The Lehigh Register.

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A BILL has been passed in the State Senate incorporating the City of Wilkesbarre.

SINCE the strike in the coal regions Pottsville and other towns are completely overrun with beggars.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY will be celebrated by our Irish citizens in a manner worthy of the occasion and the City Cornet Band will furnish the music.

NOTICE.—Members of the Liberty Hose Company who have tickets for sale will please make a return of the same at the ticket office before three o'clock on Friday afternoon.

CONSIDERABLE complaint has been made against the Fire Companies who run their apparatus on the sidewalks, to the danger of the lives of pedestrians and marble door steps.

PERSONS who have lost small articles of wearing apparel at the Opera House can reclaim them by calling at Hagenbuch's Hotel. A number of veils, kid gloves, handkerchiefs, etc., have been found and are awaiting their owners.

THE Local Option Bill has passed the State House of Representatives giving to voters the right to decide whether licenses shall be granted for selling liquor in their respective wards and townships.

THE day for the annual Firemen's Parade has not yet been decided upon, and Mr. Snyder, Chief Engineer, has given no orders to the Fire Companies to parade on Whit-Monday. The day will be decided upon at a meeting to be held by the Chief and Assistant Engineers.

GREAT PREPARATIONS are being made in Reading for the reception and accommodation of the ministers and others who will be in attendance at M. E. Conference in that city on the 15th. We notice that Rev. Wm. Swindells, of this city, has been assigned to the residence of J. C. Bunting, 44 South 3d street.

MEDICAL GRADUATE.—At the last commencement of the Bellevue Hospital Medical College, New York, Assissa M. Stapp, of Schnecksville, this county, a private student of Dr. W. P. Kistler, graduated with high honors. The young Doctor is a first-class scholar, possesses excellent business qualifications, and it is hoped will make a successful practitioner.

HOTEL CHANGE.—Wm. Craig, of Millerstown, will in the course of a few weeks remove from the Eagle Hotel at that place to take possession of a hotel at Bath. Mr. Craig intends to keep a good house and when the roads become pleasant for driving would be pleased to entertain his friends from Allentown, Bethlehem and Easton.

CONSOLIDATION.—The stockholders of the Allentown Rolling Mill Company will meet in Philadelphia on the 25th of March, to vote upon the acceptance of the joint agreement made between the Directors of said company and of the Roberts Iron Company for the consolidation of the two companies. The advertisement appears in another column.

WORTH KNOWING.—Persons who miss the 2:37 train for Philadelphia can take the 3:05 train from East Penn. Junction for Reading and arrive in Philadelphia at 7 o'clock, p.m. This arrangement may be of importance to persons, on some occasions, when it is important that they should be in Philadelphia before 8:25, and they are a few minutes too late to go by the 2:37.

TO TRAVELERS.—Persons desiring to travel can purchase their tickets to any point west, southwest or northwest of A. W. Lee, the gentlemanly ticket agent at East Penn Junction. Mr. Lee has just completed his arrangements with the leading lines and has received tickets to Salt Lake City, Sacramento, San Francisco, Chicago, Mobile, Nashville, and in fact all the cities lying in the directions above indicated.

THE MONEY MARKET.—It is the opinion of a good authority in this city on the subject of finance that the local money stringency experienced for some time past will give way after the first of April, against which period there is now accumulating a large amount on deposit to meet obligations then maturing. This phase of financial affairs is perhaps no uncommon circumstance at this season of the year, but we are assured that there will be a marked change in the course of the next three weeks.—*Reading Times.*

EXPLOSION OF A LOCOMOTIVE—FATAL RESULT.—Engine No. 2, belonging to the Lehigh and Susquehanna Railroad Company, exploded her boiler at Nesquehoning Junction Tuesday. Jacob Weinberg, the engineer, was instantly killed, and the fireman was badly scalded and had an arm broken. A stranger who was on the engine, was severely injured, probably fatally. The engine was one of the oldest on the road and was used as a shifting engine at Mauch Chunk.

THE HUSTLING MATCH.—Samuel Schmurman was the lucky man at the hustling match at Koenig's saloon. He threw eighteen and won the steer. The animal weighed 4000 pounds. The second prize of $30 was divided between Jere. Roth, W. Reiss, John Keck and Reuben Semmel. The third prize of $20 was equally divided among nine persons. The fourth prize was divided into thirty-seven parts. The lowest throw was made by Jeremiah Roth, who received the prize, of five dollars.

