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Correspondents should make their communications short and to the point. Our space is too limited for very long articles.

Write only *on one side* of the paper, and as plainly as possible, without flourishes.

D. L.—General meeting, headquarters, Third, 7½. Jan. 11-2t

THE competition for a cane, by Messrs. J. L. Stichter and G. A. Nicolls, at the Sisters' Fair on Saturday night, resulted in favor of J. L. Stichter. The cane is a handsome one, and is valued at $50.

REV. J. P. LUNDY will commence the course of Lectures at Library Hall, next Thursday evening—subject, "Types of Civilization.

On Thursday, Jan. 21, Rev. J. Fry, of Trinity Lutheran Church, will lecture on "Matrimony."

THE Pottstown *Ledger* says: We learn that a portion of the shedding at the Union Hotel, Boyertown, Berks county, settled down some seven or eight inches, on Friday night last. Supposed to be caused by the sinking down of a slope extending from the Boyertown Iron Mines, near by.

HIGH WATER.—The heavy rains of Sunday and yesterday caused quite a freshet in the Schuylkill. This morning at 9 o'clock, the water had attained a height of 5½ feet at the guide post, at the foot of Franklin street.—Above the Harrisburg bridge the tow-path was overflowed, as well as at other places up the river.

MORRIS' MINSTRELS.—This really excellent troupe will give one of their performances at Library Hall on Wednesday evening. A rich programme is offered, and a full house may be expected. The Morris troupe embraces a number of the finest artists in the profession, and their entertainments are not only chaste, but highly enjoyable. Go and see them.

A DAM GOOD SELL.—Some time since, a correspondent signing himself as above, (nearly) published a notice that editors, school marms, ministers, and other dead-heads would be passed over the Lehigh Valley Railroad free for 1869. The Scranton Republican did not see the "sell," but published it. The Hazleton Sentinel copied it. The joker doubled his words and appeared as Adam Goodsell.

A BERKS COUNTY AUTHORESS.—We understand that the talented wife of a rising young professional gentleman of this city is busily employed in writing a work upon Metaphysics, which will, no doubt, be widely read at home and abroad, on account of the original thoughts therein presented. This book will make its debut under the auspices of a celebrated publishing house in Boston. Berks county may well be proud of contributing her share to the literature of the country.

A PIGEON SHOOTING MATCH took place on Neversink Hill on Saturday—1¼ oz. shot; single barrel guns; 21 yards rise, 80 yards fall.—The result was as follows:

W. Filer,	1	1	1	0	0
Geo. Setley,	0	1	0	0	0
J. Ulmer,	1	1	0	1	1
S. Fick,	0	0	1	0	1
J. Mercer,	0	1	1	0	1
W. Williams,	1	0	1	0	1
A. Rhoads,	1	1	0	0	1
H. Gerhardt,	0	1	0	0	1
O. Coller,	0	0	1	0	0

POLICE AFFAIRS.—Matthias Stump is a resident of the 8th Ward, and occasionally Matthias Stump gets slightly "obfusticated." Matthias Stump, when under the influence of "red eye," like most other persons similarly situated, does a great many naughty things. Matthias Stump will break things when Captain Whiskey commands. In fact, Matthias Stump is a regular "old stumper." Yesterday Matthias Stump was in just such a condition, and became very disorderly. He drove his wife and family out of the house, and was raising a "devil of a rumpus," when officers Clay and Goodhart very effectually put a stop to such devilish proceedings on the part of Matthias Stump, by taking him to the Station House. For all of which Matthias Stump will have a hearing before the Mayor to-day.

There were 20 lodgers in the Station House last night.

HOW TO MAKE "HARD TIMES."—A good way to make "Hard Times," is to refuse to pay all bills although you have the money in your pocket—push men to pay you who haven't the money although you can get along without it—if a man don't meet his obligations just at the time they become due, report that he is about to "burst"—cut down the wages of your hands before it is necessary—keep back all from market until the prices get up to "starvation rates"—use money in speculations that you should pay your creditors with—forget that unnecessary "retrenchments" increase hard times instead of bettering them—carry a long face and talk long and mournfully of evils to come—do those and other acts like them, and "hard times" will surely come, however little cause there may be for them.

PHILADELPHIA AND READING RAILROAD.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this company was held at noon yesterday, at the office, No. 227 South Fourth street, Philadelphia.

