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TIME TABLE.

Cleveland & Pittsburgh R. R.—Trains leave Beaver Station as follows: Mail, 9 20, a. m.; Evening Fast Mail, 2 47 p. m. Accommodation and Express through to Beaver 5 15 p. m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS. The following tariff of fees is announced for announcing the names of candidates in advance of the ensuing nominating convention, for the respective offices mentioned, and for publishing tickets, has been agreed upon by the Republican papers of this county:

For President	$20.	Senate,	$15.
Assembly,	10.	Sheriff,	10.
Register & Recorder,	10.	Clerk of Courts,	5.
Commissioner,	5.	Poorhouse Director,	3.
Associate Judge,	5.	Auditor,	3.
County Superintendent,	5.		

Cards and Tickets, per 1,000, $5

The attention of the public is directed to the following New Advertisements which appear for the first time, in the Argus to-day:

Special Notice—Holloway's Pills
Special Notice—Dr Johnston
Special Notice—Mustang Liniment
Special Notice—Dr Keyser
Special Notice—Vinegar Bitters
To School Directors—Geo M Fields.
New Advertisements—Dauchy & Co.
Wanted—Thomas Grant.
Special Notice—S & J. Snellenburg
Special Notice—H. Noss
Special Notice—County Commissioners.
Notice to Bridge Contractors—Commrs.
Advertisement—J. H. Borland.
Adv—J. R. & A. Murdoch.
Ads—Joseph Horne.
Ads—De Zouche & Co.
Special Notices—Mrs. Bence.
Adv—Boggs & Buhl.
Star Baskets—Handel Kent.
Adv—Morgenstern & Co.
Adv—W. H. Marshall.
Adv—James M. Bennet.
Special Notice—R. T. Taylor.
Special Notice—Dr. Pitcher.
Executor's Notice—Wm. Beatty, Executor.

Notice.—From and after this date and the first of September next the County Commissioners will meet on Saturday of each week only. aprl0tf

Radical please copy.)

Thanks.—Our thanks are due the Hon. W. McClelland, for a copy of the "Congressional Directory" of the 2d Session of the 42d Congress; a neat volume. While we are not in political sympathy with the honorable gentleman, it is just to credit him with being the most attentive Representative we have had in this District.

The newest and latest novelties Watches, Jewelry and Silver Ware at the lowest prices, go to S. A. J. Snellenburg's *Sign of the Gold Watch*, 93 Market street, Pittsburgh.

WONDERFUL! WONDERFUL!—Just opened, selling all wool suits at ten dollars! Such is the fact, if you doubt it call on S. & J. Snellenburg and see for yourselves. Broadway, New Brighton.

Silver, Silver, Silver, Table Ware and Jewelry, go to *John Stevenson's Sign of the Gold Watch*, 93 Market street, Pittsburgh. jy7-1y

FOR DOTTY VARDEN HAT &c.—Every variety in Hats, Bonnets and Flowers, go to Lai Bence's, Beaver. apr10-2t

Left for His New Field of Labor.—Since the recent session of the Pittsburgh M. E. Conference, when the appointments for the present year were announced, it was ascertained that Rev. Wm. Lee, who has resided in Beaver the past two or three years, was assigned to Maxburg, Washington county, for which place himself and family left last Thursday. The good wishes of our neighbors and acquaintances go with them to their new home.

REPAIRING.—If your watch is out of order, take it to *John Stevenson's Sign of the Gold Watch*, 93 Market street, Pittsburgh. Watches repaired and returned free of charges. All work warranted. jy7-1y

Right and Proper.—In the Legislature Appropriation Bill, Senator Rutan introduced an amendment giving to Mrs. E. M. Stanton, wife of our deceased fellow citizen, Dr. Edwin M. Stanton, Auditor General, an amount equal to the salary of the Auditor General for one year.—*County Press.*

SEWING PARTS WARE.—We sell none but the best. Call and see for yourselves and prices. Goods sent free of charge. *John Stevenson's Sign of the Gold Watch*, 93 Market street, Pittsburgh. jy7-1y

NORWAY OATS.—Pure Norway Oats for sale at Davidson's Mill, Sharon, Pa. *Radical* and *Democrat* please copy.) jal3-3w

Burned.—A tenant house on the farm of Mr. Ephram Smith of centre tp., Greene County, Pa., was burned one night last week. A family was preparing to occupy the building, and had placed some of their goods in it. During the night the goods were removed to a safe distance and the property fired. It was totally destroyed.

We invite our friends to call and examine our stock of Watches before purchasing elsewhere. Orders carefully and promptly filled. *John Stevenson's Sign of the Gold Watch*, 93 Market street, Pittsburgh.

CAUTION.—Every genuine box of Dr. McLANES LIVER PILLS bears the signature of FLEMMING BRO'S., Pittsburgh, Pa., and their private United States Stamp. ☞ "Take no other." The market is full of imitations. Apr3-6m.

