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Settling Estates, Filing Accounts and Orphans Court Practice a specialty.
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The Carbon Advocate.

SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 29, 1877.

Local and Personal.

—We wish all our patrons and readers a very HAPPY NEW YEAR.

—Ladies coats made to order at lowest cash prices, at T. D. Clauss'.

—To have your room tastily papered you must needs buy your material at Luckenbach's, Mauch Chunk.

—Beavers and Matalasses Cloths for ladies cloaks a specialty, at T. D. Clauss'.

—Pork is selling at five and six cents a pound—whole hog—and beef at the same price by the quarter, in Allentown.

—New styles of fall and winter boots, shoes and gaiters, at T. D. Clauss', at lowest cash prices.

—Many consumptives are now using Dr Frazier's Root Bitters and Cough Syrup with remarkable success.

—William Neisser, a brakeman, was fatally injured by falling under a train at Easton the other day. Both his legs were cut off.

—Examine the printed label on this paper and see how your subscription stands—if indebted please remit.

—E. J. Fox, Esq., of Easton, has sued Bethlehem borough for a $150 counsel fee. The borough authorities say $50 was enough for the work rendered.

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

—Life and health are God's gifts, and it is a sin to impair them by neglect. You can promptly relieve the disorders arising from a cold and tending to consumption, by the regular use of Dr. Haas' Expectorant.

Pleasant as honey, the old folks like it, the young people like it and the babies cry for it—we mean Dr Frazier's Cough Syrup.

—Read and remember the wonderful, but true announcement A. J. Durling, proprietor of the People's Drug store, makes in another column.

—The winters of 1837-8, 1847-8, 1857-8, and 1867-8 were remarkably mild in their temperatures, and the present appearances seem to indicate that the winter of of 1877-8 will also be noted for its mildness.

—Since the discovery of Dr. Williams's Indian Ointment there is certainly no excuse for any one to suffer with the Piles. See Advertisement.

—If you want a clock, watch or sewing machine properly repaired please call on M. Hagaman's store, Pennsville, Carbon county, Pa., and you can be accommodated. 6*

—"Baby" is a spanking drama, and the number of babies that are immediately cured of coughs, colds, and croup by Dr. Coxe's Wild Cherry and Seneka are sure Cry-terias of the virtue of that great medicine. 25 and 50 cents per bottle.

—J. K. Rickert has still a few of those eligible lots in Rickertstown 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.

—Mr. James Fatzinger showed us a spray of blackberry bush, gathered by him near Hellman's dam, Christmas day, with the leaves so far budded as to be almost ready to burst open.

—A large lot of Buffalo robes, horse blankets, sleigh bells, children's sleds, cutlery and a lot of other goods suitable for holiday presents, very cheap for cash at J. L. Gabel's, opposite the public square, Lehighton, Pa.

—A NEW VERSION OF AN OLD STORY.—Ben Franklin gave the people of his day a recipe for obtaining health, wealth, and wisdom. The present generation is not supposed to be in want of wisdom, and would prefer happiness combined with health and wealth. The modern way to obtain all these is told in the advertisement of Barrick, Roller & Co., headed "Health and Happiness" in this paper. We cordially recommend our readers to the careful consideration of their advice. 6

—Constable Levan, of Franklin, twp., on Friday last arrested Dan. Eastman, jr., charged with assault and battery, on Lewis Graver, son of Peter Graver. Esq. Campbell held him to appear at next term of court.

—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 the latest styles at very lowest prices for cash.

☞ Extra copies of the CARBON ADVOCATE can be obtained at Inkmann's News Agency, on Susquehanna street, Mauch Chunk. Price, *Three cents*.

—A GENTLE HINT.—If our style of climate, with its sudden changes of temperature,—rain, wind and sunshine often intermingled in a single day,—it is no wonder that our children, friends and relatives are so frequently taken from us by neglected colds, half the deaths resulting directly from this cause. A bottle of Boschee's German Syrup kept about your home for immediate use will prevent serious sickness, a large doctor's bill, and perhaps death, by the use of three or four doses. For curing consumption, hemorrhages, pneumonia, severe coughs, croup or any disease of the throat or lungs, its success is simply wonderful, as your druggist will tell you. German Syrup is now sold in every town and village on this continent. Sample bottles for trial, 10c.; regular size, 75c. For sale by A. J. Durling.

