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[illegible] Walker With [illegible] Mangled—The [illegible] Killed. [illegible] Through Train.

[illegible] of INTELLIGENCER.

[illegible] 12.—A terrible accident [illegible] railroad at the [illegible] above this place, last [illegible] in the death of John Fink, [illegible] in town. Fink was in [illegible] evening, and it is supposed walking down the railroad [illegible] when he met with his death. [illegible] found about 12 o'clock by Owen [illegible] walker of the company. [illegible] head was found lying in [illegible] and the rest of the body along the railroad about fifteen [illegible] of it. The remains were brought [illegible] to the railroad hospital. [illegible] death in a horrible manner, but [illegible] is not known. It cannot [illegible] if he was riding on a train or [illegible] the railroad when he was killed. [illegible] passed over his head, cutting the [illegible] entirely off. The arms, legs and [illegible] of the body were horribly mangled [illegible] fact, the man was literally cut [illegible]. Coroner Honeman was notified [illegible] to move this morning, when the following jury was impanelled: Andrew [illegible] Sherman Swingler, William Witmer, G. G. Shurr, James A. Allison and [illegible] Fisher. After hearing the facts of [illegible] the jury rendered a verdict that John Fink came to his death by being accidentally killed on the Pennsylvania railroad [illegible] the company is exonerated from all [illegible]."

High School Exercises.

The pupils of the high school participated in the following exercises on Friday afternoon: Address, Minnie Zeamer; referred question, Why do we have no thunder in winter? Irving Cain; reading, Annie Detz; [illegible] school; debate, *Resolved*, That President Cleveland was right in refusing to sign the dependent pension bill; affirmative, [illegible] Bergey and Rose Weigel; negative, Kate [illegible] and Albert Snavely. The question was decided in the affirmative by a vote of 20 to 14; name the five largest cities in the world, with the number of inhabitants contained in each, Thomas Young; [illegible] by girls of school; who wrote John [illegible]'s body, etc., Hattie Keesey; sentiment roll, B. class; reading of the high school *Bell*, editor Henry Eyde.

Lodge Officers Elected.

The following officers were elected at Shawnee Encampment No. 23, of Odd Fellows, held last night: Chief patriarch, A. [illegible] Bell; high priest, Chas. L. Filbert; senior warden, S. U. Gulles; junior warden, G. O. [illegible]; scribe, H. J. M. Little; trustee, F. [illegible] D. Miller.

One Death and Two Funerals.

Mrs. Beulah Kirkwood, aged 46 years, died at the home of Frank McFalls, on Cherry street, last night at 11 o'clock. Deceased had been sick about six months with consumption, which was the cause of the death. The remains will be taken to Clearfield, this county, where the funeral will be held.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Conrad Swartz will be held on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. Services in the Second Street Lutheran church.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Mary A. Sample will take place on Monday afternoon at two o'clock. Services in the Presbyterian church.

Slight Wreck.

On Friday a wreck happened at Turkey Hill, on the Columbia & Port Deposit railroad to the freight train drawn by engine No. 223. The bad condition of the road caused three cars to be thrown from the track. The wreck crew were called into service and cleared away the debris.

Around the Town.

A public sale of real estate will be held at the Franklin house this evening.

On Sunday morning Rev. C. D. Rishel, pastor of the Church of God, will preach on "The Christian's Cross." The quarterly ordinance services will be held in the evening.

"East Lynne" was presented in the opera house last night to a good-sized audience by Miss Lewis and company. The company will close their engagement this evening in "The Gypsy's Oath."

The Young Folk's association of the Second Street Lutheran church, held a pleasant meeting last night at the house of Mr. H. Mullen.

Horace Hiller, working at the Columbia rolling mill, had the little finger of his left hand caught in the rolls and severely injured. Dr. Berntheisel amputated the finger at the first joint.

The Hamersly opera company will appear in the opera house for four nights next week.

The Cookman chapel M. E. Sunday school will celebrate their eleventh anniversary this evening. The programme will be very interesting and was recently published in the INTELLIGENCER.

Gen. Mulholland's diorama of Gettysburg will be exhibited in the opera house on March 18, under the auspices of Gen. Welsh Post. The most thrilling and important scenes of this battle are presented on ten separate pieces of canvas.

While going over Second street this morning the horse of Jacob Brumer became frightened and, with the wagon attached, ran down the railroad to Perry street and to Brenner's lumber yard where he was caught. The shafts were broken.

The annual missionary meeting of the Methodist Sunday school will be held on Sunday afternoon.

Four rafts tied up at the coal chutes yesterday afternoon. The high wind prevented stopping at Marietta.

FRIDAY'S NIGHT'S BLAZE.

