Bradford Reporter.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

☞ The donation party for Rev. S. F. Colt, on Friday evening last, was quite a success.

☞ The Good Templars' County Convention is in session at Rome.

☞ On Monday last Mr. R. M. Welles employed forty berry pickers, and secured nearly *forty* bushels of strawberries.

☞ The members of Franklin Fire Company presented their foreman, Mr. Ira B. Humphrey, with a beautiful gold badge on Wednesday evening, June 15.

☞ A woman whose name we did not learn, was attacked by sun-stroke on Monday last, while picking strawberries for Mr. Sherwood in Sheshequin.

☞ The Athletics beat the Atlantics and the Atlantics beat the Red Stockings, but those young beets at Patterson & Kinney's can't be beat. All kinds of groceries fresh and nice.

☞ The Directors of the Lehigh Valley R.R., accompanied by several ladies, passed over the road from Philadelphia to Waverly last week. On Wednesday afternoon they visited this place, and partook of a dinner at the Means House.

☞ Mr. Freeman, for some time past editor of the Pittston *Gazette*, has retired, and the paper is again under the management of Mr. Richart, the proprietor, who has associated with him Mr. B. F. Hughes. Mr. Freeman proposes to establish a new paper in Pittston.

☞ Are you going to celebrate the Fourth? Certainly; why, what would the day be without a celebration of some sort? Now we can get a full line of fireworks at Wickham & Black's. What, baloons too? Yes, baloons with full directions, and so simple and easily arranged that they are sent up with very little trouble and hardly any risk.

☞ The new Masonic Hall in Tunkhannock was dedicated last week. Several members of the Order in this place were ent. W. A. Peck acted as R.W. Worshipful Master, C. P. Cross as Grand Pursuivant, W. H. H. Gore as Grand Marshal, Rev. W. McGlathery as Grand Chaplain, and Joseph Marshall Grand Sword Bearer.

Grand Lodge I.O. of G.T.—The following representatives from Bradford county were present at the Grand Lodge, in annual session at Gettysburg last week Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday:

C. M. Hall, of Northern Lodge, No. 320; C. L. Stevens, Stevensville Lodge, No. 767; Frank Stallord, Wyalusing Lodge, No. —; J. B. Wright, H. B. Parsons, Canton Lodge, No. 198.

☞ W. B. Kelly, dentist, publishes a card in another column in regard to rubber plates. The Doctor has been a resident of our place for several years, and by his skill in dental matters and urbanity as a gentleman, has brought to himself a lucrative and increasing practice. The importance of preserving our respective and collective molars and incisors cannot be over-estimated, and we cheerfully commend Dr. K. to the patronage of our people.

Struck by Lightning.—At one o'clock on Friday morning, June 17, the barn of Jacob Stevens, on Lime Hill, was struck, the lightning passing down one post and splitting it badly. There were two fat cows in the stable; one was killed, the other unhurt.

The barn of Ransom Fuller, in the same township (Wyalusing), which was struck by lightning on the 19th of May last and burned, is being rebuilt. It will be completed before haying. The friends have generously subscribed for its erection.

☞ F. J. Calkins, Mercur's Block, dealer in books, stationery, toys, newspapers, periodicals, magazines, inks, pens, pencils, pen-holders, writing paper, envelopes, fancy goods, pictures, picture frames, &c., &c. Subscriptions for daily and weekly newspapers, magazines and periodicals of all kinds, received at publishers' prices, and promptly attended to. Orders for books, or anything else in our line, which is not on hand, will be filled at the shortest notice.

☞ We inadvertently omitted to notice last week, the entertainment given in Mercur's Hall, on the 14th, for the benefit of the Episcopal church. We had not the pleasure of witnessing the performance, but learn from those who did that it was a rich treat and highly enjoyed by all present. The tableaux were beautiful in design, and were executed in a manner reflecting the highest credit upon all engaged.

Too much praise cannot be awarded Mrs. Patton, Mrs. Tileston and Miss Hurt for their untiring efforts to make the affair a success, while the young ladies and gentlemen who participated, deserve the thanks of all interested in the erection of the new church.

The net proceeds amounted to about one hundred dollars.

Personal.—Benjamin Thomas, well known to all the older residents of this place, was in town on a visit. Mr. Thomas left Towanda nearly twenty years ago, during which time many changes have taken place here.

Gen. Patton and Mr. Griffiths have returned from their trip to Maryland.

The Sunday-school of the Episcopal church was addressed on Sunday morning last by Miss Scott, who has been engaged as a missionary in Africa for some years past. Her remarks were exceedingly interesting, giving the children a clear view of the necessity of foreign missions and the benefits arising therefrom.

Mr. D. O. Holton has placed as under renewed obligations by presenting us with a basket of early June potatoes, raised in his garden this season.

Miss Emma Kirby, of this place, started last week for a trip to California.

Rev. J. S. Stewart and A. Wickham are attending a meeting of Synod in Philadelphia.

