

and conditions of soil suited to the different varieties, the best season for cutting timber with durability in view, the best mode of preserving timber in the ground or out, and a thousand like things appeared still to be subjects of dispute and though of prime importance, to be receiving little or no attention among their neighbors.

### The Lehigh Register.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1883.

#### Take Your Country Paper.

A Boston journal very justly observes, that people hardly know how much they lose by not subscribing for their country paper. There are always certain matters of local interest, in which it behoves every good neighbor to keep daily posted up. Instead of sending away fifty or a hundred miles for a miscellaneous paper suited only for the general reader, every man should take first the paper published in his own town, and pay for it in advance; then if he has money to spare for mere amusements or gratification of his own taste, let him subscribe for a good city paper, containing able reports of popular and scientific lectures, legislative and congressional intelligence, with a general summary of foreign and domestic news to the latest moment of going to press. Now if this is not good advice, we hardly know what is. It is the way we should do; and we are not so selfish as to mourn the loss of a dozen or more subscribers, if it should come to that—who are perhaps leaving a fellow townsman to work on for want of that generous support, which could not only cheer his heart, but enable him to make his paper all that his patrons could desire. We know something of the sad experience of those who have the control of country papers, from our own connection in years by gone, with a journal of that class. It becomes a man to be just before he is generous, and to remember that 'charity begins at home.' Never subscribe to a newspaper without paying for it in advance. The man who does his duty in this respect, reads his weekly paper with increased satisfaction. Every one knows that his greatest comfort is derived from the consciousness of having done or tried to do right, and it is certainly no more than right to pay the printer who is constantly incurring large outlays for paper and composition, and who almost invariably pays for all the matter 'set up' for his paper, even before it passes into the hands of the subscribers. Again we say, 'take your country paper' and pay for it in advance.

#### Fire! Fire!!

On Friday night, at about 11 o'clock, the citizens of Allentown were aroused from their sleep, by the cry of fire. It originated in one of the stables belonging to the Farmers and Mechanics' Hotel, owned by Mr. Henry Miller, and occupied by Thomas O. Gunkinger, which with the contents, consisting of Hay, Straw, Oats, a Cow and Dog, was burned to the ground. The loss sustained by these gentlemen cannot be less than \$400. Mr. Reuben Meyer, has also suffered to the amount of between four and five hundred dollars, in the loss of a new two horse carriage, and two other vehicles, &c., which were placed under the shedding.

#### Allentown Rail Road.

The Engineers engaged in making a survey on this road are now between Kutztown and Hamburg. In noticing their arrival at Kutztown. The "Gaist der Zeit," expresses the hope that before many years the iron horse will thunder through their quiet valleys.—That trade and commerce will flourish, and a poor man not be found in Kutztown, who, willing to work and saving, will not be able to show his purse well provided with golden eagles. "Under certain circumstances," remarks our neighbor, "there is but little difference between a rich and a poor man, and if the vein of commerce beats healthily in the body politic, it is hardly necessary to be born with a silver spoon in the mouth, in order to show the Hosanna of prosperity." Good for Hawthrecht! He talks more like a 'Federal Whig' than a 'strict constructionist' of the old school, to which we always thought he belonged. Truly Rail Roads do accomplish wonders in more ways than one and the Gaist der Zeit is not the least surprising evidence of their progressive influence.

#### Pacific Railroad.

The stockholders of the Pacific Railroad held a meeting in New York, on Thursday, when the following gentlemen were elected Directors. They are among the heaviest stockholders in the concern; Levi S. Chatfield, Sanford E. Church, Orville Clark, Caleb S. Woodruff, of New York; Cyrus More, Maine; George Ashman, Mass.; T. Butler King, Ga.; Alfred Gilmore, Penn.; Francis M. Dimon, Rhode Island; Robert J. Walker, Washington; Elton Farnsworth, Michigan; William Noyes, Penn.; Jeptha Fowles, Tenn.; Thomas J. Green, California; Anson Jones, Levi Jones, W. R. D. Ward, Texas; James H. Lucene, Mo.; Isaac E. Holmes, South Carolina; Nathaniel T. Green, North Carolina; Philip T. Thomas, Maryland; H. B. Spelman, Samuel Wagoner, Ohio; G. W. Underhill, Ark.; E. T. Bridge, New Jersey.

