Sunbury American.

SUNBURY, APRIL 10, 1874.

Railroad Time Table.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE OF TRAINS AT SUNBURY.

N. C. R. W., South.		P. & E. R. R. West.	
Elmira Mail,	11.15 a m	Erie Mail,	5.15 a m
Erie Mail,	12.55 "	Renovo Ac.	11.10 a m
Buffalo Ex.	2.50 "	Elmira Mail	4.10 p m
Harrisburg Ac.	8.10 p m	Buffalo Ex,	7.10 "

SUNBURY AND LEWISTOWN R. R.

Leave Sunbury for Lewistown at 6.35 a. m., and 4.20 p. m.

Arrive at Sunbury from Lewistown at 1.35 and 6.55 p. m.

SHAMOKIN DIVISION, N. C. R. W.

LEAVE		ARRIVE	
Express,	11.45 a m	Mail,	9.30 a m
Mail,	4.30 p m	Express,	4.00 p m

An accommodation train leaves Shamokin at 6.10 a m, arriving at Mt. Carmel at 7.40 a m. Returning, leave Mt. Carmel at 7.00 p m, arriving at Shamokin 7.30 p m.

DANVILLE, HAZLETON & WILKESBARRE R. R.

Leaves Sunbury at 645 a. m., for York. Return at 4.10 p. m.

Accidental Insurance Tickets can be had of Shipman, Ticket Agent, at the Depot.

Winter Arrangement for the Post Office at Sunbury, Pa.

Office Open from 6.50 a. m., to 8 p. m., except on Sundays.

TIME OF ARRIVAL AND CLOSING OF THE MAILS.

Arrives as follows:

From the East at 5.15 a. m., 4.10 p. m.,
" South, 5.15 a. m., 4.10 p. m.
" West, 5.15 a. m., 11.15 p. m., 4.10 p. m.,
" North, 1.50 a. m., 11.15 a. m., 4.10 p.m.
Shamokin, Mt. Carmel and points on that line, 9.25 a. m., 4.00 p. m.

Mails close as follows:

For the East, 5.45 a. m., 10.50 a. m., 4.50 p. m.
" South, 10.50 a. m., 4.50 p. m. 8 p. m.
" West, 10.50 a. m., 3.50 p. m., 8.00 p. m.
" North 3.50 p. m., 8 p. m.,
Shamokin proper 11.15 p. m.
Shamokin and offices on that route, 4.30 p. m.

Money orders will not be issued after 6 p. m., Saturdays.

J. J. SMITH, P. M.

Business Locals.

THE IMPROVED GROVER & BAKER SEWING MACHINE.—These celebrated machines are offered at the most reasonable rate. For particulars apply to D. G. KUTZ, Agent,
Apr. 22, '73.-1y. Upper Augusta township.

CAROLINE DALIUS, dealer in Musical Instruments and Sewing Machines, Market street, near 2nd, Sunbury, Pa. Call and examine the best Organs, Melodeons, Sewing and Knitting Machines in the market. Always on hand the Estey Silver Tongue, Smith's American, Mason & Hamlin Organs. Orders taken for all kinds of Books and Musical Instruments. The Peoples' Favorite Sewing Machines; Domestic and Grover & Baker. [Persons purchasing machines from me will receive instructions.] First-class Sewing Machines for sale.

THE spring style of Hats are already offered for sale by S. Faust, Sr., on Market Square. The latest styles from a large assortment can be selected.

CANNOT BE DENIED that B. L. Randenbush has the largest and best assortment of household furniture in Northumberland county. The most beautiful bed-room suits can be had at reasonable prices. Parlor furniture of every style and grade, are kept on hand. Upholstery done to order at short notice. Undertaking a specialty.

C. H. MILLER has the largest stock of the Boots and Shoes in central Pennsylvania. A general variety of make can be found in his establishment, and all of the best make.

Local Affairs.

The Union Park and Agricultural Association hold their next Annual Exhibition at Sunbury, Sept. 29, 30, and October 1st and 2d, 1874.

TO RENT.—The Drug Store Room now occupied by W. D. Mellick. Also the room adjoining the hat store. Enquire of H. B. MASSER.

SCHEDULE.—On Monday morning a change took place in the time on the D. H. & W. They now leave and arrive as follows:—Mail, 6.50 a. m.; Accommodation, 8 a. m. Arrive—Mail, 4.05 p. m.; Accommodation, 8.20 p. m. The accommodation only to Catawissa.

[illegible].—A few weeks ago we published from the Sunbury Gazetteer of 1826, a poetic account of a storm which occurred on the 10th of April of that year. This morning, the 10th April, we go to press, the ground is covered with snow to the depth of 1½ inches, and still snowing.