Knights Templar—Grand Encampment at Williamsport.—The Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Pennsylvania held a Grand Encampment at Williamsport last week. Northern Commandery, No. 16, of this place, was represented. On Friday a thousand knights paraded the streets, presenting a magnificent appearance.

The following officers were elected and installed:

R.E.G.C.—H. B. McKean, Towanda.
R.E.D.G.C.—Chas. M. Howell, Lancaster.
R.E.G.G.—Abraham Miller, Easton.
R.E.G.C.G.—Fitzjames Evans, York.
R.E.G. Prelate—Rev. Jas. S. Evans, Philadelphia.
R.E.G.S.W.—Nathan Smith, Philadelphia.
R.E.G.J.W.—G. C. Shidle, Pittsburg.
R.E.G. Treas.—M. Richards Meckle, Philadelphia.
R.E.G.R.—Alfred Creigh, Washington.

☞ Messrs. Editors: I found the narrative enclosed in the Historical Collections of the State of Pennsylvania, written by Sherman Day in 1843. Can any of the readers of the Reporter inform me through the columns of your paper, in what locality in Wysox this is situated, and the name of the gentleman alluded to? Yours, R. A. M.

Philadelphia, June 14, 1870.

The Connecticut *Herald* of 1817 says: In the town of Wysox, Bradford county, State of Pennsylvania, is the "ci-devant" residence of a hermit. It is a beautiful valley, imbosomed by mountains, and refreshed by a small river which loses itself in the waters of the Susquehanna. The name of the solitary old man, who was a few years since found dead in his cabin, was "Fenceler." Hence the place still does, and probably ever will, retain the name of "Fenceler Castle." This sequestered spot, replete with the most delightful scenery, is now occupied by a gentleman of taste and fortune, an emigrant from Connecticut, who recently transplanted into that garden of nature, earth's fairest flower, an amiable wife.

Sheshequin.—The acceptance of my former communication has given me a greater degree of self-assurance, and therefore better capacity for recounting our "local affairs," religiously, morally, politically, etc. Of the beauty of our little valley it is unnecessary to write. The loved and lamented Mrs. Scott has in her Poems given it a "glory all its own," and any gleanings of mine where she had harvested would appear stale and worthless. As regards inhabitants, our town represents almost every nationality, gossips not excepted. The latter, as every one is aware, being a liberal (?) minded people, giving every one his just dues and *sometimes* a little more, do not materially affect the life of the place; spicing, mayhaps, with a little variety therewith. Of them we may say as the Celt did of purgatory, "One might go farther and fare worse."

There is more interest manifested in religious matters than for sometime past. Our Sabbath-school, which the repairing of the church has delayed our organizing until last Sunday, promises to be large, and although we have not a clergyman located here at present, we hope for the good of the community that the services of one will be obtained ere long.

In point of morality I think that our town rather excels than otherwise; although as in every place there are exceptions. They who have started upon a journey of dissipation, have not, I believe, acted wilfully, but because "custom doth so breed a habit in a man" that blinded, they cannot see the evils which will assail them should the journey be continued.

Politically (with but very few exceptions), the people are loyal subjects of Uncle Sam's.

Mr. Wm. Snyder has been making quite extensive repairs on his house and grounds.

Mr. Rogers is also making improvements on the hotel, which has long stood in need thereof.

Mr. Hutchins Kinney is erecting a pretty little dwelling-house on the site of his old home, and in close proximity with the venerable and beautiful tree underneath whose ample shade (I have been told) the first Universalist Association ever in Sheshequin was held.

A festival is in anticipation, to be held about the 30th of June, at the house of Mr. L. S. Kingsbury, for the purpose of obtaining funds for church expenditures. A cordial invitation is extended to all, and we hope the occupant of the Easy Chair will take a little leisure and be one of the number.

But I will close this scrawl, else the reader may think

"'Tis remarkable that they
Talk the *most* who have the least to say."

Debutant *alias* Scrivener.

June 18, 1870.

Tuscarora.—Dear Reporter: Last week was a busy time with our Spring Hill people. Tuesday eve, June 7, the Ministerial Association for Wyalusing District met at the M. E. Church. After religious exercises, Rev. Luther Peck made the opening address, from "Iron sharpeneth iron," showing the necessity and benefit of such gatherings to ministers, in correcting their habits of thinking, writing and speaking—being a sort of school to supply the place of college to such as are called from the plow or their fishing nets to the Master's vineyard, and in preventing rust from gathering upon the steel of all. The address was gotten up and *off* in the author's usual happy style. It was in part argumentative, abounding in pleasing historical reminiscences and solemn reflections. These Associations meet three times a year to read essays, criticise each other's faults of delivery, and of composition, &c. The critics picked for flaws in the opening address, when the author was allowed to demolish the critics. There were some twenty members present, and whoever read an essay was required to run the gauntlet of the other's criticism. And so iron is made to sharpen iron. During the four sessions, the following members read essays: Rev. J. H. Weston, "The Grumbler," which was a good thing; Rev. D. C. Olmstead, "The Minister's Stomach," excellent and practical; Rev. P. Holbrook, "Pantheism"; Rev. S. E. Walworth, "True Nobleness of Character"; Rev. J. B. Sumner, "The Minister"; a sermon by Rev. S. Elwell, and sermon briefs by Revs. J. S. Lewis and A. L. Sterling. Several essays were laid over for want of time. We like such friendly counsel and criticism, but when a critic uses the scalping-knife without lint or bandage, or the balm of christian charity, we recall the lines of the poet—

"Let dogs delight to bark and bite,
It is their nature for to do so;
But children's hands were never made
To scratch and tear each other's eyes so."

