# Cambria Freeman.

EBENSBURG, PA.,

FRIDAY MORNING, - AUG. 20, 1880.


## LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

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**Here, There and the Other Place.**

—The genuine Mason fruit jars for sale at Barker's.

—Fresh fruits of all kind at Freidhoff's candy store.

—Don't forget the harvest home picnic at Long Point, next week.

—It is (sometimes) wet and cool as we go to press on Thursday.

—A sleeper in church cushions his seat when he retires.

—There seems to be a growing coolness between night and morning.

—Ties and caps for men and boys, fine, and stylish, just received at Oatman's.

—If you want a new hat to keep your head cool, go to Oatman at once, it will do you good.

—Peaches, sweet potatoes and other fruits, always fresh every day and sold cheap at Freidhoff's.

—J. Teitelbaum, of Loretto, has received a new stock of goods this week at his store in Munster.

—This time of year fat folks feel just as long as you please, and choose 'em.

—If anybody is going to bring us a load of wood on subscription, why don't they come it right along?

—V. S. Barker & Bro. have still on hand a lot of wheat flour which they will sell at lower prices than any one else.

—We congratulate our young friend Harry Gallagher and his worthy wife. It is a boy, and he tips the scales up to the average.

—A large variety of choice goods, nice and new, just opened by M. J. Teitelbaum, in Loretto, and to be sold cheaper than ever.

—An elegant stock of men's and boys' felt and straw hats just opened for the fall trade and will be sold very cheap at M. L. Oatman's.

—Don't forget to attend the meeting of the Hawcock and English Club to-morrow (Saturday) evening, in the room over Lloyd's store.

—The most noted men of modern times are publicly attested to the value of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral as a cure for coughs and colds.

—V. S. Barker & Bro. have still on hand a lot of linens and other summer dress goods which they will sell at cost to close out the stock.

—People who want to buy good goods at low prices, and who don't, should go to Munster and take a squint at M. J. Teitelbaum's new store.

—We regret to learn that Hon. Henry D. Foster, of Greensburg, is very seriously ill, and that his recovery is regarded as extremely doubtful.

—"What a screamer!" is a tribute often paid to Bull's Baby Syrup. Its wonderful soothing qualities relieve the pains of the little one soon after the crying.

—Whether you want to buy or not, it will pay you to come to go to Barkers' and look at their stock of shoes and compare their prices with those that prevail at other stores.

—Messrs. M. D. Kittell and H. Kinkead, have been appointed administrators respectively of the estates of John G. Lake and W. Oatman, deceased. See notices.

—Dr. Cleary, surgeon dentist, of this place, will be at the Mansion House, Cresson, on Tuesday next, where he will be glad to meet those stand in need of his professional services.

—Bakers' Poultry Powders are guaranteed to cure poultry of all diseases, if given when the fowls refuse to eat. Sure cure for Cholera. We have tried it, and advise all to try it.

—Between fifteen hundred and two thousand feet of work laying the track on the Ebensburg and Cambria railroad, which, it is hoped, will be completed in a little over two months from date.

—If you want to see something nice, or and better still, if you want to buy something nice, don't fail to call at the store of V. S. Barker & Bro. and look at their new and handsome stock.

—Mere preparations professedly harmless are sometimes dangerous under certain conditions; but Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup is perfectly safe at all times. Price 25 cents. For sale by all druggists.

—The Republican county convention to nominate a ticket to be beaten next November, will be held in Ebensburg on the 30th inst.

—Beware of bogus sewing machines and bogus agents who represent their machines to be genuine. W. C. Williamson is the only authorized agent for the unadulterated Singer sewing machine in Ebensburg.

—Bishop Seidenbush, of the St. Cloud (Minn.) Catholic diocese, paid a brief visit to his flock in this place while on his return from Rome. The Bishop has charge of the principal Indian mission in the west.

—Redfoot's store is the place where apples, peaches, pears, plums, sweet potatoes and everything in that line can be bought any day in the week (Sunday excepted) at reasonable prices. "By their fruits ye shall know them."

—The devotion of the Forty Hours will commence at the Church of the Holy Name, in this place, on Friday of next week, by eleven, if not sooner, the vacant pastorate of said church will probably have been filled by the Bishop.

—No mother is worthy the name, unless she has sufficient feeling for her little ones to spend 50 cents for a bottle of SIXES' DYSENTERY COMPOUND, and have it on hand for all Bowel Complaints. Guaranteed to give relief in a few minutes.

—Studies will be resumed at St. Francis' College, Loretto, on Wednesday, Sept. 1st, and students are respectfully requested to be present on the first days of the session, so that classes can be formed to their advantage and without any loss of time.

—The Altoona *Tribune* says that the boiler which exploded at Ashland Furnace the day day before last had been in use over three years together, and that the explosion was the result, as usual, of a want of water. Messrs. Perry & Son's loss is put down at $4,000.

