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accompany all correspondence, not necessarily for publication but as a guarantee of good faith Dr. J. H. A. Bomberger. Revered and loved was he whose fancy gave Our duller sight a soul-entrancing view, Like ocean music rolling wave on wave His great soul found relief in praise and prayer Undaunted by a heavy weight of care, His spirit's ardent adoration drew

Enfeebled, sordid souls into the light Where he in his firm faith, strong in his zeal A great-heart, ready-armed, stood quick to deal With error, faultless warrior in the fight! The watchword, "Onward! Onward!" was his

His stirring signal—and his spirit passed. MINERVA WEINBERGER. Collegeville, March 4, 1895.

In blooming of flower and budding of tree The symbols and types of our destiny see; The life of the Spring-time, the life of the whole, And, as sun to the sleeping earth, love to the -Whittier.

The above stanza appears to have been the favored one of the Songs of Spring, which were published two weeks ago, since Whittier has received the largest number of votes from our

Written for the Social.

as revealed by history. Being a child of great vivacity and beauty, frank, cordial, affectionate, and full of lightlook upon the sunny side of every prospect. By nature she was endowed erty man. with mental ability of a very superior

education was sadly neglected. COLLEGEVILLE, PA. Special attention given to Repairing. I use the best material and do but when, amid all the pomp and Othello who threw himself on a sofa haven't been on the boards the best shop. to Repairing. I use the best material and do first-class work at prices as low as the Lowest. Blaze and glitter conceivable, at the with one of the legs sawn through by part of my life without knowing what with one of the legs sawn through by part of my life without knowing what with one of the legs sawn through by part of my life without knowing what with one of the legs sawn through by part of my life without knowing what with one of the legs sawn through by part of my life without knowing what with one of the legs sawn through by part of my life without knowing what with one of the legs sawn through by part of my life without knowing what with one of the legs sawn through by part of my life without knowing what with one of the legs sawn through by part of my life without knowing what with one of the legs sawn through by part of my life without knowing what with one of the legs sawn through by part of my life without knowing what with one of the legs sawn through by part of my life without knowing what with one of the legs sawn through by part of my life without knowing what with one of the legs sawn through by part of my life without knowing what with one of the legs sawn through by part of my life without knowing what with one of the legs sawn through by part of my life without knowing what with one of the legs sawn through by part of my life without knowing what with one of the legs sawn through by part of my life without knowing what with one of the legs sawn through by life without knowing what with the legs sawn through by life without knowing what with the legs sawn through by life without knowing what with the legs sawn through by life without knowing what with the legs sawn through by life without knowing what life with life without knowing what life without knowing what

by human footsteps.

In this history a striking illustration is made of children suffering for the transgressions of parents. While Louis XIV, as haughty and oppressive a monarch as ever trod an enslaved people into the dust, died peacefully in his luxurious bed, his descendant, Louis XVI, as mild and benignant a throne, lived to suffer the tortures which his unprincipled ancestors eshead fell."

And Maria Antoinette? Being a German by birth, when the people, ignorant degraded, and maddened by centuries of oppression, rose up with delirious energy to batter down a corrupt church and a despotic throne, was accused of having done all manner of things for the Austrian kingdom, and with having been against, and having worked against France; and, although innocent of the charges laid on her, she suffered the ruin which indiscriminately overwhelmed the guilty and innocent alike. Louis was dethroned, and, along with Maria, his sister Elizabeth and his two children, imprisoned. Several attempts were made to rescue Maria and her children, but to this she would not even listen; no, she heroically preferred to remain and suffer all manner of tortures and insults with her husband. After his execution, when she appeared in the court room for her trial (her accusation being, "that she abhored the revolution which had beheaded her est agitation by even the tremor of a muscle, when doomed to die within twenty-four hours. With queenly Surveyor and Conveyancer. pride she entered the common hay cart, which conveyed her to the scaffold. Calmly, and almost with an air of satisfaction, she viewed the dreadful instrument of death, with its sharp and glittering knife, which was so soon to terminate all her earthly sufferings. Even the executioner, well accustomed and hardened to deeds of daily butchery, could not look on this scene unmoved, and, as he endeavored to disengage the ax, his hand trembled, causing a moment's delay. The remains of the queen were thrown into a pine coffin and hurried to an

Even though it be impossible for the imagination to picture the awful agonies of Maria Antoinette, one almost heaves a sigh of relief as a mental picture of the glittering ax gliding down to cut off the beautiful queen's head, is drawn, and one feels thankful that at least Maria was saved the final torture of seeing her beloved children suffer after her death. For the bloodthirsty mob were only drawn to pity for the young princess, Maria Theresa, after her little brother's death, which was caused by constant privation and imprisonment, ending in a fatal fever. L. S. L.

# HARLEQUIN'S LEAP.

I am not exactly an artist-not by playing "East Lynne." any means a mechanic—it is hard for a help to happiness in a respectably our youngest nipper into a fit.

Vienna to become the bride of Louis revenge for the swagger tragedian's salary she draws. But the airs they to take the second jump. Clown was could not stand prosperity and a few XVI, (four years before his coron- bad temper for a whole fortnight. give themselves are worse than the low waiting with the poker to aim a blow years later she died.—Chicago Record ation,) she left with it the pleasant When he and the sofa and the curtain comedian with most of the "fat" and a at him, and pantaloon made ready to scenes of childhood and entered upon came down altogether I thought the half share benefit in the last week of pretend to be knocked over by his one of the most agonizing careers of roof would have been lifted with the run. Clowns? No don't say any- heels as he went through. The band remorse, terror and suffering ever trod laughter. The property man had gone thing against clowns. I don't take to was playing a "hurry," and the two Shakespearean dialogue, either.

to many new readings of popular Why, I was only saying as much to quin could he find. sovereign as ever sat upon an earthly plays. I recollect omitting to furnish the missus the other night. He never a Hamlet with his tablets. He dived is clean shaved. I am certain in my into his cloak for them, and they were own mind there is that in the constitucaped, and finally, on a cold, raw, and not there. So he had to make his tion of a harlequin that you cannot cheerless day, amid the deafening din notes on imaginary ones, and the next shave him properly. He never comes TRAPPE, PA. Will take work at home, or can be engaged by the week.

Of drums, and the clatter of iron magnificence of the new reading. Yet must have had a had effect on the skin. hoofs, to be borne to his death-bed, to magnificence of the new reading. Yet must have had a bad effect on the skin good deal more—the house was shout. I made up my mind to try a range of be bound to the plank, and "The the credit belonged to the property and prevent the razor acting properly. plank sunk. The blade glided. The man, who never had any thanks for House ?"

you wish to clasp your eyes on. None | man to make the leads. of your drawing room pieces for meexpects property feeds in the legitiand ask his guest to drink out of any- would look at a jump. honest steaming meat pie for "The chap in private life I ever knew.

Streets of London," and the house declare to you the soothing sniffing formance. that went on during the scene could

Harness repaired neat and substantial at age of fifteen, she left her home in a gentleman in my line of business as a fairy queen ought to be, or what a minute he should have come on again Rosie to a ranch in Nevada but she now amounts to nearly \$3,800.

You understand what it is to be put making the man's reputation. A week up with rather than wanted. That hurried on the swell with the white valley, and my chums refusing to go of the legitimate is a regular load on accounts for harlequins being such brain, and those historical plays are melancholy chaps. They know a enough to drive you mad, what with pantomime can get along without 'em, Bless your heart! an audience always back for Cheyenne. I started off, and the banners of this army and that, and and they never draw a sixpence into knows if there is a screw loose, and hadn't gone more than five miles when the spears and the swords, and the the treasury, although the public likes we had a duce of a job to finish up I came to desert land. There was rapiers and the banqueting scences. to see 'em, and they give the clown the evening without a harlequin. not a stock of vegetation in sight. Did I ever fit up "The Old Toll time to fetch his wind. I was doing the properties in this very theatre-I You'll be asking me if I ever saw can show you the bill with my name Joe Cave next. Ah, there's a play for on it-eight or nine seasons ago, and you-full of interest and movement, we had the most fidgety harlequin I and those last dying orations for Jack | ever met. My word! It was as hard Bunnage—as pretty a bit of poetry as to make a frog jump as to induce that his war paint, run to his lodgings— straight ahead. I only had a small

You follow me with the leaps? with their letters and lockets, and fans | mean the dives right through the back Good, honest propreties are what I pantaloon go chasing him. He ought like—something that can be seen from | to be invisible, I know, for the sake of | the front with the naked eye, and set- dramatic unity; but you can't keep ting the audience wondering how much | him invisible for the whole harlequinthey cost. Jealous of real horses and ade, because the house gets tired of cabs, and saddle bag furniture for the the make-believe, and the poor man interiors? Not a bit of it. Live and has no chance after putting in the mate. Sit Macbeth down to a table it was a full ten minutes before he

ment except fool about with red- mattress all right? Were they strong graph. cheeked apples before Banquo comes enough to hold him? Were they in, and the public would hiss the play sober? And a lot of rubbish of that off the stage. No, sir, they will not sort. I have seen a few cab horses stand any desecration of Shakespeare, coaxed on for the wild untamed steed and I pity the first Lady Macbeth who in "Mazeppa," and I'll take my oath dares from the royal table to eat soup they were perfect lions compared to with a spoon. It would never do. that man. I fancy he must have been a Shakespearean piece. He would this made him shy. He was a very

