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Local and Personal.

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Subscribers to the CARBON ADVOCATE will take special notice that our terms are one dollar a year *strictly* in advance, if not so paid $1.25 will be charged in every instance. Subscribers getting their papers by mail will refer to the direction tabs on their papers and note the date, and remit accordingly.

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

—P. J. Meehan, Esq., of Mauch Chunk was in town Tuesday evening, and spent an hour in our sanctum.

—The new tramp law will go into effect on the 15th of August. Let it be rigidly enforced.

—Parties going west can get tickets from Bert. Seaboldt, L. V. R. R. depot. 16—42

—FOR SALE.—Eight shares of the Capital stock of the 1st National Bank of Lehighton. For further particulars apply at the ADVOCATE office.

—To put Kutz-own's furnaces in order about $7,000 are being expended. It is to be put in blast as soon as possible.

—If you have the means lay in your coal. The days are shortening and winter will be here before you are dreaming of it.

—Every furnace between Reading and Harrisburg is going, and also all the iron mills, rolling mills, forges and nail mills.

—For cheap Farm Land in Carbon county, inquire at N. D. Cortright, Mauch Chunk. 24-37

—The Popular Western Ticket Agent, B. O'Brian, will be at this office next Wednesday night. If you intend to go west, call and see him, he will send you right, cheap and quick.

—The Giant Devil Fish is one of the curiosities in the Aquarium department of Coup's Show which everybody should see. The opportunity may never again present itself.

—The Easton School Board has forbidden corporal punishment in its schools for the next year.

—The East Mahanoy Railroad announces a dividend of one dollar and fifty cents per share, payable July 15.

—The Philadelphia and Reading Railroad announces a dividend of one dollar and fifty cents per share on the stock of the East Pennsylvania Railroad, payable July 15.

—300 boxes West's Vegetable Liver Pills, for sale at Durling's Drug Store. 20 cents per box. tf.

—If you wanta nice smooth, easy shave, your hair cut or shampooing, go to Franz Roederer's Saloon, under the Exchange Hotel. He will fix you right, and don't you forget it.

—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Lehigh Valley Emery Wheel Co. will will be held at their office in Weissport, on Monday next.

—Rev. A. F. Leopold, of aston, formerly pastor of the Weissport Evangelical church, was in town visiting his old friends on Wednesday last, and dropped into our sanctum and renewed his subscription to the ADVOCATE. Go thou, and do likewise!

—The most popular place in Carbon county, for purchasing wall paper, stationery, and useful articles generally, is E. F. Luckenbach's, two doors below the Broadway House, Mauch Chunk. First-class painting and calcomining at reasonable figures, and work guaranteed.

—Mr. William H. Kunts, formerly engaged in the mercantile business in North Whitehall, has opened a dry goods store at Mauch Chunk. Being an honest, upright and energetic young man his many friends in his native township wish him success in his new field of enterprise. His brother-in-law, a Mr. Haines, of Mauch Chunk, is associated with him in the business.—*Allentown Democrat.*

—Frank Stocker, of this borough, informs us that he is positively a candidate for the nomination for Sheriff this fall, on the Democratic side of the house; and we learn that Jos. S. Webb intends to present his claims for the same position on the Republican side. All right gentleman, hand in your names early.

—A sad accident occurred at No. 5 slope, Stockton, Tuesday, by which Mr. George Hutchison lost his life. The deceased was employed in pulling down coal to fill the schute, when by a sudden rush it came upon him and crushed him, he was taken out alive and taken home where he died in a short time. Mr. Hutchison was about 45 years of age and leaves a wife, and, we are informed, no children.—*Daily Bulletin.*

—NEW ARRIVAL.—H. H. Peters, the tailor, has just returned from the city, with another large and elegant stock of summer goods, comprising cloths, cassimeres, and suitings, of latest and most fashionable designs, for mens' youth's and children's wear, which he is prepared to make up in the latest and most durable style at prices so low as actually defy competition. Call and examine goods and learn prices before you buy elsewhere. No trouble to show goods at this establishment.

—It is no joke to say that more people are "made happy" annually through the instrumentality of our well known liveryman, Mr. David Ebbert, than by any other individual in town; and knowing this fact he still continues to let his splendid teams at reasonable prices.

—Mrs. Lydia Tharp, went to Hom's stock-yard Monday, to purchase a cow, and while in the yard making a selection a dog ran in, which had the effect to irritate one of the cows, and she made for the dog, and the dog ran towards Mrs. Tharp, when the cow came in contact with Mrs. T., striking her very severely in the stomach knocking her down and severely injuring her internally. Dr. N. B. Reber was called for and rendered medical aid.

—A pay car on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad ran into the rear of a coal train on a sharp curve between the Delaware Water Gap and Portland, last Saturday afternoon. The conductor of the coal train, Joseph O. Brown, of Scranton, was fatally injured and died soon after, and the engineer of the pay car sustained severe injuries. Brown had been married only two weeks. It is said that the coal train was behind time, and the occupants of the pay car thought it far ahead when they ran into it.

