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Home Affairs.

Sketches of Local History.

BY JOHN WEIDMAN.

Murder of Francis Sheetz.

No sooner had Hauer permitted the design of taking the life of his brothers-in-law to enter his mind, than he began to plot their destruction by such means, as would enable him to enjoy the fruits of his crime. He made repeated attempts to effect their death by poison and otherwise. Peter being the younger, and more ignorant, and being besides, exceedingly superstitious, he persuaded him on one occasion, that if he would stand upon the upper-loft of the barn, having a rope with one end fastened to a joist and the other in a noose around his neck, he could then see where there was much gold, which his (Hauer's) brother Solomon, who was to be tied in the same way, would bring him. The experiment was tried, and had the rope used on the occasion been strong enough to sustain Peter's weight, Hauer would have had every reason to felicitate himself upon the success of his ingenious and daring expedient. Fortunately it broke, and Peter was reserved to pass safely through the final attempt made upon his and his brother's life.

The principal parties engaged in the murder were John Hauer, Charles McManus, Patrick Donagan, Peter McDonoghy, and Francis Cox. So ingeniously was it planned, that if it had not been for the confessions of Hauer, and McManus and one other circumstance, the persons engaged in it would probably have escaped punishment altogether. I say, probably, for it is not to be concealed, that all the parties, except Hauer, being Irishmen, and the murdered party a German, the popular excitement, which was very great, had its influence at that early day on the jury, the bar, and even the court. It was agreed among them that on the night on which the murder was to take place, they should all sleep at different places, and so arrange matters that each could prove an alibi. Cox and McManus went to Geiger's Tavern, more than four miles from the scene of the crime, and went to bed together at an early hour. Geiger however, saw him leave the house clandestinely and becoming alarmed at his absence, made search for him, in which Cox assisted, but manifested no particular interest in the result. Whilst absent he wore some of Cox's clothes. It had been intended that Cox should prove the alibi. If Hauer's plan had been strictly followed, this part of the testimony would have been absent.—Hauer, requested a man to sleep, not only in his house, but in the same room. This man could not say whether Hauer had been absent or not, as he slept profoundly all night. Donagan, went to his usual place of residence some three miles distant from Shitz's farm, and the persons with whom he boarded, had no doubt that he was in the house all night.

For fear intelligent readers of the present day should think such excessive credulity impossible, I copy verbatim, the testimony given by Peter Sheetz, on the trial, viz:—

PETER SHEETZ, SWORN. Three years ago next harvest, my brother Francis went to haul stones for the new church at Shaefferstown. When he came home he could not unhitch his horses. He thought the rest of us were not so sick, that we might do it; and he sent for us to the field, where we went to rake oats to feed the horses, but we could not do it. Hoffman and the girl that is now his wife, and two other girls, and Hoffman's son John, were in the field. We were all so sick we vomited all the time. Hoffman was not quite so sick as the rest of us, and he fed the horses.—The vomiting continued all that day; and the next day we felt very weak. Hoffman's wife, who was then a maid in the house, cooked the breakfast that day; it was coffee, bread and butter. We never had been so affected before. I don't know if any strange person had been about the house that day. Hauer often came there about that time; I cannot tell how often; but he went about the house whenever he pleased.

Last fall was a year I had hired myself to Jacob Sheetz, my father's brother, at Tulpehocken. Hauer, with whom I then lived, had gone over to Francis Sheetz's. When he came back, I told him I was going on Sunday to Jacob Sheetz's.—On Sunday it rained and I could not go. Hauer then told me I should not go, that he would show me a way how I should get a purse every morning, that would have five doubloons in it. That he himself could not get it, but that I could. I said to Hauer that I could not get it. Hauer then swore unmercifully that I could; and he told me he must fetch drops from Lebanon. He went on Monday up to Lebanon. When he came back again he said one sort was "wiederkomme drops," the other I don't know what it was he called it.—He had three bottles, one was bigger than the other two, which were but small phials. Hauer said, now we will try something. I said, I did not wish to do it, I would rather not. Hauer told me I should try it, he would be bail to me, nothing should happen to me. Hauer told me that Shaeffer and Bomberger (they were the executors and testamentary guardians of Peter) wanted to bind me out, that they were at his house, and wanted to get me, and had told him they would have me dead or alive. He scared me so much that I hid myself; because he said they came every day. I told Hauer he lied. He swore again unmercifully that he did not. I then kept myself concealed still. Then Hauer said, we will try to get the purse; and he drank some of the drops; and I drank some of them too. He drank out of the big bottle, which he said were "wiederkomme drops;" I drank out of the same. I drank also out of the two small phials, but I don't know if Hauer drank any out of them or not; I did not see him do it; then Hauer said he would not try that night, he thought it was not worth while.