—Samuel R. Mason, Greenback candidate for Governor in 1877, has promised to "speak a piece" for Garfield and Arthur in Altoona during the present campaign, and we venture to say that he will find a good number of anti-Mason Greenbackers in that city.

—It is sad but true that many children have filled untimely graves by the neglect of their mothers to have SIXES' SYRUP of TAR, HOARHOUND and WILD CHERRY on hand. Every thoughtful mother has a bottle this season of the year for immediate use.

—A farm in Logan township, Blair county, owned by Adam Beam, of Altoona, and occupied by Wm. Turnbaugh, who farmed the place, was destroyed on Monday night with its contents by what is believed to have been an incendiary. Loss estimated at $2,500, no insurance.

—Mrs. Elizabeth Lint, of Johnstown, has sued Brother Schubert, of the *Freie Presse*, for libel, but just what the libel consists of is not clear to us as yet, at present. The action has furnished bail in the sum of $500 for his appearance at the next term of our county court to answer.

—Employees of the P. R. R. Co. to the number of six hundred and thirty excurted from Altoona to Atlantic City and back, leaving on Friday night and returning on Sunday morning. They were accompanied by the Altoona City Band and report having had a very pleasant and season-able trip.

—We were greatly amused some days since by seeing one of our venerable citizens, who had been bowed down with Rheumatism, throw away his crutches, and declare himself as young as he used to be, and now *he* is recommending Roberts' Embrocation to every old lady in town. Great liniment that.

—A note from Mr. W. H. McMullen, Chairman of the County Committee, informs us of his intention to arrange for a Democratic mass meeting at the Court House in this place on Monday evening, Sept. 6th, and that he has written to Chairman Dill, of the State Committee, for a speaker for the occasion.

—A young man came to town one day last week, shipped with his brother-in-law; stayed over night; got up some time during the wee sma' hours, while it was dark; became bewildered, and, in an attempt to go down stairs, came very near falling hard enough to throw the house down. His name was Treadle.

—We don't know how it is ourself, but we have the assurance of one who claims to know, that Philip Hopfer, of Portage, this county, whom some of the local Republican papers have been parading as a recent apostate from the Democratic faith, has never—will hardly ever—voted anything else than the Republican ticket.

—A magnificent palace and sleeping car, combining all the modern improvements, has just been turned out of the Altoona shops for the use of General Superintendent Pugh, of the P. R. R. Hope that gentleman will give some of us poor printers a ride in the new coach, if for nothing else than to show how Pugh-reds generous he is.

—S. M. Douglass, Esq., of Chest Springs, writes us to say that he has no desire nor intention to accept the nomination for coroner recently thrust upon him by the county committee. This being so, it devolves on the powers that be to fill the vacancy, as it will never do to lay out the Republican party next November and have no coroner to hold an inquest on the remains.

—Our enterprising and big-hearted friend Frank McGuire, of Altoona, has bought for the sum of $300 a brick school house in the Fourth Ward of that city, condemned as unsafe, and as soon as he gets it fixed up in the new and a competent teacher employed, we promise to supply him with a number of scholars free gratis for nothing.

—Among a number of extracts of similar purport from letters addressed to the New York *World* we find the following in Monday's issue of that paper: James Itell, of Portage, Pa., writes: "We have a Hancock and English Club organized with several former Republican members. This section is all ablaze with enthusiasm for Hancock."

—Tim Donahoe, of Altoona, recently bought the patent for a new-fangled chimney-top, and only the other day, he was offered, according to his story, $8,000 for a half interest in the concern. If that be true, and we have no reason to doubt it, Tim has a big thing on a chimney-top, and we really Donahoe we would rather see make a big thing out of it.

—Don't forget to remember when you want to buy shoes, that the largest assortment from which you can choose, is at Barkers' cheap store, where they have an abundance for all, and the best of good bargains for those who will call, notwithstanding the fact, and it's a fact that's quite pat, that they are selling more shoes than you could shake a stick at.

—The Clearfield *Republican* says on Saturday last, while James McCullough, of Pike township, and several others were cutting down trees on George Lord's timber job, in Knox township, a limb from a falling tree struck McCullough in the face and chest, causing death in two hours. He was in the 43d year of his age, and leaves a wife and six children to mourn his loss.

—Some of the local Republican papers are making much ado about the alleged political conversion of Mr. Philip Hopfer, of Portage township, this county, whom they represent as having heretofore been one of the staunchest among the staunch Democrats of that vicinity. Well, if the story be true, all we have to say is that there's no Hopfer Philip being on the winning side this fall.

—The Blairsville foundery, owned by Mr. Chas. S. Tittle, formerly of Johnstown, was burned to the ground on Thursday last, involving a very heavy loss, on which there is no insurance. The fire is believed to have been of incendiary origin, and Tallie Eckles, a former employe of Mr. Tittle, was arrested next day on suspicion of committing the crime, and is now in jail awaiting trial.

