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Local and Personal.

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—The South Easton cotton mills have started up.

—The No. 3. furnace at Coplay, recently started up, continues to work well.

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

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

—The Berks county railroad will be sold at public sale on Tuesday, Sept. 23rd.

—Iron, and the manufactures of iron, are steadily on the advance.

—Is the Hazleton *Sentinel* dead? We have not received a copy of it for a week past.

—The L. & S. Railroad is having a large lot of coal cars built at the Harrisburg car shops.

—The debt of Bethlehem is $134,800, divided as follows: Water, $48,200; borough $32,000, school, $54,600.

—The annual parade and inspection of the Bethlehem fire companies will be held on the 27th of September next.

We were pleased to meet James Edgar, of Lansford and a number of our old soldier friends in our sanctum Thursday.

—The Republican delegate elections will take place Monday, and the Convention will be held Wednesday, at the Court House, Mauch Chunk.

—The Royal Arcaneum, meets in Reber's Hall, on the 2nd and 4th Monday evenings in the month.

—An immense stock of envelopes and writing papers, sold at Luckenbach's Mauch Chunk.

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

—David Ebbert, at his livery on North street, this borough, is prepared to furnish you with stylish teams at low figures at any time.

—About 10 o'clock p. m. on Wednesday last, we were visited by one of the heaviest rainfalls it has ever been our fortune to witness.

—Don't move out of the election district in which you now reside if you don't want to lose your vote. A residence of sixty days is required to constitute one a citizen of an election district.

—When that neighbor of yours comes to borrow this paper just whisper gently in his ear that it is the duty of every good citizen to take his own paper.

—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.

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

—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Thomas Iron company will be held on Tuesday next, September 9th, at Hokendauqua.

—The proprietors of the Lehigh Car Co., at Stemton, have increased the wages of their employees ten cents per day.

—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 Lehigh Valley railroad for the week ending August 30th, shipped 77,675 tons of coal, a total for the year to that date of 2,043,459 tons, being an increase on that year's business of 527,977 tons.

—The Berks county Agricultural Society will hold their 25th annual exhibition, at Reading, on September 30th and October 1st 2nd and 3rd, 1879.

—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.

—For the seven days ending August 30th there were shipped over the L. & S. Railroad 107,572 tons of coal, making a total of 2,572,386 tons for the season to that date; an increase, compared with same time last year of 1,115,685 tons.

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.

—Mr. Thos. Kemerer, Thursday showed us a small piece of lead, apparently a shot, which had been discharged from the abscess in his abdomen. How it ever got into his body he is at a loss to know, unless he may have sometime swallowed it while eating game that had been shot.

—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	$2.75	$2.65
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!

—Last week Joseph L. Bibighaus, a cigar manufacturer and tobacco dealer at Laury's Station, was arrested on a charge of having violated the revenue laws by putting up tobacco and cigars, and selling the same without stamping the boxes, as well as using cancelled stamps on cigar boxes

—We understand that Dr. C. T. Horn has purchased the drug business of Mr. A. C. Peters, and took charge of it Thursday. The Dr. will be pleased to meet all his old friends and all the new ones who may be pleased to patronize him in his new departure. He will keep a full supply of pure drugs, chemicals, wall paper &c., &c.

—Michael Bellis, a Catasauqua boy, employed at the Crane Iron Works, had one of his fingers very badly damaged the other day while engaged in an effort to catch a fire brick which was coming down through a schute.

—Mrs. Samuel Glace, of Catasauqua, had the ill luck one day last week to break her right arm above the wrist. She, accompanied by a servant girl, went out to Breinig's Grove to secure a quantity of rich earth for her flowers, and while walking around stumbled by catching on a root with one of her feet, and as a result was thrown down with the result above stated.

—Sarah, the widow of the late Joseph Hofford, of Salisbury, died at her residence near what is known as Hofford's Chapel, on Tuesday evening of last week, at the age of 72 years, 8 months and 2 days.

—The body of Kate McLaughlin, who disappeared on an excursion from Chester to Cape May, last week, was found in the Delaware, below Marcus Hook, on Saturday evening.

—In Pottsville, Saturday evening, Henry Christian, keeper of a disreputable house, being frenzied from drink, shot and perhaps fatally wounded Lizzie Britton, his reputed wife. He afterwards attempted suicide, but was prevented, and was committed to jail.

—Mr. Charles Crellen, of Mauch Chunk, on Thursday night of last week, entered the drug store of Joseph Laciar, and took therefrom about $30 worth of cigars. We understand that the property has been returned to its owner, and that no arrest has been made.