Don't Believe It.—The story that a highly respectable citizen of Beaver Pa., was in Salem, O., recently, "trying to persuade his wife who had erred and strayed from him like a lost sheep to return to his fold again." Something of a sensational about that, Mr. *Patriot*, eh? Lisbon.

Free of Charge.—Call at Andriessen's Drug Store, or at S. C. Hannen's, in Rochester, and examine Dr. A. Boschee's German Syrup *Large* size has lately been introduced into this country from Germany, and for any person suffering from a severe cough, heavy cold settled on the breast, consumption or any disease of the throat or lungs it has no equal in the world. Price of the bottles 75 cents. In all cases it can be promptly returned if perfect satisfaction is not given. Two doses will relieve any person. nov29-1y

Fruit Trees.—To make trees bare for many years in succession, prune them should be cultivated, the ground plowed summer and fall; and once every year; it is said that the prunings of bushes and trees is leaves and twigs; these should be burned in autumn, mixing the ashes forward manure, to be spread in spring, to keep the leaves from getting dry and being blown away; then spread out in the spring, in the form of a bushel of lime well mixed with about three bushels of wood ashes, and add an ash for each tree once a year, would be advantageous to their fruitfulness.

WOOL WANTED.—We are the most complete firm in Pittsburgh, and at the necessary all the time of *John Stevenson's Sign of the Gold Watch*, 93 Market street, Pittsburgh. jy7-1y

NORWAY OATS.—Pure Norway Oats for sale at Davidson's Mill, Sharon, Pa. *Radical* and *Democrat* please copy.) jal3-3w

Wanted.—A good horse, 7 years old, for working or breeding purposes, will be bought at a reasonable price. Inquire of G. H. Reisoner, near Beaver.

Morgenstern & Co. We direct the attention of readers to the advertisement in this issue of the above well known house. They have just received, for the Spring Trade, the largest and best selected Stock of Trimmings, Fancy Goods and Notions ever before offered to the trade all of which is offered at the lowest Eastern Prices. Their store is No. 78 and 80 Market Street, Pittsburgh.

West Point Cadet.—It will be seen by the following letter from our member of Congress that he has the appointment of a cadet to West Point from this district. He adopts the competative system, regardless of political bias. This was unquestionably the intended rule to be observed originally by the founders of that Academy, but it has been sadly perverted of late years. We hope some young man will be found in Beaver county to claim the competitive honor of an appointment. The letter explains itself; and is as follows;

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 30, 1872.

MR. WILLIAM S. BLACK, *New Castle Pa.*

DEAR SIR: I have been notified by the Secretary of War that the appointment of the next Cadet from the 24th District to the Military Academy at West Point, will be made upon my recommendation. In justice to the District, I have decided to place the selection of the Cadet in the hands of a committee of competent gentlemen, (to be selected hereafter,) who will meet in Pittsburgh, at 11 a. m., May 14th, to examine all who may present themselves. This committee will examine as to physical as well as mental qualifications, and the applicant, who, in the opinion of a majority of the committee passes the best examination, will be recommended by me. He will be expected to present himself at the Annual Examination at the Military Academy in June.

Any further information relating to this subject will be given by addressing me. Yours Respectfully,

W. McCLELLAND.

WATTHAM WATCHES.—Being Agents for the sale of these Watches in the City of Pittsburgh, we are confident of our ability to please in styles and prices. *John Stevenson's Sign of the Gold Watch*, 93 Market street, Pittsburgh. jy7-1y

Real Estate Agents.—The large business transacted by Messrs. Stevenson & Wittish, Real Estate Agents, of Beaver Falls, in the sale and transfer of Real Estate, gives assurance of their capacity and facilities in that line. They are doing an immense business this Spring. Perhaps no men in Beaver county can be found so fully conversant with our landed property—its titles, peculiar advantages for farming, mining, fruit-growing, manufacturing, &c., as this firm. Withal, they are reliable and courteous gentlemen; and we advise those wishing either to sell or purchase real estate to give them a call.

The latest and best styles of jewelry in all their various branches, to be found at *John Stevenson's Sign of the Gold Watch*, 93 Market st. Pittsburgh. jy7-1y

SPRING is just opening up; but H. Noss Photograph Gallery is always open Sundays excepted; for business, and such is the arrangement of sky lights as to have sufficient quantity of light to take a correct representation even on a cloudy day. Mr. Noss is an artist of superior talent, giving entire satisfaction to his numerous customers, and what is doing a thriving business. Broadway New Brighton.

Suicide at Mansfield.—A young man by the name of Lewis Herdt, in the employ of Swank & Son, of Mansfield, Ohio, a carriage painter, committed suicide Saturday morning last by hanging and was found about one o'clock Sunday afternoon, hanging to a tree. He left a letter saying he had been disappointed in love. Herdt was a German about eighteen years of age, and had only been about eight months from the old country.

