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Railroad Guide.

NORTH PENNA. RAILROAD.

Passengers for Philadelphia will leave Lehighton as follows:

9:00 a. m. via L. V. arrive at Phila. at			9:00 a. m.
7:47 a. m. via L. & S.	"	"	11:15 a. m.
7:39 a. m. via L. V.	"	"	11:15 a. m.
11:07 p. m. via L. & S.	"	"	2:20 p. m.
11:02 p. m. via L. V.	"	"	2:20 p. m.
2:37 p. m. via L. & S.	"	"	5:40 p. m.
4:17 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 Perkiomen and American Sts., Phila., at 7:30, 8.30 and 9:45 a. m.; 2:10, 3:45 and 5.15 p. m.
Fare from Lehighton to Phila., $2.25.
June 5, 1875 ELLIS CLARK, Agent.

CENTRAL R. R. OF N. J.
LEHIGH & SUSQUEHANNA DIVISION.
All Rail Route to Long Branch.
Time Table of May 31, 1875.
Trains leave Lehighton as follows:
For New York, Easton, &c., at 7.47, 11.07 a. m., 2.26, 4.47 p. m.
For Philadelphia, 7.47, 11.07 a. m., 2.26, 4.47, 7.17 p. m.
For Mauch Chunk at 10.20 a. m., 1.14, 5.38, and 9.43 p. m.
For Wilkes-Barre and Scranton at 10.20 a. m., 1.14 p. m.
Returning—Leave New York, from station Central Railroad of New Jersey, foot of Liberty street, North River, at 5.30, 9.30 a. m., 12.45, 5.30 p. m.
Leave Philadelphia, from Depot North Penn'a R. R., at 7.50, 9.45 a. m., 2.10, p. m.
Leave Easton at 8.40, 11.48 a. m., 5.56 and 8.10 p. m.
Leave Mauch Chunk at 7.40, 11.00 a. m., 2.20 and 4.40, 7.10 p. m.
For further particulars, see Time Tables at the Stations.
PASSENGERS FOR LONG BRANCH CHANGE CARS AT ELIZABETH.
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July 4, 1874.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD,
PHILADELPHIA & ERIE RR. DIVISION.
Summer Time Table.
On and after SUNDAY, MAY 23rd, 1875, the Trains on the Philadelphia & Erie Railroad Division will run as follows:

WESTWARD.

FAST LINE leaves	New York	9.2 a.m.
	Philadelphia	12.55 p.m.
	Baltimore	1.20 p.m.
	Harrisburg	5.00 p.m.
	arr. at Williamsport	8.55 p.m.
	Lock Haven	10.20 p.m.
	Bellefonte	11.50 p.m.
ERIE MAIL leaves	New York	8.25 p.m.
	Philadelphia	11.50 p.m.
	Baltimore	1.55 p.m.
	Harrisburg	4.25 a.m.
	Williamsport	8.45 a.m.
	Lock Haven	9.45 a.m.
	Renova	11.05 a.m.
	arr. at Erie	7.00 p.m.
NIAGARA EX. leaves	Philadelphia	7.40 a.m.
	Baltimore	7.35 p.m.
	Harrisburg	10.45 a.m.
	arr. at Williamsport	1.55 p.m.
	Lock Haven	3.15 p.m.
	Renova	4.30 p.m.
ELMIRA MAIL leaves	Philadelphia	8.00 a.m.
	Baltimore	8.30 a.m.
	Harrisburg	1.25 p.m.
	arr. at Williamsport	6.10 p.m.
	Lock Haven	7.30 p.m.

EASTWARD.

PHILAD'A EX. leaves	Lock Haven	6.40 a.m.
	Williamsport	7.55 a.m.
	arr. at Harrisburg	11.45 a.m.
	Baltimore	6.15 p.m.
	Philadelphia	3.35 p.m.
	New York	6.45 p.m.
DAY EXPRESS leaves	Renova	9.00 a.m.
	Lock Haven	10.25 a.m.
	Williamsport	10.50 a.m.
	arr. at Harrisburg	3.0[illegible] p.m.
	Philadelphia	6.20 p.m.
	New York	9.15 p.m.
	Baltimore	3.5[illegible] p.m.
ERIE MAIL leaves	Erie	1.20 a.m.
	Renova	8.25 p.m.
	Lock Haven	9.45 p.m.
	Williamsport	10.50 p.m.
	arr. at Harrisburg	2.25 a.m.
	Baltimore	7.35 a.m.
	Philadelphia	6.45 a.m.
	New York	10.1[illegible] a.m.
FAST LINE leaves	Williamsport	12.55 a.m.
	arr. at Harrisburg	3.55 a.m.
	Baltimore	7.35 a.m.
	Philadelphia	7.35 a.m.
	New York	10.25 a.m.

