...Freeman.

EBENSBURG, PA.,
...MORNING, APRIL 9, 1880.

...LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

...HERE AND THE OTHER PLACE.

...ows to bud and buds begin to be.
...slight skiff of snow Wednesday

...newspaper men write they generally do write.
...superintendent they have to Baer ...Altoona anyhow!
...Baer the name of John seem to ...Bo Peep when they run for office

...under obligations ...Freihoff for a basket full of ...

...Beitrich, of St. Lawrence, ...a few days ago which con...

...solution of the ominous school ...to summon the rising gener... daily studies.
...Shaffer, an old and esteemed ...Hagerstown, Blair county, drop... Saturday morning.
...Cough Syrup" will ensure ...night's rest. It is the best cough ...in the market. Price 25c.
...Messrs. T. P. & G. Gallagher, ...Leechburg, Westmoreland county, ...arrived on Thursday night last, and ...part of goods carried off.
...of the injured tramp, Joseph ...has been spared from amputation, ...that it may yet be saved ...power of the heel-leg art.
...the Greensburg saloon keep... charged with killing a coal ...Gibsim, was, on Mon... ...bail in the sum of $10,...
...seller waiting for a sail is ...sitting at home and ...or cold. Get Dr. Bull's ...and be cured. Only 25 cents a
...News tells of a quilt re... in two days by a couple ...Lawrence which measures ...Must be designed for the
...of Mr. Samuel McFarland, of ...than two and a half years, ...into a boiler of hot water the ...was so badly scalded that he
...for the erection of a bridge ...at Summerhill was ...the Board of County Commis... ...John Long on Wednesday ...was $375.
...said to have been struck ...a lightning-rod on a house ...township, Blair county, the other ...the rod was bent down to the roof ...house was killed instanter.
...we could name at least one ...county who will be disap... ...assembly or otherwise, when he ...copy of this week's FREEMAN and ...special has been said about
...Jackpatrick and Roxabough, the ...members of the Poor Board, ...Tuesday last, but ...fellow to fill the vacancy in ...by the death of ex-Sheriff
...friend Freidhoff has kind... ...with a new-fangled pencil, ...Automatic," which has an ...and is as handsome as it is ...as it is cheap at 25
...McDowell, the venerable ...Thomas C. McDowell, whose re... ...died at her home in Holli... ...last Monday morning, aged
...Scott Brown, a school teach... ...this county, was honored ...at a hearing before Justice ...on Wednesday evening, ...the charge of cruelly beating
...Indian has struck us, and as we ...we're almost inclined to ...certain parties who owe us and ...to bring coal in settlement of ...would be suddenly gulped ...a little earthquake.
...recent meeting of the Demo... ...of Blair county it is said ...of season, and that Landis ...the National Democratic ...is one of the two representatives ...congressional district.
...and lot on Julian street was ...the sheriff, on Tuesday last, as the ...of Mr. John G. Wherley, and ...F. A. Shoemaker, Esq., for $330. ...the price, after the payment ...judgments, about $1,100.
...blowing wind storm of Sunday after... ...to have blown down fences, ...and played havoc generally ...sections of Northern Cambria, but ...we have heard of no serious damage ...done to property of any kind.
...David Lewis, of Millville borough, ...fell about 10 o'clock Monday ...not being fully awake at the time, ...and fractured his right arm ...near the shoulder-joint, ...a very ugly cut in the head.
...R. B. Jones, of millinery fame, ex... ...a very pressing invitation to all per... ...to her to call within the next ...and pay what they owe, as she is ...in her Spring stock as soon as ...and must have money to do it with. ...unanimous opinion of everybody ...John Dean is one of the most ex... ...minded and upright Judges ...occupied a seat on the Common ...Bench of this State, and unanimous ...opinion, as in most others, is ex...
...Hollidaysburg Register ...somewhat of a coincidence that the ...Chief of Police, City Treasurer and ...Commissioner of Altoona are all ...The City Treasurer, Dr. Bitner, ...stands at the head of the list, he being ...a skill painter, and a good one, Instead ...and sign-painter.
...John McNulty, of Susquehan... ...township, requests us to say that the ...report circulated about his shingle and stave mill which certain ...have put up on him as a joke in the news... ...a few weeks ago has been sold to ...C. Bearer and Thomas Pencil, ...and a terrible future he run by wind power.
...Altoona lad named John Tennis was ...killed, on Thursday last, by a pis... ...hands of another youth named ...though fortunately the wound is ...of a nature likely to prove fatal. Young ...was carelessly handling the weapon ...when the accident happened.
...Swank, of the Johnstown *Tri...* ...has been summoned to appear at the ...term of our county Court and answer ...a libel suit brought against him ...by Dr. Henry Mellon, of Chest Springs, ...in which a very questionable story was ...published in the columns of that paper a few ...weeks ago.
...An old lady named Mrs. Border, ...of Jerseyville (Johnstown), was descending a ...flight of stairs in her residence, on Monday ...last, and when within three steps ...of the bottom, she fell and fractured two ...of her ribs and was otherwise bruised about ...the body. The injuries and shock she sus... ...are of such a nature that it is possible ...she may not recover.

