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EMPORIUM MILLING COMPANY.

PRICE LIST.

Table with 2 columns: Item name and price. Includes flour, wheat, corn, and other milling products.

LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

PERSONAL GOSSIP.

Contributions invited. That which you would like to see in this department, let us know by post card, or letter, personally.
Hon. Joe M. Shafer, of Sinnemahoning, is quite seriously ill.
Frank Hoag, of Sterling Run, was in town on business to-day.
Mrs. Sheller, of New York City, is the guest of Father Downey.
Mrs. Fred Morse, of Cameron, visited her parents in town yesterday.
Mrs. A. C. Fetter, of Fifth street, was stricken with paralysis Thursday.
Mrs. Josiah Howard and Mrs. Bisel, are visiting in Philadelphia this week.
Judge Schran, of Ashland, Wis., was an agreeable PRESS visitor yesterday.
Landlord Geis, of the Franklin House, St. Marys, visited in Emporium yesterday.
Geo. Chapman, of Lumber, transacted business in Emporium on Wednesday.
C. M. Thomas, County Treasurer, has returned from his lumber operations at Ligonier.
H. W. Graham has been spending a few days in town, attending to business matters here.
G. M. Pott, Master Mechanic at the furnace, leaves to-morrow for Lebanon on a business visit.
R. Seger, our old and enterprising merchant tailor, visited his son Will at Smethport, last week.
Frank Shives and Frank Judd visited Jamestown Tuesday—at least that's what "Peasley" says.
Chas. Howard came home Tuesday morning from Princeton University, to spend the Holidays.
John E. Smith and M. W. Whiting, of Sterling Run, returned from visiting in Buffalo yesterday.
Miss Coburn, formerly of Sinnemahoning, was guest of Dr. Smith and wife the fore part of this week.
W. T. Seger expects to get located in his new store in the Grand Central block about January 1st.—Smethport Democrat.
Miss Elizabeth Reed and Miss Prude Fleming are clerking for H. A. Zarps & Company, at the Fair, or Wonderland store.
Mrs. George Minard, of Emporium, was the guest of her aunt Mrs. Dan Monroe, of this borough, a few days last week.—Coudersport Journal.
Robt. Green, one of Emporium's hardworking and industrious machinists, was a Press caller on Tuesday. He will read the Press for another year.
Invitations have been issued by Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Morrison for the marriage of their daughter Bessie, to S. E. Murry, at their residence, on Wednesday, Dec. 27th, at 10:00 a. m.
Samuel Shadman, we regret to learn, is in a very critical condition, having been stricken with paralysis several days ago. The veteran of two wars has the deepest sympathy of the Press, as well as our citizens generally.
Hon. J. W. Cochran and daughter, Miss Mame, of Ashland, Wis., arrived in town on Monday and remained here until yesterday, guests of G. F. Balm and wife, on Sixth street. Their old Emporium friends were glad to see them.
Geo. R. McCrea, of Renovo, D. D. G. M., visited Emporium lodge, A. Y. M., last Tuesday evening and installed the officers elected for the ensuing year. Mr. McCrea has almost recovered from a protracted illness and his friends were pleased to greet him.
John Day, Sr., one of our oldest and most esteemed friends, always makes it a practice to send the Press to some friend for one year. This Christmas he keeps up his record. Would that others would follow 'Squire Day's' example. The Press to a friend is like a letter once a week, and costs less than one cigar a day.
N. Seger and wife received a telegram on Sunday from their son-in-law, Mr. W. W. Fisher, of Ashland, Wis., conveying the sad intelligence that his infant son was dead and that his wife was very low. Mrs. Seger and son Frank, started at once for Ashland. At the hour of going to press Mrs. Fisher is still alive but in a very critical condition. Our citizens generally hope this excellent young lady may live to bless her home and family.