#### False Philanthropy.

It is an unfortunate feature of nearly all the reformatory measures of our day, that they are attended by a turbulent, overbearing, and denunciatory spirit, on the part of many of their more zealous advocates. The spring of all sincere efforts to benefit mankind, is charity; and yet it seems to us that this kindly and gentle sentiment is very apt to be violated by the enthusiastic apostles of fashionable reforms, and a snarling, spiteful sort of dogmatism manifested in their words and conduct, altogether at variance with the nature of those objects which they profess to pursue. Alas, for the inconsistency of human nature. It is a fact well substantiated by the records of history, and abundantly confirmed by every days observation, that a good and holy cause is often the chosen theatre upon which the worst passions of the heart are displayed, and that it is a favorite habit with men to justify bad means, by using them for the promotion of good and noble ends.—Many of the enthusiasts of our country might read their own condemnation in that passage of scripture in which the various attributes of genuine charity are enumerated. How often are envy, boasting, pride, peevishness, and ill-liberal opinions found to characterize those who have set themselves up as the peculiar ministers of that principle which the inspired apostle has pronounced greater than faith or hope! Such is their perverseness that the world has come to regard professed enthusiasts in philanthropy, as the most uncharitable class of men.

#### Who Can Beat It?

One day last week, Mr. William F. Yeager, and David Gorman, two young sportsmen of this Borough, went out after rabbits. They were at hunting only half a day, and during that time killed twenty five of the critters. If any party of two can beat this, let us hear of them.

#### Bold Attempt of Forgery.

On Tuesday morning, last a stranger stepped into the telegraph office at this place and handed a check for \$1000, with the name of the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Easton, attached to it, and directed it to be sent to Philadelphia. The operator at the telegraph office thinking it singular that a stranger should send a message of this kind in Mr. Forman's name, stepped into the bank for information, when he discovered that the whole thing was a forgery. The gentleman was immediately sought for but it was soon discovered that the bird had flown. This is about the boldest attempt at forgery and swindle that we have heard of for a considerable time. We presume he had an accomplice in Philadelphia, who was to use the dispatch and obtain the money upon the statement there made, purporting to come from Mr. E. Forman, Cashier of the Bank above named.—(E. Sentinel.)

#### Rise of Grain.

Grain has taken another rise abroad and a corresponding advance in the home markets. Our farmers will do well to keep a sharp look out for the market reports lest they be caught by "sharpers." Several who take no paper have already lost more by their "economy" than would pay for a paper half a dozen years.

#### Virginia Agricultural Fair.

About 20,000 persons, it is said, visited this exhibition, on Thursday. Peter A. Browne, Esq., of Philadelphia delivered an address, at 11 o'clock, on the subject of rearing sheep, in the various localities in Virginia, and for different fabrics. At 12 o'clock, the plowing match, for the prize of \$100, (given by Madame Sontag,) took place, and elicited much interest. Madame Sontag was escorted over the ground by Wm. Boulware, Esq., late Charge to Naples. The Richmond Whig says: "We have never seen so many people in such good humor. The best evidence of the enthusiasm which pervades the farmers was the subscription for the benefit of the Society, on Wednesday night, of \$38,000. Numerous other contributions were made on Thursday, and the amount will probably be swollen to \$50,000, Richmond city, subscribed \$5,000."—Southern Weekly Post.

#### Knickerbocker Magazine.

The November number of this excellent monthly is upon our table, where it has, for some time past, been a welcome visitor. Its contents are, as usual, of that sterling literary stamp calculated to interest and amuse the intelligent reader, and at the same time impart much information of a solid and useful character. The fresh and vigorous tone of its articles, which are purely American well repay the perusal of its pages in the "leisure hour." The editor, Louis Gaylord Clark, Esq., writes a ready and able pen and the sprightliness and real wit which pervades the articles which appear in his monthly "Gossip," render them a subject of general admiration by those familiar with the Magazine. Published by Samuel Houston, 139 Nassau street, New York, at \$3 per annum, or five copies for \$2 each.

#### The Story in a Nutshell.

The Albany "Knickerbocker," under the head of "Independence and Progress," tells the whole story of our nation's birth and greatness, and progress in the arts and sciences, in a remarkably short paragraph for a theme so comprehensive. The style is rather racy but decidedly to the point.

