The Lehigh Register.

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NOTICE.—Within a short time we have sent out a large number of bills for subscription. Many of them have received prompt attention, for which we return thanks, and we would be very happy to return thanks to the balance of those who have received our bills. The amount in each case is small, but in the aggregate the amount is large, and our friends will confer a favor by giving the matter their prompt attention.

A MAN of considerable property died in the Chester county jail, last week, of delirium tremens.

THE reunion of the Fifty-fourth Pennsylvania has been indefinately postponed.

THE Councils of Reading are not very anxious to establish a Board of Health.

THE cars on the Easton and South Easton passenger railway are to be made smaller.

THE Westinghouse air brake has been adopted on the Norristown Railroad.

A BULL defied a locomotive on the Perkiomen Railroad, the other day, and succeeded in stopping the train.

THE Printers' Union of Easton is getting up an excursion to New York for the 20th of September. The fare will be one dollar.

DONALDSON, who made two ascensions at Reading, was in Allentown last week and made arrangements to go up in a balloon on the 20th.

A BAGGAGE EXPRESS would be a great convenience, to be run in connection with the city cars.

THE funeral of Mrs. Deshler, Wednesday morning was very largely attended. Her remains were interred at Egypt Church.

SOME GENTLEMEN of enterprise have been inspecting property with the view of purchasing a suitable site for a new Opera House.

SOME young men are a little partial to blue-eyed maidens. Others like dark-eyed lasses. But the mon-eyed girls have the most admirers.

THE Columbia has engaged the City Cornet Band to play for that Company at the coming firemen's parade.

ALTOONA is about to erect new water works. The water will be conveyed in iron pipes from Kittanning Point, a distance of five miles. The work will be finished by the 1st of January.

SINCE the politicians have commenced button-holing the people the demand for the American Button-Hole Machine has increased. Pilenger & Kelm sell them.

WE hope the macadamizing of Seventh street will be pushed forward with energy so that it may not be spoiled by the frost, as in the case of South Sixth street last year.

THE superior quality of Heimbach, Heifrich & Co.'s furniture has won them a trade which would make glad the heart of a Metropolitan dealer.

THOSE who still owe City and Dog Taxes should pay them before the first of October and save paying the additional penalty of ten per cent. which will be added after that date.

IT has been ascertained that the Black Rock Tunnel, on the Reading Railroad, at Phœnixville, is 2,808 feet in lenth, instead of 1,931 feet, as formerly supposed.

JOHN MORGAN, a prominent citizen of Chester county, died, Tuesday, at Phœnixville, aged eighty-seven years. He was twice a member of the Pennsylvania Legislature.

AUTERY SEVERED.—Thomas Sauerwine, a carpenter, severed an artery of one of his hands with a chisel, yesterday afternoon. Drs. Romig dressed the wound.

BIG DOG.—D. E. Kistler, of Slatington, sold a Newfoundland dog to a Philadelphia gentleman for $75. The dog is thirty-five inches high.

THOSE FLAGS.—The flags laid down in front of W. C. Smith's are quarried at Black Walnut, Wyoming county. Franklin Smith is the agent for them and is prepared to fill orders.

ELEGANT BRANDS of genuine imported cigars at H. C. Wagner's, 7th street and Centre Square. Also, the best brands of domestic cigars manufactured. If you want a good smoke, buy your cigars of Wagner.

HOME AGAIN.—We are glad to see Wm. T. Morris home again, greatly refreshed by his trip to Europe. Mr. Morris was at one time a clerk in the Boten book store, but is at present teaching school at Hokendauqua.

A WRITER in the Valley Record exhibits considerable distress over the borough finances of Catasauqua. He says the statement "almost serves to remind one of the enormous expenditures on public improvements in New York."

MRS. JOHN DORLAN, residing at Dorlan's Station, on the Waynesburg Railroad, was so severely stung about the face and head by bees a few days ago, that she is hardly expected to recover.

THE COLUMBIA FIRE COMPANY has made the arrangements with the Marston & Stone Dramatic Alliance for a benefit during the engagement of the troupe in this city. Tom Brown, the agent, was in town last evening, and the matter was settled.

THE Democratic party is in a new business. The Harrisburg State Journal asks if it is true that large numbers of copies of the Temperance Vindicator are being circulated at the expense of the Democratic State Committee. Who ever expected to live to see such a thing!

IRON MASTERS.—The iron masters of the United States, held a meeting in Philadelphia on Wednesday and Thursday, to consider whatever questions might be introduced, pertaining to their business. Mr. John Tyndall of Easton, and Mr. Oliver Williams were present. Over $100,000,000 capital was represented.

THE WHOLESALE DRY GOODS HOUSE.—Huber, Schantz & Co. are in full operation at their new wholesale dry goods store and have thus far done more business than they had anticipated. We are glad to hear of their flattering success as it adds another house to increase the prominence of Allentown as a business centre.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.—We have the report of an attempt to commit suicide near Ironton, by a married woman, on Friday week. She drank a pint of coal oil. A doctor was called in, who pumped up the oil and saved her life. The cause of the rash act is supposed to have been domestic infelicity.

