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Business Directory.

BEAVER.

JOHN MOORE, *Druggist* and dealer in paints, oils, pure medical Wines and Liquors, Glassware, Lamps and Fancy Goods; Main st. Prescriptions carefully compounded. sep28:ly

D. FAST, Dealer in Groceries, Flour, Feed, Confectionery, Tobacco and Cigars. (sep28:ly

HENRY MERZ, Manufacturer and Dealer in Boots, Shoes and Gaiters; Main st. [sep28:ly

BEAVER DRUG STORE, Hugo Andriessen, Druggist & Apothecary, Main st. Prescriptions carefully compounded. [sep28:ly

ANDERSON, Dealer in the improved Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine, Main st. Needles and Shuttle Sewing Machine, Main st. Need- les for sale in another column. sep28:ly

DEACON Mrs. E. L., Dealer in Millinery Goods and Fancy Trimmings; over 3d st and Diamond. sep28:ly

JAMES MOORE, Grocery & Restaurant Choice Teas, Best Coffees, Tobacco and Cigars, Confectionery and Vegetables. Main st. sep28:ly

E. ANSCHUTZ, Dealer in Tinware, Stoves, Grates, &c. West end 3d st. sep28:ly

PITTSBURGH.

J. MORGANSTERN, Dealer in Boots & Shoes, No. 96 Market St. Pittsburgh, Pa. [sep14:ly

GOFF & PHILLIPS, Real Estate Agents, Compiling Post Offices, Publishers of the "Real Estate Register," sent free. Pittsburgh. [sep14:ly

HENDERSON & BROS., Wholesale Druggists, 256 Liberty St. Pittsburgh. sep14:ly

D. HAMALEY'S HAT PARLOR, 29 Fifth Avenue, (near Market St.) Pittsburgh. [sep14:ly

A. CLARKE & CO., Booksellers and Stationers, 119 Wood St., Pittsburgh, Pa. [sep14:ly

JOSEPH HORNE & CO., 77 & 79 Market St., Pittsburgh—Importers and dealers in Notions, Trimmings, Hosiery, White Goods, &c. [sep14:ly

PALMER & BROTHERS, French and American Confectioners. Dealers in nuts, fruits, &c., No. 139 Wood St. Pittsburgh. [sep14:ly

GEO. MCCLE, Dealer in choice Teas, Coffees & Family Groceries. No 20 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa. sep14:ly

JOHN BIGGERT & SON, Dealers in the New Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machines. 116 Market street, Pittsburgh, Pa. sep14:ly

GUERIN, CLUNSTOCK & CO., Dealers in Carpets, Oil Cloths, &c. Special rates to Clergymen. Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa. [sep14:ly

P. SCHWEER, Successor to J. M. Johnston, Dealer in Watches, Clocks, Jewelry & Silver ware. No 64 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh. [sep14:ly

W. ROBINSON, House and Sign Painter, writes Transfer Show Cards for every business.—No. 71 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa. [sep2:ly

T. FULTON, Manufacturer of and Dealer in Furniture, Chairs.—Rosewood, Walnut, Mahogany and Oak. 45 Stillwell st. [oct5:ly

NEW BRIGHTON.

GEO. F. SIEMMON, Bakery & Confectionery, 3d R. street. Special attention given to wedding and ball cakes. [sep14:ly

A. J. SNELLENBERG, Merchant Tailor,—Broadway, New Brighton. See adv [sep14:ly

M. WHISLER, Dentist. Broadway, New Brighton. sep14:ly

NOSS, Photographer, Wilson's Block, Broadway. Best photographs from re-touched negatives. sep14:ly

WINTER & BEDISON, Jewelers and Tobacconists, Broadway, N. Brighton. [sep14:ly

J. HORTTER, Groceries, Queensware and Household Goods. Broadway. [sep14:ly

VAN PUGH, Dealer in Wall Paper, Window Blinds, Books, Stationery & Notions; Broadway, New Brighton, Pa. [sep21.1y

BEAVER FALLS.

WILLIAM ROBERTSON, Dealer in Improved Howe Sewing Machines. Main St., Beaver Falls. sep14:ly

MRS. E. KING,—Dry Goods, Queensware and Millinery, corner of Main and Baker streets, Beaver Falls. sep14:ly

RANDALL & PANNEY, Artists & Fresco Painters; also, House and Sign Painters, Main St., Beaver Falls. sep14:ly

BRIDGEWATER.