—The Altoona *Call* is right in saying that the election of Hon. John Reilly as Senatorial delegate to the Democratic State Convention by so decisive a majority as 52 to 19—the latter number having been cast for Mr. S. Gibson Barr, of Hollidaysburg—is a well deserved recognition of his services to his party and to the people of this district.

—We note with regret that our old friend Anthony Anna, his wife, three sons and one daughter—in fact, his entire family except the youngest son—are, or were a few days ago, lying seriously, though we trust not dangerously, ill at their home in Elder township. That they may speedily recover is the sincere prayer of all who know Mr. Anna and his estimable family.

—The Huntingdon *Local News* says that a certain minister of that place, while visiting his membership, called on one of his parishioners, a lady, who, not wishing to see him at that time, went up stairs and sent her four-year-old son to meet him and tell him she was not at home, which he did as follows: "Mother told me to tell you she wasn't at home. She's up stairs hiding."

—Mr. Joseph Nixdorf, father-in-law of our good old Democratic friend, Henry Fettinger, Esq., and a member of the Silver Gray Social Club of Altoona, died at the residence of Mr. Fettinger, in that city, on Friday last aged 73 years and 7 months. Deceased was a member of the German Reformed Church, an honest man, a faithful soldier for two years during the recent rebellion, and a life-long Democrat.

—While engaged in "breaking stock," which is quite a different thing from breaking horses, at Bennington Furnace, near Gallitzin, one day last week, a spawl flew up and struck John Englet in the eye, completely destroying the sight of said member. More than that, it is said the injured man is otherwise in a very critical condition, and the attending physician has very little hope for his recovery.

—Commissioner Gurley made his appearance on the street for the first time in four months, he having during that entire term been confined to the house by a sore foot, which has been a source of annoyance and pain to him for two or three years past. We hope now that his sufferings are at an end, and that ere long he will be able to put his best foot forward without giving either of them the preference.

—Mr. George Schettig, of this place, who for some time past has been employed at his trade of carpenter in Altoona, intends to remove his family to the latter city early next week. Mr. Schettig is an honest, industrious and upright citizen, and while we regret the departure of himself and family from our midst, we cannot but congratulate Altoona on so desirable an acquisition to its rapidly increasing population.

—Mrs. Ellen Shoemaker, wife of Lieut. Samuel A. Shoemaker, and daughter of Mr. Samuel O'Harn, of Munster township, intends to start with her children for Salt Lake City, on Thursday next, for the purpose of rejoining her husband, who, as our readers are already aware, is at present filling a responsible position in the Paymaster's Department in Utah Territory. We wish her and her little ones a safe and pleasant journey.

—We tender our earnest sympathies to our friend and patron, Mr. Geo. J. Schwaderer, of Summitville, on the loss of his beloved wife, who died very suddenly and unexpectedly on Thursday of last week, aged about 45 years. Besides a kind and loving husband, the deceased lady leaves nine children to mourn the death of their truest earthly friend. Peace to her ashes. Obituary notice received too late for our present issue; will appear next week.

—We acknowledge the receipt from our friend and patron, Lieut. Samuel A. Shoemaker, of the Paymaster's Department, Salt Lake City, of a photograph containing the likenesses in miniature of seventy or more babies of various ages, sexes and conditions, all grouped together and forming a galaxy of infantile health and beauty not to be excelled anywhere. The picture is labelled "Utah's Best Crop," and the title is as significant as the picture itself is suggestive.

—A charter of incorporation for a street railway, issued from the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was received on Saturday evening last by a number of leading citizens of Altoona, and it is expected that horse-cars will in due time be perambulating some of the principal avenues of the Mountain City, though how railways can be laid in the narrow streets which there abound and still leave room on each side for passing vehicles is more than we can comprehend.

—Mr. Michael Quinn, of Conemaugh borough, who, as our readers will remember, was sent to the Western penitentiary about a year ago for failing to account for certain taxes he collected as constable of said borough, was released from that institution a few days ago, and is now at work in Pittsburgh. During his incarceration Mr. Quinn had charge of a gang of laborers, and performed his duties to the entire satisfaction of the prison officials and all others concerned.

—Our good friends Jas. Boland and Jas. McGarrity, of Washington township, dropped in to see us while in town on Monday last. Both these gentlemen were patrons of the first newspaper published by us in this county—*The Crusader*, printed at the Summit in 1852-3—and have also been among the most steadfast and prompt-paying subscribers on our list since we established the FREEMAN. Long may they live to enjoy the good things of earth and vote the Democratic ticket.

—The bare mention of the fact that Mr. John Baer, of Altoona, who was re-elected to the position of water superintendent the other day by much more than a bare majority—in fact unanimously—has declined to accept an increase of salary, averring that he is satisfied with his present stipend and that the city needs every dollar to pay its water debt, will bear out the assertion that he has what is only too rare among men in official positions—a conscience that cannot bear to be stretched beyond its normal condition.

