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Volume 17.

Collegeville, Pa., Thursday, August 20, 1891.

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J. W. ROYER, M. D., Practising Physician, TRAPPE, Pa. Office at his residence, nearly opposite Masonic Hall.

M. Y. WEBER, M. D., Practising Physician, EVANSBURG, PA. Office Hours:—Until 9 a. m.; 7 to 9 p. m.

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D. R. B. F. PLACE, Dentist, 311 DEKALB ST., NORRISTOWN, PA. Branch Office—COLLEGEVILLE—Tuesday, every week. Gas administered.

Cheapest Dentist in Norristown. N. S. BORNEMAN, D. D. S., 209 SWEDDE STREET, (first house below Main Street, NORRISTOWN, PA. (Formerly of Baytown, Va.)

EDWARD E. LONG, Attorney-at-Law, No. 415 SWEDDE STREET OFF. COURT HOUSE, NORRISTOWN, PA.

AUGUSTUS W. BOMBERGER, Attorney-at-Law, Land Title and Trust Co., Building, Nos. 608 and 610 Chestnut St., Philadelphia.

HOBSON & HENDRICKS, Attorneys-at-Law, NORRISTOWN AND COLLEGEVILLE. All legal business attended to promptly.

J. M. ZIMMERMAN, Justice of the Peace, COLLEGEVILLE, PA. Legal Papers, Bonds, Deeds, etc., executed and acknowledged.

JOHN S. HUNSICKER, Justice of the Peace, RAHN STATION, PA. Conveyancer and General Business Agent.

JOHN H. CASSELLBERRY, one-half mile north of Trappe, Surveyor and Conveyancer. Sales clerks: all bills prepared.

W. M. PEARSON, Auctioneer, PHOENIXVILLE P. O., Pa. Residence near Black Rock, Upper Providence.

Geo. J. KIDES, Auctioneer, PHOENIXVILLE P. O., Pa. Residence near Black Rock, Upper Providence.

EDWARD DAVID, Painter and Paper-Hanger, COLLEGEVILLE, PA. Samples of paper always on hand.

DAVID BROS., Plumbers, Gas and Steam Fitters, OFFICES—1224 North 10th St., & 2816 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia.

L. B. WISMER, Practical Slater, COLLEGEVILLE, PA. Always on hand roofing slate, slate flagging and roofing felt.

J. P. KOONS, Practical Slater, RAHN STATION, PA. Dealer in every quality of Roofing, Flagging, and Ornamental Slates.

TIGER HOTEL, Fourth & Vine Sts., Philada. This old and popular hotel still furnishes the best accommodations for man and beast.

JOSEPH STONE, Carpet Weaver, COLLEGEVILLE HOTEL. Rag carpet woven in any style desired.

BENJAMIN CROWTHER, Rag Carpet & Rug Weaver, LOWER PROVIDENCE P. O., Pa. Carpets for sale. Old Ingrain carpet cut and re-wove.

SUNDAY PAPERS, The different Philadelphia papers delivered to those wishing to purchase in Collegeville and Trappe, every Sunday morning.

SCRAP IRON, Cash prices paid for Scrap Cast Iron, delivered at the foundry.

F. W. SCHEUREN, Tonsorial ARTIST! COLLEGEVILLE, PENNA. Shaving, Hair Cutting, Shampooing, &c.



W. L. GEORGE, COLLEGEVILLE, PA. Shaving and Hair Cutting Parlor. RAZORS PUT IN FIRST—GLASS ORDER.

MAGGIE MACGREGOR, Dressmaker, COLLEGEVILLE, PA. Will take work at home or can be engaged by the week.

MRS. S. L. PUGH, TRAPPE, PA., Attends to laying out the dead, shroud-making, &c.

A Mysterious Robbery. BY P. CHESTER SHAW.

Several years ago I lived in London. I was a bachelor then, and occupied a drawing-room communicating by folding doors with a bed-room behind it.

Presently the idea occurred to me that I would set a trap. I left a small sovereign purse in a corner drawer of the dressing-table, whence I could declare many trinkets and valuables had been purloined.

Yet it was almost forthcoming whenever I looked. I put a solitary sovereign on a corner of the mantelpiece; the housemaid twice drew my attention to the fact that the coin was still lying there.

On this pretext I introduced him to the landlady, with a view possibly of making it worth that individual's while to hand him over the lease.

Never choosing to sacrifice pleasure for business, but always striving to combine the two, I would go at my letters when I came home, however late or tired, if not sleepy.

In addition, another thing was worrying me greatly. For the past month or more I felt convinced I was being robbed. I did not possess much jewelry, but I was constantly missing certain little trinkets and small articles.

Search high and low as I would, they were not to be found anywhere in my room. I had lived there nearly two years when this vexation began, and I knew not whom to suspect.

not examine that; but I knew it contained little else but papers. At length, entirely exhausted, irritated and feverish, and with the chamber candle expiring with a splutter, I flung myself on a couch in the drawing-room.

At the moment I opened my eyes with a feeling of relief at having just escaped some visionary peril, to my amazement I saw that door slowly open, and the figure of a man stealthily entering by it.

However this may be, I did not move as I observed him creep noiselessly across the room to the end of the mantel-piece furthest from that where I was lying.

He hesitated, as I have said, to tell my landlady, so I now determined to consult Scotland Yard, for, during the London season, wages grew longer, this subject assumed far greater importance than it did in the day.

I was not long, you may depend, in coming to a determination. While he was still fumbling at the escutcheon I rose, and, stealing softly up behind him, suddenly seized him by the back of his collar.

That one instant of amazement and consternation in which, as by a flash, I made this recognition, was followed by a total oblivion of all surroundings.

How long I lay prostrate, face downward, on the floor I know not; but in that position I found myself when my bewildered senses slowly returned.

But he never had occasion to do so, for it was during the night following the visit of this distinguished guest that I discovered who was the thief, and arrived at the secret of the whole mystery.

The month was August, the nights hot and sultry and less than ever conducive to sleep. I had nothing to do that evening, and although I turned in early it was with the usual result.

As my eyes wandered vacantly around they fell upon the circular top of the old escutcheon. It was partially open. Some one had been at it, then, that was clear!

Verily this was an alarming supposition, and confirmed my worst dread. I must be suffering under some frightful, inexplicable brain disease, for that I had done this thing I was wholly and totally unconscious.

For days and days, however, I took no action. I hesitated to breathe a word of the extraordinary affair to a soul. Who would believe it? Every-body would say I had gone out of mind—I thought so myself.

His advice was followed to the letter, for I was thoroughly frightened. Years have passed; I have been long married, and I have never missed a single piece of property, large or small, since that extraordinary August night.

A woman lived alone with her dog. To the dog there was little in the world besides the woman—she fed him and kept him warm and comfortable, and he was grateful.

To the woman there was nothing in the world besides the dog. He stood guard over her poor possessions while she was away at her work, and when she came home at night he was glad to see her and barked with delight.

There are bad dogs and good dogs just as there are bad men and good men, and this woman happened to have known a better class of dogs than men, that is all.

