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ANNOUNCEMENT.

SHERIFF.

We are authorized to announce that Jacob L. Rankle, of Bellefonte, will be a candidate for the office of Sheriff, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

RECORDER.

We are authorized to announce that A. R. Alexander, of Penn township, will be a candidate for the office of Recorder, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

We are authorized to announce that Frank Foreman, of Centre Hill borough, will be a candidate for the office of Recorder, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

TREASURER.

We are authorized to announce that Franklin Bowersox, of Ferguson, West, precinct, will be a candidate for the office of County Treasurer, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

THE GREAT CALAMITY.

The calamity shriekers have struck a new lead in certain statistics, more or less reliable, showing the falling off in value of live stock in this country the last three or four years, and are putting it forth as another of the dreadful sequels of the Wilson tariff. One of our local Republican papers describes it as "the cost of Democratic rule," and as "another of the beauties of the Cleveland-Wilson tariff." The cost in live stock alone of the aforesaid "rule" is put at \$622,683,000 since January, 1893. That is, their appraised value, it is alleged, has fallen off in these hundreds of millions, and all because of the tariff says the Pittsburgh Post.

Examining these tables a little more closely than these calamity shriekers have done, we find that, while the number of horses in the country remains about the same, their value since 1892 has fallen from \$1,007,593,636 to \$576,730,580. Here we have a loss in the value of the noble equine of over \$430,000,000, or two-thirds of the tremendous aggregate of the calamity shriekers. And for this these brilliant minds hold the Wilson tariff responsible. They do not take into consideration the fact, known of all men, that the substitution of election power for horse power is what has created this particular falling off in values. They find it convenient to blame it on the Wilson tariff. And, taking no cognizance of their brotherhood with the donkey tribe, they fail to state that value of the mules and asses in the country during the same time has diminished \$68,000,000. Oxen have fallen off in value \$90,000,000, the festive porker goes down \$22,000,000, while the useful milch cow has actually increased \$11,000,000. Sheep—and sheep is their stronghold—have decreased in value \$50,000,000, or about one-eighth the decrease in horses, half the decrease in oxen, and less than the decrease in the brotherhood of donkeys and asses.

The last decade has been a period of falling values in everything grown on the farm or produced from the workshop. Some of it is due to the force of competition, some of the discovery of new appliances and inventions, and part to the general progress of humanity. It is not confined to the United States, but takes in the whole world. The general effect of this reduction of the selling value of the products of the farm and shops and the workshop is to add to the general comfort of mankind in this and other countries, especially when it is considered that there is all the time a slow and steady advance going on in the wages of the world of workers. The purchasing power of wages is steady increasing.

THE PROPOSED DUTY ON WOOL.

The authors of the Reed-Dingley Tariff bill "for revenue only" estimate that the taxes on imports of raw wool would yield an annual revenue of \$14,000,000 says the Record. This would be a large sum for American woolen manufacturers to pay in taxes for their imported raw materials, to say nothing of the anticipated increase in the cost of domestic wool. In order to recover this sum from American consumers it would be necessary to heavily increase the prices of every variety of woolen clothing. But possibly some of the American manufacturers have been persuaded by the tariff organs that the foreign producers pay the protective duties for the privilege of trading in this country! At any rate, this is the doctrine proclaimed by Governor McKinley, and taught by a few Protectionist professors of political economy.

If the foreign sheep growers pay the duties on imports of wool, what is the necessity for "compensatory" duties on woolsens for the American manufacturers of such fabrics? We trust that the advocates of Protection will see nothing impertinent in this inquiry.

There are so many apparent contradictions in their theories that a Free Trader can hardly avoid becoming

somewhat confused in the effort to reconcile the difficulties. We have no doubt that the thing is quite clear to a Protectionist.

The silver men as distinguished from the Populists held a conference in Washington a few days ago which was participated in by some of the silver senators. The agreement reached was that nothing be done as to putting up a free coinage candidate for President until the Republican and Democratic conventions had acted on the silver question. As there is little doubt they will both antagonize free coinage, the way will be open for the single issue free coinage party to act, and that action will probably be an agreement with the Populist convention on candidates. That convention meets in St. Louis two weeks after the Democratic convention meets at Chicago, and five weeks after the Republican convention at St. Louis.