REPORT of coal transported over the Lehigh Valley Railroad for the week ending March 4, 1871, compared with same time last year:

	For Week	For Year.
Total' Wyoming	990 00	70,262 06
Hazleton		205,254 14
Upper Lehigh		442 06
Beaver Meadow	2,804 02	72,661 10
Mahanoy	7,160 05	67,662 12
Mauch Chunk	209 14	1,507 15
Total by Rail & Canal	11,254 01	423,275 03
Same time 1870	30,529 03	677,533 10
Increase		
Decrease	19,275 08	254,258 07

FIRE—DESTRUCTION OF A SAW MILL.—Peter A. Good's steam saw mill at Guthsville, this county, was destroyed by fire about five o'clock Thursday morning. The fire was seen before it had gained much headway, but as the person thought the engineer was attending to the fire no attention was paid to it until it burst out, enveloping the building in flames and rendering all efforts to save it from destruction of no avail. There had been no fire under the boilers since Monday until last evening, and as the fire apparently originated in the boiler house the cause is believed to have been accidental. The loss is very heavy and will probably be much greater than $6,000.

REAL ESTATE CHANGES.—Wm. H. Deshler has purchased Shuman & Bro.'s brick house and lot on northeast corner of Gordon and Hall streets, for $3,500.

Also, a frame house and lot on Gordon between between Seventh and Eighth, from M. S. Weldner for $1,500.

Also, a brick house and lot on Fifth street above Gordon, from Thomas Mohr, for $1,800.

Dr. W. P. Kistler, of Germansville, has sold a house and lot in said village to Dr. Willoughby K. Kistler, now residing at Pennsville, Carbon Co., for $3100. Dr. W. P. Kistler had intended to retire from the active practice of medicine, but his health having been somewhat improved will now locate at Schnecksville.

Reported by Wittman & Leisenring:—Reuben Klein has sold a tract of land in Salisbury township, containing three acres and twenty-three perches, to George Hebt for $950.

The executor of the estate of Ferdinand Bauer has sold a two-story frame dwelling house and lot of ground 20 feet front by 115 deep, on Gordon between 7th and 8th, to Lydia Hensinger, for $1200.

Jacob Miller has sold a tract of land in Salisbury township, three acres and 153 perches, to George B. Long, for $400.

THE Lehigh Crane Iron Company has subscribed five thousand dollars to the new Steamship line from Philadelphia to Europe.

SUBSCRIBERS changing their residences will please forward us the OLD address as well as the new.

REV. WM. MENDSEN, of Cherryville, the oldest preacher in Northampton county, recently donated his valuable library to the Poor Houses of Lehigh and Northampton counties. He carefully divided the same in equal parts.

GRADUATED.—Edward Burd, Wm. Lochman and Joshua Morton, of this city, have passed the examination at the University of Pennsylvania and have had the Degree of Doctor of Medicine conferred upon them.

REMOVAL.—The Mayor's office has been removed to the rear of T. H. Good's Broker's Office. The room has been tastily and conveniently fitted up and is a great improvement upon the old office. The clerks of both branches of City Councils can hereafter be found in that office.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.—At a regular meeting of Allen Commandery No. 20, held last week, the following officers were elected to serve the ensuing year:—E. C., Jacob S. Dillinger; G., Henry A. Wiltberger; C. G., Henry K. Hartzell; Recorder, Dewees J. Martin; Treasurer, Aaron Troxell.

THE Allen Rifles have engaged the Opera House for the fourth and fifth of April, when Simmons & Slocum's celebrated Minstrels will perform for their benefit. On the first, second and third of May the Wallace Sisters will give entertainments. Zoe's troupe comes in Easter week.

A WARNING TO SMOKERS.—A farmer in Jefferson county, this State, laughed when his wife told him it was dangerous to smoke on a load of hay. When he came home with his clothes all burned off, having sold the iron work of the horse and wagon for a couple of dollars in store pay, then she laughed. A divorce will likely grow out of it.

THE boys will be pleased to know that next summer promises "lots of showe." About forty circuses and menageries are getting ready to start as soon as spring fairly commences. Six circuses and three menageries will start from Philadelphia. A large number of wild animals have arrived at New York from Europe during the winter, and no doubt some novelties will be presented worth seeing.—*Ex.*

A DESERVED CHASTISEMENT.—Thursday afternoon a person went into the restaurant at the Lehigh Valley Depot, and while taking something to eat laid some packages on a bench. Another man picked them up and threw them out of the window, hoping the owner would go off without them and that they would fall into his hands. Franz Bowman saw the transaction and made it known to the owner. The sneak-thief threatened to whip Franz, but the latter turned the tables on him and gave the thief the punishment he deserved.

OBITUARY.—Benjamin Rupp died on Saturday week, at the residence of his mother, in Weissenburg township, of that dread malady, typhoid fever, after an illness of four weeks. The deceased was a young man of promising ability, fine moral principles and excellent social qualities, and was greatly beloved by those who knew him best. At the time of his death he was engaged in teaching school in Hanover township, and during vacation had been reading law in the office of his brother, John Rupp, Esq., of this city. His remains were interred at Weissenburg Church on Wednesday morning, at half past nine o'clock.