JAMES PORTER, Tinner, Dealer in Tin, Copper and Sheet-Iron ware, and iron Cistern Pumps. Bridge st, Bridgewater. [sep14:ly

C. HARTZELL, Manufacturer and Dealer in Boots and Shoes. Bridge St., Bridgewater, Pa. sep14:ly

C. HURST, Dry Goods, Hats, Caps, Furs, Carpets, Oil Cloths and Trimmings. Bridge st, Bridgewater, Pa. sep14:ly

H. DOHERTY, Dealer in Boots and Shoes. Bridge Street, Bridgewater. sep14:ly

BANACHE, Millinery, Trimmings & Notions. Bridge st., Bridgewater. sep14:ly

F. WEINMAN, Manufacture of Boots and Shoes. Bridge St., Bridgewater. [sep14:ly

MRS. BRUEN, Gentlemen's Clothing cleansed, dyed and pressed. Water St. above Bridge. sep14:ly

JOHN WOODRUFF, Marble Cutter; Monuments & Tombstones of all descriptions made to order. Bridge, Market and Water streets. [sep14:ly

J. STILES & CO., Groceries, Queensware, Window Glass, Flour, Feed & Country Produce. Dunlap's corner, Bridge St. Bridgewater. [sep21:ly

LUTHER MAGINNIS,—*Solicitor*—Proprietor of Persian Ointment, & Dealer in Agents' Goods Agents wanted. Water st. bet mills, Bridgewater. P. O. address, Beaver, Pa. [sep14:ly

HIRAM MEANOR, Dealer in Monongahela and Cannel Coal. Orders left at B. Clark's, in Beaver, or at Smith's Drug Store, in Bridgewater, will be promptly attended to. Cash on delivery—Lowest price. Yard—McDonald's Point. [sep28:ly

ROCHESTER.

WILLSMITH & CO., Fancy Dry Goods, Notions and Millinery. Madison st., near Diamond Rochester, Pa. [sep14:ly

HENRY LAPP, Manufacturer and Dealer in Furniture of all kinds. Brighton st., above the Factory. See adv't. [sep14:ly

JOHN KARCHER, Baker and Confectioner.—Main st., Rochester, Pa. [sep14:ly

ABRAHAM BOYD, Wagon & Carriage Maker, Diamond st., Rochester. Pa. [sep14:ly

SAMUEL C. HANNEN, Druggist. Prescriptions carefully compounded. Water st., Rochester. [sep14:ly

DR. S. MANANS, Electrical Physician; Chronic diseases made a specialty. Office, corner of Pleasant and Hedge streets, Rochester. [sep14:ly

FERREIRA SONS, Wholesale & Retail Dealers in Dry Goods, Groceries, Flour, Feed, Grain, Nails, Iron & Nails, Cor. Water & James sts.

GEO. HUMPHREY, Baker and Confectioner.—Wedding Cakes and Ice Cream furnished to order. On Diamond, Rochester. [sep14:ly

FOR SALE by A. SILVERMAN, Headquarters for Foreign & Domestic Dry Goods, Notions, Millinery and Fancy Goods generally, Rochester. [sep14:ly

MILLER & CO., Contractors and Builders, Manufacturers of Sash, Doors, Shutters &c., Lumber, Lath &c. Rochester. [sep21:ly

SCOTT, BOYLE & WILLIAMS, Successors to C. Parkin & Co., Dealers in Sawed and Planed Lumber, Lath & Shingles, Rochester. [sep28:ly

MISCELLANEOUS.

JOHN THORNLEY, Manufacturer of the Great Republic Cooking Stove, and Patentee of Portable Extension top and centre. Fallston, Pa.

HERBERT RUSSELL, Stoneware Manufacturer. Orders promptly attended to. Vanport, Pa. Post office address—Beaver, Pa. [sep14:ly

HAVING Permanently located in the village of Zelienople, Pa., for the purpose of practicing Medicine, I respectfully tender my professional services to the citizens of said village and vicinity. Office, in residence, opposite Eagle Hotel, where I shall always be found, unless professionally engaged. All calls will receive immediate and prompt attention. A. V. CUNNINGHAM, M. D. sep14:1y

H. McCREERY, ATTORNEY AT LAW. *Third Street, Beaver, Pa.* Office below the Court House, Beaver, Pa. jy22tf

BANKING-HOUSE. THOMAS M'CREERY & CO.

