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Surgeon Dentist, having permanently located in Rigway, offers his professional services to the citizens of Ridgway and surrounding country. All work warranted Office in Service & Wheeler's Building, upstairs, first door to the left. 73-n-32-1y

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Eclectic Physician and Surgeon, has removed his office from Centre street, to Mair st Ridgway, Pa., in the second story of the new brick building of John G. Hall, opposite Hyde's store.

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Co. Superintendent—Geo. R. Dixon.
Prothonotary, &c—Fred. Schœning.
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Commissioners—Michael Wedert, W. H. Osterhout, George Reuscher.
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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

ESTATE of John F'Cusker, late of Fox township, Elk county, Pa., deceased. LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION having been granted to the undersigned upon the said estate all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims to present them for settlement. JACOB M'CAULEY, Admr. n3t6.

REGISTER'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the following accounts will be presented on the first day of the next term of the Orphans Court for confirmation, being the 3d Monday of November next, to-wit:

1. Final account of Lawrence Mohan executor of the last will and testament of Patrick Smith, late of Fox township, Pa., deceased.

FRED. SCHŒNING, Register.

TO CONSUMPTIVES.

The advertiser, having been permanently cured of that dread disease, Consumption, by a simple remedy, is anxious to make known to his fellow sufferers the means of cure. To all who desire it, he will send a copy of the prescription used, (free of charge) with the directions for preparing and using the same, which they will find a SURE CURE for CONSUMPTION, ASTHMA, BRONCHITIS, &c.,

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Vol. 8 of this admirable work is just out, making it half complete, as there are to be 16 in all, of 800 pages each, one being issued in two months. It makes a complete library, and no one can afford to do without it who would keep well informed. Price $6,00 a volume in leather, or $7,00 in elegant half Turkey. C. K. Judson, Fredonia, N. Y., controls the sale in Elk county. Address him for particulars. sep17-tf

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FLOUR, PORK, FEED, CORN-Meal, Oats, always on hand at POWELL & KIME'S at bottom prices.

Notice.

All persons are hereby forbidden selling goods to, or trusting any person on my account, without my written order, as I will pay no debts thus contracted after this date.

M. T. FRENCH.

Ridgway May 2, 1877.-1y

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MRS. J. R. KELTZ, Kersey, Elk Co., Pa., takes this method of announcing to the citizens of Elk county, that she has on hand an assortment of fashionable millinery goods which will be sold cheap. Also dressmaking in all its branches.

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CANNED GOODS—Peaches, Tomatoes, Cherries, and Plums at the store of Powell & Kime.

List of Causes.

SET down for trial at November Term of the Court of Common Pleas of Elk County:

1. John Wainwright, adm'r. &c. vs. W. H. Johnson et al. No 14, September Term, 1875.
2. Jacob H. Walters et al. vs. Thos. L. Kane et al. No. 83 September Term, 1876.
3. Chas. Webb vs. Simon Romig. No. 112 September Term, 1876.
4. W. B. Konkle vs. C. R. Earley. No. 211, September Term, 1876.
5. Barbara Eckl. Widow &c. vs. Edward Babel. No. 223, September Term, 1876.
6. Stout, Mills, and Temple vs. Ralph Johnson, adm'r, &c. No. 57, November Term, 1876.
7. Michael She ehan vs. Joseph B. Powers. No 59 January Term, 1877.
8. N. M. Brockway vs J. S. Hyde et al. No. 63, May Term, 1877.
9. Jas. H. Hagerty vs. Walter Bryant et al. No. 65, May Term, 1877.
10. John W. Briggs, now for use, vs. R. I. Campbell, adm'r. No. 91 May Term, 1877.
11. George Dickinson et al. vs Fred Wilmarth et al. No. 103, May Term, 1877.
12. Rachael Gross et al. vs. C. R. Earley. No. 115, May Term, 1877.
13. The Township of Ridgway vs. V. S. Wheeler et al. No. 179, May Term, 1877.
14. C. H. M'Cauley vs. Patrick Lamb et al. No. 71, September Term, 1877.
15. Solomon S. Johnson vs. Janette C. Houk, executrix, &c. No. 119 September Term, 1877.
16. John Tudor et al. vs. Peter Hollabaugh. No. 145, September Term, 1877.