One day the dog sickened. His legs stiffened and his body grew rigid, the pupils of his great honest eyes dilated until there was neither sight nor re-

cognition in them, and his breath came in quick, shuddering gasps. Then there was a gradual relaxation of the tense muscles, and he lay limp and panting, trying by a feeble wag of his tail to show his dear mistress that he knew her.

Each convulsion left him weaker, until at last with a great effort he raised his head and licked his mistress' hands with a tongue already cold and stiffening, then his head fell back heavily and there was a rattling in his chest, and he was dead.

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PRESIDENT HARRISON draws his salary monthly in neat little checks for \$4,166.67, and he looks out for their coming with a regularity which makes the White House clock blush for its want of regularity.

At this writing (Wednesday) the Republican State Convention is being held at Harrisburg. There are several candidates for Auditor General and State Treasurer, with General Gregg and Price in the lead.

GOVERNOR PATTISON addressed a large assemblage of farmers at Mt. Gretna, Tuesday. After reviewing the present bright outlook for the farmers by reason of heavy crops and the demand abroad for wheat, he observed: "There is danger if the speculative prices just beginning should continue that we may lose this promised market."

There is more bustle at the headquarters of the Farmer's Alliance this week than at any other place in Washington. This was partly owing to the fact that the Maryland Alliance held its third annual convention in Baltimore during the first half of the week, and that at its close many of those who attended came over to headquarters.

MRS. SARAH CHILDRESS POLK, who entered the White House as wife of the President nearly half a century ago, died at the Polk Mansion, known as "Polk Place," in Nashville Friday morning after a brief illness. She was born near Murfreesboro, Tennessee, on the 4th of September, 1803. She was married to Mr. Polk in 1823, when he was a member of the Tennessee Legislature, and she was his constant companion and devoted helpmate in all the various positions he filled, including member of the Legislature, Congressman, Speaker, Governor and finally President of the United States.

As was anticipated some time ago, wheat has advanced in price. Foreign advices confirming the general shortage of crops abroad have started a strong speculative movement and the figures have been whirled up from 80 cents to \$1.13 1/2 per bushel within a few weeks; the advance during last week having been 21 cents. The grain gamblers expect to reap a rich harvest, and if recent reports are to be depended upon the Farmers' Alliance is preparing to give the speculators an even shock and take advantage of the wheat boom for their own benefit.

CHAS. HUNSICKER Esq., of Norristown, recently contributed his views in relation to the proposed Constitutional Convention to one of the Democratic organs of the county. Mr. Hunsicker's observations possess the merit of being very sensible. The following paragraphs from his letter fully present all the argument necessary to convince most people that a Constitutional Convention is not a necessity by any means:

"It requires no gift of statesmanship to declare that the Constitution of a State is its organic law and is not legislation, and that the legislature can and must pass laws, subject to its limitation.

"The Constitution commands that every one charged with its enforcement shall do so, and no one can accept any office under it without taking an oath that he will obey and protect it.

"If therefore these provisions remain unenforced the difficulty is not with the organic law, but with the members of the legislature the people select.

"But is the numbered ballot a bar to secret voting? Are not the election officers sworn under heavy penalty not to reveal how a voter voted, and if you strike out the numbered ballot what is to prevent the fraudulent substitution of ballots?"

JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL, poet and writer, died Wednesday morning at his home at Cambridge, Massachusetts, aged 72 years. For many years Mr. Lowell held a pre-eminent position among the more prominent men of letters and scholarly attainments. His productions both in poetry and prose rank high.

HON. CHAS. S. WOLFE, the well known political reformer, fell dead in the street at Harrisburg Thursday, of heart disease. He had attended the morning meeting of the Pennsylvania World's Fair Commission, by whom he had been elected Executive Commissioner, and he was returning to the Capitol after dinner when the fatal attack of heart disease occurred. The Commission reconvened in the evening and adopted appropriate resolutions relative to his death.

CLAIMS FOR HORSES. The statute of limitation barring the farther presentation of claims for horses lost in the army service during the War of the Rebellion went into effect Thursday. There are now on file in the Third Auditor's office at Washington 5000 of the claims awaiting settlement, and it is expected that these will be disposed of the next six months. Over 20,000 horses have already been paid for through the Third Auditor's office. The amount of money paid out on this account has amounted to over \$200,000.

A FATAL WALK IN HIS SLEEP. CARLISLE, Pa., August 14.—Two Chambersburg workmen, named Franklin and Caldwell, had been engaged in making repairs at Henderson's flouring mill, near Carlisle, and last night slept in the building. Caldwell awoke during the night and found that Franklin was missing. He found him lying unconscious upon the ground in front of the mill. He was healthy and arose while asleep and walked to the second-story door. He was placed on the morning train to be taken to his home in Chambersburg, but died before reaching there. He had suffered concussion of the brain and a number of ribs were broken. He leaves a widow and several children.

A CHILD THAT HAS TUSKS. OKALOHA, Mo., August 14.—A prominent physician of this place reports the birth of a curious monstrosity to a poor Swedish family by the name of Andersen, who have recently located in this vicinity. This curiosity is a child born with the tusks and snout of an elephant, though otherwise a well-formed and healthy infant. The mother says that while in New York they visited the Central Park, where for the first time in her life, which had been spent in a remote village, she was much impressed by the animal. The child is now some weeks old, and is an intelligent, bright-looking little fellow, a sturdy, handsome boy in all save his dreadful deformity. The parents are wild with grief, but the local medical fraternity give them hope that an operation can be performed by which the snout can be removed and an artificial nose formed of caoutchouc. The tusks can be filed down, and the child partially, if not entirely restored to a human appearance. This is to be done in a few days.

PROFITS UNDER HIGH LICENSE. From the Philadelphia Press. The license hearing yesterday brought out the fact that landlords, by doubling and quadrupling the rent, manage to share in the exorbitant profits of the fortunate few who secure liquor licenses. In an instance was cited of a landlord who raised his rent from \$1,000 to \$4,000 a year for no better reason than that he believed the traffic would bear it. The tenant in such a case would pay \$3,500 for his liquor privileges, \$500 to the State and city, and \$3,000 to his landlord, in addition to his rent proper. Many saloon-keepers could afford to divide with their landlords a much larger sum for the valuable privilege with the court has granted to them for \$500. The hearing in Pittsburgh last year developed the fact that one saloon-keeper's business had increased from a very moderate sum to \$83,000 a year. There are saloon-keepers in the city who, before High License came in to wipe out competition in that town, were making from \$1,500 to \$2,000, but now easily clear ten times that sum.

