that himself and companions could make a meal. The bread was furnished, and very shortly after the departure of the hungry individual a fine gold watch belonging to Mr. Throme was missing. It had been stolen while the lady was absent for the bread. Mr. Throme and Wm. B. Fulton, who happened to be at the house, at once started in pursuit, and succeeded, after much difficulty, in coming up with the party—three of them sitting under a tree eating, and the other (the one who had stolen the watch) attempting to hide behind the trunk of a large tree. The three denied having any knowledge of the watch; and upon Mr. Throme approaching the other, the scoundrel drew a revolver and threatened to shoot him if he attempted an arrest. Indeed, he did try to discharge the weapon but fortunately the cap failed to explode. In a few minutes persons living in the neighborhood reached the scene, and three of the parties were taken into custody, the other and greater villain succeeded in getting away through the woods during the confusion. After their arrest they stated that their companion had thrown the watch into a field coming along the road—where it was afterwards found. These three who gave their names respectively as Saml. P. Jones, William Potts and Henry Stamer (no doubt fictitious) were brought to town and committed to jail, and on Friday had a hearing before Justice Hornish, who recommitted them for further examination on Wednesday of the present week.

On Saturday Mr. Bryant identified a coat and vest worn by one of the parties as having been taken from his dwelling, and also identified a revolver found with one of the three. Several persons testify to having seen the parties in the vicinity of the scenes of the various robberies at about the time of the commission of the same. We learn that one of them has since admitted that they were concerned in all but the Hill larceny. It is believed that the proper name of one of the three now in jail is Devore, and that he was recently discharged from the penitentiary. The one yet at large, for whom officers are now searching, is thought to be a chap named Samuel Bastle, living in the eastern part of our county. Further developments will no doubt be made at the hearing on Wednesday.—[Wash. Examiner.

CORRESPONDENCE.

BEAVER FALLS, PA., Jan. 18.

EDITOR ARGUS: Sir:—Having understood that Mr. Fields who has been principal of the New Brighton Union Schools since 1860, has notified the Board of Education that it is his intention to withdraw from the School at the close of the present term,

Mr. Fields will be a candidate for the office of County Superintendent of Common Schools of Beaver County. If fitness for the position both as to ability and administrative qualifications has anything to do with the selection of this officer, then I know of no one better qualified for the position. A. G. MC.

NEW BRIGHTON, PA., Jan. 18.

EDITOR ARGUS:—Our borough election last week was a very uninteresting affair, save in the North Ward, in which the Democracy,

"With the daring
Last grasp of despairing,"

succeeded in electing their candidates for the offices of Justice of the Peace, School Director, one member of the Council, one Inspector, and the Judge of Elections, Assessor and Constable—all this in a ward which gave a Republican majority of 41 last fall—showing clearly that the Republicans were greatly at fault in not turning out, or that, if they did go to the polls, many of them voted for the enemy's candidates.

We hear some talk of an effort to have the election in that ward set aside, on the ground of illegality; as it is well known that several illegal votes were received, and that the Election Board refused to be governed by the 16th section of the act approved April 3d, 1851, and which is still in force; although their attention was particularly called to it by a citizen on the day of election. The section cited reads thus:

"That every person entitled to vote for members of the General Assembly, having resided in the borough six months immediately preceding the election, and within one year paid a borough tax, which tax shall have been levied, shall be entitled to vote at the borough election."

This language is so plain that no person of ordinary intelligence can fail to understand it; yet in the face of this plain provision of the law, men who never paid borough tax, and who had not lived in the borough six months were allowed to vote in the North Ward on Tuesday last. We think the matter should be legally investigated, if what has been told us be true.

We are perfectly well aware of the fact that "drowning men catch at straws;" and we are perfectly willing to allow the Democracy a little nibble occasionally of that public pap on which they fed for so many long years before they became the especial champions of treason; but not one nibble shall they have without our protest, unless it be gotten in strict accordance with law. They prate a vast deal about "the Constitution and the laws," and we wish them to exemplify in their conduct that which we hear them preach on the political rostrum, in their press, and on the corners of the streets. Hence we say to our brethren in the North Ward: Investigate without delay. Truth never suffers from public exposition. ENDYMON.

Financial Light is Dawning.

ED. ARGUS:—When we look back over the history of our nation for the last few years, and recount the perils, trials and sufferings through which we have passed, and the merciful deliverances wrought out for us, it would seem that every lover of his Country and his God would with gratitude acknowledge the hand of an over-ruling providence in all these things.

