Absent With Leave.

Father called me up that morning dreadful early, and because I had eaten too much supper I didn't sleep good all night. I had miserable bad dreams, and kicked the bedclothes all off sideways. It was not yet daylight, and the room was darker than printer's ink. It was almost darker than the Heathen Land. I had altogether forgot, as usual, to fetch up some matches the night before, and, Christopher Columbus! but I was sleepy. It was that time of morning when a boy would a good deal rather sleep some more than not, and I was so sleepy that it was with difficulty I got out of bed, also I knew how severely rough it would go with me if I rolled over into sleep again, so I got up first and rubbed my eyes open afterwards, and then tried my best for to find my trousers and my other sock.

It was a curious thing happened in our family that day, and I couldn't get it in my head what they meant by getting me up so early. Father seemed more kinder than I ever saw him before, and was good natured all over, and not in spots like he used to be on previous days. He said that as I was a tolerable good boy yesterday I might be rewarded to go a fishing, and stay all day; and if I didn't drive up the cow and saw some wood before I went, it would make no difference. He said he would do it himself by and by. Well, then, some how I couldn't figure it out whether it was a joke or not, because I knew that if there was a man in town as was a good judge of bad boys, my father was him. Some how I couldn't remember that I was any better yesterday than the day before, but I took his word for it, rather than argue into a fuss, for I knew that to get to go a fishing was too good a thing for to lose. So I swallowed up my breakfast in a hurry and went over and borrowed Ben Spinner from his mother, and we were off like the night express. We went through our orchard and Blake's low meadow land, and stopped to dig our worms close by Blake's barn. They were magnificent fat worms, and not intricate to dig, because the ground was so awful rich and mellow that it stands to reason. We got one of mother's new tomato cans level full, and then went on to Flint creek, and a steam engine in the rolling mill couldn't have held us back. It was that kind of a beautiful May morning when everything is hushed and silent as the church of a week day. The fields and lanes were as quiet as a stone-quarry on a Sunday, and the waters of Flint creek was stiller than Catawba in bottles in a dark cellar. However, we soon got to the best hole in Lonesome Bend and throwed our lines in, and then fished, and fished, and fished; and it did seem to me (and it seemed so to Ben) that ages would roll before we could get a bite.

It is mighty hard work for two boys to have to fish when they can't catch anything, but then it would be glorious fun if they didn't only get too tired. The serious trouble was with me and Ben, that we both got dreadful weary; and when we had fished onward long into dinner time, it came to pass that both of us had forgot to fetch along some dinner, and that was the very worst thing of the business; but we stuck it out until about 2 o'clock in the afternoon and then voted to give up the job. We had got chuck full of fisherman's luck and was resigned to quit, whether we could quit even or not.

I suppose that when General Sherman got through with his march to the sea, that he was abundantly tired and desperate cross. But I know two boys which went on a march to Flint creek of a May morning, that was as tired as he dared be and more hungrier than his whole stalwart crowd; and when them two boys finally got to the kitchen of their homes, it was a heaven of rest for them to anchor their pantaloons to a chair in, and a balm of Gilead to the pit of their stomachs.

At our house the blinds were shut and the rooms nearly as dark as my bed-room afore day. The hired girl raised up her finger at me and said, "Hist, Henry! don't make a noise, or you will disturb your ma and the baby." I said "*which* baby?" Then the girl told me I had a tiny, wee brother, but he was orful sweet what there was of him. Well, I know that a boy is a boy, but then I know that a boy can be thunderstruck, and I was hit a hard lick, but I was not a going to put a stop to my appetite if there was *twins* in the house. I told the maiden to please stop combing that hair just everlastingly once, and to pass me out what she had to eat. If it was chicken, I would take chicken, and if it was only liver, I would take liver. Just so she had plenty of it, I didn't care a bad nickel if it was hominy.

When I got started fair on my dinner, then I had time to think, and while I was simultaneously putting away them cold victuals, then I saw how it was that I got leave to go a fishing, and why the governor was so indulgent to do the work up that morning. It was a clear forethoughted up thing to me.

