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Letters and communications should be addressed to

J. WEYAND, Beaver, Pa

Business Cards.

FALL AND WINTER FASHIONS.—Mrs. H. M. Binder has just arrived from Paris and London with the latest designs personally selected from the greatest novelties, with the most elegant Trimmings to be received in Dress Ribbons, Velvets, Bridal Veils, Flowers, Fine Jewelry, and Trimmed Paper Patterns. Dress and Cloak making. Exclusive agent for Mrs. M. Wolfe's celebrated system for cutting Ladies' sacques, basques, &c. N. W. corner of 11th and Chestnut Sts., Philadelphia. [apr23,6m.

BEAVER LADIES' SEMINARY.—The next term of this Institution will commence on Tuesday, September 14, 1869. Every department will be furnished with experienced and competent Teachers. Miss Mary A. Bliss, who takes the place of Miss Fever, graduated in Pittsburgh High School while the subscriber was Principal, and her scholarship and experience as a teacher in this Seminary. Those who desire to see our Catalogue, will find one at our office. Pupils will be received at any time. D. R. A. BLISS.

BRIGHTON TRUNK FACTORY.—Joseph Liebler, Manufacturer and Wholesale and Retail Dealer in Trunks, Valises, Traveling Bags, &c., &c. No. 101 Wood Street, Pittsburgh. All orders promptly filled. Warehouse Factory corner of Fifteenth and Penn streets. [June 16-y

J. ANDERSON, having taken hold of his old Foundry again, in Rochester, Pa., would be pleased to meet his old customers and friends who may want either the BEST COOK STOVE, Heating Stove, or any other kind of Castings of best material and workmanship. The business will be conducted by J. ANDERSON & SONS.

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Administrators' Notice.—Letters of Administration having been issued to the undersigned, subscribers on the estate of Mrs. Mary Howe, late of the borough of Bridgewater, Beaver Co., Pa., therefore all persons indebted to said estate are hereby notified to make immediate payment, and all persons having claims against the same will present them duly authenticated for settlement. T. H. DOUGLASS, } Adm'rs.
H. D. HOWE. }
Bridgewater, Feb. 23.—6w.

PATENTS Obtained for Inventors, by ROBERT BIRED, Chemist, and late Examiner in the Patent Office, who has devoted eighteen years to the patent business, and will promptly obtain patents, drawings, &c. Terms, $20 to $30. Write for circulars. Direct to his P street, opposite the Patent Office, Washington, D. C. Refer to Senators Pomeroy and Sumner. [1-26-6m

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J. B. Wilson..... John J. Wickham.

WILSON & WICKHAM,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW.
BEAVER, PA.

Executor's Notice.—Letters testamentary having been issued to the subscriber, on the estate of David Ferguson, dec'd, late of Brighton township, Beaver county, Pa., this is therefore to notify all persons indebted to said estate that immediate payment is expected, and all those having claims against said estate will present them duly authenticated for settlement.
ELIZABETH FERGUSON, } Ex'rs.
[6-23-6w] JAMES B. FERGUSON, }

UNION HOUSE,
A. BOYD ROOK, Proprietor.
Successor to John B. Clark.
GOOD STABLING ATTACHED.
BEAVER, PA.
dec 8 till apr 1.

Insure Your Life
AT ONCE!
John Hancock

Ask the Merchant, the Farmer and the Mechanic to stand aside, and allow the benefit to be derived from insuring their lives in the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company of Boston. This company presents the advantages of all other companies, and in addition this makes all its Policies non-forfeitable after payment. It also pays dividends in cash payments—and for reliability is second to none. We should prefer that parties, desiring insurance, should apply through the agent for the COLE & STROUD, local agts.
Office 152 South 4th Street, Philadelphia.
John Hancock Life Insurance Company of Boston, Mass. We wish energetic and responsible agents for this and the adjoining counties. Applications from men of known respectability and ability will only be entertained.
COLE & STROUD,
General Agents, Philadelphia.

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SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS.—The undersigned begs leave to inform his friends and the public generally that he has just received a fresh stock of goods of the latest styles for Fall and Summer wear, which he offers at very low prices.

