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Lehighton Directory.

Agent.

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Barber.

R. B. WIDDOS, *Shaving, Hair Cutting and Shampooing*, under Exchange Hotel, Bank street.

Boot and Shoe Makers.

Charles Yonser, *nearly opposite the post-office*, Bank street; *also, dealer in Confectionery.*
Clinton Bretney, *in Levan's building*, Bank street. *All orders promptly filled—work warranted.*

Confectioners.

Hausman & Kuhns, opposite Obert's store, Bank street. *All orders promptly filled.*

Dry Goods and Groceries.

Z. H. Long, opp. L. & S. Depot, Bank st., *dealer in Hardware, Queensware, Ladies' Dress Goods, &c.*
H. A. Beitz, Leuckel's Block, Bank st., *Dry Goods, Groceries, Queensware, Carpets, Oil Cloths & Coal.*
E. H. Snyder, Bank street, *Dry Goods, Notions, Dress Goods, Groceries, Queensware, Hardware, &c.*

Drugs and Medicines.

A. J. Durling, first door above P. O., Bank street. *Oils, Paints, Perfumery, Patent Medicines, &c.*

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F. P. Semmel, nearly opp. Exchange Hotel, Bank street, *Cultivators, Oils, Paints, Guano, &c.*

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Thomas Santz, "Exchange," opp. Public Square, Bank st. *Patronage solicited.*

Furniture Warehouse.

V. Schwartz, Bank street, *dealer in all kinds of Furniture. Coffins made to order.*

Merchant Tailors.

Clauss & Bro., Bank street, and *dealers in Gents' Furnishing Goods, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, &c.*
Thomas S. Beck, P. O. building, Bank st., *Gent's Furnishing Goods, Hats, Caps, School Books, &c.*

Milliner.

Mrs. E. Fath, Bank street, 2nd door below the M. E. Church. *Notions and Trimmings*

Physicians and Surgeons.

Dr. C. S. German, corner of Bank and Iron streets. *Consultation in English and German.*
Dr. N. B. Reber, next door to P. O., Bank street. *Consultation in English and German.*

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J. Fatzinger & Son, Bank st., *dealers in Flour and Feed, Groceries, Fruits and Vegetables.*

Watchmaker and Jeweler

A. G. Dollenmayer, South street, above Bank st. *Dealer in Watches, Clocks, Rings, &c.*

W. M. RAPSHER,

ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW,
BANK STREET, LEHIGHTON, PA.

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MAUCH CHUNK, PENNA.

May be consulted in German. [apr 18, 1874

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E. M. MULHERN,

ATTORNEY AT LAW,
MAUCH CHUNK, PA.

Oct 18, 1873.

J. R. DIMMICK,

AUCTIONEER,
East Weissport, Pa.

N B.—Sales of every description attended to at reasonable charges. The patronage of the public is respectfully solicited. Jan. 24, '74.

BUY YOUR BOOTS AND SHOES of

Henry Campbell, East Weissport,

Where you can always get the very best article at the lowest price for cash. Boots and Shoes made to order and neatly Repaired at short notice and reasonable terms. [apr 11-m3*

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☞ Best of accommodations. Excellent restaurant underneath. Good stabling attached Terms moderate.

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OLIVER CRILLEY, dealer in Tobacco, *Cigars*, Pipes, &c., next door to Rex's Grocery Store, Susquehanna St., Mauch Chunk, respectfully asks the people of Lehighton and vicinity, when visiting that place, to call in and try his

FRAGRANT CIGARS,

the very best in the market. Every articles in his line warranted as represented and at lowest prices. [mar28

THOMAS KEMERER,
CONVEYANCER,
AND
GENERAL INSURANCE AGENT

The following Companies are Represented:
Lebanon Mutual Fire,
Reading Mutual Fire,
Wyoming Fire,
Pottsville Fire,
Lehigh Fire, and the
Travelers' Accident Insurance,
Also Pennsylvania and Mutual Horse Thief Detective and Insurance Company. March 29, 1873.

JOS. M. FRITZINGER,
Fashionable
Boot and Shoe Maker,

Opposite T. D. Clauss' Store,

BANK STREET, LEHIGHTON, Pa., respectfully informs his friends and the public, that he has just received a new and excellent assortment of Men's Women's and Children's Ready-Made

Boots, Shoes & Gaiters,

Which he will Sell at the Lowest Prices.

