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JAMES D. FULLERTON, Surgeon Dentist, having permanently located in Ridgway, offers his professional services to the citizens of Ridgway and surrounding country.

G. G. MESSENGER, Druggist and Pharmacist, N. W. corner of Main and Mill streets, Ridgway, Pa.

T. S. HARTLEY M. D., Physician and Surgeon, Office in Drug Store, corner Broad and Main Sts.

J. S. BORDWELL, M. D., Eclectic Physician and Surgeon, has removed his office from Centre street, to Main at Ridgway, Pa.

HYDE HOUSE, RIDGWAY, ELK CO., PA. W. H. SCHRAM, Proprietor. Thankful for the patronage heretofore so liberally bestowed upon him.

LUMBER AND INSURANCE COMMISSION BROKER, AND GENERAL COLLECTION AGENT No. 206 Walnut Place, (31st Walnut Street,) PHILADELPHIA, PA.

P. W. HAYS, DEALER IN Dry Goods, Notions, Groceries and General Variety, FOX ELK CO., PA.

E. K. GRESH, Dealer in all kinds of cabinet ware, wood and cane seat chairs, kitchen and extension tables, wood and marble top stands, wood and marble top bureaus, whatnots, looking glasses, wood and marble top chamber suits, mattresses, spring bed bottoms, bedsteads, cribs, Lafferty's metal lined wood pumps, &c., &c.

NEW LIVERY STABLE IN RIDGWAY. DAN SCRIBNER WISHES to inform the citizens of Ridgway, and the public generally, that he has started a Livery Stable and will keep GOOD STOCK, GOOD CARRIAGES and Buggies to let upon the most reasonable terms.

IF YOU WANT TO BUY GOODS CHEAP GO TO JAMES H HAGERTY Main Street, Ridgway, Pa.

DBY GOODS, NOTIONS, BOOTS SHOES, HATS AND CAPS, GLASS AND QUEENS WARE, WOOD AND WILLOW WARE, TOBACCO AND CIGARS A Large Stock of Groceries and Provisions

County Officers. President Judge—Hon. L. D. Wetmore Associate Judges—Hons. Geo. Ed. Wels, and Julius Jones.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. ESTATE of John C. Fisher, late of Fox township, Elk county, Pa. deceased.

REGISTRAR'S NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that the following accounts will be presented on the first day of the next term of the Orphans Court for confirmation, being the 31st Monday of November next.

TO CONSUMPTIVES. The advertiser, having been permanently cured of that dread disease, Consumption, by a simple remedy, is anxious to make known to his fellow sufferers the means of cure.

Appleton's American Cyclopaedia. Vol. 8 of this admirable work is just out, making it half complete, as there are to be 16 in all, of 800 pages each, one being issued in two months.

KEROSENE OIL 110° Fire Test at 20c per Gallon. Diamond Head Light Oil, at only 25c per Gallon at the WEST END STORE.

SPECIAL NOTICES. DR. VAN DYKE'S SULPHUR SOAP. DR. VAN DYKE, whose life long speciality, and world wide reputation for curing SKIN DISEASES, has endeavored for years to combine an EXTERNAL TREATMENT, with an internal one.

GO TO POWELL & KIME for your flour, feed and pork, and everything else in the provision line.

N. O. MOLASSES FOR COOKING, also choice syrup always on hand at POWELL & KIME'S.

A NICE LOT OF NEW PRINTS at POWELL & KIME'S, only eight cents per yard.

FLOUR, PORK, FEED, CORN-MEAL, Oats, always on hand at POWELL & KIME'S at bottom prices.

Notice. All persons are hereby forbidden selling goods to, or trusting any person on my account, without my written order, as I will pay no debts thus contracted after this date.

MILINERY AND DRESSMAKING. MRS. J. R. KELTZ, Kersey, Elk County, Pa., takes this method of announcing to the citizens of Elk county, that she has on hand an assortment of fashionable millinery goods which will be sold cheap.

CANNED GOODS—Peaches, Tomatoes, Currants, and Plums at the store of Powell & Kime.

