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The Carbon Advocate.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30, 1879.

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.

—The small boy is beginning to think of going to school.

—The iron business continues to improve, and prices stiffen.

—Reading last year manufactured 48,000 barrels of malt-liquor.

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

—The old Shive Governor Works at South Bethlehem are to be re-started shortly.

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

—An Evangelical camp meeting will commence at Bath on September 1st and be continued to September 6th.

—From Numerous sections of east Pennsylvania come reports of an advance in the wages of the workers in the iron mills.

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

—Teams for funerals, business or pleasure parties supplied by David Ebbert, at his livery on North street, this borough, at lowest rates, for cash.

—Rev. S. R. Leopold, of Mahanoy City, was in town during the week visiting his old friends. He is looking remarkably well, Mahanoy evidently agrees with him.

—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 hotel kept by Mr. Samuel J. Berger, at Lehigh Gap Station, has 40 summer boarders, mostly Quakers from Philadelphia.

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

—The zinc mill of the Lehigh Zinc Works, South Bethlehem, started up on Wednesday morning with a full complement of hands, after a stoppage of almost two years.

—The several candidates for Sheriff and prothonatory have been rushing around quite lively during the week.

—The statement made in these columns last week regarding the passage of a special act prohibiting the shooting of partridges for one year is at variance with the facts, no such law having been passed.

—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.

—John H. Faga, the enterprising Sewing Machine agent, of Mauch Chunk, now sports one of the finest wagons in the county; it was built for him by Messrs. Weiss & Kerschner, of Lehighton.

—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 reported that the officers of the Bethlehem Iron Company are negotiating for the purchase of a number of blood-hounds to act as watch dogs, and thus dispense with the watchmen, who are in the habit of sleeping while on duty.

—The 4th day of September is the last day for the registration of voters. Those who wish to vote the coming fall had better examine the list of voters now in the hands of the assessors and see if their names are enrolled. If not on the list inform the assessor of the fact.

Henry Campbell, of East Weissport, announces to his friends and the public that he is prepared to supply them with the best quality of ready-made fall and winter BOOTS and SHOES at a great reduction in price from last year, notwithstanding the recent advance in manufacturers' prices of from 10 to 15 per cent. These boots and shoes have been made expressly to his order and are guaranteed to give satisfaction. Call and see them.

—ALMOST GIVEN AWAY.—J. L. Gabel is now supplying the very best Lattimer coal at the following very low prices for cash only:

	at yd.	deliv.
No. 2 Chestnut per ton	$1.75	$2.05
No. 1 " " "	2.75	3.05
Stove	3.00	3.30

Now is the best time to put in your winter coal, and don't you forget it!

—Persons who desire bargains in stationary, of all the latest styles and patterns are invited to call on E. F. Luckenbach, Mauch Chunk. He is also furnishing the most elegant patterns of window shades, which he makes and puts up at the most reasonable prices. His mixed paints have made him a reputation in this line. A complete assortment of school books will always be found at Luckenbach's.

—Prof. J. P. Rowland, of Parryville, moved to Weatherly, on Thursday last, where he will take charge as principal of the public schools. We congratulate the people of Weatherly in having secured so excellent an educator for their youth. The Professor is always progressive, and the schools of Weatherly, under his charge, must move forward.

—A locomotive of the Lackawanna Iron and Coal Company jumped from the track and tumbled down a thirteen-foot embankment, at Scranton, Wednesday afternoon. John Blackwood, Chief Engineer of the Company, and Daniel Vaughn, brakeman, were killed. Several others were slightly injured.

—82,145 tons of coal were shipped over the Lehigh Valley railroad for the week ending on the 23rd inst., making for the season to date of 2,065,864 tons, being an increase of 489,188 tons as compared with the same time last year.

—Samuel Willauer was killed and *four* others were injured, two seriously, at Pottstown, Monday, by the falling of an arch while they were making repairs to the blast furnace of the Pottstown Iron Company.

—The Nesquehoning Valley Railroad Company notifies and requests stockholders to present their certificates of stock at the office of the company on or before the 1st of September, for the purpose of having the agreement of the 24th of June, 1879, noted thereon.

—The shipments of coal over the L. & S. railroad for the week ending on the 22nd inst., amounted to 79,228 tons, making a total for the season of 2,470,813 tons, being an increase of 1,051,658 tons, as compared with same time last year.

—On Tuesday of next week, Sept. 2nd, the Rittersville Driving Park Association, will commence its fall meeting, and, with favorable weather, we may predict a series of races as interesting and exciting as any that have ever been held on the track. The premiums are very liberal, and the horses which are already named to participate, upwards of ninety, many of them from New York and Philadelphia, are such as to guarantee a fine season of sport.

