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## Railroad Guide.

**NORTH PENNA. RAILROAD.**

Passengers for Philadelphia leave Lehighton as follows:

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| 3:47a. m., | via. L. V. | arrive at Phila. | at 6:40 a. m. |
| 7:35 a. m. | via L. V. | " " | 11:0 a. m. |
| 11:00 a. m. | via L. V. | " " | 2:05 p. m. |
| 4:41 p. m., | via L. V. | " " | 8:15 p. m. |
| 7:47 a. m., | via L. & S., | " " | 11:00 a. m. |
| 11:07 a. m., | via L. & S. | " " | 2:05 p. m. |
| 2:28 p.m. | via L. & S. | " " | 5:40 p. m. |
| 4:57 p.m. | | " " | 8: 5 p. m. |
| 7:3[illegible] p. m. | via L. V. | " " | 1:00 p. m. |

Returning, leave depot at Berks and American St., Phila., at 3:15 and 9:45 a. m.; 2:30, 5:30, and 8:00 p. m. ELLIS CLARK, Agent.
June 3, 1878.

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Arrangement of Passenger Trains.

MAY 12TH, 1878.

Trains leave ALLENTOWN as follows:—

(VIA PERKIOMEN BRANCH.)

For Philadelphia, at 4:25, 8.50, 11.05, a.m., and 6.55 p. m.

SUNDAYS.

For Philadelphia at 4.25 a. m., 3.35 p. m.

(VIA EAST PENNA. BRANCH.)

For Reading, † 2.30, 5.50, 9.05 a m., 12.15, 2.10, 4.30 9.05 p.m.

For Harrisburg, 2.30 5.50, 9.05 a. m., 12.15, 4.30 9.05 p. m.

For Lancaster and Columbia, 5.50, 9.35 a.m. and 4.30 p. m.

† Does not run on Mondays.

SUNDAYS.

For Reading, 2.30 a.m. and 4:30 and 9.05 p.m.

For Harrisburg, 2.30 a. m and 9.05 p. m.

Trains FOR ALLENTOWN leave as follows:

(VIA PERKIOMEN BRANCH.)

Leave Philadelphia, 7.30 a. m., 1.00, *1.30 and 5.30 p. m.

SUNDAYS.

Leave Philadelphia, 8.00 a. m. and 3.15 p. m.

(VIA EAST PENNA BRANCH.)

Leave Reading 7.40, 7.45 10.35 a m., 4.00, 6.15 and 10.30 p m

Leave Harrisburg, 5.20, 8.10 a. m., and 2.00, 3.57 and 7.35 p. m.

Leave Lancaster, 8.10 a. m., 12.55 and 3.45 p. m.

Leave Columbia 8.00 a. m., 1.00 and 3.35 p. m.

SUNDAYS.

Leave Reading, 7.20 and 9.40 a. m.

Leave Harrisburg, 5.20 a.m.

Trains marked thus (*) run to and from depot 9th and Green streets, Philadelphia, other trains to and from Broad street depot.

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Lehighton, Aug. 3, 1878 w3.

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**EXECUTORS' SALE.**

The undersigned, Executors of DANIEL HEBERLING, dec'd, will offer at Public sale, at the HOTEL of THOMAS MANTZ in the BOROUGH of LEHIGHTON, Carbon county, Pennsylvania, on

*THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1878,*

commencing at TWO o'clock in the Afternoon, the following very Valuable REAL ESTATE, to wit: All that certain

LOT OR PIECE OF LAND

situate on the eastwardly side of Pine Street, in the Borough of Lehighton, and numbered on the plan or plot thereof No. 14, fronting on said Pine Street 64 feet, and continuing eastwardly of that width between parallel lines and at right angles with said Pine Street 189 ft. 9 in. to Milton Alley, bounded westwardly by Pine Street, northwardly by Lot No. 15, eastwardly by Milton Alley, and southwardly by Lot No. 13. The Improvement is a 1½ story

FRAME HOUSE,

22 x 16 feet. ALSO, All that certain

LOT OR PIECE OF GROUND,

situate on the eastwardly side of Pine Street in said Borough of Lehighton, and numbered in the plan or plot thereof No. 15, fronting on said Pine Street 84 ft. and continuing eastwardly of that width between parallel lines and at right angles with said Pine Street, 189 feet, 9 ins. to Milton Alley, bounded westwardly by Pine St., northwardly by lot No. 16, eastwardly by said Milton Alley, and southwardly by Lot No. 14. The Improvement is a 1½ story

DWELLING HOUSE,

22 x 16 feet. Also, the following valuable Stocks, to wit:

64 Shares of Mauch Chunk Gas Stock,

11 Shares Lehigh Valley (Weissport) Emery Wheel Stock, Deceased's interest in a Slate Quarry, 1 Grass Mowing Machine, &c.