SILVER WEDDING.—The silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dickson, of Scranton, was celebrated a few days ago. Among the guests were ex-Collector Smythe, of New York; Hon. Galusha A. Grow, and President Cattell, of Lafayette College. Presents to the amount of several thousand dollars were received. Mr. Dickson has worked his way up from "mule boy" in the mines to the position of President of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company, and it is fitting that energy and thrift like his should have the recognition and appreciation of his friends.

DISCOVERY OF SLATE QUARRIES.—Slate quarries have been opened within a year at Monson, Maine, and their discovery was a peculiar one. A Welshman named Williams, accustomed to quarry work, while passing through Monson observed some slate rock that had been thrown from a cellar. He recognized it as valuable, and in company with another man named John Tripp, traced the vein along the surface and finally purchased fourteen acres of the apparently worthless land for seventy-five dollars. They immediately commenced an excavation, and found, as they expected, good slate at the depth of a few feet. In a few weeks they sold their purchase to a New York company for sixteen thousand dollars. Four other quarries have since been opened by different parties. It is a peculiarity of the slate in this region, that it is encountered at a depth of three to five feet below the surface.

GEN. BURNSIDE will pay a visit to Norristown and be received by the members of the old Fifty-first.

OLE BULL has recovered from his late illness and will give a grand concert at Easton on October 14th; at Allentown, Oct. 16th; Wilkesbarre, 17th; Scranton, 18th; Williamsport, 19th; Titusville, 21st; Meadville, 23d.

REV. J. R. ECKARD, D. D., the venerated Professor of History, Literature and Archæology in Lafayette College, Easton, has a son, Rev. Leighton Eckard, a faithful foreign missionary of the Presbyterian Church at Chefoo, China.

FOR the benefit of the numerous young couples whom Dame Rumor says are about to enter the ties of matrimony, we would state that the ceremonies must be performed at exactly noon, if you would be fashionable.

IRON.—Pig Iron is in active demand. Sales of 500 tons No. 1 foundry at $36@37; No. 2 at $35, and gray forge at $34. Manufactured Iron commands $79.50 per ton for bar. In Scotch pig and blooms nothing doing.

HANDSOME.—We learn that the City Cornet Band have secured a splendid outfit of new red pants throughout. They will first appear with this addition to their already splendid dress on the occasion of their visit to Lancaster.

A SUNDAY SCHOOL FESTIVAL will be held two weeks from this day, being the 23d inst., near Germansville in a beautiful and attractive grove. The occasion will be enlivened with music by an excellent band. Addresses will be delivered by several speakers already secured for the occasion.

ISLAND SOLD.—The island opposite the Lehigh Valley Depot, owned by Tinsley Jeter, of Bethlehem, was sold by the latter, a few days since, to Charles Kline and Reuben Shimer, of this city, for the neat round sum of fifty thousand dollars.

A SUNDAY SCHOOL FESTIVAL, participated in by a number of schools, will be held on next Saturday in Scheirer's school district. Addresses will be delivered by a number of gentlemen much interested in the Sunday school work. A cordial invitation is extended to the public.

CARD OF THANKS.—We take the opportunity of returning our thanks for the receipt of twenty-five dollars, from the liberal occupants and adjoining property-holders of the late fire at Schreiber Bros. for services rendered.

Liberty Hose Co., No. 5.
H. M. HUNSICKER, Sec.

EXCURSION TICKETS.—The Reading Railroad company will issue excursion tickets to Reading and return, good from September 11th to September 18th, for the purpose of attending the Berks county fair. The fair will be a large one and we doubt not will be largely attended by the citizens of this county.

CHARLES PARKER, one of the clowns attached to Barnum's circus, who committed suicide near Schenectady, last week, was the son-in-law of M. B. Mesinier, Esq., of Pottstown. Mr. M. went to Schenectady to bring the body home, but when he reached there the remains had already been buried. He thinks there are strong grounds for believing the young man was murdered.

THE Rev. Dr. Howard Crosby, of the Fourth Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York city, recently delivered a discourse on dress and personal adornment, entitled "Consecrated Looking Glasses." This sermon with such a queer, quaint title has been published, and is calculated to do much good amongst aristocratic congregations.

THE DEMOCRACY OF CARBON.—The Carbon county Democracy held their convention at Mauch Chunk Tuesday. The convention split upon the candidates for associate judges, and the miners withdrew from the convention. The bolters held a meeting afterwards, at which the county Democratic ring was severely denounced. There is now a good prospect of the Republican ticket being elected in one of the strongest Democratic counties in the State. The Republicans nominate their candidates on Friday.

