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On and after Monday, December 14th, 1868.

FIVE TRAINS DOWN TO PHILADELPHIA, passing Reading, at 7.30, 10.35 and 11.15 A. M., and 4.35 and 6.35 P. M.

FIVE TRAINS TO POTTSVILLE, at 10.35 A. M., and 4.35 and 6.00 P. M.

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Harrisburg Accommodation Train at 7.15 A. M. and Mail Trains at 10.45 A. M., and 6.00 P. M.

On Sunday, the down trains pass Reading at 9.40 A. M. and 4.25 P. M., and up-trains at 10.50 A. M. and 5.57 P. M.

The 4.25 P. M. down, and 10.50 A. M. up trains run only between Philadelphia and Reading.

Up trains leave Philadelphia for Reading, Harrisburg and Pottsville at 7.30 and 8.15 A. M., 12.00 noon, and 3.30 P. M., and at 4.45 P. M. for Reading only. The 8.15 A. M. train connects with trains for Tamaqua, Williamsport, Elmira, Buffalo, Niagara and Canada.

The 8.15 A. M. and 3.30 P. M. up trains from Philadelphia, and 10.35 A. M. and 4.20 P. M. down trains, stop only at principal stations below Reading.

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G. A. NICOLLS,
May 23] General Superintendent

EAST PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

ARRANGEMENT OF PASSENGER TRAINS,
Commencing Monday, December 21st, 1868.

[redacted] No. 5, Mail Train, leaves Reading 10.25 A. M., arrives Allentown 12.05; at New York 3.50, P. M.

No. 7 Fast Mail, leaves Reading at 4.20 P. M., arrives at Allentown 5 55; at New York 10.05, P. M.

Nos. 5 and 7, run daily, except Sunday, stopping at all Way Stations between Reading and New York.

EXPRESS TRAINS:

Leave Reading at	5.44 A. M.
" "	7.31 A. M.
" "	2.23 A. M.
" "	1.00 A. M.
Arrive at New York at	11.00 A. M.
" "	12.15 A. M.
" "	7.00 P. M.
" "	6.15 A. M.

These trains run through from Pittsburgh to New-York, without change of cars, stopping only at Lyons, Allentown, Bethlehem, Easton Junction, Clinton, White House, Somerville, Bound Brook, Plainfield and Elizabeth.

The 5.44 A. M. train runs daily except Sundays and Mondays.

The 2.23 P. M. trains run daily except Sundays.

The 7.31 A. M. and 1.00 A. M. trains run daily.

West bound trains, leave New York, at the foot of Liberty street, as follows:

Leave New York.		Arrive at Reading.
12.00 M.	Mail No. 6,	6.00 P. M.
9.00 A. M.	Express Train,	1.50 P. M.
5.10 P. M.	Express Train,	10.19 P. M.
8.00 P. M.	Express Train,	1.00 A. M.

Mail Train leaving Allentown at 7.20, A. M., stops at all Way Stations, arriving at Reading at 9.10, A. M., running daily except Sundays.

The 12 M. Train from New York, stops at all Stations between New York and Reading, leaving Allentown at 4.25, P. M., arriving at Reading at 6.00, P. M., running daily except Sundays.

The 8.00 P. M. train from New York, runs daily stopping at Elizabeth, Plainfield, Somerville, Junction, Easton, and Bethlehem, arriving at Allentown at 11.45, P. M., passing Lyons at 12.29, A. M., arriving at Reading at 1.00 A. M.

Passengers are requested to purchase tickets before entering the cars, as 25 cents extra will be charged and collected on the train from all who pay the fare to the Conductor.

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P. M. ERMENTROUT,
Jan 2'tf] General Ticket Agent.

READING & COLUMBIA RAILROAD.

[redacted] On and after Thursday, Nov. 26th, 1868, Passenger Trains will run on this road as follows:

Leave Reading at	7.00 A. M.
" "	6.15 P. M.
Arrive at Lancaster at	8.15 A. M.
" " Columbia at	9.25 A. M.
" " Lancaster at	3.23 P. M.
" " Columbia at	8.30 P. M.

RETURNING;

Leave Lancaster and Columbia at	8.00 A. M.
" Columbia at	8.20 P. M.
" Lancaster at	3.23 P. M.
Arrive at Reading at	10.20 A. M.
" at Reading at	5.40 P. M.

Trains Nos. 2 and 4 make close connection at Reading with trains North and South, on the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, and West on the Lebanon Valley Road. No. 2 also makes close connection with train for New York.

