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THEOLOGICAL.—W. H. and J. J. Kuntz, of Cherryville, who graduated at the last commencement of Muhlenberg College, have entered upon the study of the Ministry in the Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia.

POLICE NEWS.—Richard Rossiday was before the Mayor, last week, charged with stealing a bottle of Port wine and a glass from a saloon in the Sixth Ward, yesterday. The Mayor took compassion on him, and after administering a reprimand, discharged him.

REAL ESTATE CHANGES.—Alderman Mertz has sold Charles M. Kistler's house and lot on Lumber St., to George J. Schaffer for $1070.

Charles Kline has purchased the house he occupies on Sixth street, between Gordón and Liberty, from Kauffman & Dech, for $18,000.

HEARD FROM.—Alonzo P. Blakeslee, the assistant superintendent of the Mahanoy division L. V. R. R., who disappeared last Wednesday, immediately after a fatal collision which occurred that morning near Quakake Junction, has been heard from in the West. He writes to his afflicted friends that he went away supposing he would be arrested for the accident. It is proper to add that Mr. Blakeslee was in no way to blame for the unfortunate accident.

MORE DOUBLE TRACK.—The North Penn. Railroad very wisely continues to increase the length of their double track. They are now about to lay between Hatfield and Souder's station, which in due time will be extended down to Landsdale. But a few miles more is required to have complete double track the whole distance from Philadelphia to Gwynedd We are glad to see that both traffic and travel are increasing on this road.

FIRE.—Monday evening week, about nine o'clock, the alarm of fire was caused by the burning of the boiler house at Hausman's oil refinery. The Good Will steamer and hose carriage proceeded to the fire and rendered efficient service in extinguishing the flames. Mr. Hausman says it is miraculous that the whole works were not destroyed. The stilling process was kept up during the fire and has been going on ever since. Another building of the same kind could be erected for seventy-five dollars, but it is the intention to put up a larger and more substantial house.

RAILROAD STATION ROBBED.—Last Tuesday night, the money and ticket drawer at the Quakertown station, on the North Penn. Railroad, was robbed. Only fifty cents was in the drawer, with a couple of tickets, and the latter were dropped in the immediate vicinity of the station. The engineer of the express train up, Wednesday, noticed two suspicious looking characters near Hilltop, and was immediately impressed with the idea that they were the robbers of the Quakertown station. He made his suspicions known to H. P. Hammann, Esq., who ordered that an empty engine, which would be in Quakertown in a short time, should take on a policeman, move to Hilltop and arrest the men, which was promptly done. Search warrants have since been issued for searching houses at Hilltop, where the men arrested reside.

POLITICAL.—Morgan R. Wills, of the Norristown *Herald*, and Henry S. Evans, of the West Chester *Record*, are candidates for the Republican Senatorial nomination in the District composed of Delaware, Montgomery and Chester. Chester and Delaware formerly composed a Senatorial District electing one Senator. The three counties now elect two Senators. Delaware is represented in the State Senate by Hon. H. Jones Brooke, and Chester has the Congressman. The nomination this year, therefore, rightfully belongs to Montgomery, but Chester appears to be avaricious and there is likely to be a contest. The nomination of a Senatorial candidate who is popular with the Montgomery county people will have an effect in bringing out a large Republican vote for Congress and will interfere materially with the Democratic majority in this District.

FATAL ACCIDENT—SIX MEN KILLED.—A terrible accident occurred on Monday morning of last week at Preston Slope, No. 1, at Gerardville, Schuylkill county, by which six men were killed and one fatally wounded. A cage got off the track, and the wagon containing seven men was thrown off by coming in contact with the top timber, which precipitated them to the bottom of the slope a distance of about 100 yards. The following are the names of the killed: George Taylor, John Taylor, Thomas Robins, Michael Wehl, Phillip Farley, and Thomas Bourke. Wm Taylor lost one foot, and was otherwise seriously and probably fatally injured. The three Taylors were brothers. All the men, with one exception, leave large families.

NEW CEMETERY.—We take great pleasure in announcing to the public the fact that a Cemetery Association has just been formed by Messrs. George Frey, Franklin M. Kramer, J. J. Stein, Charles Eckert, William Kichline, Reuben S. Shimer and Charles Kline, for the purpose of locating a new cemetery on the elevation immediately South of this city, on the Emaus road.

The site is one of the most beautiful and eligible that could have been selected any where in or around this place, and as the grounds comprise about thirty acres, it may safely be predicted that this will speedily become a very desirable place to bury the dead.

In view of the fact that all the cemeteries in this city are rapidly filling up, in which lots are becoming scarce and high in price, and since the city is stretching out its limits incessantly and will soon surround them, it becomes very important that another burial place should be provided at a convenient distance from the immediate aggressions of the city. It is to be hoped, therefore, that the people will take an immediate interest in this laudable enterprise.

