

# The Hammonton Item.

Devoted to the Interests of Hammonton.

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HAMMONTON, N. J., SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 1874

\$2.00 PER YEAR

## Insurance.

### MILLVILLE

Mutual Fire Insurance Co.,  
MILLVILLE, N. J.

Expires May 1, 1875, as follows:  
Premium Notes, \$325,000  
Cash Assets, 145,228  
Total, \$1,074,188

Insurance effected for the  
Term of TEN Years  
AGAINST LOSS BY

Fire and Lightning;  
and for one and three year term when desired.  
The Premium Notes required by this Company  
are but one-half as large as other Mutual  
Companies in this District, while the Cash Pay-  
ment is the same.

Buildings and Contents  
will be insured at the very lowest rates.

All Losses are promptly paid.  
NATHANIEL STRATTON, President.  
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The Cheapest  
AND  
The Best!  
Life Insurance at Actual Cost.

THE NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF CHICAGO. It gives the attention of one contemplating insuring their lives to its Mutual or Reciprocal

PLAN, which enables even the poorest man to provide for his family in case of death, without depriving them of the necessities of life, as do many who endeavor to pay the high premiums of old life companies, who charge for Assurance Double Losses when Death Occurs, and add a heavy loading for extravagant expenses. On this plan you only pay for the cash value actually experienced, and as they occur, with a small fixed sum for expenses. Call on the agent for circular fully explaining this system.

## The Practical Results!

Since its organization in 1870, the NATIONAL has paid in death losses \$37,760, at a cost to the insured of \$791.90 in premiums. Old Life Companies would have paid for the same loss \$21,221, showing a gain by insuring in the NATIONAL of over \$36,000.

The Capital and Securities of this Company are sufficient to comply with the Insurance laws of any State in the Union.

JAMES M. PATTERSON, President.  
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L. L. PLATT,  
Agent for Hammonton and Vicinity.

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INSURANCE COMPANY,  
No. 781 Broad St.,  
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This Company insures against loss or damage by fire upon all descriptions of insurable property—buildings, furniture and merchandise—at rates as low as consistent with safety.

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Inquire of R. & W. H. THOMAS,  
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## Local Advertisements

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**HARDWARE  
STORE  
AND  
FURNITURE DEPOT.**

The subscribers keep constantly on hand a general assortment of goods in their line, comprising nearly everything usually called for in a country Hardware or Furniture Store. We propose hereafter to sell our goods at the lowest Cash Prices, and to enable us to do so, we must sell for ready pay. Thankful for past favors, we solicit a continuance of the same liberal patronage that we have had in the past.

M. D. & J. W. DePuy.  
Jan. 3, 1875.

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SPRING PRICES.  
At the London Nursery.  
J. BUTTERTON, PROPRIETOR.

Extra Fine Standard Pear, 40) Extremely hand-  
some, First Pyramids, 50) some desirable  
for gar'n plant'g

Extra, first-class, (native grown) 45  
Very good, " " 35  
Fair, " " 25  
Apple, (on Double stock) 25  
Cherry, do do 40  
Plum, do do 40  
Quince, (Golden Portugal) 40  
Orange or Apple, 30 @ 35  
Peach—leading sorts, 5 & 6 ft. 10

FOR BUSHES.  
Norway Spruce, twice tipped, \$3.50 @ 4.50 per 100  
Amer. Arb. Vitae t. t. 6 to 9 in. 3.50 @ 4.50 do  
Siberian, all sizes and prices.  
Rosa, 8 to 12 in. \$6 @ 7 per 100.  
Irish Juniper 2 1/2 feet, \$25 @ 40 per 100.

Specimen Evergreens without match in the trade—at low rates—known on application.  
Choice budding plants embracing many novelties at present prices.  
Hot house and window plants—all the most beautiful and choice kinds at very low rates.  
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## THE COMET.

AN APOSTROPHE BY "JOHN PAUL."

Eccentric orb, shot madly from thy sphere,  
Planet without a plan, dost travel on thine ear,  
Through wide expanse of space?  
Out on a bender,

Known to be nebulous, indefinite, fluctuating,  
Of volume vast, but thin; wide gyrating;  
Thou holy, high, translated Legal-tender,  
Approach, come nigher; obliging acquiesce,  
For lo, the waiting swell-mob of the Press  
Would fain go through thee.