JACOB ALBERT has resigned the pastorate of the Lutheran Church, at Trevorton, to take effect July 5th. He intends to retire from the ministry.

SEINES are being made at Harisburg, to be used for shad fishing in the Susquehanna.

MESSRS. PAINE & MCCORMICK have sold the hardware store at this place, to Messrs. Hacket & Mateer. The new firm are both steady and upright business men. Mr. Conley is favorably known in this community, and we are glad to welcome him back again to his old home.

ALL of our cotemporaries have been April fooled with the *Sunbury Daily's* catfish story.

FOUR or five gentlemen can find good board and rooms at reasonable rates, by calling on Mrs. Grubb, S. E. corner of Walnut and Second streets, Sunbury.

REIMER'S pupils will give several vocal and instrumental concerts in the Court House about the 16th inst. The entertainments no doubt be one of the most interesting ever given in this place.

MESS. SIMON & OPPENHEIMER are having an unusual run of custom since opening their clothing and furnishing store at this place. They sell dirt cheap, and everybody should buy to the best advantage.

PARTIES COMMITTED.—Mary and Catharine, daughters of Thomas Gribbin, who is awaiting trial in our county jail for shooting his brother, were committed to prison by Esquire of Coal township, on Monday last, for the purpose of retaining them as witnesses against their father, at the August term of court.

LIQUOR STORE AT NORTHUMBERLAND.—Neff has lately established a new liquor store in Northumberland to wholesale and retail. Mr. N. Wenck has taken charge of the concern, who is an excellent judge of fine liquors, and will always be found polite in waiting on customers. The liquors sold at this establishment will consist of the best brands in the country. Both Mr. Neff and Mr. Wenck have had experience in the sale of liquors, and their habit, give general satisfaction to their customers.

[illegible] of the *Daily* of Tuesday, states that the editor of the *Gazette*, in "interviewing" the "pale-headed" catfish, on the first of April, "severely bitten on the index finger of the right hand." So! And did it create a "*sensation on the nose?* We should have thought that we have learned while a government official during the war, to keep his hands off reptiles of the road mouth," as they are more dangerous than *copperheads*.

[illegible] and now our neighbor of the *Democrat* is bitten by the catfish.

[illegible] FELDER, corner Third and Market streets, has reduced his prices from 10 to 50 per cent in order to close out. The whole magnificent stock, just received, will be sold at cost, the latest bargains ever heard of in this place will be offered. The stock consists of Boy's and Men's Clothing, Hats and Gents' Furnishing Goods, Trunks, Jewelry. Call early and have the first choice.

S. HERZFELDER,
Cor. Third and Market Streets,
Sept. 27. Sunbury, Pa.

A young woman who came to this place a month since, and who slipped away with the barge of officer Culp, returned on Friday bearing in her arms an infant that she took to since her departure. The poor girl has evidence of returning reason, because she is rational than before she left. She says her name is Maggie Brown, and that she is from Huntingdon county. Officer Culp, the same day, on the Lewistown train, was in charge of a family at Klinesville, left Sunbury, about three weeks ago, of Monday last.

ANOTHER SHOOTING AFFRAY NEAR SHAMOKIN. *A Man at Excelsior Shot Down by his own Brother-in-Law.—Whiskey the Cause.*—On last Monday morning our town was again startled by the report that another man had been shot, and that the cause of the crime and the relationship of the parties concerned were similar to those of the Levins shooting case which occurred only a few weeks ago. The following are the particulars that we have been able to gather in this case:

On last Sunday Thomas Gribin and wife, who reside at Excelsior Station, attended Catholic church in Shamokin, in company with John Keating, a brother-in-law of Gribin, who boards with them. After the services at the church were over they started for home, but unfortunately on the way they partook too freely of whiskey, so that when they reached home they were quite warmed up. At the supper table it seems that the talk was about good fighting men and they soon differed on this subject. Gribin asserted that he was a better man than Keating, which the latter denied with great warmth and brought his fist down on the table with such violence as to knock several dishes off the table. This movement greatly excited Gribin, who jumped up from the table and said the like of this should never be done again. He then went up stairs but soon came down with a revolver and fired a shot through the door. After some talk by the rest of the family he was persuaded to put the weapon in the cupboard and sat down to his meal again. But soon the old topic of "who was the best man," was again brought up, when Gribin suddenly jumped up, seized his revolver, and, without a word of warning, shot his brother-in-law through the forehead, killing him instantly.