Some time after this, we went together down to Wolfersberger's barn; Solomon Hauer went along with us. John Hauer said, if we would not do as he told us he would give us an unmerciful beating; if we would not tie ourselves up as he told us, he would show us some other things. He then told us we must tie ourselves up on the loft with halters round our necks, and fasten the rope to the joist; that then he could tie that one who was to bring the purse, in the same way; when I had tied myself, and fastened the rope to the joist, Solomon told me he would hold me; (Peter always told me that he was also to hold a bottle of the "wieder-komme drops" in his hand, and look on it,) and then he gave me a push down. The rope was round my neck; the end fast to the joist above; the rope was not long enough to reach to the floor; the rope broke and I fell down on the threshing floor; the rope was thick as my little finger; (Peter's little finger was larger than the middle finger of most men,) and it was doubled; it had been used for a plough line, and to tie the horse; I did not see the man with the purse; the rope was doubled round my neck; the joist is eleven or twelve feet above the threshing floor. The rope took the skin off my neck, but did not hurt me much; Solomon said he would tie a rope round his neck, but he did not do it; soon as Solomon pushed me down he jumped down and ran off; I went home to John Hauer's house; in about fifteen minutes after John Hauer and Solomon Hauer came in together; they said they were very sorry that it happened so that all went wrong; after that Solomon asked me to go towards Bethlehem with him, where he lived; John Hauer told me I should go along with him, that it might not be found out that the skin was off my neck; John Hauer often told me I should tell nothing of it, and I promised him I would not; when I came from Bethlehem, I hired myself to my brother Francis, and Hauer again told me not to tell; I then lived with Francis almost a year, till he was murdered.

Upon his arrest, and strict investigation it was found that he slept in an inner room, which had a window that could not be opened, and but one door which opened on the family sleeping room — It was found, however, that he had cut out one of the logs, in such a way as not to be easily observed, and which he could yet readily remove, and replace. A slight snow had fallen during the day, and his foot-steps were traced to and fro, on his way to the road. It is not known where McDonoghy passed the night. The parties all rendezvoused on horseback at the end of the lane which led up to the house.

From the evidence on the trial, it is very hard to say who actually committed the murder, but Mr. Shitz always told me, that although he could not swear to the fact, he thought that McManus and Donagan were the two men who entered his room. McManus, McDonaghy and Donagan all contended that they only had knowledge that the murder was to be committed, but took no actual part in it. Be that as it may, two of the persons mentioned, entered the house of the two brothers, about nine o'clock at night, and lighted a candle in the kitchen. The noise made in entering awakened a woman, who was in bed in the same room, where Francis Sheetz was sleeping on a bench behind the stove, three boys being also asleep on the floor. The woman seeing a light in the kitchen, went thither. There she saw two men, with their heads tied up in white handkerchiefs, so that their features could not be recognized. She immediately returned to the room from whence she came, to rouse Francis Sheetz. At the moment that she seized him by the arm, one of the men placed a pistol to his ear, and fired it. The wretched man fell back insensible, covering the woman with his blood, and in the confusion the light was extinguished. One of the men, then coolly proceeded to the kitchen, blew a light, and returned with an axe, with which he struck Francis four violent blows on the head with the edge, holding the light in one hand and using the axe with the other like a hatchet. This fact Peter Sheetz used to say, was the only one that staggered him as to the guilty of the persons, as he did not think any of the suspected parties capable of this feat, except Hauer. After destroying all vestiges of the human countenance in the fallen man, and making his death sure, they turned on the woman and boys, but the light being again put out, these were enabled to get out of the room unharmed, and fled to the barn and other out-houses, where they hid themselves. Having again lit their candle, they now proceeded to the room of Peter Sheetz, which had but one door. They were both armed with axes. Peter had been awakened by the noise and lay trembling with superstitious terror, but the moment human enemies appeared he recovered from his tremors. He slept in a four-posted bed, with round iron rods, running around the tops of the posts, about half an inch in diameter, on which to hang curtains, but there were none on at the time. The first man who entered struck at Peter with his axe drawn in both hands, but the weapon was caught in the curtain rod. Peter sprang through the foot of the bed, and plunged headlong through a window, the other man making a blow at him as he passed out, and giving him a severe wound on one of his posteriors. He fled to the barn where he remained concealed until morning.