TUESDAY afternoon Detective Johnson arrested a boy, at Glendon, named William Vaughn charged with throwing stones at the passenger trains of the Lehigh Valley R. R., and breaking several of the car windows. He was taken before Justice Transue, who held him under bail to appear at Court. It is hoped that this will serve as a warning to other boys who make it a practice of throwing stones at passing passenger trains. Mr. Goodwin, the Superintendent, is determined to have every one arrested who commits such an offence.—*Easton Express.*

A MISSIONARY of the American Sunday School Union, organized a new school in a mountain neighborhood in Tennessee, where there were *four* distilleries. Three leading men sharply opposed the school. One said he would rather have a *distillery in one corner of the church*, than a Sunday-school. And the school was broken up. But the missionary was not to be thwarted. Going back to Robert Ralkes' plan, he offered to pay those teachers five dollars, who would keep up the school for three months. And he succeeded. Within two miles of that school, he found children fourteen years of age, who did not know that Christ came into the world as a Saviour.

REPORT of coal transported over the Lehigh Valley Railroad for the week ending Sept. 2d, 1871, compared with same time last year:

	For Week.	For Year.
Total Wyoming	17,809 09	359,941 05
Hazleton	45,198 15	696,287 03
Upper Lehigh	137 04	1,363 09
Beaver Meadow	17,691 19	250,669 10
Mahanoy	9,812 17	334,457 13
Mauch Chunk	92 14	6,815 15
Sullivan & Erie	214 07	469 19
Total by Rail & Canal	97,643 06	1,833,316 14
Same time 1870	86,741 19	2,674,398 16
Increase	10,901 08	
Decrease		741,082 02

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.—The second annual Sunday School Convention of the East Penna. Conference of the Evangelical Association will be held at Allentown on September 13th and 14th. On the evening of the 12th a children's meeting will be held in the Evangelical Church of the First Ward, and on the evening of the 13th in the English Mission Church on Turner street below Seventh, and on the evening of the 14th in the First Evangelical Church on Linden street above Ninth, in which the Convention meets. Each Evangelical Sabbath School in the conference district is entitled to two delegates.

THE CENTRAL RAILROAD.—The Central Railroad Company has already two thousand men engaged laying two additional tracks at the side of the present railway, between Elizabeth and Somerville, to accommodate the freighting business, and have the present tracks for the exclusive use of passenger trains.

Report says the same company is making efforts to get a through route to Niagara Falls over the Lehigh and Susquehanna, Green Ridge and Erie Railroads. If the Central Railroad Company can succeed in obtaining a passage over the upper part of the route, daily trains will then pass over the Lehigh and Susquehanna Railroad to and from New York, Philadelphia and Niagara.

FURTHER PARTICULARS.—We have obtained the following additional particulars of the sad accident of yesterday: When Mrs. Knauss entered the room she found the child surrounded by flames and picked him up and carried him down stairs. Her screams attracted the neighbors, who rushed in but were paralyzed by the awful sight which greeted them and were rendered powerless to aid the mother. Some men hearing the screams rushed in and smothered the burning clothes of the infant and saved the mother from the fate of the child, as her clothes had taken fire and her hand and hair had been burned. Other men rushed up stairs and found the crib burning and the flames communicating to the carpet. They quickly subdued the flames.

FROM the records kept at the Pennsylvania Hospital, it appears that the mean temperature during August last was 76.35 degrees, 2.42 degrees less than that of August of 1870. The highest mean for August for the past fifteen years according to the Hospital record, was that of last year, while the lowest was 72.50 degrees, in August of 1866. The highest point attained by the mercury during the past month was 92.5 degrees on the 15th, and the lowest 61 degrees on the 21st, a range of 28.5 degrees. The highest and lowest points marked by the thermometer in August, 1870, were 91.5 and 61 respectively. The mean temperature of August for the past forty-seven years is 73.77 degrees. The total rain-fall for the past month was 5.97 inches, whilst that of August, 1870, was 5.12 inches. The average rain-fall for August of the past thirty-seven years is 4.48 inches.

THE City Cornet Band will return from the America's excursion to Lancaster on Thursday of Fair week, and will play at the exhibition on Thursday and Friday.

AN ACCEPTABLE GIFT.—Robert E. Wright, Esq., has presented the library of Muhlenberg College with a number of valuable works, which are highly appreciated by the faculty and students. This is an example which it would be well for others of our citizens to follow, who have the books to spare or the means to purchase such works as would increase the value of the library.

HARRISBURG Councils voted to lay down a Nicholson pavement on Market street, at the solicitation of property holders. The petitioners, ascertaining that they would be obliged to pay for it, reconsidered their progressive action, and laid their grievances before the Mayor, who vetoed the bill and Harrisburg is to go without its Nicholson pavement. Luxuries are a good thing when somebody else has to pay for them.

