

ROUND THE REGION.

The miners at the Prospect, Dorance and Heidelberg collieries, of the Lehigh Valley Coal Company, are still on strike, and those of the Franklin mine, of the same company, situated near Newtown, have joined them. The men are striking because the company is not living up to the semi-monthly pay law.

When the stomach is tired out it must have a rest, but we can't live without food. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure "digests what you eat" so that you can eat all the good food you want while it is restoring the digestive organs to health. It is the only preparation that digests all kinds of food. Grover's City drug store.

The breaker boys at Plainsville went on strike Monday on account of overtime. Organizer Thain, of the United Mine Workers, says the union does not countenance these strikes and that separate locals will be organized for the boys and they will be kept more in touch with the labor officials.

Now is the time when croup and lung troubles prove rapidly fatal. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results is One Minute Cough Cure. It is very pleasant to take and can be relied upon to quickly cure coughs, colds and all lung diseases. It will prevent consumption. Grover's City drug store.

Organizer George Harris, who did yeoman service for the United Mine Workers in the Schuylkill district during the late strike, has been presented with a beautiful gold watch by Mahanoy City business men.

When you need a soothing and healing anti-septic application for any purpose, use the original DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, a well known cure for piles and skin diseases. It heals sores without leaving a scar. Beware of counterfeits. Grover's City drug store.

Mike Callahan, Mike Martin, George Tomshick and Jacob Reiningger, who are charged with rioting in connection with the Oneida strike trouble, have been released from jail in \$2,000 bail.

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Disconsolate over ill health and the fact that he could not purchase suitable Christmas gifts for his children, Peter Benseg, a Sweede, hanged himself on Monday in his stable at Tamagua.

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On January 1 F. H. Kohlbrecker, of Shamokin, will succeed John H. Tonkin as superintendent of the Susquehanna Coal Company's mines at Nanticoke and Glen Lyon, the latter going to Johnstown to become general manager for the Webster Coal and Coke Company. Mr. Kohlbrecker served in a similar capacity at Shamokin for the Mineral Railroad Mining Company.

Watch the date on your paper.

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YOUTHS' DEPARTMENT.

How Patty Gave Thanks—Can Ants Hear?—A Kind Father—Days and Nights.

Ah, how snug it was in the barn that cold November night! Farmer Gray shut all the doors, as if it were winter, and then went away, glad to think that the animals were warm and comfortable for the night.

No sooner had the sound of his footsteps died away than a cow raised her head and gave a faint bellow. "News!" said she. "News! Something beautiful happened to me today. It was just before I was turned out into the field this morning. Little Patty came running up to me and began to stroke my forehead. 'You good old cow!' said she. 'I had some milk to drink at breakfast, and I know who gave it to me, and so I have come to say 'Thank you!' Mother told me this morning that this was 'Thankful day.' And then the dear child put a delicious apple into my mouth and laughed to hear me crunch it. I am so glad that my milk is good and rich! And she thanked me for butter and cream and for her papa's cheese, too, the grateful child!"

"You say well, Neighbor Cow; a grateful child she is," said the farm horse. "I was in the stall just before they harnessed me to take the family to church, and little Patty came to see me, too, and she thanked me for all the rides she had had on my back and in the hay cart and for dragging the plow and for bringing the four from the mill. Then, bless her heart, she reached up and gave me a big mouthful of sweet smelling hay. I tell you, I'll trot my prettiest the next time I have her in the carriage. It was her good little heart that put it into her head," said Bob wisely, "and I think I know the reason why she came today, for as I was trotting along the road to and from school I heard the family talking a good deal about today being Thanksgiving day, and when Patty's grandpa asked her if she knew why Thanksgiving day was kept she said: 'Oh, yes! It is the day to say 'Thank you' for everything, and that is why I hurried out to the barn this morning.' And to whom did you say 'Thank you' out there?" asked her grandpa. "Why, to all of them," answered Patty, "to Bob and Mooly Cow and the sheep and the hens." "Very good," said grandpa; "very good indeed, little thankful heart. I am glad you thought of the kind, useful creatures from whom we get so many things for our pleasure and comfort."

As Bob repeated what Patty's grandpa had said sobre Uro, Fleecy and Mooly Cow heaved a sigh of deep satisfaction. Grateful kind words are pleasant to our ears. When they all went to sleep, they spoke of how happy dear little Patty had made them with her thanks and gifts.—Helpful Thoughts.

Can Ants Hear?

