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The Carbon Advocate.

SATURDAY, MAY 21, 1870.

Local and Personal.

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Subscribers to the CARBON ADVOCATE will take special notice that our terms are one dollar a year *strictly* in advance, if not so paid $1.25 will be charged in every instance. Subscribers getting their papers by mail will refer to the direction tabs on their papers and note the date, and remit accordingly.

—June 2d will be Whit-Monday.

—Slatington is to have a street sprinkler

—About 1800 oil cars passed down the Lehigh Valley railroad last week.

—The Crane iron company is laying in a large stock of coal at their furnaces in Catasauqua.

—It is a healthy sign of returning prosperity that the iron business continues to improve.

—Chew JACKSON'S BEST Sweet Navy Tobacco. 7—50.

—Parties going west can get tickets from Bert. Seaboldt, L. V. R. R. depot. 16—42

—FOR SALE.—Eight shares of the Capital stock of the 1st National Bank of Lehighton. For further particulars apply at the ADVOCATE office.

—For beautiful designs in wall papers, fancy stationery, &c., call on E. F. Luckenback, near the Broadway house, Mauch Chunk. Lowest prices in Carbon County.

—The furnace at Topton has been put in blast. The first cast was tapped on Tuesday of last week.

—The No. 4 furnace of the Crane Iron Company, at Catasauqua, has just been fitted out with new hot blast pipes.

—The engineer corps of the Lehigh and Easton Railroad Company are locating a new line from White Haven to Stroudsburg.

—For cheap Farm Land in Carbon county, inquire at N. D. Cortright, Mauch Chunk. 24-37

H. H. Peters announces to his friends and the citizens in general that he is now receiving and opening his spring stock of cloths, cassimeres, vestings and suitings, and that he is prepared to make up all classes of clothing at prices never before heard of in this section. "Perfect fits and Lowest prices," is the motto of this house, and don't you forget it. Store in the Post-office building.

—Lewis Weiss is now receiving and opening a new and elegant stock of hats, caps, boots and shoes for spring and summer wear, which he is prepared to sell at unprecedently low prices. He respectfully invites an inspection of his stock feeling assured that he can give full satisfaction.

—The Popular Western Ticket Agent, B. O'Brian, will be at this office next Wednesday night. If you intend to go west, call and see him, he will send you right, cheap and quick.

—If you want a good mower or reaper, go to J. L. Gabel, Lehighton, agent for the Champion. Also Super-Phosphate of Lime at bottom prices.

—300 boxes West's Vegetable Liver Pills, for sale at Durling's Drug Store. 20 cents per box. tf.

—Bro. Musselman, of the Stark county, Ind., *Ledger*, on the 22nd inst., quotes butter at 8 cents per pound. Happy Musselman: we are paying three times 8 or just 24 cents a pound, and poor stuff at that.

—If you wanta nice smooth, easy shave, your hair cut or shampooing, go to Franz Roederer's Saloon, under the Exchange Hotel. He will fix you right, and don't you forget it.

—Henry Campbell, of East Weissport, is selling boots and shoes, very cheap for cash.

—Pimples and blotches on the face can be removed by rubbing with camphor milk. It costs only 25 cents per bottle.

—The Lehigh Car Works, at Stemton, have just concluded a contract with the New Jersey Central Railroad for 1,500 coal cars, which with other cantracts in hand will keep the two shops of the company (Stemton and Fullerton) running until next spring.

—A special meeting of the stockholders of the North Penna. Railroad Co., is called at the office of the company in Philadelphia, on June 14, at noon, to take action on the lease, made on the 14th inst., of that road to the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company.

—Henry Campbell, of East Weissport, is selling dry goods, groceries and provisions at very lowest prices for cash.

—A. W. Marsh of Weissport, has a few of the celebrated Marsh's chilled plows on hand. These plows took first premium at our county fair in 1877. Very cheap for cash. 26-3

—Emma Henry, aged 27 years, of Henryville, near Scranton, was burned to death on Sunday night, in consequence of a fall while descending the cellar steps, with a coal oil lamp in her hand.

—A boiler in the Brookside colliery, near Tremont, exploded Monday morning, wrecking the engine house and damaging the foundations of the breaker. The fireman was slightly injured.

—The striking miners of the Pennsylvania Anthracite Coal Company, at Scranton resumed work on Tuesday. They yielded the point at issue, and went to work on the receiver's terms.

—On Wednesday of last week, an eight-year old son of Mr. Peter Kromer, residing in Hokendauqua, was run over by a train on the Lehigh Valley railroad. The boy attempted to cross the track as the train was approaching, but was not quick enough, and as a result was struck and thrown upon the track. The cars passed over his left leg and cut and mangled it so badly that it had to be amputated above the knee. The young patient was taken to St. Luke's Hospital, South Bethlehem, for treatment.

