The Lehigh Register.

THE CITY.

Special Notice.—Our subscribers who do not receive their papers regularly will confer a great favor upon us by sending word to this office.

Subscribers about removing will please send us their old address as well as the new.

Real Estate Sales.—Messer. Bureaw, Roeder & Dillinger have sold a lot 30 feet by 110 feet, corner Fourth and Gordon streets to Mr. John Snyder, for $600.

Commendable.—Scavengers were at work yesterday clearing the filth from some of our principal street crossings.

The Good Will advertises for gold to give away at their next prize distribution. Persons hereabouts having gold to sell should take it to the Good Will's office, under the Second National Bank.

Accident. — Charles Bitting, a lad, was knocked down and trampled by a horse, while playing with other boys in Church Alley above Hamilton street. His arm was badly hurt, but he is doing as well as could be expected.

Job Work of every kind, and at prices to suit the most economical, can be had at THE REGISTER office at short notice. We are prepared to compete with New York canvassers in the matter of printing envelopes and note paper. Why not patronize home industry?

Wedding cards a specialty.

Lecture on Languages.—To-morrow evening, precisely at 7 o'clock, Rev. H. N. Ris, the German professor of Muhlenberg College, will deliver a lecture on "The Affinity of Languages." All the friends of education in the city who understand the German, should go and hear this lecture. Admission free.

The Allen Rifles.—A call has been issued, for a meeting of the old members of the Allen Rifles, at the Allen House, on Thursday evening, February 25th, to take into consideration the reorganization of the old company. The old Allen Rifles won the plaudits of the people wherever they went. They were an honor to this town, and we hope this movement will be successful.

Celebration.—Jordan Division, No. 380, Sons of Temperance, of this city, will celebrate their Twentieth Anniversary in the Court House, Allentown, on Monday evening, March 1st, 1869, at 7½ o'clock. Rev. Mr. Hendrickson, of Philadelphia, will deliver an address on "Our Nation's Woe." Mr. T. F. Emmens will also address the audience. The public in general is respectfully invited to attend.

Youthful Charity.—About twenty little girls of Miss Schwartz's School made a surprise visit to an old lady who was in destitute circumstances, residing on Lumber Alley, near Linden street, and presented her with a basketful of the necessaries of life. Romance is embellished by thousands of just such instances,—how much more pleasant to read of this one in real life. May their example be emulated by older persons.

Notice to Subscribers.—Our subscribers are requested to remember that we have purchased the subscription books of THE REGISTER office and settlement of all back as well as advance subscriptions must be made at this office. We have authorized no one to collect for us. We give this notice, not as a dun, although money is always acceptable, but for the purpose of having our subscribers pay their indebtedness into the right hands when they are ready to settle up.

Seed Wheat.—Since the publication of our notice of the "Chili Club" and "White Australian" seed wheat, we have received numerous letters asking us to send these specimens. Our reply to all such requests is that we have the wheat only on exhibition, and that parties desiring these excellent varieties must address their orders to the California Seed Wheat Agency, San Francisco. The price will be found on referring to the advertisement in another column.

That Drawing of the Columbia Fire Company's Gift Enterprise did not take place on Monday, as advertised, owing to the failure of some of the agents to report their sales of tickets. Very favorable, though, are those reports which have been received, and if the thing progresses as rapidly as the committee have every reason to believe it will, a few days may decide the fate of the men who expect those big prizes. Invest now, before it is too late.

St. Patrick's Day.—On the 17th of March the Fenians of the Lehigh Valley will make a grand parade in Allentown. The preparations going forward are extensive and the committees will spare no efforts to make this occasion an honor to Ireland's Patron Saint The following have been appointed officers of the day:—*Marshal*, John McNulty; *Captains*, James Sweeney and Edward McGettigan; *First Lieutenant*, Edward McGinley; *Staff Officer*, Charles Roarty; *Flag Carriers*, Neil Duffy, John McGinley, James McKeaver and Jas. Harkins.

Police Affairs.—Police Officer Bauman having resigned in consequence of the City Councils ordering an investigation into the charges preferred against him, Mayor McHose has appointed Samuel Cartright to fill the vacancy.

On Sunday evening Officer Burkhard arrested a *nymph du paire*, who gave her name as Franc Brown, age fifteen and residence Scranton, for lewd and disorderly conduct on the street. She was committed by Alderman Beck. The police are making an example of this class of beings and doing everything to check this growing evil.

Attempted to Break Jail.—The prisoners confined in the County Prison made an ineffectual attempt to break jail on Saturday night. The Sheriff suspected something wrong on Sunday and made an examination of the old fort, when it was discovered that they had sawed off an iron nut used in binding the iron bar of a window which had previously been broken and through which several former prisoners had escaped, and removed sufficient barring to escape through the opening. The Sheriff has no other alternative than to be continually watching those rogues unless he furnishes them with quarters in the dungeon.

