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LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

LOCAL BRIEFS.—The German Lutheran Sunday-school will hold an exhibition and concert in Odd Fellows' Hall, on Monday evening.

The Columbia *Spy* is to be enlarged very shortly; we are pleased to notice this evidence of its success. It is a good local paper and should be sustained.—*Examiner and Herald.*

It is said that streets of Paris are swept by women. So are the streets of Columbia, and it costs an immense amount, too.

For Hand Mirrors, Indispensable, Combs, Brushes, Cigar Cases and Pocket Books, go to J. A. Meyers' Drug Store.

"Bad boys" has been our newspaper *them for some* time. We will turn them over to the care of parents, who should watch them. We hope that at the coming entertainment by the Sabbath-school, the elocutionary and musical entertainment next week, and in short at all public meetings, announcement be made previously that boys under eighteen will not be admitted, unless accompanied by their parents.

A Committee has been appointed by the Masonic Lodge to report *propositions for* a new Masonic Hall. The fraternity will no longer wait on Town Council.

The committee consists of Messrs. C. S. Kauffman, Dr. J. A. E. Reed, Herbert Thomas, John B. Bachman and Hiram Wilson.

A committee on subscription was also appointed as follows: A. J. Kauffman, A. R. Breneman, J. Z. Hoffer.

Snow is promised to-day by the almanacs.

Cough candy is in demand.

Wild ducks fly high—in price.

The delightful weather is a popular theme among our people. Those of an observing turn of mind say that it is entirely attributable to the fact that the day on which the sun crossed the equator was pleasant.

We have had big potatoes, big beets, big oats, big corn, &c., and whoever has the biggest turkies or chickens, we should be glad to hear of them in the course of nine or ten days.

A yankee has invented a rat exterminator consisting of a sort of snuff. The animal jerks its head off at the third sneeze.

Be certain to buy your Spices, and other Baking Materials from J. A. Meyers' and remember that he has the choicest Baking Soda ever offered here.

Newspapers all of the same date, report Gen. Beauregard to be in France; sailing across the ocean; in New York; in New Orleans; in Washington and in debt. The latter no doubt is true.

Snuff-dipping is said to be going out of fashion among the ladies of Maryland.

Country papers are now filled with accounts of the slaughtering of big hogs, weighing from 500 to 650 pounds.—Philada. *Ledger.*

The friends of the Æolian Quintette Club are determined to give them a benefit as soon as arrangements are completed.

Buy your holiday presents of the men who advertise; they have the best assortment, the newest goods, and sell at the lowest prices.

Here is a touching confession from the editor of the Glens Fall (New York) *Republican*: "Our Thanksgiving turkey was a fine bird; it had scales on its back, and was taken from a barrel labeled 'No. 3 mackerel.'"

P. Saylor and Ed. Bruner were in luck at a shooting match in Mrrietta.

A company of gentlemen from Philadelphia contemplate making an investment in a manufacturing interest in Columbia, if terms can be agreed upon.

The figure "5" is getting a notoriety in Columbia. Front street has two or three genuine ones and a sweet "55."

C. P. Shreiner has an immense stock of the very finest holiday goods, selected with great care and taste.

Bro. Pearsol of the Express was in town on Wednesday.

For Lancaster Gossip, see our correspondents' column.

Cologne Bottles, Toilet Setts, Vases and Choice Perfumes in greatest variety, at Meyers' Drug Store, Odd Fellows' Hall.

FIRE.—A car caught fire on Thursday evening, near Grubb's Furnace, and was entirely consumed. The Fire Companies were on hand, and saved adjoining property.

AN OLD JUDGE.—Judge Peter Ahl, of York county, was sworn into office on the 1st. inst. He is in his 81st year, but hale and hearty, and bids fair to live out his full term and another should he be fortunate enough to be re-elected.

BENEVOLENT.—The juvenile fair held a few weeks ago at the residence of George DeHuff, Esq., under the management of Ida and Aggie DeHuff, realized the sum of $20.00 which amount has been sent to the Orphans' Home at Womelsdorf, Pa.

