Society Meetings.

MISHITO CASTLE, No. 78, A. O. K. OF THE M. C 2nd and 4th Monday of each month, in Reber's Hall, Lehighton, at 7:30 o'clock P. M. John Gaggas, S. K. C.; Sam. R. Gilman, K. R. S.

SNADES RUTTER LODGE, No. 686, I. O. O. F., meets every Tuesday evening, at 8 o'clock, in Bauer's Hall, N. Kostenbader, N. G.; N. H. Reber, Secretary.

LEHIGHTON LODGE, No. 224 K. of P., meets on Friday evenings, in Reber's Hall, at 7:30 o'clock. W. H. Buchman, C.C.; L. A. Mutler, K. of R. and S.

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Local and Personal.

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—West's liver pills cure sick headache.

—Mrs. Elizabeth Hancock, mother of Gen. Hancock, died at Norristown, on Friday, aged 78 years.

—Chew JACKSON'S BEST Sweet Navy Tobacco. 7—50.

—Read Tilghman Arner's new advertisement in another column.

George Lauer, an old brewer, of Pottsville, died suddenly in that city on Sunday.

—A boy named Schadle was killed on Friday in Brookside Colliery, Tower City, by being run over by a coal wagon.

—James McHugh was crushed to death last Saturday morning, in the Coaldale mines by a falling mass of coal.

—If you want a fashionable hat or cap, call at T. D. Clauss', and buy one for a small

—Mr. J. W. Nusbaum, who has been confined to his house for several weeks, has so far recovered as on Tuesday to be able to take a sleigh-ride to Weisport.

—Celiax & Thomas have a pig trained to hold a basket.—*Hazleton Bulletin.* That's nothing. We have two pigs, trained to hold a basket—full of corn.

—If you want a good and cheap set of HARNESS, light or heavy, call on M. Florey, manufacturer, East Weisport, near canal bridge.

—You can buy the cheapest and best clothing and underware, at the store of F. Schmidt, Weisport.

—Gov. Hoyt appointed ex-Gov. Hartranft Major General of the State militia. This dubs the popular ex-Governor General Hartranft.

—Overcoats, latest styles and best material, for a small amount of ready cash, at H. H. Peters', Post office building, Lehighton.

—"Uncle Jo—," your communication has been placed in the waste-basket. When you write for a newspaper, sign your name; you needn't be ashamed of it, even if it is Josephus.

—If you want shirts, neck wear, or any other article in gent's furnishing goods, call on T. D. Clauss, and he will supply you at extraordinary low prices.

—For boots, shoes or rubbers, of the finest makes, call on T. D. Clauss. You will find an immense stock to select from, at lower prices than ever before offered.

—Do you need a fall and winter suit of clothes, made up in the latest and most durable manner? then go to T. D. Clauss, the merchant tailor, on Bank street, and be "fitted." Prices lower than ever.

—The Lilly Cadets, of Mauch Chunk, passed through this borough last Saturday, on a sleigh-ride up the Mahoning valley. During the trip, one of their sleighs up-set, causing some delay, and a good deal of fun. As far as heard from, they all got back home in safety.

—A shooting match, to decide the ownership of a tame bear, now the property of Fred. Horlacker, tavern keeper, will take place at Bowmansville next Friday. In the evening a social hop will take place in the hotel.

—Clocks and Watches carefully repaired, and work warranted, at lowest cash rates, at Hageman's cheap cash store, opposite public square, Weissport. 44-13.

—See cherubims in another column holding a bunch of grapes from which Speer's Port Grape Wine is made; that is so highly esteemed by the medical profession for the use of invalids; weakly persons, and the aged.

—Luckenbach's retail prices are but a trifle above the lowest wholesale prices of Philadelphia and New York. His stock of stationery of every variety is excellent. He has also a splendid assortment of wall paper, from the very finest down to the cheapest. Just step in and look at his goods. His store is a few doors below the Broadway House, Mauch Chunk

—GERMAN HORSE AND COW POWDER.—It should be the aim of every owner of horses and cows to make them as handsome and useful as possible. The German Horse and Cow Powder makes fat, muscle and milk. Price, 15 cents per lb. 9-12

—Mr. L. E. Wills and lady went on Saturday to Philadelphia, from whence, on Monday, he started a westward bound trip, via New York, off special business for the Lehigh Emery Wheel Co. He will be away for a couple of weeks.

—*This* revival meetings at the Evangelical church, in Weissport, still continue with a deepening interest. Quite a large number have been influenced to place their heretofore wandering feet in the "straight and narrow path," while some who had grown cold and indifferent have imbibed a new spirit of fortitude and energy to persevere in the good fight.

