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Business Directory.

BEAVER.

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JOHN B. YOUNG, Attorney at Law. Office and Residence on Third st., east of the Court House. Business promptly attended to. apr27:1y

H. McCREERY, Attorney at Law. Office on Third st., below the Court House. All business promptly attended to. je22, '70tf

MRS. F. D. FAST, dealer in Millinery, Trimmings, Fancy Goods, &c., on the corner of Second and Seminary streets. je14:71-1y

F. KUHN, Attorney at Law. Office east end of Third street, Beaver, Pa. mar30:70:1y

R. S. McNUTT, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Special attention paid to treatment of Female diseases. Residence and office on Third street, two doors west of the Court-House. apr13'71:1y

DAVID YMERIZ, Manufacturer and Dealer in Boots, Shoes and Gaiters; Main st. [sep28:1y

BEAVER DRUG STORE, Hugo Andriessen Druggist & Apothecary, Main st. Prescriptions carefully compounded. (sep28:1y

NEW BRIGHTON.

HAS COALE, Dealer in paints, oil, glass, nails, window glass, looking-glasses, frames, garden seeds and fancy fowls. Falls street, New Brighton. sep27 71-1y

JACOB NECKER, dealer in Watches, Clocks, Jewelry. Repairing neatly executed, Main st near Falls-st. nov8:1y

J. SCHIPPERT, Baker & Confectioner; Ice Cream, Oysters and Game in season. Balls, Parties, &c., supplied nov1

[illegible] Beaver office, Broadway, New Brighton, Hardware, glass, paints, which he furnishes to contractors and others except for cash. oct25 71-1y

J. & F. METZ, dealer in fresh meat and fat cattle, will visit Beaver on Monday, Thursday and Saturday of each week. oct25'71-1y

EVERARD—Dry-Goods, Groceries, Notions Queensware, &c. Highest price for good butter and produce generally. Opposite Presbyterian church, Broadway. [sep27'71-1y

F. WINTER.—Watchmaker, Jeweler and Optician, 224 Broadway. sep27'71-1y

M. H. McDONALD Dealer in Fine Teas, Choice Family Groceries, Queensware, Glassware, Wooden ware, Willow-ware, &c. Broadway Fallston. sep27'71-1y

J. BUTTLE, M. D.—222 Broadway, New Brighton, makes the treatment of chronic diseases and female weaknesses a specialty. Consultation free to the poor every Sunday from 1 to 3 p. m. sep27 71 1y

J. O. GILLILAND & CO., Dealers in fancy and Domestic Dry Goods, Millinery, Groceries, Queensware &c. Broadway, New Brighton. [sep27

J. McCLAIN Photograph Gallery. Every variety of Pictures neatly executed. Corner of Second and Broadway, New Brighton. [sep27

W. M. WALLACE, Dealer in Italian & American Marble. Manufactures Monuments, Gravestones &c. at reasonable prices. Railroad st., near Depot, New Brighton. [sep27

J. H. B. MILLS, Billiards, Tobacco, Cigars and Gents' Furnishing Goods, Broadway, Apple st. sep27 71-1y

J. STEWART & CO.—Groceries, Coffee, Tea, Sugar, Canned Fruits, and everything kept in a first class grocery. Bridge St. Beaver. (sep13:1y

[illegible] WISNER, Dealers in Boots, Shoes & Rubbers, near Siemon's Confectionery. je21:y

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MOUNT NURSERIES.—Evergreens, Fruits. Three miles East of Beaver. nov27:1y2 E. THOMAS.

[illegible] GILLILAND & KERR, Druggists & Stationers, cor. Broadway and Falls st., New Brighton, Pa., successors to L. B. Nonnemacher. febz2'71-1y

[illegible] SIMON, Bakery & Confectionery, Oysters in season. Special attention given to wedding cakes at short notice. [sep13 1y

[illegible] SCHELLENBERG, Merchant Tailor, Broadway, New Brighton. Second st. [sep13:1y

[illegible] Brighton, Pa. Wilson's Block, Second st. Best photographs from ferrotype. [sep13 1y

[illegible] HULL, Dealer in Wall Paper, Window Shades, Stationery & Notions, Broadway, New Brighton, Pa. [sep13 1y

BEAVER FALLS.

