

Our Neighbors Down the Valley.

WILKES-BARRE.

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HITTING THE ALIBIS.

Close of the Second Week of the Hendricks murder trial. The second week of the famous murder trial ended on Saturday afternoon. The prosecution had a lively surprise on hand for the defense on Saturday, and some more of the same kind may be expected today. The second week of the trial was a busy one, and the defense went heavily into the alibi business, and seemed to have no difficulty in gathering together a cloud of witnesses, mostly relatives of the accused, who were called to the stand on Saturday afternoon. The alibi was set forth in the evidence in rebuttal. To the alibi evidence the defense presented a number of witnesses, mostly relatives of the accused, who were called to the stand on Saturday afternoon. The alibi was set forth in the evidence in rebuttal. To the alibi evidence the defense presented a number of witnesses, mostly relatives of the accused, who were called to the stand on Saturday afternoon.

PITSTON.

During the severe electrical storm which passed over this section Saturday evening, Abe Van Scoy was struck by lightning and instantly killed. Van Scoy was employed as a farmer on the Hillside farm, near Dallas. He, and five others, were engaged in the field, a distance from the house, planting potatoes. The threatening clouds did not disturb the planters until about 5 o'clock, when the wind suddenly changed and the storm came down upon them with all its force. The planters hastened toward the shelter of the house, but had gone only a short distance when the rain began to fall in torrents. Van Scoy being somewhat in advance of the others stopping for the spreading chestnut trees, and had been there but a few seconds when a blinding flash of lightning dazzled the eyes of the planters, and the bolt struck the tree under which Van Scoy was standing. When his friends regained their senses they hurried to the tree where they found Van Scoy, with the expression of agony on his face, and every muscle of the body perfectly rigid.

GROW COUNTY.

The Survey About Completed and the Report Soon to be Made. The commissioners appointed to survey the proposed new county of Grow have about completed their work and will soon make their report to the governor. According to the Shickahyney Democrat, the hope has been so run as to include the hardest part of Lakewood in the new county. Some of the cottage owners at Harvey's Lake will be located in Grow county and the others remain in old Luzerne. The commissioners reported that the territory they have surveyed contains 400 square miles, and not less than 20,000 people, under the law the governor will be required to order an election to be held for the purpose of ascertaining the will of the people on the question of new county or no new county. The territory to be voted on will be approximately 400 square miles, and not less than 20,000 people, under the law the governor will be required to order an election to be held for the purpose of ascertaining the will of the people on the question of new county or no new county.

BRIEF NOTES.

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TUNKHANNOCK.

Abe Hilkowich has gone to Noxen to take charge of Louis Hilkowich's store, and Arthur Jacobs, of Towanda, takes the latter's place in the store here. John M. Rahm, the popular ex-Lehigh Valley roadmaster, has returned from Florida two or three weeks ago, and has gone into a decline with consumption. He and his brother attempted to do some farming and fruit growing in Florida, but the frost destroyed all their prospects. Charles worked hard, took cold, and the final necessity of abandoning all work followed. He and his wife are dead mutes, and they have one or two children. His case calls for warm sympathy. A Niagara Falls excursion is in progress of incubation. It will be run by the Erie.

The new Lehigh Valley schedule makes the following changes in time of passenger train service at this station: Eastward, No. 22 departs at 7:55 a. m. instead of 7:48; No. 14 leaves at 6:23 p. m. instead of 6:16; No. 23 departs at 2:59 a. m. instead of 2:52; No. 85 at 8:30 a. m. instead of 8:45; a new train has been put on, which leaves here at 6:30; and the milk train, which formerly was due at 11:52, now goes at 11:57. The other trains remain unchanged.

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MINOOKA.

The school board will convene in the regular monthly session this afternoon, at which the teachers will receive their monthly stipend. John McCord, of Minooka, the new director, will take his office at 2 o'clock. The United Social club will hold their regular social tonight at Callery's arcade.

Dr. Kate Morrison returned Saturday from a two weeks' visit to Boston. A severe thunder storm visited this locality Saturday evening. A number of fruit trees were broken and fences blown down.

At Harry Doud, of Greenwood, was riding a bicycle on Saturday afternoon on Main street, he was attacked by a vicious canine. The dog sank his teeth in Harry's leg, inflicting a painful wound.

A building boom has been started in the north end of West Mayfield, caused by the prospect of an early completion of the Chestnut Street bridge.

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WENDELL PHILLIPS' WIT.

asked the Clergyman Why He Did Not Go to Hell to Save Souls. From Life Calendar. Dr. Furness, of Philadelphia, tells a character story about Wendell Phillips. "Several clerical gentlemen," he says, "boarded a street car in Boston one day, and one of them bearing it intimated that Wendell Phillips was in the car got up and asked the conductor to point him out. The conductor did so, and the minister, looking at him, said: 'You are Mr. Phillips, I am told.' 'Yes, sir.' 'I should like to speak to you about something, and I trust, sir, you will not be offended.' 'There is no fear of it,' was the sturdy answer, and then the minister began to ask Mr. Phillips earnestly why he persisted in stirring up such an unfriendly agitation in one of the country about an evil that existed in another part. 'Why,' said the clergyman, 'do you not go South and kick up a fuss about the North in general?' Mr. Phillips was not the least ruffled, and answered smilingly: 'You, sir, I presume, are a minister of the Gospel? 'I am, sir,' said the clergyman. 'And your calling is to save souls from hell?' 'Exactly, sir.' 'Well, then, why don't you go there?'

LOGIC EXTRAORDINARY.

Links Between Clover Seed and Old Maids. Darwin said the amount of clover seed produced in any given locality was proportionate to the number of "old maids" there resident, which he proved by the following statement: "There can be no clover seed without the bumble-bee, because no other insect fertilizes it. The enemy of the bumble-bee is the common field mouse, that steals into their nests and destroys the larvae and eats up the honey. "The enemy of the mouse is the common cat, and the solid friend of the cat is the old maid. Consequently the more old maids the more cats; the more cats the less mice, and the less mice the more bumble-bees, the more bees the more clover seed."

He Knew Jeff.

From Truth. 'Wha' fo' you drive you' chickens down die' of de town fo' Lem?' 'Well, Puhson, see Jeff Johnson, he got to gib a party tonight, but my chickens no' go to 'fend.'

For Rent.

STORE FOR RENT—CORNER MAIN AVE. and Price street, new building, newly painted inside and out, good location for any business. J. COBURN, 412 Spruce street, Scranton, Pa.

For Rent—House convenient for

two or three families. 200 Spruce street, near Green Ridge street, excellent location. J. COBURN, 412 Spruce street, Scranton, Pa.

For Rent—PURNISHED AND UNFURNISHED ROOMS

at 306 Lackawanna avenue. JAMES H. TORREY, Attorney.