—*Most* milkmen are Baptists.

—A rolling reindeer gathers no moss.

—Sheriff Raudenbush was in town Wednesday.

—The labor market at the Nevada mines is over-crowded.

—On New Year's morning our carriers will wait upon their friends as usual.

—A. J. Marsh of Weissport, for sometime absent at Aurora, Ill., returned home a few days ago.

—The planing mill of Wm. Buechley, at Pottsville, was destroyed Tuesday morning by an incendiary fire. Loss $25,000.

—The usual watch night services will be held in the M. E. Church, of this place, on Monday evening, commencing at 9 o'clock.

—Tripping right along, David Ebbert's nags. Horses and carriages at the lowest possible charges at his livery on North st., this borough.

—A 10 year old daughter of Mr. Wm. Stocker, of Packerton, died of diphtheria, Tuesday morning. Several other cases of this disease prevail at that place.

The inmates of the poorhouse desire to return their thanks to Mrs. Lentz and Dr. N. B. Reber for chickens and the neccessary "fixings" for a Christmas dinner.

—The next meeting of the Lehighton Literary Society, will take place in the High School room, on Saturday evening, January 5th. The public is kindly invited to attend.

—Some unmittigated scoundrel or scoundrels, a night or two before Christmas, stole two of the finest turkies in the flock, owned by Mr. Daniel Olewine, of South Lehighton.

—Hon. W. M. Rapsher will leave for Harrisburg on Monday morning. The Legislature meets Tuesday. Mr. Rapsher will be at his office, in Lehighton, every Saturday for business of his profession.

—On Friday evening last at the regular monthly meeting of the Lehighton Building and Loan Association five shares of stock were sold at the following premiums: three shares at $101 and two shares at $98.

—The Pennsylvania Railroad is stated to be surveying a branch road from Wilkes-Barre to Northumberland to develope their coal trade. At present their cars have to run over other roads, between Nanticoke and Northumberland.

—Special services for the children of the Sabbath school will be held in the M. E. Church, of this borough, to-morrow (Sunday) evening. Also, extra services every evening during the week (except Saturday) at 7:30 o'clock.

—The entertainments in our churches on Christmas eve and Christmas night were all first-class affairs, the several churches being filled to overflowing. The scholars after receiving their presents of candies, &c., rushed for their homes in the highest glee.

—The miners employed by the Riverside and Forty Fort Coal Companies, at Wilkes-Barre, who struck four weeks ago to effect the removal of an objectionable weigh-master, resumed work Friday of last week, no concession having been made to their demand.

—Failures. While we hear of thousands of failures of business men almost daily with large liabilities, no one has ever known that Dr. Coxe's Wild Cherry has failed to completely cure a stubborn cough or cold. 25 and 50 cents per bottle.

—Solomon T. Van Inwegin, a lax collector of Westfall township, Pike county, and ex-county auditor, who on the 7th inst. was arrested on a charge of embezzling public funds to the amount of $527.84, was found guilty, and the Court sentenced him to one year and six months in the Eastern Penitentiary and to restore the full amount embezzled.

—Information has been received by Dye's Government Detector that a new counterfeit five dollar bill, letter "D," upon the First National Bank of Hanover, Pa., has just been set afloat. The bills in question were printed from an altered plate, supposed to be the same one that was used for the Tamaqua "B" note, of which, it is estimated, nearly a quarter million were set afloat during the past eight weeks.

—You will find in all ages sublime fathers and sublime mothers among the lofty and among the lowly, and there you will also find Dr. Coxe's Wild Cherry and Seneka, and Santonine Worm Syrup. They are household remedies. 25 and 50 cents per bottle.

—Among the young men home for the holidays we notice W. W. Reber, Edward Miller and Chas. W. Bauer, from the University of Pennsylvania; W. E. Smith, of Berwick; A. P. Horn, of Barnesville; Gideon Kostenbader, of Bath; A. K. Miller, of Mauch Chunk; Amandus Mosser, of Hamburg; Howard Seabold, from the Millerstown Academy; Fred. Leuckel, of Pottsville, and several others whose names do not occur to us at this writing, all looking well and happy.

—Public squares are a great blessing to the community. We can say the same of Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup, it is the best remedy for the cure of all diseases babyhood has to encounter. Price only 25 cents.