Tickets can be obtained at the offices of the New Jersey Central R. R., foot of Liberty street, New York, and Phila. & Reading R. R., Thirteenth and Gallowhill streets, Philadelphia.

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GEORGE F. GAGE,
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E. F. Kenyon, Gen. Frt. & Ticket Agent.
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dec 15-3m

ESTATE OF WILLIAM H. RHOADS, late of Amity township, deceased. Notice is hereby given, that letters of Administration have been granted on the above named estate to Levi H. Rhoads, of the same township. All persons indebted to said decedent are requested to make prompt payment to the Administrator, and those who have any claims against the same will please present them, properly authenticated for settlement. LEVI H. RHOADS,
jan 19-6t

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Charles Lean, Committee of Ann Wanner, a lunatic, has presented his petition to the Court of Common Pleas of Berks County, praying to be discharged from his said trust—and that he will be discharged on the 3rd day of February next, unless cause be shown to the contrary on or before said day. W. B. GRIESEMER,
jan19-3t* Prothonotary.

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DENTISTRY.—DR. A. HERR, HAS removed to 603½ Penn street, above Brown's Hat Store. Teeth inserted on all improved bases Decayed teeth filled to last for life. Teeth extracted without pain. Diseases of the Mouth and Gums practically treated. Low prices and work insured. dec10-1y

PUBLIC SALE.—ON FRIDAY, January 29, 1869, will be sold at public sale, at the residence of the subscriber in the Borough of Womelsdorf, the following described Farm Stock, to wit:

3 head of horses, 2 not Yankee harness, 1 pair excellent mules (well broke in every respect), 5 milch cows, 8 head young cattle, 1 Durham bull, two horse wagon, with box and hay ladders, top buggy, buggy top use, sleigh, double and single harness, wire tooth rake, 3 plows, halter and cow chains, and a variety of other articles not mentioned.

Sale to commence at 1 o'clock, P. M., of said day, when due attendance will be given and conditions made known by
WM. A. HOFFA.
jan 19-3t

WASHINGTON SCHMECK'S VENDUE.—On Friday, February 5, 1869, will be sold at public sale, at the residence of the subscriber in Alsace township, Berks county, (on the farm of Henry Gar-) the following personal property, viz:

2 excellent family horses one of which is a mare with colt, 5 cows, some with calf and some in profit, 2 heifers, 2 which two are heavy with calf, 3 bulls, one two years and 7 months old, 1 broad wheeled and 1 narrow wheeled four horse wagon, 1 spring wagon, 1 sulky, 2 sleighs, threshing machine with four horse power, 1 grain fan, corn sheller, 2 plows, 3 shoe plows, 2 harrows, 2 shoe harrows, 1 double corn plow, 1 hay rake (Shaffer's patent), harness for four horses, grindstone, beds and bedsteads, eight-day clock, dung and hay forks, rakes, meat tubs, empty kegs, cow and other chains, planting potatoes by the bushel, 2 grain cradles, wheelbarrow, new corner cupboards, and many other articles too numerous to mention.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M., when credit will be given and conditions made known by
WASHINGTON SCHMECK.
Jona D. Strunk, Auctioneer. [jan 16-3t*

ORPHANS' COURT SALE.—PURSUANT to an order of the Orphans' Court of Berks county, will be sold at public vendue, on Saturday the 13th day of February, A. D. 1869, at the public house of George Newkirk, deceased, in Exeter township, Berks county:

All that certain tavern stand, messuage, tenement and tract of Land, situate in the township of Exeter, county of Berks, State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit: adjoining lands of Daniel Brunner and widow Reinert, Jones, Fox, the Turnpike Road to Philadelphia, William Updegrove, Herman Linderman, Abraham Bolter, and others, containing 63 acres and 35 perches. The improvements consist of a two story STONE TAVERN STAND, a good Bank Barn, wagon house, wagon shed, pig stye, and all necessary out-buildings, two wells of never failing water, cistern, also a spring of never failing water on the premises, Apple Orchard and other fruit trees. The above will be sold in whole or in part. Late the property of *George Newkirk*, deceased.