—Posters are out announcing a grand excursion to Ocean Grove, on the 18th inst., for the benefit of St. Paul's M. E. church, of Mauch Chunk. The price of tickets from this place is fixed at the low price of $2 for the round trip.

—Mr. George Easer, a Democratic aspirant for the nomination for Prothonotary, was in town on the afternoon of the Fourth.

—The pic nic of the children of the M. E. Sunday school, on the Fourth, was a very pleasant affair.

—The Fantastic parade on the evening of the Fourth was a capitally gotten up affair, and proved the feature of the day.

—In returning from the picnic grounds on the Fourth, W. H. Moulthrop fell down the L. & S. Railroad embankment, and severely lacerated his face.

—The roof of J. L. Gabel's warehouse was discovered to be on fire on the morning of the Fourth, but for its timely discovery a destructive conflagration would have been the result.

—The Red Men's pic nic on the Fourth passed off pleasantly. It was not a financial success, the affair barely paying expenses.

—We heard of but one fight during the Fourth. A fellow from Franklin was looking for "man." He found him. *Nuf ced.*

—George W. Morthimer, while engaged firing blank cartridges, early on the morning of the Fourth, prematurely discharged the pistol, the wad lodging in his thigh just above the knee, inflicting a painful, though not dangerous wound. It was dressed by Dr. N. B. Reber.

—The Lehighton Band were out at an early hour on the morning of the Fourth serenading their friends in town.

—Dr. E. S. Miller, of Altoona, was on a visit to his parents and friends in this borough over Sunday. The Dr. is looking well.

—The bridge leading from this borough to Weissport was inspected by the County Commissioners on Thursday afternoon last week, to ascertain what, if any, repairs were needed to be made thereon.

—A large pile of drift-wood, belonging to Yeakel & Albright, on the Island, was discovered to be on fire about 11 o'clock Saturday night. It made a bright fire for a time and excited some alarm on account of proximity to the Weissport Plaining Mills. No damage resulted except the burning of several cords of wood. It is supposed to have been the work of tramps.

—The Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, as lessor of the Morris Canal, has for some time been redeeming the boat loan of the latter company at par, though the loan does not mature until 1883. Investigation shows that the mortgage which it was supposed protected this loan has never been executed.

—To-day (Saturday) Coup's great show will exhibit in this borough, and everybody and his wife and children will no doubt be there—those who don't, will wish they had when too late.

—Information has reached the Treasury Department that a new counterfeit five dollar legal-tender note has made its appearance in various localities. It purports to be of the series of 1875, and bears the names of Allison, Register, and Wyman, Treasurer. It is executed on printed imitation fiber, which is lighter than the genuine. It is pronounced to be a dangerous counterfeit.

—We were the recipient on Monday last of an immense and elegantly decorated cake, bearing the following inscription: "Presented by the Ladies' Aid Society," of the M. E. church, of this borough. For this token of their kindness and generosity they will please accept our thanks, and best wishes for their success in the laudable work in which they are now engaged.

—For the four days ending with July 4th there were shipped over the L. & S. railroad 34,705 tons of coal, making a total shipment to date of 1,016,840 tons, an increase, as compared with the same time last year of 952,860 tons.

—Last Monday evening was the time for holding a regular meeting of Borough Council. There was no quorum present.

—In Iowa City, Ia., they luxuriate on eggs at 6 cents a dozen—2 for a cent, and butter 6 to 8 cents per pound. Happy town!

—For the week ending July 5th, there were shipped over the L. V. R. R. 62,904 tons of coal, making a total to date of 2,346,310 tons, being a increase of 451,910 tons for the season as compared with the same time last year.

—County Commissioner J. J. Gallagher, came to town Tuesday evening, and spent the night with F. P. Semmel. Mr. G. left on the 7:45 a. m. train Wednesday morning for Mauch Chunk.

—Coal tar water will kill potato bugs. This is worth repeating and remembering. Coal tar lacks many of the qualities which characterize Paris Green, the now so universal refuge, and is, therefore, just so much more valuable. The perils of having such a poison as Paris green about, and in daily and familiar use are great, and with more use and a growing carelessness the result, will be every year worse, probably, until the use of it will have to be made a matter of legislation. Until this is done, the way to stop this sort of thing is to remember that coal tar water will kill the potato bugs, and it is not an engine of death to the human race.—*Exchange.*

—Mr. A. W. Horn, of this borough, an employee of the Packerton shops, while engaged at his duties at the latter place, on Thursday of last week, by accident caught his hand between a plank which he was handling and a track rail and broke the bones of the hand between the knuckle and wrist joint. The accident will disable him for labor for some weeks to come.

