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Mr. A. Z. Schoch has put down concrete pavement in front of his residence.

The Choral Society will begin its fall rehearsals at Y. M. C. A. Hall on Tuesday evening, September 1st, at 8 o'clock.

The top of the court house tower is enclosed, and the slate is on. Chas. E. Hower has the contract for the plastering, and is pushing it along.

The name of N. U. Funk Esq. should have appeared in the list of Directors, in our recent article on the Farmer's National Bank. It was omitted by mistake.

Wm. Krickbaum, proprietor of the *Sentinel*, Charles Krug and Charles Reice were in attendance at the Montour County Democratic Convention on Monday.

It is reported that on account of the abundance of fruit in Union County apples are selling at 20 cts. a bushel, pears at 25 cts. a bushel and plums are given away.

Clark B. Stewart was committed to jail on Monday by Peter Swank Esq. a Justice of Locust township, charged with being intoxicated in Slabtown on that day.

Wm. Chrisman, Esq., has been selected by the Trustees of the Missionary Institute of Selingsgrove, to look after their interest in the matter of the Stroup legacies. The Missionary Institute will receive about twenty-five thousand dollars.

Mr. Clark Callender of Cambria, and Miss Ida M. Miller were married at the M. E. Church in Mainville on Wednesday, August 19th. A reception was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Geiger in Mainville, after the ceremony. Our congratulations are extended.

Housel will reopen his fish and oyster market Sept. 1, 1891, in the David Stroup property, a few doors above the stand formerly occupied by him, where he will be prepared to furnish all customers with fresh fish and oysters. A parlor will be nicely furnished, where ladies can be served with oysters in every style.

The Singer controversy has already gone too far in the newspapers. It is high time for all parties to drop the matter so far as the public prints are concerned. If Mr. Singer is guilty of anything that renders him unfit for the ministry, he should be tried in a tribunal of his own church, properly constituted. So far as **THE COLUMBIAN** is concerned, quite as much space has been devoted to this subject as is deemed judicious, and no further communications will be published.

A regular meeting of the Columbia County Medical Society was held at the Susquehanna House, Catawissa, on Tuesday last.

Drs. Redeker, Fulmer and others reported interesting cases which were discussed by the Society. A friendly interchange of wit and repartee added to the pleasure of the occasion. Drs. Arment, Redeker and Sharpless were appointed to prepare papers to be read at the next meeting. Thirteen were present. A feature of every meeting is a dinner free for all members who attend.

The Sir Knights of Theta Castle No. 276, K. G. E., take this means of expressing thanks to the people for their liberal patronage to the late excursion, and of offering their sincere regrets that dissatisfaction followed. They desire the people to understand that they were not responsible for the tardiness of the trains or the lack of accommodations at the new grounds, which rendered it not only unsatisfactory to their patrons but humiliating to themselves and families. The Castle advertised nothing but what they had experienced at the lake last year and were lead to expect this year.

The barn on J. S. Blue's lot on East street was destroyed by fire on Monday. Smoke was seen issuing from the barn by Alfred Giron, who lives on the extension of Third street, at about a quarter past six. He notified Mr. Blue, who was at supper, and then started for the Town Hall to give the alarm. The barn was occupied by John Hunt, who had three horses, carriages, sleighs, harness, robes, &c., in it at the time. All of these were removed. The fire started in the loft, and its origin is unknown. The barn was insured for \$200, and the loss on it is about \$500. The steamer was brought out and fired up though there was no necessity for it.

THE POTTSTOWN VISITORS.

On Wednesday, Aug. 12, the School Furnishing Company of this town was visited by a Committee of six gentlemen from the Board of Education of the Borough of Pottstown, Montgomery Co., Pa. They came for the purpose of inspecting the factory where the justly celebrated "Orion" desk is made, and the appliances with which it is made, and for the sake of examining the details of the workmanship of this superior desk, with a view to purchasing desks for a large High School building now in the course of erection. They made the inspection on invitation extended to them by the Company through their agent, Mr. J. M. Binder, of Pottstown, who is on the teaching corps of the Pottstown Board of Education.

The party arrived with the 3:38 train at the P. & R. depot where carriages awaited them and thence they were conducted to the Company's plant by Manager A. Z. Schoch, and D. S. Hartline, Instructor in Manual Training at the Normal School, who is from Pottstown, and well acquainted with the gentlemen comprising the party. They all expressed themselves as highly pleased with the appliances of the factory and the superior mechanism of the desk.

