

THE TIMES Local Department.

PENNSYLVANIA R. E.—MIDDLE DIVISION.

Table with columns for Westward and Eastward routes, listing stations like Harrisburg, York, and Pottsville with corresponding train times.

PUBLIC SALES.—Bills for the sale of Real and Personal Property have been printed at this office, as follows:

Friday, Sept. 20.—Geo. Smiley, adm'r., of Jno. Smiley, dec'd., will sell a tract of land with improvements, located in Carroll twp. Saturday, Sept. 28.—Mrs. A. W. Kistler will sell at Ellitsburg, a house and lot, cow and calf, 1 hog, household and kitchen furniture.

Brief Items.

Mr. Sterrett Woods, of Carlisle, has been offered \$300 per acre for his tobacco crop.

Raccoons are reported plenty. Geo. K. Duke, of Cumberland county, captured eleven one day last week.

Y. M. C. A. will meet in the Presbyterian church next Sunday at 4 o'clock P. M.

Several deaths from diphtheria have occurred in this vicinity within the past two weeks.

The grand jury report that the Franklin county jail is in a horrible and unsafe condition.

Within the past two weeks our job press has made over eighty thousand impressions.

The rain of Friday last will probably soak the ground so that farmers can plow. It was badly needed.

The lively stable of John Funk at Waynesboro, Franklin county, was destroyed by fire, Thursday evening. Nine horses perished in the flames.

A little girl, daughter of Samuel Albright of Montgomery's Ferry, was bitten in the foot by a black snake a few days since. The foot swelled badly and was quite painful for a time.

If parents would give their children employment instead of letting them run in idleness, they would save themselves many a pang in after years. Idleness begets vice.

Hon. Kirk Haines, formerly a State Senator from this district and well known throughout this part of the State died at his residence in Millerstown on Tuesday last.

The Soldiers reunion of Perry county is to be held this year at Millerstown, on the 2nd of October. The citizens of Millerstown are making exertions to have a large turn out.

Quite an excitement was raised on Thursday morning by the running away of Dr. Ard's horses. They were stopped however, before they got much of a start, thus saving the doctor's carriage from a break up.

A mule and two horses were stolen on Sunday night, from a field between Bolling Springs and Churchtown, Cumberland county. They were the property of David Deitch.

The Democratic Conferences of the Eighteenth Congressional District will meet at Patterson, Juniata county, on Tuesday next, to decide on a candidate for Congress.

Rev. B. F. Beck, of Harrisburg, will deliver his interesting lecture on "Geo. Muller, or, the Miracle of the Nineteenth Century, in the Bethel of the Church of God, in Landisburg, on Thursday night, the 19th.

On Friday evening last, a party of boys of York quarreled near that place over the ownership of a fire balloon that had been sent up, and one William Matson, aged twenty, stabbed Erastus King. The knife penetrated the stomach, causing the death of King about noon on Saturday. Matson is in jail.

The following are the teachers of the schools of Spring twp., with the annexed salaries: Elliottsburg school, J. W. Wagner, \$25; Germany, D. R. Kane, \$23; Kansas, Mary Hall, \$22; Milltown, A. K. Souder, \$25; Springdale, J. C. Shibley, \$25; Adams' Glen, Laura Gibson, \$22; Quaker Point, I. T. Sutch, \$23; Oak Grove, J. W. Wagner, \$25; Pisgah, T. J. Bowers, \$23.

Joe Rice, the well known stage driver, knows that the rain of Thursday made the ground very soft in some places. In front of the post office in this place, where a ditch had been dug to lay the pipes to drain the cellar of the Times building, one of his horses went down so far in the mud that he was only got out by the pulling of the leaders, and strength of the harness. The stage also came near upsetting.

See Mortimer's Iron advertisement in another column.

Church Notices.

Preaching in the Presbyterian church next Sunday at 11 A. M. 7 P. M. Sunday School 9:30 A. M. Prayer meeting on Wednesday at 7 P. M.

Removal.—We are now located in our new brick building, in the rear of Clark's tin shop. We think we have one of the best offices in this part of the State, and will be glad to have our friends call and see us.

Aid for the South.—A union meeting of the several churches in this place was held on Sunday and a collection taken up for the benefit of the fever stricken South. Fifty-six dollars was raised which we learn will be sent to the Howard Association.

Sunday School Convention.—The convention of the Sunday Schools of the Reformed Church, held in this place on Tuesday and Wednesday last, was well attended, much interest being manifested. The convention was presided over by Rev. Hellman of Duncannon, and Rev. Linderman of Blain, was Secretary.