—The Mount Carbon Rolling Mill, which originally cost the owners $250,000, and which was recently destroyed by fire, was sold at auction Wednesday afternoon by the company which operated it. The machinery and scrap were bought by Lippincott & Co., of Philadelphia, for $5,475, and the real estate by Vanwinkle & Stout, of New York, for $1000.

—Thomas Kemerer, Esq., is rapidly recovering from his recent severe illness, and we are also pleased to announce that *Mrs.* Kemerer is also recoving from the injuries she received by falling over a week ago.

—Henry Dentinger, the boy whose foot was amputated a few weeks ago by Drs. Reber and Seiple, the result of a railroad accident, is able to be out by the aid of crutches. An artificial foot will make him almost as good as ever.

—At a regular meeting of directors of the First National Bank, of this borough, held on Wednesday last, a dividend of two per cent. on the capital stock was declared, payable at the Banking House, on and after the 15th inst.

—Jonas A. Hom, whose hotel was recently destroyed by fire, has commenced work on a new building, nearly opposite T. Arner's store, and proposes to push the work to a rapid completion.

—William, son of Abraham Sthare, of East Mauch Chunk, died on Friday of last week, after an illness of six or eight weeks.

—P. J. Meehan, Esq., of Mauch Chunk, Deputy Grand Dictator of the State, Knights of Honor, is organizing a lodge in this borough. He has twenty or more names already on an application for a charter. The Knights of Honor have attained eminent success as a mutual benefit order.

—Excelsior Band entertained their friends on Thursday evening with a general serenade.

—The refreshing rain of Thursday afternoon was a welcome visitor.

The Big Show.

The Rochester Daily *Express* of the 28th ult., says: The Mammoth Pavillion of W. C. Coup's Monster Show was full Friday afternoon and last night was "packed" with an audience in character seldom seen under canvas. The CLERGY, THE BAR, THE SENATE, THE MERCHANT were all represented, and "united" in their verdict that W. C. Coup has selected the right name for his combination. Music, mirth, novelty and pleasure are in it so artistically blended that it may well be called Coup's "United Monster Show." Space will not permit us to even attempt to describe the many objects of interest, amusement and instruction combined. It is enough that all "take the cake" and W. C. Coup, the genial gentleman, and "giant showman," must acheive the plaudits and praise of press and public as positive proof that his efforts to amuse without debasing the public mind are fully appreciated. Remember, this great combination will exhibit in this borough, to-day (Saturday) afternoon and evening.

Judge Packer's Bequest to Muhlenburg College.

An Allentown dispatch of the 7th inst., says: The Board of Trustees of Muhlenburg College (Lutheran), through a committee, having passed appropriate resolutions on the bequest of $30,000 made by Judge Asa Packer, to that institution, in which the generous gift was recognized as the act of the philanthropist and devoted friend of education, who, though so liberal a founder and patron of another institution of learning, and himself of another household of faith, could find it in his heart to aid our College in its efforts to extend educational advantages to another portion of the population of the State of his adoption, it was, on motion of Rev. Dr. Seiss, of Philadelphia, further resolved, That in consideration of the magnificent bequest made to this institution by Hon. Asa Packer, this Board of Trustees will establish a professorship, to be called perpetually by his name. The act was further commended in resolutions to members of the Lutheran Church.

Railroad Matters.

The Bethlehem correspondent of the Philadelphia *Ledger*, writing under the date of the 9th inst., says: The Lehigh Valley Railroad officials here are not a little surprised at the persistence displayed by some of the Philadelphia papers in building the new line from that city to Bethlehem, in competition to the P. & R. leased road. Mr. Sayre says the easiest thing to do in the world is to build a railroad on paper, and in a newspaper. Acting President Hartshorne on Monday asked Mr. Sayre, Superintendent and Engineer of the Lehigh Valley Railroad home to dine. En route Mr. Hartshorne pointed out to Mr. Sayre the line the Pennsylvania Railroad Company proposes to build to tap Germantown and Chestnut Hill. This is all the foundation the papers of Tuesday evening and this morning had for the lengthy accounts in reference to the new line. No engineers have been placed on the route, and the Lehigh Valley directors, at their meeting Tuesday, neither discussed nor voted on the subject. The line the Pennsylvania Company are now surveying has become necessary to keep their share of the travel from those sections, and has no meaning beyond that, at least not so far as the Lehigh Valley Company is concerned.

Successful.

The following from the Mt. Holly *Herald*, N. J., will be of interest to the friends of the Rev. J. B. Whitton, formerly pastor at Packerton, now of Pennsville, N. J.:

The festival given by the Methodist church on Saturday evening, was one of the most successful, financially and otherwise, that has ever been given here. About 300 people were present at the concert given by Master Bench and Miss Rulon, and speak of it in the highest terms. Miss Bench gave some excellent selections on the organ and were loudly applauded. Mr. Bacon, of Philadelphia, who had the young people in charge was unanimously tendered a vote of thanks by the audience. After the concert was over, a large cake and a handsome Bible was put up and almost everybody took a share. Charles Shane was fortunate enough to strike the lucky number and it was so announced. Everything passed off very pleasantly and the receipts amounted to $125, clear of expenses. Some time since, the church was in a bad way financially and they thought of closing it up, but since the appointment of Rev. J. B. Whitton, by the Presiding Elder, the church has been resting on a good financial and spiritual foundation.

