

Society Meetings.

CASTLE, No. 78, A. O. K. of the M. C. 2nd and 4th Monday of each month...

Advertising Rates.

We desire it to be distinctly understood that advertisements will be inserted in the columns of this paper...

FRANKLIN LESH,

PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Office: Next door to the Union Church, WEISSPORT, PA.

H. EDWARD BROWN,

SURGEON DENTIST. the Pennsylvania Dental College, Philadelphia, has opened an office in LEHIGHTON...

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STRICT ATTORNEY & COUNSELLOR AT LAW. Office, No. 2, Main Street, MAUCH CHUNK, PA.

The Carbon Advocates.

SATURDAY MORNING, SEPT. 22, 1877.

Local and Personal.

If you find a X (cross) after your name on this paper, signifies that your subscription is over due...

Indian summer is at hand. The Berks county fair was a failure.

The election this year occurs on October 6th.

Watermelons and cantaloupes are beginning to thin out.

The shops at Packerton are running a heavy force.

There are at present 307 inmates in the Lehigh County Poor House.

The average mail box is anxiously waiting for frosts to open the chest-buts.

New styles of fall winter boots, shoes and gaiters, at T. D. Clauss' very cheap.

About one million of dollars were disbursed among the miners of Schuylkill county last week.

On Friday three companies of coal and iron police (specials) were paid \$9,000 in Pottsville.

The Thomas iron company has five furnaces in operation and will start another during the winter.

Fall and winter styles of hats and caps, for men and boy's wear, at T. D. Clauss', at very lowest cash prices.

Rumor has it that the puddling mill of the Bethlehem Iron Company will not resume operations this winter.

Ludwig From, a German committed suicide at Tremont, Schuylkill county, because he was out of employment.

The various pays of the Allentown iron company and the Allentown rolling mill company last week amounted to \$40,000.

It is reported that the miners of Schuylkill and Carbon counties intend raising \$14,000 to keep up the strike in Luzerne county.

When you hear a man talk of organizing a party for laboring men, tickle him and you will find a disappointed office-seeker.—Ex.

The annual parade of the Bethlehem Fire Department will be held in October. The day has not yet been fixed.

The furnace opposite Freemansburg, it is said, will remain idle for some time to allow necessary repairs to be made.

Those who voted on age last year should pay a State or County tax on or before the 5th of October next, in order to secure a vote this year.

T. D. Clauss, the tailor, is now receiving his fall and winter goods, such as finest cloths, cassimeres and vestings, which he is prepared to make up in latest styles at very low prices for cash.

If you want a clock, watch or sewing machine properly repaired please call at M. Hagaman's store, Pottsville, Carbon county, Pa., and you can be accommodated.

If you need anything in the printing line, it will pay you to call at this office before ordering elsewhere. Plain and fancy job printing at low prices.

J. E. Higgert has still a few of those eligible lots in Ricketts town to dispose of. If you feel like securing a good home call and see him. He is also supplying four-footed lumber and coal at the lowest rates.

Call at this office and see specimens of job printing. We have just added another lot of new and beautiful type to our original stock.

A CARD.

To the Public.—Everybody is invited to call and examine our large and varied stock of fall and winter Dry Goods. We have decided bargains in every department. Respectfully, J. T. NUSBAUM & SON.

Orders by letter for wall paper, shades, kalsomining or painting promptly filled by E. F. Luckenbach, Mauch Chunk.

The Ferndale mill will resume operation again on Monday week. The establishment is however only running on half time, owing to the scarcity of orders.

They who are astronomically inclined can now entertain themselves by admiring those evening luminaries of the heavens—Venus, Jupiter, Saturn and Mars, all four being plainly visible.

The "Baby's Best Friend" is Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup, since it maintains the baby's health by keeping it free from Colic, Diarrhoea, etc. Price 25 cents per bottle.

Mrs. Elias Dillfield, of Schuylkill county, was dangerously burned while attempting to trim an oil lamp. A small quantity of burning oil was thrown on her dress.

The Nazareth Fair opens on Tuesday, Oct. 2nd. The exhibition promises to be largely attended. Nearly all the stall room for horses, cattle, sheep and swine has already been engaged.

On Wednesday night of last week, two coal trains on the Lehigh Valley railroad ran into each other between Bethlehem and Freemansburg, and the result was that quite a number of cars were badly broken.

On the night of September 3rd three horses were stolen from the farm of Dr. E. Morwitz, near Tullytown, Bucks county.—\$300 is offered for the recovery of the stolen property and the conviction of the thieves.