Considerable Property of Henry Martin and James Booth Destroyed by an Incendiary.

A large lumber shed and stable belonging to Henry Martin, and situated in the rear of the row of brick tobacco warehouses, on Charlotte street above James, were destroyed by fire last night. The alarm was sounded shortly before 8 o'clock, and the firemen responded promptly. They at once went to work and some of them remained in service until after 10 o'clock before all of the fire was extinguished. There was a cold wind blowing while the fire was in progress, and it was only by very hard work that Chief Vondersmith and his men succeeded in saving the large shed of John DeHaven and other property near by. The shed of Mr. Martin, which was burned, was about 100 feet in length and 40 feet in width, and the stable was in the front part. The shed was full of fine seasoned lumber, which Mr. Martin used in the manufacture of brick machines. Among this was a car and a half load of cherry wood, and there was a large quantity of oak and other kinds. Some of this lumber was entirely destroyed, and nearly all was damaged so that it can not be sold. The loss on lumber alone is estimated at $1,000, and the amount of insurance on it is $600. It is with Bausman & Burns in the Phoenix Company of Hartford. The property contained in the stable included seven sets of wagon harness, one double set, a single set of carriage and another of wagon harness, seven horse sheets, fourteen sets of extra flames, a new hay cutter, a half dozen new shovels, forks and other tools, two bales of hay and ten bushels of other feed, etc. Of these goods a number of harnesses and tools belonged to Booth, who is foreman of the brick yard, and he no insurance. The remainder belonged to Mr. Martin. There was an insurance of $200 on the stable in the Phoenix Company of Hartford, and $60 on the burned shed. It will be seen that the loss by the fire will be quite heavy.

The fire was undoubtedly the work of an incendiary, and it was kindled in the stable. A valuable horse was housed and turned out of the building by the party who applied the match and was thus saved. The animal was found running loose in the street after the fire was discovered. Outside of the stable door a set of double harness was found. They had undoubtedly been dropped by the incendiary.

The people who struck the alarm for the fire wanted to be sure that the firemen would come. They struck boxes 43 at Mary and Lemon streets, and 45 at Market and Frederick streets. The result was a big mixture of taps. The levers of the boxes were not pulled down once as they should have been, but a number of times, and if there had been another fire when this one was going on it would have been impossible to sound the alarm on most of the gongs, which were almost struck out. It seems that some people having keys will never learn how to use the boxes properly.

While the fire was burning James Booth was struck on the head and seriously injured by a post, which was standing alongside of the building and was accidentally knocked over upon him.

A Fire at Christiana.

CHRISTIANA, March 12.—The old carriage shops occupied by Nathaniel Gillespie, blacksmith, and J. L. Garner, wheelwright, were consumed by fire at 11:30 Thursday night. The building was a two-story frame 30 x 50 feet. The adjoining property of Thomas Ewing was badly damaged, the roof, weather boarding and upper floor being burned and the house flooded with water. Rev. J. W. Bradley's, Milton Allen's and Cyrus Lingerfield's buildings were all on fire, but only slightly damaged.

The carriage shops were insured in the Lancaster County Mutual and owned by Nathaniel Gillespie. The fire was supposed to have originated from the engine in the wood shop, it being used until 9 p.m. Thursday.

Died From His Injuries.

Jacob F. Keller, whose terrible accident at Steelton was noted on Friday, has died from the effects of his injuries. Deceased was 33 years old and up to a few months ago resided on Church street, near Duke. Getting out of work here he moved to Steelton. He worked for a long time for John L. Arnold and Urban & Burger, and was also a hoseman of company No. 2, of the fire department. He was also an active member of the Shiffler fire company. His mother lives on Church street and his sister is the wife of Wm. J. Smith, living on Low street. His funeral, on Monday afternoon, will be attended by Inland City Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and the Shiffler Fire company, of which he was a member.

Death of Mrs. J. Slater Erb.

Mrs. Lizzie M. Erb, wife of J. Slater Erb, died at the residence of her father at Millersville at noon to-day, aged 30 years. She had not enjoyed good health for several months, but was not considered to be dangerously ill and her death was a great shock to her family. She lived in this city for several years. She leaves a husband but no children to mourn her loss.

The Loss Adjusted.

The adjusters of the several fire insurance companies, in which C. S. Herr's stock was insured, met on Friday evening. They agreed upon $3,525 as the loss and that sum was apportioned among the several companies interested.

Judgments Entered.

The Philadelphia *Press* of to-day publishes a list of judgments entered on Friday. Among them is one for $,3090.03, against Thos. C. Wiley, of this city, in favor of H. Barker & Brothers.