JOSH BILLINGS.—Our correspondent elsewhere touches up Josh Billings' lecture in Lancaster, and we have only to add, that he said things in a decidedly funny way. But his additional power of his peculiar style of orthography is lost in his lectures—you get onl. the sound.

RELIGIOUS.—The fourth quarterly meeting, for 1870 will be held in the U. B. Church, Sunday, Dec. 18th, Ex Bishop Markwood, P. E., will occupy the pulpit, morning and evening.

Rt. Rev. J. P. Campbell, will preach in the A. M. E. Church to-morrow morning at 10:30 A. M. A general invitation to all.

THE Lancaster *Intelligencer* pays the SPY the following flattering compliment:

TO BE ENLARGED.—*Brother Yocum is making arrangements to enlarge the Columbia Spy, in view of which he is stipulating for a larger press and a large stock of new jobbing material. The Spy, apart from its wooly-headedness and high tariff notions, is a good paper, and we are glad to record its material prosperity.*

LANCASTER STAR COURSE.—Du Chailler, the great African explorer, will deliver the third of the Lancaster Star Course in Fulton Hall, on Monday evening, subject, "Explorations in Equatorial Africa, Hunting Adventures, the Warrior Arts and Journey to the Cannibal Country." Secured seats without extra charge at Barr's book store.

A MUSICAL entertainment will be given by the young ladies of Linden Hall seminary, Litiz, on Thursday evening, Dec. 22. These entertainments are highly interesting, and are always witnessed by a large number of people. Those of our readers who wish a real musical treat, should avail themselves of the opportunity to attend.

The recitations of the seminary will be resumed on Tuesday, January 3rd, 1871.

CORINTHIAN H. R. A., Chapter No. 2-4 A. Y. M. held its annual election on Tuesday evening last when the following companions were elected to serve the ensuing years:

M. E. H. P.—William H. Eagle.
K.—W. H. Plahler.
S.—Chas. H. McCullough.
Treas.—E. K. Boice.
Secretary.—A. J. Kauffman.
Trustees.—Franklin Hinkle, S. B. Cleppner, W. W. Upp.

The officers were installed on Thursday evening by G. D. D. H. P., Charles M. Howell, of Lancaster, Pa.

County Items.

Conestoga Centre will have a concert on Christmas eve.

The Intelligencer of Tuesday says:

Yesterday we gave an account of the burning of the barn, stock and crops of Mr. Thomas A. Clark, of Drumore township, on Sunday night, and of the tracking of the incendiary and horse-thief as far as Penn Hill. It appears that about two hours after the barn was discovered to be on fire, it was ascertained that one of the horses had been stolen from the stables, and ridden off by the incendiary. John A. Clark, a son of Thomas A. Clark, accompanied by Wm. Markley and others, at once made pursuit, and tracked the thief as far as Rock Spring, Maryland, a distance of about eight miles. He then appears to have lost his way and got upon a road that would have brought him back again to the neighborhood of his crime. About 5 o'clock on Monday morning, his pursuers observed a horse tied in front of the residence of David Ross, on the dividing line between Lancaster county and Maryland. It proved to be Mr Clark's stolen horse. The thief was found inside the house, where he had stopped to get breakfast. He was at once arrested and searched, and a six shooting revolver, five of the chambers being loaded, found upon his person. He was taken back to the neighborhood of his crime, and so great was the indignation manifested against him, that his captors had hard work to save him from being lynched.