—An axe manufactory is soon to be established at Cold Spring, near Huntingdon, by Messrs. Franciscus & Woods. Won't somebody axe somebody to start something of that kind in this vicinity? We have just as cold springs here as they have anywhere in the country, but for all that will be glad to pour hot (certainly not cold) water on any enterprise likely to benefit our town and its citizens.

—We are in a position to bear testimony, so far as we are concerned, to the fact that Messrs. W. L. Foulk's Son & Co., advertising agents, Pittsburgh, are sure pay, and it was not for any dilitoriness in that respect but because of the infrequency of their favors that we ceased some months ago to do business with them, though we are free to confess that we "jumped out of the frying pan into the fire" by so doing.

—We are informed that our friend Heist, of the Mountain House, has been successful in securing the services of the entire right in what is known as "Lloyd's Grove," on the western outskirts of town. All which means that a summer hotel of dimensions large enough to accommodate all comers, and constructed on first-class principles, will next year, in all probability, be an additional Ebensburg attraction.

—James Matthews, tenor of the Altoona City Band, has just been presented by his "better half" with twin babies of the feminine persuasion. And yet, for all that, our friend Jeems still moves on in the even *tenor* of his way. That the little newcomers may live to be as old as Mathews-alem, and that their days in the land may be as "happy as a big sunflower," is about the best we can wish them at short notice.

—Mary Kimball, the unfortunate Ebensburg girl who is under arrest in Altoona for the alleged crime of infanticide, was to have been taken to jail on last Saturday afternoon, but some satisfactory arrangement seems to have been made in the matter of bail, for at latest accounts she was still enjoying her liberty. The Altoona News says there is a very general feeling of sympathy for the unfortunate girl in that community.

—The thread of the narrative so far as it relates to the picnic for the benefit of the church at St. Augustine, which was so rudely snapped asunder by the rain storm on July 5th, is to be taken up again on Wednesday of next week, Aug. 25th, in Durbin's grove, near Chest Springs, where all who attend may expect to enjoy a big feast and lots of innocent recreation at a comparatively small outlay on behalf of a very deserving cause.

—Mr. John Riechart, of Tyrone, father of Mr. Frank Riechart, contractor for the building of the foundation of the Court House in this place, attempted to get on a passenger train in motion at East Liberty one day last week, but missing his hold was struck by the step of another car, knocked down and badly injured in the side. He was removed to the St. James Hotel, Pittsburgh, where at latest accounts he was still under medical treatment.

—As will be seen by large posters printed at this office and an advertisement in another column, Mrs. Margaret Kittell, administratrix of Wm. Kittell, Esq., dec'd, will offer at public sale, on Saturday, Sept. 4, 1880, a large lot of real estate in Ebensburg and elsewhere, and as some if not all the tracts advertised are among the most desirable properties in the county, the attention of capitalists is respectfully invited to the coming sale.

—Speaking last week of the Peruvian seed corn sent us by a friend in California, we referred to it as the "mildest maize that ever grew," inasmuch as it has thus far utterly refused to "get up on its ear." Judge of our amaize-ment when we found after the papers had been printed that the "intelligent compositor" had introduced a "w" where an "m" should have been, thereby transmogrifying the "mildest" of words into the "wildest" of nonsense.

—Mr. Isaac Crawford, a former well known hotel keeper of this place, who previous to the removal of his family to Johnstown last Spring was transferred to the insane asylum, mind and body both sadly impaired, was taken from that institution on Monday evening last by his son Harry, and will doubtless have the consolation ere long of dying at home, his condition at this time being such as to preclude all hope for an extended lease of life.

—A check for one hundred dollars, accompanied by a very expressive and appropriate letter from F. A. Shoemaker, Esq., was sent to Rev. Father Boyle, late pastor of the Church of the Holy Name in this place, on Monday evening last, the same being the voluntary offerings of forty-four members of said congregation to a much beloved priest who well earned the affection and gratitude of all his people during a sojourn of over five years and a half in our midst.

—We had the pleasure of a call on Tuesday last from our young friend Wm. B. Conway, of Greensburg, who is well worthy of the name he bears, for if he don't write much for the newspapers he does his full share in supporting them, as is evidenced to our satisfaction by the fact that he takes the FREEMAN and pays for it. Mr. C. is acting Secretary for the Westmoreland County Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and we venture to say that he fills the bill to perfection.

—One of the most powerful and eloquent sermons ever listened to in the Church of the Holy Name, this place, was delivered on Sunday forenoon by Rev. Father McNlerny, of the Redemptorist order, Baltimore diocese, who had just concluded a retreat at the convent of the Sisters of St. Joseph, and whose text was the gospel of the day, in which is related the miracle performed by our Saviour while on earth in curing the ten men who came to him afflicted with leprosy.

—Miss Annie and Agnes Dunn, daughters of our worthy friend James Dunn, of Altoona, turned their backs on the foolish frivolities of this fleeting life and entered the convent of the Sisters of Charity, in that city, on Saturday evening last, there to serve God and teach others to walk in the path that leads to eternal felicity. Now that they are Dunn with the world as well in name as in fact, we join their many friends in wishing them all the blessings that God has in store for his chosen servants.

