### BOOK AND PICTURE AGENTS.

It is not much wonder that people Her Suit For Damages For Imprisonment in are prejudiced against book agents as a class. There are undoubtedly some honest and reputable men and women engaged in the business of selling books from house to house, but there ages in the United States circuit court are also some who are willing to at Scranton for imprisoning her in the resort to any means to accomplish Danville insane asylum in 1891, was their purpose, and it is these who, by their persistence, and oftimes pertinacious impertinence and "gall" that render the whole class so unpopular that every housewife who is liable to turn the key in the lock, ren. if she suspects that the visitor is a book agent. There has been so much imposition practiced, and so many misrepresentations made, that people are suspicious from the start.

We have recently heard of a case in this town where such an agent played a sharp trick in order to get was finally compelled to admit that ing McBride than himself. In fact he pay for some subscription books she was her own mother's daughter, said he would open the ball if we delivered in instalments. He had but they were sisters in flesh and blood would sustain him, and the change succeeded in securing a subscription only, she said. From 1863 to 1875 from a lady, by his misrepresentation, she had as many as one thousand apand after he had delivered several plications a year for lectures. She gerously ill at that time, and we did instalments she told him positively could deliver only from 160 to 180 that she would not take any more of lectures a year, for which she received worry him. At the time for our next them. On his next visit to town he from \$150 to \$1,000 a night. She did not call on her, but called on worked hard, but did not overwork another lady of the same name, and herself. She played Hamlet 200 times through a misunderstanding on her before American audiences. She depart succeeded in leaving the books nied that she had ever suffered from and obtaining the pay for them. The nerve exhaustion or nerve trouble. next time he calls at that house there She said she was not troubled with is a "picnic" awaiting him.

man, who calls and desires to sell a crayon portrait. The lady of the crayon portrait, and endeavors to sell | yer was more the subject of the cross it to the lady for five dollars. In examination than the witness. some instances he succeeds and when would have been five dollars out.

It is usually the case that people who buy cheap things of strangers are cheated. When in need of books or family portraits, the safest and best way is to call on home dealers and get reliable goods, and then if anything is wrong it will be band. There has been no split among made right. The itinerant agent gets your money and disappears.

## Y. M. C. A. NEWS.

The Men's Meeting next Sunday ed their number to eight by additions afternoon will partake of the character out side of the old band, and this is of a forward movement. The half hour service of song will be followed formant that eight members had se by a report of the first quarter's work, ceded. and a stirring address by one of Bloomsburg's best known citizens. The meeting will close with a special service of consecration. It promises to be an unusually interesting meet-

Monday night April 1, the first be induced to remain here. Members' Meeting and Social will be held, after a short business session a program of music and readings will be given. Prizes will be awarded to the persons telling the funniest stories.

study of the Sunday School lesson The only Judge from Schuylkill meets every Tuesday night at County, however, was O. P. Bechtel, meets every Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.

study of the Bible, will meet hereafter other two Judges. Additional Law every Thursday evening instead of Friday evening.

Dr. Andrew Graydon will give a series of physical talks to the Boys' Brigade, commencing next Sunday again. afternoon at two o'clock. All boys and young men between the ages of twelve and twenty one are welcome. One hundred boys are wanted every Sunday.

The family of the late Henry S bors and friends their grateful thanks students will reach six hundred. for kindness during their bereavement. To those who conducted the singing will be ready for occupancy in a week prize-The they feel under special obligations.

#### MISS DICKINSON'S CASE.

Danville Insane Asylum.

Miss Anna Dickinson, who is suing G. B. Thompson and others for damat Scranton for imprisoning her in the on the stand until four o'clock this afternoon, undergoing cross examination. She was the most brilliant witness ever on the stand in this city and by her evasions baffled the skill of the sees a stranger approaching the door, opposing counsel, Major Everett War-

There were a great number of sensational features, due mostly to Miss Dickinson's marked peculiarities. The greatest sensation of the day was caused when she refused to recognize Miss Susan Dickinson, who sat at the defendant's table, as her own sister. She insomnia, and that she never was compelled to use artificial means to and he said that I should see Hidlay Of the same stripe is the picture procure sleep or rest for her nerves.