LOVE OF HOME.—A South Bethlehem gentleman writes to the *Progress*, last week, as follows:—I noticed in your paper last week a suggestion to incorporate all the different Bethlehems into one and make a city out of them. I do not think the time has yet arrived for doing that; as some of the places are still in Lehigh county. We must have the new county formed before that can be thought of. What we want at present is a better and more distinctive name for our town. We number very nearly as many as Bethlehem; and when our borough limits are enlarged, which will soon be the case, we will have at least 4,200 population. Therefore I think we should have a name suitable to the place. There is not a town in the Lehigh Valley improving faster than ours, and at present Bethlehem gets credit for everything. In reading the newspapers, you will always see that the Lehigh University is situated in Bethlehem. Give us another name; and we will get credit when it is due us. Keep the ball moving, and we will be successful. LEHIGH.

SMASH-UP AT BATH.—Thursday afternoon a railroad accident happened at Bath which, fortunately, resulted in no loss of life. Some men wishing to shift a slate car which was standing on a grade, took off the brake and the car attained considerable momentum, when it struck a carriage containing Mr. Weil, of Easton, and John Woodring, of Bath, doing considerable damage to the wagon, throwing both occupants out and slightly injuring Mr. Weil.

EVERY SATURDAY is now printed on tinted paper after the style of the London *Graphic*. The publishers have succeeded in making arrangements with their London cotemporary to supply them with electrotypes of the finest wood engravings published in that paper, which enables them to give some of the most beautiful and accurate war illustrations published. *Every Saturday* is undoubtedly the handsomest illustrated paper published in America.

PERSONAL.—Master Jefferson T. Moser of the U. S. Navy, arrived home last week on his way from Newport to New York, where he has been ordered to report for duty on the Guerriere, which will go on a cruise to be absent for a number of years. Master Moser has been at Newport assisting in experimenting with a newly invented torpedo, and takes along with him to New York a report of its success. He is one of the rising officers of the Navy.

EXCURSION TO LITIZ.—An excursion will go over the East Penn. and Reading and Columbia Railroads to Litiz, on Thursday, September 15. It will be under the auspices of the Macungie Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of Millerstown. The train will start from Allentown so as to give our citizens an opportunity to accompany them. Other organizations and the public in general are invited to go along. Tickets will be offered for sale by agents at all stations on the East Penn. Railroad and parties are requested to purchase them before the 14th. The Millerstown Cornet Band has been engaged for the occasion.

REPORT of coal transported over the Lehigh Valley Railroad for the week ending August 27th, 1870, compared with same time last year:

	For Week	For Year.
Total Wyoming	9,661 12	436 108 08
Hazleton	48,291 17	1,437,872 08
Upper Lehigh	486 12	9,959 15
Beaver Meadow	19,448 19	521,369 07
Mahanoy	8,561 10	172,419 07
Mauch Chunk	32 14	547 14
Total by Rail & Canal	86,393 04	2,587,656 19
Same time 1869	58,036 00	1,715,302 09
Increase	28,357 04	872,354 10
Decrease		

THE STATE FAIR.—It appears to be the policy of the State Agricultural Society that every portion of the State shall have a chance to show the progress of a given geographical district in Agricultural, Horticultural, and Mechanical pursuits, and in pursuance of this well defined plan the society this year has fixed on the thriving city of Scranton, in Luzerne county, in the midst of mineral and agricultural wealth, as its place of exhibition.

For this purpose a carefully prepared and large space of ground has been enclosed, abundantly supplied with water; easy of access to any part of the city of Scranton and surrounding towns; and upon which has been erected two halls, carefully protected from the weather, 250x30 feet each; one hall 175x45; several spacious tents; 125 horse stables; 150 cattle sheds—an amphitheatre with 1,000 seats, and every other arrangement for the comfort of visitors or exhibitors in every department usually represented at such shows. We advise all—but especially those who have never seen the operations in a great coal and iron district to visit Scranton and the State Fair, which commences on Tuesday, the 27th day of September, 1870.

THE COAL TRADE.—The Pottsville *Miners' Journal* of Wednesday has the following remarks on the prices of coal for September:—"The average price of coal in the Shamokin Region for the month of September, has been ascertained by the committee of operators and the W. B. A. in convention to be $2 95 per ton, and the operators agreed to pay wages for the month on the $3 basis. The Shamokin operators obtain better prices for coal than they do in Schuylkill, as they have a choice of markets.

"At several places in Schuylkill county the men are dissatisfied with the award made by the committees, and at one of the collieries in the vicinity of Tamaqua, the men had stopped in consequence. The trouble is that some operators are in the habit of blowing a good deal about the prices they are obtaining, representing prices much higher than they really receive, for reasons best known to themselves. We derive our information from both sellers and buyers, and when we make quotations they can be relied upon, and do not permit mere speculators to use our columns for their own purposes. From what we know of the trade, we believe the average price agreed upon, $2 85½, to the operator for the month of August, at Port Carbon, was as near the mark as it could be obtained.