Last evening he was brought to Lancaster by Messrs. John A. Clark, Wm. Markley, David Ross, Thos. McGuigan and Lindley Clark, and taken before Alderman Wiley, where the parties were heard. The prisoner gave his name as James Henry, and said he lived in North Charles street, Baltimore, where he has a wife and family. He said also that he was a dealer in horses and cattle, though to the parties who arrested him he said he was single, and belonged to Pittsburgh. He was committed by the Alderman without bail, being placed in charge of Constable Baker, who conveyed him, hand-cuffed, to prison. When placed in his cell by Deputy Keeper Smith, he was observed to be vigorously chewing something, and on being asked what it was, said he was troubled with a violent tooth-ache, and had to keep cotton in his mouth. The keeper demanded a sight of it, and to his astonishment found that he had rolled up in his mouth *almost a yard of safety fuse*, with a portion of which he had, no doubt, fired Clar k's barn, and which he was evidently endeavoring to swallow to conceal his guilt. A box and a-half of matches were also found on his person. There seems to be no possible doubt of his guilt, and it is suspected that he has had also a hand in the recent cases of arson and horse stealing in York county.

—A sad accident occurred in Eden township on Saturday evening by which a young man named Aaron Hunter lost his life. He was engaged as a miner in the mines near Camargo, and had been employed by the regular engineer to take his *place*, as he intended to be absent during the evening. He is supposed to have lost his balance and been struck by some portion of the machinery while adjusting it. When found life was extinct. A large gash, penetrating the brain, was the only wound. Deceased was not more than twenty-two or twenty-three years of age, had been recently married, and enjoyed the friendship of the whole community. A coroner's inquest was held by J. M. Peoples, of New *Providence, the jury render*ing a verdict of accidental death, in accordance with the above facts.

—Margaret Myers, wife of Adam Myers, baker, of Manheim, died very suddenly on Saturday evening last. She had been on a visit to a neighbor's, and after returning home was seized with an attack of great difficulty of breathing, with which she had been afflicted at intervals for some time past, and in about fifteen minutes expired.

—On Sunday morning last Joseph Smith, a German of weak mind and intemperate habits (familiarly known in Manheim as "Dutch Joley"), was found dead in Kocher's brewery, in Manheim. An inquest was held, and a verdict returned that "death was caused by intemperance and exposure."—*Sentinel.*

—"Neck-tie parties" have dawned in the rural districts. A neck-tie party is one where each lady attending the party makes a neck-tie of the same material as the dress she wears. These are taken to where the party is to be held and placed in a bag. When the gentlemen arrive each one must go to the bag and take out a neck-tie, and it is his duty to wait upon the lady during the evening who wears the dress corresponding in material with the neck tie. The wall flowers find it a splendid way to strike an average.

LADIES' RESTAURANT.—A new Restaurant and Oyster Saloon for Ladies has been opened in the Franklin House Dining Room. It will be conducted in the most fashionable style, and parties or individuals can obtain meals, hot tea or coffee, rolls, biscuits, &c., at all hours.

NOTICE has been given that the viewers appointed by the Court to lay out a road at the south-east corner of Smith & Garbers ore land near H. H. Heise's gate in West Hempfield Twp., and ending on the public road leading from the Columbia & Chestnut Hill Turnpike, will meet at the Hotel of James Montgomery, (Silver Springs,) on Friday, 23inst., at 2 p. m.

PERSONAL.—Dr A. J. Gulick has returned from his trip to his southern home, and is again at his office, on Locust street, ready for professional calls. The Doctor looks well, and speaks of the fine hunting grounds in Virginia in such an anticing way that that we wish we had been there.

E. D. North, Esq., has removed to Lancaster where he has opened an office with Thomas E. Franklin, Esq.

AT a meeting of the Stockholders of the Amber Petroleum Co., held on Thursday, the 15th, inst., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President.—Robert Crane.
Treasurer.—S. S. Detwiler.
Secretary.—A. J. Kauffaman.
Directors.—Robert Crane, C. S. Kauffman, M. M. Strickler, John Fendrich, Samuel Evans, I. O. Bruner, H. H. Heise, J. H. Strickler, Henry Carpenter, Wm. McConkey and Amos Briggs.