It is now a long time since me and Ben went out to Flint creek, and I am some older now, but I still belong to the Sunday school and will stick to the truth, and say that if father has ever driv up the cow, or sawed a lick of wood in all that time, why, then I am a Arab; and if he had said to me once since, that I could go away and stay all day, then I am a boy as is fond of grammar for a study, which I'll be blowed if I am, and I am glad that I have a good chance to say so. It was one of those kind of loose days which have never dawned into me twice, and moreover never will. Finally, I don't wish to hint anything that will grieve my mother, but I must say this much because I can't help it. Boys that want small brothers to tag them around and tell things which m st always ain't so, are welcome to go a whole hogshead full, but if I never get to go a fishing again until the time does come for the last trumpet to sound, not any more brothers for me if you please.

NEW PROBABILITIES.—When you see a man going home at two o'clock in the morning and know his wife is waiting up for him, it is likely to be *stormy*. When a man receives a bill far goods his wife bought unknown to him, look out for *thunder and lightning*. When a man goes home and finds no supper ready, the fire out, and his wife crusading, it is likely to be *cloudy*.

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Harness and Saddlery Ware

of all kind, in great variety;

WOOD and WILLOW WARE

beyond description;

CARBON OIL and OIL LAMPS,

Fish Oil, Lard Oil, Linseed Oil, Lubricating Oil, Rosin, Tar, Paints, Varnishes, Turpentine, Alcohol, &c.; Silver-Plated Ware, Glassware, &c.

Family Groceries,

such as Teas, Coffee, Sugars, Syrups Molasses, Spices, Dried Peaches, Dried Apples, Hominy, Fish, Crackers, Rice, Pearl Barley, &c.

Tobacco and Cigars.

Paint, Varnish, Whitewash, Scrub, Horse, Shoe, Stove, Dusting, Clothes and Tooth Brushes, all kinds and sizes; Bed-Cords, Manilla Ropes, and many other articles, at the *lowest rates for cash.*

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made, painted and put up as cheap as possible, FOR CASH. ☞ A liberal discount made to country dealers buying Tinware by wholesale.

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Ebensburg, July 25, 1873.-tf.

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Cooking Stoves,
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TIN, COPPER & SHEET-IRON WARE

Having recently taken possession of the new-fitted up and commodious building on High street, two doors east of the Bank and nearly opposite the Mountain House, the subscriber is better prepared than ever to manufacture all articles in the TIN, COPPER and SHEET-IRON WARE line, all of which will be furnished to buyers at the very lowest living prices.

The subscriber also proposes to keep a full and varied assortment of

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☞ SPOUTING and ROOFING made to order and warranted perfect in manufacture and material. REPAIRING promptly attended to.

All work done by me will be done right and on fair terms, and all STOVES and WARE sold by me can be depended upon as to quality and cannot be undersold in price. A continuance and increase of patronage is respectfully solicited, and no effort will be wanting to render entire satisfaction to all.

VALLIE LUTRINGER.

Ebensburg, Oct. 18, 1870.-tf.

Loretto Marble Works.

PRICES REDUCED!

MONUMENTS, TOMBSTONES, BUREAU and TABLE TOPS; also, Designs for Scotch Granite Monuments. We desire to invite the attention of the public to our beautiful Designs for Monuments and Tombstones, made of the very best Italian and American Marbles, and which will be furnished at as low rates as similar work can be obtained in Philadelphia or elsewhere. Perfect satisfaction guaranteed, and work shipped to any point at our risk. All orders from a distance will be promptly attended to. Remember that our designs and our work will compare favorably with any in the State.

WILKINSON & KELLY.

Loretto, March 13, 1874.-tf.

Parke's Marble Works,

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MONUMENTS, HEAD and TOMB STONES, COUNTER and CABINET SLABS, MANTELS, &c., manufactured of the very best Italian and American Marbles. Entire satisfaction guaranteed in price, design and execution of work.

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ROOFING and SPOUTING made to order and warranted perfect in manufacture and material.