National Temperance Camp Meeting.

The third National Temperance Camp Meeting under the auspices of the National Temperance Society and Publication House will open at Spencer, N. Y., on Wednesday, August 6, at 2 p. m., and continue till Monday the 11th. It will be under the direction of Rev. D. C. Babcock, of Philadelphia, one of the secretaries of the Society. Professor W. W. Bently, of New York City, will have charge of the singing. He will use his new book, "Gospel Gems." Spencer is in the midst of a large population and easy of access from all directions. The Geneva, Ithaca & Sayre division of the Lehigh Valley Railroad passes close to the camp-ground, and the Utica, Ithaca & Elmira within half a mile. The latter road will have conveyances at every train during the meeting. Spencer is about midway between Waverly and Ithaca, and also between Elmira and Cortland. The Lehigh Valley Road crosses the Erie at Waverly, and connects with the New York Central at Geneva, Lyons, and Cayuga. The Utica, Ithaca & Elmira connects with the Erie at Elmira; with the Northern Central at Elmira, and also at Horseheads; crosses the Southern Central at Freeville, and the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western at Cortland.

Fashion Notes.

Mummy suits are in demand.

Jet is more worn in Paris than ever.

Short costumes for garden and lawn parties.

Hat and bonnet brims grow larger and larger.

Parasols match the bonnets and dress this season.

Gingham dresses find favor with ladies of all ages.

Brims of bonnets may suit the fancy of the wearer.

The Fanchon and the Marie Stuart are the caps of young widows.

White muslin hats, with fichus to match, are shown for garden parties.

Very small white muslin bows only should be used for morning wear.

Caps grow more and more dressy, and are more fashionable than ever.

Lace and muslin scarfs are worn around the neck, inside the linen collar.

Large jabots, whether of lace or muslin, should be worn only in the evening.

Leghorn and Tuscan straw are the most popular as well as the most elegant of all the new productions.

Byzantine point is a new showy cotton imitation that washes well, and imitates antique lace to perfection.

Common flowers, such as hollyhocks, exlips, cowslips, dandelions, pansies and daisies are becoming very popular, both in nature and art.

Short bunched up Marquise polonaise of Victoria lawn and other white sheen fabrics are worn with short, black or colored silk skirts.

Big Creek Items.

—The apple crop promises well.

—The Fourth passed off very quietly at this place.

—Mr. Wm. E. Keherer finished cutting grain on Monday.

—To him that lives well every form of life is good.

—Wheat in this section is said to be better than rye this year.

—Hon. Robert Klotz paid a visit to his brother here on the Fourth.

—The water in Big creek is very low at the present writing.

—The way to be happy—mind your own business and let everybody attend to theirs.

—Constable H. P. Levan, of Franklin, was here Tuesday on official business.

—Mr. C. A. Buck expects to teach again this winter in Towamensing.

—The memory of mischief is no desirable fame.

—Mr. Robert Miller was home from Albrightsville on the 4th and remained over Sunday; but left on Monday.

—We had a splendid rain on Monday night, which considerably revived the pastures, potato vines and other vegetation.

—Patronize the men who advertise; they are generally the best and most enterprising business men.

—The modern Argo believed that one girl in the kitchen is worth two at the front gate.

—It is reported that Rev. A. Bartholomew of Lehighton, has purchased the Wagner farm.

—Constable C. H. MacDaniel of Weisport past through this place on Wednesday of last week.

—R. F. Hofford county Supt., is busy at present holding examinations throughout the county.

—Mr. David Zellner fell from one of his cherry trees on Saturday, and sustained severe injuries to his arm and side.

—Mrs. Eliza and Thos. J. Solt, executors of the estate of Solomon Solt, offer a valuable piece of real estate for sale. See advertisement in another column.

—Hay makers receive 62 cents a day and board, in this vicinity. The wages of harvesters have not been fixed as a general thing.

—A horse hay-fork should be in every barn. In the hurry of haying the cost of such an implement is saved in one week in rapid unloading.

—'Squire Bagenstose, of Franklin, made us a social call on Saturday evening. We enjoyed an hour or more of conversation, and we found him a genial companion and friend. Call again soon.

—Mr. Isaac Levan has been busy this week rebuilding his dam, something much needed for a long time, as the old one was worth very little during the dry season of the year.

—Several of our young men who were out of employment during the whole of last winter, have lately procured employment either at Packerton, Lehighton, Weissport, Parryville or Hokendauqua.

