

RATHBUN & CHAMBERLAIN.
(Successors to G. A. Rathbun.) Attorneys-at-Law, Main Street, Ridgeway, Elk Co., Pa.

HALL & McCAULEY,
Attorneys-at-Law.
Office in New Brick Building, Main St. Ridgeway, Elk Co., Pa.

LUCORE & HAMBLEN.
Attorneys-at-Law, Ridgeway, Elk County Pa. Office across the hall from the DEMOCRAT establishment. Claims for collection promptly attended to. J. H. 17-70.

CHARLES HOLES,
Watchmaker, Engraver and Jeweler
Main street, Ridgeway, Pa. Agent for the J. & M. Sewing Machine, and Norton Gold Pen. Repairing Watches, etc., done with the same accuracy as heretofore. Satisfaction guaranteed. 17-13-17

J. O. W. BAILEY,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW.
17-13-17

Vincent L. Ridgeway, Elk County, Pa. Agent for the Traveler's Life and Accident Insurance Co., of Hartford, Conn.

JAMES D. FULLERTON,
Surgeon Dentist, having permanently located in Ridgeway, offers his professional services to the citizens of Ridgeway and surrounding country. All work warranted. Office in Service & Wheeler's Building, upstairs, first door to the left. 17-13-17

G. G. MESSENGER,
Druggist and Pharmacist, N. W. corner of Main and Mill streets, Ridgeway, Pa. Full assortment of carefully selected Foreign and Domestic Drugs. Prescriptions carefully dispensed at all hours, day or night. 17-13-17

T. S. HARTLEY, M. D.,
Physician and Surgeon.
Office in Drug Store, corner Broad and Main Sts., Residence corner Broad St., opposite the College. Office hours from 8 to 10 A. M. and from 7 to 8 P. M. 17-13-17

J. S. BORDWELL, M. D.,
Electrician and Surgeon, has removed his office from Centre street, to Main street, in the second story of the new brick building of John G. Hall, opposite Hyde's store.
Office hours—1 to 2 P. M. to 9 P. M. 17-13-17

HYDE HOUSE,
Bismark, Elk Co., Pa.
W. H. Schram, Proprietor.
Thankful for the patronage heretofore so liberally bestowed upon him, the new proprietor, hopes, by paying strict attention to the comfort and convenience of guests, to merit a continuance of the same.
Oct 30 1893.

KERSEY HOUSE,
Centreville, Elk Co., Pa.
John Collins, Proprietor.
Thankful for the patronage heretofore so liberally bestowed upon him, the new proprietor, hopes, by paying strict attention to the comfort and convenience of guests, to merit a continuance of the same.

E. G. FAY,
LUMBER AND INSURANCE COMMISSIONER.
GENERAL COLLECTION AGENT
No 25 Walnut Place,
(110 Walnut Street.)
PHILADELPHIA, PA.
41-14

The undersigned represents the following reliable Companies for this District:
Aetna Hartford, \$7,000,000
North British Mercantile, 10,000,000
German American, N. Y., 2,500,000
Niagara N. Y., 1,500,000
Amanoa, Ohio, 1,000,000
Paterson, N. J., 1,000,000
Farmville, Va., 250,000
Travelers Life & Accident, 4,000,000
Correspondence solicited from those desiring insurance.
P. B. WACHSBERG, S. M. M'Fay's Pa. 84113

P. W. HAYS,
Wholesale and Retail Dealer in
Dry Goods, Notions, Groceries and General Variety,
FOX ELK GO., PA.
Earley P. O.

K. J. EARLEY, M. D. W. B. HARTMAN, M. D.
DRS. EARLEY & HARTMAN.
Dr. W. B. Hartman, formerly of St. Mary's, has associated himself with Mr. J. Earley, M. D. In the practice of medicine at Ridgeway. By close attention to business they hope to receive a liberal share of the patronage of the public. Dr. W. B. Hartman can be found at all hours, either at his rooms, over the post-office, or at Dr. J. Earley's drug store. Dr. M. J. Earley can be found at the residence of Dr. C. B. Earley, or at his drug store. Surgery, and diseases of women and children a specialty.