Temperance Address.

Col. J. B. Long, of Kentucky, will deliver an address on Temperance in the First M. E. church on Sunday evening.

Remember St. Patrick's Day, March 17.

That will be the big day for bargains at Colvin's livery, rear of City hotel. Will positively be sold 20 good sound young driving horses, 20 wagons, carriages and buggies, 15 new single and double sleighs, 50 sets of single and double harness, blankets, robes, whips, sleigh bells, &c. Read large bills or send for catalogue. Sale will commence at 10 o'clock a. m.

Worth Reading.

The annual statement of the Equitable Life Assurance society is sworn to and approved by the insurance department. It is the strongest financial institution, for the insurance of lives, or for annuity investments in the world. It has, assuming a 4½ per cent. rate of interest, the New York standard for it invested assets, the enormous surplus of $20,492,175.76. New business unequaled by any other life company for one year, 1886, amounted to $111,540,203.00. This wonderful progress is the result not only of unequaled financial security, but also the public response to a record well emphasized in Lancaster, of liberal methods and unapproached promptness in the payment of death claims. Policies that are absolutely indisputable and non-forfeiting, with freedom from onerous restrictions, are what prudent insurers prefer. Read the statement in our columns and send to the agents with your age, at nearest birthday, for a circular.

Valuable Property Sale.

The real estate of the late James C. Carpenter, on North Duke street, near Orange, will be sold at the Leopard hotel this evening, by Dr. Henry Carpenter, administrator.

Card of Thanks.

We desire as a matter of justice to acknowledge our thanks to Chief Engineer Vondersmith, and also to those serving under him for the able, gallant and heroic manner he handled the fire at Martin's stable and lumber yard. We believe it was due to his efforts that our warehouses were saved from destruction.

J. GUST ZOOK,
JOHN DEHAVEN,
SAMUEL LEWIS,
HENRY MARTIN,

LANCASTER, Pa., March 12, 1887. 1td

Hearty Tribute to the Equitable.

LANCASTER, March 1, 1887.

Mr. J. L. Butler:

DEAR SIR: Please receive for yourself and the "Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States," the hearty thanks for myself and daughter for the prompt payment of the claim arising from the death of my husband, the late William A. Wilson.

We are well aware that from the circumstances attending his death, this payment might have been hampered or delayed, and this knowledge makes us the more thankful to you and the company for this action. I am, dear sir,

Very Truly Yours,
MARY E. WILSON, M. D.
No. 134 NORTH DUKE STREET. 1t

Amusements.

"*The Lights o' London.*"—This evening this popular play will be produced in Fulton opera house by a strong dramatic company. The piece has been one of the most successful ever produced both in Europe and this country, and it still draws tremendous crowds wherever seen. The company visiting Lancaster carries a large quantity of scenery, properties, &c., necessary to give a successful production.

Salsbury's Troubadours.—Next Tuesday evening Salsbury's Troubadours appear in Fulton opera house under the management of "Bert" Rinehart, the well-known stage carpenter, who for several seasons past has played the company here. "The Humming Bird," a new comedy, which made a great hit in New York, will be seen here for the first time. Miss Nellie McHenry, the charming soubrette, who is always as full of fun as a person can be, heads the company, which includes a number of other clever people, who can sing as well as act. The seats are rapidly being taken, and a large house is indicated.

The Battle of Gettysburg.—On Friday and Saturday, March 25 and 26, the citizens of Lancaster will have an opportunity of seeing an excellent representation of the battle of Gettysburg. The exhibition will be given at the opera house under the auspices of Admiral Reynolds Post, No. 405, G. A. R.

Skating and Dancing.—This evening another large crowd will no doubt attend the Maennerchor Rink, where good music is furnished its patrons.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, March 12.—Flour market quiet; sales, 900 barrels; Minnesota Bakers, $4 00@4 50; Pennsylvania Family, $3 62@3 80; Western do, $4 00@4 20; Patents, $4 62½@5 15.

Rye flour quiet, $3 00.

Wheat—March, 93c; April, 90½c; May, 91½c; June, 91c.

Corn—March, 46½c; April, 46½c; May, 47c; June, 47½c.

Oats—March, 35½c; April, 35½c; May, 35½c; June, 37½c.

ROBERT HOLMES' REPLY.

A Sharp Attack Upon the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States.

MESSRS. EDITORS.—Allow me, through your columns, to thank the SPECIAL AGENT, domiciled at the Stevens House, for his gratuitous advertising of my humble self and the exposition of his IGNORANCE.