SEPARATED.—Michael Riehl and his wife Amelia both appeared before Justice Stein, of South Bethlehem, yesterday morning and requested him to draw up articles of separation by which they agreed hereafter and forever to live separate and apart from each other, and also equally divide all common property. The Judge drew up the articles as desired, and they were duly signed. Officer Gressman was chosen by the parties to divide the property, and he consented to do so. Thus they go. Next!—*Times.*

THE EXTENSIVE ALTERATIONS which are being made in Guth & Kern's building, lately occupied by Schreiber Bros., will give the store a most imposing appearance. The iron front which was put up at an expense of thirteen hundred dollars is to be taken away and immense plate-glass show windows are to be substituted, which will enable the firm to make a handsome display of their elegant dress goods. The ceiling is to be re-plastered and other improvements made in the interior which will make the store equal in beauty to any in this section of the State.

THE NEW MACHINE.—The committee of the Allen Hose Company who went to Philadelphia to examine steam fire engines, have finally decided to purchase the Southwark steamer and seven hundred feet of hose, the price asked being $2700 and the steamer proving the best among those examined. It will arrive here on Thursday morning, accompanied by a delegation of the old Southwark members, fully equipped, who will present the Allen with a number of relics and other mementoes. The new company will parade on that day and the companies of the Department are invited to participate. A committee of three for each ward has been appointed, who will wait upon the citizens in their respective districts and it is hoped they will receive such contributions as will gladden the hearts of the noble firemen.

FOUL PLAY SUSPECTED.—On Monday of last week, the body of Mrs. Oliver J. Stirk, which was buried in the Doylestown Cemetery about two years ago, was disinterred by the direction of the District Attorney in the presence of that officer and Justice Pugh. The husband, Oliver J. Stirk, is now in our county prison, awaiting trial on a charge of fraud and forgery, brought by a Massachusetts Life Insurance Company, in which his wife was insured before her death. This investigation was by request of some of Mrs. Stirk's relatives, who seem to have some apprehensions of foul play. It was the intention of District Attorney Yerkes to have an inquest held upon the remains, but on opening the coffin, it was found that all the soft parts of the body had disappeared, leaving only the hair and bones. A small quantity of decomposed matter lay in the bottom of the coffin, but this was not removed, and the grave was filled up as further proceedings were deemed unnecessary.—*Intelligencer, 29th ult.*

A CURIOUS ADVERTISEMENT.—The following appeared in the Scranton Republican:

FOR SALE.—The Democracy of Luzerne have for sale a very large and superior assortment of banners and transparencies, which will be disposed of on the most liberal terms, in lots to suit purchasers. They were secured at great expense during the campaigns of the past ten years. Satisfactory reasons given for selling them. Among the lot may be mentioned a few bearing the following inscriptions: "White husbands or none." "We can't vote with the niggers." "Down with the niggers." "A white man's government, by white men, for white men and their posterity forever." "Down with the bloated bond-holders." "Repudiation of the war debt." "No Lincoln hirelings for us." Some of the banners are beautifully illustrated, among them a number representing a negro and white man in the act of embracing. Circumstances over which the owners had no control, having made it positively necessary that a new lot of banners be procured for future use, the old ones will be sold at a great sacrifice. Apply to Dr. Wheeler or Asa R. Brundage, Esq.

SUICIDE FOR LOVE.—The Wilmington Commercial of Tuesday evening says: About six weeks ago a young man named Thomas Legg, residing in Queen Anne's county, near Templeville, committed suicide which was duly chronicled in the Commercial. He shot himself in the heart, but lived long enough to tell why he committed the rash act. The information has been suppressed by the parents of Legg until a few days ago, when they became desirous for its publication. This is the assigned reason:

He was devotedly attached to a young lady in the neighborhood, who taught school near his father's premises. He felt, however, that one or two other suitors stood much higher in her favor than himself, and he feared to make his attachment known, lest he be rejected. The matter so distressed him as to make his life miserable, and he sought relief in death.

The young lady, whose name we withhold, was the first to reach him after he shot himself, and, when she asked him why he did so rash an act, he replied, "for you, dearest." Whether he so arranged the time that she might see him, we are not advised. She was unaware of the extent of his affection, it seems.

RICHARD said, "My Kingdom for a horse!" If he had reigned in these latter days he probably would not have met with so much trouble as cursed him, and he would unquestionably have found time occasionally to visit the Royal Amphitheatre, of "Merrie England" and while witnessing the dash and daring of some of the leading stars of the equestrian firmament, his exclamation might have changed, "My kingdom to be such a rider!" Certainly he must have been forced to such an outcry if he could look upon that graceful Apostle of Equitation, Harry Welby Cooke, the champion horseman of England, and now attached to Stone & Murray's magnificent circus. To see this rider in his graceful evolutions, in his wonderful somersaults and his classical pirouettes, and this too upon the back of a steed flying like the wind beneath him, is to have witnessed one of the grandest sensations of the age.