E. K. GRESH,
Dealer in all kinds of cabinet ware, wood and cane seat chairs, kitchen and extension tables, wood and marble top bureaus, what-nots, looking glasses, wood and marble top chamber suits, mattresses, spring bed bottoms, bedsteads, cribs, Lantry's metal lined wood pumps, &c. &c. Cane seats replaced with perforated wood seats. Wood sewing machine reduced from \$65 to \$45, the best machine in the market, and picture frames made to order. Also a large assortment of ready made collars constantly on hand, and trimmed at shortest notice. All the above goods are sold at panic prices. Ware Rooms in masonic building, Ridgeway Pa. 17-13-17

Rates of Advertising.
One column, one year \$75.00
" " " " " " " " 40.00
" " " " " " " " 25.00
" " " " " " " " 15.00
Transient advertisements per square of eight lines, one insertion \$1.00
Business cards, ten lines or less, per year \$5.
Advertisements payable quarterly.

POWELL & KIME'S

Elk Advocate.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 1894.

Arrival and Departure of Mails.
Eastern—Daily except Sundays; arrives at 2:22 p. m.; leaves at 6:16 p. m.;
Western—Daily except Sundays; leaves at 2:22 p. m.; arrives at 6:16 p. m.
Brookville—Daily except Sundays arrives at 12 m.; leaves at 2:30 p. m.
Spring Creek—Arrives Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11 a. m.; leaves Wednesdays and Fridays at 9 a. m.

Lodge Meetings.
Elk Lodge, No. 879, A. Y. M., meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month in Masonic Hall.
Elk Chapter, No. 290, R. A. M., meets the third Tuesday of each month in Masonic Hall.
Knapp Commandery, No. 40, K. T., meets the fourth Thursday of each month in Masonic Hall.

County Officers.
President—Judge H. L. D. Wetmore Associate Judges—Hons. J. K. Whitmore, Chas. Luhr.
Sheriff—Daniel Seull.
Treasurer—Jacob McCauley.
District Attorney—J. K. P. Hall.
Co. Superintendent—Geo. R. Dixon.
Prothonotary—Fred Schenning.
Deputy Prothonotary—W. S. Horton.
Commissioners—Michael Wedert, W. H. Osterhout, George Reuser.
Commissioners' Clerks—W. S. Horton, Auditors—W. H. Hyde, R. I. Spangler, George Rothrock.

Township Officers.
Judge of Election—Will Dickinson. Inspectors—James Pettiford, P. R. Smith.
Justices of the Peace—Charles Mead, Jas. D. Fullerton.
School Directors—O. B. Grant, Jas. Gardin, G. T. Wheeler, N. T. Cummings, W. S. Service, Eng. J. Miller, Supervisors—O. B. Fitch, Jas. Riley, Treasurer—W. H. Hyde, Assessor—M. S. Kline, Assistant Assessors—Geo. Dickinson, John Walsley, J. H. Hagerty, James Pennfield, J. S. Powell, Clerk—M. S. Kline, Constable—J. W. Morgester.

Churches.
Lutheran—Rev. J. Brennehan, pastor. Services every alternate Sunday, in both English and German, at 11 a. m., and 7 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m., the pastor, Superintendent; Geo. A. Walker, assistant.
Grace Episcopal—Rev. Wm. James Miller, rector. Services every Sunday at the usual hours, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m. All are cordially invited to attend. Seats free.
Methodist—Rev. A. Van Camp, pastor. Services every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m., C. E. Holliday, superintendent. Geo. R. Dixon, assistant.
Young Folks' Bible Class at 9 p. m. Regular Official Meeting the second Monday of each month at 8 p. m.
Roman Catholic—Rev. Father Maher pastor. Services every other Sunday at 10 a. m.
PRESBYTERIAN—Rev. A. J. Montgomery, Pastor. Services every fourth Sunday in the Lutheran church at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M.