GENTLEMENS' FURNISHING GOODS,
CONSTANTLY ON HAND.
Clothing made to order on the shortest notice. Thankful to the public for past favors. I hope by attention to business to merit a continuance of the same.
DANIEL MILLER, Pa.
BRIDGEWATER, BEAVER CO., PA.

Book Agents Wanted for
Struggles and Triumphs Of
P. T. Barnum.
Written by Himself. In One Large Octavo Volume—Nearly 800 Pages Profusely Illustrated in English and German—with 300 Elegant Full Page Engravings.

It Embraces Forty Years Experiences of this wonderful man's life as a Merchant, Manager, Banker, Traveler and Showman, and gives accounts of his Displacements, his Failures, his Successful Enterprises, his Tours, and important Historical and Personal Reminiscences, replete with Humor, Anecdotes and Entertaining Narrative. No book published is acceptable to all classes. Every one wants it. Agents are selling from 50 to 100 a week. We will give extra terms. Our Illustrated Catalogues and Circulars to Agents sent free. J. B. BURR & CO., Publishers, Hartford, Conn. [jan2-3m]

Miscellaneous.

That Celebrated
WHITE WHEAT
FLOUR,
MADE AT
Massillon, Ohio,
Can always be had at the Store of
S. J. Cross & Co.,
ROCHESTER, PA.
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T. O. MORGAN.
SUCCESSOR TO
SHALLENBERGER BROS.
DEALER IN
Fine Family Groceries.
Queensware, Hardware,
NAILS, WINDOW GLASS, WOOD AND WILLOW WARE, BACON, FISH, FLOUR, SALT, LIME.
Country Produce Taken in Exchange for Goods.
Goods delivered free of charge in all the Villages.
aug19,68.

THE SUEZ CANAL!

WHILE the World is more or less exercised over the opening of the Suez Canal, the Public, in Beaver and vicinity, do not lose sight of the fact that

S. SNITGER & Co.

At their old stand in Beaver, Pa., are still furnishing to their customers everything called for in their line. They always keep a full assortment of

GROCERIES.

Flour, Feed, Coffees, Teas, Sugars, Spices,

Tobacco and Cigars;
And all other articles usually found in a First Class
GROCERY STORE.

From their long and intimate acquaintance with the Grocery, Flour and Feed business, and their disposition to render satisfaction to those who may favor them with their patronage, they hope in the future, as in the past, to obtain a liberal share of the public patronage.

Give us a Call

and see if we do not make it to your interest to call again.
jan5. S. SNITGER & CO.

To The Public.

THE Undersigned takes pleasure in informing the public that, notwithstanding the "dullness of the times," he has, as usual, a full supply of all articles connected with the

Grocery Business.

Among which may be found a full assortment of

Hardware,

Embracing everything usually called for in a country store;
A Large Stock of the Best
Sugars, Coffees, Teas, Syrups, &c., &c.;
All of which are fresh, and the best in the market. The best brands of
FLOUR
Can always be obtained at my Store, and at as low a price as can be afforded.
Cornmeal, Feed, &c.,
Kept on hand, and sold in any quantity.
His assortment of
Queensware, Glass &c.
is complete, and will compare favorably with any stock in the county. In short, he aims to keep a
FIRST CLASS GROCERY STORE,
And no pains nor efforts on his part will fail to make it such.

Having been in the Grocery Business for a number of years, and becoming familiar with it in all of its branches, he feels confident that he will be able
To Please his Patrons.
Remember the Stand.
Stewarts' Block,
Bridge Street, Bridgewater Pa.
A. S. HARVEY.
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HINKLEY KNITTING MACHINES,
$30.00.

The most perfect machine yet invented. Will when and narrow, turn a heel or point the toe. It will knit plain or ribbed. It will knit stockings, drawers, shirts, &c., &c. It is cheap, simple and durable. It sets up its own work, uses but one needle, and requires no adjusting whatever. It will do the same work that the Lamb machine will do and costs less than half as much and has not the tenth part of the machinery to get out of order. Circulars and samples mailed free on application. Agents wanted. All machines guaranteed.