Big Creek Items.

—Christmas has passed.

—Presents all distributed.

—Days are lengthening.

—Game has become very scarce.

—Boats have been laid up for the winter.

—A number of our farmers are busy plowing.

—Poultry is quite plenty this year, and consequently prices are very low.

—Quail shooting is now illegal, according to the game laws of the State.

—December 31st will be the last day for killing of deer and pheasants.

—Mr. H. T. Smawley, teacher of Mackeltown School, paid the school at Walcksville a visit on Monday last.

—POLICE NEWS.—under this head, we should be pleased to see the police news published in the ADVOCATE every week.

—I noticed that Mr. Wm. Sweibenz, of this place, has begun to dig out the foundation for his new barn; its size will be 33 by 50 feet.

—Rev. J. L. Werner, of Parryville, will commence a series of protracted meetings in the Solt's Church, of this place, next Sunday evening.

—The speakers at the festival of Salem's Sabbath school were I. Z. Bagenstose and Nathan Solt, of this place, and E. Garmer of Parryville.

—At present it is unsafe to be out after dark, for there are quite a number of dogs, that are said to have become mad and left their homes, during last week.

—CHRISTMAS FESTIVALS.—The Maria Furnace Sabbath school held their festival on Saturday evening; the Walcksville on Sunday evening, in the St. Paul's Church, of this place; the Salem's on Monday evening, and the Solt's, of St. Paul, on Tuesday afternoon. All of them were very largely attended, for this reason that the time was so arranged that none of them occurred the same evening; therefore the children, as well as others, had the opportunity of attending all the different festivals this year.

Yours, &c., REVERE.

MORE MOLLIEISM!

James McDonnell Charged with the Murder of Geo. K. Smith, in 1863, Arrested!

CHAS. SHARPE, FOR COMPLICITY IN THE SAME MURDER, ALSO LANGUISHING BEHIND THE BARS IN MAUCH CHUNK JAIL.

Particulars of the Murder!

MAUCH CHUNK, Dec. 26, 1877.

Hardly has the late Molly excitement so much as subsided, than new arrests promise to bring Mollie Maguirism again to the fore. Jas. McDonnell, accused of complicity in the murder of Geo. K. Smith, killed at Yorktown, on the 5th of November 1863, was brought on here from Rockland county, Ill., by officer Gilchrist of Pinkerton's Detective force, on last Sunday night, and Charles Sharpe, accused of participation in the same murder, and arrested at Wanamie, Luzerne county, was brought here by officers Peeler and Kerchner, on Tuesday morning. On arrival, both parties were committed to jail, where they now are in communion with the ghosts of the late departed, and where they may freely converse with the great Thos. P. Fisher on the extreme uncertainty of human affairs. Geo. K. Smith, the victim, as already stated, was most brutally killed in his own dwelling, at or near Yorktown, on the night of the 3d of November 1863, a little over 14 years ago.

For more than 13 years, the eventual unbarthing of this foulest of all murders was not as much as dreamt of, and probably never would have come to light had not sundry developments during the late Molly Maguire trials furnished a clue to the mystery enveloping the same. And once in possession of this clue, it was but natural that our energetic District Attorney would leave nothing undone to unravel the mystery. Hence for over a year has this case received his most careful investigation, and how well he has succeeded in working it up. The presence in our county jail of McDonnell and Sharpe, clearly demonstrates.

The former, finding Carbon county too hot for him, left here in last June, stopping first in Gold Hill, Nevada, then in the Black Hills, and lastly in Rockland county Illinois, where he was arrested, and whence he was brought on. But for the failure to raise the requisite funds, he would have been arrested while yet in Nevada.

Sharpe, who had never left the Lehigh region, was apprehended at Wanamie, as stated. That efforts looking to their arrests were being made by Mr. Siewers, was known to several *habitues* of the District Attorney's office, but beyond this nothing transpired. For a month past your correspondent knew all about the affair, but being pledged to silence, he was not at liberty to mention aught with reference to the contemplated arrest.

