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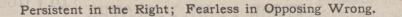
still and smiling.

monotonously.

sunken eyes.

still and desolate.

spared !"



VOLUME 14.

COLLEGEVILLE, PENN'A, DECEMBER 20, 1888.

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ONE OF THE MANY!

They had been married for rather weary, heartsick, and footsore. more than a year-Jim Carrol and his pretty little wife-and their baby daugh- near, and passed ; and the Carrols' little ter was two months old.

He was a fine fellow, was Jim-well baby had been ill; and several tradesset-up, and good to look at; chivalrous, men's bills, small but imperative, had upright, as the day; but though he had to be paid. The weather was op- tell me of anything I can get to do? seemed better and brighter when Jim and held her against his breast. She his arm around her, and trying to speak came of a good old stock-of which he | presively hot and enervating, and Marwas the last-he was only a clerk in a jory's little face began to look pinched laugh. London architect's office, with a miser- and worn : for the baby was peevish able salary of £100 a year, which, of and fretful, requiring constant nursing head. course, he might lose with his situation and attention; and the servant had

any day. It will be clear, I hope, to been dismissed some time ago. the meanest understanding that under Another week passed. Jim felt althese circumstances he had not the most desperate, for he could obtain no smallest right to think of matrimony. employment; and to make matters So when he had the audacity to propose worse the baby fell ill again. It seemfor Marjory Linton-niece and ward of ed a kind of wasting, nameless illness. the pompous and wealthy old Joseph She cried and wailed night and day, an architect's office for the last three Linton of Manchester-that gentleman and grew almost hourly more shadowygave him a very short shrift, and prom- looking. The doctor whom Carrol at ptly showed him the door. And when, last called in shook his head, asked a a month later, pretty, independent few questions, advised change of air, Marjory ran away with this same hand- and ordered the young mother to take some, impecunious Jim Carrol, her plenty of nourishing food." With a irate uncle-to use his own expression view to furthering the latter object--"washed his hands of her, and closed | change of air being out of the question his doors against her and her husband __Jim pawned his watch and chain. for ever.' At this terrible sentence Poor fellow, he felt shamefaced and Marjory did not trouble herself very embarrassed enough as he took the have a try. My father has an idea I much; nor did her husband suffer it to ticket, and buttoned his coat over his ought to distinguish myself in that line affect his piece of mind. He was too now chainless waistcoat. But the but I'm an awful duffer on plans-alhappy to care whether all the rich old money so obtained kept them going ways was. So if you care to go in for men in Europe closed their doors for some little time; and Carrol, it_it's a goodish premium_it might against him.

They lived in a tiny house in a red- efforts to obtain employment. He Carrol, don't sign your own name, for ney. Then, with a quick dry sob, Car- Jim. Don't, my dear, don't I" she went bricked, pointed-gabled terrace at Com- searched with anxious diligence in each I believe old Linton, your wife's uncle, berwell; and they had enough to do to evening's paper the column devoted to is to be one of the judges. He is still mingled their tears together. pay the rent, and to make ends meet "vacant situations," and answered var- no end down on you, and-it might generally, especially after the baby ious advertisements which seemed make a difference. See? Sign it-oh. came; but they loved each other pas- singularly suitable. But those who anything you like, and send it under sionately, and that made things easier. have studied that column-not for cover to me. You can trust me not to Marjory was the most sunny hearted amusement or curosity, but for dear farther it," he added, laughing. "I'll and hopeful of little women; and she was quite sure that some day Dorton only too many are simply swindles, and and let you know whenever the thing's & Cox-awakening to a sense of Jim's that the comparatively few which are decided." abilities-would take him into partner- bona-fied are speedily secured by those ship and make his fortune.

But, alas! for Marjory's dreams, on

and personally, but in vain; though he I was so hard up as I am this month. Until I get my next-" spent an alarming sum in postage stamps, and returned night after night

The days went on; quarter-day drew store of money melted away. For the logy.

> Anything. I am not proud," with a short | left in the morning. The other cogitated, then shook his-

quickened. "By the way," he said suddenly, when child—is it worse ?" they had crossed several streets in com-

parative silence, "you are a good draughtsman, are you not? You have him with dry, grief-stricken eyes, "Jim tears. baby is dead !' a good idea of plans and that ?". "I ought to have," returned Carrol, dryly, "seeing I have been a clerk in

vears." "Ah, yes, to be sure. Well, I know designs are wanted for a new hospital

somewhere near Manchester. The premium is a hundred pounds. Now "For God's sake, tell me," inter-

rupted the other eagerly and horsely, "do you think I have any chance?" "Well," said Lyle. "I was going to meanwhile, did not for a day relax his be worth your while. And, by the way

life-know that of these advertisements send you all the particulars to-morrow,

"Lyle, I can't thank you sufficiently," who have either the influence or the said Carrol unsteadily, "though I fear experience which Jim Carrol had not. there is very little chance for me."

One afternoon Carrol returned somewhat earlier than usual from the city, on his knee, and began to cry. "Confound you! What are you talk- whither he had been in answer to some ing about ?" interrupted Carrol haught- lurking will-o'-the-wisp advertisement. me away! How can you speak so? tance. He came nearer. He knocked ily. "Do you take me for a beggar?" It was a dull, wet day; and as he turn- You break my heart! Ah, darling, you at the door of the house nearest theirs. Lyle murmured some confused apo- ed up the narrow streets which led to could not do without me, could you ?"

"God forgive me, no," he answered, his home, his heart sank with a curious "I don't want your money," Carrol undefined dread. They had been up hoarsely. "You are all I have !" As ingly. went on in brusque tones. "Can you with the haby all night, but she had he spoke he drew her into his arms, clung to him, sobbing passionately, for steadily. Marjory met him as she always did, a long time.

"Marjory," he said suddenly, "have at the door. At a glance his fears was you had anything to eat to-day! For you ate nothing this morning."

"What is it?" he said hastily. "The "Jim," she answered, looking up at answered, sitting up and drying her Jim-"

He followed her silently to the room pang how weak she looked, and what from home for a fortnight. If my drawwhere the tiny creature, with waxen heavy shadows lay under her sweet ing had been successful, he would have features so like his own, lay cold and brown eyes.

"Oh, all I wanted."

"When ?" he asked in a choked voice. "Just three hours ago," she replied starving yourself to death ! I am killing | something to-day." Carrol stood looking down on all -you, my little Marjory, who are dearer

with a strange, wistful look in his dark, | can do nothing-nothing! O my God, | at the door. this is torture !" And laying his head

"Poor little thing !" he said, sadly and down on his arms on the table, he too terribly weary and depressed. He had brokenly. "God knows what she is sobbed-a man's heavy, heart-rending been unsuccessfulsobs, tearless and bitter.

There was a silence, for Marjory could not speak. The rain dripped on her quaint little motherly way. "You tion in his eyes. As she spoke they the window-sill outside; the wind shook are talking nonsense, dear. I haven't heard the postman's knock in the disthe casement, and moaned in the chim- the slightest idea of dying, you foolish tance; it came near and died away. rol took his wife in his arms, and they on emploringly.

Then there was a long silence, broke voice faltered.

A few more days passed and the at last by Marjory's anxious tonesbaby was buried. Even that was a "You have eaten nothing to-day, Jim, struggle to the poverty-stricken father I am quite sure; and you are quite faint dening, steadily growing despair! Jim and mother. It was wonderful how and worn out."

they missed the tiny thing-theirs for "My darling I could not eat," he anso short a time-her funny, winning baby ways, and even her fretful, peevish leaning back in his chair. cries. To Marjory, during the long Marjory's soft brown eyes filled again

hours when her husband was absent, the house seemed horribly, unnaturally them away and said, trying to smile : "We will make up for lost time, and

Then she suddenly laid her curly head him unspokenly, feverishly despairingly the letter held had news. She softly "O, Jim," she sobbed, "don't send sharp rat-tat on the doors in the dls-Then-he passed on!