HEAVY CONTRACT.—Cole & Heilman, boiler makers of this city, have been awarded the contract for boilers, casing for the stack, steam pipes, blast pipes, gas chambers, etc., for the new furnace which is to be erected at Birdsboro by E. & G. Brooke. Cole & Heilman have one of the largest boiler works in this section of the State, and they have built up an extended reputation for the character of their work. They have contracts to fill with the Lehigh Valley, Allentown and Roberts Iron Works, which require the employment of a large force of men.

THE Delaware river is to be stocked with salmon. The gill-net fishermen have nearly exterminated the shad, and if allowed to continue using their exterminating machines that favorite fish will cease to visit our once swarming river. The salmon eggs are to be brought from Canada to Dutchess county, N. Y., and will there be hatched, whence the young fry will be placed in the Delaware. It is intended to make the trial of stocking the river on a large scale, say by introducing some ten thousand. But all these efforts to stock the river will be futile without better laws to protect the fish from destruction. If the shad are undergoing extermination for want of the proper river police, a like fate will be sure to attend the salmon.—*Easton Express.*

A BIG PLUM FOR LAWYERS.—Some fifty years ago somebody owned 3,000 or 4,000 acres of land hereabouts, which land was then considered of little or no value. The party dying left four heirs; part of these heirs were defrauded of their inheritance, and before the real value of the land became known, the defrauded party left and finally died abroad. The descendants now come forward and claim their interest in the estate, which, when taken from their ancestors, was a worthless tract of mountain fastnesses, and is now developed into one of the richest tracts of land on the globe, and their interest is supposed to be worth at least $2,000,000. We have understood that on this disputed tract is located our borough.—*Hazleton News.*

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.—The Republican County Committee met at Portland, Mt. Bethel township, on Saturday afternoon. After a short session the Committee adjourned its meeting, and a County Convention was organized, with Col. Frank Reeder, of Easton, as President, and J. K. Dawes, also of Easton, Secretary. J. Whit Wood, of Easton, was elected Chairman of the County Committee for the ensuing year, and J. K. Dawes, of Easton, and W. S. Kerkpatrick, also of Easton, Secretaries. H. J. Reeder, of Easton, and Robt. Peysert, of Bethlehem, were elected delegates to the State Convention, to be held on the 17th day of May next. The Convention was a very harmonious one, and matters were arranged to the satisfaction of all.—*Bethlehem Times.*

LECTURE AT CATASAUQUA.—Dr. A. A. Willits will lecture at Catasauqua on the 28th, to aid in purchasing an organ for the Front Street Grammar School. The Philadelphia Press thus speaks of this noted lecturer: "Any one might well have been flattered with the reception given on Monday evening to Dr. Willits, at the corner of Broad and Arch. The people of Philadelphia long ago knew that what this lecturer does he does well. His subject was treated with a variedness which no one could wield, who had not a living illustration in his own home. Without any of the cant or conventionalities or nasal twang with which many of our public speakers are afflicted, he advanced in a style that was logical without being dry, poetic without being insipid, harmonious without being silly, bold without being rash, pure without being finical. We all came away filled with great humor and a resolution more highly to appreciate our homes. Indeed, it is a great deal better to jolt down moral reflections with a good laugh than to take them in didactic portions. Long live Dr. Willits, the entertaining lecturer and genial man."

A FEW IMPORTANT FACTS ABOUT WATSON'S SAFES.—It has been manufactured and constantly improved during the past *thirty* years. Nearly twenty-five thousand are in use. Over two hundred have been tested in fires, preserving their contents in every instance. Not only do these safes preserve their contents but they preserve them in perfect condition, which is not the case in any other make of safes. This is attributable to the fact that all these safes are provided with Inside or Double Doors. J. Watson & Son are the sole manufacturers of safes with this protection. They never lose their fire-proof quality. All their safes are highly ornamented and they are slightly as well as indispensable. It is to the interest of every one who wishes to protect his books and valuables against the ravages of fire to examine these safes, and attention is asked to the following points that are claimed for this safe:—It is the only safe with an Inside or Double Door; It has never failed to preserve its contents; It will never lose its fire-proof quality; It will never corrode the iron; It is strictly Damp-proof; It is highly ornamented. M. S. YOUNG & CO., Hamilton street below Eighth, are the sole agents and have on hand a variety of styles which they would be pleased to exhibit to those desiring to purchase.

THE widow of the late Postmaster Fritz has been appointed Postmistress of Reading.

IRON.—The market for Pig Iron is excited, and the article is held for higher figures. Sales of 800 tons of No. 1 Anthracite at $34@35 ℙ ton and No. 2 at $33. Bar Iron commands $77 ℙ ton, and Scotch Pig $32@35 ℙ ton. Nails are held firmly.