The annual report of the President and Board of Managers was read. It shows that during the past year business has greatly increased over the previous year, and that the company is in a highly prosperous condition.

A series of resolutions complimenting the President and Board of Directors for the successful management of the road during the past year, and authorizing the incoming Board to carry into effect the measures suggested in the annual report, were offered and were unanimously adopted.

An election for officers was then held. Mr. Chas. E. Smith, who has discharged the duties of President so ably and with so much satisfaction to the stockholders, was re-elected to that position. Wm. H. Webb, Secretary; Samuel Bradford, Treasurer, and the old Board of Managers were also re-elected.

A NATURAL CURIOSITY.—The small dog which has been on exhibition at Mishler's Hotel for some time past, has been taken to Lancaster city. The Lancaster *Express* thus speaks of this remarkable curiosity:

"The smallest specimen of the canine race we have ever seen, or perhaps anybody else has ever seen, we examined this morning. It was a stuffed rat-terrier dog, about two and a half inches in height, and about three inches in length. The dog has a history. He was born about eight years ago in London, and at the age of sixteen months was killed—whether designedly or accidentally is not stated. At no time of his life did he weigh more than *two ounces*, and beyond doubt was the smallest in the world. After his death he was stuffed and mounted, and placed under a glass case, and brought to this country by an Englishman. His death created quite a sensation among the London dog fanciers, and *Bell's Life in London*, the great sporting paper of England, devoted nearly a full column of small type to a history and description of the dog. It is really a wonderful curiosity in its way, and those who wish to see it can be gratified by calling at Mishler's Garden, where it will be kept on exhibition for a few weeks.—Mr. Mishler has secured it at considerable trouble and expense."

Our Wernersville Letter.

WERNERSVILLE, Jan. 11th, 1869.

ED. DAILY EAGLE:

Dear Sir:—I have been unable to report to the "Eagle" for some time, on account of the heavy pressure in business. Although business is brisk, it moves at rather lower prices than what we were used to it some years ago. But let it come to a standard, the sooner the better, as when the crash comes it will be so much the heavier.

Grain is in a rather lower condition again, but still too high here for the Eastern Markets. I hope we may soon come to that standard, that we are able to ship East without so much competition in prices.

Coal holds its own pretty well, and I think it will for some time, owing to the small number of collieries working in the coal region.

Our highly esteemed friend, John Whiskeyman, who we thought was in a fair way of recovering some ten days ago, died on Wednesday morning at twenty minutes before eight o'clock. We have lost a kind friend and a good neighbor. Everybody who knew him loved him, as he was a kind father and husband. He was a faithful believer in the doctrines of the Reformed Church, and discharged the duties of his office as a devout Christian. He is no more in our midst; he sleeps, yes, the sleep that is soft to him. We mourn the loss, but we do not know how soon we are to follow. He was buried on Sunday morning, at Sinking Springs, (Old Cemetery.) There was a very large concourse of people gathered together to pay the last tribute to him. The Church was filled to its fullest capacity, and a great many were obliged to stay outside. Rev. Wm. Pauli officiated—the funeral services evinced deep feeling for his friend. The text is St. Mathew, 25th chapter and 21st verse.

> Hark! children's sighs ascending,
> From anguish laden breasts,
> Weeping as they're gently bending,
> O'er a father sunk to rest.
>
> Oft shall memory awaken,
> In their hearts a strain sincere,
> Oft shall sorrow, sore forsaken,
> O'er thy tombstone drop a tear.
>
> Blessed Father! now full of gladness,
> Circled round by light divine,
> I would quit this world of sadness,
> For such happiness as thine.

Yours truly, G.

Our Shoemakersville Letter.

SHOEMAKERSVILLE, Jan. 11, 1869.

EDITOR DAILY EAGLE:—Nearly a fatal accident by gas occurred here. William F. Burkhard and family had filled their stove before going to bed. In the night Mr. Burkhard got out of bed to open the window, when he fell on the floor. The noise aroused his wife, who rose, when she fell also, overpowered by the coal gas. The noise of her fall aroused a young man sleeping in the same house, who came to their assistance, and by the aid of a physician saved their lives.

I was standing behind a little building, a day or two ago, and heard an old woman scold a school teacher, for the reason that her little Johnny had to sit out on the floor because he "laughed loud." When he had taken his dinner he commenced crying, and walked home, told his mother he had to sit out on the floor, and he didn't like that, when his mother came with him to the school house, and the following conversation took place:

Woman—Du hast my boy macha uf den floor hocken.