The firing alarmed some persons in the vicinity, who at once repaired to the house, and, seeing the bloody result, they arrested Gribin and handed him over to the township authorities. This affair occurred about 5 o'clock on Sunday evening. Coroner Hesser being immediately notified of the affair, proceeded at once to the spot, called a jury and held an inquest, the verdict of which was that John Keating came to his death by a shot fired from a revolver in the hands of Thomas Gribin. Gribin was taken to the Sunbury jail on Monday morning, to await his trial. We learn that Gribin asserts that the firing was accidental. Both parties are Irish. John Keating, the victim, was about thirty-seven years old, and has been only about nine months in the country. We are told that he has a wife and four children in Ireland, and one boy in this country.

From what we could learn, Gribin has heretofore been a quiet citizen, but, when under the influence of liquor, somewhat quarrelsome on the subject of being "the best man." For the past year he has been a member of the Coal township school board, and was looked upon as an intelligent Irishman.

The cause that led to the committal of this dreadful crime was doubtless strong drink. It is the old story repeated over and over again—whiskey! quarrelling! fighting! and murder! We refrain from further comment at present.—*Shamokin Herald.*

WE learn that J. J. Reimensnyder is an applicant for Associate Judge to fill the vacancy of Hon. G. C. Welker, deceased. Mr. Reimensnyder would make an excellent Judge, and the only question will be whether he can receive the appointment under the new Constitution which makes no provision to fill the vacancy. If the Governor should take a favorable view, the appointment of Mr. Reimensnyder will be satisfactory, as he is strongly endorsed by the Court and Bar.

KILLED.—Mr. Wm. Gabring, for several years a resident of this place, moved to Mahanoy Planes, last week, to take charge of Rhodes' Hotel, at that place. Early on Saturday morning, while assisting in arranging his household goods, he fell down stairs and broke his neck. It was reported in several papers that Mr. Gabring was a member of Trevorton Lodge, I. O. of O. F., which is a mistake. He had not been a member for a long time.

OUR friend, S. N. Gayman, residing in Purdytown, is engaged in preparing a fish pond for the propagation of black bass and other fish at the rear end of his lot, which will soon be completed. Mr. Gayman has already a number of back bass in his spring house ready to be placed in the pond as soon as finished. These fish are of a very hardy nature, and grow very rapidly. Those now in possession were secured last fall, and have grown in length since that time, some four or five inches. They are tame and easily handled. It is Mr. Gayman's intention, if successful in the propagation of these fish, to convert all his swampy grounds into fish ponds.

ON Wednesday evening last, a number of the friends of J. W. Walls, the popular landlord of the Empire House, met in his parlor by special invitation, to spend a social evening. About 9 o'clock an invitation was extended to invade the dining room where a shad supper had been prepared. The guests surrounded the festive board with countenances illuminated with delight at the sumptuous and bounteous supply of substantials, intermingled with delicacies, that was spread before them. Baked shad, gotten up in a style to suit an epicure by mine host, loomed up on the plates of his guests, and the busy scene of cutting and slashing, in the energetic efforts of his friends to fill up loose garments, was of a most interesting character. Dr. Krebs, who is supplying our citizens with North Carolina shad, now in this place, and who was at the head of the table, gave gusto to the occasion, by explaining the excellent qualities of North Carolina fish generally, and of their *thirsty nature*. After all had satisfied their appetites with the delicate North Carolina fish, made a proper disposition of the delicacies, and disposed, properly, of the "conditements," Jere Snyder, Esq., was called upon, who returned thanks in behalf of the guests to the landlord, in a neat and eloquent speech, after which the party retired to the parlors, when the meeting was called to order, and Esquire Snyder was called to the Chair. Speeches were then delivered by Dr. Krebs, C. A. Reimensnyder, H. F. Mann, and the President, appropriate to the occasion. About 10½ o'clock, the guests adjourned to their respective homes, full of shad, and heartfelt wishes for a long and prosperous life to Mr. Walls, the proprietor of the house, and to Dr. Krebs who is favoring our citizens with the finest shad that grow in the Albemarle waters.

A NEW BOOK.—We have received an advance copy of "A History of the Origin of the Appellation Keystone State, as applied to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with extracts from many authorities relative to the adoption of the Declaration of Independence by the Continental Congress, July 4, 1776, to which is added the new Constitution of Pennsylvania, with alphabetical contents." The work is published by Messrs. Claxton, Remsen, & Haffelfinger of Philadelphia, and is for sale at C. S. Hazlethe's Book store in this place. The work is an excellent one for reference, and should be in the hands of every citizen.

THE Union Hotel, at Trevorton, has been entirely refitted with the modern styles of furniture, and is now one of the most comfortable stopping places for the travelling community, in that region. The parlors are excellently furnished, while the bed-rooms are comfortable and clean. The tables abound with the best of fare, while the bar is not excelled for its pure liquors. Mine host and hostess, Mr. T. Foulds, Snr., and lady, are always ready to show that hospitality to strangers which will make them feel the comforts of a home. And as this house is located in the quiet part of the town, all who will stop at the Union can enjoy a quiet rest.