☞ Boots and Shoes made to order, and Repairing neatly and substantially done at short notice. [ap 25-y1

Railroad Guide.

NORTH PENNA RAILROAD.

Passengers for Philadelphia will leave Lehighton as follows:

5.01 a. m.,	via L. V.;	arrive at Phila at	9.00 a.m
7.37 a. m.	via L. & S.	" "	11.20 a.m.
7.39 a. m.	via L. V.	" "	11.10 p.m.
11.07 p. m.	via L. & S.	" "	2.15 p.m.
11.02 p. m.	via L. V.	" "	2.15 p.m.
2.27 p. m.	via L. & S.	" "	5.55 p.m.
4.47 p. m.	via L. & S.	" "	8.20 p.m.
4.44 p. m.	via L. V.	" "	8.20 p.m.
7.38 p. m.	via L. V.	" "	10.30 p.m.

Returning, leave depot at Berks and American Streets, Phila., at 7.00, 8.30 and 9.45 a. m. 2.10 3.30, and 5.15 p. m.

Fare from Lehighton to Philadelphia, $2.55.
Feb. 1, 1874. MILES CLARK, Agent

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD,

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE RR. DIVISION.

Sumter Time Table.

On and after SUNDAY, MAY 31st, 1874, the trains on the Philada. & Erie R.R. Division will run as follows:

WESTWARD.

FAST LINE	leaves Philadelphia		12.55 p.m.
"	"	Harrisburg	5.00 p.m.
"	"	Williamsport	9.00 p.m.
"	arr. at Lock Haven		10.15 p.m
ERIE MAIL	leaves Philadelphia		11.55 p.m
"	"	Harrisburg	4.25 a.m.
"	"	Williamsport	8.35 a.m.
"	"	Lock Haven	9.45 a.m
"	"	Renova	11.10 a.m.
"	arr. at Erie		8.05 p.m.
ELMIRA MAIL	leaves Philadelphia		8.00 a.m.
"	"	Harrisburg	1.20 p.m.
"	"	Williamsport	6.20 p.m.
"	arr. at Lock Haven		7.30 p.m.
NIAGARA EXPRESS	leaves Philadelphia		7.20 a.m.
"	"	Harrisburg	10.40 a.m.
"	"	Williamsport	2.05 p.m.
"	"	Lock Haven	3.10 p.m.
"	"	Renova	4.20 p.m.
"	"	arr. at Kane	9.00 a.m.

EASTWARD.

PHILA. EXPRESS	leaves Lock Haven		6.27 a.m.
"	"	Williamsport	7.45 a.m.
"	arr. at Harrisburg		11.45 a.m.
"	"	Philadelphia	3.35 p.m
ERIE MAIL	leaves Erie		11.20 a.m.
"	"	Renova	9.15 p.m.
"	"	Lock Haven	10.30 p.m.
"	"	Williamsport	12.10 a.m.
"	arr. at Harrisburg		4.50 a.m.
"	"	Philadelphia	9.15 a.m
ELMIRA MAIL	leaves Lock Haven		8.00 a.m.
"	"	Williamsport	9.30 a.m.
"	arr. at Harrisburg		1.40 p.m
"	"	Philadelphia	5.55 p.m.
NIAGARA EXPRESS	leaves Kane		9.00 a.m.
"	"	Renova	4.05 p.m.
"	"	Lock Haven	5.25 p.m.
"	"	Williamsport	6.50 p.m.
"	arr at Harrisburg		10.55 p.m
"	"	Philadelphia	2.50 a.m.

Mail East connects east and west at Erie with L S & M S R R W and at Irvineton with Oil Creek and Allegheny R R W.

Mail West with east and west trains on L S & M S R W, and at Corry and Irvineton with Oil Creek and Allegheny R R W.

Elmira Mail and Buffalo Express make close connections at Williamsport with N C R W trains north, and at Harrisburg with N C R W trains south. WM. A. BALDWIN, Gen'l Supt.

Cheapest Place in Town!

The undersigned respectfully informs his friends and the citizens in general, that he has just received a large and elegant assortment of

WATCHES, CLOCKS,

SILVER PLATED WARE,

Jewelry, Gold Pens, &c.

Which he is offering at very

LOW PRICES FOR CASH!

