

The Lehigh Register

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JOB PRINTING. Having recently added a large assortment of fashionable and most modern styles of type, we are prepared to execute, at short notice, all kinds of Book, Job and Fancy Printing.

Singer's Sewing Machine.



DURING the last four years these machines have been fully tested in all kinds of materials that can be sewed, and have rendered general satisfaction. Truly thousands of worthless Sewing Machines have been brought before the public, yet Singer's alone has merited and obtained a good reputation for its perfection and real worth. To a tailor or seamstress one of these Machines will bring a yearly income of \$750.

The undersigned having purchased of I. M. Singer & Co. the sole and exclusive right to use and vend to others to be used, the above named Machines, in the following localities: The State of Wisconsin, the northern part of Indiana, and Pennsylvania (with the exception of the counties of Erie, Allegheny, Philadelphia, and Northampton) and is now prepared to sell Machines as above mentioned.

All orders for the Machines will be punctually attended to. In all cases where a Machine is ordered, a good practical tailor and operator will accompany the same, to instruct the purchaser how to use it. A bill of sale will be forwarded with each Machine. The price of the Machine, with printed or personal instructions is \$125. For further information address B. RANDALL, Norrisstown, Pa., August 1.

TRUSSES, TRUSSES, TRUSSES.

C. H. Needles,

Truss and Brace Establishment, South West Cor. of Twelfth and Race Sts., PHILADELPHIA.

IMPORTER of fine FRENCH TRUSSES, combining extreme lightness, ease and durability with correct construction. Hernial or ruptured patients can be suited by remitting amounts, as below:—Sending number of inches round the hips, and stating side affected. Cost of Single Truss, \$2, \$3, \$4, \$5. Double—\$5, \$6, \$8 and \$10. Instructions as to wear, and how to effect a cure, when possible, sent with the Truss. Also for sale, in great variety, Dr. Banning's Improved Patent Body Bracer, For the cure of Protrusion Uteri; Spinal Protrusion; Patent Shoulder Braces, Chest Expansors and Erector Braces, adapted to all with Stoop Shoulders and Weak Lungs; English Elastic Abdominal Belts, Suspensories, Springs—male and female. Ladies' Rooms, with Lady attendants. August 1.

Allentown Academy.

THE Fall Term will begin on Monday, third of September.

I. N. Gregory, A. M., Principal. Mr. E. B. Hartshorn, Assistant. Miss Alice Moore, Preceptress. Miss Lucy Moore, Assistant. Miss Gibson, Teacher of the Primary Departments.

Mrs. Gregory Teacher of Music. The teachers are able, faithful and persevering, and will earnestly exert themselves to secure the improvement of their pupils.

RATES OF TUITION PER TERM OF ELEVEN WEEKS.

Common English Studies,	\$4 00 and \$4 50
Higher	5 00 " 5 50
" with Classical,	6 00
" and French,	7 50
Music,	8 00
use of Piano for practice,	2 00
Fuel for Winter,	50

August 15.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

In the matter of the account of Solomon Weaver, Executor of the last will and testament of Hannah Zimmler, deceased, late of Upper Saucon township, Lehigh County.

And now August 27, 1855, the Court appoint John F. Ruhe, Esq., to audit and settle the said account, and make distribution according to law.

From the Records. J. W. MICKLEY, Clerk.

The auditor above named will attend to the duties of his appointment, on Friday the 28th day of September, next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the house of Jacob Schleifer, in the borough of Allentown, when and where all persons interested may attend if they think proper. JOHN F. RUHE, Auditor. Sept. 5.

New Mess Shad.

NEW No. 1 Saybrook Shad in half barrels just received and for sale at the Store of THOMAS B. WILSON July 25.

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Orphan's Court Sale.