—Gen. T. L. Kane, of M'Kean county, the somewhat celebrated commander of the famous Bucktail regiment during the late unpleasantness, spent two or three hours in our midst on Friday last, the object of his visit being to induce mine host Heist, of the Mountain House, to go to Kane and run the Thomson House, a well known and favorite summer resort. How well he succeeded we are not prepared to say, but incline to the opinion that Mr. Heist won't emigrate to the happy or unhappy land of Kane-an—at least not this season.

—What is known as the Rhey case was finally disposed of in Lancaster, on Tuesday of last week, by the certificate of deposit being headed over by Mr. Wm. Leaman, one of the referees, to Mrs. Julia Rhey, widow and administratrix of James W. Rhey, deceased. The certificate was subsequently presented at the banking-house of Reed McGrann & Co., of that city, where it was promptly cashed, thus closing a somewhat tedious case in which Miss Maggie Rhey, of this place, sister of the deceased, was one of the parties at interest.

—Mr. Richard L. Davis, cordwainer (otherwise known as shoemaker), of this place, went on a trouting expedition to a stream a few miles north of town, on Monday last, and succeeded in catching sixty-three speckled beauties, all of which averaged considerably less than a foot in length. He also succeeded, very fortunately for himself, in escaping a very serious if not fatal accident by being just far enough and not any too far away from a tree which was blown down by the wind and fell within two or three feet of where he was standing.

—An "ancient colored individual" named James Kelly, well known in Hollidaysburg, where he lived for many years, died at the Blair county almshouse, on Saturday last, aged little if any less than one hundred years. Deceased was a slave for more than half his lifetime, and always maintained that the man who was "first in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen," yclept the immortal George Washington, was also the first man to own him, the deceased aforesaid.

—If all signs don't fail, George Washington will be married to Mrs. Catharine Hill at the Catholic parsonage this (Thursday) afternoon, by Rev. Father Boyle. This ain't the same George Washington—he of hatchet fame—whom we read about, but a gentleman of color and a tonsorial artist who hopes to gain a livelihood in our midst as the successor of Mr. Abram Blain. Hope he will be able to climb life's acclivity with much less difficulty than his famous namesake encountered while crossing the river Delaware.

—About fifty quail or Virginia partridges were received in Altoona, direct from Missouri, on Sunday night last, and on the following day they were turned loose in the vicinity of the city, to increase and multiply at their will, which they will do very rapidly if left unmolested for a few years, as is to be hoped will be the case. Twenty-five others died on the trip and several more were in a rather demoralized condition when they reached their destination. "Quail on toast" will ere long, no doubt, be one of the luxuries of that progressive city.

—Mr. —— Camp, the gentleman who conducted the Thomson House at Kane, McKean county, during the past summer, was in this place on Tuesday last and succeeded in leasing Belmont Cottage from F. A. Shoemaker, Esq., but for how long a term or upon what conditions we didn't have the audacity to inquire. We certainly wish the new proprietor a successful Camp-aign during the coming heated term, but have no idea that he can Heist that really delightful summer resort into public favor more rapidly or deservedly than the gentleman who preceded him.

—An unfortunate tramp, rather well-dressed and respectable-looking, who gave his name as Joseph Johnston, his age as 21 years, and his residence as Philadelphia, had one of his feet so shockingly crushed in Millville borough, on Monday night last, by being run over by a number of trucks belonging to the C. I. Co., that amputation had to be performed by Dr. W. B. Lowman soon after the accident. The unfortunate man, being without money, was brought to this place on Tuesday night and taken direct to the county almshouse for care and treatment.

—On Monday afternoon, the homestead or piece or parcel of land of which Michael Murray, late of Carroll township, died seized, situate in said township and containing 160 acres and 87 perches, was sold at public sale by James C. Murray, surviving executor, to Mr. Michael Noon, for the sum of $1,800. About 100 acres are cleared, with a dwelling-house, bank-barn and the needful outbuildings thereon. Mr. Noon is said to have secured a bargain in this transaction, for the two-fold reason that the figures are not only low, but that his purchase adjoins another farm owned and occupied by himself.

—Ream and McDevitt, two prisoners in the county jail, got into a contraversy over a game of euchre one day last week, with the usual result of an appeal to blows. Jake Hawker, another prisoner, interfered to preserve the peace, but his counsels not prevailing, he had recourse to fistic persuasion.—This persuasion consisted in knocking Ream down and requesting McDevitt to precipitately retire from the scene. Both parties thought it not advisable to renew hostilities. For his well-directed efforts in this affair, the imprisonment of Hawker will hereafter be greatly ameliorated, the performance of sundry little chores about the jail having been confided to his charge.

