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MONTGOMERY COUNTY ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR 1889.

The annual account of the Directors of the Poor and House of Employment of Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1889.

The Directors have received from different sources and paid to the County Treasurer during the year, as follows, viz:

Table with columns for 'DR.' and 'CREDIT'. Lists various items like 'For indulture fees', 'Old watches sold', 'Bastardy case vs. Charles Jones', etc., with corresponding dollar amounts.

Total amount paid to County Treasurer, \$965.38

The Directors have expended for the maintenance of Almshouse out-door relief, out-door medical attendance, out-door burials, etc., for the year as follows, viz:

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SALARIES.

Table listing salaries for various roles: Harry S. Lowery, director; William G. Wright; Morris Y. Johnson; J. P. Hale, janitor; Dr. J. Warren Royer, house physician; H. D. Ross, clerk; Joseph H. Johnson, steward; etc.

ALMSHOUSE EXPENSES, ETC.

Table listing various expenses: Flour, feed and grinding; Cattle; Dry Goods; Groceries; Coal; Lumber; Maintenance bought by Steward; etc.

OUT-DOOR RELIEF.

Table listing relief amounts for Upper District, Middle District, Lower District, and Total out-door relief.

OUT-DOOR MEDICAL RELIEF.

For attending all indigent cases in Norristown and Bridgeport as per contract. \$425.00

Dr. H. Y. Neiman, Pottstown.

Table listing medical relief amounts for Hamilton Eagle, Mrs. Samuel Billger, etc.

Dr. Geo. A. Blank & Son, Summerville.

Table listing medical relief amounts for John A. Schwager's family, George Faust, etc.

Dr. O. C. Heffner, Sassafrasville.

Table listing medical relief amounts for Nancy Syler, Lucy Ann Shenkle, etc.

Dr. C. Alvin Yeomans, Pottstown.

Table listing medical relief amounts for David Willauer, Sarah Arnole, etc.

Dr. George N. Highley, Conshohocken.

Table listing medical relief amounts for Thomas Pennell, Ephraim Parvin, etc.

Dr. M. P. Acker, Pennsburg.

Table listing medical relief amounts for Charles Wambold, Henry H. Sells's family, etc.

Dr. Geo. F. Keller, Harleysville.

Table listing medical relief amounts for Leah Gerhart, Sabilla Sherry, etc.

Dr. L. L. Cope, Hatfield.

Table listing medical relief amounts for J. W. Jordan's family, Dr. J. Elmer Porter, etc.

Dr. J. S. Cooper, Shoemakerstown.

Table listing medical relief amounts for Thomas Hopkins's family, James Bennett, etc.

Dr. D. R. Bechtel, Kulpsville.

Table listing medical relief amounts for Kate Hallman, Catherine Campbell, etc.

Dr. Jonathan Faust, Tylersport.

Table listing medical relief amounts for Henry Kemmerer, Jacob Lenninger, etc.

Dr. A. C. Hennan, Lansdale.

Table listing medical relief amounts for Sabilla Shorly's family, Sallie Smith, etc.

Dr. S. A. Knipe, New Hanover.

Table listing medical relief amounts for Abraham Updegrave, Andrew Gepphart's family, etc.

Dr. Oscar Leonard, Plymouth Meeting.

Table listing medical relief amounts for Eliza Fite, Anna Royer, etc.

Dr. P. O. Wickert, Salfordville.

Table listing medical relief amounts for Mary Ann Moore, William Moore, etc.

Dr. E. M. Furry, Norristown.

Table listing medical relief amounts for Margaret Potts, Maggie Jones, etc.

Dr. Samuel Wolf, Skipack.

Table listing medical relief amounts for Charles Feg's family, Deborah Engle, etc.

Dr. E. B. Rossiter, Pottstown.

Table listing medical relief amounts for Sarah Fields, Mrs. James Jackson, etc.

Dr. B. K. Johnson, Norristown.

Table listing medical relief amounts for Emily A. King, Total, etc.

PRODUCE OF FARM.

103 four-horse loads of hay, 29 four-horse loads of corn fodder, 2945 bushels of corn, 576 bushels of wheat, 1013 bushels of oats, 3 1/2 bushels of timothy seed, 86 bushels dry, 1033 bushels potatoes, 18 bushels winter apples, 115 gallons cider, 18 bushels of peas, 16 bushels of onions, 7 1/2 bushels set onions, 118 bushels of string beans, 16 bushels soup beans, 8 1/2 barrels of beets, 185 bushels of turnips, 25 baskets of lima beans, 99 baskets of tomatoes, 38 baskets of cantelopes, 27 baskets cucumber, 45 doz. asparagus, 24 dozen rhubarb, 28 dozen peppers, 5875 heads of cabbage, 640 stalks of celery, 37 bushels parsnips, 4 hogsheads of sour kraut, 2 1/2 barrels of pickles, 23 bushels sweet corn, broom corn for 39 brooms, 522 cart loads of manure, 98 four-horse loads of manure, 32,377 pounds of beef, 2,002 pounds of veal, 10,123 pounds of pork, 1,538 pounds of hard soap, 54 barrels of soft soap.

MANUFACTURED IN THE INSTITUTION.

333 men's shirts, 45 dresses, 18 petticoats, 21 chemises 25 pairs of women's drawers, 41 aprons, 30 men's and women's under shirts, 18 pairs of men's drawers, 18 sunbonnets, 3 night gowns, 6 saques, 13 infant dresses, 12 infant petticoats, 17 infant slips, 131 sheets, 23 chaff beds, 35 boiler cases, 160 pillow cases, 39 quilts, 179 towels, 77 coats, 284 pairs of pants, 100 vests, 90 pairs of men's shoes, 3 pairs children's shoes, 30 pairs of suspenders.

NAMES OF INMATES WHO DIED IN THE INSTITUTION DURING THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1889.

Table listing names of inmates who died, including Margaret Spear, Charles Streep, John Brady, etc.

Born in the institution during the year, 4.

Average number of inmates in the institution at the end of each quarter during the year.

Table showing inmate numbers for 1st quarter ending March 31st, 1889, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th.

Tramps supplied with board and lodging.

Table showing the number of tramps supplied with board and lodging for Males and Females.

NET EXPENSES OF INSTITUTION.

Total amount of orders drawn, \$38,125.59. From which deduct the following: Income from institution, \$965.38; Out-door relief, \$7,734.30; Out-door Medical att'dce, \$1,529.00; Out-door Burials, 165.00; Printing and advertising, 423.50; Board of children, as per Act of Assembly, 772.40; Transient board of paupers in other counties, 133.08; Permanent improvements, 1,000.50, 10,743.25.

Net expenses of keeping institution, \$17,389.34. Net expense of keeping each inmate per year, \$8.24. All of which is respectfully submitted.

HARRY S. LOWERY, WM. G. WRIGHT, MORRIS Y. JOHNSON, Directors.

Attest:—David H. Ross, Clerk.

"POLLY'S TRAMP."

BY ROSE B. KANE.

"I shall be so glad when father comes in," and Polly arose and put more coal in the stove. "It will be a wild night."

Just then the heavy door swung open and a gruff, though kindly looking man entered.

"Have you a nice fire, little one? Bad night, to-night. You can hear the waves dashing up against the rocks and the wind roars. I'm glad we have our little snug place to-night. I've brought up the Boston papers."

"I am so glad you are in, father, dear. I worried about you. Tea is all ready now; I pity anyone out to-night."

"I do, too, Polly. You must not worry about your old daddy. He has faced lots of these gales and able for many more. Let's have our supper."

Polly took her place opposite her father. Bright, impulsive Polly, the one gleam of sunshine in her old father's heart. These two were so much to each other.

To Polly this big gruff man was a king among men. He was father, friend, teacher, everything to Polly. They were very popular in this little village by the sea. Polly was considered a "likely girl" and "Old Dan Darrow a very clever fellow."

Their home was not beautiful; far from it, being rude and rough like the other houses on this rocky coast, but Polly's nimble fingers had added many tasty things to the interior. There was Polly's bird to keep her company through the long day, a few good books for companions and her household cares to keep in mind.

After supper Polly read the papers to her father, stopping now and then to listen to the wind as it dashed the snow against the window and whistled down the chimney.

"Father, didn't you hear a step near the door?"