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"O, Jim !" said the little wife despair-"Never mind, child," he said, putting

"Oh, my dear, I can't help it," she sobbed-

There was a long pause; then Marjory said, almost cheerily : "Perhaps if you "Yes, dear, of course I have," she | went to Mr. Lyle, he could tell you,

"I did go, Marjory, yesterday," he "What had you?"-noting with a interrupted quietly, "but he has gone written before he left. Try not to grieve, darling; it can't be helped," Jim

"I know what that means," he said, in went on, with a sickly smile. "We must low, agitated tones. "Child, you are try something else. I may hear of

"Perhaps there will be a letter tothat was left to him of his baby daugh- to me than my own soull You are dying night," said Marjory, with renewed ter, and smoothed the short, fluffy hair, before my eyes-as our baby-and I hope, as she bade her husband good-bye

Jim came home about six, looking

"No letters yet, dear," said his wife, "Hush, dear boy, hush !" she said, in | hastening to answer the unspoken ques-"Perhaps there will be one in the morning," Marjory went on; but her

In the morning! Another long, awful, sleepless night of hoping, of madshuddered. He was worn out, physically and mentally; and he felt as though he swered wearily, raising his head and could not stand the sickening suspense longer, as he looked at his wife, her wan changed little face, with its pale ghost

with tears; but she resolutely winked of a smile, seemed to pierce his heart. A strange, terrible, determined look settled round his mouth; but Marjory

The moon sailed out again, illumining part of the room, but leaving the bed in deep shadow. "Jim, darling," leaning over him and laying her arm across his neck, "a letter has come. It is-" With a sudden sickening terror she stopped and raised herself, for she felt-that her sleeve was wet ! Snatching up the candle she held it over the bed, and by its flickering light she saw-ah, dear Heaven, what did she see ? Not her Jim, surely ! A white, dead face-a dark-red stain on the coverlet-a ghastly woundand cold, nerveless fingers, still holding_what !

for many days. Soon they heard the laid a shawl over him in the semidarkness, and crept down stairs again. After looking at the fateful envelope for some time, she slowly opened it. She could not wait; and she knew Jim would not mind. In another moment she uttered a little glad, involuntary cry, and her lips parted in a joyful, half credulous smile. Could it be possible ! Yes, Jim's design had been selected as the best ; the premium would be his! And this was not the only good news the letter contained; for

Lyle went on to say that he had heard of a vacant appointment, which he thought he could_through his father's influence-secure for Carrol.

Marjory hid her face in her hands : for a moment the revulsion of feeling was almost too much. Then in a passion of tears and thankfulness she fell upon her knees. But she could only say, "Thank God ! Thank God !"

An hour passed. The moon was drifting among the stars, and streaming in through the uncurtained window on Marjory's face wet with many tears. The candle had burnt itself out.

Ah! What a joyous waking Jim's would be! Should she lay the letter on his pillow, to surprise him when he awoke? Or should she rouse him? Perhaps he was already awake.

She lit a fresh bit of candle, and, still holding the precious letter, went up stairs. She laid the candle down just outside the bedroom door, and entered very gently.

How deadly still the room was ! "Jim !" she said softly.

But Jim did not answer. How soundly he slept !

Marjory came nearer, and bent over him in the throbbing darkness. The moon had hidden herself behind one solitary cloud.

"Jim !"-a little louder.

Still the strange weird hush. A vague fear stirred her heart. She did not even hear him breathe. What if he had fainted !"

He set off every morning for the city, the particular evening on which this neglected no opportunity, left no stone story opens, Carrol was wending his unturned, but in vain.

yard. It was not an attractive dwelling

way homeward dejectedly enough; for He used to "dine in town" he told Dorton & Cox, having had heavy losses his wife; but in reality nothing passed | Carrol feverishly. lately, were reducing their staff of clerks his lips from the time he went out in and among those dismissed to-day was the morning until he returned, unsuc-James Carrol. Jim felt stunned and cessful, hopeless and exhausted, in the bewildered : for situations were not as plentiful as blackberries in London in and she herself did without absolute 1884, any more than they are now. necessaries, silently, and with uncom-

"O, Jim, how late you are !" cried little Mrs. Carrol, as she flew to the door to meet her husband. "I thought you mere never coming! I had to put baby to bed, at last."

"Had you, dear?" he answered absently, as he followed her into the small but cosy sitting-room.

He looked depressed and out of sorts, Marjory thought. Perhaps he had one of his bad headaches. But like a wise little wife she asked no questions; only of hope-his heart sickened and died poured out his tea, and gave him his within him.

slippers. He did not eat anything, she noticed; but sent up his cup to be filled pretty home to a very small and dingy again and again, draining it each time cottage which stood alone, a little way feverishly.

He was very silent, too.

"Is anything the matter, dear?" his wife said at last in anxious tones.

"Yes, Marjory," he answered with question. To defray the various ex- clapped her little hands joyfully when an effort. Then, after a pause, he told penses connected with the removal, he told her of Lyle's proposal; and she her. and one or two other necessary outlays,

For a moment her sunny face was they sold some of their furniture, and ing that Jim felt his spirits rise. She clouded; this was a contingency which a few other things besides. they had never contemplated. Then Marjory's jewelry had all gone long she said bravely : ago.

"Never mind, Jim. It will not be tion. I see scores of advertisements in clerk, by name Archie Lyle. the papers every day !"

But Carrol was not so sanguine. He grasping the former's hand heartily, wont. up, eh ?"

yet for a good while ; and we can econo- Dorton & Cox. Inspecting public half-crazy. mize in little things. We might let buildings, when you have a wife and careless; she broke three plates yester- tion,"he continued bitterly. requires so little attention."

still, and let things come to him. beside him.

"Dear little woman," he said, "I "I'm awfully sorry, old fellow," he least."

numerable advertisements, both by post | "Upon, my soul, I don't know when from them.

"Pooh!" replied the other in airy tones, "you've as good a chance as any of the rest."

> "How soon must it go in?" asked "Ah, let's see. I think it a fortnight, but I'll let you know." They were in the Strand by this time

evening. Marjory never guessed this, and Lyle stopped at the nearest restaurant, for it was past two o'clock.

hardest on Jim, for he had not Marjory's Jim turned down a side street, and from her husband, for she knew that if she elastic, hopeful nature, her happy, al- thence through the Embankment Gar- did, nothing would induce him to let most childlike, faith and trust that dens to the river. He did not feel very the letter go. The answer came soon things would be better by and by. He hopeful, for when the body is weak the enough; and it so chanced that Carrol

In September they moved out of their Bridge, and so home.

Marjory met him with her usual cheery smile; but he fancied her sweet back from a side street, behind a timber face was paler and more worn-looking On no other terms and in no other way than ever; and the baby's eyes unnat- will I help you. You took your own but it was very cheap; and the rent of urally large and bright, seemed to their former house was out of the follow him reproachfully. His wife was so merry and hopeful all the evenprepared a nice little supper for him, too; and Jim did not notice, for a won-

dear." der, that one or two of their cherished One day, in walking westward along books had disappeared. Baby was difficult for you to get another situa- Fleet Street, Carrol met an old fellow- very good to-night, she did not cry at all; and the evening was the most cheer-"Hello, Carrol!" Lyle exclaimed, ful they had spent for some time.

