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Constans Commandery. No. 33. K. T, meets second Friday of each month.

I. O. O. F. Centre Lodge, No 155, meets every Thursday evening at their Hall, Bush's Arcade.

For the conferring of Degrees the 1st Saturday evening of each month.

For Degree of Rebecca, second Saturday of every month.

I. G. T.—This Lodge meets every Monday evening.

Bellefonte Church Directory.

Presbyterian church, Spring St., services at at 11 a. m., and 7½ p. m: No pastor at present. This congregation are now erecting a new church, in consequence of which the regular religious services will be held in the Court House until further notice.

Methodist Episcopal Church, High St., services 10½ a. m., and 7½ p. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday night. Rev. Jac. Mullen, pastor.

St. John's Episcopal Church, High St., services at 10½ a. m., and 7½ p. m. Rev. Byron McGann, pastor.

Lutheran Church, Linn St., services 10½ a. m., and 7½ p. m. Rev. J. A. Hackenberger, pastor.

Reformed Church, Linn St., no pastor at present

Catholic Church, Bishop St: services 10½ a. m., and 3 p. m. Rev. T. McGovern, pastor.

United Brethren Church, High Street, west side of creek; services——

African M. E. Church, west side of creek; services at 11 a. m., and 7½ p. m. Rev. Isaac Pinnell, pastor.

BAKERIES.

NEW BAKERY AND CONFECTIONERY.

BUSH'S ARCADE, HIGH STREET,

BELLEFONTE, PENN'A.

Z. T. GUDYKUNST.

Having purchased from Adam Horkheimer, his first class Bakery and Confectionery, and having added largely to his stock, is now prepared to furnish the public with good fresh BREAD, PIES, CAKES, CONFECTIONS, and everything in his line, at all times. In connection with the above, is

A FIRST-CLASS ICE CREAM SALOON

for Ladies and Gentlemen, which will be open during the summer. Pic-nics, private parties, &c., can be supplied with all kinds of Confections, Ice Cream, Cakes and Fruits on very short notice.

my19'69-1y. Z. T. GUDYKUNST.

NEW BAKERY.

The undersigned respectfully invites the attention of the citizens of Bellefonte and vicinity, to his

NEW BAKERY,

on Bishop Street, as the only place where the best quality of

BREAD, CAKES,
PIES, CONFECTIONERIES,
MINCE MEAT of our own

Manufacture.

The best and neatest Ice Cream accommodations in the town. A room neatly furnished and carpeted, on first floor, for ladies and gentlemen, and a room on second floor for private parties—ladies and gentlemen. He prides himself on the superior quality and flavor of his Ice Cream, and most cordially invites his friends and the public generally, to call and realize the truth of the assertion, that McDowell makes the best Ice Cream in town.

ja13'69.1y. S. J. McDOWELL, Ag't.

BAKERY & CONFECTIONERY.

ALLEGHENY ST., BELLEFONTE, PA.

The undersigned would hereby respectfully inform the citizens of Bellefonte and vicinity, that he is prepared to furnish at all times

FRESH BREAD, CAKES OF all KINDS,

PIES, &c., &c.,

CANDIES, SPICES, NUTS, FRUITS,

and anything and everything belonging to his business. He has recently completed a large and commodious addition to his building, and has furnished it in a style surpassing anything of the kind in the town, where ladies and gentlemen can, during the summer month, be accommodated with the very

BEST OF ICE CREAM.

Having had years of experience in the business, he flatters himself that he can guarantee satisfaction to all who may favor him with their patronage.

ap1'69 1y. J. H. SANDS.

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CUMMINGS HOUSE,

Bishop street, Bellefonte, Pa,

Convenient and suitable for Boarders and the Traveling Public.

Fare, reasonable, and on time. Especial attention paid to the wants of guests.

W. J. HOSTERMAN.

sept. 15, '69-tf. *Propriet*

CONRAD HOUSE.

ALLEGHENY ST., BELLEFONTE, PA.

(Opposite the Brockerhoff House.)

A HOTEL ON THE EUROPEAN PLAN,

Licensed by the Court of Centre County.

FIRST CLASS BAR, RESTAURANT, ROOMS AND STABLING.

AN EXCELLENT BILLIARD ROOM, with 2 tables, new and in perfect condition,

Give the Conrad House a trial.

H. H. KLINE,
jy21'69 1y. *Proprietor.*

OUR HOUSE.