FRED. SCHŒNING, Clerk.

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The largest agency in either Elk or its adjoining counties, representing through his General Agents about 30 responsible and prompt loss paying companies, among the principal ones are the following:

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NIAGARA, OF NEW YORK. Assets $1,500,000.

SHAWMUT, BOSTON, MASS., Capital $500,000.

GERMAN AMERICAN, NEW YORK, Assets $2,500,000.

TRAVELERS, (Life and Accident) CONN., Assets $1,205,000.

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NEW TIME TABLE OF THE P & ER.R.

commencing Monday, Sept. 24, 1877.

WILCOX.	
Mail East	4:13 p m
" West	2:50 p m
Day Express East	6:22 a m
Niagara Express West	8:22 p m
RIDGWAY.	
Mail East	4:49 p m
Mail West	2:19 p m
Day Express East	6:56 a m
Niagara Express West	7:45 p m
ST. MARY'S.	
Mail East	5:18 p m
Mail West	1:57 p m
Day Express East	7:20 a m
Niagara Express West	7:18 p m

Township Officers.

Judge of Election—G. R. Dixon.
Inspectors—M. E. Lesser, H. H. Wensel.
Justices of the Peace—Charles Mead, Jas. D. Fullerton.
School Directors—O. B. Grant, Jas. Gardner, G. T. Wheeler, N. T. Cummings, W. S. Service, Eug. J. Miller.
Supervisors—John Gulnack, Daniel M'Govern.
Treasurer—W. H. Hyde.
Assessor—M. S. Kline.
Auditors—Will Dickinson, James Penfield, J. S. Powell.
Clerk—M. S. Kline.
Constable—Geo. D. Messenger, Jr.

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Stocks and Bonds Bought and Sold on Commission.

Philadelphia, Nov., 20, 1877.

	BID.	ASKED
U. S. 1881, c	110¼	110¾
do do '65 J and J	105¼	106
do do '67 do	108¼	108¾
do do '68 do	110¼	110¾
10-40, do coupon	108¼	108¾
do Pacific 6's cy	121¼	121¾
New 5's Reg. 1881	106¼	107
" " C. 1881	106¼	107
" 4½, Reg 1891	104¼	104¾
" " c. 1891	105¼	105¾
New 4's Reg. 1907	102¼	102¾
" " c. 1907	102¼	102¾
Gold	102¼	102¾
Pennsylvania	30¼	30¾
Reading	15¼	15¾
Philadelphia & Erie	9¼	10
Lehigh Navigation	17¼	17¾
do Valley	39¼	40
United R R of N J ex. div.	119	119¼
Pittsburgh, P. & Buffalo R. R	8¾	8¼
Northern Central ex. div	15¼	16¼
Central Transportation	30	30¼
Susquehanna	46	46¼
North Pennsylvania	36	38¼

CURED AFTER TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS SPENT IN VAIN.

Rootstown Ohio, March 28, 1876.

Dr. M. M. Rauner, Freeport, N. Y.—Dear Sir—If you want one of the best testimonials of your Blood and Liver Remedy and Nerve Tonic, you can get it of Mr. James Phelps, of this place. He is a reliable man, and had been sick five years and spent some two thousand dollars for medicine and treatment. One dozen bottles of your Remedy cured him. He had an abscess that was discharging, when he commenced taking the medicine, from a pint to a quart a day. He was unable to leave his bed. Is now about and attending to his business. The abscess entirely healed before he had taken three bottles. He has been the means of our selling very much of your medicines here, and everybody likes them. We, as agents, would like very much to have you write him for a statement of his exact condition.