List of Causes. SET down for trial at November Term of the Court of Common Pleas of Elk County:

1. John Wainwright, adm'r. ac. vs. W. H. Johnson et al. No. 14, September Term, 1876.

2. Jacob H. Walters et al. vs. Thos. L. Kane et al. No. 83 September Term, 1876.

3. Chas. Webb vs. Simon Romig. No. 112 September Term, 1876.

4. W. B. Knouke vs. C. R. Earley. No. 211, September Term, 1876.

5. Barbara Eckel, Widow et. vs. Edward Babel. No. 223, September Term, 1876.

6. Stout, Mills, and Temple vs. Ralph Johnson, adm'r. &c. No. 57, November Term, 1876.

INSURANCE AGENCY. OF P. B. WACHTEL, St. Mary's, Pa. The largest agency in either Elk or its adjoining counties, representing through his General Agents about 30 responsible and prompt loss paying companies.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE. Gross assets \$32,538,612. ETNA, OF HARTFORD, CONN. Assets over \$7,000,000.

FIRE ASSOCIATION OF PHILADELPHIA Assets \$4,000,000. NIAGARA, OF NEW YORK. Assets \$1,500,000.

SHAWMUT, BOSTON, MASS. CAPITAL, \$500,000. GERMAN NATIONAL, NEW YORK. Assets \$2,500,000.

TRAVELERS (Life and Accident) CONN. Assets \$1,205,000. NEW TIME TABLE OF THE P & E. R. R. commencing Monday, Sept. 24, 1877.

Mail East..... 4:13 p m West..... 2:50 p m Niagara Express West..... 8:22 p m

Township Officers. Judge of Election—G. R. Dixon. Inspectors—E. M. Lesser, H. H. Wetmore.

Justices of the Peace—Charles Mead, Jas. D. Fullerton. School Directors—O. B. Grant, Jas. Gardner, G. T. Wheeler, N. T. Cummings, W. S. Servino, J. Miller.

Supervisors—John Guinack, Daniel M'Govern. Treasurer—W. H. Hyde. Assessor—M. S. Kline.

Administrators and the Widow and Heirs. In Elk County, No. 59, May T., 77 deceased.

ELK COUNTY, SS: The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the Court of said County, Greeting:

WHEREAS, J. C. Sheldon, on the 8th day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, obtained judgment in our County Court of Common Pleas of Elk County, against Jane Sheldrake and E. H. Dixon, administrators of the estate of Charles Sheldrake, deceased, in and out of your county, yeoman, as well for a certain debt of two hundred thirty-one and five one-hundredths dollars, lawful money of the United States, and interest thereon from November 17th, 1874, as also for the costs and charges of the said judgment, which were awarded and adjudged for his damages, which are sustained by reason of the detention of the debt, without the said defendant, convict as appears to us of record, &c. Yet the execution of the said judgment will not be made, as we have been given to understand by the said plaintiff, who hath besought us to provide for him a proper remedy, in that behalf, and we being willing that what is right in the behalf should be done.

Therefore we command you, stout pcurator propositus that by honest and lawful men of our County, you make and appear before our County Court at Ridgway, at our County Court of Common Pleas, there to be held for said county, on the third Monday of November next, to show if any remedy be due, and if so, to what effect, and to what extent, and what our said court shall in that behalf command, and to do and execute the same, and to whom you shall make it known unto him and this writ.

Witness the honorable L. D. Wetmore, president of our said court, at Ridgway, the 18th day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven. FRED. SCHEENING, Prothonotary.

Sept. 14, 1877. Order of publication on Chas. Sheldrake, DANIEL SCHEENING, Sheriff.

QUOTATIONS OF White, Powell & Co. BANKERS AND BROKERS, No. 42 South Third Street. Stocks and Bonds Bought and Sold on Commission.