Hauer and McManus confessed the murder, but with such varying circumstances, that except as to the main fact, their stories are entitled to little credit. The circumstance which bore hardest against McManus was, that it was his pistol with which Francis Sheetz had been shot, that weapon having been found in the room where the murder was committed. McManus charged Hauer and McDonaghy with doing the murder whilst he held the horses. Hauer's confession was made to the Judges when first arraigned. He stated that McManus and McDonaghy committed the murder by instigating it, and promising them the large reward of eleven hundred pounds. Hauer stood mute when again indicted, and pretended insanity to the last, tearing off the clothing that was put upon him, and remaining in a condition of beastly filthiness, impossible to be described, until his execution.—Hauer and McManus were the only two convicted. McDonaghy was not even tried, so doubtful was the case of the Commonwealth considered, without the confession of Hauer and McManus, which would have had little weight against him, as there was no other or at least very little evidence implicating him with the crime.

Hon. Joseph John Henry was President Judge at the time of the trials.—The Associate Judge on the Bench was our former fellow-citizen Hon. John Gloninger. At the first trial in which McManus and McDonoghy were charged as principals, and Hauer, his wife, Donagan, McDonough and Cox as accessories before the fact, the names of the jurors were Michael Urich, Samuel Sturgeon, Daniel Longenecker, Henry McCormick, Obed Fahnestock, John Stoner, John Boyd, John Blattenberger, Wm. Snodgrass, Henry Stoner, John Gray, and Samuel Finney. McManus was tried alone at the Oyer and Terminer in 1798, and convicted. Mr. Montgomery and Mr. Patterson were counsel for the prisoner; Mr. Hall and Mr. Smith for the Commonwealth. Hauer, Donagan, and Cox were then put upon trial.—Counsel for the Commonwealth, Messrs. Hall, Smith, and Henry; Mr. Duncan, Mr. Elder, Mr. Laird, Mr. Geo. Fisher, and Mr. Clymer for the prisoners. In both instances the counsel for the prisoners were assigned by the court. The legal arguments are very able and interesting, some of the points made being identical with those raised by Mr. Webster, on the trial of the Knapps, but no lawyer of the present day would dare to pursue the course adopted after his confession in declining to go to the jury upon the testimony in Hauer's case.—Mr. Hopkins, Mr. Elder and Mr. Clymer argued the case of Donegan and Cox to the jury with great and successful ability. The jurors were Thos. McElhany, Sam'l Sturgeon, John Blattenberger, Henry McCormick, Sam'l Cochran, Wm. Crane, John Wilson, jun'r., John Norton, John Parthimer, James Johnson, Harry Fulton and John Snodgrass. The names of McElhany and Parthimer, on this Jury, awaken singular associations in connection with two dreadful murders committed in Dauphin county, for which men of that name were tried and acquitted within the recollection of many of the readers of these sketches. On a Sunday evening the jury rendered a verdict against Hauer of guilty of murder in the first degree, and not guilty as to Donegan and Cox. Elizabeth Hauer and Hugh McDonough were then put upon trial. The Commonwealth offered no evidence and they were acquitted. McDonoghy was discharged on habeas corpus. "It was not," says the reporter, "thought prudent to try and acquit him, from a full persuasion of his guilt, and with an expectation that sufficient evidence might hereafter convict him."—No such consequence however followed, nor was he ever, if guilty, brought to justice.

