

—Anty Johnson has joined the Grangers. Pity the Grangers!

—Johnny Steele—"Coal Oil"—runs a meat market at Jamestown, Mercer County.

—Five Philadelphia merchants, who were worth a quarter of a million in January last, are now bankrupt.

—Ex-Chief Justice Jos. Thompson, of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania fell dead in the Supreme Court room, Philadelphia, on the 24th.

—The ice business has commenced at Bangor, Me., in earnest, and is being prosecuted with unusual vigor. Ice of thirteen inches in thickness is being cut.

—The Supreme Court of Illinois has refused to grant a new trial to Rafferty, convicted of the murder of Policeman O'Mera, and he will be hung.

—The Evans case was concluded at Harrisburg on Saturday. The jury rendered a verdict of \$185,683.50 for the State.

—The Pennsylvania Senate has passed unanimously a resolution that all legislation shall be in accordance with the new constitution.

—The public debt statement for January is unexpectedly favorable, showing a decrease during the month amounting to \$1,845,211.76.

—A St. Paul, Minnesota, despatch states that twenty men, engaged in chopping wood near Fort Rice, Dakota Territory, were murdered by Sioux Indians early in the week.

—First National Bank at Conneautville, Pa., was robbed on Sunday night of thirty thousand dollars by two masked robbers, who secured and bound the cashier and rifled the vault.

—The greatest breadth of the State of Pennsylvania is one hundred and seventy-six miles, and the greatest length two hundred and eighty miles. It contains twenty-eight millions three hundred and sixty-two thousand eight hundred and eight acres of land.

—Work was resumed on the 26th ult., generally throughout the anthracite mining regions. A compromise has been effected on the basis of 1873, and the danger of a protracted strike has been fortunately averted. The working miners have shown moderation and good sense in this crisis.

—Last week, in the Cincinnati Police Court, Pat Naughton, locomotive engineer, was convicted of throwing a live dog into the locomotive furnace, burning him to death. He was fined \$100 and sentenced to the Workhouse for six months. The case was presented by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

—The Harrisburg Patriot of last week says: "The drummer boy who led the charges at the battle of Murfreesboro, in Geary's division, and who received from Congress a medal for his gallantry, was yesterday in this city an applicant for employment to keep a young wife and child from starvation. Scarcity of labor has thrown him out of employment, and he walked from his home here because he had not the money to pay his fare upon the railroad."

—An effort was made to bring the law to bear on the bereaved widows of the Siamese twins, but nothing was accomplished. The Supreme Court was impudently to issue a writ directing the Coroner of Surrey county to hold an inquest, but that body refused to aid science by a doubtful use of a compulsory legal process. Dr. Pancoast, of Philadelphia, is now on his way to the late home of the twins, and if he has taken money enough with him he will probably be permitted to make a post mortem examination.

—A measure of considerable importance to soldiers who served in the late rebellion has been agreed upon by the Committee on Invalid Pensions. It provides, first, that soldiers who suffered amputation of the arm above the elbow shall receive the same pension as is now paid to soldiers whose legs were amputated above the knee. Another provision is, that soldiers entitled to a pension, whose names have been placed upon the roll by a special act of Congress, shall receive the same pay that is now given to soldiers whose names had been placed on the roll under the regular pension act. The object is to equalize the pensions of soldiers similarly wounded in the late rebellion.

—The Centennial.—The Centennial movement is gaining weight and momentum. The vote in Congress on the question of extending a formal invitation to other nations settled the point of national recognition. It is considered certain that a good appropriation will be made. Meanwhile the local committees in Philadelphia are at work. They give notice that at least one million more must be raised in that city. Something will also be done by the State. Arrangements have been made to go on with the buildings in Fairmount Park as soon as spring opens.

A HAUNTED BRIDGE.—And now we stumble upon a mystery in Harrison township.