LARGE COAL FIELDS IN MEXICO. THE PRODUCT SAID TO BE EQUAL TO THE FINEST LEHIGH ANTHRACITE. WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—The reports of the discovery of extensive anthracite coal fields in Sonora are confirmed by advices received by the Bureau of American Republics. Operations at the coal fields are being carried on about forty miles from Ortiz, a town on the Sonora Railway, between Hermosillo and Guaymas. The concession is owned by a Mexican company, covering 4,000,000 acres. Coal has been found in borings fifty miles apart; the diamond drill has gone through three veins, one of two feet, another of four feet and a third of seven and one-half feet, and in a fourth it has already penetrated twenty-two feet and is still working in coal. The coal which, by test, is said to equal the finest Lehigh Valley product, can be traced for miles on the surface, the four veins showing the same thickness throughout the whole extent. A railway sixty or sixty-five miles in length will carry the coal to the harbor at Guaymas, from whence it can be laid down in San Diego, Cal., for \$5 a ton. The trade reports of Pernambuco, Brazil, received by the Bureau of American Republics, record the sale of 2,000 tons of sugar graded Nos. 13 and 14 for export to the United States. It is asserted that no exportation of sugar of so high a grade has been made to the United States from Brazil for forty years. The Rio News attributes this directly to the reciprocity treaty. The Bureau of American Republics has information that the Republic of Nicaragua is renewing its efforts to induce immigration to that country. The government has reaffirmed the decree of 1885, giving to each immigrant family who propose to become naturalized one hundred and twenty acres of unoccupied land. Single men will receive sixty acres and the naturalized will enjoy the rights of unmutilated citizens and be exempt from military service. Absolute titles will be given after a residence of ten years. Immigrants are required to bring with them papers from the Nicaragua Consul at the port of embarkation.

A PETRIFIED HORSE. THE UNIQUE CURIOSITY RECENTLY FOUND IN INDIAN TERRITORY. TALLQUAH, Aug. 16.—There was recently taken from a small creek near Stringtown, I. T., a genuine curiosity in the shape of a petrified horse, which had, beyond doubt, been lying in the bed of the stream for many years. The creek, which is known as Mason's ford, has been dwindling away for some time, owing to the failure of the springs by which it is fed and is now but a shallow rivulet, and a number of Indian relics, human bones, etc., have been taken from its bed. The horse was nearly covered by a deposit of sand and loose limestone and was discovered only by chance some boys wading in the creek catching sight of a portion of one leg. Examining this, it was found to have turned entirely into stone, which led to the whole being dug out and carried to shore. The horse, a large white one, seems to be the work of a cunning sculptor, so completely has the petrification been, even the hairs of the mane and tail being converted into stone. In the neck and piercing one of the largest veins is an arrow, in all probability the cause of its death, and which probably struck it as it stood on the banks of the creek, into which it rolled in its death agony. Its sides still show the marks of a saddle, and its flanks are cut as by spurs used with desperation, but no brand or other mark gives a clue to its rider. In removing it from the stream one hoof was unfortunately broken off, but with this exception it is perfect. It is now on exhibition in Stringtown, and is shortly to be presented to the Smithsonian Institution, though several agents for dime museums have endeavored to secure it for their enterprises.

HE WASN'T HUNGRY. A GOOD LADY FEEDS A STARVING BOY UNTIL HE CRIES QUITS. From the Detroit Free Press. A lady looking into a shop window on Woodward avenue was approached by a poorly-dressed boy, who solicited alms. "Please, missus, give me a little money to get something to eat."

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A PETRIFIED HORSE. THE UNIQUE CURIOSITY RECENTLY FOUND IN INDIAN TERRITORY. TALLQUAH, Aug. 16.—There was recently taken from a small creek near Stringtown, I. T., a genuine curiosity in the shape of a petrified horse, which had, beyond doubt, been lying in the bed of the stream for many years. The creek, which is known as Mason's ford, has been dwindling away for some time, owing to the failure of the springs by which it is fed and is now but a shallow rivulet, and a number of Indian relics, human bones, etc., have been taken from its bed. The horse was nearly covered by a deposit of sand and loose limestone and was discovered only by chance some boys wading in the creek catching sight of a portion of one leg. Examining this, it was found to have turned entirely into stone, which led to the whole being dug out and carried to shore. The horse, a large white one, seems to be the work of a cunning sculptor, so completely has the petrification been, even the hairs of the mane and tail being converted into stone. In the neck and piercing one of the largest veins is an arrow, in all probability the cause of its death, and which probably struck it as it stood on the banks of the creek, into which it rolled in its death agony. Its sides still show the marks of a saddle, and its flanks are cut as by spurs used with desperation, but no brand or other mark gives a clue to its rider. In removing it from the stream one hoof was unfortunately broken off, but with this exception it is perfect. It is now on exhibition in Stringtown, and is shortly to be presented to the Smithsonian Institution, though several agents for dime museums have endeavored to secure it for their enterprises.

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You Want to Buy We Want to Sell. Summer Dress Staffs. Cool dress goods are the only things to be thought of in the way of Women's Outer Wearing Apparel for July and August weather, when the mercury mounts to the nineties, and upward, in the shade. "To keep cool" is not only a highly desirable comfort, but an absolute necessity. Clothes that are too hot are positively dangerous, as they result in prostration from heat. We think it was a desire to reduce such calamities to the lowest possible number that begot the invention of the thin-threaded, loosely-woven, not-to-be-starched dress fabrics which are being so exclusively worn. We have a very large stock of such fabrics that we want to sell, therefore we put the price down at the

BEGINNING of the Season. Before they are old stock. Do you see your advantage? You get

SEASONABLE GOODS. AT LESS THAN THE SEASON'S PRICES. AMONG THE LOT ARE

CHALLIS, colors and figures, 3 to 8 c. a yard. GINGHAMS, desirable designs, 6 to 12 c. a yard. INDIA MULLS, unsurpassed effects, 12c. a yard. IMITATION CHINESE SILKS, rather "the latest," you know—10c. a yard. CHAMBRAYS, several colors, the stuff that most plain-clothes wearing people get, in several colors, 12 1/2 c. a yard. SATINES, loud and quiet figures, in numerous colors, and also quite plain ones, from 8 to 30c a yard. WHITE GOODS, plain and embroidered, in pleasant, plenty and pretty patterns.

KULP & WAGNER, GRATER'S FORD, PA.

1891. Spring and Summer!

The changing seasons as they follow each other in quick succession usher in new necessities and create fresh demands. The citizen who a short while ago posed in doublets and a storm coat so as to be able to battle with a blizzard, now wants something "light and airy" as well as something nice. In all kinds of goods for

Men's Spring and Summer Wear. And in facilities to manufacture Clothing to order at the lowest prices.

We Mean to be Ahead! For the Ladies we have taken special pains, and our stock of

Spring Prints & Dress Goods. And all kinds of material for wearing apparel needed by our best friends, will please them, we're sure. See if they don't agree with us.

NEW STOCK OF HATS! Large New Stock of SHOES for Men, Women and Children.

New stock of Wall Paper from 5c. up.

Our Grocery Department. Never lags in the rear. It is always up to the times in quality and variety of goods and fairness in price.

Come and see us and we'll do our best to serve you well.

Yours truly, Beaver & Shellenberger, TRAPPE, PA.

New Dress Goods. Nearly every day brings some carefully selected new Dress Goods from some of the largest N. Y. and Phila. importers. We can now show almost 100 new styles in seasonable goods at from 10 cts. to \$1.50 a yard.

Among them are good Plaids one yard wide, at 12 1/2 cts. Striped Henrietta, 25 cts.

Large assortment of all-wool Homespuns and Cheviots at 50c. They are woven in a choice variety of indistinct plaid, checks and mixtures, and are correct copies of \$2.00 Scotch goods.

Our diagonal Homespuns, one and an eighth yards wide, at 50c., are better value than you will find anywhere else in Pottstown or Philadelphia.