—General Kilpatrick's head was severely cut in a carriage accident in Iowa last week. If the General had been visiting this place, and been taking an airing in one of David Ebbert's handsome teams, he would have missed that accident.

—Joseph Casey, eleven years of age, employed in filling and lighting street lamps at Bellevue, a suberb of Scranton, was fatally burned on Saturday night. While on the ladder he upset the contents of the oil can on his clothes, when, as is alleged, another boy applied a lighted match to him, and set him in a flame. The poor boy rushed towards the river, a quarter of a mile away, but was caught before reaching it by citizens, who threw portions of their clothing upon him and extinguished the flames, though too late to save him from fatal injury.

—Coplay is situated at a considerable elevation over the water level, and hence during the late dry spell the inhabitants of the place were greatly inconvenienced in consequence of most of the cisterns giving out. In all there are but four wells in the borough, the other water supplies consisting of cisterns, which in periods of drouth soon run dry.

—Postmaster Dawes, of Easton, sold within the last few weeks $135,000 worth of the $10 United States refunding certificates.

—It is authoritatively announced that the iron business of the present month has been the largest for the same period in five years.

—Ex-Sheriff Ripple, of Carbon Co., was stricken with paralysis at his home in White Haven last week. He at first was in a critical condition, but is improving.

—One hundred thousand tons of Scranton coal were sold in New York Wednesday, by the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Company, at prices showing an advance of 1½a7 cents per ton.

—The old and long abandoned stone quarry near Stemton, recently reopened by the Crane Iron Co., is yielding largely of a remarkably fine quality of stone.

—The Lehigh Zinc Company have started up between twenty and thirty of their oxide furnaces at South Bethlehem, all idle since last fall. This resumption will now give employment to quite a large number of men.

—The Young America Band, of Weissport, and their instructor, Prof. Bitterline, will accept our thanks for the serenade Monday evening. The band has made a most commendable progress of late; the music made by it on Monday night would have done credit to a much older organization. Weissport has reason to feel proud of her band.

—The twenty-sixth annual conclave of the Grand Commandery Knights Templars of the State was opened in Allentown on Tuesday, by Grand Commander Hon. S. P. Dick. There were 21 commandries present on the first day, and it is estimated that the occasion called together about 17,000 visitors to Allentown. The report of the Grand Commander speaks cheeringly of the condition of the order throughout the State, and the Grand Recorder reports 54 commandries with a membership of 6,017.

—A squad of nine youngsters were arrested on Monday evening, by Constable Webb, for violating the borough ordinances. It was proven, on their arraignment Tuesday evening, before Justice Beck, that they were engaged in that highly edifying and profitable pastime known as "tic-tac." On a promise not to be caught playing the game again, they were let off by payment of 40 cents each. It is hoped, as the thing has been commenced, that some attention will be given to the "corner-slugs" who congregate at different points on Sunday evenings and insult passers-by on the streets. The officer who will arrest a dozen or so of these fellows will deserve thanks of community.

—A well known character about the Bethlehems for many years past was one Henry Young, a tailor, whose weakness was his love for strong drink. About ten days ago he got on one of his periodical debauches, and, like many others in that state, utterly lost his strength of mind and body. On Wednesday evening he went unnoticed into the barn of Henry Bachman, at the Five Points, and during the night, in an effort to ascend to the hay loft, fell through a hole to the floor below, a distance of about twenty feet. The next morning he was found in an unconscious state, and was taken to St. Luke's Hospital, where he died on Saturday.

—The Saline (Kas.) *Democrat*, of the 16th inst., pays the following compliment to A. H. Bowman, and we have no doubt it will please all his old friends hereabouts, as it does us, to hear of his well-doing: "Mr. A. H. Bowman, a new settler in Ohio township, is turning the sod over in good shape, as well as a large quantity of it. He has one of the finest farm houses in that locality, and judging from the improvements already made, there is the amount of push in Mr. Bowman necessary to make it in a few years one of the best farms in the county."

—Poho PocoTribe, 171, Imp. O. of R. M., will hold a grand Pic nic in the grove, near the Lehigh and Susquehanna depot, in this borough, on the 4th of July. From the arrangements making this will undoubtedly be the pic nic of the season. A number of Tribes from neighboring towns are expected to be present and participate in the grand parade in the forenoon.

—H. M. S. Pinafore, will be presented in the school hall, in this place about the 3d week in June. It is expected to be the finest production that ever took place in this borough. So you had better provide yourselves with the necessary amount of spondulix to gain admission.

Jonas Sondeim, Mauch Chunk, is offering **$25,000** worth of goods, consisting of mens' boys' and children's suits, all prices to suit rich and poor, at a great sacrifice. Hats, caps, boots and shoes at 25 per cent discount from former prices. First clothing store above the Mansion House.

—A large number of our citizens spent Thursday in Allentown, in attendance upon the conclave of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar.