Philadelphia, Nov. 6, 1877. U. S. 1881, e..... 110 110 1/2 do do '65 J and J..... 105 105 do do '67 do..... 108 108 do do '68 do..... 109 110 10-40, do coupon..... 108 108 do Pacific O'ry..... 102 102 New 5's Reg. 1881..... 106 106 " C. 1881..... 106 106 " 4 1/2 Reg. 1891..... 105 105 " C. 1891..... 105 105 New 4's Reg. 1897..... 102 102 " C. 1897..... 102 102 Gold..... 102 102 Pennsylvania..... 30 30 Reading..... 15 15 Philadelphia & Erie..... 9 9 Lehigh Navigation..... 17 17 do Valley..... 38 39 United R R of N. J..... ex. div. 120 120 Pittsburgh, T. & Buffalo R. R..... 94 94 Northern Central..... ex. div. 16 16 Central Transportation..... 23 30 Quebecan..... 45 46 North Pennsylvania..... 37 39

THE SUN. 1878. NEW YORK. 1878. As the time approaches for the renewal of subscriptions, THE SUN would remind its friends and well-wishers everywhere, that it is again a candidate for their consideration and support.

The Weekly Sun. Who does not know THE WEEKLY SUN? It circulates throughout the United States the Canada, and beyond. Ninety thousand families greet its welcome pages weekly and regard it in the light of good, counselor, and friend.

Prepared by E. K. Thompson, Titusville, Pa. Price \$1.00. For sale by Dr. T. S. Hartley.

State Notes. Eight attempts were made in Pittsburgh on Saturday night to enter business houses. Judge Fisher of York, announces his intention of fining every person \$2 who may be found intoxicated on the streets of that place.

For the five weeks ending November 3 there were 374 deaths in Pittsburgh. Of these 122 were from diphtheria. The Philadelphia and Reading coal and iron company has purchased two large colliers in the Shamokin region.

One firm in Montgomery county shipped over seven hundred bushels of shellbarks this season. Alexander Fulton, city editor of the Allegheny Post, was assaulted the other day by a person named H. E. Tyler, who thought he could wipe out some grievance with a cowhide.

Last July Gottlieb Weisel, aged eighty-one years, strayed from his home in Butler county. A few days ago the body was found in the woods between two logs in Allegheny county. It is supposed the old man had lost himself.

Eight of the persons who tarred, feathered and rode on a rail, Mrs. Ratis, a respectable woman, at Waterford, Erie county, have been arrested. Their virtuous indignation will probably cost them dear.

Between 2,000,000 and 3,000,000 feet of lumber were burned in the lumber yard of Weisler & Bender, 2 1/2 miles from Elliptsburg, Centre county, on Sunday morning last. Loss about \$40,000. Insurance \$25,000.

The recent rafting freshet in the Delaware ended the later part of last week, and was one of the best on the river in several years. The number of rafts that passed down was 329, each averaging 50,000 feet of lumber, which would give a total of over 16,000,000 feet.

The Keystone hotel company, of Philadelphia, has brought suit for \$35,000 damages against Allegheny county for losses sustained in the destruction of the Union depot hotel July during the riots. The Pennsylvania railroad company, which owned the building, will bring a separate suit on their losses.

Francis M. Dowlin, of East Bradyville, Chester county, while working in his corn field, cocked his gun and leant it up against a shock. Shortly afterward, forgetting this gun, he went to strike the weeds with his corn knife, which hit the trigger of the gun and the contents entered his breast, killing him almost instantly.

Before Judge Ross, at Norristown, on Saturday argument was made and testimony heard on the motion for a new trial for Heinrich Kohnen, convict of the murder of Max Hechler at Elm station, as additional testimony is to be received until the 23d inst., at which time Judge Ross will commence the preparation of his decision, which will be given on December 3.

The Pittsburgh Dispatch speaks of lawyers in that city who visit the penitentiary, for the purpose of raising hopes of pardon in the minds of convicts, and then attempt to prosecute cases and then abandon them. The board of officials who manage the institution have in consequence decided to refuse the admission of attorneys on errands of this kind, and to attempt the getting of pardons.

Levi Swartz, who was shot by mistake while hunting in Perry county, some days ago, died the following day. Judge Junken, in charging the grand jury at New Bloomfield, on Monday, took occasion to advert to the frequency of careless shooting, and to the fact that the "negligent" killing of a person in mistake for game, was a crime. It was manslaughter, and if the guilty party were convicted would be followed by severe punishment.