OBITUARY.—On Thursday evening last, Mr. John D. Wright, an old and valued citizen of this place departed this life, after a short illness. The deceased for the past few years had been engaged as superintendent and general manager of the Agricultural Works on Commerce street, and mainly through his instrumentality was the business made successful. His demise will leave a void that will be almost impossible to supply. As a citizen, the community at large deplore his death, for he was always in the van in any undertaking. His remains will be interred in Mt. Bethel Cemetery on Sunday afternoon, at 2 o'clock.

LEFT WITHOUT PAYING HIS DEBTS.—A gentleman giving his name as Prof. J. Miller Cowan, and who advertised himself as the agent of Fowler & Wells, to deliver a course of lectures here, left on Monday afternoon on the Reading train without paying his printing and posting bills.

Since then we have written to Fowler & Wells, to know if he was an authorized agent of that firm, to which they replied: "that "Prof." Cowan, of whom you write, is in no proper sense, the agent of Fowler & Wells. He has no credit here, nor do we know him personally."

Printers and exchanges look out for him.

A FIRST CLASS ESTABLISHMENT.—We feel gratified that the enterprising firm of Messrs. May & Erwin have increased the stock and selections of Books in their store as to entitle it to the rank of a first class Book Emporium. Their trade under judicious management has rapidly increased, and if our people will patronize them to the extent they deserve, Columbia will no longer be wanting in facilities in this line of business. Messrs. May & Erwin have an immense stock of Books, Albums, Stationery, Chromos, and every variety of Christmas presents, and we invite our readers to call and examine their stock.

ANNIVERSARY EXERCISES.—On Monday evening, Dec. 26th, the M. E. Sabbath School will hold its regular Christmas Exhibition in the M. E. Church. The exercises will consist of Declamations, Dialogues, singing, &c. A new feature called the "Sciopticaen" will also be introduced which must be seen to be appreciated. The entertainment will be instructive and novel, and we hope to see the church crowded with an appreciative and intelligent audience. The proceeds of the enterprise will be devoted to the use of the Sabbath School Library. The programmes will be issued next week which will give all an idea of the good features of the entertainment.

ELOCUTIONARY AND MUSICAL.—The friends of the Vigilant Fire Company will give a benefit on Wednesday evening next, December 21st. The entertainment will consist of new readings by Prof. Hart; among which will be the celebrated Masonic poem, "We meet upon the level and *part upon the square*," interspersed by choice musical selections by the Æolians, whose services on the occasion are gratuitous. We hope to see the hall crowded. The admission is low, and the proceeds are to be applied to paying the small debt remaining on the new hall of the Vigilant Fire Company.

N. B.—In order that the audience may not be annoyed or insulted by bad boys, we suggest that none be admitted unless attended by their parents.

THE BAD HABIT OF CHOIRS.—The New York Examiner thus describes a "fashionable choir;" "The choir loft ten feet behind and ten feet above the worshipers; then the fourteen sorts of tune-books; then the balustrade to hide the praisers themselves who come tripping to their places with exuberant satisfaction and demonstrative delight, then their salutations and greetings, which in any other part of the church would be considered intolerably irreverent (therefore the choir-loft is not recognized as a part of the church or the inhabitants a part of the worshipers); then the titter, a disease which is as incurable in choirs, as it is inseparable from them; then solemn singing with a background of merry smiles, hilarious nudging and characteristic (not to say sharpsters,) winks; then a grand reconnoitering of tune books, accompanied by appropriate whispers, during the prayer or reading the Holy Bible; then a literary entertainment, or an exchange of penciled notes on all the great questions that interest the human mind—excepting religion; then the transformation of the choir loft into a sleeping car, of which the chorister is the conductor, who wakes up his passengers when it is time to go to praising again."

"SOME" CORRESPONDENCE.—The following correspondence recently took place in the columns of the Downingtown *Journal*, between Joseph Pepper, the editor, and Kansas, a fellow that wants to be the editor. For satire Horace is no where in comparison:

DOWNINGTOWN, Nov. 30, 1870.