THE SLATE TRADE.—Jones & Williams, of Slatington, report the prospects for a heavy trade in the slate business very flattering. They have shipped in March thus far more slate than in the whole of March of last year and indications for the balance of the month are very good indeed. There is every prospect of much heavier trade than last year.

LITERARY.—At the last meeting of the Schneckville Literary Society the subject "Resolved, That Life Insurance Companies should be discontinued," was discussed and was decided in the affirmative. The subject for the next meeting is that "Capital Punishment should be abolished." The audience was entertained by a reading given by the editor of the journal.

ENLARGEMENT.—Nathan Peter, of Washington Square, having completed the enlargement of his foundry, will enter more extensively into the manufacture of farming implements, especially threshing machines and horse-powers. The latter have been much improved by an invention by one of his sons, which was patented October 11, 1870.

A MODEL RAT TRAP.—On Saturday one of the employes of the American Restaurant discovered a use for oysters that is not down in the catalogue. Upon going into the cellar for a fresh supply of the bivalves he found a rat safely secured by one of his front legs in the mouth of a precocious young oyster, both of which were brought out and exhibited to their wondering customers.

THE NEW WASHINGTON HOTEL.—Mr. George J. Bolton, of the Bolton House, Harrisburg, and the Columbia House, Cape May, has purchased and entirely reconstructed the Washington House, on Chestnut street, above Seventh, Philadelphia. It has been torn inside out, repapered, repainted and refurnished, and is now one of the handsomest hotels in the city. It will open next Monday, under the superintendence of Mr. Henry Krogman, who has been twenty years attached to the house.

SHORTEST ROUTE TO CHICAGO.—It is the intention of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, in conjunction with the New York and Erie and North Pennsylvania Railroads, to beat the fast time of the Pennsylvania Central from Philadelphia to Chicago. As soon as the sleeping coaches are constructed night trains will be run each way, which will be practically through trains, paying no attention to way travel. It is believed that by this route the trip to Chicago can be made a few hours sooner than by the Pennsylvania Central. If this can be accomplished it will become a popular route. The double track of the North Pennsylvania Railroad is being pushed vigorously forward, and everything is being done to make the project successful.

TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.—At a special meeting of the Claussville Literary Society held on Thursday evening, March 9th, 1871, the following preambles and resolutions were submitted and adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased the wise Providence in the midst of innumerably blessings vouchsafed by an all wise creator, we are called upon to record the loss of our worthy brother Benjamin Rupp, who has fallen an early victim to an insatiate disease;

WHEREAS, It is eminently right and proper that due respect should be paid by the members of this society, to the memory of our departed brother, who was early an emblem to the same,

Resolved, That in the death of brother Benjamin Rupp we have lost a true friend, a devoted advocate of the principles of our society, and one worthy of the esteem and confidence of all.

Resolved, That this society will strive to bear in remembrance the many virtues of deceased, his worth as a member, his love of true principles, but we are comforted that his deportment through life, is our best testimony "that our loss is his eternal gain."

Resolved, That in writing our sympathies with his afflicted mother, brothers and sister, as well as their relatives, in this their hour of deep affliction, we would commend them to that kind Providence who is ever ready to sooth the afflicted in the hour of trial.

Resolved, That a copy of the following preamble and resolutions be engrossed and presented to the mother of the departed brother, and that the same be published in the Allentown Democrat, LEHIGH REGISTER and the Allentown Friedensbote.

Resolved, That the members wear a badge of mourning for the space of thirty days.

JOHN C. KARSTEN,
URIAH F. SIEGER, } Committee.
HENRY J. GERMAN,

MEETING OF THE BAR.—A meeting of the Lehigh County Bar and County Officers was held Saturday, March 11, 1871, 9 o'clock, A. M., to take action upon the occasion of the death of John H. Oliver, Esq.

On motion of Hon. R. E. Wright, Hon. S. A. Bridges was called to the chair. Mr. Bridges upon assuming the duties of chairman made a few remarks expressive of the deep feelings of regret by the Bar and the community at large at the great loss sustained in the death of Mr. Oliver, and referred at some length to the high order of talent, the noble and honorable character manifested by the deceased during his practice in the profession; his great popularity in the county and State, closing with expressions of heartfelt sympathy for the bereaved family.

On motion H. C. Hunsberger and F. A. R. Baldwin, Esq., were appointed Secretaries.

On motion of Mr. Wright, a committee of three was appointed to report resolutions expressive of the sentiments of the Bar upon the occasion of Mr. Oliver's decease. The Chair appointed Messrs. Wright, Runk and Stiles.