Also, Agent for the celebrated

DIAMOND

Spectacles & Eye-Glasses

The very best in the market.

F. Deborde,

Nearly opposite the P. O.,

Bank St, Lehighton.

June 6, 1874

NEW DRUG STORE

IN LEHIGHTON.

T. W. Renshaw

Respectfully informs the citizens of Lehighton and vicinity, that he has open a Drug Store, in STAUFFER'S BLOCK, on

Bank Street, Lehighton,

and that he has just received an assortment of

Pure Drugs,
Chemicals,
Family Medicines,

Flavoring Extracts, Perfumery, Coal Oil,

Pure Wines and Liquors,

For Medicinal & Sacramental Purposes.

CIGARS, TOBACCO, &c.,

which he will supply at the very lowest price for Cash.

Renshaw's Writing Fluid,

The Best in the Market,

AT WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

The attention of Chemists is specially called to this article, which, while it is fully equal to the best in the market, is sold at 25 per cent. less than any other

Qualitative Chemical Examinations carefully made at reasonable charges.

Physicians' and Family Prescriptions carefully compounded.

☞ The patronage of the public is very respectfully solicited.

T. W. RENSHAW,
apr 11. Chemist and Druggist.

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The Beatty & Plotts celebrated Golden Tongue

PARLOR ORGAN

is acknowledged by professors of music and celebrated organists to be the leading Parlor Organ now in use. Testimonials and cards of honor are constantly being received in favor of them. We append a few and wish you to read them:—

ANTHONY, N. J., Jan. 25, 1873.

Messrs Beatty & Plotts, Gents—Your Organ, sold me, gives entire satisfaction. It beauty of tone and style of workmanship are seldom if ever surpassed. Wishing you success in your business, I am, with respect, Prof. M. H. BEATTY.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Feb 11, 1874.

I have one of Beatty & Plott 'Golden Tongue Organs. It i an excellent instrument, fine tone and full power. I like it better than any I have heard.

M. H. HAUPEL, M. D.

LAURY'S STAT'N, Pa., Jan. 27, 1874.

I have had Beatty & Plotts' Organ since August 14th, 1872; it gives the highest satisfaction, and has proved all that it was recommended by the prop'rs

JOB HENRY.

SLATINGTON, Pa., Feb. 6, 1874.

Beatty & Plotts' Parlor Organ I like better than the Standard, and it gives better satisfaction, as I find in my travels. Prof. FR. V. MAYER

ST. CLAIR, Pa., Dec. 6th, 1873.

Messrs. Beatty & Plotts, Gents—I have received the Organ, as sent by your firm to me, and I have had it examined, and it gives ample satisfaction.

Hon. JOHN SINEY.

MAHANOY CITY, Pa., Oct. 16, 1872.

The Beatty & Plotts celebrated Golden Tongue Parlor Organ is by far the best Parlor Organ in use. I have carefully examined it, and find its tone, workmanship and durability to be the best I ever saw, and I can with pleasure recommend it to any in want of a first-class parlor organ. Prof. O. H. UNGER.

Messrs. Beatty & Plotts, of Washington, N. J., are gentlemen of enterprise, and whose presence would be a credit to any community.—[Hackettstown, N. J., Herald, 1872.

WASHINGTON, N. J., Sept. 5, 1873.

To Robert Morgan, Pottsville—I am happy to state that the instrument gives entire satisfaction, not only to myself but also to the teachers of the Seminary who are better judges.

Rev. A. M. JELLY.

We say, after careful and costly experiment, it is with pleasure we introduce the "Golden Tongue," knowing it possesses many advantages over all others manufactured. The tone excels in fullness, purity, and the thousands of testimonials which are being constantly received, are evidence that our efforts have been eminently successful. For particulars and Price List, address

BEATTY & PLOTTS,
Feb. 21-6m Washington, N. J.

"A Nearer Approximation to the REAL SWAN QUILL than Anything Hitherto Invented."

The CONSTANTLY INCREASING sale of the

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is owing to their *superior writing qualities*, as attested by the editorial endorsement of over **1000** papers, and by Merchants, Lawyers and Bankers without number.

They are all made of the **best** Steel, in the **best** manner, by the **best** workmen in Europe. *For Sale by all Dealers.*

☞ *To accommodate those who may wish to try these pens, we will send a Card, containing one each of the* **15 Numbers**, *by mail, on receipt of 25c.*

Ivison, Blakeman, Taylor & Co.,
138 and 140 GRAND STREET, N. Y.
April 25, 1874.