—The upper powder mill of H. A. Weldy & Co., two miles north of Tamaqua, blew up Monday morning. James Neifert, the foreman, was killed, and two little girls, daughters of John Lane and William Mace, who were passing the building, received fatal injuries and died the same night.

—The repairs upon stack No. 3 of the Coplay Iron Works, at Coplay, have been completed, and the fires were lit the middle of last week. The furnace is now running out iron in large quantity and of first-class quality, everything working charmingly. The repairs upon the other two stacks are being rapidly carried forward, and they, too, will be ready to set in operation ere long.

—Mr. Geo. Beck, father of Mr. John A. Beck's storekeeper at Trexlerstown, died in said place on Sunday night last, of apoplexy, at the age of 68 years. He a year ago had a visitation of the same disease, and remained helpless under the effects of it until it repeated itself in a severe and fatal form as above stated. He was a man of unblemished reputation, and enjoyed the confidence of all who were acquainted with him.

—The tramp law should be put in force wherever necessary by the prompt arrest of the wandering vagabonds that infest the country. There is no longer occasion for tramping—no reason why a man should go wandering about begging for food and shelter. With the revival of our industries there is opportunity for all to obtain employment who wish it and who are willing to work. Honest tramps will seek and get it; lazy and dishonest tramps will remain to beg and rob and burn, and these are the dangerous vagabonds who should be looked after, and for whom the law was intended.—*Ex.*

—The buckwheat and late potatoes are maturing rapidly under the influence of good and timely rains.

—A letter received by us from Mrs. Thos. A. Williams, who, with her four children, left here for Texas a few weeks ago, speaks in the highest terms of the accomodations she met with on her journey via the routes furnished by the popular Western Ticket Agent, Benj. O'Brian, of East Mauch Chunk.

—On Monday morning in the United States District Court, Judge Butler sentenced the Kresges convicted last week of passing counterfeit money. Michael Kresge was fined $50 and sentenced to two years and six months; Linford Kresge fined $25 and one year and ten months; Samuel Kresge fined $25 and one year and six months.

Big Creek Items.

—Letters are the basis of literature.

—We have beautiful scenery in these parts.

—The Franklin schools will open the last Monday in October or the first Monday in November. The time has not been fixed certain.

—A man who loves his family will always take a newspaper, and the man who respects his family will always pay for it.

—"Anonymous," Gouldsboro, Lackawanna county, Pa.—Asks will "Revere," in the Big Creek Items, give the names of the Franklin teachers and oblige a former teacher of that township? In reply to the above, I would say, that I inquired of the Secretary and he informed me that the following teachers have been engaged: East Weissport, first grade, Mr. Francis; second grade, Scott Groot; Primary, Jennie A. Weiss; North East Weissport, L. Z. Bagenstose; Maria Furnace, T. J. Jolt; Solt's or Big Creek, W. E. Kemerer; Walekeville, W. H. Kramer; Beltzville, H. D. Snyder; Long Run, Frank Reber. REVERE.

Gouldsboro Items.

—The Gouldsboro pic nic was well attended.

—The fence in front of the M. E. church has received a coat of paint, which improves its appearance.

—Robert McEwen has returned home after a month's absence at Clearfield.

—Rev. Mr. Gill was the recipient of 78 pounds of merchandise, donated by his friends.

—Wm. Smith, of New York, has been spending a few weeks with his brother, ex-burgess S. H. Smith.

—John Ruff, intends moving to Lycoming county the first of September.

—The statement that Miss Jennie A. Weiss was going to teach at Beaumont, Luzerne county, is a mistake, as she again intends teaching in Carbon county.

—Your ADVOCATE is a welcome visitor, always spicy and full of news. ANONYMOUS.

Bethlehem News.

BETHLEHEM, Pa., Aug. 25, 1879.—Michael O'Herron, an employe in the steel works of the Bethlehem Iron Company, was crushed to death by two moulds weighing 1200 pounds each. The moulds were being lowered into a pit, to be filled with molten steel, fell and struck O'Herron, causing injuries that proved fatal in a few hours.

—Mrs. Washington Nagle and a four-year old daughter, while carrying her husband's dinner to the works of the Bethlehem Iron Company yesterday, were run over by some cars, sustaining injuries that will probably prove fatal. A few minutes later, E. A. Sopers, of South Easton, was run over and lost an arm, amputated at St. Luke's Hospital. He was a die-sinker by trade, and had just come from the works of the Bethlehem Iron Company, where he saved the woman Nagle and her child from instant death by dragging them partially from the track. Early in the morning Mrs. Nagle had herself saved a woman from being run over on the North Penn Railroad.

—On Saturday evening, a town meeting, held at the request of Town Council, decided that, after an existence of 138 years, Bethlehem should establish "a curbstone market."