"No, dear, only the wind. The meaning and sobbing of the wind seemed almost human to-night, but, then, I think that's a knock. I'll light the lantern, and you hold it near the door and I'll look."

The wind blew the snow into his face as he opened the door and Polly heard his say.

"Come in, sir; step in." And when the door was closed she saw a tall young man, his coat was covered with snow. His pale face showed plainly that he had been suffering and a great feeling of pity came into Polly's heart. She arose at once, as her father was fastening the door, and placed a chair near the fire. "Please sit down, sir, and remove your coat. This is a bad night to be out."

"Thank you," and he laid the wet, shabby coat and hat on the chair. "I found it so; you must pardon me for intruding, but the light looked so inviting and I was so tired and cold."

"And hungry," thought Polly, looking at the pale, delicate face. She went to the little cupboard and taking the still warm rolls from their place and the plate of cold meat, laid them on the table. The stranger paid no attention to her, but looked dreamily into the fire.

"Now," said Polly behind him, "if you feel warmer will you come and have a cup of coffee?"

"No now boy; it will do you good. Come, set up to the table. We're plain folks, me and Polly, but you're heartily welcome to share with us," said old Dan, cordially.

"I thank you very much. I'm sorry to trouble you, but I'm very hungry."

"Just what I thought. Well, you have come to the right place," continued he, as the stranger watched Polly prepare his coffee.

"Will you let me tell you about myself," said the stranger, as they took their places around the fire again. "I have been unfortunate."

"Never mind, it might not make you feel any better. It appears to me you are not very strong. Will you tell us where you came from?" asked Mr. Darrow.

"My home is in New York; my name is Ellis, Tom Ellis."

Polly looked at her father quickly, and that look said, "don't make him tell." Her father understood, and was silent. The stranger arose.

"I am obliged to you, sir, and your daughter for your kindness to me. Some time I may be able to repay you."

"May I ask where you are going, boy?"

"I do not know."

"Just sit right down and stay where you are. I guess Dan Darrow can make you comfortable for one night. My dear boy, I wouldn't let a dog go out into this storm."

"But I may be in the way. It may not be convenient."

"Never you mind. You just do as I tell you."

"Miss Polly," said the stranger, next day, "you have been real kind to me, and I will never forget it. I will go and find work and earn enough to go home—to mother. As I told you, I have been unfortunate, and have been ashamed to go home, but I will go now. Don't you find this life lonely?"

"No, not with father. I have no mother you see; she died when I was very young. Father is so good, but I think it must be everything to have a mother. Do you know I envy the girls here every time they say 'my mother.' Will you tell me of yours? Please do."

"Yes, with pleasure. She is sweet and gracious, and quite a leader in society. You would not think to look at me that I have a home and mother."

"You told me you were unfortunate," said Polly softly.

"Yes I have been, Polly, I'm afraid I have been a scamp. That startles you, but what would you think of a man who let run ruin all his prospects?"

"I should despise him," answered Polly, quickly.

"I don't blame you. Here is your father. He is going to take me to the factory to work."

"Wait a minute, please," said Polly, as her father came in.

"Good-bye, Miss Polly. If I can ever return your kindness, I will do so," said he as Polly came in.

She slipped something into his hand. "Please go right home. Now promise me, you will."

"I promise you, Miss Polly, but I cannot take your money."

"Please do, it is my own. Father is waiting for you. Now do not forget your promise to do better. Good-bye."

"I saw your tramp off safe and sure, Polly. I'm kinder glad you gave him your money. 'Bread cast upon the waters—' but there's some good in that fellow. Too much money and nothing to do has been the spoiling of him."

"Poor fellow. How desolate he did seem. I am so glad too." And Polly sighed.

The crowded train came slowly into the depot. Polly Darrow lifted her veil and looked round in a dazed way at the hurrying throng as she stepped from the cars. What a great bewildering place New York was.

"Here I am, Pauline. How you have grown, child. Poor dear, come right along. You will get used to the noise soon." And a kind face looked up into Polly's.

"Dear aunt Emma; I feel so little and out of place in this great crowd. I am so tired and my head aches," and there were tears in Polly's blue eyes as she took her aunt's arm.

Three years had brought a sad change to Polly. The dear father was laid at rest. She had come to New York to earn her living, and make a home with her father's only sister.

"Aunt Emma," said Polly, a week later, "I am going to answer this advertisement in person this morning. This firm wants a lady to copy manuscript. I can write a good plain hand."

"I don't want you to work, Polly. Stay here with me and the children."

"I should be a burden to you. I will answer it, I know where Nassau street is."

"Then try it, dear. You can write at home here, that will be better than going into a store," said her aunt as she was about to go. "Good luck to you, dear."

Polly walked along Nassau street till she saw the sign, "T. E. Atherton & Co., publishers."

"Could I see Mr. Atherton now, please?" she said to one of the clerks.

"Yes'm. Here Bill, take this lady upstairs to Mr. Atherton's office."

Polly felt her courage failing her as Bill led her to the door marked "private office." She wrapped very softly. "Come in," said an impatient voice.

Polly stepped in and advanced toward the desk. She stopped suddenly. Sitting at the desk, surrounded by a pile of correspondence was Polly's tramp.

Presently he looked up. "Why, Polly, this is indeed a surprise. You are very welcome. But where did you come from?"

Polly forgot the little dignified speech she had prepared for Atherton and began to cry.

"There, Polly, don't cry," looking at her black dress, "I know all about it now. I am glad you came to see me. Now tell me all about yourself. I have much to tell you."

Polly felt at ease at once.

"I was so surprised to see you here. I came to see Mr. Atherton about getting work."

"I am he, Polly. Mr. Thomas Ellis Atherton. Where are you stopping?"

"At my aunt's, on Dale street."

"I have thought of you very often, Polly. I never forgot my promise. I am real good, now, Polly. I do not wander about now." At that they both laughed and proceeded right to business.

"Are you afraid of me, Polly?" said her employer one day in spring. Polly had worked steadily all winter and refused any and all favors from Mr. Atherton.

"No, but you are so different from me. You are the rich Mr. Atherton, I am only plain Polly Darrow."

"I see. All right, Polly, but will you come and see my mother some day. She is plain Mrs. Atherton."

"Yes, I will go."

"Let it be to-morrow, then. I will call for you."

"Mother," said Tom Atherton next day, "this is Polly." And as his handsome stately mother greeted her he said, "You remember how Polly took care of me and sent me home to you? She refuses to have anything to say to me because she is plain Polly Darrow. Will you try and make her say she will be plain Polly Atherton? I need some one to take care of me now." And he left them together.

happy a marriage as it had ever witnessed.

In the sensible mother's heart to her gratitude for a son saved was added a genuine affection for this new daughter, who had first sent the tramp home, and now had her deep reward in being its future joy.

How Far Can We See.

There is absolutely no limit to the normal vision, if the sight be unobstructed. Yet we can see the stars, which are trillions of miles away, while we cannot see a tree twenty miles distant. Why? It is true that all objects diminish in apparent size in a direct proportion to distance, but that is not the only reason. The chief reason is that our vision is obstructed by the curvature of the earth. A writer in Popular Science News gives some figures to show how great the curvature is.

It is often a matter of interest and importance to know how far we can see from any given height; or, conversely, how far one must be above the earth to see an object at a given distance. The exact calculation of these figures would require the use of very complex formulas, but for practical use, two very simple rules will suffice: The distance in miles at which an object upon the surface of the earth is visible is equal to the square root of one and a half times the height of the observer in feet above the surface; and conversely, The height in feet to which an observer must be placed to see a distant object is equal to two-thirds the square of the distance in miles.

For instance, the observer is in the rigging of a ship one hundred feet above the water how far distant is the horizon; that is, how far could an object floating on the water be visible before being hidden by the convexity of the earth? One and one-half times 100 is 150, and the square root of 150 is, approximately, 12 1/2, therefore the horizon is 12 1/2 miles distant. As the deck of smaller vessels, like pleasure yachts, is rarely more than ten feet above the water, it follows that limit of vision from that point is less than four miles in every direction.

An illustration of the second rule may be given as follows: A building is 33 miles away; how high a hill must one climb in order to be able to see it? As the square of the distance equals 1,089, and two thirds of that number equals 726 it follows that we must climb a hill 726 feet high before we are able to see the building, even with the most powerful telescope.