A DEPOT WANTED.—A few days ago, while in the borough of Shamokin, we regretted to see that no steps have been taken for the erection of a better depot by the N. C. R. W. Co. Their present depot is the most gloomy looking of any we have seen in any town with a less population for many a day. Its filthy appearance reminds one a good deal of the indications of a low class grog shop. There are several sites along the railroad suitable for the erection of good buildings, and for the credit of that flourishing town, its citizens should urge the railroad company to give them a depot that will compare favorably with those of other towns.

GEO. O. BARTOLETT, has opened his Photograph Gallery on Sunbury street, in the borough of Shamokin, and is now ready to fill orders.

BOROUGH DEBT.—The accounts of this borough have lately been audited, which show that the indebtedness is about $37,000 instead of $70,000 as was reported.

BURNING OF KEMMERER'S MILL—LOSS $22,000.—The flouring mill of W. B. Kemmerer, located on Muddy Run 1½ miles above Milton, with its contents, was totally destroyed by fire on Saturday night, March 28. The fire is supposed to have originated at the smut machine which was located on the fourth or garret floor of the mill. It was impossible to get out anything save the books, office desk and a few bags of rye. As work had been stopped about dusk it is supposed that the fire had been busy working along the upper floor until it reached the roof and the smoke having no egress, found its way to the lower part of the building. Late as was the hour the fire drew a large crowd to the scene, and many persons turned to and helped to save the adjacent buildings from destruction. There were consumed in the mill 1400 bushels of wheat; 500 bushels of rye; 500 bushels oats; 600 bushels of corn and 200 barrels of flour. Mr. Kemmerer estimates his loss at $22,000, $15,000 on the mill and $7,000 on contents. He was insured to the amount of $16,000 in the Lycoming, North America, North British and in the York, in all $10,000 on the mill and $6,000 on the stock. Mr. Kemmerer will begin the work of rebuilding his mill at once, or as soon as the loss is adjusted. The new structure will be built of brick or stone, and will be about the same capacity as the old one. The old mill was originally built by Abram and Isaac Straub in 1828, and was located on the Straub Island opposite Milton. It was erected before the river bridge was built, and the bridge was afterwards built mainly on account of the mill through the energy of the Messrs. Straub, at a cost of about $18,000. The building of the Lewisburg dam about 1808 caused a back water to interfere sensibly with the working of the mill and in 1850 Mr. Abram Straub removed it to Muddy Run, where it stood for 25 years, grinding out the staff of life for a large circle of customers as well as for shipment to other markets. The mill contained four run of stones, and a few years ago the machinery was all remodeled and placed in good order.—*Miltonian.*

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.—Council met at 7.30 o'clock, on Tuesday evening, Chief Justice Malick in the Chair. Members all present.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Report of Committee on Finance adopted and to be spread at large on the book of auditor's accounts. Motion reconsidered.

On motion of John Haas, order granted to Thos. D. Grant for his services in auditing financial account of borough.

Street Commissioners made report. Adopted.

Report of committee to wait on County Commissioners.

Communication of citizens from lower part of town in regard to staking off ground for pavements.

Committee on pavements reported progress.

Committee on River Bank reported progress.

Committee on Grave Yard reported progress.

Committee on Bridges and Highways reported progress.

Committee on Public Property reported progress.

Committee on Park reported progress.

Committee on Town Clock report.

Petition of Washington Fire Company, asking for $35 per month, received, read and granted.

Petition of Good Intent Fire Company read. Laid over till next meeting.

Petition of citizens in regard to police read. Laid over till next meeting.

Bill of B. L. Randenbush, $1 40, granted.

Bills of Chas. Martin, Street Commissioner, presented. Order granted.

Order granted to George Lyon for $10.

Bills of Geo. Kichl and D. Heim presented. Laid on the table.

Bill of S. S. Hendricks presented. Laid on the table.

Order grated to David Rockefeller for $26 25.

Order granted to Jno. Clark for $7 45.

Order granted to Sol. Mantz for $1 40.

Bill of A. N. Brice, laid over.

Order granted to Thos. Roach for $35.

Order granted to Dan. Heim for $26 18.

Order granted to Geo. Harrison and John Oyster for $2 25 each.

Order granted to Jas. VanDyke for $35.

Order granted to Ira T. Clement for $6 25.

Order granted to —— Culp for $35

Petition of election officers of borough election read and laid on table.

Orders granted to the several bills in the check roll of S. S. Hendricks.

Bill of Horning granted for $43.

Bill of Shissler & Shipe, laid on table.

Order granted to John Shissler for $30.

Order granted for bills in Horning's returns.

On motion of W. I. Greenough.

Resolved, That Council adjourn to meet next Tuesday night to elect officers.