STRAW & MORTON,
GENERAL AGENTS,
No. 20 Sixth Street, Pittsburgh Pa.
nov24-1y.

Iron City College

The Most Complete Business College in the United States,

Affording facilities for acquiring a thorough, practical business education, possessed by no other School in the country.

Since its incorporation in 1855, nearly Sixteen Thousand Students, representatives from every State in the Union, have attended here.

No vacations. Students enter at any time, and receive private instruction throughout the entire course.

N. B.—Circulars with full particulars and all necessary information, on addressing
SMITH & COWLEY, Principals,
Pittsburgh, Pa.
jan19-1y.

NEW GOODS!
Fall and Winter Wear.

I HAVE JUST RECEIVED A NEW STOCK OF GOODS IN THE

LATEST STYLES,

FOR FALL AND WINTER WEAR

Gentlemen's Furnishing Good
CONSTANTLY ON HAND.

CLOTHING MADE TO ORDER
In latest and most fashionable styles, and at short notice.
WILLIAM REICH, Jr.,
BRIDGEWATER, Pa.
mar24:tf

Miscellaneous.

D. S. RANGER,
Bridge Street,
BRIDGEWATER, PA.
IS WEEKLY RECEIVING A FRESH SUPPLY OF GOODS IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING DEPARTMENTS:

DRY GOODS.

Steubenville Jeans,
Cassimeres and Sattinets,
White Woollen blankets,
White and Colored and Barrel Flannels,
Merinoes,
Delaines,
Plaids,
Ginghams,
Cobergs,
Lawns,
Water Proofs,
Chinchilla,
Cloths,
Woollen Shawls
Brown and Black Muslins,
Drillings, Tickings,
Prints,
Canton
Flannels,
Jaconets,
Table Linen,
Irish Linen,
Crash,
Counterpanes,
Hosiery,
Gloves
& Mits.

Groceries,

Coffee, Teas, Sugar, Molasses, White Silver Drips, Golden and Common Syrups, Mackerel in barrels and kits, Star and Tallow Candles, Soap, Spices and Since Meat. Also, SALT.

Hardware, Nails, Glass,

Door Locks, Door Latches, Hinges, Screws, Table Cutlery, Table and Tea Spoons, Sleigh Bells, Coal Boxes, Fire Shovels and Pokers, Nails and Glass, Spades, Shovels, 2, 3 and 4 Tine Forks, Rakes, Scythes and Snaths, Corn and Garden Hoes.

WOODENWARE.

Buckets, Tubs, Churns, Butter Prints and Ladles.

CARBON OIL,
Linseed Oil & White Lead.

Boots and Shoes
LADIES' MISSES' AND CHILDRENS' SHOES,
In great variety.

Rifle Powder and Shot,
Blasting Powder and Fuse.
Flour Feed & Queensware.

All heavy goods delivered free of charge.

By close attention to business, and by keeping constantly on hand a well assorted stock of goods of all the different kinds usually kept in a country store, the undersigned hopes in the future as in the past to merit and receive a liberal share of the public patronage.

B. S. RANGER.
dec23'69:1y.—1y.chgd.

FRUIT TREES,
Evergreens, Small Fruits, &c.

The Subscriber takes this method to inform his friends, and the public generally, that he has still some good APPLE TREES to dispose of (large size), Price $12. per hundred. Also, a choice lot of EVERGREENS, and the best varieties of SMALL FRUITS, such as the *Philadelphia, Clark, Everbearing, Mammoth Cluster, Doolittle, Black Cap, and Brinkle's Orange Raspberry; Kittatinny, Wilson's Early, and Lawton Blackberry; Grape vines, Gooseberries, Currents, Strawberries, &c.* Price reasonable. Call, as heretofore, at the Prospect Mount Nursery, three miles east of New Brighton. Orders left at A. D. Gilliland & Co's., New Brighton, or at the A. S. Post Office, Box 63, will be promptly attended to. Exchange for shipping, &c. Sweet Potatoes, and Tomato Plants in season.
feb23:tf ELWOOD THOMAS.