Sale to commence at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, when due attendance will be given and the terms of sale made known by
GEORGE W. NEWKIRK, Administrator.
By order of the Court.—Levi H. Lucas, Clerk.
jan 16-3t

PUBLIC SALE.—WILL BE SOLD AT public sale, on Thursday, the 4th day of February, A. D. 1869, by the subscriber, in Hereford township, Berks county, the following personal property, to wit:

2 work horses, two of which are mares with foal, and one of them is 4 years old, an extra horse, 2 colts, one 2 years and the other 1 year old, 3 milch cows, some heavy with calves, 2 heifers, heavy with calves, 3 young heifers, 1 stock bull, 2 calves, 1 broad wheeled wagon, nearly new, 1 narrow wheeled wagon with wide extra boards, 1 wagon body, 2 setts manure boards, 3 plows, two of which are new, 1 large and 1 small cultivator, 2 pin harrows, 1 threshing machine (Hassler's patent), 1 fanning mill, 1 grain rake, 1 straw bench, 1 land roller, 1 set hay ladders (1 pair new), 4 setts wagon harness, 3 setts of halters, halter chains, cow chains, log and dog chains, rakes, manure and pitch forks, 1 large manure hook, hay by the ton, grain cradles, mowing scythes, 1 cooking stove, 1 fan plow, 1 grind stone, 1 bed and bedding, 1 table and sofa, 1 set planting potatoes, 1 copper kettle (that holds a barrel), one double edged rolling knife, and a great variety of farming utensils and household furniture, too numerous to insert.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M., on said day, when conditions will be made known by
REUBEN RICHARD.
jan 19-3t

AMONG THE MILLS.

And so the farmer found a wife,
His mother found a daughter:
There looks no happier home than hers
On pleasant Booramp Water.

Flowers spring to blossom where she walks,
The careful ways of duty;
Our hard, stiff lines of life with her
Are flowing curves of beauty.

Our homes are cheerier for her sake,
Our door-yards brighter blooming,
And all about the social air
Is sweeter for her coming.

In spoken homilies of peace,
Her daily life is preaching;
The still refreshment of the dew
Is her unconscious teaching.

And never tenderer hand than hers
Unknits the brow of ailing;
Her garments to the sick man's ear
Have music in their trailing.

And when in pleasant harvest moons
The youthful huskers gather,
Or sleigh-drives on the mountain ways
Defy the winter weather—

In sugar-camps, when south and warm
The winds of March are blowing,
And sweetly from its thawing veins
The maple's blood is flowing—

In summer, where some lilied pond
Its virgin zone is baring,
Or where the ruddy autumn fire
Lights up the apple-paring—

The coarseness of a ruder time
Her finer mirth displaces,
A subtler sense of pleasure fills
Each rustic sport she graces.

Her presence lends its warmth and health
To all who come before it,
If women lost us Eden, such
As she alone restore it.

For larger life and wider aims
The farmer is her debtor;
Who holds to his another's heart
Must needs be worse or better.

A NEW YORK poet has written what he calls a "modern drinking song," inscribed to the "whisky ring," and of which the following is a specimen stanza:

Fill high the bowl with Fusil Oil!
With Tannin let your cups be crowned!
If Strychnine gives relief to toil,
Let Strychnine's generous juice abound!
Let Oil of Vitrol cool your brains,
Or, animated atoms brew—
And fill your arteries, hearts and veins,
With glee—and infusorial glue!

ADVENTURE WITH A MONSTER PANTHER IN MONTANA.

(From the Montana Herald, Nov. 17.)

On Thursday of last week, as two well-known hunters, Messrs. J. T. Morrell and J. T. Bennett, were on the hunt among the "Missouri breakers," opposite the mouth of the Dearborn, and were searching in opposite directions for a wounded deer, the former ran foul of an animal but seldom met with in the mountains of this, or any other section of the Territory—a full grown panther.

Mr. Morrell was, at the time, stealthily making his way through the timber, and was within twenty paces of the animal, before discovering it. The ugly brute was lying upon what seemed a heap of brush, with its head partially visible, and the hunter, believing at the time that it was a grizzly bear, took deliberate aim, and sent a bullet from his trusty Spencer rifle, crashing through the animal's brain. The brute rolled off the brush, when the hunter learned his mistake of the character of the beast, and took the precaution to still further damage his foretop, with an additional Spencer pill, before venturing upon a closer and more intimate acquaintance. Satisfied that he had "done" for this terror of the mountains, Mr. Morrell proceeded to examine and afterwards to skin the animal.

At the time it was killed it lay couched upon a brush roof which the animal, after gorging itself, had built over the carcass of a dead elk, a victim to its fierceness and rapacity. Mr. Bennett, who yesterday brought us one of the monster's paws—about the size of a man's hand, with claws the most formidable we ever saw—gives us to understand that its weight was nearly 200 pounds, and its measurement, from the tip of its nose to the end of its tail, was nine feet and one inch. It is thought the panther was one of the most formidable and dangerous beasts ever killed in Montana, and the bones, human as well as brute, scattered over the rugged country opposite the mouth of the Dearborn, were doubtless torn and gnawed from the victims of this "Man-killer of the Mountains."

