The Huntingdon Journal.

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The glorious rain.

Maying parties next.

Flour has an upward tendency.

Huntingdon mechanics are idle.

All live business men advertise.

Death is busy with aged people.

Altoona is to have a beer garden.

The mornings are crisp and frosty.

Ingratitude has the tooth of a serpent.

The odor of the lilac will soon fill the air.

Beecher talks to the Altoonians next Monday night.

The country roads are dry, but full of ruts and very rough.

Street Commissioner Miller is repairing the street-crossings.

The white wash brigade will soon start on the spring campaign.

We hear of no trout being caught hereaways since the season opened.

"To Let," still adorns numerous houses and store rooms in this town.

There was ice formed in the street gutters on Saturday morning last.

Judge Summer's residence, in Oneida township, is an Elysian retreat.

Sunday was a lovely day and the different churches were largely attended.

Indianapolis wants the plate glass works that are to be built in this country.

John A. Light, the balloonist, died a few days ago, in Illinois, of throat disease.

The jail alley is the stamping ground for some of Huntingdon's "fast" population.

A number of officials of the P. R. R. will pass over the road, in a special car, on Sunday next.

Potatoes, direct from "Ould Ireland," are offered for sale by our grocers at *only* $2 per bushel.

Tommy Montgomery, Fifth street's popular clothier, is in the Quaker City purchasing his Spring stock.

The constable of Tyrone is to wear regular police uniform. It is a "city" and wants to put on city airs.

The Huntingdon County Court consists of eighteen feet and three inches of judges.—Rather a tall Court.

We are sorry to learn that our old friend, Jacob Miller, esq., of Oneida township, is seriously ill with dropsy.

Fires seem to be the order of the day in Lewistown, no less than five or six having occured in that many days.

The Tyrone *Herald* says that R. M. Speer, esq., "is fast gaining a reputation as the Great American jury 'squasher'."

The Messrs. Orbison are making preparations for starting their hennery, and will have it in full blast in a short time.

L. Frank Watson, esq., of Orbisonia, dropped in to see us the other evening, looking well and hearty, and as jovial as of yore.

The P. R. R. Co., paid out $118,967.76 to its employes in Altoona, on Tuesday of last week, as wages for the month of March.

Mr. J. J. Dole, son of Rev. Dole, of this place, has been appointed passenger and second-class freight agent at Woodland, Clearfield county.

Mr. J. R. Ewing, of Franklinville, this county, has been chosen teacher of the second grammar school recently taught by Mr. O. S. Stewart.

"Fire bugs" are plying their hellish vocation in Lewistown. If caught in the act they should be thrown in the flames and cremated.

On Saturday night last some person stole about five bushels of seed potatoes from the barn floor of E. C. Summer's in Oneida township.

The prettiest girl in Huntingdon don't sit in the parlor, thumping the piano, while the "old woman" is in the kitchen playing on the washboard.

Mrs. Henderson, mother of Sheriff Henderson died at her residence, in Morris township, on the 10th inst., at the ripe old age of 79 years.

The Bellefonte people want Mr. Gobert to take a look at their idle glass works, thinking that these works will save the building of new ones.

Our farmers are busy with their spring plowing and seeding, and so far the weather has been most favorable, in fact all that could be desired.

Port & Friedly have the handiest and neatest slaughter-house in the county, and everything connected with it is kept as clean and bright as a new dollar.

Some drunken blackguard or contemptible thief pulled off and carried away several pailings from the front fences along Mifflin street on Tuesday night.

Rev. James Quinter, of the *Primitive Christian*, filled the pulpit of the First Baptist Church, on Sunday morning last, and preached an excellent discourse.

Our "boys" are loud in their praise of the attention shown them by Col. J. H. Clover, of the Union House, during their recent flying visit to Lewistown.

The venerable mother of Judge Miller died at her home, in Barree township, on Thursday of last week, after a lingering illness, in the 84th year of her age.

Every day or two, by arrangement, a war-like report reaches us from Europe to advance the price of flour. There is a handsome corner somewhere in flour and coal.

Dr. McEwen, of Altoona, now languishes in the Blair county prison for being too much married, having a brace of wives, one at Altoona and one at Johnstown.

Always deal with those who invite you to their places of business through the columns of their home journal; don't be so impolite as to go where you are not invited.

A. W. Preston, esq., on the corner of Eleventh and Washington streets, has made several very marked improvements in his yard and fence that set his property off to great advantage.

Muskrat is a favorite dish with a professional trapper and piscator of this place, and he is loud in his praise of its excellent flavor. We believe we wouldn't like any muskrat in ours.

Hon. Hugh Young has been appointed and commissioned United States Bank Examiner for the Western District of Pennsylvania. His district extends from Harrisburg to Pittsburgh.

The dwelling house of a widow lady living near Shade Gap, with a goodly portion of the household goods, were destroyed by fire a week or so ago. The fire originated from an imperfect flue.