Darius Prutzman and Kate Mory, of Baytown, were married at Reading Saturday afternoon, at the residence of the bride's parents. Prutzman is a steam engineer at the Warwick Iron Company's mills, sprained his back quite severely a few days since, and in the evening, at the wedding reception, he was taken suddenly ill. He gradually grew worse and died at three o'clock on Sunday morning, leaving Mrs. Prutzman a widow within twelve hours of her marriage ceremony.

At Titusville, last Friday evening engineer A. E. Van Dressler, while filling his lantern on the rear end of his locomotive, in the Pittsburgh, Titusville & Buffalo Road, was started by the backing of his locomotive, and fell from the top of the fireman, who, in crawling under the locomotive to clean the ash pan, had accidentally touched a throttle which started the train. Dressler, with lightning rapidity jumped for the lever and turned off the steam, thus saving his own life. The engineer applied such force, however, that his already injured shoulder was severely sprained and clavicle dislocated.

The Seranton Republican says: "Phillip Wisner and his son, of Toiyahanna, engaged for some time past in cutting wood for fuel, some distance from the village. He erected a cabin for himself to live in when not at work. On Thursday morning some parties passing through the woods found the cabin in ashes, and appearances indicated that it had been burned the night before. Upon examining the place more closely, the charred bodies of father and son were found among the debris, the former near the partition which divided the cabin into two rooms, the latter near where the bed stood. The stove and door were both at the opposite end of the cabin from where the bed was, and it is thought the fire was awakened, found the cabin on fire, tried to reach the door, but fell exhausted before he could do so. The son was doubtless killed by the smoke and never awoke. Mr. Wisner leaves a wife and two children living at Toiyahanna. It is supposed that the cabin took fire from the stove, though in what manner will of course never be known."

SLEIGH BELLS AND WHIPS.—A nice little assortment, at POWELL & KIME'S.

TITUSVILLE, PA., May 15, 1874. E. K. THOMPSON:—It is now ten years since I was taken with the gravel. At one time I was forty-eight hours without passing urine. I got along very well by using the catheter till last October when I had a fall which affected my kidney and liver very much, causing me to pass blood and urine with much pain. The sediment was like brick dust. The Saturday after Christmas my heart began to pass brick dust and corrupted matter very freely, and by the time I had used three bottles the pain, and scalding had left my back, side and abdomen, and now I am comparatively well, and think I owe my life to thee.

Barossa, or Buchu Backache, Liver and Kidney Cure. My Postoffice address is Titusville, Pa., Spring Creek road, near the Newton Gas Well.

SILAS C. WHITFORD Prepared by E. K. Thompson, Titusville, Pa. Price \$1.00. For sale by Dr. T. S. Hartley.