—The Scranton *Journal* says the question with those who go to Leadville is not "how can we get rich?" but "how can we get home?"

—Corn looks promising so far, and if nothing interferes we shall have a good crop this year. I earnestly hope we may fully realize our expectation.

—New potatoes of late have become quite plentiful, notwithstanding the fact that the potato-bugs are making more trouble than was at first anticipated.

—The days are now beginning to shorten, and hereafter we shall be on the road to winter and the shortest day again, and long evenings around the cherry heartstone.

—The Stark county *Ledger* say the envious man never likes to see his neighbor prosper, neither can he appreciate a favor. He is a bad man, or, in other words, is void of noble principles.

—Superintendent R. F. Hofford will hold the teachers examination for Franklin township in East Weissport on the 9th of August, where applicants may present themselves.

—Rev E. Buts preached in the Solt's church on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, and in the afternoon he visited the Sabbath school and delivered a very interesting address to the children. We should be pleased to have him repeat the visit soon.

—After the close of the services on Sunday morning, Rev. E. Buts held an election for missionary officers for Solt's church, resulting as follows: President—Nathan Solt; Vice-President—Stephen Fritzinger; Secretary—Robert Anthony; Treasurer—Jacob Rerig.

—I am informed by our esteemed friend and efficient Secretary of Franklin School Board, Mr. Josiah Ruch, that the applicants for schools are very large again this year. But we expect that the directors will see that all of the old and tried teachers are re-engaged, and when a vacancy exists supply it by selecting the best from among the new applicants.

—The second number of the *Sabbath School Visitor* is on our table, and we think it improves with each number, under the able charge of Revs. Smoyer and Seyfrit, who we observe take deep interest in furnishing our Sabbath schools with good, wholesome reading. We are also pleased to see by its 1400 copies issued that it is firmly established, and will accomplish much good.

—At the meeting of the Board of Control of the Evangelical S. S. Society held at Millport, on the evening of the 4th inst., a committee was appointed to decide upon a time to hold a reunion of all the schools of the old Carbon county circuit, consisting of the schools at Weissport, Mauch Chunk, Lehighton, Parryville, Millport, Berlinsville, Cherryville, Slatington, Slate Dale, Big Creek, Mahoning, Snyder's of Lehigh Gap, Hazardville, North East Weissport.

—We are sorry to see our friend, H. T. Smawley, one of our most active teachers, leave the profession. He has taught since he entered the township at Solt's, Maria Furnace and Mackereltown, and is much esteemed. At an early day he would be a professional; but wages being so low is what drives some of our best teachers out of ranks, in pursuit of some employment that is more steady and pays better than teaching, and their places are filled by young men and women who perhaps never had an hour's experience in a school room as teachers. Franklin schools are very large, especially Mackereltown, Solt's, Maria Furnace and Walksville. These number from 70 to 77 pupils each; and to handle them, and give them the proper attention, requires a practical teacher; not a greenhorn. The only way to retain good teachers is to pay them reasonable salaries, that they may devote their entire time to the work, and not be compelled to seek employment elsewhere to support themselves and those dependent upon them. If we correctly understand the idea of the State Department, the State appropriation is intended to be given as an inducement to districts to employ the best and most competent talent to teach the schools of the Commonwealth. Over one-half of the salaries of teachers was paid last year by that department; and we cannot see why our directors do not take this item into consideration and at once decide to raise the salaries for this year. Our worthy Superintendent R. F. Hofford, in his last report, says "Franklin did well, considering the low salaries paid the teachers. In Towamensing and Lower Towamensing the results were not so satisfactory. Salaries were reduced so much as to make it necessary to employ young and inexperienced teachers for many of the schools, and of course we cannot expect first-class work from apprentices." REVERE.

Opening of a New Route.

On Monday, July 14th a new route to the Delaware Water Gap will be opened. It will be via the Lehigh Valley railroad to Bethlehem, thence by the Lehigh an Lackawanna Railroad to the Wind Gap and thence by one of the Dodd's Transfer Company's Tally-ho coaches to the Water Gap, a distance of 15 miles by coach. The drive through the Wind Gap over the Blue Ridge and down through the beautiful and mound-dotted Cherry Valley, delivering passengers at the hotels at the Water Gap, will be a delightful and attractive one. The time will be one hour longer than by the Belvidere Delaware Railroad. The route will be formally opened by railroad and newspaper men to-day (Saturday), July 12th, by a special train leaving Lehighton at 7:45 a. m. and Bethlehem at 10:10 o'clock.

From the County Seat.