CRISTADORO'S
HAIR DYE.
Cristadoro's Hair Dye is the SAFEST and BEST; it acts instantaneously, producing the most natural shades of Black or Brown; does NOT STAIN the SKIN; and is easily applied. It is a standard preparation, and a favorite upon every well appointed Toilet for Lady or Gentleman. Sold by Druggists.
J. CRISTADORO, P. O. Box 1639, New York, N. Y.

RAILROADS.
PENNSYLVANIA RAIL ROAD
Philadelphia & Erie R. R. Division
WINTER TIME TABLE.
ON and after SUNDAY, NOV. 26, 1876, the trains on the Philadelphia & Erie Railroad will run as follows:
WESTWARD.
NIAGARA EX leaves Remont..... 4 45 p m
" " " " " " " " 5 58 p m
" " " " " " " " 6 50 p m
" " " " " " " " 7 45 p m
" " " " " " " " 8 14 p m
" " " " " " " " 9 20 p m
" " " " " " " " 10 00 p m
" " " " " " " " 11 09 p m
" " " " " " " " 12 00 a m
" " " " " " " " 12 55 p m
" " " " " " " " 1 46 p m
" " " " " " " " 2 11 p m
" " " " " " " " 3 20 p m
" " " " " " " " 7 35 p m
" " " " " " " " 8 50 p m
" " " " " " " " 10 10 p m
" " " " " " " " 11 09 a m
" " " " " " " " 12 00 a m
" " " " " " " " 1 46 p m
" " " " " " " " 2 11 p m
" " " " " " " " 3 20 p m
" " " " " " " " 7 35 p m

EASTWARD.
DAY EX leaves Kane..... 6 00 a m
" " " " " " " " 7 06 a m
" " " " " " " " 7 20 a m
" " " " " " " " 8 10 a m
" " " " " " " " 8 58 a m
" " " " " " " " 10 10 a m
" " " " " " " " 11 09 a m
" " " " " " " " 12 00 a m
" " " " " " " " 1 46 p m
" " " " " " " " 2 11 p m
" " " " " " " " 3 20 p m
" " " " " " " " 7 00 a m
" " " " " " " " 7 00 a m

Day Express and Niagara Express connect east with Low Grade Division and B. N. Y. & P. R. R.
WM. A. BALDWIN, Gen'l. Supt.

SCIENTIFIC FARMER.
BOSTON, MASS.
Science is knowledge, scientific is knowing. Can a better motto be adopted? In the interest of a profitable culture. Entering families in every section. Never has it failed to give satisfaction. To the intelligent farmer. In all things practical. For it treats of the doctrine of uses. In matters that pertain to the farm. Cannot you afford to give it a trial?

For only One Dollar a year, And your name and address plainly written. Send to the Scientific Farmer Co., Boston, Mass. Much of monthly value will be received. Enabling you to profit from others' experience. Reflect that ideas turned to uses are money.

Five Copies, 75 cents each.

THE BEST MAGAZINE.

A Combination of the Useful, the Entertaining and the Beautiful.
Demorest's Illustrated Monthly.
The Model Parlor Magazine of America, contains the essentials, of all others, including Home Interests in all its departments.

The only Reliable Fashions in all its details. The beauties and utilitities of Literature, Poetry, Sketches, Stories, Musico, Floriculture, and every branch of interesting and useful reading calculated to enliven and elevate society and make our leisure attractive, useful and happy.

This unrivaled Magazine will commence its sixteenth year with January, 1877, and as heretofore, full of new literary, entertaining and useful subjects to which it is devoted.

