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WHITMER & CO'S

Two Stores (connected by telephone) that await here where "in this neck of the woods" buy WHEAT, RYE, BARLEY, &c. Sell HARD and SOFT COAL. Manufacturers' Agents for Furniture and Farm Implements. G. R. S. & Co., WHITMER & Co., Spring Mills.

AN OPEN LETTER.

Office of D. GARMAN & SON. RUSH'S ARCADE, Bellefonte, April, 1884. TO OUR PATRONS:

This week we enter upon our second year, and we have to thank the people for their very liberal patronage. Our success proves that "honest goods at honest prices" are bound to take, and it has built up the finest retail trade in the county. It is a platform that admits of no deception. In advertising no petty tricks to draw people to our store; nothing that is in any way fraudulent. We use the papers as do other honest advertisers to keep our goods, our prices and our system before the public, and referring to all three we are very careful to tell the truth. While we are no less careful to avoid the mention of prices where they will be likely to create a false impression, we shall still tell you that anything you buy of us that is not exactly as we say, you may return it and have your money refunded.

Respectfully, your obedient servants, D. GARMAN & SON.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Read Valentines Store Co's new advertisement.

The dwelling house of Dr. Hammond, at Clintonville, was destroyed by fire on last Friday night.

An interesting letter on Missouri, from David Shaffer, who recently moved from Miles, will be found in another col. It ought to check the Missouri fever.

There is an opening for a select school at Centre Hall, this summer, as Prof. Hesterman, former teacher, we understand is likely to take charge of a school at Penn Hall.

Pure coffees, teas, spices, canned fruit and cured meats, glass and China ware, and everything wanted in the line of family groceries can be had at Sechlers, in the Bush house block.

John Rishel, whom we all welcome as an addition to Centre Hall's population, has got fixed and is pleased with our town. Harry Keener, of Miles, has also got settled down, and is pleased. John Snyder has also fixed himself here and smiles.

Mr. Wm. C. Sweetwood gave us a call a few days ago. He is at present making his stay at Duncannon, where he superintends an engine at Sankey's implement works.

John Mollen has moved from Renora to this place, and thinks of starting a shoe store here.

Mrs. Hoy, wife of Dr. Jerry Hoy, formerly of this county, died lately at her home in Ohio. She was a daughter of Philip Gross, of New Berlin.

Ira C. Mitchell will quit the law and take to the pulpit. He becomes pastor for a church of the Christian denomination in Virginia.

Treasurer D. C. Keller favored our sanction with a call, and has a big land sale published in the Reporter, this week. We were sorry to learn that he has lost a favorite driving mare, for which he had been offered \$225 a short time ago.

The select school at Tusseyville, under the principality of Prof. C. R. Neff, will open April 15.

Read the ad. of Alexander & Keller in another column. They have opened extensively in the mercantile business at Linden Hall, and will do all to please customers in goods and low prices.

Camp, of the Centre Hall furniture depot, in his new and large quarters, is second to no furniture house in this part of the state for variety and elegance of stock, besides which his prices are so much lower than all others, that one wishes a bargain by purchasing elsewhere. Anything wanted in the furniture line can be ordered at satisfactory prices from Mr. Camp.

Robert Brett, of Ferguson, favored the "Reporter" with a call. Robert is one of the prominent candidates for prothonotary, and a good Democrat.

H. R. Smith, esq., an old-line Democrat, now of Ferguson, popped in to see us.

Wednesday morning broke in with about an inch of snow on the ground and an almost blinding snow-storm going on.

By lack of open air exercise, and the want of sufficient care in the matter of diet, the whole physical mechanism of many becomes impaired during the winter. Ayer's Sarsaparilla is the pre-eminently to take in the spring of the year to purify the blood, invigorate the system, excite the liver to action, and restore the healthy tone and vigor.

Dress goods at Garman's. Any novice, energetic young man who desires employment in a paying business can learn something of our advantages by addressing Lock B. x 15, Lewisburg, Pa. Work is respectable and good wages guaranteed. School teachers and those who will be out of employment during the summer months can find in our office employment, \$125.00 in three weeks.

Have you been in Garman's store this spring? Everybody says it will pay to go there.

Get the B-st. Dyes.—The Diamond Dyes for family use have no equals. All popular colors easily dyed fast and beautiful. Only 10c. a package at drugstores. Wells, Richardson & Co., Burlington, Vt. Sample card, 2c. colors, and book of directions for 2c. stamp.