SAMUEL GRAVER,

Opposite the Public Square,

SOUTH ST., LEHIGHTON, PA.,

Manufacturer of

Tin & Sheet Iron Ware

And Dealer in all kinds of

STOVES!!

☞ Roofing, Spouting and Jobbing promptly attended to. nov. 30

PITY HIM? NO!—That Electric Liniment, like I got at Durling's Drug Store, will cure him or any other man of RHEUMATISM and all other Pains. may 9

THE People of Lehighton and vicinity all unite in testifying that at A. J. DURLING'S Drug and Family Medicine Store, PURE, FRESH and UNADULTERATED MEDICINES can always be found. may 9

WHY, OH, WHY will you suffer with that Cough or Cold? when relief may be had immediately by using DURLING'S Compound Syrup of Tar, Wild Cherry and Horehound.

Annual Financial Statement of Receipts and Expenditures of Mahoning School District, Carbon county, Pa., for the year ending June 1st, A. D. 1874:

RECEIPTS.

Gross am't of Tax duplicate.		$1768 42
Exonerations & abatements	$35 61	
Collector's commissi'n	69 31	
		104 92
		1663 50
Cash from old Collectors		270 00
State appropriation		180 00
Total Receipts		$2113 50

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Teachers' Salaries	$1544 25
" Fuel and contingencies	215 74
" Repairs	339 06
" Salary (in part) Treas'r	14 45
	$2113 50

GENERAL STATEMENT.

Outstand'g taxes, D. E. Fritz late Collector	$339 00
Total indebtedness of District	173 53
Bal. in favor of District	$165 47

We the undersigned Auditors of Mahoning School District, Carbon county, having carefully examined the above accounts of the Treasurer, find them as above stated.

NATHAN MOSER,
JOSIAH MUSSELMAN, } Auditors.
JOSIAH XANDER,

Mahoning, June 23, 1874-w3*

Annual Financial Statement of Receipts and Expenditures of the LEHIGHTON SCHOOL DISTRICT for the Year ending JUNE 1st, 1874:

RECEIPTS.

Gross amount of Tax Duplicate for School purposes		$3 201 09
Do. for Building purposes		3,201 09
Total		$6,402 18
Deduct exhonerations deficiencies & errors	$349 82	
Outstanding tax	1052 36	
		1,402 18
Total tax receipts		5,000 00
Cash from former Treasurer		209 89
Sale of buildings and lots		1,025 00
State appropriations		265 00
Cash on Bonds issued		28,007 75
Temporary Loan		886 00
From other sources		524 00
Total Receipts		$35,917 64

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Teachers' salaries	2,457 75
" New School Buildings and Lots	19,197 27
" Int. on Bonds & Notes	48 00
" Fuel and contingencies	150 31
" Repairs	516 63
" Salary of Secretary	100 00
" Salary of Treasurer and Collector	705 58
" Miscellaneous expenses	309 35
	$23,484 89
Total amount in hands of Treasurer	12,432 75

We, the undersigned Auditors of Lehighton School District, Carbon county, having carefully examined the above accounts of the Treasurer, find them correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

R. FENSTERMACHER,
R. J. YOUNGKIN,
WM. SEABOLDT,
Auditors.

Lehighton, June 17, 1874.

T. D. CLAUSS,

Merchant Tailor,

And Dealer in

Gent's Furnishing Goods,

LEHIGHTON, PA.

Constantly on hand a splendid stock of

NEW GOODS,

Consisting of Plain and Fancy Cloths, Cassimeres and Vestings, for Men's and Boys' Wear, which I am prepared to Make up to Order in the most Fashionable Styles, at short notice.

Ladies', Misses and Children's

Boots & Shoes

A well selected stock of French and Turkey Morocco, Glove Kid, Lasting, Kid, Pebble and Grain Leather Boots and Shoes on hand, or

Made to Order.

Hats & Caps,

Of the Latest Styles always on hand, at the Lowest Price.

Also, Agent for the
American & Grover & Baker
Sewing Machines.

Only One Price for Everybody.
January 11, 1873-y1

JUST look at her Hair! Why I thought it was turning Grey? So it was, until she got a Bottle of that new Hair Restorer at Durling's Drug Store.