They were then driven to the Exchange Hotel and partook of supper. They then retired to the office of F. P. Billmeyer, Secretary of the Company, where arrangements were concluded for the purchase of desks to furnish their new building and several rooms in old buildings of the town. During the remainder of the evening they were cordially entertained by Manager Schoch and Secretary Billmeyer.

On Thursday morning they accompanied Mr. Hartline to the Normal School and after being introduced to Principal Welsh, were shown by him and Mr. Hartline through the buildings of our Normal.

The entire party were highly pleased with the school, and several were heard to remark that if they had sons or daughters to send to a Normal School this would be the one. They liked the home-like appearance of the buildings and rooms, and were delighted with the location of the buildings and the beauty of the well kept lawn.

They again visited the Desk works in order to see the desk set up and to take a desk with them to show to the remaining members of the Board, and to say "Good-bye" to their genial hosts. They all spoke enthusiastically of the many courtesies shown them by the Company, the complete equipment of the works, the excellent workmanship of the desk, the beauty of the location of the town, and the enterprise and hospitality of the people. The party consisted of the following well-known gentlemen, all representative citizens of Pottstown.—Mr. Wm. Smith, chairman of committee, and for thirty years member of the Board, Mr. George Harrison, President of Board, Mr. Allen Wells, Mr. Wm. Focht, Mr. Reifsnnyder, Col. Mintzer, a veteran commander in the late war, and a well known G. A. R. man, and Mr. J. W. Binder, agent for the company.

The excursion of the K. G. E. to Harvey's Lake last Friday was a great success so far as numbers were concerned. Eighteen cars drawn by two engines started from here, and three more coaches were taken on at Berwick. About fifteen hundred people went on the excursion. There has been considerable complaint about the lack of accommodations at the Lake. The train reached here on the return, between 9 and 10 o'clock in a drenching rain, and those whose friends did not meet them with waterproofs and umbrellas, were thoroughly soaked.

The Bloomsburg Cornet Band furnished excellent music for the occasion.

We were favored with a ride behind W. A. Hartzell's trotter, "Silver Star" recently. As he went spinning along at more than a 2:40 gait, he didn't take the dust from any other horse. Silver Star is a fine specimen of the Patchen and Hambletonian stock.

The work of carving the capitals on the stone columns in the portico of the court house is slow and tedious. It is being done by two experts who seem to work entirely by the eye, and without any pattern before them. The carving is elaborate, and is well done. The workmen have been at it for about ten days.

J. Saltzer and family are in attendance at the Farmer's Encampment at Mt. Gretna. The White Sewing Machine Company, the Miller Organ Company, and the Estey Piano and Organ Company will each have large exhibits and their agents have special requests to be present. Mr. Saltzer is one of their most popular agents.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Bloomsburg has invested in a steam fire engine \$2900; in hose and other fire apparatus, probably \$3,000; in a building to keep the apparatus, \$15,000. The town pays \$1000 a year for water for fire protection. Notwithstanding all this outlay, the fire department is without organization, and whenever a fire occurs there is no head or front to it. Everybody is chief engineer and as many orders are issued out of as many mouths as there happens to be firemen on the ground, while gratuitous suggestions are liberally offered by the bystanders who always go to a fire to look on, and not to work.

There is no reason why this should be so. There is a constitution and by-laws for the organization of the fire department, regularly adopted by the Town Council, though it has become a dead letter by reason of the indifference of the council. Some further regulations are needed concerning the use of the steamer. It is sheer nonsense to connect it with a plug every time there is a fire. It is right that it should be kept in shape for immediate use, and in case it is needed it should be ready for action, but the tendency thus far has been to connect with a plug whether it is needed or not. In most instances the hose carriages are first on the ground, and have their connections made before the steamer reaches the fire. To disconnect the hose and connect the steamer might result in disastrous delays. Let us have some regulation about this. There should either be a recognized head of the department, or else the council should designate with in what limits of the town the steamer shall be used.

MIFFLINVILLE.

A number of our people accompanied the excursion to Harvey's Lake Friday last.

The Joseph Gearhart land was sold on Friday of last week to Samuel Knecht for four hundred dollars.