THOS. M'CREERY, *Cashier*, J. F. DRAVO, J. B. ANGUS, J. H. M'CREERY.

Interest paid on time deposits; Prompt attention given to collections. Also, Insurance Agents for sound and reliable Companies. [may18tf

DR. JOHN C. LEWIS, Surgeon & Physician.—Office, during the day, at Dunlap's corner; at night at my residence on Water street, Bridgewater, Pa. Will practice Surgery and Medicine. [mar9:ly cf apr7

JOHN H. YOUNG, Attorney at law, Beaver, Pa. Office and residence on Third St. east of the Court House. All law business entrusted to my care shall receive prompt attention. Also, persons having *Real Estate for Sale*, and those wishing to buy town property, coal or farm lands, may save time and money by calling at my office. apr2:ly

J. S. McNUTT, M. D., having permanently located in Beaver, would respectfully tender his professional services to the citizens of Beaver and surrounding country. Special attention given to the treatment of female diseases. Surgery with a skillful hand. Office on Third street, directly west of the Court House. [sep28:ly

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

WILLIAM HARNES, dealer in Boots and Shoes, Gaiters, Slippers, &c., next door to Harnes' Tan shop, Bridge street, Bridgewater, Pa., where he is prepared to manufacture and sell everything in his line at reasonable rates. Having changed his place of business from the corner of the Bridge to his present location, he invites his old friends and patrons to give him a call. [sep28:ly

JAS. CAMERON, Attorney at Law Beaver, Pa. Office in the room formerly occupied by the late Judge Adams. Collections, &c., promptly attended to. [sep28:ly

C. P. KURN, Attorney at Law. Office in McKinley's building, east of Public Square. [sep28:ly

D. JEUNET, Watchmaker and Jeweler, 3d st., Beaver, Pa. (In room adjoining J. Moon's office.) Gold watches and chronometers repaired and warranted. Engraving done to order. The patronage of the public is solicited, and satisfaction guaranteed. Give us a call. [sep28:ly

HOUSE AND LOT OF GROUND FOR SALE. The subscriber offers for sale a lot of ground containing the village of Black Hawk, Beaver Co., Pa., containing five acres, on which is erected a two frame buildings containing 4 rooms. There is never failing spring of water on the premises; also, a number of fruit trees. sep28:1y

N. J. McCORMICK.

J. LINNENBRINK, Dealer in Watches, Clocks, *Jewelry, Periodicals and Stationery.* Watches and Jewelry repaired. Agent for the "WEED" Sewing Machine, Rochester Pa. [sep 1y13:6m

Miscellaneous.

S. & J. Snellenburg, Merchant Tailors and Clothiers, Broadway, New Brighton.

Sept. 14, 1870—1y.

REMOVAL.

Thomas Allison,

HAVING REMOVED HIS STORE TO BEAVER, Pa.,

In the Rooms formerly occupied by Orr & Cooper, where he now has and intends keeping

A General Stock of MERCHANDISE

Having received from the East, within a few days past, a fine selection of

DRY - GOODS, OF THE Latest Spring Styles,

CONSISTING IN PART OF

ALPACA, POPLINS, De LAINS, PRINTS, CHECKS, GINGHAMS, CLOTHS, CASSIMERES, JEANS, TWEEDS, DINIMS, COTTONADES, CRASH, FLANNELS, SHOES, HOSIERY, &c., &c. BOOTS & SHOES, HARDWARE, SHOVELS; SPADES, RAKES, HOES, TUBS, BUCKETS, QUEENSWARE, &c.

To the above articles he has added a choice selection of

GROCERIES: COFFEES, TEAS, WHITE & BROWN SUGARS, SYRUPS, MOLASSES, SPICES. TOBACCO, SOAPS, &c.

All the above articles will be sold low for cash, or exchanged for country produce. Call and examine his stock and prices. THOMAS ALLISON.

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ICE CREAM SALOON AND CONFECTIONERY ESTABLISHMENT.

The undersigned having bought out the Ice Cream Saloon and Confectionery establishment of J. C. Harper on the west side of Diamond, in Rochester, Pa., would respectfully inform the public that he will

Keep the best quality of Ice Cream

during the Summer, and respectfully urges those in want of that article to give him an early call.