IMPORTANT ACTION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.—During last week the Board of County Commissioners transacted the following important business: Miscellaneous bills aggregating about $900 were approved and ordered paid; a resolution was adopted directing an order to be drawn in favor of J. S. Webb, constable, to cover additional expenses in apprehending and delivering Henry Seigfried, convicted of burglary; J. H. Salkeld & Co., were exonerated from the county taxes for 1877, provisional, that a prorata of the rent of the two dwellings adjacent to the foundry be paid to the county; the salary of the Warden of the county jail was reduced to $20 per month; S. W. Meckes was appointed to collect the county and State taxes for Penn Forest township. The annual report of the Commissioners to the Secretary of Internal Affairs was certified to, and the clerk directed to forward the same to Harrisburg. They show the total number of taxables in the county are 7,811; value of real estate, $2,881,893; household furniture, excess, $16,030; money at interest, $2,580; horses and mules over 4 years old, 1,735, valued at $58,295; number of cows and eatn cattle, 1,041, valued at $27,540; Aggregate value of property for State purposes, at 3 mills, $18,610; amount of tax on same $103.48; number of pleasure carriages and buggies at 10 mills, 398, valued at $10,348; salaries, occupations and professions, $775,780; aggregate value of all property taxable for county purposes, at 8 mills, $3,769,886; number of watches—No. 1 89, No. 2 151, No. 3 118; aggregate amount of State tax on watches, $261.25; aggregate amount of State tax assessed, $420.57; aggregate amount of county tax assessed, 8 mills, $30,159.15. The State is entitled to an additional 3 mills on all taxes for occupations, salaries, horses cattle which is deducted from the total of $30,159.50.

SUICIDE.—Mrs. Mary Stephens, *nee* Exner, was found hanging by the neck to a garret door, at her residence in Upper Mauch Chunk, about 9 o'clock on Monday night last, by her son. He immediately cut her down, but life was extent. She was last seen alive at about 7 o'clock. An inquest was held, and the jury returned a verdict of "Suicide by hanging." She had been twice married first to Exner, by whom she has a grown up daughter, and then to Stephens by whom she has two children living. Both husbands are thought to be alive at the present time She was an industrious and frugal woman, and some years ago purchased a nice little home in the 2nd ward for herself and children. Some months since, a little girl, one of a pair of twins by her last husband, was playing with matches, and caught on fire; and was so severely burned as to cause its death. Since this occurrence she has suffered great mental depression which, added to her other social trouble, is thought to have drove her to commit the shocking deed of self-murder. She was about 45 years old.

CURRENT TOPICS.—Jno. Carroll, convicted of larceny at the last term of court, for the larceny of a coat in Lehighton, and sentenced to fine and imprisonment, gave a judgment note on Tuesday, and was released from the county jail by order of the commissioners.

—Geo. F. Painter, *M. A.* Fegley, and Chas. Hummel, left on Friday for a fishing expedition to Big pond. If the weather proves fine they will remain there several days.

—Ho! for the circus! As Mauch Chunk proposes to turn out almost in a body to witness Coup's celebrated circus and menagerie at Lehighton, on Saturday afternoon and evening, the L. V. Railroad will run a special train, leaving Mauch Chunk at 1 p. m.; and returning, leaves Lehighton at 4.15. The 7.30 p. m. train down and the 11 o'clock train up will accommodate all who wish to attend the evening performance.

—Lawrence Rauch, an employee of the Carbon County *Democrat*, and nephew of the publisher, returned from Philadelphia on Wednesday, where he has been under treatment for several months for an ulcer in the eye. It is believed to be entirely cured.

—After his labors in the national halls of legislation, Hon. Robert Klotz is at home resting among his friends. The Colonel, in the extra session of Congress just brought to a close, has not figured among the assuming and blustering legislators who talk much and work little, but rather among those who modestly, earnestly and honestly labor to accomplish that for which their constituents sent them; and in this direction Col. Klotz has made for himself a record that will shed a lustre over his future years.

—Great credit is due to Mr. N. W. Fegley, the efficient and attentive clerk at the public Market, for the pin-like neatness which is a characteristic of that indispensable thoroughfare.

—A. *W.* Butler, Esq., with his two daughters and son Harry, left Thursday morning for Ocean Grove where the remainder of the family, following next week, will spend the heated term.

—Several weeks ago District Attorney Siewers received information which led him to believe that John *alias* Humpy Flinn, a fugitive murderer from the coal regions, was working as a farmer in Heat county, Nebraska. A communication with the sheriff of that county further confirmed the information; and over a week ago, he sent Charles Grim, chief of the coal and iron police, to investigate the matter. Flinn is alleged to have been the man who did the shooting in the George K. Smith murder in 1863; and is known to have shot and killed one Divine, a nightwatchman at a colliery in 1875. Divine was filling a position from which Flinn had been discharged for getting drunk. Since this time he has been a hunted fugitive from justice.

—August Berens, Esq., the model Penn Forest farmer, was in town Thursday, on business. He is healthy, contented and at peace with the world.