Entertainments.—Allentown has no reason to complain of a lack of evening entertainments. On Thursday evening Rev. T. De Witt Talmage lectured to a full house, for the benefit of St. John's English Reformed Sunday School. On Friday the Continental Old Folks gave one of their excellent concerts to a large and appreciative audience. On Saturday they repeated the concert with a change of programme, for the benefit of the America Hose Co. On Monday evening the choir of St. John's English Lutheran Church gave a concert at the Court House, and last night Josh Billings kept his audience in a constant state of merriment while discoursing on "Milk."

Found Drowned.—On Sunday afternoon, a party of fishermen, who were preparing to cast there nets near Clader's Island, discovered a partly decomposed and unrecognizable body of a man in the Lehigh river. The deceased was about five feet seven inches in height, had dark brown hair, moustache and goatee, and was apparently about thirty-five years of age. His clothing consisted of a calico shirt with white bosom, striped brown cassimere pants, vest of the same material, white stockings, gaiter boots, and leather suspenders.—He had on his person a leather pocket-book and a revolver. The Coroner held an inquest after which the remains were conveyed to the Alms House.

Consecration.—The Church of the Mediator (Episcopal) was consecrated to divine worship on Sunday afternoon last by Bishop Morris, of Oregon, assisted by Revs. McAllister, of New York, Coleman, of Mauch Chunk, Potter and Nevin, of Bethlehem, and Gries and Karcher of this City.—The church was filled to its utmost capacity, many persons from Bethlehem being present, and a large number were unable to gain admittance.—This Church is one of the finest edifices in the city. The inside wood-work is stained in imitation of walnut, the windows are of stained glass, and back of the altar is a memorial window to the late Bishop Potter. The one facing the front contains a number of beautiful designs and is a present from the Sunday School of the church of the Nativity of Bethlehem.

Washington's Birthday.—It may have been forgotten by the clerk of the weather and our citizens generally that Monday was the anniversary of the birth of our Nation's father. At any rate it would seem so, for the clerk booked us for a dismal rain, and the patriotism of our loyal citizens was dampened therewith. Nobody did anything except the drum corps, which went to Catasauqua and came back again, visited around Allentown and let off some soul-stirring music. They deserve the thanks of everybody for assisting in dispelling the general gloom, for they are an excellent and enterprising corps of drummers. The banks were all closed, and those who went there to pay a note due that day had a protest to pay. A great many people occupied prominent positions on the corners and curbstones during the day, looking for all the world as if they expected to see George, or his birth-day, we don't know which, come up Hamilton street.

George was born in 1732, and if he had not died would have been one hundred and sixty-seven years old and a Republican. Time was when the anniversary of his birth was eagerly seized upon by men of all parties as an excuse for a spree, a parade or a general jollification, but politics have retrograded to the last century and anything done to perpetuate the memory of this great man, is necessarily distasteful to a large body of men who rejoice in the name of Democracy. Why? Because all of Washington's cherished principles have rolled through this country like an immense ball through snow, increasing daily in size, until the Democracy are wiped entirely from political power. Washington's Farewell Address implored the people to beware of disintegration and cherish the Union; the Democracy preach against this one precept as hard as against the nigger, and call it centralization of power. Washington said it was necessary to make us powerful and to perpetuate our Government. Democracy says it will swamp our Government and soon put us under the rule of a monarch. Thus we have Washington's never-dying precepts battling over against Democracy's pet thunder. And as the views of Washington are so fanatical, according to the teachings of our Democratic brethren, we have thus a well-explained reason why the celebration of the Twenty-second is not entered into by *men of all parties* and done up in the old style.

Council Proceedings.—Select Council.—Special meeting Wednesday evening, February 17, 1869.

Present.—Messrs. Dillinger, Erdman, Hoffman, McKee, Oliver, Weaver, and Mohr, President.

The following business was transacted:

Resolved, By Select Council, Common Council concurring, that the Chairman of the two branches of councils be directed to draw up and send to the Legislature for passage a supplement to the City Charter repealing the Act of Assembly authorizing the City to take the works of the Allentown Water Company at a valuation in the event of an adverse vote at the ensuing municipal election.

Yeas.—Messrs. Erdman, McKee, Oliver, Weaver and Mohr.—5.

Nays.—Messrs. Hoffman and Dillinger.—2.

Non-concurred in by Common Councils. On motion adjourned.

Common Council.—Special meeting, Wednesday evening, February 17, 1869.

Present.—Messrs. Bieber, Eckert, E. Grim, Kent, Nunnemaker, Roth, Scholl, Scherer, Schuon, Seagreaves, and Weiser, President.

The President stated that the object of the meeting was receiving the report of the City Engineer relative to the grading of Eleventh street.

The Clerk, was instructed to read the report, which was done, whereupon it was

Resolved, By Common Council, Select Council concurring, that the grades as reported by the City Engineer and marked on draft submitted as No. 1, be adopted. Concurred in.