—A man named J. E. Gatchell, who is charged with assaulting and battering Captain Hodge, a passenger conductor on the P. R. R., while the latter was attending to his official duties a few days ago, had a hearing before Esquire Strayer, of Johnstown, and gave bail for his appearance at Court to answer. He was subsequently arrested by officer Rodgers, of Millville, and made to pay a fine for disorderly conduct at the time of the fracas. And thus it is that the accused seems to Gatchell all round.

—The Altoona *Sun* of Monday trots out Mr. Thomas P. Dunn, an old-time Republican of Barr township, this county, whom it styles the "hero of twenty-one engagements," which, we presume, does not include his wedding engagement, as one of the latest acquisitions of the grand army of Hancock veterans, and gives in detail the reasons which have prompted this very sensible "flop" on part of Mr. Dunn, who, the *Sun* says, is about to locate in Altoona and has already ordered his name to be placed on the roster of the Hancock Veteran Club of that city.

—Capt. John McNevin, of Altoona, Secretary of the Democratic Committee of Blair county, has, in answer to his letter of request, received a splendid photograph of that "splendid soldier," General Hancock, accompanied by a letter from the next President of the United States, and it is the intention to have Dr. Bittner, an accomplished artist of that city, paint a portrait therefrom, which is to be the common property of the Democracy of Altoona, with, we hope, a small slice for the FREEMAN, though not too small to forbid its exhibition for a few days in this place.

—The Altoona *Sun* says that a meeting of gentlemen interested in the projected railroad between that city and Cherrytree was held at the Logan House on Friday last. Among those who are taking an active part in the enterprise are Dr. Baker and Mr. Moore, of the firm of D & C. Moore, of Altoona; Hon. D. J. Morrell, of Johnstown, and Captain Buckett, Dr. Reed and Mr. Martin, of Pittsburgh. At the meeting in question no business of importance was transacted, but a very general feeling of determination to push the matter to a successful issue prevailed.

—We are sorry to learn that it is only a question of time, and probably a very brief time at that, for our good old friend James Condon, Esq., of Summitville, who for several months past has been suffering from the effects of paralysis and other causes, and who at latest accounts was in a semi-conscious condition and evidently beyond the reach of medical aid. That his death, which seems rapidly approaching, may be a happy one, and we know of no reason why it should be otherwise, is the heartfelt prayer of all who know him only to esteem him as an honest man and a devout Christian.

—An election for Mother Superior of the Sisters of St. Joseph, this place, was held on Monday last, and resulted in the selection of Sister Mary Joseph, who has filled a like position at New Castle and subsequently in Ohio, but is now called still higher by being made Superioress of the Mother House. This is the first election since the establishment of the order in this place, Mother Hortense, who has so well and admirably filled the place for a number of years, and who now steps back into the rank of the community, having been appointed to the responsible position from which she has just retired.

—All persons interested will be glad to learn that Rev. Father Reardon, of Pittsburgh, where he has long been connected with the Cathedral, has been selected by the Rt. Rev. Bishop as pastor of the Church of the Holy Name, to take the place of Rev. Father Boyle, recently transferred from Ebensburg to Gallitzin. If the members of the congregation had been consulted in the matter, we are sure they could not have chosen a more worthy successor to their late and much beloved pastor. Father Reardon, who telegraphed his intention of being here to-day (Thursday), will be welcomed to our midst with more than ordinary pleasure.

—Messrs. Geo. K. Mullin and Edward L. Bean, of the St. Cloud Hotel, Philadelphia, have placed us under obligations for an invitation to attend a banquet to be given to "The Press of Philadelphia" at that fashionable and admirably conducted hostelry on Friday of next week. The day selected is not well adapted for a very "big feed," so far as we are religiously concerned, but if we fail to put in an appearance on that interesting occasion we trust that Messrs. Mullin & Bean will endeavor to secure the gastronomic services of Dr. Tanner, who by that time would probably have no conscientious compunctions against getting away with the good things.

—A young man named David Lohr, a resident of Chestnut Hill, Somerset county, seated himself on or in close proximity to the track of the C. I. Co.'s railroad in Johnstown, on Thursday night last, and while in that position a number of trucks loaded with cinder were backed up by an engine, the entire train passing over the unfortunate man, crushing his body diagonally across the breast from the left shoulder and nearly severing the left leg. His death was almost instantaneous, only a few gasps escaping from him after being picked up. He had been drinking, and it is thought he was asleep when the accident occurred. His remains were taken home for interment.

—Messrs. Charles Langbein and Joseph Rhody, of Chest township, killed a rattlesnake the other day which reported seven less than nineteen rattles, and yet measured but a little over three feet in length. The same gentlemen had the questionable pleasure not long since of starting a three-pronged buck from its hiding-place in the laurel out there, but as they had neither the law nor the necessary firearms on their side, the buck had nothing to fear, though it ran like for life all the same. These adventures, if they mean anything, mean beyond very unusual occurrences, mean of course that Mr. Langbein is to be elected Prothonotary by an overwhelming majority.