Elk Advocate. THURSDAY, NOV. 15, 1877. Notes. —Frosty mornings now. —Indian summer has come. —Front gates will now take a rest. —The sling-shot business is dull among the small boys. —J. Powell's house near the Thayer House is now vacant. —Green hard wood sells here at \$1.50 a cord. —A new sidewalk has been laid on the Osterhout road. —Beautiful Cape Cod Cranberries at the West End Store. —Next week we have the Regular term of court here. —Miss B. E. Wilcox's house is nearly finished. —Chestnuts are very plenty in this section this fall. —And now they talk of running Olebillallen for U. S. Senator from Ohio. —J. K. Whitmore raised some excellent celery this season on his lot on East street. —"Another good man gone wrong" is a standing head line in the Philadelphia Times. —Sheriff Scull has hoisted Col. Noyes' picture over the stars and stripes on the jail. —The top piece of the liberty-pole in the court yard will come down on some-one's head one of these days. —A teachers' examination will be held at Keystone on Saturday the 24th inst, commencing at 9 A. M. —New Goods at the West End Store. Oranges, Lemons, Figs, Currants, Cut Leaf Sugar. —The politician who left a quart bottle, filled with "ecstasy" at Spring Creek, was not an Oyster man. —Samuel Beers, of Spring Creek township, has lost three children with diphtheria in the past three weeks. —There are several Republicans in Elk county who do not take the Advocate and yet are able to do so. —Powell & Kime continue to receive new goods daily, and keep on hand a full stock of dry goods, groceries, notions, flour, feed, etc., etc. —Lost.—On Monday, Nov. 5th 1877, on Main Street, a small gold pin, with a green set. A liberal reward will be paid for its return to O. M. Rhines. —G. G. Messenger lost a valuable coat this week. She got into the granary and ate a large quantity of chop, and then drank a lot of water, the result being her death. —Tame pigeons are increasing rapidly in Ridgway. If you are sharp you can have a pigeon pot pie, but first catch your pigeon, a little salt on his tail and you have him. —People intending to get pictures should take advantage of the fine weather we are having. Remember our low prices and good work at the West End. —The Presbyterian social will be held next Wednesday evening at the residence of O. B. Grant. A general invitation is extended to all. —The poor old turkey now roosts high and refuses to be comforted with the most tempting food for well known he that Thanksgiving day is at hand. —Cochran, Democrat, was elected treasurer of Cameron county by a majority of 522 in a vote of 900. The other fellow didn't make much of a run. —Ex-Mayor Oakley Hall dropped down on the New Yorkers rather unexpectedly the other day, after his trip to Europe. And now Tweed fears his day has come. —The Holdays are coming and people wishing Albums, Pictures Frames, &c., should attend to the matter in time before the rush comes, call at the WEST END. —J. W. Morgester and Salyer Jackson have leased the Red Lion hotel, near the depot, and are giving the house a complete over-hauling, besides they will build a large addition and be in shape to accommodate all who may favor them with their patronage. The house is to be known as the Ridgway House. —"The dollar of our daddies," or any other body's daddy's dollar will do to bring along next week to pay your subscription to this paper. If you owe us anything for subscription or job work, or advertising send us the money so much, but to tell the truth we have a mind to start a bank, and all we want now is deposits. —RELIGIOUS SERVICES in the several churches next Sunday:— Presbyterian.—Rev. Gillet, morning and evening at the usual hours, in the Lutheran church. Methodist.—Rev. W. H. Swartz, morning and evening at the usual hours Sunday School at 9 o'clock. Episcopal.—Services morning and evening by Rev. Wm. Jas. Miller. —Chicken thieves abound in this section, and we hereby warn them that if detected in the act they will receive no mercy. A chap in Erie county was sentenced to a fine of \$25 and three months imprisonment on three separate counts of robbing hen roosts, making an aggregate fine of \$75 and nine months imprisonment. The Judge remarked when imposing the sentence that of all the mean contemptible crimes the stealing of chickens was the meanest.

Communication. Nov. 9th, 1867. HENRY A. PARSONS, JR. EDITOR ADVOCATE. I have just finished reading an article in the Democrat headed "The Inhumanity of Man." I do not know who the writer is, nor do I care, but be he priest, layman, or devil, he deserves the execution of every one having the least sense of common christian decency.

Nothing that lives upon the face of the earth, that walks, or swims, or creeps, or flies, is so low, vile and degraded, but it would lowered by being compared with the author of that article. The only thing I can think of in any way approaching him in disgusting vileness, is a vulture gorged with carrion and dropping rottenness from his beak.

De mortuis nil nisi bonum. If of the dead we speak nothing unless good, when really called upon to speak of the living let us be certain that we say only the truth. The cowardly assassin approaching his victim in the dark and stabbing him in the back risks his own life upon the failure of his blow, but the anonymous scribbler of slander assaults the reputations or feelings of his victims with but little chance of detection. A deeper depth of hell awaits such a one. JUSTICE.

Oyster, Kime and Burke men buy their Stoves and Tin Ware at 42 Main Street. To Our Customers: Count, Weigh, Measure, Everything You Buy. WEST END STORE.

—Miller is facetious on the little arithmetical question we had last week and goes sloshing around generally. He giggered on the ambrosial locks, is he prepared to do the same in regard to the big bellies? He certainly is mistaken as to the occupation of the parties in the court yard; they were not looking for the north star, but for the bear that pulled down the Kime stork and the dipper that scooped the Kime majorities. The result shows how well they compassed their object. Cheese it "Skippy!"