J. K. Jordan, of Emporium, was a guest of his son Orlo, at this place, Thanksgiving day.—Coudersport Enterprise.
Mrs. S. L. Stoddard recently entertained her Sunday School class at six o'clock dinner. The class numbered twenty-two.
Mrs. Guy Bonham, nee Mary Seger, of Franklin, arrived in Emporium on Wednesday evening to visit with her parents during the Holidays.
Wm. Morrissey, an old Emporium boy, is very sick and confined in the hospital at Sidnaw, Mich. He will be remembered by our citizens as "Bolver, the ball player."
Miss Marie Nangle, Miss Nellie Murray, Miss Mame Butler, Miss Tess Robinson, and John Butler attended the funeral of James McMahon at Driftwood, Monday morning.
Joe S. Johnston, editor of Driftwood Gazette, was in Emporium last Saturday and called to see the Press. He reports business better at Driftwood, and believes the water system will be completed next spring.
Mr. Thad F. Moore, of Emporium, was in town several days of this week. He came down to remove his camp tools, wagons, etc., which he used in his lumbering operations on Halls' Run. His many friends were glad to see him.—Renovo Record.
Ross W. Barrows, of Lock Haven, was in Emporium last Friday transacting business and favored the Press sanctum with a visit. Mr. B. owns some valuable fire clay deposits in this county and hopes in the near future to see an extensive fire brick plant in operation at Cameron.
Michael Dolan, the genial City Hotel clerk, quietly dropped out of sight last Friday and not a little bit of information could his friends get as to his whereabouts and of course all watched anxiously for his return, expecting he had stolen the march on the boys. Mike came home yesterday from Rochester, where he had been visiting his brother. His friends are scratching their heads and awaiting developments.
We are informed that Mr. S. S. Hackett has closed the bargain for the sale of the standing hemlock timber on 500 acres of land, on Clear Creek, to Brown, Clark & Howe, of Williamsport. Consideration, \$30,000. Mr. Hackett retains the hardwood on the land and considerable timber standing on other lands. This is considered a good sale and Mr. Hackett is to be congratulated. The purchase will greatly aid our venerable neighbor in his old age, and still leaves quite a quantity of timber and a snug nest egg for rainy days, besides all his Emporium property.
A happy wedding took place at the City Hotel parlors last Tuesday morning, the contracting parties being Mr. WILLIAM REID and Miss LOUELLA YOUNG, both of Beechwood. M. M. Larrabee, J. P., tied the knot in his usual prompt and lasting style. The bridal party was accompanied by Miss Jennie Young, Miss Mazie Reed and Mr. Glen Toner. The wedding dinner was served at the City Hotel in mine host McGee's best style. The happy couple remained in Emporium until Tuesday evening when they left for St. Marys.
The bride is a very excellent young lady and daughter of Mr. Henry Young, of Truman, but now residing at St. Marys. The groom is a son of our friend Jacob Reed, of Beechwood, and is an industrious young gentleman. Mr. and Mrs. Reed will make their home in St. Marys. The Press extends its best wishes to the happy young couple.
The Society of American Authors.
The Society of American Authors has undertaken in all seriousness, to combat the present postal rates on authors' manuscripts. All such matter is regarded by the Postoffice as if it were personal correspondence and is charged at letter rates.
There are in this country slightly over 20,000 men and women, who outside of editors and employees, strive to live by the pen. Taken in its entirety the mental activity of this class has placed our country in the forefront of the world for literary productivity. Yet to the few only are there any rewards commensurate with the toil and the thought and the strain that are the lot of those who feel within them the literary compulsion.
The Society of American Authors ask from the country not merely a mention of the approaching endeavor in Congress, but expressed editorial approval of the effort, if such can be conscientiously given. To have full effect this editorial should be sent marked to the congressmen and the senators from the state in which it appears, and the Society would be additionally honored if a copy could be sent to its rooms at 71 Broadway, N. Y.
The English author can send manuscripts to his publisher four times cheaper than the American author.