With each number will be given a superb colored cabinet picture (with the worth the whole cost of the Magazine) in oil, mounted on a mat ready for framing;— Every subscriber at three dollars is entitled to the selection of a premium (of which there are eighteen), delivered or forwarded immediately on receipt of the subscription. Every article offered is of first quality, including Books, any one worth the price of subscription; Chromes from Celebrated Printings and equal to the originals, of large size and suitable for any parlor; Pocket Cook Stoves; SYSTEM of Dance Curious, (this received the Highest Commendation Award); Silver-Plated Ware, of all kinds, Stationery, Linen Marker, etc., etc.

FOR CLUBS.
We have larger and more valuable Premiums, including Books of all kinds; Silver-Plated Ware, Bracket Saws, Scissors, Stereoscopes, Games, Table Cutlery, Clocks, Adjustable, Fining Machines, Knitting Machines, China Dinner and Tea Sets; and numerous other desirable articles of which a full list will be furnished on application to the publisher.

W. JENNINGS DEMOREST, 17 East 14th Street, N. Y. Agents Required Everywhere. Send for Particulars.

PREMIUM LIST FOR EACH SUBSCRIBER.
Each subscriber at \$3 is entitled to a selection of one of the following premiums, delivered or forwarded by Mail immediately on the receipt of the Subscription.

1.—Choice of either of the superb Oil Chromes, "After the Storm," "Home Sweet Home," "Old Oaken Bucket," and "The Captive Child," in all their original beauty. Size, 17x26 inches. Retail price \$15 each.) An additional Chromo can be had for 50 cents, or two for 90 cents, or three for \$1.30, including postage or mounted on canvas and stretched for framing, 50 cents each, extra, which includes transportation.

2.—A Pocket Cook Stove, 16x22 in a space 4 inches square 14 inches thick and weighs only 13 ounces. Postage required, 15 cents.

3.—Jenny Jones's Cook-Book; the most popular of modern authorities on Cooking 340 pages handsome cloth binding. Post-free.

4.—Miss Demorest's Excellent System for Cutting Ladies' Dresses. Price, \$3, and Mme. Demorest's Children's Magic Dress Chart. Price \$1.50. Postage free. This system received the Centennial Award.

5.—A beautiful silver-plated Napkin Ring, Postage free. The ring is solid white metal, double silver-plated, richly engraved, and rests upon supports formed of silver stems and leaves. It is unique in style and elegant in finish and a very handsome gift from a gentleman to a lady, or vice versa.

6.—A fine, solid silver-plated Butter Knife. Post-free.

7.—The Children of the Abbey, a large, standard and highly entertaining work by H. M. Roche. Cloth, gilt, over 600 pages. Post-free.

8.—Thaddeus of Warsaw, a graphic novel of fiction. By Miss Jane Porter. Octavo, cloth, gilt, 600 pages. Post-free.

9.—The Scottish Chiefs; a standard book of great interest and power. By Miss Jane Porter. Octavo, cloth, gilt, over 600 pages. Post-free.

10.—A large box of beautiful and fashionable Stationery, containing 30 quires of latest style note paper (assorted tints), envelopes to match. Post-free.

11.—Any one volume of Sir Walter Scott's Novels, each complete in one volume; clear type; handsome cloth binding; new edition, crown, octavo. Postage free.

12.—Waverley; or "The Sixty Years Since."—2 Gay Manoeuvring; or the Astrologer.—2 The Antiquary.—4 Rob Roy.—5 Old Mortality.—6 The Black Dwarf, and a Legend of Montrose.—7 The Bride of Lammermoor.—8 The Heart of Mid-Lothian.—9 Ivanhoe, a Romance.—10 The Monastery.—11 The Abbot; a Sequel.—12 Kenilworth.—13 The Pirate.—14 The Fortunes of Nigel.—15 Peveril of the Peak.—16 Quentin Durward.—17 St. Ronsard's Wives.—18 Reginald.—19 The Betrothed.—20 The Talisman.—21 Woodstock; or the Cavalier.—22 The Fair Maid of Perth.—23 Anne of Geierstein.—24 Count Robert of Paris.—25 Castle Dangerous; Surgeon's Daughter.—26 The English Widows; My Aunt Margaret's Mirror. Account of the Scott Centenary.