—OUR MOTTO: The Best Goods at the Lowest Possible Prices—at the WEST END STORE. —At the millinery establishment of Mrs. N. T. Cummings, the ladies of Ridgway and vicinity will find a large assortment of fashionable hats feathers, etc. Hats pressed over at reasonable rates and at short notice Rooms over R. I. Campbell's Store Main Street. Give her a call.

—All kinds of job work cheaply and neatly done at this office. —THE BEST CRACKERS of all kinds and GINGER SNAPS at the West End Store. —Winter is upon us, which is a reminder that you need an overcoat. M'Affee will make you one cheap.

Hides, Sheep Pelts, and Calf Skins wanted at 42 Main Street. FRANK SETTELLE. —The entire Democratic State ticket was elected in this State by majorities ranging from 6,000 to 10,000. The smallest majority was on Supreme Judge, and the highest for Noyes, State Treasurer. The greenback vote will reach about 60,000 as against 7201 last year.

Counterfeit Notes. The list of counterfeit notes compiled by the Bankers' Association at New York, has attracted the attention of a prominent official connected with the Bank Redemption Agency of the Treasury Department, who has given considerable attention to the subject of detecting counterfeit notes. This gentleman declares that the list contains 24 errors. He avers that 13 of the bonds named have never been counterfeited, and it is further stated that but three counterfeit notes have appeared since the issue of 1869. These are the \$50 and \$500 issues of the series of 1869, and the recently discovered \$1,000 issue of 1863 with the vignette of Robert Morris. The energies of the counterfeiter during the last three years have been directed to national bank notes, no less than 17 counterfeits—12 on fives, three on tens, and two on fifties—having been captured all the plates of counterfeit bank notes, with exception of those that have appeared within the last two months. The following plates have not been captured. Fives, on the First National Bank of Tanqua, and fifties on the Third National Bank of Buffalo, N. Y., and the Central National Bank of New York City. The following description of these notes is given by B. G. Underwood, Receiver Teller of the National Redemption Agency: all counterfeit fives on the First National Bank of Tanqua, Pa., that have been seen at the Redemption Agency have had letter "U" in the upper left and lower right hand corners of the note. None of these have had the corrects charter number, which is 1210 and is printed in large red figures across the face of the note, and all notes on this bank with another charter number are counterfeit. On the back of the counterfeit, to the right of the words "national currency," the word "owing" is printed "owing."

All \$50 notes on the Third National Bank of Buffalo, N. Y., bearing the signature of L. E. Chittenden as Register are counterfeit. All genuine notes bear the name of either Colby or Allison as Registers. The correct charter number is 850. All \$50 notes on the Central National Bank of New York City having both the signature of L. E. Chittenden as Register and the words "printed at the Bureau of Engraving," United States Treasury Department, in the upper left hand corner of the note are counterfeit, as Mr. Chittenden ceased to be Register long before the notes were printed in the Treasury.

HYMNIAL.—On Monday, November 5th, Miss F. Wachtel led to the altar Miss Mary Donohue, both of St. Mary's. They were married in the stone church, Rev. Father Celestine officiating. After a sumptuous dinner at the residence of the bride's parents the happy couple departed on mail east upon their wedding trip. May their path through life be strewn with flowers in the prayer of their many friends.—St. Mary's Gazette.

—Remember we continue to furnish The Cheapest & Best Picture Frames at the WEST END STORE.