I may be a little rusty in my quotation, and beg for quarters at the hands of the critics.

Our Teachers' Association met at same place later in the week. It was one of the pleasantest sessions we have attended. The music, discussions, declamations, essays and ceture were none of your dull, prosy kind, but earnest and pointed. It showed this one thing: that we *have teachers* who *think* for themselves, and who can "speak and write the English language with propriety." And we are glad to think this latter class are on the increase in Eastern Bradford. Among the pretty things, we may mention a large and splendid bouquet of *water* lilies. Of the Teachers' County Association we say, "Long may it wave."

There appears to be a "right smart" prospect for sweet cider the coming fall, and an occasional "peach cut" also.

Early this spring, W. S. Saleeman captured a nest of young red squirrels, and took two of them to the house alive for *old tabby*; but this canine mother, instead of eating them as was supposed, laid them carefully with her "wee kittens," and adopted them into her own family. She was equally as tender of her "foster" children as of her own. One of these domestic squirrels may be seen—caged—at the store of S. R. Stevens, Laceyville, Pa.

We are sorry to lose "Nip" and "Smirk, Jr.," from the "local." Hope others of your correspondents will be *alone* to "shuffle off this mortal coil." Alpha Beta.

June 16, 1870.

☞ Mr. Editor: Although many of the older citizens of our county, who enjoyed years of intimacy with the late Mr. C. L. Ward, have borne their testimony to his high character as a man, and his worth as a citizen, yet I have thought the following anecdote might not be inappropriate, as it is certainly not uninstructive:

Mr. Ward, though the son of a well-to-do farmer, learned the trade of a printer as well for the purpose of gratifying his taste for literary pursuits, as a means of obtaining an independent livelihood. Having become proficient in the art, he went to Philadelphia to seek employment, but no favorable opening presenting itself, he turned his steps homeward. On his return, he stopped at the house of Col. John Jenkins, at Wyoming, to spend the night. The old man, familiar with all the incidents in the history of that "far famed valley," and fond of telling stories of the trials and sufferings endured through all those long years of trouble which were experienced by the settlers there, found in young Ward an eager and attentive listener. All the evening long, all the next day (which was rainy and unfit for traveling) and the next evening, anecdote after anecdote was related, illustrating the character of individuals, the persecutions of the settlers, their terrible sufferings from the Indians and from their hardly less cruel white neighbors, until the feelings of his youthful hearer were deeply enlisted on the side of the suffering Yankees.

The second day of his stay, he seated himself beside an old trunk, which was made the general depository of the Colonel's correspondence with the prominent men in the valley (he was a voluminous writer), and read those old letters with avidity, and drank in all the facts mentioned, so deeply, that the impressions he then received were never obliterated.

Soon after this, he commenced editing a newspaper, and having all these incidents fresh in his mind, his paper frequently contained able articles defending the claims, delineating the sufferings, and presenting the cause of the settlers. The Connecticut people were rejoiced that at length one who could gain the public ear, understood their case so well and could plead it so ably. They became subscribers for his paper. They furnished him with additional items of information, interested themselves for his success and placed their business in his hands. In order to aid his patrons it became necessary for him to know law and he studied it. Business accumulated on his hands; and though unfortunately his printing office was burned, he found himself not without lucrative employment.

It need hardly be added that these important trusts were faithfully held, and his duties as agent and attorney were satisfactorily performed. Those evenings spent in the house of Col. Jenkins and the letters in that old trunk, opened up to Mr. Ward a new life, and were the foundation of the high reputation and large fortune which by untiring industry he afterward attained.

The story is instructive for the young it affords. It is not the circumstances that surround us so much as the use we make of them, which shape our destinies. Hundreds had heard those same stories, were amused by them and that was all. Mr. Ward seized them and had the ability to turn them to his own and others' advantage, and made them the stepping-stones to an honorable career of activity and usefulness. D. C.

Wyalusing.—*Mr. Editor*: Since our chatty "Jay Bird" has fledged and flown from these parts, I have been waiting for some one who had the leisure and the snap to keep you posted on affairs about our stirring, buzzing little nest. Most of the old brood still remain, and several strangers have come in to whom we give a hearty welcome, and still have room for more, provided they are of the right kind—that is, are willing to help scratch for the nestlings, and will refrain from making disturbance with the old ones.