Usually, however, the height of the object, as well as that of the observer, must be taken into consideration, but this simply requires the duplication of the problem. For instance: The Washington Monument is 553 feet high; at what height must an observer fifty miles away be in order to see the top of it? Supposing the observer to stand upon the ground, we find by the first rule that he could just see the top twenty-nine miles away, and to overcome the remaining twenty-one miles, due to the convexity of the earth, he would by rule second have to climb to the height of 294 feet.

If we apply similar calculations to the Eiffel Tower, the highest artificial structure in the world, we obtain some interesting results. Assuming the height to be just 1,000 feet, we find that standing at the top we enjoy a circle of vision bounded by a horizon thirty-nine miles distant, and that if another similar tower should ever be erected, it could be placed over seventy-eight miles away before the rays of the electric lights on their summits would be eclipsed by the intervening earth.

From the summit of Mount Everest in the Himalays (27,000) one could see nearly 300 miles, provided the air was clear enough, which would rarely be the case.

Savings banks were established in France in 1834, but although these institutions grew yearly in popular favor, it was not until the end of 1845 that the amount of deposits reached even 393,000,000, and the number of depositors 684,000. At the end of 1889 the depositors aggregated 1,746,000,000, and at the same period 211,580 persons had to their credit 46,828,457f. In the Post Office Savings Bank, which was established by law so recently as April 9, 1881. The study of the statistics in detail of the French savings banks unfold not a few instructive lessons in social and political sciences.

A Widow Who Waited.

REFUSED AN OFFER OF MARRIAGE WHILE WAITING FOR A MARRIED MAN.

One of the leading attorneys of this city was visited the other day by Mrs. Margaret Graham, a fair young widow, who wanted the law to redress a curious grievance and who left very much disgusted when she found that the courts could not right her wrongs. About eight years ago, she said, some time after her husband had died, she received an offer of marriage from a man of means and she was disposed to accept him. Before doing so she consulted J. R. Reed, a man in whom she had much confidence and who was her neighbor and was married. She laid the matter before him and, to her surprise, he said:

"I don't want you to marry that man."

"Because," said he in a tender tone, "I want you for myself."

Now, Reed's wife was in poor health and was not expected to live very long. It therefore appeared to the widow that her friend and counselor was only making prudent provision for the future, and as she rather preferred him to the other man, she dismissed the latter and sat down to wait for the funeral which must precede her wedding. She had a fair and full understanding with Reed that they should be married soon after the wife had left him a widower. So she waited and waited, one year, three years, five years, and still the wife persisted in living, with a contrariness that upset all calculations. But the plighted troth held good. The widow and her lover borrowed each other's money and got along on very social and intimate terms, so much so that some people in the community actually talked unpleasantly about them. Time went on, and when the stubborn end came at last, seven years had passed from the date of the widow's engagement. Then she fondly imagined that she was to have a new ring upon her finger and she would sit at the same table with her beloved and trade at the stores on his account.

But alas for the perfidy of mankind! Within six months from the death of his wife Reed, deaf to all appeals of confiding innocence, led a blushing young girl to the altar and she became his bride. Aghast at this wickedness, the wronged woman wanted to invoke the law upon Reed.

"There must be some law," she said "for such a demon as that."

Imagine her dismay when she learned there was no provision in the statutes for such cases. She went home a sad and disappointed woman, thinking of seven wasted years that would never come back to her and the offer that she threw away.

English as She is Talked.

"Hey, Bill, why'dnt chu kumtus kool yistafn noon?"

"Cozza hadda stateem cozz mummuthers sick."

"Ya-as, cozz yerra lier; Jim Tomson saw you gonna fishin."

"Welli guess the doctor said mummuthur roughtho have some fish."

"Betchu didden ketch nauthin."

"Betti caughtta bull pout that long witha pinnook."

"Ya-as you did. Betchu ketch somthin biggern that wen you git toskooltho ole teacher gitsoldo you."

"Howjuuno?"

"Cozz Jim Tomson give youway."

(Bill weeps softly and goes off in quest of James Tomson before seeking the inevitable interview with the teacher, which really he does not seek, but finds it rather thrust upon him, against his urgent wishes and strong protest.)—Bob Burdette.

The Platte River.

The Platte river is a queer stream. It has a very large circulation, but very little influence. It covers a good deal of ground, but is not deep. In some places it is a mile wide and three-quarters of an inch deep. It has a bed of quicksand, which assists it very much in drowning people. The Platte makes very little fuss about it, but succeeds in being quite fatal. You might cross that river without even getting your hose wet, and then again you might find that in crossing the stream you had struck an entirely new country, from whose bourne no traveler ever returns.

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PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY. COLLEGEVILLE, MONTG. CO., PA. E. S. MOSER, Editor and Proprietor. Thursday, March 6, 1890.

THREE hundred thousand dollars went up in smoke in New York City, Tuesday afternoon, involving the destruction of a five-story iron front building on Broadway, and damages to adjacent properties.

INTENSE cold weather prevailed in the western part of the country the latter part of last week. On its way east the blizzard was somewhat toned down, yet the temperature about here Sunday and Monday was quite wintry. At this writing another cold wave is heading this way.

A VERY serious disaster occurred Monday evening at the South Wilkesbarre colliery, this State. Eight men were imprisoned in a burning mine. Since then every effort, without avail, has been made to release the unfortunate men. It is more than probable that none of them will be rescued alive.

MR. CLEVELAND, was not only an emphatic success as President of the United States, (excuse the scribe if you don't take this view of the ex-President,) but he seems to have kept one eye open a part of his time in looking after his private interests. While President he purchased Oakview, near Washington, for \$30,000. The other day he disposed of the property for \$140,000.

SENATOR BROWN informs us by circular that it is his intention to be a candidate for renomination next fall. As Senator from this county Mr. Brown conducted himself as a gentleman while at Harrisburg, being a gentleman by nature, and won friends and influence at the Capitol. If the Republican party decides to grant the Senator a renomination we do not think we shall be called upon to interpose any objections.

THE leaders of the Democracy of Montgomery, it is remarked, are looking here and there for some available candidate for Congress next fall. Perhaps should the democrats in their search get over the line into Bucks county we would suggest that they call upon General W. W. H. Davis of the Doylestown Democrat. That old soldier, democratic patriarch and statesman as well, would make an exemplary Congressman. We would rather vote for him than any other democrat we can think of just now—for Congress.

IT is stated, and we hope the statement will materialize, that the farmers of Montgomery county are about to effect an organization having for its object the amelioration of the present depressed condition of affairs existing among the tillers of the soil in this county as well as elsewhere. A mass meeting of farmers is to be held at Norristown some time next month, to be addressed by the best speakers procurable upon subjects pertaining to the wants of the farmers. We are gratified to know that the farmers are awakening to the needs of the hour, to the fact that something is out of gear in the political machinery of the country, and we earnestly hope the farmers of the county will discuss the situation until they find the key which will unlock seemingly mysterious causes.

THE act to increase pensions of soldiers and sailors who are totally helpless from injuries received or diseases contracted while in the services of the United States, has been approved by the President.

This is a just measure and the President has done right in giving it his approval.

Another bill should now be framed and passed that will practically discontinue the payment of pensions to those who are well able, physically and mentally, to care for themselves without governmental assistance.

A just pension system is what the country needs. The payment of money, on the part of the government, to undeserving persons clearly tends to promote mendacity, idleness, dissipation, and pauperism. A little reflection will make this proposition quite clear.

wrong as concerns the public good. The man who is in politics for political glory and boodle does not possess the requirements of real statesmanship. The country is carrying entirely too much of the latter sort of timber.

The Atrocious Tax on Tin.

There is no tin plate manufactured in this country, and although it is a commodity of very general use among the masses of the people, they are taxed over \$6,000,000 a year by tariff duties.

It is now proposed to increase this tax on tin-plate 125 per cent., which would impose a tax of nearly \$14,000,000 on the tin-plate now consumed in the country. This tax is demanded by a tin syndicate or combine that proposes to manufacture tin-plate here for our own consumption.