More 5c ginghams at Garman's.

—On last Sunday night the store of Mr. Dinges, at Boolsburg, was entered by burglars and the safe exploded. The robbers obtained some \$70 in money, and then fled. There was a large sum of money in the safe, and being covered escaped the attention of the thieves. They took a horse and buggy belonging to Henry Frederick and drove off. The horse and buggy were afterwards obtained, no doubt having been abandoned by the burglars. The burglars drilled a hole in the safe and carried on their work some 40 feet from the store. Mr. Dinges, who slept on the floor above and some of whom were sitting up with a sick child, did not hear what was going on below.

—Mr. Simon Rote, an old and respected citizen of Aaronsburg, died on Tuesday last week. Mr. Rote, as we mentioned recently, had a stroke of paralysis while in the mountains a short time ago.

—Mr. Newton Weaver, below Rebersburg, received a severe kick from a horse last Monday. He had just returned from the funeral of his child, and as a visitor's horse was being taken by him from the stable, the animal kicked him in the side of the abdomen seriously injuring him.

—Mr. John Sweetwood has received \$300 from the railroad company for the damages done in the killing of his horse and his injuries at Spring Mills last week.

FROM ILLINOIS. MR. EDITOR:—My numerous friends in the east desiring a description of Missouri, and the Reporter big widely circulated, I desire to give it through its columns.

I was brought to Missouri by misapprehension, and on arriving there found it quite different from what I had expected and also from what my western friends had informed me; before going there it was said that good crops were raised, soil good and in fact every thing was good. I will now try to describe it as I found it.

The Missouri soil in general is very shallow, ranging from six to eighteen inches, and is found what is called hard pan which, when dry, becomes so hard that it is almost impossible to penetrate it, and as far as I was stones were as plenty as in Pennsylvania, and stone fences are not uncommon. As to crops, wheat is the surest and yields from three to twenty bushels to the acre, instead of from thirty to thirty-five bushels as was reported; oats and corn yield pretty fair when not molested by insects and the seasons are not too dry. Our friend B. F. Bitner boasts of having raised "one of the best of roasting-ears" from ten acres, three years ago.

The timber is small and is found along the Ozark range of mountains; the different kinds of wood are sycamore, hickory and black oak, all of which are mere saplings. The buildings are generally very small and very few in number. The farm which I had rented had to it a small house and nothing more, not even a chicken coop. The first few nights we were compelled to tie our horses to the wagon, with nothing but the blue heavens for a roof over them.

Of pasture nothing is known. Cattle are left to roam over the prairie at will and the only means of getting cows to return home at night is not to saw the calves, thus depriving the farmer of a great part of the milk. Fruit is scarce and fruit trees are small and the limbs begin to rot from 18 inches to two feet from the ground. Churches and schools are few and far between. The greatest feature of the country is Centre Creek, which we had to cross in coming from Carthage, the place where we landed. This stream is so high at times that the water runs into two-horse wagon box. In conclusion I would say to those seeking homes in the west, especially in southwest Missouri, not to go it on the cyclone style as I did, but go there and see it before taking their families there. Above all be aware of sharks and blindfolders.

Yours respectfully, DAVID SHAFER, Cortland, Ill., March 30, '84.

Stover's Marble Works, at Bellefonte, are stocked with all sizes and styles of monuments and tombstones. Mr. Stover puts out the handiest work in the county, and his charges are so much lower than others that it will pay one to make a special trip to Bellefonte when a tombstone is needed. Do not purchase elsewhere until you have seen Stover's works and prices.

White goods and embroideries at Garman's.

EIGHT PERSONS KILLED. Chattanooga, Tenn., April 2.—A cyclone 100 yards wide passed 30 miles below this city last night in a northeasterly direction. Two members of Col. Taylor's family were killed, and five other deaths are reported. Several trees were blown across the track of the Atlanta and Great Southern railway. The night express was thrown from the track by the obstruction. Fireman Ed Brown was killed and Engineer Mike Frowly injured.

Here is a chance to get two papers for the price of one—good only from now to June 1st: Any one paying the Reporter one year in advance and sending us a new advance paying name for one year, we will send each the "Chicago Weekly News" one year free.

