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TOWN NOTES.

Short Tales and Notes About the Town and the People Who Are in It

Mrs. Henry M. Tracy is visiting her parents in Montreal, Canada. Patrick and Daniel Moriarty are visiting relatives in Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Jawood Lukens are spending a few days in Atlantic City. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Leisher of Carlisle, are visiting Mrs. Samuel Roberts.

A special meeting of the Alcott Club will be held at the home of Mrs. B. M. Ambler on Monday evening, July 9. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Hummel on Monday will go on a pleasure trip to Pittsburg.

Yesterday was the hottest day of the year, the thermometer registering 96 degrees in the shade at three o'clock. To-day promises to equal, if not surpass this record.

The musicale to be given under the auspices of the choir of the Presbyterian Church, which was postponed, will be given on Tuesday evening, July 10th at 8 P. M. Tickets for the previous date are good for this date.

Rev. H. McDermott, the student pastor at Port Kennedy, will preach in the Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning and evening. Rev. J. F. Sheppard will preach in the Port Kennedy church and administer communion.

The Reading Railroad Company ran two trains to Willow Grove over the Plymouth Road. The Fourth, one in the morning and another in the evening. Beginning on Saturday the company will run a train every Saturday evening from this borough.

On Friday evening last a reception was given, at the home of Edward Francis Dougherty, by his parents in celebration of his graduation. Many among whom were distinguished persons from Norristown, Philadelphia, Lancaster, Darby and this borough. A very enjoyable evening was spent and the guests were entertained by music, singing and playing of games. Refreshments were served at 11 P. M. after which the guests departed.

Last week one of our citizens, strolling through City Hall, happened to come upon the exhibition of the work of the different grammar schools of the city, and was not long in reaching the conclusion that our Conshohocken lads, as shown by the recent exhibition in the Manual Training Building, are doing quite as good work as the city children; although in Philadelphia object drawing is taught in all the schools and is superintended by a gentleman and three lady assistants—each assistant receiving a salary of a thousand dollars per year.

On the evening of the Fourth of July, residents in the vicinity of Washington and Forrest streets, were treated to an entertainment, not previously programmed for the occasion. Mr. Joseph Johnson, the genial colored coachman of Upper Merion, who is well known in this borough, and is equal to the very best in his patriotism and generosity, not only supplied a large and varied amount of fireworks but personally presided at their putting off, in front of the Forrest House. Mr. Johnson interlined the pyrotechnical display with recitations and songs, and crowned the general enthusiasm and his tribute to "Old Glory" with the genuine Southern "Cake Walk." The whole affair was as enjoyable as it was unexpected.

AN ATHLETE STABBED.

John Crawford, the athlete, was stabbed on Tuesday night and painfully injured, by an Italian named Allones Antonio.

According to the testimony given by Thomas O'Brien, who was with Crawford, the stabbing was unprovoked. O'Brien testified that he and Crawford were going down Seventh avenue, and had asked an Italian named Ferrara to go with them and help drink a keg of beer. While talking Antonio came out of a house and made a rush for Crawford and O'Brien. From the way he held his hand O'Brien thought that he had a knife in it, and he ran. Crawford stood and was struck by the Italian in the small of the back. He then knocked Antonio down, and cried out to O'Brien that he had been stabbed.

Constable Meany who heard the fracas came along and caught Antonio, and had a severe tussle with him before he could get him to the station house. O'Brien helped Crawford to the office of Dr. Thomas who dressed the wound. He was then taken to the home of his sister, Mrs. M. J. O'Brien. The wound is a flesh wound, three inches deep, and while painful, is not dangerous. The knife, however, narrowly missed a vital part.

Antonio was given a hearing by Magistrate Heywood on the morning of the Fourth, and was committed to jail for a further hearing to-morrow.

Antonio has secured William F. Solly as attorney, who will look after his interest at the hearing.

Ivy poisoning; poison wounds and all other accidental injuries may be quickly cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is also a certain cure for piles and skin diseases. Take notice, H. Maxwell Harry and W. E. Supplee, West Conshohocken.

WEST CONSHOHOCKEN.

—Warm weather. —Miss Laura Mitchell is visiting relatives and friends in Chestnut Hill. —Misses Mildred and Elsie Earl, are being entertained by friends in Phoenixville.

—The condition of Henry Smith, who has been seriously ill at his home for several weeks past, is slightly improved.

—The Essays delivered at the commencement of the High School by Miss Myrtle Pope and Messrs Benjamin Miles and Donald Mackenzie are published in another column of to-day's issue.

—A Twilight Song Service will be held on the lawn in front of the Ebenezer Holiness Christian Church on Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. Benches will be placed for the seating of the worshippers. Special singing of new and old hymns.

—William S. Ambler, aged about 31 years, passed away at his home 1413 Powell Street, Norristown on Wednesday after a short illness with appendicitis. Deceased was formerly a resident of Jenkintown. He was only married last December after which he moved to Norristown. He was manager of the Merion Woolen Mills, of this Borough. A widow mourns his demise. The funeral will take place next Saturday afternoon, when services will be held at Horsham Friends Meeting House. Interment will take place at the burying grounds of the meeting house.

BARREN HILL.

Miss Effie Cassell has been elected to succeed Miss Lottie Kerper as teacher in the Barren Hill Public School.

Howard Cressman, of Barren Hill, gave his wife a delightful surprise on their tenth wedding anniversary. Many relatives and friends shared in the good time.

NORRISTOWN SEWERAGE.

The State Board of Health, in accordance with the authority granted it by a recent act of Assembly, has made a careful examination of the water of the Schuylkill river to ascertain whether it is contaminated by any of the boroughs along its banks, and as a result the secretary, Dr. Benjamin Lee yesterday sent a letter to the Burgess and Council of Norristown, of which the following is an extract:

"The State Board of Health finds that said water is not free from contamination by human excrement; and furthermore, the Board has made investigation to ascertain the cause of such pollution, and has satisfied itself that the most serious cause is the deposit in the Schuylkill river which forms a portion of the water supply of the city of Philadelphia of sewerage containing human excrement by the borough of Norristown."

"It will therefore become the duty of this board to petition the Court of Common Pleas of Montgomery County to order the abatement of the nuisance above described unless it shall receive an assurance from your honorable body that the matter complained of will be voluntarily abated within a reasonable time without legal compulsion."

LINCOLN F. SMITH'S DEATH.

The Coroner's jury yesterday decided that E. Lincoln Smith, aged 34 years, came to his death by drowning in the Schuylkill River, about one half mile below Spring Mill, on July 24, 1900, and we are unable to determine the cause of his action.

From the testimony given it appears that Smith came from Manayunk to Spring Mill to meet a woman, he having informed Conductor Souders to that effect while he was riding on his train to Spring Mill.

Station Agent Welsh testified that Smith waited on the platform at Spring Mill until the 3.15 train from Norristown came in, and appeared disappointed that no one got off it. Shortly after the train left he walked down along the river bank.