The undersigned adopts this method of informing his friends and the public generally that he continues to keep the Hotel on the corner of Allegheny and Bishop Sts., known by the cognomen of

"OUR HOUSE."

The Proprietor has spared no pains in furnishing the house with new furniture. The beds and bedding are the very best; the rooms commodious and well ventilated. The accommodations, boarding, &c., are equal to any of the high priced Hotels. Only 25 cents for meals. Thankful for past favors, he solicits their continuance, and promises satisfaction to all.

mar17'69-1y. WM. BROWN, *Propr.*

NATIONAL HOTEL.

MILLHEIM, CENTRE COUNTY, PA.

The undersigned adopts this method of informing the travelling community, and citizens generally, that he has refitted and furnished anew throughout, with first class furniture, this well known and established house—the NATIONAL HOTEL, Millheim, Pa. He is well prepared to furnish first-class accommodations to all who desire to make a hotel their Home, or pleasant temporary abode. The custom of the travelling public, and the surrounding country, is respectfully solicited. Courteous and attentive servants are engaged at this popular Hotel. The Stabling is the very best, and none but careful and accommodating Hostlers are employed.

JONATHAN KREMER,
jy14'69-1y. *Prop'r.*

PLEASANT GAP HOTEL.

The undersigned having purchased the Hotel property at Pleasant Gap, adopts this method of informing his friends in particular, and the travelling community generally, that he has refitted and furnished his house in the best style.

HIS TABLE

will be supplied with the best the market will afford, and

HIS BAR

with the best of Liquors

HIS STABLING

is the very best, and the proprietor prides himself therein, upon the fact that his accommodations, both for man and beast, cannot be surpassed by any Hotel in the country. His old friends, as well as strangers and travellers, are most cordially invited to call. WM. ICKHOFF,

mar24'69 1y. Pleasant Gap, Pa.

BROCKERHOFF HOUSE,

ALLEGHENY ST., BELLEFONTE, PA.

HOUSEAL & KROM, *Proprietors.*

A FIRST CLASS HOTEL—COMFORTABLE ROOMS,

PROMPT ATTENDANCE.

ALL THE MODERN CONVENIENCES, AND REASONABLE CHARGES.

The proprietors offer to the traveling public, and to their country friends, first class accommodations and careful attention to the wants of guests at all times at fair rates. Careful hostlers and good stabling for horses. An excellent table well served. A Bar supplied with fine liquors. Servants well trained and everything requisite in a first class Hotel. Our location is in the business part of the town, near the Post Office, the Court House, the Churches, the Banks, and the principal places of business, renders it the most eligible place for those who visit Bellefonte on business or for pleasure. An OMNIBUS WILL CARRY PASSENGERS and baggage to and from all trains free of charge. my12'69-tf.

GARMAN'S HOTEL.

DAN'L GARMAN, *Prop'r.*

This long established and well known Hotel, situated on the southeast corner of the Diamond, opposite the Court House, having been purchased by the undersigned, he announces to the former patrons of this establishment and to the traveling public generally, that he has thoroughly refitted his house, and is prepared to render the most satisfactory accommodation to all who may favor him with their patronage. No pains will be spared on his part to add to the convenience or comfort of his guests. All who stop with him will find

HIS TABLE abundantly supplied with the most sumptuous fare the market will afford, done up in style, by the most experienced cooks.

HIS BAR will always contain the choicest of liquors.

HIS STABLING is best in town, and will always be attended by the most trustworthy and attentive hostlers.

Give him a call, one and all, and he feels confident that all will be satisfied with their accommodation.

AN EXCELLENT LIVERY

is attached to this establishment, which strangers from abroad will find greatly to their advantage. ja6'69.1y.

MISCELLANEOUS.

BELLEFONTE MEAT MARKET

BISHOP STREET, BELLEFONTE PA.

The oldest Meat Market in Bellefonte.—Choice meat of all kinds always on hand.

ja6'69.1y. R. V. BLACK.

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SHIRER & WILLIAMS,

MILESBURG, CENTRE CO., PENN'A.,

MANUFACTURERS OF

LIGHT CARRIAGES, BUGGIES, PLATFORM SPRING WAGONS & SLEIGHS.

Repairing done with neatness and despatch.

All work done at

SHORT NOTICE AND WARRANTED

to give entire satisfaction.

je9'69-1y.