To see how short a time it is since the black idol of slavery, reared up in the South, was impudently demanding that the people should worship and pay homage at its feet, and all the corrupt aspirants for place and power, being kings, princes and potentates, were sympathizing with and encouraging this wicked idolatry, and all that refused to obey its mandates were proscribed, persecuted, murdered and banished from Southern territory; and not satisfied, they organized a cruel and wickid war to extend and perpetuate this iniquitous scheme, by firing into our vessels, attacking our forts, and marshaling their hosts to capture our National Capital.

When we attempted to drive back the rebel invaders, defeat and disaster met us on every hand, and not until we had purged ourselves of idolatry and injustice, and our rulers proclaimed that the oppressed shall go free, and invited them to come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty; then U. S. Grant, like an obscure David, is placed at the head where by his prudence and skilful management he subdued rebellion, and conquered treason, and now by the gratitude of a patriotic people occupies a position, where we trust, the great Ruler who guided him successfully through a bloody war, will direct in adopting a policy that will restore harmony, union and happiness, in this the land of the free and the home of the brave.

And now when the distracted condition of our paper currency, which has resulted from the great expansion that was forced upon the Government to raise money, to pay and feed a brave army engaged in putting down an infamous rebellion; and now when the financial atmosphere is the darkest and gloomiest, and panic, devastation and ruin seem to be the inevitable fate of every business enterprise, and the wild, wicked and visionary schemes and projects of our political tinkers and gambling speculators have only tended to confuse darkness and intensify the gloom. In the midst of this darkness and gloom, Senator Morton, like a star in the east shines upon our pathway and points out the true plan by which we may return to specie payment, without passing through the fiery ordeal of panic and ruin that has been so universally expected or anticipated. Pass his bill to pay specie for the greenbacks in July 1871, and I will venture the assertion that sixty days after its passage legal tenders will advance from ten to fifteen per cent towards par, and will continue to advance until it becomes equal to gold.—Then will gamblers in gold and products be discarded and cast out of their temples like the money changers and dove sellers of old.

The national bank paper must surely become of equal value as it is redeemable in legal tender. This will ignite be a circulating medium as in days past; then honest industry will be rewarded, all useful enterprises will be rewarded and sustained, and our national bonds instead of being at a discount, will be at a premium, and the capital that has hitherto been employed in extorting and oppressing industry and enterprise will be compelled to seek for investments in the useful enterprises of the country. Then will we see a prosperity that will rapidly waft us on to the development of our true destiny, dispelling every doubt in reference to the strength and permanency of our government, and thus by our example and influence stimulate the nations of the world to discard their old monarchial and adopt a more liberal form of government. Then will correct political and moral truth advance, progress and develop all the beauty and perfection of our free institutions, and dispel all the erroneous, vain and despicable aristocracies of families of wealth and power, and honesty, industry, intelligence and virtue will be the true test of nobility. ROCHESTER.

NEW BRIGHTON, PA., Jan. 16, '69.

ED. ARGUS:—Nothing out of the usual course has occurred this week in our usually quiet village, with the exception of our borough election on Tuesday; and in relation to this there was no feeling or interest in any but the North Ward.

In that the Democrats turned out in full strength, while many Republicans did not go to the polls, and as a consequence several good men were defeated and our opponents elected six out of nine officers.

In the North Ward 161 votes were cast, in the Middle Ward 71, and in the South Ward 36. From this it will be observed that in two wards the entire vote polled was much less than the majorities given for Grant at the November election.

The following is a list of the officers elected:

BOROUGH OFFICERS—ALL REPUBLICANS.

Burgess—M. S. Johns.
Assist. Burgess—C. A. Meyer.
High Constable—John Goddard.
Auditor—C. I. Wendt.

NORTH WARD.

Council—R. E. Hoops, R; Samuel Dunbar, R.
Justice of the Peace—John Glass, D.
Constable—Madison Funkhouser, D.
Assessor—Harrison Graham, D.
School Directors—Joseph Reeves, D.
Judge of Election—W. H. Powers, D.
Inspectors—James Fleming, D.; Capt. C. K. Chamberlin, R.

MIDDLE WARD—ALL REPUBLICANS

Council—John F. Price, Agnew Duff, James Edgar.
Inspector—Philip Martsolf, Geo. Porter.
School Director—John Robinson.
Constable—Hiram Reed.
Judge of Election—Benj. Bedison.
Assessor—Jacob S. Price.

SOUTH WARD—ALL REPUBLICANS.

Council—E. H. Alexander, M. T. Kennedy, Jos. T. Pugh.
Judge of Election—Joseph Alexander.
Assessor—W. B. Lemmon.
School Director—Dr. D. Stanton.
Constable—W. O. Lourimore.
Inspectors—Jacob Winans, John Pugh.

