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**The Carbon Advocate.**  
SATURDAY MORNING, MAY 27, 1876.

**Local and Personal.**

Parties receiving the ADVOCATE with a cross marked after their names will please remit the amount due for subscription, or the extra 50 cents will be added to pay the expenses of collection.

Read Nusbaums new advertisement in another column.

Leave your measure with Laury & Peters, if you would look nice.

The "fits" given at Laury & Peters, are unsurpassed by any other house in the county.

C. W. Lentz, Central Drug store, Leuckel's building, is the place to find the choicest 5 cent cigar in town.

Centennial Guides and Jules Verne's "Mysterious Island," 1st and 2nd Nos., for sale at P. T. Brady's.

The spring suits being gotten up by Laury & Peters, are fashionable and neat, while the price is within the reach of all.

If you want a nice glove go to T. D. Claus's and select from his new and elegant stock of kid and Lisle thread gloves, just opened.

A large lot of Centennial baby carriages just received and for sale very cheap for cash at F. P. Seumel's Hardware store, Leighton, Pa.

Just so. The ready made linen dresses for ladies at E. H. Snyder's are the handsomest and most stylish articles in the market. They range in price from \$2.50 upwards. Ladies, call and see them.

T. D. Claus has just returned from the city with a beautiful stock of Centennial and other styles of neckties. Also, a full stock of gentlemen's furnishing goods of the choicest quality. Call and see them.

Wall paper reduced from 12 1/2 cents to 11 cents per piece, which must be sold off within 30 days. In order to make room for new goods, also, match border at 15 cents per piece, at Lentz's drug store, Leuckel's building.

Paper hanging, painting and glazing neatly done by Ed. Eisenhower. Orders left at the post-office, Leighton, Pa., will receive prompt attention. Charges very moderate and satisfaction guaranteed. (24)

J. W. O'Neill, at the Leighton Bakery, has newly and tastefully fitted up his ice cream saloon and opened up his soda fountain, and is now prepared to supply our citizens with the finest flavors of ice cream and soda water day and evening.

DR. FITZLER'S RHEUMATIC REMEDY cures rheumatism, neuralgia, nervous and kidney diseases. DR. FITZLER'S PECTORAL SYRUP, infallible for coughs, colds and bronchitis. DR. FITZLER'S CORDIAL, CALIBATA, LINIMENT and VEGETABLE LIVER PILLS sold by C. W. Lentz, sole agent for Leighton and Weisport. 2-ly

J. K. Rickett has still a few of those eligible lots in Rickettstown to dispose of. If you feel like securing a good home call and see him. He is also supplying flour, feed, lumber and coal at the lowest rates.

Head Quarters for Boots, Shoes and Rubbers.—Messrs. Laury & Peters are now receiving and offering for sale one of the largest and best selected stocks of men's kip and calf boots, women's and children's gaiters, shoes and slippers, ever brought into Leighton, at prices which defy competition. Remember, if you want to buy cheap for cash, now is the time, and Laury & Peters' the place!

350 cash will buy a silver mounted 355 Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine. If you want to call at the ADVOCATE office right off!

T. D. Claus has just returned from the city with a beautiful assortment of cloths, cassimeres and vestings, which he is now making up at prices far below any other house in the Valley, while the style of fit and workmanship is unsurpassed. Call and see his goods before you purchase elsewhere. There is no charge for showing goods. Also, a full line of ladies' and gentlemen's attire.

Laury & Peters, the merchant tailors, call the attention of their customers and the public in general, to the fact that they have recently purchased the right for Leighton and Weisport to make up the patent rubber bottoms for pantaloons, one of the best arrangements for keeping the bottoms of the pants in proper shape ever introduced. They have used it for the past 3 months and find it to give entire satisfaction.

Our hills have put on their summer attire.  
—Scranton is afflicted with the small-pox.  
—New goods at E. H. Snyder's cheaper than ever.

Potato bugs are now busy chewing up tomato plants in the absence of potatoes.  
—Black alpacas a specialty at the Bee Hive Store of Daniel Graver.

Now is the time to see young men running around with their heads sand-papered.  
—Tuesday last we observed quite a number of Mauch Chunkers "shopping" in this borough.