A bundle of old letters weighing ten ounces can be sent from here to British Central Africa for five cents. But a

manuscript weighing ten ounces would cost twenty cents to mail from New York to Jersey City.
Queen bees, socks and other unmentionable things can be sent through the mails cheaper than author's manuscripts.
Cultures of all the virulent bacteria if properly sealed can go through the mails for one cent an ounce; but the evidence of an author's culture, sealed or unsealed, has to pay two cents an ounce.
For the benefit of unholy dwellers in Sarawak, Pondoland, Chandernagore and a host of other remote places, ten ounces of manuscript sermon—without regard to inherent weight—may be sent from hence thither for five cents. But the same sermon if intended for perusal in the lower or lowest portion of New York City—say Wall Street, so as to be extreme—would cost twenty cents to mail.
The absurdity of the present postal rates on manuscripts is apparent when we recall that a publisher can return manuscripts to the author, if accompanied by "proof," at printed matter rates. The author, however, in sending in the manuscript originally has to pay letter rates. What mystic influence attaches to the "proof," so that a publisher should have the advantage of an author?
The furnace company are rapidly filling up their stock yard.
Call on H. L. Raymond, who has a great variety of Christmas goods at very low prices.
"Old Southern Life" at the opera house last Monday evening drew a crowded house.
TAGGART'S line of Holiday goods is up to date in style and quality and prices way down.
FANCY dress patterns in Scotch and French plaids and cretons, at D. F. Cramer's Variety Store.
AN overcoat makes a very nice present for husband or son. N. Seger has a splendid assortment of the latest styles to select from.
We are pleased to call the attention of our readers to a verbatim copy of the President's message on the second page.
BEFORE you purchase your Holiday goods, don't fail to call at Taggart's and examine his beautiful stock of wave crest ware.
MAKE your selections of sterling silver and jewelry of every style from Taggart's illustrated catalogue and save at least fifty per cent.
Our Masonic brethren will banquet at the Warner House on Wednesday evening, Dec. 27th. The ladies are included on this occasion.
The M. E. church people are contemplating lighting their church with electric light. The edifice, when erected, was wired with that intention in view.
The electric light system at the iron works is nearing completion and soon the entire plant will be illuminated. On Tuesday evening the first light was tested.
New styles, new and popular prices in furniture when we open our furniture establishment. Wait for the band wagon.
EMPORIUM FURNITURE CO.
DON'T forget the opportunity offered to get your sterling silver, cut glass and jewelry of every grade, style and pattern at ten per cent. above wholesale prices at Taggart's.
HOLD your orders for Holiday furniture until the Emporium Furniture Company display their new line. Their goods will soon be ready for inspection.
Orders left at Taggart's for sterling silver novelties, gold and silver watches, jewelry of all kinds, and cut glass, will be furnished at ten per cent above wholesale prices. An illustrated catalogue to select from.
WHILE casting about for a place to buy your husband, brother or sweetheart an appreciative Christmas gift, just drop into N. Seger's and see what he has to please them. We have been most successful in catering to ladies and are pleased to give them bargains.
N. SEGER.
To Los Angeles and Southern California.
Every Friday night, at 10.35 p. m., a through Tourist Car for Los Angeles and Southern California, leaves the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Union Passenger Station, Chicago, via Omaha, Colorado Springs and Salt Lake City, for all points in Colorado, Utah, Nevada and California.
In addition to the regular Pullman porter, each car is accompanied by an intelligent, competent and courteous "courier," who will attend to the wants of passengers en route. This is an entirely new feature of tourist car service, and will be appreciated by families or by ladies traveling alone. Particular attention is paid to the care of children, who usually get weary on a long journey.
These tourist cars are sleeping cars supplied with all the accessories necessary to make the journey comfortable and pleasant, and the berth rate (each berth will accommodate two persons) is only \$6.00 from Chicago to California. Ask the nearest ticket agent for a tourist car folder, or address John R. Pott, District Passenger Agent, 330 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa. 35-6t-alt.