—The Rev. James A. Little, the successful pastor of the Hokendauqua church, has been absent on a trip to the seacoast, and has returned much recruited in health and strength.

—The Ladies Mite Society of the M. E. church, of Lehighton, will hold a Fruit and Ice Cream Festival in Linderman's Hall, on Friday and Saturday evenings of next week, Sept. 12th and 13th. Judging from their pleasant and successful Spring Festival, the public may expect the repitition of a very enjoyable occasion.

President Gowen, of the Philadelphia and Reading road, will visit Pottsville this week in regard to the location at that place of the Miners' Hospital, for which an appropriation has been made by the Legislature. He will at the same time meet a delegation of canal boatmen from Schuylkill Haven who complain of being discriminated against in the loading of boats.

To temporize with your health instead of promptly using Dr. Ball's Baltimore Pills is not indicative of much thoughtfulness. Sold by all druggists.

Charles Roessler was instantly killed on Saturday by the bursting of an emerywheel in the foundry of Skinner & Sons, at Freemansburg.

List of Letters

Remaining unclaimed for at this office, Lehighton, Sept. 1, 1879.

Ebbert, Dennis J.	Kistler, J. M.
German, Loretta	Keterer, Paul.
Herman, Etna M.	Miller, Amanda
Krum, Edward	Nothstein Reuben
Steigerwalt, Stephen.	

H. H. PETERS, P. M.

Officers Elected.

At the regular meeting of Lehigh Hook & Ladder Co., No. 1, of this borough, held on Monday evening last, the following officers were duly elected to serve for the ensuing term:

President—H. V. Morthimer.
Vice-President—Geo. Kemerer.
Rec. Secretary—Geo. W. Deihl.
Fin. Sec. and Treasurer—W. P. Long.
Foreman—W. P. Long.
Ass't Foreman—George W. Deihl.
Trustees—O. Kemerer, 3 years, O. A. Claus, 2 years, Alex. Crick, 1 year.
Directors—Aaron Krum, O. Kemerer, John Miller, Ed. Raworth.

Religious Notes.

LEHIGHTON M. E. CHURCH, Rev. J. P. Miller, pastor—To-morrow, (Sunday, 9 a. m. 10 a. m., sermon by the pastor, Subject "The Trial of Abraham." 2 p. m., Sunday school. 6:30 Prayer Meeting. 7:30 Sermon by the pastor, Subject, "The Eagle Stirring up her nest."

LEHIGHTON EVANGELICAL CHURCH, Rev. B. J. Smoyer, pastor, to-morrow, Sunday—9 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. WEEK DAY SERVICES—Monday evening, Normal Class Meeting; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, Prayer meeting.

State Hospital for Miners.

The committee of six consisting of Messrs. D. A. Beckley, John W. Morgan, Thomas F. Kerns, J. R. Eby, William Lilly and William James, for locating and building a State Hospital for Injured Miners in the anthracite coal regions, were in Philadelphia, Tuesday inspecting several of the large hospitals for the purpose of learning their systems of treatment and management. Several claims of towns in the anthracite coal regions have been urged upon the committee as "the best" location for the hospital, but as the committee have only just advertised for lots the location of the hospital is as yet a matter of uncertainty. The present amount appropriated for its construction is limited to $60,000. Plans for the projected building will be solicited in a short time.

Disappearance.

Three months ago James Matthews, who had been a leading business man of Honesdale, Wayne Co., for thirty years, absconded, owing between $20,000 and $30,000, nearly all of which was borrowed money. Much of the money had been borrowed on false pretenses. Matthews was one of the bondsmen of Tax Collector Henry Gray, of whom he had borrowed largely of the public moneys in the collector's possession. This fact was recently made public. Gray had been a public officer for many years, and had not betrayed the confidence of the public. The disappearance of Matthews with money for which Gray was accountable preyed on the latter's mind. He was unable to make it good. Two weeks ago he was obliged to take to his bed. A few days ago he went out of his house while suffering from fever. He has not since been seen. It is conjectured that he has committed suicide.

New Coal Outlet.

The survey of the projected railroad from Pittston to Hawley, through the Moosic Mountains, the new coal outlet for the New York, Lake Erie and Western Railroad, has been completed, and the work of grading has been begun. The road, which will be about fifty miles in length, will be built by a party of English capitalists at an aggregate cost of a million dollars, the estimated cost per mile being about $20,000. The object of its construction is to afford the Erie company an independent outlet for its coal from the Wyoming Valley, where it has 2000 acres of rich, undeveloped coal lands south of Scranton. At present the Erie's coal is principally shipped from the valley over the Delaware and Hudson gravity road to Honesdale, but this portion of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company's highway is fully taxed with its own shipments. The projected road will connect with the Lehigh Valley Railroad at Pittston, and the Erie Railway at Hawley, thus affording fine facilities for freight and passenger traffic, as well as for coal shipments from this section.