Teacher—Yes, I did; what about it?

W—Ich stand sell awer net, er hast sell so do sollest ihn loddera und net uf the floor hocken macha.

T—Well, now, old woman, you know that this is none of your business how I punish the unruly scholars (if done lawfully,) when they do not behave.

W—Well, er soll awer net uf den floor hocken, er hast es so.

T—Well, old woman, would you like to take my place and teach school for me? You must know a great deal about punishment.

W—Nay, nay, nay; ich kann net.

T—Well, old woman, I will tell you what you shall do. Take your son and go home, and try to mind your own business before you correct others, for I do not care about old women who live in the woods.

W—Wan du ihn awer weder raus hocken macht, den will ich mich awer befrogen was ich do kan mit dere, for sell is ken wage, und are hast sell; now wait eust.

So ended the conversation of the old woman with the teacher. That was a smart woman to have such a stock of knowledge in her breast.

Sleighing is almost "played out" in this part of the county. The weather is very mild.

There is a great revival in the Evangelical church in Shoemakersville.

Yours truly, SHARPER.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

REPORTED BY LOUIS RICHARDS, ATTORNEY AT LAW, 530 COURT STREET.

FIRST DAY—MONDAY.

The Court of Quarter Sessions of Berks County for January Term, 1869, met this morning at 11 o'clock.

From the returns of the constables it appears that the index boards were not all up in the townships of Alsace and Rockland. The constable of Rockland stated that he had given notice to the Supervisors previous to this last Court to have the boards put up, and upon this information the Court directed the District Attorney to send up a bill before the Grand Jury against them. In reference to this subject the Court remarked that there was more difficulty in regard to the index boards in some of the townships of Berks than ought to exist in any civilized community.

It was a remarkable circumstance that the whole number of Grand Jurors summoned were present and answered to their names. In view of the fact that a majority of twelve Grand Jurors is required to find a true bill, it became necessary to discharge one of the pannel in order to prevent the contingency of the Grand Jury being equally divided in any case, which might happen if the whole twenty-four were retained. Jacob Kurtz was the juror excused, he having made application to the Court for that purpose.

David Heinly of Albany township was appointed foreman of the Grand Jury. The Court in charging the Grand Jury, stated that they had been informed by the District Attorney that the number of bills to be sent before them at this term was not large, nor were the offences charged of a character that would be difficult for them to decide upon. A case of homicide was pending before this Court, but the District Attorney had decided not to send up the bill until the next term. This was very well, as no Oyer and Terminer Jury had been summoned for the present term.

After stating that the business would not be of a kind requiring special instructions, and administering the usual directions in regard to the finding of bills, the Court remarked that it was not the duty of the Grand Jury to go into a general inquiry as to the motives of the prosecution or the relations in which the parties stood to each other. If the evidence of a single witness before them was of a character to satisfy them that the act charged in the indictment had been committed, they should at once make a return of a true bill, and not proceed to hear additional witnesses, which would be a waste of the public time.

The Court proceeded at some length to enforce upon the Grand Jury that it was their duty to give the same care and attention to the disposition of small cases as to those of greater magnitude, and to the complaints of the poor man as well as to those of the more wealthy citizen. The government takes all equally for its support, and in return, the government is bound to guarantee all its citizens, without distinction of class or condition, full protection in all their rights. Contrasts are sometimes drawn in the public prints between the duties of grand juries in different counties and bills of indictment are sometimes thrown out by grand juries, indifference to popular sentiment as the best means of getting rid of them. Public sentiment is not a fit thing for a Grand Jury to act upon. Their duties are at all times to be regulated by the rules of law, and by the rules of law only, the finding of bills is a matter to be governed exclusively by the evidence submitted before them. The Court further enjoined upon the Grand Jury the necessity of despatch in the execution of their business, remarking that it had frequently happened that the Court and petit jury had disposed of one case before the grand jury had acted upon another.

On motion of J. Hagenman, Esq., Benjamin B. Laucks was admitted to practice as an Attorney at Law, in the several courts of Berks county.

The Court adjourned till 2 p. m.

THE MARKETS.

Daily Review of Business.

READING, Jan. 12, 1869.

Money Market.