It has always been a mystery to me how a man could be *honest*, and at the same time intelligent, and represent a Corporation whose practice is *inimical* to everything that is equitable between men. This SPECIAL having honored me by asserting that I am "More Anon"—for the present I will assume the *role*, and ask: What has "More Anon" done to call forth such personal venom? Simply directed attention to certain facts found in the sworn statements of THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY of the United States to the Hon. J. M. Forster, Insurance Commissioner of this State, naming the volume where each fact may be found. If "More Anon" was guilty of falsification, why did not MR. SPECIAL prove this from the official record, and then brand him as a falsifier?

"Bluster Never Disproves Facts."

"More Anon" purported to give the official record of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States for the past five years, but Robert Holmes will go back to May 2, 1859, when the articles of association were signed in conformity with act passed June 24, 1858. (*Notice Mr. Special would have you believe in compliance with a law passed by the New York Legislature in 1858.*) And if this Special *Gentleman*, or any scrip-holder of the Equitable desires to verify the facts, "Robert Holmes lives at 230 North 5th street, Reading," where the Controller's Report from 1850 and the Insurance Reports from organization of department to date can be found and examined at leisure. We quote from Vol. 9, N. Y. S. Insurance Reports, page 752: Article 3 of Equitable's charter states: The Capital of said Company shall be $100,000 in Cash, divided into 1,000 shares of $100 each, which shall be personal property, transferable only on the books of the Company, in conformity with its by-laws. * * * * * *

Article 4th. The corporate powers of said Company shall be vested in a Board of Directors, and shall be exercised by them, and by such officers and agents as they may appoint and from time to time empower. The Board of Directors shall consist of fifty-two persons, a majority of whom shall be citizens of the State of New York, each of whom shall be a PROPRIETOR of at least five shares of the said Capital Stock. * * *

In the election of directors every stockholder in the Company shall be entitled to one vote for every share of stock held by him, and such vote may be given in person or by PROXY. At any time HEREAFTER the Board of Directors, after giving notice at the two previous stated meetings, may, by a vote of three-fourths of ALL the directors, *provide* that each life policy-holder, who shall be insured in not less than $5,000, shall be entitled to ONE vote at the annual election of directors, but such vote shall be given *personally* and NOT by proxy.

The notice required has never been issued. So the HEREAFTER *referred to in the charter has not yet arrived.*

The above extracts from charter in connection with the Equitable's answer of defense before Judge Larremore, March 21, 1881, in the Supreme Court, New York City, in the suit of "Bewley vs. Equitable" (where one Mr. J. H. Bewley instituted proceedings against Mr. Hyde and other directors for alleged misappropriation of funds, &c.): "THE POLICYHOLDER IS NOT A PARTNER, HE IS NOT A CREDITOR, HE IS NOT A MEMBER OF THE COMPANY; HE IS A *person* WHO HOLDS AN AGREEMENT TO RECEIVE A CERTAIN SUM ON A CERTAIN DAY. * * * * * * *

The fund produced by the payment of all the premiums does not in any sense belong to the policy-holders, BUT BELONG EXCLUSIVELY TO THE COMPANY."

Did or did not the Equitable make the above defense in the aforesaid suit? If it did, who is best able to define the Company's status? The Stockholders, Directors and Executive Officers, or a Special Agent, for whose statements and promises the Company *disclaim* responsibility?

If this Special Agent is correct in his assertion that the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States is a *purely Mutual Company*, it follows that the Executive Officers of the Company were guilty of wilful perjury when they filed their defense in the aforementioned suit. You can judge for yourself.

Again, if the Equitable is a purely Mutual Company, why does the Market value of its stock increase with the Company's Surplus? It must be borne in mind that the dividend on stock is limited to 7 per cent. in coin on a par value of $100.?

Yet in 1876, when the Equitable claimed a surplus of $4,109,930.73 (Jan. 1, 1876) the stock sold in the New York Exchange for $653 per share. (*See Insurance Chronicle, Nov. 25, 1876.*) Also Mr. Hyde's explanation thereof in the New York *Tribune* about said date. When the surplus increased (as claimed) to $8,992,296 in 1881, the stock sold on change for $1,040 per share. (*Daily Indicator March, 1881.*) The last quotation we saw was $1,009. (Have not seen any for several years.) Men are not all fools! Nor will they knowingly give $1,040 for $100, with the fact staring them in the face of a possible loss of 9-10 of the principle, and an earning capacity in the meantime of but 7-10 of one per cent.

According to the statements sworn to by the Company and published by the Insurance Commissioner of New York from organization to January, 1886, and including the Company's own Annual Statement, December 31, 1886, THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE Society of the United States has written new insurance aggregating $999,462,028.

Is it, or is it not so? Speak!

December 31, 1886, its annual statement claims to have but $111,779,098 Insurance in force.