—Rehearsals of Pinafore have been held this week, Monday evening at the residence of Mr. Joseph Obert, and on Wednesday evening in the school hall. Indications are that the piece will be rendered in a most able manner.

—At an early hour Thursday morning, while Mr. Geo. Miller, a butcher, of Franklin, was driving his team down Mackerel street, his horse became restless, the bridle-bit broke, and he was thrown from his team. At first it was thought he was not seriously hurt, but after reaching home it was found he had sustained some internal injuries and a physician was sent for.

—A Temperance Meeting will be held on Tuesday evening, June 3rd, in the Lehighton Evangelical Church, speaker, Rev. J. W. Wood, of the First Presbyterian Church, of Allentown, Penn'a, and in the Evangelical Church, Weissport, on Wednesday evening, June 4, speaker, Bishop Thomas Bowman, of the Evangelical Association. It is hoped that every friend of Temperance will make it convenient to attend these meetings.

—Veterans will not fail to meet at the Weissport school House, to-morrow (Sunday) afternoon at 2o'clock for the purpose of decorating their comrades graves. Ladies donating flowers will please leave them at the school house, in Weissport and at the residence of Jos. S. Webb, in this borough.

—We are printing for the Evangelical Association the first number of a little paper entitled the *Sabbath School Visitor*, which is to appear on the first of each month. It is edited by Revs. Smoyer of Lehighton, and Seyfrit of Weissport. 20 cents will secure it for one year. Address *W. W.* Bowman, publisher, Lehighton, Pa.

—Excelsior Cornet Band of this borough will hold a pic-nic in the grove near the L. & S. depot, on Tuesday, June 10th, or on the first fine day thereafter; proceeds for the benefit of the band. Don't you forget to be there.

—He is a fool. We mean the man, who lets his baby cry all night in the arms of its mother, and does not sleep a wink, when Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup will quiet the baby by relieving its pain; a bottle costing only 25 cents.

The Fire at Hom's Hotel.

About 12:15 o'clock on Friday of last week, fire was discovered on the eastern corner of the roof of the Northwestern Hotel, owned and conducted by Jonas A. Hom. When the fire broke out the ADVOCATE had been put to press, and as it was found necessary to send all the spare help from the office to help fight the fire-fiend, it was impossible to report the casualty in our last issue.

The fire is supposed to have originated from a spark lodging on the roof of the building from an engine passing on the L. & S. R R., which was fanned into a blaze by the high wind. But there is really no positive evidence to this effect, there being conflicting reports as to the state of the fire when first discovered. Some say it originated inside the building, others say outside. It will always, perhaps, remain a vexed question. Suffice it to say, that the hotel buildings were leveled to the ground, despite the heroic efforts made to stay the rapacity of the flame.

The first to arrive with any apparatus for extinguishing the flames was Joseph Obert with his hand engine, which did good service. He was soon followed by the Hook and Ladder company with their truck and Little Giant fire extinguisher, which latter was found to be out of repair. The fire was at one time supposed to be under control, and one-half the building to be saved, but the flames broke through into the cellar where there being stored some combustible articles, it gave the fire an advantage, which was never regained. Independent of the Little Giant fire aparatus being out of order, there was a great scarcity of water, in that locality, as is the case in several other localities in this borough; and forcibly again calls up the question of a water supply for Lehighton. The loss is estimated at $5,000, with an insurance on the buildings of $3,350. Mr. Hom having removed his goods to the building opposite, is prepared to cater to the wants of his friends, until he can make arrangements to rebuild his hotel.

I. O. O. F.

The Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows, representing over nine hundred lodges in this State, met at Harrisburg last week. After the transaction of the usual routine business and the installation of the grand officers elect, the delegates adjourned *sine die* on Wednesday evening. Among the officers installed was R. E. Wright, Jr., Esq., of Allentown, as R. W. Grand Warden, and being called for an address after the ceremonies had been concluded, he responded with a speech which was most heartily applauded by the large audience present. It was regarded by the grand officers, and the audience in the Hall, as the masterly effort of a superior mind, and placed the speaker in the list of finished orators whose voices are ever heard in praise of the sublime principles of the order. He likened Odd Fellowship unto a sacred temple, into which none but the worthy might enter, describing the magnificence and splendor of the interior in symbolical language very finely expressed. This discourse was replete with thoughts of a grand and eloquent nature, and was replete with passages of great beauty.

During the last year the Odd Fellows of Pennsylvania expended more than $300,000 for the relief of the sick and disabled of their organization. The membership includes nearly 90,000 persons, and there are upon the sick list annually an average of about 10,000 members. The Odd Fellows' society is, more than anything else, a relief society, and the foregoing figures show how large is the measure of good it is enabled to do.

The Mexican Soldier's.

