

DUNNING.—One of the most unpleasant things to do is to be continually dunning subscribers. Too many persons do not realize the importance to editors of the two or four dollars that are due them. To them it is a trivial amount, but when multiplied by hundreds it runs into thousands of dollars.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.—We understand that application has been made to the Commissioners of the county for the use of the Council Chamber in the Court House, to move their library there, and have a public reading room. We have no doubt that the room will be granted for this purpose, and it will, undoubtedly, be of great benefit to our young men, who would then have a place to go in the evening, away from all temptation, and at the same time gain such useful information by the reading of instructive books. By all means let us have the reading room.

The first meeting of the Mount Holly Building and Loan Association, was held at Mount Holly, on last Monday evening; an organization was effected by electing the following named officers to serve until the first Monday in January 1871: President, Major Samuel C. Butler; Vice President, Henry Mullin; Secretary, John T. Crozier; Treasurer, Charles H. Mullin; Directors, Jacob Hemminger, J. L. Wolf, Samuel Zug, C. Rupp, Dr. William H. Lamme, George Nagle, Samuel B. Switzer, and William B. Butler, etc.

The committee who have in charge the raising of funds for the completion of the Soldiers' Monument, for this place, have been working assiduously for the last two or three years for the purpose of raising money sufficient to complete it. They have very nearly succeeded, but a small amount generally called for is raised. We have a suggestion which we will give for what it is worth. This monument is erected in memory of all the soldiers from this county, who fell during the war. It is at the county seat, and occupies that property of the square which is the property of the county. Would it not be just the right thing for our county commissioners to donate the small sum which yet remains to complete this work, out of the funds of the county? It is a disgrace that this matter should be so long on hand, and we know no easier or better way of clearing it out than the one we here suggest.

THIRTEEN PURSERS HARRIS BY SAVAGE DONS.—During the latter part of the week on Tuesday night, Harry Brown, a little boy of about eight years of age, son of Policeman Brown, undertook to ride the Turkey and chickens, in the yard adjoining the burning stable, and belonging to Squire Keepers. On entering the chicken yard, the fowls, half dogs, belonging to the Squire, attacked him, tearing him terribly in the left leg and arm. It is a miracle that the child escaped with his life. Miss Lizette Keepers, who accompanied the little fellow, was also bitten on the hand. The Squire, rushing to their rescue, and no doubt thinking to quiet the dogs also received some scratches on his hands.

In the case of little Harry Dr. Kieffer was immediately sent for, and everything was done that would in any manner alleviate his terrible sufferings.

A FAMILY BURIED TO DEATH.—We have received intelligence of the following horrible case of burning which occurred near Marlinton, Perry county. It appears that Mr. Thomas J. Boyer, a citizen of New Bloomfield paid a visit to his father on Friday last, residing at the former place, remaining there night and occupying a room on the second floor.

At about 3 o'clock on Saturday morning he was aroused in some manner, when he discovered that the house was in flames, and attempted to pass down the stairway, but the smoke and flames prevented him from doing so. He finally escaped by jumping from a window, but was considerably stunned, and recovered insensible for a considerable length of time. Upon recovering his senses he broke in the window of the apartment in which his parents slept, from which a dense volume of smoke issued.

Several individuals were unable to recover the bodies, although they could be plainly seen.

Table with financial data for the Female Benevolent Society, including balances, receipts, and expenditures.

THE loss of life and property by shipwreck and gale the past year has been unusually large. The aggregate of vessel property (exclusively of goods) destroyed from New England ports alone is estimated at \$2,500,000, comprising a total of 95 vessels of all classes.

ACCORDING to Von's Gazette the German soldiers now in France and in the service number 600,000, and there are 100,000 horses. The daily requirements of these forces are \$50,000,000, or 185 oxen, 400 cwt. of bacon, 640 cwt. of rice, 160,000 quarts of brandy, 40 cwt. of coffee, 85,000 cwt. of wheat and large quantities of oats and straw.

SOUTH AFRICAN DIAMOND FIELDS.—Sir John Swinburn, Bart., has (November 6) delivered an interesting address on the South African gold and diamond fields, at Newcastle, England, from which we make the following extracts:

It is already well stated that the road from Durban to the interior is called the Drakensberg mountains, which were described by Sir John as being very beautiful, vast masses of basalt having been forced up by some former volcanic action, forming great natural fortresses, with perpendicular sides, as the road rises about 40 miles no less than 3,400 feet, the highest part of the road at the watershed being 4,000 feet.

THE REVOLUTION.—A private letter from Governor Curtin has just been received containing the following relative to the proposed revision of our State Constitution. After stating that he has not participated in political discussions since he has been in Russia, the Governor says:

But I cannot refrain from encouraging you in the important reform you tentatively and forcibly in your last letter. I am rejoiced to learn that an earnest effort is about to be made to secure a general revision of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, by calling upon the people of the State to exercise their sovereign power through the channel of a reform convention.

It is most vital to our vast and varied material interests, and equally so to our future peace and advancement, that the people should be enabled to perfect their sadly needed reforms in the most judicious and dispassionate manner, and therefore special elections should be removed as possible from the annual political struggles, should be held, not only in Pennsylvania, after the lapse of a third of a century, embracing a decade of maddest progress, but also for the ratification or rejection of the amendments which may be suggested.

MARRIED.—MUSKIE-LEIMAN.—At the house of the bride's parents, November 17, 1870, by the Rev. H. R. Fleck, Mr. Joseph L. Muskie and Miss Evie R. Leiman, both of this county.

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