JOSEPH PEPPER, Esq.—*Dear Sir*: As you are aware, the first and second instalments due on the "Journal" have become due and unpaid. *Even the interest on the last of* those instalments has not been met. I cannot any longer allow the principal and interest of my investment in the Journal to be unpaid. I will re possess myself of the paper on the first of January next. I suppose this will be ample notice.

Very resp'y, yours,
JOSHUA KANSAS.

I am aware, Major, that the interest for the last year (due in September) has not been paid, and I suppose you are aware *why* it has not been paid—if not, I will tell you. From the time I took possession of the paper (on the 1st of September, 1868), you have tried to sell the paper to other parties, and would have done so could you have met with a purchaser. As I had no security that the same canvassing would not be continued, I declined to pay further interest until I was secure from your annoyances. I have labored hard and spent what little means I possessed to make a good paper for our patrons, and that, too, after you had given it up to die, and now that it is in a prosperous condition, the paper will be at your disposal, on the 1st of January next, to do with as you think proper. Before closing, Major, I would remind you that when I took the office off your hands it was deeply in debt for labor, paper, &c., all of which have been paid off by me, and I now surrender the office to you free of debt, with the paper in a healthy condition.

Respectfully
JOSEPH PEPPER.

[For the SPY.]

Lancaster Gossip.

Editor Spy:—As the holidays approach, our staid old city begins to exhibit an unwonted scene of bustle and cheerfulness. The store and shop windows are arrayed in their brightest attire; and the confectionary stores particularly, with their festoons of evergreen, mountains of cakes, sparkling fountains and pyramids of candy, present to our juvenile population a feast of enjoyment, in comparison with which the most glowing description of the celestial paradise, such as we have heard from the reverend gentleman, who officiates at the corner of Duke and Orange streets, would be dull and insipid. Silver streets and golden pavements, and houses of precious stones, with regular Kobinoors, for door-knockers, we confess, are sufficiently seductive to the natural mind; but the starting eyes and the parted lips, and wondering wistful faces of the little folks, amply attest that Demuth's or Sheer's would be heaven enough for them.

The grown up children have their pleasures also. From two to five o'clock every fair afternoon, North Queen and King streets, throng with Matrons and Misses, disporting themselves in their pretty, picturesque winter costumes, looking at the silks and laces in the windows, and selecting Christmas presents.

By the way everybody gives Christmas *presents in Lancaster*—there is a perfect mania on the subject, and it is one of the redeeming features of the place; all your friends, without exception, must be remembered by some token or other, however slight; and it requires no little skill and discernment to adapt the gifts to the particular ages, tastes and circumstances of the recipients.

Of lectures we are having more than our good people are disposed to patronize; including those on temperance, there have been no less than four or five inside of two weeks; this is rather surfeiting as with good things. Our experience is that two lectures a month, with concerts and parties in between, are about as much as our purses and digestions are equal to.

Alf. Burnett's performance the first evening was the best of its kind, and most humorous we have witnessed in Lancaster for several years. The second evening it was not near so good, and was especially marred by a number of local and personal hits.

De Cordova was announced to lecture on "Courtship and Marriage." The notice of this theme made *quite a* flutter among those yet in the so called "blessed state of singleness," who expected to get some valuable hints of the former part of the subject; and were ambitious to be enlightened with respect to the latter part, without the trouble and inconvenience of a personal experiment; although the Benedicts and their spouses stayed at home, thus tacitly intimating that they had as much information on that head as was desirable. There was quite a respectable gathering of enamored couples, whose indignation and mortification, may be imagined when Mr. De Cordova came forward and stated that owing to some mistake he had not brought that lecture along, but would give us one on "Young America" instead.

The lecturer's address was so pleasing, and his elocution so excellent, that he enlisted the closest attention for almost two hours; although, really, we never before heard a subject treated in a more shallow and superficial manner.