—The West End Club, of which *Mr.* John Lesher, of the *Democrat's* reportorial staff, is one of the several leading spirits, held their 103d anniversary reunion at the Soap House, which was gaily decorated, on the evening preceeding the Fourth. A sumptuous feast, music by the Phœnix band, and a dozen 4th of July orations made up the order of exercises of the night, and the morning was ushered in with a grand burst of instrumental and vocal music, the roar of artillery, while the national emblem was majestically floated from the flagstaff on Tannery Hill.

Lower Kidder Items.

—Sunday school at 2:30 p.m.

—The rain we had on Monday night was a welcome visitor, throughout this region. The oats, corn, and potatoes were suffering very much for the want of rain.

—Rev. G. D. Swergert, of Lancaster, preached at this place, on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. He was listened to with marked attention.

—Rev. Strauss will officiate at this place next Sunday at 10 a. m. All are invited to be present.

Henry Kunkle, of Tracheville, was at this place last week.

—Francis Wernet, of Mud Run, after taking the water out of his dam, on Monday, caught several nice suckers, measuring 16 inches in length. The nicest ever caught in the upper end of Mud Run.

—The distillers around this place have more courage since they heard that the oil has raised from $1.75 to $2.00 a pound. Some of them keep their works going day and night.

—*W.* H. Rauch, of this place, claims to be boss in fishing trout in Mud Run. He says he caught three trout measuring 12, 14½, 15½ inches in length, and when cleaned ready for the pan weighed 4½ pounds. Mr. R. would like to see a man that can equal or exceed that in Mud Run. He understands and knows how to use the fly!

PAD BONO.

—Coup's is said by the press generally to be the greatest moral show now traveling It will exhibit in this town to-day (Saturday) afternoon and evening.

Weissport Items.

—The *Weissport* Planing mills are driven to their utmost just now. Besides the miscellaneous orders, they are preparing the material for the repairs on the Packer block now being made in Mauch Chunk, including a store front in that block; and the material for the new Evangelical chapel in East Weissport are also being prepared at the mills.

—The regular meeting of the borough Council was held at school hall on Monday evening, Burgess Arner in the chair. The bond of Daniel Shoth, as tax collector, was accepted. Orders amounting to about $100 were darwn on the treasurer. The Secretary was instructed to give notice to persons having broken pavements in front of their premises, to have them repaired in fifteen days, or the repairs will be done, and 20 per cent be added to the cost. Councilman H. H. Musselman raised the question in regard to dogs running at large, and by vote a tax of $1 on dogs and $2 on bitches was ordered. The Secretary called attention to the fact that the borough treasurer has given no bonds.

—The pic nic given by Polo Poco Tribe Imp. O. of R. M. on the 4th realized about $185; nevertheless, the out-goes eat up the income root and branch. The musicians charged the modest little sum of $38 for services, and were entertained in addition, including dinner at the Fort Allen House. Except financially, the pic nic was a grand success.

—A nine-year old son of Louis Fronheiser fell from a cherry tree on Wednesday forenoon and broke one of the bones of his shoulder. He was attended by Dr. Zern.

—Mr. Osborne Knecht, of Wilkes-Barre, and family, during the week have been visiting his brother, Wm. H. Knecht. He had previously been on a visit to his parents in Northampton county.

—By special invitation of Miss Boyer, Prof. Rowland and the young ladies of his normal class dined with 'Squire Boyer on Wednesday. Great effort has been made by the prominent men of this borough to retain Prof. Rowland as teacher of the public schools here, but Weatherly out-bid them.

—The work on the new L. & S. depot has been temporarily suspended because the lumber necessary for the same has not arrived as expected.

—Dr. C. W. Lentz will present his name as a nominee for the office of Coroner, before the Democratic convention next fall.

—The examination of teachers for the public schools will take place at nine o'clock a. m., to-day (Saturday.)

Packerton Ripples.

—"Pinafore" seems to have created quite an excitement in your usually quiet town. The performance in School Hall was enjoyed by quite a number of our good people. We came away satisfied with the rendering, satisfied with our sisters, cousins, aunts, and the entire relationship—Little Buttercup included. We feel to congratulate all who participated in the effort to elevate, to improve, not only themselves but others—we say this *officially.* The other renderings, as it appears in your columns, seems to be stirring up quite a feeling—all right, we say. The play will be enjoyed, as long as they conform to rules, deal with the matter not upon particular, but general principles—

"If you are sowing seeds of kindness,
They shall blossom bright ere long;
If you are sowing seeds of discord,
They shall ripen into wrong."

"Love from love is sure to ripen,
Hate from hate is sure to grow;
We can never be too careful,
What the seeds our hands shall sow."

—The glorious 4th was enjoyed here. The pic nic in Packer's Park was a pleasant affair, all who participated were satisfied. Some of our citizens passed the day in other places: Mr. Babcock and family, at Hazleton; Mr. Wm. Harleman and family, at Parryville; Mr. Getz and family, Mauch Chunk. We remained at home, with a can of O'Neal's ice cream, lemonade, cake, fire crackers and torpedoes—we, with our good wife and large family of children, had a good time. After dark the river along Lehigh Avenue was brilliantly illuminated. The boys (and it takes an American boy to suggest and execute plans of this kind) built a raft on which they placed barrels of combustible matter, setting this on fire they let it float down the stream, lighting up both banks of the river; in its wake were two boats, trimmed with flags and wide awake lanterns, at a signal from the commander of the *nauce* the fire-works were set off. The whole thing was well managed and creditable to the boys.

