

John Welsh, a well known physician of Coaldale, near Tamaqua, was found dead by the roadside on the morning of the 17th inst.

The Danville blast furnaces are, of course, idle, and have been for a long time. These furnaces are of very little benefit to our town, and only present a gloomy appearance to the thousands of persons traveling by on the D. L. & W. railroad. The furnaces of the Messrs. Grove Bros., are out of blast—No. 2 furnace having been blown out last week. But, we learn, they will be put in readiness to be blown in again as soon as the demand for iron will be sufficient to warrant their running without loss.—*Danville Record.*

A new fraud is being perpetrated. A man calls at a residence and tells the lady that her husband has sent him to repair the clothes wringer. It is given him and he departs. Later he returns, claims to have inserted new rollers and otherwise repaired the instrument and asks \$2.50 for the job. This bill is paid and the husband upon his return is informed of the matter. He examines the machine and finds that the rogue has simply sandpapered the rollers to give them a new appearance. It is well to look out for him.

#### Decadence of the Clown.

The clown is no longer the most important person in the circus ring. His name is not printed conspicuously in the bills of the larger traveling shows, he is not permitted to hawk his song books, and often he is reduced to pantomime, the remotest rural audience having ceased to laugh at his time-worn jokes.

#### What the Supreme Court Says.

A supreme court decision just rendered puts a damper on the ambition of persons who, in the fullness of alcoholic stimulants, walk off of an embankment or other heights and kill themselves, or mayhap break a leg. Some time ago a man named Hill walked off a culvert in Scranton and broke his leg. He sued the city of Scranton, and though the local courts gave him damages, the higher courts reversed the judgment. The principle laid down by the supreme court is that a road safe for a man in possession of his senses is a safe road, and no damage can be recovered by any one who walks off a culvert while drunk.

#### The Itinerary.

This promises to be a perennial source of controversy in the Methodist Episcopal church. The agitation for a change in the present method of allotting pastors has broken out afresh, and will probably continue until the meeting of the General Conference of that church in Philadelphia, next spring. New York appears to be the pivotal point of the new agitation, which is led by a number of eminent divines and wealthy laymen. Two plans are proposed for meeting the objections made to the present system. One is, to permit a minister to remain in one charge for five years, if the congregation so desire it, instead of being limited to three years, as at present. The other is to abolish the limit rule altogether, and thus practically adopt the system recognized by other denominations. Both sides of the controversy are ably championed, and it will be a nut not easily cracked by the General Conference to the satisfaction of all parties.

GRATTON, Fillmore Co., Neb.,  
EDS. COLUMBIAN.

The farmers of this place and York county are very busy at present planting corn. They will about finish up by the twentieth of this month. They are planting from 75 to 200 acres. They plant with the check rower or lister, from 15 to 22 acres per day. Some corn is up now. The weather has been very cold here this Spring, but the prairie grass is up where it was burned in March, as high as 15 inches. So you see that the cattle are doing fine. We had two hail storms here this Spring; froze ice on the 29th of April; there was a white frost on May 5th, but the weather is moderating and is now very warm. The farmers think the prospects are the best this Spring that has been for several years. The wheat, rye and oats are looking fine. The wild geese have left, they were very numerous until of late—about as full as the pigeons out East. The duck is still abundant in the Green river. I have been capturing quite a goodly number of them; prairie pigeons are now very plenty—they have a bill long like a snipe. I sent back East to C. W. Ammerman and he sent me a hoop net; since I received it I have caught over 800 pounds of bull heads, which are very ready sale at 8 cts. per pound. I set the net last evening, will leave it in two evenings and will have perhaps 100 pounds. This is the country for sportsmen.

Yours Respectfully,  
E. L. ROSSIGNOL.

A school teacher asserts that scholars who have access to newspapers, at home, outstrip those in their studies who do not see the papers, becoming better readers and spellers, better grammarians, and write the best compositions, besides learning geography and history quicker. Give your children the advantage of the newspapers.

The latest swindling dodge: Two strangers, apparently, meet at a farmer's house, manage to stay over night if they can, and make a trade before they leave in the morning, in which the farmer's name is wanted as a witness to the contract, which afterward turns up as a promissory note fixed up in a sum satisfactory to the sharpers.

