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Orders solicited from retail dealers, and satisfac-
 tion in goods and prices guaranteed.
 Johnstown, April 28, 1869.

SHERIFF'S SALES.—By virtue of
 a writ of Vend. Expon. and Al. Vend.
 Expon., issued out of the Court of Common
 Pleas of Cambria County, and to the directed,
 there will be exposed to Public Sale, at the
 Court House in Ebensburg, on Monday, the
 7th day of June next, at 1 o'clock p. m., the
 following real estate, to wit:

All the right, title and interest of
 Dominic McHugh, of, in and to the following de-
 scribed real estate, to wit: A piece or parcel of
 land situated in Taylor township, Cambria
 county, fronting on the Johnstown and Ebens-
 burg road, adjoining lands of Isaac Bates, Hen-
 ry Goughner, and others, containing 4 acres,
 more or less, all cleared, having thereon erect-
 ed a one-story plank house, now in the occu-
 pancy of the said Dominic McHugh. Also, a
 piece or parcel of land situated in Taylor town-
 ship, Cambria county, fronting on the John-
 stown and Ebensburg road on the east, adjoin-
 ing lot of Martin McHugh, Ephraim Gough-
 ner, and others, containing 2 acres, more or
 less, all cleared an under fence. Also, a cer-
 tain piece or parcel of land situated in Millville
 borough, Cambria county, fronting on a street
 on the west, adjoining lot of Wm. Morgan on the
 north and of the south and land of Cambria Iron Company on the east, having thereon erected a one and a half story plank house, with basement, now in the occupancy of Arthur Doran, Jacob Light-
 ner, James Slemmer and Andrew Nipple. Also, one other one and a half story plank house, with basement, now in the occupancy of John Quill, Larry O'Connell, Dan Sullivan, Mrs. Allen, Cornelius M'Cartney and Patrick Green. Also, one other one and half story plank house, with basement, now in the occupancy of Timothy Donovan. Also, one other one and half story plank house, now in the occupancy of Patrick Garrigan. Also, one other one and half story plank house, now in the occupancy of the said Dominic McHugh. Taken in execution and sold at the suit of James Littell and Wm. H. Meckling, trading as Littell & Meckling.

Also, all the right, title and interest of
 William Bradley, of, in and to a piece or parcel
 of land situated in Washington township,
 Cambria county, adjoining lands of Edward O'Donald, heirs of Edward Donaldson, and others,
 containing 1 acre, more or less, having thereon
 erected a one and a half story plank house,
 now in the occupancy of the said William Bradley.
 Taken in execution and sold at the suit of R. L. Johnston.

Also, all the right, title and interest of
 Mary Eigenbrode, of, in and to a lot of ground
 situated in Carrolltown borough, Cambria co.,
 fronting 66 feet on Main street and extending
 back 200 feet to an alley, adjoining lot of Al-
 bin Oswald on the north and an alley on the
 south, having thereon erected a two-story frame
 house and frame stable, now in the occupancy
 of the said Mary Eigenbrode. Taken in execu-
 tion and to be sold at the suit of Benj. Werner,
 Geo. Kunk, John Storch and Albert Schrock.

Also, all the right, title and interest of
 Nicholas Nagle, of, in and to a lot of ground
 situated in Carrolltown borough, Cambria coun-
 ty, fronting 66 feet on St. Mary's street and
 extending back 200 feet to an alley, adjoining
 lot of Robert Campbell on the north and an
 alley on the south, having thereon erected a two-
 story frame house and frame stable, now in
 the occupancy of the said Nicholas Nagle.
 Taken in execution and to be sold at the suit
 of David Braxley.

Also, all the right, title and interest of
 James Burk, of, in and to a piece or parcel of
 land situated in Summerhill township, Cambria
 county, adjoining lands of James M'Gough, B. W.
 Kohrbaugh, and others, containing 22
 acres, more or less, unimproved. Taken in
 execution and to be sold at the suit of J. B. Piper.
 JOHN A. BLAIR, Sheriff.
 Sheriff's Office, Ebensburg, May 29, 1869.

