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WRAPS are considered the exquisite thing for ladies' evening wear.

THERE were twenty-seven deaths in Allentown during the month of September, an increase of but one over the previous month.

THE school teachers' institute of Lehigh county will be held in this city on December 19th. A full attendance is expected.

MR. JOHN P. LAROCHE has disposed of his news agency to Mr. William J. Weiss. We wish Mr. Weiss abundant success in his new enterprise.

A THREE-STORIED dwelling house is in contemplation for the engineer of the Water Works. Plans and specifications are drawn.

MR. REUBEN SIEGER, No. 812 Hamilton street, is manufacturing forty dozen cane seat chairs for reserved seats in Hagenbuch's Hall.

LUTHERAN CONFERENCE. — The Second District Lutheran Conference will be held in Slatington this week.

IT is said that there are more cigars manufactured in Northampton than any other county in the State.

THE first annual exhibition of the Keystone Agricultural Society of the borough of Kutztown, Berks county, opened this morning.

KEROSENE.—It seems to be impossible to impress the fact on the public mind that kerosene requires to be treated with nearly as much caution as gunpowder.

A NUMBER of unruly characters stand on the steps of the post office, in the evening, and greatly annoy those who go in and come out. It should be prevented.

THE store windows are gorgeous with fall dress goods, which elicit the admiration of the ladies, as they view them with that fastidious care that only woman has.

THE music of the City Cornet Band is excellent. Every man is master of the instrument he performs on. The band is a first-class organization, and well deserves the praises received.

ROBBERY.—The house of Wm. S. Monyer, in Reading, was robbed on Monday week. Mr. Monyer succeeded in capturing five of the robbers. Most of the goods have been recovered.

RETURNED.—Mrs. Williams who mysteriously disappeared some time ago from Slatington, has at length returned. No reason is assigned for her leaving in the manner she did.

POPULATION.—According to the census the following is the population of four of the principal Pennsylvania cities: Scranton, 35,700; Lancaster, 23,000; Allentown, 14,068; Erie, 19,742.

PATENT.—Among the list of patents issued from the United States Patent Office for the week ending October 4, is one for a grate for Francis Glick and Uriah Keck, of Allentown.

THE CORN CROP.—The farmers generally have already cut off and shocked their corn. The crop throughout Northampton county will be one of the finest gathered.

REV. DR. JAMES, of Bustleton, Philadelphia county, is the oldest Methodist preacher in the world. He is in his ninety-fourth year, and has been a laborer in the Methodist Church for seventy years.

NOVEL NOTION.—The latest fashion in engagements is to give no ring or presents of any kind to the lady, and the wedding to be quiet and plain, only the relatives being present, and the bride's dress very plain and simple.

THE engine of the Columbia Steam Fire Company is kept in beautiful condition. There is not an ornament on it which does not shine like a new dollar. Its appearance reflects great credit on those who have charge of it.

IRON ORE.—A very extensive vein of iron ore of superior quality has been discovered on the farm of Mr. James Hese, about one mile from Easton. Parties are now working it, and during three days brought to the surface about one hundred tons. The vein is about fifteen feet in thickness.

DIVIDEND DECLARED.—The Directors of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company have declared a quarterly dividend of two and a half per cent., payable to the stockholders or their representatives at the company's office, No. 303 Walnut street, Philadelphia, on and after the 15th inst.

MATRIMONIAL.—Miss Ellen McHose, the daughter of Hon. Samuel McHose, our ex-Mayor, was united in the holy bands of matrimony to Mr. T. Blank on Tuesday. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride's parents. We wish the couple much happiness in their new life.

NEW COUNTERFEIT.—A new counterfeit on a local bank is thus reported:—Farmers' National Bank of Reading, Pa., fives; imitations are reported in circulation; look out for all Farmers' National Banks, as the town and State can be easily changed and printed from the same counterfeit plate.

CHECK STAMPS.—Two cent stamps are still required on blank checks, under the new revenue law; but they are not necessary on receipts for money or the payment of a debt, nor need there be any stamps put upon promissory notes for less than one hundred dollars, nor on assignments of mortgages which have once been duly stamped.

BIG SNAKE KILLED.—A short time since some persons discovered a large black snake on the farm of Rev. O. Leopold in South Whitehall, which they killed and on measuring found it to measure nine feet four and three-fourth inches in length, and five inches in girth. A short time previous a much larger one was seen in the same vicinity, but escaped being killed.

ALLENTOWN has all the advantages that are necessary for the building up of a large city, and in a comparative short time such will be the result. There is not another place in Pennsylvania, of the same size, which can show so much real enterprise in mercantile and industrial employments.

A LITERARY society is something which our young men should have ambition enough to organize. You want such an association to occupy your unemployed time in the evenings, and to keep you off the streets. Why don't you stir yourselves, and originate such a society. It requires but little effort, and but an equal amount of capital. Let us see who will be the first to move in the matter.