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M. S. GRAHAM, Fashionable Barber, in Basement of the Conrad House Bellefonte, Pa. The best of Razors, sharp and keen, always on hand. He guarantees a SHAVE without either pulling or pain.—Perfumery, Hair Oils, Hair Restoratives, Paper Collars, &c., constantly on hand.

ja13'69.1y.

AARON R. PAUP. J. T. SALMONS. LEVI R PAUP.

PAUP, SALMONS & CO., Contractors and Bricklayers, Bellefonte, Pa., adopt this method of informing those wishing to build that they will furnish Brick and lay them, by the job, or by the thousand. Will set Heaters, and do all kinds of work in their branch of Business. ja20'69.1y.

JEREMIAH FASIC,

HOUSE & FURNITURE PAINTER

Paper Hanger and Sign Painter.

All kinds of Graining and Fancy Painting done to order at the lowest rates and in the best style. Orders left at Irwin & Wilson's Hardware store will receive immediate attention. sept.22'68-1y.

J. P. ODENKIRK,

WITH

ARTMAN, DILLINGER & COMPANY,

No. 104, NORTH THIRD ST., PHIL'A.

Two Doors above Arch, formerly 226,

MANUFACTURERS AND JOBBERS IN Carpets, Oil Cloths, Oil Shades, Wick Yarn, Cotton Yarns, Carpet Chains, Grain Bags, Window Paper, Batting, &c.

Also, WOODEN AND WILLOW WARE. Brooms, Brushes, Looking Glasses, &c., jy21'69-1y.

LOSE'S LIVERY STABLE.

The undersigned having entered into partnership in the Livery Business, under the firm name of Isaac Lose & Son, adopt this method of informing the people of Bellefonte, and the public generally, that they will carry on the business in the Burnside Stable. It is their determination to keep the very best

HORSES, BUGGIES AND CARRIAGES,

and to hire them out at the most reasonable rates. Thankful for the kindness and favor they have received from the community in the past they will make it their chief object to merit the continuance of the same.

ISAAC LOSE.
apr14'69-1y. GEO. A. LOSE.

THE WINCHESTER RIFLE (18 shots,)

SPENCER'S WESSON'S

and other

BREECH-LOADING RIFLES AND SHOT GUNS

DOUBLE AND SINGLE RIFLES,

Shot Guns, Revolvers and other Pistols.

Also, Repairing done

AT DESCHNER'S GUN SHOP,

Bush's Arcade, High St., Bellefonte, Pa.

aug11'69-1y.

MUSIC, DRAWING AND PAINTING SCHOOL.

Mrs. M. S. DUNHAM

having been a successful teacher of Vocal and Instrumental Music—Piano, Melodian, Organ and thorough Bass—Painting and Drawing, for the last twelve years, is now prepared to admit a few more scholars to her school, upon reasonable terms.

Having recently received a splendid new Piano, of a celebrated Boston manufacture, which, pupils not having instruments of their own to practice on, can have the use of.

Thankful for the liberal patronage heretofore received, she hopes to merit a continuance of the same. Rooms up one flight of stairs, over Centre Co. Banking House, on Allegheny street. Also, agent for all kinds of good Musical Instruments. Address, or call on her at her rooms, at Bellefonte, Pa. jy21'69-tf.

WM S. TRIPPLE,

MERCHANT TAILOR.

BUSH'S ARCADE, UP STAIRS,

BELLEFONTE, PENN'A.

Having just received, from Philadelphia, a large stock of Broad Cloth, Cassimers, and an extensive variety of Spring and Summer Goods, I am prepared to furnish my friends and customers, the very best at the most reasonable prices.

My thanks are due those who have patronized me for many years, and a cordial invitation is hereby extended the public generally, to call and examine my Goods and Prices before purchasing elsewhere. I am also prepared, at all times, to make up Goods furnished by customers. All suits warranted to fit.

my12'69 1y W. S. TRIPPLE.

GEORGE BLYMYER.....ANDREW BLYMYER
JACOB C. BLYMYER.....JOE. P. BLYMYER.

MILROY WAREHOUSE.

GEORGE BLYMYER & SON'S,

having taken possession of the Warehouse at

MILROY, MIFFLIN COUNTY, PENN.,

beg leave to announce to the citizens of Centre county that they are prepared to buy

ALL KINDS OF GRAIN

AT THE

HIGHEST MARKET PRICES.

SALT WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

COAL AND PLASTER ALWAYS ON hand. Thankful for past favors, we solicit a continuance of the same.

jy14'69.tf.