Democratic County Convention.

The Democratic County Convention met at the Court House, in Mauch Chunk, on Monday, September 1, and was called to order by John Taylor, chairman of the County Committee, and organized by electing A. E. Scheets, Mauch Chunk, president; Michael Kromer, Weatherly, and Levi Harleman, Lower Towamensing, vice-presidents. Samuel Motzer, Summit Hill, and James P. Smith, Lehighton, were appointed secretaries.

The credentials of delegates were called for, and the following committee appointed on contested seats:

Daniel Graver, Reuben Steiner, Levi Hartz, John Strohl and Edward Kelly. The following is the list of delegates:

Audenried—John Garah, Pat. Gallagher.
Beaver Meadow—C. Gallagher (contested) Hugh Gallagher.
East Mauch Chunk.—John Gassner, Chas. O'Donnell.
East Penn.—D. Romig, Levi Steigerwalt.
Franklin.—Jacob Bechtel, Henry Miller and H. P. Levan.
Kidder N.—J. T. Holcomb, Charles S. Kunkle.
Kidder S.—Joseph Heimbach, Amos Meckes.
Lansford.—Jas. McGinty, Frank Hiester.
Lausanne.—James Kennedy (contested), James Smith.
Lehigh.—John Heiney, Edwin Fritz.
Lehighton.—Ezra Newhart, James P. Smith, Wm. Waterbor and Dan. Graver.
Lower Towamensing.—John Strohl, Levi Harleman, Charles Greensweig, Alex. Beer and Samuel Stroup.
Mahoning.—Jonas Rehrig, Daniel Rex.
Mauch Chunk, 1st Ward.—A. E. Sheetz, Wm. Sweeney and Eli Sensinger.
Mauch Chunk, 2nd Ward.—Edward Kelly Wm. Geering.
Nesquehoning.—Patrick Lawler, Patrick Connelly.
Packer.—Jonas Hartz, Reuben Steiner.
Packerton.—J. T. Semmel, Dan. Krock.
Parryville.—F. P. Boyer, David Moyer.
Penn Forest.—E. Koch, Jr., H. G. Deppey.
Summit Hill.—Sam. Motzer, Peter Cannon, John C. Boyle.
Towamensing.—Jonas C. Beer, Wm. C. Brown, Charles Shaeffer.
Weatherly.—M. G. Kromer, Levi Hartz, Jacob Miller.
Weissport.—John G. Biery, John Arner.

Adjourned to meet at 1:30 o'clock, p. m.

At 1:30 p. m., the convention reassembled, the roll of delegates was called, and all being in their places, proceeded to business.

The committee on contested seats made their report, declaring that C. Gallagher, of of Beaver Meadow, and James Kennedy, of Lausanne, had been duly elected as delegates, and were entitled to seats in the convention.

The following resolutions, which were offered in the forenoon, were now read and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we again pronounce the great fraud committed by the Republican party in 1876, whereby Samuel J. Tilden and Thomas P. Hendricks were deprived of the high offices to which they were elected, the greatest outrage ever committed against the liberties of a people.

Resolved, That the Democratic party in justice to its distinguished standard bearers is in duty bound to re elect them in 1880 and instal them into office at all hazzards.

Resolved, That the delegates chosen to-day to our next State Convention use all honorable means to secure the election of Tilden and Hendricks delegates from Pennsylvania to the National Convention.

Resolved, That Hon A. G. Brodhead and Eugene P. Williams, Esq., are hereby appointed delegates to the next State Convention.

The Chairman then announced that a nomination to fill the office of Prothonotary, was in order, and the names of George W. Esser, of Mauch Chunk, Elwin Bauer, of East Mauch Chunk, and Thomas A. Richmond, of Kidder, were put before the convention. On motion, Daniel Graver and John Strohl were appointed tellers. Mr. Richmond withdrew his name, and a ballot was taken on the other two, resulting in Esser, 36; Bauer, 22; and George W. Esser was declared the nominee. A motion was made and carried that the nomination be made unanimous.

