The Lehigh Register.

No paper discontinued until all arearages are paid, except at the option of the publishers.

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

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

THE Bethlehem Cornet Band has again suspended.

ONE of our merchants was formerly a Philadelphia newsboy.

NORTHAMPTON county hasn't a single farm containing five hundred acres.

THE Lehigh Valley Railroad Company owns 171 engines and 14,054 coal cars.

THE Wallace Sisters will be at the Opera House on the evenings of the Third and Fourth of December.

THE Lackawanna Valley House, a leading hotel in Scranton, was entirely destroyed by fire on Wednesday.

AND now the freezing weather has arrived be sure to keep your pavements clear of ice, as far as possible.

THE new office at the Poor House is soon to be painted. We believe Mr. John Sepp has the contract for the job.

JOHNSTOWN is putting up a market that would be an honor to any town. We ought to have such an honor here.

NOTHING further is said by the Easton papers about the shooting of Sigmund by Otto Volgt. The affair has "settled down."

MR. F. BOYER is painting 25 signs for Bittner and Hunsicker Bros., which are to be put up in different localities in the county.

SLEIGHING has been good in Lowhill, Weisenberg and Heidelberg, and everybody forgot the epizootic and went out to enjoy the fun.

IT is contemplated by the managers of the Lehigh canal to build a weigh-lock at Walnutport, opposite Slatington, during the coming winter.

IN endeavoring to break the ice at Mauch Chunk, to get a canal boat through, three men fell into the water and one of them was drowned.

THE new organ in the Howertown church will be consecrated on Christmas Day, the ceremony having been postponed from Sunday, the 24th of November.

AN observatory is being erected upon the roof of Reuben S. Shimer's building, Southeast Hamilton. It will be a good place for the Masons to hide their secrets.

SAM. Y. HELLER, late mail agent on the Lehigh Valley Railroad, has been appointed ticket agent at the Lehigh Valley depot, vice Isaac S. Ellenberger, resigned.

THESE snows that do not give sleighing but fall over night and make it muddy for the next day, are not "Beautiful Snows" by any means, as pedestrians look at them.

THERE are to be two new furnaces for the manufacture of iron built at Bethlehem. The stack and blast pipe of the new furnace at Freemansburg are already up.

THE New Texas Band was in town Saturday on a pleasure excursion, and paraded the streets of this city in uniform and full blast. They chose rather a cold day for their fun.

HEARD FROM.—John Hoffman and Alfred Kincaid, who left this city suddenly, in August, have turned up in San Francisco all right, having arrived there in the steamer Dacotah.

NEW RAILROAD.—The Thomas Iron Company will build a railroad from Ziegler's Station to Bower's Station, for the transportation of ore. Work will be commenced immediately.

AN Ohio exchange publishes a long article on the Bethlehem Steel Works, showing that an interest is felt in that State relative to the trade of the Lehigh Valley in iron and steel.

GOV. GEARY has commissioned Stokes L. Roberts, Esq., of Bucks county, Additional Law Judge for the Seventh Judicial District, composed of the counties of Bucks and Montgomery.

NOTARIAL APPOINTMENT.—We are glad to hear that Wm. S. Young, Jr., formerly of this city, but now of Chicago, has received the appointment of Notary Public from Gov. Palmer.

HOLMES' Fancy Goods Establishment and One Price Store is to be removed to the room in Rube & Weikle's building under the REGISTER office, Mr. Holmes having secured a lease of it.

THE County Commissioners give notice to the tax collectors that they proceed forthwith to collect the taxes and pay the same over to the County Treasurer on or before the 26th of December.

UNFORTUNATE.—Mrs. Wm. Heft, residing at Ninth and Jackson, we regret to learn, his suffering under such severe mental derangement, that it has been found necessary to take her to Harrisburg.

A BARBECUE and whole roasted ox occasion will be held soon at the public house of Mr. Horace Balliet, in Ironton in honor of the election of Grant and Wilson. We will give due and further notice.

THE Luzerne Coal and Iron Company are building an immense breaker near Mill Creek, and close to the Lehigh Valley Railroad. The same company is sinking an air shaft in the woods near Prospect shaft.

ON Monday next Judge Longaker holds a special session of court for the trial of civil cases. The panel has already been published by us, and jurors will present themselves at the Court House at 10 o'clock a. m.

OUR neighbor the Dispatch, published at Catasauqua, says that three of the Allentown lady teachers in our Public Schools are to be married shortly. We don't know how Randall found it out, unless he is confidential with one of the ladies concerned, which may be the case.

REFURNISHED—Broadway House, Mauch Chunk, O. T. Ziegenfuss, proprietor, is being remodeled and fitted up in handsome style, and when completed will be second to none in Carbon county. The carpets, &c., are furnished by our townsman, S. G. Kerr

THE Easton papers are full of the report of the trial of Rev. Mr. Kerr, formerly pastor of the 1st Presbyterian church of that Borough, now going on in the Presbytery of Williamsport. It looks as though the Reverend gentleman would be convicted of some very serious offenses.