Orders respectfully solicited and promptly attended to, and polite attention accorded to all, whether they purchase or not.

Altoona, Sept. 5, 1873.-tf.

MILLINERY & DRESS MAKING.—The attention of the Ladies of Ebensburg and vicinity is directed to the fact that MRS. R. E. JONES has just received an invoice of new and fashionable Millinery Goods, at her rooms in the East Ward, Ebensburg. Wedding Bonnets, Hats, etc., a specialty. Dressmaking promptly and neatly done. The patronage of the ladies is respectfully solicited. [5-1,'71.]

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Ebensburg, Sept. 1, 1873.-tf.

FIRST NATIONAL SADDLE AND HARNESS SHOP OF CAMBRIA COUNTY, High street, (opposite Union School House,) West Ward, Ebensburg.—M. O'NEILL & CO., Proprietors. *Saddles* and *Harness* made and repaired and all other work in my line executed in the best manner, on the shortest notice, and at the most reasonable rates. [1-12.-tf.]

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REAL OLD GRASS LAND.—"Twenty or thirty years in permanent sod" constitute real old grass land, though if well managed and properly grazed, it will improve up to fifty years and then never retrograde unless abused in some way or other. Now if the greater part of the land of the United States which is natural for grass and adapted for perpetually lying in grass for grazing and mowing, was allowed time to become established in a thick-set old sod, and the finer and most fattening herbage encouraged by judiciously grazing with mixed stock (a good proportion being sheep) there might be fine districts producing beef and mutton, butter and wool, with fine horses also, and with comparatively little use of the plow, less and less arable soil being required as the South was approached, because the winters would be short and the foddering and housing of stock of little moment in comparison.

Just as the turnip husbandry of England was the salvation of the light soils and the hills and downs of England, and the muirs, etc., of Scotland, at the same time renovating all the good, dry and well drained lower land, so lying by for real old grass all the land most suitable for permanently remaining sacred from the plow, may be the saving of agriculture in America; for the fact of about two-thirds or three-fourths of every farm being in pasture and meadow, or in grass-alternating in pasture and meadow, would be an assistance to the arable portion and every farmer adopting this system; because grass land, when once thoroughly established, can be managed so as to enable the farmer to support a great quantity of animals which with produce from the soil plowed, will give straw, etc., which in conjunction with better food, increases the manure heap.

But hitherto, the greed of gaining a good corn crop by plowing under the sod, has caused the having any established pastures or mowings out of the question; and then the unaccountable fear that sheep may injure the best herbage, has brought about a running out of the very grasses the sheep would have caused to flourish. In Illinois the grass land that has remained uncultivated for 20 and 30 years, has become so superior to the newly-laid down fields in timothy and clover, that double the stock can be supported upon it; and what is proof beyond doubt is that when rented, double the money per acre is readily paid for the "real old grass land."

Let any disinterested person think on this and it will show what a vast advantage would be gained by the whole community if (say half) the land now said to barely pay for occupation, could be let lie in grass till it would carry double the stock and be worth double what it is now to rent.

A GARDENER'S BAROMETER.—The common camphor bottle makes a very cloudy index of atmospheric weight and weather changes, on which the following is an improvement. Dissolve two and one-half drachms of alcohol. Put thirty-eight grains of nitrate of potash (saltpetre), and thirty-eight grains of muriate of ammonia (sal ammoniac), into nine fluid drachms of water; when all are perfectly dissolved, mix the two solutions. Shake them well in a two ounce or four ounce white glass vial, cork very loosely, or better, tie over the mouth a piece of linen or cotton cloth, and place the instrument in a good light, out of the sunshine, where it can be observed without handling.

When the weather is fine and clear, the fluid is also; but on the least change, the chemicals, which lie as a sediment, rise in beautiful frond-like crystals proportionately, and again duly subside. By watching these changes one soon becomes able to predict the changes probable for a few hours to come in any locality. This instrument is also a pretty philosophical toy, showing how sensible some chemical solutions are to atmospheric influences. We saw barometers of this kind for sale in London several years ago, but do not recollect meeting with them in this country, except the home-made ones prepared according to the above directions, which have been several times published, but may be new to some of our readers.