Where has the balance, $887,682,930, gone? Answer!

The total payments made by the Equitable to its scripholders aggregate $96,423,608, and this includes every dollar paid for Death losses, Endowments, Tontines, Surrenders, Dividends and everything under the sun. What has become of the remaining $491,258,922?

These dear "persons who hold an agreement with the Equitable to receive a certain sum on a certain day," have contributed to this Equitable fund $165,900,225. And these very humane gentlemen, the Directors of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, admit they have appropriated to themselves and their agents for the expense of management only $33,573,928, or a fraction over 20 per cent.

No sane man would for a moment (and certainly "*More Anon*," as we read the article does not,) question the ability of Mr. Hyde or that of the Equitable's management. The fact of its having liquidated $587,682,930 of assumed obligations by the payment of $96,423,608 settles the question of ability beyond dispute. But the honor and humanity of a strong rich corporation is not visible, in liquidating its paper held by poor hard-working sons of toil, by paying 16 4-10 cents on the dollar.

Where does the misrepresentation come in? The Equitable claims to have written $999,000,000 insurance, and admits having now $111,000,000, and can show receipts for having paid but $96,000,000. The Equitable, by its deceptive statements, has landed itself where it is. Not "*More Anon*" or Robert Holmes.

But its practice is inimical to everything that is Equitable between men.

What would you think of me, or my agent, if either called on you and urged you to purchase one or a hundred shares of stock in a gold mine, and would assure you that on the honor of man its product would assay $100 to the ton, and you could get in on the ground floor, when after the stock was bought and paid for, the mining operations fully under way, on assaying the quartz the yield was but $55.57 to the ton? Would or would you not charge me with being a confidence man and of having procured your money by false pretense?

Well, this is virtually what the Equitable and similar corporations have been doing for years by their inquitious Tontine system. In 1886 the Equitable Life Assurance Society settled fourteen full Tontine policies (numbers of which can be given), aggregating $150,000 Insurance; the estimates furnished the insured when the insurance was effected, represented that the surplus would aggregate $68,950 at end of Tontine period. The actual result netted $38,044.37. The estimates furnished to day for *semi*-Tontine policies as contained in the Equitable's Red Book, represent that if parties of similar age to the above fourteen scrip-holders should apply for semi-Tontine Assurance the results will be $38,016, or just 28 dollars less than present results on full tontine policies. To realize fully the greatness of this deception, it must be remembered that if you fail to pay the premium on a full tontine policy, you forfeit both reserve and dividend; while if you fail to pay on a semi-Tontine you forfeit only the dividend and secure paid-up Insurance for the reserve; and the reserve ranges from 40 to 80 per cent. of the premium according to the plans selected.

In view of the foregoing I ask the question. Can a man be honest, and at the same time intelligent and aid in palming such deception on a confiding people? Suppose a salesman representing such a house as Hood, Bonbright & Co., would call on J. B. Martin & Co., and offer to sell him New Market muslins for 4 to 5 cents per yard, and then cross over to D. K. Landis and charge him for the same muslins 6 to 8 cents per yard? Would you call him an honorable honest salesman? This is on a par with the representatives of the Equitable who sell a rich man a policy of from $50 to $100,000 Insurance at from 40 to 60 cents on the dollar. (Did you ever notice the self-satisfied expression of the Equitable Agent's countenance as he displays his long roll of distinguished patrons who hold the Equitable's obligations for $50 to $100,000). While the industrious hard worker, who can only afford to carry from one to five thousand dollars, must pay the full one hundred cents to the dollar.

Can you see any mutuality, or honesty either, in such methods? Is it any wonder that an army of 125,000 strong should have withdrawn from such mutuality, leaving their hard-earned money behind them as the price paid for their experience? Would it not have been more consistent with mutuality to have distributed some of the 20 millions surplus among them before they deserted the Grand Army of Equitable scripholders.

The assertion is made that Mr. Register of Philadelphia has during the past 27 years transacted for it a business of over $50,000,000, GOOD EQUITABLE INSURANCE *without a single law suit.* Is it a fact, or not, that one James D. McCabe lived in Philadelphia, and died, possessed of an INCONTESTIBLE INDISPUTABLE policy in the Equitable Life Assurance Society, No. 248,093, for $15,000? Answer. The records of the U. S. C. C. E. D., of Pa., April session, 1883, bill No. 52, disclose the fact that Mrs. Mary C. McCabe brought suit to recover the face of policy 248,093, which this great company refused to pay. The Equitable filed its answer July 19, 1883. Mrs. McC. being needy a compromise was effected August 19, 1885, on the basis of 50 cents on the dollar and counsel fees. Who is to be believed, the court records or Mr. Special? They contradict each other, hence one is false. We can add Pennsylvania records which disclose that a recent ex-Attorney General compelled this virtuous corporation to disgorge the balance due on a policy which the representatives of Equitable forced the widow to compromise, and not a hundred miles from Lansdale, Montgomery county, Pa. Fray, where is the 50 millions of insurance held by this society in Pennsylvania. Mr. Forster, the Insurance Commissioner, don't seem to know of its existence or he would say so in his report. Before closing, and it being probable that the writer has had a longer association with the Equitable Life Assurance Society and knows more about its mutuality and humanity, than this particular Special who illustrated his ignorance in your issue of the 7th inst. We will give a leaf from our personal experience covering more than 20 years.