If the proposed tax of nearly \$14,000,000 was intended to develop a great home industry and make an increased demand for labor, there would be some plausible excuse for it; but when it is considered that there are not over 28,000 people employed in the manufacture of tin plate to supply the whole world with that commodity, including men, women and children, the absurdity of taxing consumers \$14,000,000 to protect labor must be apparent to all.

Of the \$14,000,000 direct tax proposed to be levied on tin plate, to be charged to the workingman's dinner-pail and kitchen utensils and to the small farmer's cans for his fruits and vegetables, not \$1,000,000 of it would be paid for labor, while 780,000 workers of tin plate in this country would be oppressively taxed on their raw materials.

Baltimore alone manufactures 120,000,000 tin cans for the use of farmers, fruiterers, oystermen, etc., and the capital invested in the canning business there is \$10,000,000 and gives employment to 75,000 working people. Many of the villages and surrounding country in New Jersey have vastly more interest in this question than in any other feature of tariff reform; and when it is considered that millions of these canned fruits, vegetables, etc., are exported, the atrocity of taxing plate is presented in all its nakedness.

The present tariff is paralyzing the very labor it professes to protect by needless and crushing taxes on the necessities of life; and instead of imposing new and more oppressive taxes on the working people, the time must come when there must be a radical advance in free raw materials and cheap necessities of life.

Sleighing at the Seaside.

ATLANTIC CITY, March 2.—The city was visited by a considerable fall of snow to-day and the streets were soon in condition for exhilarating winter sports. The hotel guests were prompt to avail themselves of this rare opportunity, and even as early as 10 o'clock this morning the noise of sleigh bells was so pronounced on all sides that the sonorous tolls from the church steeples were scarcely audible.

A Woman Machinist.

Nellie Patterson, of Mount Carmel, is the only woman machinist in Connecticut. She is a handsome girl, bright-eyed, quick in action and very popular. She is employed by the Mount Carmel Belt Company and is a full-fledged machinist, having served her full time at the trade and mastered it in all its details. Miss Patterson can block up a piece of work on a planer or turn up an arbor or any other product of the lathe as well as any man in the employ of the company. She earns a man's wages and is in love with her work. At first she had to meet with jealousy from her fellow-workers, but her pleasant ways have made her a general favorite.

Disease of the Future.

A POSSIBLE BRIGHT LOOKOUT FOR BABIES YET TO BE BORN.

It is a dreadful point about these microbes that the only way to avoid having them in a virulent form. The children of the future will not run through the present gamut of infantile diseases, but they will probably be subjected to inoculation with various microbes every few months. First they will be vaccinated for small-pox. When they have recovered from that they will be taken to a Pasteur institute to have a mild form of rabies. Next they will be given a dose of the comma bacilli to prevent cholera, and so on through all the ever-growing series of disease microbes. Oh! luckless child of the future! you will never be ill and never be well; your health will be awfully monotonous; you will never know the weariness of the first night of measles, when it was so nice to lie in mother's lap and feel her cool hand on your forehead; you will never know the joys of convalescence, when oranges were numerous and everyone was kind to you because you were not well, and your end will be to die of debility. How glad we are that we live in the present with all its ups and downs of health to lend variety to life and death.

A young man who may possibly turn out to be the long lost Charlie Ross, has been located in Port Allegheeny, McKean county, Pa., and the story of his life is of a nature that may throw some light on the sensational abduction of Charlie Brewster Ross from his father's residence in Germantown on July 1, 1874. The young man is just the age now that the stolen child of Christian K. Ross would have attained if he is alive, and the circumstances surrounding the career of the young man supposed to be the missing Charlie Ross are so peculiar and strange that the inhabitants of Port Allegheeny are convinced that the mystery of the abduction will at last be explained.

A Hurrried Marriage.

A COUPLE WHO THOUGHT THE TIME WAS TOO SHORT.

From the New York Star. Joseph Thomas, a lawyer of Kennebunk, Me., at the beginning of this century, was a man of considerable reputation as a wag. A couple were anxious to be married, and as there was no minister at hand, they waited upon Mr. Thomas, who as a Magistrate, was authorized to perform the marriage ceremony.

He was busy writing as they entered, but paused to inquire what they wanted. Addressing himself to the man, he asked if he wished to take that woman for a wife, and turning to the woman he inquired whether she wished to take that man for her husband. Then he went on with his writing.

The parties sat still and waited until their patience was exhausted. Finally the man ventured to interrupt Mr. Thomas and tell him they were in a great hurry.

"Why don't you go along, then?" answered the Judge.

"But we want to be married first."

"Married! You may have been married more than half an hour."

He explained the requirements of the law and the couple withdrew, not without some misgivings, it is to be feared, as to the validity of a ceremony so unceremoniously performed. They had certainly been married in haste, but there is no record that they repented at leisure.

READABLE PARAGRAPHS.

"What is ability?" "Ability my dear, is knowing how little you really do; know and keeping others from finding it out."—Commercial Traveler.

"Yes, poor John is gone and his demise had one strange feature attending it. It was the only thing he ever had a hand in that he didn't grumble and make a fuss about after doing."

The postage on a letter from the United States through England to India is five cents. The postage on a letter mailed in England for India is ten cents. On account of this the English business public is making a big kick against the English postal department.

The authorities in Berlin have just discovered a cunning method devised to circumvent the law prohibiting the importation of American hogs into Germany. American hams are now taken to Holland, where they are smoked and then sent over the frontier as Dutch hams. The two-legged specimen will still land entire.

A lot of curious information is sometimes locked up in the most common words and expressions. "By Jimminy" has reference to the old classical Jemini. Odd as this is, however, few men think of it when they call on Jimminy or some of his profane relations after mashing their nails with a tack-hammer.

On a half acre of land in Middleborough, Ky., the town which is now having a boom, there are twenty-four distinct varieties of trees, as follows: White oak, walnut, red oak, poplar, cherry, sassafras, persimmon, plum, maple, mulberry, pawpaw, water beech, hickory, dogwood, sycamore, willow, ash, elm, red haw, box elder, sweet gum, spicewood, black gum, black haw.

The oldest lawsuit on record is now being tried in the highest Russian court at St. Petersburg. It was brought five hundred years ago against the city of Kazanec-Podolsk by the heirs of a dead nobleman to recover many thousands of acres of his estate which had been confiscated by the municipality. The written testimony is said to weigh forty-five tons.

The way in which monkeys catch land crabs around Singapore is thus described: The monkey lies flat on its stomach, feigning death. From the countless passages piercing the mud in every direction, thousands of little red and yellow crabs soon make their appearance, and, after suspiciously eyeing for a few minutes the brown fur of the monkey, they slowly and cautiously slide up to him, in great glee at the prospect of a big feed of the bones of Master Joeko. The latter peeps through his half closed eyelids, and fixes upon the biggest of the assembled multitude. When the crab comes within reach, out dashes the monkey's arm, and off he scampers into the jungle with a cry of delight to discuss at leisure his cleverly earned dinner.

The National Capital.

The city of Washington is an object of perennial interests to all patriotic Americans. Not alone because it is the great throbbing heart of the mightiest and grandest Republic the earth has ever known, but also on account of its material magnificence. All Americans take pride in its beautiful avenues, majestic architecture, stately homes, and well stored galleries and museums as things of grandeur and beauty in themselves, apart from the historic interest with which they are invested. It is a hope and aspiration of all "YOUNG AMERICA," at least, to some time or other visit the Capital of his country. The Baltimore and Ohio R. R. offers unequalled facilities in aid of this desire.

All its through trains between New York, Philadelphia, and Baltimore on the east, and Pittsburg, Cincinnati, St. Louis and Chicago on the west, pass through Washington. Its fast express trains are vestibuled from end to end and heated with steam. Pullman's latest and best productions in the way of sumptuous Drawing Room Sleeping Cars are attached to all through trains. The present management of the B. & O. have made vast improvements in the last two years, and the road is to-day one of the foremost passenger carrying lines in the country. Through tickets via B. & O. R. R. can be procured at the principal ticket offices throughout the United States.

The benefit for Mrs. James G. Blaine Jr., exceed the expectations of her friends. The amount realized was a little over \$4,000. It is now thought that she will eventually regain her health.

AT THE Grater's Ford Store!

Great preparation has been made to please those who are going to buy anything in the HOUSE-KEEPING way, with OLD STOCKS ON BEGINNERS. In an advertisement we can, of course, only give an idea of what is here, but we will give enough to interest you and make you wish to see our goods, whether you buy or not.