Yours Truly,
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It is now everywhere conceded that this is a remedy never heretofore equaled in real curative value. It accomplishes several important indications, chief among which may be mentioned:

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2d. It has wonderful healing and nutritive properties for the relief of all irritations and inflammation within, and restoring and building up the system. It thus strengthens and heals the Stomach, Nervous System, Heart, Lungs, Kidneys and all other tissues.

3d. It is an active and permanent Nerve Tonic, thereby adapting it to all grades of "nervousness" by building up the nervous system. Nerve medicines will not act, unless associated with cleansing remedies. Hence the beauty of this compound.

4th. By its healing and nutritive qualities it becomes the necessary and best remedy in all chronic Coughs. Assisted in these cases by Dr. Fenner's Improved Cough Honey, the lungs and throat readily heal.

5th. Owing to its Healing, Nerve Restorative and Cleansing properties, it becomes the best remedy now known for all that long list of ailments peculiar to females. It is therefore a vegetable compound, so made up of the choicest plants carefully collected from every country and clime of the world, as to possess the rarest Alterative or Cleansing and Purifying, together with Healing and Tonic or Nerve Strengthing and Restorative properties combined.

For sale by dealers in medicine.

—At the millinery establishment of Mrs. N. T. Cummings, the ladies of Ridgway and vicinity will find a large assortment of fashionable hats feathers, etc. Hats pressed over at reasonable rates and at short notice Rooms over R. I. Campbell's Store Main Street. Give her a call.

Hides, Sheep Pelts, and Calf Skins wanted at 42 Main Street.

FRANK SETTELLE.

State Notes.

Oil has been discovered at Osceola, Clearfield county.

John Welsh will sail for England on the 29th inst.

About half the collieries in Schuylkill county are idle.

An agricultural station is to be established in Fairmount park.

A Williamsport schoolma'am has been arrested and put under $300 bail for whipping a fourteen-year-old boy.

There are four or five breach of promise cases before the courts at Butler.

Over 4,000 locomotives have been manufactured at the Baldwin works, Philadelphia.

Miss Von Hillern walked 100 miles in Philadelphia in twenty-five hours two minutes and one second.

A small painting valued at $15,000, which was stolen from the academy of fine arts, Philadelphia, has been recovered.

A company is about to be organized at M'Keesport for the purpose of developing the oil territory in that vicinity.

A man in Pittsburg advertised for a bookeeper, and within twenty-four hours he had 113 applicants.

Mary Montague, of Philadelphia, poured coal oil in a stove and was so badly burned by the resulting explosion that she is expected to die.

The income of the Girard estate applicable to the purposes of college improvements and support, amounts to about $400,000 a year.

Mrs. Werling, of Lehigh county, took poison because her husband wanted her to leave him. She has died from the effects of the poison.

Dr. Thomas Rothrock, suspected of having caused the death of a woman in Clinton county, by producing an abortion, has fled for unknown parts.

Special constables appointed by the sanction of the Governor are now scooping up the tramps along the Pennsylvania Railroad.

The work of demolition is going on in earnest at the site of the proposed new United States Government buildings at Harrisburg.

The Reading Times and Dispatch gives a resume of the condition of trade in that city and concludes that there is general and encouraging activity.

The Pennsylvania railroad company has officially notified the oil men in Pittsburgh that another advance in the rates will be made in December, but have not announced what the rates will be.

The Keystone bridge company, of Pittsburgh, have received an offer from the Russian goverment to build a single span bridge 2,100 feet long across the Danube.

Col. James Milliken, late district attorney of Blair county, has written to his relatives from Queenstown, Ireland, stating his intention to join the Trukish army.

The British church at Perry, M'Kean county, has expunged a resolution by a vote of 80 to 67, prohibiting a Free Mason from becoming a member. The resolution had been operative for fifty years.