—Mr. L. Stargardter, the clever and efficient salesman for a long time past at the Great Eastern Boot and Shoe Store of S. Blumenthal, Altoona, has now opened in Johnstown, where he is about to branch out on his own hook as proprietor of what he proposes to style the Opera House Boot and Shoe Store, inasmuch as it is to occupy one of the rooms on the first floor of said building, which is located on Main street, near Franklin. Mr. S., as we have abundant reason for knowing, is a safe, sociable, sensible and satisfactory salesman, and now that he has essayed to "solve the problem of life," we have no doubt he will add at least three more "s's" to the category, all of which are embraced in the word success.

—An extra fireman named Geo. P. Norris, who was filling the place of another employe off duty, met with a sudden and shocking death at Kittanning Point on Wednesday morning last. The unfortunate man was in the act of putting the plug-hose into the opening of the engine tank, for the purpose of taking water, when the pusher engine came up and gave the front section of the train such a jar that it precipitated him to the track, when several of the car wheels passed over his body, severing it almost in two and of course causing almost instant death. The deceased was a single man and his home was in Westmoreland county, whither his remains were forwarded after being taken to Altoona and properly cared for and coffined.

—On Monday, Sept. 6th, Sheriff Griffith will offer at public sale the following described properties: A farm of 198 acres, 120 acres being cleared, with improvements, in Allegheny township, owned by Thomas Allen and others; a frame stable and lot in Ebensburg borough, owned by Dr. James J. Oatman; fifty acres of land, five of which are cleared, with a log cabin thereon, in Barr township, owned by Thomas Abbott and John Moore; thirty acres, twenty of which are cleared, in Washington township, and a house, stable and lot in Summitville borough, owned by Maria Kinney. Also, will be sold by the Sheriff in Johnstown, on Saturday, Sept. 4th, a house and lot in Prospect borough, owned by Wm. Thomas, and a house and lot in Millville borough, owned by John Grady.

—Rev. Father Colwell, of Cameron's Bottom, Indiana county, and Rev. Father Sweeny, a temporary sojourner at St. Francis' Monastery, Loretto, were thrown from their buggy by the upsetting of the vehicle while making the turn in the road at the residence of A. Strittmatter, Esq., a short distance this side of Carrolltown, Tuesday evening last, and for a time it was feared that the gentleman first named had been injured internally as an ugly gash in the forehead and a badly contused cheek showed that he had been externally. He was also unconscious when aid reached him, but soon revived and was taken back to Carrolltown, from whence he was able to return home next day. Father Sheehan fell on top of Father Colwell, and thereby fortunately escaped with nothing worse than a complete shaking up. The Rev. gentlemen were on their way to Loretto when the accident happened.

—The examination of teachers for the schools of Ebensburg borough was accomplished in the Union School House last Monday, forenoon and afternoon, by County Superintendent Berg. About a dozen applicants were present. In the evening a meeting of the local School Board was held when the following-named persons were selected to teach the young idea how to shoot for a term of seven months, beginning the first Monday in September: Principal, F. A. Lyte, salary $75 per month; Room No. 2, Geo. Williams, salary $35; Room No. 3, Miss Lizzie Jones, salary $35; Room No. 4, Miss Allie Lloyd, salary $25; Room No. 5, Miss Bessie Lloyd, salary $25. Owing to either a lack of funds or a want of confidence in the common school system, only five schools will be run this year, instead of six as formerly. Last year, two schools occupied quarters in the old Academy building, but, owing to the transfer of that property to Cambria county for purposes connected with the erection of the new Court House, the school known as No. 5 must necessarily seek other quarters. These will likely be found in the building formerly occupied as a school house south of the Diamond two squares and westward one square and a half.

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TRUTH AND HONOR.—Query:—What is the best family medicine in the world to regulate the bowels, purify the blood, remove costiveness and biliousness, aid digestion and tone up the whole system? Truth and honor compel us to answer, Hop Bitters, being pure, perfect and harmless.—Ed. See another column.

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—Five tramps were brought here from E. Conemaugh this (Thursday) forenoon and committed to jail. Tram jumping.

DEMOCRATIC CLUB MEETING.—A meeting of the Hancock and English Club of Ebensburg and Cambria township was held in the new club room, over Lloyd's store, on last Friday evening, when, upon motion of H. A. McPike, M. D. Kittell was selected to perform the duties of the absent Secretary. The meeting was purely a business one, the special object being the appointment of a committee on enrollment and taxation, and another on naturalization. A motion was adopted authorizing the President of the Club to appoint said committees, to consist of two members each. The President thereupon appointed J. A. Kennedy and J. G. Hasson on the first named committee, and C. F. O'Donnell and M. D. Kittell on the naturalization committee.