—The next stated meeting of the Lehigh Hook and Ladder Co. will be held on Monday evening, February 3d, at 7 o'clock, at the Truck House. A prompt and full attendance is requested by the President, as business of importance will be brought before the meeting.

—An exchange suggests that ice will be cheap next summer. It is cheaper than dirt at present in Lehighton. But there will be many a "slipup" on ice estimates before the 4th of July, and wise people will not neglect to lay in a good supply now while it is going cheap.

—On Sunday last, when things were very quiet in that locality, some wiry-fingered individual or individuals, whose appetite for taking what belongs to some one else is good, appropriated to their own use the small copper wire which formed the telephone line between the offices of the Emery Wheel Co. and the L. and S. railroad depot in Weissport. Messrs. Zern and Hill extend the party an invitation to attend the revival meetings at the Evangelical church; but until a new wire can be obtained, all "back talk" ceases.

—Easter comes on the 13th of April this year.

—Go along! David Ebbert's teams are always ready for large and small parties. Terms very low.

—The Sheriff of Northampton county last week levied upon the personal property of the Elmira and Bangor Slate Company.

—The annual meeting of the Lehigh County Agricultural Society will be held in the Court House, in Allentown, on Tuesday next, Feb. 4th.

—The Lehigh Valley Iron Co., of Coplay, at the time of their recent failure and stoppage owed their laboring force three months' wages.

—A reduction of five per cent, has been announced in the wages of the employees of the Catasauqua Manufacturing Company, to take effect February 1st inst.

—Messrs. David Ebbert, our well-known livery man, and Thos. Mantz, proprietor of the Exchange hotel, treated about 70 of the children of the public schools to a sleigh-ride Saturday afternoon.

—Fritz Geitz, an old resident of Mauch Chunk, and at one time editor of the *Carbon Adler*, died in the city of Reading, on Thursday of last week.

—The dry goods store of M. J. Kramer, at Allentown, has been closed by the Sheriff, and will be sold out to-day (Saturday). Kramer's indebtedness is about $15,000, due mostly to firms in Philadelphia and New York.

—IMPORTANT TO PENSIONERS.—Under the recent Act of Congress, all Pensioners are entitled to additional pensions. Correspondence on the subject solicited, and all claims promptly attended to.

P. J. MEEHAN, Attorney at Law,
Feb. 1, 1879. Mauch Chunk, Pa.

—Spring being the general time for public sales, parties making them will find it greatly to their advantage to send their advertisements to this paper. We also print bills in the best style. Orders by mail promptly attended to.

—Partly on account of sickness of Jacob Sheckler, tender of the cupola at the Fort Allen Foundary, and partly because there are no pressing orders just now to be filled, the foundary temporarily shut down on Friday of last week.

—Charles J. Hunter, formerly foreman of the Lehighton Stove Works, died in Beverly, N. J., on Saturday last. Sheriff J. W. Raudenbush, of this county, attended the funeral which took place Monday afternoon, and served as one of the pall bearers.

—Governor Hoyt Tuesday sent to the State Senate the nominations of Matthew S. Quay for Secretary of the Commonwealth, and David H. Lane for Recorder of Philadelphia. Quay was unanimously confirmed, but Lane's nomination failed for want of the required two-thirds vote.

—WINE FOR INVALIDS.—The Port Grape Wine of New Jersey is the best medicinal wine in the market, and it is said that the vintage of A. Speer far excelled any other produced. It is heavy in body, rich in flavor, and well adapted for sickly persons and for general family use.

—Ladies, Daniel Graver, at the Bee Hive Store, invites your attention to a new and elegant assortment of Dress Goods now offered, at extraordinary low prices for cash,

—We are pleased to note that our friend Hon. J. G. Zern has been especially honored in being placed on four of the most important committees of the House of Representatives. To be placed upon the Judiciary (General) is a special compliment for a gentleman not learned in the law. He is also on the Insurance, Federal Relations and Constitutional Reform Committees. The Doctor may well feel proud.

—Be on time; for prevention is better than cure. All Coughs and Colds and such affections of the throat and lungs as lead to consumption are cured by Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. Price 25 cents.

—E. H. Greene, one of the proprietors of Stewart's rolling mills, South Easton, died at his residence in Easton, Monday. He was one of the prominent men in Northampton county and at one time president of the Easton town council. He fell on the ice near his home Tuesday of last week, and broke his left arm and injured himself internally, from which he died Monday morning.

—In the "wee sma' hours" of Saturday morning, a number of our prominent citizens with their better halves, intended better-halves, etcetera, returned home sleepy but happy, from a sleighing expedition up the Mahoning Valley. Not the least of the enjoyment of the trip was the good cheer prepared and dispensed by mine host James Flemming, whose hostelry forms one of the attractions to merry sleighing parties up the valley.