Mr. Kent offered the following:

Resolved, By Common Council, Select Council concurring, that the Mayor be requested to give notice by proclamation to the qualified voters of the City of Allentown, that at the ensuing March election, the question of the purchase or non-purchase of the water works will be submitted to them, Also that the proclamation of the mayor be inserted in the different papers of the City, and by handbills placed in conspicuous places in the different wards. Concurred in.

Resolved,, By Common Council, Select Council concurring, that the Presidents of the different branches of Councils shall have tickets printed for the use of the voters at the ensuing March election of the following descriptions: on the outside the words "Water Works," and on the inside "for purchase" or "against purchase," and that the tickets be distributed under the directions of the Presidents at the different polls. Concurred in.

E. J. More, Esq., appeared on behalf of Mr. Jesse Wasser, and requested that time be given his client to pay the forfeited bail bond of Henry Fried, a former tax collector.

Whereas, Certain charges affecting the character of one of the officers of the Police force of this City have appeared in one of the papers, and

Whereas, Such charges, if true, would materially affect the usefulness of such officer and be prejudicial to the good order and discipline of the City. Therefore be it

Resolved, That a Committee of two from each branch of Councils be appointed to inquire into the said charge and report the result of their investigation, with such action as they deem advisable, to a special meeting of Councils, to be called by the Presidents so soon as the Committee may be ready to report. Concurred in.

Committee on the part of Select Council:—Messrs. Oliver and McKee.

Committee on the part of Common Council:—Messrs. Wilson and Grim.

On motion adjourned.

THE COUNTY.

STATE CLAIMS.—Any parties having military claims against the State of Pennsylvania can have their cases attended to upon application to the Auditor General's Department, without the intervention of strange attorneys or claim agents.

SLATE SHIPMENTS.—The following is a weekly statement of school and roofing slates and mantels, shipped from Slatington, *via* the Lehigh Valley Railroad, for the week ending February 13, 1869:—Mantels and Blackboards, 108 cases; School Slates, 158 cases; Roofing Slates, 400 squares.

STOLE A WATCH.—An Irishman stole a watch from Jacob Hill, at Millerstown, on Monday afternoon. He was captured and the watch recovered, after which he was given a good dose of boot leather and sent on his way. Pat may rejoice that his punishment was so light.

PHILADELPHIA BOOT AND SHOE MERKET.—The manufacturers in Philadelphia are active, both in making sales and making up work on orders. Buyers are increasing from the South and West, and portions of Pennsylvania. During last week the Philadelphia jobbing trade have purchased goods more freely, but little change is noticeable among them in the way of sales. The Auction business is improving, and the prices obtained more satisfactory than the previous sales this month.

THE ORDER OF UNITED AMERICAN MECHANICS.—This Order is increasing quite rapidly in our State, eleven new Councils having been instituted in Lancaster county alone during the past year. The State Councillor, George W. Jenkins, has appointed J. K. Snyder, of No. 8, Deputy for that county. The next session of the State Council, Juniors, will be held on the 16th of April, in the House of Representatives, at Harrisburg. The State Council of the Senior Order will meet on the same day in Harrisburg, and are expected to occupy the Senate Chamber.

THE NESQUEHONING RAILROAD.—The letting of the contract for the grading and masonry of this road (about twenty miles in length) took place on Saturday, the successful parties being Thomas and Philip Collins, a heavy contracting firm, noted for energy and success in building railroads. The Nesquehoning Valley Railroad runs from Mauch Chunk into the Mahonoy coal basin, in an air line, and will be an important feeder to the Lehigh Navigation Company's canal and railroad. On account of its easy grade it will afford superior facilities for getting coal out of the Mahonoy valley over every other route now open.

VELOCIPEDEISM.—We give the last velocipede invention, from an exchange:

An elderly gentleman has invented a one-wheeled velocipede, which is quite a novelty.

It does away with seat, pedals, brakes and all.

There is a crank attached to the axle on each side of the wheel. You sit between the spokes, and turn the crank with your hands.

The rider goes round with the wheel, turning a somerset with each revolution.

The sensation is therefore peculiar, and the ride is much more exciting than on the ordinary velocipede.

The objection to this style is, they can never be used by ladies.

MEASURING POTATOES.—It should be generally known by housekeepers, that a flour barrel will hold just three bushels of potatoes, well shaken. Sixty pounds is defined by law as the weight of a bushel of potatoes. A vast deal of cheating is perpetrated in the sale of this vegetable, many persons neglecting to observe what measure they receive, or having no guide by which to fix their doubts.

IMPORTANT TO FARMERS.—We refer those engaged in agricultural pursuits to the advertisement of Messrs. Allen & Needles, in another column. Their excellent fertilizer has been in the market for a great many years and has given universal satisfaction wherever used. Some farmers will have none other. They have no traveling agents, nor any agent whatever in Allentown.—Farmers should, therefore, send their order direct to Messrs. Allen & Needles, the manufacturers, or club together and buy a lot at wholesale rates. This saves them *money* and keeps just that much (saved) at home, to circulate among themselves, pay newspaper subscriptions, &c., &c. Give them a trial!