Naturalists have generally accepted the opinion that ants are not able to perceive any sounds that are audible to human ears. Professor Weld of the Iowa State university controverts this opinion. He describes in Science careful experiments made by him with four species of American ants, from which he deduces the conclusion that these species at least are able to perceive sound, but whether they do it by means of organs of hearing or through the sense of touch being excited by atmospheric vibrations he is unable to say with certainty. He inclines to the opinion that they do really hear, as some individuals showed a perception of the direction of the sound, such as that of a shrill whistle, and others, which were not disturbed when violently shaken in their glass prisons, seemed to be "driven nearly frantic by shrill sounds."

Days and Nights.

If days were only twice as long, 'Twould be a splendid thing! 'Cause, don't you know, 'fore you're quite dressed
The breakfast bell will ring, And then it's time to go to school
And then run home at noon
And back to school, and four o'clock
'Most always comes real soon, And then you just begin to play,
And then it's time for tea,
And then in each a little while
Your bedtime comes, you see.

If nights were only twice as long, 'Twould be a splendid thing! 'Cause, don't you know, when you're tucked up
Sometimes your mother'll sing, And first you lie and watch the stars,
Or maybe there's a moon, And then you get all nice and warm
And sleepy pretty soon, And then perhaps you shut your eyes,
And then your mother'll say, 'Have I a little boy that means
To lie in bed all day?'

A Kind Father.

Thackeray's daughter Annie had wonderful faith as a tiny tot. Her dolls were to her things of flesh and blood—real live babies. There was just this difference: She believed if dolly lost a head or an arm the missing member would grow again, and her good father backed her up right loyally.

He had one cure for every wounded or ailing doll. It would, he said, be all right after it had seen the doctor. So then and there would be put on his hat and coat and set out for the doctor. As soon as he had turned the street corner, however, he made for the nearest toyshop, where the patient was mended. Then he went home and, with a twinkle of triumph in his kindly eye, restored the doll, quite cured, to his joyful wee lassie.

According to Law.

"I notice by the reports of divorce cases that husbands are not always held to account."
"No; a good many of them nowadays seem to be left."—Chicago Times-Herald.

THE SPORTING WORLD.

I challenge any man in the 125 pound class living in St. Louis or Missouri who will meet me before any reputable club for a reasonable purse between now and Sept. 1, 1901. JACK SIMMS.

This is the deft of a 20-year-old St. Louis youth who was a student at the Manual Training school, a volunteer soldier at Chickamauga and has adopted pugilism to secure money to defray his expenses at the Missouri School of Mines at Rolla, Mo., where he hopes to gain a technical education.

In four fights this youth has whipped three men. At Chickamauga he bested Paddy Ryan, the hero of the



JACK SIMMS.

Fourteenth New York Infantry. In this ten round victory he broke his left hand, but fought on to success. Paul Murphy was vanquished by him in two rounds last April at the West End club. "Kid" Page got a decision over him at the same clubhouse, and recently Simms knocked Jimmy Collins out in the first half of the first round before the St. Louis Rowing club.

This record has caused Simms to hope that he can win an education by using his fists on ambitious featherweights. His fighting name is Jack Simms. His real name can be found on the muster roll of Company L, First Missouri volunteers.

"My mother and sisters, living in St. Louis, would grieve if my real name were published," says Simms. I am not in the fighting game for honors," he continued. "I am fighting for an education. My whole life will be influenced by the funds that my fists may earn me in the next ten months. If I can make some good matches and win them, it will give me a chance for a good education and the training that will enable me to make a name for myself and a mother's heart swell with pride. If I lose— But I will not lose. There is too much at stake. I will win, and the fists that aided me in winning the applause of my comrades at Chickamauga will win an education."

The Coming Bowling Tournament.

Officials of the Illinois Bowling association have completed a large amount of the preliminary work in connection with the championship bowling tournament to be held in Chicago from Jan. 7 to 12. Printed matter containing full particulars of the tournament and entry blanks have been forwarded to every bowling center, and already many entries have been received.

It is expected that fully 30 cities will be represented, among them being Kansas City, Milwaukee, New York, Pittsburg, Baltimore, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Detroit, St. Louis and Louisville. The tournament will be the first national contest ever held in this country, and, being under control of the American Bowling congress, the winners in the different contests will be entitled to the title of champions of the United States.

President Langhenry of the Illinois Bowling association announces that it is certain the prize list already announced will be augmented. From inquiries already received it is expected there will be fully 75 five men teams, 150 two men teams and over 200 individual competitors.

Automobile Racing.