After Prof. Hayden disappeared beyond the clouds yesterday, in his balloon, we, with the great crowds, stepped inside the snowy canvas, gained a comfortable and easy seat, and soon lost ourself in the revolving miracles of the arena. We say miracles and we mean it too, for Stone & Murray, always favorites, have this year completely taken us by storm, and the novelties of their performances are only equalled by the merits of the performers. Space forbids us to particularize, but we say to all, go to their circus and establish the fact in your mind that wonders will never cease.—*Jersey City Standard.*

FATAL RAILROAD ACCIDENT—THREE MEN KILLED.—An accident occurred on Wednesday morning on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad, at Manunka Chunk, which was caused through the carelessness of a brakeman. Three lives were lost and four persons severely injured. The facts in the case, as far as we have been able to ascertain, are as follows: The early up freight train on the D. L. & W. R. R. had to drill some stock off at Bridgeville; the conductor had cut the cars behind the stock and told the brakeman to hold them while they were shifting the cars; but instead of the brakeman doing as he was told, he laid down and went to sleep, and the cars commenced running down the grade clear back through the tunnel at Manunka Chunk, and as they got opposite the station at Manunka Chunk they were run into by a down coal train, smashing the caboose and one or two coal cars. The fog was so thick that the engineer of the down coal train did not see them until he ran into them. We understand there were six drovers in the caboose, who had stock on the train, three of whom were killed outright and three wounded. The engineer of the coal train was wounded slightly. The brakeman has left for parts unknown. The dead were put in the depot at Manunka Chunk and the wounded taken to the house of Mr. Fox, the agent at that place, and are being cared for by the physicians of Belvidere. Capt. Tunis, Justice of the Peace of Belvidere, is to hold an inquest on the dead this afternoon. There is very little hope of the recovery of two of the injured men.—*Easton Express.*

THE MINUTES of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States have been issued for 1871, under the accurate and experienced editorship of the Rev. Edwin F. Hatfield, D. D., stated clerk of the re-united General Assembly. These annual statistics present in condensed numerical form the great progress of the powerful Presbyterian denomination.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH GROWTH ON THE LEHIGH.—Rev. Leighton Coleman, rector of St. Mark's Church, Mauch Chunk, has the following in The Register of his parish for September:

"The growth of the Church in the Lehigh region, commencing at Easton, and terminating at White Haven, (including Hazleton and Eckley) since 1850—but a trifle over ten years—has been most remarkable and encouraging. Having occasion the other day to consult the convention journals in reference to it, I felt sure that a few statistics would interest you. Indeed, they are especially interesting to the members of this parish, since to her members in the exercise of their varied talents, more than to those of any parish, is this prosperity, under God, chiefly attributable. We say this in all humility, and yet in all thankfulness; for it is something that should cause the devoutest gratitude to know that we, by our gifts, influence, and other personal co-operation have been enabled to accomplish so much for the glory of God and the good of His church. During the period already mentioned, there have been erected nine church buildings, or, on an average, nearly one every year. With the exception of the two at Easton and Mauch Chunk, all these churches have been the result of entirely new enterprises, so that there have been in the same time six distinctly new parishes formed. On the 29th ult., I had the privilege of attending the laying of a corner-stone of a new church for what will be an independent parish at Bethlehem, which will make the tenth building within this time before the year closes. In the absence of several reports, I am unable to give exactly the figures of other departments of growth, but I think I am entirely safe (allowing the average in the few instances where reports are not at hand) in saying that during this same period there have been 1,031 persons baptized, 633 persons confirmed, 606 new communicants added (no: counting those added by removal,) and an increase of 99 new teachers and 910 new pupils in the Sunday Schools. For purposes connected with the church, there have been contributed not less than $250,000. This does not include many sums which have never been so reported, amongst them the more than $500,000 given to the Lehigh University."

PROF. DONALDSON'S SECOND ASCENSION.—Between the tub race and the balloon ascension of Professor Donaldson from the Square, Reading had a full share of novel amusements yesterday. Donaldson, determined to eclipse all previous performances in his line in this locality, attempted and successfully accomplished the feat of going up without a basket, and going through the blood-chilling feat of aerial gymnastics on a trapeze attached to the hoop below the balloon. To the horror of the spectators, when up at an elevation of two or three hundred feet, Donaldson dropped heap foremost downward, catching with his toes in the ropes and his feet in the cross bar, and remaining in this position several seconds looking down upon the crowd below, while his aerial ship bore him heavenward. This daring adventure he afterwards repeated when up so high that his position could be barely discerned with the naked eye. He also performed sundry other manœuvers, and when up at his greatest height, apparently about three-quarters of a mile, scattered thousands of advertising circulars in the air, which looked like fluttering birds in their descent. In about twenty minutes after he had gone up, the balloon, which is of small size, commenced to descend rapidly, when the aeronaut threw out his light anchor and two hundred feet of rope, together with some provisions and wearing apparel. This eased the descent, and the balloon fell very gradually, coming down over the house of Mr. Henry Connard, jr., on the Centre turnpike, half way to the Cemetery. The apparatus came within a few feet of striking the cupola, and gracefully descended into an apple tree, rebounding and then coming down again in a field on the opposite side of the road. A large crowd of persons, who had followed from the city, witnessed the descent, and assisted the Professor in securing the balloon.

