

Gus. Rohde the Popular Barber Still Ahead.

LOOK AT HIS PRICES, Shaving with Bay Rum.....10 cents Hair Cutting.....15 cents

—Mail west was 3 hours and 20 minutes late on Tuesday afternoon. —French Prunes, Pitted Cherries and English Currants at Morgester's.

—Quarterly Meeting will be held in the M. E. Church next Saturday and Sunday. —Next-to party in the basement of the M. E. Church to-morrow evening. All are invited to attend.

—Twelve gross shelf paper—assorted colors—just received at the ADVOCATE office. Price reduced. Call and see our stock.

—A teachers' examination will be held at Centreville, in the school-house, on Saturday, April 16th, beginning at 9 A. M.

—Tuesday morning more snow fell in this Borough. Monday was cold enough to be classed with the cold days. Winter still reigns. And spring is expected by and by.

—The McKean Miner man evidently believes not in a hereafter, as he copies a little personal for Mr. W. J. Colegrove, from this paper, and with malice, aforesaid, deliberately credits it Ridgway Democrat.

—George Stephenson, the inventor of the locomotive, was born June 9, 1781, and there is a movement to celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of his birth. He died in 1848, and his son Robert, who was a very able engineer, in 1859.

—Just as soon as a country editor finds himself the possessor of about five dollars, he feels so jubilant that he selects a quire of nice clean paper and sharpens up three pencils to write a double-headed leader on 'Solid Prosperity.' Kansas City Times.

—The Rochester Express claims that Michael Ganne, of that city, is 108 years old and is in fair health. He is a native of Canada. His wife, also of Canadian birth, died last January at the age of 103 years. He has 16 children and 70 grand-children. He smokes.

—William Carter broke into Fanny Perry's house in Louisville and was arrested for burglary. Fanny got a license and went to the jail and married him to avoid testifying against him. It is the first case of the kind on record in Kentucky—or we presume elsewhere.

—Easter Sunday falls this year on April 17. The council of Nice, in 325, fully discussed the question, and finally settled for the whole church by adopting the rule which makes Easter day to be always the first Sunday after the full moon which happens upon or next after March 21; and if the full moon happens on a Sunday Easter day is the Sunday after. By this arrangement Easter may come as early as March 22, or as late as April 26.

—The consumption of cigarettes in the United States has increased enormously of late. The revenue returns for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1880, show that 408,000,000 cigarettes were made in that year, an increase of over 70 per cent. on the preceding year. It is estimated by some manufacturers that the figures for the current year will be nearly 1,000,000,000. The majority of them are smoked by nice little fellows from 14 to 18 years of age who belong to the class of men which Puck calls "the unsalted."

Remaining in the Ridgway postoffice, Elk Co., Pa., for the week ending March 4, 1881. Persons applying for letters will please say advertised and give date of list.

Anderson, Aaron Barty, Wm. Hagland, P. M. Johnson, Judge Johnson, W. W. FOREIGN.

Mayer, Phillip Lindquist, C. A. If not called for in thirty days they will be sent to the dead letter office, Washington, D. C.

J. H. HAGERTY, P. M. D. C. Oyster's Cow. That full-blooded Jersey cow we spoke of last week was purchased by Mr. Oyster of Albert E. James who resides in Fox township, Elk county, instead of Kane, McKean county.

This cow was bred by N. P. Boyer & Co., of Coatesville, Chester county, Pa., was calved March 18, 1876, and is five years and one month old, instead of four years as the Democrat incorrectly stated, notwithstanding the editor had the pedigree before his eyes when he wrote the item. Instead of Mr. James having "some fine specimens among his herd," as the Democrat states, his whole "herd" consists of one half-blood. The pedigree of "Hortense" the cow recently purchased, March 17, 1881, by Mr. Oyster, and purchased by Mr. James May 25, 1876, of the firm who bred her, is traced back through several generations of full-blooded Jerseys, as far back as the "Iron Duke," whose dam was "Fair," an imported heifer, and sire "Pilot," \$150 ought to buy a good cow, but with "Hortense's" long line of ancestry she is no doubt worth the money.

Personal Items.

—Mrs. J. W. Eyster, of Erie, is in town. —Robt. Campbell has fully recovered from his recent measles sickness. —Rev. S. M. Clark visited Centreville, and Reynoldsville this week.