McManus and Hauer were hung, in pursuance of their sentence on the 14th July 1798. McManus persisted to the last, in his statement that he only held the horses at the end of the lane. His youth, intelligence, and great personal beauty, procured him much sympathy, when time had to some extent obscured the atrocity of his guilt, and the day of his shameful and terrible death drew near. Hauer never spoke from the day he was arraigned, and it was supposed, that he was deprived of his speech by terror and remorse. In other respects he behaved like a madman, and severely bit and mangled one man who endeavored to clothe his person.

When one considers all the circumstances of this awful tragedy, the varied passions, which mixed in the drama, (for scarcely any was wanting,) the gradual ascendancy which evil thoughts obtained over the minds of the prominent actors, the terrible denouement, and the not less terrible punishment, it presents one of the most striking examples, how far the romance of truth excels that of fiction. Few events excited and agitated the public mind more. From few sources can so many useful reflections be drawn, as when we contemplate in this bloody history, the havoc which superstition, avarice, lust and cruelty may occasion when left by ignorance to riot unrestrained.

☞ Peter L. Stouch, Esq., was appointed by the Court, Court Crier in place of David E. Miller, resigned.

ADMITTED.—On motion of Levi Kline, Esq., Darius J. Seltzer, Esq., was admitted to the practice of law in the Courts of Lebanon county.

☞ The Grand Jury approved of the Report of the Viewers for a Bridge over the Swatara, near Jonestown, and recommended the building of the same at the expense of the county.

☞ Mr. Wilmot is to canvass the State according to a published programme. Lebanon is entirely overlooked. We presume he remembers the exposure he received in the *Courier*, in 1851, and does not wish to venture where he is so well known.

☞ COURT continued in session until Friday evening. The following cases were disposed of by the Quarter Sessions, viz:—

J. P. A. Engel, for obtaining money under false pretence, was sent to the penitentiary for 1 year.

Wm. Grate was convicted on three indictments, for stealing horse, &c., in Londonderry township. Fine $150, value of the horse, to the Commonwealth, and 2 years in the Penitentiary.

Wm. Davis and Wm. Smertz were convicted of larceny. The former was sentenced to 1 year in the Penitentiary, and the latter to 3 months in the county jail.

Daniel McCaully, assault and battery. Guilty, and 3 months in county jail.

Henry Hoffman, larceny. Guilty,—3 months in county jail.

Anthony Soforn was tried for larceny. Not guilty, the jury considering him insane. Sent to the Poor House.

Gabriel Reed, convicted of larceny, was sent to the Penitentiary for six months.

John W. Good and William Hartman—larceny. 3 months to county jail.

Cyrus Rohrer—malicious mischief. Was bound over to keep the peace.

Simon Hoffman was convicted of assault and battery. Fined $1 and costs.

John Wile—two indictments for assault and battery. Convicted on both and sent to jail two months. Also $1 fine and costs.

Catharine Hollahan was convicted of keeping a disorderly house and selling liquor. Sent to jail 3 months.

Fred. Galebach—malicious mischief—fined $25 and costs.

Gervis Blust—assault with intent to kill—sent to jail 3 months.

Wm. Rhan—assault & battery—$5 fine & costs.

Wm. Grate, Gabriel Reed and Wm. Hartman—Conspiracy to escape from jail—were each sentenced a month additional to their former sentences.

The following cases were disposed of in the Common Pleas, viz:

Rachel Behm vs. Daniel Early, for right of way. The plaintiff suffered a non suit.

Caspar Baehler vs. Henry Hartman. To recover compensation for building a Lager Beer vault. Verdict, defendant to pay $202,92½ cts.

Jacob Stoever vs. George Chamberlain. To recover possession of a house and lot in this borough. Verdict, defendant to pay $660 before 1st of April next, otherwise property then to be sold by the Sheriff.

☞ We are pleased to see that Dr. T. R. L. Ebur, was nominated, last week, by the Democracy of Schuylkill county, as one of their candidates for the Legislature, on the first ballot. He will of course be elected, and make an able and reliable member. The whole ticket of our Schuylkill friends is a good one.

☞ Rev. G. F. Krotel, formerly pastor of the Salem's Lutheran Congregation of this borough, has been unanimously chosen to succeed the late Rev. J. N. Hoffman, as Pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church of Reading. It is not yet known whether Mr. Krotel will accept the post.