C. M. ROBERTSON, Dealer in the justly celebrated Domestic Sewing Machine. Ladies invited to convince themselves. Main st., B. Falls. [sep27

J. STEWART & SON, Dealers in Yankee Notions, &c. Main st. Beaver Falls. sep13:1y

J. FLEMING, Dealer in Boots and Shoes of every description, at low prices, and of a superior quality, Main st. Beaver Falls Pa. jan18:1y

BRIDGEWATER.

F. WEIMAN, Manufacturer of Boots and Shoes, Bridge st., Bridgewater [sep27:1y

DENTON SMALL & JOHN WALTHER, Manufacturers of Wagons, Buggies, Buckboards, Lands of Vehicles. Blacksmithing. Market st. above Bridge st. sep27 1y

J. MOELLER, dealer in COAL of all kinds. Near V. Kinney's Run. aug27:1y

CARL DARRAGH, Artist, Portrait and Photograph Painter. Work promptly executed at reasonable rates. mr22'7

J. P. BEADEGGER, House and Sign Painter, Bridge st., Bridgewater, Pa. apr12 71:1y

J. G. HIM, Bridge street, Bridgewater, Pa., Dealer in Gold and Silver Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Silver-Ware, Spectacles, &c. Watches & Jewelry repaired. [feb15 71:1y

JOHN MILLER, Fashionable Tailor. None but workmen employed. Shop Main st. Beaver Pa. feb27'71:1y

[illegible] Dealer in Tin, Stove & Sheet Iron Ware, Broadway, New Brighton. [sep27 1y

[illegible] CLARK, proprietors of Johnston House, accommodations and good stabling. Near R. R. Depot. oct19:1y

W. [illegible] dealer in Boots, Shoes, Gaiters, Slippers, doing neatly and promptly. Diamond, Rochester, Pa. oct19:1y

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J. WILLIAMS, Electrical Physician; Chronic diseases made a specialty. Office, 187 Wash st., Allegheny City, Pa. [sep14:1y

C. A. WETZEL, the only manufacturer of Wetzel's Way Soap. No 8 & 16 Bingham st., Allegheny, Allegheny county, Pa. [ly5-tf

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J. THOMPSON & CO.—Dealers in Dry Goods, Boots, Shoes, Hats & Caps, Queensware, Glassware, &c. Corner Market st. E. Liverpool. (mr8:1y

[illegible] & CO., Druggist, Broadway, near R. R. Prescriptions carefully and accurately compounded. feb1:1y

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[illegible] & CO.—Dealers in General Dry Goods, Groceries, Queensware. Highest price paid for country produce. jan18:1y

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[illegible] Beaver county, Pa., Patent Lumber for all kinds of Buildings. Patent Lumber. jan9'71:1y

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TRAINS GOING WEST.

STATIONS.	EXP'S.	EXP'S.	MAIL.	EXP'S
Pittsburgh	145AM	930AM	710AM	230PM
Rochester	252	1012	845	338
Salem	....	....	....	....
Alliance	505	135PM	1145	615
Canton	....	....	....	....
Massillon	....	....	....	....
Orrville	633	323	153PM	747
Wooster	....	....	....	....
Mansfield	838	535	429	946
Crestline A	910	610	500	1010
Crestline D	930	635	610AM	1020
Bucyrus	....	....	....	....
Upper Sandusky	....	....	....	....
Forest	1053	828	750	1143AM
Lima	1152	950	909	1843
Van Wert	....	....	....	....
Fort Wayne	910PM	1230AM	1140	255
Columbia	....	....	....	....
Warsaw	....	....	....	....
Plymouth	417	305	225PM	510
Valparaiso	....	....	....	....
Chicago	720	650	630	830PM

TRAINS GOING EAST.

STATIONS.	EXP'S.	EXP'S.	MAIL.	EXP'S
Chicago	920AM	535PM	550AM	930PM
Valparaiso	....	....	....	....
Plymouth	1205PM	805	945	1240AM
Warsaw	....	....	....	....
Columbia	....	....	....	....
Fort Wayne	330	1135	1240PM	315
Van Wert	....	....	....	....
Lima	420	142AM	305	505
Forest	529	250	420	622
Upper Sandusky	....	....	....	....
Bucyrus	....	....	....	....
Crestline A	640	420	600	805
Crestline D	700	430	1130AM	830
Mansfield	728	500	1205PM	904
Wooster	....	....	....	....
Orrville	920	700	225	1112
Massillon	....	....	....	....
Canton	....	....	....	....
Alliance	1100	850	440	115PM
Salem	....	....	....	....
Rochester	104AM	1105	717	337
Pittsburgh	210	1210PM	835	445

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GOING SOUTH.