There will be a chicken and waffle supper at this place on the 22nd inst., conducted by the ladies of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

John Breisch of Main township, is busy with his steam separator in this vicinity, threshing the farmers grain.

Quite a number from here are attending camp meeting at Mountain Grove, the extra train passing through here, making it very convenient.

Plums and nearly all kinds of fruit are quite plentiful.

Mr. Wm. Steely of Shenandoah, is visiting his mother this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Hess of Rupert, were the guests of E. Sweppenheiser on Sunday.

Some bad boys must have thrown cold water on our fire company and put it out, without the aid of a "Chemical Engine."

A. B. Creasy is the happiest man in town, and is agreed to keep the young tramp who came to his home last week for his board and clothes.

Mrs. F. Zelna of Nescopeck, and Mrs. S. Yost of Black Creek, are visiting their brother, Rev. S. P. Boone.

Obediah Swank of near Hettlerville, died on Monday the 17th, after a lingering illness.

Mr. Swank has been a kind, honest and very much respected citizen, an affectionate father whose place here cannot be filled. Two sons, G. B. of Sugarloaf, Luzerne Co., and D. L. of this place, and two daughters, Maude and Mary, survive him. Mrs. Swank having died some three years ago.

LIGHT STREET.

Mr. D. J. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. White went to Ocean Grove Monday.

Miss Aggie Vanderslice of the west and Miss Clara Vanderslice of Mt. Pleasant, visited Mrs. G. P. Reighard Monday.

Mr. and Miss Hahn who have been visiting at Jose Keim's returned home on Wednesday last.

B. W. Melick is putting up a cider mill on the Melick property at the upper end of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Gerard, Miss Maggie Shew and R. W. Ent attended the picnic at Harvey's Lake.

Our band has purchased some new instruments and are improving rapidly so much so that for a town like ours the band can't be beat.

J. S. Grimes attended the Mountain Grove camp meeting.

C. B. Ent's have added one more to the family, not a dish washer either he says.

Mrs. Thomas W. Hartman of Espy, died at her home last Friday, aged about 40 years. Her husband and four children survive her. The funeral took place on Sunday at ten o'clock.

NEW TEACHERS AT THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

Mr. Wm. Butts of New Brunswick, New Jersey, has been selected by the trustees of the Normal School, as director of vocal and instrumental music for the ensuing year.

He is a graduate of the Westfield, Mass., State Normal School, and while at Westfield he was organist in the Episcopal church and was an organ pupil of Prof. Zuchtman, Principal of the Springfield Conservatory of Music.

He taught music one year in the public schools at Riverton, Nebraska, and one year in the schools of Appleton, Wisconsin. While in Appleton, he studied on the organ under the direction of Prof. J. Sylvester, Professor of music in Appleton University.

For the past two years he has been director of music in the public schools of New Brunswick, New Jersey, where he had two thousand children under his instruction. Perhaps no city in the union is more advanced in public school music, than New Brunswick.

Prof. Butts has attended two sessions of the National Summer Music School at the New England Conservatory of Music, Boston, Mass., in addition to which he has studied piano and harmony under Dr. S. N. Penfield of New York City, and vocal culture under Mme. Roderick of New York. He is at present organist and choir director in the Presbyterian church at Metuchen, New Jersey, although he is a member of the Episcopal church.

Prof. Butts has been for some time employed by Ginn & Co., of Boston, publishers of the Mason Music System, to write reviews and criticisms of different works on music as they appear from the different publishing houses, and he will doubtless continue to do work of this kind during his connection with the Normal.

He is a good singer, a successful organist, a skillful pianist, and above all has the highest recommendations as a teacher of both vocal and instrumental music. The Bloomsburg Normal School is to be congratulated on securing the services of a young man of such high attainments and such broad experience, and it is to be hoped that the music loving people of the community will show their appreciation of the efforts of the trustees to get the best music teacher that money can secure.

With the election of Prof. Bakeless to the chair of Ancient and Modern Languages, Miss Fouk, of Collamer, Pa., as assistant teacher of Reading, and Mr. Suttiff of the class of '91 to assist in the common branches, the faculty of the school for the coming year is complete, and we believe that no school in the state can present a better array of experienced specialists in its faculty.

OAMBRA ITEMS.