Yes, it is a discriminating public a man with little on his body. Why? that I've worked for these three and Because there's no counter balance. I thirty years. Old plays, property never knew him to give any of our but it set a great crowd of miners to one of the party insisted on a search, grub; new plays, real meat. There's stage hands a pint of beer, and yet, if peering about in the hope of finding as he had heard a man make just such the whole thing in a nutshell. I know they had turned nasty, they could have better deposits. A few years later a noise before he died of thirst-in the my limits, and how far I dare go. played an ugly trick upon him any some prospectors discovered that the Mojave desert. It was months before Lord bless me, I recollect a piece that evening. His line of business need bottoms of several California lakes I recovered completely, and I haven't was saved by pig's fry and onions. not have made him down in the dumps. were full of borax crystals, and from been more than a mile away from They fried 'em in a garret scence, and Far from it. Why, I remember a mining in the earth they began pumpthe gallery was so delighted with the heavy father in our old "stock" for ing water out of huge caissons set in Rocky Mountain News. homeliness of it that I believe they three or four seasons who was so the mud and then digging the earth would have called on the pork affable "off," and cracked such jokes up inside of them and washing out merchant if they thought he was in you might have thought, he did the crystals. Although the borax the house. It touched 'em in a tender nothing but rescue maidens in distress, thus found was not pure, it could he part, and the nose is a tender part. I and had a double call in every per-

We could not have been running not have been more so if they were the panto for more than a week, and the harlequin-still melancholy-was in that rough, hot region, "Death home again. He kad been compelled Christmas a busy time with me? jumping in splendid style, yet every Valley," in California. It was made to run several blocks to catch the me to say exactly what head I come Well, I have been hard at it for the last bit as cautious about our men catch in a most romantic way. In 1880 train and was somewhat overheated. under. I remember there was trouble two months. Pantomimes are fast ing him, and evidently glad when the Aaron Winters lived with his wife, The temperature of the car was over the last time they took the census, for destroyers of a man's natural rest, and job was over. I recollect he had to do Rosie, in a gulch known as Ash 100 degrees and still climbing. He my wife would not hear to my being what with everything at sixes and the dives through a pawnbroker's shop Meadows, not far from the deadly stood it for about five minutes and described as a "property man," through sevens, the manager roaming about window, reappearing from the wings, mouth of Death Valley. He was so then tried to open a window. being afraid those stupid Government like a bear with a sore head, the rush on and jump again, clown and fond of his wife that he would not officers might think me man of prop- carpenters so touchy you can't speak pantaloons making a show of striking allow her to be long absent from him, erty and go charging me house duty to 'em, and the scene painter soliloquiz- at him, but never hitting him. Finally and income tax, and all sort of things. ing all day long-generally before he bobbed up through a trap door and the mountain was 100 miles from the A hollow kind of life, do you call it? other people—the place is hardly fit posed with the columbine, just as the nearest neighbor in a wild, rugged for-Well, that's a matter of opinion. Not for a decent man to live in. They clown was being marched off by the saken country. One day a desert if it's done conscientiously, I say. That expect me to have a hundred pairs of policeman for trout stealing. The tramp came along and stopped over hole through the plate glass. poet I have heard of must have had hands, like Brier-well, Brier some- jumping went with a rare rattle and night at the Winters home and told me in his eye when he wrote "Things thing; no, no, not Bob Brierly, he's in was one of the best features in the the hunter about the borax deposits of and received but two votes less than are not what they seem." It is my "The Ticket of Leave Man," and had harlequinade. On the night I have in Nevada. When he went away Winters mission to make the unreal appear to five years; and the masks have got to mind, the poor chap went through his thought that he had seen deposits of be real, and whatever you may think be so heavy and horrid that the last work—including the hornpipe and a the kind described on his explorations about the usefulness of that pursuit as time I took one home it frightened twirling trip with columbine—as well into Death Valley. Accordingly the as he had ever done it, until the scene strange couple went together to make dollars !" a more mournful, blood-curdling conducted state, the property man is My room is more an old curiosity I am telling you about came on. You the search, having previously provided tragedy than that of Maria Antoinette, generally more successful in his aim shop than anything else, and it's wear- see the pit stalls right behind the themselves with certain test chemicals, him a \$10 bill. than the actor who looks down upon ing to the feelings to descend from orchestra? Well, he was on the stage which when combined with borax and him. I dare say they never give it a Adam's staff and the practicable deer and flapping his wand before the chase ignited would produce a green flame. moment's thought, but the British in the forest of Arden, and King commenced, when all of a sudden he heartedness, she was ever prone to drama would be a poverty-stricken Lear's jewel and emblems, to come catches sight of a face there, and looks substance which he believed to be article without the help of the prop- flop upon rows of grinning faces for as though he was going to drop. I borax, Winters and his wife waited another window, took a newspaper out robbers and palace guards and demon | could see him turn pale under the | for nightfall to make the test. How King Richard having to go on with- butchers. Fairy queens! Hang me rouge on his cheeks, and for a minute would it burn? order, but, being left much to herself out a scepter would never be able to if I know where they pick up those I fancied he was going to fall down. and her governesses, who were more render Shakespeare true to nature, young women. I would rather fit out "Hulloa!" thinks I, "what's up?" Piutes on the desert, entirely without anxious to gratify her wishes and thus and what becomes of your classics, a Scotch army with claymores any Then on comes the clown, singing out luxuries and often wanting for the secure her love, than to urge her to like "The Courier of Lyons," if the day than provide a wand for a fairy "Father!" to the pantaloon. They very necessities of life. Would the efforts of mental improvement, her mail guard isn't shot at the proper queen. It is either too long or too catches sight of harlequin, and points match change all that? Winters held moment? Yes, I have known more short, too thick or too thin, too light at him, and that was the cue for the blaze to the substance with a The road was never built. The bonds, Taken in the whole, the childhood than one swagger tragedian have his or too heavy; whereas, well I know Spangles to make his first leap through trembling hand—then shouted at the amounting with interest to some \$300, Taken in the whole, the childhood of Maria Antoinette was probably as happy a one as could be wished for; happy a one as could be wished for; the pawnbroker's window. I must say top of his voice: "She burns green, it, the fact is these young women the pawnbroker's window. I must say top of his voice: "She burns green, it, the fact is these young women the pawnbroker's window. 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home before the last act, or I am sure 'em, mind you, still I don't say any- hands behind were on guard to catch there would have been a real tragedy | thing against 'em. Harlequins I can't | him. Half a minute slipped by and no that night-and without any of the abide. Why have 'em, I say. Better harlequin appeared. But the stage any time put on a harlequina-which manager commenced to-well, to say A noble occupation, surely, and a sustained the female interest-instead things, and ran behind to see what was strain upon the mind, certainly. You of a fellow who has been playing a the matter, wondering whether young are always in terror of forgetting sprite or doing the contortion business Spangles had slipped or lost his shoe something, and forgetfulness has led in the opening. Have I noticed it? or something. But the devil a harle-

The audience began to hiss, and the wait to fill, was calling out: "Now,

and imitation vases and folderols. of the scene, when the clown and the forever. You see, the face he saw in Before night my horse had fallen, and let live, I say. Many a property feast sailor's hornpipe with the columbine what? I know what you mean, only dreams. have I put on in my time. The public unless you allow him the dives. This you didn't pronounce it properly. Yes, They awoke me, and I got up and thing but empty goblets, or pretend | Were we sure the men were there opinion of harlequins in general is tween my shoulder blades and were to do anything in the eating depart- to catch him? Had they got the lower than ever .- London Daily Tele- holding a carnival. Ten thousand

A BORAX DEPOSIT.

HOW IT WAS DISCOVERED AND THE WEALTH IT BROUGHT.

The play-goer does not expect food in let down at some theatre or other, and a man with an idea. Dr. John A. outlines of a wagon in the distance. Veatch was a good deal of a geologist, With a superhuman effort I gave a object to it as a desecration and a clean jumper, mind you, if one once and when he went West to look for shriek, and then I knew no more. degradation. He will permit no inter- got him to go, and on boxing nights gold and saw the vast stretches of When regained consciousness I was in ference with the functions of the prop. he went without a hitch. And he parched and bitter alkaline plains he a bunch of hay near a fire, and two or erty man. On the other hand, provide could dance. Yes, I must say that concluded from his knowledge of rock three men were looking at me. I Mrs. Puffy with anything save an for him, although the most miserable formations that borax could be found learned later on that my scream had Seemed to have something on his gan to look for it deliberately, and one who were skirting the desert in order mind, which is an awkward thing for day early in 1856 his prospecting to make a short cut to the Montana spade struck a small deposit in a dried cattle trail, and that at first they lake bottom. It was not worth much, thought it was some wild animal, but used for manufacturing fluxes of various sorts, and the substance was greatly cheapened.

although their little hut on the side of it didn't open. He tried another

Having procured a piece of the

For years they had lived like

THIRST TORTURE.