"The prices for September, we believe, will be considerably lower. We know that when the compromise was made, many of the workingmen did not believe that coal would go below $3 this year, and they thought that they had made a good thing of it, but in the end, they will find that it all bears nearly, if not quite, as hard upon them as on the operators."

THE IMPROVEMENTS IN OUR CITY—A WHOLESALE HOUSE IN THE FIRST WARD.—One of the most important additions to the business part of the First Ward is being made by Messrs. Seiple, Johnson & Co., wholesale grocers. This firm have long felt the necessity for increased room to accommodate their growing business, and it was a debated question where the new building should be located. Many considerations favored the choice of a spot in the mercantile centre of the city, but the fact that all their goods have to be hauled from the depot to the store, and the greater portion must be hauled back again to reship by rail, induced them to make their future headquarters in the First Ward and thus save a very important and unnecessary item of expense.

A lot on the south-west corner of Second and Hamilton was accordingly purchased, a plan for the new structure was procured from John S. Graffin, the celebrated architect of this city, and workmen were engaged to proceed with the erection of the building. From the plan placed in our possession we judge that it will be one of the finest and most substantial structures of the kind in this city. The building will have a front of fifty-three feet on Hamilton street, divided into three store fronts and an entrance. The two fronts next to Second street will be occupied by the owners, which will give them a store room 32 feet front by 95 feet deep. The remaining store room, 18 by 95 feet, will be separate and will be rented. To the east of this store is the entrance and stairway to the second and third floors. The height of the ceiling on the main floor is to be fourteen feet, and each store front will have two large windows with the door in the centre. The second story will have a height of twelve feet and may be used as a dwelling. The story is to be thirteen feet high, the whole surmounted by a handsome Mansard roof ten feet in height. In the third story a lodge room 32 by 75 feet, is to be fitted up the entrance to which will be on Second street.

The exterior will be very attractive and the plan reflects much credit upon Mr. Graffin. The stores will be proportionate and tasty. The brick work will be ornamented with pilasters running up between the windows which will add strength as well as architectural beauty to the building. The windows will be capped with circular brick work and the cornice will be composed of the same material, overshadowed by elaborate wood work.

The building is one of the most important for the future of the First Ward that has been erected there for a long time. Not alone on account of its beauty, or for the trade that it will draw to that section of the city, but because one of our leading houses has broken the ice in that direction, and it will in the future be looked upon as the pioneer of a large number of wholesale houses which will at no distant day occupy the favorable business sites of Mingo.

This house was established November 1st, 1865, by Ruhe & Shimer. In January, 1866, Mr. Ruhe retired and Mr. M. A. Seiple entered the firm and business was carried on under the name of Seiple & Shimer, until January 10, 1867, when Mr. Thomas Johnston became a partner and the firm name was changed to Seiple, Shimer & Co. On May 1st, 1869, Mr. Shimer retired from the firm and Mr. C. Swartz entered into the new partnership constituting the present firm of Seiple, Johnston & Co. An idea of the rapid progress of this house may be formed by the extraordinary increase in sales. During the first year these amounted to about $50,000, under Seiple, Shimer & Co. they increased to $280,000, and the present year will reach $350,000.

BUILDING ASSOCIATION.—At the last meeting of the Washington Loan, Saving and Building Association, of Slatington, six loans were sold at $73 premium and two at $71.

REUNION.—A grand reunion was held on Thursday at at Kreidersville, Northampton county, of all persons ever connected with the Sunday School of Zion's Stone Church, whether as pastors, organists, superintendents, teachers, librarians or scholars. Quite a number of the members of the Zion's Reformed Church of this city, and also the Allentown Cornet Band, participated in the celebration.

SILVER.—A correspondent writes us that the Baker Silver Mining Company, of Colorado, has lately shipped at different times pure silver in bricks to the amount of 4950 ounces, Troy. Since the opening of the two railroads to Denver City, the mines have rail communication within thirty miles, and have to use wagons for a distance of twenty miles less than was required to haul produce from Philadelphia to Allentown several years ago.

ALLENTOWN is to have a wholesale grocery store, whereat the *Chronicle* becomes ecstatic.

We clip the above from the *Times and Dispatch*, a daily morning paper published in the city of Reading. The clippers, doing most of their work by night, can't see straight, and are therefore excusable for misrepresenting us as well as the business of our city. What the *Times etc.* refers to is, probably, our description of a new building which is to be erected in the First Ward by a wholesale grocery firm which has been doing a wholesale business exclusively at the corner of Seventh and Hamilton streets for a number of years.