Mr. William Ruckel is still on the decline. His recovery is doubtful.

A few days ago we had a very interesting race between this place and Clarksvlew, a distance of more than two miles.

The friends of John Trescott bet a small sum of money that he could run the distance between the two places sooner than any man could drive the same distance and return.

Mr. William Bake who has a very able horse accepted the challenge. He drove both ways which is more than four miles in seventeen minutes. Mr. John Trescott who was the winner, ran the distance in sixteen and one-half minutes. As this road is hilly we think it was a good record for both parties.

Rev. J. Greene, a colored man from Long Pond, preached a very interesting sermon at Hoover's school house last Sunday. He attracts a larger crowd than the white ministers.

There are some beautiful tents being erected on Patterson Grove camp ground.

A short time ago Penington's store at Fairmount Springs was broken open one night and ravished. The robbers are not yet caught as we have heard.

Mr. Bowman Cortright of Shickshinny and Miss Minnie E. Fox, daughter of J. T. Fox were married Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. S. W. Sears.

Charles Greenwalt of Espy, dug six potatoes in his garden patch whose aggregate weight was 8 1/2 pounds. They were found in different hills. He does not know the variety of potato to which they belong.

E. A. Rawlings is putting steam heating apparatus in his residence. W. O. Holmes is doing the work.

JACOB MILLER DROWNED.

Jacob Miller of Espy was found in the bottom of the canal Wednesday morning. He had been clerking in the grocery store of Jacob Blasser, located at the canal, and was accustomed to rising early. Charles Creveling and Robert Hunter, both young men also clerked in the same store. The three slept over the store. About 4 o'clock Mr. Miller got up, dressed and went down stairs; at half past four Creveling got up, went down stairs and found the door leading toward the canal unlocked and outside a pitcher full of water; he supposed Miller had filled the pitcher and was somewhere outside the building. A little later Hunter arose and as Miller did not make his appearance the two began a search. They soon afterward gave the alarm that Miller was missing, and as they found the pitcher near the canal, the conclusion was drawn that he had fallen in. Grappling irons were secured and the canal was dredged downward. Then fish hooks were secured and the downward course continued. It was then proposed to dredge upward, and about fifty feet above where the pitcher stood the body was found, at half-past eight o'clock. He was dressed with underclothing and shirt, pants, coat and heavy boots. No marks of violence were found upon his body. He had been suffering with headache for several days and had a severe attack the night previous. There was but little water in the body so that death must have followed soon after he fell in the canal. He may have been seized with some violent sickness and lost all self-control. An inquest was held before Robert Howell, Esq., with the following jury: Dr. F. W. Redeker, Samuel McKamey, Edward Hartman, Ira Sayers, Nicholas Seybert, and Clark Kressler. The verdict was, death by accidental drowning. The drowning created quite a sensation in Espy, and nearly the whole town were along the banks when the body was drawn out.

A STABBING AFFRAY.

John Earnest was lodged in jail in Bloomsburg on Monday, having been arrested for stabbing his brother, William Earnest, and Brit Cleaver. Exaggerated reports of the affair have been published throughout the state, saying that William Earnest and Cleaver were both dead. Such is not the fact. Both are wounded severely but it is believed not fatally. All the parties live in Locust township. The facts are as follows, as near as we have been able to gather them. Saturday morning August 8th, the Earnest brothers, accompanied by Cleaver, went to Catawissa to have a big time. They drank whisky, and after raising considerable disturbance about the town started for home. When within a mile of Johnson's woods near Elysburg, where a sociable was being held, the trio became engaged in a wrangle over some small matter. John Earnest called his brother a liar and a fight followed. The latter was badly beaten and Cleaver's eyes were blackened. Finally the men agreed to go to the neighboring brook, wash themselves and then go to the sociable at Johnson's woods. After making a little outward improvement on themselves the Earnest brothers and Cleaver walked to the sociable. The crowd was a large one. Young and old were present from the surrounding country. The three men entered the school house, ate some refreshments and then walked to the door. While the trio were standing together a second dispute arose and before the mass of people were aware of it William Earnest lay in front of the school house with blood flowing from a cut in his back and side. It is claimed William told his brother he knew too d--- much, whereupon John drew the knife and committed the crime. Before John Earnest had time to draw the blood-stained knife from the wounds in his brother's side Cleaver leaped upon him and he too was stabbed by John, who escaped. He was arrested at or near Sunbury by constable Harry Beaver on a warrant issued by C. Ellis Esq. of Catawissa, and lodged in jail as above stated.