IN Philadelphia, there was a fair inquiry for money yesterday but no urgency, and call loans on Government collaterals were easy at 6@6½ ℔ cent. The banks seemed disposed to let out a little more freely, which relieves the street somewhat, where paper ranges at from 8 to 10 ℔ cent., first-class being placed at about 9 ℔ cent. Between brokers, balances are lent at 6 ℔ cent. For long and second-class paper there are no quotations.

Bushong & Bro., Bankers, No. 16, North 6th street quote as follows:

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Old U. S. 6's 1881	111½
Old U. S. 5's 1862	111½
New U. S. 5-20's, 1864, July and Jan.	108½
New U. S. 5-20's 1865, May and Nov.	108½
New U. S. 1865, new	107¾
New U. S. 5-20's 1867, July and Jan.	107¾
New U. S. 5-20's, 1868,	108
Ten Forty Bonds,	106[illegible]
Gold in New York up to 12 o'clock,	135[illegible]
Gold in Reading at Bushong & Bros.	135

YESTERDAY, was a busy day with the Railroad companies, the annual elections of very many of them occurring. A cotemporary has scheduled the corporations whose annual meetings were held in the Reading railroad building at Philadelphia, as follows:

Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company.
East Mahanoy Railroad Company.
Mahanoy and Broad Mountain Railroad Company.
Mahanoy Valley Railroad Company.
Shamokin and Treverton Railroad Company.
Lorberry Creek Railroad Company.
Pinegrove and Lebanon Railroad Company.
Allentown Railroad Company.
Moslem Railroad Company.
Colebrookdale Railroad Company.

These corporations are all controlled and managed by the same interests, and are therefore grouped together as being part and parcel of the Reading. In the same group are the following companies, whose annual meetings took place yesterday at the places named:

Mine Hill and Schuylkill Haven Railroad Company, at 15 South Seventh street, Philadelphia.

Enterprise Railroad Company, at 407 Library street, Philadelphia.

East Pennsylvania Railroad Company, at Reading.

Reading and Columbia Railroad Company, at Columbia.

In addition to these there are several lateral roads penetrating directly into the coal regions which are worked as part of the same system, and therefore included in what our cotemporary has styled "the Reading group."

Coal Market.

THE anthracite coal trade from the Schuylkill region opens dull. The tonnage by the Reading Railroad for the week ending on the 7th instant was 20,310 tons, and for the fiscal year, beginning with December, 220,897 tons, against 257,071 in same time last year—showing a decrease in the first month of 36,174 tons. The tonnage of the Lehigh Valley Railroad for the week was 25,812 tons, against 33,917 tons in same week last year, and 158,183 tons for the year, against 165,136 tons in same time last year—a decrease of 6,952 tons. The tonnage of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Companies for 1868 was 1,728,785 tons, of which 610,720 tons were shipped north, and 1,118,065 shipped south, against 1,719,321 tons in 1867 of which 515,657 tons were shipped north and 1,203,664 shipped south—the aggregate tonnage of 1868 being 9,464 tons in excess of that of 1867. The Company has notified the miners working in the several collieries owned by that corporation that the pay of miners will be reduced 15 cents per car, and other inside labor in proportion. First-class outside labor will be paid $1 55 per day of ten hours, and others in proportion. There is little or no shipping of coal from Philada., the recent obstruction to navigation by ice having forced vessels to other description of freight. The trade is dull by retail as well as by wholesale, and prices remain nearly steady at pretty high figures. At the collieries in the Schuylkill region it is reported that the men decline to go to work at the wages offered before the last Scranton sale; and operators have since decided upon another reduction of wages before they can start their collieries at the present prospects of the coal trade for 1869. With this difference between the miners and operators in the matter of wages, the prospects of an active coal trade are not very bright. The mildness of the weather still keeps the market quiet. Should a cold snap set in it would, probably, tend to make matters a little brisk.

READING PRICES.

Egg and Broken Coal,	$6 50 per ton.
Stove,	6 50 "
Nut,	5 50 "
Pea,	3 50 "
Bituminous Coal,	23 cts. ℔ bu.

Reading Housekeepers' Market.