MOTHERS, Look at that Child, it has Worms. Go or send at once to DURLING'S Drug Store, and get a bottle of his WORM SYRUP, so pleasant and yet so sure. may 9

Not Acted On.

Washington, June 23.—Among the bills which go over till next session are the following:

For the relief of owners and purchasers of land sold for direct taxes in the insurrectionary States

Amending the ninth section of the act approved July 13, 1866, concerning deposits in savings banks.

To establish and maintain a national savings depository as a branch of the Post Office.

To incorporate the Southern Transcontinental Railroad Company

Granting to railroads in the Territories the right of way through the public lands of the United States.

Providing for the construction of the Portland, Dalles and Salt Lake Railroad, and for the performance of all Government services free of charge.

To enable the central branch of the Union Pacific Railroad Company to submit its claim against the United States under the existing laws to the decision of the Supreme Court.

Amendatory of the Civil Rights law.

To authorize the organization of national banks without a circulation.

To establish the Territory of Pembina, and provide a Government therefor.

Providing a postal telegraph.

Providing for the resumption of specie payment and for free banking.

Amendatory of the tariff and internal revenue laws.

This bill failed in consequence of the disagreeing votes on the amendments.

For the admission of New Mexico and Colorado as States.

Repealing the Pre-emption and amendatory of the Homestead laws.

To protect navigable waters of the United States from injury and obstruction.

House bill for the reorganization of the army.

The House bill to equalize bounties.

The bill granting pensions to all soldiers of the War of 1812, and their widows and children.

For the construction and repairs of Mississippi river levees.

The McCrary bill regulating charges for railroad transportation.

The House bill amendatory of the steamboat law.

The Senate bills for the abolition of compulsory pilotage, and to authorize the organization of national banks without circulation. All the land grant bills, and many hundred bills for the relief of individuals.

Bold Impostures.

Arthur Orton does not share his reputation alone; long before his day men of equal boldness have arrogated to themselves rights which rest not on a grain of foundation. Of the many pretenders who each claimed the throne of France, as being the son of Louis XVI., said to have died in the Temple, but who, according to them, had been taken away while another child was substituted in his place, there was the son of a tailor; a watchmaker; two adventurers; and the son of a sabot maker. It is astonishing to consider the numbers and respectability of those who sided with one or the other of the various impostors—nobles, bishops, priests, soldiers, the staid and sober-minded few, the frivolous and unthinking many—all were carried away by the specious tales and unblushing effrontery of those who averred that the child prisoner of the infamous Simon—the patient of Dr. Desault—the unfortunate Dauphin of France—had escaped the fate to which his brutal jailors had condemned him. The tailor's son became a suitor for the hand of a princess—Benedictine of Portugal. The son of a sabot maker sent, by the hands of a gallant soldier, a letter written to "Mme. Royale." The watchmaker was the pet of noble ladies and brave men, and lived en Prince in Paris. There was not one of them all but was enabled to trade, with marvelous success, upon the credulity of all classes of society. Such is the strange power of unblushing audacity upon the majority of people, that honesty is to often distanced by vice in this unthinking world. Apropos of this subject a Vienna paper announces the death of a manefactor, who for some time preyed on the trade of Paris under the false name and title of Prince Gyorgy. Accompanied by an adventuress, whom he gave out to be his wife, he succeeded in running up enormous debts in the first houses in the capital. From Paris he went to Pesth, where he immediately commenced similar operations, and succeeded in obtaining goods from one firm to the value of 12,000 francs. He was shortly afterwards taken into custody while in Vienna, whither he had repaired. It appears that he was implicated in the Commune. His swindling transactions were to an amount almost unprecedent. With such swindlers as the foregoing making their appearance from time to time we ought, by experience, to learn to avoid them.

A Ghostly Chateau.