The commission appointed to inquire into the mental condition of Blasius Pistorius, who is in the Norristown jail for the murder of Issac Jacunette, has declared him sane.

Over twelve vessels are expected to arrive at Philadelphia before the 10th of January next, laden with bananas, cocoanuts, oranges and limes from the West Indies.

Samuel and Issac Noll, two brothers, of Centre county, were thrown against a stone fence while driving, and both had their skulls fractured. Samuel Noll died in about three hours, and his brother three days afterward.

Major John Thomas, a colored man, formerly a slave, died at Gaysport, Blair county, the other day, aged about 83 years. The major witnessed the burning of the capitol at Washington. While quite a young man he escaped from slavery.

The inspectors of Moyamensing prison have unanimously resolved to recommend the pardon of Edward J. Ford, who was sentenced to be executed in 1856 for murder. He has been in close confinement ever since, a period of twenty one years.

The grand jury of Luzerne county has found true bills against Michael Lahy and Patrick Connor, for the murder of John Borie, in June last, at Chervale; also against John Molia, charged with the murder of Michael Walah, last September, at Dunmore.

A few nights since a number of robberies were committed in Allegheny county. The thieves were pursued next day, and seven of the eight captured in a coal pit, to which they had retreated to evade capture. Previously the thieves had fired about fifty shots at their pursuers. Before surrendering they had to be smoked out of their hiding place.

The papers announce the purchase by agents of the Standard oil company of the interest of H. Wetter, of Clarion, in about eighty wells in that region producing in the neighborhood of fourteen thousand barrels a month, or about five hundred barrels a day. With this vast property went a large number of valuable leases aggregating nearly two thousand acres.

In giving an account of the death of the late Hon. Jerome Hetrick, the Pittsburgh Post says: "That Mr. Hetrick was president of a bank in Mexico, Perry county; that Mr. Hetrick's brother-in-law was the cashier; that the cashier robbed the bank of six thousand dollars; that Mr. Hetrick was summoned to Lewistown to give evidence against his relative, and while in the witness box fell dead"

Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson, of Norristown, on Wednesday celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of her birth. She was born at Barren Hill, Montgomery county, November 14, 1777, and lived there until she was ten years old, when she removed to Norristown, where she has ever since resided. When quite a small girl she saw General Washington at the Black Horse hotel, in Plymouth township, and on that occasion she shook hands with him and handed him a drink of water.

Elk Advocate.

THURSDAY, NOV. 22, 1877.

Notes.

—Beautiful moonlight evenings.

—Court proceedings in our next issue.

—See "Estray" notice in another column.

—All kinds of job work cheaply and neatly done at this office

—Hon. Henry Souther is in attendance on court here this week.

—Keep your weather eye out for a snow storm and cold weather.

—Note-heads and bill heads neatly printed at the ADVOCATE office.

—Joseph Metz is building himself a house near Dickinson Bros. mill.

—Hon. Geo. A. Jenks, and Gen. Thos. L. Kane are in town this week.

—Several of our subscribers called in this week and paid us money on subscription account.

—Ben. Malin, whose leg was amputated several days ago is doing as well as could be expected.

—Dr. D. B. Day has purchased Dr. M. J. Earley's drug store and proposes to make Ridgway his home for the future.

—It is said that Senator Morton left a fortune of $50,000 This amount will kept his widow from want for some time yet.

—Do you take a county paper? if not, subscribe for one at once, you will never regret the small amount of money it costs you.

—The Ridgway House now has a new sign, and with a coat or so of paint one hardly knows the place, the improvement is so great.

—Will Dickinson, and bride are going to house keeping in the old boarding house at the mill, the place having been repaired and newly fitted up for their reception.

—"Early to bed and early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise," but it's mighty uncomfortable business this time a year, especially the early rising part.

—We publish an article in another column, from the Philadelphia *Times* entitled "Who are to Profit by it," which we consider sound on the goose, or rather money, question.