Messrs. Palliser, Palliser & Co., of Bridgeport, Conn., architects and publishers, are contributing largely to the beauty of our cities by sending out full plans and specifications for modern cottages. These plans are well made, specifications complete and easily understood, and should be in the hands of our carpenters and builders. Aside from the beauty of these designs they are cheap and save a great expense in getting up plans for buildings.

THE ASHLAND HOSPITAL.—The appropriation having been granted for the Miners' Hospital at Ashland it is altogether probable that the institution will be opened for the care of the unfortunate inside of a month. Dr. Yeomans has not yet given his positive acceptance of the appointment of physician in charge. His compensation is to be \$2500 a year and no household expenses. If he does accept he gives up a good practice in Philadelphia worth much more than the salary in this new position. The other officials of the hospital have not yet been decided upon.—*Mt. Carmel News.*

A tolerable good judge of human nature remarks that the young men who sport gold-headed canes, smoke fine cigars, and lounge and ogle in front of theatres are not the future men of business and influence. They are but the coming dones who will live off of the world without making it better, and will die and not be missed. As a rule, the sooner they go to the better for their families and for society at large.

#### Court Proceedings.

Curtis & Books vs. the borough of Danville. This case occupied the Court until Saturday afternoon. The jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff for \$3600.

County bridge in Beaver township recommended by the Grand Jury.

Petition of Elmira Bauer for rule to open judgment and stay all proceedings presented to Court.

The following Sheriff's deeds were acknowledged: to Columbia County Saving Fund Association for land of W. H. Hawk, in Main township, for \$350; to First National Bank of Bloomsburg for land of John Leggett, Pine township, for \$2500.

Estate of John Bailor. J. C. Yocum appointed auditor.

Nathan Miller, George Bresh and William Messenger appointed viewers for a road in Beaver township.

Mary Hower vs. Henry Hower. Petition for divorce. Subpoena awarded.

Estate of Elijah Yocum. Petition presented to sell tract formerly purchased by Israel Ashton. Decree ordered.

Estate of John Ritter. Petition to sell real estate returned by inquest without further notice.

Estate of Martin Overdorf. Clinton Ellis appointed guardian of minor children.

Books vs. Danville borough. Motion for rule to show cause why a new trial shall not be granted, filed.

George W. Davis appointed guardian of Wm. J. Davis and Margaret Ann Davis.

Andrew Croll vs. N. & W. B. Ry. Co. Petition for the appointment of viewers filed.

Estate of William Keichner. Order of sale continued.

Petition of Samuel and Lydia Frederick for the adoption of Ida Knecht filed and decree made as prayed for.

Estate of Robert Watkins. Real estate allotted to R. M. Watkins for \$2295.53 his bid filed and notice ordered to be given the widow before allotment is confirmed.

Estate of Ruth Ann Thomas. Offer of Abel Thomas to take the three tracts presented.

Estate of Jacob Bomboy. Executor directed to pay over fund in accordance with report of auditor.

Samuel Long, Sr., John Keefe and George S. Gilbert appointed viewers on a road in Montour township, near Lewis Thomas.

Wm. Shaffer, John S. Mann and Mordecai Millard appointed viewers for a road in Scott township near Reese Fairman's.

Recommendations for a County bridge in Beaver township approved by the Court.

James Dewitt, Elias Ash and Frank Wolf appointed viewers to vacate a road in Benton township near J. P. Bellas.

Chas. Gibbons, John C. Wenner, C. L. Edwards, appointed viewers for road in Sugarloaf township near E. S. Fritz and David Gross.

L. K. Dildine, George Appleman, Cyrus McHenry, appointed viewers for two bridges in Greenwood township.

Applications of D. F. Curry, William Peiffer, Daniel Kehres for tavern and Theophilus Evans for restaurant licence in Centralia borough were refused. Opinion filed.

On petition C. C. Marr appointed guardian of Clara Vanlew, a minor.

Application of John F. Keller for bottling license in Berwick was rejected, because of not being advertised.

On petition of Ira C. Deitrick, G. L. Reagan appointed guardian.

On petition of Hornet Heimbach, Jas. Erwin appointed guardian.

On petition of Elizabeth Harvey, Heimbach, Jas. Erwin appointed guardian.

Wm. J. Billman, John Gordon and Peter A. Evans, appointed viewers to vacate a road in Greenwood township, near A. P. Young's.