His Confectionery department is well stocked; and parties, weddings, &c., will be supplied with everything needed on short notice and in the best of style.

Families furnished with fresh bread as often as desired. GEORGE FREDERICK. may11:ly

Brighton Paper Mills, BEAVER FALLS, PENN'A.

PRINTING, *MANNILLA,* ROOFING, BAILING, Hardware, Glass, Straw, RAG AND CARPET PAPERS, MANUFACTURED AND SOLD AT Wholesale & Retail by Frazier, Metzger & Co., 82 Third Avenue, PITTSBURGH.

Rags taken in exchange. [sep

J. J. Horter, Dealer in Groceries, Provisions, Hardware, Queensware, Fruits, Meats, &c.

Corner Falls and Broadway, Beaver county, Pa. Terms cash. New Brighton. sep.14'70;1y.

Railroads.

RAILROADS.

PITTS., FT. WAYNE & CHICAGO RAILWAY. On and after June 13th, 1870, Trains will leave Stations daily, (Sundays excepted) as follows.—[Train leaving Chicago at 5.35, P. M., leaves daily.] [Train leaving Pittsburgh at 2.50 P. M., leaves daily.]

TRAINS GOING WEST.

STATIONS.	EXP'S.	EXP'S.	MAIL.	EXP'S
Pittsburgh	1210AM	235PM	645AM	1020AM
Rochester		358	820	1138
Salem	348	550	1021	1278M.
Alliance	515	620	1053	102
Canton	552	714	1135PM	207
Massillon	611	744	1240	215
Orrville	639	818	128	250
Wooster	700	843	203	320
Mansfield	815	1020	403	546
Crestline { A	840	1050	440	630
Crestline { D	900	1105	500AM	630
Bucyrus	920	1139	528	735
Upper Sandusky	745	1159	705	815
Findlay		1238AM	737	853
Lima	856	120	905	1030
Van Wert		230	1018	1195
Fort Wayne	1035	410	1135	230AM
Columbia		419	1235PM	129
Warsaw		503	130	215
Plymouth	1235PM	625	300	330
Valparaiso		723	430	455
Chicago	250	920	630	690

TRAINS GOING EAST.

STATIONS.	EXP'S.	EXP'S.	MAIL.	EXP'S
Chicago	1130AM	920PM	600AM	535PM
Valparaiso		1149	807	715
Plymouth	150PM	1204M	950	905
Warsaw		319	1053	951
Columbia		419	1153	1050
Fort Wayne	515	615	1240PM	1110
Van Wert		658	212	1224M
Lima	440	805	315	130
Forest		837	347	245
Upper Sandusky	548	1005	503	310
Bucyrus	615	1045	550	352
Crestline { A	640	1115	620	430
Crestline { D	655	1205PM	630AM	430
Mansfield	716	1234	653	500
Wooster	823	1352	803	609
Orrville	848	127	827	645
Massillon	906	258	935	717
Canton	919	313	947	733
Alliance	950	350	1045	820
Salem	1018	423	1140	908
Rochester		502	1210PM	1039
Pittsburgh	1220	703	315	1755

Youngstown, New Castle and Erie Express leaves Youngstown at 2.35 p. m; New Castle, 3.15 p. m; arrives at Pittsburgh, 6.50 p. m. Returning, leaves Pittsburgh 7.15 a. m; arr. at New Castle, 9.50 a. 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, 3.50 p. m; arrives New Castle 6.30 p. m; Youngstown, 7.50 p. m.

F. R. MYERS, *General Passenger and Ticket Agent.*

CLEVELAND & PITTSBURGH RAILROAD. On and after May 29th 1870, trains will leave Stations daily (Sundays excepted) as follows.

GOING SOUTH.

STATIONS.	MAIL.	EXP'S.	ACCOM
Cleveland	815AM	1230PM	345PM
Euclid Street	836	1241	356
Hudson	930	135	457
Ravenna	1004	205	529
Alliance	1100	314	620
Rochester	1178	310	
Wellsville	105PM	427	

GOING NORTH.

STATIONS.	MAIL.	EXP'S.	ACCOM
Wellsville	855AM	450PM	
Bayard	1025	606	
Alliance	1115	635	725AM
Ravenna	1225PM	655	815
Hudson	1237	813	855
Euclid Street	141	908	956
Cleveland	155	920	1010

GOING EAST.