13.—A Triumph Lion Marker and Card Printer, for marking clothing, etc., with type sufficient for several names, ink, etc., complete. Post-free.

14.—6x8 1/2 inches, 300 illustrations. Uniform Postage, 20 cents.

15.—Household Elegancies in size, Postage, 20 cents.

16.—18 Windows Gardening in binding. Postage, 20 cents.

17.—Dollar's worth of Mme. Demorest's Reliable Patterns, post-free. Selected from last issue or Magazine in one order.

SUPR. DIXON'S ANNUAL REPORT.

Elk County's Educational Affairs.

Educational advancement in this county during the year just closed has been decidedly gratifying to its patrons and friends. Teachers and directors have shown much earnestness in the discharge of their duties, and there was clearly manifested an intimate co-operation between teacher and parent.

School Buildings.—Ridgeway erected a fine school house at Winmarth, Benzingert Rathbun, and at Centreville, by Fox, was built a beautiful and commodious structure for a graded school of two departments, and furnished the rooms in a praiseworthy manner. Three buildings were set apart for school purposes in other parts of the county, but were not entirely new, however, they were suitably arranged and comfortable. The school buildings throughout the county are excellent, with a few exceptions, and a majority of them are supplied with patent desks. The grounds are sufficiently ample, and are generally well supplied with outbuildings, shade trees, water, and in some of them plants are cultivated by scholars and teachers. The brick school building at St. Mary's was partitioned so as to make four departments and two of the rooms were furnished with approved furniture.

New Buildings Needed.—There is a pressing demand for a new school house in Benzingert ample to accommodate about one hundred scholars. The one now used, which is situated in the borough of St. Mary's, is by far too inadequate for the purpose, The building used for the graded school in Benzenette is not properly arranged, and as Benzenette is a growing village, there ought to be a two-story school house erected at that place.

At Medix Run, Benzenette, a new school building is needed to take the place of the one now in use, and at Brandy Camp, Horton, a similar change ought to take place. Whitestown, Gardner and Laurel Mill, in Ridgeway, will need better school houses, as the ones they now use are very poor. Fox will soon be called upon to build for the Mountain school, a private dwelling being now in use for school purposes.

Apparatus.—About twenty-five of our schools are without necessary school apparatus. Millstone has set an example worthy of emulation by the others. Her schools are well supplied with charts, maps, globes, &c., and text-books are uniform.

Text Books.—Our greatest drawback is the want of properly graded series of text-books, but we expect soon to have a different state of affairs.

Schools.—There are sixty-four schools in the county, and in them are taught all the branches required by law, and in many of them the "higher branches" receive much attention. There are five graded schools in the county; they are situated at Benzenette, St. Mary's, Centreville, Wilcox and Ridgeway. One more is needed at Benzingert. A hindrance to our progress is the too frequent change of teachers, ninety-six having been employed in the year to teach our sixty-four schools.

Teachers.—We have more applicants for schools than formerly, hence we are able to secure better teachers. I am gradually rising the standard, and will soon be able to reject all those whose attainments are not of a high order. One year ago there was not a teacher in the county who was a subscriber to the *Pennsylvanian School Journal*, but there are now about thirty-five subscribers. There are only about ten counties in the State that pay higher salaries, on the average, than Elk.

Directors.—Among the directors we have many good, honest workers, and there are some who are lifeless and deserve burial.

District Institutes.—District Institutes were held in several townships, eight educational meetings were held, together with three local institutes. The interest manifested was unbounded, and the results were highly satisfactory. The county institute was held at Wilcox, December 6, and nearly every teacher was present. It was indeed a most gratifying success. The lecturer and instructors were Revs. Wm. Martin, Wm. Hoffman, Prof. W. W. Woodruff, W. H. McCollin, A. Grant Childs, W. S. McPherson, S. T. Brockbank Hon. Jackson S. Schultz, Deputy State Superintendent Henry Houck and others. The directors' day was largely attended. A Normal school is in operation at Wilcox this summer under the direction of Prof. W. S. McPherson.