At Alburts, Lehigh county, last week Mrs. Meitzler, aged sixty years, was fatally burned while engaged at preserving fruit. Her clothes caught fire while moving about the stove, and being alone in the room she was terribly burned, dying the next day.

Three county tickets are already in the field in Luzerne county—the Democratic, United Labor and Prohibition. Next week the Republicans will nominate a ticket and then look out for the ground and lofty tumbling.

Geo. Grant was presented with the freedom of the burgh of Ayr, Scotland, on Friday last, and David Eberts, our popular livery man, still continues to hire handsome teams at lowest rates.

Tuesday morning an unknown man, supposed to be a tramp, was killed at Penn Haven. As far as learned, it appears that he had been riding on a coal cars, and by some means fell from the train and was run over.

Charles and Harry Banfa, of Luzerne county, were on Monday sentenced to the Eastern Penitentiary for three years each for arson. After the sentence the wives of the incendiaries clung to them and sobbed aloud, while the tears rolled down the cheeks of the men.

John Parker, of the Mahanoy Record, has commenced the issue of a tri-weekly paper, to be devoted to the interests of Labor Reform. It fills the ticket of the Labor Party of Pennsylvania. Hope Bro. Parker will meet with success in his new departure.

Patrick Dolan having served eleven months out of the twelve he was sentenced to, for the part he took in the "Mollie Maguire" meeting at Tamaqua, in 1875, was released from the Pottsville jail last Saturday. One month's being allowed off his time for good behavior.

W. E. Smith, late principal of our High School left Friday, at 1.15 for his new field of labor, Berwick, Columbia county, Pa. Mr. Smith takes with him the kindly wishes of a large number of our people for his future prosperity, and we trust that he may find Berwick and its people congenial to his taste.

The Erie Dispatch says the display of live stock at the State Fair will exceed that of any ever given, by the Society. The different breeds of cattle, Short Horns, Ayrshire, Devon, Holstein, Alderneys and other breeds will be there in great numbers. As to the horses, some of the very best blood will be represented.

The late Presidential contest engendered much "bad blood," which coarseness and judgment will correct. The "bad blood" induced by a persistent violation of Nature's great but simple laws requires not only coolness and judgment, but obedience to hygienic measures and the proper use of Dr. Bull's Blood Mixture to insure its purification.

A mail train going north on the Philadelphia and Erie Railroad collided with a freight train near Muncy, about half-past seven o'clock on Saturday morning. The baggage and express cars, two cars of wheat, and several oil tanks were destroyed by fire. Jacob Steinman, the express messenger, and William Attig, the engineer of the mail train, were burned to death in the wreck.

Two Seventh Day Baptists were recently fined \$4 each in a town in central Pennsylvania for working on Sunday. They refused to pay, and were sent to jail for four days. They claim that the State law of 1791 is unconstitutional, and that it is opposed to any Sabbath at all, since it abolishes the Sabbath of Scripture and ordains a new one, which is really no Sabbath.

Mr. Tishaw Arner, of the Mammoth Cash Store, has been in the city during the past few days, and is now receiving an immense stock of ladies' dresses and dry goods for the fall trade, together with a heavy stock of groceries and provisions which he is offering at "knock down" prices for cash. Store, opposite the L. & S. Depot, on Bank street.

Jacob Rudy and Christian Weaver, two engineers of the Philadelphia and Reading railroad, left their homes at Palo Alto, Schuylkill county, for Peru, to be employed on a railroad in that country.

There has never been seen or tried, such a simple, faithful, efficacious, satisfactory and pleasant remedy as Dr. Haas' Expecto-rant, for coughs and colds. 25 and 50 cents a bottle.

Robert Marr, and his son Wilbur, have been discharged from the Bloomsburg jail. The evidence against them was not sufficiently damaging to hold them for the murder of Mr. Van Liew.

Read Nusbaum's new advertisement in another column.

Says the Allentown Register: "Orders have been received and executed to have all the furnaces of the Allentown iron works put in blast. This will put most or all of the ore bed controlled by this company in operation. Four of the ore mines were started last week and four on the 3d inst."

Dear Old Homestead is the title of a very fine new song, by Miss Anna C. Hiltz. This song has taken a strong hold on the popular fancy. No doubt there are thousands who never forget the "Dear Old Homestead," where so many happy hours were spent in joyfulness and gloe, during their childhood days. Price 40 cents, with splendid lithograph of a country homestead.

Is a place I shall never forget. Would I live to be fifty years old. 'Twas the home of us all in our childhood. And we prize it, we prize it more than gold.

Address all orders to F. W. Helmick, publisher, 50 West Fourth St., Cincinnati, O. Over 200 second hand pianos for sale cheap.