For the information of those of our readers who may not be conversant with the facts in the case, I annex the following: Geo. K. Smith, then interested in the Yorktown colliery, had been to Mauch Chunk on the day preceding the assassinataion, and was so ill on his return home that he retired to bed, requesting that he be not disturbed by any one. Whether from a knowledge of the fact that he had enemies, it would, at present be hard to tell, but a cross dog owned by him, was kept about the premises, and a trusted employee named Ulrich, was requested to watch the house that night. His orders were to admit no one.

Before proceeding with the narrative, it may be proper here to state that this was in the very midst or the draft—excitement, and that Mr. Smith, for the very conspicious part he had taken in the cause of law and order, had many secret enemies. Besides, strange murmurings and movements during the day—threatenings, and the purchase of large quantities of powder, led the clerks at his store to suspect that mischief was brewing.

The victim was abed; his wife and Ulrich guarded the house. Directly there was a loud knock at the door, and to Ulrich's inquiry who it was and what was wanted, the applicant without claimed that he must see Mr. Smith, as he had an important message to deliver to him.

This gave rise to a short parley, at the close of which the caller, accompanied by a second who had meanwhile joined him, was admitted. Once inside, they continually pressed upon Mr. Ulrich, and advanced claiming that they must see Mr. Smith personally. Ulrich had already detected that the unbidden visitors were disguised, and when, in the course of the scuffle that ensued, a pistol, in possession of the taller fell and was discharged, Ulrich at once concluded that their visit portended nothing good. Attracted by the noise, Mrs. Smith appeared upon the scene, and to her question what was wanted, the taller of the two replied that they had a message from Mr. A. G. Brodhead which they desired to deliver to Smith personally. Meanwhile Mr. Smith made his appearance among the party, and what then happened is somewhat of a mystery. In a moment the hall was crowded; there was a short struggle and indiscriminate firing at the end of which Mr. Smith lay prostrate at the landing, stark dead, his head pierced by a musket-ball.

Mr. Ulrich claims that during the struggle he shot the bigger man in the thumb, and as the "hairy man" (McDonnell) is *minus* that useful member, the link connecting him with the murder appears not to be wanting.

Smith was dead, but such was the terror inspired by the "buck-shots" (as the Mollies were then called) that for years none dared to raise his voice in accusation, although it was very generally known who the raiders of that night had been. But "murder will out;" eventually there were those who dared to speak, and the information furnished by them has resulted in the apprehension of the above. That the evidences of guilt in Mr. Siewers' possession will be such as to exclude an eventual escape, is not to be doubted.

McDonnell, generally known as the "hairy man" has always been considered one of the most desperate Mollies abroad. A former resident of Schuylkill county prisoners had for years been a neighbor of the late John Donohue, *alias* Yellow Jack, and, like the departed, had acquired a name as being one of the most desperate Mollies in that part of the country. If only one half of what is stated may be relied on, the prisoner will not be likely to escape the meshes of the law. On Thursday forenoon a large delegation of ex-Mollies—principally squealers—were in attendance at the District Attorney's office, to testify to such facts in the case as they were cognizant of. But of this nothing has transpired, hence nothing is known, and as next Court is not called as a Court of Oyer and Terminer, the prisoners cannot be tried until April, and until then nothing respecting the contemplated course of the prosecution will probably transpire.

On the whole, the number present at the house of Smith at the time of the homicide, and the years that have passed since its commission, will certainly have a tendency to somewhat embarrass judicial proceedings, if not to defeat the ends of justice entirely.

McDonnell is a man of 47 years, and, with ordinary luck, may yet live to celebrate his 50th birthday in Carbon county jail.

REPORT of the Lehighton Public Schools, for the Month ending Dec. 20, 1877.

HIGH SCHOOL.

	Male	Female	Total
Whole No. in attendance during Month	30	11	41
Average No. in attendance during Month	25	8	33
Per cent. of attendance during Month	88	69	79

Names and marks of the pupils who attended the examination at the close of the term. All whose rank is above 75 passed the examination:

	M. Arith.	M. Arith.	Grammar.	Orthor'phy	Stud's Rank
A CLASS.					
Allen Graver	100	98	100	100	99
Jefferson Rehrig	98	80	90	100	99
Milton Clauss	98	100	85	95	95
Thomas Wentz	82	95	95	100	93
C. D. Clauss	100	100	100	100	100
Curtin Koons	80	100	100	98	92
Calvin Bartholomew	100	93	80	85	90
Frank Reber	85	95	...	98	92
Revere Wertman	90	100	85	90	91
Albertus Seabold	98	98	82	96	94
Milton Breiney	100	100	100	100	100
Laura Hofford	83	95	80	85	85
Emma Ash	...	85	50	80	71
B CLASS.					
Edward Fortwangler	98	95	90	100	96
William B. Seiple	87	92	90	90	90
George Esch	98	95	90	100	96
Alfred Leuckel	95	97	75	90	87
Webster Clauss	95	95	78	85	88
Morris Arner	100	95	95	90	95
Elmer Beltz	82	95	90	85	88
Lafayette Graver	60	60	60	45	55
Albert Romig	92	80	80	80	83
John Graver	100	97	100	100	99
Thomas Kleintop	98	90	85	95	92
Emma Heberling	95	85	85	75	85
Annabelle McDaniel	92	95	91	100	95
Mary Heberling	70	82	70	85	77
Clara Clauss	97	92	80	80	87
John Miller	90	95	92	90	92
William Obert	100	95	100	98	98
Henry Nicholas	100	97	85	90	93
Griffith Montz	100	98	100	100	99
Frederick Heim	50	85	60	50	66
A. A. Reichard	90	60	78	80	77
Ella Shultz	75	45	75	60	64

All those who have failed in the examination, and those who were not present during the review and examination, have been demoted from the High to the Grammar school, excepting Laura Clauss who has passed on her marks during the session.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.	M.	F.	T.
Whole No. in attendance during Month	11	17	28
Average ditto, ditto	8	17	25
Per cent. of ditto, ditto	72	86	79

Names and marks of the pupils for the past month, including the examination marks.

A CLASS.			
Charles Hartung	90	Emma Rex	99
Anna Derhamer	77	Laura Blein	91
Carrie Weiss	99	Lillie Hisley	90
Sallie Hofford	97	Carrie Peters	70
Emma Obert	97	Wesley Fatzinger	73
Ella K. Graver	98	Milton Warner	84
Ella Sponheimer	92		
B CLASS			
Frank Hontz	91	Emma Graver	87
Lewis Scheckler	84	Lizzie Mantz	85
Leonard Schoch	76	Minerva Houser	72
W. W. Morthimer	85	Lizzie Hunsicker	70
Thomas C. Beck	90	Samuel Andreas	75
Ellen Graver	84	Emma Lentz	84
Agnes Nusbaum	92	Henry Schwartz	77

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.	M.	F.	T.
Whole No. in attendance during Month	28	16	44
Average ditto, ditto	22	14	36
Per cent. of ditto, ditto	84	89	87

Lizzie Ash	70	Chas. Brinkman	78
Lillie Bigley	85	Henry Fritz,	20
Clara Brown	90	James Gieger	82
Emma Blein	91	Willie Heberling	87
Gussie Clauss	50	Alfred Krum	77
Fanny Dintinger	87	James Hontz	15
Elsie Fritzinger	85	Alvin Krum	71
Emma Hontz	59	Joseph Miller	72
Emma Koons	91	Eddie Miller	76
George Stocker	70	Charles Wagner	85
Willie Trainer	59	Willie Yenser	73
Henrietta Krum	86	George Miller	64
Alice Mantz	95	And. Nothstein	90
Emma Reber	95	Milton Rex	81
Esther Raber	85	Reticus Rupert	75
Emma Raber	62	Milton Rhodes	65
Ida Strawn	94	Francis Rhodes	80
Mary Wert	90	Abram Patterson	65
Thomas Balliet	67	George Stuber	70
George Brinkman	75	Alvin Stout	90
Albert Waterbor	77	John Yenser	62
James Wert	85		

SECONDARY, No. 1.	M.	F.	T.
Whole No. in attendance during Month	35	18	53
Average ditto, ditto	30	16	46
Per cent. of ditto, ditto	85	89	87

Names of the pupils who attended school every day during the month:

Allen Bartholomew,	Elmer Schmale,
Albert Fuhrer,	Frank Obert,
Harry Stansberry,	John Nothstein,
Albert Heberling,	Belle Krum,
Eugene Bartholomew,	Ida Hontz,
Fred. Miller,	Manilla Warner,
Lizzie Miller,	Rosa Newhard,
Emma Gaggus,	Emma Billman.