—At the request of numerous readers of Pit Knickworshd's articles, and especially lady readers, who desire to know who and what kind of a looking fellow he is, we have, at an enormous expense, had a photograph "taken on the spot," and an engraving made from it. It is a "striking" likeness of our author, taken at the moment when he was striving to master a "new idea." It will adorn the head of Pit's article next week.

—The ice in the race which conveys the water from the river to the Weissport Planing Mill, is 26 inches thick, leaving only a four-inch space under it for supplying water to the wheel. From this cause the machinery can only be run at intervals, and the establishment is confined solely to finishing the contract for the furniture of the new Lutheran and Reformed church edifice in East Mauch Chunk. This furniture, made of yellow Michigan pine, trimmed with poplar, will be ready in about two weeks.

—THE TOLEDO BLADE.—We call attention to the advertisement of this excellent paper in another column. It is one of the largest and best News and Family Papers in the country, and contains more special features of interest and value to the general reader than any other paper published. Write for a specimen copy, which will be sent you free. Address THE BLADE, Toledo, O.

—We were treated to a delightful serenade by the Lehighton Cornet Band, on Thursday night. Thanks, gentlemen. It is a source of pride to our borough to see that you are making rapid progress in your art of playing.

—It is understood that the Packerton shops will commence work on full time today. The L. and S. road has been driven to its full capacity in the transportation of coal during the past week. This augurs well for the early spring business.

Installation.

At the regular meeting of Infinita Castle, No. 78, A. O. K. of the M. C., held in Reber's Hall on Monday evening, the following officers were duly installed by P. D. S. C., Harry V. Mouthimer:

S. K. C.—Henry J. Kostenbader,
S. K. V. C.—W. R. Benninger,
S. K. 1st Lieut.—N. B. Reber,
S. K. R. S.—R. Gilham,
S. K. Asst. R. S.—S. H. Houser,
S. K. O. G.—Henry Kostenbader,
S. K. I. G.—Ed. Hunsicker.

—The annoyance occasioned by the continual crying of the baby, at once ceases when the cause is (as it should be) promptly removed by using Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup. Price 25 cents per bottle.

OUR INDUSTRIES, No. 3.

Dressing Lumber for the Artisan.

In the early history of the human race, and before the present age of invention, man depended upon his own muscle for the accomplishment of any kind of work, and it was a long time before he discovered that the energy of the natural forces could be made subservient to his needs. The wonderful industrial advance of the present century, the application of steam, of the telegraph, of science to the arts, are evidences that the race, or portions of the race, are becoming acquainted with their powers, and are beginning to use them. The application of machinery to performing the processes which formerly were carried on by the slow and tedious methods of hand labor, is a most striking exemplification of this general principle; and the inventors of this age, by lessening the time and labor required for the production of the necessities of life, are doing a work that is equal, if not superior, to that of the moralist, in aiding and stimulating the social and moral progress of society towards a more perfect organization of its forces.

The memory of men now living can recall the day when a journeyman carpenter's or house-builder's outfit required the services of a horse and wagon to convey them from one scene of his labors to another, and that the erection of a fine residence, where the taste of the owner inclined to the ornamental and curious workmanship in wood, required one or more years, where the greatest speed was made, and the outlay of a small fortune. Now the implements of his trade which the carpenter needs to be used in building even a palatial framed residence, elegantly and artistically ornamented with handsome cornices, carvings, mouldings and raised panels, he can carry in his hands; and in a few weeks, if the mason, plumber, painter and interior decorator are prompt, the house is ready for a tenant.

Indeed, when he goes to the scene of his labors, he finds the work which he once did with such patience all done, and only waiting for his skill to be put together. It has been done at the planing mill, so called. The design of the building has been taken to that establishment with the lumber out of which the house is to made, and the power planing machine, the boring, mortising, tenoning, moulding and panneling machines, with the curious and humming little saws and lathes have trimmed, cut and fashioned every piece and parcel, after the design, to be used in the structure.

And what is here said of the house-builder's occupation is equally true of the cabinet maker's also.

It was to keep pace with the progress of other communities, and to give the people of this portion of the Lehigh Valley the advantages to be derived from having such an establishment located in their midst that a firm of gentlemen conceived of and executed the plan of establishing the Weissport Planing Mills. It was done about three years ago, in the midst of the commercial depression which has so seriously tried the souls of business men.

The site selected was that of the old saw mill, the facilities of the water-power which had been used by the old mill being adapted to the new. A large building was built, and supplied with all the latest improved machinery used in such an establishment. The power is furnished by a Turbin Wheel, of about 40 horse power, which, in the time of low water in the Lehigh, still has a fall of seven feet of water.