FURNITURE.—Bed Room Suits in painted wood, antique finish, solid oak, and solid walnut; latest designs, 3 piece suits. Extension tables, 8, 10 and 12 ft., in ash, walnut and magnolia wood; and cane-seat chairs, arm chairs and rockers. Easy chairs, mirrors, center tables and center stands. Sinks, sideboards, clothes racks and hall racks.

HOUSE-FURNISHING.—Coffee mills, rolling pins, and iron, clothes wringers, cedar tubs, assorted sizes; wood and paper water buckets; best makes of zinc and wire wash boards.

CARPETS.—We have an assortment of patterns in Rag, Ingrain and Brussels; also a big lot of Ingrain remnants that make very pretty and cheap mats.

QUEENSWARE.—Best Frontstone China goods, in full tea and dinner sets; also, cups, saucers, plates, soup bowls, and so on, very cheap, in lots to suit buyers.

GLASSWARE.—Pitchers, Cake and Fruit Dishes; glass sets, plain and cut; goblets and tumblers.

GEESSE FEATHERS.—Choice Michigan, steam dried, a better and best kind, in bags from 1 to 10 lbs.; also home raised, oven dried, a little cheaper.

WINDOW PAPERS AND SHADES, in a variety of plain colors; also a large assortment of decorated, or Dado shades.

WALL PAPER in white, blank and gilt, large and small figures, loud and quiet colors; large variety of patterns.

HATS AND SUITINGS for this season, in newest styles and numerous grades.

DRY GOODS.—The line of them is as complete as usual, including the LAST LOT of MORNING PRINTS that can be had to sell at our price.

FAMILY GROCERIES, HARDWARE, FENCE WIRE, BED SPRINGS, PAINT, VARNISHES, ALL KINDS OF OILS.—We have a larger stock of these than the country store generally carries, at correct prices.

You will notice we speak of these things as if we were going to sell them, and that is just what we are going to do. With that end in view we have fixed the prices so that purchasers will feel they are getting the worth of their money.

Kulp & Wagner.

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Having sold the store property, the store stock on hand, embracing a

Large Variety of Goods —WILL BE SOLD— BELOW COST!

with a view of Closing up the business. As a consequence

GREAT BARGAINS!

Are offered. Don't miss the opportunity. Men's Boots selling at \$2.00. Gum Boots for Men and Boys, \$2.00 and \$3.50. Dry Goods and Hardware at astonishing prices.

Mrs. H. C. Schwenk.

Old Perkiomen Bridge Store Stand!

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The undersigned would respectfully inform his friends and the public in general, that he has located in COLLEGEVILLE in the

Merchant Tailoring Business!

WITH A SPLENDID VARIETY OF THE LATEST STYLES IN

Attractive and Serviceable Goods.

Foreign and Domestic Novelties!

All garments guaranteed to fit. Your patronage solicited.

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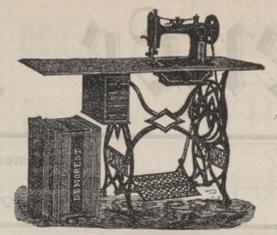
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FREE LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, we will give complete instructions for beautifying your complexion; for the permanent removal of superfluous hair; for dispelling wrinkles; for banishing freckles, blackheads, and creating a nice, new white skin; for preserving the teeth and purifying the breath; for preserving and restoring the hair, call at office for a sample of Elite Complexion Soap. Enclose 3c. stamp for particulars. ELITE TOILET COMPANY, 1055 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.

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Will take work at home or can be engaged by the week.

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A DEMOREST SEWING MACHINE FOR \$19.50.

(USUAL PRICE \$55.00.) with all attachments. Money refunded if not as represented.

Direct from the manufacturers the Snag-Proof Gum Boot!

No better made; every pair warranted to give satisfaction. Full stock of

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Our ladies \$1.68 buttoned kid shoe has no equal. Fine kid infant shoes only 35c.

DRY GOODS: Remnants of Canton flannel, 2 to 15 yards, only 10c. yd. Would cost you 13c. if cut from piece. Calicoes of the best quality for quilting, 6c. yd. Fast color gingham, 4 yds. for 25c. Cheviots, good, 4 yds. for 25c. 4 yds. toweling for 55c. An elegant feather bed ticking, 15c. yd. All-wool bed blankets, very cheap, \$2.95. Horse blankets from 75c. to \$3.00. You should see our 38c. Cassimeres, half-wool. Quilting cotton, 10 to 15c. lb.

HATS AND CAPS.—Latest styles gents' stiff and soft hats for fall and winter. An elegant Derby hat for \$1.30. A good every-day wool hat for 25c. Large assortment of neckwear, underwear, etc. A big drive in 28 inch umbrellas, 75c. Zellersville hand-knit jackets are here at \$2.50 and \$3.00.

GROCERIES! —Have the finest line of table syrup in the market. Extra No. 1 fat new mackerel and mackerel in buckets, \$1.30. Fine white fish, 4c. lb. Pure white wine vinegar, 25c. gal. New York full cream cheese a specialty. Try a pound of Libbia's Coffee, 25c. Extra fine flavor Rio Coffee, 25c. Beautiful patterns of Oil Cloths at 55, 65, 85 and 95c. yd. 2 yds. wide. Always on hand fresh cream, calcined plaster, drugs, oils, paints, etc.

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Dress Goods, Muslins, Calicoes, Gingham, Cheviots, Table Linens, &c. Cassimeres, Cottonades, Gents' Furnishing Goods! Hats, Caps, &c. and the

Largest Stock of Shoes

For Men, Ladies and Children, of all kinds, to be found in any country store, and in quality and price we take the lead. Men's Brogans, \$1.00. Shoes for Ladies and Men from \$1.25, up to \$5.

Queensware

Crockeryware

Earthenware, Hardware, Forks, Rakes, Shovels, Spades, &c.

FRESH GROCERIES

IN FULL ASSORTMENT.

Good Rice, 4 pounds for 25 cents; Peaches, 3 pounds for 25 cents; good Corn, 3 cans for 25 cents. No trash kept in stock.

F. B. RUSHONG, TRAPPE, PA.

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Until further notice I will make you

One Dozen Finest Cabinet Photographs for \$2.00.

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This elegant Parlor Organ, 40 keys, containing octaves, 4 sets of reeds, 10 stops, 2 kneewalls. Stool and book free. For only \$45.00. With right hand and coupler. Warranted for 6 years. Circular free for the asking.

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You will find just about what you want.

IN THE LINE OF STAPLE DRY GOODS

You can see over 200 different styles and qualities for Suitings for Men and Boys, which will be made up to please anyone. Fit guaranteed. SATTEENS AND GINGHAMS, PRINTS AND LAWS, FOR THE LADIES.

Choice - Groceries - for - Everybody.

Favorite Sewing Machine. Save 50 per cent. by buying Sewing Machines at Gotwals' Store, Providence Square. I sell the Favorite, the best in construction tailor work as well as for fine dresses. Guaranteed to give satisfaction. HARDWARE for the builder. A full line of the very best Mixed Paints, (a guarantee sold with every gallon.) and in fact anything you want from a needle to not an anchor. Come all and examine our goods for yourself.

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COLLEGEVILLE DRUG STORE.

Winter is Approaching and Every Family Should Lay in a Supply of Culbert's Remedies!

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Cough Syrup, for Colds, Croup, Hoarseness, &c. Liniment for Sprains, Bruises, Rheumatism, Burns, &c. Worm Syrup, Safe and Effective. Cream of Camphor for Chapped Hands and Face. Liver Pills for Biliousness, Constipation. Bird Seed, Mixed and Plain.

(We mix our own seed, and therefore can give you the best obtainable in the market.) Pure Spices and Flavoring Extracts. Genuine Imported Castile Soap.