Josh Billings amused and instructed us on Monday evening, on the subject of "Milk." His appearance is exceedingly eccentric, being tall, gaunt and angular, with a hump on his back, fierce mustache, long, black hair, combed behind his ears, and hanging upon his shoulders, and an awkward swinging gait, which he exaggerates as much as possible. His looks and actions, before uttering a word, provoked roars of laughter. The lecture abounded in humor and philosophy, and, notwithstanding the audience were already familiar with almost everything he said, having seen it in print, his droll, drawling way of saying things made them infinitely funny—in short Josh must be seen to be rightly appreciated.

Our Representative in Congress made a narrow escape on last Saturday evening, from what might have been a very serious accident. He in company with a number of gentlemen, among whom were Judge Hayes and our worthy Post-master, were watching the operations of the model of a patent rotary steam engine; and while standing within a few feet of it, the cast iron fly-wheel, which was revolving very swiftly, burst into a number of pieces—one of which struck our most estimable citizen, *Mr. William Diller*, breaking his leg. The remaining parts passed up through the ceiling of the building. The rest of the party escaped with a good fright. Mr. Dickey showed more composure than the rest; but then he had his military experience to sustain him. We understand the committee are ready to report, finally, on the merits of the engine, without requiring any additional experiments; and the great fear is, that science in the future may languish in this vicinity, for want of proper encouragement.

The dispute between the respective advocates of the "German" and "Reading Circle" has terminated in a compromise on "private theatricals." Their management and direction have been assigned to competent persons; and judging from the list of *dramatis personæ* shown us, we may safely predict a rare treat in store for the favored few, who will constitute the audience. The rehearsals not having yet commenced, these entertainments will be necessarily deferred until after the holidays. In the meantime those who have misgivings as to the morality of the stage, are *deeply immersed* in the study of "Before the Footlights and Before the Scenes," in order to be resolved on this point.

There is great rivalry between our two daily papers, in the matter of local news—the Express trying hard not to be out-done by its neighbor the Intelligencer. The local reporter of the Intelligencer, a keen, witted fellow, occasionally dresses up his items, in rather spicy and pointed doggerel. The Express aware of its deficiency in this particular, proceeded to supply it by installing a local reporter, a gentleman, who is a regular *bona fide* example of the old adage *poeta nascitur non fit*, and who grinds out for utmost every issue, and on very uninspiring themes, the most lugubrious rhymes, without pith, point, pathos or punctuation—but still it is rhyme.

Yours, &c.,
I. X. L.

[Communicated.]

Who Edit The Papers.

Mr. Editor:—In a recent number of the SPY, I noticed an editorial clipping, giving their occupations of the editors of many of the western papers. I was struck with the truth of some of the statements; and began to look around at our own county papers, to see who edits them. After a long and thorough investigation, I have come to the following conclusion:

The Lancaster Daily Express is edited by liars, thieves and cut throats—according to the Intelligencer and Inquirer.

The Intelligencer is edited by a liar—according to the Express.

The Inquirer is edited both by a thief and liar—according to the statements of the Express.

The Examiner is edited by a politician, whatever that means.

The Mount Joy Herald is edited by a variety Store man.

The Manheim Sentinel is edited by a fellow called "Mosey."

Such papers as I have omitted, and whose editors are anxious to be classified, are requested to address.
CRITIC.

COLUMBIA, Dec. 14.

[Communicated.]

A paper purporting to be a holiday sheet, edited and published by W. Hayes Grier, appeared on Thursday last, the third number I believe.

"After considerable expense and trouble," as the editor has it, he has succeed in illustrating its reading columns with five cuts of houses, which in his wild fancy, he believes, represent the Tuilleries Wilhelmshohe, Palace at Berlin and Bachman's new Drying House. As I am deeply interested in the success of our local papers, and rejoice in their apparent prosperity, I feel anxious to know what the illustration means. *I have asked a half a dozen* intelligent men, and they all fail to see the point of the illustration. Will not the editor of the "Holiday Visitor" please explain his joke, or if he declines, will you, Mr. Editor, do it for him.
ADVERTISER.