The resident coal operators and superintendents of the Lehigh regions held a meeting at Hazleton, Saturday for the purpose of securing uniformity of action and to agree upon the wages paid for September. The demand of the men who struck was for the restoration of the wages paid last May, and a percentage on any advance in the price of coal above three dollars and twenty-five cents at tide, which demand was allowed and the strike ended. May wages will be paid this month to outside hands, while inside are to have an increase of five per cent, additional. This makes wages and prices uniform throughout the Lehigh region, including the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal Company's mines at Nesquehoning and Summit Hill.

The American People.—No people in the world suffer as much with Dyspepsia as Americans. Although years of experience in medicine had failed to accomplish a certain and sure remedy for this disease and its effects, such as sour stomach, heart-burn, water-brash, sick headache, costiveness, palpitation of the heart, liver complaint, coming up of the food, low spirits, general debility, etc., yet since the introduction of GREEN'S AUGUST FLOWER we believe there is no case of Dyspepsia that cannot be immediately relieved. 30,000 dozen sold last year without one case of failure reported. Go to your Drugist A. J. Darling, and get a sample bottle for 10 cents and try it. Two doses will relieve you. Regular size 75 cents.

Letter from Mauch Chunk.

MAUCH CHUNK, Sept. 18, 1877.

We still "live" and "move" slowly, although our state of being leaves much to be desired. In fact, summing up our total of present happiness, I think I am safe in the assertion, that we are all as exceedingly miserable as human beings can well be. As it would be vanity to speak of business when there is none—you know there never was much here, even in more prosperous days—I shall not touch upon the subject, but rather end it by saying that all is stagnant hereheretofore. True the "beau monde" dress and deport themselves as gaily as ever, but even with them things are not what they seem, for in the absence of "dainties" their very gaiety is but a hollow sham. Nor is it much better throughout the region, although the miners are again at work, and likely to continue so during the remainder of the season. Nearly ruined by the successive strikes of the last four or five years, the business men there are in such straits as half a dozen years of uninterrupted prosperity would hardly mend.

During a late visit to Summit Hill, I was forcibly struck with the apparent disinclination of merchants to do business, for while some of the stores there are still closed, one would vainly look for the full stocks formerly carried in those where business is nominally in full blast. And yet, why should the merchant burden himself with goods which his customers lack the means to purchase? Much of the business transacted here is now done on Company's orders, which have in a manner ceased to be obnoxious to the miner and are readily received by the merchant. In fact as much as I have seen of it, the system works satisfactorily to all concerned; and under the present general impetuosity of the operatives it is a regular godsend to them, as it enables them to live at least from hand to mouth. In consequence the throng of applicants for orders is large during the hours in the afternoon when these are issued. The men being at work, the applicants are mostly well dressed women, much as the city press have lately had to say to the contrary notwithstanding.

Now in spite of all that has been said and written respecting the necessity of seeking other fields of activity, I find that but few have acted upon the suggestion. Familiar faces are visible everywhere and the more intelligent miners still complain of there being too many men in the region. What peculiar charms this bleak section of country may have for them is one of the things I can't see. But then a farmer's life is a life of trial and as regular monthly returns are not to be expected by him who follows the plow on a Western

prarie, why go West? And this being the way some reason, is it all strange that they should prefer to remain here to eke out a scanty existence? Yes so it is. The Sheriff, I learn, has lately paid the Summit several business visits, and if rumors are correct, quite a number—business men as well as others—will shortly have to submit to the pressure of the times. And what else is to be expected in a community in which nearly every one has been doing a losing business for years?

The L. & W. Coal Co., are pushing things as vigorously as possible and are now shipping about 450 cars per day, working all their mines but two, the breakers of which are receiving an overhauling.

Mine's "Independent" having failed to appear for the last 3 weeks, I instituted inquiries and learned that the publisher intends to resume as soon as business prospects shall warrant a resumption.

At Lansford they have just completed a log-camp, and are now engaged at building a grand hotel.

Yours, etc. W. S.

ITEMS.

It is a kind of natural like to see Prof. Moran about town.

Work at both of the Mauch Chunk foundries and machine shops is at a dead stop.

The number of ad-tooled Silver's Sales has considerably increased during the week.

A monthly excursion party from Philadelphia is expected here on the 27th inst.

Mr. Sam Smith's new building, at East Mauch Chunk is nearly ready for past-tening.

Mr. Joseph W. Smith is extensively engaged in village manufactures at East Mauch Chunk.

All present prices there is said to be a margin of from 10 to 15 cents per ton on coal delivered amount at 45-cents.

After the Sheriff's sale I may be able to inform your readers who the next proprietor of the Mauch Chunk House will be.