—Two young ladies living in Cummings township, Lycoming county, undertook to commit suicide by swallowing strychnine. They were saved by opportune medical assistance.

—Thursday of next week being appointed as a "Day of Thanksgiving," there will be service and sermon in Grace Church at 10:30 o'clock, A. M. All are cordially invited to attend.

—The accommodation train has been discontinued by the P. & E. R. Co. This train was, indeed, an accommodation train and a convenience to our citizens, and it is to be hoped that it will again be put on. We understand that the train did not pay, for which reason it was taken off. The local freight now has a passenger car attached.

—The one-armed tramp printer who made this office a visit last Saturday, and refused our offer of a "square meal" will please explain why his "off hand" protruded from his coat-sleeve while he slept in the telegraph office? After he answers this question will he please tell us how a man can be a temperance man and sneak around a hotel on Sunday after a drink?

—The Elk County Teachers' Institute will be held in the School Building, St. Mary's, Pa., commencing Monday Dec. 17th at 2 P. M. and closing Friday, Dec. 21st at noon. The evening session will be held in the new hall. The following lecturers, aside from the teachers, will be present: Dr. J. J. Villers, New York City; Prof. John C. Sharpe, Indiana, Pa., Supt. N. H. Schenck, Emporium, Pa; and probably Supt. J. A. Gregory, Clearfield, Pa. The circular will be issued in a few days giving particulars.

—Thursday November 29th, has been appointed by the Governor of our State as a day for thanksgiving to God for his mercies during the past year. In view of this fact, and observing of this day as a day of praise, offering, and thanksgiving to the Giver of all good meeting with our hearty concurrance, the Pastors of the Presbyterian and Methodist Societies, will celebrate the day by appropriate public services. Services will be held in the M. E. Church, commencing at 11 A. M. Rev Gillet will deliver the address. We give a cordial invitation to all to join with us in this service, and trust that our church will be thronged with those who desire to offer their tribute of praise to God, our Creator, Preserver and Redeemer.

W. H. SWARTZ.

—George F. Snell, a young man of nineteen, indicted for extracting money from letters in their passage through the Erie Post Office, in which he was an employe, has been pardoned by the President previous to being sentenced. The Erie *Observer* says that young Snell appeared before the United States Court at Pittsburgh in July last and plead guilty. Owing to the influences in his behalf on the part of a number of our citizens, who sympathized with his family and thought his youth some mitigation of the crime, sentence was suspended until the next May term. The granting of his pardon establishes a precedent upon a point over which the lawyers have differed in opinion, viz, whether a pardon can be granted until sentence has been actually passed.

—Elk county gave Trunkey 627 majority; Schell 614; Noyes 652 and elected Oyster, Republican, sheriff—a feat, which as Democrats, her people must be proud of.—*Emporium Independent.*

You are right Mr. man the majority of the Democrats in the county are proud of their "feet," and sometimes wash them, a feat the *Independent* man knows not of.

—During the campaign a great deal of fun was poked at Mr. D. C. Oyster, who was running for Sheriff in Elk county, by the papers throughout the state. But notwithstanding there were five candidates in the field, Oyster shelled out 58 votes more than any of them, and consequently was elected. The home stretch was as follows: Oyster, 580; Kime, 522; Burke, 352; Everett, 88; and Rognn, 76. This is probably the first case on record of an Oyster being elected to the office of sheriff. The *Advocate* says that he is good on the "half shell," or any way you perfer to take him. And he is a Republican Oyster too.—*Williamsport Gazette & Bulletin.*

The above is all right excepting the fact of its being the first case on record of an Oyster being elected to the office of Sheriff. D. C. Oyster was Sheriff of Elk county three years before, having been elected in 1871. The people of this county are very fond of Oysters.