Freaks of Nature.—Quite a number of trees have this year showed a disposition to blossom twice. In our yard we had a crab apple tree that blossomed while apples on it were ripe, and a pear tree that has its second crop of pears on it now the size of marbles. Mr. Joseph Black of Carroll township, had a Siberian Crab apple tree that is now covered with blossoms.

A Dangerous Counterfeit.—A very dangerous counterfeit \$5 bill on the First National Bank of Tanawana, is largely circulated in this county. The following description will enable our readers to guard against them. Engraving well executed, and likely to deceive. On back of the note, near the upper right corner, is the word "owing," which reads "ownig," and on the lower right corner is the word "thousand," which reads "thousand." Date, July 1st, 1865. Letter B.

Thrown from a Horse.—On Saturday evening a son of John Stone, of Wheatfield twp., started to Dellville on horseback. Subsequently the animal was found beside the road without a rider, and a search for the boy resulted in finding him nearly a mile distant in an insensible condition, he having been thrown from the horse. On Sunday evening the lad was still alive, but remains unconscious. The doctor says concussion of the brain is the trouble and the probabilities are that it will result fatally.

Sudden Death.—After a part of our edition was printed last Monday we received a dispatch saying that "George Brown, of Newport, had dropped dead in the streets of that place." This was printed in the balance of our papers. It seems, however, the account was not altogether correct. Mr. Brown was not feeling well, but had eaten his dinner and then passed into a bed-room adjoining the dining-room. In a minute or so afterwards his wife heard a call and hastened to him, but found him dead. He had been troubled with heart disease for several years.

Run off.—On Monday morning our friends J. B. Hartzell and D. H. Spotts started on a tour through the county selling tobacco, segars, &c. At Millers-town they hitched their beast at Shuman Miller's Union Hotel. Being driven with a breast strap, no reins were used to hold up the animal's head. The flies being troublesome, the horse maneuvered about to get rid of them, and in the act slipped the bridle off his head and shot away lively, down Sunbury street to an alley, out the alley to Bridge street, where Adg and a tramp stopped him. In making the turn the buggy was upset and up again almost in the very same breath, but the top was smashed, the box broken and otherwise damaged in the fracas.—Newport News.

Charged with Horse Stealing.—The readers of the Patriot will probably remember the arrest of one Israel Fox, a little over two years ago, for stealing a horse and buggy in the lower end of the county, and of his having been shot, at Lebanon, by officer Riley Ringler, while attempting to escape after having jumped out of the buggy on the streets of that place, and endeavoring to make his escape. Fox, after being wounded, was secured, placed in the Lebanon jail, and we have been informed was tried in that county for other acts of crookedness and sent to the eastern penitentiary for two years and two months. He was only recently released from the penitentiary. Last evening he was again arrested by Detectives Abe Root and Reese, of Mayor Patterson's force, charged with the larceny of horses, and was committed by Mayor Patterson to the county prison for a hearing. Fox had two horses in his possession, but from where they were stolen the reporter could not learn last evening.—Harrisburg Patriot of the 11th inst.

Farm Bells.—I have on hand several of the patent rotary farm bells, suitable either for farm, Factory or School house which will be sold at about half price to close the consignment.

F. MORTIMER.

Reported by Chas. H. Smiley, Esq.

Court Proceedings.—The regular September Term of Court met on the 10th inst., and the following proceedings were had:

Tuesday, September 10th, was the regular September Term of the Orphans' and Argument Courts. In addition to the business incident to this particular term, a jury which had been selected at the August Court to try the case of Francis Gibson vs. D. M. Rinesmith, were all in attendance, and after being called and sworn, took their seats with calm deliberation to hear the testimony, though not voluminous evidence which was to be produced. The action arose out of the following circumstances: In the spring of the year, 1873, D. M. Rinesmith, who was then the Sheriff of Perry county, purchased a farm of Frank Gibson in Spring twp., and in the succeeding month of August he also purchased a tract of woodland, the consideration for both being the sum of \$7,770. No article of agreement or other instrument of writing except the deed of conveyance passed between the parties, the understanding and agreement being that the purchase-money should be applied to the extinguishment of liens that then existed upon the said real estate. Certain of these liens never having been satisfied Gibson complained that the verbal contract had not been carried out, while Rinesmith alleged that the money had been paid, but the proper credits had not been given nor satisfaction entered as it should have been done. This involved the evidence of counsel for certain of the lien of creditors and gave the testimony a very contradictory character. After the elaborate arguments of the counsel, the case closed on Wednesday evening. On Thursday morning instead of charging the jury Judge Junkin instructed them that owing to the peculiar turn the case had taken, the standing of certain judgments in favor of the Perry County Bank, in which he was an interested party, would be affected and judicial rectitude, forbade him instructing the jury upon a question in which he had an interest, however remote. Accordingly he directed a juror to be withdrawn and the case dismissed. In justice to Judge Junkin it should be said that he objected to trying the case and endeavored to procure another judge for the purpose, but upon the failure to secure one, at the request of both sides representing the difficulty to be probably only one of law, he agreed to hear the case, and when the appearance of individual interest was manifested by the testimony, although both parties had implicit faith in his holding the scales of justice even, yet he would not do a judicial act that might sustain a taint of suspicion.

