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NEW BLOOMFIELD, PENN'A.
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Excursion of the Pennsylvania Editorial Association.

The convention of the Editorial Association of Pennsylvania was held at Williamsport, on Wednesday last, and we left home on Tuesday for the purpose of being present on that occasion.

After dinner the convention assembled in the opera house—a splendid building which was placed at the disposal of the association by the proprietor, Mr. Elliott.

There are but few cities in the United States that exhibit a more enterprising spirit than is found in this city of lumber.

The house is four stories high and two hundred and sixteen feet square, and will comfortably accommodate four hundred guests.

By the kindness of the superintendent of the Northern Central Railroad, Alfred R. Fluke, Esq., the conductors of that road were directed to pass all holding editorial tickets to Williamsport, from that place to Watkins and return.

Accordingly on Thursday morning at quarter past seven the party started on their excursion. The road from Williamsport passes through a great variety of scenery.

a few minutes walk up a pleasant street we reached the entrance to

WATKINS GLEN.

We shall not attempt a description of this spot, for we have neither the time nor the ability to do the place justice; but as we passed into the narrow chasm, and looked up the steep rocky walls that tower up on either side, climbed the dizzy heights by the stairs provided for that purpose at the entrance, looked down into waters rushing along the rock-bound channel and over the precipice, into the pool below, we felt that we were already repaid for our visit though we had as yet only had a glimpse of the beauties there to be found.

It is about fifteen minutes' walk from the entrance to the Mountain House, though a person can easily pass hours on the way if he takes time to properly examine all the splendid views which are continually presented for admiration.

The hotel which is located at the head of the first glen is built after the style of a Swiss cottage, and from its veranda you look down nearly two hundred feet into the ravine beneath.

On arriving at this resting place we supposed we had seen the whole Glen, but were informed by Mr. Parsons the proprietor, that we had only passed over one third of the distance and that many of the finest views were yet to be seen.

We have visited Niagara, Mammoth Cave and many other points of interest in the United States, and are free to confess that none of them went so far beyond our expectation, and so entirely satisfied our love of the beautiful and sublime in nature, as our walk of that afternoon, and we return from that trip feeling that descriptions of the place cannot do it justice.

The excursionists are under great obligations to the citizens of Watkins for their hospitality; and to Mr. E. B. Parsons of the Mountain Hotel and Mr. Joshua Jones secretary of the Pleasant Valley Wine Co., we think each hungry and thirsty individual of the party felt particularly indebted.

The Editor of the Association may well feel satisfied with this their first excursion, and as they think of the good times enjoyed, they will no doubt feel that the Secretary Mr. R. S. Menamin, fully earned the vote of thanks unanimously tendered him for his exertions to make the trip a pleasant one.

On the return from Watkins, many of the party stopped at Minequa Springs, in Bradford Co., Pa., where Messrs. Scofield & Barry had generously tendered a hospitable welcome to all the editors in the State.

A new style of brogan shoes has been produced, made principally of elm wood, in Massachusetts. The sole is divided at the ball of the foot and remitted by a hinge of sole leather of suitable thickness, two inches wide, so as to give free play to the toes.

These shoes will cost less than a dollar per pair, and are a modification of the European wooden shoe; but it is doubtful whether they will be found as good as the English clog, which is one of the most comfortable of foot coverings when properly made, when the ground is covered with snow or mud.

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Brigham Young celebrated his seventieth birthday on the 2d instant, by a royal repast, at which eighty-seven men, women and children, all near relations or connections of his family. His private secretary read an address, which closed with the wish: "May you live till the rulers of every nation on earth shall acknowledge the wisdom of God in your administration, seek unto you for counsel, and recognize you, as you truly are, the friend of God and man!"

HORRORS OF THE SEA.
SIX HUNDRED COOLIES PERISH!

San Francisco dispatches give the following particulars of the burning of the Peruvian ship Don Juan which left Macao on May 4, with a cargo of coolies for Peru:

The Don Juan loaded at Macao, taking six hundred and fifty coolies on board for Peru, and on the 5th was burned to the water's edge, not more than fifty miles from Hong Kong. The coolies who have arrived in Hong Kong, all aver that their treatment was humane, and they had nothing whatever to complain of either as to the allowance of food or the quality or quantity, and the whole affair was simply accidental.

It is to be regretted that the European who had the humanity to open the hatches did not succeed in saving his own life, as he was overtaken by the coolies who made a rush at the boat waiting for him, and a general scramble occurred to get to it, the Europeans using arms to prevent the coolies getting into it. In this scramble several Chinese were drowned. The boat, however, ultimately succeeded in getting clear of the ship, but had not gone far when it upset in sight of, but not within reach of the coolies. The coolies then seem to have had a little leisure to look around, when they observed the other three boats at a distance. During this time all the materials of the ship were rapidly burning, and a large number perished in the hold, some of whom, no doubt, were suffocated, but the cries from others were piteous. Many, however, jumped in the water and escaped by drowning the more horrible death by fire.