If you want cheap and stylish dress goods, go to E. H. Snyder's.  
—The Spring Mountain Coal Co. announces a semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent., payable June 10th.

The financial statement of the First National Bank, of Leighton, will be found in another column.  
—Elegant black silks at from 95 cents per yard, at E. H. Snyder's.

Kill off your potato bugs with Paris green, for sale at Lentz's drug store, Leuckel's building.  
—A new and handsome stock of carpets just received at the Bee Hive Store of Daniel Graver.

The Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company announces the usual quarterly dividend of two per cent, or \$1 per share, payable on the 3d of June.

Astonishing Fact!—Best white shirts worth \$2.50 sold at \$1.50, at the cheap cash store of J. T. Nusbaum & Son. Perfect fit guaranteed.

Job printing, of every description, at the CARBON ADVOCATE office, cheaper than at any other establishment in the Lehigh Valley.

Evangelical Association.—Services to-morrow (Sunday), at 10 a. m., in the German language, and at 7.30 p. m. in English, in the new church at the corner of South and Third street. Rev. J. C. Bliem, pastor.

Levi Stein, one of the jurors in the Yost murder case at Pottsville, died on Wednesday night, of pneumonia. His death will cause a new trial, which cannot take place before July next.

Calicoes at from 5 cents per yard upwards, at Daniel Graver's Bee Hive Store, next door to the First National Bank.

Dress, used with taste and judgment, enhances beauty. Ladies, you will find both taste and judgment displayed in the "Domestic Fashions."

You can drive caterpillars from apple trees in less than thirty-six hours by treating sulphur in the body, which taints the sap and makes the leaves distasteful.

The marriage of A. N. Cleaver, manager for G. B. Linderman & Co., and Miss Lizzie K., daughter of R. H. Sayre, Esq., Supt. L. V. Railroad, is announced for June 1st, in the church of the Nativity, South Bethlehem.

The Bethlehem Iron Company the other day shipped twenty car loads of steel rails via the Lehigh Valley Railroad. The steel department of the Co's. Works is now kept in operation on full time.

"Ma, does pa kiss the cat?" "Why, no, my son. What is the name of goodness put that in your head?" "Cos when pa came down stairs this morning he kissed Sarah in the hallway and said, 'That's better than kissing that old cat up stairs, ain't it, Sarah?'" The feelings of the old lady were soothed by papa's hiring one of David Ebert's handsome tenants, and taking her for a ride up the Mahoning Valley.

Tilghman Walp, of Weisport, while engaged shifting cars at Packerton, on Monday afternoon last, was caught between the bumpers, and received a considerable bruise on his thigh. He is under the treatment of Dr. J. G. Zern.

A large number of the bogus \$5 notes of the Merchants' National Bank of New Bedford, Mass., have been set adrift in the Valley within the last four weeks. They are well gotten up and calculated to deceive the unwary.

Society gossips have it that Mr. W. H. Horn and Miss Lizzie Hunt, of Catawauqua, and a son of Dr. Guernsey, of Philadelphia, and Miss Gertrude Thomas, of Hokendauqua, will be married shortly.

Lehigh Valley railroad stock can now be purchased for \$57 and \$58 a share, a decrease of several dollars from the price of a fortnight ago. Lehigh Coal and Navigation stock is quoted at \$46.

All dealers in liquor, tobacco and cigars who fail to make application and to pay their Revenue Licenses on or before the 30th day of May, will be compelled to pay the penalty of fifty per cent. Such are the orders from the District Collector.

Rev. W. A. Schaffer, pastor of Christ Church, Easton, has been selected to deliver the annual address at the commencement of the Lutheran theological seminary in Philadelphia.

On Tuesday evening of last week Mrs. James Gillespie fell down a flight of stairs in her residence at Catawauqua, and broke one of her arms.

The Crane Iron Company are at present engaged in filling up No. 1 furnace preparatory to blowing in. No. 4 furnace will also be ready to blow in by about the middle of June.

Tuesday next will be Decoration day. We hear of no arrangements having been made to decorate the graves of deceased soldiers buried in the cemeteries in this place. How is this?