GREENLEAF Lodge, K. of P., of this city, Thursday paid a visit to Milford Lodge, Limeport. The members were accompanied by the Quadrille Band, and were conveyed to their destination and back in Albright's (the freight man) wagon drawn by six handsomely plumed horses.

WM. MOSER, the school teacher who some time since eloped with the fourteen-year-old daughter of Mrs. Frankenfield, of Nazareth, is living quietly in Brooklyn, N. Y., having married the companion of his flight and settled down to a clerkship in a Brooklyn dry goods store.

MR. JAMES KERR DAWES, postmaster of Easton, is to be honored by having his name given to a new canal boat now being built. We accept the quotation made by the Easton Argus apropos to the fact, and join in the sentiment—"Dawes' name shall live in fame, and go down with Columbia's glory."

THE CENTENNIAL SUBSCRIPTION.—Northampton county's quota of stock of the Centennial Board of Finance as taken from the tabular exhibit, is as follows: Population of Northampton county, 61,432. Quota in dollars, $15 930. Number of shares, 1,593. Total quota in dollars of the State, $913,410.

THE American Manufacturer does a wholesale trade in stealing items of iron interest from the papers of the Lehigh Valley; but not understanding their drift exactly it sometimes gets them terribly mixed up. We hope The Trade of The West, as far as it may affect our region favorably, will not depend for its information relative to our industries upon the statements made by The Manufacturer.

THE Doylestown Democrat professes to be an agricultural paper, if it professes anything. Yet it copies an article of ours verbatim without credit, relative to Mr. Cooper's recent visit to the Virginia State Fair, where he met with such success, in which there were several technical errors yet Col. Davis makes no correction which of.

WONDERS.—Smith has such perfect toy birds that some of the customers can't tell the imitation from the living. For bachelors he has some babies that kick up a frightful fuss if you but look at them. In fact his whole collection of mechanical toys forms a remarkable museum of wonders that takes hours to fully inspect and appreciate.

THE Schnecksville Literary Society will give a grand literary entertainment at Schnecksville Academy on Wednesday evening, January 1st, 1873. Among the orators for the occasion we notice the names of many accomplished ladies and gentlemen who have upon former occasions added their talents to the enjoyment of the entertainments which have made this society so popular.

OBITUARY.—Levi J. Fritz, a printer and writer, of Pottstown, died on Sunday week of consumption, aged nearly 38 years. When the war broke out Mr. Fritz enlisted for the three months service in Company C, Gen. Hartranft's Fourth Regiment, and afterwards re-enlisted in the 53d Regiment and served throughout the war, being promoted to First Lieutenant in 1864.

FIRE.—Thursday morning at about half-past 2 o'clock a fire originated in the cellar of Mr. Thomas Harris' residence on Front street, between Chew and Gordon streets, from the heaters. The flames burnt through the parlor floor and got into the partition, but before the conflagration became general the fire was with considerable difficulty extinguished with bucketsful of water.

MURDER IN SCRANTON.—John Garrity was brutally murdered in the Third Ward of Scranton on Saturday night last. His body was found on the road near his house on Sunday morning the head appearing as if it had been crushed with a large stone. Patrick Gavin has been arrested on suspicion of being the murderer. His cap was found near the corpse, and he was covered with blood when arrested.

AT the meeting of the Allen Rifles Company last night, ten new members were elected. We learn that the project to consolidate this organization with the Excelsior Rifles has gone by the board, as a satisfactory arrangement could not be made. Perhaps this failure to consolidate is to be regretted, because it keeps divided what would otherwise be the best and largest military organization in this part of the Commonwealth.

A BERKS County School Master publishes the following challenge:—

"I will spel eany man womun or child in the hole state for a dicksbunary, or kash prize of one hundred dollars a side, the money to be awarded by a kommittee of chergmun or school directors. There has been a darned sight of blowin about my spellin, now I want them to put me up or shut up I won't be put down by a passel of ignurrammuses bekause I differ with noah webster's stile of spellin."

A CHALLENGE.—The German Literary Society of the Keystone Normal School at Kutztown have challenged the students studying German in Muhlenberg College to a public debate in German, on some question to be mutually selected. We hope our Allentown students will not back out, but show that they can read, write and speak the noble language of Luther correctly and fluently. Let the challenge be accepted forthwith.

MR. LABAR'S daughter must grow a little, or Lehigh is still ahead, and Northampton must do better. The Slatington News says a daughter of Mr. Joel Neff, of that place, ten years of age, measures 4 feet and 7 inches in height, measures 4 feet 4 inches around her shoulders, and weighs 139 pounds. She is well proportioned for one of her size, enjoys perfect health, and is as quick in her movements as any of the girls of her age.