SECONDARY, No. 2.	M.	F.	T.
Whole No. in attendance during Month	39	25	64
Average ditto, ditto	33	21	54
Per cent. of ditto, ditto	88	88	88

Names of the pupils that attended school every day during the month:

Melancton Foelich,	Oseville Wert,
Charles Hauk,	Owen Walbert,
Eddie Heim,	Minnie F. Clauss,
Willie McCormick,	Laura Dintinger,
Eddie McCormick,	Harry Ebbert,
Harry Painter,	Eve Hiskey,
Alvin Rothermel,	Vesta Hunsicker,
Elmer Strawn,	Emma Hartung,
Lillie Reichard,	Florence M. Koons,
Clara Rinker,	Auzie Mantz.
Tillia Seifert,	

PRIMARY, No. 1.	M.	F.	T.
Whole No. in attendance during month	31	33	64
Average ditto, ditto	27	22	49
Per cent. of ditto, ditto	88	67	78

PRIMARY, No. 2.	M.	F.	T.
Whole No. in attendance during month	45	42	87
Average ditto, ditto	37	37	74
Per cent. of ditto, ditto	92	92	92

The school year is divided into two terms of four months each; the first term closed on Thursday, December 20, 1877; the second term will open on Wednesday, January 2d, 1878. T. A. SNYDER, Principal.

Closing Prices of DELHAVEN & TOWNSEND, Stock, Government and Gold, 40 South Third Street, Philadelphia, Dec. 27, 1877.

U.S. 6's, 1881	103½	bid	104 asked
U.S. 5-20's, 1865—J. & J.	104¾	bid	105¼ asked
U.S. 5-20's 1867	105¾	bid	106¼ asked
U.S. 5-20's, 1868	105¾	bid	106¼ asked
U.S. 10-40's	107¼	bid	107¾ asked
U.S. Currency, 6's	119	bid	121 asked
U.S. 5's 1881, new	104½	bid	105¼ asked
U.S. 4½'s, new	103½	bid	103¾ asked
U.S. 4's new	102½	bid	103 asked
Pennsylvania R. R.	52¾	bid	53¼ asked
Phila. & Reading R. R.	15¾	bid	16¼ asked
Lehigh Valley R. R.	60½	bid	61 asked
Lehigh Coal & Nav. Co.	18¾	bid	18¾ asked
United Companies of N. J.	113	bid	115½ asked
Pitts., Titusv. & Buff. R. R.	8	bid	8½ asked
Phila. & Erie R. R.	8½	bid	8¾ asked
Northern Central R. R.	15	bid	17 asked
Beatonville Pass. R. R. c'o.	9	bid	9½ asked
Gold	1 23¼	bid	1 23½ asked

Walcksville Items.

—Christmas is gone for another year.

—What did you receive for a present?

—Children are in a good humor.

—Farmers are busy plowing.

—Several of our schools were closed on second Christmas.

—The attendance at the Literary Society on Wednesday evening last was very large—the house was crowded to its utmost capacity.

—A choking and shaking occurred at this place on Saturday last, and if it cannot be settled there will be another case added to the criminal docket.

—Quite a number of dogs in this neighborhood show symptoms of becoming mad; all of the dogs are tied; several have died and a few have been shot; it is indeed dangerous to be out after dark on this account.

—Before another issue of this paper the New Year's day will have passed and gone. We therefore wish in advance to all the readers of the ADVOCATE a happy New Year—may the new year be a more prosperous one than the past. Yours, etc.,

Walcksville, Dec. 27, 7877. P. & W.

The Coal Trade.