IMPROVEMENTS ON THE NORTH PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.—The North Pennsylvania Railroad Company are having an additional track laid from Berks street to Abington, a distance of ten miles. About six miles have been completed. The large addition to the engine house at Philadelphia is nearly completed, and there will be accommodations in it for twenty-three locomotives. Three new engines have just been completed, and four new passenger cars are being constructed. The engine house at Bethlehem is being enlarged, and the new brick freight depot at that place is now ready for use. A stone station-house has been built at Fort Washington, and a brick one at Hellertown. During the past three months there has been an increase in the earnings of the road, as compared with last year, of over $38,000.

RELIGIOUS.—Rev. T. De Witt Talmage, of Philadelphia, has received a unanimous call from the Central Presbyterian Church of Brooklyn. Salary $7000. He is also being urged by a committee of Chicagoans to accept a call from a prominent Western church with a munificent salary.

The latest statistics of the Lutheran Church in this country show that in 1820, when the General Synod was formed, there were but 103 ministers in the Church in the United States; in 1823, 175 ministers and 900 congregations; in 1833, 337 ministers and 1017 congregations; in 1843, 430 ministers and 1371 congregations; in 1853, 900 ministers and 1750 congregations; in 1863, 1365 ministers and 2487 congregations; in 1869, more than 2000 ministers, about 3500 congregations, and nearly 400,000 communicants.

TWO ROUTES TO THE WEST.—Our local exchanges are publishing items about a dissatisfaction existing between the East Penn. Railroad and Lehigh Valley Railroad, in regard to the transportation of through Western trains over the latter road, and the arrangement made with the Lehigh & Susquehanna Railroad to run these trains over that road to the Morris and Essex. They state that a bridge over the Lehigh will be built at the East Penn. junction, and an additional track will be laid on the L. & S. Road from there to Easton to enable them to accommodate this additional traffic, and add "if the plan alluded to is carried forward, New York will have two rival lines to the West *via* Harrisburg." The sentence quoted is what stumps us, and we, as well as the public, would be greatly indebted to the Bethlehem *Times* for a translation of this mystery.

FREELAND SEMINARY.—This educational establishment having been transferred to the Corporation of Ursinus College, will hereafter be conducted as the Academic Department of that Institution.

The school will continue under the able management of the former Principal, A. H. Feterolf, A. M., assisted by his efficient corps of experienced Teachers.

It is the present purpose of the Board of Directors, to organize and put in operation the College proper, by September, 1870, or earlier, if the necessary arrangements can be completed.

In the meantime, young gentlemen who may have completed their preparatory course, previous to the opening of the regular college classes, can extend their studies under favorable auspices, at the Academic Department, with the view to an advanced standing, which will open on Monday, April 5th.

CRAZED PEOPLE AND WHY.—Hall's Journal of Health says that more than one-fourth of all the inmates of lunatic asylums are from the families of farmers and merchants, not wholly because they constitute the largest class of the community; so many of the former, not because the occupation itself is not healthful, but for want of mental culture, and their ignorance and inattention to the laws of their being; of the latter, because they grow up as the "elite" of the communities in which they live, but later on become so often bankrupt, the mind fails in the attempt to grapple with the difficulties of their changed condition. Ill health is the most prominent cause of insanity, induced by insufficient exercise, intemperance, overeating, and yielding to trouble, care and mental anxiety: the always certain remedy against these being a more general cultivation of out-door activities, a general attention to stirring business, giving preference to those occupations which are congenial, absorbing and encouragingly remunerative.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.—Vulcan Lodge, No. 130, was instituted on Tuesday evening of last week, at Catasauqua, and the following officers installed: V. P., W. A. Hassler, M. D.; W. C., Thomas F. Lambert; V. C., Wm. H. Haldeman; Guide, H. Eckensberger; R. S., F. W. Romig; F. S., A. F. Koons; B., F. M. Eaglo; I. S., Theodore Kassler; O. S., Solomon Stuber. The lodge starts with twenty-five members, and with a fine prospect for a large lodge. The following additional applications for charters have been received: Warren Lodge, No. —, at Orwigsburg, Schuylkill county; Fort Augusta Lodge, No. —, at Sunbury, Northumberland county; Star of the West, No.—, at Pittsburg, and two lodges for Philadelphia, to work in the German language—one to be located at Third and Brown. Barbarossa Lodge, No. —; Schubert Lodge, No. —, to be located at Eleventh and Catharine; this lodge starts with 165 members. The rapid progress of this Order in Pennsylvania is shown as follows: At the close of 1866 there were 31 lodges; at the close of 1868 there were 119 lodges. Thus far in the present year there have been 11 lodges instituted and 11 awaiting institution. Very few of those already instituted have a less number of members than 200, and a large majority have over 400 members. From present indications, there will be 150 lodges instituted during the present year, and the Order will contain a membership of over 75,000 in Pennsylvania.