☞ Fahnestock's perfectly pure White Lead, Linseed Oil, Turpentine, Varnishes, Brushes, Paints—dry and ground in oil,—Window Glass, all sizes; Putty, &c. Lyman's celebrated Garden and Vegetable seeds. For sale at Hugo Andriessen's Beaver Drug Store mr 13;8w

Whitewash.—As this is the season of whitewashing and house-cleaning we give the following recipe for making a good wash which will not rub off. Mix half a bucketfull of lime and water; then make a starch of half a pint of wheat flour, and pour it in the whitewash when hot. Stir it well, and it is ready for use. This is a simple and good method of making a wash that will adhere to the wall, and not paint everything which comes in contact with it.

Noss' views at B. Muhlheims, Bridgewater Pa.

Exhibition.—School No. 2, Brighton township closed with an exhibition, and had quite a crowded house. The performances were good and popular, and highly appreciated by the audience. The manner in which the pupils performed gave evidence of talent and good teaching during the term, which was taught by Miss Jennie Mercer.

WANTED, a few good reliable agents that mean business to canvass standard works. Either Ladies or Gentlemen—Teachers preferred.—Address S. M. Beaver, Beaver Co. Pa., for ten days.

The next session of the Pittsburgh Annual Conference will be held in Salem. About sixteen years ago this body assembled in that place, and the citizens were well pleased with the meeting. Everybody extended the hand of welcome. The leading Free Thinkers in the town threw open their doors, and welcomed members of the Conference to their hospitality. It was accepted in the same good spirit it was tendered, and all got along pleasantly together. We expect another pleasant time at the next year's assembling of Conference. It will do our people no harm to have to mingle with them for a week the strangers who may be in attendance.—*Salem Republican.*

We call special attention to the card of Messrs. J. R. & A. MURDOCH, in another column. This is one of the oldest establishments in Pittsburgh, the present proprietors succeeding their father, who started it thirty years ago. They are strictly honest and business in all their dealings, and to such as require anything in their extensive line of business, we would only say, give them a call, or send for their catalogue, of which they issue three. Dont forget the place, opposite the Post Office.

State Road.—A bill has passed the Legislature appointing Commissioners to lay out, locate and open a State road from the junction of the Franklin and Pittsburgh road near Harkin's Mill in New Sewickley township, to the intersection of the Evansburgh and Zelienople roads on the farm of Henry Rape in Cranberry township, Butler county.

Sensational.—The following scrap of sensational news comes from Titusville, Pa., *Courier* of last week:

"About 8 o'clock Sunday night a strange rumbling sound was heard on Hammond Run, one mile from town, and in a few moments Peter C. Jones came down the road, almost breathless, and announced that a large tract of land upon the run had suddenly sunk into the earth, trees, houses and all.

Jones was at first thought to be deranged, but a half hour's walk convinced the *Courier* reporter and others that he was telling the truth. They came to a wide yawning gulf, and as it was dark they could not see across it. There came rolling up from it a dense, sulphurous smoke, almost suffocating. Quite a crowd of people gathered at the verge of the chasm. Some one got a line and ventured near enough to the edge to lower it, and had ascertained that the depth of the chasm was about seventy-five feet.

Mr. Jones came over the sunken ground just before the sinking, and he says that for some minutes he noticed that the earth vibrated in such a manner as to render it almost impossible for him to stand or walk. He was hardly ten feet from the sunken ground when it commenced to go under. He was too much frightened and agitated to answer questions with any degree of coherency. At present writing it is impossible to tell how large an area of ground has sunk."

We would call the special attention of our entire readers to the advertisement of J. H. Borland, 53 and 55 Wood Street, manufacturer and wholesale dealer in Boots Shoes and Gaiters, of every style and variety, as he has just received, and of the largest and best assortment of Spring and Summer Goods, bought direct from the manufacturers, strictly for cash, before the recent advance in leather, and can consequently sell at the very lowest New York and Boston prices. He also makes a specialty of Philadelphia City made goods, and sells them at manufacturers' prices, thus saving freight and expense. He is receiving new goods daily, and can offer special inducements to cash or short time buyers, by duplicating Eastern bills. He fills all orders from the country promptly, and guarantees satisfaction. Call and examine his stock and prices, when in the city, as you can save money by buying there.

Captured.—C. H. Younger, an escaped convict of the Moundsville (W. Va.) penitentiary, who broke out of that institution with two others a short time since, was captured one day last week at a house in Wayne township, Greene Co. Younger was convicted in the Mason county (W. Va.) Court, for the murder of his wife, and first sentenced to be hung, but afterwards the sentence was commuted to imprisonment in the penitentiary for 15 years. He was taken back from Greene to Moundsville.