Coroner's physician Miller testified that death was caused by drowning. There were no marks of violence on the body other than that made by the grappling hooks and it is probable that he was not intoxicated when he was drowned.

William Charles, of Norristown, an uncle of Smith, testified that he had never heard him talk of committing suicide, and that he had steady employment and had been offered an increase in salary. He believed that the woman he expected to meet was his wife.

All who suffer from piles will be glad to learn that DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve will give them instant and permanent relief. It will cure eczema and all skin diseases. Beware of Counterfeits.

H. Maxwell Harry and W. E. Supplee, West Conshohocken.

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THE WATER COMPANY

A Reply From the Borough Attorneys to the Letter of the Water Company.

To the Recorder.

In your issue of Friday last we had the pleasure of reading a communication from the Manager of the Conshohocken Gas and Water Company, presumably a copy sent for publication, as the original has not yet reached its proper destination, and while we are delighted to be presented with Mr. Hannis' argument, in advance as to why the Valley Water Company should not get a franchise, yet, as counsel for the Borough, which has no interest in the new water company, further than to the extent it may benefit the Borough, we are disappointed that so much of the letter was taken up with the legal opinion of Counsel, upon the subject of exclusive franchise, and the worthy manager said so little upon the subject of pure water and cheaper rates, which so materially interests the Borough officials.

That the opinion of the Borough Council, upon the subject of the non-exclusiveness of the franchise of the old company, "is utterly without merit" may be so, if the astute counsel for the water company says so, because his opinion as a lawyer is entitled to a great deal of respect, but it reminds us of a joke told on a very prominent member of the Philadelphia Bar, who, not long since, when called upon to answer his opponent, in the Supreme Court, said "Your Honor, I shall not take up your time with any argument upon the questions raised in this appeal, my position is unanswerable, there is but one side to the case, and the appeal is utterly without merit" (an expression very common among lawyers), yet, lo and behold, the Supreme Court thought otherwise and decided against him.

No one knows better than Mr. Hannis that the Honorable Secretaries of the Commonwealth have been reversing one another continuously upon light and water franchise questions ever since the Act of 1874 has been passed, and the Supreme Court of this State has shifted from side to side on the light and water franchise questions so frequently within the last ten years, and have written so many hair-splitting opinions, that the most astute lawyers don't know where they stand. A few years ago, Justice Paxson, the Chief Justice of the State, decided that even where a water company had an exclusive franchise in a town, the municipality had a right to build a works of their own and scarcely had his opinion grown cold when the same Supreme Court decided otherwise.

So, now Mr. Hannis, when the most distinguished lawyers and judges differ, as to the interpretations of the law, how can you be so severe on the unknown lawyers who beg to differ from you.

I do not know that it is good policy to waste any of your powder before the battle, but as the water company has been magnanimous enough to give something away, we will do likewise. Counsel says, the corporation act of 1874 provides that: "Corporation for any of the purposes named and covered by the provisions of this act heretofore created by any special act, or in existence under the provisions of any general law of this Commonwealth, upon accepting the provisions of the Constitution, and of this act by writing, under the seal of said corporation, duly filed in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, shall be entitled to all the privileges, immunities and franchises and powers conferred by this act, upon corporations to be created under the same, and upon such acceptance and approval thereof by the Governor, he shall issue letters patent to said corporation reciting the same."

Now, you will notice the words in the above provisions "and of this act." Now, this act contains the following provisions, which seem to have escaped notice of the counsel, to-wit: "The said original certificate, with all its endorsements shall then be recorded in the office for recording deeds, in and for the county where the chief operations are to be carried on, and from thence forth the subscribers thereto, and their associates and successors, shall be a corporation for the purposes and upon the term named in said charter."

You will thus perceive that the assertion of counsel that "the contention of Borough Council is contradicted by the language of the corporation act" is a question open to debate and which great minds may differ upon. However, it seems to us that all this relates entirely to questions between rival water companies, with which the Borough has nothing to do, except incidentally, as may benefit them. We ought, however, to thank the worthy manager of the water company for the solicitude he displays in warning the Borough and members of rival companies not to waste their money on attempting to erect a competing plant. Yet, the profits look so enormous that it is an incentive for others to try and get a finger in the pie. Twenty-five cents a thousand gallons is a big price for pumping water out of the Schuylkill River, running it through sand beds

and distributing it through the mains.

Counsel has been informed that the water now being supplied to the Borough, or a great part of it, is pumped from the Schuylkill River, near the mouth of the Pickering Creek, filtered through sand and delivered to us. At any rate, the water company has a pipe leading into the Schuylkill at this point, and has erected a large pumping station and is pumping water somewhere. It will certainly be offensive to the sense of smell of some of your asthetic consumers to find out that this pure, sparkling, spring water they have been drinking, is nothing more than the Schuylkill Brand, with Phoenixville sewerage filtered out, which used to be so distasteful to them, but, "things are not always what they seem—skim milk masquerades as cream."

While the officers of the Conshohocken Water Company are in their explanatory mood, we would like to know now it is the water which Providence ordained should be free as it is showered upon us from the heavens, costs so much;—is it because the few proprietors of the Conshohocken Water Co., have mortgaged it for more than it cost them, and must pay interest on the bonds, or is it because it is necessary to pay a twelve per cent. yearly dividend on the stock of the parent company, which has so frequently been watered (quite apropos) that it is unrecognizable or perhaps it is because of the labor involved in hunting for this pure spring water in Pickering Creek.

And while we are seeking information we would like to know, for publication, how little "Pickering Creek" with a stream not larger than a man's body, in summer months, can supply all the closely populated territory in the Upper and Lower Merions, the Borough of Conshohocken, and the towns in Springfield Township and heaven knows what else, or, are we right in our information that the dear old Schuylkill helps you along a little.

Now in conclusion, we desire to state that the Borough is just as anxious as the water company to avoid a law suit and all they ask is fair treatment. Counsel will confer with the officers of the water company at any time, to try to reach an agreement. The Borough officials will now, however, take upon themselves the responsibility of entering into a contract upon the terms suggested, but will, if no other course is open, ask a judicial finding upon the facts.

HENRY M. TRACY,
CHARLES W. JONES,
Counsel.

PLYMOUTH.

Children's Day exercises were held at Cold Point Baptist church on Sunday night. The church was filled and everything passed off very pleasantly. The festival occurred on Saturday evening and was fairly well attended.

G. Livingston Byard, a young ministerial student, was at Cold Point on Sunday.

Mrs. Sarah Thompson, formerly of this place will sail for England on Saturday next to attend the International Christian Endeavor convention, which will be held in London. She goes as delegate for the Second Baptist church, of Norristown. She expects to return in September.