In the evening of the following day was of a more gloomy temperament and turned to walk alongside. "How came the promised letter from Lyle, than Marjory, and would not be cheer- are you? Haven't seen you for a and as soon as it was light the next ed, not even when baby woke up, and month of Sundays. Why, you look morning Carrol began his task, He smiled and cooed in his face, as was her down in the mouth, old man! What's worked hard and patiently, but he suffered terribly from nervous head-

"You see, Jim," said Marjory cheer- "Nothing particular," replied the aches; he took even less food than ily, "we have still a good part left of other, coldly enough, except that I have usual; and the baby's constant monoyour last salary. It is not quarter day been out of a situation since I left tonous wail made him sometimes feel

At last the drawing was finished. Ann go" (Ann was the small maid-of- child to keep on nothing, is not a par- Carrol signed it "'Isola,' care of A. all-work), "she is really getting very ticularly exhilarating or lively occupa- Lyle, Esq.," as his friend had suggested Marjory thought it beautiful, and had day. If I have a charwoman to come "By Jove, no?" said the other in no doubt of its being successful; but in on Saturdays, I can easily manage serious tones. He was a good-natured Carrol was not so sanguine. However, the work myself. Baby is so good, and easy-going fellow, who had rarely he sent it off at once; and Marjory known the want of a five-pound note, already began to calculate how long a Jim put his arm round her as she knelt and who, as a rule, had only to sit time must elapse before its fate would be decided.

It was weary waiting, though; and couldn't let you do that. Not yet, at went on awkwardly. "You know I'll to Jim-ay, and to Marjory too-the never forget the lift you gave me two once-dreaded pawnshop became sadly They studied the paper dilligently years ago. I'm awfully sorry," he con- and painfully familiar. Meanwhile their day after day. Carrol answered in tinued, with less tact than good nature, baby was slowly but surely fading away not hint; you can't get rid of me. Don't ting-room. They were watching for

The weather was wet and chilly, and Jim caught a cold which ended in a look brighter. I have an idea that our sharp attack of bronchitis, and left him | luck is going to take a turn."

more spiritless and haggard-looking than ever. So the autumn dragged on. At last-one dreadful day when even Marjory broke down and when Jim looked so weak and ill as he set off on his weary and fruitless quest for work that it almost broke his wife's heart to Carrol declined his companion's invi- see him-at last, privately, and with plaining cheerfulness. It was a terrible tation to accompany him, and with a many pangs of humble pride, Mrs. Cartime for them both; perhaps it was grasp of the hand the two men parted. rol wrote her uncle. She did not tell felt, too, that he had brought her to spirit is apt to be weak too; and big, met the postman at the door, and took this life of poverty and privation, which stalwart looking fellow as he was, Car- the letter from him. He gave it to his he seemed powerless to avert; and as rol had but little stamina; and the past wife, and waited while she read it; then he thought of the future-grim and months of ceaseless anxiety-and lately seeing her face blanch, took it from her black and uncheered by any gleam of almost starvation-had told on him trembling hands, and with compressed terribly. He walked slowly along the lips glanced at the few words it con-Embankment and across Westminster tained. It was short and to the point:

"DEAR MARJORY.

I will take you back to your old home. way; and now you may take the consequences. "JOSEPH LINTON."

sickness that he did not even show any displeasure at Marjory's having written. He only said gently-

> "You should not have asked him, hands.

But the passionate little Marjory tore up the letter, and threw it into the fire-

It haunted Jim, though. If it were | ror and dismay, fainted suddenly and not for him, he thought wretchedly, his quietly away in his arms,

Marjory would be cared for again as to think she would leave him. No word returned-unopened! had come of his drawing; he had almost given up hope; a deadly, horrible depression seemed to have taken pos- will you ?" said Archie Lyle, one Octosession of him. Every way seemed closed to him-save one.

"Dear," he said one night with an them, there's a good fellow." effort-they had been sitting silent for a long time in the dismantled little sitting-room-"would you like-to go back-to Manchester ?"

"What, without you, Jim ?" she cried ed little voice.

"Yes," very steadily. "Ah, Jim," in tones of keen reproach, "do you want me to go?"

"My darling, you need not ask me that," and Jim's voice shook slightly. "But_it would be better_for you !" "Ah, my dear," she said with an attempt at her old sauciness, "you need think it !

have some supper. Then things will

Jim smiled faintly; his ideas pointed in a diametrical opposite direction. he said :

"And therefore," Marjory went on, with a gayety the more touching to Jim because he knew it was assumed for his sake, "we will go out and buy something for supper, my dear Jim. A great fellow like you cannot possibly live on bread and tea-and not much of thatas you have been doing. Now I wonder"-looking round the room meditatively-"if there is nothing more we can put away ?"

Carrol did not speak. He could not just then. Marjory stole softly up stairs to their bedroom and slowly opened a small box which stood there. It contained nothing of much value, seemingly-only a few baby clothes and a tarnished silver rattle, of which latter the tiny bells tinkled merrily as Marjory lifted it. Her tears fell thick and fast "If you like to leave your husband, as she rubbed the pretty toy with an old glove until it shone brightly in the dim candlelight. Then she went down stairs. Jim was still sitting where she had left him, but he turned as she came in, and shivered slightly, for the night It said much for Jim's utter heart. was chilly, and a fire was a luxury not to be thought of. She held the rattle out to him silently.

"O Marjory, not that-I can't !" he said hoarsely, hiding his face in his

"Yes, dear," said the sweet, unsteady little voice. "We-we-" She stopped uncertainly, and, to her husband's ter-

The next day Carrol himself wrote she ought to be. He knew her too well to old Joseph Linton. His letter was

> * * * * "Post these letters for me, Kingber forenoon. "I am off in a tearing hurry to catch a train. Don't forget

> "All right," said the young man adcoat.

"Hang it all !" King said to himself Lyle's letters. However I don't suppose it matters much. He'll be none the wiser." He dropped them into the first pillar-box he came to, and lighting a cigar, sauntered on his way.

Carrol and his wife were standing, pale and silent, at the window of their sit-

was leaning her curly head against his arm, and did not see his face. The room was quite dark now, but

they were still standing at the window. For a time Carrol was very still. Then

"I am very tired, Marjory darling. I will lie down for a while. Don't disturb me. I-I didn't sleep last night" (nor for many nights, he might have added).

"But won't you have a cup of tea first. Jim ?" "No, I don't care for any."

"A long sleep will do you good, dear," she said, anxiously and caressingly 'You look dreadful !"

"Yes," he said in a strangely quiet voice, "a long sleep will do me good." Then suddenly, "Kiss me, Marjory !" "Ah, my own dear, disappointed boy!" she cried, throwing her arms around him.

He held her to him tightly, and kissed her again and again. "My darling!" he said hoarsely. "My own darling!"

Then he let her go, and went away. She heard him go up stairs, and his footsteps echo in the room above. Marjory sat at the window for a long, long time, and watched the stars grow brighter and clearer in the soft dark sky. Somewhere in the distance a

hackneyed waltz-tune. It stirred her heart strangely. She remembered dancing that waltz with Jim, so very, very long ago--it seemed long ago, like every thing else that was bright and hopeful, even Marjory's brave little heart was heavy to-night. What would become

of them, she wondered? God only knew.

The clock on the neighboring churchtower boomed out on the night air; and as the last stroke died away there was a sharp knock at the door. It was the postman. Marjory took the one letter he held out to her, and closing the door again, she went back to the sitting-room. With trembling fingers dressed; and he put the letters careless- the envelope eagerly. Yes-it was year. ly into the breast-pocket of his over- Mr. Lyle's handwriting! Marjory recognized it without difficulty, for it was with incredulous amazement in her tir- the next day, "I've forgotten to post she stole softly up stairs-she did not take the candle for fear of waking Jim, should he be asleep-and peeped

the pale starlight she could just make out the dimoutline of his figure on the

"Jim !" she whispered.

No answer. He was evidently asleep. Ah! It seemed a pity to wake him, the postman. They had watched for she thought; and perhaps, after all, again released by the Governor.