Here is a suggestion for the classification of automobiles in races which should go a long way toward solving this problem, which has been a hard one from the beginning of automobile racing. The formula comes from a foreign source and is as follows: "(1) All vehicles that start must produce certificates of the power of their motors, extending back no further than three months from date, such certificate to be delivered by a school of advanced technical studies or by a recognized corps of state engineers; (2) the motor must carry an official seal of such certificate arranged in a conspicuous manner; (3) before the start the gross weight of the vehicles as well as that of the persons who are to ride in them shall be ascertained; (4) from the gross weight of each carriage and the power of the motor from an established formula will be decided the speed per hour that the machine can make theoretically; (5) the signal for starting the carriage having been given the one that will be classed as first will be that of which the real speed most closely approaches the conditions of the theoretical speed."

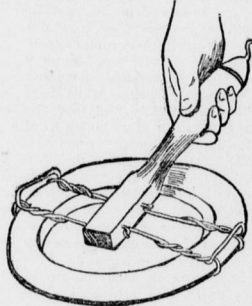
THE HOUSEHOLD.

Fashions in Household Linens—Adjustable Plate Lifter—Oysters in Dishes of Ice.

There are fashions in household linens as well as in gowns, yet the most elegant women are apt to make their selections from staple products which are always in favor. For example, the ball and snowdrop patterns in table linen are deemed standard by all housewives. Plain linens are also much in vogue. Many of the handsomest plain cloths have a cipher or monogram embroidered in two corners of the cloth. There are as well a number of new designs, the chrysanthemum being a favorite pattern. Napkins come with each cloth, both with hemstitched and plain hems. Napkins should be marked with the embroidered initials about three inches from the corner. Tablecloths inserted with lace are no longer fashionable. White centerpieces have almost entirely replaced colored designs. Lace designs are, however, seen in the centerpieces and doilies used on the bare tables for luncheons. There is a tendency to introduce very elaborate bed linen. Both sheets and pillowslips are hemstitched and inserted with bands an inch wide, or even wider, of lace. Both pillowcases and sheets are embroidered with the initial or even the crest of the owner. Even lace trimmed sheets are used. Nothing is daintier or more attractive than a pure white bed. Inexpensive bedspreads can be made very attractive by trimming the sides with inexpensive heavy cotton lace, the spread serving as well when fashioned in this manner as a valance.

Adjustable Plate Lifter.

The need of a simple and easily operated device for lifting hot plates and tins from the oven or top of the stove is apparent to all, as many accidental burns and perhaps the spilling of the contents of the receptacle would be prevented by its use. Among a number of devices recently designed for this purpose that of John F. Neal seems to be the most convenient and simple as well as the cheapest to manufacture.



It consists of a wooden handle, which is provided with four screw eyes for supporting a pair of swinging bales, as illustrated in the picture. The oblong lifters at the ends of the bales are bent slightly to aid in securely holding the article to be lifted, and a hook is provided at the handle end by which the lifter is suspended when put in use. To lift a hot plate or baking tin the bales are opened and dropped over the edges, when the action of raising the handle will adjust them on the rim, where they will maintain a secure hold as long as the plate is in suspension.

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Trains leave Drifton for Harwood, Cranberry, Tombleken and Deringer at 6:35 a. m., daily except Sunday; and 8:11 a. m., 2:44 p. m., Sunday.
Trains leave Drifton for Oneida Junction, Harwood Road, Humboldt Road, Oneida and Shepton at 6:00 a. m., daily except Sunday; and 7:03 a. m., 2:38 p. m., Sunday.
Trains leave Hazleton Junction for Harwood, Cranberry, Tombleken and Deringer at 6:35 a. m., daily except Sunday; and 8:11 a. m., 2:44 p. m., Sunday.
Trains leave Shepton for Oneida, Humboldt Road, Harwood Road, Oneida Junction, Hazleton Junction and Drifton at 6:25, 11:10 a. m., 3:41 p. m., daily except Sunday; and 7:37 a. m., 11 p. m., Sunday.
Trains leave Deringer for Tombleken, Cranberry, Harwood, Hazleton Junction and Oneida at 2:25, 5:40 p. m., daily except Sunday; and 3:37 a. m., 5:05 p. m., Sunday.
Trains leave Hazleton Junction for Beaver Meadow Road, Stockton, Hazle Brook, Eckley, Jeddo and Drifton at 6:25, 6:35 p. m., daily, except Sunday; and 10:10 a. m., 5:40 p. m., Sunday.
All trains connect at Hazleton Junction with electric cars for Hazleton, Jenneville, Audenried and other points on the Traction Company's line.
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