Accident.—Miss Eliza Larimour, house keeper for Rev. Father Monroe of the M. E. church, met with an accident last Saturday evening which seriously bruised and otherwise injured her. She had gone to the cellar stairs in the dark for some culinary article, made a mis-step and fell, dragging the door upon her at the bottom of the cellar where she was found shortly afterwards very much crippled and bruised. It was providential her neck was not broken, as the edge of the cellar door struck her on the neck, forcing the head and back against the wall. She is recovering slowly.

Castoria—a substitute for Castor Oil—a vegetable preparation containing neither Minerals, Morphine nor Alcohol. It is pleasant to take, does not nauseate, and operates when all other remedies failed. Dr. Pitcher has experimented fifteen years in producing a preparation more efficient than Castor Oil, without its horrid taste. The Castoria regulates the system: cures constipation, stomach ache, croup and flatulency, and kills worms. It does not distress or gripe. By its quieting, soothing effect it produces natural sleep, and is particularly adapted to crying and teething children.

We desire Physicians to test this article, and will forward three bottles GRATIS to the address of any one so authenticated. Insist that your druggist order it for you. It costs but 50 cents, and one bottle will save many doctor's bills. aplo;4w

Beaver College is opening its spring session with a very large attendance though doubtless many others will join the school the present week.

The Public Schools of this borough, after a short vacation, commenced again a week ago last Monday. The attendance was not as large as might have been expected from the general reputation of the teachers as instructors. There may be some local cause which prevents immediate attention to the importance of our public schools, which will give place to a larger attendance in the future. We have as good a class of teachers as any borough of the Commowealth can boast, and these schools must grow in popular favor ultimately.

Beaver Mail Contracts.—Thomas McKinley, esq., of this place, was notified last week by the Post-Office Department that the contracts for carrying the mail from Beaver to Rochester and back, twice per day, and from Beaver to Black Hawk, once a week, had been awarded to him. The pay he receives on the Beaver and Rochester route is $400.00 per year, and on the Black Hawk route $100.00 per year. The Department did a wise thing in selecting Mr. M. for this service, as he has every facility for performing the work in an expeditious and satisfactory manner.

EDITORIAL NOTICES are so common that it is almost impossible for an editor to express his honest opinion of the merits of any article without being suspected of interested motives. This fact, however, shall not deter us from saying what we think of a new addition to the Materia Medica to which our attention has been recently directed. We refer to *Dr. J. Walker's California Vinegar Bitters*, a remedy which is making its way into more families just now than all the other advertised medicines put together. There seems to be no question about the potency of its tonic and alterative properties, while it possesses the great negative recommendation of containing neither alcohol nor mineral poison. That it is a specific for Indigestion, Billiousness, Constipation, and many complaints of nervous origin, we have reason to know; and we are assured on good authority that as a general invigorant, regulating and purifying medicine, it has no equal. It is stated that its ingredients, (obtained from the wilds of California,) are new to the medical world; and its extraordinary efficacy certainly warrant the conclusion that it is a compound of agents hitherto unknown. If popularity is any criterion, there can be no doubt of the efficiency of the *Vinegar Bitters*, for the sale of the article is immense and continually increasing. aprl0;4w

Mr. Newton Anthony, A. M. of Beaver Falls is a candidate for County Superintendent.

☞ Veterinary Surgeons all over the country are recommending *Sheridan's Cavalry Condition Powders* for the following trouble in horses:—Loss of appetite, roughness of the hair, stoppage of bowels or water, thick water, coughs and colds, swelling of the glands, worms, horse ail, thick wind, and heaves.

Rev. Dr. Hays.—The writer happened to call on the lecture committee of Franklin last winter just after the Dr. had lectured in that town. No encomiums upon his lecture were too strong, and it was asserted that no man in the lecture field, scarcely excepting John B. Gough, could command a larger audience in that place than Dr. Hays. It will be remembered that he is to lecture in the M. E. Church, Friday evening of this week.

Drawing and Painting are to be taught by a graduate of the School of Design of Pittsburgh this session at the College. Citizens are invited to examine her work.

Excellent Native Wine.—Monday last Mattison Darragh, esq., presented us with a specimen of his vintage of wine, from the Diana & Roger Hybrids, Catawba, Diana and Clinton grapes, the flavor of which exceels any foreign Madeira we ever tasted. It is by far the best specimen of native wine in this county. It fully establishes the fact that there is no call for the importation of wines to the United States. No country produces better grapes, nor to greater variety, than are grown in this country; and no better specimens of the vintage can be produced than those of different localities of our Union. Give us a sufficient tariff and we will beat the world as vinters. Those wishing wine for Sacramental or Medical purposes should call on Mr. Darragh, and get the unadulterated juice.

