

The Lehigh Register.

ALLENTOWN, PA.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1855.

C. P. HAINES, EDITOR.

In accordance with a long established custom of the newspaper publishers of Allentown, no paper will be issued from this office next week.

Advertisements.

Subscriptions to the above Association will be received by the Honorary Secretary, J. D. Strutz, Esq., until the 31st inst.

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Over two weeks have now been spent in fruitless efforts to elect a Speaker of the House of Representatives, and still there is not more prospect of an election now than there was on the first day of the session.

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On New Year's Eve the above named company will give their Fifth Annual Ball at the Old Fellows' Hall.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. V. H. Chas. and Mrs. J. C. have one of their vocal and musical entertainments at the Old Fellows' Hall this evening.

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James L. Moxley has resigned his situation as Superintendent of the Philadelphia and Wilkesbarre Telegraph Company.

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We understand Mr. M. has made a proposition to that Company, to lease their line for 10 years, paying an annual rent of \$2,400, being 8 per cent on the Capital Stock of the Company.

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Townsend's Dramatic Troupe closed at the Odd Fellows' Hall on Tuesday evening of last week.

Education—Common Schools.

The education of our children is next in importance to their being furnished with food and clothing, and the Commonwealth has made liberal provisions for Common Schools in every town and district.

The present School law was adopted in 1836. It is an improvement on those previously existing, all of which flowed from an express provision of the constitution, requiring a system of general education under the auspices of the State Government.

The holiday season is at hand. Next Tuesday is Christmas. May its presence bring joy and gladness to the homes and hearts of all our readers.

The present year will have passed away, and we will have entered on another before our paper is again issued.

Enjoying the privileges so lavishly bestowed by our State, by the liberal supply of public schools, do not parents often fail to appreciate them, or neglect to improve them?

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Interesting Facts.

By the late census report, says the Eastonian, it will be seen that Pennsylvania manufactures about one half of all the Pig Iron manufactured in the United States.

The value of the entire product of Castings in the United States, is \$25,168,155. Of this sum the value of the products of Pennsylvania is \$5,354,881 and that of New York, \$5,921,880.

The entire capital invested in the various manufactures in the United States, on the 1st of June, 1850—not to include any establishments producing less than the annual value of \$500—amounted to \$530,000,000.

At the time the last Census was taken there were in operation in the United States, 1,094 Cotton Manufactories, and of this number in Pennsylvania, 208, being more than any other State of the Union, excepting Massachusetts.

The number of Casting establishments in the whole Union, was 1,391, and of this number in Pennsylvania there were 320.

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Decrease of Immigration.

It is estimated, by persons familiar with the rate of immigration, says the "New York Times," that if the average be no greater the next six months than the past, there will be a falling off in 1856 of some 150,000 or 180,000 in the number of foreigners arriving on our shores.

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Odds and Ends.

The State Debt of South Carolina is \$4,087,556.

It is said that Gen. Cass has written a letter to a committee in which he declines being a candidate for the next Presidency.

Upwards of 400,000 quarts of Huckleberries have been shipped from Michigan city during the past season, amounting to the handsome sum of \$10,000.

Some of the farmers of Western Pennsylvania are shipping their apples to Europe, where they command but little higher rates than they do in our own cities.

Col. J. W. Ware, of Clarke county, Va., has received at three Agricultural fairs, this fall, premiums amounting to \$269, for horses, sheep, &c.

Some one of the New York papers says a Farmer on Long Island has just raised a cabbage of such extravagant dimensions, that he had to mast it with powder to get it fit for market.

Washington letter writers speak of the enormous prices charged by the Boarding House-keepers in that City, for board.

A Firkin of butter that had been buried in Litchfield County, Conn., some fifteen or twenty years ago, was uncovered a few days since, when an excavation was made on the site of an old store.

Mr. A. H. Simmons, one of the proprietors of The Philadelphia Ledger, died in that city on Sunday morning, after a brief illness.

Advertisements.

Advertisements. Various small notices and classified ads including mentions of local events, business transactions, and personal announcements.