LICENSE NOTICE.—The following
 persons have filed their Petitions for Licenses
 for Acting House Licenses in my office for the
 execution of the Court of Quarter Sessions of
 Cambria county thereon, at the next June
 sessions:

TAXEN LICENSES.
 Cambria Borough—Thomas Springer, Patrick
 M'Cauley, Edward Howe, Ignatius Koblter,
 Daniel M'Donald, Catherine Reibner, Dan'l
 M'Peak, William Gallagher, Geo. Smith, Jos.
 Salter, John Kintz.

Conemaugh Borough—Mary Ann Gorman,
 Peter Malzie, Mary Widman, 1st ward; John
 Fisher, Jos. Shoemaker, Thos. Radloff, Mary
 Hiltz, Jos. Alwies, Geo. Kurz, 2d ward.
 Carrolltown Borough—Lawrence Schrock,
 Lawrence Steich, Francis J. Grunberger.
 Carroll Township—Catherine Baker.
 Chest Springs Borough—Silas A. M'Gough,
 Peter J. McKennie.

Geoply Township—Victor Voegly, Peter
 Brown.
 Clearfield Township—Cecilia M'Gough.
 Ebensburg Borough—Isaac Crawford, Je-
 rome Platt, west ward; Linton & Co., east
 ward.

East Conemaugh Borough—David Faloon,
 Leonard Kist.
 Franklin Borough—Peter Rubritz.
 Gallatin Township—Jacob Gearhart, Mich-
 ael Morris, Sr., Charles Hoyer.

Johnstown Borough—Richard Jelly, John
 Bending, Thomas L. Davis, Margaret Nichol-
 son, 2d ward; Adam Biershank, John Gearhart,
 Thomas M'Can, R. Durach, William Dohrt,
 Park Kelly, Charles H. Harkness, Andrew Henning,
 Wm. Linton, Chas. Zimmerman, John Eric,
 D. W. Goughner, 3d ward; Henry Schanbel,
 Henry Hansman, Geo. N. Hobman, (in District
 Court,) 4th ward.

Loretto Borough—John B. Myers, Flavian
 Birelli, David Sagar & Albert Beyer.
 Millville Borough—Hannah Slatersky Sarah
 Bradley, Emanuel James.
 Richland Township—Joseph Geis, George
 Conrad, Peter Heim.
 Summitville Borough—Henry Hughes, Chris-
 tian Ketch.

Wilmore Borough—John Schroth.
 Washington Township—Wm. Callan, Owen
 Sweeney, George W. Mullin.
 Susquehanna Township—Michael J. Flott.

Carrolltown Borough—Henry Elm.
 Johnstown Borough—John Jordan, 2d ward;
 Adam Pierr, 3d ward; Henry Hansman, John
 A. Stemmer, 4th ward.
 Loretto Borough—Daniel J. Kelly.
 Washington Township—William D. Jones,
 M. M'Laughlin, Henry Martz.

WHOLESALE LIQUOR LICENSES.
 Frederick Wovinkle and Edward Rothschild,
 3d Ward, Johnstown.
 J. K. HITE, Clerk.
 Ebensburg, May 6, 1869.

SHERIFF'S SALE.—By virtue
 of a writ of Vend. Expon. issued out of
 the Court of Common Pleas of Cambria coun-
 ty, and to be directed there will be exposed to
 Public Sale, at the Court House in Ebensburg,
 on Monday, the 31st day of May, at 1 o'clock,
 p. m., the following real estate to wit: All
 the right, title and interest of William Burk,
 of, in and to a piece or parcel of land situated
 in Washington township, Cambria county, ad-
 joining lands of the heirs of Edward Burk,
 Arent Souman, and others, containing 102
 acres, more or less, unimproved. Taken in
 execution and to be sold at the suit of Louis
 Keppner.
 JOHN A. BLAIR, Sheriff.
 Sheriff's Office, Ebensburg, May 13, 1869.

The Poet's Department.

THE FLOWERS ARE COMING.

They're coming! They're coming!
 The beautiful throng,
 To soothe us and cheer us
 The whole summer long—
 By brook and by meadow,
 Woodland and glade,
 Through moonlight and starlight,
 Sunshine and shade.
 They're creeping, they're springing,
 They're climbing the hill;
 They're twining and clinging
 Through underground still.
 The blue birds have called them—
 Praise God for it all!
 They have heard, and already
 They answer the call.