Late Paper.
On account of an unprecedented rush of work, which has kept our force working day and night, we are unavoidably delayed with our paper this week. Note our extra edition.
Notes and News.
For fine china go to M. C. Tulis'.
Geo. Washington died one hundred years ago to day.
THAT wave crest ware at Taggart's is just the goods, young man, to make your girl happy.
Four boy babies were born in Emporium last week. That beats Coudersport, neighbor.—Enterprise.
It is not generally known that under the new pension law half the pension money may be set aside for the support of the family, upon application of the family of the pensioner before a justice of the peace and the authorized court.
Factory Inspector James Campbell reports 328,000 more persons at work during the year ending Oct. 31, 1899, than there were in 1896. Do the voters of Cameron county wish to return to those grand old Democratic days? We guess not.
There has been plenty of gas in Emporium line since last Friday until Tuesday evening, when a break in the line near St. Marys cast a gloom over our town for several hours. The break was soon repaired and we are all happy again.
Clergymen are interested in the fact that under a new ruling of the general passenger agents' association, a new style of certificate is to be prepared for them. It will cost \$1.00 and will entitle them to half rate fares over 57 railroads in the United States.
The Baldwin locomotive works has just installed in its erecting shop a crane which has an span of 158 feet. It will lift a 196,000 pound locomotive forty feet in the air, carry it over 336 feet and set it down again in three minutes and thirty-six seconds.
An exchange tells of a subscriber who died and left fourteen years' subscription unpaid. The editor of the paper appeared just as the undertaker was screwing down the coffin lid and put in a linen duster, a thermometer, a palm leaf fan and a recipe for making ice.
A quick-witted host made the following remark when a colored servant dropped a turkey which he was carrying into the dining room: "In this calamity we see the downfall of Turkey, the upset of Greece, the destruction of China, and the humiliation of Africa."
Emporium is blessed with three drug stores and during the past four and a half years the three stores have filled about twenty-four thousand prescriptions and the Old Reliable Drug Store has filled a little over nine thousand of them and in view of this fact don't you think that this "fresh, pure, compounded drug" chestnut which has cost you so much, should be dropped.
L. TAGGART.
There is hope for school boys, whether they are bright or dull. George Dewey barely got through the Naval Academy at the foot of his class, while Capt. Oberlin Carter passed West Point with the highest honors ever given to a cadet. Both achieved distinction, but in widely different directions. Dewey is an Admiral and the husband of a millionairess. Carter succeeded in embezzling about \$1,500,000 and is now undergoing imprisonment in the penitentiary.
The story is told of a Mercer county man who worked the following scheme to have his wife dig the potatoes. He sallied forth with a spading fork, and after digging around awhile came in to wash the dirt off a nickle and a dime; he had struck it rich he said. Back to the garden he went whistling "Sweet Marie." Directly he came in showing a quarter, saying he could afford to take a nap, having made enough for one day, anyhow. When he awoke his wife had the whole plot dug up, but she hadn't found a nickle. She hasn't found out yet the mine was salted.
In Crawford county the present board of County Commissioners, a majority being Democrats, have appointed their present clerk for a term of three years, he having resigned to give them that opportunity. A majority of the incoming board are Republicans and of course would have selected a man of their political faith for that position. In Potter county the present Republican board of commissioners have forestalled the probable action of the Democratic board recently elected, through the same tactics. They claim to have power to do this under an act of Assembly passed by the last Legislature.—Warren Mail.
Report of Truman School.
Third month ending Dec. 4, 1899. No. enrolled, males 15; females 9. Total 24. Average attendance during month, males 13; females 8. Per cent of attendance during month, males 86; females 88. The following were present every day: Lillian Hopkins, Allen Hopkins, Oscar Hopkins, Etta White missed but one-half day during the month. Those present every day except one are Sophia Market, Frankie Toner, Lewis Andrews, Harry Toner, Frankie Gueschwindler and Otto Toner.