RETURNED.—Mr. Edward Powell has returned home to this city after an extended trip west. He visited on his way home in Ohio at Tiffin, Mr. James Gangawere, a former resident of Allentown, who has been so fortunate in Ohio as to see each of his boys in possession of a farm. With him Mr. Powell enjoyed a week's visit, thoroughly they having had all the sport they wanted in quail shooting. The many friends of Mr. Powell welcome him back very gladly.

THE suspension of business, Thursday, was general, and during the morning the city, for the first time in history on a Thanksgiving Day, actually wore the appearance of Sabbath. The audiences in the churches that were open were large and the attention good. Indeed there seemed to be a real spirit of thankfulness resting upon everybody yesterday. In this city there were several family reunions which were most happy occasions.

TEMPERANCE MEETING.—The temperance meeting at the Court House Thursday night was, as usual, crowded both as to seats and standing room. Rev. J. W. Wood presided and made a short address, after which Revs. Bowman and Hargis made speeches. The attention of the audience was excellent throughout, and the speakers were frequently applauded. The Rev. Mr. Bowman spoke again in German, when the meeting adjourned.

CONCERT.—A concert was given Thursday night in the hall over R. P. Hoffman's saloon on Hamilton street. Profs. Holster and Boehmer, of Easton, played the piano and violin, Prof. Mollenus the flute, and other performers various instruments. Mr. Hoffman's place is rapidly becoming one where the Germans and others love to congregate, and where good music and lager beer can at all times be obtained, without any fear of disorder or brawl.

AMONG the prominent and widely known institutions of this city is the Allentown Business College, 708 Hamilton street. The attendance is very large, and new students are constantly coming in. All branches of business are there taught, a healthy tone, with a good circulation, being kept for the accommodation of the students, and when they leave there they are as thoroughly posted upon all the details of active business operations as though they had had years of experience as business men.

OPENED.—Grape street, from the store at Fern Dale to the upper road leading to Allentown has been thrown open by Messrs. Edwards & Co., and will be used for travel hereafter. By this route, travelers can avoid in a great measure the hills by the old roads, and in time the new street will become universally used. Frederick's Hill in winter is very dangerous, and as the lower roads are being covered with cinder and made smooth, the convenience of the new route will be fully appreciated.

RAILROAD SUITS.—Attorneys Campbell & Smith, of Scranton, have brought four suits against the Central Railroad of New Jersey; one on behalf of James G. Evans, the husband of Margaret Evans, who was instantly killed at the late disaster on their railroad; another on behalf of Evan B. Evans, her son, who was badly injured at the same time; another on behalf of J. I. Sherman, who was seriously injured, and the other on behalf of Peter Snyder, who was thrown through the window of the car, and badly injured. The damages claimed in the four cases are $45,000.

REPORT of coal transported over the Lehigh Valley Railroad for week ending November 23d, 1872, compared with same time last year:

	For Week.	For Year.
Total Wyoming	6,993 00	501,005 18
Hazleton	40,8 9 19 2	164 426 16
Upper Lehigh	124 05	3,007 05
Beaver Meadow	10,117 00	751,212 16
Mahanoy	8,658 07	378,404 13
Mauch Chunk	24 02	2,634 07
Total	66,737 02	3,800,751 15
Same time 1871	84,603 02	2,736,448 15
Increase		1,064,303 00
Decrease	17,866 00	

A NEW ENTERPRISE—BRASS WORKS TO BE ERECTED.—For several weeks past we have had slight rumors wafted in our direction to the effect that a well known and wealthy gentleman had in contemplation the erection of a brass works on a large scale, in this vicinity. We have from time to time made diligent inquiry in regard to the matter, but the only information received was that Mr. John Smylie was the projector of the enterprise, and that it would be located on the Salisbury road, about one mile from the Five Points. The rumors were not groundless, it will be observed, and we hope to have more to say on the subject before long.—*Beth. Times*

IT will be seen by their advertisement in our columns that the great music store of Oliver Ditson & Co., Boston, although exactly on the edge of the burned district, entirely escaped injury. This is good news, as their books are used everywhere, and the musical and reading public would quickly miss them if the issue were delayed. It is also a periodical pleasure to read O. D. & Co.'s rapidly shifting advertisements, which keep us well posted as to what is the standard music of the day.

EPIZOOTIC.—Two of the Ironton Railroad Company's horses died last week from epizootic. Their mine is still being worked, the hauling being done by steam. Balliet & Bros.', the Lehigh Valley Iron Co.'s, the Allentown Rolling Mill Co.'s, John Woodring's, Daniel Levan's and Hiram Balliet's iron ore mines have suspended operations, and the horse work at the Ritter mine has also been stopped. The horses as a general thing are in pretty good condition, and some of them will be able to resume work soon.

A GOOD LANDLORD.—A party of young gentlemen from this city went gunning Thursday, at Lehigh Gap, and were successful in bagging five rabbits and two pheasants. But their best luck was in going for dinner at the hotel of Mr. W. J. Rothrock. The unanimous conclusion of the party was that Mr. Rothrock "knew how to keep a hotel," for he plied them with every good eatable until eating more was simply impossible, and treated the party with such first-class hospitality that they can never forget it. If we happen up that way we, too, will call at Mr. Rothrock's. The hunting party consisted of Messrs. Henry Bleckly, Thomas Martin, Alfred Bitting and two others.