☞ The Black Republicans met in the Court House, on Monday, and nominated the following ticket, viz:—

Senate, A. R. Boughter, Borough,
Assembly, John George, Borough,
Treasurer, Joseph Bowman, Cornwall,
Register, Daniel Stroh, jr., N. Annville,
Recorder, Cyrus P. Miller, Swatara,
Clk of Orphans Court, J. B. Light, S. Lebanon,
Commissioner, Michael Deininger, Londond'y,
Director, Samuel Behm, S. Lebanon,
Auditor, Henry Brandt, N. Lebanon tp.

☞ Mr. Hazlehurst, the "American" candidate for Governor, delivered an address in the Court House on Wednesday evening. The room was well filled.

☞ Our friends should not forget to attend the Delegate elections on Saturday. The convention will be held on Monday next at Haak's Hotel.

The Chairman of the County Committee has authorized us to re-announce the Delegate election in Jackson township, as follows:—"To be held at 5 o'clock, p. m., at a suitable, desirable, and convenient place."

ANOTHER SHOW.—G. N. Eldred's Great Southern Show, will exhibit in Lebanon to-day, (Wednesday.) It is represented to be one of the best Circuses (comprising two companies) in the Country; also the most magnificent collection of animals traveling in America. The whole to be seen for twenty-five cents. Franconi's Hippodrome Troupe is one of the features of this Show.

☞ CIRCUS ON THE COMMON:—Last evening, the great American Circus Co., under the management of Messrs. Sands, Nathans & Co., gave their first public performance in this city, in their spacious amphitheatre, which, by permission of the city authorities, they have erected on the parade ground on the Common. The first part of the programme introduced the splendid stud of horses attached to the stables of this establishment, in various feats usual in performances of this nature, which were performed in a manner never excelled by any company in this city.

The horsemanship of Masters Nathans and Sands, and of Madame Brower, elicited a storm of approbation as hearty as it was deserved. The posturing of Mons. Ferranti and children, and the gymnastic performances of the German Brothers were feats of strength and skill almost beyond any conceivable power of the human frame, and constituted a marked feature in the performances. The wonderful elephants of Mons. La Grange decidedly capped the climax of the evening's entertainments, and certainly opened the eyes of those who had no knowledge of what can be produced by the docility and sagacity of this wonderful brute.

All that the show bills promise of these animals is more than executed, and one must really "see the elephant" to judge in any degree of how they appear. The performance of the trained Zebra, and the Shetland ponies, is just the thing to captive the young people, and capitally winds up a most excellent entertainment. The large tent was crowded to repletion last evening, and the Circus will remain during the week, and perform every afternoon and evening.—BOSTON JOURNAL.

☞ To exhibit in Lebanon next Tuesday.

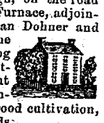
NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Darius J. Seltzer,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
OFFICE, in Cumberland Street, nearly opposite Brua's Hotel, Lebanon, Pa. Aug. 26,'57.

Public Notice.
THE undersigned Commissioners, named in the Act of Assembly, passed ——, 1857, entitled "an act to incorporate the LEBANON VALLEY BANK," hereby give notice that in pursuance of the authority vested in them, they will open on WEDNESDAY, the 14th day of OCTOBER, 1857, books for receiving Subscriptions to the Capital Stock of said Bank, at Reinhard's Hotel, and on that day, and the five next succeeding days of that week such subscriptions will be received there, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 2 p. m., until sufficient subscriptions shall be received to organize said Bank agreeably to law.
G. DAWSON COLEMAN, CHAS. B. FORNEY, JOHN GEORGE, JOHN BRUNNER, JOHN HARPER, | A. P. HIESHMAN, GEORGE HOFFMAN, JOHN LIGHT, S. S., MICHAEL DEININGER,
Lebanon, August 26, 1857.

Real Estate at Public Sale.
PURSUANT to the last will and testament of Jacob Moyers, dec'd., will be sold at public sale, at the late residence of said deceased, on SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1857, the following Real Estate, viz: A certain Tract of Land, containing 7 Acres and 97 Perches, more or less, about 1½ acres covered with heavy Timber, 1½ acres growing Sprouts, the remainder being under good cultivation, situate in Londonderry township, Lebanon county, near the road leading from Campbellstown to Colebrook, about 1½ miles from the latter place, and now occupied by John Albert, adjoining lands of widow O'Neal, Wm. Coleman and others.