MISCELLANEOUS.—J. M. Cassel, lately freight agent at the Lehigh Valley Depot at Slatington, has left that position and gone to Chicago, where will he act as agent in selling slate for D. Williams.

One-seventh of the iron produced in the United States is manufactured in the Lehigh Valley.

Wesley B. Leonard has been appointed Assistant Assessor of the Second Division, XIth District.

The Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company has nearly 1000 canal boats, each of which averages 1 1-5 trips per season, or one round trip in 19 days.

A New York concern calling itself the Economy Butter Company, advertises in some of the Philadelphia papers an article which converts the arduous task of butter-making as practiced on our country farms into a mere amusement. This magic substance is called "Extract of Butter Plant," which is alleged to grow spontaneously in the tropical regions of Brazil. By its use "pure and excellent butter" can be made at a cost of fifteen or twenty cents per pound. It is sold in one dollar packets, each containing enough to make fifty pounds of butter. The way they do it is to take one pound of good butter, one pint of milk, and a small quantity of the "extract." These are mixed or churned together, and the result is more than two pounds of "delicious fresh butter. This is a wonderful discovery—if true—but we would not advise our Lehigh county housekeepers and dairymen to invest very largely in it at present. It savors too much of Chatham street.

Those who have to make transfers of real estate this Spring will be interested to know that the Supreme Court of this State has decided that the seller is bound to make the deed and furnish the necessary stamps. The purchaser can, of course, pay these expenses if he chooses to do so, but the obligation rests only on the party of the first part.

TREASURER OF LEHIGH COUNTY.—The following is the message of Governor Geary vetoing the bill increasing our County Treasurer's salary:

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER,
HARRISBURG, February 12, 1869.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

GENTLEMEN,—House bill No. 3, entitled An Act to repeal an act regulating the salary of the Treasurer of Lehigh county, approved the 16th day of March, A. D. 1867, is herewith returned without approval.

The effect of this bill, though not apparent from the title, would be to increase the salary of the county treasurer of Lehigh county. His present compensation is about two thousand dollars per annum; and the duties of the office, as I am credibly informed, do not require one-tenth of his time. Prior to 1867, the county treasurer received a higher salary; but the taxpayers complained, and caused the act of 16th of March, 1867, to be passed. They now complain of the proposed repeal; and sundry well-written and numerously-signed communications are before me, vigorously protesting against the approval of the bill. As the present compensation appears to be reasonable, and no public interest would be subserved by the proposed increase, I have concluded to comply with the request of the taxpayers and citizens, and therefore return the bill without my approval

JNO. W. GEARY.

THE DIVISION OF SOUTH BETHLEHEM.—The bill authorizing the division of South Bethlehem has passed both Houses of the Legislature, has received the signature of Governor Geary, and has therefore become a law, going into effect immediately. The Governor hesitated a long time before he could be prevailed upon to give his sanction to the bill. His objections were, however, of a purely technical and legal nature, there being a doubt in the Governor's mind as to whether the power of enacting such a law was lodged in the Courts or in the Legislature. An opinion was given by a leading officer of the State, inclining to the latter view, whereupon the Governor signed the bill. We have already given our readers its more important details, such as the lines of division of the several wards, etc. In addition, it empowers the borough authorities to make the tax for borough purposes 10 mills instead of 5 mills, the present limit. The division will probably be made before the Spring elections, at which time the several ward officers will be elected. The people of South Bethlehem are greatly indebted to Hon. George H. Goundie for his efforts in urging the bill to its final passage and sanction by the Governor—*Times.*

CONTESTED ELECTION CASE.—The taking of testimony in the contested Congressional election for the Vth district closed by limitation of time on Wednesday last, the 17th inst. No more evidence can be taken on either side until after the meeting of the Forty-first Congress, on the 4th of March, and then only when authority to do so is granted by a vote of the House of Representatives. This will probably be obtained by Mr. Taylor. The examination on the part of Taylor was continued in the 25th ward on Monday of last week, before Notary Public Waxler of Germantown, Edward M. Paxson appearing for the contestant and C. W. Carrigan for Dr. Reading. Forty or fifty witnesses were examined, their testimony going to establish the irregular and fraudulent character of the election as conducted in some parts of that ward. The sitting did not continue beyond that day. Some testimony was also taken in behalf of Reading in the early part of the week. The net result of the examinations, so far as can be ascertained, is to leave the situation of affairs much as they were in the beginning. The correct majority for Reading, returned in October, was 101 votes. Both sides have proved a number of illegal votes, the number thus far being about equal—so that Reading's apparent majority is yet somewhere about 100. Mr. Taylor, however, claims that he has not yet brought forward the strongest features of his case, and he is quite sure that if time is granted by the House he will be able to unseat Dr. Reading and regain his own place.