Nathan Eickenstine, M. A. Williams and A. B. Stewart appointed viewers for a road in Fishing creek township, near Elizabeth Paden's.

Estate of G. G. Jackson. Petition for investment of funds filed and decree made.

Commonwealth vs. Wm. G. Creveling. Court sentenced defendant to pay a fine of \$50 and costs of prosecution and pay Loretta DeLong \$30 for lying in expenses and \$40 for maintenance of child up to this time and pay \$1 a week for support of child until it attains the age of seven years, and give bail, &c.

Columbia County Loan Association vs. C. R. Barnes. Rule to strike off judgment made absolute.

Mary Goff vs. Benj. Goff. On petition, subpoena in divorce allowed.

Commonwealth vs. Simon Long, Jr. Nol. pro. allowed, costs being paid.

Estate of Ann Welliver, deceased. Writ of partition awarded.

Estate of John Gruber. Petition for specific performance of contract filed.

Estate of Dyer C. Moss. Order to sell real estate made.

In re of petition of the overseers of the Poor of Benton township, for a rule on Joseph Ash to show cause why he should not pay interest on owelty of Mary A. Kline, late Ash to overseers in support of said Mary A. a lunatic pauper, filed.

SECOND WEEK.

Court met at ten o'clock, His Honor Wm. Elwell and Hon. F. L. Shuman and James Lake, Associates on the bench.

Margaret Baker, per W. Knorr trustee, vs. M. C. Woodward. Opinion filed. Rule for a new trial discharged.

Commonwealth vs. Peter Heffron. Court sentenced the defendant to pay a fine of \$100 and costs of prosecution and undergo imprisonment in the Eastern penitentiary for two years and four months, and the Sheriff to conduct him thither in ten days.

J. J. Smith vs. W. A. Kline. No jury called. Judgment for defendant for costs.

Thomas Gory vs. Thomas Farrell. Before the jury was sworn, judgment for plaintiff by consent for \$5.23.

Petition for citation in the assigned estate of J. J. Hoagland, filed and citation awarded.

Estate of Jonas Hartzell. F. P. Billmeyer appointed auditor.

Estate of Peter Michael. C. W. Miller appointed auditor.

In the matter of the application of John F. Keller for bottle's license in the borough of Berwick. Motion to strike off the word "rejected," filed. Hearing June 11, 1883.

On petition for re-viewers for a county bridge at Bloomsburg, across the Susquehanna river. G. P. Dreisbach, Isaiah Bower and Joseph K. Eves, appointed re-viewers.

On petition for a county bridge across the Susquehanna river at Fort Jenkins. Jonathan Lohrman, Wm. R. Demott and John F. Derr appointed viewers.

Andrew Croll vs. N. & W. B. Ry. Co. On petition for a jury to assess damages, Abraham Rice, Charles Michael, Franklin Rhoads, H. G. Creveling, Emanuel Keichner, Joseph Geiger and James Keller, appointed viewers.

W. J. Keller vs. N. & W. B. Ry. Co. Verdict for plaintiff for \$2,700.

Mrs. Jackson vs. Berwick borough. Agreement of settlement filed.

Low Bros. & Co. vs. N. & W. B. Ry. Co. J. G. Jacoby, W. J. Knorr, Jesse Hoffman, Hiram Whitmoyer, S. A. Worman, John Waters and B. F. Reigard appointed viewers to assess damages, and to meet June 15, 1883.

The Republican state convention will be held at Harrisburg on July 11th.

General Grant's mother died at her home in Jersey City on the 11th inst.

Twenty seven million barrels of petroleum are pumped from the wells every year and the world has been searched in vain for a market for this vast ocean of mineral oil.

The platform upon which General Weaver, the Greenback leader, hopes to rally a new party in Iowa opposes "the national bank monopoly, the railroad monopoly, the telegraph monopoly, the land monopoly," and favors "prohibition by constitutional and legal enactments against the manufacture and sale of liquor as a beverage."

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**Benton, Pa.**  
May 4-2nd  
IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF COLUMBIA COUNTY.  
Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to said court on Monday June 11th 1883 under act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania entitled "an act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations" approved April 29th 1874, and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation, to be called "The Young Men's Christian Association of Berwick, Pa." the objects of which is for the improvement of the spiritual, mental, social, and physical condition of young men, and for these purposes to have possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of the said act of assembly and its supplements.  
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