County Superintendent.—It will be seen by reference to our advertising columns, that our present Superintendent of common schools has issued a call, in accordance with the provisions of the act of assembly in such cases made and provided, for a convention of school directors to meet at the Court House in Beaver on the first Tuesday in May next, to elect a county Superintendent for three years succeeding the first Monday of June following. We would impress upon the School Directors the importance of choosing a competent person for the position irrespective of party. No other office has a relation so vital to the interests of the people. Whether our children shall be well or ill taught and trained—whether the public money shall be judiciously or injudiciously expended—will depend very much upon the man about to be chosen to fill the office of County Superintendent; for it will be admitted by all reflecting minds that upon the qualifications of that officer depend the prosperity or declination of our public schools. We trust, therefore, the directors will feel disposed to lay aside all extraneous considerations and allow their choice to be governed by merit alone. If a man fully qualified for the office shall be chosen, good schools will be guaranteed.

A freind of ours who is chief clerk in the Governmental Dispensary, says that no medicine chest is now complete without *Johnson's Anodyne Liniment*. We always supposed it was prescribed by law if it is not, it ought to be, for certainly there is nothing in the whole *materia medica* of so much importance to the soldier and the sailor as *Johnson's Anodyne Liniment.*

A Resident of Newark, Ohio, was the victim of a confidence man Wednesday last. He left the union Depot, Pittsburgh on a western train for his home. He had scarcely cleared the Railroad bridge across the Allegheny river before a well-dressed stranger approached him and asked him if he could oblige him by purchasing a few twenty dollar gold pieces, that he might have some presents backs on hand. The Newark man complied, and took in some $265 of the gold pieces, large and small. He had proceeded but a short distance before he discovered that his eagles were nothing more than brass fare "chips." The victim came back to the city and told the police about it, but the man who liked greenbacks had not been captured at last accounts.

An artless newspaper man who lately bought a few sausages, thus relates his troubles: I got them sausages home without getting bit; and I cut them apart and left them. In the morning I visited them. Three of 'em had cuddled up together, and were sleeping sweetly. Two of 'em had crawled to my milk pail and were lapping the milk, and one, a black and-white one, was on the back fence twinkle to crow.

The Beaver Falls Cutlery Works, are to be pushed forward with a determination to succeed, notwithstanding the many difficulties and drawbacks which have hitherto been impeding their progress. The Economy society which now owns the works, have recently purchased what is familiary known as the "Mansion House" and the adjoining property of James McKnight; It is also said they are negotiating for—if they have not already closed the bargain—the property below the cutlery works between the river and Main Street This addition of property is said to have been purchased for the accommodation of employees. The Economites, who now own the entire works, are abundantly able and evince a determination to run them successfully. Mr. Reeves, cashier of the Economy Savings Institution, left for California, in the interest of the works, last week. It is said he will visit China before he returns.

THE Ladies are no doubt glad that spring has at last made its appearance, they will also be glad to learn that they may find at Bence's Millinery and Trimming store, the old stand, Beaver, a large and well selected stock of all the latest in Hats, Bonnets, Flowers and a good stock of splendid Ribbons, and in fact everything new in the Millinery line. We shall offer during this season extra inducements to our customers in Millinery, Kid Gloves, Shawls, Lace collars, Handkerchiefs, Hoop skirt corsets, &c., and will keep a full stock of the latest Chignons always on hand, Give us an early call. apr10;3t

Veteran Soldiers' Bounties.—A soldier having enlisted for three years, and discharged before having served two years, on account of injuries, or sickness, again enlists for three years, between the dates of May 7, 1863, and March 31, 1864, is entitled to $400, veteran bounty, under joint resolution of January 18, 1864. His first service must have been full nine months. There are a great many volunteers throughout the country who were treated by the accounting officers as recruits, and only allowed $300 under the above named resolution. These men have a just claim against the Government for the balance of a veteran bounty, $100. which can be obtained upon application to the proper accounting officer of the Treasury—furnishing their discharges; or, in case they are lost, proper proof of the same will be accepted.

IF our readers have never visited Boggs and Buhl's Dry Goods Store in Allegheny, they should read their advertisement in to-day's paper. Cut it out for reference and whenever they go to the city take a bee line for the store and make their purchase. Farmers will find all kinds of goods suitable for them and can get a reduction in price when they buy in quantities.

Late Spring.—Last year at this time gardens were made and most of the spring planting done. Now there are no gardens commenced nor any plowing done. The frost is not yet out of the ground. It is feared we shall have late frosts. The Lakes are covered with ice to the depth of three or four feet, and it will be well on in May or June before they will be completely broken up; and it is said, by those who have observed these matters, that we shall be subjected to cold spells and frosty nights until the Lakes are clear of ice. If this holds good, the prospect for fruit and spring crops will not be so favorable as we were led to believe. There seems to be some philosophy in the matter of frost until the opening of the Lakes, as every wind from the north will bear the chill of ice with it. However, we are of sanguine temperament and shall hope for the best.