ARGUMENT LIST.

The first cases taken up were a batch of forty-three Certioraris which removed the proceedings of as many cases from the Docket of W. W. Farnsworth, Esq. The depts. were all employees of the R. R. Company and were arrested for a violation of the Sabbath by doing worldly employment for the Company. The record of the Justice was defective and for this reason the cases were all reversed.

S. E. Selter, Administrator of R. H. Selter, dec'd., vs. Caroline Rupp was a Rule to show cause why a judgment should not be opened on the grounds of Coverture, deft. having been a married woman at the time the judgment was given. Rule made absolute.

Daniel Rife vs. Geo. W. Crossley was a Rule to show cause why a foreign attachment should not be quashed. Def't. removed from this State to Kansas, leaving a claim due him for labor in this county upon which pl't. issued a Foreign Attachment on the grounds that now being a resident of a different State, the law of Pennsylvania securing wages of labor from Attachment could not apply to him. Argued and held under advisement.

T. P. Devor vs. Geo. D. Robinson was a Rule to show cause why a stay of execution taken by the def't. upon a judgment recovered on a recognizance in the Orphans' Court should not be dissolved. Argued and the stay of execution dissolved.

Schwartz and Mansbach vs. Wm. Kepner was a case in which an execution was issued by pl't. upon a judgment against the def't., and the whole fund raised by the Sheriff was claimed by the landlord, Edward Harper, for rent. After argument the money raised upon the execution was directed to be applied to the payment of rent due the landlord.

The last case argued was the rule upon the Officers of the Marysville Building Association to show cause why a peremptory mandamus should not issue compelling them to affix the seal of the Corporation to a petition of certain stockholders asking the Court for a decree of dissolution of the association. The petition was prepared by a majority of a meeting of the stockholders, but the officers who opposed a dissolution refused to affix the seal as required by Act of Assembly, and the object of the writ of mandamus was to compel them to obey the will of the majority. Argued and held over by the Court.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS IN COMMON PLEAS.

An issue was awarded to try the title to certain personal property claimed by Catharine, Mary and Elizabeth Miller, levied upon by the Sheriff as the property of M. & T. Miller at the instance of J. H. Irvine, Cashier of Newport Deposit Bank.

Another one was also awarded to try the title of a canal boat claimed by Jno. Harzell, levied upon as the property of M. Hartzell, at the instance of J. Bluehart.

A decree in divorce in the case of Charlotte Whitnair vs. Jacob Whitnair was granted with an allowance of \$40 for alimony.

Bond of Geo. Hoobagh, Committee of Elizabeth Albert, approved.

Bond of Jno. S. Weaver, Assignee of John Harrod, approved.

Bond of Jacob Bixler and Geo. L. Ickes, Assignees of Jno. Bixler, approved.

Report of Chas. A. Barnett, Auditor appointed to ascertain preferred labor claims in assigned estate of Israel Luffer, filed and approved 1st.

Rule granted on Benj. Minich, Assignee of Samuel Minich to show cause why an attachment should not issue compelling him to pay prorata share of H. D. Koppeneffer.

Jno. Richey, Assignee of Jas. P. Donley, was discharged upon his own petition.

Inquisition declaring Margaret Rhoads a Lunatic was confirmed and John Holmsau appointed her committee.

ip Peters on P. E. Brandt, Cashier of People's Bank, to show cause why a judgment in which they are the security, should not be opened as to them.

Rule at instance of Elizabeth Grubb on Jacob Schreffler and Jno. Kepner, to show cause why judgment should not be opened.

Rule at instance of C. Derrick and wife on A. F. Steer, for same purpose.

ORPHANS' COURT PROCEEDINGS. GUARDIAN APPOINTMENT. Josiah Bair, guardian of the minor children of Jacob Bair.