REGRET not the golden age that is behind.—There is one before, and it beckons you. Its rewards are not for the idle, but for the brave hearts disciplined to toil.

THE Duke of Wellington's saying connected with early rising was: "Let the first turn in the morning be a turn out."

A WOMAN—Mrs. Overton—has been appointed Inspector of Customs at Brownsville, Texas.

A SOCKDOLAGER.—Here is an anecdote of the triumph of a young Scotch loon at the expense of a minister's helpmate.

Mrs. B., wife of the Rev. Mr. B., was some what older than her husband, and was possessed of a hasty temper.

The teakettle had been sent to the tinman for repair, and his apprentice boy, on returning with it, intimated a charge of fourpence.

The lady remonstrated at the unreasonableness of the demand, and insisted that a payment of twopence was more than ample. The boy maintained his ground, and a loud and angry altercation ensued.

Disturbed by the noise, Mr. B. repaired from his study, and inquired as to the cause of the fray.

The youth hastened to explain.

"I hae brocht the kettle, sir, and my maister says the price o' the mending is fourpence; but your *mither* will not gie me ony mair than tippence."

The youth's happy mistake as to the relationship of the lady to the minister was overpowering. Mrs. B., fairly discomfitted, retired to her chamber.

Mr. B. gave the youth a sixpence, and commended his zeal in behalf of his employer.

A TRIAL OF FAITH.—The best joke of the season was perpetrated a few days ago by John Dempsey, who keeps a saloon in Pittston, on a countryman. A dispute on the subject of religious faith arising between the parties, the countryman asserted that Catholics had no faith. John being of the latter persuasion, denied the assertion in a most decided manner, and proposed that a kettle of hot water be brought, and five dollars on a side be put up to decide as to whose faith would longest endure the pain of thrusting a foot into it. The water was brought and the stakes put up. Dempsey, who has a wooden leg as his dowry for faithful service against the late rebellion, thrust in his wooden foot, and held it there for some considerable time without showing any more symptoms of paid than *prudence* dictated. The countryman then took his turn, but his foot had not reached the bottom of the vessel ere he shrieked with agony and hopped across the room, declaring he was scalded terribly—and so he was. Dempsey, of course, pocketed the stakes, and the countryman went home none the wiser, but doubtless enlightened on the subject of Catholic faith.

CHLOROFORMING OF BEES.—Chloroform is now extensively used in England, and without injurious results, to stupefy bees, so as to remove the honey. For this purpose, a table is set about ten feet from the hive, and covered with a cloth. Some chloroform (about a quarter or a sixth of an ounce) is then poured into a shallow dish and covered with a wire gauze, to prevent the bees from falling into it. The hive is then removed from its stand and set over the chloroform. In about twenty minutes all the bees will have fallen down on the table in a state of stupefaction, not one remaining in the comb. After removing the comb, the hive and the bees are restored to their place, the latter soon recovering, without suffering the slightest inconvenience.

At an examination in one of our young ladies' seminaries, the other day, the question was put to a class of little ones: "Who makes the laws of our government?" "Congress," was the ready reply. "How is Congress divided?" was the next question. But the little girl to whom it was put failed to answer it. Another little girl in the class raised up her hand, indicating that she could answer it. "Well," said the examiner, "Miss Sallie, what do you say the division is?" Instantly, with an air of confidence as well as triumph, the answer came, "Civilized, half civilized and savage."

FARMING vs. CONSUMPTION.—Dr. William Westherill, of Lambertville, N. J., writes the Beacon that "It has been a theory of mine for a long time that if a person is born on a farm, and remains upon it, working out of doors until he is thirty-five years of age, such person never dies with consumption. As I am collecting statistics on this subject, I desire that if any person knows an exception to this rule that is well authenticated, he will advise me by mail. Any information on the subject by physicians will be thankfully received."

ECONOMY.—A farmer down on the Mohawk had just built a new barn, and while the operation of shingling was going on he one day mounted to the roof to overlook operations, and soon discovered what he very sagely considered a great piece of extravagance in the workmen, and that was, that while they drove but one nail in the small shingles they invariably put two in the wide ones. He said nothing, but while the boss and hands were at dinner, he went out to the barn, hatchet in hand, and *split all the wide shingles*.

THE oldest cup on record—The hic-cup