STATIONS.	EXP'S	*	MAIL.	ACCOM	ACCOM
Bellair	545AM	725AM	200PM	605PM	
Bridgeport	555	815	210	615	
Steubenville	700	1100	315	730	
Wellsville	815	1225PM	445		
Smith's Ferry	840	146	508		
Beaver					
Rochester	925	220	550		
Pittsburgh	1025	325	655		

GOING WEST.

STATIONS.	MAIL.	EXP'S.	ACCOM	ACCOM
Pittsburgh	725AM	345PM	400PM	605PM
Rochester	735	350	530	
Beaver				
Smith's Ferry	817	430	611	
Wellsville	830	505	655	
Steubenville	950	605		705AM
Bridgeport	1100	710		815
Bellair	1110	720		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, 1.50 p.m.	N. Philadelphia, 340pm

F. R. MYERS, General Ticket Agent.

Miscellaneous.

HENRY MERZ, Dealer in Boots, Shoes, Slippers and Gaiters. Boots and shoes made to order. Long experience in the business enables him to do work in a superior manner. Terms moderate. Shop on Third street (near Rev. Miller's Bookstore), Beaver, Pa. Give him a call before purchasing elsewhere. apr1,1870:1y

Blank Committments for sale at the Argus office.

Gold & Silver Watches.

IMPORTANT TO EVERY ONE!

Look at Price Lists.

AMERICAN WATCHES:

Waltham	$17 00
Elgin	24 00
United States	24 00
Howard	48 00

All the above are in Coin Silver Cases, and are good and reliable time-keepers.

LADIES' GOLD WATCHES:

Dollared Lever	$23 00
Detached Lever (Extra)	36 00
Geneva (Enameled)	35 00
Geneva (Best)	48 00

These all have Solid Gold Cases, and are full jewelled movements; and, as hundreds can testify, are a splendid time-piece.

GENTS' SILVER WATCHES:

Detached Lever (Gold joints)	$17 00
Detached Lever (Fine)	18 00
Detached Lever (Medium)	15 00
Geneva Lepine	12 00

Special inducements are offered in these Watches, which are pure Silver, and perfectly reliable for time.

I will send, [C. O. D.] by Express, any of the above Watches, with *Guard* and *Key*, and written guarantee. My dealings are fair and honorable, and will be found satisfactory to all. Send along your orders at once, and save by the C. O. D. plan from 20 to 60 per cent. Address

E. P. ROBERTS, Successor to J. M. ROBERTS, *No. 46 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.* Oct5:3m

Dry Goods.

B. S. RANGER, *Bridge Street,* BRIDGEWATER, PA.

18 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 Barred Flannels, Merinos, Delaines, Plaids, Ginghams, Coburgs, Lawns, Water Proofs, Chinchilla, Cloths, Woollen Shawls

Brown and Black Muslins, Drillings, Ticklings, Prints, Canton Flannels, Jeconets, 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 Mince 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.

My 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.

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The Most Complete Business College in the United States,

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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.

TUMOURS. Professors BUCHANAN & DOWN of the American University, are making wonderful cures of Cancers, Tumours and Ulcers by their new discovery. A painless treatment, no knife, no plasters, no caustic burning. The most formidable effect of this treatment is, it separates the chemical elements of cancerous growths, so that they shrivel, die and disappear and will not return. All those afflicted can call on the Professors Buchanan & Down, University; or address, No. 814 Pine Street, Philada. CANCERS. ULCERS.

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Dentistry.

Dr. J. Mair, of Bridgewater, is determined that no Dentist in the State shall do work better or cheaper than he offers it to his patrons. He uses the best materials manufactured in the United States. Gold and silver filling performed in a style that defies competition. Satisfaction guaranteed in all operations, or the money returned. Give him a trial. feb2:1y