She said that in 1890 her general health was as good as it had been and, house tells him positively that she indeed, better than it had been during does not want a portrait. He per- her three or four preceding years sists, and finally gets hold of the Miss Dickinson insisted on underfamily album and against her protest, standing the meaning of every word extracts therefrom a photograph of in a sentence before she would atthe head of the family, or of one of tempt to answer it, and she plied the the children, and takes it away, with opposing counsel with questions as to a promise to return it. In a few what each chief word in his sentence weeks he comes back again with a meant till it was evident that the law-

At the afternoon session she was he does, the lady gets a picture worth asked most sensational questions to two dollars and a half at most, in- all of which she answered no, but in cluding the frame. One of these several instances she qualified her fellows visited Bloomsburg recently. negative. She was asked if she had He got the photograph at one house not gone riding with a man named all right, but on his return with the Egglestein and if she had not pinched on account of the spring work Mccrayon the lady refused to take it. his leg and asked him to pinch her Then he tried to work another game. toe; asked if she had not on certain He took the portrait to one of our occasions rolled on the floor and kickprominent merchants, and told him ed up her heels in an indecent manner; notice for applicants for Steward, that the lady wanted the picture, but asked if she had not indulged in the together with the resignation of Mccould not pay for it, as her husband use of intoxicants at times to excess, Bride. was out of town, and requested the if she had not been profane and merchant to advance the five dollars blasphemous, if she had not stabbed and hold the portrait. But the mer- her sister in the hand with a pair of chant was too cute for him, and did scissors, if she had not ran into the not invest. If he had, as he learned street indecently clad with knife in afterwards by an interview with the her hand after her cook, and if she lady, he would have been the owner had not imagined that every one from of a portrait he did not want, but he the President of the United States down was conspiring against her and attempting to poison her.

## IT WAS OUR MISTAKE.

We are very glad to correct a statement made last week concerning the the members, and the organization is in a healthy condition, as was fully demonstrated by the concert given on Market square last Saturday night. A couple of the members left the band last December, and they have increasout side of the old band, and this is how we came to understand our in-

The services of Mr. Blair of Boston have been secured by the old band, and he has shown himself a thorough ly competent leader by the rapid improvement that has been made under his direction. It is hoped that he can

## SCHUYLKILL COUNTY COURT.

Although two of Schuylkill County's three Judges are ill, Court was open-The Teachers' Bible Class for the ed Monday morning with a full bench. Judge Albright, of Lehigh, and Judge Savidge, of Northumberland, were the Judge Mason Weidman is still seriousy ill at Atlantic City, and President judge Pershing is in such delicate health that it is not likely that he will again.

# A BIG SCHOOL.

The spring term at the Normal has boarders are already enrolled, and it

or ten days.

#### A REPLY THAT WAS NOT A DENIAL.

Mr. A. C. Hidlay, through the columns of your paper, made what he termed a reply, but what was simply a harangue. His first complaint was that Vanderslice and Kleim had pursuaded Larish to act with me in conducting the poor business, and turn down his friends who elected him, (meaning the ring) which made him very angry. The truth is the ring did not elect Mr. Larish, as the vote will show. That crowd of patriots helped elect Larish just as they helped De-Mott and Rhoades this spring, by letting him paddle his own canoe.

Mr. Hidlay knows that the matter of changing Stewards had been talked over more than once after the first year and that no one on the Board was more strongly in favor of removwould have been made at our January meeting had not McBride been dannot wish to do anything that might meeting Mr. Larish was sick and Hidlay was absent from town, so there could be no business transacted by the Board at that meeting. I did make a trip to Jamison City on busi ness and stopped off on my return home and talked with Mr. Larish about the appointment of a Steward, on my return home and if it was agreeable to him, we would make the change. In my talk with Larish we agreed on no one, several were talked about, among others, Frank Wilson of Greenwood. On my return home I talked with Hidlay as requested by Larish, and he at once agreed that the proper thing to do was to make the change, and it was understood between us that I was to send for McBride to come in and give him a chance to resign. McBride came, and the whole matter was gone over, Hidlay opening the subject, and after considerable discussion, it was thought best for McBride to resign at once, that we might advertise for applicants, make a selection and have the appointee installed as soon as possible Bride resigned, and in strict conformity to understanding between Hidlay and myself, I at once published a