COLUMBIA, Dec. 15.

(We cannot explain, out and of courtesy refer the matter to the editor himself.)

HONORABLE competition in business very frequently succeeds in building up the really industrious and deserving, and showing consequently the contrary defects in the opposition. When a new competitor for business favor succeeds in planting himself, by berating and undermining the long established, by falsehood and fabrications, rest assured he is not of much account, and will not long prosper. "Truth crushed to earth will rise again;" and he who advocates the wide spread of truth may for a while be cast down, yet will eventually flourish as the "green bay tree." Insurance agents that build themselves up by tearing others down; editors and publishers who distort the truth and fabricate lies for the purpose of injuring their opponents in business, may soon find themselves buried amid their own towering lies and deceitful utterances.—*Insurance Reporter.*

☞ READ B. Eiseman's advertisement

Foreign Correspondence.

ANTWERP, Nov. 22nd, 1870.

Mr. Editor:—As an ex-passenger of one of those small, dirty and unseaworthy line of steamboats plying between Harwich and Antwerp, I would advise no one intending to visit the continent to take passage by any of them. After having undergone the miseries of sea-sickness, on the Atlantic, it was truly provoking to find myself again a victim upon so short a voyage as eigteen hours; that too with my fellow passengers enjoying with the most unbecoming equanimity their night's rest. All my suffering I attribute to the smallness and uncleanliness of the boat "Harwich."

The Scheldt and Antwerp were indeed a relief, and a neat apartment in the hotel De L'Europe a perfect comfort.

My sight-seeing in this ancient city began with the grand cathedral of Notro-dame. *This magnificent building is five hundred* feet long and two hundred and fifty feet wide. Its steeple is of the most exquisite workmanship, and is said to be four hundred and sixty-six feet in height. The first object which attracted my attention upon entering was Reubens' celebrated painting, "The descent from the cross." The work is a marvel. The helpless heaviness of the dead body of Christ as he is being gradually lowered by Joseph and Nicodemus, and the tenderness of the three Marys, is minutiably depicted. Sir Joshua Reynolds says he considers Reuben's christ as one of the finest figures that ever was invented. On the other side of the cathedral are three other celebrated paintings by the same author, the elevation of the cross, one of the figures in which is a portrait of Reuben's self; "The resurrection of the Saviour" and "assumption of the virgin." Antwerp seems to breathe Reuben's name in every church, public building, and costly residence. Sir Joshua Reynolds says of him: "He was perhaps the greatest master in the mechanical part of the art, the best workman with his tools that ever exercised his *pencil*."

From the cathedral we went to St. Paul's church. Our guide told us upon entering that he would show us Mount Calvary and Purgatory, and opened a door leading into a garden to the right of the church. Here at the end of a walk thirty five or forty yards, in extent, on either of which were statues to all the saints stood a mount about forty feet in height, made of cinder glass and stones cemented together, surmounting which was a cross and an image representing christ crucified. This the peasantry reverence with awe and superstition. Underneath is Purgatory represented by carved figures of wood, looking out from brightly painted flames, through bars of iron. Here also they have what they say is a correct representation of the Saviour's tomb, and through a grating at the side may be seen a figure in marble representing Christ. The interior of St. Paul's, is as most as gorgeous as that of the cathedral. Beside "the scourging of Christ," there are a number of other excellent paintings by the pupils of Rubens. After leaving the church, I visited the private gallery of *the richest banker in Antwerp*, and saw some of the choicest specimens of modern art.

The zoological gardens of Antwerp, were well worth seeing; even after the aristocratic Regent's Park of London. The aviary there is certainly superior to that of London. The gardens are entirely supported by the citizens of Antwerp, of whom they are very proud.