BY virtue and in pursuance of an order issued out of the Orphan's Court of the county of Lehigh, there will be exposed to public sale on Saturday the 22d day of September, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, upon the premises, the following described property, viz:

A certain tract of land, situated near Trexlertown, on the public road leading from Trexlertown to Schantz's Mill, in Upper Macungie township, Lehigh county, bounded by lands of David Schall, Peter Kraumes, Jonas Kraumes, John Butz, and Benjamin Haintz, containing 105 acres and 5 rods, whereof 12 or 13 acres is excellent woodland, and the balance of the best farm land in the county, and in a high state of cultivation. The improvements thereon are a two-story frame

Dwelling House,

with a Swiss Barn, and all other necessary outbuildings, and a most excellent apple orchard; also a very rich iron bed. Persons desirous to purchase, if they wish to view the property, will please call on Elizabeth Haintz, residing on the property, or on Solomon Kuder, in Trexlertown.

Being the real estate of John Haintz, deceased, late of the township of Upper Macungie and county aforesaid.

Terms on the day at the place of sale, and due attendance given. ELIZABETH HAINTZ, Adm'r. SOLOMON KUDER. By the Court: J. W. MICKLEY, Clerk. Aug. 29.

Lehigh County High School.

At Enniscus.

THE Lehigh County High School will commence the third session on Monday, October 23d, 1855.

The course of instruction will embrace the different branches of a thorough English Education and Vocal and Instrumental Music, with the French, German and Latin languages.

Young Ladies and Gentlemen, who may wish to study the art of teaching and may desire of becoming Professional Teachers are requested to inquire into the merits of the High School.

There will be no extra charges made for students who wish to study Astronomy, Philosophy, and Mathematics. The Lehigh County High School can boast of having one of the best Telescopes now in use, and also all the Philosophical and Mathematical Instruments which are required to facilitate a student.

The session will last five months. The charges are ten, twelve, and fourteen dollars per session, according to the advancement of the scholar. An additional charge will be made to such students who may wish to study French, German, Latin and Music.

Boarding can be obtained at very low rates in private families in the immediate vicinity of the school, or with the Principal at from 50 to 60 dollars per session, according to the age. Everything is included, such as tuition, washing, fuel and lights. The building will be fixed so as to accommodate one hundred students, and the Principal will be aided by good, and experienced assistants also in Pennsylvania.

For Circulars and other information, address JAMES S. SHOEMAKER, Principal, Enniscus, Lehigh County.

REFERENCES:

- C. W. COOPER, Esq., Cashier of the Bank of Allentown.
- THOMAS B. COOPER, M. D., Coopersburg.
- C. F. DIECKMANN, M. D., Lower Milford.
- MARTIN KEMMERER, Esq., Salsburg.
- THOMAS BURKHALTER, Enniscus.
- WILLIAM JACOBY, Lower Macungie.
- SAMUEL KEMMERER, Esq., Upper Milford.

Good Times, Good Times

are before the doors of the people of Lehigh, Northampton, Bucks and Carbon counties, for the Railroad is now completed from New York and Philadelphia to Allentown. On Monday last the train of cars ran over the entire road for the first time, and there were something less than 100 cars in the train, and I suppose they have all stopped.

JOSEPH STOPP'S CHEAP CASH STORE.

in Allentown, at No. 41, corner of Hamilton and Eighth streets, near Higginbotham's Hotel, for I passed his Store, and by the looks of the tremendous quantity of goods Stopp and his clerks were unpacking I am sure that the depot must be right at his Store, and that the whole train of cars must have loaded with Goods for Stopp. We all stopped and looked with astonishment at the piles of Shawls, De Lains, Silks, Merinos, Persian Cloth, Cashmere, Alpaca, Galicenes, &c., from the floor to the ceiling, the goods all new styles. Then I looked to the other side of the Store, and lo, and behold, my eyes were greeted with perfect mountains of Goods, consisting of Cloths, Cassimeres, Satinets, Kentucky Jeans, Flannels, Muslins, Table Diapers, Toweling, Stocking Yarn, and Stockings, Gloves, Mittens, Woolen Combs, Carps, Oil Cloths, Glass and Queensware, Locking Glasses, Knives, Parks, Spoons, &c., &c. Then one of the clerks showed me in another room, there he had piles of

Ready Made Clothing,

such as coats, vests, pants and over coats, all of their own manufacture, and he showed me the prices of some of their goods, then I said I don't wonder that all the people say that Dan Rice has the best show and Joseph Stopp the cheapest Cash Store. St. Pt. 12.