Says the Philadelphia, *Ledger* of Monday. A very excellent feeling, so far as we can judge, prevades the entire anthracite coal trade. We do not call to mind a time within the past ten years when the several interests in the trade were more fully in accord than at the present moment. The miners, the operators and the carrying companies seemingly have united in reaching the same desired end by the same means, which is by lessening waste of coal and realizing a living profit on the amount marketed. The *Ledger*, in favoring this movement, is not to be understood as favoring onerous or undue prices of coal on consumers, but, by more economy in production and less violent competition in the marketing of coal, desires to keep a steady supply of that necessity to comfort in the market, and thus maintain more nearly even prices. It is not desirable that prices should be reduced below a paying profit and thus produce bankruptcy to the parties engaged in the trade. The sure following of such a course is eventually much higher prices to consumers. Every business pursuit must pay interest on capital and wages to labor or it will not be continued. The coal business is no exception to this general truism. Indeed, as it is one that requires large capital to put in operation, and that loses largely if its costly machinery is allowed to fall into disuse, it is most important that it should be kept steadily in operation. To this end the proposed combination is generally thought to be essential as well to steady prices to those who use coal for domestic purposes as to those who use it as a necessary and costly ingredient in manufactures. If coal prices fluctuate widely and frequently iron and other manufacturing pursuits into which coal enters also fluctuate, and finally affect wages. Stability in the price of coal is desirable at all points, from its bed in the mines to the wages of the laborer engaged in attending the machinery which the steam it generates drives. Everybody is benefitted in the maintenance of steady but no higher than paying prices of coal. The belief to-day is that an agreement among the several producing regions and the seven large coal carrying companies will be effected for the government of the trade during the next and and several succeeding years. This agreement will embody substantially that prepared by President Gowen, of the Reading Railroad Company, and originally published in these columns two weeks ago. There were, we understand, but four or five points touched at the first meeting of the representatives of the proposed combination that elicited discussion. Three of these were explained and adjusted at once. These comprise the establishment of a Board of Control, the right of each interest to fix its own prices of coal, and the establishing of a penalty for production in excess of the amount allotted. The provision for a fund out of which penalties shall be paid caused some little discussion, and the amount originally named has been considerably reduced, though it is by no means certain that the best wisdom has been shown in this lessening of the amount. What is essential in the proposed engagement of the companies, one with another, is to have the public believe that its conditions are to be enforced and that it will be permanent. A large fund raised and put at stake for this purpose will no doubt go far in giving assurance of stability. The smaller amount contemplated may, perhaps, command this assurance, and if so, well; but unless the public accept any arrangement made as lasting it will prove a rope of sand. The only remaining point open for consideration at the meeting to be held on Thursday next is the matter of allotment of percentage of tonnage to each of the high contracting parties. As all parties so far have shown a generous spirit of conciliation there is little reason to doubt harmonious action to the end.

The following table shows the quantity of coal shipped over the Lehigh Valley Railroad for the week ending Dec 22th, 1877 and for the year as compared the same time last year.

Regions From:	Week.	Year
Wyoming	27,928 02	7[illegible],864 08
Hazleton	47,916 11	149,909 08
Upper Lehigh	...	...
Beaver Meadow	16 098 10	46,544 11
Mahanoy	9,290 03	28 430 11
Mauch Chunk	311 04	534 16
Total	101 544 10	218 082 10
Last Year	81,100 04	304,513 15
Increase	20,384 06	
Decrease		4,923 05

REPORT OF COAL transported over Lehigh & Susquehanna Division, Central R. R. of New Jersey, for 9 days ending Dec. 21, 1877:

Shipped from:	Total week.	To date.
Wyoming	42 458 15	1,346,846 15
Upper Lehigh	5,957 09	50,057 05
" " M.S.K.&Co.	1,996 10	29,581 07
Beaver Meadow	15,726 12	595,551 14
Sandy Run Branch	7,804 16	287,566 17
Hazleton	289 19	9,934 15
Mauch Chunk	14,291 11	524,112 03
Hazardville	....	12,278 19
Total	83,813 11	2,856,926 11
Previously reported	2,786,091 00	....
Total to date	2,869,904 11	....
Same time last year	2,861,529 16	....
Increase	....	....
Decrease	11,625 05	....

—An old Baltimore negro who had emigrated to Liberia years ago, ordered a quantity of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup a short time ago, stating that although coughs and colds were not frequent in Africa, he would not like to be without it in his family.

MARRIED,

CLEMENTS—BURNS—On the 24th inst., at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. L. R. Brown, Mr. James Clements and Miss Ella M. Burns, both of Packerton, Pa.

REHRIG—FRITZINGER.—On the 23th inst., at Meyer's Hotel, Lehigh Gap, by Rev. G. A. Brensel, of Cherryville, Mr. Aaron Rehrig and Miss Malinda Fritzinger, daughter of Mr. Levi Fritzinger, all of East Penn.