MERCHANT TAILORING,

ESTABLISHMENT,

NO. 7, BROCKEHOFF'S. ROW.

The undersigned takes pleasure in informing the citizens of Centre county and the public generally, that he is just opening a

SPLENDID AND RICH ASSORTMENT

OF FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC

Cloths,
Cassimeres
and
Vestings,

Which he is prepared to make to order in the latest and most fashionable styles, for men or boys. Goods sold by the piece or by the yard. He also keeps on hand a full line of

GENTS FURNISHING GOODS,

of every style and description.
He is also agent for the celebrated

SINGER SEWING MACHINE.

ja6'69.1y JOHN MONTGOMERY.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

J. G. LOVE, Attorney at Law, Bellefonte, Pa. Office on High St. ja6'69-1y.

JAMES H. RANKIN, Attorney at Law, Bellefonte, Pa. Office in Armory building, 2nd floor. ja6'69.1y.

E. C. HUMES, *Pres't.* J. P. HARRIS, *Cash'r.*

FIRST NATIONAL BANK Of Bellefonte. Allegheny St., Bellefonte Pa. ja6'69.

H. N. M'ALLISTER. JAMES A. BEAVER.

M'ALLISTER & BEAVER, Attorneys-at-Law, Bellefonte Penn'a. ja6'69.1y.

EDMUND BLANCHARD. EVAN M. BLANCHARD.

E. & E. M. BLANCHARD, Attorneys-at-Law, Allegheny St., Bellefonte, Pa. ja6'69.1y.

W. W. BROWN, Attorney-at-Law, Bellefonte, Penn'a., will attend promptly to all business entrusted to his care. ja6'69-1y.

JOHN H. ORVIS. CYRUS T. ALEXANDER.

ORVIS & ALEXANDER, Attorneys-at-Law, Bellefonte, Pa. Office in Conrad House, Allegheny St. ja6'69,1y.

W. J. KEALSH, Attorney-at-Law, Bellefonte, Pa., will attend faithfully to all business entrusted to his care. Deeds, Bonds, &c, executed in the best style. mar10'69 3m.

URIAH STOVER, Licensed Autioneer, will attend to all sales entrusted to his care. Charges reasonable. Address, Uriah Stover, Houserville, Centre Co., Pa. ja6'69.6m.

AUGUSTUS HIBLER M. D., Physician and Surgeon. Office at his residence near the Quaker Meeting House. Will attend to all business in his profession at all times and at all hours. je16'69 1y.

GEORGE F. HARRIS, M. D., Physician and Surgeon; Pension Surgeon for Centre county, will attend promptly to all professional calls. Office on Hight St., North Side. ja27'69.1y.

WM. H. ARMSTRONG.....SAMUEL LINN.

ARMSTRONG & LINN, Attorneys at Law. Williamsport, Pa., will attend, promptly, to all business entrusted to their care. jy14'69-1y.

JAS. H. DOBBINS, Physician and Surgeon. Office up-stairs in J. H. McClure's new Building, Bishop St., Bellefonte, Pa. Will attend to all business in his profession, faithfully at all times, and all hours. ja13'69.y.

A. B. HUTCHISON & CO'S. Job Printing Office, "Republican" Building, Bishop St., Bellefonte, Penn'a. Every Description of Plain and Fancy printing done in the neatest manner, and at prices below city rates. ja6'69.

DR. R. D. TIPPLE, Homœpathic Physician and Surgeon, continues to practice his profession as heretofore, and expects to in the future notwithstanding. Office in First National Bank Building, Bellefonte, Pa. sept.22'69-1y.

D. G. BUSH. GEO. M. YOCUM.

BUSH & YOCUM, Attorneys-at-Law, Bellefonte, Pa., will attend to all business entrusted to them, with promptness.—Office on Northeast Corner of the Diamond, in Mrs. Irvin's stone building. ja13'69 y.

WILSON & HUTCHISON, Attorneys-at Law, Bellefonte, Pa. Collections, all other and legal business in Centre and the adjoining Counties, promptly attended to. Office in Blanchard's Law building, Allegheny street. ja6'69.

WM. H. BLAIR. H. Y. STITZER.

BLAIR & STITZER, Attorneys-at-Law, Bellefonte, Pa. Can be consulted in both the English and German languages.—Office on the Diamond, next door to Garman's Hotel. feb10'39.1y.