General McDonald made a few touching and eloquent remarks in reference to the recent death of one of the members of the Club, Geo. W. Oatman, Esq., and concluded by offering the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

*Resolved*, That this Club, at its first meeting since the death of George W. Oatman, Esq., one of our most useful and energetic members, takes occasion to express its sorrow at this sad event.

*Resolved*, That in the death of this gentleman we feel the loss of a zealous and able defender of Democratic principles, and society that of an amiable, kind-hearted and intelligent citizen. May his love for the right, and his fearlessness in expressing his convictions, animate those who survive him.

A number of persons enrolled themselves as members of the Club, making the total membership to date about sixty.

The new club room is neatly fitted up for the accommodations of the Club, and the President's desk surmounted by a small cannon, a gift from General McDonald, which will do good service in the ratification of a grand Democratic victory next November.

The Club adjourned to meet again on Saturday evening, August 21st, *at 7½ o'clock*, when important business will be transacted.

M. R. B. CHERRY, President.

M. D. KITTELL, Secretary *pro. tem.*

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DWELLING HOUSE DESTROYED AND CHILD BURNED TO DEATH.—The distressing news reached us on Monday last that shortly after midnight the preceding morning the house of Mr. Charles Cooney, of Munster township, had been destroyed by fire and that one of the eight children of the family had perished in the flames. The facts connected with this sad catastrophe seem to be that the family had gone to bed as usual Saturday night, and at the hour stated were awakened by the strong smell of smoke which pervaded the atmosphere. The house at this time was a mass of flames, but, by herculean efforts and through the interposition of Providence, all escaped, with only slight injury, excepting one little daughter, aged 8 years, whose rescue was made impossible by the rapid progress of the pitiless element. She was burned to a crisp, her agonizing death shrieks ringing in the ears of her parents and brothers and sisters, who were powerless to accomplish her rescue, though the father, we are told, had to be restrained from sacrificing his own life in the hopeless effort to save that of his child. Two other members of the family, both children, were slightly burned, one on the feet and the other on the hands. There is said to be one circumstance connected with this sad tragedy which remains to be explained. Amidst all the wreck of matter and loss of life, we are assured by competent witnesses that time enough was found by somebody about the premises to rescue from its hiding-place and carry to a haven of safety the sum of $2,100, which had been secreted somewhere on the premises. Charity prompts the hope that the money was not sought for with a full knowledge of its owner, for fear suspicion of the terrible death which was in store for the unfortunate little one. The house was a log one, built many years ago, and contained a large, old-fashioned stone chimney through the cracks of which the fire is supposed to have communicated with the wood work, thereby setting the building on fire. The loss is not heavy, we presume, but heavy or light, it is total, there having been no insurance on the property.

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THE P. R. R. AND THE LLOYD ESTATE.—George M. Reade, Esq., of this place, attorney for the assignees of Wm. M. Lloyd & Co., filed in the United States District Court, Pittsburgh, on Saturday last, a number of papers which are preliminary to a suit which he proposes bringing against the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and in the event of the matter being decided in favor of the assignees the general creditors will have reason to congratulate themselves. It appears from the statements of Mr. Reade that during the progress of some other suit, brought recently by the assignees of the bankrupt banking firm, there were certain disclosures made which rendered it probable that the stock of the Bell's Gap Railroad Company, the Altoona Iron Company, the First National Bank of Altoona, and the Altoona Gas & Water Company, held by the Lloyds during their insolvency and before their bankruptcy, had been transferred to the Pennsylvania Rail Road company as a kind of preferred creditor, thus preventing an equitable division of the assets. The amount of money involved is very large, and the decision of these suits, which will now probably be forced to trial, will be looked for anxiously by the general creditors of the firm. There are about 500 creditors in Altoona and vicinity, and over one hundred and at Ebensburg, the total amount 800—all of them secured. If the assignees are successful in all the suits pending, including one to recover the mansion of Mr. Lloyd, at Altoona, valued at $50,000, other dividends will be declared, but almost an endless amount of litigation is involved and it is useless to raise the hopes of creditors as to what may be expected. Wait patiently, and the dividends when they come will be more appreciated. So says the Altoona *Tribune*.

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BOILER EXPLOSION AND LOSS OF LIFE.—At ten minutes before 12 o'clock, A. M., on Friday last, the boiler of the pusher and single mill belonging to Messrs. Perry & Son, of Chest Springs, located at Ashland Furnace, three miles from the first-named place, exploded with a report which was heard for miles around. The engine, a portable one, was not only reduced to a wreck, but the mill itself was scattered to the four winds. Saddest of all, it must be recorded that a young man named John Allen, the engineer and fireman, was instantly killed by the combined effects of the escaping steam and a section of the exploded boiler striking him on the head and carrying away a portion of his skull. His remains were interred at Chest Springs the following Sunday. It may be noted as a somewhat singular fact that the timepiece which it was the custom of the deceased to hang on a post directly in front of the door of the engine, was not only not demolished in the general wreck, but, upon subsequent examination, was found to be occupying its accustomed position and ticking away merrily as though nothing unusual had occurred. The deceased was about 30 years of age, and was esteemed as an industrious and honest young man, with the additional qualification in his favor that all his efforts in life were directed toward the maintenance of a widowed mother and two or three sisters. Two other employees of the mill, named Wm. Munstead and Peter Maloy, were in a small shed attached to the mill when the explosion occurred, but as the timbers comprising the structure were light and a pile of shingles near which they were seated protected them to a great extent from the falling debris, they both escaped without serious if indeed any injury whatever.