BUTTER—Fresh dairy, ℔ lb.,	40
" Lump,	35
CHEESE—Cheese ℔ lb.,	20@22
LARD—Lard ℔ lb.,	24
EGGS—Eggs ℔ dozen,	35
APPLES—Apples ℔ peck,	28@30
" Dried ℔ quart,	12
PEACHES— " lb.,	20
MEAT—Beefsteak, round ℔ lb.,	20
" " sirloin,	20
" " rump,	20
" Beef roast,	20
" Beef dried,	35
" Veal Cutlets,	23
" " chops,	16
" Mutton,	18@20
" Pork,	18@20
" " steak,	20
" Sausage fresh,	23@25
" " smoked,	28
HAMS—Hams,	24
" Sliced,	30
SHOULDERS—	16
SIDES—	18
POULTRY—Chickens live,	18
" " dressed,	16
" Turkies live,	16
" " dressed,	18
" Chickens live p pr	60 a 100
Potatoes ℔ bushel,	75 a 100

Leather Market.

READING PRICES.

LEATHER—Hemlock Sole, ℔ lb.,	31@33c
" Oak,	41@44c
" Harness,	46@40c
" Calfskin,	125@180
" Upper,	70@76c
" Kip,	70@85c

Dry Goods Market.

THE opening of the new year seems to have imparted new strength and activity to the Dry Goods market, for it will be seen, by reference to the detailed reports in the Boston, New York and Philadelphia papers that the commission houses have made a general advance in the prices of cotton, with more than the usual amount of sales. This start indicates that the manufacturers feel in a strong position, and have confidence in the future of the market, notwithstanding the late numerous heavy failures throughout the country. The immediate cause of this advance is, no doubt, the increased cost of the raw material, which has been gradually going up at the foreign and domestic ports the past week or two, and is now from 4 to 5 ℔ cent higher than it was when goods were sold at ½ to 1c. lower than they are held at to-day. So that if Cotton remains where it is, the advance will certainly be maintained, and a further rise may be expected. But, notwithstanding this view of the matter, we find that some of the large jobbers are hesitating about purchasing, preferring to wait the advent of the retail customers, whose wants are now very small, and who evince no disposition to lay in supplies. In Woolen Goods there are no movements of importance, as it is rather early for the sale of light weights, and too late for heavy goods.

BERKS COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AND HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.—The seventeenth annual meeting of the Berks County Agricultural and Horticultural Society will be held at the Court House, in the city of Reading, on Tuesday, the 2d day of February, at 1½ o'clock, P. M. Officers will be elected to serve during the year. C. H. SCHAEFFER,
jan 9-3t] Secretary.

SECOND EDITION.

2 O'CLOCK P. M.

Daily Almanac.

Sun rises 7 18 | Sun sets 4 42
Day's length 9 hours 24 minutes.

State of Thermometer.

	7 A. M.	2 P. M.
Monday,	33°	36°
Tuesday,	37°	41°

STRIVE to make yourself somebody. Let your ambition be the bright star of your future destiny.

THE new Iron foundry, at Birdsboro, Berks county, was put in successful operation last week.

THE citizens of Birdsboro are doing a very creditable thing in the matter of taking steps to establish a town library. Some seventy names or more have been secured of persons who intend aiding the enterprise.

THE "Knights of the Cue" are rapidly on the increase in Reading, and every night finds them busily engaged in studying the angles, and making desperate efforts to make a dashing carom or brilliant pocket.

ENDED.—The season for shooting partridges closed on the 20th of December, a fact of which sportsmen should take notice, as it is stated that the law imposes a fine of $25 for each partridge shot out of season.

THE Crystals' Bal Masque takes place to-night at the Keystone Opera House. The managers have made extensive preparations, and it will undoubtedly prove one of the grandest and most select affairs of the Ball season.

A FEW days ago we stated that Mr. Louis Ritter was fixing up the store room at No. 521 Penn street. This is a mistake. It is Messrs. Landis & Zimmerman who are doing the work. They intend to use it as a grocery store.

YESTERDAY Mr. Augustus Hostler, while coming through Hampden road, between 10th and 11th streets, drove into an opening, which was caused by the laying of water pipes, and was thrown out of the wagon, injuring him somewhat about the face.

THE Philadelphia & Reading Railroad Company have contracted with Baldwin & Co., of Philadelphia, for ten new locomotives for their road. The Company are also having built, during this winter, at their car works, in this city, one thousand new cars of different kinds.

BUSINESS.—Business yesterday in Reading was rather flat. Let our business men console themselves with the reflection that "after a feast is a famine." There is always a comparative slack in business for several weeks after the holidays. However, it will brisk up shortly. But during this dull time you had better advertise in the EAGLE, and you will sooner experience a change than you anticipate.