Erie Mail West, Niagara Express West, Elmira Mail West and Day Express East make close connection at Northumberland with L. & B. RR. trains for Wilkesbarre and Scranton.
Erie Mail West, Niagara Express West and Elmira Mail West make close connection at Williamsport with N. C. R. W. trains north.
Erie Mail East and West, Niagara Express West, Fast Line West and Day Express make close connection at Lock Haven with B. E. V. RR. trains.
Erie Mail East and West connect at Erie with trains on L. S. & M. S. RR., at Corry with O. C. & A. V. RR., at Emporium with B. N. Y. & P. RR., and at Driftwood with A. V. RR.
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SPRING OPENING of
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MRS. E. FATH
Two doors below the M. E. church, Lehighton Pa., desires to call the attention of the ladies to the fact that she is opening a very large stock of the most FASHIONABLE STYLES of
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Hats, Bonnets,
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☞ Ladies own Material made up to order at short notice, and at lowest prices.
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FLOUR AND FEED,
Of the Best Brands, at prices fully as low as elsewhere.
The Highest Market Price paid for all kinds of
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A share of public patronage is solicited.
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May 15-y1

1875 Spring 1875
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Ladies' own Hair made up to order
Call and inspect Goods and learn Prices before purchasing elsewhere.
MRS. M. GUTH, Weissport, Pa.
April 3-y1

The Man with the Coon Skin.

He halted in front of a grocery store, and drawing from under his coat a small parcel tied around with a string, he inquired of the grocer, who sat by the door:

"How's trade?"

"Pretty fair for hot weather," was the answer.

"Are you up to bargains?" continued the stranger, as he untied the parcel and took out a coon skin—a coon skin which seemed to have been kicked about the house ever since the close of the war.

"Humph!" sneered the grocer, as he contemptuously regarded the old skin.

"You may 'humph!' and 'humph!' and 'humph!' all you want to!" exclaimed the stranger in a loud voice, "but if you want a coon skin to sell again this is the article!"

"I don't think I want to invest."

"You don't? Great heavens! but I took you for a man of talent and enterprise!"

"No one ever buys coon skins or furs in the summer," said the grocer.

"I know it's a little late in the season, and therefore I'm willing to throw off something. I shouldn't have the face to ask over fifty cents for this 'ere coon skin."

"I shouldn't want to pay that price," replied the grocer.

"You wouldn't? Merciful stars! But is it possible that you would take bread from the mouths of my starving children, my innocent darlings, who don't know a coon skin from a cow hide!"

The grocer was silent, and the stranger smoothed the brindle hair with his right hand and continued:

"I will go before any court in the land and take a solemn oath that this is one of the best coon skins offered in this market for the last fifteen years. Observe the variegated colors! Behold the tender softness! Just put your hand on this coon skin, mister!"

"I don't think I want to buy any furs before November," quietly replied the grocer.

"You don't? Is it possible that you will deliberately let this great bargain slip through your fingers? No! I cannot believe it! Dozens of grocers in this town want this coon skin; want it so they cannot keep still; but I was recommended to come to you, and I am here"

"It isn't a prime skin," said the grocer, as he glanced at the flesh side a second time.

"It ain't? Here, mister, shoot me! Draw your revolver and send a bullet in here, right through my quivering heart!"

He dropped the coon-skin and held his coat and vest open, but as the grocer didn't shoot he presently picked up his merchandise, and continued in a sad voice:

"Mister, do I look like a pirate, or a robber, or a liar? Do you suppose I'd go and tell you a deliberate lie, and peril my chances of ever reaching heaven, for the sake of selling you this coon skin?"

"No, I suppose not," replied the grocer, leaning back in his chair.

"Ah, no, I wouldn't. I ain't purty, nor I don't wear many store clothes on my person, but I'm honest—yes, as honest as the day is long. If I should so far forget my early training as to tell you a lie about this coon skin, I never could enjoy another night's rest—never!"

"Well, I guess I don't want it," said the grocer.

"Heavens! but is it possible that you will let me return to my loving wife and fond children without bread to appease their hunger? Will you deliberately and wilfully sit there and see me tie this coon skin up and walk away, when I am offering it to you at one-half its market value?"

"You can perhaps sell it elsewhere."

"I know I can. I know a dozen men who want it but they are not men of your reputation. When you hand me fifty cents I know it is the genuine stripe, and I go away satisfied. The others might pass counterfeit money on me, and I might be arrested and jailed, and my family be exposed to the scorn of this cold world."

"I don't want the coon skin," said the grocer, "but if your family are suffering for the want of food, I'll give you fifteen cents for it, and throw it back in the loft."

"Fif—fifteen—fifteen cents!" exclaimed the stranger, dropping the fur and springing off the step. "Now let the angles look down and weep! Let that bright sun be obscured by clouds blacker than midnight rolled in tar! If life has come to this, let me die to once!"