—William Taylor, of Sheffield, formerly of this place visited friends in this Borough last week. —Mrs. J. S. Bordwell who has been sick with the measles for some time is again able to be about the house.

—We understand Powell & Kime will make several improvements in THE ADVOCATE building this spring. —Mrs. S. S. Ross, of Benovo, visited her daughter, Miss Emma Ross, in this Borough last week, returning home on Monday last.

—Charles Fisher, who has for some time past been working at Kane, is again making the avul ring at M. E. Lesser's blacksmith shop. —A Swartz Ross has moved his tailoring establishment over Maguin's saloon, temporarily. He proposes to move into the place now occupied by Jacob Butterfass. William Sweet has moved his shoe shop to the rooms up stairs in the rear of THE ADVOCATE building.

DIED. SMITH—Thursday night, March 31st, 1881, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Smith, about 10 months of age. The funeral sermon was delivered in the M. E. Church on Sunday by Rev. S. M. Clark, after which the interment took place in the new cemetery. The church was crowded with people. The infant lay in its handsome casket arrayed in spotless white, an beautiful object of innocence and purity.

TONGREN—Laura, aged 2 years, 1 month, and 13 days, daughter of Andrew Tongren, of Ridgway township, We Tuesday, March 31, 1881.

—Fresh case of cookies just received at Morgester's. —Boneless codfish—fresh stock—at Morgester's.

—Frazier's axle grease at Morgester's. —Choice Gunpowder, and Basket fired Japan tea at Morgester's.

—Scrip pictures, shelf paper machine made, and note paper and envelopes at THE ADVOCATE office.

—Ayer's Pills contain no croton oil, calomel or mineral. They are compounded of pure vegetable extracts, which have positive virtues and always cure, where cures are possible.

—After reading Senator Mahone's recent speech the Columbus, Ohio, State Journal is moved to remark that he "has enlisted for the war against Bourbonism and has burned the bridges behind him. He knows the injury which Calhounism inflicted upon his country, and he has resolved to have no more of it. On the questions of national power and human rights he is as good a Republican as Blaine or Sherman."

The Altoona Tribune is conscious that the present Pennsylvania Legislature has more work on its hands than it can probably attend to, and it is therefore with considerable hesitation that it directs the attention of that body to the insurance business as at present conducted by certain unprincipled parties in this State. The Tribune has a vague sort of an idea that there are some laws on the statute books which are supposed to regulate the insurance business, and has somewhere heard that there is an officer having the matter in charge, but recent shameless proceedings, such as insuring men and women who were known to be on their death-bed for the benefit of speculators, lead it to believe that additional legislation is necessary.

Among the new advertisements in this issue will be found one from Messrs. Rathbone, Sard & Co., manufacturers of the celebrated "Acorn Stoves and Ranges." The distinct lead which "Acorn" stoves have taken in all the markets of the world, is being emphasized each year by the fact that no live stove merchant who carefully studies his best interests considers his stock complete unless it embraces some numbers of these renowned goods. Every stove is fully warranted; and a special feature of the best grades of "Acorns" is their patent Asbestos lined oven doors for retaining the heat in the oven and economizing in fuel. The "Acorn Oil Stove," embracing many new features, has been added to the list for season of 1881. For a fuller description of "Acorn" stoves, send for a sample copy of The Acorn Times, published by Rathbone, Sard & Co., Albany, N. Y. See their advertisement in another column.

The Called Five Per Cents. Washington, March 31.—The following circular to holders of the called bonds was issued by the Treasury Department to-day: Notice is hereby given that this Department will redeem on and after April 1, 1881, any of the outstanding United States five-per-cent. funded loan bonds of 1881, embraced in the one hundredth and first call (which will mature May 21, 1881) at the rate of one hundred and one and twenty-five one hundredths (101.25) dollars for each one hundred dollars of the bonds. All bonds forwarded for redemption should be addressed to the "Secretary of the Treasury, Loan Division, Washington, D. C.," and all registered bonds should be assigned to "The Secretary of the Treasury for Redemption." Where parties desire checks in payment for registered bonds drawn to order of anyone but the payee they should assign them to "The Secretary of the Treasury for redemption for account of" there insert name of person or persons to whose order the check should be made payable.

WILLIAM WINDOM, Secretary.

ALWAYS, NEVER, And Slang Words.