At the time fixed for the meeting of the Board, March 7th, a large num ber of applications had been filed. Bart Shaffer's never was filed for the reason that Mr. Hidlay kept it in his pocket. It is not necessary to say that the contest narrowed down between Wilson and Kline, both of Greenwood. The former was a practical farmer with good business qualifications, and a man of most excellent repute in the community in which he was born and lived. The latter was the ring candidate, and if he has any other qualification for the office of at Elmira, N. Y.; Mrs. Mary T. Steward, we have been unable to find

What about the boodle? What has been charged by the Sentinel is this: That Hidlay told Larish there was \$100 in it if Kline was elected, \$50 for Larish and \$50 for himself-Now where did this money come from? It was not Hidlay's, because he says he was to have \$50 if Kline was elected, or words to that effect. It will be noticed that Hidlay does not deny that he offered to bribe his fellow officer, or that he himself had been bribed, but that P. A. Kline did not give, or offer to give him one cent for support. Some one gave him the money for that very purpose. Hidlay said he had it, and wanted to money is somewhere. Either Hidlay parties from whom he got it, and if he wishes to clear his skirts and show manhood in him, let him tell where

## O. T. WILSON.

# The Lucky Guesses.

opened with a very large attendance. seconds after eleven being lit at 7 p. ed since that great day, just 1,852 More than three hundred and fifty m. March 1st. Burned just 21 days, years ago. That was the thirty third Antes desire to extend to their neigh- is expected that the total number of The first prize-Trip to Atlantic City. from the birth of Jesus Christ. At T. C. Pratt; Second prize-Mackin-The new building for the employees tosch Coat, Fanny Fry; Third time, the moon will pass before in the Union church on Sunday, which Mrs. Shipe has been the leader will be ready for occupancy in a week prize—The "Bloomsburg" Hat, Virginis (Spica), and hide that con-March 31. Services will begin at 7:15 for two years, though it was irrespec-Ralph Smith.

### FEAST OF GOOD THINGS.

A Company of Great Excellence to Stay at the Frothingham a Week.

"Scranton Times says: A week anything that wasn't good. The 100 men employed. Frothingham was filled to overflowing: and the audience was as enthusiastic as it was large. The play presented was "The Fugitive," a melo drama largest in the world. When the fire for the rest of the week, and the prediction is warranted that the individ

This company will appear at the Bloomsburg Opera House next week through an air passage. beginning April 1st, matinee prices ten cents to all parts of the house. but it is thought to have been caused Evening prices to, 20 and 30 cents.

### Obituary.

Henry Snyder Antes, who died of la grippe at his residence, No. 510 West street, this town, on March 18th,

805, came from a celebrated ancestry. He was a son of Joseph Antes, Esq., and a great grandson of Lieut. Col. Henry Antes, who settled at the confluence of Nippenose (now Antes) creek and the West Branch of the the stockade enclosure known in

history as Fort Antes. The family for generations has been conspicuous for their mechanical ingenuity and skill, their military prowess, of heart. The subject of this sketch Lycoming county, April 20, 1818, and family name still clings to the beautiful stream that flows close by the site of the old fort and the graves of office at Jersey Shore station on the Philadelphia and Erie railroad.

Mr. Antes removed to Bloomsburg in November, 1886, where he has reancestors found a prominent place disposition, sterling integrity, untiring Valley, with Mahanoy City as the east summons to join the innumerable limit.

veteran of the late war from Company | the coming week or two for the pur-

place on the beautiful slope of Rose mont cemetery, it seemed as though the connecting link was broken between the generation of our rugged century advancement.

## THE RINGROSE CASE.

The only case to go to the Supreme Court from this county is that of W. R. Ringrose against the Town of Bloomsburg. A jury gave the plaintiff \$5000 for injuries received by a turn it in the treasury after he found that Larish would not take it. That appealed. The paper book for the appellant was printed at this office, has it or he has given it back to the and makes nearly four hundred pages. The case will be heard in Philadelphia during the week beginning April 18th. that there is the least semblance of The counsel for Mr. Ringrose are R. R. Little and Jas. Scarlet Esqs., and the money is and who gave it to him; the town is represented by Fred Ikeand until he does let him hold his ler, Grant Herring and W. H. Rhawn

## ON GOOD FRIDAY.

Astronomers say that on Good Fri-After a big days work (two at it) day next, April 12, the heavenly bod-Gidding & Co., were ready Saturday ies which gravitate round the sun will evening to announce who the lucky be in exactly the same position they prize winners on their Mammoth occupied in the firmament the day Candle were. The candle went out Christ died on the cross. It will be Friday night at 7 minutes and 20 the first time such a thing has occurr-4 hours, 7 minutes and 20 seconds. year of the Christian era, which dates 11:20 p. m. on April 11, New York Hat, Virginis (Spica), and hide that constellation for over an hour.