A nomination to fill the office of Sheriff was next in order, and the names of F. P. Semmel, Lehighton; Paul Kresge, Towamensing; Wm. Nesly, Summit Hill; J. S. Keiser, Mauch Chunk; Chas. Kline, East Mauch Chunk, were respectively submitted. Mr. Kline withdrew his name, and the convention proceeded to ballot, with the following results:

	Ballots.								
	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.
Semmel	24	15	16	17	16	16	15	15	00
Kresge	12	22	23	24	22	22	25	24	35
Nesley	5	4	1	00	00	00	00	00	00
Keiser	17	17	18	17	20	20	18	19	23

And thus on the 9th ballot Paul Kresge was declared the nominee, and on motion the nomination was made unanimous amid much applause.

The Chair now called for a nomination to fill the office of Coroner; and the name of Dr. C. W. Lentz, of Weissport, was submitted, and he was nominated by unanimous acclamation.

The next nomination was for Jury Commissioner, and Thos. O'Gorman, Summit Hill; Dennis Gallagher, Lansford; W. H. Rauch, Kidder; James Appenzeller, East Penn, and Ezra Newhart, Lehighton, were named. On the first ballot Dennis Gallagher received 38 votes and was declared the nominee, which was made unanimous.

For County Surveyor, Henry Boyer, of Weissport, was nominated by unanimous acclamation.

The business of the convention being now finished, a motion was made and carried to adjourn; and the convention adjourned *sine die*.

At a meeting of the new county committee held in the grand jury room, immediately after the adjournment of the convention, A. E. Scheets, of Mauch Chunk, was elected chairman of the county committee for the current year, and Captain H. E. Schwartz was re-elected secretary.

A noticeable feature of the convention was that it was fully and largely represented from every portion of the county; and, not withstanding the sharp individual contests, the greatest harmony and unanimity prevailed in all its deliberations and measures. While there will necessarily always be personal preferences in the selection of candidates, and therefore individual differences of opinion, the general impression seemed to be that the ticket nominated is, taken as a whole, a strong one, and will, with good management, bring out a full party vote at the coming election.

Weatherly Items.

—Married on Tuesday, the 2d inst, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. T. P. McAvoy to Miss Kate Ball, Rev. R. Colburn officiating. The happy party left the same day for Philadelphia and other points on a wedding tour.

—Mr. E. A. Smith, who sailed several months ago for South America, has been heard from; he had arrived at the island of Trinidad—well.

—Leadville, Colarado, according to reports received from the Weatherly boys, must be a great place. A fellow caught out doors after dark is apt to be hailed with the significant request, "hands up!" Strange as it may seem the request is invariably granted.

—Jacob Ginter, Sr., of Mauch Chugk, has secured employment in our foundry.

—Not less than five families have changed places of residence during the week; we were reminded of the 1st of April.

—Mr. John Dougherty has turned up in Denver, Col. ROCKAWAY.

Mauch Chunk Notes

ANOTHER OLD RESIDENTER GONE TO REST.—On Sunday evening last, while on the way to attend divine services at the Presbyterian church, Mr. Samuel B. Hutchinson, an old and much respected citizen, was stricken down with apoplexy, was taken home insensible, and died the following evening at 6:30 o'clock. Mr. Hutchinson was born in Lower Mount Bethel, Northampton county, January 17, 1805, and was, therefore, aged 74 years, 7 months and 15 days. At an early period, while the present territory of Carbon was a part of Northampton county, he came to Mauch Chunk and allied his labors with the early developement of the anthracite coal interest. For a number of years he was paymaster for the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Co., the duties of which office he filled with much ability, winning a reputation for punctuality and integrity. He resigned the position some years ago, on account of failing mental faculties and a threatening of the disease which terminated his life. During those years he reared a family of children, who are married and settled in different sections of the country, one of whom, Mr. James Belford resides in Mauch Chunk, with whom, since the death of his wife about five years ago, he made his home. Perhaps no man had fewer enemies and more friends than Mr. Hutchinson. An honest friend to all, his social geniality made friends of all. Since the war he has had occasion to remain for a time in the State of Virginia, and also in the West. His sympathies were very warmly elicited for the freedmen, and also for that fast declining and much persecuted race, the American Indian; and he never tired of presenting their claim for sympathy to the attention of his friends. Of late, much impaired by age, but full of warm-hearted sociability, it was a delightful habit with him to make short afternoon calls among his friends and neighbors, and especially among those who happened to be sick or in sorrow; and he was always a welcome visitor, bringing with him a halo of sunshine and hope. His life was one of usefulness, and he lived more years than are allotted to man; he leaves behind what Solomon tells us is more to be desired than great riches—a good name. It was his intention to accompany his daughter to California on Tuesday, she being here on a visit. His funeral was solemnized on Wednesday, and his body was laid to rest in the cemetery on the hill, where sleep many of his associates and co-laborers of years past.