The surface planer used is of Power, Tainter & Co.'s make; H. B. Smith's heavy moulder, Houston & Smith's mortiser, C. H. Mellor's improved reversible moulder, with attachments; and the tenoning, panel-raising, blind-slat-turning and other machines, are from the best manufacturers.

In view of the increased prospects for business, Mr. John G. Biery, the enterprising agent of the establishment, is contemplating putting in a more improved waterwheel than the one now in use.

Most of the lumber used in the establishment, and especially such as is used for mouldings, turnings and fancy cornices and fine cabinet work, is brought from Michigan and other western States. Mr. Biery gives the closest personal attention to all the work done in the mill, and no job is allowed to leave it until it has been inspected and pronounced perfect, and where he furnishes the lumber none but the best is used.

A Good Showing.

The statement of the financial condition of Carbon county, which we published elsewhere, forcibly speaks for itself. It indicates that the officers, one and all, to whom the public finances have been entrusted, have done their duties faithfully and honestly, and with a most judicious and commendable economy. For this, in these days of official corruption, our officers deserve, and will recieve the thanks of the people who they have thus protected. The County Treasurer, T. D. Clauss, Esq., turns over to his successor a balance in excess of liabilities of $7,296, and this is actually in excess of the county's ability to pay on demand, when the outstanding taxes amounting to $18,719 are paid in, her total bonded indebtedness of $22,000 and $3,554 due townships for unseated lands. So, it thus appears that our little Pentonsylvania county is virtually out of debt, and above-board over $7,000 in cash, besides her real and personal estates. There are few counties in the State that can say as much.

Big Creek Items.

—The weather has changed considerably.

—John Greenzweig moved from East Weissport to this place on Saturday last.

—Both of the Sabbath schools have been kept open this winter.

—The Salem Sabbath school will hold an election on Sunday for an Assistant Superintendent.

—Charles Gildner, of this place, was married to Annie Smith, of Kresgeville, Monroe county, on Saturday.

—J. Z. Bagenstose, teacher of East Weissport, gave his pupils a sleigh ride on Tuesday last; the Band accompanied them.

—The *Advocate* can now boast of having as large and full a repertorial corps as any paper published in the county.

—Henry Campbell, of East Weissport, announces himself as a candidate, for reelection to the office of Justice of the Peace. Mr. C is an honest upright citizen and will fill the office with great satisfaction.

—The following has been shot and trapped by Thomas Leves of this place: rabbits, 719; pheasants, 9; raccoon's 1; minks 3; muskrat's 6; podcats 3. Fox list will be given at the close of the season.

—Rev. J. L. Werner will preach in the Solt's church to-morrow at 10 a. m.

REVERE.

The State Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic met in Harrisburg Wednesday, 200 delegates being present. Governor Hoyt was nominated as delegate at large to the next National Encampment.

Rob. Lewis, aged 16, fell through the Delaware, Railroad bridge at Easton, on Tuesday night, and was so badly injured that she died in two hours. She is the third person killed at the same place within a year.

—Dr. Hand's Expectorant is compounded entirely of vegetable drugs. Its action is directed to the cause of the disease, which it permanently cures. Use it yourself, and recommend it to your friends. All druggists sell it at 25 & 50 cents per bottle.

—A fine son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carroll, on Monday forenoon.

Mauch Chunk Notes.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.—At the regular meeting of the Commissioners, on Tuesday, the Auditors' report on the financial condition of Carbon county was received, and receiving the attest of the clerk, the statement was ordered to be published in the *Carbon County Democrat*, CARBON ADVOCATE and the *Coal Gazette*; and the price to be paid for publishing the same was fixed at $1.50 per square (inch) to each of said journals for the four insertions required by law. They further resolved to hold their stated meeting every two weeks, instead of every week as heretofore. Subsequently they ordered the release from the county jail of Michael Boyle and Frank Munday.

HIGHWAY ACCIDENT.—A little son of R. Collins, marble worker, while playing on the street, near the Mansion House, on Wednesday afternoon, tried to jump upon a passing team, when he slipped and fell, one of the heavy runners of the sled passing over his body. Fortunately the sled was unloaded, or it would have crushed him to death instantly. As it was he was badly hurt. Dr. De Young attended him.

MIXED TOPICS.—Sheriff Raudenbush, on Monday, took the prisoners, George Hipper, John Riley and Samuel Barnes, sentenced at the recent term of Court to the Penitentiary, to their destination. He remained in Philadelphia over-night, and, accompanied by Mr. Louis Armbruster and other friends, attended the grand Mennechor Bal Masque at the Academy of Music. He describes the scene of the over 1500 grotesque characters whirling in the mazy dance as the most imposing living panorama he ever beheld. The receipts of the entertainment amounted to over $7000, and the use of the hall for the occasion cost $1000.