Five weeks and then we will have the Fourth of July. What are our citizens going to do about it? Shall we celebrate at home or let our citizens take their spare change to enrich other towns? Better wake up now, and make your preparations for a glorious celebration of the Centennial Fourth.

Ar. Jos. Oberst is putting down a very substantial flag side walk along the front of his lot on the lower side of Back street. What Joseph does, he always does well. Who follows suit in the sidewalk line?

The dedication services at the Evangelical church on Sunday last were of a highly interesting character. The subscription at the morning and afternoon services, we learn, amounted to a sum sufficient to liquidate the debt. Right!

Knock 'em Quick!—500 pounds of Paris Green, the best thing known for the destruction of the Potato bug, and a very large stock of "Insect Powder, for destroying worms and other insects on gooseberry and currant bushes and all kind of plants, can be had at A. J. Durling's popular drug store, Bank Street, Leighton.

Messrs Koch & Brothers, formerly of Allentown, have opened a cigar manufactory and a retail cigar and tobacco store, in the room formerly occupied by F. P. Semmel as a hardware store. Parties desiring anything in their line should give them a call.

Tuesday next, 30th inst., being a legal holiday the banks will be closed.  
—Daniel Heberling, we are sorry to state, is confined to his bed by a very serious attack of sickness.

John Bartholomew, who had the misfortune to lose a leg a few weeks ago, was reported to be very low on Friday morning.

Metuchen Tilbe, Imp. O. of R. M., meets this (Saturday) evening, at 7.30 o'clock.

That jolly tar, M. M. Fenner, Esq., formerly of Weisport, who is now sojourning in the West, paid his old home a flying visit this week. He reported himself as getting along lovely. Pressure of important business compelled him to make his stay very brief, much to the regret of his numerous friends.

New goods, in great variety, just received at the Bee Hive Store of Dan. Graver, next to First National Bank.

Edward O'Donnell, alias "Scotch Needle," whom our readers will remember was shot at Bugtown, near Tamaqua, on the 22d of April, while engaged in shaving himself, died last Monday from the effects of his wound. At the time it was thought that O'Donnell would recover, as the ball had glanced from his skull without fracturing it, as was then supposed; but at the post mortem which was held upon his body by Dr. Soliday, of Tamaqua, the fact was developed that the bullet had fractured his skull, and that abscess had formed, from which death resulted.

Mauch Chunk Items.  
The Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal Company's employees were paid yesterday.

E. M. Boyle, of the Coal Gazette, who returned from Philadelphia on Tuesday last, again fills the editorial chair of that paper.

A week or so ago Hon. John Leisnering and family, longing for an extensive carriage, ride ordered their Jehu to drive them to Philadelphia, which he did in two days.

A very tasty sign, painted by Luekenbach & Bentzen, now informs the way-faring man what substantial may be obtained at the Brighton House on Susquehanna street.

Messrs. Kalbus and Mulhearn will conduct the defence of the quiet little accused of the murder of F. W. S. Langdon, who was killed at Audenried in June, 1862.

A "muscelange" caught with a silver hook by Mr. Lafayette Lentz along the shores of the St. Lawrence was last Saturday, on exhibition at the "American." It measured 4 feet in length, and weighed 36 3/4 lbs.

Mr. C. M. Ebert, the popular Broadway druggist, has a party of mechanics at work altering the exterior of his premises, the replacing of the present by a glass front being the principal change contemplated.

A general raid against unlicensed peddlars is being contemplated by the various local authorities in this neighborhood. That class of itinerant merchants had better give Mauch Chunk, East and Upper Mauch Chunk a wide berth.

Mr. Lewis Armbruster is re-roofing his premises on Susquehanna street. Whether a French Mansard or some other nondescript sort of a roof is to take the place of the old one, has not yet transpired.

Fred. Wagner's (late proprietor of the European Hotel) goods and chattels were yesterday forenoon disposed of at Sheriff's sale, and while things of real value brought from 1-6 to 1-4 of what they were worth, "trash" sold at comparatively good prices.

The programme for Decoration Day, which will be published by both Mauch Chunk papers, does not vary materially from last year's, except that Fred. Bertolette, Esq., will deliver the oration, and the Rev. Edsall Ferrier is to conduct the religious exercises.