—Through the exertions of Constable Stoffel, a desperate gang of thieves has just been broken up. John S. Furry, Milton Smith, Martin Titus and Frank Bitting, the ring leaders, have been sent to the Lehigh County Jail, awaiting trial. A large quantity of goods was recovered.

—On Saturday night two burglars attempted to force their way into the residence of Marcus A. Krause, who was awakened and fired at them, hitting one. Both escaped, but a trail of blood was followed for a considerable distance.—*Ledger.*

Mauch Chunk Notes

BOY DROWNED.—About noon, on Wednesday while several boys were playing near a pool of water in the rear of Albright & Stroh's foundry, one of them, a son of Chas. Schweitzer, the locksmith, fell into a pool of water and was drowned. When the accident occurred there was only one boy with him large enough to render assistance, and he, as might be expected, though he acted heroically, lacked a presence of mind which might otherwise have saved his companion's life. He stopped to undress himself before attempting the rescue, and then after getting his drowned associate ashore, he made no effort to roll him and get the water out of his lungs, but hurriedly dressed himself and ran for assistance. Dr. DeYoung was called, but found all efforts to resuscitate the boy unavailing. The victim was eight or nine years of age, and was a bright, promising boy. Mauch Chunk Cor.

—POCKET-PICKING.—John McGady, a young man, about 18 years old, and, by the way, one who has given his friends great anxiety on account of his wickedness, was arraigned before Justice Frisbie on Thursday morning charged with picking the pockets of Frank Warg, at the band pic nic at Markheimer's Garden, on Saturday evening. The evidence was that while Warg was asleep at the pic nic, McGady went through his pockets, taking therefrom a silver watch, a pocket-book containing some money, and a handkerchief. The evidence against McGady was circumstantial, as none of the articles have been found on his person, and no witness testified that they saw him commit the deed, but it was deemed sufficient to bind him over to the high Court, and he was held in the sum of $1000; in default of bail, he was committed.

THREATENED WITH THE LAW.—It is said by those who attended, that the pic nic given by the Phœnix Band on Saturday evening was a model success; and it certainly was, financially, for the band realized over $100 net profit from it; but every sweet has its bitter, and the members of the band have felt extremely anxious during the week at a threat to prosecute them for selling intoxicating drinks, at the pic nic without a license. This threat, it is understood, was made by members of the Cadets of Temperance, which organization is under many obligations to the band for gratuitous music on several public occasions; and it is more than likely that the threat will not be executed. But this is not the first time that the question of stopping the sale of intoxicants at evening pic nics at Maxheimer's has been agitated; and in the future managers of pic nics there would do well to be on their guard. It would cost the proceeds of two or three pic nics to pay the cost of such a prosecution, and besides the penalty is imprisonment.

MISSCELLANEOUS.—James Kushner, Aaron and Leon Peters were arrested on Wednesday, charged with violating the borough ordinances, in reference to huckstering on the streets before the hour provided by law—9 o'clock, a. m. They were arraigned before Justice Mosser, and fined one dollar and costs.

—Hon. Robert Klotz has been to New York city during the week on business.

—Mr. Nathan Belford, who, with his family, has spent the summer at Chelsen, Mass., will return home next week—just in time to drop into the political campaign. He has had an opportunity during the summer to observe something of politics in Massachusetts, where the thing has been reduced to a science by Ben. Butler and others; and that he will shake his cane sharply around the heads of Mauch Chunk politicians this fall, none who know him doubt for a moment.

—There being some misunderstanding as to the county boundry line between Lansford borough and Schulkill county, our Board of Commissioners, with Surveyor Henry Boyer, on Thursday went to Coaldale, at the request of the Commissioners of Schuykill, to survey and establish a boundry line.

—A naturalization court, before the Associate Judges, was convenced on Thursday.

Spinters from West Penn.

—Cool nights.

—Onward is our aim.

—Farmers are nearly ready for sowing.

—Sunday school at 9 a. m., and church at 2 p. m.

—Some of our farmers will commence sowing this week.

—Quite a number of people of this place attended camp-meeting last week.

—A delegate meeting was held on last Saturday, at Leiby's hotel.

—The Jacksonsville Cornet Band will please accept our thanks for their sweet music.

—G. K. Musselman, T. M. Balliet, C. T. Young, Prof. A. S. Weber, and F. K. Smith, of Mahoning valley, were present at the Sunday school festival, at the stone church, last Saturday.

—There will be a Sunday school festival on this Saturday, (to-day), in the woods near Nathan Hunsicker's, and a large attendance is expected.

—The teachers' examination for this township will be held on the 17th of September, at the school house near stone church. Teachers, brush up.