—About six miles west of this place is a bridge known as Kinton's bridge, which spans the Juniata, and is a spot of no mean significance in the history of the township. By many of the citizens, for many years, this bridge has been dreaded and there are those who rather than cross it, would wade the sparkling stream at a temperature of 20°; not that the superstructure is faulty, nor that there is any petty jealousy because Smith or Jones built the bridge, but because it is believed that the Devil or some other body or thing who has not the interests and happiness of the citizens at heart, wields a terrible evil magic influence over it. Many wonderful, and if they did not come from men of unquestionable veracity, we would say slightly incredible stories are told concerning what has happened in this famous bridge, but as we have not the space to recount them all, we will give the latest sensation. One afternoon some time since, a farmer started with a load of corn to Mann's Choice, and on his way had to pass through the bridge. He was a man not given to fear nor to the belief in spooks, ghouls and hobgoblins. He arrived at the town in safety, unloaded his corn and started for home. Just as the sun was disappearing in the western horizon, his wagon, drawn by two powerful horses, entered the bridge, when all of a sudden, they came to a halt—whack went the whip about the legs of the fiery steeds, who strained every nerve to go forward, but it was a dead stall. The driver dismounted and examined the wagon, found that it had not caught against anything, and proceeded to lead his team but to his great astonishment the wagon would not move. He unbitched the horses, led them out of the bridge and tied them to a fence. He then returned with the intention of backing the wagon out, but he found that the wheels were firmly set, the tongue was immovable, and the light bed which he had handled many a time without assistance, was so solidly fixed that he could not move even the one corner. Night came on and with it anathemas loud and deep, he declared he could not go home without his wagon, to be laughed at by his neighbors. The services of a man and boy, who lived near the bridge, were brought into requisition. They had a lantern. The trio did all in their power to loose the wagon but it remained stationary as tho' it were a part of the bridge. Finally they gave up in despair. The farmer had already mounted his horse preparatory to starting for home when the chains attached to the tongue rattled. He went back—the magic spell was broken and the wagon following in the wake of the horses as though nothing had occurred. The affair created a wonderful sensation in the neighborhood, and to this day is a dark mystery.

—So late one night last week two young men in a buggy drawn by a powerfully built family horse, approached the bridge and when about two-thirds through, their progress was suddenly and mysteriously stopped. The horse put forth his best looks but the buggy remained firm. The gentlemen alighted, and discovered that their vehicle had grown fast to the bridge and would not give anywhere. After half an hour pulling and tugging they concluded to unhitch and go home. When the horse was about half unhitched the buggy became loose and they went on their way rejoicing. We do not pretend to give any reasons for these mysteries, but we are willing to swear that we get our information from as reliable men as Bedford county can produce, and that they are candid in their convictions.—Bedford Inquirer.

—UDDERZOOK.—A West Chester, Pa., letter says: A visit to the prison to-day in search of information concerning this unfortunate man revealed nothing new. His wife and Mr. Perdue, his counsel, were in the cell with him, all engaged in deep conversation. The prisoner is still hopeful of a new trial, in which even he expects to get off. His department in prison is good, and he is growing robust upon the prison fare. He sleeps well, and talks of nothing but the chances of a new trial. Mr. Perdue has worked very hard for the doomed man, and is still doing, but a lack of funds will before long compel him to close his labors. The three weeks granted by the Supreme Court has almost expired, and the paper book, for lack of funds, is not yet in the hands of the printer. Those by whom he was prompted to this deed have now deserted him, and he is left uncared for save by his wife, who is ever ready to cheer, and with her limited means, to assist him to meet his fate. It is expected, and there is good grounds for it, that Udderzook will confess, when some startling revelations may be expected.

—Vice President Wilson was in attendance at the National Woman Suffrage Convention in Washington. Miss Anthony caught sight of him and appealed to him to say a word in behalf of the cause. The Vice President arose from his seat in the center of the hall, and said: "I wish simply to say that I am under imperative orders to make no speeches on any subject. I will add, however, that twenty years ago I came to the conclusion that my wife, my mother and my sisters were as much entitled to the right of suffrage as myself, and I have not changed my mind since." Good words.

—A Philadelphia special says there is a report from Harrisburg that a newly organized combination, composed of prominent railroad men and capitalist, is about to open war against the coal combination. The impression in coal trade circles is that as soon as the plans of the new organization are perfected, a most determined warfare will be commenced between it and the coal combination to secure a monopoly of the coal trade in the various anthracite regions of the State.

—It takes exactly thirty-nine hairpins to do up the hair of a young lady of the period.

Local Items.

—SALE REGISTRY.—The public sales advertised through the Record will take place in the following order: Geo. W. Carbaugh, 8 miles from Waynesboro' and 2 miles from the Marsh Store, on Monday the 16th of February.

—John S. Rank, 3 1/2 miles from Waynesboro'; On the Leitersburg turnpike, on Wednesday the 13th of February.

—John A. Barr, on the farm Samuel H. Barr, 4 miles west of Waynesboro', on Friday the 20th of February.

—Mary Rook, between Mt. Hope and Quincy, on Friday the 20th day of February.

—Elizabeth G. Rohrer and John H. Rohrer, near Welty's church, in Washington county, Md., on Wednesday the 25th of February.