Conditions will be made known at time and place of sale, by

THOS. J. and JAS. W. HEBERLING, Executors.
Aug. 17-3-w.

**ASSIGNEE'S SALE.**

There will be sold at Public Sale, on the premises in Towamensing township, Carbon Co., Pa., on

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1878,

at ONE o'clock, p. m., all that certain tract of land, bounded by the lands of Simon Snyder, Thomas M. Smith, and by lands late of Jacob Bauman, with the several courses and distances, containing

58 ACRES and 8 PERCHES.

Also, all that certain tract of land bounded by lands of Joseph Beck, partly by lands of James Cahoon and Jonas Hahn and Jonn Smith, and the public road leading from Stemlersville to Weiss's with the several courses and distances. Containing

75 ACRES and 97 PERCHES,

more or less. The above tracts are on the road leading from Lehigh Gap to Stemlersville. About seventy acres of the above tracts, which adjoin each other, are under a good state of cultivation. The balance is valuable woodland.

The improvements thereon consist of a TWO and half STORY

FRAME DWELLING HOUSE,

large Frame Barn and the necessary and usual outbuildings. This would be an excellent property for a person interested in the propagation of trout as there are excellent springs and a large trout brook on the place.

Also, The following Personal Property: one Windmill and a lot of Rye and Wheat in Sheaf.

W. E FRISBIE,
Assignee of John Pickford.

Mauch Chunk, Aug. 17, 1878-w 4.

**ASSIGNEE'S SALE**

**Of Valuable Real Estate!**

By virtue of an order of the Court of Common Pleas of Carbon County, Pa., the undersigned, Assignee of JOSEPH S. WEBB AND WIFE, will sell at Public Sale, on the premises on BANK Street, in the BOROUGH of LEHIGHTON, Carbon county, Pa., on

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1878.

commencing at TWO o'clock P. M., the following valuable Real Estate, to wit:

All that certain Messuage, tenement and

DWELLING HOUSE

AND LOT OF GROUND,

with the appurtenances, situate on the east side of Bank Street, Borough of Lehighton, containing (33) thirty-three feet on Bank Street, and extending of that width at right angles to Bankway; bounded on the east by Bankway, on the south by lots of Charles and James Klentop, on the west by Bank Street, on the north by lots of the late Simon Wudenglemer.

No. 2. Being all those two certain

LOTS OR PIECES OF GROUND,

in the aforesaid Borough of Lehighton, and numbered one and two in a certain plot made and laid out by Eaches and Rex, each having a front of thirty feet on first additional street, and continuing of that width north one hundred and thirty feet to a common alley; bounded on the north by a common alley, on the west by other lands intended to be conveyed to Eaches and Rex, on the south by first additional street, and on the east by a common alley.

Terms will be made known at the time and place of sale, by

THOMAS S. BECK,
Assignee of Jos. S. Webb and Wife.

Aug. 10, 1878—w3

**ASSIGNEE'S SALE.**

**Of Valuable Real Estate.**

By virtue of an order issued out of the Court of Common Pleas, the undersigned will expose at Public Sale, in MAHONING Township, Carbon County, Pa., on

*SATURDAY, SEPT. 14th, 1878,*

commencing at ONE o'clock P. M., the following described Real Estate to wit: No. 1. All that certain tract or piece of land, known as the Rehrig Property, situate in Mahoning Valley, aforesaid, and bounded by lands of Solomon Gomerr, Simon Rehrig, Jonas Nothstein and Wm. Fenstermaker, containing

38 ACRES 45 PERCHES,

strict measure. The improvements thereon are a

STONE DWELLING HOUSE,

22x32; Log Barn, 25x42 feet; Spring House, 16x16, feet, about 5 Acres are meadow, the rest is under cultivation, and all kinds of Fruit Trees on the premises.

No. 2. Is known as the Fenstermacher property, situate in Mahoning Twp., Carbon County, bounded by lands of George Kemerer, Reuben Peter and Jonas Nothstein, containing

37 ACRES 109 PERCHES,

strict measure. 4 acres of Meadow, 4 acres Woodland, the rest is under good cultivation and a variety of choice Fruit Trees are on the premises. The improvements are a FRAME DWELLING HOUSE, 20x24 feet; a Frame Barn 30x42 feet; Hog Stable, 12x16 feet.

Conditions will be made known at time and place of sale, by NATHAN MOSSER,

Aug. 17.—w4. Assignee of Lewis Rehrig.

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## THE FRIENDS OF '49.