The grocer picked up a newspaper, and the stranger, waited two or three minutes, sighed heavily, and then handed out the skin, and sadly said:

"Take it, and give me the paltry pittance! I am going home to die in the bosom of my family! I'll gather them around me once more, take a last farewell, and then I'll drop into the turbid river, and be seen no more!"

The money was handed him, and he passed down the street two blocks, turned to the left, and as he kicked open the blind door of a saloon, he said to the barkeeper:

"Julops for one, and fill the glass chock up!"

—The subject of hotel accommodation for the expected multitude of visitors to Philadelphia next year has been uppermost with capitalists there for several months. The established hotels could not be expected to be adequate, and the investment of money in costly buildings for transient use would be injudicious. A plan of making structures that can be used as hotels and afterward changed into private residences has at length been devised.

The Man with an Item.

It wasn't right, and future generations will say that it wasn't. He came tramping up stairs, tossed his hat on to a table, and as he sat down in a chair he carelessly remarked:

"Suppose you'd like a big item?"

"Yes, of course," replied the lone reporter.

"I haven't been to any other paper with it," he continued, as he leaned forward; "I've taken the Free Press for twenty-nine years, and I've walked four miles to give you this item."

"Well, I'm very much obliged indeed. What is the item?"

"Well, you know the Grand Trunk Junction?"

"Yes, out here about three miles from the City Hall."

"Well, it was about a mile beyond that. Me an' another fellow was coming in on the track. He was a stranger, and seemed down-hearted and gloomy; said he didn't care two cents whether he lived or died."

"Poor fellow! Can you describe him?"

"Yes, he was about five feet six; had red hair; big feet; coarse clothes; blue eyes and no whiskers."

"Well, go on."

"We'd got within a mile of the Junction when the express train from the east came thundering along."

"Yes."

"And of course we stepped off the track."

"Yes."

"I wasn't looking for nor expecting any such thing, you know, for the man didn't let on nor betray himself by word nor look. If I'd only suspected it, why, I could have grabbed him."

"Yes, I see,"

"Well, we stood facing the train. I was a leetle ahead of him, and what did he do, as the train got within 300 feet of us?"

"Rushed on the track?"

"No, not that. He made a jump for the rail, kneeled down, and——"

"Great blazes, but it was awful!" interrupted the reporter.

"Awful? I guess it was! I was never so weak in my life. He deliberately laid his neck on the rail, shut his eyes, and——"

"And the locomotive took his head clean off,' 'shouted the reporter, spitting up.

"No. As I was saying, he deliberately placed his neck on the rail, held it there——"

"And was mashed!"

"No, sir—held it there for a moment and then——"

"And was then struck by the pilot!"

"No, sir—and then he deliberately took it off again, and is now in a saloon around the corner inquiring for a job."—Detroit Free Press.

The Emperor's Dumplings.

If anybody in Vienna insists with stubbornness on having a silly whim gratified, he will certainly be ridiculed with the phrase, "Kaiser bin i', Knoedel muss i' haben." The origin of this good natured rebuke is this: During the first year of his reign the Emperor Ferdinand made a trip to Syria, and while on an excursion to some mountain valley was surprised by a heavy shower. The Emperor, with his suite, sought refuge from a storm in a farmer's cottage where dinner had just been served. Dumplings of very course flour formed the principal feature of his meal, to which the Emperor was cordially invited by the farmer's wife. To the horror of the chamberlains and courtiers Ferdinand helped himself very freely, and made a heartier meal of the dumplings than they had ever seen him enjoy at a grand dinner at the "Hofburg" in Vienna. After his return to the capital the Emperor gave orders that dumplings of course flour should henceforth figure every day on the Imperial dinner table. The disgust of the chef de cuisine may easily be imagined, and the Emperor's physicians also unanimously vetoed his new favorite dish. But Ferdinand, who on other occasions had never shown a will of his own, remained this time firm as a rock, and would not give up his fancy for dumplings. When the physicians positively declared that they could not allow his Majesty to dine of dumplings, he stamped with his foot, and cried that he would not sign another official document until he had got dumplings for his dinner. "Emperor I am, and dumplings I will have!" ("Kaiser bin i', und Knoedel muss i' haben!") he shouted, and to prevent a complete deadlock of the Government machine in Austria, his fancy had to be gratified.—Pall Mall Gazette.

RELIGIOUS KNOWLEDGE IN WESTERN TEXAS.—To escape a thunder shower I sought refuge in a cabin among the mountains, where there were three little boys. I asked the eldest who made him? After thinking over it, he answered, "God." I asked the next, "What did God make you for?" He laughed as he replied, "I 'spect for to raise calves." I asked the youngest why God made him? He thought it was "to pick up chips." I asked the first, who was the first man? This was beyond his depth; grasping a tuft of his yellow hair, he gave it a pull, but the answer did not come. His father, who sat in the corner puffing tobacco smoke from a corncob pipe, became quite excited, and giving a twitch to his pantaloons and looking as wise as an owl, he yelled out, "I say, Jim, tell him Job was the first man."