The new stay law materially effects the disposal of property at Sheriff's sale, as was fully demonstrated at the sale on Friday last, a majority of the properties offered failing to receive a bid.

As the season for freckles are approaching, the following recipe is recommended: Citric acid, 1 dram; glycerine, 4 ounces; rose water, 4 ounces. Mix, and wash the face every night before retiring.

Dr. R. A. Miller is having a large bay-window built in the second story of his residence. The window will front on Second street, and will add materially to the appearance of the Doctor's residence.

George Shugarts, of Jackson township, carelessly put the spout of a tea-kettle into his mouth and inhaled such a quantity of steam as to endanger his life, but we are informed that he will recover.

The prompt response of our Huntingdon and Harrisburg neighbors to a call for help is worthy of all praise, and we are sure has won the everlasting gratitude of all our citizens.—*Lewistown Democrat.*

We understand that large numbers of employees are to be discharged off the Middle Division of the P. R. R., at the close of the present month, for want of work for them to do. More's the pity.

An exchange wants to know what is pleasanter than getting up and taking a walk of four or five miles before breakfast. Nothing that we can think of—except perhaps lying in bed and thinking about it.

Gantz's Fourth Ward band gave our citizens some excellent music one night last week.—The members of this organization are close students, and without the aid of a professional teacher are making rapid progress.

Army and Navy officers make their headquarters at the Colonnade Hotel, Philadelphia. So do leading business men from all sections, while for families and large parties of travelers it also offers unequalled attractions.

All the available space in the neighborhood of both the upper and lower dams has been occupied by fishermen, both day and night, for the past two weeks, and large quantities of suckers and maulheads have been caught.

A two-dollar lock-box, or no box at all, is the way it is done in the Huntingdon post office, which is a good thing for keeping up the salary of the postmaster, but exceedingly bad for the purses of the people these hard times.

The Grand Central Hotel, New York, has exceeded all its former prosperity by its well-timed and judicious concession to the popular demand for reduced rates. It made the first reduction from $4.00 to $2.50 and $3.00 per day.

Mr. John Hildebrand, Huntingdon's oldest citizen, died at his residence, on Church street, on Wednesday afternoon last. We have been unable to ascertain his precise age, but understand that it was ninety odd years. Peace to his ashes.

The Young Mens' Temperance Union has leased the third-story room in Port's building, corner of Fifth and Washington streets, which will be fitted up for a reading room where the members can meet and spend their time pleasantly and profitably.

We will accommodate parties with the Philadelphia *Ledger*, *Times* and *Inquirer* at 52 cents per month; the *Press* at 80 cents; the New York *Herald* at $1.15; the *Times*, *Tribune* and *World* at $1.20 each. You can commence or discontinue at any time. tf.

An electric belt for ladies, which is said to have a tranquilizing effect upon the nerves, is the last invention. For steady comfort, however, it is not likely to supersede the old and popular belt, which is composed of a coat sleeve with a young man's arm inside of it.

The woods on the north side of the upper dam have been on fire for several days past, and in some places the fire has reached almost to the railroad track. Considerable quantities of timber have been destroyed. It is supposed the fire was started by a spark from a locomotive.

As a great deal of excitement was created in this place over the cutting affray in Altoona, on Saturday last, and as there are so many different versions given of it, we publish, in another column, a detailed and correct account of the affair as we find it in Altoona's liveliest paper, the *Globe*.

John Thomas, one of Huntingdon's oldest colored citizens, died at his residence, on Church street, on Monday morning last, after a long and painful illness. He was a sober, industrious man, and during the many years that he lived here was a consistent member of the A. M. E. Church.

The grocery store of David Decker, corner of Eleventh and Mifflin streets, West Huntingdon, was burglarized on Tuesday night last, and a small quantity of groceries and a lot of pennies carried away. An entrance was effected through a door in the rear of the building. No particulars.

A notice stuck up in the Court room reads: "No Boys Allowed in this Room." This is right, and we hope those in authority will see that it is rigidly enforced. The court room is no suitable place for boys to visit, and if their parents neglect to keep them away the court officers should attend to them.

We hear it stated that the freight engines will, in a short time, take water at the coal wharf, where the necessary preparations for them to do so will be speedily arranged. The old water-house, on Allegheny street, will be abandoned altogether, and the engine and other fixtures removed to the coal wharf.

The woods, in all directions, are on fire, the work, no doubt, for the most part, of tramps, who are in the habit of kindling fires wherever they stop for the night. One night last week a party of three or four of them built a fire at the base of the hill opposite this place, but, fortunately, the woods did not ignite from it.

Judge Ketchum, of the United States District Court, Pittsburgh, decides that National Banks can charge but six per cent. interest, and that parties paying a higher rate of interest may recover back in an action twice the sum paid, provided the action is commenced within two years from the time of the usurious transaction.