And I, a youth, bold, honest, simple, gushing,  
Of poor but honest parents born—not flush,  
though born in Flushing—  
Am here to interview thee.

Whether mad or not,  
Don't dare to wag thy tail, or thou'll be shot;  
For our sweet "stars"—cops, pedlers, worthy  
Celts,  
Must round with rusty pistols in their belts;  
And, thinking the more dogs they kill the merrier,  
They might declare that thou'rt a mad city-terrier.

And blaze away and hit thee.  
If so take thou a crack,  
And just blaze fiercely back  
Until thou melt the lying, mangy pack—  
Confound 'em!

Like fallow eazies, down into their shoes,  
Or if thou burn'st with more vindictive views,  
Expend 'em!  
This "mad dog" cry—  
I hate the back word,  
But turn it round and spell it backward,  
And it describes the lie.

If naught's the matter  
With thy medulla oblongata,  
Tell us how goes the mart up there;  
What are the movements now of bull and bear?  
Is thy name Daniel Drow?  
That milky-way, where all the small stars meet  
is't there, O Comet! that thou milk'st  
the street?

Aquarius with his pot,  
Who waters, waters, with one ceaseless drip,  
And only rests at times to dry his scrip:  
Is he name Sage, or not?  
Are earnings of your railroads ever  
"pooled"?

The little fishes are they ever fooled?  
And the Great Bear, is his true name Jay Gould?  
Thou can't not tell! yes, one ought to know,  
Thou'rt up in heaven—the Board meets down below.

Is't thy intent to pass us with no spiteful thrust?  
To make to "bounce" us, "bust our ancient trust"?  
Ereot a manard on this planet's brow,  
Raise Cain, turn Jack—in brief, to have a row?  
If that's thy game, put up thy dais; why dumb  
—it.

Old Earth's full of grit, and you can't come it,  
Comet!  
But if your tail swept by and failed to twist me,  
'Twould be the first thing that ever missed me.

From Our Own Correspondent.  
PHILADELPHIA, July 25.

One of the greatest monopolies with which our city is cursed, is the STREET RAILROADS,

which have so completely gridironed our city that there is scarcely a street which is not obstructed by them. Originally constructed as a convenience for our citizens, they have, in many cases, passed into the control of a few individuals, who are reaping immense profits from them, and as a result the public highways were solely for their use.

Although the right of way was given these companies free of charge, and they are able to declare enormous dividends, the fare asked by them is higher than is charged by passenger railways in any of our large cities, and the poor working man and sewing girl, weary with their day's labor, are virtually debarred from their use, as the fare asked is entirely beyond their slender means.

Seven cents for a ride in a street car may seem a small matter to some of your readers, but it is quite an item to those who use the cars daily. The companies consider that every first-class house erected near their terminals, is worth to them from one to two hundred dollars, they calculating that the occupants will spend that amount during the year in their cars, while most persons living any distance from their place of business look upon fifty dollars a year for car fare as one of their necessary expenses. Our citizens are taxed to build bridges, which these

grasping corporations seize upon and use, without recompensing the city for the use of them, and now we have the disgraceful scene of a number of companies quarreling for the possession of the Girard Avenue bridge. The conductors and drivers are a hard worked set of men—being on duty from sixteen to eighteen hours a day, and are allowed but a few minutes for meals. It is stated as a fact, that so many are these employees kept away from their homes, working every day in the week, that in many cases their young children do not know them.

The companies, although reaping large profits from the thousands who flock to the Park, do not contribute towards its adornment, as is the case in other cities, but are continually quarreling amongst themselves to get possession of the street, which approach the Park, and which have not yet been seized upon.

The Union Line declares a dividend of 41 per cent. per annum on its paid-in capital; the Chestnut and Walnut st. 31 per cent., the Green and Coates street 26 per cent., and the other roads, from 20 to 30 per cent. per annum. The companies, although frequently jangling among themselves, are a unit in denying any concessions which the city or public may ask from them. Their power doubtless would have been broken long ago if their interests were not interlocked with the political faction which is ruling our city and State.