Mr. Sam. Behler, of the "Columbia" claims to have caught 724 trout since the opening of the season. A week ago he had the extraordinary luck of catching 202 in one day, and for several days thereafter "Forellen" were plenty at the Columbia House.

Travel over the Switch Back railroad was resumed on Monday the 22d inst. Mrs. Chas. Albright, Rev. Vincent, wife and child, and Messrs. Graham, Hunter, and Scott, occupying the first car that passed over the road on the opening day of the season.

The remains of Mr. Aaron Brelsich, who died at White Haven on Saturday last week, were, on Wednesday, consigned to their last resting place in the Upper Mauch Chunk cemetery, on which occasion the Masonic brotherhood were largely represented.

A "Camp Fire" held under the auspices of Chapman Post, G. A. R., of this place, on Saturday evening at Rhoad's Hall, was well attended, and a good time had generally. Speeches were made during the evening by Messrs. Albright, Craig, Klotz and Kalbus, and between these the fine music of the Phoenix Cornet Band, the eating of "bean soup," etc., a merry evening was enjoyed by all in attendance.

The "Molly" chase still continues, five additional arrests having been made during Monday night, of parties accused of having murdered one F. W. S. Langdon, a mine boss, at Audenried, in June 1862. They were brought here on Tuesday morning by a detail of Coal and Iron police, and committed to "Squire Yeager." They are John Campbell of Harleigh, Michael Kehoe of Mahanoy City, Edward McGee of Frenchtown, Michael McGee of Nanticoke, and Neal Dougherty of Tuscara, officer Grim, to whom praise is due for working up the case, being the one who preferred the charges.

Mr. Sam. B. Hutchinson, a well known former resident of this place, now of Gold Hill, Nevada Territory, is visiting among friends here since Monday. Tuesday the Phoenix Cornet Band serenaded him, in acknowledgment of which compliment Mr. H. presented the serenade a "solid" token of his appreciation. Mr. Hutchinson reports favorably concerning the state of affairs beyond the Rocky Mountains.

There were no less than two accidents on Monday last along the line of the L. V. R. R. One occurred near White Haven, where No. 7 down passenger ran into the rear end of a gravel train, resulting in considerable damage to the locomotive and one of the passenger coaches, while the other happened on the Beaver Meadow Branch, and resulted in a general smash up of coal cars. Happily no one was seriously hurt.

East Mauch Chunk.  
The erection of a house of worship has been decided upon by the German Reformed and Lutheran congregations of this place.

An election of officers of the Evergreen Cemetery Association, to serve the ensuing year, is to be held on Saturday the 3d of June.

Fiddler and Company's sash factory is no more, it having mysteriously caught fire Monday afternoon, and ere night had went up in "smoke." Amount of insurance not known, but supposed to be about \$5,000. As the factory had not been running for some months, and was closed incineration was most undoubtedly at the bottom of the affair.

It having been demonstrated that our water supply is insufficient in cases of emergency, the feeling in favor of the construction of suitable water-works is daily gaining strength.

Mr. F. S. Haslet, General Agent of the Lehigh Mutual Ins. Co., was in town yesterday to adjust that company's liability towards the loss sustained by Fiddler & Company. The "Mutual" is one of Mr. A. H. Tobias's favorite companies, as they, according to his statement (and he ought to know) always pays promptly.

Big Creek Items.  
The potato bugs have appeared in quite large numbers, and have begun their work of destruction on early planted potatoes.

We have had several quite cool nights—frosts, but only in a mild form, and consequently fruit has suffered nothing therefrom.

The recent heavy rains done considerable damage to a number of our farmers' fields were badly washed.

Much of the corn has been washed away by the recent heavy rains, and consequently has to be replanted.

Mr. Thos. Doward, of this place, lost a glove between Nathan Snyder's and the post-office. The finder will please leave it at Nathan Snyder's.

No singing school at Solt's this Saturday evening; it has been postponed until Saturday evening, June 3d, at 7.30 p. m. Please bear in mind.