The tramp is still on the move. A few Sundays ago the railroad men say that 110 called at the engine house in West Huntingdon. A small army. We will soon hear of these fellows capturing towns, railroads and the Lord only knows what. Whither are we drifting? Can't something be done to stop the degeneracy of our race?

In last week's JOURNAL we stated that our friend, Russ, who was injured by a press, in the *Tribune* office, some three or four weeks ago, was again at his post. We are sorry to say that such is not the case, and that he is still unable to resume work, and in all probability will be for three or four weeks to come. We are glad to learn, however, that his hand is improving as rapidly as could well be expected.

On the way to our office, on Monday morning last, we witnessed a fierce struggle between two female robins—rivals for a male. The struggle must have lasted ten or fifteen minutes, both combatants would fight until entirely exhausted, and when the male would approach the contest would be renewed by one to drive the other away. At last one became more exhausted than the other and the vigorous one flew away with the cock. It was a strange and unnatural contest.

There is no more irksome and slavish business, in the wide world, than that of catering to the taste of the many through the columns of a newspaper. This is the universal testimony of those who have pursued it, and yet, strange to say, we know at least one individual who would give all of this world and part of the next for the empty bauble weighed down with the cares and vexations which beset it. He is emphatically THE MAN WHO WANTS TO BE AN EDITOR. Inquire at the post office.

Major Nightwine, a professional piscator of this place, while attempting to cross the lower dam in a small boat, on Saturday last, was carried over the breast of the dam. As soon as his craft struck the water it careened and threw him out, but being an expert swimmer he succeeded in escaping from the swirls immediately under the breast of the dam, and swimming some distance below, where the water was deep and not so swift, he made a safe landing. Almost any other man in town would have been drowned, but the Major has spent so much of his time along the "blue Juniata" that he has become almost amphibious.

The Altoona *Mirror* says: At a recent temperance meeting in the Second M. E. Church a little girl of tender years came forward and signed the pledge. After being congratulated by several persons, a gentleman asked her if she was aware of the importance of the step she had taken. She replied she was. In a few days afterward she was taken suddenly ill and after lingering awhile died. Through her act in signing, an uncle, with whom many persons had pleaded and talked, followed her example and signed the pledge. The influence that even a little child can exert, as shown in this true story, carries with it its own moral.

The Normal and Primary Spellers, by Prof. A. N. Raub, of Lock Haven, are growing in favor with our educators. There are but few more earnest and zealous educators in the State than Prof. Raub. He is eminently practical and methodical and these precious virtues he carries into his works. After an examination of his spellers, although not as thorough as we would have wished, had time permitted, we are satisfied that they would be a great improvement upon the spellers now in use in our schools. A good primary book of this kind is an absolute necessity. When beginning at the beginning the pupil should have the best methods placed in his hands.

An exchange contains the following pithy remarks on the custom, observed in this country, and more especially in this community, of publishing lengthy obituaries at the end of a death notice, he says: "It is an imposition to ask, and sheer nonsense to expect, the publisher of a newspaper to cheerfully publish, *free of charge*, a lengthy 'obituary notice.' Every publisher was not born with a silver spoon in his mouth, his bread is not buttered on both sides, and the land does not flow with milk and honey particularly for him; therefore it is unjust to request him to contribute his substance indiscriminately to all who ask. If the friends of a deceased person, under the influence of love and sorrow for the departed, wish to publish an 'obituary,' a monetary consideration ought not to deter them from doing so; but to ask some one else to pay for a testimonial of regard is not an indication, much less an exhibition, of good taste, love and charity."

PRESBYTERY OF HUNTINGDON.—The Presbytery of Huntingdon met in the Presbyterian church at Tyrone, Tuesday, April 10th, 1877, at 11 o'clock a. m., and was opened with a sermon by the retiring Moderator, Rev. H. S. Butler.

Rev. R. M. Campbell, of Belleville, was elected Moderator for the ensuing year. Rev. N. H. Miller, of Osceola, was re-elected Recording Clerk, and Rev. D. H. Campbell, of Fruit Hill, elected Reading Clerk.

The roll was called, showing 44 Ministers and 39 Elders to be present. Report of Committee on devotional exercise was read, when a recess was taken till 2 p. m.

Presbytery met according to adjournment. Rev. J. Kistler, of the Tyrone Lutheran church, was invited to sit as a corresponding member. Committee to organize a church at Petersburg reported, which was adopsed and name of church placed on roll of Presbytery. Minutes of called meeting at Bellefonte were approved.

Committees to install Rev. Wm. Laurie at Bellefonte, and Rev. T. Thompson at Philipsburg, reported duty performed.

Beleville Mifflin county was fixed upon as the place for holding the next stated meeting of Presbytery, and the first Tuesday of October as the time.—Adjourned to 7 p. m.

Presbytery assembled at 7 p. m., and after devotional exercises the Missionary Sermon was preached by Rev. M. N. Cornelius, of 1st Church Altoona, taking his text from 1 Timothy 1: 11.