DOUBT has given way to certainty in the matter of the conviction of Rev. Mr. Kerr, formerly of Easton, who is now on trial for immorality before the Presbytery having ecclesiastical jurisdiction in Williamsport. His counsel thought they had a good legal defense for him, but as Presbytery throws off all control and holds the trial in its own way, his conviction is so sure that both he and his counsel have not attended the late sessions. Presbytery has issued a citation to defendant to appear and continue present during the remainder of this trial and also through another trial for a similar offense which is to follow. Parties from Easton have been testifying before Presbytery as to Mr. Kerr's handwriting.

DIALS.—On the Fourth Ward School building they have erected a substantial and pleasing looking cupola, and on the four sides of the cupola dials seven feet in diameter have been placed, the figures upon which are fifteen inches in height and can be seen at a great distance. All that is wanted is about a thousand dollars to make the dials tell the time of day. With that amount a first-class clock could be put up, warranted to run accurately in all kinds of weather and to peal out the hours in tones that would reach to every part of the city. The cupola rests firmly upon twenty inch walls and would not vibrate at every puff of the winds that howl around the structure. It is a capital place for a clock, for an accurate timekeeper, and we wonder why the Board of Control, the City Councils, and some of our enterprising citizens do not combine to raise the thousand dollars.

SUPPERS, MUSIC AND DANCING.—Thursday a Grant and Wilson supper was given in Emaus, at the public house of Mr. Sylvester L. Geiring, which proved to be a very jolly occasion indeed. Everything connected with the entertainment was carried through with satisfactory success. Hon. Jas. S. Biery, of this city, and Dr. Steckel, of Emaus, were present and made speeches. Mr. Giering surpassed on the occasion even himself as a caterer, and supplied one of the best meals ever sat down to in this county.

A supper of a similar character was given Thursday night in the Second Ward, at the saloon of Mr. Otto Geyer, followed by a dance which ended at a very seasonable hour.

At Mr. Leopold Kern's house a table was set and surrounded by guests from 8 to 12 o'clock. Dancing and singing by the Lehigh Saengerbund continued until after three o'clock this morning. The supper was given under the auspices of the Society called "Deutsch Verein."

FOGELSVILLE.—On the 18th inst. the Macungie Loan and Building Association held their regular monthly meeting. The cash receipts amounted to 1006.50, which were sold at the following rates: Four shares on mortgage at $32.50 premium per share; one share on mortgage at $30 premium, a fractional share of $160.20 was sold at a premium of 60 cents for 30 days; four shares on short loan due at this meeting were rebought at $29 premium per share; two shares on short loan were rebought at a premium of $30.

NEW CHURCH.—The leading members of St. John's Congregation on the Lutheran side, are receiving subscriptions for a new church building. This matter appears to be very favorably considered, judging from the large contributions that are received from the members. This fact makes it a certainty that ere long a new and beautiful church will adorn this village, and offer a pleasant opportunity to all to obey that blessed command "Come all ye that are heavy laden and I will give you rest." K.

BOUND TO HAVE HER BURIED.—Mrs. Sophia Brendlinger, residing near Falconer Swamp, Montgomery county, died on Wednesday week, after a few hours' illness. The funeral was arranged for the following Sunday, but when the hour of burial arrived there were such signs evident as led to the belief that she was not dead, but only sleeping—in a trance. To her husband the thought of burying his beloved wife alive was too horrible to entertain, and at the risk of disappointing the minister and the neighbors, he actually refused to allow them the pleasure of burying her until subsequent events should convince him beyond the possibility of a doubt that life was extinct; but while he refused to allow the body to be carried from the house, he could not prevent the minister and the other Christian friends of the family from having their funeral, for the whole assemblage of people formed their carriages in a long line, proceeded to the church, went through the devout services in proper style, wept scalding tears, and thoroughly convinced themselves that though the body still occupied the old home, they had sent the soul on its flight into eternity.

A PARAGRAPH is going the rounds of our valley exchanges, stating that Capt. Craig, of Allentown, is the person who gets up the weather reports. This is a mistake. The person so popularly known as "Old Probabilities" is a young man about thirty, and is quite good-looking, having a handsome figure, a fine face with a Roman nose and clear blue eyes; walks with a military bearing, and takes his glass of wine and joke at dinner as if his nights were not given to thunder, lightning, wind, and rain, like unto the dreadful witch in "Macbeth." His real name is Myer—General, and of the United States army. He is well endowed in charming wife and worldly goods, and has a house that is one of the most attractive in Washington.—*Easton Express.*

We are responsible for the statement that Capt. Craig, who is not of Allentown, but originally of Lehigh Gap, Northampton county, gets up the weather reports, of which fact the Express is respectfully informed. General Meyer has charge of the department, but the actual work of getting up the daily weather report is done by Capt. Craig, who has advanced step by step to his present responsible position in the Signal Service of the United States.