—The samples of Cuzco corn of which mention is made in the letter of Mr. John A. Kooken, published in another column, reached us on Thursday last, and are the close of the week were for the most part distributed to various parties who promised to plant and care for the seeds and in due time report results. The corn in question is the largest ever seen in this region, most of the grain being equal in size to the well known Lima bean, but as to its value for meal or feeding purposes we are, of course, not prepared to say, though we doubt whether it will compare with the smaller grained corn grown in this country, the grains being wonderfully light for the size of them.

—The entire Board of County Commissioners, consisting of Messrs. John Campbell, S. W. Davis and George Gurley, accompanied by their Clerk, E. R. Dunnegan, Esq., departed for Warren, Pa., on Wednesday evening last, for the purpose of examining the Court House at that place, which is said to be a model in size, beauty and adaptability, and, if we mistake not, cost the comparatively small sum of $80,000. It was built under the architectural supervision of Mr. M. E. Beebe, of Buffalo, N. Y., who is seeking a like position in connection with the the new Court House soon to be built in this place, and should it meet with the approval of the powers that be it is safe to say that it will be a feather in that gentleman's cap.

—A calico ball was given at the residence of R. L. Johnston, Esq., in this place, on Wednesday night last, and was indulged in by about a dozen couple. Many shades and patterns of calico were represented in the ladies' dresses and the gentlemen's coats and neckties, and the scene is said to have been as picturesque as the enjoyment was complete and unmarred. The music was furnished by Messrs. Charles Laterner, George McKenzie and J. S. Bolsinger, and was in keeping with all the other preparations made for the entertainment of the fortunate few who had the pleasure of participating. The dancing was kept up until one o'clock Thursday morning, when the gay assemblage broke up, greatly delighted with the festivities of the occasion.

—While four men named Michael M'Graw, Michael Fitzharris, Jerry Keenan, Robert Rumpting, and one other whose name is not given, were being let down the incline plane on their way to work in the Frankstown ore mine, in Blair county, on Saturday morning last, the rope suddenly broke when a little over half the distance had been accomplished, and the result was that the car or dump in which the men were seated dashed to the bottom with lightning velocity. Meantime all the men except Mr. M'Graw, whose age was about sixty years, fortunately succeeded in getting off the car, but he was carried to the end of the slope and dashed against the rocks with a terrible force, fracturing his skull and inflicting other injuries which caused his death about 2 o'clock the same afternoon.

—The terrific wind storm which passed over this place on Sunday afternoon reached Huntingdon about five o'clock the same evening, where it not only prostrated several outbuildings, kitchens, fences, etc., and did considerable damage to a number of roofs in the town, but partially demolished the car works at that point, causing a loss in this one instance alone of fully five hundred dollars. At Tyrone the storm was even more destructive, though probably less promiscuous in its effects, the principal damage being done to the gas works which were almost entirely destroyed, and the superintendent of the works, Mr. James Storm, who couldn't withstand the other storm, narrowly escaped with his life. A large poultry coop, 100 by 88 feet, recently erected by Mr. H. H. Hewitt at Williamsburg, Blair county, was also totally obliterated, and all but two frames of one of the largest barns in Woodbury township, that county, were raced to the ground by the same storm.

—Brother Williams, of the Carrolltown *News*, did Ebensburg the honor, etc., on Tuesday last, and while here dropped in and greeted us with his old-time cordiality. The *News*, by the way, will this week enter upon its second volume, and though we have been and may even yet be reckoned among those who are said to have done all they could to prevent the success of his enterprise, we can say in all sincerity that we hope Mr. Williams and his paper will live long and thrive abundantly. Industry and energy are deserving of the fullest measure of success, and these good qualities Mr. Williams possesses in an eminent degree, whatever may be thought or said by ourself or any one else about his judgment in matters political, or his taste in saying or permitting others to say harsh things through his columns which he knows, so far at least as we are concerned, are totally undeserved.

—Altoona City Council had a little 8 to 7, or "game of fifteen," experience on Monday last in the election of its own presiding officer, as well as in the selection of City Solicitor. At least we judge so from the fact that the editors and citizens generally on having secured such efficient and trustworthy officials as the two gentlemen named are well known to be. In like spirit we extend our congratulations to all parties interested or in any way affected by the unanimous re-election of such faithful and energetic men as John A. Baer for Water Superintendent, John Rockett for Street Commissioner, and John McNevin, Jr., for Secretary of Council.

—The Democratic Committee of Blair county met at Altoona on Saturday last, every district in the county being represented, and elected Hon. John Reilly as Senatorial and Messrs. A. J. Anderson and J. Lloyd Lowther as Representative delegates to the State Convention. These gentlemen are all prominent and well-known Democrats, and their selection is highly creditable to the Committee—and to the Democracy of the county. A resolution was adopted instructing them to vote for Edward Herrick, of Bradford county, for Auditor General, while on the question of the Presidency no instructions were given them, though it is understood they are opposed to the nomination of Mr. Tilden. They were, however, and we regret to say it, instructed in favor of imposing the *unit* rule on the delegates from this state to the Cincinnati Convention, from the propriety of which we most respectfully, but emphatically, dissent, believing as we do that minorities have some rights which majorities are bound to respect.