Handsome Cheviots, 1 1/2 yards wide, \$1.00; worth \$1.25.

New Mohairs, look like silks. Beautiful Gloriosas at \$1.50; same quality that sells in Phila. at \$1.75.

New Black Mohairs, Henriettas, Serges and fancy French goods, at the right prices.

Just received a fine lot of perfect fitting Coats, at lower prices than ever.

Bargains in Fast Black Umbrellas.

Hundreds of new things in our other departments at the kind of prices that attract new customers continually.

Leopold's New Store: 258 HIGH ST., POTTSWOWN, PA. NEXT DOOR TO BAILY'S STOVE STORE.

FOR SALE. A 20 h. p. Boiler and Engine, both in good condition, the boiler being almost as good as new. Also a Creamery Separator, having a first-class bowl. Apply at THIS OFFICE.

COLLEGEVILLE DRUG STORE. THIS IS THE PLACE TO GET. Pure Paris Green, White Heleboro and Persian Insect Powder. An Assortment of Sponges and Chamois Skins on Hand. PURE BAKING POWDER, Our Own Make. BIRD SEED, Mixed and Plain; best in the market. NAPHTHALINE OR TAR CAMPHOR, in Ball, Cake and Flake. RED LINTMENT for Sprains, Bruises, Rheumatism, &c. WORM SYRUP, Pleasant, Safe and Effective. Try a Ten Cent Box of our TOOTH POWDER. DIARRHOEA MIXTURE will cure your Diarrhoea, Dysentery, Cholera Morbus, &c.

A Full Line of Pure and Fresh Drugs always on hand. JOSEPH W. CULBERT.

DO YOUR EYES TROUBLE YOU? DO YOU HAVE HEADACHES? Have Your Eyes Examined by an Experienced OPTICIAN.

A GRADUATE OF THE PHILADELPHIA OPTICAL COLLEGE, and your Glasses Correctly Fitted by a Practical Spectacle Maker, only one in the county who has a practical experience of Manufacturing Spectacles and Eye Glasses.

Manufacturing and Repairing of Spectacles a Specialty. J. D. SALLADE, Graduate Optician, 16 E. Main Street, Opp. Public Square, NORRISTOWN, PA.

WE LEAD THEM ALL! IN Diamonds, Watches, Jewelry, Silverware, &c.

Home Flashes and Sparks From Abroad.

—We have all heard the story of Job;

—How he was afflicted sorely by a variety of physical ailments.

—For many years the history of Job has served, by way of comparison, as an offset to human suffering in general.

—"Remember the story of Job" has been whispered to many a mortal aching with pain, with more or less benefit, probably less.

—And have you ever observed the effects of making comparisons? Of course you have.

—For instance, if you chance to be suffering discomfort and a neighbor happens along and tells you "that's nothing," and explains that he's been much more of a martyr than you are—

—Then you drop at once and regret having said a word.

—With three aggravating boils on his editorial arm the scribe was at work at his usual place Tuesday.

—He was doing about the best he could when in popped an up-street meat dealer.

—We laid aside the pencil and in the course of a little conversation incidentally remarked the inconvenience we were laboring under.

—What then?

—Well, that butcher just "mopped up the floor" (metaphorically) with us and the scribe wished he had taken a trip with the "pump" before the butcher arrived.

—"Why, that's just nothing," exclaimed the butcher. "I had twenty-two boils on my left arm at one time, three's nuthin'."

—See how the scribe fared by way of comparison, on the boil question?

—That neighbor of ours is away ahead, and unless we are compelled to bear up under the combined onslaught of about a hundred and fifty boils, some time in the future, we'll never mention boils to him again.

—Never!

—The Lower Providence Presbyterian Sunday school held their annual picnic at Oakview, Norristown, last Thursday.

—The Roberts Machine Company has received the contract to furnish A. H. Harley's Ridge Avenue Hotel, Philadelphia, with a steam heater and fixtures.

—The Shannonville Mission Sunday school will hold their picnic on Saturday, August 22, at Wetherill's mansion, near Shannonville.

—Auctioneer S. R. Shupe left for Jutland, N. J., last Saturday, where he is engaged auctioneering daily sales of fruit.

—The prospects for a large attendance at the Lower Providence Driving Park next Saturday afternoon are very good. Lovers of the turf from various sections will be present.

—Lownes & Williams, the Norristown haters, will insert a new advertisement in next week's issue. For bargains in hats give them a call.

—Jos. Schultz, of Worcester, has a pear tree 165 years old which is heavily loaded with fruit.

—Pennsylvania this year will garner 25,500,000 bushels of wheat and pull from beneath her soil 11,000,000 bushels of potatoes.

—A Phenixville dahlia measures 9 feet 6 inches.

—Colonel Thomas C. Zimmerman, of the Reading Times, and wife, were standing near the boat landing at the Weldon House the other evening, when a bullet whistled by Mrs. Zimmerman's head and imbedded itself in a plank.

—Sunday night orgies, caused by intoxicants, may be permissible in some sections of the country, but they'll never become one of the features of this town. It may be well to make a note of this in time.

—The Perkiomen R. R., will issue excursion tickets at regular excursion rates from all stations to Rahns on Saturday, August 29, on account of the reunion of the Knights of the Golden Eagle.

RELIGIOUS.

Services at St. James' Church, Evansburg, on Sunday morning during August will be at 10 instead of half past.

Harvest services at Augustus Lutheran church, Trappe, Sunday, August 23, 10 a. m. Preaching by the pastor, Rev. E. T. Kretschmann.

PERSONAL.

A. D. Fetterolf, Deputy Clerk of the Courts, went to Harrisburg, Tuesday, to attend the Republican State Convention.

Misses Ada and Mame Schwenk and Messrs. Chas. Kehl and Granville Meixell spent a few days at Atlantic City last week.

DELEGATE ELECTION.

The Democratic delegate elections will be held in the various districts of Montgomery next Saturday evening to elect delegates to the County Convention to be held at Norristown on Tuesday, August 25; one Convention will be held in the forenoon to elect delegates to the State Convention, and in the afternoon candidates for the offices of Director of the Poor and Jury Commissioner will be named.

Electric Bitters.

This remedy is becoming so well known and so popular as to need no special mention. All who have used Electric Bitters sing the same song of praise. A purer medicine does not exist. It is guaranteed to do all that is claimed. Electric Bitters will cure all diseases of the Liver and Kidneys, will remove Pimples, Boils, Salt Rheum, and other affections caused by impure blood. Will drive Malaria from the system and prevent as well as cure all Malarial fevers. For cure of Headache, Constipation and Indigestion try Electric Bitters. Entire satisfaction guaranteed, or money refunded. Price 50c and \$1.00 per bottle at Culbert's Drug Store.

TAXES!

Collector James R. Weikel, Upper Providence, is at present receiving state, school and county taxes. Those who pay their taxes before the first of September will be entitled to a reduction of five per cent. from the amount thereof.

WESTERN HORSES.

D. H. Casselberry arrived at his stables near this place, Tuesday, with a car-load of Western Horses. The lot is made up of good workers, roadsters, and general purpose horses. Some of them will be sure to grow in value. Go and see them.

INSTRUCTOR OF MUSIC.