FOR LADIES ONLY.—The following will interest to-night our lady readers:—

White satin is no longer worn for bridal dresses, but white corded silk.

Pretty wreaths and garlands for dress trimmings are made of natural flowers coated with a thin film of silver by a process of electro-magnetism.

White corduroy jackets, trimmed with black velvet, are quite in favor for house wear.

A late French fashion is to wear on the head a wide tortoise shell band, ornamented with small gold ball or stars. They are very effective.

Roman scarf sashes are becoming all the rage.

Plaid and striped flannel are used for morning dresses and sacques.

Linen can be glazed by adding a teaspoonful of salt and finely scraped soap to a pint of starch.

No shade of violet ought ever to be used in any sort of evening dress, as the color vanishes entirely under an artificial light.

The fashionable sets of furs for the approaching winter consist of a long box and a small round muff.

A new overskirt is an apron front, with two broadside gores, plaited and caught high in the back.

Pinholders of gold, shaped like porcupines, are a new whim for women.

Immense white pearl buttons are now much used as trimmings for mourning dresses.

ALMOST FIRES.—On Saturday night something was put in the stove in the kitchen of Mr. John Goep's residence on Ninth street, between Turner and Allen streets, which caused the flames to burst forth in volume and ignite various parts of the room. The fire was extinguished by the inmates of the house.

On Sunday evening from some cause a fire almost took place at the residence of Mr. Kline, on Chew street, between Seventh and Eighth streets, but the flames were suppressed before serious damage was done.

AN INVENTION.—Mr. George J. Henninger informs us that he has invented a "cycle system" for the construction of furnace hot blasts. Several stacks are to be erected in a circle and inside this circle are to be built the engine house, hot blast and other iron manufacturing appliances, the invention effecting a great saving in cost of construction and in fuel and labor. Mr. Henninger further states that a party of capitalists in New York city are willing to expend $10,000 in constructing a working model of his invention, which would be sent to the Vienna International Exposition and there be put into operation; but the proposition is not likely to be carried out, as the laws of Austria offer no guarantees to foreign exhibitors against infringements of their patents. If this newly invented system of Mr. Henninger's amounts to all it promises it will prove a valuable acquisition to the iron manufacturing interests of the country.

APPLE FROM AN AGED TREE, SENT BY AN AGED LADY.—Our friend and genial neighbor, George F. Herman, Esq., of the firm of Anewalt & Herman, yesterday visited the old family homestead in Hanover township, this county, and from his grandmother, Mrs. Catharine Frederick, aged 94 years, relict of the late John George Frederick, received the last apple (for this season) from a tree now between 130 and 140 years old. Mrs. Frederick came in possession of the tree about 74 years ago, and it was then said to be 70 years old. The old veteran is still sound in body, but is beginning to wither at the top. The aged lady bears a striking resemblance, physically, to the tree, is still hale and hearty, and delights company for hours, tracing family ties and rehearsing Indian adventures and scenes of the days when Lo was still roaming free and unfettered through the forests that densely grew in this now populous section. May the aged lady live and enjoy many more years.—*Bethlehem Times of Saturday.*

THE fifth meeting of the general Teachers' Institute was held Saturday week, in the public school building at Stemton. In accordance with previous arrangements, P. M. Remel acted as president, and W. T. Morris was on motion elected secretary. The exercises were commenced by prayer led by Mr. F. G. Bernd, of Egypt, after which the president, P. M. Remel, delivered an address on the importance of teachers' institutes. Mr. Kunkel, of Howertown, read a paper in which were given the best methods for teaching the alphabet, which was also discussed by Messrs. Bertolet, Bernd, Krout and Morris. A discussion was also had on the subject of "Common Fractions" in arithmetic, in which Mr. Bertolet gave some excellent illustrations.

In the afternoon Mr. Bernd gave a report on "Vocal Music in our Public Schools." The report was an able one; the explanations that followed, by the same gentleman, were highly interesting. This was followed by a discussion in Grammar, in which quite a number of teachers participated. Superintendent J. O. Knauss being present, and being called upon, delivered a very able address upon the importance and benefits to be derived from teachers' institutes, in which he gave the teachers present some wholesome advice, and also urged them to go on with the good work. The exercises during the day were interspersed with music by the teachers.

In the evening the subject of Reading was discussed, and a regular debate was held upon the question, "Should the Bible be read in the School Room," and the Stemton Glee Club furnished the music, which was excellent. On the whole, the Institute was a decided success and well attended by the teachers both of Lehigh and Northampton.

Bethlehem Correspondence.

BETHLEHEM, PA., Nov. 25, 1872.

Last week's letter was written but not mailed, and little of information did it contain. This week it is no better.