The streets of the city are narrow and irregular. The general architecture is very picturesque, and the costume of the peasant and market women quite in keeping with it. The population is about *one half of* what it formerly was, when it was two hundred thousand. It is indeed mournful to think of the decay of this grand old city. One visiting now, and seeing its harbor almost entirely denuded of shipping, can scarcely imagine there was a time when often two thousand and five hundred vessels lay in the scheldt, awaiting their turn to come to the wharves; and when five thousand merchants attended the Exchange twice a day. Antwerp owes its decay to Philip the Second of Spain; the inquisition *which he* established here in its most hideous form, drove thousands of skilful artisans to England, where they introduced the manufacturing skill of the Netherlands.

As I stood on the steps of the hotel and looked toward the cathedral, the "Antwerp fury" was recalled to my mind, and imagination peopled the now so peaceful streets with mobs of infuriated men, carrying in their hands the articles of devastation, and hastening to hurl from their pedestals the master pieces of so many generations. Poor Antwerp! Alexander Farnese reaped a bloody vengeance for her fanatical Iconoclasm.
B.

FLATTERING.—The following editorial clipping from the *Insurance Reporter* of Philadelphia, the ablest insurance paper in the state, will be gratifying to the friends of the Columbia Insurance Company, and to our citizens generally. Right men in right places always bring about gratifying results.

The assessment levied by the Columbia Insurance Company of Columbia, Pa., is being gradually paid, and the officers entertain sanguine hopes of being able to meet the whole indebtedness, if properly seconded by the policy-holders. A number of prominent citizens of Columbia have become interested, and feel a strong desire to save the creditors and increase the business of the company. A very nice point of law might arise, should a policy holder, having refused to pay an assessment levied, subsequently have his property destroyed by fire.

[For the SPY]

Columbia.

TO R.

Some hail thee as the freeman's land,
Some call thee our ocean gem,
Some the garden spot where garden fruit
In lines from every stem.
Yet, Columbia bright and free,
Hast thou not a charm for me
That poets yet have failed to see?

Think not these lines are meant
To speak of wide domains;
No charms have these to waste the time
Nor prompt the poet's strains.
Tis not this land our hearts adore,
But the quiet spot we love still more,
On Susquehanna's shore.

Midst thy shady walks, Columbia dear,
Amid t those avenues so broad
Beats there a heart that loves not thee?
That fails not to accord
To thee, fair girl, the homage due,
The tribute to that soul so true,
And keep their fond esteem from you?

Tell us not of Oriental gems,
Of fairy scenes of pearls so rare,
They rival not that peerless brow,
The eye that sparkles there.
Tis thine Columbia, tis thine to claim,
A simple, pure, yet brighter name.
The form of her we cannot name.
A. L. G.

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GOLD watches, fine jewelry, silver ware, fancy goods, &c., for Christmas presents. E. Spering has just returned from the city with a well selected stock purchased for cash, which will be sold at the very lowest possible profit for cash. Remember at 39 Front street, sign of the gilt watch.

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THE Loza Pendulum Board, the most popular game in America, at May and Erwin's, next door to the Post Office.

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Large stock of Hats and Caps, just received at A. R. Hougendobler's.

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Marriages.

On the 11th inst, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. F. Pilgrim, Joseph H. Fisher and Kate H. Daily, both of Columbia.

On the 15th inst., by the same, William W. Farlamb, of Columbia, and Lizzie M. Fahs, of Dover twp., York county.

On the same day, by the same, John F. Kline, of Lower Windsor twp., York county, and Mary M. Eisenberger, of West Hempfield twp., Lancaster county.

Deaths.

On Thursday, December 15th, of Typhoid Fever, John D. Wright, in the 50th year of his age.

The friends and relatives are invited to attend the funeral from his late residence, No. 120 South Second street, on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

ADMINISTRATOR NOTICE.

Estate of JOSEPH LOCKARD, late of West Hempfield township, deceased.

Letters of administration on said estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted thereto are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will present them for settlement to the undersigned, residing in said township.
SAMUEL M. LOCKARD,
Dec 15-1870 Administrator.
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