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OUR JOBBING DEPARTMENT.—We do not call special attention to the excellence and completeness of our Jobbing Department. Our facilities for turning out work are superior to those of any other office in this city. Five presses are kept constantly running, and anything, from the largest poster to the tiniest card, can be printed on the shortest notice. Our composition is excellent and tasteful, and we point to our cards, book work, &c., as the best specimens of the typographical art which are gotten up in this city.

Another velocipede school has been opened at Antonbach's Hall. Open day and night.

Full bands of bullfrogs will soon engage in bloody-moon music along the line of the canal.

The customary annual return of our true and tried old friends, the seventeen year locusts, this summer, is already authoritatively announced.

Martino, the illusionist, opened in Rock Island, Ill., last evening, for one week.

We are told that beef is now prepared in Philadelphia so highly concentrated that a man can carry a week's board in his pocket.

All Methodists, whether male or female, are allowed to vote on the question of lay representation, which comes up in all the churches this year.

We notice occasionally some specimens to sensation of Grecian bend, but the complaint seems about played out in our community.

Said an aged man: Some folks always complain about weather, but I am very thankful when I wake up in the morning to find any weather at all.

We noticed yesterday on Penn street, a wagon, with one horse attached, loaded heavily enough to make just about a respectable load for two horses. Talk about cruelty to animals!

Velocipede Clubs will take the place of Base Ball Clubs next summer.

The prospects for a full crop of grain were never more promising. The fields hid far to yield more than their usual abundance of the "stat of life." This is welcomed by none so heartily as the poor.

It is said a hint should be as good as a kick. Personally, we should like it better; but parties differ.

Said a youngster in high gloe, displaying his purchases to a bosom friend on the sidewalk, "Two coconuts for 10 cents; they will make me sick to-morrow, and I won't take no school."

Our "oldest inhabitant" promises us three more snows before April.

Shad were plenty in market yesterday, and sold at from 40 to 65 cents apiece.

Spring vegetables in abundance at market yesterday and this morning.

FOUND DROWNED.—This morning, at 10 o'clock, a man was found drowned in the Schuylkill river at the foot of Grays alley, between Chestnut and Franklin streets. When found he was standing upright in the water. Assistance was called, and the body was taken out and placed on a wagon near by. The body was at once notified of the drowning, and summoned a jury. A pocket book was found on his person, which contained two receipts, a ten dollar bill and 64 cents in change. A dozen of keys and a knife were also found. The receipt read as follows:  
Maldenbrook, June...  
Received of Abraham Becker, 1869, 104 bushels (12 lb.) oats, at 60 cents. \$62.79.  
David Schaeffer.  
Maldenbrook, Feb. 18.  
Received of Nicholas Schaeffer 70 bushels of wheat, at \$1.75. \$123.00.  
Abraham Becker.

From the evidence before the jury, they were unable to identify the man. They accordingly adjourned to await the return of the coroner, who went to the residence of Mr. David Schaeffer, over the Schuylkill, to ascertain something about the receipt. When the coroner's return it was ascertained that his name was Nicholas Schaeffer, a resident of Ontonagon township, near the Cross Keys Tavern. We are informed that he owns a farm, and is worth about \$40,000. He was a widower, about 42 years of age, and leaves four children to mourn his loss. The two gentlemen who found the man, were examined, and the jury rendered a verdict that he came to his death by being accidentally drowned. He was in the saloon of Mr. Daniel Hetherington, at the corner of Penn street, last night about 10 o'clock, and was then very much intoxicated. He was well dressed, having on a new suit of clothes and a black hat.

THE peach growers are beginning to start most mournful stories of prospective short crops. Now is the time for customers to prepare stories on the other side of the question.

RECAPTURED.—Last week a detective officer in the employ of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company, captured several men who have been committing depredations along the line of the road. Three of the men subsequently escaped. Yesterday Chaucery Stout, alleged to be the escaped prisoner, was arrested at Twenty-fourth and Harco streets, by Sergeant Atkinson. He was committed by Alderman Pattee to Philadelphia Jail.