MISCELLANEOUS.—The public schools in both wards were opened on Monday. The graduating class in the high school has but four candidates for diplomas this term.

—The hotels complain that they have not realized the business this summer that the prospect at the commencement gave them reason to hope for.

—Mr. J. S. Keiser, proprietor of the Broadway House, was married in Philadelphia, on Tuesday to Miss Sarah A. Bower, of that city. Rev. Noble Frame, a former pastor of St. Paul's M. E. church here officiated. The happy couple were expected home last evening, where the Phœnix Band awaited to welcome them with a serenade.

—John Kline, Esq., has declared his intention of being a candidate for the office of District Attorney in 1880.

—Rev. Joseph Heinan, of East Mauch Chunk, on Thursday morning, united in the bonds of wedlock Mr. Stephen Hentzell to Miss Mariana Pfleghar, daughter of Benedict Pfleghar, Esq.

—Dog days are past; the occupation of the dog-catcher is gone; and now the blithesome canine wanders light-hearted over his happy hunting-grounds with no muzzle on his nose.

Packerton Ripples.

—Nathan Lefler has just returned from a trip to Jersey, where he purchased a boat load of melons, &c. While there he visited Rev. J. B. Whitton, formerly pastor at Packerton, he found him very comfortably situated, surrounded with kind friends, and a church in a flourishing condition.

—John Mullen for several years operator at the Forwarding Office here, has accepted a position with the Phila. & Erie Railroad Company, at Sunbury. He entered upon his duties on Monday.

—Charles W. Woody, an officer on the Steamship Switzerland, (Red Star Line), running from Philadelphia to Antwerp, was visiting at W. L. Stiles last week.

—The convention is over, and the nominees before the public. Those who failed have the sympathy of their friends, and are encouraged with the idea that next time their chances are good—aye better. Broken promises are the subject of much thought and comment, yet we never—well hardly ever, meet a politician who does not pride himself on his honor, when they say a thing they mean it; yet after all the amount of mental reservation is what does it. The campaign promises to be lively. The Republicans say they will nominate a strong ticket; the Greenbackers (that unknown quantity) will do likewise, so they say. With three good tickets in the field and every voter determined to vote for the best man, the best interests of Carbon are not endangered—it is hoped that personalities will not be indulged in; that is not argument; let everything be done decently and in order. The Democrats have the lead in the race, and if not the winner somebody will be to blame.

—A visit to Dolonsburg will convince one that the spirit of enterprise moves the residents there. They have as fine fruit as is to be found in the State—grapes, pears, plums, &c. Dr. Boylon has the greatest yield, and takes pleasure in showing one through his grounds. A fine old Irish Gentleman—one of the hospitable kind. David Hatch, the veteran engineer has without doubt the finest fruit. Alfred Vanscooter boasts of the largest pears, his place is in excellent order. John McKelvey is not far behind in quality or quantity. Levi Krum, W. F. Brodhead and others are busily at work improving their properties. A new road from the railroad up the hill makes the ascent easier. Dr. Boylon claims to have surveyed the first route. There seems to be some dispute about it, but the Dr. is a very positive individual.

—There has been quite a number of cases of fever and ague here. John McKelvey was confined to the house for two weeks and James Long was housed for a few days, and quite a number are complaining. The Doctors are kept busy.

—The coal trade remains about the same; the cutting of prices if continued will be very likely to hurt somebody. Some plan should be adapted whereby all interested could feel satisfied.

—A slight collision on the L. & S. railroad at Packerton. No particular damage done, only a badly frightened brakeman.

—Our School Board have as yet not decided to regard the wishes of the people in respect to free books. There is a dead-lock. The gentlemen who are favorable and who are really made of the right material are John Semmel, J. B. Beers, and Henry Burns. Why the other three are not favorable we don't know. We hope they will, at their next meeting, decide to adopt the Free Book System and thus deserve the commendation of the Taxpayers of Packerton Independant School District. AROW.

Lower Kidder Items.

—Sunday school at 12:30 to-morrow.

—Peddlers are plenty in this region—So are stones.

—The weather has been quite warm the last few days.

—Rev. Mr. Strauss, of Pleasant Valley, will preach at this place to-morrow (Sunday) afternoon at 2 o'clock. All are cordially invited to be present.

—Some of the farmers in this region commenced sowing rye last week. Farmers, I think it is most too early yet.