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COLD WATER.—A gentleman of this place, accompanied by a lady and gentleman from Pittsburg, employed themselves on Monday evening last in testing the relative degrees of coldness of several springs and wells in this vicinity, with the following result:

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| Sprankle's spring, below the dam | 48 | degrees. |
| Lloyd's grindstone spring | 52 | " |
| Lloyd's spring at spring house | 56 | " |
| Mrs. Riley's pump water | 52 | " |
| T. H. Reich's pump on Centre street | 52 | " |
| Mill spring, Centre street spring | 52 | " |
| Martin Ward's spring, west of town | 50 | " |
| Lem. Davis' spring, north of town | 51 | " |
| Jones' spring, northeast end of town | 58 | " |
| Mrs. Jones' spring, east end of town | 54 | " |
| John A. Blair's spring, on his farm and near Water's fence | 51 | " |
| John A. Blair's spring, on his farm and near Lloyd's cemetery | 52 | " |
| Water in reservoir | 56 | " |
| Court House well | 53 | " |
| Ice water in cooler at Mrs. Foster's | 40 | " |
| Temperature of the atmosphere in the shade | 76 | " |

The average temperature of the springs in this State is about 62 degrees.

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"PASSING" STRANGE.—The *Herald* of last week tells the following, which may be true to the letter, though some there are who will possibly feel like "passing" the "bucket full of slop" part of the story by as unworthy of credence. The *Herald* says:

A married lady in this place, upon retiring to bed on Tuesday night, discovered that she had lost her purse containing thirty-six dollars in gold coin. Search for the "filthy lucre" was made immediately about the premises, but all in vain. She had visited a neighbor in the early part of the evening, and repairing there search was again made, and with the same result as before. She remembered having passed a bucket full of slop, and upon emptying the bucket of its contents the purse and gold were found in the bottom.

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EVERY YOUNG PERSON needs more education than he has. Education is business capital. Normal Schools make thorough schoolers. Indeed, one of the distinguishing characteristics of Normal School instruction is thoroughness. Graduates of the State Normal School at Indiana, Pa., already find employment in several States, at salaries varying from Six Hundred to Twelve Hundred Dollars per annum. See advertisement in another column.

### COMMUNICATIONS.

**REPUBLICAN LOVE FOR THE SOLDIER—IN A HORN.**

EDITOR FREEMAN—The following official documents speak for themselves:

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, April 6, 1880.

*Sir*: Having been examined and found qualified to perform the duties of a clerkship of the first class ($1,200 per year), you are hereby appointed a clerk of that class in the office of the Auditor of the Treasury for the Post Office Department, *vice* F. J. McAnulty, promoted.

I am, very respectfully,
HOWELL COBB,
Secretary of the Treasury.

To A. J. RHEY, Esq., of Pennsylvania.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, July 11, 1861.

*Sir*: Having been examined and found qualified to perform the duties of a clerkship of the second class ($1,400 per year), you are hereby promoted and appointed a clerk of that class in the office of the Sixth Auditor of the Treasury, *vice* S. V. Boyd, promoted.

I am, very respectfully,
S. P. CHASE,
Secretary of the Treasury.

To A. J. RHEY, Esq.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3, 1863.

HON. S. P. CHASE, Secretary of the Treasury:

*Sir*: I hereby tender my resignation as a clerk of the second class in the office of the Auditor of the Treasury for the Post Office Department, and I respectfully request that you would appoint in my place some soldier who has been wounded or incapacitated from active duty in the service of his country. I have the honor to be, very respectfully,

A. J. RHEY.

Your ob'd't servant,

Your readers will perceive from the above that I was appointed a clerk under the administration of President Buchanan, that I was promoted under the administration of President Lincoln, and that I resigned, after serving two years and nine months under the latter, and eleven months under the former, having also acted as a temporary clerk under Mr. B. for one year, from April 1, 1859, to April 1, 1860, in assisting to audit the Oregon and Washington territories war claim amounting to six and a half million of dollars. I regret to say that Mr. Chase, Secretary of the Treasury under Mr. Lincoln, did not carry out my request to appoint a soldier, having selected for my place Mr. Schurtz, a correspondent of a Chicago newspaper, who was no more fit to fill my situation than I was to be a Bishop. Such is the so-called love of the Republican party for the soldiers of the Republic, said organization giving the "word of promise to the ear only to break it to the hope." Hancock will give their party another Gettysburg route in November.