—The presence of the smiling and pleasing countenance of Mr. H. S. Everhart at the clerk's desk, of the Mansion House, is suggestive that Col. Wibirt is already planning for the day when the snow and ice shall have vanished from the mountain peaks and hundreds of weary tourists have fled the city to find rest under his "vine and fig-tree." During the fall and winter the Colonel has made improvements on the building, and in a few weeks will commence a thorough renovation of its interior in order to have it ready for the summer trade.

—Mrs. John Miner, of West Broadway, died on Wednesday morning, after long and patient suffering, of consumption. She leaves a husband and several sons and daughters to mourn their irreparable loss. Her funeral took place Thursday afternoon, Rev. B. T. Vincent officiating. She was interred at Upper Mauch Chunk Cemetery.

—As soon as the snow and ice melts on Mt. Pisgah, the Pavilion, which was somewhat wrecked by the storm last fall, will be repaired, and will probably be run next summer, as last, by Mr. John Brighton, who, by the way, is one of the most judicious caterers in his line in Mauch Chunk.

—Ex-Sheriff Painter is slowly recovering from the late injuries receive from a fall on the ice.

—There are only eight prisoners confined in the jail here now.

—Wm. Cool, Esq., now of Pittston, but formerly Associate Judge of this county, spent the forepart of the week with his old friends here.

—His colleagues at the Carbon county bar feel that E. Mell Boyle, Esq.'s, uncharitable remarks and insinuations, in last week's *Gazette*, in regard to the appointment of a tipstaff, was an indignity alike to the Court and the legal profession.

—Pensioners, by a recent act of Congress, are entitled to additional pensions, a matter to which P. J. Meehan, Esq., is giving special attention

Mahoning Twinklings.

—Ed Horn was visiting friends in Lehigh county last week.

—Tilgh. M. Balliet visited Lehighton last Saturday.

—Sleighing is poor; a few more warm days will finish it altogether.

—We notice that "Uncle Sam" has again commenced business in East Penn.

—Griffith Eberts was the successful man at the raffle match last Saturday.

—We know a man so lazy, that the only time he ever worked, was when he took castor oil for honey.

—The "Lilly" Cadets, from Mauch Chunk, put in an appearance at McDaniels on Saturday last. They look splendid and so was their behavior. Honor to Gen. Lilly and Cadets.

—McDaniel's Hotel seems to be quite a place of note, judging from the number of sleighing parties stopping there. Well, Mc is not a bad fellow, he sets a good table, keeps the best of refreshments, has a splendid hall furnished with the best of music, etc.

—The hustler at Fenstermaker's Hotel is an active young fellow, he attends to his business well. We suppose he is doing well too, as there are a good many sleighing parties stopping there.

—E. H. intends to start a select school next spring, at Centre Square, for the purpose of teaching the higher mathematics and music.

—"Now, Snip, drive slow and careful, and don't run over any insurance agents," was Brindle's advice to his brother, the other day in starting him to the mill, with a load of wheat.

—D. D. Kistler made a trip to Lehigh county this week, for the purpose of purchasing a quantity of clover seed, which he bought at a very low price.

RED CLOUD.

East Penn Dots.

—Church on Sunday, at 2 p. m.
—Struggle for the right.
—Judge not that you be not judged.
—The beautiful snow is decaying.
—More marriages on the tapis.
—Election near at hand; no candidates.

—G. Peter and Thomas Ruch visited friends over the Blue mountains Sunday.

—Lafayette Fryman paid a visit to his Big Creek friends sometime ago.

—Mr. Brobst, school teacher at Pennsville, has in attendance 70 scholars.

—M. S. Ruch, on Tuesday, slipped and fell, hurting his knee and skinning his nose.

—A grand raffle will take place here on next Saturday for a book-case and nine other prizes. The five highest and the five lowest throws take the prizes. J. A. Nothstein has charge of it.

—N. Ruch, G. Rehrig and Levi Nothstein all complain of injuries received by slipping and falling on the ice.

—Charles Ginder was visiting friends in Whitehall on Sunday.

—Reuben Rehrig lost a two-year's old colt by the horse disease which is now afflicting many horses in this vicinity.

—Amos Ebert will be the occupant of the school property for this year.

—Our friend Nothstein, while out sleighing last Sunday, the seat slipped and threw him under the sleigh, but fortunately his injuries were all in his mind.

—Some of our townsmen threaten to go to the ADVOCATE office to find out who "Uncle Sam" is. If they are so anxious to know, he is his daddy's boy. UNCLE SAM.

Walckville Items

—Alfred Weyhenmeyer, of Mauch Chunk, was here the forepart of the week.