Miss Ethel J. Park of Boston, Mass., has been elected Instructor of Music and Art in Ursinus College. She will teach music, drawing, painting and other branches, and have supervision over the young ladies. Miss Park will make her home at the Ladies' Hall.

OWNERSHIP TRANSFERRED.

Seven tracts of land in Abington, comprising about 258 acres of land have been transferred by the Real Estate Title Insurance and Trust Company of Philadelphia, to John Wanamaker, for \$32,549.42, subject to a mortgage of \$35,000.

A STRAW RIDE.

Last Thursday evening a merry party composed of Collegeville lads and lassies took a straw ride to Oakview, Norristown. Neighbor David Allebach kindly furnished the team, and D. W. Favinger manipulated the lines. One of our tyros has been in good humor ever since.

A BIG CAMP MEETING.

About five thousand people from Spring City, Royersford, and the surrounding country, attended the camp meeting in Latsch's grove, held under the auspices of the Dutch faction of the Evangelical church. A number of citizens of this place helped to swell the gathering.

CHICKENS STOLEN.

Tuesday night of last week thieves invaded the confines of the henry at Richard Poole's place, Trappe, and stole about one hundred chickens. The villains made an extensive haul, and Mr. Poole would like to know very much when they expect to visit his premises again.

DEATH.

Mrs. Hoot, formerly of Philadelphia, died at the residence of Mrs. Hires, near the toll gate, this place, Wednesday evening, last week. The deceased was a widow and leaves two daughters and one grandchild. The remains were taken to Philadelphia for interment Monday morning on the 8:03 train.

"BETHANY DAY."

The anniversary occasion at Bethany Orphans' Home at Womelsdorf, Berks county, will be recognized as "Bethany Day" this year. The event will occur on Thursday, August 21, and members of the Reformed Church in Eastern Pennsylvania are making special efforts to have a large reunion of Reformed people.

THE COMING PARADE AT IRONBRIDGE.

The Chief Marshal of the K. G. E. parade at Ironbridge on August 29th will be James S. Cassel, of that village. His aids will be J. G. Fetterolf, Yarker, J. U. Hendricks, Schwenkville, F. S. Saylor, Ironbridge; N. H. Gerhard, Skippack, and W. J. Manger, Trappe. The following bands will be present: Spring City, Royersford, Summeytown, Milford Square and Port Kennedy.

MISFORTUNES MULTIPLIED.

On Wednesday, last week, Waldron Lindgren, a boy living at Mont Clare, was sent by his mother on an errand to a neighbor's. He went across the fields, and in passing George Brown's residence a dog ran out and bit him on the thigh, making an ugly wound. The boy seems to be rather unwell, as some time ago he was nearly killed by being hit on the head with a stone, and quite recently he nearly drowned in the canal.

PISCATORIAL.

Judge A. S. Swartz, of Norristown, dropped the robes of justice Thursday, last week, and put in some efficient strokes in the role of fisherman along the Perkiomen. He succeeded in landing 24 fine bass.

ST. JAMES' GUILD.

The Guild of St. James', Evansburg, met at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Hallman, this place, Saturday evening. About forty members were present. After the transaction of the usual business, a period of social enjoyment followed, and the occasion proved to be a very pleasant one. Mr. and Mrs. Hallman kindly furnished refreshments in abundance, including ice cream, and the members of the Guild were delighted with the reception they received.

THE STRIKE SETTLED.

The trouble in regard to the striking moulder at the foundry of the Buckwalter Stove Company, Royersford, was adjusted last week by the proprietors and Mr. Wislizen, of Cincinnati. Vice President of the National Stove Moulders Union. Of the sixty-four moulder who struck, forty have been reinstated, while twenty-four who struck without completing their day's work, have been discharged. Edward Summers, the moulder about whose employment the trouble commenced, has gone away. The works went into operation Monday.

It Should Be in Every Home.

J. B. Wilson, 371 Clay street, Sharsburg, Pa., says he will not be without Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, that cures who who was threatened with Pneumonia after an attack of "La Grippe," when various other remedies and several physicians had done her no good. "Robt. Barber, of Cookport, Pa., claims Dr. King's New Discovery has done him more good than anything he ever used in Lung Trouble. Nothing like it guaranteed, or money refunded. Price 50c and \$1.00 per bottle at Culbert's Drug Store.

DEATH AT THE ALMSHOUSE.

Christian Narvel, aged about 70 years, died at the Almshouse Friday. He had been living with his son Reuben Narvel on Jackson street, Pottstown, until Monday previous, when he was taken to the Almshouse.

ST. JAMES' CELEBRATION.

The Sunday school of St. James', Evansburg, holds its annual celebration in the church gove on Saturday of this week, 22d inst. Short service and singing in the church in the morning at eleven, to be followed by a feast on the grounds. During the afternoon music by Eagleville band. Ice cream and other good things will be on hand. All who want a pleasant time should go. Take note—Saturday afternoon, not night.

A VIGOROUS OLD MAN.

Jacob Shantz, who has his home with Mrs. H. G. Polay, near Trappe, is a remarkable old man. Though 89 years of age he continues to exhibit the physical vigor of a pretty strong man at fifty. During the present season he has been serving as a full hand at farm work, and can swing the cradle or scythe with comparative ease. He is active in all his movements and ought to live, judging by his present appearance, to reach at least the century mark, and we hope he will.

EXTENSIVE FIRE AT PERKIOMENVILLE.

A large fire occurred early Tuesday morning at Perkiomenville that destroyed John Nie's large roller farm and saw mills, entailing a loss of about \$20,000, with a partial insurance. The saw mill, a frame structure attached to the flouring mill, soon caught fire from the burning building and was in a sheet of flames in a few minutes. The origin of the fire is unknown. The stock is insured in the New Hanover Fire Insurance Company and the flour mill is partially covered by a Philadelphia Company.

KILLED ON THE RAILROAD.

James Keenan, of Norristown, was killed on the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, at Perkiomen Junction, last Friday evening. He is an iron worker and had been employed at Hoover's rolling mill. Keenan had decided to go to Richmond, Va., and left for that place Friday. After reaching Philadelphia, he changed his mind and boarded a freight train to return to Norristown. At Perkiomen Junction he attempted to jump off but fell under the wheels. His legs cut off and he otherwise mangled.

SURPRISE PARTY.

Saturday afternoon a number of friends called on Miss Katie Rosenberger, of Yerkers. After a very enjoyable time all partook of refreshments and returned to their homes well pleased. Among those present were: Misses Essie Fetterolf, Susie Detwiler, Lizzie Detwiler, Annie Detwiler, Hettie Gotwals, Sallie and Lizzie Genari, of Yerkers; Amy Ashenfelter and Katie Detwiler, of Oaks; Anna and Florence Ashenfelter, of Philadelphia; Bessie Gotwals, of Norristown, and Miss Anna Bard, of Mont Clare.

FIRE FUNDS AT INTEREST.

We are informed that the good citizens of Schwenkville, after receiving a certain amount towards purchasing a fire extinguishing apparatus, have decided to invest the funds and secure interest thereon. As soon as the accumulated interest swells the principal sufficiently a fire extinguisher will be purchased. In the meantime fire losses will in part be charged to the interest account, it is presumed. There is much in this plan to commend itself to the future population of our pretty neighboring town, and the novelty of the same is entitled to some consideration. After all, there is more than one way to do certain things.