LEWIS DEWART, Town Clerk.

VESTRY ELECTION—*St. Matthew's (Episcopal) Church, Monday last.*—VESTRY MEN—G. B. Youngman, Wm. I. Greenough, Geo. W. Smith, Wm. T. Grant, H. B. Masser, Thos. D. Grant, Wm. Dunham.

CHURCH WARDENS.—Wm. I. Greenough, Geo. W. Smith.

SECRETARY AND TREASURY.—W. I. Greenough.

DEPUTIES TO THE CONVENTION.—W. I. Greenough, H. B. Masser, G. W. Smith.

MARTIN & Co's Drug Store is stocked with the freshest drugs and perfumery.

SUDDEN DEATH.—William Conrad of Lower Augusta township, was taken sick on Friday last, with inflammatory rheumatism, and died on Wednesday morning last. He was aged 58 years.

THE cases before the Supreme Court from this county will not be decided before May.

FIFTEEN persons were admitted to membership into the Lutheran Church, at this place, by the rite of confirmation, and nine by certificate from other churches, on Saturday evening last. On Sunday morning the Holy Supper was administered to an unusually large number of communicants.

A YOUNG LADY of Caketown is charged with keeping a light burning in the parlor until very late Sunday nights, in order to harrow the sensitive feelings of an envious neighbor into the belief that she has really got a beau.

THE CAMPAIGN OF 1827.—We give below the election returns of 1827, which we copy from the Sunbury *Gazettes*, published in Sunbury in that year. At that time no conventions were held to make nominations by the opposing political parties. Every candidate ran upon his own merits. The campaign was one of the most spirited and exciting that has probably ever occurred in this county. The contest then, it appears, was between the candidates for the office of Sheriff. There were six candidates in the field, all of whom have "gone to that undiscovered country from whence no traveler returns," except two, ex-sheriff Henry Reader, now residing in the borough of McEwensville, and Col. Elisha Kline, residing in Upper Augusta township, this county. There are also but few of the acting politicians of that day remaining. Judging from some of the communications then published there were many unscrupulous politicians, some of whom are still living, who would severely denounce their own actions were they to be imitated by the politicians in those modern times. It will also be seen that there were but eleven election districts in the county with a total vote of 2064. At the present time there are thirty-two districts with a vote of about 8000:

Northumberland County Official Election Returns--1827.

DISTRICTS.	Assembly.				Sheriff.				Coroner.		Commissioner.				
	DANIEL SCHOONOVER.	JOSEPH HUTCHINSON.	JACOB M'KINNEY.	WILLIAM LAIRD.	PETER MANTZ.	HENRY READER.	ELISHA KLINE.	FREDERICK HASS.	CHAS. D. WEAVER.	JOHN GEAR.	WILLIAM SHUMAN.	ISAAC ZERBER.	PETER HERMAN.	HENRY BUGHER.	JOHN COLDREN.	WILLIAM GRANT.
Sunbury	132	23	97	48	75	4	22	10	83	116	26	36	44	39	12	9
Augusta	244	64	219	59	31	9	96	22	192	169	144	53	49	40	14	16
Point	151	11	46	141	36	10	52	5	125	42	25	25	23	60	15	69
Chillisquaque	109	17	77	69	44	29	15	4	81	28	17	39	44	19	2	17
Milton	138	20	78	77	63	79	5	1	99	12	39	41	14	51	4	22
Turbut	239	146	64	161	11	323	24	5	226	5	32	125	150	38	21	19
Shamokin	246	13	290	21	65	12	102	3	160	51	154	31	36	37	60	3
Rush	94	47	86	36	19	6	83	13	93	33	67	1	49	2	15	14
Little Mahanoy	42	5	28	8	33	5	4	13	28	36	5	6	25	3	7	1
Upper Mahanoy	101	51	70	38	101	4	4	22	31	146	52	13	22	53	13	00
Lower Mahanoy	78	57	125	5	24	17	20	1	67	53	10	41	2	20	62	00
Totals	1574	457	1090	643	555	508	407	99	1185	701	562	411	470	203	165	170

Joseph Rhoads, of Milton, was elected auditor.

THE RIGHT MAN IN THE RIGHT PLACE.—We frequently meet men in government positions who are peculiarly calculated for the place, and in such instances their services are seldom dispensed with, as they result in economy to the government, and satisfaction to the people. The U. S. Patent Office, at Washington, contains one such whose qualities in this respect are not excelled by any, in the person of J. M. Emery, Esq., at present holding the position of Examiner in charge of Interferences and Extensions. Mr. Emery was appointed in 1866, and in that time has gained the confidence and good will of all who have had occasion to transact business in the Department. He has a thorough knowledge of the affairs of the office, and his urbanity and willingness renders it a satisfaction to have business intercourse with him. He is the right man in the right place.