—Francis Behrens, of Bear Creek, gave us a call on Monday.

—Henry E. Deppey, of Albrightsville, visited friends here last week.

—The wife of David Walch, has been a great sufferer from inflammatory rheumatism for the past two weeks, but under the skillful treatment of Dr. McCreary, she is much improved.

—G. W. Nensteel will accept our thanks for a number of Philadelphia papers.

—Charles Kline, of East Mauch Chunk, was here on Tuesday, purchasing furs and skins.

—The item in the ADVOCATE, last week, by Revere, had the effect of stirring up the aspirants for offices. We have now candidates for Constable, Assessor, Supervisor, Justice of the Peace, and School Director. In our next we may have to add others.

—It is reported that George W. Nenstcel, Esq., has consented to be a candidate for the office of Justice of the Peace.

—Our shoot at this place has now been open three months.

—The snow is now rapidly disappearing, and sleighing is daily growing poorer.

—Candidates have a smile for all just now. RAMPS.

Judge Cadwallader, of the U. S. District Court, Eastern District of Penna., died at his residence in Philadelphia, on Sunday last, of typhoid pneumonia, in the 74th year of his age.

Echoes from Beaver Meadow.

—The sleighing is about over for a while—the roads are in a state of complete slush.

Mr. E. B. Ely and Mrs. Gertrude Adams were married on Sunday last, by the Rev. Marshall, M. E. minister of this place.

—We are happy to state that John Wear has so far recovered from his late sickness as to be able to attend to the duties of his office.

—Times must surely be improving, if we are to judge from appearances. The people as a general thing are very cheerful and jubilant, and have an extra half a dollar to spend for a little recreation.

—On Friday morning last, between the hours of six and seven, some one entered the house of Chas. Scrimshaw and took a five dollar gold piece from his pocket book, which was in the pocket of one of his garments that hung in his front room. This looks like resumption.

—There is some talk of the M. E. Church getting Song Bird Troupe to give a concert for the benefit of the Church. If such is the case then look out for a musical treat.

—Mrs. Pat'k Cole, wife of Patrick Cole, of Coleraine, died on Saturday last, after a very short sickness. Mrs. Cole appeared to be a very strong woman, yet, if we are truthfully informed, was sick only two days. She must have been close to fifty years of age. Her funeral took place on Monday afternoon.

—Mrs. John Bawden, had a young son on Tuesday morning last. We hope Johnny will soon come down to see the baby.

—Reuben Steiner, of Packer township, has been seriously ill for about two weeks, but it is hoped by his friends that the worst is past.

—The lumber men of Packer township, have been very busy during the good sleighing in getting their logs to the saw mills.

—Our Politicians, from all parties, are beginning to be uncommonly polite. They are even willing to shake hands with those of opposite parties, if you are fool big enough to listen to half an hour's sermon on individuality and self-sufficiency. What a wonderful age we are living in for politics.

—On Tuesday evening last, the German Reformed Church Choir, from Hazeton, Serenaded Henry Swank and family of this place with some very beautiful music.

Jan. 29th OBSERVER.

The Coal Trade.

We have nothing new of general importance to note in the anthracite coal trade, says last Monday's Philadelphia *Ledger*. There is, and has been all the past week, a large demand for stove and chestnut sizes of coal in New York at $3 and 2 50 per ton, and deliveries have been much delayed by reason of the scarcity of coal on the market. In addition, the recent storms have much retarded operations at the mines and on the lines of railways. Under these impediments in keeping up a full supply of fuel the weather has been such as to materially increase the demand. The result is a very thorough clearing out of the stocks on hand of the several companies. The spring will open to a much more favorable showing for the trade than was even hoped for a month ago. It is believed that a little harmony and co-operation among the parties shipping to the New York market would result in an advance of 50 cents a ton on domestic sizes, but the fact that the Delaware and Hudson Company have made some sales for February and March delivery, and the Pennsylvania Coal Company have their circulars out fixing $2 85 for stove coal to their contractors for February delivery, render it somewhat improbable that any advance will be made in the face of the large amount to be offered for sale on Wednesday next at auction. There is a strong probability of a decided scarcity of coal, perhaps not a famine, but a supply so short as to fully maintain any reasonable prices that the principal operators may agree upon. But will they do this is the inquiry now to be answered. The 100,000 tons of Scranton coal to be sold on Wednesday is a pretty heavy stock to lift in a single day at this season of the year, and may bear a little heavily on prices. The sale is announced as positive and to the highest bidder, no bids in any form being made for account of the company—the terms being fifty cents per ton down on the day of sale and the remainder in ten days. It is now a well assured fact that there will be no coal combination during the current year, though it is manifest that the New York parties to that of 1878 much desire one, and a little question that low prices are urged by them now with the view of enforcing such a result by making the unwilling, from prospective losses, more willing to join in the protection against loss, which combination secures the only surety. The outlook for the trade is certainly no worse, and most persons consider it better. The market is so bare of coal that coal operators and transporters can, if they choose to harmonize, regulate prices, at least so far as to hold prices to a remunerative point. The demand for coal by reason of the estimated increased production of iron will, with other encouraging influences, put the tonnage for the year up to twenty-one or twenty-two millions of tons, an output that will not only protect the coal interest from loss but will do much to resuscitate the transportation companies in the trade from the severe depression of the last two or three years. While it is ever desirable to have the prices of articles of necessity in every household, as low as they can be produced at, with giving wages to all engaged in the production of such necessary commodities, it is neither wise nor desirable to force these prices to low as to crush out enterprise and the fair and wholesome competition that can exist only on reasonable prices. It is to the general advantage that as little of the capital invested in coal as possible should be lost. All undue loss therein is borne in the end by the consumers of the coal.