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NEW STYLES are especially prominent in the great quantity and the splendid variety of our collection of

LADIES', MISSES' AND CHILDREN'S CLOAKS, MANTLES AND WRAPS

Without making any special opening, the stock is now complete and ready for inspection. It contains the latest and most fashionable garments, that are perfect in workmanship and style. The sizes and patterns are so complete that a fit is assured and the proper style ready to meet your taste. The prices are as varied as the garments, but in every case the price is as low as such well made goods can be bought anywhere. These are some of the patterns and styles in detail:

HANDSOME BRAIDED GARMENTS in black and colored bead cloth. TIGHT-FITTING NEWMARKETS in various materials and colors. OUR SPECIAL SEAL PLOSH COAT at \$20 we claim passes all rivalry that we have seen.

Will you examine it! CLOTH MODIESKA, directoire front, tight-fitting vest, trimmed with passementerie. CONNEMARE and PEASANT CIRCULARS in all colors of cloth. LOOSE FRONT VEST JACKETS in all colors of beaver cloth and trimmed with braid. LOOSE-FITTING NEWMARKETS in all colors of beaver cloth, elaborately braided and finished with ornaments.

TIGHT-FITTING NEWMARKETS in directoire style, plain finish. MODIESKA STYLE of seal plush with ornaments. SEAL PLOSH WRAPS, quilted satin lining, trimmed with passementerie and seal ornaments. CLOSE-FITTING NEWMARKETS with coat back, and braided front and back to correspond. SEAL PLOSH JACKETS quilted satin lining and seal ornaments. PEASANT CLOAKS in the imported plaids and stripes in medium weight goods. CLOTH WRAPS handsomely braided and trimmed with cord fringe.

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CHILDREN'S AND MISSES' GARMENTS, SHORT COATS, NEWMARKETS, GRETCHEN AND DIRECTOIRE COATS, &c.

In such great variety that it is not wise to try to enumerate them. After buying a coat be sure to ask for one of our beautiful chromo souvenirs of this season's display in our coat department.

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Leading Dry Goods, Trimmings and Carpet Store,

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JUST YOUR SIZE!

Something in the way of Pants.

We begin to-day our annual odd pants sale, which you remember was so successful in past seasons. But this sale will eclipse all the others in every respect. Here are some of the specimen prices:

Men's Hard Twisted Nottingham Tweeds in fancy stripes, make an excellent knock-about or working pants at \$1.14; would be cheap at \$1.75.

Men's Fancy Stripe Wood's W. reduced at \$1.24; sold every where at \$2.00.

Men's Premier Cassimere fancy stripe pants \$1.49; sold all over at \$2.25.

Men's strictly All-wool Cassimere Pants, three styles, \$2.24 and \$2.40, usual price \$3.00.

These are a few of the prices our East Window is filled with; styles of all we have; 5 times as many inside, yet that window-full represents more than the whole pants stock of the average clothier.

A. Weitzenkorn & Sons,

The Largest Clothiers in the Interior of Pennsylvania,

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Wm. J. THOMPSON, BUTCHER, AND DEALER IN THE BEST—

BEEF, VEAL, MUTTON,

A Full Line of Fresh and Smoked

Providence Independent.

Thursday, March 6, 1890.

TUESDAY—\$1.25 PER YEAR, IN ADVANCE.

This paper has a larger circulation than any other paper published in this section of the county...

It is the aim of the editor and publisher to make the "Independent" one of the best local and general newspapers in the county...

PERKINSON RAILROAD.

We publish the following schedule gratuitously for the convenience of our readers.

Passenger trains leave Collegeville Station as follows:

FOR PHILADELPHIA AND POINTS SOUTH.

Milk Accommodation.....6.36 a. m.

Accommodation.....8.03 a. m.

Market.....1.10 p. m.

Accommodation.....4.16 p. m.

FOR ALLENTOWN AND POINTS NORTH AND WEST.

Market.....8.03 a. m.

Accommodation.....9.11 a. m.

Market.....3.20 p. m.

Accommodation.....6.47 p. m.

Milk.....6.36 a. m.

Accommodation.....4.37 p. m.

NORTH.

Accommodation.....9.44 a. m.

Milk.....5.48 p. m.

Home Flashes and Stray Sparks

From Abroad.

No poetry?

The weather has been too blizzardy perhaps!

Wonder if the ground-hog wasn't under the ground Sunday and Monday!

John C. Hancock, owner of the Greenlane ice house, has purchased 40,000 tons of ice in Maine.

With an ice machine in this town it will not be necessary to go to Maine for a supply at big figures.

Attend the meeting, more fully announced in another column, to-night.

Read the Almshouse statement of accounts for 1889 on the first page.

Inform yourself as to the work of the Directors of the Poor.

The religious denomination known as Harolites of Townsmeading and adjacent townships, contemplate the erection of a meeting house in Worcester township in the near future.

The appraisers of the Lower Providence Live Stock Association met at Gross Hotel, this place, Monday.

During the day about 30 horses were appraised.

The Royer family will appear in Music Hall, Norristown, this (Thursday) evening.

The family gave a successful concert in the Opera House, Pottstown, last Saturday evening.

We hope Music Hall will be packed to-night.

Treasurer McGlathery desires to say that the assessments due the Mutual Fire Insurance Company must be promptly paid within the time specified.

Parties failing to comply will be liable to double charges.

Read advertisement of Heebner & Sons, Lansdale, in another column.

Preparations are being made to establish a Hungarian newspaper at Phoenixville.

The new paper will not be in danger of getting into journalistic quarrels with its neighbors and that will be good for Phoenixville.

Criminal Court is in session at Norristown, this week, and criminals are being vigorously dealt with.

On Easter Monday, April 7, D. B. Keyser will sell at public sale at his Centre Point Carriage Works, forty wagons, fifteen road carts, &c. See ad. next week.

B. T. Keyser, of Ironbridge, assumed his duties as Deputy Steward at the Almshouse, Monday.

James Graves, a colored man who died recently at the Chester County Home, was said to have been 115 years old.

The new postage stamps are in circulation. On the two-cent stamp is a profile bust, after Houdon, of George Washington, on an oval disk, printed in carmine.

It is stated that a harvesting machine has been invented that will bind grain with straw faster and better than it can be done by hand.

This invention may be a big thing for farmers.

A semi-annual meeting of the Montgomery county branch of the Pennsylvania Forestry Association, will be held in the "Times" building, Norristown, this (Thursday) afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The Evangelical Association of Royersford, have purchased a lot on the corner of Winter and Washington streets. A new church building will come later.

The new barn on the farm of Isaac Shoemaker, Cheltenham, this county, was destroyed by fire Saturday night.

A horse, and a cow and calf were consumed.

Mrs. Isaac Lightcap, of Limerick, has a cat only 9 months old, weighing twelve pounds and whose sleek coat has four colors. A lefey cat.

According to the department of agriculture there are more than 14,000,000 horses in the United States, and nearly 16,000,000 cows. There was a large increase in the number of domestic animals of all kinds in 1889.

At the various public sales of personal property in this section this necessary course fair prices, as a rule, have been obtained, and in every instance the attendance was good.

Directors' Association.

On Thursday, March 20, the first regular meeting of the School Directors' Association of Montgomery county will be held in Acker's Hall, Norristown.

Changed Quarters.

Mr. F. B. Rushong, the well-known store merchant, of Trappe, has taken possession of the old Royer store and having removed his goods from the Fry store building.

Could Not Qualify.

When the newly-elected Constables of the county presented themselves before the Court at Norristown, Monday, to be sworn in for three years under the act of February 14, 1889, Judges Swartz and Weand ordered the Clerk of Court not to qualify them.

Will Remove to Phoenixville.

Dr. G. B. R. Umstad, the well-known physician of this township, will remove to Phoenixville about the first of April. He has rented his premises near Black Rock, and will occupy the desirable property he purchased in Phoenixville about a year ago.

Crayon Drawing.

Miss Mame Schwenk, of this place, has just finished an excellent crayon portrait, under the direction of her teacher Mr. R. P. Baldwin. The work evinces much artistic talent and reflects most creditably upon both teacher and pupil.

The Coming Debate.

The debate on "Resolved that immigration hurts the laborer" is to take place in Bremer's hall on Thursday evening, March 13. It will be opened by Lewis R. Harley on the affirmative and followed by Charles A. Wagner, on the negative, after which there will be a general discussion in which all persons interested in the labor question are invited to speak.

Disposed of his Practice.

Dr. J. R. Umstad, of Lower Providence, has disposed of his practice to Dr. Horning. Dr. Umstad for the past thirteen years has been very closely engaged, as his field of work was extended and required much driving from place to place.