A MODEL WARD.—"One Who Knows" writes to the Norristown *Herald* as follows:—The Lower Ward will beat the Upper Ward, say, five hundred in population.

The Lower Ward has an inhabitant ninety-eight years old.

The Lower Ward contains a widow fourteen years of age, who has a child two years of age.

The Lower Ward boasts of a woman twelve years of age, who has a child four years old.

The Lower Ward has the greatest pest in the county.

The Lower Ward has the best well-water and the coolest lager beer that can be found.

The Lower Ward has the greatest accumulated quantity of gas in town.

Bully for the Lower Ward.

BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS.—The work of enlarging the American Hotel has commenced. Carpenters are getting the frame work in order in the hotel yard, and the scrolls and other fancy wood work are being manufactured in Philadelphia. Two additional stories will be built on the main building, and the new roof will be put on before the old one is taken off. The addition will be one of the most important improvements to Hamilton street made this year. It is intended, after every thing is in readiness to put up, that the alterations shall be completed in about two weeks. Greenawald & Snyder have the work in charge.

It is in contemplation to put additional stories on the next two houses adjoining the hotel, belonging to Charles Saagreaves, as also on the buildings below owned by John G. Klumpf and Jonathan Reichard.

EXCURSION FROM ALLENTOWN.—Our boro' was enlivened Thursday week, by an excursion from Allentown. The party was large, and all appeared to enjoy themselves very much on the occasion. A most pleasing feature of the affair was the City Cornet Band of twenty-two pieces. The organization made a fine appearance, and treated our citizens to some very choice music, executed in excellent style. We have seldom listened to more agreeable strains. The excursion train arrived here about ten o'clock, and our visitors immediately distributed themselves according to inclination and taste. After dinner was disposed of the band played several airs, upon the Square, much to the delight of a large crowd. We acknowledge the compliment of a fine serenade to the Union office, and a visit from a delegation of Columbia Steam Fire Co. No. 3, by whom the excursion was planned and carried out. Several of our prominent citizens were favored in like manner. At five o'clock the excursionists started for their homes, fully at peace with themselves and the rest of mankind. The excursion train was under the control of F. L. Terry, which is equivalent to saying that the trip was made with comfort and safety.—*Wilkesbarre Union.*

ARREST OF MAIL ROBBERS.—On the 22d of August the Glendon Iron Company of Easton sent a check through the post-office to the President of the Morris Canal Company at Jersey City for $1950 85; on the 25th the check came back to the Cashier of the First National Bank, McEvers Foreman, Esq., inclosed in a letter requesting him to forward the money to "J. F. Randolph, President, in care of Alexander Robinson, No. 67 Steuben street, Jersey City, as the banks there would not pay it." Upon the receipt of the letter Mr. Foreman called upon Mr. Mingle, when it was decided that the check must have been stolen from the post-office and gotten into the hands of the wrong parties. Mr. Foreman at once telegraphed to Mr. Randolph, who stated that he had never received the check, and requesting him to arrest the parties presenting it, when Mr. Foremon replied that the trouble was in Jersey City, and that he would be over on the next train and explain the matter. In the meantime Postmaster Mingle telegraphed to Gen. Jones, the Postmaster at New York, in regard to the affair, requesting him to send a special agent to Jersey City at 6:30. Messrs. Mingle and Foreman left Easton on the 3:30 train and were at the Morris Canal Company's office, where they also met the special agent, when, in consultation with the President, it was determined upon to proceed at once and endeavor, if possible, to arrest the parties. Accordingly the mail carrier was sent for and a diary letter addressed to Alexander P. Robinson given him to deliver. The special agent followed the carrier, and on arriving at the number designated it was given to a young man about seventeen years of age, who at once opened the letter, when he was arrested. Two others of the parties have been arrested. It appears that they had access to the lock-boxes, and have been following the business for some time. Yesterday a check of Col. Thos. H. Leary, addressed to the Morris Canal Company, came back to the Easton National Bank from the same parties and of course was not paid. Robinson and his confederates were committed in default of $10,000 bail.—*Easton Express*, August 27th.