There was a large gathering of friends and friendly people at Plymouth Meeting Sunday afternoon. The edifice was filled beyond seating capacity. John Wilhem Rowntree, a prominent friend of England, spoke to the assembled audience for about 45 minutes and was listened to with apparent satisfaction. Lukens Webster, of Philadelphia, and his brother, Jesse Webster, of Sadbury, Chester county, were at that place and spoke acceptably in the morning.

Persons with indigestion are already half starved. They need plenty of wholesome food. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat so the body can be nourished while the worn out organs are being reconstructed. It is the only preparation known that will instantly relieve and completely cure all stomach troubles. Try it if you are suffering from indigestion. It will certainly do you good.

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Dear Sirs:—Some days since a package of your GRAIN-O preparation was left at my office. I took it home and gave it a trial, and I have to say I was very much pleased with it, as a substitute for coffee. We have always used the best Java and Mocha in our family, but I am free to say I like the GRAIN-O as well as the best coffee I ever drank.

Respectfully yours,
A. C. JACKSON, M. D.

A HOT TOWN.

Old Sol and the Sports Make Our Town a Hot One on the Glorious Fourth of July.

Thursday was one of the hottest Fourth's of July the town has ever had. It was hot from the weather standpoint, and it was a "hot town" from the standpoint of the sport who wanted excitement. There were fights, fires, drunks, fire works both heavenly and human.

George Smith Post held a celebration in the G. A. R. Hall in the morning. The meeting was called to order by Commander Jos. C. Jones.

Addresses were delivered by Revs. H. Colclaiser, Herbert J. Cook and J. T. Goldshell and Naval Officer Jas. B. Holland.

The audience sang a number of patriotic songs, Miss Theodora Cook, presiding at the organ, and the declaration of independence was read by A. A. Lansday.

Before adjourning it was decided to hold a similar celebration on Washington's Birthday.

Officer Heald arrested Charles McKenzie in the afternoon. He was intoxicated and was amusing himself by beating his wife. He was given a hearing by Magistrate Smith and held under \$100 bail for court.

Samuel Dillman was arrested by Officers Stemple, Holland and Hastings, charged by Mrs. Quigley with disorderly conduct. Dillman is a tenant of Mrs. Quigley and while drunk tried to demolish the house he is living in. He was given a hearing yesterday by Magistrate Heywood, and was discharged on promising to remove from the house.

During the day there was a great deal of noise and in the evening some very beautiful fire works. The display given by J. Ellwood Lee was very fine and attracted a large audience that lined all sides of the street surrounding his home.

Between a morning and an afternoon of sweltering heat the town got an hour of respite on Wednesday, thanks to a thunder storm that swept over the town from the West blowing the streets full of dust first and then washing off the dust with a driving shower of cool rain. From the signal of the first firecracker of dawn the sun had started in to get up a regular Fourth of July condition of weather and was ably seconded by the humidity. At 8 o'clock in the morning the temperature was 78 and the humidity 85. That presaged a scorcher and by noon the prophecy was fulfilled. The heat then was hovering around the 90 mark by the official thermometer. By 1.30 the perspiring official mercury had climbed to 94. This is within one degree of the hottest record for the Fourth, an eminence held by the year 1879. Two years ago the heat was as great as Wednesday's.

While people were gasping and fanning themselves into a boiling perspiration there arose in the western skies a blisssed black bank of clouds. Higher and higher it rose until most of the light of day was shut off. The real wind came with a whoop from the west and with it came such parts of the State as weren't anchored down. It was a stifling, choking, sneeze-producing, garment-penetrating sort of dust and it caked over the stagnant perspiration in spots and blotches so that respectable citizens bore the appearance of half bleached albinos. If there were prayers for rain before they were doubted by this plague of dust. And the rain wasn't far behind. A few casual splashes, as if it were feeling its way, and then the deluge. It came in long, slanting lines, struck through with light, flashing like silvered spears, against the black sky. The cautious and the carefully dressed fled for cover, but there were many who stood to the downpour and soaked it in joyously and thankfully.

With the rain came coolness. So swift a fall of the mercury is rare. In the fifteen minutes from 1.30 to 1.45 there was a drop of twenty degrees. The wind for five minutes blew sixty miles an hour, a real summer squall. But it soon came puff, then died away to a breeze and the fierce onslaught of the rain weakened, leaving a gentleshower. In half an hour that, too, passed over the western sky showed patches of brightness through the fleecy gray clouds that followed in the wake of the storm and the thermometer began to climb again. By 4 o'clock it was almost as hot on the streets as it had been before the storm, and about six o'clock the thermometer began climbing until eight o'clock when it slowly began dropping until comfort was reached about midnight.

Neglect is the short step so many take from a cough or cold to consumption. The early use of One Minute Cough Cure prevents consumption. It is the only harmless remedy that gives immediate results. It cures all throat and lung troubles. Children all like it and mothers endorse it.

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MISS GILBERT ELECTED.

The regular meeting of the Conshohocken School Board was held last evening. Miss Gilbert was elected to the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Keys.

President Stiles, and Messrs. Jones, Miller, Morrison, Nuss, Lindsay, Bowker, Smith, Hanna Cleaver, Lacy, Collins and Leonard were present.

The Committee on Teachers and Text Books met in the Library Room at the call of John F. Bowker, Chairman, to consider and examine the Certificate of the Teachers and applicants for the vacancy now existing in the First Primary. After considering and considerable discussion it was decided unanimously by the committee to recommend the promotion of Miss Ella Davis to the vacancy by the promotion of Miss Mary O'Neill and the newly elected teacher occupy the room of the First Primary made vacant by the promotion of Miss Davis. They have examined carefully the records of the three substitute teachers, Miss Gilbert, Miss Amanda Slinguff, Miss Eva Rowley and have unanimously agreed that they are all competent and capable teachers and would recommend to the Board of Directors and to decide by ballot, the one to fill the vacancy, and would recommend to the Board the ones not elected, with the same of the keys to be appointed substitute teacher for the ensuing year.

The Committee after a very careful and thorough investigation of the duties and work of Miss Carrie Niblo, of the High School, would petition and recommend to the Board of Directors that her salary be advanced \$10 per month. We would also recommend to the Board that Robert Herron be elected janitor for the year at the same salary. The teachers salaries are the same as last year except Miss Niblo.

On Motion of Mr. Miller the salary of Miss Niblo was increased \$10 per month. This will make her salary \$700 a year. She has been offered a principalship in Philadelphia at a salary of \$800 per year.

On motion of Mr. Morrison the salaries of the other teachers will remain the same.

A secret ballot was taken to elect a teacher. Misses Gilbert, Rowley and Slinguff were nominated. Miss Gilbert was elected, receiving nine votes, Miss Slinguff one and Miss Rowley three votes.

The bids for whitewashing the cellars were \$112.50 from E. J. Quigley, \$100 from Frank Davis and \$50 from John Boice. The committee was given power to act. The committee was also given power to have the buildings painted. Only one bid was received for this work, from Geo. W. Geiger for \$200.