A child of Mr. Thomas Solt died this week, and was interred at Weisport on Thursday at 1 p. m.

An infant of John Fritzingler died on Monday morning of this week, and was buried at Weisport on Wednesday.

There will be Sabbath School at Pine Run, on Sunday afternoon, at 2 o'clock p. m. REVEKE.

Explosion of Fire Damp.  
An explosion of fire damp occurred Saturday forenoon at the Dixon shaft of the Lehigh, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Co. Scranton, by which one man was killed instantaneously, and four were seriously scorched and otherwise injured. The explosion was caused by an accumulation of gas in the lower vein coming in contact with a miner's lamp at a depth of about a hundred feet from the surface, and immediately under the air shaft. When the accident occurred four men were close to where the gas condensed, and these were burned severely. The shock was felt for a distance of a mile around. The gas on catching fire rushed on the shaft with a roar, tearing the steam pipes in its course and completely shattering the heavy timbers of the lower above ground, and scattering them in all directions. A man named Fagg employed at the mouth of the shaft when the accident occurred, had just stepped into the mine to check a second shaft, and was down high in the air, and then descended down the awful depth of four hundred feet into the mine, where he was literally smashed to pieces.

Habeas Corpus.  
Friday morning of last week, the Judges announced their decision in the habeas corpus cases of Kehoe, Gibbons, Donnelly, Morris, Canning, Butler, O'Brien, O'Neill, McElfresh and Dolan heard last Tuesday week in Schuylkill County Court at Pottsville. The disposition of each case is as follows:  
Michael Levior, charged with being accessory before the fact to the murder of Gomer James, and with the murder of salarier and Uren. Remanded without bail.  
John Kehoe, charged with being accessory before the fact to the killing of Gomer James, conspiracy to murder Wm. M. Thomas and conspiracy to murder Wm. Major and Jesse Major. Remanded without bail.  
Christopher Donnelly, conspiracy to kill Wm. M. Thomas, accessory after the fact to the murder of Gomer James, and conspiracy to kill Wm. Major and Jesse Major. Admitted to bail with sufficient sureties in \$7,000.  
Michael O'Brien, conspiracy to kill Wm. M. Thomas, accessory after the fact to the murder of Gomer James, and conspiracy to kill Wm. Major and Jesse Major. Admitted to bail with sufficient sureties in \$7,000.  
Dennis Canning, conspiracy to kill Wm. M. Thomas, accessory after the fact to the murder of Gomer James, and conspiracy to kill Wm. Major and Jesse Major. Admitted to bail with sufficient sureties in \$7,000.  
John Butler, accessory after the fact to the murder of Gomer James, and conspiracy to kill Wm. Major and Jesse Major. Admitted to bail with sufficient sureties in \$7,000.  
Michael O'Brien, conspiracy to kill Wm. M. Thomas, accessory after the fact to the murder of Gomer James, and conspiracy to kill Wm. Major and Jesse Major. Admitted to bail with sufficient sureties in \$7,000.  
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**BY TELEGRAPH.**

**Dedication.**

On last Sunday the 21st of May, the Ebenezer church, of Leighton, "Evangelical Association," was solemnly dedicated, in due form, to the worship of the triune God. The weather was favorable for the occasion and greeted the many anxious hearts with the smiles of a lovely May.

The structure is a solid and neat building of stone and brick, 65x83 ft., with an additional and ornamental vestibule 7x9 ft., which protects the entrance on the north side from the inclemency of the weather. The lecture room on the first floor is 35x30 ft., entrance on the south side. It is neatly wainscoted and oak grained, and the snowy white walls, beautifully embellished with appropriate mementos, and a black-board for Sunday school exercises. The main hall is 65x38 ft., and 20 ft. in height, decorated with two large chandeliers with six lights each, and two double side brackets at the pulpit, back of the sacred desk; the following superscriptions are neatly executed with ornamental characters in German and English text, "God is love," "Holiness to the Lord"—which is pleasant to the eye and impressive to the heart.

Early in the morning of that great day of the feast, the Sunday school assembled in the new church, to hold the first exercises, under the supervision of Wm. B. Romig, Supt. It was a pleasant sight and highly appreciated by the genial superintendent, pastor, teachers and all present, to meet for the first time in the newly erected tabernacle of the Lord; "for the sparrow hath found a house, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, even thine altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God."