EXCITEMENT REVIVED—THE MYSTERIOUS ANIMAL IN DOYLESTOWN.—The excitement occasioned in this place a few weeks since, by the appearance of a strange animal about the town, and its terrific howls at night, had abated until the morning of Sunday week, when Josiah Hart, banker, and another gentleman, reported that while sitting on the porch of the former the evening previous, they heard the howls of the animal from the cornfield of Mr. Lewis Clemens, directly opposite. Mr. Hart is well-known as a man not to be alarmed at hobgoblins, and so well satisfied was he it was a wild animal, foreign to this place, that he next day made a thorough but unsuccessful search. On Monday evening of last week, it was reported at the old quarters in Germany, when a party of young men with dogs, went in pursuit, who reported that the dogs came upon him but would not attack him, and before they could bring their guns to bear on him, he was off—in his flight, passing within a few feet of John G. Randall, who was walking in his garden, but so rapidly that that gentleman could not describe his exact appearance. On Tuesday morning, at five o'clock, Owen Cooper saw him distinctly in the Presbyterian churchyard. He went into Cox's smith shop for a weapon but when he returned the animal was gone. The critter having thus far committed no outrage, his presence has ceased to create much alarm, and the only interest felt in it is the curiosity to know what it really is. Several persons were reported to have seen it; whose statements were as contradictory as the cable war telegrams, and upon inquiry they could give no description of it. On Saturday morning last, Benjamin Vanluvance, an aged man, whose statement may be relied on, was out gunning, and passing through Moloney's thicket, outside the borough, suddenly came upon him, nearly stepping in his bed. It was a surprise to both, and before Mr. V. could bring his gun to his shoulder the animal was out of sight. His description of it agrees with that of Mr. Jordan: about the size of a common dog, very short legs, head and snout like a pig. On Sunday night, Morgan Rufe, or a man in his employ, we have not learned which, had an interview with it, and pronounced it a fox. We have not seen Mr. Rufe, but the gentleman who called to give the information says this is reliable, and at the time of going to press this was the latest report from the front.—*Doylestown Democrat.*

LARGE stock of sheet music, instructors, blank books, music paper and cards at C. F. Herrmann's Music Store, Allentown.—*Adv.*

A THIRD REASON why T. C. Kernahen, of the Allentown China, Glassware and Lamp Store can sell cheaper than others, is because he sells more than any two in the county put together.

THE best of Italian violin strings, violins, guitars, flutes, etc., or any other article belonging to musical instruments, can be bought cheaper than anywhere else, at C. F. Herrmann's Music Store, Allentown, Pa.—*Adv.*

ALLENTOWN has an extensive china and glassware establishment where as great a variety and as low prices can be found as in the larger cities. We refer to the new store of Richard Walker, No. 40 West Hamilton street.—*Adv.*

CHEAP PARLOR ORGANS.—A single reed 5 octave organ at $60. A double reed organ with 5 stops, at $130. A powerful organ with 7 stops at $180, at C. F. Herrmann's, corner of 7th and Walnut.—*Adv.*

AN EXCELLENT REASON WHY T. C. Kernahen, of the old Allentown China, Glassware and Lamp Store, can sell cheaper than others, is that he buys and sells exclusively for Cash, thus gaining all the advantage of cash payments and losing nothing by credit sales.

A SPLENDID PIANO.—Linderman & Son's Gold Medal Cyclold and Square Pianos rank among the finest instruments in the country. Their brilliancy and fullness of tone is not surpassed by a concert grand piano at double the price. More Instruments of this celebrated make have been sold in Allentown, Lehigh and adjoining counties than of any other manufacture. They can be used many years and not become shiny, as most other pianos do, in only a few years. Come and examine them at C. F. Herrmann's Store, Seventh and Walnut streets.—*Adv.*

READING AFFAIRS.—The "German National Aid Society" of Reading, held its first public meeting at Lauer's Park, last week A large concourse of ladies and gentlemen were present and the whole affair proved a grand success. Winter's Band (Militaire) "Young Maennerchor," "Reading Maennerchor," "Saengerbund Harmonie" supplied excellent music. The singing of the patriotic German airs not only stirred up the wanderer from the Fatherland, but the American could not help feeling like joining in, in a hearty hurrah for King William. The meeting was formally opened by Frederick Lauer, Esq., who in the German language stated the object of the celebration and alluded to the widows and orphans in the mother land and appealed to those assembled to aid and assist this society by contributing money. Eloquent and enthusiastic German orators followed, Messrs. Rosenthal, Koendig, and Volmer. Hon. J. Lawrence Getz spoke in English and his words of cheer and Godspeed were received with tremendous applause. Rev. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., made an impressive speech. He needs no encomium. His scholarly efforts and the masterly style of oratory which characterizes him are known to every one. He spoke of Napoleon as having accomplished a great achievement when he declared war against Prussia, for that declaration *united* Germany, and also presented to the world the German, as he he has never before been known. The proceeds amounted to about $300, and will be forwarded to an agent in Prussia for the benefit of widows and orphans. The cause of Prussia is a noble one and the wives and children of its fallen heroes are worthy of our succor and charity.

A VISIT FROM THE DETECTIVE.—United States Internal Revenue Detective Brooks, who was shot in Philadelphia last winter, paid our city a visit last week and made an examination of several cigar manufactories. He expressed himself very much displeased by the manner in which the laws were carried out, and for the information of those interested we will give a few of the most important provisions, about which there appears to have been some misunderstanding. We believe our manufacturers are all acquainted with the sections relating to the amount of tax to be paid, the filing of bonds, packing, etc.