REPORT of Coal transported over the Lehigh Valley Railroad, for the week ending Feb. 13, 1869, compared with same time last year:

	For Week.	For Year.
Total Mahanoy	8,006 15	23,604 13
" Mauch Chunk	.....	32 03
" Beaver Meadow	91 06	69,582 03
" Upper Lehigh	365 08	3,843 02
" Hazleton	23,088 05	212,038 15
" Wyoming	10,646 18	95,875 00
Grand total	42,798 12	416,149 12
Same time 1868	29,954 00	372,402 11
Increase	13,844 12	43,749 01

Lehigh Valley Iron Trade.—Pig Iron transported by the Lehigh Valley Railroad Co. for the week ending Feb. 13, 1869:

From	Week. Tons.
Carbon Iron Co.	160
Lehigh Valley Iron Co.	140
Thomas Iron Co.	395
Lehigh Crane Iron Co.	75
Allentown Iron Co.	270
Roberts Iron Co.	240
Glendon Iron Co.	605
Other Shippers	550
Total	2435

For the week ending February 20, 1869:

From	Tons.
Carbon Iron Co.	120
Lehigh Valley Iron Co.	200
Thomas Iron Co.	535
Lehigh Crane Iron Co.	260
Allentown Iron Co.	90
Roberts Iron Co.	265
Glendon Iron Co.	570
Other Shippers	800
Total	2840

—The net earnings of the East Pennsylvania Railroad for the last year, were $109,032.88

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

MUDDY STREETS.

Messrs. Editors:—Why is it that a city boasting of the energy and enterprise of Allentown, should have its principle thoroughfare in such a disgraceful condition as at present? Every other town of equal size and pretensions has at least one street, in which you can drive without sinking six or eight inches into the mud, and which predestrians can cross without going over shoe-top in filth.—Certainly the people of Allentown can appreciate cleanliness. Hamilton street was Macadamized last summer, at great expense. Would it not be wise, to scrape up the road collections of nearly a year and cart them away. There are holes, too, which should be filled with broken stones at once. Whose business is it to see to these things? If the authorities do not give it their attention, the business men of the street should do it for them.

ALLENTOWN, Feb. 19, 1869. A MERCHANT.

THE WATER WORKS.

Messrs. Editors:—In order that the voters of this city may vote intelligently on the question of purchasing the Water Works of the present Company, more light is needed. The writer of this, at least, needs more knowledge of the situation, and in attempting to converse on the subject, it is evident that others also are in the same incompetent condition.

It would be well, Messrs. Editors, if some one, who is posted on the history and relations of the Water Company, would give to the public the exact condition of the question. Has the city now any claim, or right in the matter? Is it wholly voluntary with the Company to furnish the city with water or not? Is the project of selling founded on a desire to sell at a speculation price? What would the city have to pay? What is the condition of the works—the machinery for raising the water—the reservoirs—the mains—the pipes to? If the machinery is about worn out—If the mains are too small—or if they are laid within reach of frost—or are in a bad condition, the city might make a losing bargain by purchasing the present works at any price.

Besides, it is a question with some, whether better water might not be had from other springs, or creeks. Our present water is *hard*. It is not the best for drinking, cooking or washing, because of the large amount of lime which is held in solution. *Soft* and *good* water, it is thought, might be obtained from some elevation south of the city, so that the raising machinery could be dispensed with. Or, if machinery is indispensable, it might be good policy, after all, to obtain *pure, soft* water. Is not the spring north of the Poor House, (Helfrich's), higher than the city?

I write for the purpose of eliciting information. The question is one in which the people of this city have a vital interest, and it is very desirable for them to understand it thoroughly. *Let us have light.* VOTER.

ALLENTOWN, Feb. 18, 1869.

OUR NEIGHBORS.

BERKS COUNTY.

—The house of William Polsgrove, of Hamburg, was entered on Monday night and robbed of clothing and a double-barreled gun.

—A number of citizens of Lower Heidleberg township, are about applying for a charter of incorporation for the erection of a Hall in Wernersville, the same to be known as the "Brotherhood Hall."

—Messrs. Isaac Eckert, Charles Kessler, J. L. Stichter, John Gernant, A. F. Boas and Frank B. Shalters, are the delegates from the Berks County Agricultural Society to the State Convention, which meets at Harrisburg on the 17th of March.

—The Reading *Eagle* has decreased the width of its columns and the size of its paper. As the matter from this little daily is put into the *Gazette*, the disparity between the *Eagle's* and the *Gazette's* width of columns shows badly in the last number of the *Gazette*. We hope the proprietors will not continue to spoil the appearance of their excellent weekly.

BUCKS COUNTY.

—Nasby will lecture at Doylestown on Saturday, March 5th.