Collection taken for Home and Foreign Missions amounting to $27.50. After a free conversation on the state of religion, adjourned to 8½ a. m., Wednesday.

Met according to adjournment, when Rev. D. H. Barron, Rev. J. C. Barr, Elders B. F. Custer and G. B. Hotchkiss were elected Commissioners to General Assembly which meets in Chicago, May 17th. Revs. J. C. Kelly and J. V. R. Hughes, and Elders Tussey and L. Baird were elected alternates.

Names of A. Ross Rreed and S. W. Pollock, under care of the Presbytery, were stricken from roll. A. L. Kinkead, of Hollidaysburg, on list of candidates was, by resolution, requested to show cause at next meeting of Presbytery why his name should not be dropped.

At the request of Rev. J. C. Wilhelm, the pastoral relations existing between him and the churches of Shaver's Creek and Bethel were dissolved. Rev. Wilhelm was appointed to preach a sermon in each of these churches and declare the pulpits vacant.

The pastoral relations existing between Rev. John McKean and the Little Valley church were dissolved.

A request from Morrisdale Mines, Clearfield county, for the organization of a church at that place was granted, the new church to be under the charge of Rev. Thos. Thompson, of Philipsburg.—Revs. D. W. Moore and N. H. Miller and Elder Dorris appointed committee to organize the church.

R. E. Flickinger, a candidate for the ministry, preached a trial sermon on Wednesday evening, from Luke 14: 17. He was examined thoroughly on Theology by Dr. Gibson, and on Church History, etc., by others, creditably passing which he was licensed to preach.

Port Matilda, on the Bald Eagle Branch railroad, was fixed as the place for holding the adjourned meeting of Presbytery in June.

At evening session Rev. W. Laurie was appointed to preach the Missionary Sermon at next stated meeting.

Report of committee on statement of religion within bounds of Presbytery, showed the total additions to the church during the last year to be 550 members. A number of churches are found to be in arrears to their pastors, which in most cases is due to the crippled financial condition of the churches. Report also showed the following amounts paid to the several Boards of the Church during the same period:

Foreign Missions	$5,175
Home Missions	3,500
Education	1,181
Publication	646
Ministerial Relief	971
Freedmen	658
Sustentation	456
Church Erection	934

The report of the committee on supplies, reported as follows, for Tyrone church, in order to relieve Rev. S. M. Moore, commencing with 4th Sabbath in April to 5th Sabbath in July, in the following order: A. N. Hollifield, M. N. Cornelius, R. M. Campbell, H. S. Butler, J. J. Coal, W. J. Chichester, Wm. Laurie, A. H. Parker, O. O. McClean, D. D., D. H. Campbell, J. H. Mathers, S. T. Wilson, D. D., D. H. Barron, J. C. Kelley, J. C. Barr.

Rev Vansykle of Presbytery of Northumberland was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

The Treasurer was instructed to make additional assessment on the churches to pay assessment of General Assembly. After report of Home Missions committee, adjourned until 8½ a. m., Thursday.

Presbytery met and spent an half hour in devotional exercises.

The church at Milesburg was granted $200, and church at Mapleton $100, for one year, to help sustain their Pastors. Mrs N. Morrow was recommended to the Board of Relief for $100.

Rev. Wm. Prideau was appointed Missionary at Large within the bounds of the Presbytery.

Presbytery met at 1½ p. m. Rev. O. O. McLean, D. D., Rev. Robert Hammill, D. D. and Elder A. S Landis, were appointed Commissioners to defend Presbytery before Synod in judical case.

Rev. R. M. Campbell, Rev A. H. Parker and Elder J. W. Wilson were appointed committee on devotional services.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Gibson, action of Presbytery providing for a session at Port Matilda in June was reconsidered, and on motion of Rev. Dr. Wilson the next meeting of Presbytery will be held at Belleville, on first Tuesday of October.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Hamill, thanks of Presbytery were returned to Pastor, session and congregation of Tyrone for their hospitable entertainment.

On motion of Dr Gibson, janitor was paid usual fee.

Rev. S. M. Moore returned thanks of session and congregation to Presbytery for meeting at this place, and gave a cordial invitation for its return here soon again.

After singing hymn 709, and a fervent prayer by the Moderator, Rev. R. M. Campbell, Presbytery adjourned.—*Tyrone Democrat.*

THE LOCK-BOX BUSINESS.—The last *Monitor* contains a correspondence between the Post Master, at this place, and the Post office Department, in regard to the reduction of box rent, which does not meet the point in the case. We believe the usual charge for lock boxes all over the country is *two dollars*. As a consequence very few lock boxes are offered to the public. They are too high priced for a large number of people who get very little postal matter, but take a box for mere convenience. But in Huntingdon every man who wants a postal box must either take a lock box, at a price of *two dollars per year*, and deposit *fifty cents* for a key, making an expense of *one dollar and fifty cents* more than formerly, or than is asked any where else, or do without. Now, then, who is responsible for this imposition? We answer emphatically—the POST MASTER. For the purpose of increasing the revenues of the office and thereby increasing his salary he determined to have the office supplied with none but lock boxes. This is the secret of the all lock boxes in a nut-shell.