THE SCHOOL LAW.—The new edition of the School Laws of Pennsylvania is ready for delivery and should be in the hands of every one interested in the public schools of the commonwealth. School directors and controllers will be supplied by the county superintendents of their respective counties. Any person can get a single copy by addressing the School Department at Harrisburg, and enclosing ten cents for postage.

THE *Pennsylvania School Journal*, in speaking of the schools of Northampton county, says: Examinations are progressing under favorable auspices. Teachers are better qualified than last year. Salaries are being increased in many districts, and terms lengthened in some. Independent district of L. M. Bethel, with two schools, has increased the term from six to ten months, and raised the salary from forty to fifty dollars per month.

LEAF IMPRESSIONS.—Simultaneously cover a sheet of white paper with a thin coating of grease, and then smoke it on the same side over a smoky flame of an oil lamp, lay the leaf on the sheet, and fold it so that the smoked paper will press it on both sides. Then remove the leaf, lay it on a clean sheet, fold the paper over, and press it heavily between the leaves of a book. When the leaf is removed, the impression of both sides of the leaf will remain on the paper, and can scarcely be distinguished from a finished pencil drawing.

IT is said that the Lehigh and Susquehanna railroad are endeavoring to make a western connection and form another through line.

THE Lehigh Valley Railroad Company announces its usual quarterly dividend of two and a half per cent., payable on the 15th instant, free of tax.

PROPERTY SALES.—Benjamin Kistler sold a two-story brick dwelling house and lot of ground thirty feet front by two hundred and thirty feet deep, on North Seventh street to William Waibert, for $2,000.

Charles H. Ruhe sold a two-story frame dwelling house and lot of ground 16 feet 6 inches front by 115 feet deep, on Ninth street, between Walnut and Jackson, to Edward D. Brader, for $800.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.—At a regular meeting, No. 380, Sons of Temperance, held Monday evening, October 3d, the following officers were installed to serve for the ensuing quarter:—W. P., George Simpson; W. A., Henry W. Cole; R. S., M. D. Forrest; A. R. S., Wilson Derr; F. S., C. S. Massey; Treas., J. T. Burdge; C., Wm. Woods; A. C., Joseph Jeans; I. S., Charles A. Broes; O. S., Edward Henry; Chaplain, M. A. Selple.

COPLAY.—Lehigh Division, No. 192, Sons of Temperance, of Coplay, will hold a public meeting at their hall, Wednesday evening, October 12. Rev. R. Walker, of Allentown, and Rev. James Little, of Hokendauqua, will deliver addresses in English. Rev. Fliehr, of Catasauqua, will speak in German. Other German speakers will also be present. The public schools will add a new feature to the meeting by enlivening the occasion with choice music. Many Divisions of the Order have been invited and are expected to be present.

SUDDEN DEATH.—Thursday morning an unfortunate woman named Dilts, aged about thirty years, died very suddenly at the house of Susan Miller, near the Catholic Cathedral, Scranton, where she had been living with a number of other young women. Alderman Watres was called to hold an inquest, but the cause of death being clearly shown to have been heart disease, no jury was empanelled. Previous to her death she stated that she had a sister living in Millville, N. J., and had a young son at school at Allentown. The woman had a splendid wardrobe, gold watch, &c.

EXPLOSION.—Friday night about 9 o'clock the city was startled by an alarm, which at first was supposed to be for fire, but was subsequently ascertained to have been caused by an explosion at the Lehigh rolling mill, in the 8 th Ward, owned by Shimer & Saeger. The explosion was caused by the falling of a piece of wet ore into some live cinders in a furnace, which was being repaired by the puddler in charge, Amandus Boyle. The entire roof was blown off the furnace, and the puddler was somewhat severely burned, as well as another employee of the mill. Mr. Thomas, the superintendent, informs us that explosions of this character occur quite frequently in the mill, and very little importance is attached to them, although this one is more severe in its effects than usual.

LIBERALITY IN FARMING.—In it's art, and almost in this art alone "it is the liberal hand which makes rich." Liberality in providing utensils is the saving both of time and labor. The more perfect his instruments, the more profitable are they. So also it is with his working cattle and his stock. The most perfect in their kinds are ever the most profitable. Liberality in good barns and warm shelters is the source of health, strength and comfort to animals; causes them to thrive on less food, and secures from damage all sorts of crops. Liberality also in the provision of food for domestic animals is the source of flesh, muscle and manure. Liberality to the earth, in seed culture and compost, is the source of its bounty. Thus it is in agriculture, as in every part of creation, a wise and paternal Providence has inseparably connected our duty and our happiness. In raising animals the condition of his success is kindness and benevolence toward them. In cultivating the earth, the condition of man's success is his industry upon it.