The provisions of the soldiers' homestead bill which has just passed Congress, and received the signature of the President, are as follows: Every officer, soldier, sailor or marine who served in the war for a period of ninety days may, in settling upon the public lands under the homestead laws, count the period of his service as a part of the five years' residence required to obtain a patent to 160 acres. The actual residence of the land must be at least one year. Six months are allowed after the location of the land before the residence upon it must commence. Persons discharged for wounds or disability may have their whole period of enlistment counted. In case of the death of a person who would be entitled to the privileges of the act his widow, if unmarried, or minor children, if the widow be married or dead, are entitled to its benefits.—Any person to whom the bill gives the right to acquire land may have the same entered and he required settlement and residence made by an agent. This is the most important feature of the bill, for a comparatively small number of soldiers will themselves become homestead settlers. The right to transfer their privileges to an agent will doubtless be of considerable value to them.

Shying Horses.—A horseman whose horse is given to shying ought never to permit himself to exercise nervousness or punish the animal for exhibitions of timidity. Whenever a horse directs the points of his ears in a certain direction, although distrustful or afraid, the reins should be pulled in an opposite direction, thus diverting the attention of the animal from the object causing the perturbation. If on the other hand, force or harsh means are used to compel an acquaintance with the object feared, the horse will be doubly excited, if not unmanageable. We have found, in cases of shying or halting at real or fancied objects of disquiet, that stopping the horse, and using soothing language answers a good purpose. If the object is stationary, the horse, after a short time, will most usually advance in the direction of it until apprehended, when he will resume his way in a quiet mood. But if chastised for shying, he will have two objects of fear instead of one, and becomes more confirmed in the habit of distrustfulness.

For the Beaver Argus.

Deliverance from a Delusion.

—A Mr. L— had accused himself of having committed the unpardonable sin. All efforts to persuade him to the contrary were unavailing. The impression was daily deepening. His mind lost its elasticity; and a moody temperament succeeded, &c., &c. Many months had transpired, during which he was the subject of religious gossip and of fervent prayer; when the case was stated to a judicious minister, whom divine providence had called into the neighborhood. He waited on Mr. L——, who, far from being averse to any conversation relative to his own state, seemed rather to court it. After a preparatory interchange of remark, he was asked, "*you believe yourself guilty of the unpardonable sin?*"

"I am sure of it."

"In what did the crime consist?"

"I opposed the work of God."

"So did Saul."

"I denied Jesus Christ."

"So did a disciple, afterwards honored by his master."

"I doubted the power of Jesus Christ after strong evidence in his favor."

"So did Thomas."

"What? are you attempting to prove by such examples that I am a christian."

"Not at all; I am only inquiring into the nature of your guilt; and thus far I see no reason for despair."

"I have hated God," rejoined the self-condemned, "and openly avowed my enmity in sight of his divine operations."

"Thus far your case is lamentable indeed, but not hopeless still. Our hearts are naturally at enmity with God, &c."

"I *feel* that I am cut off from salvation."

"It is difficult to reason against your *feelings*."

"But are there no proof on the present subject?"

"Let me inquire whether you desire the pardon of your sins?"

"Earnestly if it were possible."

"Do you regret the conduct of which you accuse yourself?"

"Certainly."

"Do you sincerely desire repentance?"

"I would give the world if it were mine to be able to do so."

"Then it is not possible that you have sinned the unpardonable extent, for these are the characteristics of a state of mind faithless, but far from being desperate. And they come within the design of the gospel invitations."

There was something simple and touching in this mode of ministering to a mind diseased. And it produced an effect which, probably, no other process would have accomplished. Mr. L—— did not long survive this interview, but his living and dying were those of a favored Christian. Alas! that many persons laboring under a like delusion respecting the sin against the Holy Ghost, should not be enlightened by similar instruction! Doubtless not a few who have never committed the sin, have lived for years, and then died under the

Pennsylvania Legislature.

SENATE, April 1.—Mr. Rutan's substitute extending the Free Pipe bill to Beaver and Allegheny counties was opposed. The bill fell by a tie vote, and the original bill incorporating the Smith's Ferry Oil and Transportation Company was laid over, which is equivalent to a defeat. The consolidation bill was not reconsidered, as was expected.

The House was not in session.