—The Sunday school festival was quite a success, on Saturday of last week, at the stone church. Rev. W. H. Strauss, Rev. A. Bartholomew and F. K. Smith, Esq., delivered good sermons and addresses in German, and Prof. A. S. Weber in English. There were three schools united in the festivity. CHIPS.

Troutings along Lizzard Creek.

—Candidate Keiser and Coroner Keiser were through these parts on a political tour last Tuesday.

—Pigs now roam the camp meeting grounds in search of "sweet morsals." This and the careworn condition of the woods is all that reminds us of the encampment last week.

—Nothing definite can be given of the political situation—Democratically—at present. Semmel's men—Rehrig and George, have as yet no organized opposition.

—Kresge is not the least popular; Semmel is acknowledged the best and hardest worker, while Keiser has the greatest confidence. Elwin Baner is the favorite for Prothonotary.

—Nothing is heard of the Republicans. It is hardly worth much trouble for one delegate.

—Two young men—one from these parts and one from Bowman's, lost their horse and carriage while visiting at Millport, last Tuesday evening. The bridle was found where the horse had been tied, while the horse—nearly thirsted—was found in the woods near Bowman's next morning. The carriage, unharmed, remained hitched to the animal. The affair is blamed on some rogues of that place. JUXTA.

List of Letters

Remaining uncalled for in the Packerton Post-office on the 23rd inst.:

Fred. Haupt.	Daniel Flickinger.
Henry Hinadeil.	Annie Haupt.
G. Haupt.	John Romig.

On calling for these letters you will please say "Advertised."

L. McDANIEL, P. M.

Sunday School Reunion.

On Tuesday, Sept. 2d the S. S. of the original Carbon Circuit will convene in Craig's Grove, at Lehigh Gap, to spend a pleasant and profitable day together. The local committee of arrangements will spare no efforts to make the Grove as comfortable as possible. An organ, an organist, and a leader of singing, will be secured. Gospel Hymns No. 1, and Happy Songs, will be used; bring them with you. The following programme has been arranged for the occasion:

PROGRAMME.

1. Devotional exercises from 9:30 to 10 a. m.
2. Addresses to children and singing from 10 to 11 a. m.
3. Sunday school workers: experience meeting from 11 to 11:30 a. m.
4. Sunday school workers' normal school from 1:30 to 2:30 p. m., to be conducted by Brother W. W. Bowman—

TOPIC—*The Place and Purpose of the Sabbath School.*

1. What the Sabbath School is NOT. (Consult the several texts indicated.)
   First Statement—The Sabbath school is not a substitute for the family: Deut. vi, 6-9; Deut. iv, 9; Prov. xxii, 6; Eph. vi, 4; Deut. xi, 18-21; 2 Tim. i, 5.
   Second Statement—The Sabbath school is not a substute for the Pulpit; John xx, 21; Rom. x, 13-15; Isa. lii, 7, 8; 2 Cor. v, 17-21; Mark xvi 15.
   Third Statement—The Sabbath school is not a substitute for the other religious meetings of the Church; Heb. iii, 12, 13; Mal. iii, 16; Acts i, 13, 14; Eph. v, 18, 19; Mat. xviii, 19, 20.
2. What the Sabbath school Is.
   Fourth Statement—The Sabbath school is that department of the Church of Christ in which the Word of Christ is taught for the purpose of bringing souls to Christ and of building up souls in Christ; Deut. xxxi, 12, 13; Neh. viii, 5-8; 1 Cor. xii, 27-31; Luke ii, 46; Col. iii, 16; Eph. iv, 11-16.
   1). The Sabbath school is a School. It is for the *teaching* rather than the preaching of the Gospel, although it should attend to both. It involves the processes of teaching, of questioning, of personal application, of hand-to-hand effort in the development of thought and of self activity. It is in fulfillment of the divine command, "Go teach." It is in imitation of the divine example of Him who spake as never man spake, the great Teacher, who used illustrations and asked questions, and made direct, personal application, who taught individuals and small groups, and elicited from his pupils remarks, opinions, thoughts, questions, etc., of their own. It is the Church becoming now what all the followers of Christ were at the beginning—disciples.
   2.) The Sabbath school is a department of the Church of Christ.
   3.) The Sabbath school is a school of the word of Christ.
   4.) The Sabbath school is designed to bring souls to Christ.
   5.) The Sabbath school is designed to build up souls in Christ.
   6.) The Sabbath school is therefore designed for the old as well as for the young. Its true motto is not "Feed my lambs," but "Feed my lambs, feed my sheep."

CLASS DRILL—*On the Place and Purpose of the Sabbath School.*

1. Recite the three statements as to w a the Sabbath school is not?
2. Recite the Fourth statement and the six subordinate definitions of the Sabbath school.
5. A grand childrens meeting from 3 to 4 p. m.