Section 85 requires that all cigars shall be packed in new boxes containing definite and limited numbers, and positively prohibits their sale in any other form except by retail dealers. Retail dealers are allowed to retail cigars from boxes packed, stamped, and branded in the manner prescribed by law; but this provision does not authorize or warrant the practice of retailing cigars from show cases. Sales can legally be made only from the stamped package, the presence of the revenue stamp being always necessary to give currency to the goods.

It is the practice in some instances to put empty cigar boxes into the show window to make a display. This is allowed, but the stamp must be defaced so that it could not by any possibility be used again. It is required, for instance, to tear off the date and signature. A failure to comply with this provision involves a heavy fine.

Cigar boxes cannot be used a second time unless they are first taken apart, planed off and made, in every respect, to have the appearance of new boxes.

The law relating to inventories appears to be very simple and easily comprehended. The Commissioner has prescribed a book (blank No. 73) in which cigar manufacturers are required to enter at the end of each day the number of cigars manufactured during the day. There is an explanation to this effect in the book, but it appears manufacturers have been in the habit of making entries once a week or once a month, as it suited their convenience, while others have overdone the matter and made entries for Sundays as well as week days. A strict attention to the provisions of the section governing inventories will save trouble in the future.

CITY COUNCILS.—A special meeting of City Councils was held last week President Hoffman in the chair.

A petition was read from sundry citizens representing that a nuisance by boys is daily being held at the south-west corner of Liberty and Eighth streets, much to the annoyance of the citizens residing in the vicinity, and asking Councils to have the same abated, therefore

On motion of Mr. Young it was

Resolved, that the Mayor be directed to instruct his officers to prevent nuisances on said grounds.

The following resolutions were passed:

By Mr. Young, that the Committee on Fire Department be directed to have the Columbia Hose Carriage rebuilt.

By Mr. Roth, that the Mayor be directed to repair the culvert across Front street at the Keystone House.

By Mr. Young, that the Committee on City Property be directed to prepare plans and specifications for a dwelling house for the engineer at the water works.

By Mr. Kauffman, that the walk on Seventh street on north side of Union street be raised.

By Mr. Line, that additional grading be done in the vicinity of Fifth street, so as to make it passable, and that the work be allotted to Nathan Snyder under his former contract.

By Mr. Line, that Lawrence street be put on Grade from Water street to Seventh street, directing the Street Committee with the City Engineer to establish such grade as may seem most suitable.

By Mr. Roth, that Councils meet in a body tomorrow (Wednesday) evening at 6 o'clock, on Chew street between Ninth and Tenth, for the purpose of examining the grade on said street.

JOINT CONVENTION.—Met for the purpose of opening proposals for the building of the Liberty Hose House.

The following were received:

Thomas W. Snyder, $3,240.00 for a two story building and $4050.00 for a three story building.

Jonas S. Werly, $3,150.00 for a two story, and $3,650.00 for a three story building.

D. Schwartz & Son $3864.00 and $3064.

Abraham Diefenderfer, two story, $2,367.00.

Messrs. Line and Hecbner offered a resolution that the contract for building the Liberty Hose House be allotted to Abraham Diefenderfer for a two story building, and that the Committee on City Property in conjunction with the City Solicitor be requested to draw a contract for the same. Passed.

Mr. Young offered a resolution that the Committee on City Property shall have power to amend specifications relative to depth of cellar, changing depth from 6 to 7 feet.

Adjourned.

For Stationery go to LaRoche's, Hamilton street, 2d door above Sixth.

SECOND WARD SCHOOLS.—The Directors of the Second Ward being disappointed in the school building not being completed, give notice to parents and scholars that the male schools of this section will not be opened until Monday, September 12th, unless notice is given in the meantime to the contrary.

A FALSE REPORT.—The report that the Excelsior Rifles will parade this evening, accompanied by the City Cornet Band, is false. The Band has gone to Salisbury and the Rifles are not prepared to make a parade. When they return from Camp Selfridge they will favor our citizens with a disply of their drill.

REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE.—The Republican State Central Committee has been organized for the campaign, as follows:—Chairman, Hon. John Covode; Secretaries, Hon. M. S. Quay, George W. Hamersly and James W. M. Newlin; Treasurer, General H. H. Bingham. The headquarters are at the Girard House, Philadelphia.

COURT.—The September Court of Quarter Sessions commenced Monday, at ten o'clock, with a full bench. The Grand Jury selected John H. Helfrich, of Allentown, for foreman, after which Judge Longaker delivered the usual instructions. The principal cases are larceny, with a good sprinkling of minor charges. Court will be in session this week only.

A NEW TERM.—The young ladies of the Allentown Female College resumed their studies on Monday last. This College, under the superintendence of Rev. W. R. Hofford, has a prominent position among the educational institutions of the State, and bids fare to be one of the most successful. No effort is spared to procure the most capable instructors and to fit the young ladies who come under their guidance for the important duties of life.