But seriously—Wyalusing, though the oldest settled place in the county, has not grown as rapidly as some of her younger sisters, although it possesses advantages for business unrivaled by any locality in the county. It is the natural outlet for the people of a large section of country. The trade from the whole water shed of the Wyalusing will as inevitably come here, notwithstanding the pretentious rivalry of Camptown, as water flows into the sea, while Terry, Wilmot, and a large section west of the river only need a bridge across the Susquehanna, to pour all of their produce into her lap. Even now, I have been credibly informed, there is not so much business at any station on the railroad between Towanda and Pittston, as at Wyalusing.

Within the last year the town has been rapidly increasing in population and business. Quite a number of houses were built last season, several have been erected this spring, and others are in progress. Foremost among the agencies which have brought several new families here, is the large planing mill, sash, blind and bedstead manufactory of T. I. Lacey. Your correspondent happened to step into this establishment a few days since, and was surprised at the vast amount of work done there. On the first floor is the office, a spacious kiln for seasoning lumber, stock piles, planer, saws, &c.; on the second floor, scroll saws, turning lathes, mortising machines, machines for cutting mouldings, and scores of other machines whose names and uses I do not now remember, only this, that it was difficult to think of a job in the line of house furnishing or furniture making but he had tools for doing it. Mr. Lacey, who is himself a practical builder, furnishes constant employment for from twenty-five to thirty men. The establishment turns out every week one hundred cottage bedsteads, which can't be beat for beauty of finish and cheapness in price in the county, besides large quantities of flooring, doors, sash, siding, &c., shipping about four car loads weekly, besides what is taken by customers directly from the mill. The motive power is furnished by a fine engine in the basement, of which "Doc" takes special care, and then blows a full half-hour in the twenty-four to exhibit its superior whistle.

Messrs. Hallock & Co. are putting up a spacious four-story building on Church street, which they purpose using as a store for general merchandizing.

Porter and his boy Eugene are doing some good work in the picture business. His views of Wyalusing and vicinity for the stereoscope are excellent, and many of his landscape pictures I have never seen excelled.

Mr. Lewis is building an extension to his store to accommodate his increasing business, and Mrs. Wynn serves ice cream and strawberries to the young folks who favor her with a call on these warm evenings.

In our ramblings about town we must not forget to step inside the post-office and take a look at the new case. Its boxes and drawers are arranged after the most approved method for convenience, is finished in oiled walnut in style fine enough for a parlor. Even a newspaper correspondent is not allowed behind the counter, but by looking through the lattice, we can observe it is so fitted up that mails may be made up and distributed with accuracy and dispatch. I do not know of another place in the county, except Towanda, where so many mail routes center as at Wyalusing, so that between handling out the sweet-scented billets to the young gents and in fitting them with a becoming suit to see the fair senders, Andy keeps trudging from morn till dewy eve. Lest we drain the pond the first draught, we defer other matters until our next. Yours, W.X.Y.

Southwestern Bradford. — *Mr. Printer*: In truth, we are all poor "critters," but the disseminators of local news, whether by tongue or pen, are especially so. Some people look at them very knowingly and give a shrug of the shoulders, as much as to say—You may give and continue giving, but we know better. *Oh, preserve me from such misers!* They are no better than the jealous, the fault-finders, or the know-it-alls, and should remember that my local is not tied up to be stowed away in their musty garrets.

Concerning religion, within my circuit, I find many men of many minds, as may be inferred by 17 meeting-houses, 6 belonging to the Disciples, 4 to the Methodist Episcopals, 3 to the Close Communion Baptists, 2 to the Presbyterians, 1 to the Free Will Baptists and 1 Union. Episcopalians, Catholics, Quakers, Universalists, Seven-Day Baptists, and perhaps a few others are found among us. We have 18 Sunday-schools and 34 public schools, yet some of our people forget or never knew that the scion, according to culture, may be more or less valuable than the parent stem.

Cedar Ledge, in the Turner district (Canton), is not a ledge of cedar, but a ledge of rocks near by which the cedar grows spontaneously. It grows thus in no other place in "our section."

As yet only one bouquet has been handed me, but it is noted that many more front doors present rare and choice flowers, and that several flower-gardens have been put in "better trim." More specimens should be sent in, so it may be known to a certainty who our best florist is. My desire is to do justice and cause no jealousies.

Cupid is still on the alert, using his dart with unwonted precision. His last victims are Benjamin Smith, aged 75, and Sally Stone, aged 72; both of LeRoy.

Our best farmers have no elder, nettle, or brier hedges along their fences, especially by the roadside. I drop this subject, as my design is to give you a full article on the subject of farming.

I learn "the censorious man is prompt to complain. It has been said that an Irishman is at peace, only when he is in a quarrel; a Scotchman is at home, only when he is abroad; an Englishman is contented, only when finding fault with something or somebody; and that an American is in the height of felicity only while in all those wide awake conditions at the same time." It may be well to add that we have a close acquaintance with all these nationalities and enjoy them finely. From your

6:70. Dull Joshua.