We make nothing on this but desire to give the "Reporter" a wide circulation during the campaign. A rare chance to get two papers for the price of one.

Now that sudden and violent changes of weather occur every 24 hours almost every one is troubled with coughs and colds making a reliable, effective and trustworthy cough medicine a desirable article. In this connection Dr. Kessler's Celebrated English Cough Medicine is especially worthy of note—it never fails; it never disappoints. Instructions for treatment of cough and whooping cough accompany each bottle. Disappointed purchasers can have their money refunded. Sold by J. D. Murray.

His Slippery Guss Eye. "The Equine," says the author of "The Hooster Schoolmaster," "were one glass and a wig. The glass eye was constantly slipping out of his head whenever he addressed the people of Flat Creek District." Sad spectacle. Parker's Hair Balsam preserves and promotes the growth of the natural hair. It also restores the natural color to hair which has faded or become gray. Clean, elegant, beneficial, highly perfumed.

The Blaine procession has not yet passed a given point.

TREASURER'S SALE OF UNSEATED LANDS FOR TAXES FOR 1882 AND 1883 and previous years.

Table listing land sales with columns for name, acreage, and price. Includes entries like 'HOLMES, Robert' and 'Dale, Ann'.

AN ENGLISH NEWSPAPER PRINTS ILLUSTRATIONS OF GEN. GORDON'S TENSE SPEECHES.

When he entered upon his duties as Governor-General of the Sudan it was expected that he would make a long address, but he dismissed the assembly with the single sentence, "I will try to hold the balance even." When his views on the Sudan appeared in the columns of a newspaper he remarked, "A shot has been fired." When he was sent to the Sudan he said, "I have received orders to cut the dog's tail off and I will do it."

Counterfeit oysters is the latest triumph of the inventive genius. The nerve, brain and passion-reperative bivalve is created from a combination of unknown ingredients, coated with a deceptive wash, and deftly placed in genuine shells. The inventor, a Frenchman by the way, is busy perfecting the process, and when he becomes sufficiently imbued with the spirit of philanthropy to give the recipe to the world, the presence of an occasional oyster, even though it be artificial, will conduce considerably to the happiness of the boarding-house unfortunate.

There is an old superstition connected with the crossbill, in Thuringia, which makes the wood-cutters very careful of the nests. This bird in captivity is subject to many diseases, such as weak eyes, swelled and ulcerated feet, etc., arising probably from the heat and accumulated vapors of the stove-heated rooms where they are kept. The Thuringian mountain-people believe that these wretched birds can take upon themselves any diseases to which he is subject, and always keeps a good one near him. He is satisfied that a bird whose upper mandible bends to the right has the power of transferring colds and rheumatisms from man to itself; and if the mandible turn to the left that it can confer the same on women.

The difference between "luck and chance" is thus defined: You take a girl to the theatre and discover that you haven't a cent in your pocket. Out of courtesy you invite her to an oyster saloon after the performance. She responds by Street Cars constantly passing the fuses for some reason—that's "luck"; but doors. It offers special inducements the "chance" is a million to one she will to pleasure.

Your patronage respectfully solicited. JOS. M. FEGER, Proprietor.

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OUR NEW STORE

ALEXANDER & KELLER.

AT LINDEN HALL.

We have just returned from the Eastern markets with an immense stock of new goods, such as has never been brought to this part of Pennsylvania before; large in quantity, good in quality and prices as low as the lowest. All are invited to call and examine our goods, and you will be convinced that we have just what has been needed in this part of the valley. Highest prices paid for all kinds of country produce.

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Table of market prices for various goods like corn, wheat, and pork.

SPRING MILLS ACADEMY. The spring term of this select school will open Monday, April 14, 1884. All desiring to prepare for teaching, business or college are invited to attend its sessions. Boarding from \$2 to \$2.50 per week; tuition from \$4 to \$8 per term. W. P. HOSKINS, A. M., Principal.

ST. ELMO HOTEL. No. 317 & 319 Arch Street, Philadelphia. Reduced rates to \$2.00 per day. Traveling public will still find at this Hotel the same liberal provision for their comfort. It is located in the immediate centre of business and places of amusement and different railroad depots, as well as the city, are easily accessible by Street Cars constantly passing the fuses for some reason—that's "luck"; but doors. It offers special inducements the "chance" is a million to one she will to pleasure.

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