A MAN WHO WAS LOST ON A DESERT TELLS OF HIS SUFFERINGS.

"No one can conceive the tortures of a man who suffers from real thirst," said S. R. Jacoby, of Ouray, Colorado, to a reporter. "I underwent the awful experience once, but can hardly convey a hint of what I suffered, although it is vividly impressed on my mind. There are no words in English or clown, who was no good if he had a Spanish to tell the story, and I know no other languages. It was in then, where are you-how much Wyoming in 1883. With two comlonger?" At the end of another panions I was doing a little prospecting couple minutes—though it seemed a and we had bad luck. One morning ing out nasty remarks beginning to hills about thirty miles away, across make a row. So the stage manager what seemed to be a well-verdured trousers for the clown to chivy about. farther on what had proved a wild The people hissed more than ever. goose chase, said good-bye and started Where was he? Ask me another. No- The ground was covered with lava and body ever set eyes on him from that scoria that had rotten under the suns day to this. It was his last leap in of a thousand centuries. I never imagined that the desert was more We discovered afterward that he had than a few miles across, and as there bolted clean out of the stage door in was a haze hanging over it I went they were only into the next street- canteen, which held brandy instead of changed his clothes, left the place in a water. It was before noon when I quarter of an hour and disappeared began my journey over that waste. the pit stalls was the face of the wife I was suffering pangs of agony. I he had deserted four years before, had no brandy left, and everywhere leaving her with three children to was desolation as dry as chalk. I bring up. He knew she had tracked killed my horse and drank some of him at last, and his leap was a leap his blood. Then I threw myself down for liberty. A strange story? Lor', and slept. No opium-eater craving the world is full of them. A startling for his drug ever had such horrible

it is a startling denouncement. I can staggered on in the darkness. All the excuse the poor fellow now for being demons of pain in the universe seemed so melancholy and nervous, but my to have settled themselves right bemillion red-hot needles, with rusted sides, were playing in and out through my tongue, and the top of my head felt as if some giant had hold of it and was trying to pull it off. I couldn't cry out, because my tongue was numb and useless from the pain. Borax was discovered out West by When morning came I just beheld the somewhere in the region. So he be- been heard by a party of prospectors water, and plenty of it, since."-

CHEAP AT THE PRICE.

THE CHICAGO MAN WANTED TO COOL OFF WHATEVER THE CHARGE WAS.

The Chicago man who had gone on But the greatest discovery was made a business trip to Omaha had started

It was one of those car windows that are not built for opening purposes, and window with the same result. The third window stuck equally tight, and he raised his foot and kicked a large

The conductor heard the crash and came running into the car. "Who broke that window?" he de-

manded threateningly. "I did," said the Chicago man, "Well, sir, it will cost you just five

"Here it is," said the other, handing

"I\_I haven't change for that," said the conductor, somewhat taken aback. "Never mind the change," replied the Chicago man. "Keep it. He raised his foot again, kicked out

reading as if nothing had happened .-Chicago Tribune. AN OLD RAILROAD BOND.

In 1855 Bath county, Kentucky, issued a lot of thirty year railroad

## Collegeville, Montg. Co., Pa.

# E. S. MOSER, Editor and Proprietor.

Thursday, April 4, 1895.

Owing to an increasing demand for advertising space, our sprightly cotemporary, the Norristown Times, will nor commission the six Congressional issue an eight-page edition three days a week. We note with pleasure this national monetary conference has renewed evidence of substantial prosperity on the part of the Times.

THE politicians of Pottstown are fore, the revival of the old project to form a new county out of portions of Montgomery, Chester, and Berks and centre, is not to be looked upon with much surprise. It is an attractive scheme, yet viewed from a practical by the creation of "Hartranft" county. The name Hartranft could serve them no better than that of Montgomery, and they would lose their interest in all the historical associations and achievements of "old Montgomery." The establishment of new county offices that they are willing to build another county just to accommodate aspiring their expenses and they could, of office-holders.

In discussing our relations to foreign powers, writers and speakers frequently allude to the "Monroe Doctrine," the true text of which may not be gress, December 2, 1823, and reads as follows:

sition towards the United States."

FROM Dun's Review, March 30: "Signs of improvement are all the more satisfactory because neither accompanied nor apparently produced by a speculative craze. Dealings in stocks, cotton and wheat are not diverting all the interest and capital all a shade stronger. But railroad earnings, bank clearings and industrial indications are more encouraging this the lifting this year begins at the bottom, so to speak; raw materials are saised before there is any larger demand for their finished products, a thing not often done with success. Hides rose, then leather, and then shoes; cotton rose, and afterwards cotton goods; coke was advanced and afterswards Bessemer pig. In all these cases it is reasoned that the larger dewanting, must come when it is seen phia."

in Saturday's issue of his paper, the question of compulsory education. as to frighten those two little countries His reference to the compulsory edu- into complying with a part if not all cational measures of foreign countries of their demands. will hardly apply to this country. Even granting (which we are not willing to do) that the State has the right to impose upon its citizens arbitrary measures that will interfere with the individual liberty of orderly people, we fail to see how Editor Johnson can branch of the Reading Railroad, at find argument abroad in favor of com- the risk of his own life, on Saturday pulsory education at home. Statistics evening, saved Ruby Constantine, the prove clearly that the per cent. of four-year-old daughter of John Conilliteracy in the United States, where by the Pottsville express train, which compulsory education of the milder passed the crossing 20 minutes after 6 sort is confined to only two or three o'clock. Lees had lowered the safety States, is far below any other nation on gates and was flagging the crossing earth, including countries where com- for the approaching train, which was pulsory education is enforced by the he saw the child run down Greenlane most rigid laws. What this State towards the track. Before he could needs most at this time along educa- prevent her she had reached the northtional lines, Brother Johnson, is not bound track and called to her father, arbitrary and unnecessary laws, but a threw down his flag, and catching the large and very necessary increase in child, dragged her out of danger just public school facilities, particularly in as the engine sped past the spot on towns and cities.

portance than the non-adoption of a "compulsory education" law!

Oil Production in Pennsylvania.

3,900 new wells were drilled in 1894, the train had blown away. When he GET YOUR Posters Printed at the Independent Office.

for Pennsylnania oil showed no diminution during the year.

#### WASHINGTON LETTER. From our Regular Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 29, 1895 .-There may be absolutely nothing in the stories of President Cleveland's intention to run for the Presidency again on a free trade, gold standard platform; but the semi-official announcement that he would not appoint the three Presidential Commissioners commissioners to the proposed intergiven those stories a fresh start and on the part of President Cleveland is that the conference which will be held, ambitious; most politicians are. There- if any is, will not be of the sort which Congress authorized the United States counties, with Pottstown as its seat | He knows that should he complete the commission, as contemplated by Congress, it would necessarily be controlled by silver men, even should he been heard. But the commission would have been controlled by the gold men | mon schools provide the remainder. had Mr. Cleveland named the Commisincrease their happiness or glory; not | tives named by Congress as Commisat all. And we can hardly feel assured | sioners going to the conference, if one is held, in spite of President Cleveland.