THE WAY TO WRITE AN ADVERTISEMENT.—By no means the least useful and interesting portions of a live newspaper, says the *Ledger*, are found in the columns edited by the public, that is to say, the advertising department. No matter how the editorials may be written, or how graphically the news may be presented, none of these carefully elaborated or judiciously condensed columns "come home to the business and bosoms" of some readers more effectively than new advertisements do to others. When the advertising columns are occupied by dreary, prosy, long affairs, repeated day after day, and month after month, people tire of seeing them. They are not features of busy, but of stagnant life. But when advertisements, new every morning, short, crisp, and to the point, meet the reader's eye, he feels that the world moves and he is inspirited to move with it. There is something inspiriting and cheerful, encouraging and hopeful in the very look of well filled advertising columns. The men who succeed best in business and keep up with the times, are those who not only read the advertisements diligently, but who do their share in keeping them "ever charming ever new."

POLITENESS.—Somebody says, and says truly, that there are few families anywhere in which love is not abused as furnishing the license for impoliteness. A husband, father or brother will speak harsh words to those he loves best, simply because the secrecy of love and family pride keep him from getting his head broken. It is a shame that a man will speak more impolitely at times to his wife or sister than he would to any other woman. It is thus that the honest affections of a man's nature prove to be a weaker protection to a woman in a family circle that the restraints of society, and that a woman is usually indebted for the kindest politeness of life to those not belonging to her own household. These things ought not to be so. The man who, because it will not be resented, inflicts his spleen and bad temper upon those of his hearthstone, is a small coward and a very mean man. Kind words are circulating mediums between fine gentlemen and ladies at home, and no polish exhibited in society can atone for the harsh language and disrespectful treatment too often indulged in between those bound together by God's own ties of blood and the most sacred bonds of conjugal love.

AN UNFORTUNATE AFFAIR.—A few days ago the eccentric Skimmerhorn visited the First Ward, and in the course of his perambulations brought up at the building in course of erection by Messrs. Seiple, Johnston & Co. Skimmer there conceived the mighty idea of imitating the helpers there employed, and to carry his conception into practice filled a hod and commenced ascending the ladder. The Sons of Erin seeing their avocation interfered with and supposing he had been employed to assist them, immediately stopped work, saying "We'll be d——d if we work by the side of a daerty nager!" The operations of the whole force were consequently brought to a stand-still until other helpers could be employed. Skimmer's eccentricity, on this occasion, was serious in its consequences, depriving the Irishmen of their job. We will not say anything in condemnation of the hastiness of the strikers, who are ever ready to sustain the dignity of honest labor, but Skimmer deserves the severest censure for the harm he did, and if he insists upon going about lightening the labors of the hod carrier, we insist upon his undergoing a severe and protracted application of Email de Paris.

THE COAL TRADE.—The Mauch Chunk *Coal Gazette* of this week says:—There is no improvement in the trade. Coal is being sold almost as fast as it arrives in the cities and ports, but there is not that active demand which should characterize the market at this season of the year. In 1869 at this time the market was helped by the great freshet, which advanced prices quite materially. This year all the regions are working. Much more coal has been sent to market, and if there is no diminution in the shipments, coal will not bring so much as during the fall and winter months of 1869. Messrs. Hammett, Mill & Co's circular for last week says:

There is no material change to report in the market this week, the line trade and local demand in this vicinity have continued active, but there is not so much inquiry for shipments from Port Richmond.

The Committees of the Anthracite Board of Trade and the Workingmen's Benevolent Association met on Tuesday, and having found from the sworn statements presented, that the average price for coal at Port Carbon from the 1st to the 20th of September, was $2.44⅝, it was agreed that the wages be adjusted on a reduction of 16⅔ per cent. on the $3.00 basis. In making the average each month the price of Chestnut is always included.

CONSECRATION.—Bishop Wood will consecrate the new German Catholic church in Lehighton, next Sunday.

THE coal trade on the Lehigh Valley railroad is very brisk at present. There is a constant run of coal trains on the road day and night.

PEOPLE should be unusually careful with regard to their health at this season of the year. The cool mornings and evenings, and the heat in the middle of the day, render every one liable to take cold and contract disease. This is especially the case with children and aged people.

THE Indian name of the Lehigh was Lechauweek; of Easton, Lechauwitonk; of the Delaware, Lenapewihittuck; of the Bushkill Creek, Lehletan; of Bethlehem, Menagachsuenk; of Pennsylvania, Quekehluk; of Nazareth, Welagamika.

STOLEN HORSE RECOVERED.—A horse belonging to John Henne, of Strausstown, Berks county, which was stolen on the 13th of March last, was recovered in Philadelphia on Tuesday. The animal is now in the possession of J. W. Adams, of the Plough and Harrow Hotel, Reading.