Oh, snow-white and purple,
 Pink, yellow and blue!
 Lie close to their hearts
 Till the day they came through.
 Oh, spirit of beauty,
 Spirit of grace!
 Still hide ye above them,
 Watching the place.
 Fragrance and loveliness
 Still hover near,
 Soon shall your hosts
 In their glory appear.
 Surely the spring time
 Is crowning its hours—
 They're coming! They're coming!
 The beautiful flowers!

Tales, Sketches, Anecdotes, &c.

THE SEWERS OF NEW YORK.

*Experience of a Wanderer through the Slaves
 of New York—History of a Self-Sold
 Slave—Daring Exploit—Mysterious
 Scenes—Recovery of Valuable Property—
 Horrors Under the Streets, &c.*

In the Nineteenth Ward, bordering
 the East River, can be seen a very neat
 little two-story frame-house covering al-
 most an entire square, surrounded by a
 beautiful garden, the occupant and owner
 of which, though a German, is what we
 call one of the self-made men of New
 York, and ranks among the wealthiest—

Though a man of little or no education,
 it would make one's blood run cold to
 listen to his daring exploits, and to his
 many adventures he has passed through
 under the streets of our city. Some fifty-
 five years ago he landed in this country
 a perfect stranger, and with but little
 money; this he had the pleasing satisfac-
 tion, if such we may call it, of being rob-
 bed of on his very first night in the city
 at a German boarding house on Green-
 wich street. His vocation at home was
 that of a night-scavenger, and he was not
 long in procuring a situation in the same
 business in this city. For five years he
 followed the same as an employee, which
 enabled him to save considerable money.
 During the time he had frequently found
 many valuables, and so persistently were
 applications made to search for lost prop-
 erty that he conceived the idea of work-
 ing the sewers of our streets in its search.
 He had also become quite accustomed to
 sewers, as he had frequently been com-
 pelled to clean them out, and was as
 much at home in these narrow and filthy
 passage-ways as upon the streets. The
 leading contractors in the above business
 found him so valuable and so daring an
 explorer that they were continually call-
 ing his services into requisition. There is
 hardly a sewer on the island in which he
 has not been; and he seemed to take a
 great interest in watching the building of
 new sewers and drains. He knows their
 size, length, every turn and crook, their
 inlets and outlets, and claims to have
 many haunts below the ground, where,
 by the force of water, valuables that are
 lost are sure to settle ere they can be car-
 ried out into the river. It will be re-
 membered it was but a few weeks ago
 that a man was arrested in Hoboken
 with quite a number of valuable articles
 in a basket, and it was discovered that he
 had got them out of the sewers of New
 York. Now, many presumed that this
 was a new business, the like never having
 been heard of before, yet this is not so.—
 There are quite a number mostly Germans
 who follow this same business; but they
 are very careful not to divulge the same,
 as it is said they are making an independ-
 ent fortune. It is a regularly established
 business in France and Germany, and in
 many places they pay so much for the
 proceeds of the sewers. It is said that
 there have been those who have tried to
 accustom themselves to the business, but
 who were unable in many instances to
 endure the unhealthy odor and poisonous
 gases.

A PROFITABLE TRIP.

The first trip ever taken by our inform-
 er along the sewers of the city was on
 Courtlandt street, in search of a pocket-
 book that had been lost in the sink of one
 of the prominent hotels on that street, and
 which contained \$1,350 in money, and
 drafts and notes to the amount of \$23,000.
 The sink had been searched, but all ef-
 forts to recover the lost property were
 fruitless; it was evident that it had been
 washed out into the main sewer, and the
 owner offered the whole amount of money
 in cash, \$1,350, should it be recovered.
 Hermann, for as such he was known
 among his associates, concluded to work
 the street sewer that night and see if it
 was possible to find the same. That
 night, accompanied by two brothers, he
 equipped himself in a full rubber suit,
 a revolver, a hook, a dark lantern, and a
 sieve shovel. Descending at the first