P.S.—Harrison Smith has completed his job of erecting the brick house for a Union Graded School at Canton. The work is well done, and is a credit to Mr. Smith. This school-house is an honor to Canton, and shows the public spirit and good sense of the officers selected to cause its erection. The building is to be furnished and ready for school to open about the first of September. The structure is fitted for a first-class school. Shall we have it? D. J.

☞ At a meeting of Lin-ta Hose Company, held on Friday evening, June 18, a vote of thanks was tendered Mr. L. B. Bonnell for a pair of magnificent goblets, presented to the company.

The Lin-ta boys have also recently been presented with several other articles, among which we notice the beautiful chromos, "Magdalena," "The Barefoot Boy," "Wild Fruit," and a large photograph picture of "Faith"; also a splendid French clock, sofa tidy, ice-pitcher, chandelier and marble mantel. Their room now presents the appearance of an elegant parlor, and the Lin-ta boys know how to keep it so.

Festival.—There will be a Festival held at the house of L. S. Kingsbury, in Sheshequin, Thursday evening, June 30, 1870, for the benefit of the church. All are invited to attend. Persons arriving on the cars will be met with carriages at the ferry. 3w

☞ Charles K. Ladd, Treasurer, gives notice that all licenses returned by the Mercantile Appraiser must be paid by July 1st, or suits will positively be brought for the collection of the same. 2w.

☞ We have to chronicle another narrow escape from a frightful accident. As a young gentleman and lady were riding through Main street on Friday evening last, behind a spirited horse, the animal became frightened and unmanageable, throwing the gentleman from the carriage, and Mr. Bailey, of Ulster. The young lady was left alone in the wagon, without reins, while the horse dashed up the street at a furious rate. She, however, preserved a remarkable presence of mind, and neither fainted nor attempted to jump to the ground. After a perilous ride of half-a-mile, she was thrown to the pavement, but escaped with only slight injury.

To the Citizens of Bradford County.—In the month of May last, a meeting was held in Towanda, at which the Bradford County Historical Society was organized, having for its special object the collecting and preserving of the facts concerning the early settlement and history of our county. If anything like a complete history of this county is ever written, it is high time the materials for it were being collected. The various incidents and sketches, which from time to time are communicated to the press, will be lost, unless care is taken to preserve them. The old men who can recollect these early incidents, will soon be removed from the scene of their toils and hardships. Valuable papers and letters are constantly disappearing. Much information, that might a few years ago have been gathered from these sources, has been irretrievably lost. The Society aims to gather up these fugitive articles and preserve them for future use. In this work it asks the co-operation of all our citizens. Without this our efforts will be comparatively fruitless. It is a subject in which we all have a common interest, and should be willing to contribute to its success. A few cannot do the work successfully. Just now the Society needs funds to pay for the publication of documents which it is contemplated to publish. One dollar per year or ten dollars paid at one time, is the fee for membership. The Society also solicits the contributions of files of old papers, books, letters, pamphlets, &c., which will help to elucidate our early history. A fire-proof vault has been tendered the use of the Society, for the preservation of valuable documents and papers. Already, some, living outside of our county, have made valuable contributions. We appeal to our own citizens for co-operation and support. The history of the county is your history. Its honor is your honor, and its benefits will be for you and your children.

Communications or contributions may be addressed to either of the undersigned:

David Craft, Wyalusing;
S. W. Alvord, Towanda;
Sidney Hayden, Athens;
Publication Committee.

☞ The heated term has commenced, and those who have a desire for relaxation from business or home duties, are betaking themselves to the seashore, the springs or the mountains. Not having the wherewithal to pay the expense of a trip to any of the noted places of resort for pleasure-seekers, we engaged a team one day last week and drove over to Mountain Lake in Burlington township, and took with us our wife and our little ones. The trip was a pleasant one, and we were favorably impressed with the appearance of the "lake." It is a small body of water covering fifty to seventy-five acres of land, and might be made a delightful retreat by the expenditure of a small amount of money. Pleasure-boats should be provided and a hotel erected where refreshments could be procured, and visitors accommodated with fishing tackle, &c. With these improvements, the place would possess all the attractions of some of the most popular watering places. The farms in the vicinity of the lake give evidence of thrift and enterprise on the part of the farmers. Neat and comfortable dwellings, and commodious barns, have taken the place of the log house and hovel of the early settler. Among the most prosperous and enterprising of the inhabitants, we found our old friend C. F. Nichols, Esq., who has by his own industry and indomitable perseverance cleared up and put under a good state of cultivation a large farm. He is now extensively engaged in dairying and stock raising. We hazard nothing in saying that a finer looking lot of cows cannot be found in the county, than Mr. N. has upon his farm this season. They are all young and of the Durham and Ayrshire breeds. The yield of butter averages from one hundred and fifty to two hundred pounds per week, the largest portion of which is sold to Mr. Jordan, of the "Means House." Harrison Dodd, Thos. Smith, M. Waters, Jas. Nichols, Thos. Watzes, and others, have fine looking farms and comfortable buildings.