ARTIFICIAL TEETH PERFECTED. E. J. & H. J. CHANDLER have purchased the exclusive right of Beaver county to use Dr. Stock's Patent by which they can get up Vulcanite this as Gold Plate, with a beautiful enameled polish; and so light and elastic as to perfectly adapt itself to the mouth, obviating all that clumsy and bulky condition, so much complained of heretofore; and lessening their liability to break 100 per cent. Indeed, no one seeing, it would be willing to wear the old style plate any longer than they could conveniently get them exchanged. All branches of Dentistry performed in the best and most scientific manner. In filling teeth with gold, etc., we challenge competition from any quarter, and can refer to fifty subjects whose fillings have stood between thirty and forty years. Among the number Hon. John Allison will exhibit fillings we inserted some 32 years ago. Our teeth as perfect as the day they were filled. Laughing Gas prepared on a new plan, freeing it from all unpleasant and dangerous effects, making the extraction of teeth a pastime or pleasure rather than of horror and pain. Prices as low as any good dentist in the State. Office at Beaver Station, Rochester Pa.

nov2:1y E. J. & H. J. CHANDLER.

LOOK HERE.

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

GENTLEMENS FURNISHING GOODS.

CONSTANTLY ON HAND.

Clothing made to order on the shortest notice. Thankful to the public for past favors, I hope by close attention to business to merit a continuance of the same.

DANIEL MILLER, *PA. BRIDGE ST., BRIDGEWATER.* mar 24:tf

SELECT MISCELLANY.

THE STONE VAULT.

I have been with Morris & Grinby thirty-five years, come the first of next month. I was forty when I came here, and so I have a habit of being exact about dates. I am now within a few weeks of seventy-five. But as for being old, bless you, I'm younger than the youngest clerk; Tom Codgers, who, what with late suppers and hard drinking, has a hand that shakes like those old ledger leaves blowing in the wind by the open window yonder.

Cold water, early hours and temperance in all things keep a man hale his life through. If you don't believe that, look at me; I'm an example, sir. Yes, I have seen changes here. The firm was "Morris, Grinby & Bloom" when I came, though young Bloom died three months after, and young Grinby was taken into partnership. We had a fire there, too, and the offices have been rebuilt on a different plan. Ah, yes! changes enough, sad and pleasant; but the strangest and saddest of all was what happened to poor Ben Wade.

Ah, dear me! It did seem hard, very hard, looking at it with human eyes, and forgetting, as we are apt to that God does everything for the best.

Perhaps you don't know how this house is built. It's an old place, although the front and offices are new, and those great balustrades were only put up last year. Down below you can judge how very old it is. Such a cellar, sir—such massive walls, and all paved with stone; and below the cellar a small stone vault, which Codgers, who laughs at serious things, says the old firm built to be buried in. My own opinion is, it was intended to conceal valuables, for it has a grate and plated door and three locks, each fastened with a different key—that is, if they were ever fastened at all. The vault was disused long before my time. Well, sir, I hadn't been here six months, when one day or rather one evening, for it was nearly six—merchants kept late hours in those days—I had occasion to go down into the cellar before going home, to give directions to the porter about some bales to be sent up in the early morning next day.

Mike and I were up at the north end of the cellar, where the bales were, and I was giving him my orders, when at my elbow, as it seemed, I heard an odd sound—a kind of wheezing cough, smothered in a moment.

I looked around, there was nobody there—not a soul; and I thought how our ears deceived us; but be sure, and went on talking. But I give you my word I hadn't spoken three words when there was that sound again. It quite startled me.

"Mike," said I, "did you cough?"

"No, sir," said Mike; "I thought your honor did."

"It must be imagination, or come from the office overhead," I said, but just then ough—ough! We both heard it.

"It's no good yer honor," said, Mike.

"There's some one coughing in the cellar," said I.

So, with Mike's lantern, we went over the great stone-paved place, looking behind boxes, bales, casks, and under the steps and up the coal slide. But not a soul did we find, until, passing the door of the vault, I heard it, this time very faint and strange, and called out to Mike:

"Whoever it is, is locked in the vault."

And with that we both threw ourselves forward, and bolted into Mr. Grinby's office together. The old gentleman, Grinby senior. He don't come to the office once a year now, for he's past ninety. Old Mr. Grinby was just locking his desk and buttoning his overcoat. He stared at us through his glasses and ejaculated:

"Bless me, Humphries, is the house on fire?"

"No, sir," said I, "but, there is some one hidden in the stone vault."

"Bah!" said Mr. Grinby, "I thought you had more sense, Mr. Humphries, no one could exist ten minutes in that stone vault. It is next thing to air-tight."