STATIONS.	MAIL.	EXP.	ACCOM	
Cleveland	840AM	1215PM	355PM	
Euclid Street	....	....	....	
Hudson	1000	134	505	
Ravenna	1030	155	533	
Alliance	1130	234	615	
Bayard	1202PM	302		
Wellsville	155	440		
Pittsburgh	400	640		

GOING NORTH.

STATIONS.	MAIL.	EXP'S.	ACCOM.	
Pittsburgh	630AM	210PM		
Wellsville	900	409		
Bayard	1035	531		
Alliance	1132	620	725AM	
Ravenna	1220PM	704	815	
Hudson	1253	734	855	
Euclid Street	....	....	....	
Cleveland	210	845	1010	

GOING EAST.

STATIONS.	ACCOM	MAIL.	EXP'S	ACCOM
Bellair	545AM	....	200PM	
Bridgeport	555	....	210	
Steubenville	700	....	315	
Wellsville	815	155PM	440	
Smith's Ferry	....	....	....	
Beaver	....	....	....	
Rochester	930	255	535	
Pittsburgh	1040	400	640	

GOING WEST.

STATIONS.	MAIL.	EXP'S	ACCOM	ACCOM
Pittsburgh	630AM	210PM	425PM	
Rochester	740	310	435	
Beaver	....	....	....	
Smith's Ferry	....	....	....	
Wellsville	855	410	700	
Steubenville	955	540	....	
Bridgeport	1057	628	....	
Bellair	1110	650	....	

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THE MAMMOTH TREES OF CALIFORNIA.

From noon till 5 p. m. we endure the thumping of a Concord coach over the Sierra spurs, those within frying, those without broiling, in valleys where the thermometer is in dead air over 100°, or over ridges where the stifling dust is mitigated sometimes by a gentle breeze. This all the way to Murphy's another old mining town, where we receive the cheering intelligence that the real trouble of the route is about to begin. We change from the coach to a mountain wagon—so called—a street hack with three seats and nosprings. There is no use for any, they would not last, and the passengers cannot keep their seats half the time anyhow. It's a capital thing for a torpid liver. In this we make the remaining fourteen miles of up-hill to the Grove. Despite the jolting I prefer the change. We leave the dust behind; there is not soil enough on the route to create it. We run beside clear, cold streams. We are in a region of cold airs. We are shaded by rocky cliffs; or on the levels by tall timber, and the wild, ever varying beauty of gorge or wooded flat make me forget fatigue. It is evening too; all the way up hill, necessitating slow driving, and giving time in the claims to look about. The vegetation begins to change rapidly. The shrubby, manzanita, chaparral, oaks and arrowood disappear, and we are in a magnificent forest of tall trees without underbrush. Every mile the trees increase in size; the smallest we see for hours are three or four feet in thickness, and nature seems to usher us in their fitting portals to the wonders that are to come. The big trees do not stand alone in grandeur as I had supposed, but for twenty miles around vegetation shades off gradually in forests of immense pines.

At last we reach the borders of "The Grove" *par excellence,* while there is still light enough to appreciate its glories. There they stand, the vegetable wonders of the world; in the gathering twilight, some in clusters, joining their branches like the columns of great gothic arches, reaching away to prop the firmament, or now and then one isolated and stretching gaunt arms and opening boughs as if it would drink the clouds. The majority appear stumpy and truncated, too thick for their length; but others stretch away in long, graceful columns of arborescent proportions, height, thickness and branches all in such perfect correspondence, that half the affect of their size is lost. Indeed, they do not look at first sight nearly so large as they are; there is harmony with adjacent trees, and between different parts of the same tree, that the sense of size is lessened by that of elegant uniformity. But many of the trees of two or three hundred feet in height, have a decidedly stump appearance, looking like gigantic stubs rather than trees. At first view it seemed to me the tops must have been broken off. The branches add much to this illusion from the fact that they bend downward, starting even from the body of the tree at an angle of twenty degrees below the horizontal. This, I am told, is caused by the weight of winter snows, continued annually through all the thousands of years of their growth. The smallest of these adjacent trees in an Ohio forest would create astonishment; yet here they appear trifling, as mere striplings shading off and filling nature's intervals between the mammoths and common underbrush. Strangest of all, other things appear much dwarfed. As the coach drives between the "Two Guardsmen," at the entrance of the grove, the horses appear like mere ponies, shrunk to half their natural size. My companion, as he leans against the monstrous trunk, and extends his arms for me to judge its width by them, appears a mere mannikin; the smallest tree, one I had guessed at four feet, spreads a foot or two either side beyond the natural reach of his fingers, and dwarfs him amazingly by comparison. Here is the place for man to realize his littleness. In the evening shades of these green arches, how naturally the mind reverts to thoughts of the vast, the unchangeable, the infinite. Heaven itself seems nearer in our thoughts; riotous mirth is hushed; solemn awe fills the soul, and in low-toned exclamations alone we briefly converse.

