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A new disease has appeared in Lehman called chicken coop pneumonia. We have not heard the diagnosis, only strangers will be wise to avoid entering other people's houses after dark as the malady is said to be infectious.
"Squire Fraser was called on a few days ago to settle a family difficulty which seems to have originated in a pot on the stove of the family in question. Whether it was because the pot or the woman in the case could not cook properly we have not learned.
There is great complaint about hens not laying, and the fact is not one farmer in 25 gets any eggs at all. The hen account will stand about as follows: Corn, meat and meal, not counting vegetables, etc., cost \$3.15 Eggs sold and frozen..... 2.90 Deficit..... \$ 20
(Suppose farmers would try keeping their hens warmer, they might then get some eggs. Ed. Press.)
The personal property of the late Jesse Gunn was sold last week at auction.
Foxes have no luck this winter around the Snyder's place. Two were caught in one day recently a silver gray and red one.
Ed Kintner has an up-to-date chicken coop with a large glass scratching department.
It is reported that another store will be opened here in the spring. If fertilizer needed by farmers are kept, such as phosphates, kaint, plaster and lime he may do a good business in them.
Advertising in the papers pays. For example, I want an article not kept by our merchants because they say there is little sale for it. I look in the Press and see it advertised in some other town. I go there and incidentally buy several other articles and our home merchant loses the trade. Or if they do keep the article and do not advertise it, I am likely in the same way to go where I know I can find it. So with farmers if they would advertise their wants or what they have to sell in the way of stock, buyers would know just where to go without traveling around the country. Get in the way of advertising you will find it pays.
The snow this winter has brought out the antiquated sleighs, some of which look rather funny.
Nature destroyed most of our crops last year and this year has started out the same way. The first egg crop is injured by reason of hens having their combs frozen.
Armand Heater will move on the A. G. Middaugh farm April first.

SANDYSTON.
I see that parties are again at work to form a new township, taking pieces from Andover, Green, Hampton and Stillwater townships and calling the new township Fredon. It would seem to the majority of the people that this county is all right as it is without forming any more divisions. But, there will be some offices to fill and that is about the size of it.
Senator Price has been placed upon several committees at Trenton, and will be a very busy man this winter to keep up with all he has been assigned to, but Jacob will be found equal to the task.
Clard Dupre of Layton went to New York last week to look up a position on the trolley lines in that city. It seems that when boys get a taste of trolley it is hard to let it go.
B. D. Hirsch of Stroudsburg was united in the bonds of matrimony to Miss Christie Motts on Sunday noon Jan. 17th. The happy bride and groom started on their wedding tour directly after the ceremony to visit his parents at Layton and then go to New York.
James Fuller, Jr., has rented the farm of Joseph Hornbeck just above Hainesville, and will commence housekeeping April 1st.
Tuesday morning was a "corker," the thermometer marking 24° below and only reached 10° above during the day. Talk about cold January's but this one beats them for many years back.
Mrs. Porter Layton came home Tuesday seemingly fully restored to health after her three-weeks sojourn in a New York hospital.
The property of A. S. Stoll, recently deceased, was appraised Monday last but I have not heard the amount.
I received a letter from Thos. R. Clark, now resident of Carter, Tussum county, Cal., and from his description that is a great country. People there are plowing, and fruit of all kinds is plenty on the trees. Tom was formerly a resident of this town.
George Robinson of Syracuse, N. Y., is visiting for a brief period in this township.
Isaac Lawson will move upon the farm of Daniel Garner this spring.

PAUPAC.
This community was grieved to hear of the death of Josephine, wife of Frank Martin, who died January 14th. She was but twenty five years of age and always having been a resident of Paupac will be greatly missed by her many friends. She is survived by her husband, two children, and her mother, Mrs. Ruth Sheridan, of this place, a sister, Mrs. Hanna, and a brother, James Sheridan, of Scranton. The funeral was held Sunday at the home of Rev. S. C. Simpkins of Hawley officiating. Interment at Paupac cemetery. A large number of friends extend their sympathy to the bereft family and are very sorry that one so young should be called by the great Master to leave our little circle and join those gone before her in the home beyond the tomb.
Yolanda Killam, who has been visiting in Scranton, returned to her home Friday, accompanied by Louisa Thompson, who will make a short visit in this place.
Jos. Stoum and wife are making a short stay with A. J. Kimble and family. We are glad to hear Mr. Stoum's injury was not as serious as stated.
Plenty of snow in these parts. The wind Saturday night caused it to pile up considerably but the roads were made passable Sunday morning by five loads of our jolly young folks, who, thinking to have a sleigh ride, and "a good time," started for Greene township. They arrived O. K. but were compelled to wait until morning and break the road before they reached their homes.
Talk about sleigh rides! There was a party from Taffon spent the same night at Mrs. Crowell's. They didn't seem to mind the snow at all.
Our teacher, Miss Crump, spent the 16th and 17th with relatives at Crosses.
Mrs. Ludwig is improving. Her sister was also able to return to her home last week.
A party from Hawley enjoyed a sleigh ride and had a chicken supper at the home of A. J. Kimble last week.
Our "Squire" has lost his tenant. Otto Glerkie moved his family to the Zimmerman place the latter part of the week.
There will be a leap year party at W. H. Clark's Wednesday night. The people of this place ought not to complain of "nothing going on."