THE AVONDALE WIDOWS.—The Del. Lack. & Western R. R. is not yet through with the widows of the Avondale disaster. A few days since E. L. Merriman, Esq., attorney for the Miner's Union, brought thirty-six suits against the D. L. & W. R. R. Co. in the Luzerne county courts, for the Avondale widows, the object being to recover damages for the loss of their husbands in the accident at the Avondale mine. He will in a short time bring about as many additional suits.

DELEGATE ELECTION.—The Republicans of Catasauqua assembled in the Town Hall, Saturday evening last, for the purpose of electing delegates to represent them in the County Convention, to be held in this place, on Saturday, September 10. The meeting organized by electing Chas. W. Chapman, President, and Oliver Williams, Esq. Secretary. The following persons were chosen delegates:—Charles W. Chapman, R. Clay Hamersly, William Hopkins, John Gate, Henry Souders, A. M. Bachman, William Hunsicker.

ACCIDENT NEAR BOYERTOWN.—On Friday last, a serious accident happened at the lime quarry of Jesse Bechtel, about ½ miles from Boyertown, on the road to Reading. A blast had been fired, but not going off as soon as expected, the workmen attempted to re-prime it, when it exploded, seriously burning Mr. Tobias Houch and a Mr. Heydt. The injuries of the former are critical. An accident of the same character happened at this quarry previously, and week before last, Mr. Jesse Beckler had his leg broken in the quarry by the caving in of rocks.—*Reading Times.*

THE *Miner's Journal*, of Pottsville, celebrated on Thursday the first anniversary of its existence as a daily paper. In its weekly form the *Journal* has had a long and honorable career as a sturdy supporter of Republican principles, and a recognized authority on mining matters, and we are gratified to perceive that the enterprise of its owners, Messrs. Banman & Ramsey, in enlarging their field of usefulness, has met with due reward. *The Daily Miner's Journal* is a handsome and sprightly paper, giving a great deal of news and showing lots of pluck. Its birth-day was celebrated by a banquet given by the owners to the editors, reporters, and type-setters, and the presentation of a good portrait of King William to every subscriber. The same issue of the *Journal* contained a careful map of the recent battles on the Moselle and the Meuse.

GONE TO CAMP.—The Excelsior Rifles, Capt. Laubach commanding, accompanied by the City Cornet Band, left Monday morning on the 7:20 train for Camp Selfridge. They presented an imposing appearance in their handsome new uniforms. During this week they will no doubt be visited by numbers of Allentonians, excursion tickets having been secured for visitors at low rates. They can be purchased at the drug store of Dr. Barnes & Son, Lawall & Marth and Joseph Stoffler, or at the cigar stores of Zellner & Rusling and A. P. Zellner. The Band returned home in the noon train and gave Hamilton street a treat to their delightful music. They will return to camp on Friday, where the Rifles will be reviewed by General Selfridge. A number of distinguished visitors will also be present. In the evening the hop is to be given. Gross will be on hand on Friday to "take" the camp and also on Saturday when the troops strike their tents.

THE MECHANICS' PARADE.—From present indications the parade of the order of American Mechanics, on the 23d of September, promises to be one of the largest and most brilliant affairs of the kind ever gotten up in this city. Under the Marshalship of Capt. B. C. Roth no efforts will be spared to make it worthy of the hearty cooperation of our citizens. The energy of the order displayed in securing to our city this vast influx of visitors is deserving of praise. It will undoubtedly be of incalculable benefit to our merchants bringing, as it will, numbers of purchasers as well as spectators. Our hotel keepers, of course, will reap the lion's share of the profits, but the city will have an opportunity of becoming better known to the outside world.

The visiting Councils are to be entertained in the evening by a grand social hop at the Fountain House. Every effort will be made to have this the ball of the season.

LEHIGHTON.—A correspondent in Lehighton writing to the Mauch Chunk *Democrat* says:—Lorenzo Beers, of Welsport, was found insensible on Sunday week, about 2 o'clock a. m., in the yard of the Fort Allen House. He came home about midnight and retired, but soon after left his sleeping room, and was found as stated above. He must have fallen from the porch, as no marks of violence were found on his body with the exception of a bruise on the head. He remained entirely unconscious until yesterday afternoon, when he died.

Horse thieves are about again. Monday morning week before daylight a suspicious character passed through here with a horse and carriage, which were stolen somewhere in Northampton county. Pick your flints and watch them, ye horse owners. It will be remembered that a horse, carriage and harness were stolen from Emaus on Sunday night.

