

For Better Water Supply.

A company is being formed to furnish water to Lewisburg, Milton and Watons town. It is the intention to construct a reservoir in White Deer valley, in which there is a number of never failing streams, and pipe the water from that point to those three towns. The distance will be about eight miles to Watons town and fifteen to Lewisburg. A corps of engineers, which have been at work on the survey for some time, completed their work Saturday. The pipe line will have a fall in the 15 miles of 250 feet, or about 16 2/3 feet to the mile. This will give ample pressure to throw the water to almost any desired height at either of the cities. It will be necessary to cross the river twice to reach all the towns named. It is proposed to begin work as soon in the spring as practicable, and when completed these Susquehanna towns will have a supply of water equal to most any town in the state, as White Deer valley is filled with the purest of mountain streams and springs. These towns heretofore have been supplied with water from the Susquehanna river.

New Year's Day.

"The birth of a New Year," says Charles Lamb, "is of an interest too wide to be pretermitted by king or cobbler. No one ever regarded the 1st of January with indifference. It is that from which all date their time, and count upon what is left. It is the Nativity of our Common Advance." And yet the date of the New Year has not always begun with the 1st of January. In fact, that month was not universally adopted as the first month of the year by modern European nations until the eighteenth century, and this is the more remarkable inasmuch as the Romans, whose Empire in the course of their history embraced so considerable a part of Europe, thus considered it not only since time was fixed from the birth of our Lord, but for 250 years before that event. But now the 1st of January is an imperial day in the calendar of modern peoples. It is the day of festive observance, and the exchange of good wishes; the day of merrymakings and good cheer; the day consecrated to mirth and surcease of labor. —Phila. Record.

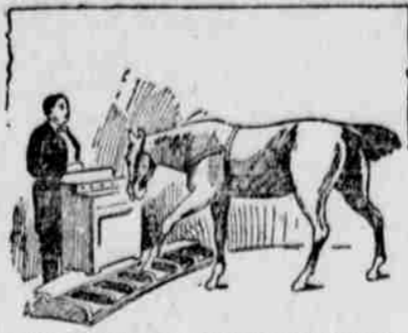
Wonderful Horse.

The horse Alpha has astonished London theater goers with his intelligence. A blackboard is brought upon the stage, and he is asked to show his arithmetic powers. The animal turns to the figures, thinks a moment, apparently, and then paws out on the floor figure after figure, till his subtraction or addition or multiplication sum is correctly done. Sometimes he makes a mistake, and with an impatient shake of his mane and a vicious light in his eyes, he begins again and rights the wrong. Somehow, the British mind refuses to believe that a horse, even of the Alpha



Miners' Pay Increased.

The action of the New York and Cleveland gas coal company in increasing the pay of its miners to the sixty-four cent rate has been supplemented by similar action on the part of the Pittsburg and Chicago coal company.



THIS HORSE PLAYS THE HARMONIUM.

breed, actually "does sums;" one suspects some hidden trick by which the trainer causes his horse to make certain signs that look like the result of thought. But whether or not his trainer employs these "artistic" means, the result is certainly most striking, and if trick there be, it is concealed in a most marvelous manner.

Alpha also plays the harmonium, and his rendering of "God Save the Queen" on an enormous keyboard is a startling performance, and a more correct one than in many other cases. The clever creature also selects letters from the alphabet, tells the time, plays a game of nap, and fires a gun, for which latter feat, strange to say, he shows a decided predilection. The performance ends with a grotesque transformation of the beautiful horse into a nurse in skirts, white apron, tartan shawl and gorgeous police bonnet. Little Beta, a fat two-year-old pony, which is only just being trained for an artistic career, is caused to sit on its haunches in a perambulator, and the nurse Alpha wheels him across the stage.—N. Y. Herald.

A HOG-POWER MINE.

How a California Miner Made His Porkers Earn Their Living.

"I was riding through the mountains in Trinity county a few days ago," said a California miner, "when I happened to take a trail that led by old 'Burlap' Johnson's cabin. I took a dinner—cold corn-bread and bacon—with him, and then sat down for a smoke. "Wouldn't you just as soon do your smokin' outside, podner?" he asked. "Certainly," said I, "but you don't object to the smoke of a cigar, do you?" I was naturally surprised, for he was already puffing away at an old corn-cob pipe.

"No, course not, seein' as I've smoked nigh on to 50 years; but I want to keep my hogs to work." "My curiosity was aroused, but I said nothing. He took down a double-barreled muzzle-loading shotgun and his powder horn. Then he went out to a shed and got a pan of shelled corn. "He sat down on a bench at the cabin door, rammed down a couple of charges of powder, and poured a handful of corn in each barrel. He put on a percussion cap, pressed it down with the hammer, cocked both barrels, and blazed away at the side hill across the little gulch.

"The roar had not died away till a drove of hogs came running, grunting and squealing, and commenced to root the side hill for the corn. Whenever they slacked up in their work the old man fired another charge of corn.

"That's a mean trick," said I. "Why don't you feed it to them in a trough?" "Feed it to 'em!" he repeated, in amazement. "Then they wouldn't work. Besides, they don't need it." "What do you want to make them work for, and why do you waste corn on them if they don't need it?" "Why, man alive, they do as much work as four men would! They root up the dirt, and when the rain comes, all I have to do is to sluice it." "Then I understood that he was using the hogs to help him mine."