We are not "half angry" with our field of the Seranton Register. He may say what he pleases about Reading, and we shall like him none the smaller.

We never intend to say anything about Reading calculated to be displeasing. Of course we can't help it if Seranton is a little ahead of our friend's town in the way of enterprise, people, pretty roads, and other accomplishments. The things are indigenous to this part of the country, and come just as naturally as a Reading girl puts up her mouth for a kiss. We speak from practical experience, friend Eagle.—Seranton Register.

It is a fact, and a fact that should be a naked truth, remarked a poetical genius (his name was accidentally escaped our memory) many years ago, in fact long before the writer of this had an existence on this sublunary sphere. We commend this to the Register. Everything he has said in the above paragraph is emphatically true, with the exception of the location of what he is so enthusiastically over. He meant to say Reading, but he got things slightly mixed up as some people do their work occasionally, and substituted the name of the wild cat town, Seranton! As he speaks from "practical experience," so to how "a Reading girl puts up her mouth for a kiss," we should be glad, but not enough to acknowledge the correctness in his next elaborate upon our rosy-cheeked, handsomely-formed, laughing-eyed maidens with breath as sweetly scented as that of the clover fields, in the following manner which they deserve.

IMPROVEMENTS.—On the Portkornon turnpike, at the first toll-gate, near Antonbach's Cemetery, quite a little village is springing up. Mr. Daniel Heilrich is finishing two neat brick houses, adjoining the one in which he resides, and three others belonging to Henry Antonbach, Mrs. Maria Dean and Peter Dean, have been built near by within the past year—making a total of eight dwellings at this spot, including the one at the toll-gate, occupied by our Portkornon friends. The village is rather low and wet for building purposes, and will require considerable filling up, and a culvert or channel of masonry over Ross Valley Run, which ripples melodiously across the road and through the fields, respectively, at a distance of a silver ribbon deftly twined. Along this road, so many beautiful sites for country seats, with ample space for pleasure grounds, and also required extent of rich soil for gardens, while the surrounding country is so richly beautiful. When the street railway is extended to this part of the city territory, we expect to see some of the most tasty and expensive dwellings in this vicinity, erected along the Portkornon turnpike. For beauty of location, pure water, beautiful scenery, and healthy air, Reading will rival any city in the Union, and her future growth and prosperity will no doubt be as surprising to the people of rival cities as it is gratifying to her own industrial and enterprising population.

LOTS SOLD.—Mr. John Beldier, a few days ago, sold two lots, situated in South Sixth street below Chestnut, to J. Landis, for the sum of \$2,700. Also to J. B. Grisinger, four lots adjoining the above, for \$4,800, and ten lots situated in Pearl street, for the sum of \$5,000.

A NEW VELOCIPED.—So much has been said about the velocipede—a thing which at first sight, looks as if it were all there—that we are rather timid about introducing any more of it; but we can't help saying something about the "last improvement," which is nothing more or less than a one-wheeled machine, and quite a novelty in its way. It does away with seats, pedals, brakes and all. There is a crank attached to the axle on each side of the wheel. You sit between the spokes and turn the cranks with your hands. The rider goes round with the wheel. The sensation is thoroughly peculiar, and is much more exciting than the ordinary velocipede. This machine, however, will never be popular with the ladies.

PROBLEM.—There were three boys selling apples each started out with a certain number; John had 10 apples, William had 15 apples, and Ben had 20 apples. They sold the apples at the same price, and when all were sold they each had the same amount of money for their apples. What amount did each realize?

IRON.—A resolution was recently introduced into the City Council, to the effect of imposing a tax of 10 cents on a reward of fifty dollars for the arrest and conviction of parties who maliciously and willfully spit tobacco juice on ladies' dresses and on the doors and windows of residences in the city.