To Manufacture Ice.

A meeting will be held in Gross' hall this (Thursday) evening at 7 o'clock, for the purpose of organizing a company to engage in the business of manufacturing ice. Those who have inquired into the cost of manufacturing ice by the artificial process are fully convinced that an enterprise of the kind suggested would prove to be profitable to all concerned.

Fast Time.

Two Norristown men recently raced their horses from Norristown to Pottstown and return, a distance of 42 miles. The winner's time was 3 hours and 18 minutes, an average of 4 minutes and 43.57 seconds to the mile.

Cannines to be Assessed.

Owners of canines will doubtless be interested to know that the new law for the taxation of dogs goes into operation this Spring. The law was approved by Governor Beaver last May. The tax imposed is as follows: "For each male dog fifty cents and for each female dog the sum of one dollar, to be paid to the treasurer of the proper Board of School Directors in the different townships and boroughs within...

dogs may be paid for such loss or damage, together with the necessary costs incurred in establishing their claims." By this act dogs are made personal property and subject to larceny.

Lyceum.

The next regular meeting of the Lyceum connected with Augustus Lutheran church, Trappe, will be held this (Thursday) evening. A splendid program has been prepared and the committee have every reason to believe that, should the evening prove favorable, a large audience will be present. Don't miss it.

From Lower Providence.

The Y. W. C. T. U. of Lower Providence, will hold its regular meeting at the residence of Mr. Nathan Johnson, near Providence Square, on Monday evening, March 10. All are invited.

Mrs. E. D. C. Mair, of Pittsburg, will lecture at the Methodist church, Evansburg, March 15. Admission free. All are invited. The music will be furnished by the Lower Providence and Yerkes Temperance Unions.

Removal.

Edward E. Long, Attorney at law, Norristown, has removed his office from No. 4 West Penn street, to No. 415 Second street, directly opposite the Court House. Mr. Long is nicely fixed in a first story front room facing the seat of justice and so conveniently located that he can readily attend to business at any of the court offices. He will be pleased to have clients and friends give him an early call at his new quarters.

Deaths.

Wm. T. Miller died at his residence, near Trappe, Wednesday of last week, aged 66 years. The deceased had been a resident of this section for the past fifteen years, and was the father of Wm. Miller, painter, of this township, and of Jos. T. Miller, farmer of Limerick. His death was caused by kidney disease. The funeral was held Monday. Interment at Lutheran cemetery, Trappe.

Mrs. Louisa Rambo, widow of the late Benjamin Rambo, died at her residence, near Royersford, Tuesday night of last week, aged 77 years. Deceased was a daughter of the late Samuel Eastburn, of Bridgeport, and was the mother of Samuel Rambo, of Limerick. The funeral was held Monday. Interment at (Christ's) Swedes church cemetery, near Bridgeport.

Walter Shannon, son of Cashier Geo. Shannon of the First National Bank, Norristown, died Monday morning. At the time of his death he was employed as clerk in the banking institution named. He leaves a wife and one child.

Carriages Wrecked.

Tuesday evening John C. Hathway, of Norristown, who had been on a visit to his farm, near Trappe, in company with another gentleman, came down the pike behind his trotter. The horse was showing about a three-minute clip and the carriage swayed to the right and left. Just on the other side of the railroad Jacob Heffner, the well-known dealer in peanuts and other goods, was also driving down the pike at a slow jog; by his side was the familiar peanut bag, partially filled. In passing Mr. Heffner's team Mr. Hathway directed his horse, not intentionally of course, so that his carriage struck Mr. Heffner's fallingtop amidsips and turned it completely over; Mr. Heffner rolled out and the peanuts likewise. Mr. Hathway's carriage was also turned over and his horse thrown down. Mr. J. W. Gotwals happening by held the horse down until the harness was detached from the carriage. Both vehicles were considerably damaged, the tops being reduced to wrecks. Fortunately no one was seriously injured.

Jottings from Ursinus.

The next entertainment scheduled for this term is the open meeting of the Olevian Literary Society, which will be held next Thursday evening, March 13. The Society has heretofore given the public entertainments of the highest grade, and we predict that this one will be up to the standard. The public is cordially invited to attend. Admission free.

Last Saturday evening the Ursinus College Orchestra again furnished the music for the entertainment at Schwenksville which was held for the benefit of the Reformed church, that place.

Dr. Good, who was holding services in St. Luke's church, Trappe, last week, held special services for the students in the chapel every afternoon at 4 o'clock; also on Saturday morning.

The last "Bible talk" for the term was given by Prof. Peters in the Y. M. C. A. room last Sunday afternoon. His subject was "Ought Christians become discouraged?"

Last Sunday President Bomberger filled the pulpit of the Presbyterian church at Phoenixville, and Rev. Dr. Sibitz filled the one of Heidelberg Reformed church of Phila. Jos. W. Bell and I. C. Fisher, both members of the theological class, preached in the Reformed churches at Prospectville and this place, respectively.

The following senior orations were delivered this week: "A Vital Issue" by W. F. Ruff, and "Success the Result of Application and Perseverance," by P. M. Spangler.

At the Almshouse.

The regular monthly meeting of the Directors of the Poor was held at the Almshouse, Monday. The usual routine business of granting orders for current expenses was transacted. President W. G. Wright recommended that a telephone be put in the office of the big building. The chair also reported that he had purchased ten dozen chairs for use in the building. Mrs. Maxwell, the nurse of the old and infirm, tendered her resignation, and measures were taken to fill the vacancy. The Board considered the advisability of planting a hedge fence along the roads around the farm and decided to go see the Dayton Hedge Fence near Trenton, N. J., before engaging in the enterprise.

Items from Black Rock.

Harry U. Keely, who has been laid up for several weeks, is up and about again.

Samuel Garber, who broke his leg on February 6th, is getting along as well as can be expected. To an active young man, lying on the back constantly, is none of the most enjoyable affairs.

On Friday evening, March 7, '90, Prof. J. P. Welsh, of West Chester, will exhibit and explain the phonograph in Garwood school house. If you have not heard this wonderful invention, we feel sure you will not regret coming to hear it. Admission 15 and 10 cents; proceeds for a school library.

Bechtel's school, this township, will have an entertainment about April 1; proceeds toward the organ purchased lately.

From Limerick.

The Young People's Social Friday evening owing to the unfavorable weather, therefore, according to the rules of the Society, the next meeting will be on Friday evening, March 7, when we hope the members and friends of the organization will turn out and render the program as announced last week in full.

The probable difficulties attending the sale of the property of Mr. Isaac Harley, occasioned by the burning of his house, referred to in my last communication, have been amicably adjusted. A compromise has been effected, and the new house, which is already started, will be built in partnership. People who are well disposed and who are willing to do the right thing, can generally settle their difficulties without resorting to law.

The funeral of Mrs. Rambo, widow of Benj. Rambo, near Mingo Station, took place on Monday. The services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Marple of the Episcopal church. The remains were in charge of Mr. Mowdy of Norristown. The pall bearers were Reuben Tyson, Daniel Springer, C. W. Johnson, Chas. U. Bean, Davis Raudenbush, Harry H. Reteroff, Harrison Bean, and Matthias Fulmer. Interment at the Swedes burying ground, about two miles below Bridgeport.

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Will be sold at public sale on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 1890, at the residence of the subscriber in Lower Providence township, on road leading from Phoenixville to Pawling bridge, at Locustwood Station, P. S. V. R. R., the following personal property: Four good farm and driving horses; 20 good dairy cows, 4 of them have calves by their sides; 1 stock bull, 5 fine shoats; Jarrettown hay wagon, good as new; harness, machinery, and farming implements in great variety. (See posters.) Sale to commence at 1 o'clock, p. m.

J. G. Fetterolf, auct. Aaron Welck, clerk.

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PUBLIC SALE OF

PERSONAL PROPERTY.