THE STORY OF THEIR LAST STAMPEDE TOGETHER.

BY SAND BAR

Almost hidden by the luxuriant growth of willow and alder that fringed the banks of a rapid mountain stream in Northern Montana was a log house. Its dirt-covered roof, green with grasses, evinced that it was not of recent construction, and the faint wreath of smoke lazily creeping from the rude stone chimney affirmed that it was at least still worthy of habitation. From the door on the southern exposure a path led, through the brush, to the purling stream spoken of, its crystal waters, teeming with that most delicious of all fish, the "speckled trout," afforded a veritable paradise for the angler, and the most primitive tackle could have here secured, in a short space of time, an abundance of that much-vaunted, brain-inspiring food. Stretching back on its north and rear, a broad plateau, in grand, waving undulations, lost itself in the forests that grew to the snow-line of the mountains, whose whitened peaks towered in solemn, stately grandeur over the little valleys nestling at their feet. A nearer view of the hut testified that its present occupants were of that nondescript class of pioneers of advanced civilization—the prospecting miners—and, scattered here and there, with the proverbial carelessness of the mountaineer, with the usual paraphernalia of a miner's outfit.

Seated on a fallen tree, immediately in front of the door, busily engaged in cleaning his rifle, was a man probably 60 years of age. His strong, sinewy form was covered with a greasy buckskin suit, and the dark-brown hair that escaped through the rents of his ragged sombrero was litterely besprinkled with gray. His face, rugged and marked with care and exposure inevitable to such a life, was frank and open. His keen, gray eyes would ever and anon glance from his work to the door with an anxious, expectant look. Curled at his feet lay a large Newfoundland dog. Humming some old mining song, he was a fair representative of that class now rapidly passing away—the Forty-niners. Placing his rifle at last against his leg, he reached down, and, gathering the head of the dog between his hands, raised him up, and, drawing him beside him, said:

"Jack, old man, Pard is wuss. I'm afeard he's agwine to pass in. He's jes' a layin' in thar satisfied like, 'thout no pain, an' it's a bad sign. If thar was a show for a doctor I'd git him. I hev done all I kould, give him a bottle of medicine that I bought in Heleny fur the cramps, en he tuck it all. The whisky is all gone, and he drinked all the tea, en 'pears like he doesn't keer fur bacon and bread no more. I seed a band of antelope on the bar above yesterday. He mout fancy a rib. Yes, whine away. You hain't been with him as long as me, but he's been a better marster then I hev to yer. Yes, I'll go after sum meat, though I'm almost afeard, kase ef he shud die and me gone I'd go crazy. I hev never, since we met in Downieville, Kaliforney, twenty-odd years ago, bin away a day from him, en I'll not take no chance now. Damme, how time flies. Seems es ef it war only yesterday that we met in Hanks' saloon, in Downieville, in '50, and drinked together. He seed I war a pilgrim, en 'vited me to cabing with him, en sense then we has been pards through thick and thin; hev been to Washoe, Cariboo, Boise Basin, Alder Gulch, everywhar ther was a stampede, an' got allus good ground. En Jack, like dam fools, we jes' chucked our money away, and now here we is, so far from ennybody Kristofer Kolumbus couldn't find us. Ef he wus only well, Jack, we mout do well on the bar above. I got fair prospects on the rim yesterday, and thar is better a little lower down. I'll bet ennyhow we'd whipsaw a box or two en work out a piece whar there is pay. But it can't be did now, en that's sartin, fur I feel that he's a dying." And putting the dog away from him he dropped his head in his hands, and while the tears trickled through his fingers he sobbed out, as if his heart would break, "a dying, Jack, a dying—a dying—a dying."