What strange trouble ruffles now All thy thoughts, and knits thy brow, Cur's thy lip, and bathes thy cheek. From those teary fountains deep, Moves—anon, thy lips so mute, As thy mind were in diapise, Wagging war within thyself; What's the matter little elf?

Mama said I could not go And I think its mean—Oh! oh! All the girls have gone but me, Why I could not I don't see 'Tis just so most every time, And I just don't care a dime How I tell you—Oh! boob! boob! Why my child, will you deny? Mama's right to make reply To your faculties as she will, She's the judge of good, or ill, Which may come from hidden cause, Hence, the prudence of those laws, Framed in love and based on right, Don't thou hear the music sprit? Yes here, but I can't see Why 'tis always only me, All the rest can have their fun, Daisy, Maude, every one; Nellie goes from year to year, I must always fight her, Never see nor hear her more, What they see who like to go, 'Always, never,' I repeat, That my poem be replete, With some terse important truth, Fitted to the budding youth; 'Always, never,'—no or again, Drop those words in thoughtless strain; Be thy year motto ever, Weigh well your always, never, Other heads and larger brains, Bandy words in careless strains, Or their lips in reckless flow Pours the flood of slang thy know, Later with the water run, Gathered by the rushing flood, Tainting deep the pure tide Founded at a mother's side. Pure and holy was each word Which the prattling infant heard; As the hawk the dew drop sip, So the lisping girl 'ting ling, Caught the accents as they fell, And, as if beneath a spell, Gazed with rapture on that face, Rudent with a mother's grace.

Such the fountain from whose source Nobler words should gather force.

C. E. H. Ridgway, Pa., March 12.

Communications.

Ridgway, April 4th, 1881. DEAR PARSONS: I see that the Democrat man has been doing some counting of mistakes in the ADVOCATE, and it put me in the notion of counting his. As a result I find in the local column of last week's Democrat, advertisements &c., as follows:

In all there are twenty paragraphs called locals. Five of them contained some local news. Nine of them are advertisements. And the remaining six have no more local application than so much moonshine.

However, I suppose the readers of the Democrat have become perfectly content to pay two dollars per annum in order to learn how poor Mr. Wm. McKee of Patterson, N. J., suffered the agonies attendant upon diseased kidneys and how he was cured by using Warner's Kidney Cure. SNOOZER.

—The eye is an organ of very curious and delicate construction. The inside surface is covered with a tissue of nerves, which are at a certain point collected together into one, and by means of it the effect, produced by the admission of rays of light into the eye, is transmitted to the brain. One portion of this tissue is far more sensitive than any other part, and in order to see an object distinctly, it is necessary to have the eye so that the rays of light passing through the lens in front will be collected and will throw an image of the object on that part, crabs, spiders and many other animals have more than one such spot, in their eyes, or as they are called compound eyes, and as a consequence, a single image may be transmitted to the brain through compound eyes and produce the impression of many images. It is a well known fact that intoxication changes the human eye so that the images are greatly multiplied as in the compound eye, and that likely is what aided Miller when he counted the mistakes in the ADVOCATE. Q.

Ridgway, April 4th, 1881. DEAR MR. EDITOR: The comments of "Lutheran," in your last paper are so lucid, that I respectfully suggest the propriety of his changing his name to "Luthern," as a sky-light he would be a success. But before he lays down a "Moral" for the guidance of Asterisk would it not be well for him step into a law office and ascertain the legal aspect of the case. He will find the law prohibits the destruction of such trees under certain severe penalties. The fact that the deed was done under the nose of the Chief Burgess of an infant Borough just building into existence, and done by "sky-lights" does not relieve the offender from the penalties. If "Luthern" wishes to investigate the subject further I will send him the ground plan of the Western Penitentiary and of Dixmont so that he can select a suitable room to pursue his studies in.

Removal. C. Bowers has removed his furniture store to the West End store of W. C. Healy, where he will be on hand as before to furnish all who give him their patronage, as good bargains in furniture of all kinds as can be found in Elk county. Give Joe a call at his new place, Healy's store, West End.

New styles visiting cards at THE ADVOCATE office. —Get your bill-heads and note heads printed at THE ADVOCATE office.

Dried Lima Beans, Evaporated Shaker Corn, Hominy, Evaporated and Dried Apples at Morgester's.