FINANCIAL.—There is much complaint made by tradesmen and others about the difficulty of collecting bills, especially small current accounts. Part of this may be owing to the fact that many have a limited balance at bank, and are low in cash just now; but much of it, we are persuaded, springs from a want of reasonable consideration of this class of creditors. There are not a few who, in times when business has been a little depressed, and the prospects for the future seem more than usually unsettled, will hold on to their cash in hand, and tell all the collectors who call upon them with overdue bills to "call again," while the payment would not give them any serious inconvenience, and would greatly accommodate a large and deserving class of creditors. Indeed, we know of nothing that, in a quiet way, would go so far to give animation to the markets throughout the country as the universal fulfillment of these obligations at the first convenient opportunity. If all the little debts, for the discharge of which the debtors now have the cash actually in hand, were promptly paid at once, the wheels of business would be lubricated and a "general jollity" soon prevail throughout the land. The first serious effect upon trade of any public excitement comes from the sudden check of these little streams. It is true that large transactions are arrested, but if everybody went on paying these little debts the check would be momentary, as business would be forced along by the current thus continually renewed. Let every one whose eye falls upon these lines pay out at once his ready money for bills he knows to be due, and stop not till his pocket is emptied. Probably before this is realized the return current will reach his pocket too, and he be able to fulfill all his obligations. There is as much money as ever—as much currency as ever; who stops its flow? Let it move on for a prompt payment of bills now due, and new business will catch the inspiration and start off upon a fresh gallop.

REAL ESTATE SALE.—The property of John Clymer, deceased, situated in Salisbury township, this county, on the public road leading from Allentown to Hellertown, was sold on Saturday, by Joshua Stahler, agent for the administratrix, to Christian Clymer, of Bucks county, for $2,500.

TAKEN IN.—The *Miners' Journal* tells of a certain young clerk in an office in Pottsville, whose shrewdness seldom allows deception to get the better of him, receiving a letter from New York, informing him, in a strictly confidential way, of course, that if he would send on five dollars—barely enough to pay the expenses of looking into the matter a little—he would tell him of parties who owed him considerable sums of money, which could be had for asking for it. The five dollars was forwarded as requested, more out of curiosity than otherwise. A few days ago he received a receipt for his "V" from the ingenious swindler, of which the following is the substance: "Every person who defrauds you of five dollars owes you that amount. Talley me. Yours, truly." Very likely the talley has been made, and the young clerk acknowledges the five dollars' worth of wisdom, bought with so little trouble. Young men, beware of New York swindlers. They will take your money out of your pockets before your eyes if they get a chance, and do it in such a way that you cannot take offense at it.

CATASAUQUA ITEMS.

PROPERTY SALES.—Messrs. Burger and Younger sold a house and lot on the Howertown road, to John Boyer. The same parties sold nine acres of land in Whitehall township to Joshua Hunt, Esq.

AN OLD COUPLE.—The Census Marshal of Hanover township reports that he found a couple eighty-six years of age, who were married sixty-four years ago, and have lived in one house for forty years. Jacob Delly, aged 89 years, is the oldest man in Hanover township.

RAILROAD ACCIDENT.—The noon express on the Lehigh and Susquehanna Railroad ran over a cow at Slatington last week, threw the rear car off the track, injuring one passenger. We have not learned the extent of the injuries or the name of injured man.

MINORITY CONVENTION.

READING, August 31, 1870.

The majority of the delegates arrived in this city, from various sections of the State, last evening. The Mansion House was the principal rendezvous for delegates. There was an informal meeting held at this house in reference to the admission of the Democratic representatives. The question after some debate was, however, dropped.

The meeting was called together by the ringing of the Court House bell at 11 o'clock. E. J. More, Esq., called the meeting to order, and nominated George Lear, Esq., of Doylestown, temporary chairman. The Chairman on taking his seat made a few appropriate remarks, and urged the members to do the business with promptness. Joseph Ritner, of Cumberland county, and Morgan R. Wills, of Norristown, were elected Secretaries.

The Counties of the State were then called and the following gentlemen responded as representatives of those counties:

W. H. Abey, Joshua Ashbridge, Benjamin Berry, W. H. Bradley, Jas. A. Biery, Benjamin Banman, R. B. Beath, R. H. Correyell, A. H. Chase, Fred. Dittman, H. T. Darlington, D. J. Deshler, J. R. Dawes, A. S. Dingman, Wm. Earnest, A. M. Fulton, J. W. Fisher, Thomas A. Fitch, A. J. Fry, O. B. Gordon, W. H. Glace, Seth W. Geer, Wm. M. Heisler, D. C. Heople, George F. Hoff, W. W. Hamersley, R. C. Hamersley, J. Pringle Jones, A. W. Judwin, Geo. Lear, E. N. Lloyd, W. S. A. Losch, B. E. Leaman, M. McMichael, E. J. More, J. E. Nyce, J. H. Oliver, Jno. S. Richards, Jos. Ritner, M. H. Richards, H. J. Reeder, Edward Sieg