The 1st division of National Guards will be mustered at Hazleton, Pa. on Monday.

Married at East Mauch Chunk, on Thursday, 19th inst. by Rev. Father Heilman, Mr. Joseph W. Smith and Miss Mary W. Moore.

The near approach of the next Quarter Session causes a very perceptible improvement in the local market. Litigations are everywhere being put off.

Not to be longer bothered with his personal affairs, Mr. R. L. South has selected Sheriff Joseph W. Smith as his agent for the sale of his property, which will be held at the Mauch Chunk House, (to-day) Friday and Saturday.

Some of our young sports are already preparing for the fall. Messrs. J. H. Adams, John Taylor, Chas. Zeller and Harry Woodruff will leave on the 1st of October for a week's tour in the West.

The coal tonnage via L. V. R. R. is represented as being this year 1,000,000 tons, by capital from the lower States only, amounting to \$1,000,000 during the week ending last Saturday.

The Quaker Cornet Band's late picnic is now said to have realized them about \$1,000. They will probably be able to pay their debts this month, which, it is reported, will enable them to pay for their instruments.

Big Creek Items.

Home stretches—family yarns.

Our business prospects are poor.

Pressing business—of that of an editor.

How can I do parents visit the schools.

The post-horse project is said as a blunder.

Pay-day is the happiest day for the working man.

This place is free from one evil—we have no beer.

Mr. J. J. Cross and wife, of Danielville, were here on a visit last week.

Mr. A. Pifer has made extensive improvements in his dwelling.

Wages have come down the past year far faster than the price of provisions. It is already over-crooked; and will realize out a new price.

Laborers nowadays are plenty who would gladly work, could they find employment, for 25 cents.

A seven year old son of Mr. Charles Dreibus, who had his head cut off by a saw, was buried last week.

The number of candidates for the office of District Attorney is four, and all of them are residents at Mauch Chunk.

Levi J. Cook, of Danielville, Northampton county, has been engaged to teach school at Upper Pine Run the coming winter.

Mr. A. B. Morris, of Tamaqua, was on a visit to his mother, who resides near here, over a week.

Revs. 25th of Stoughton, and Freeman of Weisport were both in attendance at the St. Paul's Sabbath school on Thursday of last week.

The school's Sabbath school of this place, intend introducing the Happy Songs, as soon as the school opens in the fall.

The time for opening of the Townsensing schools has not yet been decided upon; but the schools are all supplied with teachers at a salary of \$2 per month.

Our District Attorney, P. J. Meehan is a popular candidate and the probability is that he will be the Democratic nominee.

Quite a number of persons from here were over at Perryville on Sunday morning to attend a religious service, held in the Evangelical church, in that town.

I have not as yet returned whether the Commissioners have decided to reduce the interest on the county bonds, as suggested in a former issue.

Messrs. J. J. Kemerer and Harrison Snyder, of this place, were in attendance at the conference of the Evangelical Association, which was held at Pottsville, on Saturday last.

Mr. London Boyer, who left this place last spring for Lawrence, Kansas, writes that he is doing regular work, and is glad to hear that he would like to have his friends to go out there.

I have heard numerous complaints of fruit being stolen from the orchards of some of our best farmers. It is reported that some one entered the orchard of Mr. Hubert Kitz, on Indian Mountain, and helped himself to some of his fruit. It is said that he was seen with a gun. He was seen in the orchard, but was a stranger.

Next people are interested in knowing that the Lehigh Valley Industrial Society will hold its annual fair at Lehighton, on the 10th, 11th and 12th of October.

Quite a number of persons from this place, attended the Christian Sunday school and the Methodist school in the morning at the arrival of Mr. Lehighton, on Monday last. The attendance in the Christian school was 100, and in the Methodist school 100. The Sunday school work of the Christian Church, at Lehighton, is being conducted by Mr. J. E. W. Smith, of Lehighton, who has been in charge of the school since the 1st of July.

Gross Outrages.

We are the friend of the workingman, first last and all the time, says the Wilkes-Barre Daily; but we cannot but unequivocally condemn violence and other intimidation, especially when resorted to with a view to the destruction of valuable property. The Scranton Republican says a gang of masked men raided the house of Thos. Yelland, pumpman at the Black Diamond, demanded that he stop work and fired shots at his house, but were driven away by a return shot from Yelland, who was at one of the windows. That they were guilty of gross malicious mischief at the house of Charles McCullough and James Case, at Baltimore, entering and ransacking and overturning everything in the house, the men being away on the night shift fighting the fire at the mines, where their two boys fled to apprise them of the visit of marauders. That they broke into the house of Frank McGovern and threatened and cursed him, telling him that if he continued to work he would be visited with a vengeance most dire. By

such conduct wages never were and never can be increased. Our miners ought to have more pay, but the constant recurrence of such acts as are detailed in the Republican and here recapitulated are not calculated to secure it for them. The guilty men have been getting too much pay. The community will be much better off when they are put in striped clothes, living on prison fare, at hard labor, and in solitary confinement in the Eastern Penitentiary.

