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NEWSPAPER LAWS.—We would call the special attention of Post Masters and subscribers to the law requiring in the following synopsis of the newspaper laws:

1. A Postmaster is required to give notice by letter, (returning a paper does not answer the law,) to the Post Office, to take his paper off the office, and state the reasons for its not being taken; and a neglect to do so makes the Postmaster responsible to the publishers for the payment.

2. A subscriber may give notice to the Post office, whether directed to his name or another, or whether he has subscriber or not is responsible for the pay.

3. If a subscriber orders his paper discontinued, he must pay all arrears, or the publisher can continue to send it until payment is made, and offset the whole amount, whether it be taken from the open account or otherwise, there is no legal discontinuation until the payment is made.

4. If the subscriber orders his paper to be stopped at a certain time, and the publisher continues to send, the subscriber is bound to pay for it, & is liable for the cost of the Post Office. The law proceeds upon the ground that a man must pay for what he uses.

5. The courts have decided that using to take newspapers from the office of the Post Office, or removing and having them sealed for, is prima facie evidence of intentional fraud.

Professional & Business Cards.

ATTORNEYS AT LAW.

KIMMELL AND LINGENFELTER,  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW, BEDFORD, PA.

Have formed a partnership in the practice of the Law, in new brick building near the Lutheran Church. [April 1, 1869-ff]

M. A. POINTS,  
ATTORNEY AT LAW, Bedford, Pa.

Respectfully tenders his professional services to the public. Office with J. W. Lingenfelter, Esq., on Public Square near Lutheran Church.

Collections promptly made. [April 1, 1869-ff]

E. S. M. ALISIP,  
ATTORNEY AT LAW, Bedford, Pa.

Will faithfully and promptly attend to all business entrusted to his care in Bedford and adjoining counties. Military claims, Pensions, back pay, Bounty, Acc. speedily collected. Office with Mann & Spang, on Juliana street, 2 doors south of the Mengel House. April 1, 1869-ff.

J. R. DURRORROW,  
ATTORNEY AT LAW,  
Bedford, Pa.

Will attend promptly to all business intrusted to his care. Collections made on the shortest notice.

H. C. SIEGEL, regularly licensed Claim Agent and will give special attention to the prosecution of suits against the Government for Pensions, Back Pay, Bounty, Acc. speedily collected. Office on Juliana street, one door south of the Inquirer office, and nearly opposite the Mengel House. April 1, 1869-ff.

J. H. RUSSELL, J. H. LONGENECKER,  
ATTORNEYS & COUNSELORS AT LAW,  
Bedford, Pa.

Will attend promptly and faithfully to all business entrusted to his care. Special attention given to collections and the prosecution of claims for Back Pay, Bounty, Pensions, Acc. Office on Juliana street, south of the Court House. April 1, 1869-ff.

J. M. SHARPE, J. F. KERR,  
SHARPE & KERR,  
ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW,  
WILL practice in the Courts of Bedford and adjoining counties. All business intrusted to their care. Collections made on the shortest notice. Office on Juliana street, opposite the banking house of Reed & Schell, Bedford, Pa. Apr 1, 1869-ff.

W. C. SCHAFER,  
ATTORNEY AT LAW,  
BEDFORD, PA.

Office with J. W. Dickerson Esq. 23 April 1, 1869-ff.

P. H. PHYSICIANS.

D. R. B. F. HARRY,  
Respectfully tender his professional services to the citizens of Bedford and vicinity. Office and residence on Pitt Street, in the building formerly occupied by Dr. J. H. Hodges. [Apr 1, 1869-ff]

MISCELLANEOUS.

O. H. SHANON, BANKER,  
BEDFORD, PA.

BANK OF DISCOUNT AND DEPOSIT.  
Collections made for the East, West, North and South, and the general business of Exchange transactions. Notes and Accounts paid in full. Mortgages promptly made. REAL ESTATE bought and sold. April 1, 1869-ff.

DANIEL BORDER,  
PITT STREET, TWO DOORS WEST OF THE BEDFORD HOTEL, BEDFORD, PA.