CENTRE CO. BANKING COMPANY.—Receive Deposits and allow Interest; Discount Notes; Buy and Sell Government Securities, Gold and Coupons.

HENRY BROCKERHOFF, *President.*
J. D. SHUGERT, *Cashier.* ja13'69y.

GEO. L. POTTER, M. D., Physician and Surgeon, offers his professional services to the citizens of Bellefonte and vicinity. Office removed to house formerly occupied by Mrs. Livingston, on Spring st, two doors South of Presbyterian church. mar17'69-1y.

JOHN F. POTTER, Attorney at law Collection promptly made and special attention given to those having lands or property for sale. Will draw up and have acknowledged deeds, mortgages, &c. Office in Garman's new building, opposite the Court House. Oct27'69-3m.

WM. BROWN, Licensed Auctioneer, hereby informs the public that he holds himself in readiness at all times, to attend to all Auctions, Vendues, or Public Sales of personal or Real Estate. Charges reasonable. Call on, or address, William Brown, Bellefonte, Pa. mar17'69-1y.

S. BELFORD, D. D. S., Practical Dentist; office in Armory Building, over Irwin & Wilson's Hardware Store, Allegheny St. Dr. B. is a graduate of the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, and respectfully offers his professional services to the citizens of Bellefonte and vicinity.—Can be found at his residence except during the last week of each month. apr14'69-1y.

G. E. CHANDLER, M. D., Homœpathic Physician and Surgeon, Bellefonte, Penn'a. Office—2nd floor, over Harper & Bro's Store. Residence at the office.

References.—Hon. C. A. Mayer, Pres. judge of Lock Haven, L. A. Mackey, Pres. First National Bank, J. V. V. Whaley, of the Clinton Democrat, E. D. Macky, Teller First National Bank. Sept. 15,'69-tf.

J. W. RHONE, DENTIST, Boalsburg Centre Co., Pa., most respectfully informs the public that he is prepared to execute any description of work in his profession Satisfaction rendered, and rates as moderate as may be expected. Will be found in his office during the week, commencing on the first Monday of each month, and at such other times as may be agreed upon. ja13'69.1y.

INSURANCE—LIFE & FIRE.—Joseph A. Rankin of this Borough, insures property for the following Stock and Mutual companies, viz: Lycoming Mutual, York Company, Pa., Insurance of North America, Enterprise, and Girard of Phila., Pa., Home, of New Haven, and any *other* reliable company desired. Also, Provident Life Company of Phil'a., and other good Life Companies. ja6'69.1y.

J. F. HOLAHAN, Physician and Surgeon, having removed from Emporium, Cameron county, has located in Milesburg, Centre county, Pa., where he will faithfully attend to all business entrusted to him in his Profession. Office in his residence on Main St., where he can always be seen unless professionally engaged. In his absence from home, orders may be left at the store of Thos. Holahan. mar10'69-1y.

J. D. WINGATE D. D. S., Dentist, Office corner of Spring, and High, st., Bellefonte Pa.—Thankful for past favors, would respectfully solicit a continuance of the same. Has the right for Centre County to use Dr. S. Stuch's patented improvement putting up dental plates. That this is an improvement we have the written testimony of many of the best and most talented Physician in the United tates. Office rights for sale. ja6'69-1y.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

[CONTINUED.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 6, '69.

To the Senate and House of Representatives.

OUR FOREIGN RELATIONS.

I have always felt that the most intimate relations should be cultivated between the Republic of the United States and all independent nations on this continent. It may be well worth considering whether new treaties between us and them may not be profitably entered into to secure intimate relations, friendly, commercial and otherwise.

The subject of an inter-oceanic canal to connect the Atlantic and Pacific oceans, through the Isthmus of Darien is one in which commerce is greatly interested. Instructions have been given to our minister to the Republic of the United States of Columbia to endeavor to obtain authority for a survey by this Government, in order to determine the practicability of such an undertaking, and a charter for the right of way to build by private enterprise such a work if the survey proves it to be practicable.

In order to comply with the agreement of the United States as to a mixed commission at Lima, for the adjustment of claims, it became necessary to send a Commissioner to Lima in August last. No appropriation having been made by Congress for this purpose, it is now asked that one be made covering the past and future expenses of the commission.

The good offices of the United States to bring about a peace between Spain and the South American republics, with which she is at war having been accepted by Spain, Peru and Chili, a Congress has been invited to be held in Washington during the present winter.