Weatherly Items.

—H. C. Chance, temporarily employed by J. T. Briel, has secured a situation as druggist with Dr. Derfendorfer, at Ashly, Pa., whither he will remove with his family on Monday next. Harry is a first class druggist and deserves success.

—Mr. Calvin the Mercantile Appraiser visited town during the week.

—M. G. Kromer is already making up the slate for the coming election. Mike will have things his own way, and has always full confidence in his own abilities to fill offices. Modus operandi: "Well let see, skule corrector J gives to Wagner; constable to Frank Eck, 'sessor to Kingle—no I keeps dot for myself a beetle;" and it is done.

—Important business changes on the tapis.—Geo. W. Miller, late with J. G. Eadie, has bought and will henceforth run the Oak Hall store, recently owned by Wilson & Harlenian.

—The drug store of W. W. DeWitt, we are informed will soon be taken charge of by a party from Maryland, named Latham & Baker.

—N. T. Beadle, in business at Philadelphia, is now visiting friends in town. We regret to state that Mr. Beadle is suffering physically and hope for his speedy recovery.

—SOMEWHAT SURPRISED.—It was on Tuesday night last, about a dozen gentlemen left Hazleton for a sleigh ride and a little spot at Weatherly. About an hour after their arrival and the discoursing of some good singing (the party were musically inclined), another party arrived—which, to the surprise of the first party, turned out to be their wives in disguise and masked. After spending several hours, no doubt socially, they returned fully satisfied with their trip. ROCKAWAY.

$181 "Gone Where the Woodbine Twineth."

James Kelly, a machinist, an employee at the Packerton car shops, visited Lehighton on Wednesday night of last week, and purchased a few articles at our store for which he states he paid for in silver, having his pocketbook with him, containing $181. He went home to his boarding house, at Zimmerman's at Packerton, and says that he placed the pocketbook beneath his pillow, and afterwards had occasion to pass out to the water closet, and instead of returning to his room entered the sitting room and slept near the stove all night. Going into his bed room next morning he missed his pocketbook with the contents. Search was made for it, but it could not be found, so he had warrants issued by Esq. Beck for the arrest of three of his fellow boarders, and taken before the Squire, who gave them a separate hearing, which resulted in their discharge, there being no evidence to convict. This is a mysterious disappearance of a pocketbook, and may possibly be in some measure accounted for by the fact that Kelly had been drinking

ANNUAL STATEMENT

OF THE

Financial Condition

OF

CARBON COUNTY,

FOR THE YEAR 1878.

T. D. CLAUSS, Esq., Treasurer of Carbon County, in account with said County for the year 1878:

RECEIPTS.