On motion of E. J. More, Esq., a committee of three was appointed to make arrangements for attending the funeral. The Chair appointed Messrs. More, Luckenbach and Hunsberger.

On motion of Mr. Runk the Secretaries were instructed to notify the Northampton County Bar of Mr. Oliver's death and of the arrangements for the funeral.

Mr. Wright, chairman of the committee on resolutions, reported the following preamble and resolutions which were adopted:

WHEREAS, It hath pleased our Father in Heaven to remove from this world our esteemed friend and fellow member of the Bar, JOHN H. OLIVER, and it is due alike to our feelings as surviving brethren of the deceased and to his many and excellent virtues, that we express in some public and appropriate way our deep sense of the loss which we have sustained: therefore

Resolved, That in his removal from the large and enlarging sphere of usefulness which he occupied while here, in the prime of life and the strength and vigor of manhood, at a time when his life on earth was best and brightest, and the highest and purest aspirations of our nature clustered most thickly in his earnest, hopeful heart, we feel that we have lost too soon the companionship of one who was a high-toned, honorable man and an eminent member of the profession; that his family and relatives have been bereft of a friend who can never be replaced, and our community of one whose warm heart and clear head combined to make him a most useful citizen.

Resolved, That in this sad event there is a lesson, too, for us who are left to mourn his loss—one that should most forcibly remind us of the uncertain tenure by which the hardiest of our number holds his earthly life—of the certain end, it may be, speedy termination of our own career, and warn us in tones that should reach our inmost hearts to be ready for the hour which soon or late will come to each and all of us.

Resolved, That we will show our respect for our departed friend by attending his funeral in a body and wearing the usual badge of mourning for the period of thirty days.

Resolved, That a copy of these proceedings be sent to the Father and family of the deceased, and published in the papers printed in this judicial district.

On motion of Mr. Luckenbach it was resolved, that when the Bar adjourn, it be to meet Tuesday next in the Grand Jury Room, at 1-30 o'clock, P. M.

H. C. HUNSBERGER,
F. A. R. BALDWIN,
Secretaries.

THE Mayor of Reading is determined to break up corner loafing and lounging around church doors on Sunday evenings.

ANNUAL PARADE.—The Fire Department of this city will make its annual parade on Whit-Monday.

THE IMPORTANCE OF ACCIDENT INSURANCE.—Among the killed by the New Hamburgh accident, Mr. Walter H. Forbush, of Buffalo, and Mr. W. C. Curry, of Erie, Pa., each held a general accident policy of $10,000 in the Travelers. Mr. Forbush was a young man, and leaves a wife and children. It is not strange that he kept himself insured against accidents, for his father was crushed and burned to death at Angola, three years ago last December.

Charles Eckert, Lion Hall, corner of Hamilton and Church, is agent for this company, and persons traveling should insure with him.

HOW TO CARRY THE LEGISLATURE.—The Apportionment Bill, as reported to the Senate, will give the Republicans fourteen Senators out of thirty-three, and forty-nine Representatives out of one hundred. Philadelphia is allowed only four Senators while she is entitled to seven, and the balance of the State is cut up in such a way as to counterbalance a Republican county by a stronger Democratic county. Then, to get rid of the Republican majority in the State, several heavy Republican counties are combined in one Senatorial district. Thus, for instance, the Erie, Crawford and Warren district will poll a Republican majority of over four thousand. The bill is an honor to the ingenuity of the Democracy, but there will be a very great difficulty to overcome before it can be passed in the House.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—The Easton Express says—We regret to learn of the sudden death of our former townsman, Mr. John Laubach, which occurred at Middletown, Pa., this morning. He was employed there as agent for a stove factory, and while engaged in loading some cars on the Pennsylvania Railroad was instantly killed. The particulars of his death we have not learned. Mr. Laubach was formerly engaged in the stove business on Fourth street, where, by his untiring industry and genial disposition, he built up quite a thriving trade. About two years ago he disposed of this establishment to his brother, and removed to Stroudsburg, which place he left some months ago to accept the position he occupied at the time of his death. Deceased was 34 years of age, and leaves a wife and four small children. His remains will be brought to South Easton, where his family resides.