—The Philadelphia *Times* of Sunday says that the Bituminous Coal Exchange sent forty special policeman, recruited in that city by Captain Thomas E. Clarke, to the Clearfield coal regions yesterday. For six weeks three thousand miners of that vicinity have been on a strike, and the Exchange, forming a union of the Clearfield mining companies and individual operators, has determined upon filling the strikers' places with men willing to work at the present basis. To protect the new hands a large number of special officers have been sworn in, of which the men who left yesterday are the advance guard. No trouble is anticipated, but the Exchange has thus provided for any emergency. The Clearfield operators claim that the present rate of wages is ample, and is a percentage higher than that paid in other localities. A small number of men are at work, and it is said that more would adopt a like course were it not for labor organizations, which take a decided step towards preventing an abatement of the advance demanded.

—Mr. B. M. Johnston, a prominent and progressive citizen of Hollidaysburg, died at the St. Cloud Hotel, Philadelphia, whither he had gone several months ago for medical treatment, about 10 o'clock on Saturday night last, aged 56 years and 7 months. Mr. Johnston was prominently connected with the business interests of Hollidaysburg and other localities, being treasurer and a large stockholder in the Hollidaysburg Iron and Nail Company, which has a rolling mill and nail factory in that place and a rolling mill at Duncansville. He was also a director of the First National Bank of Hollidaysburg, and senior member of the firm of B. M. Johnston & Co., who own a flouring mill and five stores, two of which are located in this county—one at Tunnelhill and the other in Johnstown. Deceased was an honored citizen, an upright man, a devoted husband, kind father, a generous, faithful friend, and a consistent member of the Presbyterian Church. He leaves a wife, who is a daughter of Mr. Jesse R. Crawford, and four children, one of whom, a son by his first wife, is at present a metallurgical student in Germany, to mourn the greatest loss they have ever been called upon to bear. Peace to his ashes.

A REMINISCENCE OF THE LONG AGO.—The first sleigh-bells that ever made their appearance in Loretto on a Sunday, and it may be on any other day of the week, was in the winter of 1832-3, when our now venerable townsman, Mr. John Dougherty, with his horse making music all the way, drove into the ancient village aforesaid for the purpose of attending divine service. Like "the rabbits and hares" spoken of in the celebrated song of "Widow Machree," sleigh bells in those days seldom strayed so much as Mr. Dougherty, who was then a young man and was about to take unto himself a wife in the person of his still living though long affected helpmate, was not only the proud possessor of a horse and sleigh, but also owned one of only three pairs of sleigh-bells known to be at the time within the limits of Cambria county.

Mr. Dougherty, as we have already said, made his appearance in Loretto, with his horse thus tigged out, on a certain Sunday morning, and that he created somewhat of a sensation is evident from the fact that at least one member of the congregation, a rather eccentric gentleman then living in Allegheny township, but since deceased, was greatly horrified at the idea of a man attending church with sleigh-bells on his horse—so much so, indeed, that after Mass he followed Mr. Dougherty for several miles, in a two-horse sleigh or sled, for the avowed purpose, it is said, of either capturing the bells or reconstructing their owner on a less sacrilegious basis. Mr. Dougherty's horse was, however, too fleet of foot for the pursuing steeds, and after following him from Loretto to Munster, by which route Mr. Dougherty returned home, the irate gentleman gave up the chase and took the back track for Allegheny township.

REAL ESTATE SALE.—F. A. Shoemaker, Esq., administrator of Johnston Moore, deceased, disposed of the following described real estate at the Court House on Saturday afternoon:

Lot of ground in Ebensburg borough, with house, stable, etc., thereon, to Messrs. Curry and Oder, assignees of Wm. M. Lloyd, for $530.

Three lots in Ebensburg borough to Wm. M. Jones for $147.

Lot of ground in Ebensburg borough to assignees of Wm. M. Lloyd for $405.

Lot of ground in Ebensburg borough to Wm. M. Jones for $190.

Lot of ground in Ebensburg borough to C. T. Roberts for $133.35.

Lot of ground in Ebensburg borough to assignees of Wm. M. Lloyd for $160.

Tract of land in Cambria township, containing 70 acres, mostly unimproved, to assignees of Wm M. Lloyd for $500.

Farm in Cambria township, containing 222 acres, to Wm. L. Lloyd for $990.

Lot of ground in Ebensburg borough to assignees of Wm. M. Lloyd for $225.

Tract of land in Cambria township, containing 100 acres, unimproved, to A. V. Barker for $226.

A bid of $3,500 was made for 900 acres of land in Blacklick and Jackson townships, but the sum being deemed below the value of the property, which is rich in iron-ore, coal and timber, the sale was postponed till the 24th inst.