At a meeting of the surviving Soldiers of Company K Second Pennsylvania Regiment of the Mexican War, the following action was taken upon the decease of the late Asa Packer:

Resolved, that by the death of our lamented friend Asa Packer; associated with us from our first enlistment in the military service of our country; the last of our honored friends that waived a solemn farewell upon our embarkment at Pittsburg, and the first to link his friendly hand with ours in glad congratulation upon our return to Mauch Chunk; and whose warm, constant, active and earnest sympathy has ever been extended to us; whose cheering presence has so often enlivened our social meetings; we have lost a true friend and an honored Brother.

Resolved, That we will ever cherish the memory of our distinguished associate, whose unchanging interest in Company K has endeared him to every one of its members, and to whom we could always appeal with perfect confidence in his liberality and patriotism.

Resolved, That in grateful remembrance of the deceased, we deem it a sacred duty to his family to offer them in these resolutions, the evidence of our sincere sympathy in their afflicting bereavement.

Resolved, That a copy of these Resolutions be presented to the family of the deceased with our earnest wishes for their future well are.

Resolved, That our County newspapers be requested to publish these proceedings.

By order of the committee.
COL. ROBERT KLOTZ,
SERGT. T. R. CRELLIN,
CORP. WILLIAM WILHELM,
MUS. F. C. KKINE.
Mauch Chunk May 21, 1879.

Sunday Services.

LEHIGHTON M. E. CHURCH, Rev. J. P. Miller, pastor—Sunday, June 1.—10.30 a. m. subject, "God's law to the World." Sacrament of the Lord's Supper; 2 p. m., Sunday school; 6.30 p. m., Young Men's Prayer Meeting; 7.30 p. m., subject, "Paul's Boast and Confidence." Little People's Meeting, Saturday at 3 p. m. All cordially invited.

LEHIGHTON EVANGELICAL CHURCH, Rev. B. J. Smoyer, pastor, to-morrow, Sunday—9 a m., Prayer meeting; 10 a. m., German preaching; 1 p. m., Teachers meeting; 2 p. m., Sunday School; 6:30 p. m. Prayer and praise meeting; 7:30 English preaching. All are welcome.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, Rev. Wm. G. Laitzle, pastor, to-morrow (Sunday.)—Communion services, at 10 a. m., in the German language; Sunday school, 2 p. m. Communion services in English, 7:30 p. m. Preparatory services, Saturday afternoon and evening. German services every Wednesday evening.

EVANGELICAL CHURCH, WEISSPORT. Rev. J. K. Seyfrit, pastor, German preaching at 10 a. m.; Teachers meeting at 1:30, p. m.; Sunday school at 2 p. m.; English preaching at 7:30 p. m.

Big Creek Items.

—Dr. W. F. Christ, of Parryville, was on professional business to this place a number of times last week.

—Pleased to meet Hon. Robt. Klotz, while on a business visit to Mauch Chunk last week, and am under obligations to him for favors received.

—There ought to be a wholesale slaughter of worthless dogs hereabouts.

—The Fourth of July will occur on Friday this year.

—"Revere" expects to go on a fishing excursion to Mud Run and Big Lake, and will stop over with "Duplex," at Albrightsville.

—Henry Boyer, Esq., was here several days last week surveying land.

—The eight hour law has been defeated in the State Legislature.

—Robert Miller was home over Sunday; he left for Albrightsville again Monday.

—Measure not man by Sunday, without regarding what he does all the week.

—I was pleased to receive an invitation from Hon. J. G. Zern, on Saturday last, to meet him at his office in Weissport. The doctor looked cheerful, and the people—regardless of party—cannot but point with pride to the course he has pursued during his first session in the Legislature. He has proven himself an honest and upright representative of the people, as the records plainly show. REVERE.

—Never promise more than can be done. Dr. Bull's Baltimore Pills have been successfully run on this principal. For sale by all druggists. Price 25 cts.

Weissport Items.

—Rev. J. K. Seyfrit is attending the Evangelical Ministerial Convention at Slatington this week.

—Solomon Yeakel went to Reading on Thursday, on business connected with the silver mine at Little Gap.

—Mrs. W. H. Knecht and Mrs. A. H. Seidle enjoyed a pleasant flying visit to Beaver Run on Thursday afternoon.

—The frosts and cold winds during the past week, it is believed, has not seriously injured vegetation; but has no doubt somewhat retarded its growth.

—Constable C. H. MacDaniels has been seriously ill during the week, with neuralgia in the face and head. But it is hoped that he will soon recover.

—The L. & S. R.R. Co., have decided to remove the depot in this borough from its present location to one immediately below the canal bridge leading to Franklin. This will greatly convenience the people, and no doubt be of much advantage to the railroad. Work will commence on the foundation for the new depot building the first of next week.

—The addition to the Fort Allen Foundry is being rapidly pushed to completion, and in the course of a week will be ready for occupancy.