Travelers in Switzerland who have explored the flat alluvial delta of the valley of the Rhone may remember a fine old house about three miles from Villeneuve, called the Chateau du Grande Clos. Of a solid square form, with high peaked roof, lofty chimneys, spacious hall and perron, and pretty old-fashioned garden, with cypresses and fountain, it seems to have been transplanted out of Northern France in the last century to this region of ugly little stone houses or mountain wooded chalets. Its story is curious. It was built and for a long time inhabited by the self-styled "Duc de Normandie," one of those numerous claimants to be the real Louis XVIII., of whom, it seems, we are never to hear the last. The "duc," at all events, took great pains to inform himself of all the particulars which, (supposing him to have been the illustrated prince) he might be expected to know. His Library which recently remained in the chateau, and is probably still to be seen there, consisted of books, pamphlets, and papers of all kinds, many hundreds in numbers, but all, with one exception, connected with the story of the French Revolution. It is necessary to add that the quaint old chateau possesses its ghost story? An English family, it is solemnly stated by the neighbors, were twenty years ago tenants of the house. They went to sleep as usual one night, but next morning the place which had known them knew them no more. They had disappeared utterly from the face of the earth, and from that hour dismal clanking of chains have been heard at midnight through the echoing rooms. Unhappily the narrative just stops short at the interesting point. Had the lost family paid their bills?

The New Comet.

This new cloud of cosmical dust is to become in a few weeks one of the most splendid meteors ever witnessed. It was first discovered on April 17, 1874, by M. Coggia, at Marseilles, small, but having an intense nuclear condensation. Its polar distance was about 20 degrees 15 minutes and 23 seconds, and it was moving slowly towards the southwest. It was first visible in the early morning, but is now also visible in the evening. It has been increasing in brightness, and by a sharp and somewhat practised eye, can be seen in the constellation Camelopard in right ascension about seven hours and declination about 70 degrees north. It is now receding from the sun and is diminishing in actual size and brightness, but as it is approaching nearer to us its brilliancy is apparently augmented.

This luminous meteor, which is named Comet II. of 1874, is wholly outside of the earth's orbit, but, as it moves on its fiery track, will on the 3rd of August attain its maximum beauty and brightness for us. When first described by M. Coggia its brightness was only one in the scale now it is seven; but after the 1st of July it will reach a much higher degree of luminosity, and on the 3rd of August will have a brightness of 245. These figures will afford the reader an idea of what an astronomic treat he may look forward to in August.

There is something so wonderful to the human mind, and so surpassing all attempts to fathom; in these enormous volumes of cometary matter, whirling through planetary space, that every effort should be made to analyze and spectroscopically test their nature. Already the telescope has revealed nearly seven hundred comets, and every year we have one or two new ones. Greater activity among well equipped star-gazers would probably show a much larger number rushing along on or near the earth's orbit. The disturbing effect on the earth's atmosphere of such a comet as Halley's, whose tail was nearly 90,000 miles long, and whose temperature was more has 25,000 times that of the noonday sun at the Equator, is a problem well-worthy of more accurate investigation than it has ever received. As yet it does not appear that Coggia's comet, the 2nd of 1874, is associated with the stream of August meteors; but that also remains for investigation. Let our astronomers and spectrocopists make the the most of this new visitor from the distant fields of the stellar world, and, if possible, remove the reproach which the ignorance of the constitution of cometary bodies has so long entailed on the science of astronomy.

What Water Is.

On a certain occasion one Paul Denton, a Methodist preacher in Texas, advertised a barbecue, with better liquor than is usually furnished. When the people assembled, a desperado in the crowd cried out, "Mr. Paul Denton, your reverence has lied. You promised not only a good barbecue, but better liquor. Where's the liquor?"

"There!" answered the missionary, in tones of thunder, and pointing his long, bony finger at the matchless double spring, gushing up in two strong columns from the bosom of the earth; "There!" he repeated, with a look terrible as lightning, while his enemy actually trembled at his feet; "There is the liquor which God, the Eternal, brews for all his children. Not in the simmering still, over smoky fires choked with poisonous gases and surrounded with the stench of sickening odors and corruption, doth your Father in Heaven prepare the precious essence of life, pure cold water; but in the glade and grassy dell, where the red deer wanders and the child loves to play, there God brews it; and down, way down in deepest valleys, where the fountain murmers and the rills sing; and high up on the mountain tops, where the naked granite glitters like gold in the sun, where storm clouds brood and the thunder storms crash; and out, out on the wild, wide sea, where the hurricane howls music and the big waves roar their chorus, sweeping the march of God—there he brews it—beverage of life, health-giving water. And everywhere it is a thing of beauty, gleaming in the dew drop, singing in the summer rain, shining in the ice gem, till they seem turned to living jewels; spreading a golden veil over the setting sun, or a