WALL PAPER
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WINDOW SHADES
BOOKS,
STATIONERY, &c.,

THE LARGEST, CHEAPEST AND BEST assortment of these Goods that has ever been brought to the city. Call and examine before purchasing, and be convinced, at

F. E. WELLS & CO'S.,
NO. 106 FEDERAL STREET,
ALLEGHENY CITY, PENN'A.
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SPRING STOCK.

CARPETS

Oil Cloths, Etc., Etc.

M'CALLUM BROTH'S.

51 Fifth Avenue, above Wood street,
PITTSBURGH, PA
Have on hand
THE LARGEST STOCK IN THE MARKET.
From the Finest Qualities to the Very Lowest Grades.
WINDOW SHADES,
Fine and Common Table Covers, &c., &c.
Prices uniform to all, and the lowest.
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mar24:1y.

This is no Patent Medicine Humbug, gotten up to dupe the credulous, nor is it represented as being "Composed of rare and precious substances brought from the four corners of the earth, carried seven times across the Great Desert of Sahara on the backs of fourteen camels, and brought across the Atlantic Ocean on two ships." It is a simple, mild, soothing Remedy, a perfect Specific for Catarrh and Cold in the Head, also for offensive Breath, Loss of impairment of the sense of Smell, Taste or Hearing, Watering or Weak Eyes, Pain or Pressure in the head, when caused, as they all not unfrequently are, by the violence of Catarrh.

We offer in good faith a standing Reward of $500 for a case of Catarrh that we cannot cure.

Sold by most Druggists Everywhere.
PRICE FIFTY CENTS.

Sent by mail post paid on receipt of 60 cents. Four packages for two dollars or one dozen for five dollars.

Send a 2 cent stamp for Dr. Sage's pamphlet on Catarrh. Address the proprietor, R. V. PIERCE, M. D., Buffalo, N. Y.
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Railroads.

RAILROADS.

PITTS., FT. WAYNE & CHICAGO RAILWAY. On and after Nov. 15th, 1869, Trains will leave Stations daily, (Sundays excepted) as follows: [Train leaving Chicago at 5.35, P. M., leaves Ind. F.] [Train leaving Pittsburgh at 2.15 P. M., leaves daily.]

TRAINS GOING WEST.

STATIONS.	EXP'S.	MAIL.	EXP'S.	EXP'S
Pittsburgh	155AM	645AM	945AM	215PM
Rochester	310	800	1055	330
Salem	506	1021	1245PM	506
Alliance	615	1115	135	600
Canton	700	1215PM	224	648
Massillon	717	1240	242	705
Orrville	803	135	319	738
Wooster	835	201	350	805
Mansfield	1025	331	527	940
Crestline { A	1100	440	600	1010
Crestline { D	1115	500AM	620	1020
Bucyrus	1140	528	653	1048
Upper Sandusky	1215PM	718	738	1115
Forest	1244	743	801	1143
Lima	150	905	915	1230AM
Van Wert	258	1011	1021	330
Fort Wayne	430	1150	1205AM	530
Columbia	511	1253PM	1250	559
Warsaw	533	144	154	446
Plymouth	556	220	233	600
Valparaiso	646	320	447	720
Chicago	1030	635	650	930

TRAINS GOING EAST.

STATIONS.	MAIL.	EXP'S.	EXP'S.	EXP'S
Chicago	420AM	820AM	005PM	920PM
Valparaiso	720	1000	637	1151
Plymouth	801	1123	820	320AM
Warsaw	1005	1215PM	942	337
Columbia	1033	1243	1027	430
Fort Wayne	1120	135	1120	600
Van Wert	1152PM	250	1237AM	718
Lima	225	353	132	820
Forest	249	419	200	840
Upper Sandusky	325	510	305	1005
Bucyrus	345	540	347	1046
Crestline { A	410	610	415	1115
Crestline { D	550AM	640	425	1205PM
Mansfield	621	709	453	1234
Wooster	833	837	615	301
Orrville	905	924	643	327
Massillon	943	951	717	358
Canton	1008	938	735	418
Alliance	1115	1025	840	530
Salem	1152	1056	908	605
Rochester	206PM	1235AM	1005	651
Pittsburgh	315	140	1155	705

Youngstown, New Castle and Erie Express leaves Youngstown at 2.35 p. m; New Castle, 3.15 p.m; arrives at Pittsburgh, 5.50 p. m. Returning, leaves Pittsburgh 7.15 a. m; arr. at New Castle, 9.50a. m. Youngstown, 10.40. a. m.