—A serenade here on Monday evening, to somebody who had been falsely accused of committing the crime of matrimony, is one of the worst mixed up arrangements on record, and came near being the death of one of the employees of the Fort Allen Foundry who, believing that the serenade was intended for him, escaped, thinly attired, through the skylight of his boarding house to the roof of the building, where the serenaders kept him until 2 a. m. It turned out that no one had been married, that the rumor was a hoax, and now the "Johnny Morgans" feel that they were sold cheap.

—Work on the Old Franklin Well, to put it in shape as a public resort, is to commence in a few days. But now the question is raised as to whether the well was dug by Franklin; or, whether Fort Allen was located at all on what is now known as the Fort Allen estate. A claim is now set up, that the fort was located in Franklin township; that it was a sorry, misshapen old stockade, at best; that the garrison who of old, held the fort spent their time in eating, drinking and making love to the Indian girls, and let the warriors murder all the farmers. It is further claimed that a fellow named Cruikshank had the well dug eight years after the building of Fort Allen; that Cruikshank had a second-hand clothing store, and drove such sharp bargains with the Indians that, waking up one morning, he found that he had been scalped during the night. He packed up his stock of goods, swung the pack on his back, and with imprecations against the Indians and against the place generally, he struck a B-line for Bethlehem. In short, the claim is that the ADVOCATE'S article last week on the subject contained not one word of truth; and that the writer of it has more ability for eating cold boiled potatoes than for collecting and writing up historical facts.

—We are requested to state that a few more pupils may be accommodated in the Model School connected with the Normal. The terms are $2.50 for the session of eight weeks; *books free*. ††

Bloomingdale Valley Flashes.

—Have patience.

—A prickly pair—A couple of needles.

—Sheer nonsense—Trying to cut your own hair.

—What exactly resembles the half of the moon?—The other half.

—Whether old age is to be respected depends largely whether it applies to men and women or to poultry.

—Messrs. Henry J. Deppy & Son, of Albrightsville, are here building a barn for Mr. Simon Reichard, of Mauch Chunk. The building is to be 35x70 feet, and 16 feet high.

Constable H. G. Deppy, of Albrightsville, was here on official duty Tuesday and Wednesday of last week.

—Mr. Nelson A. Nothstein, of Lizard creek, was here on a visit last week.

—Mr. Wm. S. Youngkin, of Tracksville, is rusticating with us now.

—Mine host of the well-known White Bear House is very busily engaged in getting his beautiful park fitted up for the summer rush. We wish him many visiters during the summer. CENTENNIAL.

Albrightsville Items.

—Church on Sunday at 10:30 a. m.

—The Albrightville Sabbath school was organized on Sunday last, and the following officers were unanimously elected: Superintendent, J. S. Hawk; Ass't Sunt., O. H Silliman; Secretary, H. G. Deppy. This is the fifth term that Mr. Deppy has served as secretary for the school, and much credit is due him for the faithful and efficient manner in which he has kept the records, and for the otherwise deep interest he has taken in its success

—Messrs. Wm. Getz and Christian George were last week on a visit to Scioto, Monroe county.

—Mr. Robert Miller, of Big Creek, commenced to teach the Albrightsville school, for a term of six months, on Tuesday of last week. Success to him in his new position.

—Mr. Edwin R. Heckman, of Kresgeville, who some months ago went to Humboldt, Neb., returned last week, and was much pleased with his trip.

—Mr. O. H. Silliman, of Kunkletown, has taken charge of H. J. Deppy's team.

—Mr. James L. Kibbler, of this place, left on Monday for Tomkinsville, where he is employed by A. Lewis & Co. chopping logs. DUPLEX.

East Penn Dots.

—Scarce—News and money.

—Sunday school at 2 p. m.

—Our farmers have finished their corn planting for the season.

—More weddings on the tapis.

—Messrs. Daniel Shoemaker and George Berger have gone to Kansas to prospect for farms. Hope they will meet success.

—The Darwaspect girls, of West Penn, were on a visit to Mr. Isaac Ginder on Sunday.

—Messrs. Jonas Kalb, Levi Nothstein, Philip Ginder and Nathan Ohl paied a flying visit to Laury Station and Whitehall on Saturday and Sunday. UNCLE SAM.

Accident.

On Friday morning, of last week a frightful accident occurred in the slate quarry of Paules & Peter, at Slatedale. While the men were engaged in hoisting the rubbish box it came in contact with a projecting rock on the side of the bank. The engineer applied more power in order to raise the box, when the derrick, which was unsound at its base, together with the loaded box suspended to it, was precipitated into the quarry, injuring three men—Henry Brey, William Edwards and William Williams, quite severely. Brey had both his shoulders dislocated, and besides received ugly gashes in the arm and leg and a contusion on his breast. Edwards sustained injuries about the head, feet and arms, while Williams had his side badly bruised.

Towamensing Brevities.

—The frost of last Saturday morning did some damage.

—The copious rains, of last week has changed the appearance of the growing crops wonderfully.

—Robert Miller, began his summer term of school, on Tuesday, of last week, at Albrightville.