March 31. Services will begin at 7:15 for two years, though it was irrespective of denomination.

### BULNING 37 YEARS.

Strenuous Efforts to Quench Flames in the Summit Hill Mine.

Strenuous efforts are being made to of fun and pleasure was inaugurated check the fire in the No. 3 tunnel at at the Frothingham last night. The Summit Hill, Schuylkill county, where purveyors are the Metropolitan the miners struck the famous burning Comedy company in charge of J. E. mine which has been burning con-Nugent, an experienced manager, tinuously for the past 37 years. The being formerly connected with the mine is owned by the Lehigh Coal Bennett and Moulton Opera company, and Navigation Company, and is who wouldn't go on the road with leased to Daniel Shepp, who has over

The vein of coal here is over 300 that requires first class talent for its broke through the miners were driving proper interpretation. In this respect through a small vein in order to get there was nothing wanting last night. around the part in which the fire was The company is good and evenly located. Owing to the intense heat balanced. Enjoyable performances and the fumes of sulphur the miners were unable to proceed until a wall was built, closing off the gas and heat. uals of the company will each make There is a large reservoir in the a hit. "A Royal Pardon" to-night. vicinity, and a pipe line has been constructed and water will be forced in

The origin of the fire is a mystery, by miners neglecting to outen a fire they had built while eating their trade. dinner. Numerous efforts have been made to check the fire by washing culm and other refuse into it and also by gas, but so far without success.

#### Ashiand and Centralia Will be Connected by Trolley.

### THAT'S WHAT MANAGER SMITH SAYS.

Manager Smith, of the Shamokin-Susquehanna river, in 1770, and built Mt. Carmel Electric Railway Co., in conversation with the editor of the Ashland Advocate recently confirmed what has been already said as to the opening of the branch between Mt. Carmel and Centralia, which line will unbounded hospitality and kindness be ready for operation early in the He has been suffering with an attack of month of April. Two hundred men was born in Nippenose township, now pushing the work of construction, Lycoming county, April 20, 1818, and and the track laying and the overhead was the last of the name of Antes to line are being put down at one and leave the township after five genera-tions had been born there. The pleted to a point not far west of the pleted to a point not far west of the Logan breaker, and the rails are gradually creeping along in that direction.

Manager Smith also said something the early settlers, as well as the post that is of much more importance to the people of Centralia and Ashland, and that was a branch between our town and theirs in the very near future. His company will build the road. mained until the time of his death. They have considered all the points The christian virtues so noted in his in the matter, and the result is that they have decided in his entire life, leaving to his family branch, which will form a connecting the comfort and consolation of a link with the Schuylkill Traction Co. memory of almost seventy-seven years, here, and make the line a continuous filled with the fruits of a peaceful one from all points in the Mahanoy energy, and a calm submission to the ern, and Shamokin as the western

It is expected that the officials who The surviving family of Mr. Antes now control the Shamokin-Mt.Carmel consists of his son, James M., a Electric Railway will be here within G, 13th Penn'a. Cavalry, now residing pose of looking over and deciding up at Elmira, N. Y.; Mrs. Mary T. on a route. The preliminaries of sur-Caswell and Miss Kate, who with vey, securing franchises, and making their widowed mother still reside with other necessary details will take some little time, but it is confidently expect-As the remains of this grand old ed that the work of constructing the man were borne to their last resting branch will begin before the summer months come to an end.

In Ashland this is "a consummation devoutly to be wished," and we feel Centralia will echo the sentiment. pioneers and the age of twentieth The two towns are closely connected in their business and social relationship, and the construction of this line cannot but be beneficial to both.

From a business standpoint it will be a decided benefit, as it will prevent trade that might have been diverted to other channels after the line to Mt. Carmel and Shamokin is opened from going from our town.-Advocate.