Ah, cruel Jim!

A long, shuddering cry rang out on the autumn night-wild-agonizeddespairing. Again and again it echoed. Then all was still.

* * * * * In the asylum at S_____ there is a fair, slender woman, with solemn, child like eyes and sunny hair.

"Hush !" she says to the doctors every day, with lowered voice and uplifted finger. "Hush ! Jim is asleep. I must not wake him. He is so tired, poor Jim! He does not know that the letter has come. You will take me to him, will you not? Not now-but street-organ was wailing out an old when he wakes !"-Curtis Yorke, in Temple Bar.

READABLE PARAGRAPHS.

The famous Havana cigar factory, the Henry Clay, has been sold to an English syndicate for \$1,000,000. The new proprietors will take immediate possession.

A large chicken-hawk, a few days ago, flew down into the yard of a citizen of Cartersville, Ga., in the thickliest settled portion of the town Seizing its prey, a good-sized chicken, it was prepairing to bear it off in its talons, when a lad of the family rushed to the scene with a broom and with a blow broke the prowler's wing. It attempted to fly, but failing, darted into the dwelling where it was soon caught. It was the she lighted the candel, and examined largest hawk captured in the State this

The case of Stewart, the Kansas druggist who was sentenced to sevena peculiar hand. With a beating heart teen years' imprisonment and fined \$50,-000 for selling liquor in that State, has come up again in the local courts. Stewart was released after serving six months of his sentence by the Governor into the bedroom. All was still. In and the Attorney General attempted to collect his fine and costs, about \$50,000 by selling the building in which the iquor was sold. Failing in this he had Stewart rearrested and thrown into jail upon the old complaint. As the prisoner is a poor man he has a good chance to remain years in jail if not

On the morning of this same day bed.



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prominent holiday of the year inspire pure thoughts and serve to give additional emphasis to the fact that he labor for the common good of all.

THE world needs practical good, and about the best way to measure practical good in this connection is by putting into use the following familiar rule :

would that men should do unto you, even so do ye also unto them, * *."

Professing Christians, Jews, Sinners, Agnostics, all grades-including even professional politicians-can afford to weigh well the words quoted and conform their lives therewith. Mere professions won't fill the bill.

or shine. Tuesday of last week 15,000 for members of the School Board.

had unlawfully arrested a citizen. The calumny. world moves on.

are returning with all possible haste.

to fix the date on the second Tuesday of her character." in January.

lars. We simply refer to this glutton as evidence that the fool-killer still has some work to do.

A MEASURE designated as the Direct Tax Bill passed the lower house of Congress on Wednesday, last week. The object of this measure is to refund to the several States the money paid the General Government during the war under the temporary system of direct taxation.' If the bill becomes a law Pennsylvania will receive about two million dollars. The measure was designed more for the purpose of reducing the surplus, thus avoiding a modification of iniquitious tariff laws, than to flush the treasuries of poverty (?) stricken States.

THE prestige of victory counts for a vast deal sometimes, for instance obphia, next day in New York, and the day after the "Little Napoleon" goes President in shaping his Cabinet. He is the greatest, most conspicuous, and shrewdest of them all. He has no equal on the face of the globe, and there is none more wonderful than he. There is a possibility that the great dailies will mistake Quay for Christ before Christmas is over. If Cleveland had received a majority of the of once a month. Yet, in victory or defeat, Quay is a very brainy man. No disputing that point. But there is dailies.

THE Pittsburg Times, the other day, published a list of 1,386 applicants for 200 post-offices in a comparatively limited area in Eastern Ohio and Western Virginia, showing that the actively anxious aspirants number seven to every post-office. Assuming that the same ratio of office-seekers in proportion to the population throughout the county, in the matter of filling 150,000 places, post-offices included, holds good the seekers for public position is swelled to 1,050,000, or about one to every twelve of the voting population. This ing out local political considerations, are up to their elbows in work for their country-for what they expect to make out of it in dollars and cents. Interesting isn't it?

Providence Independent.

Thursday, Decem. 20, 1888.

ERMS:-\$1.25 PER YEAR, IN ADVANCE.

This paper has a larger circulation n this section of the county than any 'ising medium the "Independent" ranks of eight bodies of the Henry Heiser imong the most desirable papers, having a large and sleadily increasing circula to the Lower Providence Presbyterian tion in various localities throughout the cemetery, making a total of 71 recounty.

It is the aim of the editor and publisher to make the "Independent" one of the best local and general newspapers in the county, or anywhere else, and to this end we invite correspondence from says the venerable citizen is still quite as much might be said of a good many every section.

PERKIOMEN RAILROAD.

We publish the following schedule gratuitously for the convenience of our readers. Passenger trains leave Collegeville Station as follows : PHIA AND POINTS SO

| Milk. .6.40 a. m. Accommodation. .8.03 a. m. Market. .1.10 p. m. Accomodation .4.16 p. m. | | | |
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| FOR ALLENTOWN AND POINTS NORTH AND WEST. | | | |
| Mail. 8.03 a. m. Accomodation. 9.11 a. m. Market. 3.20 p. m. Accommodation. 6.47 p. m. | | | |
| Accommodation | Ŀ | | |
| SUNDAYS-SOUTH. | ŀ | | |
| Milk6.56 a. m. Accomodation4.48 p. m. | | | |
| NORTH. | | | |
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Accommodation.....10.03 a. m.

Home Flashes and Stray Sparks held an inquest upon the dead bodies. From Abroad.

-The chief among holidays will be years. due again next Tuesday.

-We wish all our readers a very "Merry Christmas !"

-A wit at our elbow suggests that the theologs., as well as numerous other people, will be "ministers to Turkey" next week.

-Another flood came to hand Monday. The rain descended in torrents throughout the day and the Perkiomen and its tributaries were greatly swollen. Spare.

-Next week's issue of the INDEPEN. DENT will be circulated on Friday, instead of Thursday. The reason for this will be obvious to our readers when thep reflect that typos and scribes, like other people, observe Christmas.

-Thomas Hull a well-known Norristown man was found dead in bed Sunday morning at his residence on Elm street. Several daughters and a son survive him.

-Four cars loaded with Christmas trees passed the o. d., Tuesday, enroute the public road leading to and from for Philadelphia we presume. Supervisor, Frank.

-Read Beaver & Shellenberger's

Matrimony. At the Lutheran parsonage, Trappe,

December 15, by Rev. O. P. Smith, Mr. J. Horace Reiff of Skippack, and Miss Sallie Bean of Harmony Square, both of Montgomery county.

Dead Bodies Removed.

vears. family of Norriton from the Norriton Presbyterian cemetery, near Fairview, pike to Wagner's creamery, near this place, is receiving, none too soon, the

movals.

farm work since.

ing stone thereon. During the winter Last Saturday Peter Egolf, the oldseason said road has not heretofore est male resident of Pottstown, celeserved as a model of modern progress brated his 91st birthday. The Ledger in the matter of road mending. And active and jolly, was busy in the fields other roads. every day during harvest, and has been

Terribly Afflicted.

Diphtheria has ravaged with terrible effect the family of Adam Frederick, Spring City. Of four children only one now remains. The first died a week ago; and Sunday the bodies of David aged 12, and Charles 1 year, were buried at one time in the East Coventry

Three Weddings.

Improving a Road.

attention of Supervisor Bortholomew.

Last week teams were engaged in haul-

Result: 386 votes polled with a ma-Reformed Church Cemetery, Chester jority of 12 against the proposed dicounty. The remaining child is being vision. At present the township is cared for at the home of Dr. Morey. Thus far the disease has been confined to only two families, and efforts are being made to keep it from becoming

> general. G. A. R. Officials.