—Rev. Mr. Strauss, delivered a very able and eloquent sermon at the Lutheran church, Trachsville, last Sunday.

—There is nothing more likely to estrange two friends than a small debt. I and U may some day be saparated by an O.

—Rev. Mr. Butz, will preach at the Upper Big Creek meeting house this (Saturday) evening. All are cordially invited.

—Mr. John Schabo, a former resident of this place, now of Shamokin, paid his mother and friends in this valley a flying visit on Friday and Saturday of last week. Glad to see him.

—The rain drops that fall when the brightness is gone, are the tears of the sky for the loss of the sun.

—I am pleased to learn that Amandus Kibler is attending a term at the Normal school, at Weissport. We wish him abundant success.

—Mr. John Leisenring, and son-in law Mr. M. Kemerer, of Mauch Chunk, passed through this valley, on Saturday of last week. Messrs. L. and K., were after the trout.

—Some persons are in the habit of ending their letters by "Yours, &c." I think it a rude ending to a letter.

—Frank Zelner, of near Trachsville was very unfortunate on Saturday last. He was helping to erect a barn for Mrs. Christman, and while trying to lift a large piece of timber to the top, one or two of them left their hold at one end slip, when the rest were unable to hold it, it fell striking Mr. Zelner, and so severely hurt him that they were unable to take him home until Sunday. By proper medical attendance he may recover, which we earnestly hope may be the case.

—Thomas Jefferson was only twenty-three years old when he wrote the declaration of Independance. MERCURY.

Lower Kidder Items.

—Efforts have been made to organize a Sunday school at this place.

—Our friend Danner, of Drake's Creek, will build an addition to his barn this summer, which will make it eighty-two feet long. The largest barn in Penn Forest as far as I know.

—The berry crop will be short in this region as the forest fires have pretty effectually destroyed the busnes. This will prove a source of great discomfort to the hundreds of people who earn a livelihood by picking berries for market.

—A joke is not so durable as a church bell. After it has been tolled a few times it is worn out.

—Several parties from Easton and White Haven have been at this place after trout. Some of them have done very well, while others have not made out as good as they expected.

—The winter crops throughout this region look middlingly good.

—What every person says must be so. Nearly every person said the weather was quite cool on Monday last.

—Mr. Paul was at this place last week, with several washers of his own make, and trying to secure orders for the same. He disposed of one to Mr. William Getz, and left several others on trial.

—Our supervisors were busily engaged in repairing roads the last few days.

—If the best employment of a woman is to make home happy, the best employment for a man is to make her happy. PRO BONO.

Evangelical Ministerial District Meeting.

The ministers belonging to the Allentown District Eastern Pennsylvania Conference, Evangelical Association met in convention in the Evangelical church at Slatington, Lehigh county, Pa., on the 26th inst., at 7:30 o'clock p. m. The same evening Rev. . Hoffman, an old veteran in the ministry, who has been preaching the gospel in the Evangelical itinerancy for fifty-three consecutive years, delivered a masterly discourse on "The Baptism of the Holy Ghost." The following officers were elected: President, C. K. Fehr; Vice-Pres., Rev. J. C. Bliem; Secretary, Rev. H. D. Shultz; Treasurer, Rev. D. Yungst. Rev. D. Yungst read an essay on "The Inspiration of the Holy Scriptures." The discussion that followed was very interesting and profitable. Rev. J. K. Seyfrit, read a very able essay on "The distinction between matter and spirit." The question, "Is a preacher justifiable in using personalities in the pulpit?" on which Rev. B. H. Miller read an essay, was answered by the convention with an emphatic NO.

Rev. W. K. Wiesnd read an excellent essay on the question, "Is man Immortal by Creation or Reservation," and very clearly proved that man is immortal by creation. After a lively discussion it was unanimously resolved to publish the essay in the *Evangelical Messenger*. Then followed an essay on "The Internal and External evidence of our Anoption," by Rev. E. Butz. It was evident from the discussion that followed that the Evangelical ministry believe in a direct and definite evidence of their acceptance with God. This their belief is founded upon personal experience corroborated by the Word of God. Rev. B. J. Smoyer read an essay on "Liberal Christianity and its Relation to our Church." After an enthusiastic discussion it was unanimously resolved to publish the essay in the *Evangelical Messenger*. The subject: "The Elements of success in the Evangelical Association" was opened in an able manner by Rev. James Bowman. An exceedingly interesting discussion followed.

The last afternoon and evening of the convention was devoted to the Sunday school cause. The entire convention was a decided success. The children's meeting held on Wednesday evening and addressed by Revs. H. D. Shultz, C. K. Fehr, B. J. Smoyer and D. Lentz, was the most interesting feature of the convention. The house was crowded, the speakers were unexceptionally good and the singing was excellent.

Weatherly Items.

—Miss Retta Philips will sail for Wales, her old home, on Wednesday next.