Misses Slinguff and Rowley and Miss Eva Keys were elected substitute teachers and Robert Herron was re-elected janitor.

The Finance Committee read the following statement of taxes collected:

By C. H. Brooke,.....	\$7267.48
By C. W. Jones,.....	\$7914.08
By J. J. Meyers,.....	\$6926.67

The Building Committee was instructed to purchase coal and buy other necessary supplies and the Manual Training Committee was also instructed to purchase necessary supplies for the ensuing year.

Prof. Landis annual report of the schools was read as follows:

Number of pupils enrolled.....	750
Average Daily attendance.....	546
Deposited in Saving Fund.....	\$1807.89
Outside Tuition.....	\$250.61

The treasurer reported as follows:

Balance in treasury,.....	\$1431.55
Outside Tuition,.....	72.13
J. J. Meyers,.....	400.00
C. W. Jones,.....	126.88

Orders paid \$1482.80

Balance in treasury,.....	\$ 567.76
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The tax rate has been fixed at four mills, the same rate as last year.

Orders for the following amounts were granted:

J. P. DeHaven,.....	\$107.00
Laundry,.....	35
L. P. Boogar,.....	2.85
Floral Decoration Co.,.....	13.00
Wm. Wright,.....	5.15
H. C. Messinger,.....	7.00
S. D. Woodward,.....	3.25
I. Gilbert,.....	1.20
A. Slinguff,.....	1.20
Eva Rowley,.....	1.20
S. Paddenman,.....	5.00
Telephone Co.,.....	20

The Chinese ask "how is your health?" instead of "how do you do?" For the river is active the health of the people is important. DeWitt's Little Early Risers are fine little pills for the liver and bowels.

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THE ESSAYS

Thoughts of the Graduates Delivered at the Commencements Last Month.

The following essay was written by Benjamin Miles of the West Conshohocken School.

SALUTORY.

As the events of the evening draw nigh the class of 1900 found it necessary to greet this assembly. Therefore at the closing of our youthful school-days consider yourselves heartily welcome both on account of the interest you have shown in us and the care with which we have been nurtured.

I bid you, teachers, welcome because you have had patience with us. I bid you directors, welcome because you have guided us and I bid you, parents, welcome because you have encouraged us. Then welcome one and all. Thrice welcome.

The difference between men consists in a great measure in the intelligence of their observation. The wise man's eyes are in his head says Solomon, but the fool walketh in darkness. Some men will learn more in a journey to the quarry than others to the Capitol.

Many before Galileo had seen a suspended lamp swing with measured beat but he was the first to apply its regularity to a youthful purpose.

Captain Brown saw a spider web across his path one morning and recognized in it the future suspension bridge.

So slight a trifle as seeing a seaweed float by his ship enabled Columbus to quell the mutiny in his crew.

Human knowledge is but an accumulation of small facts made by generations of men and treasured up into a mighty pyramid.

When Franklin made his discovery of the identity of lightning and electricity many asked of what use is it. It has led to the automobile, the street car and arc light.

This art of seizing opportunities and turning them to account is a great secret of success. Men who are determined to find a way for themselves will always find opportunities and if they do not lie ready to their hands they will make them. Necessity, oftener than facility has been the mother of invention and the most prolific school of all has been the school of difficulty. Some of the very best workmen have had the worst tools but it is not tools that make the artisan but the training of skill and perseverance in the man himself. Benjamin West made his own paint-brushes with hair from the cat's tail. David Rittenhouse made his own telescope with which to see the transit of Venus for the astronomers of the world to figure by with the crude instrument, he made the best observation in the world. Hugh Miller said it was the necessity that made me a quarry that taught me to be a geologist.

It is not accident that helps a man in the world but purpose and persistent industry. These make a man sharp to discern opportunities and turn them to account. To the feeble and sluggish and purposeless the happiest opportunities avail nothing they pass them by nothing in them.

With persistent perseverance the very odds and ends of time may be worked into results of the greatest value. An hour a day drawn from frivolous pursuits would enable a man to go far towards mastering a complete science. It would make an ignorant man a well-informed man in ten years. Luther's Colleague Melancthon noted down the time lost by him so that he would work harder. Time is the estate out of which great workers carve a rich inheritance of deeds and facts for their race. Studies teach not their own use but they are a wisdom without them and above them won by observation.

Observation serves to illustrate and enforce the lesson that a man perfects himself by work much more than by reading, that it is life rather than literature, action rather than study, and character rather than biography, which tend perpetually to renovate mankind.

The facts of nature are open to the peasant and mechanic as well as to the philosopher, and by nature are alike capable of making a moral use of those facts to the best of their power.

The instances of men in this country who by dint of persevering and energy have raised themselves from the humble ranks of industry to eminent positions of usefulness and influence are so numerous that they have long ago become regarded exceptional.

The soil may be sterile the soil may be fertile, but it is the man who is capable of growing the crops of his life. It is as futile as to plant a seed in a barren plain, as to plant a seed in a fertile soil without the care of the farmer.

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A few courageous residents of Plymouth and Whitmarsh townships are holding up the trolley monopoly that has Conshohocken in its grip, and are determined that if a franchise be given to the company it shall be paid for.

Amid all instructions to the effect that the name of the republican candidate for vice president is pronounced "Roo-sey-felt," "Roos-e-velt," "Ro-sey-felt" and "Roos-e-velt" it is said that the man who owns the name pronounces it two syllables "Rose-felt."

The Ambler Town Council and the Reading Railroad are taking steps to abolish the grade crossings in that borough. This action suggests that the dangerous crossing in West Conshohocken might be abolished were the Council of that borough to confer with the officials of the railroad company.

The frequency with which contributions are asked for Charity Hospital should not cause discontent. No more worthy institutions exist in Pennsylvania than the hospitals, which give refuge and minister to many thousand persons every year who are sick or injured. Yet ever and anon the cry comes from the management of hospitals that available funds are not sufficient to meet expenses. It is timely, therefore, to urge people who are blessed with a superabundance of worldly goods to awaken and not permit financial burdens to rest on the institutions of such great good, especially when the cost of maintenance is so economical.

The medical fraternity contributes much gratuitous time in supporting these institutions that give succor mainly to the indigent, and public-spirited and charitable people generally should also give more consideration than is now manifested toward sustaining the State's hospitals.

This Presidential campaign will be one of the most exciting the country has ever seen. Pennsylvania is in the position of a spectator. Her great Republican majority is as sure for McKinley and Roosevelt in 1900 as it was for McKinley and Hobart in 1896. Nevertheless the people of this State will feel the keenest interest in the progress of the battle in those sections of the Union where the result is thought to be doubtful. The North American will meet the demands of this natural interest by placing in the field correspondents of national reputation, who will be under instructions not to be partisan but to tell the exact truth about the situation as they see it in its shifting phases.