SADIE C. PAINTER, Teacher.
WEST CREEK SCHOOL.
Report of West Creek school for month ending Dec. 5, 1899. Those not having missed any days during month were Earl Towner and Ray Chesbro.
Honor Roll—Nora Ostrum, 96; Nancy Spence, 96; Clinton Ostrum, 95; Ray Chesbro, 95.
NETTIE MORE, Teacher.

People who are exercised over the assertion that the extension of the tariff lines around the island of Porto Rico would prove disadvantageous to our sugar producing interests, forget that the island itself is less than half the size of the State of Massachusetts and that the sugar producing area is simply a fringe along the water's edge.
Porto Rico's sugar exportation in her best years amounted to but about \$6,000,000, a very small percentage of the sugar which we are compelled to buy from foreign countries; while by eliminating the tariff lines and accepting her products which we require, we open for ourselves a market for \$15,000,000 annually of farm products and manufactures which the people of that island are compelled to import and would buy exclusively from us if our tariff lines were extended around the island.
Accident Near Gardeau.
Last Friday evening at Messrs. C. W. Wert and John C. F. Libby of St. Louis, Mo., were coming from Gardeau, in the darkness they were precipitated down an embankment, the wagon wrecked, the team injured and Mr. Wert was quite seriously injured, the bone of the leg being fractured. Help was summoned, the horses sorted out of the wreck and after some delay and much contriving they were able to proceed and reached here late in the night much the worse for the accident. We believe the point at which the accident occurred is in Potter county, and it is said that there is no protection along that portion of the highway. The gentlemen above mentioned are employees of a western stove company and are in this section offering the wares for sale, with headquarters at the Horton House. A rumor is prevalent here that counsel has been engaged and that a suit for damages will be begun against the county in which the accident occurred. At this writing Mr. Wert is about on crutches and it will be some time before he is able to resume work.—Port Allegany Reporter.
The Churches and Expansions.
Archbishop Chapelle, the Papelle delegate to the Philippines, declares that he favors the retention of the Islands by the United States. "They should be ours," he said "on moral, legal, commercial, sociological and religious grounds." A similar view was expressed by Bishop Doane, of Albany, N. Y., in his address to the Protestant Episcopal Missionary Council in session in St. Louis. The alternative which the United States took in its attitude towards the Philippines, he says, is "the one which ought to have been taken and it must be continued."
It was boasted by the anti-expansionists at the outset that the Catholic church in the United States would oppose the course of the administration in exercising for the country supreme control over the islands, the Catholic being the dominant religion in the Philippines, so far as Christianity of any kind is found in them. It turns out in this case as in all others that the enemies of expansion have been mistaken. Not only does the Catholic Church offer no opposition to the policy of the Administration, but it earnestly applauds that policy. This is seen by the expressions of nearly every prelate of that faith, from Archbishop Ireland, who came out in advocacy of the retention of the Philippines almost as soon as the report first came of the defeat of the Spaniards in Manila Bay, to the latest minister of that Church who has spoken on that subject. The other churches also favor this course.
It is easy to explain why the clergy of churches in general take the side of the administration on the expansion question. One of the articles of the peace treaty provided that "the inhabitants of the territories over which Spain cedes her sovereignty shall be secure in free exercise of their religion." The Catholic Church will have the same consideration in the Philippines and the rest of the islands which we have obtained from Spain as it had when the territory was in the control of that power. All religions will be on the same footing. The support which that church receives from the Spanish government will be discontinued, but, on the other hand, the restrictions and obstructions by which it and all other denominations were hampered will be removed. There will be no discrimination for or against any form of faith in the islands. The Church will be as free in Luzon as it is in New York or Missouri. The favor which the influential prelates of the Catholic church are showing for the American policy is likely to have a good effect in the islands. In the case of Archbishop Chapelle this influence will be direct and immediate, for he promises, just as soon as he reaches Manila, to use all the authority he has over the clergy and laity of his Church in the islands to bring about an early recognition of American sovereignty.—St. Louis Globe Democrat.