The Coal Trade.

The anthracite coal trade, we are glad to say, maintains the same cheerful aspect as for the past two or three weeks. The demand for coal at the chief centres continues good, prices ruling generally firm and up to the highest figures heretofore quoted. The Reading Railroad Company makes an admirably showing in tonnage. For the week ending on Saturday evening, the 15th inst., the report shows a steadily increasing production, amounting to 198,000 tons, of which 83,000 tons were sent to Port Richmond, all of which was shipped thence, leaving of stock on hand 50,000 tons. The Schuylkill Canal carried during the same time 24,000 tons. The Coal and Iron Company mined during the past week 97,000 tons. These figures fully confirm the wonderful capacity ever claimed for the Reading Railroad Company as a carrier, and as a cheap carrier, when in free competition for the general coal market. The Schuylkill coal region is not only a wonderful producer of coal but it has an outlet to market through the Reading Railroad not surpassed by any other line reaching from coal fields to tide. The present situation of the trade, with only nine weeks left to the end of the coal season (November 10), favors the conclusion that prices are not likely to fall off, and may advance.

The mines in the Lehigh Valley coal region are now in full operation; all of them are at work, the Summit Hill mines of the Lehigh Navigation Company, the last to come in, having resumed on Wednesday last. The Honey Brook mines did not suspend work at all, and the Hazleton and all other mines finding outlet to market from two or three weeks. The Central New Jersey Railroad now has its full supply of coal, except from the Wilkes-Barre region, and we presume, will at once show good returns from its increased business. The Lehigh Valley Railroad Company is also in a prosperous way. Its last reported week's tonnage was 107,282 tons, as against 79,840 tons in corresponding week last year, and yet during the last week of this year it had but 2831 tons of coal from the Wyoming region, while last year in corresponding week that region supplied 22,190 tons to the tonnage of the road. In ordinary times, when the entire traffic of the Lehigh Valley Railroad is unobstructed, the Lehigh and Mahanoy regions supply about three-fourths of its tonnage and the Wyoming region about one-fourth. As showing the comparatively healthful condition of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company during the past year of general shrinkage and of trouble in the coal trade, we have compiled a table of its net earnings, for the past six months as compared with corresponding months last year:

NET EARNINGS OF LEHIGH VALLEY RAILROAD. 1877. Total Freight. Total Freight.

March 31 4,307 98 425,944 68 109,956 07 April 30 21,713 42 2,091 77 16,430 48 208,292 23

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The annual interest and fixed charges of the company are \$1,000,000, deducting half of this amount, \$500,000, from the above half year's net income, and there remains \$744,880, and deducting again from this latter sum two half yearly dividends of \$275,000 each, together amounting to \$550,000 with \$27,500 for a half year of tax, is \$177,380, there remains of net income over all charges \$167,380. Bad as the past year has been for the anthracite coal trade, and specially interrupted as it has been in the Lehigh region, the above results hold out great encouragement in the near future for the holders of its stock and other securities. The actual figures on the 31st of July last showed a net earning in excess of those of corresponding time last year of \$23,129. It is sometimes asked where does this company get the money from which it pays interest and dividends? The foregoing shows.

The following table shows the quantity of coal shipped over the Lehigh Valley Railroad during the week ending Sept. 15th 1877 and for the year as compared with the same time last year:

Region From. Week. Year. Wyoming 6,718 12 792,821 50

Hazleton 6,514 14 1,351,001 00 Upper Lehigh 415 02 418,285 07

Mauch Chunk 2,232 12 44,476 03 Mauch Chunk 4,592 13

Total 18,974 02 2,206,583 60

Last Year 18,974 02 2,206,583 60

Decrease 2,523 07 296,243 07

REPORT OF COAL transported over Lehigh & Mauch Chunk Division, Central R. R. of New Jersey, for 2 days ending Sept. 15, 1877.

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Previous reported 1,811,95 00

Total to date 1,820,92 18

Less time last year 1,524 2 17

Increase 296,243 07

Decrease 2,523 07

Closing Prices of DEHAVEN & TOWNSEND, Stock, Government and Gold 40 South Third Street, Philadelphia, September 20th 1877.

U. S. 5-20's 100 1/2 bid 100 1/2 asked

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