January 21, 1887, the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States issued policy 18,080 for $5,000, ordinary life plan, age 32, semi annual premium $64.10, on the life of Robert Holmes. April 9, 1871, the following letter was received by the writer:

"Office of Betts & Register, General Agents Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, No 432 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

"APRIL 8, 1871.

"*Robert Holmes, Esq., Doylestown, Pa.:*

"DEAR SIR.—Your policy is entitled to be converted into a paid-up policy for $1,000, if returned to us within 30 days.

"Yours truly,
"BETTS & REGISTER,
"General Agents"

Deny it and we will produce the original!

We did not then surrender, but after the publication of the official examination of the Society late in 1876, and ascertaining that the stock was selling on change for $653 on a par of $100, with dividend ostensibly limited to seven dollars per annum in coin, we concluded that our time to get out had arrived. So after having made 11 semi annual payments subsequent to the writing of the above letter, we applied for paid-up insurance, and January 21, 1887, policy 111,230 for $1,030 (without profit) was issued on our life in exchange for policy 18,080 of $5,000, the legal reserve (4 per cent.) on which amounted to $586.85, and in a Mutual Company, such as the New England, the Mutual Benefit, the Connecticut Mutual, or the *maligned* Mutual life, would have secured us a policy ranging from $1,250 to $1,400, entitled to receive an annual dividend in *Cash*. So much for the Equity of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States.

The interests of the insuring public demand that this boastful Society should feel the iron hand of the law, compelling the embodiment in the contract of the representations, which it places in the mouths of its Agents, that they may better perpetuate the *iniquitous* methods of Tontine and Semi-Tontine Insurance.

This SPECIAL professes to give the sworn statements of the Society for January, 1887. We will *await* the Insurance Commissioner's publication of the same.

And in conclusion be it known to this special and all others that Robert Holmes never uttered a word or wrote a line against an individual or corporation that he would try to disavow.

We are simply a plain matter-of-fact individual, whose motto is: "*Be sure you're right, then go ahead.*"

ROBERT HOLMES.

READING, Pa., March 10th, 1887.

MARRIAGES.

BAER—STIEFEL.—On March 10, 1887, by Rev. J. Kueiling, D. D., Mr. John M. Baer and Miss Barbara Ann Stiefel, both of Lancaster.

DEATHS.

MULLEN.—In this city, on the 9th inst., Rebecca, daughter of William T. and Sarah Mullen, in the 24th year of her age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from the residence of her parents, No. 616 Columbia avenue, on Sunday afternoon, at 3 o'clock. Interment at Lancaster cemetery. mar12-2td

DEITRICH.—In this city, March 10th, Mrs. Mary Deitrich in the 77th year of her age.

The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from the residence of William C. Gast, 146 North Mulberry street on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. 2td

HESS.—In this city, on the 10th inst., Henry Hess, in the 65th year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from his late residence, No. 425 St. Joseph's street, on Monday morning at 9 o'clock. High mass at St. Joseph's church. Interment at St. Joseph's cemetery. 1td

KELLER.—In Steelton, on the 11th inst., Jacob B. Keller, in the 34th year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family, also Lodge 88, K. of P., and Shiffler Fire company, are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from the residence of his brother-in-law, Wm. J. Smith, No. 121 Low street, on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. 1td

POLITICAL.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

SIMON L. BRANDT (Farmer),

Of East Donegal township. Subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention. Your influence respectfully solicited.

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FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

SOLOMON ZEAMER,

Of West Hempfield township. Subject to the Decision of the Democratic Convention.

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MARKETS.

New York Market.

NEW YORK, March 12.—Flour more dull; Fine, $2 30@3 10; Superfine, $2 70@3 30; good to choice extra Western, $3 65@5 00; good to fancy extra state, $3 60@4 00; common to good extra Western, $3 25@3 60.