Elder K. C. Russell, of the Seventh Day Adventists, will conduct a series of gospel meetings in Furman's hall, near Market Square, Bloomsburg. The meetings will begin Thursday, the 28th inst., at 7:30 p. m., and will continue every evening excepting Saturdays until further notice. The discourses that will be presented will embrace a great variety of subjects of special interest to all lovers of Bible truths. Present salvation through Christ will be the central point in every theme presented. The following are a few of the many lines that will be discussed: Second Coming of Christ," "The Judgment," "Bible Temperance," "Life through Christ," Punishment of the Wicked," "Our Nation in Prophecy," "Origin and Destiny of Satan." All will be made welcome. The services are free to all

will celebrate its second anniversary surprise gotten up by the class of

# BRIEF MENTION.

About People You Know.

Fred B. Hartman is off on a week's trip for Creasy & Wells.

J. C. Rutter Jr. has been reappointed Notary Public by Governor Hastings

Phineas Thomas of Bear Gap was in Bloomsburg last Thursday on business.

Carlton Caswell returned to Philadelphia on Wednesday to continue his studies.

Isaac W. Oman of Orangeville made a trip to town on Thursday on business.

J. M. Staver went to Philadelphia on Wednesday on business for the Woolen Mill. J. W. Schlicher of Mountain Grove was a visitor to Bloomsburg on Wednesday, He is a son of the late Moses Schlicher,

Mrs. M. H. Clark and daughter, Miss Mary, are visiting Mrs. R. C. Neal in Har-

Rev. W. C. Leverett has sufficiently recovered his physical strength to enable him to take short walks about town,

Gilbert W. Robinson, of Danville, spent Sunday in town as the guest of Will L.

Hon. S. P. Wolverton of Sunbury is tak-ing a two weeks' trip to the Bermuda Islands.

H. Bruce Clark went to New York on Monday to gather in bargains for the spring Mr. and Mrs. Louis J. Townsend of Ber-

wick, spent Sunday in town with their rela-Less Alexander will move into one side of Mrs. Smith's double house on Third street,

William Chrisman Esq. and wife went to Philadelphia on Saturday, returning on Tuesday.

Rev. P. A. Heilman is among the recent purchasers of bicycles, from Rishton's agency.

Rev. Dr. Coxe of Nanticoke, officiated at St. Paul's church on Sunday last. Large congregations were present both morning and evening. Charles Girton was out of the House on Wednesday for the first time in six weeks.

rheumatism. Prothonotory G. M. Quick acted as clerk in the Danville courts last week, in place of E. G. Hoffman, Prothonotory of Montour

county who was ill. J. F. and A. J. Derr, the well known Jackson township democrats, and sons of the late Judge Derr, were in town on Thurs-day, on business connected with their father's

Robert McBride is improving rapidly, and on Monday took his first walk down town since his fall. He still suffers some from the injury to his back, but has resumed business, and has several contracts for painting and papering under way,

## PAST THE CENTURY MARK.

An old lady named Polly Sharp died in Centre township last Sunday, aged one hundred and four years. She has lived with Mrs. Andrew Lunger for some time. Her maiden name was Mary McFawn, and she was twice married. She leaves sixteen grandchildren, thirty-two great grandchildren, and seven great great grandchild-

## NO MORE 1000 MILE BOOKS.

The general passenger agent of the D. L. & W. railroad company recently sent notice to all the ticket agents of the company to stop the sale of mileage books, and in accordance with the order sales were stopped Sat-urday week. It is thought that the orders were issued in pursuance of an agreement of all the Eastern trunk lines and that new books will soon be issued carrying tickets for 5,000 miles instead of 1,000, costing \$100 instead of \$20 and with use restricted to the person to whom they are issued.

"The COLUMBIAN is nettled because the syndicate that raised a fund to distribute a large number of papers free in Columbia county did not select it as one of the papers."-Republican. This is all news to us. We have

no knowledge that such a fund has been raised, nor who raised it, nor what the object was in "distributing a large number of papers free in Columbia county," and therefore we are not "nettled" because of something that we never heard of, beyond what has appeared in the Republican. If any of our contemporaries are fortunate enough to have secured a fund to assist them in increasing the circulation of their papers, they are lucky fellows, and we congratulate them.

A pleasant feature of the close of the pastorate of Rev. J. R. Shipe and his faithful wife on Mifflinville circuit, was the gathering of about a score of the young people of Mifflinville at the parsonage on the evening of the 22nd. The evening was pleasantly spent in song and innocent games during which also refreshments were served by the The Reformed C. E. of Orangeville, boys and girls for the gathering was a