Adjourned Court.

Notice is hereby given, that an adjourned Court of Common Pleas, will be held in the Court House in the Borough of Allentown, on Friday the 5th day of October next, at 10 o'clock, A. M. F. E. SAMUELS, Prothonotary. Sept. 10.

Election Proclamation.

Pursuant to the act of General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, passed the 2d day of July, 1838, I, NATHAN WEAVER, Sheriff of Lehigh, do hereby give public notice to the electors of the aforesaid county, that a General Election will be held in the said county, on the second Tuesday in October next (which will be the 9th of said month), for the purpose of choosing by ballot:

ONE PERSON for Canal Commissioner of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania;

ONE PERSON to represent the district composed of the counties of Lehigh and Northampton in the Senate of Pennsylvania;

TWO PERSONS to represent the district composed of the counties of Lehigh and Carbon in the legislature of Pennsylvania;

ONE PERSON for Treasurer of the county of Lehigh;

ONE PERSON for Commissioner of the county of Lehigh;

ONE PERSON for Coroner of the county of Lehigh;

ONE PERSON for Director of the Poor in the county of Lehigh;

ONE PERSON for Auditor of the county of Lehigh;

THREE PERSONS for Trustees of the Academy in Allentown;

The electors of the county of Lehigh aforesaid, on the said second Tuesday of October next, will meet at the several districts composed of the boroughs and the several townships following to wit:

The electors of the North ward, in the borough of Allentown, will hold their election at the house of Samuel Meyer.

The electors of South Ward, in the borough of Allentown, at the house of George Wetherhold.

The electors of Lehigh ward, at the house of Joseph Rex.

The electors of Salisbury township, at the house of John Yost, in said township.

The electors of Washington township, at the house of Alexander W. Loder, in said township.

The electors of Hanover township, at the house of Charles Ritter, in Rittersville.

The electors of Upper Saucon township, at the house of James Will, in said township.

The electors of Catasauqua, at the house of Moses Albrigh, in said borough.

The electors of Weisenburg township, at the house of Mrs. Ann Leiser, in said township.

The electors of Heidelberg township, at the house of Henry Gorman, in said township.

The electors of Washington township, at the house of D. C. Peter, in said township.

The electors of North Whitehall township, at the house of Jacob Roth, in said township.

The electors of Lowhill township, at the house of Jacob E. Zimmerman, in said township.

The electors of Upper Macungie township, at the house of Addison Erdman, in Fogelsville.

The electors of Lower Macungie township, at the house of Henry Gorman, in Millerstown.

The electors of Upper Milford township, at the house of George Beck, in said township.

The electors of Lower Milford township, at the house of Henry Dillinger, in said township.

The electors of Lynn township, at the house of David Bleiler, in said township.

The General Election in the said several districts to be opened between the hours of eight and ten in the forenoon, and shall continue without interruption or adjournment until seven in the evening—when the polls shall be closed.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,

That every person except Justices of the Peace, Militia and Borough officers, who shall hold any office or appointment of profit or trust under the United States or any city or corporate district, whether a commissioner, officer or agent, who is or shall be employed under the legislative, executive or judiciary department of the State, of the United States, or any incorporated district, and also that every member of the State Legislature, and of the select or common council of any city, or commissioners of any incorporated district, is by law incapable of holding or exercising at the same time the office or appointment of judge, inspector or clerk of any election of this Commonwealth, and that no other officer of such election shall be eligible to be voted for.