PUBLIC LECTURE.—It gives us great pleasure to announce the fact, that on Friday evening, the 21st inst., Edward Carswell, Esq., the popular lecturer, will deliver a lecture in the Court House, this city. His reputation as an entertaining speaker is a guarantee to a full house. Full particulars as to the subject and arrangements will be announced in due time.

SILVER BUTTONS.—Messrs. Baily & Co., Jewelers, Twelfth and Chestnut streets, Philadelphia, have on exhibition in their window the large buttons of silver weighing respectively 1141 and 400 pounds, which are valued at over $25,000. These huge lumps of silver were placed in the fair at Denver, Colorado, last week, and drew the magnificent gold medal, to be handed to the producers, the Brown Silver Mining Company.

SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE.—The sixth quarterly meeting of the North Whitehall Sunday School Association will be held at the Ballietsville school house, on Saturday afternoon, November 5th, at one o'clock. The subjects for discussion will be: 1. What effect has the Sunday school in the community? 2. The Teacher's duties *out* of School. 3. Should a person teach who is not a member of the church? 4. How to increase the number of schools in our township.

POTATOES.—As the season advances the price of white potatoes advances also, and the probabilities are that before the next crop matures they will be higher than for several years. As an offset to this, sweet potatoes are abundant and cheap, the price demanded for them being less than the white. We do not remember to have seen finer specimens of this valuable esculent than those offered in our market at this time. In a week or two they should be put up for winter.

THE LEHIGH UNIVERSITY TOWER.—Sixteen feet of iron work is at present being added to the grand tower of the Lehigh University building, at South Bethlehem, under the supervision of Matthew Hildebrand, Esq. This addition will put a finishing touch to this magnificent structure, and when completed, the extended range of varied scenery, as viewed from this sublime height, will be unsurpassed. A substantial railing will surround an upper portion of the extended section of the tower, for the safety and convenience of visitors.

WHEN a man gets a few dollars worth of goods, put them in a room, and sits down by them and waits for customers, he is one century behind the age. He need not look for customers as they have not been made acquainted with his business, or invited to call and see him. He charges more for his goods than those who advertise, because he has to wait longer to sell them. The goods get old and stale, and his customers buy an inferior article at an advanced price. Always consult the the columns of your home paper if you wish to find the live men of your town.

LITERARY SOCIETY ORGANIZED.—The teachers of the public schools of Eastport, have organized themselves into a literary society under the name of the Hanover Lyceum. On Wednesday evening the second meeting was held, constitution and by-laws adopted, and the following officers elected: President, H. F. Rosenberg; Vice President, W. K. Desh; Recording Secretary, F. S. Hartzell; Corresponding Secretary, W. J. Kratz; Treasurer, B. De Long. A subject was then taken up and discussed, after which the meeting adjourned to meet at Kachline's school house.

WORK is yet progressing rapidly on the new rolling mill at South Bethlehem. The foundation for the rolls is nearly finished, the roof also. They are now boarding up the west end for the winter, which in due time will be removed and the mill extended as laid out in the plans. There is great activity in the iron manufacture of this country at present, on account of the European war, and should England become involved, the demand for home manufactured iron would be great—and consequently flourishing times in the business.

UNUSED BLANK RECEIPTS.—It may be of interest to persons owning unused blank receipts having the internal revenue stamp of two cents imprinted thereon, the tax upon which was repealed by the act of July 14, 1870, on and after October 1, 1870, to know that upon returning such stamped blanks to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue free of expense they may receive other stamps of equal value for which they may have use. This arrangement will afford relief to a large number of business men who have had their blank receipts stamped within a recent period and who can have no use for them by reason of a repeal of the tax.

REPORT of coal transported over the Lehigh Valley Railroad for the week ending Oct. 8, 1870, compared with same time last year:

	For Week	For Year.
Total Wyoming	11,157 12	501 177 01
Hazleton	45,139 02	1,707,179 02
Upper Lehigh	178 15	11,353 04
Beaver Meadow	12,857 16	607,089 04
Mahanoy	9,569 16	225,436 15
Mauch Chunk	94 01	973 12
Total by Rail & Canal	78,998 05	3,064,121 18
Same time 1869	10,529 05	1,944,853 02
Increase	68,398 17	1,119,268 16
Decrease		

ALLEN RIFLES.—In pursuance to a call, the members of the Allen Rifles met at their armory, last week, for the purpose of effecting a permanent organization and electing officers. Upon roll call fifty members answered to their names, signed the constitution, and voted for the following officers:—Captain, T. H. Good; 1st Lieut., A. C. Nagel; 2d Lieut., C. M. Mertz. This organization promises to be equal to the Allen Rifles of old, if the present unanimity of action of its members may be taken as a criterion. The citizens of Allentown may flatter themselves of having in their midst a military organization second to none in this commonwealth.