All these exercises will be under the supervision of Rev. C. K. Fehr, P. E., of Allentown District.

The following preachers and laymen will address the children's meetings: Revs. Jas. Bowman, J. M. Rinker, J. C. Bliem, D. Lentz, and Messrs. W. C. Weiss, C. S. Weiss, T. Arner and Levi Wentz.

We have been requested to state, that if the weather should be unfavorable Tuesday, the Reunion will be postponed until Thursday, Sept. 4th.

Change of Text Books.

A few weeks ago a committee was appointed by the school board of this borough, to inquire into the expediency of a change of text books in our public school. The committee on Monday last made the following report, which, on motion was adopted:

To the Lehighton School Board,

GENTS: Your Committe appointed to examine into the expediency of making a change in text books, would submit the following—that we recommend to adopt the Franklin Series; provided Mr. John E. Fox, agent for Taintor Bros., Merrill & Co., will make a complete exchange for all text books now in use in our schools—book for book—for the sum of $66; supply the School Board for one year, beginning at the introduction, at their regular wholesale price less ten per cent. and thereafter at their regular wholesale prices. Respectfully yours,

DANIEL OLEWINE, DANIEL GRAVER. } Com.

The above proposition having been submitted to Taintor Bros., Merrill & Co., was accepted by them, and the new books will be issued to the scholars, upon opening of the ensuing school term, free of charge on presenting their old books in exchange; of course those children not having old books to give in exchange must pay for new books. This arrangement will undoubtedly prove satisfactory to our people, as this change in books does not entail any cost to parents.

Programme

Of the Allentown district Sunday school convention, holding its sessions in the Millport church, Carbon county, Pa., commencing Tuesday evening Sept. 2nd and continuing until Wednesday evening, Sept. 3rd:

1. Sunday school organization, by James Bowman
2. The Pastor in the Sunday school, by J. C. Bliem
3. The Superintendent in the Sunday school, by C. H. Baker
4. The Teacher in the Sunday school; by P. Wanamaker
5. The scholars in the Sunday school, by Wm. Craig
6. The Infants in the Sunday school, by Clarence Weiss
7. The Parents in the Sunday school, by J. M. Rinker
8. The Visitor in the Sunday school, by W. C. Weiss
9. The Work and Aim of the Sunday school, by H. D. Shulta
10. The Duty of the Church to the Sunday school, by D. Lentz

Each school in the district is entitled to one delegate, who is urgently requested to attend the convention. All the preachers in the district are ex-officio members of the convention.

Republican County Convention.

The Republican County Convention of Carbon county will be held at the Court House, in the borough of Mauch Chunk, on

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 10TH, 1879,

at 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the several county offices, and transacting such other business as may be brought before it.

The primary election for delegates to represent the several election districts will be held on

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between the hours of 5 and 9 o'clock p. m., at such places within the respective districts, as the election officers appointed by the County Committee may designate.

The list of persons appointed to hold the delegate elections in the several districts, with the number of delegates each district is entitled to, will be published next week.

E. C. REMMEL, Chairman.
E. M. MULHEARN, Sec'y.

Odd Fellows' Entertainment.

Tuesday evening being the regular meeting night of Gnaden-Huetten Lodge, No. 686, I.O. of O.F., it had been set aside as an occasion for conferring the Rebecca Degree upon some twenty applicants for membership. The ladies of the Rebecca lodge determined that the occasion should not pass without a memorable feature, and so decided to have a supper and social entertainment. To this end a committee of arrangements was appointed consisting of Mrs. Dr. N. B. Reber, Mrs. S. C. Wheatley, Mrs. John Obert, and Mrs. J. W. O'Neil.

About 9 o'clock, after conferring the Rebecca Degree, a procession was formed in front of Reber's block, consisting of members of the lodge, Daughters of Rebecca and a number of invited guests, and headed by Excelsior Band, proceeded to the Presbyterian church. Here Mr. Geo. W. Nusbaum, acting as master of ceremonies, opened the exercises, and called upon Rev. Mr. Miller, of the M. E. church, who invoked the Divine favor. F. P. Longstreet, Esq., was now introduced as the speaker of the evening. Mr. Longstreet called attention to the brief space of time—about a half century—which has intervened since the introduction of Oddfellowship in this country; to its rapid growth; and claimed that its triumphs had only been in proportion to its merits as a moral, beneficiary and social organization, which, by its cardinal principals sought, through man's social nature, to lift him to a nobler manhood and a higher conception of life's duties. He congratulated the order upon its acquisition of woman's benign influence in its labors of love and charity, likening her to an angel of mercy whose hand is ever outstretched to the needy and unfortunate. Of her influence in the affairs of life, he illustrated with the truism, "The hand that rocks the cradle moves the world." He closed his address by reciting the following beautiful and appropriate little poem:

The helping hand outstretched to aid
A brother in his need;
The kindly word in grief's dark hour,
That proves a friend indeed;
The plea for mercy, softly breathed,
When justice threatens nigh,
The sorrow of a contrite heart—
Those things will never die.