SECOND EDITION.  
A. S. O'CONNOR, P. M.  
This maple buds have swelled to leaf buds; the brilliant sunshine and the clear blue sky are the heralds of spring. In every garden the lilacs and jonnies with their house-shaped leaves, are preparing to battle with the March wind and from the windows we see peeping the superb hyacinths, tended by warm sunbeams. The snow has melted, the lilacs are in full bloom, making the air redolent with their sweets. In fact, "about these times," as the almanac says, nature is putting on her holiday array, and looks fresh and fair, as youth and beauty always do.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.—We would remind our readers that the lecture this evening at Peter's Catholic Church will be peculiarly attractive, from the fact that "The Irish in America," forms a topic of considerable interest at the present time. The proceeds will be appropriated in aid of the Pastoral residence, which, with the co-operation of the distinguished Divine who is announced to deliver the lecture, will, it is hoped, insure a large auditory.

STATE AGRICULTURAL CONVENTION.—This body meets in the Senate Chamber at Harrisburg to-day. Isaac Eckert, Esq., of Harrisburg, is the president. Other delegates from the Agricultural Society of Berks county.

PENNSYLVANIA VOLUNTEERS.—All over the State military companies are being organized under the militia laws of Pennsylvania, and our State will soon have a thoroughly organized and splendidly equipped volunteer army, always ready for immediate service. An entire regiment at Philadelphia, the Fritz Guards, one company at Easton, one at Reading, one at Mercersburg, and one at Harrisburg, have just been armed by the Adjutant General. Montgomery county, though first in the field in '01, is far behind now. Who will move in the matter?—Exchange.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.—As the regular time for the meeting of the Teachers' Institute of the Catholic Church, at Harrisburg, has expired, the President has appointed the meeting (next) Friday instead. The Institute will accordingly meet in the High School Building on Friday evening, March 18th, at 7 1/2 o'clock. The lecture will be delivered by Prof. Winchester, of Winchester, Pa. His subject will be "Education." Two important subjects for discussion are on the table, viz: 1st. Should children in the Public Schools be required to prepare lessons at home? 2d. Why do the Assistant Teachers in Secondary Schools lose less than the Principals in Primaries, although the former is considered a step higher in the teachers' grade? The Institute paper is in the able hands of Miss Annie E. Price, Principal of the English and Grammar School, 1st Section. There will be the usual musical entertainment. The public are always welcome to these happy reunions of our Teachers.

THE RAINBOW'S BELL.—The annual ball of the Rainbow Steam Fire Engine Company, No. 1, in honor of their 50th anniversary, will take place at Bronco's Hall, on Friday evening, March 18th, at 7 1/2 o'clock. The Rainbow is one of the most gallant and efficient companies in the Fire Department, and their balls are always largely attended and prove invariable a very pleasant gathering. The Executive Committee will be represented on this occasion.

DEADLY ASSAULT.—Last night a young man, named Frank Smith, a barber in the employ of William Sill, who has his saloon in Misher's Hotel, was assaulted by six young white men, who assaulted him with stones and a razor. He was terribly beaten about the head, and is now in the hospital in Court street, in a very bad condition. His skull being fractured. Warrants were issued for the arrest of the assaulting party, and also a young colored man, by Alderman Richards this morning. The warrants were placed in the hands of Constables O'Neil and Detective Lyon, and they are now under arrest awaiting the result of young Smith's injuries.

THE LOIL CITY TREASURER OF LOWELL, Mass., is a defaulter to the amount of \$32,920. He is in jail. His name is Garush, and he has certainly garnished his nest well with greenbacks.

GEN. AMES, commander of the Fourth Southern Military District, has been instructed to act as Provisional Governor of Mississippi until Congress reconstructs the State.

From Mexico. HAVANA, March 16.—The following news has been received from Mexico: Col. Meyer, formerly of the United States army, was arrested on a charge of attempting to carry over his regiment to the rebel General Negrete. Many officers who have acted under Negrete have been captured and shot. Frequent arrests are made in the city of Mexico of persons alleged to be implicated in revolutionary plots. Wealthy capitalists, representing millions of property, are emigrating from the country.