#### Grain and Flour.

The English Board of Trade has furnished the amount of Grain and Flour imported into Great Britain during the year 1852, by which it is ascertained that the largest imports of Flour were from the United States, the amount figuring at 2,420,669 cwt., and of wheat 483,569 quarters, and other grains, 169,317 quarters. Russia furnished the greatest quantity of wheat, reaching to 733,572 quarters, and of all grains 1,301,659 quarters.

#### A Spaniard in Congress.

The New Mexican papers inform us that Senator Don Jose Manuel Gallegos has been elected delegate to Congress from the Territory of New Mexico, and he is commended to the kind consideration of the powers at Washington, as a Democrat of the purest water. Whether he is hard or soft, terrified or unterrified, is not stated—an omission of some importance, as a man's title to consideration depends more on these points than on his integrity or capability. But at any rate the Hon. Mr. Gallegos is a Democrat, and the first of Spanish race that has been sent to Congress. The papers add that he does not understand a word of English. Thoughtless people might regard this as a disqualification for a seat in the House of Representatives, but we are far from regarding it in that light. So far as Mr. Gallegos himself is concerned, he is to be congratulated on not understanding the language of all the Buncombe speakers he will be surrounded with, and so far as the public is concerned, it is to be congratulated on having one man in the House occupied by a silent member. It would be decided economy in money, and no loss to the nation in any respect, if one half of the members were deaf and dumb, and the next best thing to this is having them ignorant of the English language. Nine-tenths of the speeches in Congress might as well be in Spanish, for all the good they do the public, and we are inclined to think the gentleman from New Mexico will be one of the most useful, certainly one of the most harmless, members in the House.—(Phil. Evening Bulletin.)

#### Literary Institute.

The young men of Milnersville, Schuylkill county, Pa., have formed themselves into a Society of the above title.—Among the officers elected, we see the name of our young friend Mr. George H. Helfrich, formerly of this county. Societies of this kind have a tendency to effect much good.

#### A Singular Case.

A few days since a man fell down the Court House steps, in Cincinnati, and it was supposed, broke his neck. A coroner's inquest was held on the body and a verdict rendered according to the facts in the above case. The man was carried home, and when he arrived there he would not stay killed, and he is now up and alive, notwithstanding the verdict of the jury that he is dead. He should sue the Coroner for damages. No public officer has a right to break a man's neck before his time comes.

#### Appointments by the Canal Commissioners.

Delaware Division.—David Evans, of Doylestown township, to be Supervisor, in the place of George W. Closson, whose term had expired; Robert Patterson to be Collector at Bristol; Eli K. Sully to be Collector at New Hope; J. Morrison to be Collector at Easton; E. Willard to be Cargo Inspector at Bristol. Jacob S. Yost to be Collector of Tolls at Philadelphia.

#### Operation of the Sunday Law.

Since the decision of the Supreme Court respecting the legality of selling liquor in public houses upon the Sabbath, a great number of the proprietors of taverns have been fined for breaches of the law, upon information which has been lodged against them. In every case in which the charge was sustained by proof the fine of four dollars has been exacted, one half of which has gone to the informer, and the remainder to the benefit of the poor. In many instances tavern keepers have lodged information against themselves, or have induced a friend to do so for them, and one moiety of the fine to which the informer was entitled has thus been saved to the party fined.

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This great thoroughfare will be completed, and the Allegheny Portage Road, avoided, by the first of January next. This may be justly regarded as one of the great Railroads in the country, and when finally completed, will be the favorite route for travellers to the great west. The road is admirably managed—the trains, come up to time, with very little variation; and what is of more importance than anything else to the travelling community, it may be remarked that there are less accidents on this road than on any other of its extent in the country. This no doubt, arises from the fact that none but the most careful and cautious men are engaged by the company to conduct its business.

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#### Child Killed by a Bear.

The Huntingdon Banner says that on the 2d instant a large bear belonging to John Jamison, of Shade Gap, in that county, which had been all along kept securely chained, broke loose. He proceeded to the house of Mr. Michael Trexler, a neighbor of Mr. Jamison's and so severely wounded a child of Mr. Trexler's that it died in a few hours.