THE IMPROVED PROTHONOTARY'S OFFICE.

The past three months have wrought many changes in the office of the Prothonotary at Norristown. It has been almost entirely reconstructed and innovations have been introduced that will be a source of satisfaction not only to the present and future incumbents of that office, but to the legal fraternity and consequently to the public. In appearance it has been greatly beautified, but greatest of all are the increased facilities for the convenient, safe, accurate and permanent preservation of the records of the courts which come under the care of this department. The county has expended \$4000 to accomplish all this, but an equal amount will probably never be spent to better advantage.

BREAK DOWNS.

A LOAD OF HAY TOPPLED OVER.

Last Thursday forenoon Wm. Bean, farmer for Ex-Senator Royer, was hauling a load of lime up Broadway. Just this side of the railroad one of the hind wheels broke down. Farmer Bean secured another wagon, reloaded the lime, and took wagon number one to the shop for repairs.

For awhile, Tuesday forenoon, a large load of hay occupied considerable space on Broadway, opposite Trinity church. The breaking of two iron pins connecting the hay bed with the front bolster broke and the entire three-load of hay toppled over. John Rittenhouse, of Eagleville, was most directly interested in this accident.

A SOCIAL.

Wednesday evening a number of ladies and gentlemen from Philadelphia, who are summering in this section, visited Col. Duran's Echo Farm, west of Collegeville, and while away a few hours most pleasantly. The portico and lawn were effectually illuminated with numerous Japanese lanterns. The leading feature of the evening was the dancing on the barn floor, which had been specially fitted up for the occasion. The vocal music and recitations by a Philadelphia gentleman whose name we have forgotten, were very much appreciated. Towards midnight refreshments in abundance were served by the Colonel's hospitable and accomplished assistants, Mrs. Westerfelt and Misses Emily and Stella DeBarry. When the visitors departed they carried with them agreeable impressions and they will long remember the evening spent at Echo Farm.

FROM BLACK ROCK.

Supervisor Jacob Williams is engaged, with a force of men, in building a new stone arch bridge over the run near John G. Fetterolf's farm. It is larger in every way than the old one, which was in a dilapidated condition.

Mingo Creamery paid 3 1/2 cents per quart for July milk.

Mr. Harry Stearly, of this place, has a drove of fine Alderney cows. Neighbor Benjamin Garber also has a number of good Holstein cows.

Samuel Rambo, of Mingo, built a large wagon house some time ago.

The new school house built at Quaker by the Upper Providence School Board, is nearing completion, and will be a credit to the district. Contractor J. G. T. Miller is doing the work.

FROM LIMERICK.

Miss Bessie Weikel, of Fairview Village, is visiting in Limerick, the guest of the Misses Johnson. Miss Weikel has been elected teacher of Garwood school in Upper Providence.

A valuable gray horse belonging to B. F. Rambo of near Linfield died on last Friday night. The horse was afflicted with internal and external tumors.

Supervisor Schott finished the bridge across Mingo creek on the Walnut street extension on last Friday, when the new road was opened for travel. Contractor John S. Pennypacker was the first to drive over it.

The labor trouble between the Moulders' Union and the Buckwalter Stove Company, of Royersford, has been amicably adjusted and work was resumed on Monday.

The Evangelical camp meeting in Latsch's grove attracted a tremendous crowd of people from all sections last Sunday. Camp will break up after the noon service on Thursday of this week, which will be a big day, as Bishop R. Dubbs, D. D., LL. D., will be present and make an address.

Rev. E. Clark Hibshman's sermon in St. Luke's church, at York, Pa., was based on those grand and noble words of Paul as recorded in 2nd Timothy, 4: 6, 7, 8: "Paul at Rome," where he was imprisoned and subsequently suffered martyrdom, was an inspiring theme.

FROM DILLINGER.

The corn crop in this section promises to be a good one.

The camp meeting of the Mennonite church will commence to-morrow, Aug. 19, and continue for ten days at the Chestnut Hill grove near here.

Last Friday while hauling manure Mr. Lewis L. Schuler, of this place, met with quite a serious accident. While going from the field his six horse team started to run, and in trying to stop them Mr. Schuler was thrown under the wagon. The wheels passed over his leg, breaking it between the knee and foot, causing the bones to protrude. He was also hurt internally. At present he is getting along as well as can be expected. Dr. Dickenscheid is the attending physician.

About two months ago Mr. S. K. Nissley, of Florin, Lancaster county, Pa., came here to inspect Mr. Joel Brunner's French coach stallion "Hurley." Mr. Nissley, who is a noted breeder of the French coach variety, was at once taken in by "Hurley" and offered Mr. B., \$2500 for the stallion. After some consideration the offer was accepted. Mr. N., took the horse to his home last Tuesday, where he was used for breeding purposes on his extensive stock farm. By the transaction Mr. B., made a nice profit, besides the 40 odd services by Hurley while in his possession. It is Mr. Brunner's intention to get another coacher in the near future. E. L. R. H.

AN ENGINEER'S NERVE.

A case of wonderful nerve occurred at the East Conshohocken quarries, on Saturday afternoon. Joseph Winger, who is engineer at the quarries, had Matthew McNalty, extra engineer, employed with him during the day. In the afternoon McNalty started to wipe off the machinery while it was in motion. In wiping about several of the cogs the waste caught and drew his right hand in between the teeth. Winger happened to come into the engine house just at the time he was caught, and McNalty called to him, "Joe please throw the engine the other way." He did so, thinking the man's clothing might have been caught, but was completely horrified when McNalty coolly held up his hand. Three fingers were just hanging by shreds of flesh, and the thumb was almost ground off. The little finger was all that could be saved.—Norristown Times.

THE LARGEST PLANK IN THE WORLD.

The N. W. Lumberman gives an engraving from a photograph of a redwood plank that is 16 feet 5 inches thick, 12 feet 9 inches long, and 8 inches wide, and is about 90 per cent. clear. It was taken from a tree 35 feet in diameter and 300 feet high. According to its rings it was more than 1,500 years old. The tree was cut 25 feet from the ground, and the plank was hewed out of the stump, representing a section taken from near the heart to the bark. After it was displaced it was lowered by block and tackle, with a locomotive for power. In the way of labor its cost represents the time of two men for a month, simply to prepare it in the route for shipment. To this cost of transportation must be added, making a total of about \$3,000. It was moved by water to San Francisco. After being on exhibition some time, a car was specially prepared to transport it to Chicago. This was done by cutting a slot in the centre of a flat car, in which stirrups were pendant. The plank was placed on edge in the slot, its lower edge being within about a foot of the ties.

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The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, scorns, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chancres, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale at Culbert's Drug Store.

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A husband and wife desire a position on a farm, or will take charge of a small place. Both have had experience in gardening, trucking, in addition to the usual work of farm and farm house. Address W. W. MILLER, Plover, Lehigh County, Pa. Hoensack Station, Berks R. R.

PICNICS.