The Democrats of the middle West, and even of New York, strange as it may seem to Pennsylvania Republicans, are not without hope of the election of Bryan. They have a good deal to say for themselves, and they have writers who can say it well. As the North American is a newspaper and not an old-fashioned organ, it will give space during the campaign to the Democratic side from the pens of the leaders and conspicuous journalists. Republicanism is not intelligently served by ignoring the best thought arrayed against it. The news has a right to publication, and facts are not obliterated because party organs choose to be studiously blind to them.—North American.

VERTICAL HANDWRITING.
Vertical handwriting has been taught in the Conshohocken Public Schools for several years past, and those who have viewed the exhibitions annually presented, know that it is easily read and looks pretty. This system was taught in other towns and much criticism was caused but in New York it has been condemned, as the following editorial from the New York Sun shows:

While the resolution recently adopted by the Board of School Superintendents of the boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx recommending that the system of vertical penmanship be abandoned in the schools does not formally do away with that system in this neighborhood, it does so practically. It is probable that similar action will be taken in all the boroughs of the city. The vertical handwriting, so far as our public schools are concerned, will soon be a thing of the past.

Few people, except professional educators or parents who have had occasion to scan the handwriting books which their children have brought home from school, know what the system of vertical handwriting is. It has been well described as the formation of letters as if the idea of the writer was to make each letter fill out as nearly as possible the sides of an imaginary square. This, when it is done with neatness, gives the letters the appearance of print. Such writing is, however, so eccentric and peculiar that it is greatly disliked by business men, and students from our schools who have been trained in this style have had to unlearn it and adopt the handwriting with the old-fashioned slant to the right if they desired to retain their places in business houses. The test of experience showed that it was good enough in libraries and in certain distinct classes of professional occupa-

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ton, but now in commercial life and for general use. A further difficulty was that the vertical system was slow in execution. It is said that the average pupil using the slant system can write forty-five words a minute to the vertical writing pupil's thirty words.

Superintendent Jasper of the borough of Manhattan is authority for the statement that the vertical system is, in fact, merely a hobby, for which certain school principals who are always hunting new things and certain text-book publishers who are ingenious purveyors of educational novelties are responsible. We think that public sentiment will cordially approve the abolition of the vertical system of writing in our public schools.

FOR RENT.—Five room house on Hector street, Spring Mill. Next to Laverty's store. Apply to WM. P. ELY. * 173.

FOR SALE CHEAP.—9 roomed brick dwelling, including bath room, hot and cold water, centrally located on Third avenue, Conshohocken, Pa. Apply to JOHN J. MEYERS, Insurance and real estate agent, 121 Fayette street, Conshohocken. * 216 ff.

FOR SALE.—Three story frame house, 10 rooms, modern improvements, in most desirable neighborhood. Apply to occupant, 124 4th avenue, Conshohocken Pa. WILLIAM SHOLL. * 1 July 13.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.
A Dividend of Five per cent, on the capital stock of The Tradesmen's National Bank, of Conshohocken, Pa., out of the profits of the past six months has been declared this day by the Board of Directors, payable July 24, 1900. Checks will be mailed to stockholders. By order of the Board of Directors, ISAAC ROBERTS, Cashier, June 27th, 1900.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.
All School and Borough taxes for 1899, and delinquent since March 12, 1900, prompt payment of the same is hereby requested as I will be obliged to make levies on all unpaid taxes in the near future if I wish to close my account for last year's taxes before taking this year's duplicate. JOHN J. MEYERS, Tax Collector, 121 Fayette street, Conshohocken. * 525 * 1 ff.

ESTATE NOTICE.
Estate of William Mair, late of Plymouth Township, Montgomery County, deceased.
Letters testamentary on the above Estate having been granted 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 WILLIAM M. HALL, Conshohocken, or his attorneys EVANS, HOLLAND & DETTRA. * AUG 11.

CHARTER NOTICE.
Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania, on Monday, the 16th day of July, A. D., by Horace C. Jones, Henry M. Tracy, J. Elwood Lee, William S. Perot and Edward F. Britt under the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled, "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29th, 1874 and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation, to be called The Valley Water Company the character and object whereof is the supplying of water to the public, in the borough of Conshohocken, County of Montgomery, State of Pennsylvania, and to such persons partnerships and corporations residing therein, or adjacent thereto as may desire the same, and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy the rights, benefits and privileges of the said Act of Assembly and its supplements. HENRY M. TRACY, Solicitor.

NIAGARA FALLS EXCURSIONS.
The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has selected the following dates for its popular ten-day excursions to Niagara Falls from Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington: July 26, August 9 and 23, September 6 and 20, and October 4 and 18. On these dates the special train will leave Washington at 8.00 A. M., Baltimore 9.05 A. M.

This year the excursions from Philadelphia will be run by two routes. Those on July 26, August 9, September 6, October 4 and 18, going via Harrisburg and the picturesque valley of the Susquehanna as heretofore, a special train leaving Philadelphia at 8.10 A. M., excursions of August 23 and September 20 running via Trenton, Manunka Chank, and the Delaware Valley, leaving Philadelphia on special train at 8.00 A. M.

Excursion tickets good for return passage on any regular train, exclusive of limited express trains, within ten days, will be sold at \$10.00 from Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington and all points on the Delaware Division; \$11.25 from Atlantic City; \$9.00 from Lancaster; \$8.50 from Altoona and Harrisburg; \$6.90 from Sunbury and Wilkes-Barre; \$5.75 from Williamsport; and at proportionate rates from other points, including Trenton, Mt. Holly, Palmyra, New Brunswick, and principal intermediate stations. A stop-over will be allowed at Buffalo, Rochester, Canandaigua, and Watkins within the limit returning, on the excursions of July 26, August 9, September 6, October 4 and 18.

For the excursions of August 23 and September 20, stop-over will be allowed at Buffalo on return trip within limit of ticket. The special trains of Pullman parlor cars and day coaches will be run with each excursion running through to Niagara Falls. An extra charge will be made for parlor-car seats.

An experienced tourist and chaperon will accompany each excursion. For descriptive pamphlet, time of connecting trains, and further information apply to nearest ticket agent, or address Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia.

See the Chateau de Speer in another column where Alfred Speer the most honest and persevering wine grower in this country, forty eight years persistent in overcoming obstacles and prejudice against native wines, has succeeded in New Jersey and now produces the finest wines of the world and has his extensive wine cellars with hundreds of thousand gallons stored. They are most excellent.