Lumbering Operations on Little Toby Creek in Elk and Jefferson Counties.

Ex-Sheriff D. C. Oyster, of Ridgway, and Hon. Alfred Short of North East, Elk county, compose the firm of Oyster & Short. Hon. Alfred Short, of North East, and W. H. Horton, of Brookport, Elk county, the firm of Short & Horton. The Keystone steam saw mill is located 15 miles south of Ridgway and is operated by Oyster & Short. At the mill 3,000,000 feet of pine boards are sawed and waiting a flood, of that amount about 300,000 feet remain to be rafted, the recent heavy snow fall having caused a temporary suspension of operations. The mill is still running day and night turning out thirty to forty thousand feet of boards every 24 hours. At this mill there is about 3,000,000 feet of stock (pine logs) on hand, which will be sawed out during the summer and piled ready to raft in the next spring. This mill has a 72 inch saw yet they have logs that even this big saw cannot cut without a good deal of chopping.

The Brookport water mill, Short & Horton is situated near the Keystone mill. The whole business of stocking, manufacturing and running the number of this kind of stock, under the supervision of W. H. Horton, whose good judgment and business qualities are well known. Mr. Short's interests in Elk county prevent his giving any attention to the business of the mill. Here they have 2,000,000 feet of pine boards, sawed, rafted and all ready to run as soon as there comes a flood. Besides the boards rafted they have 2,000,000 feet of pine, and about 500,000 feet of hemlock stock, which the mill night and day is transforming into boards at the rate of twenty-five to thirty thousand feet every 24 hours. This will continue during the summer and the boards manufactured will be piled up ready to raft in and run next spring.

Messrs. Oyster & Short also have 100,000 cubic feet of pine square timber, equal to 1,000,000 feet board measure, all rafted in and ready to run near the Keystone mill. The two mills will have about 5,000,000 feet of boards, besides the square timber, and it will require about two hundred men to take the product to market. The Keystone mill will have 120,000 feet of hemlock stock in form pieces; the Brookport mill about 100 rafts. Besides there will be 35 or 40 rafts of square timber before spoken of. The year's harvest of the two firms will yield the neat sum of \$100,000 or very close to that amount. The course out of this sum comes the expenses, after deducting which there will still remain a snug profit, as a reward to the enterprising and wide awake gentlemen who have interests in the firm named.

N. M. Brockway has the contract for running the Keystone mill lumber. He has two sets of shanties on the rafts (a set consisting of a cook shanty and men's shanty). These shanties are all single and battered, making them very comfortable. They will easily accommodate 100 men. The size of the cook shanties is 18x30 feet, that of the men's shanties 16x30 feet. Four sets of these have a set of shanties on their lumber large enough to accommodate all their men during the running season. The Galusha water mill, 16 miles from Ridgway and 8 miles up from the mouth of Little Toby Creek, has recently been purchased by Oyster & Short. This mill has been thoroughly overhauled, and fitted up with Stern's automatic fractional headblocks, and gang edger. It is intended principally for hemlock lumber, of which the firm have 4,000 acres standing in easy access to the mill, of as fine hemlock as ever grew. Operations will commence at this mill in a week or so. About 1,000,000 feet of hemlock stock has recently been rafted to this mill. Heczekiah Horton has a steam mill in Warsaw township, Jefferson county, where he made 1,000,000 feet of pine boards, chiefly manufactured one year ago and during last summer. He has six miles of rafts in the Galusha dam, where all is now rafted, ready and waiting for a flood.

J. S. Hyde has in 2,000,000 feet of pine stock at his Brandy Camp steam mill, which mill has been done recently. Owing to the burning of the mill only a small amount, perhaps 100,000 feet, have been sawed this season. The boards on hand at the time the mill was commenced have been rafted to Ridgway. The 2,000,000 feet of stock will also be rafted to Ridgway when manufactured.

N. B. Lane, near Brookwayville, at his mill on Rattlesnake creek, a small stream which empties into Little Toby, has recently rafted to the Galusha dam, where all is now rafted, ready and waiting for a flood.

Alonzo Thurman, at his mill on the Toby, two miles above Brookwayville has 300,000 feet of the boards to take to market next spring. John Alexander at Brookwayville will run about 1,000,000 feet of pine. J. L. Ellis, will have about 500,000 feet of pine.