A grant has been given to Europeans of an exclusive right of transit over the territory of Nicaragua, to which Costa Rica has given its assent, which it is alleged, conflicts with vested rights of citizens of the United States. The Secretary of State has now the subject under consideration.

The Minister of Peru having made representations that there was a state of war between Peru and Spain, and that Spain was constructing in and near New York thirty gunboats, which might be used by Spain in such a way as to relieve the naval force at Cuba, so as to operate against Peru, orders were given to prevent their departure. No further steps having been taken by the representative of the Peruvian Government to prevent the departure of these vessels and I not feeling authorized to detain the property of a nation with which we are at peace on a mere executive order, the matter has been referred to the courts to decide.

The conduct of the war between the allies and Republic of Paraguay has made the intercourse with that country so difficult that it has been deemed advisable to withdraw our representative from the country.

THE UNITED STATES AND GREAT BRITAIN.

Towards the close of the last administration, a convention was signed at London for the settlement of all outstanding claims between Great Britain and the United States which failed to receive the advice and consent of the Senate to its ratification. The time and the circumstances attending the negotiation of the treaty were favorable to its acceptance by the people of the United States, and its provisions were wholly inadequate for the settlement of the grave wrongs that had been sustained by this Government, as well as by the citizens. The injuries resulting to the United States by reason of the course adopted by Great Britain during our late civil war, increased rates of insurance, in the diminution of exports and imports, and other obstructions to domestic industry and productions, in its effect upon the foreign commerce of the country, in the decrease and transfer to Great Britain of our commercial marine, in the prolongation of the war and increased cost both in treasure and in lives in its suppression, could not be adjusted and satisfied, as ordinary commercial claims which continually arise between commercial nations, and yet the convention located them simply as such ordinary claims, from which they differ more widely in the gravity of their character than in the magnitude of their amount. Great even as is that difference, not a word was found in the treaty, and not an inference could be drawn from it to remove the sense of unfriendliness of the course of Great Britain in our struggle for existence, which had so deeply and universally impressed itself upon the people of the country. Believing that a conviction thus misconceived in its scope and inadequate in its provisions, would not have produced the hearty, cordial settlement of pending questions, which alone is consistent with the relations which I desire to have established between the United States and Great Britain, I regarded the action of the Senate in the rejection of the treaty to have been wisely taken in the interest of peace, and as a necessary step in the direction of a perfect and cordial friendship between the two countries. A sensitive people, conscious of their power, are more at ease under a great wrong, wholly unatoned, than under the restraint of a settlement which satisfies neither their ideas of justice, nor their grave sense of the grievances they have sustained. The rejection of the treaty was followed by a state of public feeling on both sides, which I thought not favorable to an attempt at renewed negotiations. I, accordingly, so instructed the Minister of the United States to Great Britain, and found that my views in this regard were shared by Her Majesty's ministers. I hope that the time may soon arrive when the two countries can approach the solution of this momentous question with an assurance of what is due to the rights, dignity and honor of each, and with the determination not only to remove the causes of complaint in the past, but to lay the foundation of a broad principle of public law which will prevent future difference, and tend to firm and continued peace and friendship. This is now the only grave question which the United States have with any foreign nation.

RECIPROCITY.

The question of the treaty for reciprocity between the United States and the British Provinces on this continent has not been favorably considered by the administration. The advantage of such a treaty would be wholly in favor of the British producer, except, possibly, a few engaged in the trade between the two sections. No citizen of the United States would be benefitted by reciprocity. Our internal taxation would prove a protection to the British producer almost equal to the protection which our manufacturers now receive from the tariff. Some arrangement, however, for the regulation of commercial intercourse between the United States and the Dominion of Canada may be desirable.

The Commission for adjusting the claims of the Hudson Bay and Puget's Sound Agricultural Company upon the United States has terminated its labors. The award of six hundred and fifty thousand dollars has been made, and all titles of the Company in the territory of the United States have been extinguished. Deeds for the property of the Company have been received. An appropriation by Congress to meet this sum is asked.

THE NORTHWESTERN LAND BOUNDARY.

The Commissioners for determining the northwestern land boundary between the United States and the British possessions under the treaty of 1856 have completed their labors, and the commission has been dissolved.

In conformity with the recommendation of Congress, a proposition was early made to the British Government to abolish the mixed courts created under the treaty of April 7, 1862, for the suppression of slave trade, and the subject is still under negotiation.

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