W. N. Y. & P. RY. HOLIDAY RATES.
For the convenience of the traveling public, excursion rates will be made points on W. N. Y. & P. Ry., tickets sold Dec. 23, 24, 25, 30 and 31st, 1899, and Jan. 1st, 1900; good for return passage to Jan. 2nd, 1900 inclusive. Call on agents for particulars. 42-2t.
You might call the newspaper artist 'the editorial drawer.'

First Fork.
Thanksgiving and the end of November came together and found the dandelions in full blossom, and warm fall weather. But since then we have had some zero weather which knocked the props from under the open winter prophets. But the cold weather done one good thing; it moved the rear of Barclay Bros.' log drive down the stream about a mile in a very short time.
The bear hunters have been busy since the snow came, and Jesse and Chauncey Logue succeeded in bagging a couple the fore part of the week, and on Saturday Jesse Logue, Wes. Berfield and Walter Swanke killed a big one near the head of Brooks Run. We understand they have shipped the meat to New York City.
Surveyors are running the line for the extension of the B. & S. R. R. down First Fork, but where the terminus is to be no one seems to know. It is reported that the Goodyears have bought a very large tract of timber at the head of Wyckoff Run and adjacent territory and will run the B. & S. R. R. through it, and on to DuBois, Pa.
Dan Bertrand, of Wharton, one of the old pioneers, is quite low, having had two strokes of palsy lately.
Bert Walker, of Wharton, buried his only child, a daughter, on Saturday, at Wharton churchyard. Cause of death, measles.
Batchelor, and cutting firewood for the winter is the chief occupation of the people of this section, now.
Geo. Courtwright has struck a soft snap again. He is watching Barclay Bros.' floating ark while the drive is hung up.
No polygamist has ever represented a State in Congress. It is safe under the circumstances to establish a precedent of that kind? Mr. Roberts is a man of culture, and an orator of no mean ability, but culture and oratory can never take the place of patriotism. If a man believe it to be his duty to break the laws imposed by the Federal government, says the New York Herald, is it just to the people to allow him to make their laws for them?
Notice.
We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on two 25 cent bottles or boxes of Baxter's Mandrake Bitters, if it fails to cure constipation, biliousness, sick headache, jaundice, loss of appetite, sour stomach, dyspepsia, liver complaint, or any of the diseases for which it is recommended. It is highly recommended as a tonic and blood purifier. Sold liquid in bottles, and tablets in boxes. Price 25 cents for either. One package of either guaranteed to give satisfaction or money refunded. L. Taggart, R. C. Dodson. 34-24-ly
It is far better to fail in a good cause than to succeed in a bad one.
LADIES! clean your kid gloves with Miller's Glycerine, for sale only by Balm & Lloyd, headquarters for kid gloves and the famous Dartmouth gloves; all the latest shades. 5-ly
A widower need not give up tobacco when he quits the weed.
Robbed the Grave.
A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver, of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying Electric Bitters, and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks and am now a well man. I know they saved my life and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cts.; guaranteed at L. Taggart's drug store.
Its an easy matter to chase any man you can get on the run.
A Thousand Tongues.
Could not express the rapture of Annie E. Springer, 1125 Howard street, Philadelphia, Pa., when she found that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption had completely cured her of a hacking cough that for many years had made life a burden. All other remedies and doctors could give her no help, but she says of this royal cure: "It soon removed the pain in my chest and I can now sleep soundly, something I can scarcely remember doing before. I feel like sounding its praises throughout the universe." So will everyone who tries Dr. King's New Discovery for any trouble of the throat, chest or lungs. Price 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at L. Taggart's drug store; every bottle guaranteed.
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