SENATE April 2.—The bill selling agricultural land scrip and authorizing a new issue of bonds was passed. The appropriation bill, retaining $250,000 for legislation expenses, $10,000 Philadelphia University Hospital, and $500 for each of the members of the Evans Committee, was reported from the Conference Committee, and adopted. The bill for the Smith's Ferry Oil Transportation Company of Beaver county passed finally as it came from the House. The bill allowing defendants in cases of misdemeanor to testify, except in cases of perjury and forgery, was also passed finally. A resolution was passed adding Speakers Rutan and Elliot to the Centennial Celebration Committee and authorizing each House to appoint three more. The House bill for a State Bureau of Labor Statistics, passed. A session was held till after twelve o'clock last night on the Constitutional Convention bill, reported by the Conference Committee, with Mr. White's proposition that three delegates should be elected for each Senator on the cumulative system. Mr. McClure had the bill recommitted on the ground that this would make the Convention partisan. Adjourned.

HOUSE.—The report on the Constitutional Convention bill was recommitted. The Senate bill incorporating the Little Beaver Railroad Company passed. Adjourned.

SENATE, April 3.—A petition was presented from the coopers of Western Pennsylvania, and in obedience thereto a bill was introduced against the manufacture or sale of oil barrels by pauper labor; ruled out. A communication was received from the Sinking Fund Commissioners representing the amounts of loans redeemed since May 1st, 1871, at $987,000; amount of overdue loans, on which interest has been stopped, $622,739; five per cent. loan of June 11th 1840, overdue and payable on demand, $343,633; six per cent. loan of May, 1861, overdue and payable on demand, $1,310,650; total $2,277,022.52; balance in Treasury March 31st, 1872, $1,866,794.93; balance March 31st, 1871, $2,083,212.64. The joint resolution allowing the contestant and respondent in the McClure-Gray case each twenty-five hundred dollars for extraordinary expenses was passed. The Constitutional Convention bill was reported from the Conference Committee, with 133 members, 28 to be be elected on the cumulative system; adopted. The Governor's nomination of John McCurdy of Cumberland county, as Superintendent of Public Printing, was unanimously confirmed. Among the bills passed was one prohibiting public officers or their employees from serving as election officers; also, the bill punishing the collector of illegal fees. The Supreme court Conference Committee reported for the election of two judges at the next election by cumulative plan, one to fill a vacancy; adopted. The report of the Conference Committee on apportionment was adopted. The House joint resolution repealing the act of 1867 for the appointment of a special agent to collect the Pennsylvania war claims passed. Adjourned.

HOUSE.—The report of the apportionment Conference Committee was adopted. Nothing else of interest occurred.

SENATE, April 4.—The Evans investigating committee reported that they found the charges made in the New York *Sun* against Auditor general Hartranft, State Treasurer Mackey and others, untrue; that Evans swore he had not paid Governor Geary a cent; but they didn't believe him. He also swore that he gave D. C. Forney $6,000 but they don't believe him although Forney admits he got $5,000. The whole effort of the committee seemed to be to implicate the Governor. The matter was not one-half sifted, and a determination manifested to cover up the real parties to the fraud. Speaker Rutan spoke, on the occasion of vacating the Speaker's chair. No new Speaker was elected. The customary hollow farce of making the retiring Speaker presents was observed. Senate adjourned *sine die.*

HOUSE.—The usual complimentary resolutions were passed, the Evan's report read, and then adjourned *sine die.*

For the Beaver Argus.

The Prodigal Son.—"I will arise and go to my father." This was the resolve of a penitent who had sounded the lowest depths of iniquity; who had spent all his patrimony in riotous living, and had become a debauchee of the grossest type. Filial ingratitude, rebellion against God, prodigality, sensuality, and every vice in the dark catalogue were chargeable against him. Reduced to the condition of a pauper, his reputation lost, his mind and body enervated by disease induced by profligacy, his condition was wretched in the extreme. On the verge of starvation, his mind reverted to the home of his childhood where, in his father's house, even the servants have enough and to spare. He remembered his father's affection—that father who had supplied all his wants, who had nurtured him from infancy to manhood and who had manifested toward him nothing but love till, in his waywardness and naughtiness of heart, he had abandoned the home of his childhood to become a wanderer and a vagabond on the face of the earth.

Trusting that his lost and wretched condition might excite his father's pity and compassion, he forms the resolution —"I will arise and go to my father."—'Tis his only hope—he is shut up to this course. He must perish or return. He resolves to take words in his mouth—confess his base ingratitude, and beg the lowest place—the position of a menial in his father's house. Having made this resolve, he at once sets out on his homeward journey. Days and months elapse. At length he reaches his native land; and, ere long, the mansion of his father is beheld in the distance. What commingled emotions take possession of his breast. Hopes and fears alternate rise. He knows that his father is kind, but he remembers his own base ingratitude.—Soon his doubts are put to flight; he beholds his father approaching bearing a princely robe. With joy he embraces his erring but repentant child, removes his rags and clothes him with the robe; upon his finger he places a ring of massive gold; he kills the fatted calf, and manifests the greatest delight at the return of the wanderer.