When the new office was opened many of our most wealthy and respectable citizens refused to be imposed upon and called at the general delivery for their matter. As the times have grown severe the imposition has became more and more burdensome, and people feel that they do not wish to be taxed so heavily to keep up the Post Master's salary at fancy figures.

DIED OF SUFFOCATION.—Early on Sunday morning last a man was found lying upon a bed of hot ashes and cinders, just over the embankment of the railroad, at Manayunk station, in Mifflin county, in an insensible condition. He was placed on board the Pacific Express and brought to this place at 7½ o'clock Sunday morning and taken to the old depot, where Dr. Weistling, the company's physician, visited him, and found him to be suffering from an inhalation of sulphurous gas, and so far gone that his recovery was impossible. In addition to his prostration from the effects of the poisonous gas his legs and back were frightfully burned. At the place where he was found is where the ash-pans of the engines are cleaned of ashes and cinder, and a large pile of these has accumulated, and as the cinders are hot it is supposed that he sat down to warm himself and becoming unconscious fell over upon the pile, where he remained until found on Sunday morning. He died on Sunday night at 11:30 o'clock, and his remains were intered in the Catholic cemetery on Monday afternoon. Upon his person was found a discharge from the Bavarian service, bearing date March, 1862, and from which it was ascertained that his name was John Baptist Fink. The deceased was supposed to be between 40 and 45 years of age.

NEW QUARTERS.—Having removed my Barber Shop to Fourth street, a few doors below the Union Bank, I am prepared to do all work in my line in good style. The shop has been fitted up in a style inferior to no other in town, and I ask a share of public patronage.

JAMES GANT.

THE ALTOONA TRAGEDY.—*A Man Crazed with Liquor Attempted Suicide and Subsequently Stabs Two of our Citizens—He is Shot, Knocked Down and Taken to the Station House—A Detailed and Correct Account of the Affair.*—We copy the following detailed report of the Altoona tragedy from the *Daily Globe* of Saturday last:

On Friday a man named William Harkins arrived in this city on the Mail train from the East. He sauntered about town until about 10 o'clock, when he called at the Brant House and registered. Mr. Will. Schenk, who waited on him, assigned him to room 36 on the third floor, back. Harkins paid in advance for the room and requested to be shown to it immediately. His wish was complied with. Nothing further was seen of him at the hotel, and nothing was known of his singular departure therefrom until yesterday afternoon when the chambermaid essayed to enter the room to fix it up. She found the door locked. It was subsequently forced open, and the key was found in the lock, the bed untouched, the gas still burning and the window raised. Marks on the window frame proved that Harkins had leaped from the window to the roof of a shed some feet below. Mr. Schenk informed our reporter that Harkins appeared perfectly rational while conversing with him, said he understood all about the gas and was in in every sense, to all appearances, perfectly sane. Yesterday morning Harkins attended Mass at St. John's Catholic Church, and while in the church and after Mass was over, he attempted to take his life by cutting his throat with a razor, but was prevented from so doing by Father Caldwell, who succeeded in inducing him to surrender the razor. Harkins also gave Father Caldwell a prayer book and an envelope containing a photograph which Harkins said was that of his sister, Mary Harkins, who resides at Irvin's Station, Pa. He requested Father Caldwell to send the book and picture to her, adding that he would be a dead man before evening. The priest administered some good advice, after which Harkins departed. During the earlier part of the forenoon Harkins wandered about the city conversing with nearly everybody he met, telling them that fifteen men in Houtzdale had contrived to take his life, and were following him with the intention of shooting and stabbing him. About 11 o'clock he called at the barber shop of William Simpson, on Twelfth avenue, and was shaved. He told Simpson the story of his wrongs and Simpson advised him to make complaint to the Mayor. Harkins said he had but the Mayor would do nothing for him. This latter assertion, we are informed, is positively false. After leaving the barber shop, Harkins proceeded up Twelfth avenue to Fourteenth street and down the street to Eleventh avenue; turning the corner, he proceeded down the avenue to Olmes & Sink's meat market, opposite which he met a man named John Courtney. Without any provocation he seized Courtney by the collar with one hand while with the other he inflicted severe but not dangerous wounds in Courtney's left side and leg with an ordinary pocket knife. Courtney was taken so much by surprise that he did not realize his danger until after the assault. Courtney was taken into the meat market and Harkins was about to follow him when Mr. Sink appeared on the scene with a clever and prevented him from continuing his assault upon Courtney. The affair was so unexpected and Courtney's wounds seemed so insignificant that Harkins was permitted to continue on his way. He walked down the avenue in a cool and deliberate manner, holding the knife open in his hand. His adventures in the lower end of town were of a still more startling and tragical nature, and were detailed as follows by Mr. George Metz, who was an eye-witness of the affair. We might add at this juncture that Mr. Courtney followed Harkins in the hope of overtaking and punishing him for his desperate assault. The following is Mr. Metz's narrative: A short time before 12 o'clock we were in Horrell's store and a boy reported a man going past all bloody. We went out and I walked down street. I met Courtney. His clothing was saturated with blood. He was standing on the steps of McCullough's shoe store. I asked him what had happened and he told me some unknown man had cut him. Pointing to a man standing in front of Metzger's hardware store (who proved to be none other than the man Harkins), he remarked, "There is the man, now who cut me." I advised Courtney to get his wounds dressed. In the meantime Mr. Cornman, Mr. Horrell, Mr. John Gray, Mr. J. G. Knepp, and others joined us. The strange man approached the party and made a thrust at Mr. Knepp, who fell over a box, when the man repeated his attempt to stab him, this time successfully. Mr. Knepp started to run, the assassin following him to Eleventh street. Mr. Knepp crossed over and ran up the opposite side of the avenue.