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE.—We referred a few days ago to the mysterious disappearance of a son of ex-Sheriff Matthews, of Lebanon, a boy about 16, who left his home on Saturday afternoon last, and has not since been heard of. The *Courier* says his absence causes the greatest affliction to his parents. He was a lad very highly thought of, and was quite a favorite with the public. He was a boy of prepossing appearance, with jet black hair, and had on when he left a black sack coat, an alpacca cap, and light cross barred pants. Search has been made for him, thus far without any intelligence in regard to him. Any information will be most gratefully received.—*Reading Times.*

TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.—At a meeting of Jordan Division, No. 380, Sons of Temperance, held Friday evening, October 7th, the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased our Great Patriarch above, in his wise dispensations, to beckon hence our much loved and faithful Brother, and fellow-laborer in the cause of Temperance, Henry Wieand; therefore

Resolved, That we bow in humble reverence to the will of "Him who doeth all things well," firmly believing that our loss is his eternal gain.

Resolved, That although yet young, we saw in him those rare traits and virtues which conspire to form the man of honor and usefulness.

Resolved, That we sincerely sympathize with the bereaved family in this their loss of a dutiful and affectionate son.

Resolved, That the charter of the Division be draped, and the members wear the usual insignia of mourning for the period of thirty days, and the Division attend the funeral in a body.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to the family of our deceased Brother, and published in the papers of the city.

M. N. BERNHARD,
J. T. BURDGE,
M. D. FORNEAT. } Committee.

REV. J. L. AMERMAN has been appointed by the Reformed Bible Society of Bucks county to represent that society in the annual meeting of the society of Lehigh county.

LIFE INSURANCE.—The American Life Insurance Company of Philadelphia, has paid to the widow of Tilghman H. Moyer the sum of three thousand seventy-five dollars. Payment of policies is due sixty days after proof of death. This prompt payment is only another example of the manner in which the American conducts its business. Col. Sims, the Actuary of the company, is now in our city, and in company with Dr. W. J. Romig will call upon the patrons of the company and others. Office of the Agency, No. 521, Hamilton street.

THE MILITIA TAX.—For the benefit of those who wish to know who are subject to the militia tax, we publish the act of the Legislature regarding it: "That all persons who have been mustered into the military service of the United States and have served therein for a period of nine months, in the war to suppress the rebellion;" "and those persons who have been discharged from said service on account of wounds or physical disability, contracted in such service," shall be exempt from the payment of bounty and military tax.

EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS OF LEHIGH.—In a statistical table published in the last number of the *Pennsylvania School Journal*, we find the subjoined statistics furnished by the County Superintendent of Lehigh:—Whole number of public examinations, 42; male teachers examined, 187; female teachers examined, 8; examined who never taught, 45; males rejected, 28; provisional certificates issued, 166; professional certificates issued, 1; visits to schools, 383; average time spent at each, 1.14 minutes; directors accompanying, 26; institutions attended, 1; educational meetings attended, 2; days spent in official duty, 219; miles traveled, 2,625; official letters written, 483.

USE FOR BLAST FURNACE SLAG.—The *Scientific American*, speaking on this subject, says:—We have published several articles on this subject, giving an account of the manufacture of chemical salts, cements, pavements, and the like, from what has always been a waste material, and now hear of the proposition to cast the cinder from the furnaces into slabs, garden rollers, posts, pillars, and so forth. In certain metallurgical operations these articles can be made to resemble porphyry. In some parts of Germany the slag is cast in molds, and is at first used by the workmen for cooking and heating purposes, and afterwards for building houses and walls. The prospect is fair of furnace slags becoming valuable for many purposes.

HOKENDAUQUA.—The Presbyterian Church has received fifty-six members since the Rev. James A. Little began his ministry there. Of these fifty-three have united within a year. The church building is found already insufficient to accommodate the large concourse that throng thither, especially on Sunday nights, not only of the people of Hokendauqua, but attendants from Coplay, Stemton, Whitehall, Siegfried's Bridge, and other neighboring places. Notwithstanding the unfavorable weather of last Sabbath evening, the communion service was so crowded that the aisles and every available space were filled. Rev. Mr. Little received twelve new members, and congratulated his flock upon their encouragements thus far, and predicting greater success and prosperity. The success of this congregation is truly gratifying and commendatory.

CORRECT MANNERS.—The practice which some young men (and old ones, too, sometimes) are guilty of, of making unkind and indelicate remarks about ladies passing along the streets is very ungentlemanly, and should be rebuked by those who have a proper respect for themselves and due regard for the delicate feelings of the gentler sex. Every lady, no matter whether personally known or not, is entitled to respectful consideration and protection in all places and under all circumstances, particularly when passing along the public streets unprotected, and no gentleman would be guilty of insulting one, even in thought, much less by coarse and indecent remarks, carelessly made, not caring whether it be overheard or not. This habit is often indulged in in Allentown, to the shame of those who should have better manners, and we hope they will give the matter a serious thought and resolve to break themselves of so vulgar a practice.