By the Cuba Cable. HAVANA, March 16.—Rudolph Polo, an American, formerly of the Confederate army, commands 16000 rebels at Sagua. He was recently a clerk in the mercantile house of Bishop, at Caibarien. The Spanish troops are advancing on the rebels from all directions. There were two fights in 48 hours at Boca. 40 rebel prisoners were taken, and 176 are reported killed. The rebels defeated at Mayaguez are being driven to the coast. They have captured a steam transport has arrived from Barcelona with 1100 Spanish troops. There is great military activity in the Central and Eastern Departments. Skirmishes between the troops and rebels are reported in various places, but no serious engagements seem to have taken place.

California News—Murdere—Indian Outrages. SAN FRANCISCO, March 15.—Savage and Smith, who murdered Lieutenant Commander Mitchell, of the United States Navy, in October last, were to-day sentenced to 10 years each imprisonment in the State Prison.

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.  
Washington, March 16.  
In the Senate, the House resolution for an adjournment on March 20, was tabled.

Mr. Sherman introduced a joint resolution authorizing the recognition of Cuban independence.

Mr. Grimes' bill reorganizing the navy was passed, with amendments.

The bill suspending the Tenure-of-Office act was discussed.

In the House, Mr. Kelly's Coinage bill was considered and recommitted with an amendment by Mr. Butler, providing that the purchase of material for the coinage shall be by public advertisement, and from the lowest bidder.

Mr. Deaman introduced bills dividing Texas into several States and Territories, which were referred.

PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATURE.  
HARRISBURG, March 17.—In the Senate, the following bills passed finally: An act to authorize the East Pennsylvania Railroad company to declare stock dividends.

An act changing the name of the State Camp of the Patriotic Order of Junior Sons of America.

An act to incorporate the Pennsylvania Industrial Home for Blind Women.

An act requiring county commissioners to give bonds with sureties for the faithful performance of their duties.

An act to provide for the adjudication of certain military claims.

In the House, the following bills were passed finally: Senate bill enabling railroad, canal and steam water navigation companies to purchase, improve, widen, enlarge and otherwise improve bridges, piers and aqueducts.

THE MARKETS.  
Reading, March 17, 1899.  
Buckwheat, 10 1/2  
Old U. S. 10 1/2  
New U. S. 10 1/2  
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Reading Housekeepers' Market.  
Butter—Fresh dairy, 24 lb. 40  
Lump, 30  
Cherese—Cherese 1 lb. 20  
Lard—1 lb. 10  
Eggs—dozen 20  
Apples—dozen 10  
Oranges—dozen 10  
Peaches—dozen 10  
Raspberries—dozen 10  
Strawberries—dozen 10  
Blackberries—dozen 10  
Rhubarb—dozen 10  
Cauliflower—dozen 10  
Cabbage—dozen 10  
Carrots—dozen 10  
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Potatoes—dozen 10

Hay and Straw Market.  
Timothy Hay, 100 1/2  
Clover Hay, 100 1/2  
Sudagrass Hay, 100 1/2  
Alfalfa Hay, 100 1/2  
Corn Hay, 100 1/2  
Straw, 100 1/2

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.  
MONTGOMERY'S  
CELEBRATED  
HAIR RESTORER,  
An Invaluable Article for the Toilet.

THE GREAT HAIR TONIC OF THE DAY  
W. C. MONTGOMERY, Esq.—Dear Sir,—In all New York there is not a preparation for the hair that compares with Montgomery's Hair Restorer. My hair, which was falling out, and was becoming thin and greasy, has been restored to its natural color, and is growing again.

WANTED.—A good and experienced CHILD'S NURSE. Apply 84 Penn Street, mar 17-14

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OPENING!  
OF ALL THE LATEST PARIS STYLES  
OF ladies' hats and bonnet frames, Fancy Bonnet Silks and Bonnet Velvets and Dress Silks.

REMARKABLE CURE  
OF SCROFULA!  
ABOUT eight years ago I was attacked with a disease which manifested its appearance in the form of SORES, which were getting worse for a long time, until my condition became alarming, when Dr. J. C. Bunting cured me.