In the North Ward the vote for Robt. Edgar and H. Graham for Council was a tie—hence a special election must be held to decide the matter.

The fact that Capt. Geo. S. Barker was defeated by the default of our own party is, we think, a most foul injustice.

Capt. Barker has been a member of our School Board for eighteen consecutive years, and we believe nearly or quite that length of time treasurer of the school fund, and always acted faithfully and efficiently—so much so that no one, in truth, can lay a single charge against him.

We hope that in succeeding elections the Republicans of the North Ward will endeavor to retrieve the fortunes of the past, and not allow an illiberal and uncompromising enemy to strike down our best men. DION.

EDITOR ARGUS.—I have looked over the columns of the Radical very anxiously for the last two weeks to see what that paper had to say about the pasting and folding proposition submitted by Messrs Rauch & Cochran, of Lancaster, against the employment of a brigade of minor officers and one or more other swindles which the Legislature has already had before it. But to my surprise and mortification I find that that paper neither editorially or through any of its correspondents has yet opened its lips against any of the above flagrant attempts to rob the people. Not only this, but the Radical has never yet, in any form, given its readers to know that these things were being done at the State Capital! Now why is this? Is it not as plain as anything can be that the numerous conductors of that paper are either in full fellowship with the "hangers-on" and corruptionists of Pennsylvania, and want them to filch all they can from the public treasury, or else are without sufficient moral courage to raise their voices against these raids upon the people's hard-earned money? In either case they richly merit and should receive the reprobation of all honest men. PHILO.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE LEGISLATURE.

The Pasting and Folding Job—The Increase of Officers in the House.

A correspondent of the Pittsburgh *Commercial* says: "As a committee of one from the twenty-three thousand voters who elected the Allegheny county delegation to the Legislature of Pennsylvania, I have been (self) appointed to very earnestly inquire of said delegation why they thought it more to the interests of the State to pay $50,000 for work which could be done for $7,000 or less.

Gentlemen of delegation from Allegheny County: Your constituents desire an early explanation of this matter, and would be pleased to be still further informed whether it is probable that you will continue this kind of economy throughout the session.

"MAGNA VOX POPULI," Com.—

George Schindler, a one-legged soldier, whose services to his country and needy circumstances should have secured him the desired position, was an applicant for a place in the pasting and folding department of the House, but he was set aside for a strong, healthy, able-bodied ex-member named Ziba Lott, from Wyoming, and the latter is now serving his second term in the House in the capacity of "paste slinger." He will get his "rake" out of the thirty or forty thousand dollar job, which responsible parties agreed to do for seven thousand.

The following from the Harrisburg correspondence of the Erie *Dispatch* indicates that the House, upon its organization, selected twenty-seven more officers than it was entitled to by law: "The proper distribution of the officers has been a very vexing question. Several caucuses were held by the Republican members in regard to the matter, and the indications are very decided that the law passed last winter limiting the number of offices will be repealed. At least, on the strength of that probability, twenty-seven more officers than are now provided for by law, are employed by the House of Representatives."

The Lancaster *Express* of Wednesday says: "From the proceedings of the State Legislature yesterday, it will be seen that the scheme for robbing the Treasury by the appointment of twenty-seven additional officers of the House, each to be paid $6 or $8 per day, and costing in the aggregate some $35,000 for a service which responsible parties have offered to perform for $5,000, was rushed through the House by a vote of 64 to 23. The yeas and nays are not given. But it does not appear from the debate upon the question, as reported in the Harrisburg papers, that a single member from this county raised his voice in opposition to the measure."

Not did a single member from Allegheny county oppose it. It was passed in this way: Mr. Strang, of Tioga, defeated candidate for Speaker offered the following:

Resolved, If the Senate concur, that the Speaker and clerk of the House of Representatives be and are hereby authorized to appoint as many additional officers as are necessary to transact the business of the House, not exceeding twenty-seven in number.

The bill passed second reading, and Mr. Strang moved the suspension of the rule forbidding the reading of a bill more than twice on the same day. Agreed to by a vote of 60 to 27, the Democrats voting no. Mr. Strang explained that a joint resolution passed last year confined the House to thirty-four officers, but it was found that, in the mechanical and pasting and folding departments the force was not strong enough. If this resolution passed, the House would not yet have quite as many officers as it had last year. The resolution passed finally by a vote of 62 to 29.

THE Rock Island *Argus*, of Wednesday evening, published an article of over a column in length, giving details of a remarkable discovery made in a cave under the island of Rock Island, in the Mississippi, by a party of scientific gentlemen from the East. Among other things found was the statue of a beautiful Indian maiden, a huge pedestal constructed of solid copper, crossbows and arrows, an obelisk of solid brass, some se