—Peter Moritz, 1 1/2 miles West of Waynesboro', adjoining Willow Grove Mills, on Thursday the 28th of February.

—I. Harbaugh, one mile from the Marsh Store, on Monday the 2d day of March.

—Election day, February 17th.

—Marysville S. S. resolutions on the death of Mr. Jerome Beaver will appear in our next issue.

—Those of our subscribers who have not paid us anything on subscription will please remember us in their prayers.

—We would be glad if the friends of deceased persons would furnish the particulars for the customary obituary notices.

—Jonathan Phillipy, of Falling Waters, Washington county Md., killed a Chester hog, 4 years old, weighing 646 pounds.

—DECEASED.—Mr. John Seibert, formerly of Welsh Run, this county, died at his residence in Bushnell, Ill., on the 19th ult.

—About 160 students are now in attendance at the C. V. Normal School at Shippensburg. Six hundred are expected for the session for next summer.

—SNOW.—During Monday last snow fell in this region to the depth of several inches. A few sleighs were running on Tuesday, but the snow was too soft for what might be termed even tolerable sleighing.

—On the 24th ult., in the House, Mr. Reynolds presented a petition signed by eleven hundred and twenty one citizens of Bedford county, praying for the repeal of the Local Option Law.

—DOCUMENTS.—Our representative at Harrisburg, Geo. W. Welsh, Esq., is entitled to our gratitude for a voluminous amount of public documents with which we have been favored since the meeting of the Legislature.

THE GALLOW'S CHEATED.—The trial of John M. Reesley for the murder of Lloyd L. Clary, which had been in progress at Cumberland, Md., for a couple of weeks, was concluded on Saturday evening last by the jury rendering a verdict of acquittal.

—Clary was one of the editors of the Cumberland Times and last October published an article reflecting upon the actions of Reesley's father, who was clerk of the courts at the time, which so touched the dignity or vanity of Reesley as to cause him to commit a cowardly murder. Instead of seeking redress in a honorable way he slunk assassin-like, to the office of the Times, and without warning, shot down an unarmed man, and then fled to the street where he boastfully acknowledged that he had committed the deed. A verdict of acquittal in his case will certainly be a surprise to all who read the evidence as it appeared in the Baltimore dailies during the progress of the trial.

—When the verdict was announced, and before it could be recorded, the prisoner, says the despatch, was surrounded by his friends and almost borne from the court, the Judge vainly striving to restore order. He was accompanied to his home by a shouting and exultant crowd of from two to three hundred persons.

—The charge to the jury, delivered by Judge Alvey, was brief, as follows: "Gentlemen of the Jury.—The indictment charges the party with murder.—If you find him guilty of murder it will be your duty to designate the degree. If you find him guilty of murder in the first degree you will say guilty of murder in the first degree. If you find him guilty of murder in the second degree you will say guilty of murder in the second degree, but not guilty in the first degree. Or you may find him guilty of manslaughter; or if you find him not guilty you will simply say not guilty."

—You will bear these instructions in mind, in order that you may be correct in rendering your verdict.

—RINGGOLD MEETING.—According to previous announcement a meeting was held in the Ringgold School House on Thursday evening, January 29, for the purpose of hearing an explanation of the Grange movement, and the object of the "Order of Patrons of Husbandry."

—Several gentlemen from a Lodge not very far distant were expected to address the meeting. The gentlemen failing to be present, the meeting was called to order, a chairman elected and invitations given to those present to express their views on the subject.

—A number of gentlemen were called upon and replied affirmatively and negatively. The Grange question being new and in direct application to the majority of the community, many having but a faint idea of its origin, progress and purpose, the prevailing sentiment here is to have another meeting. One week previous a meeting was held for a similar purpose. The same gentlemen were expected at this meeting, but failing to appear, the meeting, as I am told, was conducted similar as on last Thursday evening.

—Some officious individual gave vent to his fine feelings in the Record of Jan. 29; meaning the same, I suppose, a burlesque. In justice and encouragement to Mr. Shockey and truth to the public, irrespective of my sentiments on the Grange question, I would here state in purport the article is false.

—By what I have been told by responsible persons present at the meeting, and by what I heard at the second meeting by the same gentleman I have evidence to affirm his meaning was quite different. The title of the article within itself is an untruth, there being no grangers at either meeting. But if A. B. C's true sentiments are unharmonious with Mr. Shockey's, and mean to injure the young man by misrepresentations, I would caution him to exercise a little more brain, if he has any to exercise, before again contributing.