John H. Ritter, guardian of Sarah E. Ebert minor daughter of Daniel Ebert, dec'd.

David Coward, guardian of Susanna Gibbons minor daughter of James Gibbons, dec'd.

Samuel Shumaker, guardian of Annie B. Sheaffer minor daughter of George I. Sheaffer, dec'd.

AUDITORS APPOINTED. Charles H. Smiley, Esq., auditor to make distribution of balance in hands of J. W. Gantt, administrator of Patrick McKinney, dec'd.

W. H. Sponser, Esq., to make distribution of estate of Margaret Reed, according to Will, &c.

TRUSTEE APPOINTED. William Arnold, Trustee of Margaret Burd, in lieu of Daniel Markel, resigned.

SALES OF REAL ESTATE CONFIRMED. House and lot in the borough of Marysville, sold by F. W. Sponser, Esq., to Henry Thompson, dec'd., to Susannah Robinson Association for the sum of \$250, subject to an outstanding claim of \$102.

INQUIRIES AWARDED. Atlas Inquest in Partition on estate of John Kochenderfer, dec'd.

Atlas Inquest for Partition on estate of William Lightner, deceased.

ORDERS OF SALE AWARDED. Atlas order to sell a house and lot in borough of Marysville to H. H. Fisher, Adm'r. do bonis non of John Kiefer, deceased.

Order of sale to R. M. Jones, Esq., Adm'r. of Jos. Dukes, dec'd. for a tract of land in Carroll twp.

Order of sale to Cornelius Toomey, Adm'r. of Jos. Hibbs, dec'd., for a tract of land in Juniata twp., containing 25 acres.

Order of sale to Leonard Swartz, Adm'r. of Geo. Dunkel, dec'd., to sell four lots of ground in Penn township.

Order of sale to Cornelius and Elizabeth Ensminger, dec'd., for a tract of land in Carroll twp., containing 70 acres.

Order of sale to Hannah J. Roth, Adm'r. of Solomon Roth, dec'd., for a tract of land in Saville twp., containing 15 acres.

AUDITORS REPORTS CONFIRMED IN FULL. W. H. Sponser, Esq., Auditor to make distribution of balance in hands of D. B. Milliken, Ex'r. of Mollie Laughlin, deceased.

W. H. Sponser, Esq., to make distribution of fund received from John Pine's estate.

C. W. Sponser, Esq., to make distribution and determine exceptions, &c., to account of Dr. W. R. Cigna, Adm'r. &c. of Geo. Robinson, deceased.

W. H. Sponser, Esq., to make distribution in hands of W. A. Sponser, Esq., Adm'r., &c. of Isaac Bretz, deceased.

Chas. H. Smiley, Esq., Auditor to make distribution in hands of G. Cary Sharp, Adm'r., &c. of George Snyder, deceased.

Reformed Sunday School Convention. The following is an abstract of the proceedings had at the S. S. Convention held in this place last week:

In compliance with the call of the Superintendent appointed by Zion's Classis to organize a Reformed Sunday School Convention in Perry county, the pastors and delegates of the schools in their respective charges convened on Tuesday evening, Sept. 10th, 1878, at 7 o'clock, in Trinity Reformed Church of New Bloomfield. The Convention was opened with religious services, after which, it fully organized by electing F. S. Lindaman, Rec. Sec., and Geo. Hoobagh, Treas., Rev. U. H. Hellman is President by virtue of his classical appointment.

The following subjects were warmly and ably discussed during the Convention: 1st. The nature and object of the S. S., and its relation to the congregation. Opened by Rev. W. H. Herbert.

2nd. The methods in the use of which this object may be best attained. Opened by Rev. F. S. Lindaman.

3rd. The means in the use of which the S. S. may secure the most competent teachers.— Opened by Rev. U. A. Hellman.

The following is the sense of this Convention with reference to the above question: Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention, the best method to secure efficient and faithful superintendents and teachers for the S. S., requires that these officers should be carefully appointed by the consistory of the congregation.

4th. The relation which the S. S. ought to sustain to the catechetical class. Opened by Rev. S. Kretzing.

costs? This one little "Flesh Pot" costs the State of Pennsylvania, without Philadelphia, the snug sum of \$109,752. This is a calculation from figures found in "Small's Legislative Hand Book" of 1877. It must be remembered, also, that the salaries in most of the counties have been raised. When we look at the money thus misdirected, we cannot wonder that "a strong feeling of dissatisfaction exists regarding the law which legalizes the office of County Superintendent."— It is wise to revive the question of Abolition. We think the office can easily be dispensed with, and at the same time, schools be as well protected as with the County Superintendent. That there would be a saving of money no disinterested man of sound mind would deny. With the promise of more, if acceptable, we, close.