REMARKABLE DEVELOPMENTS OF A POST-MORTEM EXAMINATION.—Dr. Buck on Saturday conducted a post-mortem examination of the late Joseph Nixdorf for the purpose of ascertaining something definite in regard to the peculiarities of the disease that caused his death. The examination revealed a bony degeneration of the valves of the heart. The valves when in a healthy condition are composed of a soft tissue, and in this case they had hardened into a bony substance. This condition was primarily caused by rheumatism, which produced diseases secondarily of the kidneys and bladder. The heart valves, it is thought, commenced to harden ten years ago. The probate judge was much enlarged that the passage from the bladder was entirely closed except to artificial means. The most intense suffering was caused to the patient. Disease of the heart so disabled Mr. Nixdorf that he was frequently carried home from his work. His case was considered one of the most remarkable on record. —*Altoona Sun.*

PROFIT, $1,200.—"To sum it up, six long years of bed-ridden sickness, costing $200 per year, total $1,200—all of this expense was stopped by three bottles of Hop Bitters taken by my wife. She has done her own housework for a year since, without the loss of a day, and I want everybody to know it, for their benefit." M. L. Oatman, is sole agent for Hop Bitters in Ebensburg.

—Kindness, if nothing stronger, should induce any one to use Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup for the relief of the diseases of babyhood. Price 25 cents.

ARGUMENT COURT.—An Argument Court to discuss and pass judgment on a long list of causes met in the Court House, Ebensburg, at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning last. His honor Judge Dean presided, with Associates Flanagan and Thomas on the bench. We subjoin an abstract of the business transacted:

Daniel B. Pomeroy, John A. Geary, and Julia Pomeroy et al. vs. the Kittanning Coal Company—ejectment. Rule absolute, and suit non-prossed unless within 20 days plaintiffs file affidavit showing residence of each one of said plaintiffs.

John Litzinger vs. Aug. Moyers and F. W. McConnell—agreement and amicable award. Argued.

Charles E. McGough, plaintiff in error, vs. Wm. Burgoyn, plaintiff below—*certiorari*. Argued.

S. McFarland vs. William Winslow—cer. doc. Rule absolute.

The People's Fire Insurance Company of Pennsylvania vs. James Quirk; same vs. Evangelical Lutheran Church of Johnstown; same vs. John Raab; same vs. P. M. & J. Brown; same vs. Lewis Pitt—five cases—S. fa. Judgment opened in all the cases and issue awarded.

John D. Negley, endorser of J. J. Styles, vs. J. C. Silneman—summons trespass on the case upon promises. No evidence being adduced to sustain the second and third exceptions filed to deposition taken 28th August, 1879, said exceptions are overruled.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

John Hipps and Uriah Lloyd vs. John Lantzey—ejectment. Continued until June term.

Martin Kutruff vs. Sebastian and Anthony Kron et al.—caplas trespass *quare clausum*. Rule discharged.

Union Horse Insurance Company vs. D. C. Buck, John Wagner, John Yahner, Patrick Maloy, W. J. Buck, Lewis Bourgoun, Matthew Ivory, John Kratzer—eight cases—appeal. In all these cases non suit taken off on payment of costs of March term, 1880, in each case.

Peter Sweeny and Mary A. (his wife), in right of said Mary A., vs. A. J. Christy, plaintiff below and defendant in error—*certiorari*. Judgment as to Mary A. Sweeny reversed and set aside; as to Peter Sweeny affirmed.

John Ryan, Sheriff of Cambria county, vs. John Holdfelter—S. fa. against plaintiff for costs. Mr. Potts protests against Daniel Call being marked as use of plaintiff on the evidence before the Court.

Margaret Stemmer vs. E. B. Cobler—feigned issue. Exceptions overruled.

Daniel Burtnett vs. Joseph Leckey—appeal. Improperly on the list.

Lewis Endler vs. Charles A. Langhein, Jacob Thomas and Martin Yahner—S. fa. Continued until June term.

Daniel McPeak and wife vs. Thomas Mullen, Peter Mullen, et al.—*scire facias*. Writ stayed as to interest of Patrick Crilly and Ann Jane Crilly, in the land bound by lien of recognizance, until after the interests of the other obligors are offered for sale; it at such sale a sum be bid sufficient to pay the claim of the plaintiff, less one-fourteenth of the amount due and owing, then said Patrick Crilly and Ann Jane Crilly (his wife), have leave to pay amount due by them into Court for use of plaintiff, and their interest in the land shall not be sold, but the judgment as to them shall be marked satisfied.

John A. Lieb, for use of Joseph Krotender, now for use of Henry Fox, vs. Augustine Yost—appeal. Rule absolute.

H. Kinkead and G. C. K. Zahm vs. H. A. McPike, garnishee—attachment execution. It is ordered that garnishee be credited on the judgment against his wife with amount of taxes actually paid by him during his term—such credit not to operate, however, as a payment of the attaching creditors, by the assignee of Isaac Crawford out of any moneys in his hands.

NIGHT SESSION.