At Eleventh street something attracted the madman's attention and he started in pursuit of some men who were standing on the corner of Eleventh avenue and Eleventh street. He abandoned pursuit of them and returned to the Young America corner, when Charles Whittle, or Nagle, as he is better known, demanded his surrender. He rushed at Whittle with the knife open. When about the middle of the avenue Whittle fired at him with a revolver and started to run, the man following until about two rods farther up the avenue, when Whittle turned and fired a second shot. At this point the man turned on me, when I threw a stone striking him on the head, but the blow did not seem to affect him much. He then again started after Whittle, who was standing a little farther up the avenue. Whittle then fired a third short, and turning, ran up the avenue in the direction of Twelfth street, the man continuing his desperate pursuit. When opposite Blumenthal's shoe store, Whittle turned partly around and fired a fourth shot at his pursuer. When opposite Runyan's meat market pursued and pursuer both left the avenue and stepped upon the sidewalk. Mr. James O'Neal, who had witnessed the affair and who had, during the pursuit up the avenue, procured a club in the meat market, was standing on the sidewalk and as the frenzied man approached dealt him two blows on the head, the second of which felled him to the ground, when the fatal knife fell from his hand. A number of the by-standers, Messrs. Metz, Kyder, Whittle, Hamlin and others picked him up and carried him to the station house. The two injured men, Messrs. Knepp and Courtney, were taken into the drug store of Mr. Charles Randolph. Dr. Ross was summoned and promptly responded. Mr. Knepp being the most severely injured, as was discovered upon examination, the doctor at once proceeded to dress his wound. He found that Mr. Knepp had received a terrible and probably fatal gash in the right side of his abdomen from which the intestines were protruding. The doctor also discovered that some of his intestines had been penetrated by the knife. Opiates were administered to the injured man and his wounds properly attended, after which he was conveyed to his home, where at this writing, 11 p. m., he lies in a condition which forbids any but the most remote hope of his recovery. Mr. Courtney proceeded to the office of Drs. Christy and Walker, where his wounds, five in number, four on the breast and one on the left thigh, were properly dressed by the latter, who informed our reporter that the wounds, although painful, are not of a serious nature, and, unless inflamation sets in, his patient will recover. The wound in the thigh is about two inches long and about one and a half inches deep. After Harkins had been safely lodged in the lockup, physicians were sent for to attend to his injuries, which were of a very serious nature, consisting of two or three gashes in the head, one pistol shot through the right breast, another through the right side of the neck, and a badly bruised right arm. At his request Father Caldwell was called and ministered to his spiritual necessities. Dr. Walter Bell was subsequently called and extracted the ball from his breast, but was unable to find the ball which had entered his neck. In an interview with the unfortunate man our reporter was informed by him that he had been drinking hard for several days, brought on by discovering that his wife had proved faithless to the marriage vows. On account of the standing of the parties and the startling character of the affair, the greatest excitement prevailed throughout the entire city. The station house was besieged all afternoon and evening by large crowds of curious people, eager to see the maniac and learn the details of the terrible deeds. Harkins is about five feet six inches in height, with dark brown chin whiskers and mustache. His appearance is rather attractive than otherwise and he does not look like a desperado. His countenance is open and the expression of his eyes, at the time we saw him last, mild. When our reporter first saw him in the lock-up he was sitting on the floor, with his elbows on his knee and his cheek resting on his hand, the blood oozing from the bullet holes in his side and neck, running down over his face from the gashes in his head. In the evening his face and hands were washed and the blood removed from his person, and he passed the night reclining on a bench in one of the aisles of the station house, with an overcoat for a pillow. He seemed not to realize what he had done, and when told of the deeds of blood he had committed, he made no reply, other than to continue repeating the prayers which he commenced reciting soon after the priest left him. The opinion af his attending physician, Dr. Bell, is that under ordinary circumstances Harkins, may recover. In the evening a message was sent to his sister at Irwin's by his request, but the operator replied that no such person could be found there. Harkins says he has been living at Houtzdale for about five weeks and was in the employ of the Penn Colliery. The affair was certainly of a both sad and startling character, and is a striking lesson of the uncertain tenure of life, of the results of domestic unhappiness and the consequence of a too free indulgence in the use of intoxicating drink.