—Miss Ellen Milliken has been appointed postmistress at Richland Centre. The post-office will be removed from E. L. Cope's store to the opposite side of the railroad.

—The Excelsior Normal Institute, at Carversville, is flourishing under the proprietorship of Mr. F. A. R. Hunsicker, a most intelligent and capable instructor.

—The Bucks county Agricultural Society, says the *Intelligencer*, have made arrangements to purchase a large quantity of seed oats from the mountainous sections of Juniata county. The Society has already received orders from Bucks county farmers for over four hundred bushels.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

—The Pottstown Market House, now nearly completed, is a fine structure, a credit to the Market Company, and an ornament to the town. Its cost is about $28,000.

HOW THEY TALK TO PICKPOCKETS IN NEW JERSEY.—At Jersey City, on Friday last, a pickpocket was brought up in the Hudson county Court for sentence, and the Judge talked to him in the following good old-fashioned style:

We are satisfied you belong to a gang of thieves. The Court are also satisfied that at the time you picked the man's pocket you were not alone. The Court are also satisfied it is the same old game that is played by persons such as you are, getting into omnibuses, cars, and so on. It is not very often that we get hold of just such a customer as you are. As a rule, persons of your profession generally seek some other territory besides this for that kind of business. The Court wants them to continue to do it, too, somewhere else besides here. They will probably have to get out of New York pretty soon, the way the Judges over there are punishing for crimes now; it is right, too. The Court do not mean they shall come over here, if we can help it; at least, if they do, they come over here with great risk. There is only one thing that makes the Court hesitate at all in these cases. Between you and the officer some understanding was come to in regard to the obtaining and delivery of the watch. But there is too much of this thing going on—thieves stealing bonds, money, picking pockets, etc., and then bargaining for the return of the property, by which means they sometimes save themselves from the State prison, and make some money. There is a great deal of that business going on in New York, as can be seen by looking at the advertisements in the newspapers. This bargaining with thieves may do very well for the purpose of getting private property back, but it is serious so far as the public are concerned. A man on whom a crime is committed ought to divulge it, and not compromise with a thief, and an officer should make no such arrangements with a robber. The Court had fixed to send you to the State Prison for five years, but considering this in your favor, the sentence is that you be confined at hard labor in State Prison for four years.

CITY NOTICES.

J. W. Clewell, corner of Seventh and Linden streets, Allentown, manufacturer of Flour, and Dealer in Grain, Feed, Coal, Wood, etc., sells coal at Lehigh prices. All articles delivered free of cost. F10-3m

Scrofula, Salt Rhum, Skin and Female Diseases, Warranted cured.—See testimonial:—

SALISBURY TOWNSHIP, Lehigh Co., Oct. 31st, 1868.

It is with a grateful feeling that I feel able to make the following statement for the benefit of those who are suffering from Scrofula and other Chronic Diseases. My wife had been suffering for several years from tumors or swellings on her neck which after a time would gather and discharge matter, leaving a running sore. She had been treated for more than a year by most eminent physicians without receiving any permanent benefit, her disease becoming worse, until she had five of these running sores on her neck, when I employed Dr. H. D. Longaker, under whose treatment she commenced to improve very fast, the sores on her neck to heal, and all her unpleasant and disagreeable symptoms gradually to disappear, until her health was restored, which was in about four months. I feel perfectly justified, after having tried the treatment of other physicians, in recommending all those who are suffering from Scrofula or Chronic Diseases to Dr. Longaker for medical treatment, with a firm belief that they will be satisfied, benefitted and cured thereby, as my wife has been.

[Signed.] JAMES BARNER.

Dr. H. D. Longaker's office is on the East side of Sixth street between Hamilton and Walnut, Allentown.

Sheet Music, Books, Music Port Folios, Strings, or anything belonging to a regular Music Store, can be had cheaper than anywhere else, at C. F. Herrmann's Music store, cor. 7th and Walnut streets, Allentown.

Linderman & Sons' Gold Medal Cycloyd and Square Pianos are considered by the most prominent musicians in the country a first-class instrument in regard to durability, fullness and brilliancy of tone. They sell One Hundred Dollars lower than either Chickering's or Steinway's; are in every respect as good, if not superior to those, and are warranted for 5 years. Number of references in affirmation of the above can be given from citizens of Allentown, Lehigh or adjoining Counties. Come and examine them at C. F. Herrmann's Music store, 7th and Walnut.

No Hospitals, in Europe or America, have as many patients as Dr. WOLCOTT, 170 Chatham square, N. Y., where all can test, free of cost, Wolcott's ANNIHILATOR, for Catarrh, or WOLCOTT'S PAIN PAINT for the immediate removal of all pain, and certain cure of diseases. Buy none unless in white wrappers.

Just received a splendid second-hand piano, looks and sounds like a new instrument. Price $275, at C. F. Herrman's Music Store, 7th and Walnut Sts., Allentown, Pa.