—It must indeed be humiliating for any individual to reflect upon, the vain effort of burlesque in public print with such personalities, especially personalities with reference to the oratorical powers of the young men who merely expressed their opinions of the movement on being called. I think it unbecoming any gentleman and beneath the dignity of any one possessed of the least culture.

—Further comments upon A. B. C's article is unnecessary than to recommend him take a peep in Rhetoric. X. Y. Z.

[For the Village Record.]

Hark! the railroad cars are coming. Don't you hear their wheels are humming. Mr. Editor.—Will you transfer to your columns for the information of your readers the accompanying article clipped from the Moorefield Advertiser, W. Va., which sketches a magnificent enterprise now maturing to form an association of the managers of the N. Y. & Burlington, Lancaster & Delaware River, Columbia, York & Wrightsville, York and Gettysburg, Thaddeus Stevens' Tapeworm, Western Maryland, Cumberland Valley, Harper's Ferry and Washington & Ohio Railroads for the purpose of constructing a Railroad from New York city via Burlington, N. J., Lancaster, Gettysburg, Pa., Hagerstown, Md., Winchester, Va., and through the forests and coal fields of W. Va., to the Ohio river.

—It is singular to see that an overruling Providence evidently dictates an association of these several railroad companies in order to open a direct railroad route from the City of New York to West Va.

—Each of the above named R. R. Companies have constructed a part of which if put in conjunction would form the nearest and best route from New York to Winchester, Va.—If completed the towns and country through which it would pass would be greatly benefited and the extremities of the road N. Y. and West Va. vastly enriched thereby.

—It is therefore proposed that a convention of the officers and managers of each of the above named R. R. companies be assembled soon at some central place, Lancaster, York or Gettysburg, to organize a company out of these several named railroad companies for the purpose of consolidating and completing a railroad as proposed.

—We are permitted (says the Advertiser) to publish the following extract addressed to Hon. Thomas Maslin by a gentleman of Pennsylvania. His suggestions are worth the attention of thinking men, and show that our section is still attracting the notice of those interested in railroads:

—THOS. MASLIN, Esq.: "Dear Sir: I likewise wish to call your attention to the importance of having an air line railroad from New York to Winchester, Va., and there form connection with your Washington and Ohio Company, to construct our Lost River via Moorefield, and so on to the Ohio river. And to the fact that there are several railroads chartered, or partly or entirely made, and that nothing is wanting but a combination of these railroad companies and a little more work to complete a railroad in almost a straight line, and about the shortest and best railroad that could be made from the city of New York to Winchester, Va."

—There is already the road made from New York to Burlington on the Delaware river; thence a charter for a railroad to Lancaster, with a prospect of being made soon—some work done on it last summer. From Lancaster to Gettysburg there is railroad in operation. Then there begins the Thaddeus Stevens' Tapeworm Railroad, graded, bridged, ready for the ties, 20 miles to top of South Mt. within four miles of Waynesboro' station on Western Md.; thence in operation to Hagerstown; thence by extension of Cumberland Valley railroad to Martinsburg, with pledge to complete to county line, or to unite with the Harper's Ferry Branch to Winchester.

—Now, if these different companies were associated, or consolidated, and your Washington and Ohio Company unite at Winchester, and extend it through West Virginia, New York could supply the funds and West Virginia the freight from its vast forests and inexhaustible coal and iron mines, with cattle, horses, sheep, swine, &c., &c.

—While this freight would soon pay all expenses, Virginians would be enriched by cash returns. And when in operation it would furnish superior attractions for rural excursions to invalids, to the seekers of pleasure and travelers generally.—Ballston, Saratoga, and the falls of Niagara will lose their charms, or be eclipsed by the fresher and preferable attractions of the natural curiosities of West Virginia. The Warm Springs and singular contrast of the ice mountain, the Carper, Capon, and other mineral springs, Lost River, &c. These, with delightful climate, would form attractions for a greater number of excursionists and travelers than to be found on any other railroad of the same extent on the globe.

—If you are favorably disposed towards this united enterprise, I would be glad to hear from you; and being intimately acquainted all along the route, will be pleased to communicate any information desired that I can give.

—A combination of the above named companies for the purposes suggested, to proceed to carry out this design, would at once raise Virginia land 100 per cent. throughout a greater part of the State.

