



The Jeffersonian.

THURSDAY, MAY 28, 1874.

A Normal School.

The Lecture by Prof. Wickersham, on the subject of a Normal School in this locality, of which we made extended mention last week is not, we hope destined to pass without producing proper fruit.

On Monday evening last the Democrats of this county, held their annual meeting at the Court House, in this place. A. O. Greenwald, editor of the 'Monroe Democrat,' was chosen President, Jacob Frantz and James Place, Vice Presidents, and B. S. Jacoby and Samuel Arnold, Secretaries.

OUR new bands are progressing. OUR gardens are growing finely. FROST hereabouts on Friday morning.

THE gate season is quite prosperous, and the swinging pleasant. SCRANTON is going to have a firemen's parade on Monday next.

THE Temperance crusaders have not reached here yet. HURRY UP GIRLS.

WE have not learned that any one hereabouts has been overdone with the heat this season.

"KEEP your cows & off the streets," is the edict of the borough fathers. ALAS! poor sukey.

Now clip the grass in your front yard and do it often if you want things about the house to look well.

"Presbyterian Billiards" is the last new name for croquet, and the Knight and Knightsedge of the mallet and ball are again manipulating the favorites.

BEAR KILLED.—On Sunday afternoon the 17th inst., a large bear made his appearance in the woods of Simon Myers, in Smithfield township.

poor, and when the President found that Nellie, who, in point of self will is really a chip off the old block would not take no for an answer, it was decided that when married they should reside in this country.

The public are cordially invited to be present. THE Peg factory of Messrs Decker, Dunbar & Frantz, located at Mountain Home, in this county, was totally destroyed by fire on Wednesday the 13th inst.

ODD FELLOWS IN NORTHAMPTON CO.—In a late issue of the Argus appears a table showing the numerical strength and financial condition of the Order in Northampton county, from which we take the following:

TOTAL number of subordinate lodge members in Northampton county, 1,702; initiated during the year, 154; amount paid for relief of members, \$4,461.24; valuation of Lodge property in the county, \$31,660.80.

COURT PROCEEDINGS. May Term commenced on Monday last. Judge, Samuel S. Dreher, and Associates DeYoung and Gruber on the Bench.

BARRETT TOWNSHIP. JOHN W. YOTHERS. CHESTNUTHILL. Charles Eberle, Jerome Kresge, Reuben Shupp.

MIDDLE SMITHFIELD. COCONO. Anthony H. Coemer, Charles Brown, Manasseh Miller.

ROSE. Jacob H. Stocker, Reuben Hartzell. SMITHFIELD. W. A. Brodhead & Son, Simeon D. Bush.

STRONDSBURG. Jacob K. Shafer, David L. Pisle, J. I. Allender, John Baldwin.

TOBYHANNA. Henry Stoddard, Wm. Shiffier, Isaac Stouffer.

TUNKHANNOCK. Peter Merwine, Lavana Barrell, Reuben B. Bonser.

DECORATION DAY. WE hope a cheerful and ready response will be made to the call published in our last for flowers to be used in decorating the graves of the deceased heroes in our midst.

WIVES and children, can this remembrance be exhibited. Our several Societies, our Sabbath Schools, and our whole people should join to swell the throng of earnest, heartfelt mourners.

At a meeting of soldiers, held at the American house, last Thursday evening, the following programme was resolved upon: Procession to form on Seminary Square, at 1 o'clock, p. m.

What We Heard and Saw within the Week. The 'verdant youth,' requests us to say that the cat referred to in our last issue, was not a 'Thomas Cat,' but a 'Mariar Cat.'

The last Jeffersonian contained a brief account of the terrible disaster caused by the breaking of a dam on Mill River, in the western part of Massachusetts, by which a great many lives were lost and a vast amount of property swept out of existence.

Incidents of the flood are numerous and heart-rending. Whole families, in some instances, have been drowned; in some cases men and women have been left childless or widowed, and the number who from a condition of comfort have been brought to destitution and left homeless and penniless, can hardly be counted.

The more one sees of the scene the more desolate it appears. Nearly every tree in the course of the torrent is filled with shreds of clothing which the cruel branches stripped from the helpless people whom the flood swept by, and the trees themselves are stripped by the torrent of their bark, and from trunk to twig, are left as naked and white and scathed as the corpses of those they crushed and bruised.

The supply of coffins was exhausted early in the day, and two bodies which were found after there were no more to be had were laid under a tattered coverlet in an open express wagon, and so driven through the streets of Williamsburg.

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The District Stewards of the Lehigh District of the M. E. Church met at Easton on Tuesday afternoon last.

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It is rather remarkable that France, which has but lately come through a most expensive and disastrous war, ending with an enormous indemnity to her conquerors, and which seems to have as yet no stable form of government, is about to resume specie payments.

The District of Columbia has a population of 130,000 souls, and the present year, which is but a few months past, has been a year of peace and prosperity, after a victorious struggle? It must be because our rulers are not masters of finance, but are always seeking for some expedient to avoid paying debts and to get money easier than other people.

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