A GOLD MEDAL FOR PENMANSHIP.—J. V. Montgomery, of Millersville, Lancaster county, publishes in the *Pennsylvania School Journal* for October something which every pupil in Allentown and Lehigh county should take advantage of. He says: Wishing to increase the already awakened interest in the subject of penmanship, I propose to award a handsome gold medal to the person making the greatest improvement. Let each teacher of a county select that pupil's specimens of penmanship which indicate the greatest improvement, and forward the same to a committee, whose duty it shall be to examine and select the one showing the most satisfactory results. Then, let this specimen be sent to the County Superintendent, who will in turn, be the same be forwarded to me before March 1st, 1871. In order to make a just decision, the length of time the pupil practiced, and his age should be specified. We ask County Superintendents, Directors, Teachers, and friends of education generally to lend us their aid in our efforts to improve an art that is not only valuable to the commercial and manufacturing interests of our country, but to the whole people.

Y. M. C. A.—The fourth anniversary meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association, of Bethlehem, was held in their Hall, No. 86 Main street, on Sunday week. Meeting was opened by singing the hymn "Praise ye Jehovah's name," and prayer by Rev. W. C. Ferriday. The report of the officers was read by the President. The Treasurer reported $97.72 on hand. Prof. Coffin, of Lafayette College, member of the Young Men's Christian Association of Easton, was then introduced and made some very eloquent and appropriate remarks, after which Mr. Crawford, of the Brainard Society of Lafayette College, was introduced and addressed the meeting. Hymn No. 139 was then sung, after which Rev. J. B. Hess, of Hellertown, followed in a short address. Mr. Seaman, ex-President of the Association, spoke feelingly upon the influence required in the Association to draw there the young men who now wander through town with no place to go to. W. H. Oerter, Esq., then addressed the meeting. Hymn No. 151 was then sung, after which Rev. Edmund de Schweinitz pronounced the benediction. The occasion was one of great interest and spirit, and will tend to waken the public mind to the importance of the work the Christian young men have taken upon themselves to do for their Master.—*Times.*

READING, October 3d.—The much wished for rain has at length come upon us, and for the past few days, has been pouring down in torrents. Although it interfered somewhat with the "exhibition" last week yet it was welcome. When the rain set in, last Thursday, quite a number had gone on to the B. C. A. S. grounds and as a matter of course the rain wet them and the mud underneath dirtied them. Coming down Penn street drenched with rain, besmeared with mud, might be seen a number who really looked as though they felt satisfied to be wet. What the financial success of the Fair was, I have been unable to learn, indeed, our papers here had *not a line about* the Fair. It seems the managers considered it a matter of no importance to advertise in the home papers, or possibly they may have inferred that because printers are liberal men, they would in this instance, work *without* pay. Unfortunately for the Fair, the papers stood upon their dignity and by their utter silence proclaimed to the managers of the Society, as well as everybody else, that they must know their worth. It is a fact that in the county papers around Berks, it was freely advertised whilst those living here at home knew nothing of the Fair. The Fair notwithstanding wise a decided success, but for the rain.

A fearful accident occurred here yesterday. A young man, by name George Bright, aged 19, living corner of Spruce and Bingaman streets, being somewhat under the influence of liquor, attempted jumping on a passing coal train. While doing so he slipped under the cars and had both of his legs mashed fearfully so that amputation was necessary. While this is a most painful and serious accident, it is hoped that the hundreds who make a practice of jumping on passing trains may take warning by this sad case.

The Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company on Friday last, through Judge Stitzel, bought a tract of land containing 172¼ acres, costing $40,443.73, situated in the Borough of Hamburg. They recently purchased at the same place 25 acres. They propose building coal schutes at this point.

POPULATION OF READING.—The census enumerators for Reading have finished their labors and made up their reports. The following figures, based upon the returns of the enumerators of the several districts, will show the population of the city according to these divisions:

First, Fourth and Sixth Wards,	8,216
Second and Third Wards,	9,306
Fifth and Seventh Wards,	6,677
Eighth and Ninth Wards,	9,714
Total	33,903

The returns from the country districts come in slowly, the duplicates of but about half the townships of the county being on file in the Prothonotary's office.

ROLL OF HONOR.—The subjoined is the Roll of Honor, in the school term ending September:—

Male High School—A. Barnes, A. J. Saeger, H. G. Stiles, J. H. Bowman, O. Diehl, H. Steckel.

Male Grammer—Clemen Jacobs, Ed. Trexler.

Female Grammar—Theresa Seith, E. Stellwagen, Minnie Krause, Sallie Lee.

Male Secondary—Thos. Ruhe, Maurice Trumbore, Geo. W. Gordon.