John Ferguson, in a fit of mental de-The following officers of George B. rangement, shot his wife and then shot McClellan Post, No. 545, G. A. R., himself. Coroner Kingkiner has since Schwenksville, have been elected for the ensuing term: Commander, H. H. Fetterolf: Senior Vice Commander, H. leave three children, aged 6, 4, and 2 H. Hunsicker; Junior Vice Commander James K. Grimley; Officer of the Day,

> Umstead; Quartermaster, John D. Alderfer; Chaplain, Joseph Star; Trustees, Thomas Lownes, J. H. Umstead, Perry Reichelderfer; Delegate to the

Christmas Services.

In addition to the announcements Christmas services by congregation and Sunday school in Augustus Lutheran church, Trappe, on Christmas

mas exercises of St. James' Sunday Arcola Mills, recently contributed to school, Limerick, on Christmas eventhe Norristown Times a statement con- ing, at 7.30. All are invited to attend reason for feeling somewhat regretful both these services.

Yerkes, and he is perhaps right. As are invited to be present. the matter stands, however, the first

the crossing at Arcola. Waken up the

and bravely held his place, until the mob dispersed. It is thought he was In one day recently Rev. H. S. not the one they were looking for. Rodenbough, of Mount Kirk Manse Truly adversity seems to linger about officiated in three weddings, the first the path of the young man in his travels to Jersey soil and back. The two being couples from Norristown. The last was the wedding of Mr. John rigid laws on the other side will be en-Umstead of Schwenksville to Miss forced by Constable Johnson should a Lizzie C. Tyson, of Worcester. Rev. mob stay the going or the coming of Mr. Rodenbough has been doing a rushour subject again. We have to say that the one thus taunted is an inoffensive gentleman, who is in the habit of attending to his own business, and we don't see why his peace of mind is thus The public road leading from the interfered with.

FROM GRATER'S FORD.

Religious services were held in the chapel on Sunday evening last. Rev. J. Y. Eisenberg of East Coventry, Chester county, delivered a good discourse to a fair audience.

duty fer a few days, being disabled, a nominational, a manifest retrogression from the horse having stepped on his foot, mash- strengthening sentiment of the day of closer and ing the major toe. The wound is a warmer ties among the different religious bodies painful one. Sam'l Shaner is working of our land, aiming rather to unify than to n his stead.

ce formed on Zimmerman's dam to the founder of our Church. Hear what he says in thickness of three inches, which was taken advantage of during Saturday and Sunday. Perkiomen was also frozen over, but high water has swept it away. A few more cold days would have set the ice plow in motion. Isaac Grater returned home last

week from Philadelphia, where he had

The operation has been a successful one, though one eye has not healed as Menno? *** They were men They are m. rapidly as it should have done.

The River Brethren are holding protracted meetings in their meeting house near this place. They had services on Saturday and Sunday evenings last. How long they intend continuing them has not been ascertained. XX.

Jottings from Ursinus.

Another long term of sixteen weeks of hard study and labor has rolled by, and brought us so many weeks nearer the close of college life. If we take a retrospective view of the ground we have come over, and the work just completed, we may find occasion for feelings of regret. Some of us have, doubtless, passed. by many golden op. portunities unimproved, and now as we behold them looming up in the far distance, we gaze at them with a wistful eye and long for their return that we might use them to better advantage. But, granting that there is some due at the close of the term, there is also great reason for feeling thankful and glad, and this should more than compensate for the regret experienced in the other case. We should be thankful and glad because we have just closed one of the most prosperous terms in the history of the College, during which we were enabled to swell

After the Old Man was Laid Away. our roll to the unprecedented number How well do we remember the third day of December, the wind blew cold from the west when we laid the good is beloved Ursinus is growing in the issue forced upon us by our late associates in the Ohurch we turn from a *packed Court* and appeal to an unprejudiced public sentiment in justifi-cation of our course and position ready and able from the west when we laid the good our beloved Ursinus is growing in the old man away to rest. A daughter and favor of the Almighty, and that He a son-in-law, wondered much how mat- smiles upon her anew every morning. ters stood and whether "Mam" the With such Power and Might resting shall, Skippack, died of convulsions at house and all could claim. The others with her, Ursinus has been enabled to soon agreed that "Mam" was surely take her position where she now stands day morning of last week, aged six entitled to the pile, but the twain re- - in the golden twilight; not that Collegeville, Pa., Dec. 17, '88. solved at once to hum against the plan. twilight which marks the radiant splen-The Squire came, at their request, and dor of receding day, but that twilight scanned the deed. The others did not which foretells the coming of a bright come to stay for fear the one should and glorious dawn. Amos Detwiler died last Friday blow the house away. They found the The re-appearance of Prof. Weindeed in the old lady's care,-I bet he berger, last Monday morning, after a in Norristown, aged 61 years. The de- wished he was not there. The Squire two weeks' spell of sickness, gave ocfixed all things straight that day, casion for a demonstrative welcome by and gave the old lady very fair play. clapping of hands on the part of the The one knows not who to blame for boys. Our professors have grown very house and all is in "Mam's" name. dear to us, and we are always glad to HURRAH. see them in their accustomed places. E. M. Hyde, Ph. D., professor of Site for the Williamson School. Latin, has received a call to a profes-Since the elaborate charitable project sorship in Lehigh University, and has the Lutheran church, Trappe, last of Mr. Williamson, the Philadelphia handed in his resignation. We are philanthropist, has been made public, sorry to lose the valuable and efficient various sites for the extensive buildings services of Dr. Hyde, but we must Carrie Essig; Solo - "Wandering in of the proposed Mechanical School have bow to the decree. Dreamland"- Mr. Milton Wanner; been proposed, in Bucks, Montgomery The Schaff anniversary this (Thurs-Social Duet-"Over the Fields of and Delaware counties. Mr. J. M. day) evening, promises to be a good Clover"-Misses Martha and Carrie Zimmerman, of near this place, has one. 6dec Special preparation is being attracted the attention of the Trustees made by those taking part in the vari-Have"-Clarence Godshall; Music- to his large farm and to the farm ad- ous parts of the program, and we may joining of the Zimmerman estate. Tak- expect an interesting entertainment. Recitation-"Thora"-Lilian Rhoades; en together these farms would furnish We feel like publicly complimenting just what the Trustees seem to be look- and congratulating the committee on ing for-ample water and railway facili- arrangements on the very neat and supper to be given by the Lyceum on ties, good land well situated, &c. tasty invitations they have procured. We can only hope that Mr. Zimmerman They are without dispute the latest, will succeed in getting the Trustees to neatest and finest invitations ever gotlook at the farms. Then Collegeville ten at Ursinus. The exercises will will stand an even chance with other begin promptly at 8. All are cordially localities in the matter of securing the invited.

ANOTHER LETTER.

THE ACTUAL POSITION OF TRINITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH-REFERENCE TO PUBLISHED PRINCI-PLES OF ITS FOUNDER-RECKLESS DISREGARD OF PASTOR AND COUNCIL OF THE AIMS AND

OF PASTOR AND COUNCIL OF THE AIMS AND PURPOSES OF ITS FOUNDER IN DIVERTING IT FROM NON-SECTARIAN TO DENOMINATIONAL USES—APPEAL TO AN UNBIASED COURT. Our case stated is briefly and simply this. Not position to the German Reformed Church, nor opposition to the German Reformed Church, nor any other Church, but steadfast adherence to the teachings of the founder of Trinity Christian Church, which is to welcome all of every Church

and allow no one sectarian or denomination body of worshipers the right to the exclusion of any others to occupy it. The late Pastor of our Church and a majority

of its Council having voluntarily gone over to the German Reformed-a denominational bodyare no longer the representatives or exponents of the principles and policy of Trinity Christian Church, having of their own free will by espousal of a denominational creed put themselves out-John Kline, the blacksmith, is off side of its pale which is non-sectarian or non-de-

stand apart in the work of pushing along the During the few cold days last week Gospel car, and as contrary to the tenets of the

his Statement of Facts published in 1851, page 9 : "The diversity of opinion among the several

Reformers, Luther, Calvin, &c., as evinced by their strenuous advocacy of their own peculiar notions in regard to forms, &c., had an unfavor-able influence on the honest inquirer for true religion, as it tended to show to the world the want of unity among the Protestant Christians in the Great Head of the Church, Jesus Christ, and is at this day a stumbling block to the unbeen for a period of 7 or 8 weeks, undergoing an operation on his eyes. and another I am of Appollos are ye not carnal? The operation has been a successful *** Is Christ divided? *** Who is

ittled to our respect and veneration as men who did good in their day as men. *** 1 believe if they had been spared to protract their lives as the antediluvians were they would have kept on reforming from century to century and not have done as some of their followers recline upon their creed."