LIST OF LETTERS remaining in the Post Office at Sunbury, Pa., April 7, 1874:

R. A. Ammerman, Weysley Backer, Margaret Campbell, Sarah Crickboon, C. A. Desmond, Annie Green, Wm. H. Hunterson, Lity Hallman, Wm. Oswalt, Emma Oswalt 2, R. M. Owswell, Reed & Co., Gehrad Snyder.

Persons calling for any of the above letters will please say advertised.

J. J. SMITH, P. M.

ALMOST A FIRE.—On Wednesday of this week Mr. Hiram Young's property on Market street made a narrow escape from being destroyed by fire. A stove fell over and scattered the red hot coal on the floor and burned several yards of carpet and a hole in the floor before it was gotten under control. As luck would have it Mrs. Young and her little daughter were in the room when the accident occurred, and while the daughter was giving the alarm the mother was busy in trying to right the stove. Mr. Howell was attracted to the scene just in time to help prevent a disastrous conflagration.—*North'd Press.*

THE days are not long enough for some of our industrious idlers, so they prowl around most of the night.

ONE way to keep your nose from bleeding is to keep it out of other people's business.

WE have received a new stock of Bill Heads, Note Paper, Envelopes, Cards, &c., which will be printed to order at reduced prices.

"HISTORY OF THE GRANGE MOVEMENT; or the Farmers' War against Monopolies." Being a full and authentic account of the struggles of the American Farmers against the extortions of the Railroad Companies. With a History of the Rise and Progress of the Order of the Patrons of Husbandry. Published by the National Publishing Co., Philadelphia.

The most remarkable and powerful movement of the present day is, unquestionably, the War which the Farmers of the United States are waging against the Monopolies of all kinds that have for so long been robbing the people and oppressing the toiling portion of our community.

The work begins with the causes which have aroused the American people against the monopolists, and treats of the railroad system of the country, its growth, actual condition and prospects. It then shows how this noble system has been perverted to further the ends of selfish capitalists and railroad directors, who seek gain at the expense of the community; and we are given a terrible and thrilling account of the crimes and frauds of the railroad corporations of to-day. The author wields a fearless and vigorous pen, and points out the evils which this selfish greed has entailed upon us. He shows how the great corporations have been able to control the whole country; how they have robbed the nation, and corrupted our Congress, State Legislatures, and Courts of Justice. He gives us some startling facts about the Wild-Cat Railroads of the country; the reckless gambling in stocks, and the terrible financial convulsion from the effects of which we are still suffering.

The book then takes up the cause of the farmers of the United States, and lays before us a calm but eloquent statement of their wrongs; shows how the farmers are overcharged and robbed of the just reward of their labors, and points out the causes of these evils. It explains how the railroads impoverish the farmers, and gives a substantial reason for the charge so often repeated that high freights affect the value of land as well as of its products.

A considerable portion of the work is devoted to a history of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry, and it contains an account of its rise, progress and present condition and future prospects. Each feature of the order is fully explained, and an amount of information is given concerning this wonderful organization that will amply satisfy the most curious.

It is decidedly the most interesting and useful volume of the day, and as it comes at a time when the whole country is suffering intensely from the evils it denounces, cannot fail to have a tremendous sale. It is an ably written work, and a bold and vigorous plea in behalf of the farmers and all who are oppressed and robbed by the grasping Monopolies which are causing so much trouble. It is sold by subscription only, and agents are wanted in every county.

[FOR THE AMERICAN.]

Dornsife, Pa., April 6, 1874.

In reply to the article which appeared in the *Democrat* "From the Lower End," of the 20th ult., "*doubting* the originality of the Dornsife correspondence." I would here say like the Queen of Sheba, when she visited Solomon, and had seen his wisdom, she said to the King, "It was a true report that I heard, I believed not the words, until I came, and mine eyes had seen it; and, behold, the half was not told me." To *substantiate*, what was said by the Dornsife correspondent; I would here add a *few*, of the *many* proofs of what was said by the Dornsife correspondent which I think verifies that the report was not in the least exaggerated. The following is taken from the monthly report of Washington School (Jackson District) A. B. Keck teacher. Rebeckah, Annie, Cheanles, Rebeckah, Emma, Lyddia, Lana, Carle, Catharine, Stodard Arithmetick, Mitchel, Monteeth, &c. Whether the above named pupils were Chinese or Africans, I cannot say, but they are new names to American citizens. The average attendance of said school, (second month) male 10 9-11. Female 12 7-11. Total 23 5-11. Not one of the five reports of said teacher were correct. The report was corrected by the Secretary. Talk no longer about your big sausage; heavy porkers, &c. Let teachers make their reports. Washington township is opposing compulsory education. The following report by Mr. Keeler, (teacher) shows that they have no need of such a law. Per ct. of attendance during month male 43. Female 35. Total 44. During term till date Male 49. Term 54, Total 103. Third month, pr ct of attendance during mo m. 59, Fe 09. Total 68. During term till date 59, 56, 115. At the expiration of the fourth month Mr. Keeler left the school and went to Ma. Herndon High School, and was taught by Mr. Sholly, of Snyder co., a competent teacher well qualified for the school room. Mr. Diehl gave satisfaction in his district. Mr. Moyer can be recommended as a fit man for the school room. School No. 2 of Washington township closed with an exhibition. All appeared to have been well satisfied with the entertainment. This was the first ever held in the district; and, consequently, the teacher met with some opposition in carrying out his design. The audience was entertained by vocal music by the Jackson choir, which was very much appreciated by the audience. All went away in favor of exhibition. We at the lower end would like to hear from some of your old free school districts. Beat the Washington township teacher if you can, but be honest—do not forget the fractions.