The cruel and the bitter word
That wounded as it fell,
The chilling want of sympathy
We feel, but never tell;
The hard repulse that chills the heart
Whose hopes were bounding high,
In an unladen record kept—
These things shall never die.

Let nothing pass, for every hand
Must find some work to do,
Lose not a chance to watch love,
Be firm and just and true,
So shall a light that cannot fade
Beam on thee from on nigh,
And angel voices say to thee:
These things shall never die!

The public exercises were closed, an adjournment made to the lodge-room, which on being reached showed at a glance that the committee of arrangements had not been idle. Three long tables, abundantly supplied with substantials and delicacies, loudly proclaimed the fair workers' deligence and good taste. Although a speech had been promised at the hall by P. J. Meehan, Esq., of course supper was first in order, and justice done to the toothsome viands. It being late, Mr. Meehan excused himself from the promised speech, and Mr. Horace D. Heydt entertained the happy eaters (for eating was continued to a late hour) with a humorous reading. Mr. W. L. Styles, in turn, called upon Rev. Miller, F. P. Longstreet and S. R. Gilham, Esqs., and others, but all declined for reasons best explained by Mr. Longstreet—"too full for utterance." Mr. Stiles, however, determined to have a speech, and took the stand himself. His subject was a happy one—"What to say and when to say it," but he stumbled upon an unlucky illustration of his subject, that of a man who returns home from his lodge at a late hour and explains that he has been watching with a sick brother, but has forgotten the brother's name. A fair fist just to the right of the speaker warned him of the untenableness of his position, and he brought to a close a speech which, if it had been continued, would have been as long as it was good. About 11:30 the evening's enjoyment was brought to close, each gentleman, at least, feeling thankful for the day that gave to the world a Rebecca and her modern prototype.

Weissport Items.

—An eleven months old son of David and Catherine O'Brian, died on Tuesday morning. The funeral took place at 1 o'clock Thursday, and was well attended by relatives and friends of the family.

—The removal from the old to the new L. & S. depot took place on Thursday.

—Regular meetings of the borough council and school board Monday evening.

—Miss Nora Smith has been appointed, in place of Miss Kate Zoll, resigned, to teach primary school No. 1, of Weatherly.

—At the request of Prof. Snyder the Weissport schools will not be opened until a week from next Monday.

—Oscar Arner went to Easton on Tuesday, on business, and on leaving his hotel Wednesday morning neglected to take his pocket book, which he had placed under his pillow. The book contained about $43 and some valuable papers. He returned to Easton and recovered it.

—The funeral services of Ella Madden and Laura Whittingham, the two drowned girls were solemnized on Saturday at 1 o'clock, from the Evangelical church, Rev. Mr. Miller, of the Lehighton M. E. church, officiating. It is said to have been the largest funeral ever witnessed in Weissport. On the untimely death of Miss Madden, a gentleman of Philadelphia who spent a vacation here recently, writes to a friend:

The death of Miss Ella Madden is so sad and so sudden that her memory is made sublime by the unselfish and heroic act of having lost her life in trying to rescue her sister from a watery grave. Oh! the agony she must have endured, none can ever know. Non can tell what must have been her feelings at seeing one she loved struggling in the grasp of death. And all will join in feelings of regret that one so young, pure, and unselfish should pass away so suddenly, and a brave act which cannot be too highly commended to our memories.

"One sweet flower has drooped and faded;
One sweet youthful voice has fled
One fair brow the grave has shaded
Now they're numbered with the dead."

Religious Notes.

LEHIGHTON M. E. CHURCH, Rev. J. P. Miller, pastor.—To-morrow, (Sunday), 9 a. m. Class Meeting; at 10 a. m., preaching by the pastor; Sunday School at 2 p.m.; Young Men's Prayer Meeting at 6:30 p.m., and at 7:30 p. m., sermon by the pastor.

LEHIGHTON EVANGELICAL CHURCH, Rev. B. J. Smoyer, pastor, to-morrow, Sunday—8 a. m. Prayer-meeting; 10 a. m., German Preaching; 1 p. m., Teachers' Meeting; 2 p. m., Sunday School; 6:30 p. m., Prayer and Praise Meeting; 7:30 p. m., English Preaching. WEEKLY SERVICES—Monday evening, Normal Class Meeting; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, Prayer meeting.