"Bill! Bill!" a weak voice called from the cabin, causing the miner to dash the tears away with the sleeve of his coat and with quick strides to pass into the house, the interior of which is worthy of a brief description. No more than ten feet square, its low roof, begrimed with soot and smoke, was festooned with spider-webs. On its large, open fire-place a few embers raked together threw a fitful gleam of light over surrounding objects. A three legged stool and table of shakes constituted the only furniture, and leaning against the wall were the prospecting pan and spiders, the camper's inseparable companions. On a bed of willows, over which a few robes had been thrown, lay the wasted and emaciated form of a man probably 60 years of age. His suit of buckskin was worn, and, from its tattered appearance had seen much service. The grizzled hair and unkempt beard were sufficiently suggestive of the old-timer, and his wrinkled face, distorted with pain now, told plainly that his lines had not always been cast in pleasant places. Turning his head, his brown eyes glittered with joy, for standing over him was his companion. Reaching out his bony hand, he grasped his partner's knee, and, pointing with the other to his rifle that leaned against the wall, he said: "Bill, bury the gun with me; en my navies, too, pard. Thar they is at yer feet. I've had 'em so long I hate ter part from them. Mind you thet no one takes the picture from my neck, but for the sake of old times let it go with me. I hev got to go, pard. I'll strike it alone in another land. I hate ter leave you; I hate ter leave you. Bill, kin you pray?" His voice sinking low, as if it pained him to speak, dropped almost to a whisper. "Pray for me; jest a line, pard. I hev set my last box, en it's better that I git some kind uv a send-off, Christian-like. A few words will do. I hain't never done nothin' you mout call desprit bad; jumped a claim en had a few scrapes, but allus helped a naber when I could. I hain't got much longer to stay en fur the love of God ask fur a few favors fur me; en reach down, pard—it's gettin' mouty dark—down lower—I kan't hardly see yer. Thar's twenty ounces in the bag under my bed; send it to my folks in Georgia, you know whar, en tell 'em thet I allus 'lowed to come home ef I hed struck enything right good. But I didn't. Thar was Gold creek, Tomly's bar, Yank's hill, en many other good digging me and you diskivered, en we left 'em to hunt better. Now here we are busted, en I in the ground sluice. Now a pra'r, Bill, en I'll slip off. I'm mity tired, pard. I'll go to see the wife en baby I left twenty-six years ago. Ef sperits ever kum back you shall hear from me, fur we hes bin together sense '50, en never a cross word."

Tears streamed from the eyes of his companion, and, falling on his knees by the bed, in a voice shaken with sorrow and grief, he broke forth in the following prayer:

"Just en merciful Jesus, take my pard en let him down easy. Me en him is old-timers, bin a roughin' it menny years, en now he is a passin' in his checks. Thar never was no better man. He is generous an' brave, everybody's friend; his own worst enemy. He is agwine ter leave fur whar you only know. Ef he has been a little off et times, it 'us more my fault then his'n. Oh! fur Christ's sake, let him stay awhile longer. We hev bin tergether so, so long. Give him another chance. Just a year. He'll be better fit ter die, fur he'll chop sure, en he kin look after his soul; fur he hain't had time uv late years, bein' as we bin out of luck. I ax this fur God's sake. Amen."

Raising his head and wiping his eyes, he turned to look at the sick man. One glance at his face, calm and peaceful, with half-closed eyes, glassy in their terrible stare, told plainer than words that "pard had crossed the river." Throwing himself by the dead man's side, he wept as only a strong man can weep. Getting up at last, he crossed the thin hands and closed the eyes of him he loved so well. Then, standing over him, he gazed long and earnestly in the face rigid in death muttering; "Dead! dead! So many years together. Good-by, pard; ole man, good-by. You hev struck the pay streak. I can't let yer work alone. I'll be thar with yer. I'm not agwine ter cut loose this way arter being tergether so long. I hev got to go sooner or later, ennyhow, en, es I am alone, I'll just step off and b'ar you company."

Going to the fire-place he picked up a piece of coal and wrote on the broad hearth-stone, Bury us in the prospect hole, on the bar above the house. Thar's twenty ounces of gold under our heads in a sack. Send it akkordin to the direckshun on the sack. Bury our shovels en pans with us, en fer yer trubble take our guns, navies en stock. Treat 'em kindly. Do the right thing by the dog; rite on the end of our rocker bottom, that you'll find on ther bar:

"'HERE IS TWO PARDS

*Ez Hev*

STRUCK OUT

*On a Stampede in Hopes Ter*

FIND BETTER DIGGINGS IN ANOTHER LAND.'

"Stick it over our heads, and bury us deep enuff to keep the kiotes from gettin' a meal off us. B. & P."

Walking back to the bed he laid down beside his comrade, and, pulling out a six-shooter, he placed the weapon against his temple and fired. 'And there together in death lay the friends of twenty-six years. "Over the river en I'm with yer. We shall not part, old man," was the ending of the friendship that had existed for over a quarter of a century, and a vivid illustration, by no means rare, of the remarkable affection often existing between men who voluntarily estrange themselves from the busy world to seek in the vast solitudes of the West that excitement not elsewhere to be found.

Sitting on his haunches, gazing into the faces of the dead men with a wondering look in his intelligent eyes, was the dog, the only living witness of the deaths that occurred on that beautiful spring morning. Faithful to them in life, he guarded them in death.

The bodies were found a week later by a prospector and buried in the place requested.

The dog was with difficulty torn away from the grave, and there on the edge of the plateau, overlooking the beautiful valley, awaiting the final trump, lay the friends who met in Downieville in 1850. United in life, together in death.