After partaking of a sumptuous repast prepared by Mrs. Nichols, we returned to town feeling well satisfied with the day's enjoyments, and fully resolved to repeat the visit as often as circumstances will permit.

☞ Mr. Alvord: The lower part of the county was visited by a terrific shower on Thursday night of last week. Early in the evening there were the indications of a storm which began about 10 o'clock. For two hours the lightning was unusually sharp and the thunder heavy. Then the rain poured—that is the word—in torrents. The roads in many places are so washed as to be well nigh impassable, and along the streams mill dams were washed down, bridges taken off, and great destruction followed.

In Wyalusing, the little stream which runs near the store of Ackley, Lloyd & Blocker, burst into their cellar, doing them a damage estimated at from $300 to $500. This is the only damage I have heard done in Wyalusing.

In Terrytown a little rivulet became so swollen as to flood Horton's store—loss about $100.

The steam mill creek overflowed its banks, carrying loads of driftwood upon meadows, cutting for itself in several places a new channel. Wm. Terry, George Terry and Major Terry were most injured by it.

The Sugar Run cleaned out everything along its course. The dam of the Welles water mill was injured and some logs were lost. Both of Stalford's dams were partially destroyed, mill injured, and some lumber lost—loss estimated at $1,000. Strowell lost the large dam at his water mill, and was damaged considerably beside. M'Kinney & Childs lost the dam to their mill and about 600,000 feet of logs. The flats of J. W. Ingham, his mill dam and race are all badly damaged; loss estimated from $2,000 to $3,000. Every bridge on the stream is gone, including the county bridge near the mouth of the creek.

It is said the destruction on the Mehoopany is even greater, but I have not learned the particulars. The shower seemed to be confined to the region named. On every side of it the rain was scarcely noticed; but in this particular locality such destruction was never known before. C.

Terrytown, June 20, 1870.

Sugar Run.—Dear Reporter: The creek known as the "Sugar Run," lying chiefly in Wilmot township, was visited on Friday morning last by one of the most destructive floods ever known in this section. During the night an exceedingly severe thunder storm hung over this vicinity for several hours, and before morning the creek had swollen to immense proportions, and its continuous roar had startled many an unconscious sleeper to wakefulness. By seven o'clock a.m., it had reached its high and was madly sweeping all before it. Hardly a bridge or mill-dam was left on its whole length. Farms were deluged, crops destroyed, buildings undermined, roads washed away, and cattle, farm utensils, saw-logs, and even huge trunks of trees, were carried away by the torrent. Not content with these, its round of destruction seems not to have been completed till much of the land along its banks was carried away also. Luckily no lives were lost, but many houses were nearly or quite surrounded. One poor woman and three small children dwelling alone, were entirely surrounded during the night and thus were compelled to stay till the waters subsided. Living several hours in momentary expectation of being swept away by a torrent on which no boat could ride, her sufferings can only be imagined. Fortunately the waters abated ere they entered the house.

Completely conquering the river, the creek rushed nearly across, forming a lake which dammed the river, causing it to rise nearly three-fourths of a mile above. This box presents a bridge half way across, several acres in extent, and covered with large trunks of trees.

The storm was a very severe one, in many places washing grain on the hillsides entirely out. The same storm seems to have extended to Mehoopany creek causing great destruction there also. The damages caused can hardly be estimated accurately; many thousand dollars will hardly cover them. Oak.

June 20.

☞ "July Fourth." A Strawberry and Ice Cream Festival, for the benefit of Wyalusing Lodge No. 320, I.O.O.F., will be held in Halleck & Co.'s new block at Wyalusing. Every preparation is being made for a pleasant social time. In addition to berries and cream, a varied entertainment will be given in afternoon and evening, consisting of instrumental and vocal music, tableaux, &c. &c.

By Order of Com.

☞ The Episcopal Convocation will assemble in this place on Monday next. The following is the

Order of Services.

Monday eve, 7½, divine service and sermon by Rev. A. A. Marple, Dean of Convocation.

Tuesday morn, 10½, divine service and sermon by Rev. E. H. Wilkinson, of Wilkes-Barre.

Tuesday eve, 7½, Missionary meeting; addresses by Rev. Dr. Howe, of Philadelphia, and others.

Wednesday a.m., 10½, Convocation Sermon and Holy Communion.

Wednesday eve, 7½, divine service and sermon by Rev. C. Hare, of Pittston.

MARRIED.

HORTON—OVERPECK.—By the Rev. D. Cook at Merryall, Saturday, May 20, Byron R. Horton, of Rome and Miss Emma A. Overpeck, of Herrick.