MAENNERCHOR CARNIVAL.—The friends of the Reading Maennerchor, and our citizens generally, will be glad to learn that they are making arrangements for another Redoute, or Carnival Festival, to be held in the Keystone Opera House, on Tuesday evening, February 2d, subject to the same rules and regulations and similar in character to their efforts in former seasons, which have been so eminently successful. This will be their only Redoute of the season, and an uncommonly brilliant one may be expected. The admission fee has been fixed at $2, including one lady's invitation.—The Committee of Arrangements, who will cheerfully assist in procuring costumes, &c., for those who desire to participate, are Messrs. H. O. Rees, A. Schopp, Ad. Hoffman, Wm. Stapf, and L. Keuchler.

ANNUAL MEETING.—The stockholders of the East Pennsylvania Railroad, held a meeting at their office in this city, yesterday, Joseph L. Stichter, Esq., in the chair. The annual report was presented and read, exhibiting a most favorable statement as to the pecuniary affairs of the company.

The directors have declared a cash dividend of 4 per cent., payable on February 1, and a stock dividend has been recommended, but as it requires legislation, cannot at once be declared.

We will lay the report before our readers at an early day. The following officers and directors were elected; President—Charles E. Smith; Secretary and Treasurer—Henry C. Jones; Directors—Hiester M. Muhlenberg, David E. Stout, Joseph L. Stichter, George D. Stitzel, John S. Richards, A. E. Borie, Robert B. Cabeen, Franklin B. Gowen.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company, held January 11, 1869, the following resolutions were adopted:

1. Resolved, That the report of the Board of Managers, this day presented and read, be, and the same is hereby approved, accepted and adopted.

2. Resolved, That the Board of Managers be, and they are, hereby authorized at their discretion, to carry into effect any of the measures proposed in their report, and, if in their opinion needful, to enter into any contracts or agreements for that purpose.

3. Resolved, That the powers and authorities conferred upon and granted to the Board of Managers by the resolutions passed at prior annual meetings be and the same are hereby continued.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company, held January 11, 1869, the following gentlemen were unanimously elected officers for 1869:

President—Charles E. Smith.

MANAGERS:

H. Pratt McKean,	J. B. Lippincott,
A. E. Borie,	John Ashhurst,
R. B. Cabeen,	Stephen Colwell.

TREASURER.
SAMUEL BRADFORD.
SECRETARY.
WILLIAM H. WEBB.

(COURT PROCEEDINGS—*Continued from First Edition.*)

FIRST DAY—MONDAY.

It was directed by the Court that all the Surety of the Peace cases should be heard on Monday next, January 18th.

A large portion of the afternoon session was occupied in the trial and disposition of a number of trivial cases of no public interest.

Comm. vs. Wm. Rentschler Jr., Adam K. Rentschler, Valentine Rentschler and Wm. Rentschler Sr., Resisting an officer and assault and battery. Elias S. Seaman, the prosecutor in this case, is the constable of Upper Bern township, and testified that on the 11th of November last he went to the premises of Wm. Rentschler Sr., with a warrant for the arrest of Adam K. Rentschler one of his sons, issued by Esquire Wm. A. Ludwig. He found Adam together with his father and two other defendants, who are his brothers, behind the barn hitching up a team and showed the warrant to Adam, and informed him of its contents, when the latter said that he would go with him when he was ready. The constable reminded him several times that he must go at once, but as he persisted in refusing to do so, Seaman put his hands upon him to enforce his compliance, upon which some sort of a struggle ensued. At this stage of the occurrence, the father and the other two brothers, who it seems had also been disputing the right of the officer to arrest Adam, advanced to Seaman in a threatening way, and Wm. Rentschler, Sr., took hold of him, when Seaman pushed the old man down and drew his pistol and threatened to shoot if the party did him any violence. They then desisted, and the constable succeed in making the arrest.

As there were no other parties present during the transaction, excepting the persons named, the testimony of the constable was the only evidence as to the particulars of the occurrence. Considerable testimony was produced by the defence, with the design of affecting the character of Seaman for veracity, but the prosecution in rebuttal brought a large number of witnesses who testified that his character for speaking the truth was good among all classes of the community in which he lived, excepting his personal enemies, of whom it was alleged he had no greater number than officers of the law are usually apt to contract from their official position.