Female Secondary—May Bear, D. Griess, M. Hagenbuch, L. Ruhe, A. Cole, C. Hallman, E. Person, S. Sands, L. Glick, L. Mertz, M. Knauss, L. Shoemaker, A. Stocker.

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF EAST PENNSYLVANIA.—This body, which convened in Harrisburg on the 28th ult., adjourned finally on Tuesday night. Its membership consists at present of 55 ministers and an equal number of laymen. A large number of visiting ministers were present from other Synods. The sessions were very interesting, and entirely harmonious.

The membership of the Synod was reported to be about 11,000. The Synod pledged itself to assist in raising $25,000 for the Publication Society the ensuing year. The Committee on Beneficiary Education reported that twenty-one students are receiving aid from this branch of the church organization, during their work of preparing for the ministry. The last instalment of $310 was paid upon the Orphans' Home at Loysville, Perry county, an institution under the care of this and several sister Synods. Four persons were ordained to the ministry on Tuesday night, and one licensed to preach, the latter being P. S. Mack, of Womelsdorf.

The next annual session of the Synod will be held on the second Wednesday of September, in Rev. Dr. Hutter's Church, Philadelphia.

AT a regular meeting of Leckhaw Lodge, No. 689, I. O. G. T., held October 7th, the following preamble and resolutions relative to the death of Henry O. Wieand, were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God in the inscrutable dispensation of His Providence to remove from our midst our dearly beloved Brother, Henry O. Wieand; therefore,

Resolved, That while our hearts are filled with sorrow at the death of our kind and faithful Brother, yet we humbly bow to the will of Him that doeth all things well.

Resolved, That in the death of Brother Wieand our Order has lost a faithful and efficient member, one who by his christian character won the love and esteem of all who knew him, an honorable position in our fraternity, and a lasting place in our memory.

Resolved, That we deeply sympathize with the bereaved family in this hour of affliction, feeling assured that their loss is his gain.

Resolved, That as a tribute of respect to the memory of our late Brother the Charter of our Lodge be draped, and the members wear the usual badge of mourning.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to the family of the deceased, entered upon our journal, published in the city papers and the Key-stone Good Templar.

G. T. WEIBEL,
L. S. JACOBY,
E. A. HAMERSLY. } Committee.

MULES RUN OVER, KILLED AND MAIMED.—On Wednesday as the 2:50 train on the Lehigh & Susquehanna Railroad was running around a curve just below Hope's, four mules were seen on the track, the engineer whistled down breaks, the train was stopped so quickly that the friction from the brakes made a cloud of smoke—but not in time to save the mules. Two of the animals, more fortunate than their companions, were killed outright, while one of the latter had his hoof torn from his leg, and the other had its leg broken and was otherwise injured. The passengers including a doctor and an editor, were very much scared, but not hurt. The track, where the mules were struck, runs along a precipitous embankment near the canal, and if one of the mules had got under the train instead of being knocked away by the cow-catcher, the consequence would no doubt have been very serious to the passengers on the train, of whom there was a large number.

We will not close the record of what might have been a horrible accident without giving one more warning to owners of all kinds of animals to keep them clear of railroad tracks. The man living near a railroad, who will allow animals to run at large, knowing that they are liable to get on the track, and throw a train off, by which many human beings may lose their lives, is guilty of manslaughter in the first degree, and deserves the severest penalty the law inflicts upon the perpetrator of that crime.—*Bethlehem Times.*

THE CHURCH OF THE UNITED BRETHERN IN CHRIST.—The Church of the United Brethren in Christ has been on the whole opposed to rationalistic instruction, but in a recent article the *Religious Telescope*, the organ of the denomination, remarks:—The need for some form of catechetical instruction in our times is each year becoming more apparent. The permanent results of our revivals are constantly greatly curtailed because of the imperfect instruction many of the converts have received. A prophet said, "For lack of knowledge the people are destroyed." The fact is just the same now as of old, and receives a new illustration in each instance where a young convert backslides. The Sabbath-school, upon which we have learned greatly to rely for the instruction of the children, excellent an institution as it is, can not supply the necessities of thorough instruction in doctrine. Many of the teachers in these schools have themselves attained but the most limited experience, and on the leading doctrines of God's word have but imperfectly conceived notions. Thus meagerly equipped, and spending but a single hour in a week with their pupils, and that in many instances but six months in the year, they are but ill-prepared to impart that thorough and systematic instruction which the grave importance of scripture doctrine justly demands. So long as the teachings of the Holy Scriptures are communicated in so imperfect a manner as at present, we may expect this ebbing and flowing in our Church population. Young persons may be converted and brought into the Church in great numbers, as frequently happens, but we may always calculate on heavy losses from these new accessions to our ranks. We are persuaded that not very grave opposition would at this time be manifested to some well-arranged plan, having such instruction in view.