RESOLUTIONS.—At a stated meeting of Waynesboro' Lodge, No. 219, I. O. O. F. held in their Hall, February 3d, 1874, the following resolutions were presented and unanimously adopted:

—Bowing submissively to that Providence our Heavenly Father which has removed by death our beloved brother, P. G. Jerome Beaver, we are resolved—

—1st. To testify our appreciation of his blameless character, pure life and noble principles, which have ever actuated him in the discharge of his duties when in our midst.

—2nd. That this Lodge has been thus deprived of a worthy and faithful brother, who by his dignified deportment and true brotherly love endeared himself to the Order and community at large.

—3rd. To tender to his lone widow our warmest condolence and assure her, that we commend her and her fatherless children to the preserving care and sanctifying blessings of an unfailing Father and Husband.

—4th. That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded the widow of our deceased brother, and that the same be published in the Village Record, and entered on the Lodge Record. J. A. H. CLAYTON, W. E. HORSNER, GEORGE STOVER, Committee.

—AT HIS OLD TRICKS.—Samuel Seyler was brought to this place last week and lodged in jail on a charge of horse stealing. Two horses were stolen in the Corner, south of Mercersburg, a short time ago, and for this and for the stealing of some other articles at the same time, Sam has been arrested. He was captured in Maryland, and on a requisition from the Governor was brought here, and now lodged with Sheriff Greenawalt. This is not the first nor yet the second time, Mr. Seyler's loose notions of mine and thine have brought him into trouble.—Repository.

—COMMISSIONERS APPOINTMENTS.—Mr. W. D. Guthrie, the newly-elected Commissioner took his seat on the board in the stead of Mr. Worley whose term expired. The following appointments were made: Attorney, Jere. Cook Esq.; Mercantile Appraiser, Jacob Conrad; Janitor, Wm. H. Davis; Clerk, H. S. Shade; Physician to jail, Dr. S. G. Lane.

—Barnum is putting up another tremendous hippodrome in New York, which the people in the vicinity declare will be a dangerous fire-trap. It covers a whole square, and is almost entirely of wood, except the outer walls. The authorities are called upon to prevent its completion according to the present plan of building.

—BUSINESS LOCALS. FOR RENT.—The subscriber offers for rent a story and a half Log Dwelling House, situated near Wiesner's Store and Bear's Factory. E. S. BEAR.

—Just received from the country one barrel of good Sour Cream. For sale at M. GIESSEL'S STORE.

—OYSTERS! OYSTERS!—The finest oysters the market affords are served at the Bowden House Restaurant, and also sold by the pint, quart or gallon, and when desired delivered to families on short notice.

—On the 28th of January, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. T. G. Snyder, Mr. J. B. HOLSINGER, of Marion, Lynn co., Iowa, (formerly of this place) to Miss MANNIE F. ALBAUGH, of that place.

—At the bride's father's, on the 22nd of January, by the Rev. J. D. Freed, Mr. WM. M. DOWNS and Miss LOUISA M. LEITER, all of Wash. co., Md.

—On the 13th ult., near Falling Waters, in Washington county, Md., by Rev. Jos. R. Long, Mr. JOHN POPE, to Miss MARY CUNNINGHAM, of this county.

—Near Greencastle, January 23d, 1874, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. John Zook, Mr. A. J. SPANOGLE, of Lewisston, Millin Co., Pa., to Miss KATE STOVER, of the vicinity of Greencastle.

—On Monday, Jan. 26, 1874, at the residence of Mr. F. T. Homer, in Greencastle, by Rev. Dr. M. Kiefer, Mr. M. H. ASHBAUGH, of Youngstown, O., to Miss SUSAN M. BRUMBAUGH, of State Line, this county.

—DEATHS. In Washington City, on the 27th ult., Rev. REUBEN SEWELL, aged 72 years.

—In Hamilton township, on the 27th ult., BARBARA BURKHOLDER, aged 82 years, 9 months and 12 days.

—In this place, on the 1st inst., JOHN FRANKLIN, son of Franklin and Margaret Stoner, aged 5 months and 7 days.

—In Chewsville, Washington Co., Md., on the 19th inst., Mrs. MARY MILLER, widow of John Miller, deceased, aged 59 years, 7 months and 4 days.

—On the 18th inst., at her residence, near Boonsboro', of dropsy, Mrs. CATHARINE MARTZ, aged 86 years, 7 months and 7 days.

—MARKETS. WAYNESBORO' MARKET. (CORRECTED WEEKLY.)

BALTIMORE, Feb. 2, 1874. FLOUR.—The market for Flour continues dull, and we to-day reduce quotations of good Extras and low Family 25 cents per barrel. Western Super at \$5.75 do. Winter and do. Spring Family at \$7.25.