P. Smith, in Warsaw township has 500,000 feet of pine, which he hauls six miles and rafts in at the Galusha dam.

The above figures include about all the lumber manufactured and to be run out of the Toby this spring. The figures are given by different parties amounting in the aggregate to perhaps 500,000 feet.

In our next issue we propose to prepare and print an article on the lumbering business of the Clarion river, for as it relates to this vicinity. We will be under great obligations to lumbermen and others who may kindly furnish us with facts in regard to the same.

The following recipe for toughening glass, which originally appeared in the Leipzig Diamond, is, by reason of its simplicity, certainly worthy of a trial: "Place your tumblers, chimneys or vessels, which you desire to keep from cracking, in a pot filled with cold water; add a little cooking salt; allow the mixture to boil well over a fire, and then cool slowly. Glass treated in this way is said not to crack, even if exposed to very sudden changes of temperature. Chimneys are said to become very durable by this process, which may be also extended to crockery, stoneware, porcelain, etc. The process is simply one of annealing and the slower the process, especially the cooling portion of it, the more effective will be the work."

A large stock of New Garden seeds from Hiram Sibley & Co. Wright's, and Crossman Bros, seeds at Morgester's, also choice flower seed from same firm.

Postal Decision.

—Under the date of February 21, 1881, the Postmaster General has ordered that Section 232, Postal Regulations, be revoked, and in lieu thereof the following order is made: Mailable matter of the first class shall embrace all matter wholly or partially in writing except as herein provided.

The exception are as follows: Corrected proof sheets and manuscript copy accompanying the same. Date and name of the addressed and of the sender of circulars, and the correction of mere typographical errors therein.

Bills, receipts, and orders for subscription enclosed in second class publications, provided such bills, receipts, and orders shall be in such form as to convey no other information than the name, location and subscription price of the publication or publications to which they refer.

The name and address of the person to whom second class matter may be sent, and index finger of a subscription book, and words or figures; or both, indicating the date on which the subscription to such matter will end.

Upon matter of the third class, or upon the wrapper enclosing the same the sender may write his own name or address, with the word "from" above and preceding the same, and in either case may make simple marks intended to designate a word or passage of the text, to which it is desired to call attention.

They may be placed on the cover or blank leaves of any book, or of any printed matter of the third class, a simple manuscript dedication or inscription such dedication or inscription must be confined to a simple address or consignment of such book, or other printed matter, or a mark of respect, and must not contain anything that partakes of the nature of a personal correspondence.

Upon matter of the fourth class, the sender may write his own name and address preceded by the word "from" and also the number and names of the articles enclosed. He may also write upon or attach to any such articles, by tag or label, a mark or number, name or letter for purpose of identification.

Venmor's Prognostication for April.

There will be a sharp frost in the beginning of April, with a snow-fall on the 4th or 5th, but the spring will open favorably and everything will be pretty well advanced by April 15. Floods may be expected in Chicago about the first week in April, with high winds also prevailing in the early part of the month. Snow-falls are probable about April 5. Navigation is likely to open on Lake Ontario about April 7. The St. Lawrence will be open the 9th or 11th, and the first steamship will probably arrive about the 17th or 18th. The weather will be very stormy in the lower provinces about the 26th, with very high water prevailing, but in the west April will be a dry month. There will be warm weather just following the 29th, ending in thunder-storms on the 24th and 25th. Snow-storms are probably in the far west on the 24th and 25th, and snow-falls are not unlikely to occur in England at the close of the month. The month will end wet and cold, but on the whole will be a May month.

MAN DROWNED.—A young man named Thomas Shaffer, whose home was near the village of Covode, Indiana county, was drowned in the Susquehanna river, on Sunday afternoon, March 29th, while engaged in rafting in timber. He was working for Mr. Bell, near the foot of Chess Falls, and was standing at the time on the unfastened end of a lash-pole, when the lash-pole that extended out over the water was struck by a heavy log, knocking Shaffer's feet out from under him and throwing him into the water. He was standing on the outer edge of the platform with his feet down stream and did not notice any danger until thrown in. We are informed that he appeared on the surface of the water twice—the first time head foremost, and the second time his feet came up—but nothing could be done to save his life. He was the son of Mr. John Shaffer, of North Mahoning township, Indiana county, and was about 22 or 23 years of age. He had been but recently married, and got to housekeeping a few weeks ago, and to the time of going to press, we have not learned of his body being recovered.—Clearfield Republican.