We took a stroll last week through our new rolling mill which is pushed forward, though, to one not acquainted with the work, progress seems to be slow. It is however intended to start work in some parts of it next summer. The epizootic is retarding some of the work. The south-west wing is not yet roofed, and slate cannot be had just now from the aforenamed cause.

Horses are again seen on our streets. Oxen are used by some of our coal dealers and millers. Wheelbarrows and hand cars are much in use. The omnibuses do some service again; but persons are seen daily with carpet bag in hand peregrinating their way all over, who used to disdain such vulgar locomotion. On fine days blanketed horses are slowly exercised to hasten their convalescence.

Turkeys for Thanksgiving Day are scarce and peppered as to price, sixteen cents per pound being asked by the farmers.

The Lucas poisoning case is now on trial at Easton. Though our people are on the qui vive as to the verdict, yet it elicits only casual remarks.

An establishment for manufacturing cabinet organs has been erected along the Monocacy, which is a new enterprise for this locality.

A new hotel is being built on Main street in the Third Ward. Such a house is needed there because the two hotels on Main street do not pretend to give accommodations to farmers and others of that class of people. Nor have the Third Warders a very suitable place to hold their elections. John Shilling's is at the very verge of the town; and since no beer is to be sold on election day, the proprietor seems to be indifferent whether he has the election or not; and many voters would prefer a locality more in town.

Politics lies hushed in the shades of oblivion. The great and much threatened "tidal wave" has carried the Democracy to the upper and never-before-visited eddies of Salt River, from which bourne but few of the unterrified will ever return. Peace to their rest. ONCE-IN-A-WHILE.

COMMUNICATIONS.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions entertained by our Correspondents.

RULES OF THE CONTROLLERS.

Mr. Editor: In the rules for the Government of the Public Schools of this city, drawn up by the Board of Controllers, there is one under the head of "admission" to the following effect:—"Notes of admission will be issued on the first schoolday of each month only." This is very good; but the Directors of some of the Section Boards declared that they would admit pupils whenever they made application, thus setting at naught the rule of the Controllers.

In reference to the providing of text-books by the pupils, we find the following: "Pupils shall provide themselves with the necessary books and stationery, and any pupil refusing to study the branches directed by the teacher to be studied, or to provide the necessary books, shall be suspended from school." Last year the Board which drew up the above rule saw fit to introduce Drawing as one of the branches of our Public Schools. In one of the schools, however, some of the parents refused to furnish the necessary books and the teacher, in compliance with the above rule, suspended the pupils not thus supplied. On notifying her visiting Director of the fact she was instructed to readmit them whether or not they got the books. Now, Mr. Editor, all I desire to know is whether our Board of Controllers is such a powerless body that its regulations are not to be respected by Directors. And if not by Directors, are teachers bound to be guided by them? CONSISTENCY.

Mr. Editor: Inasmuch as there are promising prospects that before many days have passed Allentown City and Lehigh County will have a "Natural Science Association." Taking it for granted that all lovers of the "Natural Sciences," are at liberty and permitted to help such a noble enterprise along, I would suggest that while Zoology and Geology, Mineralogy, &c., receive their share of attention, that other great division, namely: Botany, should not be overlooked, but that ample provision should be made for the collection of specimens of the grand Flora of Lehigh and its vicinity. Bucks County has no "Natural Science Association" and yet the forthcoming history of Bucks by W. W. H. Davis is to contain a complete catalogue of her Flora. A Natural Science Association in New York City is at present getting up a collection of the Flora included in a circuit of forty miles around New York City. The Societies of the kind in the Eastern States also have a botanical department, which can generally be collected with much less expense than the specimens included in the other branches of the Natural Sciences. AMATEUR.

COPLAY, Nov. 25th, 1872.

WE hope it is carefully borne in mind that the organizers of an Academy of Natural Science and Literature for this city, meet in the Hall of the Allen Rifles, on Thursday evening, at half-past seven o'clock. Again we urge the earnest support of this project by all who love the educational and moral advancement of our city, and it gratifies us to know that every prospect is bright favoring its successful institution. Be present each and all who can on Thursday evening, and listen to and take part in the discussion which will be held.

HORSE INJURED.—On Friday last, the teamster of Mr. Ephraim Steger, after delivering a load of curb stones in Catasauqua, started to go home with his six horse team. As he approached the L. & S. crossing towards Biery's Bridge a train obstructing the way divided to let the team pass through. Unfortunately on the track the saddle horse fell, and the other five being frightened by the blowing of the engine ran at speed to the bridge, dragging the fallen horse with them to its great damage and injury. At the bridge the team was stopped and matters righted as much as possible.

IN reporting the proceedings in the trial of Lucas for poisoning, at the present session of the Northampton county court, the Easton Free Press says: Mr. Fox delivered a very impressive speech in behalf of the prisoner, after which Hon. John D. Stiles, of Allentown city, addressed the jury in behalf of the prisoner. Mr. Stiles rehearsed the entire evidence in his speech, together with the law, it being without exception, one of the most powerful pleas that have ever been delivered at this bar. It was one of those pleas to a jury that can be only delivered when the life of a human being is at stake.