The Rio Grande Difficulty. A PLOT TO OVERTHROW DIAZ AND PRECIPITATE A WAR WITH THE UNITED STATES. St. Louis, November 11.—Late advices from El Paso say it is now believed there were a number of emissaries of Ledro in the band of Mexicans which crossed the Rio Grande about two weeks ago and had a fight with Indians on Texas soil while ostensibly following Indians: There seems to be no doubt that the real object of these Lerdolists is to stir up a new revolution and if possible overthrow Diaz. This band of Mexicans have not left yet, and are intriguing and doing everything in their power to precipitate a war between the United States and the Diaz government in hope of overthrowing the latter and again obtaining power for themselves. It is said Lerdol's agents are very active all along the Rio Grande and are also plotting with the army of Diaz. General Hibbard, of Texas, returned to Austin yesterday to consult with General Ord and General Steele, the latter of the State forces, regarding the present state of affairs on the frontier. Major Jones, of the Texas battalion at El Paso, has telegraphed the Governor that immediate trouble is apprehended, and the Governor has been solicited by a number of persons, especially military officers, to precipitate a conflict if the Federal Government will not. United States troops on the Rio Grande are distributed as follows: Fort Brown, 700; Ringgold, 5 companies; Fort McIntosh, 1 company; Fort Duncan, 4 companies; Fort Clark, near Eagle Pass, 5 companies. Two thousand Texas militia, under Brigadier General James, are organized and ready to march across the Rio Grande. They only want the word.

Simple Revenue Tariff. THE BILL THAT IS EXPECTED TO SAVE \$20,000,000 PER ANNUM. It is announced from Washington that Hon. Benjamin Willis, of New York, offered a bill in the house on Monday "to simplify existing laws imposing and collecting duties upon imports, and to remove all ambiguities therefrom; also, to reduce the rates on imported merchandise, restore the duty upon tea and coffee and to enlarge the free list." The bill comprises two hundred and six sections and is comprehensive in its character. It was prepared at the suggestion and under the supervision of Mr. Willis by an expert. The title clearly indicates the scope of the bill. The distinguishing features are a reduction of twenty-six per cent, upon all imported articles with the exception of raw materials which enter manufactures; on these the duties are reduced in a still greater degree; the restoration of the duty on tea and coffee; the enlargement of the free list; substituting for the free list a provision that all articles not specified in the act shall be exempt from duty. The author of the bill claims to have removed all ambiguities. The "similitude law" is abolished and simplification aimed at wherever practicable. Compound duties are entirely done away with. The collection laws have been reduced to simpler language. All fees have been discontinued and salaries substituted. The naval office, in all ports of entry where appraiser's departments are established, are abolished and the liquidating clerks transferred to the department of appraisers to be in future under the direction of the chief thereof. Bonds are to be dispensed with, except in cases of transportation from the port of original entry. The United States are made responsible for all cases of thefts of merchandise while in official possession. Purchasers of cargoes afloat are allowed to pay the duties thereon. Facilities are provided for the payment of duties by allowing deposits of gold with sub-treasurers, and the owners of the same to check thereon "for duties only." All materials which enter into the construction of vessels are to be free of duty. It is claimed for the bill that "it provides for a simple revenue tariff," and that "it will save the government \$20,000,000 per annum in the cost of collecting duties, while vastly increasing the receipts from imports." A printed key will accompany the bill for use of the committee on ways and means.

LADIES' SHOES, Gaiters and Rubbers, a large variety at P. & K's. The Titusville Herald, in a resume of the petroleum development, says that after the striking of the Drake well, August 28, 1866, Oil creek, from Titusville to its mouth, comprising forty-five producing farms, was rapidly seized upon by speculators, and in the space of three years the valley became a forest of derricks. In 1863 the derricks on the creek numbered upwards of two thousand, and the average cost of each well was a little over \$4000, making a total expenditure for machinery and labor of from \$8,000,000 to \$10,000,000 exclusive of the prices paid for farms or the royalty. In 1865 five of the farms produced 16,000 barrels daily, but now yield only 140 barrels, while the entire production of Oil Creek at present does not exceed 2,300 barrels per day. The average price of oil was reduced from \$20 per barrel, in 1859, to \$9.60 in 1860, and in 1861, owing to increased production, it declined to ten cents a barrel, continuing at that figure until February, 1862, when it rose to twenty two cents. From this time on better prices prevailed, and in July, 1864, it reached \$13 60 per barrel, but in the following year the average price was \$6 13, and at no time since then has it reached that figure.

—The only place in town that you can get "Babbitts Best Soap" is at the West End Store.