"MANHOOD'S WEAKNESS."  
THE BADEN-BADEN  
Constitution Invigorating Syrup  
HAS BEEN PREPARED EXPRESSLY  
For the relief of all those who are afflicted with Manhood's Weakness, or any of the symptoms of general debility, such as loss of appetite, indigestion, nervousness, and all the other ailments which attend on the system.

REMOVAL.—ESTERLY & BROTHEL, Wholesale and Retail Dealers in Groceries, Fish, Fruit, &c., have removed their establishment from the basement of the City Hotel, to the corner of Chestnut and Penn streets.

WANTED.—A large lot of COAL, ASHES, and other articles, at the lowest prices. Apply at the office of the Board of Public Works, 12th and Arch streets.

BRIDGE LETTING NOTICE  
The Board of Commissioners of the City of Reading, Pa., is hereby given that the Commission of the City of Reading, Pa., will be in attendance at their office in Reading, from April 15th to 15th of May, 1899, for the purpose of letting the Penn State Bridge, and other bridges owned by the City of Reading, Pa., for the year 1899. All those who desire to be considered for the letting of any of these bridges, or for the purchase of a contract for the year 1899, must file their proposals with the Board of Commissioners, on or before the 15th of April, 1899.

NEW FURNITURE STORE,  
No. 327 & 329 Penn Street.  
THE UNDERSIGNED RESPECTFULLY invites public attention to his large and complete stock of new and second-hand Furniture, including Bedsteads, Washstands, Wardrobes, Cupboards, Book Cases, Chairs, Bureaus, &c., of all sorts and patterns, and at all prices.

OLD FURNITURE REPAIRED AND VARNISHED.  
The old stock will remain at the old stand, No. 310 Penn street, until April 1st.

A FINE CHANGE FOR BARGAINS.  
After April 1st, the entire stock will be transferred to the NEW STORE, 327 & 329 PENN ST.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.  
A LECTURE,  
under the auspices of the HIBERNIA SOCIETY,  
will be delivered by  
REV. J. J. McELVOY, of PHILA.,  
in ST. PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, S. 8th street, on the evening of MARCH 17th, 1899, at 7 1/2 o'clock.

QUINTON TOMATOES!  
BUY THE BEST!  
THE BEST IS THE CHEAPEST.  
The Quinton caused Tomatoes are the best in the market. For sale by the case or at the store of HURKHOLDER & MADEIRA.

STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.  
Proposals for holding the annual convention of the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society in September next, will be received by the undersigned until Tuesday, March 17th, 1899. A guarantee for the performance of the proposal tendered will be required. The Executive Committee will meet on the 17th of March and decide upon location. Let the names of the counties, for sale at the Pastoral residence, or at the office of the undersigned, or at A. Boyd Hamilton, Harrisburg, Feb 25-14

ORNAMENTAL PIPE FALLINGS.  
PUMPER & STEAM FITTER,  
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BUNTING'S,  
Fashionable  
HAT STORE.  
Spring Goods Just Opening.  
Beautiful New Styles Suitable to All Tastes.  
All Sales warranted to give satisfaction.

Dr. Garrison treats Catarrh by the use of medicated inhalations.  
Dr. Garrison does not pretend to cure all diseases, but from his experience of twenty years' practice, Europe and this country is prepared to treat all curable diseases.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.  
DEAFNESS,  
DISEASES OF THE  
EYE AND EAR,  
AND  
CATARRH.

ALEXANDER GARRISON, M. D.,  
OF NEW YORK,  
A Treatise on Deafness—Catarrh,

Respectfully informs the citizens of Reading and vicinity that he will visit the city monthly. Office at the American House, and will be prepared to receive patients on Tuesday, April 18th, 1899, at 10 o'clock, and again on Monday, May 1st, 1899, at 10 o'clock. He will be given of each appointment, and will be consulted for Deafness, Noise in the Head, Catarrh, Discharges from the Ear, Accumulation of Wax in the Ear, Obstruction of the Eustachian Tube, and all acute or Chronic Diseases of the Ear and Air Passages.

ARTIFICIAL EYES INSCRIBED WITHOUT PAIN,  
and perfectly resembling the natural eye.

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