A TITLE TO WHICH THERE IS NO TITLE.—Why should we prefix "Reverend to certain persons's names? If a man is truly reverend, it is not from his title but from his character. We know of clergymen who inspire very little reverence; we know of laymen who inspire a great deal. Why attribute to one what he does not possess, and deny to another what he does? There might, for instance, be a propriety in saying the Rev. William Cullen Bryant, even though this good man is not a minister; but the fitness of things is violated by affixing an artificial reverence to some clergyman who has no other claim to it than from the office which he holds. And as to the conventional sanctity attaching to the clerical function—the "divinity that doth hedge" a minister—we cannot see what there is more sacred in one man's standing in a pulpit than in another's sitting in a pew. Why should a priest, any more that a parishioner, be called "reverend?" Certainly it is a rare fact in the history of any church when the minister proves himself to be the best man in the congregation. He does not derive his flattering title from any real or supposed moral superiority over his brethren, many of whom are more than his peers; and he ought therefore to refuse a designation which makes him apparently say to his fellow-man, "I am holier than those." We know of very many high-minded clergymen who feel fettered by their fardels, and who would gladly disentangle their names of such uncomely ornaments. But there is no objection to calling a religious teacher a doctor of divinity. This designation exactly describes his vocation. We suggest that clergymen should abolish the untrue prefix "Rev.." and affix the truer title "D.D."—*Golden Age.*

SKETCH OF OUR CONGRESSMAN.—The Philadelphia Press, in sketching the new Members of Congress from this State, publishes the following of our representative:—

Hon. Ephraim L. Acker, who represents the Sixth district, composed of Montgomery and Lehigh counties, was born in Marlborough township, Montgomery county, Pa., on the 11th of January, 1827, and has nearly completed his forty-third year. He graduated from Marshall College, then under the presidency of Rev. John W. Nevin, D. D., in 1847. His first public office was that of Superintendent of Common Schools, which position he held for six years. In 1853, in addition to his professional labors, he assumed those of a journalist, becoming proprietor of the Norristown Register, the old Democratic organ of Montgomery county. He has also been postmaster of Norristown, inspector of prisons of Montgomery county, and delegate to several Democratic conventions. In politics Mr. Acker is a consistent Democrat, and will be found acting with his party in everything except legislation relating to the tariff, of which he is an upholder.

[In regard to the last sentence time will tell whether or not the Doctor has changed his Free Trade principles. For the sake of the interests of the District we hope he has.—ED. REGISTER.]

GREAT FORTUNES.—We have long thought that a volume of short but authentic and well-written sketches of the most eminent selfmade men of America—telling not only of their success, but also in what way and by what efforts this success was attained—could not fail to possess an absorbing and universal interest, and must prove an exceedingly popular and successful book. Such a volume now lies on our table from the press of Geo. Maclean, (Publisher of first class Subscription Books, Philadelphia, New York and Boston), under the title of "Great Fortunes, and How They Were Made; or, The Struggles and Triumphs of Our Selfmade Men. By James D. McCabe, Jr." It is a really elegant octavo of 633 pages, illustrated with thirty-two remarkably well-executed wood engravings, from original designs by the talented young artists G. F. & E. B. Bensell.

"Great Fortunes" is a book that appeals to all classes, describing the careers not only of our merchant princes and heavy capitalists, but also of leading inventors, publishers, editors, lawyers, artists, preachers, authors, actors, physicians, etc. It abounds in history, anecdote, sketches of life in various parts of the country, reminiscences of distinguished and eccentric men, accounts of curious and celebrated inventions, and narratives of intense and determined struggles crowned by the most brilliant triumphs. It commends itself, likewise, as a work possessing great practical value, as a means of instruction and self-help to all its readers. *How great fortunes were made, and how fame was won*, largely make up our author's interesting narratives.

It shows how poor boys, without friends or influence, have risen to the front rank of American capitalists; how a fortune of forty millions was won by a poor schoolmaster; how thirty millions sprang from one thousand dollars saved by a determined young boatman; how a newspaper which was first published in a cellar has become the wealthiest journal in the land; how a cabinet-maker's apprentice made the world his debtor, and built up an immense manufacturing business which is now conducted in the largest building in the United States; how the invention of a poor schoolmaster, at expectedly thrown out of employment, created one of our most important national industries, and made many States rich and powerful; how a printer's apprentice made his way in the world, and became the head of the largest publishing house in America.

It shows how a poor cattle drover became one of the "kings" of Wall Street, an unknown mechanic a millionaire in seven years, a butcher's son the wealthiest man in America, a New England farmer's boy the first merchant in the land, a penniless lawyer Chief Justice of the United States, a farmer's orphan the most famous of living sculptors, with many more such examples; in short, how energy talent, and patient industry have always met with success when properly exerted, and how intelligence and strict attention to business—not "sharp" practices and overreaching—have been proven to be the only sure and safe road to prosperity.

We are not surprised to learn that "Great Fortunes" is having a very large and rapid sale. It is sold by subscription only, and for the benefit of any of our readers who may wish to take a local or travelling agency for this most entertaining work, we give the address of the publisher in full: George Maclean, 719 Sansom Street, Philadelphia.

CHEAP PARLOR ORGANS.—A single reed 5 octave organ at $90. 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.*

PERSONS INSURED in the LEBANON MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO. are requested to read their advertisement.