—Considerable bark has been taken from this place to Fennersville the last few weeks.

—Owen Weiss, Broadheadsville, went through this place, to White Haven, with a nice lot of apples, crab-apples, &c. I learn Mr. W. did quite well in selling out his stock.

—Dr. J. Z. Zern, of Weissport, will please accept thanks for favors received.

—I learn that the Sunday school pic nic, at Effort, was held on Thursday last, and the Kresgeville Sunday school will hold their's to-day (Saturday).

—Christian George, of Albrightsville, claims to have the strongest horse in Carbon county. He has brought to this place, from Moses Pond, 1913 pounds of winter green leaves, with one horse. Mr. G, would like to see the man who could equal or exceed that with one horse.

—A delegate election was held at the Pine Grove Hotel, at this place on Saturday of last week at which Joseph Heimbach and Amos Meckes were elected as delegates for F. P. Semmel, of Lehighton. But I am pleased to learn that Paul Kresge, Esq., of Towamensing, has made the nomination; and I hope all parties will heartily vote for him at the coming election.

—There were brought to this place, on Thursday of last week, 4,913 pounds of winter-green leaves. Winter-green picking is about the best business in this region. Many make their living chiefly by picking since the distillers pay $1 per hundred pounds. Some pick as much as 150 and some over 200 pounds a day.

—The distillers in this vicinity have brought to their works during seven days, the following winter-green leaves: Josiah Kunkel 7600 lbs., William Getz 6000, lbs., Samuel Moyer, 4000, lbs., Augustus Hussman 3000, lbs., John Silfies 3500, lbs., which makes a total of 24,100 pounds or 12 1-20 tons.

—Joseph Serfass, of this place, was at Mauch Chunk on Monday last attending the convention.

—A dance was held at the Hunter's Hotel on Friday evening, and at Koch's Hotel on Saturday evening of last week.

—Two things a man should never fret about; what he can help, and what he can not help. PRO BONO.

Big Creek Items.

—Cider making is now in order.

—Sheriff Raudenbush was through this valley on Tuesday, notifying the jurors that are drawn for the October term of Court.

—I have been informed that there is a movement on foot to establish a teachers institute in Franklin township by the teachers of that district and Weissport borough. I hope it may prove successful, for much good is derived from these meetings.

—Edwin Koch and wife, of Hokendauqua, were at this place on a visit to friends on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week.

—Always start a horse with the voice, never with the cut of a whip.

—We are pleased to learn that Paul Kresge Esq., was this time successful in making the nomination for Sheriff. Paul deserved it as he is a hard worker for the party, and as the honor belonged to the Lower End. The selection of Mr. Kresge is one that meets the approval of all We are confident in saying that Mr. Kresge will fill the office with credit to himself and honor to his constituents.

—A number of persons from this place were in attendance at the re-union, at Lehigh Gap, on Tuesday last.

—The County bridge across Big Creek, at Griffith's, should have several planks put on. The way that it is at present is dangerous to drive across. Let the proper authorities attend to this matter before an accident occurs.

—While on a flying visit to Towamensing last week we captured the following, which did not come to the notice of your correspondent from that place:

—Died of consumption on Thursday of last week Ella Beer, aged 18 years, and 5 months. Interred on Saturday last.

—Also, a son of Wm. Shaffer, of summer complaint, on Sunday evening of last week. Interment on Tuesday. Aged 4 years, 3 months and 14 days. Interment of both at Jerusalem church. Services in German by Rev. Mr. Strauss. REVERE.

Mahoning Twinkings.

—The Republican delegate election will be held on Monday, Sept. 8th, at the public house of J. T. McDaniel.

—A. J. Balliet shot a king-fisher last week, which measures six feet across the wings and stands five feet six inches high. He intends to have it stuffed and exhibit it at the Lehighton fair this fall.

—O. E. Beltz, of West Penn, spent Saturday and Sunday with some of his friends in the valley.

—We understand that Ames Eberts, of West Penn, while searching for huckle-berries last week on the Mauch Chunk mountain lost himself. The unfortunate man wandering about here and there on the vast mountain, and even at times coming down to the fort and ascending again to the top, climbed high rocks and lofty trees looking down over the vast valley; where he was almost able to see his own home, and yet he could not find a path that would lead him out of this vast forest; finally, after being much fatigued with traveling, he met a man that took him by the hand and lead him upon the right path, and directed him to his home; he reached it very late in the evening resolved never to go after huckleberries again.

—Miss Lizzie Kemerer, of Lehighton, who has been spending a few weeks with the family of Thos. Musselman, went home this week.