THE AMERICAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY has demonstrated the fact, that steamships can run from this port to England at a profit, and so great has been their success, that they contemplate adding two additional steamers to their line. The traveling public has been much benefited by the fierce competition which the American Line has provoked. Steerage passengers can go from New York to Liverpool, if the New York papers can be believed, for the small sum of ten dollars; and hundreds of persons are taking advantage of this reduction to visit their friends in the old country.

The savage suit of Capt. Cornelius L. Brady against the American Steamship Company for bringing the Pennsylvania into port during the terrible storm which she encountered some months ago, has been decided in his favor, and he has been awarded \$4,000 for his services.

We have had a number of cases of SUICIDE

and attempts at self-destruction here of late. The cause which led most of the parties to attempt self-destruction was poverty, although not a few were caused by mania produced by drinking. There is considerable suffering here, among persons who have been thrown out of employment by the dullness of the times; and many seek a relief from this world's troubles in death. A number of our large manufacturers are running on half-time, and business is generally depressed, although the prospects are that we will have a busy Fall. One of the latest attempts at suicide was made by Wm. Long, a sailor who was discharged from the U. S. steamer Ajax, and paid \$800, which was due him. This he squandered in a two weeks' debauch, and wound up his spree by jumping into the Schuylkill river. He eluded all attempts to rescue him, until he was thoroughly exhausted, when he was secured, and properly cared for.

Henry Hirt, who was doubtless insane, committed suicide in an original manner. He left his home and wandered off to the suburbs of the city, and deliberately poured coal oil over his clothing, which he set on fire. The heat of the flames was so intense, that Hirt jumped into a creek, where he was seen, and rescued. He was removed to the Episcopal Hospital, where death soon put an end to his suffering.

THE KIDNAPPED CHILD.  
Charley Ross, has not yet been found, and his abductors are still at large. Our detective force is severely censured for not ascertaining his whereabouts, and our newspapers are expressing themselves freely in the matter. Christopher Wooster, who was arrested and committed to prison, on suspicion of having been concerned in the abduction, is now thought to be entirely innocent of the charge that was brought against him, and has been

released from prison. Mayor Stokely on Wednesday issued a proclamation, offering a reward of \$20,000 for the recovery of the child, and the arrest and conviction of his captors. Mayor Stokely was authorized to offer this reward by a number of our private citizens, who are raising a fund to recover the stolen child. It is to be hoped that the large reward offered will stimulate persons throughout the country to search for the child, and that he may be recovered at an early day.

Work on the CENTENNIAL GROUNDS is being rapidly pushed forward. The grading of the site upon which is to be erected the main exposition building, is fairly under way, three hundred men and two hundred and fifty horses being employed in prosecuting the work. Messrs. Vaux and Radford, the architects for this structure, have adopted the plans of Mr. Pettit, of the United States Centennial Commission, and will personally superintend the work of construction.

Truly thine, BROADBENT.

The money article of the Ledger has the following of importance to all interested:

"Those who expect the improvement in financial and mercantile affairs, which has been predicted and is expected, to develop at once into overwhelming activity, now that so many of the obstacles have been removed, will doubtless be disappointed." In this we quite agree with the Journal of Commerce. It is not the right stage of the season for such a manifestation, and if it came it would not be a sign of a prosperous and healthy growth. The last nine or ten months of depression have not been a season of disaster, but of healthy recuperation. Liquidation, economy, disentanglement and all the painful processes which lead to recovery have marked the months that are past, but the exhibition has not been without its encouraging features. Dun, Barlow & Co.'s commercial agency report says that during the past six months the failures have been much fewer in numbers than in the average of former years for the same period. There is a difference between rest and mere prostration. There ought to be a better and more prosperous trade this coming autumn than before for many seasons, and there are not wanting indications that there will be. This is not just yet the season of active business, and activity just now is not desirable if it could be had with the wishing—it would be unseasonable and probably not lasting.