Picnics, the demand for ice cream and the exhibition of pretty girls in white dresses all go together, and the country parson who is extremely fond of boiled ham and peach pie is usually within easy call. Years ago when the scribe first began to assist in swelling Sunday school gatherings amid tall trees "celebration style" held sway. That is, the heads of families provided a variety of provender and the same was placed on a long table for the benefit of all the boys and girls. This custom afforded a bill of fare of considerable range, and the different kinds of pies were only surpassed in variety by cakes numerous and of many sizes. The non-exclusiveness of old-time celebrations added to the general enjoyment of all. The variety the feast afforded amounted to an agreeable change of diet, and a change of diet, you know, is beneficial. (This is one reason why country parsons often were wealthy.) There was a spirit of true democracy about the celebrations of twenty-five years ago, including of course, "poorhagen," and the "Happy Miller." Latterly the picnic fashion rules the day, and when a day in a grove or on an island, or at a park, is announced, the good material head of a household of Sunday school attendants begins to tax her brain in ascertaining just what to provide for her family for the coming festival. Her pies and cakes and so on, will afford no variety for those who eat mother's cooking every day, and how much she would like to prepare something special. But there it is again. If the boys and girls could only partake of the food prepared by some other mother, and other boys could sample her viands, what a change there would be all around! Exactly, but things have changed. This is one feature in contrast. There are several more. An observer of human nature at the modern picnic can always see something to think about. Here is a picture: Down yonder beneath a towering old oak is a group made up of the well-to-do of the congregation. You will observe considerable display, the spotless linen, the shining knives and forks, the collection of a great variety of edibles to gratify trained appetites, and a conspicuous air of exclusiveness pervading the party as side glances are directed towards their neighbors. Another picture: A way off yonder, alone as it were, a family forms a circle at the base of another monarch of the forest. The goddess of fortune does not flirt and bow here; she simply passes by. The mother has done her best for her dear boys and girls, yet the bill of fare is scanty and quite common some would think. She sees the difference between her situation and the lot of others. She thinks. The boys and girls with their quick perceptions take in the difference at a glance. They think, too, and perhaps draw uncharitable conclusions. Throughout the day there is scarcely a meeting between the extremes pictured. Yet both worship the same Saviour, and all have hopes for the same heaven—while a ten-acre grove is large enough to keep them apart on earth. Simply pictures from real life, results resulting from the now popular picnic custom. The modern picnic is the outgrowth of modern cleanliness and exclusiveness, and it will never take the place of the old Sunday school celebration, where the big table formed a conspicuous part.

LIVING WITH A BROKEN NECK.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., August 16.—Frank Hultra, a Hungarian, is in the Bridgeport Hospital suffering from an injury which is attracting the attention of the surgeons of this city. On the Fourth of July Hultra went to the Black Rock beach to bathe, and in diving off the stringpiece of the pier his head struck on the gravelly bottom and he suffered intense pains. He was able to walk to his home, where he applied to a modern clairvoyant for temporary relief. He kept at his work in the shop, but at length even lotions failed to relieve him and Dr. Rice was called in. He examined the neck and found a dislocation of the vertebrae.

Hultra was taken to the hospital, where many surgeons have examined the injury, and it is considered remarkable that the man has lived, to say nothing about his having kept at his work as a laborer in one of the factories.

A man who has practiced medicine for forty years, ought to know salt from sugar; read what he says:

Messrs. F. J. Cheney & Co., Gentlemen.—I have been in the general practice of medicine for most 40 years, and would say that in all my practice and experience have never seen a preparation that I could prescribe with as much confidence of success as I can Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by you. Have prescribed it a great many times, and its effect is wonderful, and would say in conclusion that I have yet to find a case of Catarrh that it would not cure, if they would take it according to directions. Yours truly,

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ESTATE NOTICE.

Estate of Theresa Custer, late of Lower Providence township, deceased. Letters of administration upon the above estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having legal claims to present the same without delay to the undersigned. HENRY E. CUSTER, Administrator. Lower Providence P. O., Pa.

ESTATE NOTICE.

Estate of Philip H. Bechtel, late of Upper Providence township, Montgomery county, deceased. Letters testamentary on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having legal claims, to present the same without delay to the undersigned. HENRY D. BECHTEL, TRAPPE, Pa. DANIEL D. BECHTEL, of Royersford, Pa. ABRAHAM D. BECHTEL, of Royersford, Pa. Or their attorneys, Executors. Hobson & Hendricks, Norristown, Pa.

ESTATE NOTICE.

Estate of Abram Beard, late of Upper Providence township, Montgomery county, deceased. Letters testamentary upon said estate have been granted to the undersigned. Those indebted to the same will please make prompt settlement, and those having claims will present them without delay. SARAH A. BEARD, Executrix, Collegeville, Pa.

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Will be sold at public sale on THURSDAY, AUG. 20, 1891, at Smoyer's hotel, Trappe, one car load of fresh cows and springers of all breeds from Western Pennsylvania, where I have selected them myself for this market. This will be an extra lot of fine cows, and it will be to the interest of purchasers to attend this sale. Sale at 2 o'clock, p. m. Sale positive, rain or shine. Conditions by J. S. FREDERICK, Agent. J. G. Fetterolf, auct. J. M. Zimmerman, clerk.

PUBLIC SALE OF FRESH COWS!

Will be sold at public sale, on THURSDAY, AUG. 27, 1891, at Smoyer's hotel, Trappe, 30 head of fresh cows and springers from Lebanon and Lancaster counties. This is excellent stock, selected with care. Sale at 2 o'clock p. m. Conditions by JOHN SPITLER, Agent. W. M. Pearson, auct. J. M. Zimmerman, clerk.

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A small farm situated in Upper Providence Township, a short distance west of Trappe, containing 5 acres and 32 perches of the best land in Montgomery county. The improvements are complete and in excellent order. Stone House, 2 1/2 stories, having 12 rooms; 4 rooms on each floor, cellar under whole house; rear porch and front portico. Barn 28x28 feet, wagon house attached; also all necessary outbuildings in good repair. Ample supply of excellent water. There is also a large and very productive apple orchard on the place, together with all other fruit trees and vines in great abundance. This is a model home in every respect with its convenient buildings, good fences, rich soil. It is within easy access of business places, schools, churches, etc. This property will be sold on easy terms. Apply to the undersigned, owner, residing thereon. JACOB RITTENHOUSE.

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Trains for Baltimore, Washington, the South and West, via B. & O. R. R., leave Grand Avenue Station (P. & R. R.) at 4.06, 8.01, 11.27, a. m., 4.34, 5.42, 7.13, p. m. Sundays, 4.06, 8.01, 11.27, a. m., 4.34, 5.42, 7.13, p. m.

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CULTIVATING THE BLACK-BERRY.

In its natural state the blackberry is found in neglected fields and along weedy fence rows. No fruit plant is more persistent in its growth or more sturdily resists extermination. While the fruit of its wild estate has always been highly prized, under cultivation it has developed greatly improved varieties. Without particularizing any one as the best the following may be mentioned as among the more desirable varieties: Agawam, Ancient Briton, Early Harvest, Taylor, Snyder, Erie, Minniewashi, Lawton, Kittatinny and others. It is, however, to be observed that not all of the varieties are sufficiently hard to succeed equally well in all sections, so that in selecting choice varieties for any locality, it is well to have the advice of an experienced nurseryman. Along with the strawberry and raspberry the blackberry forms a trio of delicious fruit, of which every person who has the land to spare for the purpose, should at least raise enough for family use.