But forty miles of staging over boulders and rocky up-grade, with dust enough in us to start a second Adam, incline our party to think more of supper and of bed than of the biggest trees nature can produce. These comforts, first-class, are found at the Big Tree Hotel, and for a summer resort one can spend weeks very pleasantly here. Daylight at 4:30 a. m. shone through the green arches with a new and wondrous beauty, and we awake to the contemplation of a new world, another creation as it were, where nature seems to have proceeded on a special plan too cyclopean for the common world outside.

Of course, the first object for to-day is the great fallen tree and stump, the latter now covered with a handsome summer-house, and fitted up as a pavilion for dancing. On the Fourth of July a cotillion party of thirty-two persons danced upon the stump, and had abundant room for the musicians and a dozen spectators. The tree, as it stood, was three hundred and two feet in height, and ninety-six feet in circumference, three feet from the ground. But there is a little of the "brag" in this measurement, as most of these trees spread greatly near the ground, and do not assume a symmetrical, tree-like shape before reaching the height of ten feet or more. The stump has a surface of twenty-five feet in diameter, to which must be added three feet in a state of nature for the bark, which was eighteen inches thick, giving a total diameter of twenty-eight feet. Five men were twenty days in felling it—a great piece of vandalism, nay of sacrilege, in my humble opinion. But, after due consideration the proprietors concluded that the ends of science—particularly the science of pecuniary transfer—would be more fully secured by sending the bark and sections of the tree to the Eastern States and to Europe for inspection; and it was not till this was done that the public generally were quite convinced of the existence of such wonders.

The work was done with long augurs, boring it off little by little; when entirely severed, such was the perfect plum of trunk and branches, that, to the amazement of spectators, the tree merely settled down and still stood, as if refusing, conclous of its majesty, to bow to human endeavors. Vast wedges were then inserted on the northern side and driven little by little, till heaved beyond the line of gravity, the mighty growth came crashing to the ground. It would seem as if nature must have yielded an audible groan at this desecration. A bowling alley was constructed upon the upper portion of the trunk, but not proving remunerative, has been removed. The "but cut" of the tree lies as it fell, the top reached by means of a ladder; then a large portion is gone, sawn out in foot sections and transported Eastward. The "Father of the Forest," largest of all the trees, is also prostrate and slightly buried in the ground, having evidently fallen many years before the grove was discovered (1852.) Its circumference at the base is 110 feet; thence it is 200 feet to the first branch, the tree hollow all that distance, and through this tube I can easily walk erect. Unlike the other, it was evidently much decayed and was broken by its fall besides breaking down several smaller trees with it.—By the stumps of these it is known to have been at least 420 feet in heigth, and may have been considerably more. Near its base is a never-failing spring of clear, cold water.

The mother of the Forest, so named from two round protuberances on one side, is the largest tree now standing. The bark has been removed to the hight of 116 feet, but without it the tree is 84 feet in circumference at the base. Twenty feet from the base it measures round 69 feet, and thus on, decreasing with elegant regularity to the height of 321 feet, making this the most symmetrical of all the larger trees. And for this reason its vastness is seldom appreciated at first view. In such fine harmony, the overpowering sense of immensity is lost. It is not until one has rounded the tree many times and viewed it from different points that the eye comprehends all its grandeur. The bark was from ten to twenty-four inches thick, bulging outwardly in a succession of ellipsoids around the trunk. Ten feet from the base this tree would "square" twenty feet, to use a sawyer's phrase; and taking this with a length of three hundred and twenty feet, gradual decline, a practical lumberman of our party estimates that it must contain at least five hundred and twenty thousand feet of sound inch lumber! This seems utterly incredible, but the rules of measuration show it beyond a doubt. Next in order, as in interest, is (or are) the "Husband and Wife," a noble pair of saplings, each sixty feet around the base and two hundred and fifty in hight, growing near and bending lovingly toward each other till their upper branches are completely mingled in a dense wooden and leafy mass—a tall, lithe, well proportioned, graceful pair, supporting a heavy progency of branch and leaf sufficient to shade an assemblage of five thousand persons.