While the luckless men were on deck and on the bowsprit in this position one of the masts fortunately gave way, and the men at once made a rush and scramble to reach it; they clung on with desperation, calling as loud as they could to save their lives. They had not been long in the water before a fishing junk came up and they were taken off, two or three at a time, in a small sampan.

The mast was held on the wreck by wire rigging, and would otherwise have drifted away to sea. The coolies state that there were no less than fifty Europeans on the vessel, so it remains to be seen what became of them. Some, no doubt, were lost in the boat that was swamped. From Macao it is reported that thirty-five of the crew have arrived there, and are unanimous in stating that the coolies mutilated and set fire to the ship, in hopes of forcing all to abandon her, and so take the vessel. It seems they thought the fire could be extinguished afterward.

Hon. C. C. Bowen, recently convicted of bigamy, was brought into the criminal court at Washington last week, to be sentenced. Mrs. Susan Pettigru King said, "If you sentence him, sentence me too, for I am as much to blame as he is." Bowen then made a statement concerning the circumstances of his marriage, before which Mrs. King had sent to New York and obtained a copy of the record of his divorce from a former wife.

She as well as himself was satisfied that everything was right, and that there were no legal obstructions in the way of their marriage.

Judge Olin then sentenced Bowen to pay a fine of \$250 and to be imprisoned two years in the penitentiary.

Bowen, after a pause, addressed Mrs. King, saying that when his term expired he would return to her, whereupon Mrs. King extended to him her hand, which he grasped as a pledge of faith. She appeared to be deeply affected. Bowen was subsequently taken to jail, where he will remain until the decision of the court in term, which meets next Monday, the 12th inst., on the exceptions to the rulings of the criminal court, his object, being to obtain a new trial.

Last week one Waldron appeared at Bay Side, L. I., in search of his wife. He found her in the person of Mrs. Valentine, wife of Mr. Jerome Valentine, who were married a few days before. Waldron alleged that he married the lady last June in New Jersey, and insisted that she was his wife. Mrs. Valentine denied it, and secured a warrant for Waldron's arrest. That he did marry some one on that day is proved by a number of witnesses. But was it Belle Carpenter; she swears that it was not; that she never saw him in New Jersey; and that she never traveled to New York with him.

James Burras, of Moore county, N. C., had a tenant, Jack Peoples, who would not work. Mr. B. took steps for his ejection, and one evening last week the sheriff, accompanied by Mr. Burras, went to serve a process on the negro. During the progress of the affair, the negro raised a shot-gun to shoot Mr. Burras, who also raised his gun, when both fired simultaneously, and both fell dead in their tracks.

George H. Wood a sleeping coach conductor on the Hudson River and New York Central railroads, recently gave information to the police authorities of Hoboken of Silas Woods, who mysteriously disappeared on the 1st inst. Wood says that on his last trip to Chicago, when near Poughkeepsie, one of his passengers was, as he supposed, drunk. He subsequently noticed that the man's clothing was disordered, that the studs had been torn out of his shirt, and that he was in a stupor, having evidently been drugged. An effort was made to arouse him, but without effect, and on the arrival of the train at Utica the man was placed in the hands of Dr. Gray, of the Asylum. He had evidently been robbed of everything of value, though where or at exactly what time is unknown. The only clue to the identity of the man is in a letter found on his person directed to Silas Woods, Bloomfield street, Hoboken. On the evening of June 1 Woods received a note saying that a brother living in New York had been fatally injured, and summoning him to Harlem. Woods started, and was not again seen. It was subsequently ascertained that he had not been to Harlem, and that his brother had not been injured in any way.

A Help Meet.

Woman is intended by divine law to be the helper and coadjutor of Man; and it is, therefore, with intense admiration for the beautiful operation of that law that we regard the spectacle afforded by a wife who is in the largest and noblest sense a helpmeet for her husband. Such a spectacle presents itself in Delaware county, where Mr. J. Mullaly Jones works a farm of sixty acres, assisted only by his wife. This superior woman accompanies her husband to the field, and when he, overcome by the fatigue and heat, attempts to sit down, or to turn to her for consolation, she stands by and watches him, and jabs him in the ribs with a hayfork, and makes him rise up and stir around in a lively and energetic manner.

In Chenango county, N. Y., a novel lawsuit is exciting considerable curiosity. A Miss Evans is the plaintiff, and Curtis Cooper defendant. Mr. Cooper, it appears, agreed to give Miss Evans one ewe lamb and its increase until she was twenty-one years of age, in consideration for a gold watch key. The suit was brought to recover the sheep or its equivalent. The evidence showed that the increase was to be in ewe lambs, and that the natural increase of a flock of sheep would double every year. According to this estimate Miss Evans would have at the end of fifteen years 16,064 ewe lambs, which at \$4 per head, would amount to \$64,256. The Justice who heard the evidence has reserved his judgment.

The Scranton (Pa.) Republican states that it knows of a mule that has been brought up in the coal mines, that understands what it is expected to do so well, that when pulling a loaded car up a slope, and finding that its strength is not holding out, it will catch hold of a sill with its teeth, and thus keep the car in position until the driver succeeds in blocking the wheel.

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