The return Judges to meet at the Court House in the borough of Allentown, on Friday, the 12th day of October, 1855. NATHAN WEAVER, Sheriff. GOD SAVE THE COMMONWEALTH. Sheriff's Office, Sept. 12, 1855.

A SLY HINT TO MEN AND BOYS.—If you want to buy a good, cheap pair of pants, coat or vest, please call at Stopp's Cheap Cash Store. N. B.—And if you want money please pass down on the other side and don't look at Stopp's Cheap Cash Store.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned hereby gives notice that he intends to make application to the Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace, to be holden in and for the County of Lehigh on the 5th day of November next, for a license to sell Vinous, Spirituous Malt and Brewed Liquors, at his store, at the corner of Fourth and Hamilton streets, in the borough of Allentown, in the county of Lehigh aforesaid. EDWARD SCHANTZ. Allentown, Sept. 12.

FOR SALE.

A pleasure wagon of the newest style is offered for sale. Application to be made at this office. The wagon is now, just from the Workshop. Aug. 29.

Job Printing,

Neatly Executed at the "Register office."

The Fate of the Seducer.

A TRUE STORY.

The beautiful village of Corpus Christi, in Texas—which signifies in English, "Body of Christ"—lies half encircled in the bosom of its placid bay—that bay whose depths are radiant with shoals of shining scales, and whose surface is dimpled with the continuous flash of wan-ton wings, as many and almost as variegated as blossoms in the neighboring prairies. Very beautiful is it in spring—and a joyous time is it there too even in the winter months: for then the herds of bison return from their northern excursions in the rich meadows of Kansas, and the "watering places" of wide Nebraska, rejuvenated, like those human children of the south who have spent the summer at Saratoga or Newport. It was here resided for more than a dozen years, the now famous Colonel Kinney, of Nicaragua Expedition fame, the first American settler in the valley, the proprietor of the village site, and of a large section for twenty or thirty miles around it. During his sojourn here, the adventurous Colonel labored, by all possible means, to people and civilize the country, and to make a city of Corpus Christi. In the undertaking he spent a fortune. Thousands of dollars were sunk every year with the anger that attempted to bore an Artesian well; but the water obstinately refused to flow, or even to be found. Every effort was held out to induce emigration—the free gift of farms, and the loan of stock to supply them. Yet this munificence failed in its object. The citizens of the northern states are slow to seek so hot a latitude, and the southern planter dared not venture, with his slaves, so near the Mexican line; and so the great land speculation resulted in actual loss to its over-sanguine projector. However, population has continued to come in gradually, but composed mostly of a class that may be well exemplified in the occurrences which I am about to relate.

It was my first visit to Corpus Christi, and I had sauntered out in the suburbs to inhale the balmy of the cool air in an evening walk.—Upon reaching a somewhat remote point, I discovered two persons rapidly approaching each other from opposite directions, and in lines that intersected the path of my course.—Both these individuals were thoroughly armed, for, being without coats, their large duelling pistols and bowie knives showed distinctly, even at a distance. I did not, however, regard the circumstance as at all singular, as it was the universal custom of the place to carry deadly weapons, and an instance to the contrary would have been the subject of remark. As the men came near each other, I saw that they were agitated by powerful excitement. They paused face to face, about four yards apart, with a fierce stare of defiance, and one of them scowled with a look of hatred that was appalling to behold.

The two foes—for as to their relation of unmitigated enmity there could not be a doubt—presented a great difference in their characteristics of person. One was very tall, at least six feet four inches in height; of a lean but extremely athletic frame; with features angular, yet still comely, and wearing that open, reckless expression, which tells so plainly of wild life in the woods of daring achievements, and death perils triumphantly passed.

The physical appearance of the other furnished the strongest possible contrast. He was of a small, slender make, with a face almost transparent in its paleness, and having the grace of mild humanity and tenderness stamped upon it as with a die, save when ruffled with the rage of passion. Only one drawback must be made from this picture. The eyes were intensely unearthly black, and burning with so strange, so fearful a fire, as to cause the beholder to shrink involuntarily from their glance, as we shrink in spite of ourselves from the wild look of the insane.