EVANGELICAL CHURCH, WEISSPORT. Quarterly meeting, Rev. C. K. Fehr, P. E., will conduct the communion services at 10 o'clock, and will also deliver an English sermon in the evening. All are cordially invited.

J. K. SNYDER, Pastor.

Horned Toads and other Natural Wonders.

A friend of Dr. B. S. Erwin, of Mauch Chunk, recently sent him as a present from Colorado, a live specimen of the horned toad. The fact being noticed by one of our local cotemporaries, reminded Capt. Soloman Yeakel, of Wiessport, that he has in his natural history collection two preserved specimens of this rare little batrachian reptile. Consequently, he brought to the ADVOCATE office, last Saturday, this collection, where they may be seen by all who desire. The large glass jar in which they are preserved, also contains two varieties of the lizzard family, a large tarantula or venomous spider, a worm of the centrepede species, and three long, slender many colored snakes. This valuable collection was made in Eldorado county, California, in 1853, by Captain Yeakel himself; and though they have thus been preserved in alcohol for twenty-six years, are as perfect as life. The collection is not more valuable for its rarity than it is commendable for the careful and skillful manner of its arrangement in the jar.

This species of the horned toad, found in the south Alantic and Pacific States, is, apparently, a link between the common hop-toad and the lizzard. Its head is circled around with several horn-like protuberances from a half to three-fourths of an inch in length, while similar but shorter horns, in regular rows, extend over its back to the end of its tail. It is oviparous, feeds upon insects, is inoffensive, and has habits common to both the toad and lizzard, yet more of the latter than the former. It is called a toad, perhaps, principally on account of its uninviting and even hideous aspect, a distinctive characteristic of the toad, which has caused it to be loathed and even shunned in all ages, and to be regarded by the superstitious with awe.

"In those benighting, cruel slavery days," in the South, the colored "conjurer" made extensive use of the toad as a curative agent in the shape of a poltice, for numerous aches and bodily infirmities; and their unbounded faith in the remedy gave it an efficacy that made the learned disciple of Esculapius smile yet wonder.

The toad is not venomous, although its reputation as a poisonous reptile obtained for it among the superstitious preternatural powers, and dealers in magic and witchcraft have made much use of it in their compounds. Thus caused Shakspeare to insert it among the ingredients adopted by the witches in Macbeth to raise the spirits of the dead:

"Toad that under the cold stone,
Days and nights has thirty-one
Swelltered venom, sleeping got,
Boil thou first i' th' charm'd pot."

No one writer on natural history has attempted to describe the multitudinous varieties of the toad. In the south and tropical climates its name is legion, each bearing a local name describing some physical peculiarity, of color, shape or size. In eastern Carolinas, there is found a brindle, little hop-toad called the "horny-head." Its head resembles the specimens of Captain Yeakel's and Dr. Erwin's, but has no caudle appendage. It affiliates with the other varieties, hops about the farmhouse and barn-yard in the twilight, and with his lightning tongue licks up the unlucky bug or other insect for which he has a very shewd and lecherous eye. All the varieties are valuable insect destroyers, but in their turn fall victims to a bevy of enemies. Fishes prey upon the tadpole; and no sooner does the full-fledged toad set foot upon *terra firma* than he is met by reptile, bird and animal, each anxious to take a *little* toad for "the stomach's sake."

The toad is a distinct and typical *genera* in the animal creation, is found almost every where, and is one of nature's most wonderful productions. He freezes to an icicle in the frigid winters of the north; but the returning genial sunshine of spring infuses new life into him, and in July we find him watching and catching house flies around the door steps, as happy as a lark with which bird the superstitious accuse him of changing eyes. He is known to be a feeder, yet lives indefinitely without food. There is, apparently no time allotted for his life; he lives until some unfortunate circumstance puts an end to his existence. It is authenkic history that a marble worker once found a living toad in a block of marble, in a cavity just large enough for his body. It is frequently found imprisoned in the trunk of a tree, which must have been its home for generations, and we are assured that miners sometimes find them in a state of glorious ease, hundreds of feet under-ground without an inch of elbow-room around them.

As we have found a toad type merged into the lizzard, so it will be found in other low orders of animal life. Along the shores of the Pamlico sound, and perhaps other south Atlantic inland waters, there is a singular genus called the toadfish. In appearance it is a hybrid between the catfish and toad. It is in every sense a loathsome creature, and shunned even by its finny neighbors. When an angler casts his hook and captures a toadfish, he takes it as an omen of ill luck, and not without good cause—for other small fish will not knowingly trespass upon the feeding-ground of a toadfish. It is ravenously voracious, and so pugnacious when captured, it is necessary to kill it before it can be unhooked. We once saw a large one caught which had in its maw ten young mullets, besides some miscellaneous food, and yet its appetite was unsated, as was shown by its eagerness to gorge the bate that led to its destruction.