—Wm. C. Kemerzel, proprietor of the Carbon House, was buried on Sunday last.

—Mr. Robert Tait had a valuable dog poisoned during the past week.

—Still they go. Wm. Gilbert, jr., and his sister Lucy left Tuesday last for Denver City, Colorado, with a view of making it their home.

—Lewis Kunzle, Esq., and the remainder of his family left Thursday morning for Chillicothe, Ohio, where his wife and other members of the family are awaiting them.

—According to the announced programme, Decoration Day will be fully observed.

—Quite a number of pensioners are anxiously awaiting the back pay due them. Of course they will have to await their turn.

—Only one of our citizens was remembered by the late Judge Packer in his will, $10,000 is not bad to take.

—E. G. Ely and family were visiting in Philadelphia, instead of Mauch Chunk, as reported last week. We owe this correction.

—John Jarrard, for a year or more employed in the State of Illinois, is home visiting his friends.

—The early beans and grape vines suffered considerable by the frost on Tuesday night.

—Our public schools closed on Thursday last; hence the juveniles are happy.

—Judging from present indications the hay crop in this section will be short this year. ROCKAWAY.

Splinters from West Penn.

—Sunday school at 2 p. m.

—A refreshing shower on Sunday evening.

—An abundant fruit crop is expected this year.

—Grass is very short yet, but rye and wheat look fair.

—Mr. T. E. Sittler and wife were at the Pennsville church last Sunday, the occasion being the administering of the Lord's Supper.

—The Sunday school is largely attended, and is in a flourishing condition under the present superintendent. CAIPS.

From the County Seat.

A PRETTY HOME AND A BRIGHT FUTURE.—E. R. Siewers, Esq., District Attorney, and his bride returned home from their wedding tour on Friday evening, last week. They did not, as first contemplated, extend their trip to New England, but rather, spent the limited time which Mr. Siewers could spare from his pressing business engagements at home, in doing the sights and wonders of the cities of Philadelphia and New York. They had a pleasant trip unmarred by any froward incident. On their arrival, they immediately domiciled in their pretty home on Broadway, a present, we believe, from Mr. Seiwers' father. This costly-located home had been thoroughly garnished and tastefully furnished for their reception, and had in appointments all that the human heart, untainted by vanity, can ask to be happy—had been adorned with everything but the cheerful, smiling face which now lends an additional charm and beauty to the whole. They dispensed with all the formal conventionalities, on their return, but threw open the hospitalities of their new home with a spontaneous general welcome to their friends. They have been made the recepients of a number of presents, mostly of a substantial and useful character, from friends. This new departure into the bonds of matrimony, on the part of our popular District Attorney, with his judicious choice of a help-meet, and his consequent pleasant social surroundings, builds an addition to his already brilliant prospects for the future. That he may fully realise them is the hope of his numerous friends.

MINOR TOPICS.—Sebastian Hahn, (Dutch John), who was shot in the breast by accident, a few weeks ago, has so far recovered as to be on the streets. The bullet was not extracted, and he thinks it is lodged in the exterior linings of the lungs. He expects to be able to resume his duties shortly.

—A troupe, which advertised itself as the Royal Blondes, gave an entertainment in Oak Hall, on Wednesday evening to a well-filled house. At the conclusion, the announcement was made by the manager, that at the urgent request of the leading citizens of this borough, the entertainment would be repeated on Thursday night—and it was. It afforded a genuine treat to the lovers of the "Can-Can."

—Mr. S. H. Rutter, freight agent, of the L. & S. R.R., has been dangerously ill during the week, at his home in Pottstown.

—The Carbon County Courts, before His Honor Judge Dreher, and Associates, will convene a week from next Monday.

—Mr. Thos. Booth and Miss Kittie Waters were married on Thursday evening, Rev. Father Bunce, officiating.

Important repairs are in progress on the county buildings.

—The Fountain Guards having decided that yellow was too glaring a color for the water fountain, it has been changed to a "moon-light-on-the-sea" shade.

—St. Mary's Commandery Knights Temlars made an excursion here on Wednesday. They went first to the Glen, from thence to the Switch-Back, took dinner and supper at the Mansion House, and left by 7:30 train for Allentown to join their comrades, the Grand Commandry, in conclave there.

—Landy Gallagher has fully recovered from his recent railroad accident, and looks better and even more cheerful than before. He says he is not afraid of being scalped a second time.

—The hotels here are expecting a large summer trade, and indications are now that their expectations will be fully realized.

—The ADVOCATE establishment return thanks to Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Siewers for a supply of wedding cake.

—P. J. Meehan, Esq., is away on his wedding tour, having been wedded on Thursday, in Pottstown, Northampton county, to Miss Rose E. Brendlinger, of that place.

—When a young gentlemen, connected with the J. M. B. of Mauch Chunk, weds a lady of this borough, the members of the J. M. B. do not cut up such a "dido" as though he had "stepped outside" for a better half. Right.