Near by is the "Burnt Tree," prostrate and hollow, into which one can ride on horseback for sixty feet. Across the roots it measures thirty-nine feet, and from all indications its height must have been over three hundred feet. The "Horseback Ride" is also hollow its entire length; in the narrowest part the interior is twelve feet wide and can be traversed from end to end. "Uncle Tom's Cabin" is a hollow stump in which twenty-five persons can be comfortably seated, while near by the "Three Sisters" stand side by side in graceful amplitude, each twenty feet thick and two hundred feet high, of exact proportion and equi-distant from base to crown.

The trees are mammoth redwoods, assigned by botanists to a class known as *Sequoia gigantea.* In an elaborate description, written soon after dicovery, a patriotic English scientist christened them the *Wellingtonia gigantea.* This roused the jealous ire of a California *savan,* who, in a ludicrous spasm of national pride gave them the specific title of *Washingtonia gigantea.* But by common consent they are now known by the name first mentioned. Like all other timber of the *Taxodium* genus, they are but little subject to decay, and the most impaired of the fallen trunks has undoubtedly been prostrate for many hundred years. In this dry air, at an elevation of three thousand feet above the sea level, with drought in summer, and snow in winter, and only the light rains of spring and autumn, decay requires long periods, compared to which a human life seems practically naught. We have gazed long upon these botanic marvels and still new beauties appear at each new study; but it is when we come to estimate their age that amazement reaches its climax, and we can truly compare the duration of these monstrous trunks with man's brief period of growth and decay. The trees of this genus require twenty years to increase one inch in diameter, the bark twice as long to gain the thickness of a knife blade; the timber, in a drying air, will not perceptibly decay within the lifetime of man. By these and many other signs, more than all, by the annular rings, it is demonstrated that the largest of the *Sequoias* must be three thousand years old. Think of it; outlasting ninety average generations of men. And the fallen ones are probably one thousand years older. When our forefathers landed on Plymouth Rock the largest of these had long attained its growth, and was hardening into solid maturity. For how many centuries did the Indian contend with grizzly bear and mountain lion through these shades before the pale face came to gaze with the enlightened wonder of a superior race? Could these whispering boughs before my chamber window, now sighing in the evening breeze of the Sierras, but drop inielligible words, what of primeval history might they not tell—of combats of savage beasts or equally savage men?

When Magna Charta was signed, these giants were already of size sufficient to have astonished all the Barons at Runeymede, familiar as they doubtless were with the great oaks of Boscobel and Epping Forest. When Rome yielded to the Goth, the "Father of the Forest," grown old and decrepid, was tottering to his fall. When Rome was founded the "Burnt Tree" was a vigorous sapling rearing his head two hundred feet upon a body ten feet in diameter, and when the Savior bowed his head on Calvary, we may well believe that here a mighty forest groaned and shuddered in the throbs of universal nature. Nay, when Solomon sent to Lebanon for cedars and rafted him curious woods" from Tyre, had navigation so far extended, he might here have found solid redwoods of size sufficient for the heaviest beams of the "House of God." When Homer sang of Troy, this grove was already a wonder, and when Horace delights himself in the Sabine Woods, here were trunks to put to shame the largest oaks of the Appenines. And yet these are not the oldest trees in the world. In Africa there grows a species of mimosa which, by the same indications, is proved to be six thousand years old. A sapling when Adam was a stripling! There seems to be no satisfactory theory to account for their growth here. Climate and fertile soil may have done much; but I incline to the belief that they are a sort of a relict of the age when all vegetation was gigantic; as one age of geology must have subsided with easy grades to the next, we have here the last vegetable survivors of the age just before us, and after their fall, no more big trees. Eight miles south of here is another collection, known as the South Grove, and containing thirteen hundred and eighty trees in close order, averaging larger than these, but the largest a foot or two less than the largest here. But we have seen enough for the present to fill the mind with images for years and weary us in conjecture. Time presses, and with to-morrow's earliest light we are off for Yosemite.

A FRIGHTFUL DEATH.

A Lion Tamer Torn to Pieces by Five Lions—Horrible and Sickening Death—A Panic-Stricken Crowd Looking on.

The Bolton (England) *Evening News* says: "A season of farewell performances were