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12:30 A. M.—Mrs. Robert Havern, sister of Harkins, and her husband, arrived on Fast Line from Irwin's station. At midnight Mr. Knepp was resting much easier. Mr. John Gray passed the night with him. Harkins, at a quarter past twelve was sleeping. The sister and husband passed the night at the St. Charles.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT.—The Great Antagonist of disease.—*Influenza Cattarrh &c.*—Nothing is more talked of in all classes of society than the marvelous cures daily effected by the two great internal and external remedies, Holloway's Pills and Ointment. All who are afflicted with hoarseness, difficult respiration, cold in the head, harsh settled coughs, bronchitis, asthma, wheezing in the chest, &c., will find immediate and permanent relief by rubbing the Ointment well into the throat, neck and chest, as it loosens the phlegm and mucous collected in those parts, while the effect of the Pills is to expel those humors from the system. No household should be without a supply of these excellent family medicines at this season of the year. 194

The finest assortment of picture ornaments or adorning ladies fancy work and any thing that a highly-colored head, picture, or motto will adorn, for sale at the JOURNAL Store. tf.

TAVERN LICENSES.—The granting of tavern and restaurant licenses occupied the time of the Court on Monday afternoon. Remonstrances and affidavits were presented against every applicant in this place except Mr. Huff, of the Washington House, and he only escaped from the fact that being a stranger in the town, the professional affidavit-makers had not had a chance at him. Licenses were granted to the following persons:

Henry Leister, Leister House, Huntingdon.
J. W. Huff, Washington House "
George Thomas, Railroad Hotel "
John S. Miller, Exchange Hotel "
Long & Zeigler, Jackson House "
J. C. Swoop, St. James Hotel "
H. Z. Metcalf, Union Hotel, Mill Creek.
R. F. Hazlett, Keystone Hotel, Spruce Creek.
Henry Wilt, Franklin House, Orbisonia.
G. W. Briggs, Eagle Hotel, "
G. B. Kelly, Coalmont House, Coalmont.
William Brown, Brown House, Dudley.
E. F. Gould, Exchange Hotel, "
James Chamberlain, Exchange Hotel, Warriorsmark.
Sylvester Woollet, American House, Mt. Union.

The following were refused:

Henry Chamberlain, Petersburg; Wm. McGowan, Shade Gap; W. L. Welch, Shade Gap; Martin Grube, Juniata township; W. L. Bricker, Huntingdon; A. A. Jacobs, Huntingdon; Henry Meckbangh, Huntingdon; Fred. Mobus, Huntingdon.

LIPPINCOTT'S MAGAZINE.—Lippincott's Magazine for May is an unusually varied number. Of the illustrated articles, "Down the Rhine," the first of a series by Lady Blanche Murphy, is noticeable both for the exquisite engravings and its agreeable sketches of famous old towns, romantic scenery, and the quaint costumes and primitive habits of the Alsatian peasantry. "Parisian Club Life" is described at length by C. H. Harding, while Chauncey Hickox discusses briefly some of Schliemann's discoveries, and gives the welcome intelligence that the great explorer is about to revisit America. Walter Mitchell writes musingly and critically of "Burials and Burial-Places," and J. Brander Matthews gives a quantity of theatrical gossip and anecdotes relative to the subject of "Damned Plays." Of stories, in addition to a long installment of "The Marquis of Lossie," which has now reached a crisis, we have "The Abbess of Ischia," by Robert A. McLeod, which has a tragical interest; a humorous love story, called "A Superfluity of Naughtiness," by Edward Bellamy; and "A Queen of Burlesque," which is both odd and pathetic, and is evidently drawn from real life. There are poems by Emma Lazarus, Mary B. Dodge, and other writers, and the Monthly Gossip contains a number of short papers on "Bulgarian Rose Harvests," "Selling a House," and other miscellaneous topics. The contents are of a thoroughly popular and attractive character.