opening, which was about a block below
 the hotel, he set out on his journey on his
 hands and knees through the dismal pas-
 sage-way. He had no sooner got well
 under way, the powerful light from the
 dark lantern affording him plenty of light,
 when he came face to face with one of
 the largest dock-rats that he had ever
 seen. The power of the light seemed to
 stagger the rat for a moment, when Her-
 mann drew his pistol and shot him dead.
 He then resumed operations, and sifted
 after mud and filth as he went along.—
 The first thing of note that he found was
 the body of a still born, about three or
 four months old. On lifting it, it was so
 much decomposed that it fell apart. A
 little further, he picked up a silver watch,
 with a common cord tied to it, and it had
 evidently been in the sewer some time.—
 Keeping on, he soon picked up two table
 spoons, one bearing the word "National,"
 and, evidently belonging to the hotel of
 the same name, which is located on the
 same street; he also picked up part of
 an old silver urn. As he lifted the piece
 of board; but when taking it out, lo and
 behold! it was the identical lost pocket-
 book. All was found safe within; but
 wet through and through. Being unable
 to turn in the sewer, he was forced to
 back out; and in a short time he was at
 the opening, and in a few moments found
 himself safe on terra firma. Returning
 home, he dried the bills, notes, and pa-
 pers, and the following morning handed
 over the book and contents to their owner,
 who fairly jumped with joy at its recov-
 ery. When told how it had been recov-
 ered, he could hardly believe it. The
 \$1,350 was paid over to Hermann, re-
 ceiving, besides, an order for a new suit
 of clothes from the proprietor of the hotel.

A SECOND ADVENTURE.

The most extended journey ever made
 by Hermann was through Vesey street
 sewer to Broadway, thence to Barclay,
 and down Barclay to the outlet at the
 river. On Vesey street he picked up nu-
 merous spoons of every description, espe-
 cially in the vicinity of the Astor House,
 and the case of a gold watch. He also
 found a broken bracelet, a dirk-knife, and
 a pair of gold spectacles. On Broadway
 he found a neat cross branded dirk, and
 on Barclay street picked up over \$40 in
 money. Some two years after the above
 journey he made another tour over the
 same route, and found a lady's purse con-
 taining \$107 in gold, also an old pocket
 book with eighty-four cents in it.

RECOVERING A WEDDING RING.

In the Spring of 1864 he was called
 upon to recover a heavy gold wedding
 ring that had been dropped down a sink
 by a lady, and who seemed almost dis-
 tracted over its loss. Money was no ob-
 ject if the ring could be recovered. The
 sink was cleaned, but no ring could be
 found. The sewer was accordingly visit-
 ed that night, and after a diligent search
 of the passage-way leading from the dwell-
 ing to the main sewer the ring was found
 after nearly two hours hard work. He
 was made a present of two hundred dol-
 lars for his trouble, besides what was
 awarded his associates.

**OVER THREE HUNDRED BODIES FOUND IN
 THE SEWERS.**

During the ten years that Hermann
 followed the above life he states that, at
 times, he found over three hundred still-
 born infants in the various sewers of the
 city. As a general thing, he would bring
 them out at the opening at the river, and
 would receive a certain amount from the
 Coroners for such bodies, while they
 would be a benefit to the Coroner finan-
 cially for holding an inquest on the same.

The press seldom took notice of such
 trifling cases. In fact, it was very rare
 that publicity was given to any of them.
 Chambers street, he states, was the great-
 est record for finding still-born infants.
 He never visited it but he was sure to
 come across one or two, and sometimes
 as many as five or six. The only reason
 he accounts for there being so many on the
 above street was that there was located
 at that street one of the most noted abor-
 tionists ever known in this country, and
 in whose house hundreds and hundreds of
 females have been operated on, and abor-
 tions produced. The sink was, of course,
 used to carry off and conceal that which
 would have once been a human being.—
 The woman who then occupied the build-
 ing now resides in one of the most costly
 mansions on Fifth avenue, where she car-
 ries on the same business, and only caters
 for those of wealth, and who can pay her
 the highest prices for her services. Any
 pleasant afternoon she can be seen riding
 on Central Park in her carriage, and
 often accompanied by some delicate young
 woman who has been a victim to her
 hellish practice.

A TRIP ACROSS THE CITY.