PUBLIC SALE OF REAL ESTATE.
Pursuant to an order of the Orphans' Court of Montgomery County, will be sold at public sale, on the premises, at the Village of Spring Mill, in White-marshal township, on

SATURDAY, JULY 28th, 1900, the following described real estate, late of Robert Paugh, deceased, to wit: All those lots containing seven lots, being Nos. 1, 2 and 3 on a plan of building lots laid out in said Village, bounded and described as follows:

No. 1. All that certain building lot, in the Village of Spring Mill, which in draft or plan of building lots laid out in said Village is numbered and designated as lot No. 1, bounded and described as follows, viz: Beginning at the corner of a street called Washington Street being a thirty feet wide street on the North side of the Norristown and Philadelphia Railroad, of which way and the maining twenty-two feet as a carriage way and at the corner of a street called Elm Street; thence along the line of lands now or late of Farr & Knutzel and John Richter and on the West side of said lands twenty-five feet in width to the public road; thence from the corner of said street along the West side of Street North fifteen degrees and minutes—west one hundred and seventy one feet and a half to the corner of said Elm Street; thence along a fifty feet wide street called Elm Street; thence along the South side of said land mentioned street South eighty two degrees and ten minutes West thirteen feet to a corner of lot No. 2; thence by said lot South seven degrees and fifty minutes East one hundred and seventy feet to Washington Street; thence along the North side thereof North eighty two degrees and ten minutes East thirty four and a half feet to the place of beginning.

No. 2. All those two building lots, in the Village of Spring Mill, which in the draft or plan of building lots laid out in said Village by Isaac Jones are numbered and designated as lots Nos. 2 and 3, bounded and described together in one lot as follows, viz: Beginning at the corner of Washington Street, being a thirty feet wide street laid out by said Jones on the North side of the Norristown and Philadelphia Railroad, of which eight feet of said street on the Northern side of a forty foot way, and the remaining twenty two feet as a carriage way, and at the corner of a lot described in said draft or plan as No. 1, and extending thence along said No. 1 North seven degrees and fifty minutes West one hundred and seventy feet to Elm street, being a fifty feet wide street; thence along the South side of said Street South eighty two degrees ten minutes West fifty feet to a stake a corner of No. 4 land now or late of Daniel Sheard; thence by said land South seven degrees and fifty minutes East one hundred and seventy feet to the North side of Washington Street; thence along said side of said street North eighty two degrees and ten minutes East fifty feet to the place of beginning.

The improvements consist of a two and one-half story stone dwelling house containing three rooms on the first floor, two rooms on the second and an attic, with all necessary out buildings. There is a good well of water on the premises. This property is particularly well located, being within one square of the Spring Mill Station on both the Pennsylvania and Philadelphia & Reading Railroads. It is also convenient to public schools, stores, mills &c. Persons desiring to view the premises can do so by calling thereon. Sale to commence at 2 o'clock P. M. sharp. Conditions made known at sale by JAMES B. HOLLAND, Trustee. EVANS, HOLLAND & DETTRA, Atto.

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Meets First Tuesday of each Month.
New Series of Stock started March 7, 1899. Books still open for new stock.
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BUILDING LOTS FOR SALE.
Three building lots for sale, North-east corner Eighth avenue and Wells street. Fine location; terms easy. Apply to JOHN F. BOLGER, 1614 North Park Avenue, Philadelphia.

\$100 REWARD.—As there is a gang of thieves making constant depredations upon the Schuylkill Valley Traction Company's lines, cutting the copper wires and stealing the same, the company hereby offers a standing reward of one hundred dollars (\$100) for the apprehension, arrest and conviction of any person or persons who shall at any time be apprehended in stealing the cop. or wires or for the property of the company or of the persons who purchase and stolen property, knowing it to be stolen.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE.
An excellent opportunity to buy Conshohocken Real Estate at bargain prices. STONE HOUSE, 8 rooms, corner of Fourth avenue and Wood street, lot 120 by 140 feet. FRAME HOUSE, 6 rooms, Sixth avenue near Wood street, lot 40 by 140 feet. BRICK HOUSE, 10 rooms, hot and cold water, heater, etc., Hector street below Poplar street. FRAME HOUSE, plastered, 8 rooms, Elm street near Cherry. BRICK HOUSE, 6 rooms, Elm street, near Cherry. BRICK STORE AND DWELLING, corner Harry and Elm streets, also Brick dwelling house adjoining corner. Apply to LOT 40 by 186 feet, on Fayette street near Fourth avenue or will improve on term lease. BRICK HOUSE, 9 rooms, bath, all modern conveniences. Lot 40 by 140 feet. Seventh avenue below Hollowell street. BRICK HOUSE AND STORE, Business Block, Hector street. FRAME HOUSE AND LOT, 30 by 140 feet, corner of Seventh avenue and Forrest street. BRICK HOUSE, 5 rooms, Hector street near Poplar. BRICK HOUSE, 9 rooms, also plastered, corner of Brick lot, 80 by 140 feet, Hector street, between Poplar and Cherry streets, will divide. HENRY M. TRACY.

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PETTICOATS—Full width under shirts that were 50c—25c
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Men's Suits		GENT'S FURNISHING GOODS	
All our \$4 and \$5.50 Suits to be slaughtered at	\$3.99	All our Men's Balbriggan Underwear in brown, gray and ribbed to be slaughtered at	17c
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Boys' Suits		All our Men's Union Brand Shirts, all colors, to be slaughtered at	36c
All our \$4 and \$5 Suits to be slaughtered at	\$3.39	All our Madrid Shirts, fast colors, to be slaughtered at	27c
All our \$6 and \$7 Suits to be slaughtered at	\$4.26	All our Men's Shirts with attachable collars and cuffs to be slaughtered at	34c
All our \$8, \$8.50 and \$9 Suits to be slaughtered at	\$5.48	All our Silk Webb Suspenders, fast colors, to be slaughtered at	11c
		All our Boys' Shirts, fast colors, to be slaughtered at	19c
		All our Men's Unlaundered White Shirts to be slaughtered at	39c
		All our latest styles Collars, four ply linen to be slaughtered at	9c

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DEAD. NOW LIVING.
Residents of Norristown are believing that the dead has come to life. William McCormick, of that borough, who was supposed to have been killed, returned to his home on Wednesday night.
Last Wednesday Mrs. McCormick, wife of the young man, was notified that her husband had been slain at Monocacy by a train. She fully identified the corpse as that of her husband. The dead man was interred by the McCormicks.
McCormick left that town several weeks ago because employment in his trade was slack hereabout. His wife, a few days previously to hearing of his supposed death, had gotten a letter from him dated Pottsville.
McCormick knew nothing of his supposed death until he came to Norristown on Wednesday night. The remarkable similarity existing between him and the man killed at Monocacy is causing great wonderment. The dead man carried a Bible upon the index of which was written the name William McCormick. The question now arises who was the other William McCormick.

NEW QUARTERS FOR FIREMEN.
The Fairmount Fire Company of Lansdale dedicated their new engine house on Wednesday. They were assisted by the volunteer companies from Ambler, Sellersville, Perkasie, Quakertown and Skippack. A parade was participated in by the visiting companies. An address was delivered by A. R. Place, after which the firemen partook of a banquet.
See the Chateau de Speer in another column where Alfred Speer the most honest and persevering wine grower in this country, forty eight years persistent in overcoming obstacles and prejudice again native wines, has succeeded in New Jersey and now produces the finest wines of the world and has his extensive wine cellars with hundreds of thousands gallons stored. They are most excellent.