BROWN—ALLEN.—By the Rev. D. Cook, June 8, at the Hotel, Wyalusing, Daniel Brown, of Wyalusing and Addie Caroline Allen, of Wysox.

NORTHRUP—CRANMER.—At the Greenwood Cottage, June 19, 1870, by Rev. G. S. Transue, Nathan Northrup, Jr., and Miss Augusta E. Cranmer, both of Monroe.

DIED.

TINNE.—In Wyalusing, June 13, 1870, Mrs. Elizabeth Tinne, in the 61st year of her age.

BLOCHER.—Anna Mary, wife of Martin Blocher, was born in Germany, Jan. 30, 1809, and died in Herrick, June 11, 1870.

Twenty-seven years ago this aged pair left their Fatherland and sought a home here in America. They halted four years in Connecticut, then resuming their journey, they found their way to Herrick, Bradford county, Pa.

Here they began life in earnest, grappling with the trees of the forest, and with the trials and privations incident to their wild mountain home. Success crowned their efforts, and our departed sister lived to see the forest become fruitful fields and the cabin exchanged for a fine country home.

More than this: She had seen her children—six in number—pass the slippery paths of youth and step out into society, honored and useful, giving unmistakable evidence that their *home training* had been watched with *jealous* care. Although severely afflicted, her last year with us was one of *sweet repose*. Paralysis had rendered her limbs almost useless, but willing hands administered to her wants, and a loving Saviour was ever near to comfort and sustain.

She named the text she desired should be used at her funeral (Job xix, 25-28), gave other directions about her burial, "and was not; for God took" her.

A larger funeral than hers I have seldom seen; nor have I seen the youth linger so fondly beside the remains of one so aged.

Sister Blocher was a true woman—a faithful wife—a devoted mother—a kind neighbor—an exemplary christian. We may say truly: "Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all." P. R. T.

Camptown, June 15, 1870.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

☞ Henry Harris, Merchant Tailor, Bridge street.

☞ Taylor & Gore, Merchant Tailors.

☞ Vanvelsor & Manners, Merchant Tailors, Waverly, N.Y. June 2—1m.

☞ Two good, active book canvassers wanted in every town in Bradford county, for two new and attractive books. Those having experience desired.
C. F. Cross, Towanda, Pa.

☞ If you want a Policy of Fire Insurance in a first-class Company, insure in Security Fire Insurance Co., New York, assets $2,017,869 00.
John W. Mix,
Agent, Towanda.
Office Mercur's Block, north side Public Square.

☞ Don't use dull scissors, when you can buy for the small sum of twenty-five cents, Jacob's Standard Scissors Sharpener, the only practical and efficient article of the kind in the market. It is easily worked by a child; it will last a life-time and not get out of order; it gives a perfectly even cutting edge. To be had at M. Lewis & Son's, Bridge street.
June 23, 1870—2w.

Messrs. Kinney & Watkins:

Sirs,—I shall be happy to accept your challenge for a trial of Mowers at any time and place you may designate in Eastern Bradford, except from 30th June to 2d July, inclusive.
Levi Wells,
Agent Clipper Mower & Reaper.
Spring Hill, June 19, 1870.

1826. MONTANYES' 1870.

Are prepared to show an entirely new and highly desirable stock of Pericales, Lawns, Linns, &c., at extremely low prices. An enormous line of fine and fancy Cassimeres for men and boy's summer wear. Attention is also invited to their large and well appointed stock of Clothing, best styles and make, at prices which cannot fail to be satisfactory to all.

Fruit Jars, most approved patents, at manufacturers' prices.

☞ I hereby give notice that hereafter, persons wishing artificial teeth on Rubber, can obtain them at my office; and also, that the price of full upper or under sets is reduced to twenty dollars.
W. B. Kelly, Dentist.
Office over Wickham & Black's.
June 23, 1870.

To Those Getting Their Clothing Made to Order.—You should study two things: First, to get them where first-class clothing is made; secondly, where they are sold cheap. And in order to be able to sell a good article cheap, the merchant must understand his business, and know how, where, and what to buy, as a practical man does; and a practical tailor in all its branches I profess to be, having had 18 years experience in the business. Have been a cutter in some of the best houses in New York city. I do my own buying, selling and cutting, and have to divide my profits with no man, so that less of it will do—and with low rent and other expenses in proportion, thus making the cost of carrying on the business very small.

In reading the above you will see why it is that I can sell goods cheaper than men following the business, and having no knowledge of it themselves, have to employ others at large salaries to attend to it, and customers must pay accordingly—as they, like myself, do business to live by it. If you doubt the above statement, be convinced by calling on
Henry Harris,
Merchant Tailor,
Bridge Street.

☞ The only way to improve your lawns and make them look nice, is to buy Hill's Patent Lawn Mower.

It is light, simply constructed and easy to handle, and nothing to get out of order.

They are a perfect machine in every respect. All parts of this machine are made to interchange, and in case of breakage can be replaced.

The cutters can be easily sharpened without detaching from the machine.