"It's my belief, sir, that whoever it is, may be choking to death, sir," I said; "but there is some one there, Mike heard a cough as well as I."

"Very well," said Mr. Grinby "call the nearest constable, Mike, and—Mr. Morris, are you in your office, sir?"

Perhaps you'll come down with us and assist in the capture of a burglar Mr. Humphries has discovered in the airtight stone vault below the cellar."

He was very satirical; so was Mr. Morris. But we all went down, together, the constable with us, and stopped before the stone vault. The door was shut so tightthat it took all Mike's strength to force it open; and Mr. Grinby, looking straight before him, shouted:

"Ha, ha, nobody, as I told you."

But the next minute he saw what the rest of us had already seen, a bundle of rags in one corner of the vault, down on the floor. And amidst the rags was a white face and a thin hand, and a bare, bruised and bleeding foot. And we dragged out into such air as there was in the cellar a miserable wretch of a little boy who seemed quite dead.

Up in the office, however, we bro't him to life, and got the story from him. He lived, it seems, amongst thieves, and they had planned to rob us that night, and he poor little midge, had slipped in somehow, and hidden in the cellar, to open the door for them, never thinking any one would come there that night.

But when Mike and I went down he took to the vaults and there would have smothered but for my hearing him. I don't care to tell you how we kept him and filled the place with constables, who, when the burglars came, pounced upon them and took them into custody. You can guess all that. You can guess all that. It is the boy I have to tell you about—poor Ben Wade. I came out during the investigation consequent upon the arrest that the poor child was kept amongst the thieves by force, and that they used him cruelly. A ruffian of the gang had once broken his leg in a drunken fury and he limped yet from the injury. He was such a pale, worn, miserable thing, that every one felt merciful to him, and it was decided to pardon him and send him to the poor house.

But that very morning Grinby, junior—a young man—came into the office where his father sat and put his hand upon his pen.

"Father," says he, "I want to ask you a favor. I want my own way in one thing."

"Well," said the old gentleman, "let me hear it."

"I want to make Ben Wade into this house-an errand boy," said young Mr. Grinby.

"Hey?" said the old gentleman, "what, a poor housebreaker as errand boy. Bless my soul!"

"Father," said young Grinby, "the boy is naturally a good boy. I like him, I want to save him. Perhaps, if I had not good a father to guide me and to cheer me, I might have been worse in me. I don't ask you to trust him, sir. I only ask leave to trust him myself. I am sure the will prove serving of confidence."

Old Mr. Grinby then took out his snuff box, looked at Mr. Morris.

"I've noted the lad's eye; it's a good one, I'd Mr. Morris.

"It's a fact," said Mr. Grinby, "but we'll aider."

And I supse the result was what young Grinby wanted, for little Ben Wade came to us the next Monday.

Now he was clean and whole, he did not look so bad, and good food and no abuse made a difference in him in a week.

In a month or so people stopped predicting that young Grinby would repent some day, and in a year I do not think there was one in the office who didn't love that boy. So grateful, and so trustworthy, and so ready to do every thing for every one. Young Mr. Grinby had him taught, and well taught, too. The lightning calculator might beat him, but I doubt it; and I never knew that lad to forget to dot his i's or cross his t's, in all my acquaintance with him after he had learned to write at all.

At twenty he was one of the best clerks in our establishment, besides being as fine a looking young fellow as one would wish to see. On the whole I did not wonder that Miss Lucy Evans took a fancy to him—a slater, sir, of one of the young fellows at our place, and a girl who looked like a queen, and was as good as she was handsome.

I used to meet them walking on the battery where lovers used to walk in those days. He was so fond and proud of her, and she had such a tender way of looking at him, that they made my old heart young again, as I often told Mrs. Humphreys, to whom I always confide everything. And how he reverenced her; why a ribbon, or a faded flower, that she had worn, were cherished by him as a miser cherishes his gold.

At last he told me, in confidence—for her name was sacred and not to be spoken before every one—that they were to be married.

"And when I look back, sir," said he, "and remember the miserable years of my wretched childhood and think how friendless and forlorn I was, and how there was nothing before me but a prison or the gallows, and think that now I have everything to make man's life blessed—the power to win a respectable livelihood, the respect of honest men, and the love of such a girl as Lucy—I can never be too grateful to the kind friend who saved me from a life I dare not contemplate. God bless Mr. Grinby!" said he, lifting his hat reverently as he might in church, and there was a prayer in his dark eyes as he looked upward.