Charles Miller vs. Henry C. Litzinger—test fi. fa. to the Sheriff of Butler county. Continued.

Christ. Keough and Maria Keough vs. Smiths—caplas on the case sur slander. Argued and C. A. V.

Mary A. Bradley, executrix of the last will and testament of James Bradley, vs. Timothy Sheehan—S. fa. Continued.

Charles L. Tittle vs. H. D. and L. D. Woodruff—S. fa. Case settled by the parties.

James McDermitt and John McDermitt vs. Anthony Flynn, Alex. A. Holliday, George Bingham and Patrick Flynn—trespass *quare clausum, vi et armis*. Motion for a new trial to be argued before Judge Orris on Tuesday, 13th inst.

John McNulty, constable, vs. Cambria county—rule to show cause why the costs in several criminal cases should not be paid by the county. Rule discharged.

S. M. Douglass vs. John E. McKenzie, late constable of Chest Springs—con. doc. Continued.

Lydia Litzinger, for use of S. M. Douglass, vs. John E. McKenzie and James McCoy—c. n. doc. Continued.

Anthony Anna, plaintiff in error, vs. James Rhoddy—*certiorari*. Continued.

Petition of James H. Hommer to supply lost deed. One thousand acres in White township had been sold Hommer at Sheriff's sale, and the deed lost. The petition was granted.

Report of viewers to lay out a public road from the house of Charles Cooney, in Washington township, to head of Plane No. 4, A. P. R. R., and the report of re-viewers in same case. Exceptions to report of viewers overruled and report confirmed; exceptions to report of re-viewers sustained and report set aside.

Exceptions to confirmation of Sheriff's deed to E. A. Irwin for 88 acres of land. Continued to June Court.

Petition of D. A. Clark, assignee of Silas Adams, and agreement of counsel. Continued.

Petition of Anastasia Boland to supply lost deed. Argued.

Exceptions to report of Wm. H. Sechler, Auditor to report distribution of the assets of Michael Gallagher in the hands of the Sheriff arising from the sale of real estate of Edward Mullen et al. Argued.

Josiah Waters vs. Cambria county—case stated. Argued and C. A. V.

THE NEW COURT HOUSE.

Petition of the Commissioners of Cambria county for leave to borrow money to build a new Court House:

To the Honorable the Judges of the Court of Quarter Sessions of Cambria county: The petition of John Campbell, George Gurley and Samuel W. Davis, Commissioners of said county, respectfully represents, that two successive grand jury boards have reported in favor of the erection of a new Court House for said county and that the reports of said juries have been approved by your Honorable Court. Your petitioners further represent that the funds in the County Treasury are not sufficient to defray the expenses of the erection of the same, and that it will be necessary, in order to erect a suitable building, for them to borrow on the credit of the county a sum sufficient for its erection. We therefore pray your honors to approve of a loan of Fifty Thousand Dollars, to be applied to the building of a new Court House for said county, and to authorize the Commissioners to issue the bonds of the said county as aforesaid in amounts not less than Fifty Dollars, with coupons attached, at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent. per annum, which bonds shall be payable not more than ten years from this date.

Your petitioners file herewith a statement showing the financial condition of Cambria county.

S. W. DAVIS,
JOHN CAMPBELL,
GEORGE GURLEY,
County Commissioners.

STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF CAMBRIA COUNTY.

Assets.

Amount in Treasury	$13,984.79
Amount of duplicate for 1880 not yet collected	45,000.00
Due county judgments, (good) estimated	3,000.00
Due from collaterals (good)	7,400.00
	$61,384.79

Liabilities.

Outstanding orders	$ 500.00	
" bonds	200.00	
Estimated expenses for 1880	40,000.00	$40,700.00
Balance unappropriated		$20,684.79

We, the Commissioners of Cambria county, do hereby certify the above statement to be correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief. Witness our hands this 6th day of April, 1880.

S. W. DAVIS,
JOHN CAMPBELL,
GEORGE GURLEY,
County Commissioners.

ORDER OF COURT.

And now, April 6, 1880, the within petition read and a loan on the credit of Cambria county by the Commissioners thereof for the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars is approved, and the Commissioners are authorized to issue the bonds of the county to that amount in sums not less than Fifty Dollars, with coupons attached, at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent. per annum, which bonds shall be payable not more than ten years from this date. By the Court.

JOHN DEAN, President Judge.

MUST BE PUBLISHED.—Auditors of boroughs and townships too often neglect the publication of their accounts. The law requires that it should be done, and affixes penalties for neglect of such duty. Cases have come before the courts in several counties of the State, and the auditors have been fined. Last year we gave the substance of the several laws on the subject, as follows:

First. The auditors are required in each borough and township to settle the accounts thereof, and to publish the same not only in newspapers, but also by written or printed statements put up in the most public places in the boroughs and townships, as soon after the close of the fiscal year, which is on the first Monday in April, as possible.