Wheat—No. 1 Red State, 95c; No. 2 do, 93c; No. 3 Red, Winter, March, 91½c; April, 92½c; May, 92½c; June, 91½c.

Corn—No. 2 mixed cash, 50½c; March, 50c. April, 49½c; May, 49½c.

Oats—No. 1 White state, 38½c; No. 2 do, 36½c.; No. 3 mixed March, 34½c.

Rye dull; Western, 55@56c; State, 57½@59c.

Barley nominal.

Pork dull; new mess, $15 00; old mess, $15 00@15 25.

Lard—March, $7 89; April, $7 89; May, $7 88.

Molasses dull at 19c for boiling stock.

Turpentine firm at 35½c.

Rosin dull; strained to good, $1 60@1 67½.

Petroleum dull; Refined, in cases, 5½c.

Freights dull; grain to Glasgow, 2½d.

Butter steady; Western Creamery, 23@31c; Elgin Creamery, 22@33c; state dairy, half firkin tubs, 14@22c.

Cheese steady; Western Flat, 11@12c; good to choice light skims, 11½@13½c. Fancy White, 11½@13½c; State Factory, 13½c.

Eggs dull; State, 17@17½c; Western, 17@7½c.

Sugar dull; Refined Cutloaf, 6¼c; Granulated, 5¾.

Tallow dull; prime city, 4@4 1-32c.

Rice nominal; Carolina, fair to good, 3@3¼c.

Coffee quiet; fair cargoes, 14¾c.

Grain and Provisions.

Furnished by S. K. Yundt, Broker.

CHICAGO, March 12, 1 o'clock p. m.

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Pork.	Lard.
March	....	....	....	....	....
April	77½	43⅝	....	....	7.75
May	82⅝	49⅞	28⅝	20 50	7.72
June	81½	41½	28⅝	20 50	7.80
July	8 ⅛	42⅝	....	....	....
September	81⅝	....	....	....	....
December	84⅛	....	....	....	....

	Receipts	Car Lots.
Winter Wheat		8
Spring Wheat		66
Corn		205
Oats		103
Rye		....
Barley		....
Oil City.		
Crude Oil		62⅝ Head.
Receipts—Hogs		75,000

Closing Prices—3 o'clock p. m.

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Pork.	Lard.
March	76⅝	35⅝	24	20.10	7.40
April	76⅝	3 ⅝	24	....	7 45
May	82	40⅝	29	20.50	7.52
June	80⅝	41	28⅝	20.50	7 60
July	80⅝	42	....	....	....
September	81	....	....	....	....
December	84⅝	....	....	....	....
Oil City.					
Crude Oil					62⅝

Chicago Produce Market.

CHICAGO, March 12, 9:30 a. m.—Market opened.

Wheat—March, 77c; April, 77c; May, 82c. June, 80½c.

Corn—March, 36½c; April, 35½c; May, 41c. June, 41½c.

Oats—May, 28½c; June, 28½c.

Pork—May and June, $20 50.

Lard—May, $7 80; June, $7 90.

Short Ribs—May, $6 42½; June, $6 32½.

CLOSING.

Wheat—March, 75½c April, 76½c; May, 82c. June, 80½c.

Corn—March, 35½c; April, 35½c; May, 40½c.; June, 41c.

Oats—March, 24c; April, 24c; May, 29c. June, 28½c.

Pork—March, $9 10; May, $20 50; June, $20 50.

Lard—March, $7 40; April, $7 45; May, $7 52½; June, $7 60.

Ribs—March, $6 32½; May, $6 12½; June, $6 20.

New York Stocks.

NEW YORK, March 12, 1:30 p. m.—Money loaned at 5 per cent. Exchange steady, $4 85½@4 86. Governments steady. Currency 6's, $1 28½ bid; 4's Coup, $1 20½ bid; 4½'s do, $1 08½ bid.

The stock market this morning opened at a fraction above last night's prices, but after the first few dealings a free selling movement in Richmond & Terminal weakened the whole list. By 11 o'clock prices were off ¼ to 2½ per cent the latter in the stock named. The market has since been feverish and irregular.

Stock Markets.

Quotations by Reed, McGrann & Co., bankers Lancaster, Pa.