Congress appropriated \$100,000 to pay

recognized as delegates to the con-

ference, unless they carried commis-

United States. generally known. It formed a part of man to discover that fool-friends are President Monroe's message to Con- much worse than enemies. While his enemies have been openly criticizing him for allowing his personal dislike of Minister Thurston to cause him to de-"We owe it, therefore, to candor and mand that he be recalled by the to the amicable relations existing be- government of Hawaii, his fool-friends tween the United States and the allied | have been doing him much more harm powers to declare that we should con- by circulating a story to the effect that sider any attempt on their part to ex- if Mr. Thurston should attempt to retend their system to any part of this main in Washington after his successor hemisphere as dangerous to our peace shall have been appointed Secretary and safety. With the existing colonies Gresham would deport him by force, or dependencies of any European just as Chinese laborers who come into power we have not interfered and shall the United States illegally are renot interfere; but with the govern- ported, as an objectionable character. ments who have declared their inde- And the reason given by these foolpendence and maintain it, and whose friends of Secretary Gresham is worse independence we have on great con- than silly. They say that Mr. Thurston sideration and just principles acknowl- by reason of his extensive acquaintedged, we could not view any interpo- ance and influence with Congressmen relate, the mare, then only a young sition for the purpose of oppressing might be able to get Hawaiian legislafilly, could not be induced to remain them or controlling in any other man- tion through Congress which might be ner their destiny by any European objectionable to the administration. power in any other light than as the Just think of that! One citizen of manifestation of an unfriendly dispo- insignificant Hawaii more powerful with Congress-in the eyes of friends of the administration—than the administration. Certainly the fool killer must be taking a rest. Meanwhile

Minister Thurston has started home without waiting for his recall. The application of Eugene Debs and his associates to the United States Supreme Court for a writ of habeas corpus, on the ground that they are unconstitutionally imprisoned, was from productive industry and legiti- argued this week, Attorney General mate trade, though these products are Olney speaking against the motion, and Mr. C. S. Darrow, of Chicago, for it. It is expected that it will be several weeks before a decision is handed down in this case, which will week. It is a remarkable feature that probably furnish a precedent for some years after it is made, unless the court shall be nearly evenly divided upon it. Attorney General Olney gave a dinner to the counsel engaged in the case. The guests were Ex-Senator Lyman Trumbull, C. S. Darrow, and S. S. Gregory, of Debs' counsel; Edwin H. Walker and Assistant Attorney General Whitney. of government counsel, Chief Justice Fuller and wife and

Secretary Lamont and wife. The atmosphere around the Departmand for consumption, though yet | ment of State is decidedly less jingoistic than it has been. None of the that prices are going up. Higher ened out, but they all probably will be diplomatic tangles have been straightwages for coke workers have been in time without calling for volunteers followed by a formal advance of 40 to go to war. Spain has been heard cents in the price of coke, and now from, in an explanatory, if not an Bessemer pig has risen 35 cents at apologetic, tone. The most trouble-Pittsburg and 25 cents at Philadel- tions of England towards Nicaragua some questions now are the real intenand Venezuela. If threats which have been made were carried out the Mon-Brother Johnson, of the North roe doctrine would be violated and the Wales Record, discusses at some length United States would have to take a hand. But the belief is general that England is merely making a bluff so

## A FLAGMAN'S HEROISM.

FROM THE JAWS OF DEATH.

RISKED HIS OWN LIFE TO SNATCH A CHILD

John Lees, watchman at the Green | From the New York Herald. Lane crossing on the Norristown stantine, from being crushed to death to do this effectually they must create which she had stood a second before. By the way, how does Editor John- How narrow an escape from certain son stand in relation to the "religious when it is stated that one of the death both had can be understood garb bill?" And how about the cylinder heads of the engine brushed Normal School monopolies? We think against the flagman's clothing, and the these be matters of much more im- rush of air caused by the train knocked him down and rolled him over. Constantine was returning to his home, on Roberts avenue, a small thoroughfare north of Greenlane, near the railroad, and his daughter on seeing him was The oil fields of Pennsylvania have on her way to meet him. The litte produced during the year 1894 about one's father was paralyzed with horror 30,000,000 barrels of oil. During the year 1893, the total product was 31,- front of the train. He did not know 000,000 barrels. The oil was sold that she had been saved until after the during 1893 for 64 cents, and last year | train had passed and the the cloud of for 84 cents a barrel. In all about dust caused by the swift passage of

while in the previous year only 2,000 saw her unharmed in the arms of her WANTED. new wells were prepared. The demand rescuer he was so overcome that he was scarcely able to express his gratitude, and as he carried the child home the tears were streaming down his

# Normal School System Inquiry.

rom the Philadelphia Times The State normal schools are just low the subject of consideration by the Legislature with a view to paring down the appropriations to a figure much less than the \$1,250,000 asked for. The intention does not appear to be a movement towards impairing the usefulness of these centres of learning, but comes rather as part of the plan to keep expenditures within the limit set a lot of people to thinking. The of the revenues, and yet there are some ostensible reason for this non-action facts to justify antagonism if such a spirit prevailed.

Critics of the normal school system as it obtains in this State claim that it commissioners to take part in, but the costs too much in proportion to the opinion is openly expressed that his benefits conferred and that it does not real reason is his opposition to silver. supply the requisite proportion of teachers. Since the organization of the first schools under the law of May 20, 1857, the State has granted aid to select three gold men to represent the extent of \$2,301,397, and there is a standpoint it is most difficult to dis- him; and he does not desire that the spirit of inquiry abroad in respect to cern how the inhabitants of the upper United States should appear at any their operations. This inquiry shows, end of Montgomery would be benefited international conference as the as one result due to investigation, that champion of silver. There are good of 26,241 teachers in the State outside reasons for the belief that had the of Philadelphia, only 2,487, or less appointment of the Commissioners than ten per cent. of the number, are been left with the President the ob- normal school graduates. The teachers jection now raised would never have trained in colleges, academies and seminaries number 4,178, and the com-

The opposition to the further approsioners. There is some talk about the paiation of \$1,250,000 is entirely would increase their taxes, and not three Senators and three Representa- proper if it can be proved that the Normal schools are not returning a product commensurate with their cost. Perhaps the most serious part of this opposition is presented in the charge that one of the schools has had a net course, go if they desired, but there is income of \$10,000 a year for many no probability that they would be years over and above running expenses, and has devoted this surplus to building improvements, while a debt of sions signed by the President of the \$20,000 has been carried with a view of satisfying the terms of the demand Secretary Gresham is not the first for a State appropriation. Another school expended \$20,000 in one year on a principal's house.

#### A MARE'S STRANGE FREAK.

ALL DURING HER LIFE SHE REFUSED TO DRINK ANYWHERE BUT AT A

CERTAIN PLACE HAUGHTON, La., March 27.—Perhaps the friends of that noble animal, the horse, will be interested in the following bits from the history of Nita, a might have been seen in the stables of J. L. Hester, a resident of this parish. When Hester was quite a lad Nita was presented to him by his grandfather, the late Henry Thompson, of Oaklawn plantation, but, strange to from her native heath. After Hester became possessed of her she refused to drink a drop of water. In fact, it is believed that she would have starved herself to death had she not been taken back to her old home. When turned loose in Oaklawn pasture, however, she ran as fast as she could caper to a clear, cool stream which crossed the meadow, slaking her thirst eagerly. After this singular behavior no further effort was made to remove her permanently from her first home, and whenever she was taken away for a day she would drink no water until her return, when she would go to the little pasture stream. In the course of time Hester inherited his grandfather's estate and moved to Oaklawn. Nita thus for the second time becoming his property. Fifteen years have passed since that event and Hester asserts that he has never during that time known Nita to drink anywhere but at Less Than One - Half Former Prices, the little meadow branch. Some three months ago Hester moved to his Red river plantation, about twenty miles distant, of course, carrying Nita with him, though she had passed beyond her days of usefulness and was almost decrepit. After her removal the old mare began to pine and droop, and at the end of the third day, when she had not drunk a drop of water, her kind master led her back to her old home. So soon as she felt herself in the neighborhood of Oaklawn she pricked MORGAN WRIGHT up her ears and began to canter almost spryly, and when the pasture was reached she betook herself at once to the branch, drinking long and deep of its waters. Hester says that the poor dumb creature's evident delight was pitiful to behold, and he determined never more to take her away. He night, and the last he saw of her as he closed the gate behind him the mare was standing knee-deep in the stream, letting the water trickle between her The next morning, when he went to feed her, the poor thing was lying on the bank, cold and stiff in death, her head overhanging the water

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2 00 "Diamond Rings, 3 00 " 25c. to 4 50 Give us an opportunity to show you the above.

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We wish to call your attention to the fact that now is the time

## for you to be on hand and NEW GOODS

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- FREE --A handsome decorated CHAMBER SET of 10 pieces with every bedroom suit sold before the 15th of this month. We had quite a big sale of

It will pay you to visit our Dry Goods and Grocery Departments. In fact all of our departments have

### great bargains for you. NEW THIS WEEK:

Crepe Cloth Dress Goods, at 121/c. 9-4 Unbleached Sheeting at 121/2c. Serviceable Wool Beiges at 121/2c., worth 25c. Still a few of those 100-piece Dinner Sets at \$8.50 per set. They will soon be gone.

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## HOME AND ARROAD.

-Winter or Spring,

-Which?

-If you would be a sage among fools never express an opinion.—N.

-Particularly, if you have no man of the world, to shoot a match opinion to express.

—She can drive the sharpest bargain, Or a horse from which men quail, A tandem or a four-in-hand, But cannot drive a nail.

Buffalo Courier.

-The other day a middle ward man aimed at the head of a nail and struck

-Before he had time to use bad and his load of hay was wafted into language his frau observed: "You'd the water. The farmer escaped injury.

better publish that!" See?

-Read the advertisement of O. D. Bechtel, who has taken possession of the store in the upper part of Trappe.

-Dr. Samuel Price, the veterinary surgeon, removed from Norristown to doubtless be greatly increased in the this place last Thursday.

-David Reiner has succeeded D.O. Bolinger as teamster for the firm of Gristock & Vanderslice, lumber and coal dealers of this place.