The morning sermon was eloquently and impressively delivered by Bishop T. Bowman, in the German language, to a large and appreciative audience, from the text, Rev. 21:3, "Behold the tabernacle of God is with men." After the sermon the financial condition of the church was stated by the Bishop, who appealed to the congregation to liquidate the remaining encumbrance of twelve hundred dollars, and before the audience was dismissed about seven hundred dollars were provided for, with comparatively little effort.

At 2.30 p. m., the spacious hall was again filled with an interested audience, additional seats had to be provided to accommodate the throng. The Presiding Elder, Solomon Neitz, preached a powerful and impressive sermon, in the German language from 2d Chronicles 6-41, "Now therefore arise, O Lord God, into thy resting place, thou and the ark of thy strength; let thy priests, O Lord God, be clothed in salvation, and let thy saints rejoice in goodness;" which was highly appreciated, and his eloquent and oratorical style was very much admired; after which, a few remarks by the Bishop were made in the English language, and he once more called the attention of the congregation to the necessity and propriety of adjusting the entire encumbrance, before the dedication could properly take place, and in a short time the debt was provided for by collections and subscriptions, with cheerful hearts and smiling faces. It seemed as if everybody was pleased with the success. The preachers of the Evangelical Association, who added considerably to the success and participated kindly in the exercises, on the occasion, were J. Yeake, of Mauch Chunk; J. K. Knorr, of Weisport, and S. Brayfogel, of Parryville. Rev. J. Carrington, minister of the Presbyterian church, of Leighton, had kindly suspended his services, and participated in the exercises the entire day; also Rev. L. Brown, of the M. E. church, of this place, was present in the afternoon, and manifested an interest in the prosperity of the Lord's cause.

Notwithstanding the threatening showers in the evening the church was occupied to its full capacity, to hear the English sermon to be preached by the Bishop. At the opening of the evening exercises the various gifts bestowed to the church were kindly acknowledged, and the sincere thanks of the members feelingly expressed, and gratitude rendered to the generous donors by the Bishop, after which the dedicatory prayer was performed by the officiating Bishop, and the dedicatory prayer offered by the pastor, Rev. J. C. Bliem. The sermon delivered from Psalm 89: 15-16, was an efficient, impressive and appropriate one, and edifying to all. After the sermon, Rev. J. Carrington offered the communion prayer with considerable zeal and unction; after which the dying agonies and sufferings of our Lord Jesus Christ was solemnly celebrated by the congregation, composed of believers from different persuasions. In conclusion the spirited hymn "All hail the power of Jesus' name" was sung twice by the congregation, with a whole-soul volition of heart. The benediction was pronounced by the Bishop and the congregation dismissed. Every one seemed to have been pleased with the result, and happy on their way rejoicing for what the Lord had done. Thus closed a great day of success, long to be remembered. J. C. B.

Leighton, May 24, 1876.

Card of Thanks.  
The sorrow-laden desire to return their thanks to the friends who so kindly sympathized with us in our late bereavement, and to Mrs. Rupert for the beautiful floral wreath, Mrs. Thomas Kemeer for flowers, &c., to adorn the body of our departed son.

MOSES REHME,  
Leighton, May 24, 1876.

Suiteide in Easton.  
John D. Singman, a member of the firm of John D. Singman & Co., hardware merchants of Easton, was found lying in the office back of their store, No. 28 Centre square, a little after eight o'clock Tuesday morning, with two pistol wounds in the head and a small contused wound across the nose. A revolver, with three chambers discharged, was found lying under his left leg. He said a party a few minutes before that he felt as though he could blow his brains out. He had laid by a few moments when discovered, and was not quite dead. He was well known in the town, and about thirty years of age, and has left a wife and five children.