MATAMORAS.
Harry Clawson of New York spent Sunday in Matamoras.
Mrs. Watts Clawson, who has been very ill at home on Main street, is reported some better, also Mrs. Peter Dewitt on Division street, who is ill, is reported some better.
George Martin spent Sunday in Matamoras.
Mrs. S. E. O'Neil and grandson, Richard, of Middletown, N. Y., who have been visiting friends in Port Jervis and Matamoras for a few days, returned to their home Monday afternoon.
The cold weather continues. It is fine for the "ice bridge" which allows horses, sleighs and foot passengers to get over the river free of charge.
A large company of people from Matamoras were in attendance at the Casino Monday evening to witness the entertainment of the Reformation. Every one pronounced it fine.
Mrs. Catharine Deckley, who has been quite ill, was reported some better Monday.
James Kane of Goshen, N. Y., was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Welsh and family over Sunday. He returned home Monday afternoon.
The Washington Post has an editorial entitled "Mr. Bryan and His Conscience." What an idea.

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A SUPERSTITIOUS NOTION
An Old Fallacy Refuted, but Fussy Gets a Rebuff
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Clyde, the 18-month-old baby of Mrs. Emma Proust, while lying at its mother's side, was nearly killed by a cat yesterday. The cat sneaked the child's breath and then its blood, after biting the little fellow. The mother awoke in time to save her son's wavering life. The child was scratched badly in getting the cat away.—The Dispatch, Columbus, Ohio.
The above quotation is going the rounds of the papers. As it gives expression to a notion that has been in existence ever since we could recollect, we thought it might not be out of place to comment on it.
Can a cat do any such thing as is implied by the article? Can a cat really suck the breath of a child?
We have always heard that it could. Away back in early childhood, we distinctly remember of frequent warnings to look out for the cat. Do not allow the cat to get into bed with you. Especially to get into the bed with the baby, as it is liable to suck the baby's breath, which would cause the baby to die.
Is there any foundation for such a notion as this? We never could discover any real meaning to the belief that a cat can suck the breath of a child. Indeed, the sentence is totally unintelligible.
What is meant by sucking the breath? It may be true that the cat, attracted by the breath of a child who had recently been nursing, might attempt in some manner to interfere with the child's mouth. In young cats the impulse to nurse might be excited by the smell of the child's breath. It is barely possible that the cat might be seized with a desire to bite or to devour the child's lips or tongue lured on by the smell of milk. We are not in a position to deny these possibilities. Maybe they are true.
But not any of these suppositions furnish a basis for the statement that the cat is liable to suck the child's breath. We have always heard this statement with a shudder of horror. It seems to convey some weird, horrible tragedy that can hardly be imagined. But it is a mere fancy, the origin of which is hard to explain.
Yet we would advise mothers to be careful about leaving the infant with a cat. We do not favor the idea of cats sleeping with children. Nor do we favor the practice of children playing with cats, handling them, mopping them around the floor, fondling them, dressing them up as dolls. It is not good for the cat. It is not good for the child. Neither cats nor dogs ought to be treated in this manner. They are not all right in their place, but they are not fit for playthings.
If the superstition that a cat can suck a child's breath has operated as a preventive to mothers allowing their children to play with cats, it has served a very good purpose, but such childish notions are hardly compatible with mature reflection. It is one of the old wives' fables which may have served a good purpose, but is too ridiculous for repetition. There are other and better reasons why the cat and baby should not be left together than the vague, unintelligible fear that the cat will suck the child's breath.

Methodist Church Jottings.
(By Rev. V. A. Wood.)
Subjects for Sunday, Jan. 24th: Morning, "My Duty as a Christian"; Evening, "The Folly of Sin." Subject for League, "If Christ Should Come to our Town." Leader, Mrs. Darling.
The protracted meetings at our sister church have been very helpful.
The Junior League under Mrs. Wood's and Mrs. Brown's supervision will be reorganized today. Meeting after school every Friday. Parents are requested to remind the children of this meeting lest they forget.
The carpet for the church basement will probably be laid before Sunday. Better turn out and see how nice the room will look.
The pastor would be glad to continue the Bible study lessons except that in closing the year a great many duties loom up demanding attention and he will be crowded for time. If any are especially desirous for their continuation kindly mention the matter on Sunday before service.
At a meeting of the Official Board Wednesday night the matter of the material for the church roof was again discussed. It is a question as to whether the steel roof will be at all suitable. We want something that will look neat and wear well even if the expense must be increased. A shabby roof would be a continual reproach and eye-sore to us. Our people have been ready and obedient under the financial burden this year. Can we put our shoulder to a heavier wheel with continued cheerfulness?
The Ladies' Aid met yesterday at Mrs. Ryman's and spent another very enjoyable afternoon.
The funeral of Miss Maria Titman aged 66, was held last Saturday afternoon, and the services conducted by the pastor.
If the weather permits there will be service Sunday afternoon at the Union schoolhouse.
Miss Lena Dubois, of Alpine, N. J., is visiting at the parsonage.

Reformed Church Notes.
(By Rev. John De Grull.)
Service Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock in the Dingman church. The theme will be "The Great Necessity." All are cordially invited to worship with us.
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