To Balance on hand January 1st, 1878		$10417 12
From Hiram Wentz, Collector East Mauch Chunk, 1874		92 00
Adam Christman, Collector Penn Forest, 1875	$172 50	
J. S. Weeb, Collector Lehighton, 1875	251 63	424 13
Harrison Wentz, Collector Parryville, 1876	161 80	
H. A. Beltz, Collector Lehighton, 1875	490 00	
T. T. Kreider, Collector Mauch Chunk, 1876	45 59	
Patrick Dermott, Collector Mauch Chunk twp	77 15	
Thomas Horn, Collector Mahoning	635 31	
Henry Henning, Collector Penn Forest	165 00	
Benjamin Beer, Collector Towamensing	311 85	1826 64
John J. Gallagher, Collector Banks, 1877	756 00	
W. W. Scott, Collector Mauch Chunk, 1877	2173 80	
Pat. Dermott, Collector Mauch Chunk twp, 1877	2 28 32	
C. E. Miller, Collector, East Mauch Chunk, 1877	890 74	
L. A. Miller, Collector Mahoning, 1877	623 00	
Hiram P. Levan, Collector Franklin, 1877	691 00	
John Strohl, Collector Lower Towamensing, 1877	1211 22	
Paul Buck, Collector Towamensing, 1877	848 69	
William Getz, Collector Penn Forest, 1877	145 82	
Jas. P. Smith, Collector Lehighton, 1877	1242 64	
Dan. Schoch, Collector Weissport, 1877	312 48	
Samuel Sterrett, Collector Lansford, 1877	1300 00	
Harrison Wentz, Collector Parryville, 1877	879 99	
Gabriel Miller, Collector Lehigh, 1877	55 11	
Chas. Ginder, Collector East Penn, 1877	190 39	
David R. Keller, Collector Packer, 1877	165 80	
W. F. Streeter, Collector Kidder, 1877	68 57	13 69 55
Chas. Ginder, Collector East Penn, 1878	1300 00	
David R. Keller, Collector Packer 1878	535 00	
John Painter, Collector M'h Chunk, 1878	4 05 41	
Jacob Ruch, Collector Mauch Chunk twp., 1878	3723 27	
Ezra Newhard, Collector Lehighton, 1878	2420 00	
Josiah Harpel, Collector Towamensing, 1878	526 00	
Charles Lentz, Collector Mahoning, 1878	2914 34	
D. Bechman Collector Weatherly, 1878	1823 50	
J. P. Reiss, Collector Banks, 1878	100 00	
George Boyle Collector Lansford 1878	1400 00	
Diddine Snyder, Collector Parryville, 1878	120 00	
John Reeny, Collector Lehigh, 1878	455 06	
James Smith, Collector Lansanne, 1878	65 36	
H. G. Deppey, Collector Penn Forest, 1878	75 00	
John Strohl, Collector Lower Towamensing, 1878	831 83	
C. E. Miller, Collector East Mauch Chunk, 1878	400 00	
Hiram P. Levan, Collector Franklin, 1878	250 00	
Dan Schoch, Collector Weissport, 1878	312 00	22384 87
Thos. Koons, for old plank	1 00	
Ed. Rauber, for old plank	1 00	
J. A. Horn, for old plank	8 00	10 00
Lewis Armbruster, rent		70 00
B. Phillips, coal		11 81
J. W. Raudenbush, jury fees		52 00
Eastern Penitentiary		132 90
Redemption unseated lands		188 12
G. B. Lindermann, borrowed money		5,00 00
FROM TAXES ON UNSEATED LANDS.		
Kidder township	655 19	
Penn Forest	843 06	
Banks	203 78	
Franklin	69 64	
East Penn	121 66	
Lower Towamensing	62 27	
Lehigh	1048 33	
Mauch Chunk	156 54	
Towamensing	367 41	
Lausanne	273 79	
Packer	997 50	
Mahoning	4 60	
Weatherly borough	17 78	
East Mauch Chunk	56 77	
Weissport	5 44	
Lehighton	18 87	
Mauch Chunk	2 00	5214 76
Total Receipts		$39,141 96

DISBURSEMENTS.

Interest on County Bonds		$1528 42
Inquisitions		189 35
COUNTY OFFICERS.		
T. D. Clauss, Treasurer	$1000 00	
M. E. Swartz, for 1877	700 00	
H. E. Swartz, balance due from 1877	30 65	
James Ash, Commissioner	301 60	
Dan. Rouse, Commissioner	275 40	
Henry Beyer, Commissioner	291 00	
E. R. Siewers, Dist. Attorney	499 43	
Allen Craig, Commissioners Counsel for 1877	90 55	
Allen Craig, Commissioners Counsel for 1878	131 87	
E. C. Broome, Return Judge	14 50	
F. A. Tapper & Co., Mailers, Stenographers	347 40	
Thos. Kemerer, Prothonot'ry	215 34	
F. J. Meehan, Return Judge, and Auditing Register's and Prothonotary's Acc'ts	50 80	
County Auditors and Clerk Hire	95 00	
Jury Commissioners & Clerk Hire	70 00	$4413 07
JAIL EXPENSES.		
J. W. Raudenbush, Sheriff	$3354 35	
Ed. Armbruster, Guarding Jail, &c	447 40	
Henry Sonneborn, Clothing	49 80	
Horace DeYoung, Medical Attendance	35 00	
Charles Switzer	1 75	
C. M. Ebert	3 81	
Philip Dean	47 40	
Spengler & Easer	22 16	
John Spohn	3 65	
James Sonneborn, Clothing	5 70	
J. W. Heberling & Co.	7 45	
P. C. Kline	1 75	
Leonard Yeager	43 71	
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