FIRE IN ORANGEVILLE.

On Tuesday morning about two o'clock the cry of "fire" aroused the citizens of Orangeville, and it was discovered that the large flour mill of David Herring was enveloped in flames, and it was entirely destroyed, there being no fire apparatus of any kind within reach. The mill was fifty years old, and had just been newly weather boarded and painted. It was the intention to place new machinery in the mill, but this had not yet been done. It is reported that there was an insurance of \$6,000 on the building.

PERSONAL.

Judge and Mrs. Ikeler went to Atlantic City last week.

Mrs. Jane McBride is visiting friends at Easton this week.

Rev. W. C. Leverett returned home on Tuesday after a month's absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wigfall went to Lake George on Wednesday.

Thomas Gorrey's brother John, who resides in the west, is here on a visit.

Harry Fine, a former employe of this office, now of Newark, N. J. is visiting his friends at Lightstreet.

The Misses Runyon entertained a large company of invited guests on Thursday evening.

Miss Rebecca Armstrong and Miss Katharine Elwell of Towanda are visiting friends here.

Miss Budd and Miss Leader of Philadelphia are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Leader.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Dillon spent the past week in Toronto, Canada, attending a Florists' Convention.

Charles McAfee of Laubachs was badly bruised by a timber falling from a trestling on the B. & S. last week Thursday.

Henry Frayne of Espy, the designer and pattern-maker at the boat yard, is one of the best mechanics in this section. He has built a number of fine row boats.

Dr. and Mrs. Hughes are entertaining four ladies who did some very creditable pedestrianism on Tuesday, talking from Orangeville to Shickshinny; they made 14 miles in six hours. The party is composed of Mrs. Lizzie Bowman and daughter, Miss Vida of Philadelphia, Miss Georgia Purcell of Bloomsburg, and Miss Anna Patterson of Orangeville.—*Shickshinny Echo.*

NIPPONO PARK EXCURSION.

About 1000 people went to Nippono Park on Wednesday, over the B. & S., the W. & W., and the Penna. Railroads. General Manager F. M. Leader had charge of the train. Twelve cars started from Bloomsburg, well filled, at 7:20, and two engines took them to Orangeville when four more carsloads from points above, were taken on. The train was divided into two sections of eight cars each, and taken to Watsontown by engineers Fortune and Casey. There the train was again united, and hauled by a large Penna. engine to the Park, about 17 miles above Williamsport. It is a fine place and afforded all the attractions that were advertised. It is owned by an association of which Dr. Steckel of Williamsport is President. Returning, the excursion left the Park at 5 o'clock and reached Bloomsburg at 10. It was well arranged all through, and no complaints were heard. Gilmore's band furnished the music.

Was It a Murder?

A MAN KILLED BY A TRAIN WHILE HIS COMPANION LOOKS IDLY ON.

CENTRALIA, Aug. 17.—The town is very much stirred up over developments in the case of Anthony Dougherty, who met his death on the Lehigh Valley Railroad at this place at 1 o'clock Saturday morning. Dougherty, it was claimed by some, was under the influence of liquor and lay down on the tracks to sleep, while evidence given at the Coroner's inquest tend to show that the man was foully dealt with. Lawrence Burns, a young man well known in this locality, was in company with Dougherty all the evening and the engineer claims that when he looked from his cab he noticed the one man lying on the track and the other standing close by. He gave all the necessary danger signals, but neither man moved. He also reversed the lever, but too late to save the man's life. When the train stopped he and the firemen alighted and questioned Burns as to who the man was. He gave his name as Dougherty, but offered no reason why he stood by and saw the man's life crushed out when he could easily have drawn him off the track.

The jury met yesterday, and, after hearing the evidence, failed to agree on a verdict, many of the jurymen claiming that the man was murdered, while others favor the accidental theory. Burns gave several conflicting stories in regard to the affair, and to make the evidence more strong against him he has disappeared and his whereabouts are unknown. The last seen of him was yesterday when he boarded a train for Shamokin.

George Hohman has opened a sewing machine office in the store room recently occupied by Miss Morrel. He came from Berwick.