More Economical, Remarkable Certainty of prompt action, in fact, every good quality is guaranteed for Mrs. S. A. ALLEN'S Improved (*new style*) Hair Restorer or Dressing, (*in one bottle.*) Every Druggist sells it. Price One Dollar.

One thousand Pianos of Haines & Brother, New York, were sold in one year. Not only are they the cheapest piano in the market, ranging from $375 to $500, but have given universal satisfaction throughout the country. Only for sale at C. F. Herrman's Music store, 7th and Walnut.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

Advertising in the United States.—Men of business have discovered that nothing can be done on a large scale without advertising, but they are not contented with the newspapers alone. Along the line of every railway and turnpike, the inside of omnibuses, the cabins of river and lake steamers, all boardings where building work is going on, and the thousand and one surfaces which great cities and large towns possess, are covered from one end of the year to the other, in characters not to be misunderstood, with the legend: "USE MISHLER'S HERB BITTERS." Every newspaper we open contains a condensed paragraph, setting forth the virtues of this really meritorious article, and everybody's eyes have so wearied by perpetually seeing this celebrated Household Remedy spelled out before them, that in obedience to the design of the advertisements, the minds of the people have acted as desired—answered the announcement, and thus the value of MISHLER'S HERB BITTERS have become known, and its sale grown to be so immense.

Not a bit of Stain or Smart will WOLCOTT'S PAIN PAINT give; but it removes pain as quick as magic. Wolcott's ANNIHILATOR banishes Catarrh from the system and all colds in the head. Recollect and get pint bottles in white wrappers, at druggists.

Many a man has read with sorrow, the announcement that "The American Life Insurance Company of Philadelphia," declared a dividend of 50 per cent. on the first of January, 1869. Sorrow, not because of the great prosperity of that Company, but because, during the past year he had almost made up his mind to enter it, but had allowed himself to be diverted to some other company, which pays him no dividend at all, or a much smaller one than 50 per cent. He'll do better next time, and will advise all his friends to get into "The American" in time for the next dividend.

"*The* proof of the pudding is in the eating," and the proof of everything else is in the trial of it.

We have often spoken in praise of Wanamaker & Brown's Clothing House because we *believed in* their enterprise and success. But we never asked our readers to take our word in the case. We do suggest, however, that it is but justice to themselves that they should taste this pudding to see if it is not as good as represented. One suit will decide the matter—and you *can* be none the loser and *may* be much the gainer.

Mr. Scheetz: I have used the BITTERS I obtained from you and find them to be all they are recommended to be. I found one bottle to afford me considerable relief. I feel as though I cannot do very well without them under my present state of health.

D. MENIOR, No. 141 South Sixth St., Philadelphia.
Pastor Baptist Passyunk Church.

☞ *Read SCHEETZ'S standing advertisement in another column.*

The Inclement Season, and its Effects on the Weak and Feeble.—The drafts which searching cold makes upon the vital powers of the debilitated and delicate are not less severe than the drain upon their strength caused by excessive heat. The vast disparity between the temperature of over-heated rooms and offices, at this season, and the frigidity of the outer air, is a fruitful cause of sickness. To fortify the body against the evil consequences of the sudden alteration of heat and cold referred to, the vital organization should be strengthened and endowed with extra resistant power by the use of a wholesome invigorant: and, of all preparations for this purpose, (whether compounded in the regular pharmacopia, or advertised in the public journals,) there is none that will compare in purity and excellence with HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS. Acting directly upon the organ which converts the food into the fuel of life, the preparation imparts to it a tone and vigor which is communicated to every fibre of the frame. The digestive function will be accelerated by its tonic operation, the liver regulated by its anti-bilious properties, and the waste matter of the system carried off promptly by its mild aperient action, the whole organization will necessarily be in the best possible condition to meet the shocks of winter and the sudden changes of temperature. The weak and sensitive, especially, cannot encounter these vicissitudes with safety, unless their tender systems are strengthened and braced by artificial means. Every liquor sold as a staple of trade is adulterated, and, were it otherwise, mere alcohol is simply a temporary excitant, which, when its first effects have subsided, leaves the physical powers (and the mind as well) in a worse condition than before. HOSTETTER'S BITTERS, on the other hand, contain the essential properties of the most valuable tonic and alterative roots, barks and herbs, and their active principal is the mellowest, least exciting, and most innocuous of all diffusive stimulants.

Financial and Commercial.

—The Lehigh Crane Iron Company, on the 10th, declared a dividend of five per cent., payable on and after the 20th, free of all taxes.

—Aaron G. Reninger has sold to Wm. B. Powell & Son, sixty shares in Lehigh Valley Iron Company, at $100 per share.

—The annual meeting and election for officers of the Jordan Iron Company will be held on March 13th, at First National Bank Building.

—The firm of Unger & Kressler has been dissolved by mutual consent, James H. Unger retiring.

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