NEW YORK LIST.	11 A. M.	12 M.	3 P. M.
Canada Pacific	6 ⅛	60⅝	60⅝
C. C. C. & I.	....	....	67
Colorado Coal	....	....	37½
Central Pac.	....	....	30⅝
Canada Southern	58	58	58
Chi. St. L. & Pgh	....	....	17
Den. & Rio. G.	....	25	25
Del. L. & W.	139½	139½	139½
Erie	33⅝	33⅝	33⅝
Erie, 2nds	....	....	98⅝
Jer. C.	69⅝	69⅝	69⅝
K. & T.	31⅝	30⅝	30⅞
Lou. & N.	62	61⅝	61⅝
L. Shore	95½	94⅝	94⅝
Mich. Cen.	....	....	89
Missouri Pacific	108⅝	108⅝	108
N. P.	....	....	27⅝
N. P. Pref.	58⅝	58⅝	58⅞
N. West.	116⅝	115⅝	115⅝
N. Y. C.	114	114	114
East Tennessee C.	13	13	12⅝
Omaha	49	48⅝	48⅝
Oregon Transportation	32⅝	31⅝	31⅝
Ontario & W.	17⅝	17⅝	17⅝
Pacific Mail	54⅝	54⅝	54⅝
Roch. & P.	....	....	....
St. Paul	92	91⅝	91⅝
Tex. Pac.	27	27	26⅞
Union Pac.	58⅝	58	57⅝
Wabash Com.	....	....	17
Wabash Pref.	29⅝	29⅝	29⅝
Western U.	74⅝	75⅝	75⅝
West Shore Bonds	102⅝	102⅝	102⅝
New England	63⅝	62⅝	62⅝
PHILADELPHIA LIST.			
Leh. Val.	....	....	56
R., N. Y. & Phila.	....	....	10⅝
Pa. R. R.	....	....	57⅞
Reading	19	18⅞	19
Leh. Nav.	....	....	36⅝
Hestonv. Pass.	....	....	....
P. & E.	....	....	....
N. Cent	....	....	....
Peoples Pass.	....	....	....
Mdg. Gen'ls.	....	....	102
Oil	64⅝	62⅝	63

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

GRAND SET-OUT OR LUNCH THIS evening at Mannerchor Hotel.
1t GEO. H. KILLINGER, Prop.

SAUER KRAUT LUNCH THIS EVENing at Excelsior Hall, No. 127 East King St.
CHAS. VOGT.

OYSTER PIE LUNCH THIS (SATURDAY) Evening at the Southern Exchange Hotel, corner South Queen and Middle streets.
1t* JOHN H. BORGER, Prop.

LUNCH.—GENUINE SNAPPER SOUP for Lunch THIS EVENING, at Bahler's Hotel, corner North Queen and Orange streets. Best of beer on tap. A. C. BAHLER,
1td Proprietor.

LUNCH.—GRAND SAUER KRAUT Lunch at the Manor Hotel, 217 and 219 West King street, opposite King Street Theatre. Drink between the acts. Rieker's and Sprenger's refreshing beer drawn from the keg.
1td JOHN B. BISSINGER, Prop.

HOUSES FOR RENT.
5, 6 and 8 Room Houses on North Marke', North Cherry and East Frederick streets. Call at SHULMYER'S COAL OFFICE.
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NOTICE.
Parties holding checks will please return them at once, as I will move April 1. Tea boxes, coffee cans, glass doors, shelves and counter will be offered for sale. DO YOU,
1t* 136 North Queen Street.

WANTED—$25,000 IN AMOUNTS OF $4,000 and upwards, for which first mortgage on city real estate will be given. Interest, 6 per cent. Apply to ALLAN A. HERR,
mi2 3td&K No. 168 East King Street.

WANTED—HIGHEST CASH PRICES paid for Hickory and Ash in logs or plank. Address, ALFRED DILLER,
2t 110 W. Lemon Street, Lancaster, Pa.

A SPECIAL GRADE OF TOILET PAPER, fine and soft, in texture and standard quality. In wire-looped and wrapped packages, 10 cents a pack, at
HUBLEY'S DRUG STORE,
36 West King Street.

PUBLIC SALE OF A GENERAL ASsortment of Household and Kitchen Furniture, Large Improved Heater and Wardrobe, at the Stock Exchange Hotel, No. 348 North Plum street, on MONDAY AFTERNOON at 1 o'clock.
1td F. H. WILHELM, Auctioneer.

PUBLIC SALE.—ON TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, March 15 and 16, at 10 o'clock a. m., of the entire fixtures of the Central Hotel and Restaurant, under Locher's Bank. C. MYERS.
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FOR RENT—MARKET HOUSE ON West King street, and adjoining Mayor's Office, will be leased for eitherone or five years. Bids for the same will be received at the City Treasurer's Office, until 3 o'clock of Tuesday, March 15, 1887. Market Committee reserve the right to reject all bids. By order of
mar12-2td MARKET COMMITTEE.

PUBLIC SALE.
On Wednesday, March 16, at 9 a. m., will be sold a full line of Household Goods, consisting of furniture, carpets, bedding, including half mattresses, extension table, refrigerator and other