"I received your note, and have met you at your request. Now, what do you want with me, Mr. Barton?" said the tall man, in a voice perfectly calm, without any perceptible trace of anger.

"Does not your own conscience tell you what I want, Captain Newman?" replied the other in tones rendered almost inarticulate by some terrible emotion, so overpowering as to shake every muscle of his frame.

"I am not afraid, that you will know," answered the one addressed as Captain Newman; "but I do not wish to fight you, because I have unintentionally injured you too much already—at least, so the world will judge."

"I did not come in search of a fight," said Barton, "but I sought the interview to demand justice—and that I will have, at the risk of my own life and yours also!"

"And, pray, what do you call justice?" retorted Newman, with an impalpable sneer.

"I will explain my meaning in a manner that you cannot pretend to misunderstand," remarked the other, in placid accents, but flashing a look of awful menace from the depths of his wild black eyes. "You have robbed me

of the affection of my wife," he added, in a mournful voice; "you have disgraced my innocent children, and rendered me the scoff of the world! Well, then, may I demand justice! But what shall it be? I will tell you. Tomorrow the District Court sits for Nueces county. I have sued for a divorce, and I am sure, to obtain it. Then Mrs. Barton will be free again—free but ruined! Now, can you guess what I demand of you?"

"I am not skilled in solving riddles," replied Newman.

"I demand that you shall marry the woman you have ruined, and it shall be so, or I will have your life!" said Barton, in a voice that actually made me shudder.

The effect of this unexpected declaration on the other seemed also very great. He almost staggered as if struck by the sudden blow of a cudgel. He had come prepared for a mortal combat—indeed, for such a contingency he always stood prepared—but he was not forewarned or forearmed to meet this unlooked for appeal to his sense of generosity as well as justice. After a moment's hesitation however, he rallied, and retorted in fierce defiance:

"I am not to be frightened to do anything! I would not even wed an angel, upon compulsion: and as you have offered me the alternative of a marriage with your wife, or a mortal combat with yourself, I unhesitatingly choose the latter. Name your time, place, and second."

An expression of dreadful wrath darkened the countenance of Barton, and I fully believed that he was going to raise his pistol and shoot the other dead in his tracks. But if such really were his intention he abandoned it instantly, and answered, in quiet accents, touched with a sound of indescribable sadness:

"Captain Newman, do not deceive yourself. Betwixt you and me there can never be a duel. In no sense are we equal. To me you are worse than a murderer, while I never injured a hair of your head; and shall take care that you never harm me again. In plain terms, I will not stake a life which belongs to my helpless little children, whom your cruel lust has deprived of a mother, against that of a wretch like you. But I now tell you, and for the last time, that if you do not marry that unfortunate woman—your guilty victim, and accomplice in my ruin—I will not give you the substance of a chance, but will shoot you down like a dog wherever I find you!"

He immediately turned on his heel, and hurried away without uttering another word, or noticing the defiant shouts with which Newman endeavored to call him back.

On my return to the tavern, I detailed to the landlord, and old acquaintance, the scene of which I had been in a manner an involuntary spectator. "I am not in the least astonished," was his remark; and Barton is the man to keep his word."

He then proceeded to narrate the personal histories of the two foes, of which the following is an abbreviated sketch:

Barton, it seems, had descended from a family once of immense wealth in South Carolina; but misfortunes had robbed them of all their riches, and this son of a proud race had been forced into a counting house as a mere clerk for a livelihood. In New Orleans, he won the affections of a very beautiful woman, the daughter of a well-known physician, to whom he was united, in opposition to the wishes of her parents, and by whom he had several intelligent and very promising children, such as might fill any father's heart with pride. As his family increased faster than his means for their support, he was induced by those vague illusions of romance that always charm us in the distance, to seek a home farther west, and accordingly he settled in San Antonio.—And here this heavy misfortune befell him. One of those ruffianly bullies, or rather human brutes, that too often infest the frontier, made proposals to Mrs. Barton, which she rejected with scorn. But not satisfied with this, the

tragedy yet to be enacted.

