

The barns of J. A. McKee and Kline & Hull, adjacent to town, were lifted from their foundations and overturned and shattered to pieces destroying wagons, &c., and damaging machinery.

The barn on Francis McClure's place, up the river, was blown down. It contained about 300 bushels of old wheat, implements, &c., some of which were destroyed. Sixty panes of glass were shattered in the farm house.

The roof of the house and barn of Wm. Price, over the river, were taken off clean, and other damages sustained on the farm.

The barn of Wm. H. Bratton, west end of town, was overthrown, injuring one of his new dwellings in its fall.

Part of the roof was blown off of Wm. Graham's barn, below town, and the wagon shed and corn crib on the farm of F. G. Francis were demolished.

In addition to these, the stables on the McKinney property, Dr. Marks', Brennan's Hotel, Mrs. Hull's, Wm. Quigley's, D. Kline's, Mrs. Fehthorn's, Adam Hamaker's, G. W. Woods', and others were damaged, part of the latter's being blown into Kishacoquillas Creek.

In Kishacoquillas Valley the barn of Robert M. Taylor was blown down, part of Jacob Peachey's barn roof was carried away, and the stable of John Henry demolished. The crops were considerably damaged.

In Granville township the barn of Moses Kreps was partially unroofed, trees, fences, and crops were prostrated, and windows demolished. Several barns up the river were blown down, in one instance a barn containing six horses was picked up by the wind and carried twenty-five feet, the horses escaping uninjured.

The storm was of short duration, or the destruction would have been still greater. The damage it occasioned was all done in the course of fifteen or twenty minutes.

A portion of the roof of the bridge at McVeytown was blown off by the storm.—*Lewistown Gazette Extra*

William Ross of McVeytown, was in one of the cars that was blown from the track above Lewistown on the 4th inst. The car rolled over three times, but he sustained only a few bruises as injuries.

A LOTTERY SCAMP duped citizens of Fermanagh township last week. He sold them trinkets for a dollar, with the privilege of drawing from a package of sealed prize envelopes, any envelope selected. The envelopes sold readily in almost every house where the scam went, for they all contained a prize, from a dress pattern to a sewing machine. As the prizes were announced the rogue took the name of the happy bolder and said that he would order the articles to any place in Mifflin that they might designate. Some of the duped ones came in to the places where they had ordered their goods to be sent, and there of course had their "eyes opened." The rascal promised to be back in a few weeks. A number are awaiting his return.

THE death of Mr. Michael Hoffman leaves the Republican County Committee of this county without a chairman. By reference to the proceedings of last year's County Convention it appears that the Convention did not provide the chairman with a secretary. We would suggest that a number of the committeemen put themselves into communication with each other, and agree on a time to call the Committee, that the link so untimely broken in the death of Mr. Hoffman may as nearly as possible be supplied, and the organization placed in order for immediate work.

THE postal law relative to newspapers was changed in the closing hours of the late Congress. After the first day of January, 1875, no postage will be required on county papers circulating in the counties where printed, but after that date all papers sent from a newspaper office outside of the county where printed must be prepaid by the publisher.

THE Fourth of July, 1874, will be remembered by the citizens of Juniata, Mifflin, and other counties in the central portion of this State, as a day full of manifestations of the unseen powers of Deity—as a day destructive of life and property.

RAILROAD engineers extended the survey of the new railroad to Licking creek, by way of the canal "berm bank" to the stone house below Patterson, where they crossed the river and thence through the break in the hills to Licking Creek.

About 2 o'clock on Wednesday night of last week, the dwelling house on the farm of George W. Smith, in Delaware township, was destroyed by fire. Mr. Smith's son farms the place and lived in the house. When the family awoke the house was all in flames, and they narrowly escaped with their lives. Mr. Smith lost about \$500 worth of furniture that he had in the house, and his son lost about \$300 in furniture and clothing. Mrs. Smith lost all her wearing apparel with the exception of 2 dresses. The house was worth \$2,000, with an insurance of \$400. The fire originated in a lot of old rails piled up against the wash-house and from the wash-house communicated to the dwelling house, and is attributed to the torch of an incendiary.—*Democrat and Register Extra*.

ON the 2d inst., Rev. William Kauffman, residing near Brown's Mills, Fayette township, spent the greater part of that day in the harvest field. Near supper time he withdrew to the house and requested a cup of tea. During its preparation he took up a hymn-book and sang a few verses, closed the book and was silent. His wife, who sat near him, just then looked at her husband, and started the household by the alarming cry, "Pap is dead!" It was true: he had died without a word in his chair. He was a good man, and died an enviable death. His body was buried at the Free Spring church grave-yard on Saturday. He was a minister in the Dunker church.

The storm that did such dreadful work in Mifflin county passed Southward into Tuscarora valley striking Johnstown and the country immediately West of it a distance of three miles with such a volume of rain, storm of wind and quantity of hail that the wheat was beaten to the ground and nearly if not quite destroyed, breaking the window lights in the sides of the houses exposed to the storm, orchards were uprooted, that on the farm of Thomas Harris was entirely uprooted, Johnstown schoolhouse was damaged by a tree falling on it. The road from the latter place to Academia was obstructed by fallen trees. The barn roof of Mrs. Andrew Patterson at Academia, was blown off, as was a portion of the roof of Judge Pomeroy's barn. From Academia Southward, through Spruce Hill township the storm raged with the same characteristics.