SUCCESSFUL FARMING.—Some brilliant examples of successful farming are given in a letter from Webster City, Iowa. A lawyer bought 2,000 acres of land near that place for $24,000, and sowed 1,7000 acres in wheat. In two years his net profits from exceptionally good crops of 35,700 bushels the first year and 39,000 the second, amounted to $30,000. A Swede, stricken in health, went to the State with $2.50 in his pocket, and worked for wages until he was able to buy a few acres, which he planted in wheat.

His first crop brought him in $6,000 or four times the value of the land, leaving him with a clear balance, after all payments were made, of $3,000. Then he sold his land for $27 an acre, or $3,400, making him richer by $6,210 than when he had started one year previously. Another man, on a twenty-seven-acre farm, found himself with nearly $1,000 clear profit at the end of the first season. In another case a rented farm of 460 acres brought in, with only half a crop, sufficient to enable the tenant to purchase the land. These are some of the brighter sides of farming experience, however; but unfortunately, all are not so successful.

PERENNIAL PEAS.—Whatever else you do in the garden this spring, do not forget to plant a few seeds of Perennial Peas. They do not flower the first season, but with ordinary care in hoeing and manuring, the plants increase in beauty each year. They are perfectly hardy, though a slight covering of coarse stable manure, put on in the fall, gives them a good start in the spring.

One variety in our garden is very pretty, and its clusters of bright, rose-colored flowers are borne in great profusion in early summer. If no seed is allowed to mature, you can be sure of finding some flowers for bouquets throughout the season.

The plants are easily trained in any desired form, but a cheap and favorite mode of ours is to surround them with hemlock brush four feet high and set in the ground so closely as to form a sort of circular hedge. This can be trimmed evenly on the top, and at first, is rather ornamental of itself; but the leaves soon fall off, leaving a fine network of branches to support the vines, which are soon covered with a mass of rosy bloom.

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Ebensburg, Jan. 16, 1874.-tf.

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Cigars and Tobaccos,

Blank Books, Deeds, Notes and Bonds; Cap, Post, Commercial and all kinds of Note Paper; Envelopes, Pens, Pencils, Arnold's Writing Fluid, Black and Red Ink, Pocket and Pass Books, Magazines, Newspapers, Novels, Histories, Bibles, Religious, Prayer and Toy Books, Penknives, Pipes, &c.

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Thankful for past favors I feel confident that my work and prices will commend me to a continuance and increase of the same.

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AS interested parties have been reporting in the northern part of this county that our rates for manufacturing Woolen Goods, &c., are much higher than they really are we deem it necessary for our own protection and for the information of the public to publish the following

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Blankets.....$3.50 per pair.
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Chamber Sets,	Mattresses,
Parlor Sets,	Tete-a-Tetes,
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Johnstown, Oct. 13, 1870.-tf.

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DANIEL McLAUGHLIN, *Attorney-at-Law*, Johnstown, Pa. Office in the old Exchange building, (up-stairs,) corner of Clinton and Locust streets. Will attend to all business connected with his profession.

Animal Life.