-David Culp, of this place, has had class, of Trinity Reformed church, half of his house roof re-shingled.

-Choice seed potatoes-Early Rose, White Star, and other varieties-75c. Miss Essie Allebach and Mrs. Clement to \$1.25 per bushel at Fenton's store. Fry.

-The delivery wagon of the Emery Shirt Works, Norristown, will visit this locality every week, and those who | the Perkiomen City enterprise will be desire work at shirt making at home held on the grounds at Perkiomen can be accommodated.

-Theo. Hallman, for several years proprietor of the Hartranft House, Norristown, took possession of the Swan hotel, Downingtown, Tuesday.

-Cedar Hollow lime for whitewashing at Fenton's store.

-A new cigar factory, two stories high, 100 by 40 feet, employing about 200 hands, will be built in Sumney-

-Casting pearls before swine has nesday of last week, and three chilthis advantage, that if you never cast dren are down with the same disease. anything else you can starve the hogs out.—San Francisco Call.

—Thirty-three years ago Oliver M. & Shellenberger, at Trappe, on Satur-Snyder, of Harrington, Ind., run a day afternoon, April 6. Will be sold piece of glass in his foot, where it over 3000 yards of cassimeres, calicoes, remained until the other day, when ginghams, lawns, dress goods, &c. the doctors cut it out. Also hats, caps, boots, shoes and stockings. Don't miss the opportunity.

#### Philadelphia Markets.

Winter bran, \$17.50 (a) \$18.00; flour, be held on Monday afternoon following. \$2.40 to \$3.65; rye flour, \$2.90; wheat, 60 to 61\frac{1}{4}c.: corn. 50c.: oats. 37c.: bu ter, 22 to 27c.; live fowls,  $10\frac{1}{2}$  @ 11c.;

dressed fowls,  $12 @ 12\frac{1}{2}c$ . Differently Viewed. First little boy, playing on the railroad track: "Shush, fellows! git, git! Here comes a tramp!"

First little girl: "No, he's no tramp.

That's old——. Him and my pop dealers. is writin' for the noosepapers."

Second little boy: "Naw, he's no tramp. Him and my mom's goin' to git a post office.

Story of the Reformation. A historical, allegorical and religious entertainment of a high order will Vice-Chairman, Oliver G. Morris, of be given in Masonic hall, Phonixville, Monday and Tuesday evenings, April of Norristown; Secretaries, H. I. Fox, 15th and 16th, by Mrs. H. E. Monroe, of Norristown; William L. Diehl, of of Philadelphia, the famous lecturer. Lansdale, and Jacob B. Hillegass, of It is profoundly instructive and fascin- Pennsburg, and State central commitating. The entertainment will be un- tee, Enoch Enochs, of Ardmore. der the auspices of the Central Lutheran church.

RELIGIOUS. M. E. church, Evansburg. Sabbath and 10. There will be a display of the school at 9.30 a. m., every Sabbath. latest novelties and trimmed and un-Preaching, 10.45 a. m., and every Sab- trimmed hats and bonnets. During bath evening at 7.30.

Episcopal service at St. James' our patrons for their past considera-Evansburg every Sunday at 10.30 a.m., tion, we hope to merit a continuance Sunday School, 2 p. m. Also a ser- of their favors. vice at Royersford at 3.15 p. m. Rev. A. J. Barrow, Rector.

Lenten services at St. Paul's Memorial, near Oaks: Wednesday afternoon at 3.30. Theme: The Beautitude, Matt. v., 1-13. Good Friday, Woman Suffrage Society in the Cole-April 12, at 10.30. On Sundays at | man building, Norristown, on Saturday 10.45 and 3.30. Sunday school, 2.30. afternoon and evening was well patro-All welcome.

Rev. S. W. Thomas, D. D., presiding elder of the northwest Philadelphia district, will preach in the M. E. church, Evansburg, next Sunday evening, April 7, at 7.30. A cordial invitation to attend is extended to the

United Evangelical Church, Trappe Circuit. Services next Sabbath as follows: Limerick, 10.30 a.m.; Trappe,

2.30 p. m.; Zieglersville, 7.30 p. m. tors of the Poor was held at the Mont-Preaching at St. Luke's Sunday at gomery County Almshouse Thursday. 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Y. P. S. C. The report of the Steward showed 205 E. prayer meeting at 6.30 p. m. Mid- inmates-169 males and 36 females. week service on Thursday at 7.30 p. The live stock on the farm includes 9 m. Catechetical lecture Saturday, at horses, 53 cows, 46 shoats, 9 hogs. 2.30 p. m. Consistory meeting on During last month 801 pounds of but-Monday, April 8, at 9.30 a.m. Preach- ter were made, of which 699 pounds ing on Wednesday, April 10, and Friday, April 12, at 7.30 p. m. Prepara. The eggs gathered were 142 dozens, tory service on Saturday, April 13, at nearly all of which were consumed. 2.30 p. m. The Holy Communion of Orders were granted for bills amount the Lord's Supper will be administered | ing to \$3337.11. The steward's receipts on Easter Sunday, April 14, at 10 a.m. | were \$330.76 and expenses \$41.47. The Directors discussed the advisa-

All are invited to these services. Trinity Church: Wednesday evening, at  $7\frac{1}{2}$ , church prayer meeting, and Grand Jury, but no deffinite action 81 the C. E. Society's monthly business meeting. Thursday evening, at 7 o'elock, in church parlor, the quarterly consistory meeting. Saturday, at 3 o'clock, p. m., catechetics, and at 7.30 o'clock choir practice. Sunday, at 83 o'clock, a. m., Sunday school and at 10, preaching; at 2 o'clock, p. m., the Junior C. E. service, and at  $7\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock, the adult C. E. prayer meeting in the audience room of the church:

#### Hotel Sold.

H. Detwiler, of near Ironbridge, who

Dr. Carver Will Shoot.

at the Phænix driving park, soon.

Load of Hay Overturned.

Spring Term Opened.

on Monday April 1, with an attendance

of nearly all of the old students and

several new ones. The number will

Normal department after the public

Entertained His Class.

Last Thursday evening Mr. F. M.

Hobson entertained his Sunday School

at supper. Those present were Miss

Laros, Miss Griffin, Miss Weinberger,

Miss Bartman, Miss Fry, Miss Emert,

Mass Meeting.

Station, S. V. R. R., on Saturday,

April 6, 1895, at 2 p. m. Subscription

books will be open for all to select

choice building lots or business and

Sadly Afflicted.

The family of Abraham Levengood

of Glasgow, a suburb of Pottstown, is

in a destitute condition and sadly

afflicted. Mrs. Levengood died three

weeks ago of typhoid fever; a son,

George, 9 years old, was buried Wed-

Public Sale of Store Goods.

Advancing in Price.

pound, and some butchers say they

very readily purchased by Philadelphia

Democratic Committee.

MRS. LACHMAN.

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MRS. FRY, Trimmer.

Anna Hallowell.

A Successful Sale.

nized by the friends of the cause in

Norristown and vicinity. That it was

success may be judged from the fact

that the receipts, not yet exactly as-

certained, will probably reach \$50.

with yellow cheesecloth and flowers by

At the Almshouse.

bility of erecting a new laundry, as

recommended in the report of the last

Sympathizing Words.

21, contains a lengthy article in rela-

tion to the death of Mrs. Emily

Hamer, wife of Rev. E. M. Landis,

place. We excerpt the following:

"Mondry morning, March 11, there

The Avoca (Iowa) Herald, of March

was taken in the matter.

The monthly meeting of the Direc-

The bread and cake sale of the

have difficulty in purchasing fat cattle

Public sale of store goods by Beaver

manufacturing sites.

A mass meeting in the interest of

The spring term of Ursinus opened

Arrangements are being made to

proving.

The hotel property of Joseph K. The Ladies' Aid Society of Trinity Beyer, at Washington Square, this Reformed church, this place, will hold county, was sold to Edward McEuen, its next monthly meeting at the resiof Philadelphia, on Thursday, for dence of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Hobson, pect of a large increase of new stud-\$11,000. on next Monday evening, the 8th inst. A good musical and literary program | be made to feel at home. Rapidly Improving. is in readiness. A large attendance is Randall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaiah | desired.

#### CUPID'S VICTORIES. was severely, though accidentally, injured by his brother, is rapidly im-

March 27, 1895, by Rev. J. T. Myers, Mr. Elwood Conway, of Montgomery others may seem a little too low. county, to Miss Annie M. Hannumus, of Phœnixville, Pa.

Ladies' Aid Society.

with Sorber, the renowned trick shot, Mont Clare, Pa.