The improvements are a good Log House and Stable with threshing floor, spring house on a neverfailing spring, and a fine stream of water running past the door. Also growing thereon a fine lot of fruit trees, such as apples, peaches, cherries, &c.
Possession will be given on the 1st day of April, 1858. Sale to commence at 1 o'clock, p. m., when terms will be made known by
REUBEN MOYERS,
aug. 26,'57. A. E. WALTON,
[Courier copy to am't of $1.] Executors.

Fine Property at Public Sale.
WILL be sold at public sale, on SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1857, in conformity to the last will and testament of Tobias Krider, sr., dec'd., on the premises, the following
REAL ESTATE, viz:
6 ACRES Limestone Land, of the first quality, situate in Cornwall township, (formerly S. Lebanon tp.,) 4 miles from the borough, on the road leading from here to Colebrook Furnace, adjoining land of Jacob Smith, Christian Dohner and others. The improvements are one good one-story weather-boarded log Dwelling House, Stable, and out-buildings; bearing Orchard; about 3 acres is a fine Meadow, with running water. The land is under good cultivation, and divided into convenient fields.

Good title and possession will be given on the 1st of April, 1858. The terms are $100 cash, and the balance next first of April.
ALSO, at the same time and place will be sold: 2 ACRES SECOND-CROP GRASS; Silver English Watch and 24 hour Clock, Beds, Bedsteads and Bedding, Tables, Chairs, Cupboard, Washstand, Chest and Woodchest, copper and iron Kettles, Churn, Stillyards, and a variety of other House and Kitchen Furniture.
Sale to commence at 1 o'clock, p. m., when terms will be made known by
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Surviving Executor of the last will and testament of Tobias Kreider, sr., dec'd.
aug. 26, 1857.

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* These Pencils supplied to the trade at a profitable discount. [Aug. 26,'57.

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AN OMNIBUS belonging to the undersigned, will be daily at the Depot on the arrival of the Cars to take Passengers and their baggage to any part of Lebanon and vicinity. Persons leaving by the cars will have the omnibus call at their residences in time for the cars, by giving previous notice at Mrs. Rise's Hotel. The patronage of the citizens of Lebanon, and surrounding country, is respectfully solicited.
July 15,'57–3m. LOUIS SUTER.

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Leaving Fredericksburg every morning (Sundays excepted,) at 6½ o'clock, and will leave Lebanon on its return on the arrival of the Philadelphia and Reading line.
☞ Through Tickets, at a reduced price, can be secured at Philadelphia or Reading, for Jonestown or Fredericksburg.
☞ This is a four-horse Coach, and the line will be kept in the best condition. None but good Horses will be used.
The public patronage is respectfully solicited. The Stage Office in Lebanon will be at Reinhard's Hotel, and at Fredericksburg at Batz's Hotel.—The Coach will be at the Railroad Depot to meet the train. TOBIAS BARTO.
July 1, 1857.–3m.

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THE Subscriber has made arrangements for running a DAILY EXPRESS, in connection with his Freight Line, on Philadelphia and Reading and Lebanon Valley Railroads, and is prepared to forward Packages, Money, Jewelry, and other valuables daily each way
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July 29, 1857—tf.

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Merchants wishing their goods forwarded punctually and with despatch, will consult their own interests by patronizing the Express Co.
Orders for Goods to be returned by Express will be delivered in Philad'a free of charge.
Persons having remittances of money to make to any part of the U. S. or Canada, will find the Express the only safe mode of conveyance.
OFFICE—No 4 Eagle Building, Lebanon, Pa., and 248 Chestnut St., below 3d st., Philad'a.
JOHN ULRICH, Agent,
July 22, '57–tf. For Howard Express Co.