One night Hermann determined to
 make a tour from river to river. He en-
 tered one of the large sewers on the North
 River side and came out at Maiden Lane
 sewer; at one place he came in contact
 with hot steam from a boiler, but it being
 Sunday it did not amount to much, and he
 passed it with little or no trouble. Dur-
 ing the journey he found any quantity of
 things—spoons without number, a silver
 cup, two rings, a liquor-flask, a new
 pocket-book, empty, a bundle of lawyer's
 papers, a necklace, and any number of
 pieces of coin.

A STRANGE COMPANION.

While making a journey one morning
 through the Spring street sewer, he was
 startled by observing something of consid-
 erable size some distance ahead, and
 moving toward him. At first he could
 not make it out; but getting his lantern to
 bear well on the object, discovered that it
 was a live hen, who seemed perfectly at
 home, and was picking up whatever it
 could come across to eat. He managed to
 capture it, and has the identical chicken
 now at his stables. How it ever got
 into the sewer he cannot imagine, but it
 looked as if it had been there some time.
 We could enumerate many more inter-
 esting facts of his life in the sewers, had
 we the space in our columns; but the
 above is enough to show that it is no
 business to explore the sewers of our city
 for a living. Our informant is now worth
 over \$500,000 in real estate alone, all
 made by digging through the filth of the
 sewers of New York.—*New York Sun-
 day Mercury.*

THE JOSE BILLINGS PAPERS.

SOLLEM THOUGHTS.

The fear of God is the philosophy of
 religion; the love of God is the charity
 of religion.

Hope is a hen that lays more eggs than
 she can hatch out.
 Better leave your child virtue than
 money; but this is a secret known only
 to a few.

I honestly believe it is better to know
 nothing than to know what ain't so.
 About the hardest work a fellow can
 do is to keep two galls, at once, and
 preserve a good average.

Prudery is one of virtue's bastards.
 A nickname will outlive any man or
 thing; it is like the crook in a dog's tale,
 you may cut it off, and throw it behind
 the barn, but the crook is there yet, and
 the stump is the epitaph.

If you analyze what most men call
 pleasure, you will find it composed of one
 part humbug, and two parts pain.
 When you ain't got nothing to do,
 do it at once, this is the way to learn to
 be bizzzy.

We have bin told that the best way to
 overcome misfortunes is to fight with
 them—I have tried both ways, and recom-
 mend a successful dodge.

The art of becoming of importance in
 the eyes of others, is not to overrate our-
 self, but to cause them to do so.
 The true way to understand the judg-
 ments of heaven is to submit to them.

Method is everything, especially to
 ordinary men; the few men who can lift
 a tun, at pleasure, have a divine right to
 take bolt of it to a disadvantage.

The mind of man is like a piece of
 land that, to be useful, must be manured
 with learning, ploughed with energy,
 sown with virtue, and harvested with
 economy.

Where religion is a trade, morality is a
 merchandise.
 Conversations should be enlivened with
 wit, not composed of it.

The less a man knows, the more he will
 guess at; and guessing is nothing more
 than suspicion.

Going to law, is like skinning a new
 milk cow for the hide, and giving the
 meat to the lawyers.

Death is the most of us, is a kind of
 "farewell benefit"—"positively our last
 appearance."

Phoofs are quite often like hornets,
 very bizzzy, but about what, the Lord only
 knows.

Living on Hope, is like living on wind,
 a good way to get plumb, but a poor way
 to get plumb.

Justly don't pay, the best it can do,
 is to discover what we don't want to find,
 nor don't expect to.

Secrets are a mortgage on friendships.
 I don't think a bad man is as danger-
 ous as a weak one—I don't think a bile
 that has come to a head, is as risky as a
 hidden one, that may come to a dozen
 heads.

A vivid imagination like a sun glass
 makes things at a distance look twice as
 big as they are, and close to, twice as
 small as they are.

Hope is a draft on futurity, sometimes
 honored, but generally extended.

If the world despises a hypocrite, what
 must they think of him in heaven?

Plattery is like Kolona water—few be
 smelt of, not swallowed.

After all, there don't seem to be but
 this difference between the wize man and
 the phoofs: the wize man are all fuss and
 sum feathers, while the phoofs are all fuss
 and no feathers.