Hercules and the Hawk. Some passengers over one of the Berlin canal bridges the other day noticed the sudden appearance of two black points in the sky at a considerable distance away, which developed into two ducks. Behind them, at a lower level, flew another bird, which suddenly rose into the air above the ducks and then shot down upon them like an arrow. One of the ducks flew sideways toward the Thiergarten; the other, closely pursued by its enemy, flew slanting into the canal, and reaching the water exactly behind the bridge, dived, while the hawk, in his blind haste, struck against the head of a statue of Hercules and fell, once more flapping its great wings, dead on the pavement of the bridge. The bird was a splendid specimen, the wings having an expansion of more than three feet.

Good Eyesight. While Mrs. McFadden was working for Mrs. Dixon she came frequently to her saying she could not find things. On one occasion she could not find the poker, high or low. Mrs. Dixon joined in the search.

"Why, here it is, Mrs. McFadden," called Mrs. Dixon, "right on top of the stove." "Shure an' I didn't see it there, ma'am," replied Mrs. McFadden. "I'll tell you what it is," said Mrs. Dixon, "you are near-sighted, Mrs. McFadden."

"Indeed and I'm not, ma'am; I can see as far as I can look," was the reply. —Ram's Horn.

Important Facts.

If you have dull and heavy pain across forehead and about the eyes; if the nostrils are frequently stopped up and followed by a disagreeable discharge; if soreness in the nose and bleeding from the nostrils is often experienced; if you are very sensitive to cold in the head accompanied with headache; then you may be sure you have catarrh; and should (immediately) resort to Ely's Cream Balm for a cure. The remedy will give instant relief.

Northumberland county has a hotel the name of whose landlord has not been changed for one hundred years. In 1736 William Farrow's wife, a Miss Charity Rockafeller, inherited among other property belonging to Godfrey Rockafeller, her father, the little frauce tavern in Snydertown. The same year her husband became the landlord, and for sixty years administered to the wants of the tired and thirsty traveler. When he died the present William Farrow took the place.

Ex-Congressman Ben Butterworth, of Ohio, upset an Italian fish vender, in Washington on Saturday, and when the latter demanded satisfaction Ben promptly complied with his request by knocking him out. For some time Ben has been eclipsed by the light of a son who was a great foot ball player, but now it won't need reference to the star athlete to identify the ex-Congressman any more. He has demonstrated his own right to distinction as a scrummager.

For \$10,000 France has obtained from the Shah of Persia, the right to excavate for antiquities in his kingdom, to the exclusion of all other Europeans. Objects of gold and silver and jewelry found will belong to the Persian government, but France can buy half of them at a valuation and will have the right to take casts of all sculpture and inscriptions and the absolute ownership of half the originals.

A Chinese doctor is employed by families by the year, at a rate according to their means and his reputation, of one cent to five cents a day as long as every member of the family is well. When one falls ill, the doctor's pay stops until health is fully restored.

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Pennsylvania Railroad. Time Table in effect May 19, '95.

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Important Appointments.

Dr. Leonard Pearson, professor of the veterinary department of the University of Pennsylvania, has been appointed by Governor Hastings state veterinarian at a salary of \$2,500. Dr. Pearson will have charge of all diseases of live stock in Pennsylvania under the direction of Secretary Edge. He will also be a member of the state live stock sanitary board. Dr. Pearson is an authority on the question of scientific veterinary practices and has studied in France and Germany. He is a lecturer on veterinary science at the Pennsylvania State College. The appointment goes into effect at once. Will B. Powell, of Shadeland, has also been re-appointed by the governor a member of the state board of agriculture. The vacancy on the board created by the death of Colonel James Young, of Middletown, has been filled by the appointment of Leonard H. Rnone, of Centre Hall, worthy master of the State Grange.

Sneezed and Lost Her Teeth.

Discomfiture of a Pretty Young Woman in a Post Office. NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—A few days ago a pretty girl, attractively costumed, tripped up to the stamp window in the Post Office building, laid down two cents and was given a postage stamp. While she was moistening the paste a draught from the corridor caused her to sneeze. Out of her mouth flew a set of pearly teeth, which a bystander hastily picked up, and turned to present them to the owner, but she had fled.

Then the teeth were taken to the superintendent, who holds them in the name of the United States, as trustee for the owner. If she does not appear, and it is not believed that she will, the teeth will be confiscated.

A Big Verdict.

Mrs. Sarah Bolich and her son, Harry, have been awarded \$13,500 damages by arbitrators against the borough of Ashland for damages sustained in the death of husband and father, Howard Bolich. The deceased was thrown from a horse that stumbled over a pile of stone and dirt, which, it is claimed, was allowed to remain on the street by the borough authorities without placing danger signals. The Schuylkill Traction company had deposited the dirt while making excavations for its tracks in that borough.

Dyspepsia and Heart Burn.

Berwick, Pa. Dec. 18, 1895. I have taken nearly three bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla, and it has helped me more than anything else that I have ever tried. I have taken it for dyspepsia and heart burn and cannot say too much in its praise. Miss M. Alice Moyer, West and St.

Hood's Pills cure indigestion, biliousness.

The 304 inmates of the Berks County Almshouse eat 255 feet of sausage at a meal. They average about a mile of sausage a month. Sausage is a favorite dish with the inmates, and whenever it is served each one receives about nine inches. That means that 3060 inches are served at each meal. It takes five hogs to supply this quantity.

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