From the above,-quoted literally,-the unbiased reader will determine for himself the views of the founder of our Church as to his opinion of church creeds. Yet with the full knowledge of this principle-uppermost in the heart of its founder-and of the history and peculiar mission of our Church the Pastor and Council by dint of strategy run it adrift and would land it on the shoals of denominationalism and then audaciously claim that if he were living he would favor the step. I regard this an insult to his name and a libel on the principles and teachings of my father and repel, with in- 20dec dignation, any insinuation of connivance on his part to such a project ! "The dog turns to his own vomit; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire ?" As well "the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots," as my father trade his principles for position, popularity, convenience, or some com-paratively sordid consideration ! Was he an Esau to sell his birthright for a mess of pottage ? or, a Benedict Arnold to sell his country for rold 2 or a Judas Iscaria to yield for a Wice gold ? or a Judas Iscariot to yield for a like mercenary consideration? Never. A proud commentary on the character of one who was almost a martyr for his principles ! He was no sectarian, but longed to embrace all God's children in one common Christian brotherhood, and bid welcome to his church all of every name and denomination as worshippers at one common altar as testified by an article of the charter of our church.

With the facts as above set forth, and the

HO ! FOR A TURKEY DINNER ! **DUBLIC SALE OF**

FRESH COWS!

Conditions by

H. H. ALLEBACH. J. G. Fetterolf, auct. I. H. Johnson, clerk.

DUBLIC SALE OF

FRESH COWS.

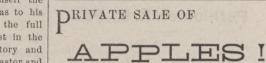
Will be sold at public sale, on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22, '88, at Smoyer's hotel, Trappe, 20 head of fresh cows and springers from Lebanon and Lancaster counties. This is excellent stock, selected with care. Sale to commence at l o'clock. Conditions by SILAS W. FISHER. L. H. Ingram, auct. C. U. Bean, clerk.

DUBLIC SALE OF

Personal Property.

Will be sold at public sale, on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29, '88, at the residences of John B. Wismer, ¹/₄ mile south of Collegeville, and Lewis Wismer, in C. Ilegeville, the following personal property : Three cook stoves, in good order; tea kettles, boilers, &c.; tin kettles, dish pan, tea kettles, oblers, &c.; the kettles, dish pan knives and forks, and a general variety of arti cles for kitchen use; 2 bedsteads, single bed stead, trundle bed, cradle, quilts, feather beds and all kinds of bedding; table cloths, towels for the best encourage unbound with division and all kinds of bedding; table cloths, towels, &c; book case, corner cupboard, sink, dining table, bench table, chairs, benches, &c.; settee and cushion, carpets, 2 bureaus, stand, buckets, pots, Farmer's boller, 8-day clock, dishes of all kinds—some old styles. Meadow and Timothy hay mixed, straw, hand cutting box, wheelbar-row, lot wagon, body and hay ladders, set of stage harness, collar and blind halter, sausage cutter and stuffer, empty vincear barrels meat cutter and stuffer, empty vinegar barrels, mea tubs, and a thousand articles not mentioned Sale to commence at 1 o'clock, sharp, at the residence of the first named. Conditions by JOHN WISMER.

L. H. Ingram, auct. Lewis B. Wismer. clerk.



I have 400 barrels of extra fine York State Apples, consisting of Kings, Baldwins, Greenings, Spies, and Russets, which I will dispose of at private sale at \$2 per barrel. Favor me with vour orders.

I. P. WILLIAMS, Ironbridge, Pa.

SEALED PROPOSALS

FOR SUPPLIES FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY ALMSHOUSE FOR THE YEAR 1889.

Sealed proposals for supplies for Montgomer Scaled proposals for supplies for Montgomery County Almshouse, for the year 1889, will be re-ceived by the Board of Directors, at the Alms-house, as follows, viz : For first quarter, on Monday, January 7th until 12 o'clock, m.; for second quarter, on Monday, April 1st until 12 o'clock, m.; for third quarter, on Monday, July 1st until 12 o'cloc, m.; for fourth quarter, on Monday, October 7th until 12 o'clock, m. The following is a list of the supplies required following is a list of the supplies required : Appleton A muslin, Cottonade, Sheeting mus-

inghams, lead colored muslin, furniture check cotton flannel for coat lining, red flannel, cotton flannel, white, grey flannel, crash for toweling, women's hose, men's half hose, syrup, "A" sugar, unroastêd coffee, "B" or "C" sugar, peas, caustic soda, barley, tea, rice, fine salt— Ashton or Descent, cour hosen court as the

NOTICE TO GUNNERS!

The undersigned hereby give notice that all gunners are forbidden to trespass upon their premises, and that all offenders will be dealt

| with according to law | : - | |
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| John H. Longacre, | Upper | |
| D. H. Grubb, | | " |
| John H. Casselberry | y, " | " |
| A. D. Wagner, | | " |
| W. & S. Rogers, | 66 | " |
| J. K. Harley, | | 66 |
| Jonh H. Longacre, | 46 | " |
| M. R. Schrack, | | 44 |
| M. B. Schraek, | " | 66 |
| Jacob L. Miller, | 66 | 66 |
| J. B. Hause, | " | |
| Henry Zimmerman, | 66 | 66 |
| John McFarland, | 46 | ** |
| Jonathan Hoyer, | " | 4: |
| Wm. Amos, | 66 | " |
| | " | " |
| Fred. Prizer, | | |
| A. D. Reiff, D. S. Raudenbush, | | " |
| Irwin Weikel, | " | " |
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| Ann M. Garber, | | |
| Jacob Weidenbach, | " | " |
| J. H. Hamer, | | |
| J. H. Wanner, Skip | pack. | |
| Isaac F. Alderfer, | | |
| D. H. Casselberry, I | Jower | Providence |
| Calvin Burley, | | " |
| Jacob H. Landes, | | |
| John Reiff, | 66 | ** |
| Isaiah Reiff, | 66 | " |
| George Whitworth, | . " | " |
| Harry Warren, | 66 | " |
| Morton Rice, | 66 | " |
| Jacob Springer, | " | 66 |
| F. R. Deeds, | 66 | " |
| M. C. Rambo, | " | 66 |
| T. J. Davis, | 66 | " |
| A. K. Harley, | 66 | 66 |
| Henry Keyser. | 66 | " |
| Christian Allebach, | " | " |
| Daniel G. Landes, P | erkior | nen. |
| C. M. Hunsicker, | 66 | |
| Enos H. Detwiler, | " | |
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COLLEGEVILLE GREENHOUSES

Winter Blooming Plants, &c.

Carnations-White, pink and red, full bloom, 20c. to 30c.

Oxalis-Dwarf red, the prettiest oxalis grown, everybody should have one, 15c. to 25c. Primroses-Extra large, 20c., 3 for 50c.; large, 15c., 4 for 50c.; medium, 10c., 6 for 50c.