Youngstown, New Castle and Pittsburgh Accommodation leaves Youngstown, 6.30 a. m; New Castle, 9.20 a. m; arrives at Allegheny, 10.10 a. m. Returning, leaves Pittsburgh, 3.30 p. m; arrives New Castle, 6.40 p.m; Youngstown, 7.35 p. m.

F. E. MYERS,
General Passenger and Ticket Agent.

CLEVELAND & PITTSBURGH RAILROAD. On and after Nov. 15th 1869, trains will leave Stations daily (Sundays excepted) as follows.

GOING SOUTH.

STATIONS.	MAIL.	EXP'S.	ACCOM
Cleveland	815AM	1235PM	335PM
Euclid Street	836	1247	346
Hudson	930	140	445
Ravenna	1004	210	513
Alliance	1100	245	600
Bayard	1122	315	
Wellsville	105PM	433	

GOING NORTH.

STATIONS.	MAIL.	EXP'S.	ACCOM
Wellsville	855AM	355PM	
Bayard	1025	510	
Alliance	1120	555	745AM
Ravenna	1208PM	631	815
Hudson	1244	656	855
Euclid Street	146	719	905
Cleveland	200	730	1010

GOING EAST.

STATIONS.	EXP'S	MAIL.	ACCOM
Bellair	545AM	735AM	150PM
Bridgeport	555	815	200
Steubenville	700	1055	500
Wellsville	815	1255PM	455
Smith's Ferry	840	140	516
Beaver			
Rochester	925	220	540
Pittsburgh	1035	335	655

GOING WEST.

STATIONS.	MAIL.	EXP'S.	ACCOM	ACCOM
Pittsburgh	635AM	155PM	350PM	
Rochester	735	255	500	
Beaver				
Smith's Ferry	817	323	548	
Wellsville	850	415	620	
Steubenville	950	520		705AM
Bridgeport	1050	628		815
Bellair	1010	640		830

* This is a mixed train to Wellsville and an express train from Wellsville to Pittsburgh.

TUSCARAWAS BRANCH.

Leaves	Arrives
N. Philadelphia, 640 a. m.	Bayard, 945, a.m.
Bayard, 10.20a. m.	N. Philadelphia, 340pm

F. E. MEYERS, General Ticket Agent.

Dry Goods.

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WHOLESALE

WILL FIND A VERY LARGE AND

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OF

FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC

DRY - GOODS,

At Very

LOW PRICES,

Either by the yard, piece or package

AT

A. W. ERWIN & CO'S.

178 Federal Street, Allegheny
jun2-1y.

ORIGINAL POETRY.

[Written for the Beaver Argus.]

A MAYOR'S LOVE.

BY MAX SHADY.

[From Matthew vii. 8th and 9th verses.]

Saviour divine! What lavish grace
Shall mark his way, who knocks at your door;
Whose ear and hand are ever open wide,
To learn and do thy holy will.

Shall morning's smiles! Shall [illegible]
With song of birds, to cheer [illegible]
And gentle showers—and rain[illegible] bright,
And dewy eve—all bidding [illegible]

Ah! see you clouds—a [illegible]
Behold the lightning's [illegible]
And hear the thunder's [illegible]

That shook most [illegible]
Now hear its terrors [illegible]
But be of cheer—it stands [illegible]
Built on the "Everlasting [illegible]
Thus then, dark hell—[illegible]
Through savior's wate[illegible]
The storms of earth [illegible]
The trial here—the triumph [illegible]

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SKETCH FROM A JOURNAL.

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While encamped on the banks of the Rio Bonito, a tributary of the Pecos, that waters the borders of the Llano Estacado—or Staked Plain—on its western side, I met an old man of some fifty years, whose hair had grown grey in the life of a borderer in this far western country. His name I omitted to pencil down at the time, and I have now forgotten it. His appearance at first sight was not of a kind to make an impression on a casual observer. His form was above the medium height, rather spare and gaunt in appearance, features of a roughened and rugged character and quiet expression—cultivated, no doubt, from years of toil and danger on the plains of the Great West.