Packerton Ripples.

—The capture of the N. P. R.R, by the Reading, caused a ripple of excitement among the employees of the L. V. R.R., as to what effect it would have; but the financial condition, together with the careful provisions of the late Judge Packer, commands the confidence of all the interests thereby connected. It's well known management by him will be continued, and the vast wealth left by him—the father of the road—will be continued in and for the development of all that pertains to the road. The gentlemen whom he called to administer this great trust, are young, full of energy and pluck, having been closely connected with Judge Packer—schooled in the principles which governed him—they will with a singleness of purpose, endeavor to make the L. V. R.R one of the best and most reliable roads in the Union, thereby perpetuating the memory of one who deserves to be honored throughout the length and breadth of this great Commonwealth.

—John C. Dolan has reduced the rent of his dwelling houses to six dollars a month. A move in the right direction. His houses are new, large, and commodious and well situated.

—Prof. John Halbach, of Catasauqua, was visiting his friends here a few days ago. We hope he may find it remunerative enough to organize a class; those who desire a thorough musical education, vocal and instrumental, should avail themselves of this opportunity.

—Harry Wyld, machinist here, has removed to Tamaqua, where he has secured a permanent and good paying position under the Reading Railroad Company.

—When burning up the debris gathered from a garden, make due allowances for the shifting wind, and then—well—it will go better next time.

—Ornamenting old straw hats with a coat of stain and varnish is fashionable here; but rather against those who deal in them. Pass then necessity, is sometimes the parent of accumulated wealth in after life.

—The Sheriff's announcement last week of the proposed sale of a portion of the property belonging to the Presbyterian church of your borough, created some anxiety among those who are interested. There need be no alarm as the matter is in the hands of a competent committee appointed by Presbytery, who will protect the interests of all concerned. The difficulties will be adjusted satisfactorily to all parties.

—Prof. Will H. David and his pretty and accomplished bride, daughter of Mr. Powell, of Dritton, Pa., are visiting his aged mother of this place. The Prof.'s abilities are of a high order, pleasant and agreeable, his success as musical director is certain.

We caution our venerable and respected Doctor of this place, to be more careful in future—fortunately he received no serious injuries in his fall the other day. The spirit may be willing but the flesh is not so strong and active, Doctor, as in the days of your sojourn along the Florida coast. ANON.

Our Parryville Budget.

—The much needed new porch for the Company's offices has been supplied this week, which with repaired bridges, trestlework, &c., greatly improves the appearance of things hereabouts.

—Fishing is being superseded by frogging by our young people in this neighborhood, and, viewed from a pecuniary stand-point, the latter occupation pays better—frogs bringing as high as $1.50 per dozen. The latest device for catching them is with hook and line, using red flannel (?) as bait. The The language of one of our boys, experienced in the art, is "I tell you, they go for red flannel quick as a turkey gobbler."

—Mrs. H. Cooper spent part of the week in Allentown, her native home.

—The Metallic paint business, carried on at Bowmansville, is quite brisk, both mills running at their full capacity, thereby giving steady employment to about 25 men.

—Your correspondent makes grateful acknowledgment to Hon. Allen Craig and Hon. J. G. Zern for valuable Legislative favors.

—The new school board will organize on Monday evening next. The new board will be composed of the following members—Jac. Peters, J. L. Miller, Geo. W. Bowman, Wm. Romig, A. K. Snyder and Charles Belford—the last named two being the new members. AMERICUS.

YOU CAN BE HAPPY

If you will stop all your extravagant and wrong notions in doctoring yourself and families with expensive doctors of humbug cure-alls, that do harm always, and use only nature's simple remedies for all your ailments—you will be wise, well and happy, and save great expense. The greatest remedy for this, the great, wise and good will tell you, is Hop Bitters—believe it. See "Proverbs" in another column. 26-2

The Coal Trade.

The condition of the coal market remains very much as it was last week. There is no difficulty whatever in selling coal, and nearly all the large companies appear to be oversold. There is nothing in the way of an advance of prices, which will embrace all coals in the market, except the continued determination of Messrs. Dickson and Hoyt, presidents of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company and the Pennsylvania Coal Company to offer their coal at a less price than could be obtained for it. We understand, however, that the principal companies whose coal is most readily sold, and who have the harder varieties, are contemplating making an advance in prices, irrespective of whether the softer coals of the New York companies follow it or not. The Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company will advance prices free on board at Port Richmond for June ten cents a ton, making their circulars for the month of June as follows: For hard white ash lump coal, $2,50; stramboat, $2,50; broken, $2 40; egg, $2,40; stove, $2,50; chestnut, $2,25, and pea, $1,40. They will also advance their Philadelphia and line prices upon the sizes used for domestic purposes from ten to fifteen cents per ton. The Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company will advance their tolls for the line and city trade upon their main line and their North Penn. branch for the month of June ten cents a ton,