Begonias-30 kinds, from 6c. to 25c. Geraniums-25 kinds, from 8c. to 25c.

Palms-from \$1.50 to \$3.00.

Hyacinth Bulbs-Red, white and blue, single and double, 10c. each ; \$1.00 per dozen. Tulip Bulbs-Assorted, choice, 50c. per dozen. Scollay's Rubber Sprinkler, for sprinkling flow-ers and plants, the best sprinkler out, 90c. I have a choice lot of other plants, which will be found in my catalogue for 1889, issued about

Feb. 1st. Send for it. HORACE RIMBY,

Seedsman and Florist, COLLEGEVILLE, PA.

DRIVATE SALE

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Will be sold at private sale by the subsciber her farm, situated in Upper Providence town-ship, Montgomery county, near Trappe, bound-ed by lands of John Poley, Anthony Poley, Josephine Gross, Daniel Yerk, David G. Tyson, and others, containing 55 acres and 152 sq. perches of land, more or less. The im-provements consist of a two and a half story brick house and attachment, con-taining 3 rooms on the first floor, 5 on Frame barn containing 3 rooms on the first floor, 5 on the second, 2 in attic and a cellar kitchen. Frame barn containing threshing floor, 2 mows, granary and wagon house attached. Also other outbuildings, well and cistern, apple orchard and other fruit trees. This property is well located, near to churches, stores, mills, cream-eries and schools. Purchasers may call at any time and inspect the premises. Terms of sale will be given either by the owner ANN M. GARBER, Or her Agent. H. W. KRATZ. Trappe P. O.

Or her Agent, H. W. KRATZ, Trappe P. O.

IRE TAX NOTICE !

The murdered woman and dead man H. H. Whitman; Surgeon, Jacob H. Warren Lodge, 310, F. & A. M. Trappe, elected the following officers John G. T. Miller; S. W., Melvin T. Hunsicker; J. W., Joseph W. Cul-bert; Secretary, Henry W. Kratz, Esq.; Treasurer, Dr. J. Warren Royer; State Encampment, Joseph W. Culbert; Alternate, J. D. Alderfer.

Trustees, Frank R. Deeds, A. D. Fetterolf, Dr. J. Warren Royer ; Repre- last week we give the following : sentative to Grand Lodge, Charles M.

A Dangerous Crossing. (Monday evening) Eve, at 7.30. Christ-Mr. F. P. Faringer, proprietor of the

cerning the dangerous railroad crossing at Arcola. The report of the late The Sabbath school connected with Grand Jury recommended that a watch- the M. E. Church, Evansburg, will renman be placed at Yerkes station. Mr. der a Christmas service of song and re-Faringer thinks the crossing at Arcola sponsive reading on Christmas Eve, is more dangerous than the one at December 24. The public in general

very necessary to do will be to widen

John B. Metz, undertaker of Fair- ing matrimonial business these many ther paper published. As an adver- view Village, has removed the remains

His gist.

threshing with a flail and doing other

Wont Divide.

township held an election for the pur-

pose of voting on the question of di-

viding the same into two townships.

A Tragedy.

A tragedy occurred at Mill Creek,

near Rose Glen Station, Reading rail-

road, this county, Sunday morning.

Officers Elected.

divided into two election districts.

Recently the citizens of Moreland

special holiday announcement in another column. They are making a fine display of Christmas goods.

-Don't forget the Christmas entertainment of the primary school, Trappe, in Masonic Hall, next Saturday evening. Favor the little folks with your presence.

-Free lunch at Dorworth's hotel, Trappe, on Christmas Eve., December 24. All invited.

-A correspondent writes : "The protracted meetings at the Evangelical church, Trappe, continue with, as yet, no converts."

-Apples, per bushel, are quoted at 30 cents; potatoes at 35 cents-in Adams county.

-David Springer, notary public, of Royersford, is one of the most prominent aspirants for the position of postmaster at that place, to succeed Dr. Morey. If there is to be a change we hope David will get the benefit of it.

People's Cyclopedia is gaining many friends at Ursinus. And it certainly should.

he is now permanently located at 1338 Walnut street, Philadelphia, having taken a long lease, and that his patrons are increasing in number. See adv.

-Members of the Limerick Square Social Club spent last Saturday night very enjoyably at Gross' Hall, this large. One young man in describing place,-"changing partners, swinging an enormous yield said the combined corners. &c."

-A reward of \$25 is offered by the supervisor of Limerick for any information that will lead to the arrest or conviction of the persons who destroyed a number of the guide boards of that township.

16-page Magazine, devoted to the liter- margin. Pratt's Food finds ready sale Auburn. ary culture of women, published at here. Mr. Whitworth says a volume Athens, Georgia. It is an excellent the size of a Congressional Record or publication, and our lady readers should send for sample copies. to describe its virtues.

-Cows averaged \$41.30; Turkeys 13 cts. per pound and hogs \$6 per hundred at Stauffer's sale at Ironbridge last Saturday. S. R. Shupe, auctioneer.

afternoon next.

-When Barber Fred goes gunning Stierly went on his way thankful that after muskrats, there is business in his the accident was no worse. eye and a steadiness in his aim.

-A Western medium has interviewed Adam on the question, "Is marriage a failure ?" "I don't exactly say that Cregar of Oaks. marriage is a failure," remarked the ly at the fruit on the other side of the versary. wall, "but if I had remained single this wouldn't have happened."

Death. Harvey, infant son of David C. God-

the residence of its parents, Wednesmonths. The funeral was held Saturday, interment at the Reformed cemetery, Trappe.

night of heart failure at his residence ceased, who followed the occupation of plasterer for many years, while residing in Philadelphia, is said to have been a native of this township.

Lyceum.

The following program was well rendered at the meeting of the Lyceum at Thursday evening : Music, Opening Hymn; Recitation - "Inasmuch,'--We are informed that the New Gaumer; Recitation-"Self Do, Self "The Stirrup Cup"- Cora Hoyer;

Doxology. At a business meeting of -Dr. Watt, the popular dentist, says the Lyceum it was decided to have a the evening of the 22d of February.

From Arcola.

The farmers have all finished husking corn, the crop being unusually prize. The location we speak of here particular for the purpose stated. efforts of two men and a cross cut saw

were required in removing some of the ears from the stalks. This young man needs closer attention on the part of his Sunday school teacher.

A visit to the Arcola Mills will convince you that a thriving business is Pottstown, Sunday. An arm and a leg being done there. Mr. Faringer buys were severed, and the injured man died -Woman's Work, is the title of a in large quantities and sells on a close shortly after being taken to his home at

Patent Office Report would be required

Saturday. S. R. Shupe, auctioneer. -I. P. Williams will sell about 30 ran away. The horses were stopped by the warron upsetting and comparing in the stopped by the warron upsetting and the stopped by the warron upsetting and the stopped by the warron upsetting and the stopped by the stopped by t side his horses became frightened from barrels of apples after the cow sale at by the wagon upsetting and coming in fortunate man resided. His head came Smoyer's hotel, Trappe, on Saturday contact with a tree. The only damage in contact with the bridge and the force done was the breaking of a single tree, which was soon repaired, and Mr.

Mr. Leedom Stetler has finished

grading and fencing around his new residence. The work was done by Mr.

roughs" who demanded retreat. But server of its work. Daniel should be more careful when the young knight had too much of the

the barrel is on the descent. K. D. Jacksonian spirit in him to comply |

We bid the readers of the INDEPENis certainly most desirable in every DENT adieu for a short season, hoping and wishing that each and all may spend a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Brakemen Killed.

A. B. Kramer, a brakeman on the

Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, was run over while coupling cars at

Coroner Kingkinger was called to Ambler Sunday to hold an inquest on the body of Jeremiah Ziegerfoss, 26 years of age, a brakeman on the N. P.