#### Interred at Trappe.

About three months ago Thomas Campbell, a brother-in-law of William A Bucks farmer has sufficient reason Gristock late of this place, deceased, to remember the terrific force of the died at Rutherford, N. J., aged 48 wind last Thursday. He was crossing years. The remains of the deceased the river on the bridge at Morrisville were removed from the receiving vault when the wind overturned his wagon at Rutherford and brought here Tuesday and interred in the Lutheran cemetery at Trappe, in the presence of the pear relatives of the departed one.

Well Attended.

#### More Land Wanted.

and W. F. Solly associate counsel. The Commission is desirous of acquiring additional land for the proposed park, and if the Legislature allows an park purposes.

Mr. A. B. Mench and Miss Jennie Heckler, daughter of Mrs. A. H. Seipt, were united in wedlock at the home of ceremony was performed by Rev. Wm. Tree shortly. S. Anders in the presence of the near relatives of the bride and groom. Amos Schultz, of Goschenhoppen, was the groomsman and Miss Irene Seipt the bridesmaid. The groom is a native of Skippack and is at present very successfully engaged as principal of the public schools of this place.

been made to our sidewalks. If the weather is inclement, sale will

All kinds of fresh meat has advanced why not macadamize the roads and be his eightieth year.

in price from one to three cents per done with the mud. at any price. The farmers who have been feeding steers the past winter are at 8 p. m. All are cordially invited moved to Philadelphia. disposed to hold on to their stock until to attend. May or June, while fat cows are being

## Wedded in Church.

The Democratic Standing Committee of Montgomery county held a meeting at Norristown, Monday and The spacious auditorium was literally elected the following officers: Chairman, D. F. Quillman, of Norristown; Hatfield; Treasurer, Thomas V. Smith, M. Courson and Rev. C. R. Brodhead. Miss Cora R. Perry was bridesmaid and Mr. Jesse Rogers best man. The and J. Wesley Arthur, of Philadelphia; Mr. A. Lincoln Anson, of Worcester, and Mr. Ralph Johnson, of Lower Providence. The membership The Spring Opening of the Collegeof the church, of which the bride has ville Millinery will take place April 9 many from the Presbyterian and other churches. At the conclusion of the the whole season we shall endeavor to marriage service the wedded pair were lead in all the latest styles. Thanking warmly congratulated by their many friends. They were also the recipients of numorous beautiful and useful presents. After their return from their wedding trip they will reside at the home of the bride's parents, near Eagleville.

The sixth annual session of the School Directors' Association of Norristown, with Jason Sexton, of Joseph Umstad of Oaks. session opened at 10.30 o'clock.

The hall was beautifully decorated a committee under the care of Miss

The afternoon session was well attended. "Is Manual Training Feasible in Our Rural Schools?" was discussed by J. F. Kinsey, Daniel M. Anders and S. Powell Childs. All agreed that well, N. J., Monday. it was the necessary part of a boy or girl's education.

Judiciously Expended?" took up a good portion of the afternoon, and was

#### FROM OAKS.

The re-opening exercises of the Union Chapel at Ironbridge on Saturday and Sunday evenings were well out like a sheep. attended. The re-opening sermon was preached on Saturday evening by the Rev. Henry E. Jones, of Ursinus College, followed by an address by Rev. Joseph Hendricks, of Collegeville. On Sunday evening an able discourse was delivered by the Rev. George Stibitz,

The Valley Forge Commission have re-elected Edward F. Kane solicitor, appropriation that has been asked for, about 200 acres, all in Montgomery county, and owned by about 20 different persons, will be appropriated for for another, hope he will get the prize.

A Skippack Wedding.

## FROM PORT PROVIDENCE.

Some recent improvements have

to his place and the same day Samuel neighborhood. Christman removed to Downingtown. The mud is again dried up. Now,

The Republican club will hold its Thompson farm at Mont Clare.

At the Baptist church, Lower Providence, Thursday afternoon, March 28, at 2 o'clock, Miss M. Bertha Perry and September to May. All the modern September to May. All the modern and put into a receiving vault, in Mr. William McC. Rogers, of Lower improvements, at eight dollars a Rosedale Cemetery, Cal., pending the Providence, were joined in wedlock. month. crowded with invited guests. The Rev. Samuel O. Perry, father of the eut?" can be readily answered. "He formed Cemetery, Collegeville, Pa., bride, officiated, assisted by Rev. Wm. don't live where he does now. He's where already lie the sacred relics of ushers were were Mr. Samuel Rogers our community. been for several years organist, was present in large numbers, and also

## School Directors in Session.

"Should Instructions be given in Chemistry in Regard to Agriculture?" of Swedeland; H. H. Quimby, of Mont Clare, and Prof. J. K. Gotwals,

of Norristown.

was taken up and discussed at length flowers. by Wm. McGeorge, of Lower Merion, and F. W. Lockwood, of Whitemarsh. "Has the Increased State Appropriation to Our Public Schools Been ness.

discussed by nearly every member

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year :- President, H. H. Quimby, Upper Providence; Vice-Presidents, W. W. Potts, Swedeland, and daughter of Dr. J. Hamer, of this D. M. Anders, Worcester; Miss Emma journey on foot. F. Hoffecker; Executive Committee, Evans, Upper Gwynedd; Jason Sexton, Upper Gwynedd; C. H. Caley,

### URSINUS COLLEGE NOTES.

Some new students have already put in their appearance at the opening of this term. There is a grand prosents, and we trust that each one will vinely prepared exchanged the ills and

The examinations for the winter term are over. The students are now discussing the marks, which were found on their merit sheets; of course some are rated pretty high, while

Important business claiming the attention of the Senior Class was trans-March 27, 1895, by Rev. J. T. Myers, acted on the first of April, as well as ceased lost her father when but a child, have Dr. Carver, the champion marks- Mr. Alfred C. Nichols, of Philadel- the election of its officers, which re- March 25, 1865, and was thus early phia, to Miss Fannie R. Hallman, of sulted as follows: President, Chas. D. left to the sole care of her deeply-Lerch; Vice President, M. Evelyn stricken widowed mother to be edu-Bechtel; Rec. Sec., Os. R. Frantz; cated and reared into noble woman-Treasurer, Os. B. Wehr.

and boating will begin soon. The employes at the Enamel Brick Works, after being idle for some time, went to work again on Monday. David Harvey made a good haul of fish in the canal last week. Fishermen were out on the first of April in force. Can't say whether they fooled anyone with their catch of fish or were fooled.

March came in like a lamb and went Albinus Roland and Miss Fannie

Brower were in town Sunday. Rev. Jacob Gotwalts filled an appointment in the city of Philadelphia

Joseph Thomas had his best girl to D. D., of Ursinus College, Collegeville. see the sights around Oaks Sunday. Samuel Rogers, of Limerick Square, was visiting William Dobb at Oaks Sunday.

Jacob Kulp, of Port Providence, to every instinct of elevated womanwas visiting friends in Shannonville, hood, that her earthly life closed as it suppose that he had a centre in his brain called Sunday.

There is to be a contest for a Demorest medal at Shannonville Saturday evening. George Miller is in the race, and as one scribe has an affection

Mrs. Fred. Miller is recovering from a severe attack of grip, and Mrs. Isaac Famous is getting better also from an attack of the same complaint.

The Brower Mission Sunday School the bride's mother in Skippackville, closed last Sunday in expectation of Saturday morning, March 30. The the Sunday School beginning at Green

Rev. Mr. Meyers has been preaching some very interesting sermons at Green Tree Meeting House. His subject being the parables of the Bible, Sunday last he chose "the parable of the ten pounds," the Sunday before "the pearl of great price." Large and attentive congregations attend to hear

The funeral of Henry Snyder (Harry as he was called) on Thursday last was very largely attended. He had On Wednesday Abel Hamel removed | an extensive acquaintance in this

next meeting at the Band Hall, this Mr. Morris, who farmed the Vander- and son William Grubb moved to Los place, on Saturday evening, April 6, slice farm near Yocum's Corners, Angeles, Cal., where the family has

George Pollock will build a double nah Hunsicker, died Feb. 3, 1894, and house on his lot at Oaks. Jacob her body was soon thereafter brought To tell something in our advertisement that Gregor is contractor. There is one advantage here, for you

The question asked by the Indepen- bringing of the same on for final inter-DENT, "where is the Oaks correspond ment in the family lot in Trinity Re-

moved." With the rod of affliction father, mother, and first husband laid upon him, he did not feel in the thus the story of her life is partly humor to write up the happenings in told. But "the memory of the just is The general topic here is the new departed will long be remembered by town and some persons when plied many loving hearts who also deeply

with questions lose their patience and sympathize with the surviving husgive a short answer. Well, when a band and son who are left so "dreadfellow gets mad, something will be fully alone." While it is sad to think done. When the gods wish to destroy that the death of the dear one occurthey first make mad. Surveyor red so far away from friends generally, Rhoades has been doing some survey- it is nevertheless comforting to know ing, and many lots have been taken; that the sweet death angel took her but the farms still remain the property sanctified spirit so quickly and painof the elder Brower brothers. John lessly through the gates into the city Phœnixville, -Francis, Jr., will enclose his lots with of everlasting peace to see the "King a fence when the weather becomes in his beauty.' settled.