Now that a few enthusiasts have devoted themselves to the training of flies, and have pronounced these despised insects docile and teachable, we need not be surprised at anything we read concerning the sagacity of the animal kingdom. Without further apology we relate the following anecdote—the scarcely less obnoxious rat being the *dramatis personæ*. A farmer's wife in the West of Scotland remarked that the cream on the surface of the milk in her dairy was often interfered with. At first she suspected that some of her children had taken the unwarrantable liberty of dipping pieces of bread in it, but she could find nothing to confirm this suspicion; and by-and-by she noticed strange little streaks of cream on the edges of the milk-basins, as if a strange hand had been dipped in and drawn out so as to leave a mark. At last she discovered the author. The cream was stolen by rats while sitting upon the edges of the earthenware basins containing the milk. Not being able to reach down to it, a depth of several inches, nor daring to attempt to go down, as she could never have climbed up the smooth surface again, they dipped in the tips of their long tails, drew them up loaded with the rich cream, and licked them. A arrangement of the basins, such that the rats could not get upon the edges of them, put an end to all further depredations of the kind. Imagine the sensations of the good wife whose customary bowls of milk had been taken from these basins on Sunday! The secret of the cream's disappearance is no less harrowing is the experience of a farmer which had a fancy for rearing ducks. He could not well do so on account of a rat which systematically got hold of all the eggs and carried away the young ducklings, one by one, to their mother. With a view to ridding the premises of the rats, the maternal duck and her offspring were housed for the night under a coop which admitted of no opening for the entrance of intruders. The rats were not to be thus cheated of their prey. The next morning the mother-duck and her family were found strangled from intrusion. They adopted a pretty plan of engineering, which was eminently successful. In the course of the night they had excavated a hole below the outer edge of the coop into the interior, and thus very neatly and without producing any alarm, pulled the ducklings from under the guardianship of their dam. Both of these anecdotes go to show that rats are gifted with more than a common share of instinct.

Commercial Combinations.

Although the trading men have been round [illegible] ciple of combination against [illegible] cette to be "the [illegible] interests, the principle [illegible] application in commerce [illegible] terprises. Our great [illegible] monopolies are founded [illegible] and combination against the [illegible] is far more universal [illegible] combination in trades [illegible] One of these combinations [illegible] has just been dissolved in Liverpool, mutual consent of the parties [illegible] result is likely to be [illegible] reduced rates of freight [illegible] Ocean. Historical [illegible] parties whose business [illegible] were combined for the [illegible] of uniform rates of [illegible] combination was [illegible] tends and at the expense [illegible] Now the combination [illegible] and competition will [illegible] reported that offers [illegible] at half the previous [illegible] that dissolved this combination [illegible] natural moral of all this [illegible] up prices by artificial [illegible] bination was in the [illegible] shippers were driven [illegible] Liverpool freights were [illegible] combination, competition [illegible] made them cheaper [illegible] went where they were [illegible] panies thought it was a good [illegible] trol. Liverpool; but, [illegible] trol the whole shipping [illegible] fell short, and proved [illegible] plundering of the shippers [illegible] the port and the trade [illegible] they were directly concerned [illegible] diates the limitation of [illegible] mediately and on a small [illegible] advantage to those who [illegible] mately and in the largest [illegible] are an injury, for the [illegible] in which they are applied [illegible] point or they kill it altogether.

A Remarkable Title.

A St. Petersburg [illegible] Hartford *Post* (probably [illegible] thus speaks of one of the [illegible] tures of the late royal marriage [illegible] "The most striking trait of [illegible] three princesses—one the Princess of England, another her sister [illegible] press of Russia, and the third the [illegible] law of the first, the Crown [illegible] Germany. The three of all [illegible] gentleness, intelligence and [illegible] The Grand Duchess Marie wore a [illegible] heavily embroidered, and from her [illegible] hung a train of claret-colored [illegible] and edged with ermine. On her head [illegible] tiara and a small crown of diamonds [illegible] which hung a point lace veil; on her [illegible] the largest diamond necklace in Russia [illegible] composed of large, perfect diamonds [illegible] with a large drop attached, the whole [illegible] at twenty millions of dollars. The [illegible] her waist was covered with diamonds [illegible] down the front of her dress were [illegible] pearls. The bridegroom wore the [illegible] of a Russian officer. The dress and [illegible] the empress were of gold cloth, [illegible] and jewels, sapphires and diamonds [illegible] Crown Princess wore velvet [illegible] dered in gold, and their jewels were [illegible] surpassed by those of the bride." The occasion was one which will long be [illegible] bered with interest by all who [illegible] fortunate as to be present, and especially those living in Russia or England.

WHEN a man dies and leaves a young widow with plenty of money, you see her walking out with one of the executors on Sunday, a change is made