A SUGGESTION.—The price of potatoes has reached a pretty high figure, and many farmers are wishing that they had planted a greater acreage last season, as a handsome profit could now be realized. Two years ago the crop turned out so well that the esculents went begging at even twenty-five cents a bushel for a time, and producers thought that they were loosing money. Last year many of them put in less than half a crop, and they now see that it would have been far better if the usual acreage had been planted. It is to be hoped that the crop this season may be as large or even larger than it was two years ago, for next to bread there is nothing that enters into family consumption that is so necessary for those whose means are not very extensive. The potato bug still lingers around, but his bump of destructiveness, phrenologically speaking, seems to have been contracted to a considerable degree, and maybe he will not bother the tender shoots as they spring up, or the blossoming vines upon which he has heretofore gorged himself. It would be best to plant a full crop, or for that matter more than an average, so that even if the price should fall to one-forth or one-fifth the present cost per bushel there would be the satisfaction of knowing that the poor were benefitted.—*Johnstown Tribune.*

DISTRICT CONVENTION OF Y. M. C. A.—At a special meeting of the Y. M. C. A. on Tuesday evening, arrangements for the coming District Convention were made as follows:

The 1st meeting of the Convention, will be held in the hall of the Y. M. C. A. on Friday afternoon, 20th inst., at 2 o'clock.

The 2nd meeting in M. E. Church, Friday evening at 7:30.

On Saturday forenoon the Convention will meet in the Baptist Church, and on Saturday afternoon in the Lutheran Church.

The meeting on Saturday evening will be held in the Presbyterian Church.

On Sunday morning two meetings will be held, one in the Presbyterian Church, and one in West Huntingdon M. E. Church. The Sunday evening service will be held in the M. E. Church, Fifth and Church streets.

Able and successful workers from abroad will be with us, and we expect the occasion to be productive of great good among us, as similar occasions have been elsewhere.

The public are cordially invited to attend all these meetings.

J. IRVIN WHITE,
Sec'y.

THE STAY LAW.—Hon. William M. Hall Judge of the Sixteenth judical district, delivered an opinion, establishing rules regulating practice under the Stay Law, of which the following is an abstract:

First—The law does not apply to claims for labor, nor where the contract waives stay of execution.

Second—Appraisers must make impartial valuation of the property, according to its present and true value. The defendant should have a reasonable notice in writing of appraisement, where a writ is issued for the sale of real estate, if the property cannot be sold for two-thirds of the appraised value, the Sheriff is to proceed, unless defendant pays interest on debts and all prior liens. Where no inquisition of rental is necessary the appraisement of value should be held and sale made on the basis of subsequent approval by the court. The law is not intended to delay a term for approval before sale if exception be not filed within the first four days of the term to which valuation is returned to be marked approved.

ACCIDENT.—Quite an unusual occurrence, not in keeping with the solemn occasion, happened at the funeral of the mother of Sheriff Henderson, on Thursday of last week. As the funeral cortege was passing along the dam, at Coalrain Forges, in Franklin township, the procession was obliged to slack up. The result was that the horses of Mr. John Wallace shied at the top of a buggy occupied by Mr. John B. Thompson, and turned off at right angles and started down over the precipice toward the dam. Mrs. Bridenbaugh, who occupied a seat in the wagon, jumped out and fell with her face on the hard macadamized pike, severely cutting and otherwise lacerating it. The team continued directly down the hill, striking a log which broke the singletrees, and the horses disengaged themselves from the wagon and struck immediately across the dam, swimming and wading until they were caught on the opposite side. The concussion with the log threw Mr. Wallace and a little girl out, but no injury resulted from the fall. Mrs. Dixon remained in the wagon and was entirely unhurt. The matter created much excitement but no serious injury was sustained.

A MAN FOUND DEAD.—Thomas Skipper an old and respectable citizen of Clay township, this county, left his home about five o'clock in the evening of April 10th to bring his cows from a field near his residence. As he did not return the family made some search for him that evening, but gave no alarm to the neighbors until next morning, thinking he had gone to some neighbor's house. In the morning he was soon found, by his little son, not more than two hundred yards from his own door. It is supposed in trying to step over a gutter washed out in the field he fell into it, and although it was not more than one foot deep, he was unable to extricate himself from this position. One of his neighbors heard him call his boy several times, but did not take any account of it, as he did not suppose their was anything wrong. It is supposed that his death was caused from injuries sustained from the fall and exposure to the cold, as he had no coat on and the night was cold. A coroner's inquest was held on the body, and verdict returned in accordance with the above facts. He leaves a large and helpless family to mourn his sudden death.

THERE IS THE IRREPRESSIBLE CORBIN AGAIN!—This time away up on Penn street between 4th and 5th, in the cleanest, neatest, and coslest room, for his business, in the town, and everything looks so nice and palatable that you have an involuntarily disposition to eat up all the good things within reach. And then there is so much of it, everything usually found in a first class Confectionery and Fruitery. Corbin is always ahead and then he don't blow about it either. If you want to see something that will make your mouth water and cure dyspepsia go and see him.

If you want to save 20 per cent. on your GROCERY bills, buy at TAYLOR'S.

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Debility, whether it be inherent, or caused by overtaxed strength, or protracted illness, has a most depressing influence upon the mind, breeding an abject melancholy nearly akin to despair, and enforcing the abandonment of cherished projects and high hopes. Happily, the enfeebled system, even in extreme cases, is susceptible of invigoration. It is proved by incontrovertible evidence that Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is an