This pearl of parables teaches the great willingness of our heavenly Father to receive true penitents. Though guilty of sins of the deepest dye He will not reject you. "He receiveth sinners," and "there is mercy and forgiveness with him, that he may be feared." Are you weary of sin and its concomitants? His promise is, "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest." Go at once to your heavenly Father for forgiveness. To-morrow may be too late. To-morrow is the Devil's time. Now is God's time. He who says "I will sin to-day and to-morrow, and afterward will repent or be sorry that I have ever sinned," talks very foolishly. Ere the convenient season he may be judicially blinded, or he may be dead.—Procrastination has peopled hell. All the doomed and damned from Christian lands are victims of this pernicious wile of the devil. "Repentance is one of the gifts of God. Pray for it earnestly. Without repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, the gates of Paradise will never be opened to admit you. Without an interest in the atonement of the blessed Savior you will be miserable in time and in eternity. Resolve at once, and carry the resolve into immediate execution. "I will arise and go to my Father."

WYANDOTTE.

The blushing face is an index of an asthetic feeling which none but the thoughtful and sensitive possess. The very climax of iniquity is the power to violate the decent courtesies and proprieties of life without revealing a sense of shame in the suffusion of the countenance. No brute, natural or moral, is capable of blushing. It is one of the inalienable characteristics of a rational and sentimental and pure-minded being. Inordinate blushing is a most uncomfortable infirmity.

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THE REIGN OF TERROR. No. 2.

BY HOMO.

MR. EDITOR:—The awful picture portrayed in our last, of the many scenes of that period (the Reign of Terror in 1792), leads us to inquire if the same causes are not now operating which produced such awful results. We stated that we would inquire for them in the same order which has been observed.

First, 'Spiritualism': This infamous creature—a monster in the French revolution—has grown fearfully since then. Its baneful influence has spread like a pestilence everywhere! There is scarcely a community, however small, among the nations of the earth that has not within it some of its leaven. It claims—and justly, too—nearly all the crowned heads of Europe! Politically considered, it is a dangerous element. It aims at the subversion of all law, all system, all order. It already wields a large influence in the politics of the world. It is impatient of every restraint, and regards each man as his own moral standard and proposes the utmost liberty to all. In September last the Spiritualists held a national convention in Troy, N. Y., at which E. S. Wheeler, one of the speakers, said:

"I have got through paying the slightest deference to the legislatures and the laws they make. Law abiding men have cursed the earth. Down with law, down with institutions, down with governments! We mean rebellion! Dr. Gardner has said that he would receive an address from the lowest depths of hell. So would I, and all the more readily if the devil himself brought it!"

We need not give more on this point. Our Spiritualistic friends may object to these statements; but we can assure them that this is the feeling of the great mass of Spiritualists. Surely if these principles were carried into successful practice a 'reign of terror' would ensue.

Second, 'Infidelity': It is a well known fact that confirmed Spiritualists invariably deny in part, or wholly, the divine origin of the Bible. The God of the Bible is as completely ignored by them as by the French revolutionists. Dr. Gardner, another speaker at the Troy convention, said he protested against such a sinful waste of 'time' and words as praying "He didn't want to listen to invocations to any one they didn't know, Josh or Jehovah." Another speaker, while opposing a resolution rebuking profanity, said: "I can swear in twenty different languages if you will give me time, and all the resolutions in the world won't stop me. I assert my God-given right to damn everything and everybody whenever I please." Another said: "It is just as natural for me to swear as it is for some people to pray, and my swearing does just as much good."

But Infidelity is still more widespread than Spiritualism; for, while Spiritualism is Infidelity, all Infidels are not Spiritualists. There is little faith in the word of God among multitudes who do not acknowledge themselves Spiritualists. Even among the professed Christian churches theoretical and practical infidelity abounds. The spawn of the dragon is everywhere! The three unclean spirits have gone forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world.—Rev. xvi. 13, 14. There are very, very few real believers in the word of God.

Third, 'Socialism, and 'Free Love': We have seen that women were very prominent in the period of the French Revolution, but they are more so now. They strove to imitate the examples of men at that time in the formation of clubs, societies, &c., and by these means precipitated and rendered more awful the horrid era. But then the work was confined mainly to the immodest and fanatical French—now, it is world-wide! Women are seeking the positions of directors from which delicature should inspire them to shrink. Woman's suffrage societies, clubs and conventions for political and other purposes, abound and are fast decreasing that modesty and reserve with which they should be clothed, and preparing the way for another 'reign of terror' far greater in magnitude than that in France. This state of things, perhaps, appears further advanced in our country than in some foreign lands; but this is perhaps attributable to the favorable form of government—i. e. of political liberty:—but, then perhaps not so apparent in some other countries, it exists as a smouldering fire, and wants but a slight breeze to fan it to a conflagration.

Free-Love has become a familiar term. The corrupt masses are clamoring, as did the French, for unrestrained license. Divorce,