Second. If the borough or township is in debt, has a funded or floating debt, it must be included in the statement, together with the valuation of property and published in at least two newspapers, and embraced in the written or printed statement also.

From the above it will be noticed that the law is very clear on the subject, and as soon as the auditors have settled their accounts they are in duty bound to publish them as the law directs. When the borough or township has no indebtedness, neglect to publish incurs a fine of $20; but if the borough or township is in debt, the neglect incurs a fine of $1,000.

WHEN the blustering winds of winter
Cease to blow about our ears,
Comes the gentle breath of spring-time,
Quieting our many fears;
Then we hear the blue-birds chirping
And the poet writes a sonnet,
Write the young wife, red with anger,
Yell, you brute, I want a bonnet.
And the bill is unanimously passed
And the house adjourns.

And it is precisely the same when she says she wants a pair of nice new shoes or slippers—she is escorted to S. Blumenthal's, 1119 Eleventh avenue, Altoona, and the pair she purchases fills her heart with unutterable satisfaction. Blumenthal has always kept a superior vest for the trade for both ladies and gentlemen, but his Spring stock, just opened, is at once the largest and best as well as the cheapest he has yet offered to the consideration of customers.

MANY had a little beau
As sweet as he could be,
But every night he wouldn't go,
And that made misery.

One of the reasons why Mary's beau was peculiarly sweet was because he made it a rule to always enhance his physical attributes by wearing none other than a good-fitting suit of clothes, which was invariably brushed upand adjusted to the proper set on occasions devoted to sparking. No wonder she was put out of sorts on nights when he failed to make his appearance! To answer a question which must naturally rise to the mind of the reader, we answer that these clothes were bought at Simon & Bendheim's, next door to the First National Bank, Altoona, and bought, too, cheaper than a like quality could have been procured elsewhere.

LETTER FROM CALIFORNIA.

PETALUMA, CAL., March 22, 1880.

DEAR MCPIKE—Having read an article in the FREEMAN of March 5th headed "Wonderful Stories," told by "Uncle" Dave Trexler, among which was one about some tall corn and large ears, brought to my mind the fact that I have some huge corn in my possession which, I think, lays out "Uncle" Dave's corn so effectually that I am tempted to send you a few small grains as samples. It is called Cuzco corn, and is a native of the fertile valleys of the Andes, four hundred miles back of Lima, in Peru. It takes its name from a province in South America called Cuzco, in which it was first and is still extensively cultivated. The grains I send you came direct from there.

Cuzco is situated about four hundred and fifty miles from the sea, and has an elevation of over 11,000 feet. This corn, as well as the other products of that high latitude, are brought down to the coast on pack mules. The corn in question is said to produce from 150 to 200 bushels to the acre, and being the product of a cold climate, I think it would do well in some of the rich and *fertile valleys* of the Allegheny mountains. If you have no ranche of your own on which to plant it, give it to some thrifty farmer who will take good care of it, and pay the proper attention to its cultivation, and in due time let us know the result through the columns of the FREEMAN.

We have had a very cold winter here—the coldest experienced since "Uncle Sam" took possession of these "happy gold-hunting grounds"—and as a consequence the fruit trees and vegetables are as much as a month behind the usual time, the almonds, apricots and peaches being so badly frost bitten that it is said there will not be more than one-fourth of a crop. The grass is kept very short by the frost, though it should be at its best at this time of the year, and as a consequence we have to pay pretty high just now for butter—50 cts. per pound.

It has also been an extremely dry winter. There were very heavy rains in November and December, but since the first of January there have only been six rainy days and from ten to twelve cloudy ones, while from present indications it is not likely we will have much more this Spring—none, in fact, until next November.

I had a genuine Winter experience last January in the Sierra Nevada mountains, which reminded me very much of some of the weather we had on the summit of the Alleghenies—during the first winter the "Crusader" was published, and which no doubt you well remember. The more recent experience to which I refer came about thusly: I took a trip up to Nevada City, in Nevada county, California, which is some two hundred miles northeast of Petaluma, and is located on the Sierra Nevada mountains, at an altitude of about 2,000 feet. While I was there on the night of the 8th of January there occurred one of the heaviest and most severe snow-storms ever experienced in that region. It also snowed and blowed without intermission during the two succeeding days, and I was obliged to tramp through it all from "early morn till dewy eve," in the effort to find some mines and mills, and which I finally did, though it required a great deal of exertion to make one step forward instead of two backward. Meantime I managed with the aid of a pistole (quart flask), full of *spiritual* comfort, carried by my guide, to keep up the circulation, as well as a good deal of perspiration. It was something quite new to me, and I enjoyed it mightily, not having trodden in snow for a number of years before. On the afternoon of the 11th I viewed the eclipse of the sun, which was not, however, quite total here, though it was the first time I had ever been so *close* even to a partial one. During the entire time I might say that I was snowed in completely, as I did not get out of the mountain farther than Colfax until the 12th, the snow being so heavy and deep that it crushed nearly a mile of snow-sheds on the Central Pac