The New York markets are generally two or three weeks earlier than are those of this city, and as further assurance that we shall have a good fall trade, the New York Bulletin of yesterday notices the arrival there of a number of large jobbers from the Northwest and West, adding that the fact had imparted an improved tone to the market, although operations were not heavy in the aggregate amount. Country merchants speak in highly encouraging terms of the prospective fall trade, and although they are at present only inclined to purchase such goods as are required for the renewal of assortments, it is believed that they will commence operating in earnest after taking a short period of recreation at the watering places. Stocks in the hands of retailers in the interior are reported as being exceptionally light, and crop prospects are represented by merchants lately arrived from the West as encouraging in the extreme. The market for cotton goods is fairly active in the package department, the demand extending to brown and bleached cottons, brown drills, cotton flannels and grain bags. There is also a freer inquiry for colored cottons and coarse jeans, with no important price changes, current rates being maintained. Woolen goods for men's wear continue in steady request.

What, it is asked, can be pleasanter than the life of a Missouri farmer? As daylight he gets up and examines the holes around his corn hills for cut-worms, then he smashes oddling moth larvae with a hoe handle until breakfast. The forenoon is devoted to watering the potato hogs with a solution of Paris green, and after dinner all hand-turn out to pour boiling water on the chitons bugs in the corn and wheat fields. In the evening a favorite occupation is smudging of peach trees to discourage the curculio, and after a brief season of family devotion at the shrine of the night flying coleopters, all the folks retire and sleep soundly till Aurora reddens the East, and the grasshoppers tinkle against the panes and summon them to the labors of another day.

An Address has been issued by the Centennial Commission, appealing to the people of the United States for funds. This appeal should be responded to by all who can spare a \$10 spot.















## THE GEORGI PIANO-FORTES. LATE NEWS REGARDING THEM.

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Their durable build and refined expression of tone causes them to be the favorite instrument in seminaries of learning.

From Rev. L. VAN BOKKEL, Rector of June Grey Seminary, Mr. Morris, N. Y., August 14th, 1873.

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Mr. JOHN ZUNDEL, Organist of Henry Ward Beecher's Church Brooklyn, says:  
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Rev. S. H. MOULDER, President of Buchtel College, certifies:  
"We have been using two of your pianos the past year in our college. They have given great satisfaction. We regard them as superior instruments."

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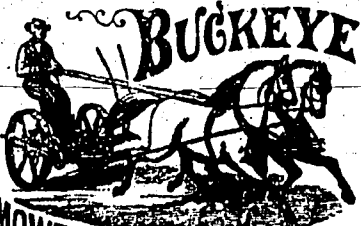
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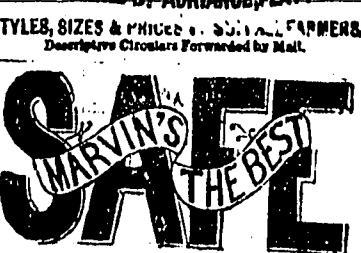
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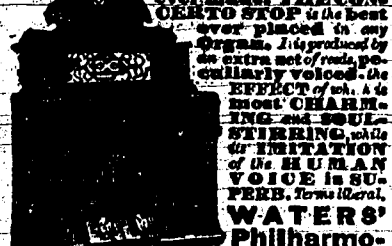
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N. J. SOUTHERN R. R.

SOUTHERN DIVISION.

Commencing May 4, 1874.

Leave N. Y. from Pier 8, N. Y. foot Rector St.

Train leaves New York at 9.40, reaching

Atison at 10.10, North Hammonton 10.20, Win-

low Junction 10.30, Cedar Lake 10.40, Landville

3.00, Vineland 3.15, Bayville 4.15. Returning

leaves Bayville at 6.20, Vineland 7.15, Landville

7.45, Cedar Lake 7.40, Winlow Junction

8.00, North Hammonton 8.05, Atison 8.25; ar-

rive in New York 12.50 P. M.

Train leaves Sandy Hook at 8.00, reaches

Atison at 7.55, Winlow Junction 8.20, Cedar

Lake 8.50, Landville 9.05, Vineland 9.45, Bay-

side 11.15. Returning, leaves Bayville 2.30,

Vineland 4.50, Landville 5.15, Cedar Lake

5.25, Winlow Junction 6.05, North Hammonton

6.15, Atison 6.35; reaching New York at

8.30 A. M.