(*Continued to-morrow.*)

EBENEZER M. E. CHURCH—FOURTH STREET.—Despite the storm a goodly number of people assembled in this Church last evening. The Rev. N. B. Durell of Philadelphia preached an excellent sermon on a prayer. He will preach again this evening at 7½ o'clock, and each evening during the week.

We trust that much good will be done by his labors in our city. The public is affectionately invited.

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—In the Senate, Mr. Chandler presented a resolution of the Michigan Legislature, urging the passage of the Copper Tariff bill.

Mr. Trumbull presented the credentials of H. V. M. Miller, Senator elect from Georgia, which were referred.

Mr. Anthony introduced a bill regulating staff rank in the navy, and Mr. Sherman a bill amendatory of the Judiciary law.

Mr. Trumbull presented a bill "for the execution of judgments in capital cases.

The bill for the relief of Sue Murphy, of Alabama, was considered.

In the House, bills were introduced and referred, to provide for the improvement of New York harbor; to exempt canal boats from tonnage dues; to regulate the fur trade in Alaska; to release the sureties of petroleum distillers, when the principals have failed because of the removal of the oil tax; to extend the jurisdiction of the Court of Claims over certain cases; to prevent disloyal text books in the public schools; to suspend judgment of the Virginia State Courts until the competency of their officers be decided; to remove and punish unconstitutional office holders; to amend the revenue laws; to provide for a financial agent of the United States Government in foreign countries, &c.

Mr. Robinson, of N. Y., presented a bill for the recognition of the independence of Cuba, or its annexation without purchase, which was referred to the Foreign Committee.

Mr. Washburn, of Ind., introduced a bill repealing the Tenure of Office Act, and moved the previous question, which was seconded and the bill passed—ayes 121, nays 47. The Democrats all voted aye.

The Diplomatic Appropriation bill was passed.

Mr. Boutwell, from the Judiciary Committee, reported an amendment to the Constitution, establishing negro suffrage in all the States.

The Naval Appropriations were discussed.

BEARS IN LUZERNE COUNTY.—The Scranton *Register* of Saturday says:

"We learn that the 'insect called the bear,' is committing depredations very near this city. Within the past week, Messrs. Trimley & Clark, butchers, have missed several fine pigs from their slaughter-house, near Green Ridge. On Wednesday morning they found the remains of one of their porkers in the woods back of the slaughter-house, affording evidences that it had been devoured by some powerful and voracious animal. A fine brood sow, in the pen, was found dead on Thursday morning, with one of her fore shoulders eaten off. A hunt for the 'varmint' which has committed these depredations, will be instituted, and woe to him or her, if found. The heavy snow in the mountains has, doubtless, forced wild animals to seek sustenance nearer the haunts of man than usual."

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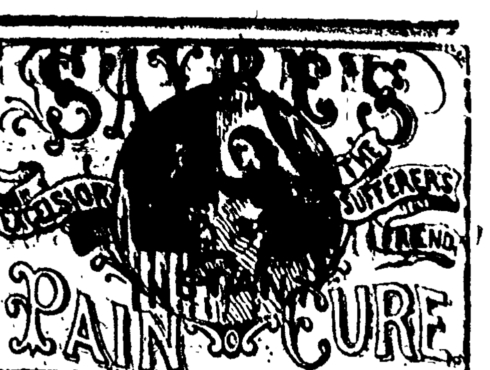

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ESTATE OF JOHN BECHTEL, late of Heidelberg township, Berks county, deceased. Letters of Administration to the estate of the above named decedent, have been granted to the subscriber. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims will present them, properly authenticated, for settlement.

ISAAC BECHTEL, Administrator.
jan 2-6t] Robesonia P. O., Berks Co., Pa.

ESTATE OF DANIEL BAUM, LATE of Muhlenberg township, Berks county, deceased. Letters testamentary to the estate of the above named decedent have been granted to the undersigned, residing in said township. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims will present them, properly authenticated, for settlement.

THOMAS BAUM,
DANIEL BAUM, Jr.,
dec. 19-6t] Executors.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the account of Lewis Mercer, Committee of Israel K. Hilne, a lunatic, has been filed in the Prothonotary's office of Berks county, and that the same will be confirmed, on Monday, the 8th day of February next, unless cause be shown to the contrary.

W. B. GRIESEMER,
jan 9-4t] Prothonotary.