Respectfully,

A. J. R.

**LINES**

TO MR. AND MRS. FRANK CRAMER ON THE DEATH OF THEIR DARLING CHILD, LOTTIE.

Fond parents, weep not for your sweet angel boy—
Do not wish him back from his heavenly home—
But thank God he has called him in his childhood
And has placed him among His chosen—His own.

We know Lottie's death has caused you great sadness,
But he is much happier than if he was alive;
Then why should you fret for the one God has taken
When of bright, handsome children He has still left you five?

You have one now in heaven so happy and pure,
Always with the loved ones you so much adore;
Then pray to him often, both father and mother,
And he'll ask of our Saviour whate'er you implore.

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Loretto, August 8, 1880.

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A GOOD MAN CALLED TO HIS REWARD.—We copy from the Altoona *Sun* of Monday evening the following somewhat extended notice of the death of an old-time gentleman whom we knew almost from our earliest infancy and earnest Christian deportment we can bear the most ample testimony. Deceased was the father of Mr. A. J. Anderson, a highly successful and much esteemed business man of Martinsburg, Blair county, a warm friend of the FREEMAN, and a son-in-law of Mr. Henry O'Hara, of Munster township. He was also the father of the excellent wives of our worthy friends Judge N. F. Carroll, of Salina, Kansas, and Mr. M. J. Murphy, of East Freedom, Pa., both of whom in their bachelor days resided in Johnstown. It was the former of these two ladies who experienced the remarkable dream about the death of her brother which was copied by us from the New York *Sun* a few weeks ago.

Speaking of the venerable subject of this sketch, whose funeral takes place at Newry this (Thursday) forenoon, having been postponed to await the coming of Mrs. Carroll and other relatives, and whose soul, we sincerely hope, has found favor with God, the Altoona *Sun* says:

"William Anderson, a well-known and aged citizen of East Freedom, this county, died Saturday night at 12 o'clock. Mr. Anderson was born in Waynesboro, Franklin county, on the 13th of February, 1803, and was consequently aged 77 years and 6 months at the time of his decease. About 1820 he removed to this section of country and engaged in the charcoal "coaling"—in other words, the making of charcoal for use in furnaces. He continued in that business for upwards of fifteen years, his multifarious operations covering over a wide range of mountain country surrounding this city. About the year 1838 Mr. Anderson and Mrs. Thomas Hoover formed a commercial partnership and conducted an extensive country merchandising establishment at Newry. The partnership continued for about four years, when Mr. Anderson removed to East Freedom and established a large store, he carrying almost every conceivable kind and quality of goods. A good measure of prosperity attended his business at East Freedom, and he continued actively and profitably at the head of his large establishment until last spring, when his son-in-law, Mr. Michael C. Murphy, purchased the stock and good will and the store is now conducted by him. Mr. Anderson was married twice, his first wife, by whom he had nine children, having died about this year. By his second wife, who survives him and by whom he had also nine children, three of whom are still living, he was married in 1846. His first wife's maiden name was Jennie Cunningham, that of his second wife Jennie Horrell, the venerable Father Bradley performing the marriage ceremony for Mr. Anderson and his second bride at Newry. Mr. Anderson and family were Presbyterians, but at the time of his first marriage he united with the Catholic Church and continued a faithful believer in its creed to the time of his death. The funeral obsequies of the deceased was of short duration. He had been in about his usual health until 10 o'clock on Saturday morning last, when inflammation of the bowels took place and he gradually grew worse, sinking rapidly toward the evening of the final moment, and passed away apparently without much suffering."

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A NEW KIND OF "BALSAM."—The Altoona *Tribune* of Monday tells this story at the expense of one of our most amiable friends and patrons in that city:

One day last week there was a scene enacted on the Dry Gap road which came near ending in a tragedy. George Weaver and Christ. Wahl each bought a fresh cow with a calf, Mr. Wahl's cow being a muley. One day George and Farmer Beales went to the lot where the two cows were kept to look at George's purchase. The cow was in the back part of the lot, and George, to save the trouble of going after her, began to throw pebbles at the calf to induce it to follow the bell like a calf. In a moment the mulley put her head down and charged on George. He ran with all speed, but the cow kept on. Farmer was in the middle of the field, and George yelled frantically to him, "Hast some a bowl of balsam for mother, didn't mean to, as he was not prepared for a charge like that. George went over the fence just in the nick of time. Ever since that he has kept shy of muley cows.

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"Two more dishes of cream,"
To the waiter he cried,
His eyes staring wildly,
His mouth open wide;
"I love her most madly,
To marriage I'm bent,
And I'll satisfy her appetite
If it takes my last cent."

His last cent was spent, and the sequel was a wedding, for he and she occupied the front seats. Subsequent to this, she confided to him, as a profound secret, and one which was to go no further, that how she chanced to catch him was by her shoes were short and she wore a pair of those matchless walking-shoes to be bought only at S. Blumenthal's, 119 Eleventh