HOFFMAN, IMMEL & CO.'S
LEBANON COUNTY
TRANSPORTATION LINE

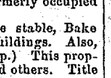
BY UNION CANAL AND
Lebanon Valley Railroad.
THIS LINE consists of 22 first-class BOATS, running between Philadelphia, Baltimore, and all other points along the Union, Schuylkill, Tide-Water and Pennsylvania Canals.
FREIGHTS contracted for at the lowest possible rates, and delivered with dispatch.
The Proprietors will pay particular attention, and attend personally, to the receiving and delivery of Freights.
SHIPPERS and MERCHANTS can rely on having their GOODS delivered in good condition and with promptness and dispatch, at low rates.
One of the Firm will pay particular attention to Goods shipped by the Lebanon Valley Railroad. Goods will be sent daily, to and from Philadelphia to Lebanon, Myerstown, Annville, Jonestown, and all other points in the county.
For information, apply at their Office in North Lebanon, or at the Lebanon Valley R. R. Depot.
EDWARD MARK, their Agent in Philadelphia, will always be found at W. H. Bush's Merchants' Hotel, North Third Street, Philad'a.
Lebanon, Aug. 12, '57–3m.
P. S.—WHEAT, RYE, CORN, OATS & SEEDS bought for CASH. H. I. & Co.

FOR SALE.

FLOUR,
CORN,
OATS,
MIDDLINGS,
SALT BY THE BAG, BRAN,
at the Genesco mills of
MYERS & SHOUR,
Jan. 7, 1857. Lebanon, Pa.

WANTED,
AT the Genesco Mills, in the Borough of Lebanon, WHEAT, CORN, RYE, OATS,
In any quantity, for which the highest Market prices will be paid in Cash, by
January 7, 1857. MYERS & SHOUR.

WANTED,
TWELVE good Flour Barrel COOPERS, at the Genesco mills, in Lebanon, to whom constant work and good wages will be given. None but sober and steady workmen need apply.
January 7, 1857. MYERS & SHOUR.

PUBLIC SALE.
WILL be sold at public sale on SATURDAY, the 26th of SEPTEMBER, 1857, in South Annville Township, in Millerstown, a certain
Lot of Ground,

on which the improvements are a first-rate two-story Frame Dwelling House; also, a Butcher Shop with Kitchen and Cellar attached, formerly occupied by John Imboden.
Also, a Carriage House, frame stable, Bake House and all the necessary out-buildings. Also, water right near by, (at the pump.) This property adjoins Henry Imboden's and others. Title will be given the 1st day of April, 1858.
Sale to commence at 12 o'clock, on said day, and conditions made known by
DANIEL HEILMAN.
F. EMBICH, Auc'r. [Aug. 12, '57.

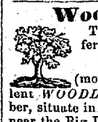
Wine and Liquor Store.
THE undersigned having opened a WINE AND LIQUOR STORE, at the North-west corner of *Market and Water Sts.*, in the room formerly occupied by J. Weidle, Esq., is now prepared to furnish the citizens of the borough and county of Lebanon, with all kinds of choice Liquors, such as *Madeira, Sherry, Lisbon, and Muscat WINE, Brandy, Gin, Old Rye Whiskey, Jamaica Spirits, &c.*, which he will sell at very reasonable prices for CASH, prices not less than one gallon.
He would invite the public in general to give him a call, and hopes by strict attention to business, to merit a share of their patronage. EMANUEL REIGART.
Lebanon, Aug. 5, '57–3m.

Assessment Notice.
THE LYCOMING COUNTY MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY has by Resolution of June 17, 1857, authorized an assessment (No. 14) of 3 per cent on all premium Notes in possession of the said Company, given for Insurance, which were in force on the 12th day of May, 1857, to be paid to the Treasurer of the said Company, or authorized Agents, within the period of four months from that date; and has appointed ADAM GRITTINGER Receiver for the county of Lebanon.
In pursuance of the above appointment, I will call on the Members personally, or send some person, to collect the said assessment.
ADAM GRITTINGER,
Lebanon, July 22, 1857. *Receiver.*

Notice to Sportsmen.
NOTICE is hereby given that all persons are forbid trespassing on any of the farms or lots belonging to the undersigned in Lebanon county, for the purpose of shooting birds, squirrels, or committing any other damage. Any person detected thus trespassing will be prosecuted to the law's extent. J. W. GLONINGER.
Lebanon, Aug. 12, '57.

Lebanon Female Seminary.
THE THIRD SESSION of the "LEBANON FEMALE SEMINARY" will commence the *First day of September, next.* It is earnestly requested that Parents intending to send their DAUGHTERS, should do so at the commencement of the Session.
LEGH R. BAUGHER, *Principal.*
MODESTE DECAMPS,
Teacher of French and Music.
Lebanon, July 29, 1857.