Donaldson is a man utterly without fear in matters of this character, and does not consider such feats in the least dangerous if the apparatus is all right. Others are of a different opinion, and we have reason to believe that the authorities would not permit another ascension here like that of yesterday, if the reckless aeronaut should be inclined to attempt it.—*Reading Times.*

REPORT OF THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT.—The report of Superintendent E. J. Young shows a very favorable progress in the cause of common school education. Throughout the county new school buildings have been erected which show, in their construction a proper regard for convenience and for the health and comfort of the pupils. The taxes for the past three years, for building purposes, amount to $132,000; for fuel, $30,000, and for instruction $145,000 was expended, making a total of $307,000. During the same period thirty-seven new buildings were erected, that number being about one-fifth of the whole number of school buildings in the county. The majority of these buildings are conspicuous for their beauty and the excellence of the plans of construction, as well as for the care shown in providing them with proper furniture.

The Superintendent says "the present year new school buildings were put up in the following districts, viz: South Whitehall, 1; Hanover, 1; Whitehall, 1; Lower Macungie, 1; Upper Macungie, 2; North Whitehall, 1; Washington, 2; and Lowhill, 2; all of which are brick, with the exception of those in Lowhill, which are frame. The first, strictly speaking, rural graded school is found in Whitehall district, and has been very successful. The house was built the present year and is known by the name of "Steckel's school house." It is about 32 to 60 feet, well built and all the rooms furnished with patent desks. It is located at the edge of a beautiful grove, mid-way between Allentown and Catasauqua,—which places are three miles apart,—and is an honor to the enterprising board. The new school house at Grlesemersville, in South Whitehall, is worthy of mention; as are also those erected in Hanover, at East Catasauqua, in Washington and in North Whitehall, all of which are furnished with patent desks. The ones in Upper and Lower Macungie are substantial buildings, but are not finished with patent desks. The one erected in North Whitehall is very appropriately named the 'Model School,' on account of its convenience and superior finish. We can heartily recommend this building as a 'model,' to directors in other districts, who are about putting up new school houses."

CORNER STONE LAYING AT BOYERTOWN.—The corner stone of the new St John's Lutheran Church at Boyertown, was laid on Saturday afternoon last, pursuant to announcement, by the pastor, Rev. L. Groh. The weather being fine a large concourse of people was in attendance. The ceremonies were also continued on the following day, liberal collections being taken up on both occasions. Preparatory services were held in the old church building in the forenoon, by Rev. W. B. Fox, of Sumneytown, and in the afternoon by Rev. J. J. Kuendig, of Reading, in the German language, after which the minister's Church council and building committee, with the congregation, proceeded to the site of the new church, where the ceremonies of laying the corner-stone were gone through by the ministers present. The following articles were deposited in the corner-stone, viz: One copy of the Holy Bible in the German language, New Testament in the English language, Lutheran Hymn Book in the German language, English Lutheran Hymn Book, German Lutheran Catechism, English Lutheran Catechism, Constitution of Synod, Conference and Congregation, Minutes of the Synod of Pennsylvania, Minutes of General Council of Lutheran Church, Catalogue of Lutheran Seminary of Philadelphia, Catalogue of Muhlenberg College of Allentown, Catalogue of Pennsylvania College of Gettysburg, Lutheran Almanac, Historical sketch of the Congregation, Communion bread and wine, German Lutheran Church papers, The Pilger, of Reading; Zeitschrift, of Allentown; Yugend Freund, of Allentown; English church papers, Lutheran and Missionary, Lutheran Observer, Philadelphia; Busy Bee; secular papers, the Montgomery Ledger, and several others.

The following is a list of the ministers who were present: Rev. J. J. Kuendig, of Reading; Rev. Wm. B. Fox, of Sumneytown; Rev. W. G. Laltzie, of Pottstown, and Rev. L. Groh, the pastor of the congregation. Of the Reformed denomination there were present Rev. L. J. Mayer, of Boyertown; Rev. S. M. K. Huber, of Kulpsville; and Rev. Lewis C. Herman, of Gilbertstown; Mr. H. B. Fegeley, and Mr. I. N. S. Erb, of Philadelphia Seminary, candidates for the Lutheran Ministry, and Mr. Albert Staffer, George Snyder and John Dotterer, candidates for the Reformed Ministry, were also present and took part in the ceremonies.

On Sunday forenoon Rev. W. G. Laltzie held services in the old church, in the German language; Rev. L. Groh in the afternoon in the German language, and I. N. S. Erb, in the evening, in the English language. On Monday the work of laying the brick in the rear of the church was commenced.—*Pottstown Ledger.*

RELEASED.—Cole Kramer was released from jail last week.