D. C. Oyster, Republican candidate for Sheriff in the strong Democratic county of Elk, was elected at the late election by a majority of 58. Shell's majority in the county was 614. This speaks well for the popularity of Mr. Oyster.—*Clarion Republican.*

They are having a run of oyster suppers in Warren. We notice by the last *Mail* that there are numerous if not more oyster suppers announced for various purposes charitable and otherwise.—*Forest Republican*

Yes, we are doing fairly in the half shell business. But the best run of Oyster's was in Elk county at the election when D. C. Oyster, Republican, was elected Sheriff! That isn't one of the victories the Democrats crow over—*Warren Mail.*

EDITOR ADVOCATE.

DEAR SIR:—Have you space in your columns for a little story from natural history, showing why an astoot Miller went on the war path and how the circumnavigated too poor little defenseless yellow-jackets? It is to be liberally illustrated with cuts and will contain the soliloquy of Mr. Miller in rhyme commencing with

"Twinkle, twinkle little star
I wonder who the duce you are."

and set to the music of

"Gally the true badour touched his guitar,
When he was hastening home from the war"

It was the first intention to entitle it "The belly cose Miller" but on further reflection it has been decided to call it "The tail of a yellow-jacket in too parts" as the author sometimes has bad spells you will be kind enough to correct errors. Yours Truly.

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From "Wilcox Items" in M'Kean Miner.

Election is over,

The Republicans of Elk have elected the whole County Ticket, and are happy.

The Democratic ring of this County have gone up Salt River, led by "Moustache" of the *Democrat*; Powell & Kime followed in the rear, and "Oyster" was the cause of it.

Twenty-five cents apiece to the children could not save you, Bob. Jones Township started the boat and Ridgway had to tumble in and follow.

We venture the following epitaph:

DIED A POLITICAL DEATH,

caused by the enlargement of the Oyster Vote, R. V. Kime and others, November, 6, 1877.

Terrible Accident.

The Tyrone correspondent of the Altoona *Evening Mirror*, of Saturday, Nov. 10, relates the following: "About 9 o'clock yesterday morning our town, or that part better known as "Brewery Hill," was the scene of a sad fatal accident, which crushed out the life of Mr. Monroe Kinch, who was engaged in cleaning out a well belonging to Samuel Study. The well is 43 feet deep, and the unfortunate man, assisted by his two brothers-in-law, named Rhodes, had removed all the old wall except about 3 feet at the bottom when, about fifteen or twenty minutes before the accident occurred, Mr. Study warned Mr. Kinch of the probable danger of a large boulder falling which projected from the side of the well and about midway from the top of the well to the bottom. The weight of the stone is a ton or more. But no danger appeared to be apprehended on the part of Mr. Kinch, and he continued working till the massive rock' falling on him crushed him deep in the mud at the bottom. The rock was so large that it almost covered the bottom of the well, rendering it impossible to roll it off the body. Some time in the afternoon "Con" Sullivan, of East Tyrone, appeared at the terrible scene, and immediately descended to the bottom of the well, when it was at first thought that blasting the rock was the only means of removing the stone, but with drill and sledge in hand, Sullivan succeeded in breaking the solid rock and removing it. At 7 o'clock last night the body, a crushed, lifeless mass, was windlassed up in the presence of a large crowd of people, and carried to a house near by, where an inquest will be held. Mr. Kinch was about twenty-five years of age and leaves a wife and two little children to mourn his terrible death. One of the Rhodes' boys narrowly escaped the fate of his brother-in-law, he having been windlassed from the well, and had no sooner turned to look down, than the rock gave way."

—Short settlements make long friends, and in order to settle in good shape you need some of those cheap and neat bill heads printed at the ADVOCATE office, over Powell & Kime's Store.

Important to School Directors.

The following extracts from the *Penn'a School Journal*, should be read by all School Directors:

School Directors cannot attend to official business unless in session. Papers are sometimes signed by the officers of school boards, or by individual members of the same, that have never been formally passed upon by the board. All such papers are illegal, and not binding upon the board. If they bind anybody it is only the individual members who sign them.