THE ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE PENNSYLVANIA YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.—In accordance with instructions given by the Pennsylvania delegates at the Indianapolis Convention, the State Executive Committee from the rooms in Pittsburg, have called the third annual conventional of the Young Men's Christian Associations of the State of Pennsylvania to convene at Scranton, Luzerne county, on Tuesday, Nov. 8th. The committee earnestly desire that the Convention may be specially blessed to all the Associations, stirring them up to greater efficiency in the Master's service; that it may exert the last one in numbers, spirituality and practical good; and that its influence may be carried into the associations and churches in all parts of the State. No limits being fixed to the number of delegates, it is urged that each association send as large a delegation as possible, of its most efficient men, those interested in and conversant with the work. It is recommended associations to send their officers, that it may be learned from officers and others may learn of the duties pertaining to their positions; to send older christians, actively engaged in the work, that we may have the benefit of their counsel and experience; to send young christians, just starting out in christian life, that they may see what other christian laymen are doing. Knowing that the evangelical ministry, understanding the work, are in hearty sympathy with us, and realizing the importance of having their thorough co-operation, it is demanded that as many as can shall come as delegates. A circular will be issued at an early date by the Scranton Association, giving the details of arrangements, as to railroads, topics for discussion, place of meeting, &c., and all who wish to avail themselves of the privilege of reduced fare on railroads, and of entertainment while at the convention, are requested to send their names to the Chairman of the Executive Committee. The call is signed by Thos. K. Cree, Chairman, and all the members of the Executive Committee.

THE new Moravian parsonage, at South Bethlehem, now under construction by Edwin Moritz, architect, will be completed early in the spring.

ACCIDENT.—Andrew Klotz, son of Wm. S. Klotz, residing on Linden street, broke his finger on Saturday evening, while playing with a sewing machine.

THE sure road to success is to advertise. There has never been a merchant who has attained a fortune without advertising. People naturally want to know where to get the best and cheapest for their money, and they consult the newspapers for information. Let the enterprising merchants of the neighborhood act on the hint.

IMPROVEMENTS.—The improvements going on in the northern section of the city are numberless. The rapidity of these transitions is an evidence of the enterprise and prosperity of our community, and the continuance of which will soon make Allentown a large city, leaving her sister cities contiguous in the wake.

LECTURE.—The subject of the lecture to be delivered in the Court House on the evening of the 21st inst. by Edward Carswell, Esq., will be announced in due time. Parties desiring tickets for reserved seats will apply at once to the store of M. J. Kramer, corner of Hamilton and Seventh street.

FOOT RACE.—On Saturday afternoon last Nathan E. Worman and Samuel S. Smith, two printers connected with the German daily newspaper of this city, had a foot-race for ten dollars a side on the race course at the Fair Grounds.—Worman was the winner of the race. Time—Worman, one minute and thirty-nine seconds; Smith, one minute and forty-one seconds.

RAILROAD ACCIDENT.—Harry, youngest son of Mr. Rollins, of Hokendauqua, was killed by being run over by a coal train on Saturday.—The unfortunate boy had jumped a car and supported himself on the side of it, but the train making a sudden jerk caused him to loose his hold and he fell under the wheels of the car and had both of his legs cut off and was otherwise mangled.

THERE are some disagreeable people in Allentown. People, who if you accidentally jostle against them in a crowded animated, thoroughfare, say wicked words to you. Something similar to: "You ought to have better manners," and perhaps something worse. Such people need some civilizing power to be exerted over them, for they are extremely crude. When these folks become civilized they will then be all right. We imagine our friend of Saturday night winging as he ends his perusal of this.

THE COAL LAW.—The proprietors of the Wyoming region are making strong efforts, through the aid of Governor Geary, to be allowed to work as before, with full force of men, until they have the second opening completed. He has been seen on the subject, and says the law did not contemplate that the Inspector should stop them if they were making the second opening. He appeared much surprised when told how hard the law, as now understood by the inspectors, was working against the proprietors.

DEDICATION.—The dedication of the public school building of Coplay, last Sunday, was well attended. Divine services were held in the afternoon and evening. Rev. W. R. Helford preached in the afternoon, on the text Deut. chap. 6; 1-7, which was a very able, eloquent and effective sermon, after which Rev. S. A. Leinbach made a few closing remarks and the Reverend Father Meendson pronounced the benediction. In the evening the Rev. S. A. Leinbach delivered a very able and eloquent discourse on the text Hosea, chap. 4th, first part of 6th verse, "My people are destroyed for lack of Knowledge." The occasion was a pleasant one and enjoyed by all present.

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY.—The Pennsylvania Historical Society held its regular monthly meeting last evening in the Athenaeum, at Sixth and Adelphi streets, Philadelphia, William V. Morris, president, in the chair. The report of the secretary showed receipt of 229 books, 262 p