**Special to the CARBON ADVOCATE.**

**Destructive Fire in Tamaqua.**

Early Friday morning a destructive fire broke out in the cellar, occupied by Mr. B. Zimmerman, as a bakery and confectionery, on Broad street, Tamaqua. Among the sufferers are—Sewards Bros., their mammoth dry goods store was partly consumed, attaining a considerable loss; the old Union Hotel building, with contents was totally destroyed; the first floor (west) was with shops in most portions of the furniture was saved, loss partly covered by insurance. The next was occupied by the east of the building, B. Zimmerman, with confectionery and bakery. In the cellar of which the fire is stated to have originated, the next building was occupied by Mr. D. Shells, as a boot and shoe store, and was totally destroyed; in a street. Total estimated loss \$80,000.

SECOND DISPATCH.—The brick building on the east side, occupied by Wm. Draper as a boot and shoe store, and by a family named Broder, in rear were also partly destroyed. The fire commenced at about 2 o'clock a. m. and spread from the whole of Hunter street, while a considerable quantity of the frame dwelling, with destruction, but of the gallant efforts of the firemen the ravages of the flames were stopped at this point. Dr. Draper's house and furniture were badly damaged.

**The Coal Trade.**

The Lehigh Valley Railroad Company reports with shops in most portions of the combination, arising as a reason that the combination has injured trade, and that other members of the combination have not kept faith. A meeting of the combination was called, and says the Pottsville correspondent of the Philadelphia Times, a plan was drawn up by Messrs. Gowen, Sloan and Dickson, and Mr. A. A. Becke, president of the Lehigh Valley, was given to understand that he must not sign any agreement or agreement which would require the Lehigh Valley Company to adhere to a schedule price, but also to stop production at least for a time, so as to keep the market supplied with the specified coal. The total supply of anthracite for the year is fixed at 10,000,000 tons, and in each contracting company is to be in proportion to that total, and to be used to its capacity. If the demand should warrant a greater supply, the increase is to be allocated among the different companies, in the same general plan. The portion of the Reading Company is 2,500,000 tons and it has already supplied more than one-half of that amount. Its shipments being 1,312,143 tons to date. The total supply of anthracite for all the regions up to date is 23,000,000 tons, and the supply of bituminous is lacking of somewhat, but it is so far \$5.48 above that of the same period last year. The increase in the comparative supply of anthracite is accounted for partly by the fact that last year the quantity of coal was totally exhausted, and did not resume work until the latter part of June. The Lehigh Valley Company has never been in full working order, and the other companies, it was the only company, forced by the others, as until now it was never found necessary to force it into the market. It was decided to open a warfare instead of armistice, and it is believed that only the most extraordinary inducements could have prevailed upon him to fall into line. His company is at a striking one, and its coal has already brought the highest price in market. With him plenty in the ring, however, the combination becomes more gigantic and powerful than ever. It was the case of last year the Pennsylvania Coal Company made a break from the combination by selling coal at from 10 to 15 cents per ton less per ton than the price; but it only maintained that attitude until the time for forming the compact for 1876, when it went back into the ring. Although these manoeuvres will now result in the price of coal being raised above that agreed upon in the contract, the New York news months ago, yet the recent decline will be recovered, and the schedule maintained for the year 1876, which is an unexpected quarter, which is not at all likely.

The following table shows the quantity of coal shipped over the Lehigh Valley Railroad for the week ending May 20th, 1876, and for the year compared with the same time last year.

Region	1875	1876
Wyoming	14,577 19	465,738 02
Hazleton	22,451 11	585,068 61
Upper Lehigh	1,822 18	34,610 00
Beaver Meadow	13,740 10	141,052 11
Lehigh	10,218 13	217,018 18
Mahanoy	8,890 17	197,873 18
Mauch Chunk	4,751	8,177 98
Total	53,502 17	1,470,336 02
Last Year	21,071 16	518,568 12
Increase	32,430 01	951,767 90

**REPORT OF COAL transported over Lehigh & Susquehanna Division, Central R. R. of New Jersey—week ending May 21st, 1876.**

Shipped from	tons	cwt	tons	cwt
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Lehigh	10,218	13	217,018	18
Mahanoy	8,890	17	197,873	18
Mauch Chunk	4,751		8,177	98
Total	53,502	17	1,470,336	02
Previously reported	778,868	09		
Total to date	832,364	26		
Same time last year	242,550	19		
Increase	589,814			