The law makes it the duty of boards of directors to visit the schools under their control by one or more of their number at least once a month. This duty is not always performed. Is it possible to do it better the coming term? Let all boards take the matter up in earnest, and adopt a plan of visitation. They can appoint a person outside of the board and delegate to him the power of visiting the schools, instructing the teachers and reporting to the board. They can appoint a member of the board district Superintendant, and require him to do all the visiting. They can divide themselves into committees of one or more and pay monthly visits to the school. Or they can divide the schools among them and each member visit his allotment of them. But to be effective the visitation must be regular, and the inspection close and careful. Properly done, it is the life of a system of schools.

Teachers are plenty, and many can be found who will accept very low salaries. Let Directors remember that low priced teachers, like many other things that are low-priced, are liable to be the dearest. It is vastly better to employ a good teacher at a fair salary than it is so employ a poor teacher at one-half the amount. Indeed many teachers are dear at any price. The best policy for a board of directors to adopt in regard to teachers is to employ none but those who are well qualified, and then aggree to pay them fairly for their work. We regret exceedingly to see boards of directors cut down teachers' salaries drive out of their districts the best teachers, and then supply their schools with teachers who will work cheap Such a policy tends to rob the children of what to them is more valuable than money.

On the second Tuesday of May next, county, city and borough superintendents are to be elected. This is really a more important election than that of members of the Legislature or even that of Governor. The Superintendency is always successful when the right man is in the office, and it is never successful unless he is. We can name Superintendents in Pennsylvania whose worth to the counties and cities where they labor cannot be estimated in dollars and cents. They are literally doing more than all other agencies combined to lift up the people to a higher level of intelligence and morality. And, unfortunately, we can name others whose services could be dispensed with without incurring loss of any kind. They are dead weights, drawing their salaries and doing nothing. We write to ask school directors to begin to look around for the man they want to serve them as superintendent for the next three years. If you now have him, *keep* him; if you have him not, light your lantern and go in search of him. Don't hesitate about the salary. You can hardly pay a good man too much, and a poor man you do not want at all.

Wife Murder in a Church.

Philadelphia, November 18.—During the services at the Church of the Ascension, Lombard street above Eleventh, this morning, Alexander B Sayers walked up the aisle, drew a pistol and shot his wife Elizabeth, who occupied a pew several feet in advance of where Sayres had been sitting. The bullet entered her back near the shoulder and she now lies at the hospital in a dying condition. Sayers was promptly arrested. Both parties were regular attendants at the church but have been separated for two years. The husband has already served a term in prison for breaking her arm.

The Mexican Border.

COL. VILLAREAL INVADES MEXICO—LIPANS PUNISHED BY BULLIS.

St. Louis, November 17.—A Globe Democrat special dispatch from Houston, Texas, says: It is rumored that Colonel Villareal invaded Mexico fifty miles above Matamoras in the interest of Gen. Escobedo and Lerdo and to stir up a revolution in Tamaulipas. Col. Villareal's force is small and unable to cope with Gen. Canalea, commanding in Tamaulipas, but he expects to be joined by the adherents of Lerdo.

Latest advices say that Lieutenant Bullis undoubtedly destroyed the Indian camp at Saragossa. It is certain that parties of Indians and Mexicans from Chihuahua and Northern Mexico have crossed into Texas on the warpath, in revenge for the invasion of Lieutenant Bullis. General Ord has cautioned the inhabitants of the threatened district to be on their guard.

The latest intelligence from El Paso county is that the entire region is under control of the Mexican mob, backed by Mexicans south of the river, defying the United States authority and claiming allegiance to the Mexican flag. General Ord declines to interfere in a matter that concerns the state of Texas. Major Jones commanding the Texas frontier battalion, is at El Paso, but has not force enough to put down the revolt. It is believed if General Escobedo is acquitted at his trial before the United States court at Brownsville he will immediately attempt to precipitate another revolution in Mexico.

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