Lewis Jarrett moved to Glen Mills and John Shull occupies the Miller

Charles Whitby, of near Shannonville, will occupy the Bean farm at Pawling, and Wesley Free will farm Montgomery county met Thursday in the Janeway farm, once occupied by

was taken up and discussed by Jason and dancing was the order of the even-Sexton, of Gwynedd; W. W. Potts, ing and all appeared to enjoy them- begins at home," the Judge recited selves.

Albert Weikel attends Schissler Business College, Norristown, Pa. Milton Sutphine, who has been visiting his brother-in-law, Howard

Dilts, returned to his home at Hopeter. Ember days and all other days, At Valley Forge the memorable en-"What Can Directors Do to Elevate and we might venture to say that campment of 1777-8 was located. On

> The Oaks base ball team is in good training and are ready to play against

> any team who desire to play against they had occasion to stop at the store

## \$100 REWARD. \$100.

Mondry morning, March 11, there is a least on the final reward, Mrs. E. M. Landis, wife of the pastor of the pastor of the Presbyterian church of this place. Pastor Hendricks will conduct religious services and administer the Sacrament of the Holy Communion, at the Almshouse, on Sunday, at 2 o'clock.

Marylous Results.

From a letter witten by Rev. J. Gunderman, of the such in the season of the such in the season of the such in the season of the such internally, and a possible with the season of the such internally, as the such internally, as the season of the such internally, as the season of the such internally, as the season of the such internally, as the such internally, as

#### IN MEMORIAM.

Lizzie B., wife of Luke D. Bechtel, Esq., and only child of the late Benjamin A. and Hannah Hunsicker, very suddenly and unexpectedly but disorrows inevitable of the mortal state for the boundless felicities of the heavenly, at Los Angeles, California, March 16, A. D., 1895, aged 52 years. The sad news of Mrs. Bechtel's death | carbuncle. has been a very painful shock to her many relatives and friends of this community, with whom, for the greater part of her useful life, she had intimate and most kindly relations. The dehood. Her mother being possessed by nature and grace of a marvelous balance of the highest qualities of mind Water has been let into the canal and heart that so richly adorn woman, gave the full measure of the wealth of her loving heart and the wisdom of visited her mother, Mrs. Harriet her mind, to the intellectual and moral Gristock, over Sunday. training of her beloved daughter, giving her all the advantages of a polite and scholastic education. The deceased was proficient in music and painting, and was an honored graduate of Pennsylvania Female College, then under the control and management of the widely and favorably known educator, J. W. Sunderland, LL. D. Having lived the earlier part of her life under the excellent influences of her mother's model home, she was led while yet quite young, to connect herself with the Christian church, in which, in all its departments, she was a prominent worker, being successively scholar, teacher, organist, and female superintendent, and also organist of the church. By heredity and environof a nature so simple, so pure, so true began,

#### "With the beauty of the moonlight,

With the beauty of the starlight," and the afflictions through which she of the same that the old hen objected and began passed have but brightened her im- to assert her rights; or he may not have tasted mortal spirit like unto a diamond "of of such a dish for so long a time that, even in purest ray serene," for the life above. his sleep, the idea haunted him as to whether he Heartily may we nevertheless in our would ever taste of such a luxury again. He sudden grief thank God for a risen tried to point out the various kinds of fruits on Savior, for a reigning Lord, for a king- | hand, especially the varieties of apples. Howdom that survives death.

'Oh, to be ready when death shall come, Oh, to be ready to hasten home."

On December 24, 1863, the departed hood of about eight years, she mar- tricks in trying to conceal its origin. ried Luke D. Bechtel, the acquaintanceship and intimacy being formed while Mr. Bechtel was pursuing a course of studies at Ursinus College, Charles Smith, Sr., is sick with the grip; is somewhat better. He is in his eightieth year.

Andrew Hood will move to the Charge Andrew Hood Clare

Course of Studies at Cishus Conege, graduating in the class of '80. With this latter marriage there has been no issue. A number of years ago, in the interests of business, Mr. and Mrs. Rechtel mother Hannah Hunsicker.

Rechtel mother Hannah Hunsicker. Bechtel, mother Hannah Hunsicker Angeles, Cal., where the family has since resided. The mother, Mrs. Hannah Hunsicker, died Feb. 3, 1894, and on, and after appropriate public funeral services, was buried in Trinity completion of arrangements for the blessed," and the memory of the dear "Her day has come, not gone;

Her sun has risen, not set; Her life is now beyond The reach of death and change, Not ended, but begun.' Collegeville, Pa., April 2, '95.

# Local History.

Judge Samuel W. Pennypacker, of Philadelphia, entertained in a delight-Gwynedd, in the chair, and about The burnt barn on the Vanderslice ful manner, an audience that crowded forty directors present. The morning farm is being rebuilt as fast as it can count room No. 1, Norristown, Friday Quite a nice time was had at Aaron Overdorf's Friday evening. Games evening. Games on the subject "Object Lessons in Local History." After premising his remarks with the observation that "history, like patriotism and charity many facts of local historical interest. In relation to Montgomery county he said: "Montgomery county has ho battle spot, but there are many historic localties within its borders. The Schuylkill region played a prominent part in the Revolutionary contest. At Barren Hill, Lafayette outwitted the All signs have failed the past win- British Commander, General Howe. the Moral Standing of Our Schools?" April showers bring forth May the Perkiomen the plans for the battle of Germantown were formed. (An We hear Dr. Douglas, rector of St. Paul's Memorial at Oaks, is rapidly recovering from a severe spell of sickness.

Original letter from General Washington to John Hancock, President of the Continental Congress, dated September 27, 1777, fully describing the plans ber 27, 1777, fully describing the plans to the Congress of the Continental Congress of the Continent for that battle, another object-lesson, was exhibited.)" Judge Pennypacker mentioned the historic names that cluster around Trappe, including the While John Brower and his wife Revolutiouary Genereal, another Gov-Muhlenbergs, one of whom was a were on their way home on Monday, ernor of Pennsylvania, and a third, Henry E. Muhlenberg, one of the foremost botanists of his time. He Collegeville. For particulars apply at 14mar. THIS OFFICE. and C. H. Caley, Whitemarsh; Secre- at Oaks. In their absence their horse most botanists of his time. He tary, F. W. Lockwood, Whitemarsh; took fright and ran home at break-challenged any other village of equal Treasurer, County Superintendent R. neck speed, leaving Mr. and Mrs. challenged any other vinage of equal size in the country to produce such a Brower to finish the rest of their galaxy of distinguished sons. He read the poem, "Perkiomen," written by his brother, Isaac R. Pennypacker,

#### PERSONAL.

Edw. Kane Esq., of Norristown, was in town Saturday evening.

Emanuel Buckwalter, of Yerkes, who has been on the sick list the past winter; is improving slowly.

Captain Fenton, of Wissahickon, known to many of our readers, has ditions by been suffering for some time with a

Samuel Sperry, of Philadelphia, was in town Monday evening.

Miss Laura Robison, of this place, is at present in Philadelphia learning dressmaking.

Mrs. George Bullock, of Philadelphia, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. chasers. Among the lot are several promisi steppers.

D. H. CASSELBERRY. W. P. Fenton, last week. Miss Mench, of Pennsburg, visited

Dr. and Mrs. Mench at Ursinus last PUBLIC SALE OF week.

Howard Faringer, a student at Hannæman Medical College, and

Clement Fetterolf, of the State College, are enjoying their Spring vacation in Collegeville. W. H. Zollers, a walking encyclopedia of political facts and figures, and

a member of the editorial staff of the Philadelphia Times, came up from the city Tuesday morning to call upon President Spangler, of Ursinus.

#### THAT WONDERFUL DREAM. EDITOR INDEPENDENT :- Any one glancing

at the last page of a recent issue of the North Wales Record will see an account of a marvelous dream-the aberration of a disordered head ment, the departed became possessed | The purport of the dream was to give an account of a banquet held at a certain level place Judging from the dreamer's account we should the "chicken centre," for he had much to say concerning the scratcher. There may be two explanations of this. He, being a lover of that feathered friend, may have partaken so heartily ever he didn't say anything concerning the varieties not wanted there, as, for example, the "Pyrus Malus Doctor" or "common Doctor apple." He even came down to fine points concerning the garments worn. He gave such was married to a worthy young man vivid accounts that we would really be inclined in the person of Henry H. Grubb, to believe them, instead of being only a dream. with whom she became acquainted We regard the whole affair, however, not as a during his student life at Freeland dream, but as one of his usual indications of Seminary (now Ursinus College,) and flux of the brain. Another thing about with whom she lived in holy wedlock this dream which is peculiar, is that the scribtill the death of Mr. Grubb, which | bler didn't sign his own post office address to occurred Oct. 24, 1872. Of this mar- the article, but went northward about three riage the issue was but one child, a miles and wrote under the article "Collegeville, son, who is still living. After a widow- Pa." But of course this was one of his little

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## Western Horses!