The old man brought into our camp a wagon, drawn by oxen driven by a couple of rancheros. The wagon bore a cargo of pecan nuts and wild honey, which he offered to sell us in part or in whole. Not wishing the whole lot, we bargained for a portion of it; and during the course of our 'dicker,' the old man informed me that he had just come from the State of Texas with his present cargo of nuts and honey; and he was anxious to "sell out" so as to enable him to return to that State as soon as possible. From our conversation I learned that the old man was in the "driving business" principally—that is, buying cattle from the stock growers on the vast cattle ranges of Texas, and driving them into the Territories of New Mexico and Colorado for the supply of Military Posts, and at the same time driving a small trade in pecan nuts and wild honey. From some remarks of the old man I was led to conclude he had been unfortunate in this trip, and on inquiry he related the following incident:

About six weeks previous to the time when I saw him he had, as usual, left the cattle ranges with a fine "outfit" of cattle, honey and nuts, and a force of his rancheros as guards and assistants. His present trip seemed to have come [illegible] everything to warrant a reasonable [illegible] of such good success as had [illegible] blessed similar ventures. The [illegible] were liable at almost any moment [illegible] march, to be assaulted by hostile savages, and, therefore, did not neglect any precautions necessary to repel the same. But having such a small force with him as a guard, he could hope for little security in case they were overhauled by any large body of Indians. However, as the route he was pursuing was rather a secluded one, he had hopes of escaping the notice of any marauding bands, as he had done on former occasions. "But, as he says, 'you can't tell when the pesky thieves are going to overhaul you; you may not see the rascals for nineteen times, and on the twentieth you are jumped.'"

Their wagon led the van, the cattle followed in the rear, driven by the rancheros and my informant. Nothing transpired to interrupt the march of the party until a point was reached about half way between the place of departure and that of their destination, known as Camanchee Springs. "Here they seen trouble ahead," as the old borderer said, in the shape of a large band of mounted savages coming careering toward them over the desert that lay to the eastward, and from behind some distant sand hills.

The hostile intent of the approaching Indians could not be mistaken; they intended to plunder and murder. They were judged to be a part of the Kiowa tribe by the old borderer, whose long experience in Indian warfare was not likely to lead him astray in the matter of diagnosing an assaulting party of Indians.—Nor did he stop long to consider what was to be done in the present emergency. He knew it would be useless to talk to his men about resisting the Indians, their number being overwhelming, and would likely bear down everything before them; and that not a moment was to spare. They must depend upon the fleetness of their animals and unknown chances even to hope for escape from the Indians.

Shouting to his men to look out for themselves, he wheeled about and, striking the rowels of his spurs into his mustang's flanks, darted away at the top of his speed, followed by only one of his men, the others scattering in different directions over the plain.

The wagon with three of the rancheros was, at the time of the attack, some two miles ahead of the cattle and just entering a low chapparal of dense thorn and cactus growths. The old man at once concluded that the wagon would be captured to a certainty, and with little or no trouble, by the Indians; and that the men with it would only think of saving their own "bacon" by immediate flight. He was not certain they could even do this, as the Kiowa Indians had, as a general thing, very fleet horses; or, as the old man said, "their mounts were about as good as could be found." But he had no time to think much about anybody or anything but his escape just at that time.

He had hoped that the savages would first capture the herd of cattle, or turn their attention toward it, so as to enable him to put a goodly number of rods of ground between himself and his unwelcome visitors. But, in this he was disappointed, for, as he looked back over his shoulder in the course of his flight, he saw a party of warriors detach themselves from the main body, and heading directly toward him, come thundering in pursuit at apparently increased speed. And ever and anon, as he glanced back, they seemed to approach nearer and nearer. They were evidently well mounted—probably the best mounted of the whole band—and on this account were sent in pursuit of himself and comrade.