The other specimens in Captain Yeakel's collection are unusual in this locality, and will all prove interesting objects to the lover of natural history. The tarantula is an extra large one; and this variety of the spider is not only extremely poisonous, the bite causing much pain and sometimes death, but it is subtiley vicious; sometimes secreting itself during the day in sleeping apartments, and after dark crawls upon and bites its victim while asleep.

—The company of military cadets recently organized here, are making commendable headway in the proficiency of the military drill. The company paraded on Bank street, Thursday evening, presenting a very good appearance. They are making strenuous efforts, assisted by our liberal and public-spirited citizens to get uniformed and armed in time for the Agricultural Fair.

—The Del. Lack. & West. R. R. sold Wednesday in New York city 50,000 tons of Scranton coal by auction. The prices are much lower than for July. Grate sold at $2.02½ and $2.12½, against $2.20 for July; Egg, $2.15 and $2.17½, against $2.45 for July; Stove, $2.37½ and $2.40, against $2.72½ and $2.75 for July, and Chestnut $2.20 and $2.22½, against $2.55 and $2.57 for July.

—James Smith, brakeman on No. 21 freight train, Central Railroad, at noon Thursday fell from a box car near Packerton. He appeared to be injured about the head and one side but how seriously we were unable to ascertain. Smith resides in Upper Mauch Chunk and is about 21 or 22 years of age.

—The Catholic fair held at Mauch Chunk on Friday and Saturday evenings last week, was a success financially and otherwise.

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STATE NEWS.

The glassblowers' strike in Pittsburg has about reached an end, and they are making terms with the employers.

On the 1st of September, without fear of molestation from the law, sportsmen can shoot ducks, geese and squirrels.

The pastor at the Berks county Alms-house Rev. M. L. Fritch, has appealed to Court for his last month's salary—$16.

The Borough Council of Pottsville have passed a resolution offering $10,000 as an inducement to have the Miners' Hospital located at that place.

The State Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias, in session at York last week, finally adjourned on Saturday to assemble in Carlisle on August 21, 1880.

The station house at Bradford is in such a filthy condition that a magistrate there refuses to commit prisoners to the place and sends them to the Smethport jail.

Mr. David Fox, of Green Lane, Montgomery county, who lost three children several weeks ago with diphtheria, buried two more from the same cause last Thursday.

—"May your troubles only be little ones, and may you always have Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup handy," said an old bachelor to a newly-married couple.

A needle, with a long thread attached, was picked out of a boy's back, in Lancaster, on Saturday. It is supposed to have entered some portion of his body when he was an infant.

Over two thousand acres of land recently leased near Mt. Pleasant, Westmoreland county, are being prospected for oil and a number of rigs have been erected thereon. The company undertaking the work are confident of success.

Bertie Hathaway, living near Edenburg, improvised a gun out of a piece of gas pipe on Friday, which he exploded, when the breech pin blew out, and, striking him in the breast, inflicted a wound which it is thought will prove fatal.

Mrs. A. B. Seybold, the wife of a well-to-do hardware merchant, at McKeesport, Allegheny county, committed suicide on Thursday by submerging her head in a barrel of rain-water. The lady was a sufferer from chronic headache.

At Murraysville, Westmoreland county, on last Friday, Rachel Snodgrass, a young lady of nineteen, was so overwhelmed with fright at the peril of her infant brother straddling a plank over the mouth of a well that she fell to the ground and expired almost instantly.

The Emaus furnace, on the East Pennsylvania Railroad, is to be started up within a few days. The Reading *Times and Dispatch* says that it will not be long before every furnace in the Schuylkill and Lehigh Valleys will be in operation. Work is going steadily on at the Kutztown furnaces, with a view to starting them in a few weeks.

The Secretary of War has ordered that the barracks at Carlisle be turned over to the Interior Department, to be used as a school for the education of Indian youths. The institution will be modelled after the Hampton (Va.) Normal Institute, and will be under the charge of Captain R. Pratt, who has had considerable experience as a trainer of Indians at St. Augustine and Hampton.

On Friday night Rev. Herman Eggers, pastor of St. John's German Lutheran church at Easton, fell through a trap door that had been accidentally left open in the church building, and received wounds from which he died early the next morning. He was educated in the Kingdom of Hanover, South Germany, and had been preaching in the United States about forty-five years.

Mrs. Healey, residing at Blair furnace, three miles from Altoona, walked too near the shaft of an abandoned ore mine, and the earth giving way, the lady fell to the bottom, a distance of eighty feet, maintaining an upright