Will be sold at public sale, on the premises of Charles F. R. Hallman, in Upper Providence township, Montgomery county, on the road leading from Phoenixville to Collegeville, on THURSDAY, MARCH 13, 1890, the following personal property: 2 Horses: No. 1, a bay horse coming 7 years old, sound, gentle, and will work anywhere. No. 2, bay mare 12 years old, quiet and good worker. Four cows. Light two-horse farm wagon, 2-horse market wagon, light market wagon, express wagon, fallingtop buggy, 2 sleighs, mowing machine, horse rake, Syracuse plow, Foust's plow, 2 hoe harrows, spike harrow, cutting box, 2 sets lead harness good as new, set manure fork, double and single lines, 3 sets fly traps, coils, lars, blind and headlamps, cow and other chains, shovels, post spade, hoes, pick, forks, broad axe, stone hammer, grindstone, bushel basket, hay by the ton, confinder by the shaft, corn by the bushel, grain in the ground; iron table, sausage stuffer and land press combined; land press, 3 sausage graders, cans of lard by the pound, smoked hick by the pound, coal oil by the barrel, 20 and 30 gal. milk cans, table, bedstead, settee, and numerous other articles not mentioned. Sale to commence at 1 o'clock, p. m., when conditions will be made known by CHARLES F. R. HALLMAN, L. H. Ingram, auct. L. E. Griffin, clerk.

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PUBLIC SALE OF

Personal Property.

Will be sold at public sale, on THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 1890, on the premises of the subscriber in Skipack township, one mile east of Collegeville, the following personal property: 2 Horses: No. 1, a black horse, 10 years old, an extra good driver and harness horse. No. 2, a good horse, 5 years old, good worker and driver. One Mule, 9 years old, a good leader and good on tread power. 7 cows, 1 red Durham bull 10 months old; 14 Chester white and Berkshire hogs, 2-horse heavy wagon, 2-horse light wagon, Germantown wagon with pole and shafts; 1 four-post wagon, barouche; 8-spring wagon; sulky, for road or farm; new 2 set hay ladders—1 set new, made by Keel, all complete; 2 hoe harrows, hay rake, self-drummer; Eagle brand four-cut buckeye mow; 5-rod and 6-rod reaper; 3 sleighs; 2 extra milk sleighs; hay hook and rope and pair of extra chains; 2 good cornshellers, 2 good saws, 25 cow chains, 25 cow clips, 2 grain cradles, rakes and forks, lever power; 1 set double harness, 3 sets single harness; 2 sets double lines; plow lines; oats and rye by the bushel; 30-gal. milk cans; 1 large milk cupboard, marble slab for butter, 2 butter churns, pots, pans, small tub, demijohns, and many other articles not mentioned. The articles specified above must be sold as I have no further use for them. Sale to commence at 1 o'clock, sharp. Conditions: 90 days' credit on all sums exceeding \$15.

J. G. Fetterolf, auct. D. M. Casselberry, clerk.

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PUBLIC SALE OF

Personal Property.

Will be sold at public sale, on THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 1890, at the residence of the subscriber in Lower Providence township, on road leading from Phoenixville to Pawling bridge, at Locustwood Station, P. S. V. R. R., the following personal property: 2 Horses: No. 1, a bay horse coming 7 years old, sound, gentle, and will work anywhere. No. 2, bay mare 12 years old, quiet and good worker. Four cows. Light two-horse farm wagon, 2-horse market wagon, light market wagon, express wagon, fallingtop buggy, 2 sleighs, mowing machine, horse rake, Syracuse plow, Foust's plow, 2 hoe harrows, spike harrow, cutting box, 2 sets lead harness good as new, set manure fork, double and single lines, 3 sets fly traps, coils, lars, blind and headlamps, cow and other chains, shovels, post spade, hoes, pick, forks, broad axe, stone hammer, grindstone, bushel basket, hay by the ton, confinder by the shaft, corn by the bushel, grain in the ground; iron table, sausage stuffer and land press combined; land press, 3 sausage graders, cans of lard by the pound, smoked hick by the pound, coal oil by the barrel, 20 and 30 gal. milk cans, table, bedstead, settee, and numerous other articles not mentioned. Sale to commence at 1 o'clock, p. m., when conditions will be made known by CHARLES F. R. HALLMAN, L. H. Ingram, auct. L. E. Griffin, clerk.

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 The milk of the Ayrshire is pre-eminently suited for cheese making. All samples of milk under the microscope are seen to be composed of a homogeneous fluid, in which float little globules of butter fat. These globules vary in size, and while in the Jersey they are comparatively large, in the Ayrshire they are small and not rising quickly, but, mixing with the curd butter, make an evenly rich cheese. The quantity of cheese yielded by such an animal is about six hundred weight, estimated in so many stones of twenty-four pounds each.
 As to the butter yielding properties of the Ayrshire dairy cow, the ordinary milk shows about 4 to 4 1/2 per cent. of butter fat, while selected animals come up to, if they do not exceed, the Jerseys. The average yield, so far as records go, ought to be something about 240 pounds per annum. The writer has had recently tested a 4-year-old Ayrshire cow, which is yielding 15 pounds of butter per week.
 It is customary with some breeders of cattle to speak disparagingly of the Ayrshire from a butcher's point of view. We venture, however, to maintain that of all the races of milk producing animals, she dies best and most profitably when no longer desired for the milk pail.
 The development of the breed within the past fifty years has been very marked and rapid. The Ayrshire cow is fast superseding other dairy races in England; she grazes innumerable dairy farms in Holland, has crossed the wide Atlantic, and feeds along the northern as well as the southern shores of the river St. Lawrence and rests beneath the shadows of the Rocky mountains. Possessed of the finest and nicest woolly coat of any breed of cattle, she has lately been extensively imported to the stormy regions of Russia, and at present she is unquestionably the favored dairy animal of Australia and New Zealand.

THE FARMER'S HORSE.
 In an address delivered before one of the Wisconsin Farmers' institutes, by John M. True, of Baraboo, Wis., the farmer's horse was the topic for consideration.
 The profitable horse for the farm must combine a good degree of adaptation to the required farm work, with qualities that demand recognition in the best markets. No clear sighted breeder will be contented to raise the animal that in common parlance is denominated the general purpose horse. He is a compromise between the two types that are required to furnish three-fourths of the market requirements, and fails to give, in any considerable degree, the distinctive merits of either.
 The combination of speed, style and weight so often found in the roadster stallion of the present gives us an animal entitled to the careful consideration of a class of our farmers. A standard bred roadster stallion of superior style and finish, and weighing in proper condition 1200 pounds or upwards, is a grand acquisition to a community of discriminating farmers. From such a sire, and well bred, clean limbed, good styled roadster mares, weighing 1100 pounds or more, a class of colts should be produced that will always be in demand for carriage work in our cities, as well as adapted, to a certain extent, to the wants of a class of our farmers.
 A strong point in favor of the heavy horse industry is the uniformly good prices obtained in the aggregate of sales. The brood mares best adapted to the production of heavy colts are those best suited to the largest requirements of our farm work. The farmer's mare may be, then, the animal fitted for the performance of farm labor by formation and size, and may also combine qualities that, when she is judiciously mated, will produce colts that are in demand at highly remunerative prices. The largest profit clearly lies in raising either carriage or draught horses, concludes Mr. True.

PREVENTING GALLS.
 The best preventive of collar galls, known to us, is to bathe the shoulders

each evening with strong salt water, beginning six weeks or two months before the animals must go to spring work.
 This work is easily done. Have a can in the stable into which throw a handful of salt and then fill with water. Tie a cloth around the end of a corn cob, and with this stir the water until the salt is dissolved, and apply the solution to the shoulders.
 This is also an excellent cure for galls, but is doubtless so severe, that we are in doubt about recommending it; and, further, prevention is easy and better than cure. The salt water application is, of course, a good preventive of saddle galls.
 Another preventive of galls which should never be neglected, is to have the harness well fitting. Do not buy a collar unless you have the animal along, for only then can you fit the collar properly. There are as many peculiarities among horses' shoulders as there are among men's noses, and the wise man will not buy a collar that does not fit well the horse for which it is needed.
 Not a few collars are harder in one half than in the other. Avoid such. A slit may be cut in the collar where the hames will cover it, and through it some of the filling may be removed without injuring the collar. In this way a collar may be fitted to odd-shaped shoulders.
 Working "the galled jade" is financially unwise as well as morally wrong. The animal with galled shoulders cannot pull so readily or steadily, cannot do so much work; and its appetite and health will suffer, and it will lose strength. Galls subtract from the working capacity of the animal.—*Farmer's Call.*

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