THE PACIFIC EXPRESS TRAIN from Harrisburg to New York, which now arrives at Allentown at 2.50 P. M., will be discontinued on and after Monday, March 20, 1871.

THE firm of Butz, Frederick & Co., have purchased the property of E. B. Young, Esq., corner of Tenth and Walnut streets, upon which they intend to erect a large steam planing mill. The price paid for the ground is $11,000.

A WARNING TO PARENTS.—Three thousand applications were made for clerkships in a new Bank recently opened in Philadelphia. Parents, what are the chances for your sons who have been allowed to grow up without learning a trade?

CONDUCTOR INJURED.—Charles Cummings, Esq., conductor on the Lehigh Valley Railroad, received a severe blow on the head from a telegraph pole, on Friday, near Wilkesbarre, while looking out of a car window in response to an alarm signal from the engineer. Although not seriously injured, the one side of his face and neck is considerably bruised.

BODIES RECOVERED.—The two men who were suffocated in the Tunnel Colliery, near Ashland, on Thursday morning last, an account of which was given in these columns on Friday morning, were recovered about five o'clock last evening in a partial state of decomposition. Burns had a pick in his hand, and Bannister had a drill. It is supposed that in trying to make their escape they lost their way and were almost instantly suffocated. They were only about twelve yards from the entrance when found.—*Miners' Journal.*

OBITUARY.—Mr. Samuel Hunt, of Catasauqua, died on Sunday morning of consumption. He had been in delicate health for a long time, but was confined to his bed but a few weeks. He was a young man much beloved in this community and his warm-heartedness and companionable nature won hosts of friends, who will be pained to learn of his being taken from us at such an early age.

A special train will leave Allentown at 1:15 on Wednesday, for Catasauqua, for the accommodation of the friends of the deceased who may wish to attend his funeral.

THE THEATRE, on Saturday evening, was well filled by a fine audience. Uncle Tom's Cabin was the first piece, the characters in which were well taken. Little Eva, as usual, brought tears to the eyes of the audience, and Deacon Perry, Marks, Topsy and Miss Ophelia kept the audience in a good humor. In the after-piece Little Nell took the character of Nan, the Good for Nothing, and showed some acting which was remarkably perfect for one so young, which alone was worth more than the price of admission. The Liberty boys have been successful in their venture.

TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.—At the special conclave of Allen Commandery No. 20, Knights Templar, held on Saturday evening, March 11th, 1871, at 7 o'clock, the death of Sir Knight John H. Oliver was feelingly and appropriately announced by Em. Com. E. G. Martin.

Sir Kt. Gen. Mo. J. S. Dillinger after having referred to the many virtues of the deceased and comparing his civil and sociable relations, moved for the appointment of a committee of three to report resolutions expressive of the sense of this conclave upon the occasion of Sir Kt. Oliver's death, which was duly seconded by Sir Kt. H. C. Longnecker. The Eminent Commander appointed Sir Kt. Gen. Mo. J. S. Dillinger, Sir Kt. H. C. Longnecker and Sir Kt. Past E. C., C. W. Cooper.

The committee after having retired for a short time, returned and through their chairman reported the following resolutions, viz:

Resolved, That Allen Commandery receives with profound sorrow the intelligence of the death of our late Sir Knight John H. Oliver.

Resolved, That while the Masonic career of our departed companion was eminently consistent, and faithfully exemplified the happy and practical principles and obligations of our Order, his conduct as a man was no less praiseworthy and acceptable, having in all his civil and sociable relations conscientiously discharged his duty.

Resolved, That in this dispensation of Providence we see the admonition which is ever recurring, and while we lament it, and deeply sympathize with those who were near and dear to the dead, even in their sad bereavement, it is our duty not to murmur at the Divine will, but to profit by the lessons which it so solemnly teaches, and so to order our temporal affairs that when the time comes to which we may honestly, we may be ready for the great change.

Resolved, That in further testimony of our respect, the hangings and furniture of this Commandery be clothed in mourning for the space of three months.

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

DEWEES J. MARTIN, Recorder.

THE COAL QUESTION.—A dispatch from Pottsville says it is currently reported that if the few collieries now in operation in Schuylkill county do not suspend this week, the Reading Railroad Company will on next Monday increase their tolls $2.25 per ton in addition to the heavy tolls now in force, which increase, it is generally believed, will entirely prevent the working of any collieries by making the rates so high as to be in effect prohibitory. It is well understood that the working of a few collieries here and there only protracts the suspension, while if all are compelled to suspend work the contest will soon end.

The report that Governor Randolph, of New Jersey, has been asked by the railroad companies to act as arbitrator in the coal troubles is freely discussed among the coal operators and finds no supporters, the coal men averring that the basis determined upon at the Philadelphia meeting is as fair as could be expected, and expressing themselves determined not to yield, and preferring to have their mines remain idle all spring, knowing well that the men must accept the preferred terms sooner or later.