THE City Cornet Band has been engaged to furnish the music at the Republican meeting at the Square on Wednesday evening.

PERSONAL.—D. J. Godshalk, Esq., editor of the Bethlehem Times, was in Norristown Thursday. He was at one time foreman of the National Defender office in that borough.

Major John S. Weller, of Pottstown, a prominent Democratic politician, died on the 5th inst., at an advanced age.

Gen. Carl Schurz and family were stopping at the Eagle Hotel, Bethlehem, Thursday.

BREAK DOWN.—About quarter after six, last week, the axle of a large ore wagon broke on the crossing on Seventh street at Centre Square. The wagon contained broken stone for macadamizing and these were deposited in a beautifully shaped pyramid on the crossing. We never saw anything so much admired. Nearly everybody promenading the thoroughfare stopped and contemplated the magnificent pile with feelings of gratitude to the policemen who so kindly permitted it to remain there and some of the pedestrians even went down on their hands and knees, as heathens worship their heathen gods. How fortunate the occurrence took place after six o'clock, else workmen might have ruthlessly destroyed this work of art; or how lucky our policemen are generous and broad-minded humanitarians, else they might have either removed it themselves or compelled its removal.

WILLIAM TELL OUTDONE.—Since hearing of a little transaction at Newton the other day, the truth of which is vouched for by the best authority, we are prepared to believe all the William Tell stories extant. A party of four young men had been out gunning, and upon returning to town found an itinerant Italian image peddler in the street, who they directed to stand off a certain number of paces, and keep the rack of images upon the top of his head while they shot them off. The poor fellow protested against such a proceeding—cried, begged and plead to be let off—but all to no effect. He was compelled to stand the test, and did so until the gunners had shot the last image away from over his head. Not content with this outrage, they then refused to pay the Italian for the damage done, and he was compelled to leave town a very poor man. This is a stain upon the fair name of Newtown, and if there are any respectors of law and order within its borders, the men who could be guilty of such an unprovoked and inexcusable outrage upon humanity should be exposed by them, and the villains turned over to the criminal court for punishment.—*Miners' Journal.*

THE ALLENTOWN BOARD OF TRADE.—This Association meets with its Executive Committee on the third Monday of September, for the purpose of considering such subjects as may be presented for its consideration by the Executive Committee, and for suggesting to the Executive Committee such subjects as may be deemed important for promoting the trade, commerce and business interest of Allentown.

The last meeting of the Executive Committee, held August 14th, was one of special interest. The Committee for the Month made the following important suggestions, all of which were referred to the appropriate committees.

The Committee on Taxation—Messrs. A. Keck, M. A. Selpie, A. Weber—were instructed to inquire into the expediency of having the License Revenue from the sale of liquors passed into the treasury of the county, instead of being held by the State as at present.

To the Committee on Transportation—Messrs. J. R. Schall, J. Roth and H. Schnurman—were referred several matters affecting the interests of freight. Statements were made showing that great injustice is done to various important interests of home trade and manufacture by the existing state of freight schedules. Our manufacturing and trading interests are suffering from the fact that from the West to this point the same rates are charged as to New York and Philadelphia, while from Allentown to the interior, freights—with less mileage—were often higher than for the above cities. Particular attention was directed to the ruinous practice of certain manufacturing establishments of Allentown, compelling consumers here to pay New York and Philadelphia quotations without making allowance for the difference of freight.

The attention of the Committee on Manufacture—Messrs. J. K. Mosser, H. Leh, jr., and D. O. Saylor—was directed to the necessity of increased facilities for all classes of manufacturing interests. The Executive Committee favored the establishment of a woolen mill at Allentown. Favorable views were presented for urging the necessity of encouraging all well directed efforts calculated to advance the interests of our different classes of laboring people. It was considered important that advantages should be given for varied labor. The establishment of woolen and cotton mills should be encouraged, for without such and similar establishments, an opportunity is presented for much labor now necessarily idle.

Rich specimens of iron ore were presented to the Board. These presentations introduced the idea of securing other valuable collections of minerals and rare specimens. The Committee on Furniture was instructed to procure suitable shelving for preserving and exhibiting the collections.

The Committee on Vulcanite Pavement, appointed at a former meeting to investigate the merits of this new pavement, presented the following report. The report, after reading, was on motion ordered to be spread upon the minutes:

"Your Committee on Vulcanite Pavement beg leave to report as follows—At the request of parties connected with the manufacture and introduction of this pavement, the committee proceeded to Philadelphia for the purpose of fully investigating the mode of manufacture, the condition and appearance of the concrete, and ascertain the durability and practicability of a street pavement.

"The first point observed by the Committee was a pavement in front of Dr. Schenk's residence in Green street, between 15th and 16th streets. The committee was informed that this pavement was put down in the Fall of 1869, between two parts of first-class Nicholson pavement. It presented an appearance of but little wear, and in comparison with the wooden pavement exhibited very favorably. The wear of the Nicholson pavement was observable, more especially where it joined the Vulcanite.