—Frank Kistler and sister spent last Sunday in this valley visiting some of their friends.

—The Democratic delegate election was held on Saturday last, and as we understand quite an interesting conversation took place between two of the leading Democrats, though it was settled without any blows. But I would advise that "little man," if he ever wants to perform a slight of hand trick again, to devise a better plan for doing it. REPORTER.

East Penn Dots.

—Church 9:30 a. m.

—Butter is 18 cents a pound.

—Farmers are now engaged in sowing.

—A large and good crop of buck wheat is expected.

—James Smith has nearly finished clearing new land for H. German.

—Granville Shoemaker had the good luck to shoot a bald eagle, last week, which measured 6 feet 11 inches across the wings from tip to tip, and was 2 feet 9 inches long from head to tail. Weight 10 pounds. He received $1.00 for it from J. T. McDaniel.

—The teachers examination for this township will be held on the 13th of this month.

—Last Monday being the eighty-second birthday of Mr. Daniel Reinard, of this place, his relatives and friends from Lehighton and the neighborhood, to the number of over fifty, gathered at his house, bringing baskets and bundles of good things, which were greatly enjoyed. Mr. Reinard is hale and hearty, having worked some this season at haying and harvesting, and expects to cut his own buckwheat, of which he has a nice field.

—Frank Leuchnor and Miss Kitty A. Nothstein were united in the bonds of matrimony, on the 21st of last month, by James Balliet, J. P. May they enjoy much happiness. UNCLE SAM.

Weissport Items.

Weissport had a mad-dog excitement the first of the week, the excited canine belonging to Irwin Boyer. On Tuesday morning the dog was observed to be more than usually combative among his brother canines on the street. It went to the premises of C. H. MacDaniel, and attacked his kennel. Believing that the dog was mad, Mr. MacDaniel shot at but only slightly wounded it. It went home, and Mr. Boyer attempting to examine its wounds, was bitten in the arm. Subsequently the dog snapped one of Mr. Boyer's children, and attacked Mrs. Boyer. Under the circumstances it was deemed judicious to kill the dog, which was immediately done.

—All the Sunday school of this borough attended the reunion at Lehigh Gap on Monday, making the trip by way of the Lehigh canal.

—F. Laury and H. Rickert received a large boat load of watermelons from Philadelphia on Tuesday, which they disposed of within a few hours after receiving them. The average price received was $10 per hundred.

—Frank L. Raber has received the appointment to teach the school at Long Run. He was a student in Prof. Rowland's Normal school, and makes the eleventh of the normal class who have thus been appointed to teach.

—Mr. Josiah Ruch says that the lime business is better this season than it has been for the past five years.

—Weissport feels complimented in having two Democratic candidates for the fall election—the Coroner, Dr. C. W. Lentz, and County Surveyor, Henry Boyer, Esq. And although the nomination was equal to an election, both candidates were put in the field by acclamation.

A Gala-Day in Mahoning.

The Centre Square and New Mahoning Sunday schools held a union pic nic in Mr. Longacre's woods on Saturday last. The people of the immediate community were out *en masse*; large delegations were present from Lehighton and Summit Hill; and Mahoney, Tamaqua and other places had their representations present also.

Both of these Sunday schools—the one at Centre Square, under the efficient superintendence of Mr. Charles H. Seidle, and the Mahoning school, ably conducted by Mr. Thomas Musselman—have, during the present year, been making commendable progress. A few months ago they introduced the international series of lessons; and through these they have succeeded in awakening new interest in the study of the word of God, on the part of both teachers and scholars.

Saturdry last was set apart as a holiday for the schools. The grove chosen as the place for holding the pic nic was a most admirable one—well shaded, large and sufficiently retired. A large stage, beautifully decorated with evergreens and flowers, was erected immediately in front of several rows of comfortable seats. Here the two schools met at about ten o'clock. The morning exercises were somewhat different from what is usually met with on occasions of this kind, and a little more extended account of them, than we should otherwise give may interest the readers of the ADVOCATE.