Superintendent's work.—My first year's work as County Superintendent is over, and I have some, but few, regrets. My labors have been arduous, and none can say I have not tried hard to do my duty. I have visited every school in the county once, nearly all of them twice, a majority of them three times, and many of them four times. In the discharge of my duties, about 1,700 miles. The average time at a school was about two and one-half hours. Have held 27 examinations, rejected 6 applicants, annulled one certificate, held 8 educational meetings, 3 institutes, made 150 addresses, and wrote 450 official letters.

Thanks.—I tender hearty thanks to parents, teachers, directors and pupils who have encouraged me in my work, to the press of Elk county, and to the Department of Public Instruction for favors done.

CALL at this office for stationary, printed or without printing. We sell envelopes by the pack or thousand cheaper than the cheapest.

NOTES.
COURT this week.
Subscribe for the ADVOCATE.
The sleighing continues good. Call and see our stock of envelopes. Township Election Tuesday, Feb. 13th.

We will give the Court proceedings next week.
You can buy note paper and envelopes cheap at the ADVOCATE office.

FRANK VANORSDALE, who has been sick for several weeks, is fast recovering.

D. F. FARRAN will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Constable. In our last issue we said D. A. Farran.

OUR thanks are due Hon. L. A. Mackey, M. C. from this district, for continued favors in the way of Pub. Docs.

LEST begins on the 14th of February (Valentine's Day), and Easter falls on the first day of April (All Fool's Day).

The Danbury News is correct in saying that "doing business without advertising is a good deal like trying to borrow a flag on the Fourth of July."

We publish in this issue the report of County Superintendent Dixon to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction. It was omitted last week for want of space.

Mrs. S. Jackson says she killed five chickens, the other day; that weighed 29 pounds, or an average of 5.45 pounds apiece. Pretty good for May weather.

The Potter Enterprise says.—Heretofore the Sheriff of this county has received four dollars per week for boarding prisoners. The County Commissioners talk of cutting the price down materially.

TO THE VOTERS OF RIDGWAY TOWNSHIP.—I hereby announce that I am a candidate for the office of Constable and if again elected will attend to the duties of said office to the best of my ability.

J. W. MORGESTER.

PRESBYTERIAN.—Services next Sunday January 29th, in the Lutheran Church, morning and evening by Rev. W. H. Wilson. Communion after morning service. Also preaching Friday evening at 7 o'clock and Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Mr. Montgomery.

JOSEPH DILL of Jay township cut one of his hands badly in a feed cutter few days ago. The flesh on two fingers was cut to the bone, and left hanging by the skin. Mr. Dill was in our office the day after the accident happened, and says he experienced no great pain.

Mrs. BELL, wife of John Bell, of this place was arrested last Thursday on a requisition from Governor Harttraut, charged with forging a note for \$300 in New York State. We have been unable to glean further particulars, further than Mrs. Bell declares herself entirely ignorant of the crime.

THE County Superintendent will hold educational meetings as follows: At Helen Jan. 29th; Weedville Jan. 30th; Benzenette, Jan. 30th; Caledonia, Jan. 31st; Centreville Feb. 1st, P. M. Let them be well attended. The meetings at Weedville will be held at the store of Avery & Brown.

ATTENTION HOTEL AND BOARDING HOUSE KEEPERS.—We have on hand, and for sale at fifty cents a dozen, printed on heavy card board, the recent act for the protection of hotel keepers, and blanks left for changes by the day and meal and also blanks for hours of meals etc. Call and get them at this office, or send 50 cents a dozen and three cents a dozen for postage.