They led the chase but a few miles when he noticed that his companion's horse began to lag and fall to the rear, although the man used the utmost exertions to urge him forward. The poor brute had been overtasked in the start, and it became evident he would not hold out much longer. He encouraged the rider to do all he could to reach a chapparal which he saw ahead, and there abandon his beast and seek safety in the dense undergrowth; but to no purpose. As the Indians drew nearer and nearer, his companion suddenly turned his horse's head in a new direction, and tried to seek safety in that way. The poor fellow was desperate, and lost the only chance he had, by this movement; for, as soon as he left the beaten trail his horse rapidly failed, and the savages who pursued, soon came up with him. He threw up his hands as though begging for quarter, but in a moment afterwards the old drover saw him fall pierced by lances in the hands of the exasperated foe.

[illegible] transpiring the [illegible] witnessed by the Indians [illegible] rapid rate, the latter [illegible] gaining on him, but he hoped [illegible] before they overtook him. He knew there was no hope in the event of his capture, the fate of his companion in flight plainly told him that. The reaching of the chapparal was the only salvation left; should his horse stumble and fall before it was reached, he would be lost beyond hope. But, he reached it, and springing from his horse dashed into its depths regardless of the thorns that lacerated his flesh as he pressed on for a considerable distance. He then sat down to take breath and await, revolvers in hand, the approach of the "red skins," determined to sell his life as dearly as possible.

The Indians, on coming up to the point where the borderer had deserted his horse halted, and several of them springing to the ground, entered the chapparal for a short distance, and then retraced their steps, uttering a volley of guttural exclamations which the borderer interpreted—from his knowledge of the Kiowa dialect—to mean that they were not going to scratch themselves to pieces for the sake of possessing his scalp, when they especially coveted only the cattle. When he heard that he said "I thought there was a chance left to save my top-knot." He was under the impression that the Indians soon left, but did not stir from his position for nearly an hour, when he crawled to the edge of the chapparal and reconnoitered in every direction but could see nothing of the Indians from his present position. His view, in the direction he had come, was somewhat obscured by the unevenness of the ground, and he did not think it prudent to venture any distance from the thicket that concealed him for a while yet. He could see nothing of his horse, nor did he expect to, as he knew the Indians would take him with them. In about two hours, as near as he could guess, he ventured forth on the plain, taking a direction at nearly a right angle to that in which the chase had led; keeping himself under cover of some low sand hills. After traveling about a mile and a half in that direction, he wheeled and took the course parallel with the trail they had been pursuing prior to the attack, toward the Camanche Springs, in the hope he might discover the fate of his party and the wagon. The direction he followed soon led him upon a high range of sand hills from which he had an extensive view in almost every direction. He could see the point where his party first discovered the Indians; and also the chapparal where, at the time of the attack, he noticed the wagon just entering, and looking closely, [illegible] certain he saw the white cover of the wagon peering above the thicket of cactus and thorn bushes. On looking toward the east he saw two horsemen, but they were so far away he could not tell whether they were white men or Indians; but finally determined they were of his party. Acting on this idea, he took out his handkerchief and getting on the highest point, waived it until he attracted their notice. They immediately turned their horses' heads and rode towards him, but he scrutinized them attentively, as he was not absolutely certain they were not Indians.—Here was another dilemma; almost as bad as the one he had just escaped. He was now obliged to trust to the fleetness of his own limbs, instead of those of his mustang; so placing the sand hills between himself and the horsemen, he ran on a line parallel with the hills until he reached the chapparel in which he thought he had seen the cover of the wagon, where he concealed himself. From this point he could see the horsemen as they approached, and he expected their appearance soon; but he looked in vain. For some inexplicable cause, they had turned back and followed their original direction.

After waiting till the sun had almost set, without any indication of the presence of savages, he concluded to try again to discover the fate of his companions. He concluded to make his way as cautiously as possible toward the spot where he tho't he had seen the upper portion of his wagon. So, making his way through the dense thicket as quietly as possible, he came to an elevation from which he could see what first he had observed from the sand hills. The object which he took to be the top of his wagon proved to be such, although the lower portion was hidden from view by the intervening thicket. He also saw the horns of the oxen peeping above the surrounding shrubbery. At first