Valuable Borough Property
FOR SALE!
IS offered at private sale, that valuable half-lot or piece of Ground, situate at the north-east corner of Walnut and Water streets, Lebanon, fronting 33 feet on Walnut street and 80 feet on Water street, at present occupied by John Farrel's Marble Yard, on which are a FRAME HOUSE, &c. It is located within a square of the Lebanon Valley Railroad Depot, between the Depot and the centre of town. For further particulars apply to John Farrel, on the premises. [June 24, 1857.

Woodland for Sale.

THE undersigned offers at Private Sale,
63 *ACRES*

(more or less) of excellent *WOODLAND*, the half of which is good timber, situate in Union township, Lebanon county, near the Big Dam, adjoining land of Jacob Hunsicker, Emanuel Fey and others. Erected on the premises is a good two-story log DWELLING HOUSE, as good as new, good Stabling, and a well of never-failing water. It will be sold cheap. Good title and possession given on the 1st of April, 1858. For further information apply to
N. L. Bor'o, may27,'57. DAVID BOYER.

Borough Lots at Public Sale.
THE subscriber will offer at public sale, on SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 1857, at 6 o'clock, p. m.,
Three Desirable Town Lots,
located on the corner of Water street and Doe alley. Said lots are 25 feet front on said street, and 66 feet deep. They are in an improving part of the borough of Lebanon, convenient to all the principal and central parts of town, viz: 1½ squares from the Lebanon Valley Railroad Depot, the same from Market Square, and the same from the Court House. Possession will be given immediately, if desired. Sale to be held at BRUA'S Hotel, and terms made known by PETER HESS.
F. EMBICH, Auc'r. [Lebanon, July 15,'57–ts.

House & Lot at Private Sale.

THE subscriber offers at private sale, his two-story Frame Dwelling House, situated on Hill street, between Market and Walnut streets, in the borough of Lebanon. The lot is 198 feet deep, extending back to an alley, and is bounded on the east by lot belonging to Mrs. Bricker, and on the west by lot of R. Bruce. A variety of fruit trees are on the premises. A well of good water, with pump, in front of the house. This is a desirable property for a mechanic or laboring man, and will be sold at fair terms. Possession will be given this fall or next spring, as may be desired. For further particulars apply to the subscriber residing on the premises.
SEBASTIAN ULRICH.
Lebanon, Aug. 5, '57–2m.

REINHARD'S
BUCK HOTEL PROPERTY
IS OFFERED AT
Private Sale.

THIS has been a Hotel for the last 40 years, and is well known over the State as REINHARD'S HOTEL, and is the most central and best located in this Borough. It is located on the corner of Cumberland and Walnut streets, directly opposite the Court House, and but two squares from the Lebanon Valley Railroad Depot, on the same street, (Walnut.) It fronts 45 feet on Cumberland and 105 feet on Walnut streets, 39 feet on Walnut being 60 feet deep.
The Building is a three-story STONE HOUSE, 45 by 38 feet. The third story was put on not long since and the whole house remodeled, with a frame Kitchen. Also, belonging to the property, a newly built stone STABLE on corner of Smoke and Jail alleys, on lot 66 by 64 feet, with a good Cistern, &c., thereon, and closely situated to the Hotel. Also an EATING SALOON in the Basement of the Hotel, which brings a good rent.
☞ This is a choice Hotel property; has an excellent county and traveling custom, and has been the Stage Office for some time. It will be sold reasonably, and terms of payment made easy, by SIMON J. STINE.
Lebanon, July 22, 1857.

2 Houses and 30 Town-lots at Public Sale.
WILL be sold at public sale, at Reinhart's Hotel, in the Borough of Lebanon, on SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1857, at 12 o'clock, M., the following real estate, viz:—
One two-story new frame DWELLING HOUSE, and Corner Lot of Ground, fronting 49 feet on Lehman Street, south side, first square east of Pinegrove street, in the borough of Lebanon, to be sold by HENRY ARNOLD.

AT THE SAME TIME AND PLACE,

A 1½ story fr