A BILL has been introduced in the Legislature by Mr. Hitchcock, making void any waiver of the exemption laws. This bill should pass, as it would prevent many a man from signing away, in a time of imaginary or real want of money, the rights of his family to the benefit of the exemption laws. Of course rogues would profit by the law, but it seems as though the law would have a good effect in the long run.

3,000,000 of letters are sent to the dead letter office yearly. Much of this would undoubtedly be avoided if every man had his name printed on the envelopes he uses, with a request to return. We have a fine assortment of envelopes at this office, which we will print from a single package to any number you may require. We can furnish envelopes, also, without being printed. Give us a call!

GAY SLEIGH RIDE.—The *Conneautville Courier* gives the following as a recipe for a "gay sleigh ride": Ten young couples. One two-horse outfit with driver. One night, colder than blitzer. One mile of merrierment. Ten miles of nearly frozen to death. One chilly county hotel room. One fiddler. Three hours of light fantastic toe. Supper. First course—lukewarm milk and water that has been bathed in by an oyster. Second course—same as the first. Dessert—country air and ice. The party is now half way through. Next comes a little more squeaky fiddle and balancing around. Then all aboard for home. Colder drive than ever. All sitting in the sleigh-box. Driver loses his way. Young men crawl out and swear. Girls cry. Home at last—four o'clock in the morning. Total: Nine frozen cars. Twenty played out people of both sexes. Two used-up horses, and a lot of young liars, who go around the next day and say they had "a mense time."

BARBERS who have gained a temporary increase in their patronage by offering a shave for five cents, at a clean shave with a scrubber of beef for ten cents, are now eclipsed by the brilliant genius of a tonsorial artist—for well he merits the title—who advertises a silent shave. His shop is crowded from morning until night, and new people walk many squares to find the magic sign. Only one thing now hinders him from assuming a colossal fortune. He is unable to find assistants. He gives them short hours and introduces them to all the book agents and insurance agents he knows, and they cannot get over their bi-metallic theories; they still prefer the speech that is silver rather than the silence which is golden. The force of habit is so strong that success is hardly within reach without the abolition of shampooing, for the firmest padlock cannot prevent the inevitable question, "Shampooing sir?" and the equally inevitable sequel, "Head needs it, sir; it's very dirty."—*Philadelphia Times*

Sheriff's Sales.
Property of P. J. Kunzleman, to Adolph Tierney for \$750; containing fifty-seven and three-fourths acres of land in the village of Centreville, upon which there is erected a two story frame dwelling house 22x34.

Property of Joseph T. Southard to B. E. Morey for \$250; one-half acre in Jay township.

Property of Michael Heindel to M. M. Schultz for \$375; fifteen acres in the Borough of St. Mary's, and one two story frame dwelling house 30x25 and barn 20x40. Also a good spring of water and orchard.

Property of J. S. Eades to J. Henry Cochran for \$440; thirteen tracts of land.

Property of Joseph Windfelder to Andrew Kaul for 140; lot in Windfelder's addition to the Borough of St. Mary's.

Property of J. F. & H. M. Powers to Daniel Crabtree for \$400; 154 acres of land in Warren 2775 in Spring Creek township.

Property of J. F. & H. M. Powers to Daniel Crabtree for \$300; fifteen acres of land in Spring Creek township.

Property of Joseph Windfelder to Andrew Kaul for \$100; six town lots in Windfield's addition to St. Mary's.

Property of N. M. Brockway, known as the Keystone property, to D. C. Oyster for \$145; eleven tracts of land in Horton township.

SHAKESPEARE GIVEN AWAY.—With No. 167 the *Family Story Paper*, commenced to give away Shakespeare in parts. Every person who purchases the No. referred to and succeeding issues of the *Family Story Paper* will be entitled to a part of Shakespeare free, weekly, till the work is completed. This edition is in Royal Octavo Form, finely illustrated, and printed on good thick paper, with new clear type. When buying No. 167, and succeeding issues of *The New York Family Story Paper*, do not forget to ask your newsdealer for the accompanying part of Shakespeare's works, free. The *Family Story Paper* sells for six cents per copy. No extra charge for Shakespeare.