Those were the last words I ever heard him speak, except "Good night." Ah, dear me, it should have been good bye. Ten minutes after I went one way and he the other. I took my way home, and he, as it seemed afterwards, walked just two blocks and then came back here. At twelve o'clock that night I awoke Mrs. Humphries.

"My dear," said I, "I must have had the nightmare or something."

"Good gracious," said she, "it seems so. Your hands are like ice. What gave it to you, love? The lobster, I'll be bound."

"Perhaps," said I. "I admit I ate a late hearty supper. And nothing else could make me fancy young Wade at my bedside, white as a ghost, with both hands on my breast."

"Ah, but the nightmare is always black, not white," said my wife. And then she went to a little cupboard and brought me a glass of wine. After that I went to sleep again.

I did not rise early, and was quite behind my usual time. But when I reached our place I found it in great commotion. Clerks running thither and thither, and heads of the firm standing about in the most unbusiness like manner, and policemen on the premises.

"What is the matter, sir?" I said, addressing Mr. Grinby.

"Matter enough," said he; "we've been very heavily robbed."

"I fancied that couldn't happen here," said I. "I really believe it would be impossible for burglars to break into Morris, Grinby & Son's sir."

"Ah," said he, "they did not break in. The door has been quietly opened from the inside."

"And I believe—," began Mr. Morris.

"Sir," cried young Mr. Grinby, out of breath, "I beg as a gentleman, as a man of principle, you will not give utterance to your unfounded suspicion—totally unfounded and unworthy of you."

"Prove them so, sir," said Mr. Morris, coolly, "and I'll apologize."

I looked an inquiry.

"Don't ask explanation, I beg, Mr. Humphries," said Mr. Grinby. "Something has been said, which the speaker will regret. Ah, there comes my messenger."

And in ran one of our boys.

"Well, Tom?" said Mr. Grinby.

"Mr. Wade ain't been home all night, sir, said Tom.

"I told you so, said Mr. Morris.

"And I tell you even yet I will not hear my dear friend's—yes, my very dear friend's—character aspersed, "said young Grinby. "Humphries, I know you love Ben Wade, as I do. Fancy imagining him connected with this robbery. As well suspect my father, myself or you."

"He's missing?" said Mr. Morris, shutting the office door upon us three. "He was seen to return late in the evening. He was one of a band of house-breakers when we took him in, and many declare the character to be formed at six years old. He was nine. I believe he has been won back to his old ways."

"You will not express your belief to others." said Mr. Grinby.

"Not as yet, most certainly," said Mr. Morris.

"Well, sir, that was a bitter day to me—a bitter day. We could learn nothing of young Wade after eight o'clock on the previous night. Then several had seen him. He had taken tea at a little coffee house, as he sometimes did when he did not intend to return home until quite late, and said to some one there, "I must go back to the office, I have forgotten something."

Half an hour afterwards Mike, the porter, had passed into the street, and young Wade had said:

"What's the time, Mike?"

The porter told him,

"I shall be too late," he said. "I have an engagement, and must go back to our place for a parcel I've forgotten."

An apple woman on the corner had seen him enter. He often bought fruit from her for lunch and she knew him well by sight.

There the news ended, until Mike, going in to light the fires, found the place a scene of confusion—desks and safes rifled, papers strewn about, and every mark of systematic burglary.

Later in the day, Lucy Evans came down. Her brother had sent her word of what had occurred. She believed some terrible accident had happened to Ben, and begged the firm to spare no efforts to discover him. She was almost distracted, and who can wonder. They had been going together, it seemed, to see some play the night before, and she had been sufficiently alarmed by his failing to keep the appointment, to be in a measure prepared for worse. She knew he intended to bring her a book. He had spoken of it. That must have been the parcel he went back for. Of course she never doubted him, and no one dared to hint at what had been whispered in her presence.

For weeks, sir, the authorities were at work. Immense rewards were offered for the burglars, and for the recovery, alive or dead, of young Benjamin Wade, but with the least effect.

We were notified—of every body knew it before—and "every" knock'd under and stood the fire for months, and at last there were few who did not laugh at poor Ben's friends for their credulity.

It seemed plain to them—and may Heaven not judge them as they judged their brother—Ben