Call and examine, and try it. Every machine warranted and satisfaction guaranteed.

For sale by M. Lewis & Son, agents, Bridge street, Towanda, Pa.

New Merchant Tailoring Establishment.—Messrs. Taylor & Gore have opened, in connection with their Clothing Store, a Tailoring Department; and having secured the services of a "first-class cutter" and competent workmen, they are now prepared to make up work in the best style and latest fashions to order. Having just received a new and fresh stock of cloths, they are prepared to offer better inducements than ever before offered in Towanda. The public will find it to their advantage to give us a call before buying elsewhere. Remember we warrant our work and guarantee good fits. Repairing done on short notice.
March 12, 1870.

☞ Observe the price list of Cascade Mills. Best winter wheat flour $5 50 per cwt. March 23-4m

Green Houses.—This season I offer the finest assortment of Flowers ever found outside the city, embracing Fuchsias, Geraniums, Heliotropes, Verbenas, Roses, ornamental foliaged plants, &c., which I offer at prices within reach of all lovers of the beautiful. Also vegetable plants in their season, and all the best sorts of Grape Vines.

All kinds of Garden and Flower Seeds from the most reliable sealsmen, for sale at McCabe & Mix's Store, Mercur's Block. Catalogues sent free on application.

Orders from unknown correspondents, unless accompanied with the money or satisfactory reference, will be sent by express C.O.D. No charge for boxes or packing. Bouquets and Wreaths made to order. McCabe Bros.
Towanda, April 28, 1870.

New Advertisements.

TO THE INTERESTED.—Having sold my Foundery, it becomes necessary for me to settle up my accounts therefore, persons indebted to the late firm of Smith & Montanye, either by Book Account or Note, will please call and settle their respective accounts with the undersigned. I shall be found at the house of Reuben Wood, near the late residence of Mr. Smith's store.
Mrs. E. Montanye.
Towanda, Pa., March 23, 1870.

☞ Crackers manufactured daily and for sale wholesale and retail, at the Bakery, first door north of Ward House.
March 30, 1870. D. W. Scott & Co.

ORANGE COUNTY.—Full Blood Trotting Stallion by Ruddy's Hambletonian—This season of 1870 will remain at Kingsbury & Solomon's Stable, in Towanda, at the same terms as last season, with one exception, to wit: Service of two mares belonging to one person, $100 to insure. James Hicks,
Care of Kingsbury & Solomon.
Towanda, April 28, 1870—3m.

No. 1 Mercur's Block.—Gloves at $1,50.—Lace Shawls—Latest Fashions.—Miss Brandt informs her patrons that she has just received from Europe a supply of Jouvin's Gloves, which she can offer at $1,50 at retail.

Also Shawls and Barbes in Lama and Chumy Lace.

Miss Brandt calls especial attention to her fashion plates and patterns. She regularly receives the Berlin "*Bazar*" (the original of Harper's), as well as the Paris "*Moniteur des Modes*."

A fine stock of the latest Hats and Bonnets always on hand. May 4, 1870—tf.

☞ Second-hand Sewing Machines for sale at a bargain by Wickham & Black.

Also, Machine Needles, Oil, Thread, Silks, &c., &c. April 28, 1870—tf.

☞ W. Dittrich's Music Store, east of Mercur's Bank, first door, where you will find Pianos, Melodeons, Organs, Violins, Guitars, Banjos, Strings, Accordeons, Clarinets, Flutes, Sheet Music, Instruction Books for all Instruments, Music Books and all kinds of Musical Merchandise. April 14, 70.

New Advertisements.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION of the "First National Bank," of Towanda, Pa., at close of business, June 9, 1870:

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$173,113 71
Overdrafts	1,112 29
U.S. Bonds to secure circulation	134,000 00
U.S. Bonds to secure deposits	50,000 00
U.S. Bonds and securities on hand	1,950 00
Due from reserve agents	43,360 13
Due from other National Banks	25,044 49
Due from other banks and bankers	1,677 67
Banking House	6,000 00
Furniture and fixtures	2,000 00
Current expenses	2,513 92
Taxes Paid	2,179 11
Cash items (including stamps)	2,333 69
Bills of other National Banks	3 790
Fractional Currency (including nickel)	1,339 56
Specie, viz:	268 57
Legal tender notes	27,723 00
Remittances	3,212 76
	$484,599 99

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock paid in	$125,000 00
Surplus fund	40,000 00
Exchange	1,828 77
Profit and loss	6,549 30
National Bank Circulation outstanding	110,975 00
Individual Deposits	172,241 38
U. S. Deposits	23,453 81
Due to National Banks	3,367 83
Due to other banks and bankers	372 00
	$484,599 99

State of Pennsylvania, } ss.
County of Bradford. }

I, N. N. Betts, Jr., Cashier of the First National Bank of Towanda, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
N. N. Betts, Jr., Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 15th day of June, 1870.
W. G. Gordon,