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From the expressions made by a number of persons of National prominence there is danger in too much over confidence of success in the coming campaign. McKinley and Roosevelt will not be elected with the same ease with which McKinley and Hobart were. We will have a battle as has been seldom seen in this country. New conditions are to be met and new theories to be combated with. It will not be a question as to whether we shall vote for a gold standard or against free silver but other and more important questions are to be debated. Every effort should be made to get out every vote in the country which will be cast for McKinley and Roosevelt. One of our local writers in summing up the situation very pertinently says:—
"Senator William E. Chandler has not always been noted for breadth of view and calmness of judgment, but there is food for reflection in his warning that the Republicans in the forthcoming campaign should not be guilty of the overconfidence that frequently results in apathy. While sagacious and fair-minded observers believe that McKinley will secure a majority in the Electoral College. It is well to remember that unlooked-for incidents, occurring during a campaign, sometimes have an important effect on its outcome."

If the Republican managers are prudent they will endeavor to organize victory on such a scale that a generous margin of safety can be counted on to offset any possible minor reverses or mistakes in the critical later days of the conflict. This can only be accomplished by thorough and careful work in every State where the Bryan men have a fighting chance. The task of initiating and carrying out a comprehensive canvass in this territory should be undertaken as soon as possible after the convention adjourns. Special attention should be given to the numerous close Congressional districts, where the change of a small number of votes would put a Democrat in the place of a Republican. This is only second in importance to securing the Presidency itself. With a hostile house confronting him, Mr. McKinley would find the first half of his second term filled with paralyzing difficulties and embarrassments. The splendid prosperity which has attended every legitimate industry, the

WILLIAM HENRY'S LETTER.
The Political Outlook of the Coming Campaign.—How Hetty Green Made Her Money. Save His Money. Other Interest. Inq. Briefs from Our Quaker City Correspondent.

Philadelphia, July 2, 1900
The big Convention Hall, in which was held the recent National Republican Convention, is to remain intact and not to be changed to its former shape, as was originally intended. This will give Philadelphia a big hall second to none in the country for convention purposes, and may be the means of securing other bodies to come here with their meetings. Already other conventions are spoken of and it is safe to say that none will find a building in this country more suited for the purpose.

The recent Republican Convention brought to this city men of all grades of prominence and many interesting stories might be written of some of them. Among the Westerners who came here was Edward H. R. Green, State Chairman of Texas, who is the son of Hetty Green, the richest woman in America, who is reputed to be worth over \$60,000,000. When Mrs. Green's two children became of age she gave each of them \$3,000,000 as a starter in life. Her son Edward H. R. Green, who is an energetic man and an indefatigable worker in everything he undertakes went to Texas, made investments, became president of a railroad company, brought it out from "barley paying expenses" to fulfilling all its obligations and giving its stockholders fairly good dividends. He made himself a power in politics, also, and showed that the Republican party may flourish even in Democratic Texas. Mr. Green can run a locomotive, act as a fireman, or brakesman and as section boss. He is a bluff, hearty, wholesome fellow, a big blonde, thirty-two years old, six feet two inches in stature, and weighs nearly 300 pounds. Green was educated at Forsham College, and after a few weeks' holiday, his mother told him he must go to work. She secured a place for him as a foreman of section hands, constructing a railroad in Vermont at \$45 per month. He took the job and at the end of the month had spent his salary and \$40 more. He wrote his mother for a short loan, and the reply was by wire and a "settler"—"Not one cent." Then Ned Green was on his mettle and in about three months was clear of debt and had worked so faithfully that he was promoted to superintendent of a division at \$100 per month. That's the way he learned the railroad business. His mother's wealth is estimated at \$60,000,000, but it is probably more.

Another character who became quite popular during convention week was Percy Marsden, of Washington, a colored gentleman who is regarded as one of the most powerful Republican leaders in the South and said to control indirectly, the colored vote of many of the States south of Mason and Dixon's line. Marsden is an interesting individual and is known to all the big Republican leaders, from the President down. He knows his power and his importance, but is quite democratic in his manner. He won many friends while here and made a favorite impression with the newspaper fraternity particularly.

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Bicycles to hire and repaired at Kehoes, on Hector street. Opposite the Catholic school.
A LIFE AND DEATH FIGHT.
Mr. W. A. Hines of Manchester, Ia., writing of his almost miraculous escape from death, says: "Exposure after measles induced serious lung trouble, which ended in Consumption. I had frequent hemorrhages and coughed night and day. All my doctors said I must soon die. Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery which wholly cured me. Hundreds have used it on my advice and all say it never fails to cure Throat, Chest and Lung troubles. Regular size 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at all Druggists."

SUMMER TOURS TO THE NORTH.
For the Summer of 1900 the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has arranged to run two personally-conducted tours to Canada and Northern New York. These tours will leave July 21 and August 11 including Niagara Falls, Thousand Islands Rapids of the St. Lawrence, Quebec, The Saguenay, Montreal, Au Sable Chasm, Lakes Champlain and George, and Saratoga, occupying fifteen days; round-trip, \$125.
Each tour will be in charge of one of the Company's tourist agents, assisted by an experienced lady as chaperon, whose special charge will be unescorted ladies.
The rate covers railway and boat fare for the entire round trip, parlor-car seats, meals en route, hotel entertainment, transfer charges, and carriage hire.
For detailed itinerary, tickets, or any additional information, address Tourist Agent, Pennsylvania Railroad Company, 1196 Broadway, New York; 860 Fulton Street, Brooklyn; 789 Broad Street, Newark, N. J.; or Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia.

success of the government in the brief war with Spain the solid achievement of the Republican party in putting a gold standard law on the statute books, and the generally clean and capable record of the administration are forcible arguments for the retention of the party in power. These justify rational confidence on the part of the Republicans. But they should not lead to such an excess of confidence that effort and energy will be relaxed at any vital point.
PERTINENT BRIEFS.
During last month \$2,448,875 was spent in building operations in this city.
A big time ball, which is to fall every day at noon, is being placed on top of the Bourse.
During the six months just closed the city made \$97,881 in interest on deposits in local banks.
There is a big demand in Cuba for Pennsylvania made bricks.
The police donned their new and airy helmets to-day.
William J. Pollock, the old leader of the Thirtieth Ward, was buried on Saturday.
The deaths numbered 497 last week, an increase of 117 over the previous week and of 77 for the same week in 1899.
The cool weather yesterday kept many home from Atlantic City.
There are seventy-six cases of diphtheria in this city, sixty-three of scarlet fever and thirteen of typhoid fever. Twenty-five died of these diseases during the week.