Information for Farmers.—By pasting the following information in their hats, farmers will save themselves and the owners of other hats a great deal of trouble. It relates to matters in which the farmers of the State are supposed to be, and no doubt are, greatly interested, viz: a list of the agricultural exhibitions to be held throughout the State during the coming months of September and October:

State Fair, Erie, Sept. 23 to 27; Oxford Agricultural Society (Chester county); Oxford September 25 to 27; Schuylkill County Agricultural Society, Orwigsburg, September 24 to 27; Chester County Agricultural Society, West Chester, September 19 to 21; Franklin County Agricultural Society, Chambersburg, October 8 to 11; Lehigh county Agricultural Society, Allentown, September 24 to 27; York county Agricultural Society, Amber Park, September 23 to 26; Northumberland county Agricultural Society, Dewart, October 1 to 3; Cumberland county Agricultural Society, Carlisle, October 1 to 4; Farmer's and Mechanics' Institution, Easton, October 1 to 4; Gratz Spring Park, (Dauphin county), Gratz, September 24 to 27; Agricultural Industrial Association of Schuylkill county, Ringtown, September 17 to 20; Lebanon county Agricultural and Mechanical, Lebanon, September 10 to 13.

Juniata County.—We copy the following from the Juniata county papers of last week.

William Martin, alias Buffalo Bill, escaped from jail one night last week.— By cutting a hole in the floor of his cell he got into the cellar, and from thence into the yard. Here he lifted a plank walk, (which some say three ordinary men could hardly have lifted), and setting it against the jail wall, climbed over and landed on McClintic's shed, from whence escape was easy.

On Thursday a week, the lightning struck the barn of John Musser, near McAlisterville. The fluid was caught by the rod at one end of the barn which melted the point then ran the length of the barn passing two other points and went down at the opposite end of the barn from where it struck into the ground. The stroke knocked down two horses in the stable; they were lying when Mr. Musser came to the barn to see what damage had been done. His son Thaddeus, who had been at the barn during the time, was so much affected that he could not assist his father in relieving the horses. The escape of man and horses was miraculous.

Cumberland County.—We copy the following from the Cumberland county papers of last week:

The young son of John Green, of Frankford twp., who accidentally shot himself in the head while squirrel hunting recently, is not expected to recover. From last accounts he was suffering from lock-jaw.

Isaac Wilson, a colored man of this place who has been in the employ of Dr. John Ahl for a number of years, was killed by an excursion train east on Tuesday night last, about ten o'clock.— Isaac had been intoxicated and was sleeping on the track a short distance east of the station. The engineer of the train did not notice him in time to stop the train until about five cars had passed over him. He was terribly cut up, one leg being cut off above the knee and the other at the foot. He was removed to his residence, where he died some time after without regaining consciousness. Isaac was highly esteemed by his comrades and all who knew him, and was not in the habit of drinking to excess; and this exceptional occasion cost him his life. He leaves a wife and five children.—Newville Star.

On Monday afternoon, a little six-year old girl named Giest, residing with her parents on North East street, upset a pushcart, on which was a double-bitted sharp-edged axe, which fell on her wrist, almost severing it. Dr. Hemminger was called in, to dress the little sufferer's injuries.

Spring wagon for sale, cheap. The wagon is as good as new. Apply to S. H. Beck, New Bloomfield.

County Price Current.

Table listing prices for various goods in Bloomfield, September 16, 1878. Items include Flax-Seed, Potatoes, Butter, Eggs, Dried Apples, and Dried Peaches.

MARRIAGES.

FULTZ-ECKBERG.—On September 12th, 1878, at New Bloomfield, Pa., by Rev. J. Edgar, Mr. Jacob Fultz to Miss Mary Eckerd, of Centre twp.

SMALL-SWARTZ.—On September 12th, at the residence of Mrs. Bowers, in East Newport, Mr. Sylvester Small, of Centre twp., to Miss Mary E. Swartz, of Juniata twp., both of this county.

DEATHS.

SUELLENBERGER.—On the 11th inst., in Centre twp., Mrs. Sarah Jane Suellenberger, daughter of Mr. John Power, dec'd., aged 37 years and 7 mos.

MEYERS.—On the 8th inst., in Centre twp., Ida Florence Meyers, aged 14 yrs., 10 mos. and 24 days.