B.

HAVE we any Street Commissioners, or other officers, whose duty it is to see that the streets and side walks are in good condition. If so, why is the plank side walk at the old depot left in such a dangerous condition? If the borough should have to pay $500 damages for a broken limb, caused by this pitfall, whose fault would it be? The authorities are exacting enough with some, why not with others? TAX PAYER.

SUNBURY, PA., March 27, 1874.

At a regular meeting of Mason Council, No. 131 Jr. O. U. A. M., held in their Council Chamber on Thursday evening, 26th inst., the undersigned were appointed a committee to draft resolutions expressing the sentiment of this Council, which are as follows:

Resolved, That this, the second anniversary of Mason Council No. 131 Jr. O. U. A. M., has been a complete success.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Council is hereby tendered to the young ladies of Sunbury for the generous aid extended by them to the Committee of Arrangements, and for the presentation of a number of beautiful fairy baskets.

Resolved, That much praise is due the Silver Cornet Band for the music furnished on the occasion, and that a vote of thanks be tendered them for the same.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Council be tendered to Messrs. A. N. Brice, W. H. McCarty and J. B. O'Connor for their invaluable assistance in making our anniversary a success.

Resolved, That the success of our anniversary was due, in a great measure, to the active part taken by the Committee of Arrangements, and our thanks are hereby tendered them.

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be tendered to the public in general for their indispensable aid.

Resolved, That the above resolutions be published in the papers of this borough.

W. L. SAVIDGE,
B. F. COOPER,
R. P. MCCARTNEY,
Committee.

EMINENT Men of Science have discovered that electricity and magnetism are developed in the system from the iron in the blood. This accounts for the debility, low spirits, and lack of energy a person feels when this vital element become reduced. The Peruvian Syrup, a protoxide of iron, supplies the blood with its iron element, and is the only form in which it is possible for it to enter the circulation.

A Universal Remedy! "Wishart's Pine Tree Tar Cordial," for coughs, colds and bronchial affections stands first in public confidence and favor.

DON'T BE DISCOURAGED.—Suppose you *have* "tried fifty remedies" and received no benefit, is there therefore "no balm in Gilead?" Verily there is. Your liver may be congested, your stomach half paralyzed, your nerves quivering, your muscles knotted with torture, your bowels constricted, your lungs diseased, your blood full of impurities—yet in one week after commencing a course of Dr. Walker's Vinegar Bitters you will feel like a new creature. 4w.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

To Capitalists, To Men of Medium Means, and to all Wishing Homes and thus Avoid Paying Rents.

By reference to the Watsontown *Record* and Sunbury "Gazette" will be seen a full and more explicit description of the property I offer for sale, either in lots or by the acre. But what I wish to more particularly bring before the public is the LIBERAL TERMS on which they are offered.

I will SELL LOTS from $100 to $500 and lands by the ACRE from $200 to $500, according to the location.

TERMS:—Ten per cent. of the purchase money down, the balance in time and amounts to suit purchasers, from ONE to EIGHT YEARS, with legal interest from day of sale.

The streets and alleys will be opened as fast as lots are sold, so that all may be approached with ease.

All persons who are now paying rent can have an opportunity of securing a home for less money annually than they are now THROWING AWAY in rent.

Any person wishing to see the lands or lots will call on me, when every opportunity will be given them to have a fair chance to see the superior advantages presented to the public.

In addition to the lands above referred to, I now offer for sale THREE DWELLING HOUSES, situate on Water street, in Watsontown borough, the one being the large and commodious Brick Dwelling now occupied by me, all of said dwellings having the necessary outbuildings for immediate use.

For further information call on or address

J. M. FOLLMER,
Watsontown, Pa.

October 31, 1873.—1 yr.