He keeps on hand a stock of fine Gold and Silver Watches, Spectacles, Brilliant Double Refracted Glasses, Felt Hats, Gold Watch Chains, Breast Pins, Finger Rings, best quality of Gold Pens. He will supply to order anything in his line not on hand. [Apr 1, 1869-ff]

D. W. CROUSE, DEALER IN  
WATCHMAKING AND DEALER IN JEWELRY,  
SPECTACLES, &c.

CIGARS, TOBACCO, PIPES, &c.  
On Pitt street one east of Geo. R. Oster & Co.'s Store, Bedford, Pa., is now prepared to sell by wholesale all kinds of CIGARS. All articles of fine, best quality, and nothing in his line will well give him a call. Bedford April 1, 1869-ff.

C. N. HICKOK, DENTIST.  
Office at the old stand in  
BANK BUILDING, Juliana st., BEDFORD.

All operations pertaining to  
Surgical and Mechanical Dentistry  
performed with care and  
WARRANTED.

As I am minded to do a CASH BUSINESS  
or none, I have reduced the prices for Artificial  
Teeth to 25 per cent, and of  
Gold Fillings 33 per cent. This will be  
made only to strict Cash Patients, and all such  
will receive prompt attention. Feb 68

WASHINGTON HOTEL.

This large and commodious house, having been  
taken by the subscriber, is now open for the re-  
ception of visitors and boarders. The rooms are  
large, well ventilated, and comfortably furnished.  
The price is moderate. The subscriber will  
make the market can afford. The Bar is stocked with  
the choicest liquors. In short it is my purpose to  
keep a FIRST-CLASS HOTEL. Thanking  
the public for their patronage, I sincerely solicit a  
renewal of their patronage.

N. B. Hacks will run constantly between the  
Hotel and the Springs. may 17, 1869 WM. DIBERT, Prop'r.

E X C H A N G E H O T E L,  
HUNTINGDON, PA.

This old establishment having been leased by  
J. MORRISON, formerly proprietor of the Mor-  
rison House, has been entirely renovated and  
furnished, and supplied with all the modern im-  
provements and conveniences necessary to a first-  
class Hotel.

The dining room has been removed to the first  
floor, and is a large airy and the chamber-  
ers are all well ventilated. The proprietors  
will endeavor to make his guests perfectly at  
home. J. MORRISON,  
EXCHANGE HOTEL,  
Huntingdon, Pa.

23 July

MAGAZINES.—The following Magazines for  
sale at the Inquirer Book Store: ATLANTIC  
MONTHLY, LITAN'S MONTHLY  
LIPPINOT'S MAGAZINE, PETTISON'S  
COL. DEY, M'DM. DEMOLINI, FRANK LESLIE  
RIVERSIDE, &c. &c.

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## Inquirer Column.

## Poetry.

### ONLY A DROP.

BY DR. C. N. HICKOK.

A few evenings ago, at a convivial gathering in Philadelphia, a young friend—a generous, noble fellow, but more a victim to the inebriating cup, than was aware of, invited the company to drink wine with him. One of the guests declined, saying, that he was past his majority by a few months, and had never yet tasted of any intoxicating beverage, and never intended to begin. Our friend repeated the invitation, saying, "Come! only a drop! That can't harm you." The train of thought awakened by that expression, "Only a drop!" has resulted in the following lines:

"Only a drop?" Sure naught can baffle  
Of harm, from a thing so weak and small,  
"Only a drop?" Yet beware! Beware!  
The germ of a myriad ill is there.  
"Only a drop?" In that drop I see  
Ten thousand grand phantoms of misery;  
In its bright, sparkling, ruby light, so clear,  
Oh! God! What visions of woe appear.  
"Only a drop?" Yet it burns, torments,  
Hath borne to the yawning, remorseless grave,  
The hopes of the aged; the gladness of youth;  
Fair woman's fond trust, and proud man's  
hood's truth.

"Only a drop?" Hark! the anguished prayer,  
Wrung from the widow's lone heart, is there;  
And the wife, sad wail, and the orphan's cry,  
That clasped ascend to the Throne on High.  
"Only a drop?" See! the young and the old;  
The poor in his rags, and the rich in his gold;  
The brave in his might, and the high in his  
pride,  
All swept away by its pitiless tide.

"Only a drop?" Not a hideous name,  
Of hatred and crime, of misery and shame;  
Not a horrid spectre, nor hellish thing;  
But from that little drop may spring.  
"Only a drop?" Yet it lingers not,  
Hath borne to the yawning, remorseless grave,  
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