—Mr. David Zeigenfus, of Lisbon, Lynn Co., Iowa, is visiting his nephew Thomas Harleman, of this place. He left his home (Millport, of this co.) thirty years ago; went to Illinois, and finally settled in Iowa. He has seen hard times—has roughed it, but by perseverance has acquired a sufficient of this world's goods to retire and live easily in his old days. He is nearly seventy years old, very active and in full possession of all his faculties, he speaks in high terms of the west, advises young men, of push and energy, to do as Horace Greeley told them.

—Mr. Benjamin Smith, of Mt. Carmel, for a long time suffering with the asthma, died on Saturday afternoon at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Aaron Weida, where he was visiting. His remains were taken to Mt. Carmel for interment.

—The question is not who is agent for the celebrated Quasi drinking cup, but who is the best salesman Lyman or John? The latter reports sales of forty-eight and orders for more, the spirit of enterprise is all right, only be careful not to get so thoroughly impregnated with the bitterness of the cup as to effect your social relations.

—Who drew the greatest number of prizes in the Tobacco Lottery at Mauch Chunk? Our friend James was lucky having drawn three prizes, he says he beat his friend Gere.

—Howard Martin spent the 4th at home with his parents. He is looking well and likes his position at Tamaqua.

—We are just informed that the school board met and selected the teachers for the district: Horace D. Heydt, Principal at Packerton; Miss Bernetta Solomon, for the primary; Mr. Gillham for the school at Jamestown. Very—very good selections. The people are all glad that Miss Solomon has charge of the primary—the selection in this case is one of the best acts of our school board. ANON.

In and Around Jeansville.

—Mr. D. T. Thomas, of Beaver Brook, was assaulted in a most cowardly and contemptable manner, on Saturday evening, by a gang of ruffians as he was about to leave for home. The attack was made upon him on account of his action in the Hazle township school board, of which body he is a member. Such conduct as this will result in bringing down the just indignation of our people not only upon those who made the assault, but upon all who considered themselves injured by Mr. Thomas's action on the board. Mr. Thomas is the only Welshman on the school board, and should not, more than any other man, be assaulted because he conscientiously performs his duty.

—County Supt. Hofford examined a very large class of teachers at Audenried on the 10th inst.

—The Spring Mountain Coal Company are making preparations to sink a new slope on the Wharton vein.

—A vegetable diet is about the right thing for this warm weather.

—The rain of Wednesday of last week was a copious one, and did a great amount of good to the growing crops.

—Prof. J. P. Rowland's son, Arthur, of Parryville, is said to be the best educated youth, of his age, in the county.

—A general stoppage of all the mines in this neighborhood is threatened after the 10th inst. PROXY.

Mahoning Twinkings.

—The farmers are all busy in their grain fields. Sowing buckwheat is now in order.

—A. S. Miller spent the 4th of July in Lehighton.

—Prof. T. M. Balliet came home last Saturday; he will remain during vacation.

—Miss Sarah Walker, of Lehighton, is visiting friends here this week.

—The Centre Square singing school was crowded with visitors from East and West Penn last Sunday evening.

—G. K. Musselman made a flying trip to West Penn on Sunday afternoon.

—The Fourth of July didn't make an appearance in the valley, at least everybody was at work.

—Lewis Rex, of Weatherly, spent the 4th in the valley.

—Frank Klingaman, who has been on a visit to his home in Lehigh county, returned last Saturday. REPORTER.

Towamensing Brevities.

—Pride, poverty, and fashion cannot live in the same house.

—Days, months, years, and ages will circle away.

—Nothing is more becoming in youth than respect to their elders.

—The roads are in excellent condition now, but the covering of dust is very heavy. Driving would be very pleasant were it not for the clouds of dust which float around and over you as your vehicle traverses the road.

—Franklin Smith, of near Tracheville, lost a valuable cow last week.

—Rev. Strauss preached a very interesting sermon, in the Lutheran church, at Tracheville, last Sunday.

—Lewis Christman and wife, of Lehighton, were at this place (Tracheville) on a visit last Sunday. The guests of H. Kunkle.

—Susan Dreisbach and her husband, of Allentown, are visiting her father and friends in this valley.

—Working in the harvest field was about the leading business, in this vicinity during the week.

—There are some folks when they get through telling their own good deeds, will wind up by dissecting some innocent one's character who is not present so he might defend himself. I think such persons would do well if they would learn the eleventh commandment.

—The most part of the farmers in this neighborhood celebrated the