Postal Changes.
Washington, January 21.—Post office changes for the week ending January 20, in Pennsylvania:

Names Changed.—Jannar Mills, Clinton county, to Mackeyville.

Postmasters Appointed.—Elizabeth Galbraith, Brainbridge, Lancaster county; John H. Hoffman, Curtin, Dauphin county; Robert F. Smith, Dent's Run, Elk county; Miss R. E. Foster, Foster's Mills, Armstrong county; Franklin Showers, Kersey, Elk county; Thomas M. Walker, Library, Allegheny county; John P. St. Clair, Lower Two Lick, Indiana county; Joseph Newland, Lucinda Furnace, Clarion county; Mary J. McCollough, Moderr, Clearfield county; Daniel W. Reed, Pennsburg, Montgomery county; Ann C. West, Ridley Park, Delaware county; Jacob H. Brubaker, Rockton, Clearfield county; Francis M. Case, Sugar creek, Venango county.

The Petroleum Situation.
The *Titusville Herald* contains a review of the petroleum market for 1876, in which it says:
The 2,500,000 of barrels sent out only served to increase the average production for the year to a figure less than 1,000 barrels per day over that of the year previous. This falls very short of the increase of consumption. As to the stocks on hand, there has been a large increase, although the final contest between the exporters and refiners, which began early in September and continued for about sixty days, prevented a further draft of at least half a million barrels during the year, and which must necessarily be taken during the early part of this year, in addition to the usual demands of the trade. There is at present only about two months visible supply in the oil region. The number of producing wells is now nearly 6,000 against 3,500 this time last year. They are located promiscuously upon almost every available farm known in the oil region, and the year failed to develop any new field of production. Here and there pools have been struck of more or less magnitude, but they have not brought to light any new field, and all are located within the limits well defined two years ago. The production for December last was but a few hundred barrels more than the same month in 1875, and the average for the year was but slightly in excess of the previous year, and this, notwithstanding the unprecedented development and increase in the number of producing wells.

The Commissioners have appointed Thos. J. Burke, of St. Mary's, Mercantile Appraiser for the present year.

The News.
Erie, Pa., January 16.—Wm. E. Lath, late city solicitor of this city, turns out to be a defaulter. He was arrested at Tonesta, yesterday, on charges made by Mayor Hammond. The amount involved is nearly \$2,000.

The decrease of imports at New York, last year, in the single article of dry goods, of \$10,000,862, and of \$56,114,449 in 1876 as compared with 1875, shows a most encouraging progress in the direction of national independence and self support.

Utica, N. Y., January 25.—An old man named Wooliver was buried alive in a well forty feet deep, while cleaning it, near Mohawk, Herkimer county, this morning. He has not been rescued up to a late hour.

Jamestown, N. Y., January 21.—At Clark's foundry yesterday afternoon Girard B. Hamilton, while threatening Clarence Hale with a knife, was struck by the latter with a bar of iron. Hamilton's skull was fractured, and he died this morning.

St. Louis, January, 19.—The German Protestant Orphan Asylum, ten miles from this city, burned last night. All the children were safely taken from the building excepting Eugene Long, six years old, who perished in the flames. Loss not ascertained; insurance \$8,000.

Albany, Jan. 16.—An unprecedented state of affairs, owing to the tremendous snow storms of the past two weeks, exists all along the railroads west of here as far as Buffalo. Between that point and this there are 8,000 loaded freight cars snow-bound, waiting to get to tide water. If all these were coupled together on one track they would extend over a length of 44 miles.

Philadelphia, January, 20.—This morning a police officer in the northern part of the city arrested a colored man who had in his possession a leg of pork, which he had evidently stolen. The colored man endeavored to escape from the officer, who fired his revolver at him three times, the last shot killing him instantly. The name of the negro has not