The exercises were opened by singing, after which Mr. F. W. Smith was announced to speak on "The Relation of the Sunday School to the Church." The well-chosen thoughts of the speaker entertained the children as well as the older folk. He has devoted some attention to the art of public speaking, and his clear voice and distinct pronunciation rendered this effort agreeable. He speaks in German, and his words roll forth with real German accent. Miss Kate Arner, who is possessed of a remarkably sweet, though not very strong voice, followed the speaker with a solo, the accompaniment to which was performed by Mr. E. S. Hoppes. Mr. A. S. Weber was introduced, and offered a few brief reflections on what was suggested by the immediate surroundings. He was followed by Mr. T. C. Young who to the delight of a great many, spoke in Mahoning's favorite vernacular, and confined his remarks principally to the necessity, on the part of young and old, of leading God-fearing, pious lives, of relying not upon themselves, but upon our blessed Redeemer. Mr. Young is known to be honest and sincere in what he says; as a zealous and faithful worker in the Sunday school and church; and therefore his words came home to the hearts of his hearers with a great deal of force. The infant class of the Centre Square school followed with a hymn, and then Mr. Jonas Kistler was asked to speak about "The Gentlemen of our Schools." He said, in his introductory remarks, that he regretted that the subject had not been assigned to some of the opposite sex, inasmuch as he felt confident that they could handle it with a much more masterly hand. In what followed, however, he showed that he was fully competent to deal with the topic assigned him. His words were pointed and interesting, and the close attention which he elicited from his hearers, was conclusive proof that his effort was highly appreciated. Miss Kate Eberts then sang a solo and chorus in an artistic manner. The sweetness of her voice as well as her personal attractions were remarked by not a few of the young men who enjoyed the admirable rendition of this piece of music.

Mr. T. M. Balliet, who has not a little of the orator about him, was then introduced, and in his usual deliberate manner entertained the audience by some excellent remarks on "Our Ladies." Whoever got up the programme must have known that Mr. Balliet was a friend of the ladies, and no happier a selection could have been made for the position which he filled. He spoke in the highest terms of the ladies of the schools, the important part they bare in the management and instruction of the children, the great influence they exert upon the youthful mind. He thinks they will give the first impulse of all that is good and useful to the next generation, and by properly directed efforts they may do much good to the present. He believes in recognizing woman as the equal of man, and subscribes to the opinion of Luther, that

"Wer nicht liebt wein, weib und gesang,
Der liebt ein narr sein laben-lang."

The next place in order had been assigned to Mr. G. K. Musselman who, to the regret of many, was unavoidably absent. He was to have spoken on the "Object of Sunday school pic nics."

After the singing of several hymns the officers and teachers took their respective classes to the tables close by, which were, figuratively, groaning under their loads of cakes, fruits and delicacies. Before beginning the meal all joined their hearts and voices in singing to the praise of God the long metre doxology.

After the banquet the scholars were dismissed to enjoy themselves as their minds might dictate. The older folks joined with them in their games, and thus added much to the little ones' enjoyment. Some of the older ones also engaged in games by themselves, and their countenances gave assurance to the looker-on that they were in the happiest spirits. Thus the afternoon was spent; the best of order prevailed, no untoward incident marred the occasion, and when the sun sank behind the hills all retired from the grove persuaded, it may be hoped, that it was good for them to have been there. OBSERVER.

STATE NEWS.

The Greenbackers of Centre county have indorsed Mr. Barr for State Treasurer.

Frank Colson, a lad of ten years, was pushed into the water by companions at Oil City, on Friday, and drowned.

—The house of Nathaniel Davies, in Palmyra township, Pike county, was burned on Wednesday evening while Mr. and Mrs. Davies were absent at a prayer meeting. Mr. Davies' mother, 85 years of age, attempted to save the youngest child, but caught her foot between two timbers, and she and the child were burned to death.

—The trial of Peter Hardie at Bellefonte, Pa., on the charge of obtaining money by false pretenses from W. F. Reynolds & Co., bankers, resulted, on Saturday, in a verdict of not guilty.

An infant child of a Mrs. Neill, was kidnapped from Rixford, near Bradford, about three weeks ago, while it was temporarily in the custody of relatives.

John Campbell, while endeavoring to fasten a rope on a shaft at the Cole Creek, McKean county, on Friday, was instantly killed. His body was caught in the cables and horribly mangled.

A market house is to be built at Erie notwithstanding the Mayor vetoed the bill, Council having passed it over his veto. The city will be given its use for twenty five years as an interest on the money invested.

The temperance camp meeting at Bryn Mawr, Montgomery county, opened Saturday night. The large tent was crowded to its utmost capacity, over 1,000 persons being present. The meeting will be continued two weeks.

The Erie *Observer* is indignant to think that an agent has been sent there to see if the people want the erring postmaster dismissed. It thinks a man against whom such serious charges are made should be summarily dismissed.

Four of the nine furnaces in Sharpsville, Mercer county, are now in full blast, and two more are preparing to go into blast. These four, owing to improvements that have been made while idle, now turn out as much metal as eight of them did previously.

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