COPLAY.—Mr. Owen L. Schreiber, Rev. S. A. Leibach and Geo. H. Stem left Tuesday week, for Cincinnati, Ohio. They were the delegates sent by the East Penna. Classis to the General Synod of the Reformed Church of the United States, which convened in the above named city. This Synod is the highest ecclesiastical body in "Reformed Church of the United States," and is composed of delegates elected by the different Classes of the Church throughout the Union. It is expected that the session will last about three weeks.

Mr. D. H. Kline shot five hawks within two weeks' time, all of the species known as *buteo borealis*, or the common red-tailed hawk.

FOR THE HOLLIDAYS.—Keller & Bros., 737 Hamilton street, have introduced a new branch in their business, consisting of ladies' and gents' dressing cases, jewel cases, handkerchief, cuff and collar boxes. Their assortment is very comprehensive and embraces some expensive novelties. As usual they have increased their stock of diamonds, watches and jewelry far beyond what it ever was before, and for variety of designs, beauty of taste, we believe few establishments anywhere could set out a more attractive display to meet the wants of seekers after holiday presents. In silver and plated ware the designs are more chaste than ever before, and those desiring table ware cannot fail to be suited there.

IMPORTANT SALE.—Dr. A. J. Laubach has sold a half interest in his patent medicines to Mahlon K. Smith & Co., wholesale druggists, 243 North Third street, Philadelphia. The business will be removed to Philadelphia, where it will be conducted under the firm name of Dr. A. J. Laubach & Co. Of course the Doctor received a heavy compensation for the half interest, and we congratulate him upon the abundant success he has reaped and the wide reputation his medicines have secured; but we cannot but deeply regret that after the first of January he will cease to be one of our citizens. With increased facilities the business of which he is the head will extend its proportions, and so valuable and indispensable are his preparations that the day is not far distant when he will become a millionaire.

THE furnace of the Lecsport Iron Company is now making 238 tons of No. 1 iron per week, carrying a burden of 3800 or 33 per cent. ore on 2000 pounds of coal. This furnace was formerly an old-fashioned 13 feet bosh furnace, making about 90 tons per week. The furnace was remodeled after plans furnished by Messrs. P. L. Weimer & Bros., and put in blast last April, and up to this time has performed in such a manner as to reflect the highest credit on her designers, the Messrs. Weimer.

Plans for the remodeling of Donaghmore Furnace have been prepared by the same firm, in which all the latest improvements suggested by the extensive practice are embodied.

The furnaces of Messrs. White and Ferguson, at Robesonia, Bushong & Co., at Reading, and Reid Coleman and North Cornwall, at Cornwall, are at present in process of construction at the Messrs. Weimer's Works, and plans about being prepared for a new first class furnace at Sheridan for Messrs. Kauffman & Co.

The reputation of Mr. P. L. Weimer, the engineering head of the firm, has become so well established among the iron interests as to place him in the front rank of Furnace Engineers of the country, filling the establishment with which he is connected, with unsolicited orders, while other similar works are straining every nerve to keep their hands employed.—*Lebanon Courier.*

THE German Association of Lehigh county Thursday evening celebrated their first anniversary at the residence of L. Kern, Esq. After supper a number of toasts were proposed and responded to. One on the Association was responded to by president H. Reuter, Esq. The secretary then read the annual report of the president, from which we learn that the total number of applicants received into membership is 118, that the receipts amounted to $228 27, the expenditures to $158 05, leaving a balance of $70.22; that the Association has been active towards securing the introduction of the German language as a medium of instruction into our public schools, and that 97 immigrants and needy Germans have been cared for. A toast in the German language was responded to by Prof Braulick, one on the German Press by Mr. Rickmann, one of the editors of the Welt Bote, one on German Art and Literature by Mr. J. Nickum, one on Lehigh County by L. Klump, Esq., one on Iron Industry by J. L. Albrecht, Esq., one on the president and treasurer for their faithful activity during the past year, by G. A. Aschbach, Esq., and one on the German Women by B. F. Trexler, Esq. The Lehigh Saengerbund rendered several very excellent pieces.

The officers of the Association for the next year are:—H. Reuter, Pres dent; B. F. Trexler, Vice President; L. Juergens, Secretary; John Nicum, Assistant Secretary; L. Klump, Treasurer; Directors, G. Herzog, L. Kern, C. F. Wolfertz, Dr. W. Danowsky and F. Schmerker; Guardians of the Poor, H. Gabriel and J. Schnurman.

ACADEMY OF NATURAL SCIENCE AND LITERATURE.—According to announcement, a public meeting of citizens was held in the Court House Thursday, for the purpose of organizing a Society for the establishment of a public library and reading room in connection with a Museum of Natural History.