WILLIAM HENRY.
Reports show that over fifteen hundred lives have been saved through the use of One Minute Cough Cure. Most of these were cases of grippe, croup, asthma, whooping cough, bronchitis and pneumonia. Its early use prevents consumption.
H. Maxwell Harry and W. E. Supplee, West Conshohocken.
There is more catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. It is now cured by a new medicine, called Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio. It is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.
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Sold by Druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

WORKINGMEN FOR REPUBLICANISM.
Quite as earnestly and quite as promptly did the workingmen of the great carpet and textile manufacturing district of Kensington get together, and leave no room for doubt that they will stand in the coming campaign. The Workingmen's Protective Tariff League is an organization whose membership embraces several thousands of employees of the various industrial institutions in the northeastern section of the city.
Under the Cleveland administration, when the mills were idle, thousands were starving and soup houses had to be established in every ward in this district, many of the members of this organization went through very sad and bitter experiences. They do not propose that the old Democratic conditions shall be repeated, and for that reason they have set out to do their share to accomplish a glorious Republican victory this fall.
The Workingmen's Protective Tariff League invited Senator Penrose to address them at their meeting, and the young representatives of the Keystone state in the United States senate got an ovation when he arose to speak.
PENROSE ON THE ISSUES.
"The great work which you accomplished in the last campaign makes it an honor indeed for me to have the pleasure of meeting you and witnessing what appears to be the most spontaneous outburst of stalwart Republicanism that I have seen in Philadelphia," said Senator Penrose. "The Republican party needs no words from me. No matter what you say for it, the fact remains that here in this room are the true representatives and true type of the mass of workers and laborers who stand for industrial prosperity throughout the length and breadth of the land and eager for the call to duty. There is no state that has profited so much by Republican legislation as has Pennsylvania. It has made of Pittsburg, of Allegheny county, an empire of itself, the greatest industrial center of the world. And through this same legislation, in the very near future, the nation will be the greatest exporter of iron and steel on the face of the globe."
"Four years ago when I went through that section, every mill was closed, workmen walked the streets, not knowing where they could get employment, scarcely knowing where they could get food. And then the change! Thirty days after McKinley was elected every mill was opened, every man was employed and prosperity and happiness had returned to life in place of destitution and hopelessness. Philadelphia ever characteristic of steady, progressive development, unscrambled in the world, was also depressed. We saw the looms silent, we saw the soup house in your northeastern section, and after that brief session of congress we saw our people again employed. And you see here now prosperity on every side. All this is the fruit of Republican victory."

"We were pledged to give the American people protection. We have not failed in our promise. The word we gave has been kept. The word we gave has been followed by the appointment of a campaign committee, which will co-operate with the regular Republican organization of the city and state in the interest of the party candidates."
ASHBRIDGE LEADS A REFORM.
Under the leadership of Mayor Ashbridge, the Pennsylvania

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PHILADELPHIA LETTER
Philadelphia, July 2—Republicans of this city representing both the capitalists and the wage earners have accepted the action of the Republican national convention in the nomination of McKinley and Roosevelt, as giving assurance of continued prosperity, and they have already entered upon a campaign to see that the ticket shall be elected by large majorities.
It is a most significant and gratifying feature of the present political situation. The candidates of the Republican party had scarcely been named in the field before and plans were being considered for an aggressive and determined canvass to guarantee victory at the election in November.

UNION LEAGUE ACTS.
The Union League, with its large membership embracing mechanics, manufacturers, bankers and others who are in touch with and are part of the business interest of the country, lost no time in getting upon record as delighted with the work of the Republican national convention and to declare the purposes of prosperity, and aid in every way possible in the pending campaign. This organization has a glorious record, dating back to the days of the civil war, and even before the outbreak of the rebellion. It still carries among its members many veterans of the Union army who were mainstays in the struggle for human freedom, and others whose names are emblazoned upon the pages of their country's history in the records of valiant service in defense of the flag.
The last delegate to the national convention had hardly gotten out of town before the league, with its several thousand members, was called together and the active spirits of the organization, in stirring speeches, expressed the sentiments of the membership as heartily and enthusiastically in favor of the Republican ticket. There was no halting or hesitating, and every man spoke his sentiments as the spirit moved him, and there was a ring of genuine sincerity in every word that was uttered.

PROUD OF THE PARTY.
The resolutions, which were then unanimously adopted, set forth:
"That the Union League hereby ratifies the nomination of the Hon. William McKinley, of Ohio, for president of the United States, and of the Hon. Theodore Roosevelt, of New York, for vice president of the United States, and hereby pledges its energetic and unwavering support to them and to the principles enunciated in the platform of the Republican party."
"That the Republican party's restoration of equitable protection to American industry, its resistance to the free coinage of silver, its successful establishment of a stable currency, and its triumphant conduct of a foreign war, all alike vindicate its claim to the approval of the considerate judgment of the American people, and its patriotic principles entitles it to a renewed mandate from the people."
"That the president of the Union League be and he is authorized and requested to appoint a campaign committee of 50 members of the Union League, of which committee the president shall be chairman, whose duty shall be to act for and on behalf of the Union League in assisting to secure the success of the Republican party in the presidential campaign of 1900."

ST. MATTHEW'S R. CHURCH.
Services are held on Sundays as follows: First mass 7 o'clock a. m. Second mass 8:30 o'clock a. m. High mass and sermon 10:30 o'clock a. m. Vespers and Benediction 3:30 p. m.

CHAUTAQUA.
On July 6 the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will run a special excursion from Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Reading, Altoona, Bellefonte, Lock Haven, Shamokin, Wilkesbarre, Sunbury, and Williamsport, and principal intermediate stations, and stations on the Delaware Division, Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad, and on the Cumberland Valley Railroad, to Chautauqua, N. Y. Special train will start from Harrisburg at 11:25 A. M. Connecting trains will leave Philadelphia 8:40 A. M., Washington 7:45 A. M., Baltimore 8:55 A. M., Altoona 7:15 A. M., Wilkesbarre 7:30 A. M., Lock Haven 11:25 A. M. Round-trip tickets, good to return on regular trains not later than August 4, will be sold at rate of \$10.00 from Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington, and at proportionate rates from other stations.
Passengers from Atlantic City, Bridgeton, Vineland, Clayton, N. J., and stations on the Delaware Division will use trains to Philadelphia on day preceding date of excursion.
For specific rates and time of connecting trains apply to nearest ticket agent.

GLORIOUS NEWS.
Comes from Dr. D. B. Cargile, of Washita, I. T. He writes: "Electric Bitters has cured Mrs. Brewer of scrofula, which had caused her great suffering for many years. Terrible sores would break out on her face and head, and the best doctors could give no help; but now her health is excellent." Electric Bitters is the best blood purifier known. It's the supreme remedy for eczema, tetter, salt rheum, ulcers, boils, and running sores. It stimulates liver, kidneys and bowels expels poisons, helps indigestion, builds up the strength. Only 50 cts. Sold by All Druggists. Guaranteed.

Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Don't Know It.
How To Find Out.
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