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of war, and in many deadly perils, on forlorn hopes and in the discharge of the most arduous duties, acquitted himself with such unexampled bravery, and guided by so much prudence beyond his age, that he won the commission of a captain; and from that day forward his name is identified with the western history of Mier, where he was made a prisoner. He marched in the ill starred expedition to Santa Fe, and was conducted a captive to the Halls of the Montezumas; and after his liberation he participated, or commanded in many severe battles with the Indians. Besides, he accompanied the army of General Taylor to Monterey and Buena Vista; and only the year before his death was the captain of the company of rangers enlisted to protect the valley of the Rio Grande from savage depredations. For his services in the Texan Revolution, he received large donations of land, and adding to this by his own industry and enterprise, as real estate rose in value he unexpectedly found himself wealthy. He had hitherto borne a stainless reputation—was kind and generous to all the world, except Mexicans and Indians; and what is very remarkable, he appeared to be entirely exempt from the ordinary weakness of humanity, which prompts so many heroic spirits to throw away the laurels gathered on the field of Mars in the lap of laughing Venus; for, although bordering on his thirtieth birthday, no one, as yet, could accuse Captain Newman of ever having been in love.

How guilty passion originated between him and the wife of Barton has not transpired; but even if it were all known a decent writer should blush to detail it. A description of such scenes is as base a work as the selling of lascivious pictures. And truly, in this case, the inception of the crime seemed an inexplicable mystery; and everybody that heard the dark story, wondered how a wife, apparently so affectionate—a mother so devotedly and even foolishly fond of her children—a woman of the most refined intelligence and unblemished character—should so suddenly be hurled from her sphere of elevated purity, and, like a fallen star, to rise again no more! Indeed, such sins are enough to make one marvel.

I was told, by those who witnessed the sight that it was awfully piteous to behold the unspeakable woe of poor Barton, when he was first made aware of the depth of his shame.—Every one expected to see him snatch up his rifle and hasten to satisfy the burning thirst for vengeance, in such cases, nature incites and almost nature itself commands. But the wretched victim did not appear, on that day, to even dream of retaliation. He raved it is true; yet it was only with the delirium of grief—not with that of anger. He took in his arms his youngest daughter—always the darling of a father's heart—and carrying the little innocent scarcely two years of age, and unconscious of her own inexpiable disgrace, and wondering much at her parent's unusual tears, he made the circuit of the village revealing to all the terrible tale of his wrongs, weeping all the while as if his heart would break.

The following day, however, he was in a more rational mood; and the husband and wife, who had been embarked in the same vessel on this troubled sea of life for more than fifteen long years, formally, without any harsh recrimination, or words of bitter strife, separated their destinies forever. The only complaint which fell from the lips of the wronged one embraced but a single sentence: "Oh! Mary, how could you treat me so?" What a sigh of unutterable love! What a wall of infinite anguish! The wife went home to her mother, residing on the Brazos, several hundred miles distant, and the unhappy husband immediately sued for a divorce. Such was the story narrated by my landlord; and it perfectly accounted for the scene I had previously witnessed, and prepared me to witness the remainder of the tragedy yet to be enacted.

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of war, and in many deadly perils, on forlorn hopes and in the discharge of the most arduous duties, acquitted himself with such unexampled bravery, and guided by so much prudence beyond his age, that he won the commission of a captain; and from that day forward his name is identified with the western history of Mier, where he was made a prisoner. He marched in the ill starred expedition to Santa Fe, and was conducted a captive to the Halls of the Montezumas; and after his liberation he participated, or commanded in many severe battles with the Indians. Besides, he accompanied the army of General Taylor to Monterey and Buena Vista; and only the year before his death was the captain of the company of rangers enlisted to protect the valley of the Rio Grande from savage depredations. For his services in