HAVE YOU GOT YOUR GARDEN SEEDS?—If not, Mr. Joseph Harris wishes us to say that he will be happy to send his new Catalogue of Choice Field, Garden and Flower Seeds to any reader of THE ADVOCATE who will send him or her name post-office address to him on a postal card. We have received a copy of the catalogue for 1881. Mr. Harris's seeds are fresh from the farm, and are undoubtedly of the very best quality. Mr. Harris was formerly editor of the Genesee Farmer and one of the editors of the American Agriculturist. He is well known as the author of "Harris on the Pig," "Talks on Manure," &c., and especially as the writer of "Walks and Talks on the Farm," in the American Agriculturist. In his new seed catalogue he gives very full directions for the cultivation of garden and flower seeds, which embody the results of his long experience and intimate acquaintance with the subject, and we advise all our readers who are interested in the subject to avail themselves of this offer. Address, JOSEPH HARRIS, Moreton Farm, Rochester, N. Y.

A barrel of choice onion sets just received at Morgester's.

Notes from Jay.

—There is a large stock of gimlet seeds at Dixon's. —O Dodge's stave mill is running out from three to four thousand of staves a day. Z. Webb is sawyer and Peter Meeman fireman.

—Kaul is moving his mill from Spring Run to Benecetto. —E. Huller is putting up a shop. Elam says he is going to make cant-hook handles. Good for Elam.

—Mrs. Hick, of Spring Run, has been sick for a few days past. She is fast recovering. —Kyler's drive has hung up on account of the snow. F. D.

Notes from Jay. —Snow has fallen to the depth of several inches since our last communication. —F. E. Peters is a happy father now, it is a girl.

—Miss Ella R. Backer, Miss Lorinda Morey, Ezra Gray and Wm. Brown, all of Penfield, were visiting at O. Dodge's last Sunday.

—Ras Gardner had the misfortune to have his leg broken one day last week. It seems that while his team were pulling on a log the chain flew out and struck him on the leg with the result as above stated.

—The cold snap has hung up the log drivers. —In the estimation of some of our business men, Weedville enjoys the reputation of being the busiest station on the L. G. railroad between Penfield and Driftwood. It glories in three blacksmith shops, all being kept busy.

—Jacob VanWhy, of Caledonia, who had his skull fractured by the kick of a horse last winter has improved, so that he is able to walk around.

—P. F. Meenan, of Ridgway, is engineer for O. Dodge on Bason's mountain. Keep your eye peeled for the rattlesnakes this summer Peter.

—There is more logs to be floated out of Kersy Run this spring than there has been before for a number of years.

—Mr. Copp is the boss hunter of this township, he has captured more foxes, wildcats, skunks, and other "varnents" than any other man we know of.

—There is talk of a tannery being built somewhere near Medix Run this summer.

—Hon. J. Jones and Oliver Dodge were at Ridgway last week. List of Jurors.

- Drawn for May term, 1881. GRAND JURORS. Beninger—Simon Brendel, Baptiste Bauer, Anthony Goetz, Valentine Neibert, Jr. Fox—Peter Pantzer, Sr., Mortimore Keeley, George W. Connor, Silas W. Moyer, Andrew Cross, Jr., Joseph Dalling, Horton—A. B. Sparks, A. D. Aldin, George S. Himes, Fred Bureldish, Jay—George L. Thurston, James A. Burke, Morris Flanders. Jones—A. C. Johnson. Ridgway—Samuel S. Wilson, T. B. Johnson, W. W. Mattison. Spring Creek—Roderick Wescott, S. Marys—Frank Geyer, Matthews Malone. TRAVERSE JURORS. Beninger—John Gabra, Martin Diebold, Andrew Glass, Nicholas Dewald. Benecetto—Joseph Entz, Newton Johnson, Henry Blesh. Fox—John W. Moyer, Talbot Thompson, Joseph Ennott, John B. Jones, W. A. Arthur. Horton—Harvey Parsons. Jones—Enos Roetzer, Frank Miller, Milton—Thomas Slyhoff. Ridgway—John Gillyoley, A. Swartz Ross, Virgil S. Wheeler, G. D. C. Bowers, John Kolder, Edward Bowers, Jerome Powell, John A. Bankston, Howard Gorton, Francis McGinnis, Charles Matthews, Peter C. Kummer. Spring Creek—Newman Crabtree, L. J. Miller, Forbes Keister, S. Marys—Joseph Windfelder, Sr., Herman Tegler, Matt. Hays, John Jacob, Peter Strabel.