The meeting was organized by calling Mayor Good to the chair, and the appointment of Messrs. E. J. More and R. K. Buehrle, as Secretaries. The Chairman stated the general purpose of the meeting to be as above set forth, and requested Mr. More to state more fully the object of the Association. Mr More explained that it was in contemplation to furnish a public resort for the people of the city and Lehigh county, where they may acquire information upon scientific and other subjects, and where a library and reading room may at all times be open to the public.

E. J. Saeger, Esq., stated that the Trustees of the Allentown Academy were in favor of devoting that building to such a purpose, and that he as one of those Trustees, was favorably disposed to giving it for that purpose.

Further remarks and suggestions were made by Messrs. Aschbach, Brobst, Buehrle, Wright and More.

On motion the following resolutions were unanimously adopted, viz:

That we organize a Society of Natural Science and Literature.

That a committee of seven be appointed to confer with the Trustees of the Academy, and the proprietors of the Libraries and Museum of Natural History, and propose a plan of uniting them for the purposes of this association. The Chair appointed Messrs. E. J. Saeger, E. J. More, E. D. Leisenring, S. K. Brobst, Henry Gabriel, G. A. Aschbach and R. K. Buehrle, on said committee.

That a committee of three be appointed to prepare a constitution for the government of the society. The chair appointed on this committee R. E. Wright, Esq., L. P. Hecker and H. H. Fisher.

These committees were directed to report to a meeting to be held at the room of the Allen Rifles on Thursday evening, December 5th, at 7½ o'clock.

On motion it was resolved that the proceedings of this meeting be published in the newspapers of this city.

THOSE wishing to make Holiday or Bridal presents, we would refer them to card of Mr. A. Picard, 805 Arch st., Philadelphia, in this issue!

TYNDALE & MITCHELL, 707 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, invite visitors to that city, to inspect their museum of Ceramic Art, free of charge See advertisement.

THE North Penn. Railroad Company allows no light or obscene literature to be sold on its trains. This takes a large amount of revenue from the News agent, who is there permitted to add a cent to the price of daily papers.

HEAVY INVOICE OF APPLES.—Strauss, McCarty & Co., Hamilton street at Lehigh Valley Railroad, have just received three car loads of New York State apples. Everybody can be accommodated at the most reasonable prices.

SMITH'S Santa Claus' Headquarters was crowded, as usual, on Saturday night, with people seeking after novelties for the holidays. His stock of superb confections was never better, and the demand for them is still on the increase.

THE three members of the Constitutional Convention from Allentown are all at home, making buy use of the recess in the sessions of the body to get their business worked up ahead "forenent" the reassembling in Philadelphia in January.

ON Saturday night in Citizens' Hall, Bethlehem, Mr. John L. Dease, after the eminent example of Father Burke, undertook to refute Mr. Froud's position on the Irish Question. How he made out we do not know, but his undertaking was a big one.

SO RAPID has been the general recovery of horses from the epizootic that our streets have resumed almost their wonted active appearance. Soon the ox teams will vanish, their mission having been fulfilled and their feet grown very sore from the hard streets.

HERR Carl Formes, the celebrated basso, possessing at one time the best bass voice in the world, who was here with an Opera Company a year ago, is now singing in Terrace Garden, New York City. He is nearly eighty years of age, his voice is nearly worn out, and he is very poor in circumstances.

A PERSON called Peter Butz acted very strangely on the streets on Sunday, and it was thought he was insane He would take hold of a lamppost or tree and swing himself around it two or three times, and then go to another tree or post and repeat the operation. We did not learn what was done with him.

A CONTRACTOR on the South Mountain Railroad was in town, last week and said that he had been working three hundred horses during the prevalence of the epizootic, and though his stock was all sick he worked them every day regularly until they recovered, without losing one. Well, he had good luck.

WE hear of a Union street grocer who got, mad because he could not get a horse, last week to go to Copley after butter. He therefore ignored the facilities offered by the railroads and went after the butter with a wheelbarrow. He succeeded, however, in making the trip, and wheeled home twenty-five pounds of the article. Time not given.

BURNED.—On Saturday evening at about half past five o'clock five employees of the Crane Iron Co. at Catasauqua were badly burned at stack no. 2 by a bursting slider cake. The stack was just blown in short time ago having been thoroughly refitted. The injured men are James Hopkins, Patrick McDonnell and three others whose names we could not learn. Two of the men were burned very badly about the face and shoulders.

WHO WAS THE GENTLEMAN that created so much excitement here last week? Everybody who saw him says the reason people ran to look at him was because he had just returned from Philadelphia and was dressed in a suit of *Elegant* Clothing, which he had just purchased for "next to nothing" at the Great Clothing Bazaar of BENNETT & CO., TOWER HALL, No. 518 MARKET Street, half-way between Fifth and Sixth streets, Philadelphia.

ACCIDENT.—On Friday afternoon last a man who had been in the employ of Mr. John Yost, of Bethlehem, was walking on the Lehigh Valley track towards Allentown, when he was struck by the cowcatcher of an engine and very badly hurt, though not killed. He sustained two deep cuts in the head, a fracture of an