I will arrive at my stables, near Collegeville, on SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 1895, with a carload of Western horses, carefully selected by myself. These horses will be sold at private sale at the right prices, and are the kind that will suit pure the lot are several promising.

FRESH COWS! Miss Lizzie Gristock, a student at the Philadelphia School of Design, visited her mother, Mrs. Harriet Gristock, over Sunday.

Howard Faringer a Student at Will be sold at public sale, on THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 1895, at Perkiomen Bridge Hotel, 20 fresh cows from Perry county; a lot of big milkers. Also 2 stock bulls, and a lot of veal calves. Sale at 2 o'clock. Conditions by W. H. RICE. L. H. Ingram, auct. H. M. Alderfer, clerk.

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FRESH COWS! Will be sold at public sale, on MONDAY, APRIL 8, 1895, at Daniel Springer's farm, near Royersford, 20 fresh cows, selected by myself in Lebanon county. I have some extra fine ones and will have the kind to suit the people. Sale at 2 o'clock. Conditions by C. U. BEAN.

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## mat, garden implements, peck measure, axe, fruit jars, tubs, pots, buckets, pans, jugs, kegs, window shades, etc. Sale to commence at one o'clock. CATHARINE FAMOUS. We sell tons and tons of above Goods, WHY? o'clock.

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L. H. Ingram, auct. E. HIMES. THE! FIRE!—NOTICE.

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2-21.

A. D. FETTEROLF, Secretary.

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## Department of Agriculture.

PROGRESS OF THE FARMER. If we sit down and watch the hour hand of the clock we can't see it move, correct idea of the progress or position of anything, we must compare it with some previous standpoint. In looking at the farmer to-day to get the proper estimate of his success, we ent condition with that of a generation ago. A careful and honest comparison will show that he has in almost everything pertaining to his methods and surroundings made greater progress than men in almost any other calling

We need not look far for the proof of this, and one of the first things that buildings still remain; there is somewill attract our attention will be the thing to show for the money. Some improved implements by which the capacity of the man is largely increased, while by substitution of horse power the labor of the farmer is greatly diminished. It is encouragloquette, Axminster and Smyrna Rugs, all izes; Bed Springs, Mattresses, Feathers and ing to note also that this has not been accomplished by a sacrifice of thoroughness, but that the quality of the work done has improved as much as the quantity and the ease with which it is performed. We need not enumerate the different

implements which have been introduced, for the farmer who is sixty years old can easily recall the time when implements were few and crude. ife was nearly a man before the reaper was introduced, can remember the time when a steam thresher was unknown, was approaching middle life when the farmer learned he could plough corn with two horses, and was growing gray when he saw a selfbinder. There is scarcely an implehis surroundings. The wood pile has chantable and unmerchantable grain. has given place to one of more elegant, previous years, are embraced in the formerly, and are not fed before the that the corn on hand aggregates 475,him, and brought by the railway sta- cedentedly small one; the consumpcadamized roads. The burdock and of wheat which have been fed to other weeds, once so common in his stock. The aggregate sold from farms dooryard, are now rarely found and to go beyond county boundaries their place is occupied with flowers. amounted to 13.4 per cent. of the crop, His home has more books and papers, of which 82.4 per cent. was merchantand his stock shows better breeding. able. The values returned for mer-The farmer himself, as a man has chantable corn averaged 44.8 and for greatly improved. He reads and unmerchantable 23.6, making an aggre- have the goods we advertise. thinks more, and no longer sneers at gate value of \$588,713,129, which is

in agriculture which are now in doubt, and other stock.

There never has been a time nor a ences harmonized. country where the calling of the farmer was more honored and respected than this. No other class of men who earn their living by their labor are so independent. The tendency of the age is to form joint companies and great corporations for manufacturing purposes; and the substitution of machinery, and the sub-division of labor, has a tendency to reduce the intelligence of their laborers, so that the proportion of intelligent skilled mechanics is less than formerly. But no such effect has resulted from the new large methods on the form implements and methods on the farm. We repeat then our assertion that the farmer of to-day can show greater progress than men in almost any other calling, and believe he can look forward with hope and confidence to the future which has great things in store for him. - Germantown Telegraph.

THE MORTGAGE BURDEN.

The result of the census investigation of farm mortgages, which has just been officially published, shows a large amount of indebtedness in the aggregate, but it does not justify the 329 N. 15th St. below Callowhill, Phila., Pa. gloomy talk that has been heard on the subject from professional agitators To secure a positive and permanent cure of Errors of Youth and Loss of Manhood and of all diseases of the Blood, Kidneys, Bladand designing politicians. There is nothing in it to warrant predictions of approaching agricultural collapses and poverty. Of about four and three-fourth millions of farm families, less than 900,000 were carrying mortgages in 1890, and this number has since been considerably reduced. The form been considerably reduced. The farm families owning their lands free of mortgages were 47.32 per cent. of the whole number; those subject to mortgages was 18.60 per cent. of the whole, and those hiring farms were 34.08 per cent. of the whole. This exhibit is certainly not an alarming one, all things considered. The burden is heavier in some States than in others, to be sure; but this does not affect the general fact that it is much less than it has been represented. There are special reasons for an excess of indebtedness in certain States, and those reasons are not such as signify prevailing distress or impossibility of payment. The largest amount of farm incumbrance is in New York. Next comes Iowa, then Illinois, followed by

Pennsylvania, Kansas, Ohio, Wisconsin and Missouri in the order named.

It is shown, furthermore, that the greater part of the mortgages represent money borrowed to buy land and and yet it is never still. So to form a the capital thus secured has not been lost in speculation or squandered in extravagant living. It has been invested in substantial and valuable property, which can be depended upon need to go back and contrast his pres- of the new and fast growing States to yield regular returns. The farmers have been obliged to borrow largely in order to obtain homes and carry on their business. Their indebtedness does not mean that they have incurred heavy losses, but only that they have purchased lands and built barns and dwellings with capital loaned to them for such purposes. The lands and of the mortgages were given when the lands were worth more than they are now, it is true, but they are still worth more than they cost. In a few instances, borrowing has been done in an excessive way and without proper forethought, but this is not true as a general rule in any locality. The remarkable decrease in the prices of farm products has made it harder to meet these obligations than was originally expected; but time, industry and economy will overcome all the difficulties in the case, and there is really no sufficient cause for believing that the farmers of the country will be found unequal to the task of paying off their mortgages and profiting by their investments .- St. Louis Globe

MARCH CROP REPORT. The crop report of the Department ment used on the farm but has been so of Agriculture for the month of March much improved that no farmer would has some interesting estimates of the like to go back to the old one. But distribution of corn and wheat, the the change in his methods, though stocks remaining in the hands of the great, are not more noticeable than in farmers, and the proportions of merdisappeared from the front yard, the All grain in the hands of farmers, inold Virginia rail fence before his door | cluding amounts remaining over from the hogs do not roam the highways as estimates. From these it is estimated front door. The market for his pro- 564,450 bushels, or 39.2 per cent. of duce which was twenty or thirty miles the last crop. This proportion, it is away, a distance of several days' said, has been exceeded but four times travel, and at some seasons of the year in the last ten years; the quantity, inaccessable, is within a few hours of however, is regarded as an unpretion almost at his door. The high- tion of corn for eight months is also ways, which for a part of the year regarded as unusually small, which were a quagmire, are now solid ma- fact is explained by the large amounts "book farming." A large portion of \$46,000,000 less than the December farmers belong to some good organiza- valuation of the crop, and averages

41.9 per bushel. The "Farmers' Institutes" are not | The estimated amount of wheat in only well attended but many farmers farmers' hands is 75,000,000 bushels, are found among the lecturers at them. or 17.3 per cent. of the last crop, and Agricultural colleges and experimen- is 39,000,000 bushels less than last tal stations are established in many March, the explanation for which is States, and we can look forward to the largely to be found in the fact that settling of many important questions large quantities have been fed to hogs PANTS.

and although they are not all doing These reports are based upon county for the farmer what is desired, yet the estimates of the percentage of last leaven is working, and each year year's product remaining in first hands, brings them nearer what they should obvious errors and inconsistencies of statement being corrected and differ- ordinary bargain.

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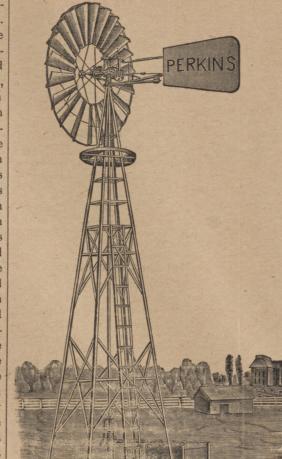
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