"At James Nugent's stables, 18th and North streets, a stable and carriage floor of the Vulcanite, said to have been made some two years ago, was examined. Although in constant use the wear showed quite favorably.

"The main examinations were made by the committee in Fairmount City Park, where the construction of the pavement was closely observed. The pavement is laid quite rapidly. By the use of steam power, the concrete mixture is most thoroughly mixed and rapidly effected; it is then quickly spread upon the prepared substratum and rolled with heavy iron rollers while hot. A great advantage noticed is that the pavement is ready for use a few hours after it is put down; thus a block laid to-day is ready by to-morrow; so that thoroughfares are not kept obstructed, as is so much the case with all other methods of paving. Litherto used. The heat of the sun and the heat of the hot rollers, instead of softening as might be supposed, rather hardened, so that in fifteen minutes it would bear walking on.

"While the *solidity* and *durability* of the pavement seem evident, the committee are satisfied with its claims for cleanliness, sanitary qualities, and its superiority as a roadway in the special points of freedom from *noise* and *dust*.

"In point of beauty the committee especially refer to the pavement laid around the residences of Mr. Zrnef, 351 and Arch, and John Sellers, 334 and Powelton, West Philadelphia. This work has all the appearance of a fine North River slab.

"In Belmont avenue, City Park, there was every evidence of hard usage without noticeable evidence of wear.

"Committee—H. H. Fisher, Augustus Weber, D. O. Saylor."

Messrs. C. W. Cooper, H. Leh, jr., and D. O. Saylor were continued as the Committee for the Month. Parties having any matter of interest to present to the Board are requested to present the same to this committee. Suggestions pertaining to the interests of trade and commerce are solicited by the committee and will be presented by them to the Executive Committee in proper form.

The standing committees were instructed to organize and to endeavor to present some report at the next regular meeting of the Association. The proposed advantages of the Association depend materially upon the efforts of these committees. It is to be hoped that each will be active in it assigned field of operation.

The regular meeting of the Association will be held on the third Monday evening of this month, September 18th.

A. J. BREINIG, Secretary.

THE Carbon County Fair will be held at Lehighton from the 3d to the 6th of October.

THE weather, yesterday, made Sunday very cheerful. The churches were well attended.

GOVERNOR HOFFMAN is to deliver an address at the Wyoming County Agricultural fair, at Warsaw, September 21.

THE strength of insects is evidently prodigious. A mosquito, for example, will frequently make a man get out of bed at night.

THE Harrisburg Journal says the streets cars of Easton will run no longer—because they are to be made shorter.

ALLENTOWN FEMALE COLLEGE is more prosperous than ever. The attendance this Fall is very encouraging to Rev. Hofford.

THE ladies are becoming troubled over what they shall wear. The cool weather gives many of the Flora McFlimsies "nothing to wear."

WE regret to announce the death of the only son of E. J. More, Esq., which occurred at 12 o'clock Thursday night, and extend our heartfelt sympathies to the bereaved parents.

REPUBLICAN COUNTY COMMITTEE.—The members of the Republican County Committee met at the Eagle Hotel on Saturday and organized for the campaign by electing John L. Hoffman, Esq., chairman and Dr. T. C. Yeager, secretary.

ACCIDENT.—Last Friday Peter George, while sawing a board in two, at the new residence of Frank Kauffman, Esq., sawed the end of his left thumb off. Dr. Charles D. Martin dressed the wound.

CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.—Last Thursday an incident occurred on the Jordan Bridge which would have been a good opportunity for Mr. Bergh's Society to interfere. A boy was driving a pair of mules, attached to a wagon loaded with stone. The mules got stuck, when, notwithstanding all efforts of the driver, they could not or would not move the wagon. Some men directed the boy to back the team when it was seen that the necks of the poor animals under the collars were galled and the blood was dripping from the wounds.

COURT.—Court convened on Monday with a full Bench. M. S. Weidner was chosen foreman of the Grand Jury.

Commonwealth against Joseph P. Ritter, F. & B., continued.

Com. agt. Joseph Geyer, assault and battery, continued.

Com. agt. same, surety of the peace, continued.

Com. agt. Monroe Newhard. Continued.

Com. agt. Anna Boyle, charge of larceny on oath of Peter O'Donnel, on trial.

OBITUARY.—Daniel K. Martin, son of Dr. Tilghman H. Martin, died on Monday of consumption. He was a student of medicine at the University of Pennsylvania and it is said contracted the disease while attending lectures last winter. He was an agreeable companion, of a retiring and modest disposition, and had a host of friends who will mourn his early departure from this life of ours.

SAD ACCIDENT FROM FIRE.—Friday afternoon a sad accident occurred at 408 Hamilton street. George Knauss occupies the lower part and M