DIED,

REMALY.—At Bloomsdale on the 8th inst., Elizabeth, daughter of Stephen and Susan Remaly, aged 12 years, 1 month and 17 days.

FOLK.—In West Penn, on the 11th inst., Elizabeth, wife of Henry Folk, aged 67 years, 11 months and 25 days.

MILLER.—On the 17th inst., at Bloomsdale, John S., son of Gideon and Susanna Miller, aged 2 years, 5 months and 2 days.

Special Notices.

"A WIDOW AND HER CHILD."

A singular instance of superstition came to light not long since, which is thus related: Going into a neighbors house one day last week, I found one of the children suffering from a severe cough, and expressed my opinion that it was a case in which medical assistance should be obtained. The mother of the boy agreed that it was very bad, but said that before calling in a doctor she intended to try a cure that she had long used in similar cases, and never found to fail. On being pressed to communicate the prescription, she gravely informed me that the charm consisted in HALE'S HONEY OF HORHOUND AND TAR, and that it could be obtained of all the druggists. Price 50 cents and $1. Great saving by purchasing large size. Depot, CRITTENTON, 7 sixth avenue, New York City.

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IF YOUNG LADIES WITH BLOTCHES on their skin, which are erroneously attributed to irregularities of the liver, would discard cosmetics and mercurials, and would adopt the practice of taking a warm bath every day with a Cake of GLENN'S SULPHUR SOAP as a companion, the unsightly blemishes would soon disappear and the lily and the rose would take their place. This is a secret which the fashionable are fast beginning to find out to their decided advantage. Sold by druggists. Price 25c. per cake, 1 Box (3 cakes) 75c., sent by mail, prepaid on receipt of price. C. N. CRITTENTON, proprietor, 7 Sixth avenue, New York.

HILL'S HAIR AND WHISKER DYE, Black or Brown, 50c. July 7, 1877.

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Health and Happiness are priceless Wealth to their possessors, and yet they are within the reach of every one who will use

Wright's Liver Pills,

The only sure CURE for Torpid Liver, Dyspepsia, Headache, Sour Stomach, Constipation, Debility, Nausea, and all Bilious complaints and Blood disorders. None genuine unless signed "Wm. Wright Phila." If your Druggist will not supply send 25 cents for one box to Barrick, Roller & Co., 70 N. 4th St., Phila. Dec. 29-y1.

Priceless Discovery.

A Sure Cure for Piles.

A sure cure for the blind bleeding, itching and ulcerated piles has been discovered by Dr. William, (an Indian remedy) called Dr. William's Indian Ointment. A single box has cured the worst old chronic cases of twenty-five and thirty years' standing. No one need suffer five minutes after applying this wonderful soothing medicine. Lotions, instruments and electuaries do more harm than good. William's Ointment supports the tumors, allays the intense itching (particularly at night after getting warm in bed), acts as a poultice, gives instant and painless relief, and is prepared only for Piles and nothing else. Thousands of cured patients attest its virtues, and physicians of all schools pronounce it the greatest contribution to medicine of the age. It matters not how long or severely you have been suffering, you can be cured.

Mr. Joseph M. Ryder, Cleveland, Ohio, writes: I suffered for years with Itching and Ulcerated Piles, tried remedy after remedy advertised and consulted physicians in Philadelphia, Louisville, Cincinnati, Indianapolis and this city; and spent hundreds of dollars, but found no relief until I obtained a box of Dr. William's Indian Ointment some four months ago, and it has cured me completely. I had a part of the box left which I gave to a friend of mine who had doctored with many physicians and as a last resort went to the noted Hot Springs, Arkansas, for treatment. He informs me that the Indian Ointment has also cured him of the Piles. It is certainly a wonderful discovery, and should be used by the many thousands who are now suffering with that dread disease.

☞ $10,000 Reward will be paid for a more certain remedy. Sold by all Druggists. DR. G. W. FRAZIER, sole proprietor, Cleveland, O. Dec. 15, 1y.

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or Cold, when 25 cents will buy a bottle of Dr. Frazier's Cough Syrup at any drug store. It has wrought a complete change in the Cough Medicines, is pleasant as honey and always cures.

TO CONSUMPTIVES.

Dr. Frazier's Cough Syrup used in connection with Dr Frazier's Root Bitters WILL CURE CONSUMPTION.

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