All Fool's Day. SOME ACCOUNTS OF THE ORIGIN OF ITS CUSTOMS AND TRICKS. The first day of April is called "All Fool's Day," from the old custom of sending any one on this day on a bootless errand. This strange custom still exists throughout Europe, and in those portions of America where the traditions of the mother country prevail.

One of the explanations of this custom is as follows: In the middle ages, scenes from Biblical history were often presented by way of diversion without any feeling of impropriety. The scene in the life of Jesus, where he is sent from Pilate to Herod, and back again from Herod to Pilate, was represented in April, and may have given occasion to the custom of sending on bootless errands and other tricks practiced at this season. The phrase of "sending a man from Pilate to Herod" is common in Germany, to signify sending about unnecessarily. The reason of choosing the first of April for the exhibition of this scene was that Easter frequently falls in this month, and the events connected with this period of the life of Jesus would naturally afford subjects for the spectacles of the season.

The tricks of the first of April may, however, be the remnant of some Roman custom, derived from the East and spread over Europe, like so many other customs, by these conquerors. It is certain that the Hindus practiced precisely similar artifices at the time of the Hull feast on the 1st of March.

One of the best tricks of this description is that of Rabalais, who being at Marseilles without money, and desirous of going to Paris, filled some phials with brick dust or ashes, labeled them as containing poison for the royal family of France, and put them where he knew they would be discovered. The bait took, and he was conveyed as a traitor to the capital, where the discovery of the jest caused considerable mirth. In France, the unlucky party who may be fooled, is unpoison (fish) d'Avril; in Scotland a gowk (cuckoo); in England and America April fool.

—New stock candy at Morgester's. —Best 2-1-5 cent cigars at Morgester's.

Business Cards.

GEO. A. RATHBUM. ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. Main street, Ridgway, Elk Co., Pa. Particular attention given to the examination of titles, also to patents and patent cases.

HALL & M'GAULEY. ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. Office in new brick building, Main street, Ridgway, Elk Co., Pa. 7327. W. L. WILLIAMS. Late of Strattonville), Physician and Surgeon, Ridgway, Pa. Office in Hall's Brick Building (up stairs)—References: J. D. Smith, H. L. Young, H. Rathbone, Strattonville; Major John Kitley, W. W. Greenland, Clarion. Has practiced his profession successfully for more than ten years.

G. G. MESSENER. DRUGGIST & PHARMACEUTIST, N. W. corner of Main and Mill streets, Ridgway, Pa.; full assortment of carefully selected Foreign and Domestic Drugs, Prescriptions carefully dispensed at all hours, day or night. vlnxy

J. S. BORDWELL, M. D. ELECTIC PHYSICIAN & SURG'N, Has removed his office from Centre street to 4th street, Ridgway, Pa., in the second story of the new brick building of John G. Hall, west of the Hyde House. Office hours:—1 to 2 P. M. 7 to 9 P. M.

HYDE HOUSE. W. H. SCHRAM, Proprietor, Ridgway, Elk county, Pa.

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 continuation of the same. oct30'80

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ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE. By virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of Elk county, dated Jan. 25, 1881, to me directed, I will expose to sale at public vendue or outcry, on the premises, in Highland township, Elk county, on the 29th day of April A. D. 1881, at 10 o'clock A. M. the following described real estate of D. Graham, deceased. Situate in Highland township, Elk county, being part of tract No. 3784 and out of the north-east corner of the same, being all that part of said lot north of Levi Ellithorpe's and being 120 rods east and west and 200 rods north and south, containing about 160 acres of land, subject to a contract made the 4th day of Oct. 1878, between D. Graham and R. Underwood for sale of 25 acres from the north side of said lands. Terms made known on the day of sale. W. M. LINDSAY, Administrator. n518

CAUTION NOTICE. All persons are hereby cautioned not to purchase, or meddle with the following described property now in possession of T. S. Kline, as it belongs to me and is left in his possession for a time only; one team gray horses; harness; one lumber wagon; separator and threshing machine. W. H. HORTON. Brookport, March 25, 1881.

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