The reward of $500 offered for the apprehension of the murderer of Hoffman, at Mount Carmel, is a step taken in the right direction to bring the dastardly villains to justice. It is generally believed the reward will be increased to a much larger amount.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—South Easton was thrown into great excitement on Thursday morning about 8 o'clock, by the report that Mr. Horatio N. Herington, an employee at the Lehigh Cotton Mills, had been suddenly killed. In a short time scores of people had congregated at the mill to learn further particulars. Deputy Coroner Stiler was notified of the accident and he at once empannelled a jury, before whom the following facts were elicited:

Mr. Herington had charge of the lower floor of the mill and attended to the oiling of shafts, machinery, &c. It has always been the custom heretofore to oil the shafting and cog-wheels, which were located near the ceiling, with an oil cup attached to a long stick, but Mr. Herington, directly contrary to positive orders and repeated warnings, placed a box beneath the shafting on which to stand so that he could reach it without the stick. On Thursday morning while he was oiling the bearings of the main shaft which is connected to the shaft leading to the "picker" room by means of cog-wheels, his coat or shirt sleeve was caught by one of the set screws on the cogs and he was drawn up between the shafting and floor beams and squeezed to death. He was discovered in this position some time after by one of the hands who was in search of him. The cause of death as returned by the Coroner's Jury was "Apnœa from mechanical causes."—*Easton Express.*

EXCITEMENT IN HAZLETON—A RUN ON MR. PARDEE'S BANK.—The Hazelton Sentinel says: "Sheriff Rhoads, U. S. Marshal Martin, of Williamsport, are creating an excitement in this community by serving writs of ejectment upon many of our most prominent property-holders. These writs of ejectment are based upon the opinion of J. W. Maynard, Esq., of Williamsport, that Jas. Turnbull, Jr., Edward F. Young, and Marion E. Fowler, hold a legal title to one-fourth of eleven tracts of land situated in the townships of Sugar loaf, Hazle and Hazleton Borough. O. H. Wheeler, of Mauch Chunk, has acquired full powers of Attorney to work up the case. He is assisted by Hon. George W. Woodward, of this county, and J. W. Maynard, Esq., of Williamsport. The tract of land to which these parties lay claims, consist of 3,991 acres, and is judged to be worth at least two millions of dollars. The principal claimant, J. Turnbull, Jr., is a resident of Mazatland Mexico."

When the above became public in Hazleton there was great excitement among all the citizens of the borough. It was believed that Messrs. Pardee, Markle & Grier who owned the only bank in the place, were ruined men, and a run was commenced on the institution which lasted two days. Of course the bank stood it and everybody got their money as fast as it could be paid out.

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MONEY.—At the stated meeting of the American Loan and Building Association held Monday evening, four loans were sold at $75 premium, and five at $78 per share. The annual election for officers will be held on the first Monday in April.

IN Alabama a man has invented an iron horse which works by steam. It has four legs and walks well with them. It can be made to travel from three to fifteen miles per hour. Every family in Lehigh and Northampton counties ought to have an iron horse to ride to Allentown to purchase their spring goods at Schreiber Bros., No. 634 Hamilton street.

A MUCH-NEEDED ESTABLISHMENT.—We are informed that H. S. Glasser and Thomas Fisher, of Philadelphia, will open an establishment in this city about the first of May for the purpose of carrying on the business of silver-plating, gilding, etc. Housekeepers contemplating sending away articles to be replated should hold on to them until this enterprise is started. Messrs. Glasser & Fisher will also have a sample room for the exhibition of the various designs in plated ware, and will keep also a general assortment of housekeeper's cutlery. From our acquaintance with the senior member of the firm, who is well-known in Allentown, we judge that this establishment will be of great convenience to our own citizens and will bring considerable trade from abroad.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.—At the assembling of Court Friday afternoon, on motion of Mr. Stiles, the following resolutions were adopted:—

WHEREAS, It has pleased God to remove from our midst by death John H. Oliver, Esq., a member of this bar; and whereas, this sad event has occurred during a session of the Court; therefore

Resolved, That the Bench and Bar of Lehigh County have learned with deep regret and sorrow the death of one of the most learned and distinguished members of our profession.

Resolved, That in the death of Mr. Oliver the Bar has lost a able, honest, courteous and upright member, and the community a benevolent and much loved citizen.

Resolved, That out of respect to the memory of the distinguished dead, the Court do now adjourn, and these proceedings be entered upon the records of the Court, and a copy thereof be transmitted to the family by the Prothonotary.

March 10th, 1871. It is ordered that the above resolutions be entered on record in all the Courts, and that the Prothonotary transmit a