HOUSEHOLD PANACEA AND FAMILY LINIMENT.

Why Will You Suffer?

To all persons suffering from Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Cramps in the limbs or stomach, Bilious Colic, Pain in the back, bowels or side, we would say, THE HOUSEHOLD PANACEA AND FAMILY LINIMENT is of all others the remedy you want for internal and external use. It has cured the above complaints in thousands of cases. There is no mistake about it. Try it. Sold by all Druggists.

LINIMENT.

July 12, 1873.—1y.

TO CONSUMPTIVES.

The advertiser, having been permanently cured of that dread disease, Consumption, by a simple remedy, is anxious to make known to his fellow sufferers the means of cure. To all who desire it, he will send a copy of the prescription used, (free of charge), with the directions for preparing and using the same, which they will find a sure Cure for Consumption, Asthma, Bronchitis, &c.

Parties wishing the prescription will please address

Rev. E. A. WILSON,
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Nov. 21, 1873—6m.

Children often look Pale and Sick from no other cause than having worms in the stomach.

BROWN'S VERMIFUGE COMFITS will destroy Worms without injury to the child, being perfectly WHITE, and from all the coloring or other injurious ingredients usually used in worm preparations.

CURTIS & BROWN, Proprietors,
No. 215 Fulton Street, New York.

Sold by Druggists and Chemists, and dealers in Medicine at TWENTY-FIVE CENTS A BOX.

July 12, 1873.—1y.

Thirty Years' Experience of an Old Nurse.

Mrs Winslow's Soothing Syrup is the prescription of one of the best Female Physicians and Nurses in the United States, and has been used for thirty years with never failing safety and success by millions of mothers and children, from the feeble infant of one week old to the adult. It corrects acidity of the stomach, relieves wind colic, regulates the bowels, and gives rest, health and comfort to mother and child. We believe it to be the Best and Surest Remedy in the World, in all cases of DYSENTERY and DIARRHŒA IN CHILDREN, whether it arises from Teething or from any other cause. Full directions for using will accompany each bottle. None Genuine unless the fac-simile of CURTIS & PERKINS is on the outside wrapper. Sold by all Medicine dealers.

July 12, 1873.—1y.

ERRORS OF YOUTH.

A gentleman who suffered for years from Nervous Debility, Premature Decay, and all the effects of youthful indiscretion will, for the sake of suffering humanity, send free to all who need it, the recipe and direction for making the simple remedy by which he was cured. Sufferers wishing to profit by the advertiser's experience can do so by addressing in perfect confidence,

JOHN B. OGDEN, 42 Cedar St., New York.

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Marriages.

On the 26th ult., by Samuel McMahan, Esq., HENRY YEAGER to MARY JARRET, all of Milton.

In Northumberland, on the 4th inst., by the Rev. E. T. Berry, John B. ZIMMERMAN, of Shamokin to Naomi J. NEWBERRY, of Northumberland.

Deaths.

In Milton, on the 1st inst., SARAH wife of James S. Dougal, M. D., aged 75 years, 8 mos., and 15 days.

Near Milton, 30th ult., Mrs. BARBARA LAIR, aged 77 years, 4 months and 26 days.

In Milton, 30th ult., EMMA J., daughter of Phebe Wertz, aged 5 years, and 23 days.

In Milton, 23d ult., GEORGE A., son of Chas. and Esther Shoemaker, aged 5 months and 27 days.

In Watsontown, on the 1st inst., MARY, wife of Wm. Maclearner, aged 28 years and 5 months.

In Northumberland, March 20th, FRANCIS J., child of Rev. D. H. and Nellie Clark, aged 6 months and 6 days.

In Northumberland, March 24, MARY, wife of P. H. Keser, aged 56 years and 10 months.

In Northumberland, March 25, Mrs. ELIZABETH JOHNSON, aged 68 years, 10 months and 7 days.

In Northumberland, March 19, JAMES H. NESBIT, aged 38 years, one month and 25 days.

In Lower Augusta township, on the 8th inst., WILLIAM CONRAD, aged 58 years, 3 months and 15 days.

In Washington township, on the 3d inst., Mrs. CATHARINE, wife of William Hetrick, aged 34 years, 10 months and 10 days.

In Sunbury, April 4th, MAY IRENE VALLANCE, daughter of Jas. K. and Lydia Vallance, aged 1 year, 5 months and 4 days.

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(To the Insurance Commissioners.)

ASSETS.

Cash market value of real estate owned by company, deducting all incumbrances thereon	$103,650 00
Loans on Bond and Mortgage	7,500 00
Bonds and Stocks owned by the Company, market value	1,800 00
Cash on hand and in Bank	5,650 24
Gross Premiums in course of collection	6,531 64
Premium Notes held by the