The blackberry will grow on poor soils, but flourishes best on such as are well adapted to other crops. Indeed it flourishes too much unless kept in subjection by severe pruning. There is no time in the year except during the winter, when it will not be benefited by care and attention. At the present time there are growing up by the side of the bearing canes, thrifty, green sprouts from the roots. These are to be the bearing vines of the next year, and after they have fruited those bearing this season should be cut off and carefully taken out. Carefully, because the green canes are exceedingly brittle and easily broken.

Of the new canes from one to three may be preserved, according to the distance apart of the stools. For a few vines in a garden it is quite a good plan to set them out about three apart, training one thrifty cane to each stake, and clipping to make a bushy head and prevent too extended a growth of the laterals. Where several canes are allowed to grow from each stool they must have more room, but shortening and pruning are necessary in all cases, and tying to stakes is advised.-N. Y. World.

PLANT COLOR AS A SOIL TEST.

Georges Ville, the French agricultural investigator, contends that there is a constant relationship between the color of the growing plant and the composition of the soil. That is to say, a plant in a soil containing phosphoric acid, potash and nitrogen in sufficient quantities and in valuable form will show a certain green color. The same plant, if either one of these three elements is in insufficient quantity, or in a form not available to the plant in the soil, will show quite a different green. The kind of green indicates whether it is potash or phosphoric acid, or nitrogen that is mainly wanting to the soil. He maintains, on the strength of experiments extending over a period of five years, that the absence of nitrogen manifests itself by a yellowish green, the absence of potash by a pale green, and the absence of phosphoric acid by a green much lighter in shade than the color of a healthy and well nourished plant. If this holds true, then the farmer is in a position to know what composition of three elements of plant food will be required for any particular crop and soil, and the agricultural scientist will be placed in a position to give with much more certainty sound reliable advice as regards fertilizers.

It is admittedly very difficult even with the aid of soil analyses to tell exactly what a soil requires for a particular crop. Now, if the plants by their color furnish, so to speak, a natural fertilizer barometer, a decided step

forward would be made. Mr. Ville's conclusions will be viewed as a set of very simple experiments would settle this important question. A few vegetation vessels filled with a soil of known composition and given respectively additional quantities of phosphoric acid, potash and nitrogen would establish the variety of color recurring on one and the same plant by the absence of the one or the other element. An experienced eye would soon be able to tell from the color of a field of wheat, corn, barley and oats, presents to the eye what the soil needs principally. Every farmer knows that the same wheat on two different fields may look altogether different, and of course there is some good reason for it, which Mr. Ville's study of the relationship between plant color and soil composition may help to solve.-American Agriculturist.

THE TREATMENT OF FOOT-ROT.

A recent Massachusetts Experiment Station bulletin describes foot-rot in sheep and its treatment. There are two kinds of foot-rot—the sporadic or non-contagious and contagious foot-rot. The former may result from accident and readily yields to treatment. The latter is caused by a specific poison which often makes rapid inroads upon the constitution of the animal, and unless prompt and active measures are taken spreads to the whole herd.

The first thing to be done in the treatment of both kinds of foot-rot is to remove all superfluous horn from the foot. Then with a small sponge apply butter of antimony to the healthy portions of the foot. Keep the foot as clean as possible and wash daily with some antiseptic solution, such as one composed of one part of sulphate of copper to twelve parts of rain water. Twenty-four hours after the first application of butter of antimony, if the wound is still foul with a fetid discharge, the caustic may be again used. A third application is seldom necessary—at least not for some days.

The virus of contagious foot-rot remains active for a long time. It gains access to the system through the skin of the foot. To prevent contagion to a flock or a pasture newly purchased sheep should be kept strictly quarantined for at least two weeks. If foot-rot appears the healthy animals must be at once separated from the diseased and from those having a suspicious appearance. Put the healthy animals through a trough containing a mixture of about three inches deep of one part of carbolic acid to 200 parts of water. As fast as the diseased animals become convalescent they should be placed in a separate pen until danger has passed.-N. Y. Voice.

ASPHALT OR TAR WALKS.

In making asphalt walks and pavements the foundation is of course broken stone, and over this is a layer of coarse, clean gravel. The melted asphalt while hot is poured and spread over the gravel in sufficient quantities to fill all the interstices, the finishing coat being composed of clean, fine sand, all cemented together, with the asphalt compressed by passing a heavy iron roller over it. Coal tar has been used for making garden and other walks, but the preparations of sand or gravel used will vary according to the size of the grains of gravel or sand used. All that is required is to have each grain of sand or gravel thinly coated with the tar, and then all compacted with the heavy roller. Tar walks, however, have not proved satisfactory, for they get soft during hot weather in summer and emit the strong and disagreeable tar odor.-New York Sun.

PASTOR KOENIG'S NERVE TONIC

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Rev. J. C. Benson writes for the following: James Benson, who was suffering from St. Vitus Dance in its worst form for about 14 years, was treated by several physicians without effect. Two bottles of Pastor Koendig's Nerve Tonic cured him.

Would Have Died.

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I was in pain all over, could get no rest either night or day and was not able to do any work for months. After taking Pastor Koendig's Nerve Tonic only one week, I was able to sit up and attend to my crocheting. I had paid over two hundred dollars to doctors and got no benefit. I certainly think I should have died long ago if I had not got this medicine.

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JEROME!

The Stallion JEROME will stand for the season of 1891 at the stables of the Ironbridge Farm.

JEROME is a dark brown with black points, 15-3 hands high. He has a fine, powerful build, an actor, having made a trial record of 2:32 in three yearling.

JEROME was sired by Kennett, (961) record 2:26; he by Rysdyk's Hambletonian (10). The dam was an excellent road mare and could trot close to three minutes.

For further particulars call on or address, CHAS. H. DETWILER, V. S., Ironbridge, Pa. Owner.

JAY AUDUBON JR.

JAY AUDUBON, JR., will stand for service until otherwise ordered, at the residence of the undersigned owner, Jay Audubon, Jr., a chestnut sorrel, with fine, smooth coat, 15 1/2 hands high; coming 5 years old. He is well-proportioned, above excellent style; disposition very good. He exhibits a strong, open gait and can trot close to 3 minutes.

Jay Audubon, Jr., was sired by Jay Audubon, a fast trotter and pacer; he by Jay Gould, record, 2:28 1/2; by Rysdyk's Hambletonian, record, 2:28 1/2; by Mambrino by Imported Messenger. The dam of Jay Audubon, Jr., was a fine well-bred Hambletonian mare, strong and well-gaited, had considerable speed, and was a first-class roadster. For terms and further particulars call on

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We have prepared for the existing season will show greater perfection and more advanced ideas than any Preceding Stock. Improved organization, wider thought and increased endeavor, the natural outcome of larger experience, enable us to offer you not only finer Ready-to-Wear-Clothing, but lower prices than heretofore. The combinations for your advantage and comfort bespeak for us a handsome increase in sales, and your continued support and encouragement will certainly nerve us to still greater effort to deserve your patronage. In nearly every instance

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