Last Thursday Mr. Samuel Stierly, R. R., who was killed by an overhead of near Black Rock, tied his team in bridge near Fort Washington, Saturday front of the Arcola Mills and while in- night. Ziegerfoss was standing on a of the blow rolled him from off the car Kratz as chorister, our association loses one of its most useful and valued members.

Doings of a Mob.

They say a man of Geezleville has bidden Venus farewell for the are they written in the "Book of Remembrance" materialized first man, as he sat down sworn vengeance against one of our night, Before reaching the old bridge on a materialized log just outside of Aicola residents. The Arcola man that spans the torrents of the Delaware the Garden of Eden and looked hungri. goes home before dark to avoid his ad- he was confronted by a "mob of

o prove without a doubt before an unbiased court the unfair and unjust means and methods employed by Pastor and Council to circumvent their purpose in forsaking the tenets of the Founder of Trinity Christian Church and going The Directors reserve the right to reject any or all bids. Bidders furnishing goods not equal to the samples shall remove the same at their own over to the German Reformed

HENRY A. HUNSICKER.

ESTATE NOTICE !

Estate of Charles Hipple, late of Limerick township, Montgomery county, deceased. Let-ters of administration on the above estate havbeen granted the undersigned, all persons ndebted to said estate are requested to make mmediate payment, and those having legal laims, to present the same without delay to ISAAC LATSCHAR, Grater's Ford, Pa., IZAAC P. LATSHAW, Collegeville, Pa., Dr their attorney, Administrators.



DRIVATE SALE OF Two Valuable Farms !

Beaver & Shellenberger's Will be sold at private sale, two farms, the one containing 43 acres, and the other 55 acres, located in Upper Providence township, Mont-gomery county. The land comprising both farms is in an excellent state of cultivation, and the improvements are convenient and in first-class order. Either farm will be sold on reasonable terms. For particulars call on or address M. R. SCHRACK, Trappe P. O., Pa. FINEST ASSORTMENT OF **JUST ARRIVED**! Raisins, Peaches, Prunes, Currants, Citron,



Beautiful Plush Albums, Fancy Lamps and Glassware, Glass Sets, Fancy Mugs, Work Boxes, Fancy Boxes Paper, Toys, &c. Don't fail to take a look at the-

Famous "5" Cent Counter, Just Loaded Down with Christmas Goods.

Fine Cassimers, Furniture, Oils, and Groceries at correspondingly low figures.

> Yours very respectfully, ISAAC KULP, GRATER'S FORD, PA.

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Chandler & Scheetz,

828 ARCH ST.

1433 Chestnut St.

PHILADELPHIA.

6dec spired by an occasion thus important; therere, be it Resolved, That in the withdrawal of Brother TLEGANT Resalved. That the relations thus long and happily sustained are severed only because it seemeth to be the Master's bidding. PHOTOGRAPH 1

The gentleman who was subjected to the antics of a drum corps a few weeks ago, had an additional exciting ex-periore the other subject to be the Master's bidding. *Resolved*. That Brother Kratz by his kindness, his amiability, and his willingness to oblige, has won the sincere regard, the just esteem, and the happiest wishes of those who call him friend. *Resolved*. That through the second of the sincere regard, the second of the sincere regard. that friends revere, and that is better far. Resolved. That this association and the school

it represents, will ever bid him "Welcome," whether he come as a participator in, or an ob-

PRESENTATION,

ALCIDE REICHENBACH, MAY H. ROYER, RAYMOND F. LONGACRE,

Liverpool ; black pepper, hard tobacco, smoking tobacco-1/4 pounds; coal-Pea and Stove. Bidders must examine the samples at the Almshouse, each quarter before making bids.

Poor.

JOHN O, CLEMENS, HARRY S. LOWERY, Directors of the Poor.

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-FOR-

CHRISTMAS!

-AND BUY YOUR-

-AT-

CHRISTMAS GOODS.

Pecan Nuts, &c., &c.,

full assortment of

Comb Cases, Box Paper, Toy Books, Vases,

. Moustache Cups, Dolls, &c., &c.

WM. G. WRIGHT,

Attest : DAVID H. Ross, Clerk.

Notice is hereby given to members of the Perkiomen Valley Mutual Fire and Storm Insurance Company of Montgomery County, that on Thursday, November 8th, 1888, the Board of on Inursday, November 3th, 1855, the board of Managers of said Company assessed a tax of one dollar on each one thousand dollars for which they are insured to pay losses recently sustained by members. Payment will be made to the same persons who have heretofore acted as colthe samples shall remove the same at their own expense, and the contract annulled at the op-tion of the Directors. No charges will be al-lowed for the delivery of goods, nor for cases or packages containing the same. All goods con-tracted for must be delivered at the Almshouse, or at either depot at Phœnixville, free of freight. ectors, or to the Secretary at his office at

Trappe. Extract from the Charter :--"And if any member of the company shall refuse or neglect to pay his or her assessments within forty days after the publication of the same, twenty per cent of the assessment will be added thereto; and if payment be delayed for fifty days longer then his, her, or their policy shall become sus-pended until payment shall have been made." H. W. KRATZ, Secretary. Trappe, November 9th, 1888.

COR SALE !

A fine sorrel mare, 5 years old, 16 hands high; style and action good, and gentle in all kinds of harness. For further particulars in-quire at THIS OFFICE.

COR SALE!

A Brick House (with 3 rooms and hall on first floor, 3 rooms on second floor, ceiled attic) and lot in upper part of Trappe, Montgomery county. The house is nearly new. Location desirable. Terms easy. For particulars apply to J. K. BEAVER, Trappe, Pa.

COR SALE !

A first-class upright piano, new. A decided bargain. Apply to H. G. SCHWENK, Collegeville, Pa.

FOR SALE.

A lot of Winter Apples. Apply to SAMUEL WISMER, Collegeville.

STORE PROPERTY FOR RENT OR FOR SALE!

Mr. Preston having sold his store goods and removed to Philadelphia, the store stand and dwelling at Belfry, Stony Creek R. R., is now for rent or sale. It can be bought on easy terms. This is a good store stand and a good property ; well located, within a hundred yards of railroad station. Possession can be given im-mediately. For further information apply to ABRAHAM GRATER, Collegeville, Pa.

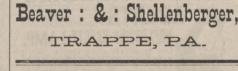
Plush Albums, Ht- Work Boxes, FOR RENT! The house and lot lately occupied by Fred-erick Favinger. Apply to J. W. SUNDERLAND.

FOR RENT! Silk Muffleers, Handkerchiefs, Hand-

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Call and be convinced that we have the cheapest and best line of Christmas Goods in the market.

Hoping to have a share of your trade, we remain yours truly.





A Farm of 40 Acres, one mile east of Col-legeville, ¼ mile north of Evansburg. Good land and fences and first-class improvements. For particulars apply to HENRY FRY, For particulars apply to HENKI FILL, Lower Providence, Pa. NOTICE ! I hereby give notice that all gunners and sportsmen found trespassing on my premises will be vigorously dealt with according to law. JOHN H. WISLER, Upper Providence.

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Teacher of Piano, Organ, Violin, Guitar, and all brass instruments, will be at

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EVERY THURSDAY. Tuning and repairing of Pianos and Organs a speciality. Orders may be left at the hotel, or Trappe P. O. Terms

beautifully engraved and neatly framed were formally presented on last Thanksgiving day by R. F. Longacre : WHEREAS, A few weeks since our association eccived and reluctantly accepted the resignation of our esteemed Brother H. W. Kratz as leader of the Sabbath School music. And whereas, said resignation has formally terminated a service of signal ability and usefulness extending as it has throughout two ard a half decades of progress, it is become meet that we