The senate passed the Armenian resolution calling on the government of Great Britain, France, Germany, Austria, Italy and Russia—all parties, to the Berlin treaty—to perform their pledged faith in the protection of the Christian subject of the sultan. If they refuse or neglect, our satisfaction will be in "putting them on the record." Like as not the powers will state in a diplomatic way that it is none of our business how they conduct their foreign or home relations. That is probably the answer the United States would give.

It has been estimated that the Senate's refusal to agree with the House in the adoption of the bill to create a three per cent. gold loan will cost the Government fifty millions dollars. What such Republican statesmanship has cost the business interests of the country nobody has been foolhardy enough to attempt to figure out.

SECRETARY EDGE announces that the Department of Agriculture proposes not only to stamp out the traffic in oleomargarine, but to exterminate the article itself, whatever that may be. And, of course, adulterated food products come in under this same supervision. It is a clever movement and one that will likely have popular indorsement, but some exception may be taken to the oleomargarine feature of this work of extermination. It is hardly more than a year ago since the State Fair was held in Meadville, and first-class premiums were awarded to some packages of oleo that had somehow slipped in along with the good butter. Singular to say an expert from State College did not hesitate to pass the oleo as excellent butter, and if experts fail to detect the difference between these two articles, and premiums continue as they have in some instances, the State Department of Agriculture may expect to have quite a serious time in this self-imposed task of extermination. But adulterated food products afford a fine opportunity for a display of power and protection over speculators, and to consumers.

The last legislature did worse for the farmer than any half dozen of the worst legislators preceding it. It doubled the price of the farmer's coal oil, it created new and useless offices to eat up his taxes; it raised salaries already too high, and gave trusts and monopolies all the advantages asked for. The Republican assemblymen of this county, Harry Curtin and Mr. Womelsdorf gave their votes to these great wrongs.

JUDGE CYRUS GORDON, of Clearfield has decided that all claimants to the distribution of the proceeds of a Sheriff's sale of property are entitled to share in it until the valid mechanics liens have been satisfied.

Don't miss the bargains in ready made clothing, at the Philadelphia Branch, on account of sheriff sale, a full line for men and boys, will be sold at once at great sacrifice.

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G. A. R. COMMANDER

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DR. DAVID KENNEDY'S FAVORITE REMEDY

take, it morning, noon and night, and it will cure you. I took the medicine as directed, but had no confidence in a cure, as my case had been tried by so many. After using it a week I began to feel better, and in a short while after that I was entirely cured. That terrible distress, everything I ate, breaking up sour in my throat had all gone and I have not had a moment's discomfort since. Today there isn't a healthier man and my appetite is grand."

THE WEATHER.

Temperature and Rain and Snow Fall, Registered at the Reporter office.

Temperature.	Highest.	Lowest.
Jan. 23	34	28
" 24	38	32
" 25	38	32
" 26	41	40
" 27	35	21
" 28	37	31
" 29	46	20

Rainfall: Thursday night, 23d, 1.55 inches,—including 3 inches of snow. From 23 to 25 cloudy; 26 to 27 fair.

A FEW days ago a representative Republican informed us it was the intention of their party in this county to nominate men for county offices, unassailable in character, and of known honesty and integrity, and on that they would make a fight to carry the county and expected to win. Well, so far as nominating men of pure character is concerned, that is the right thing for all parties to do. But the Democracy will see the necessity of also nominating a ticket with unsullied names and characters clean, to match the opposition and command the support of Democrats and that will ensure Democratic success. The voters of this county have repeatedly indicated that only honest and pure men fill the bill when it comes to the polls, and it is well it is thus for the public good.

TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.

Whereas, It has pleased an All-wise Providence to remove by death Mr. John P. Meyers, of Boalsburg, an active member of our Christian Endeavor Society; Therefore be it

Resolved, That while we recognize in this dispensation the hand of Him who doeth all things well, we sincerely mourn the loss of a useful member of our Society and community.

Resolved, That we deeply sympathize with the bereaved family and commend them to the care of the good Shepherd who doeth all things wisely.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family and that they be entered upon the minutes of the society; also that they be published in the CENTRE REPORTER and the Keystone Gazette.

MARY KREAMER, ANNA WOODS, FRANK McFARLANE.

"Five years ago," says Anga A. Lewis, Ricard, N. Y., "I had a constant cough, night sweats, was greatly reduced in flesh, and had been given up by my physicians. I began to take Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and after using two bottles was completely cured."

GRAIN MARKET. CORRECTED WEEKLY BY R. D. BRISLIN.

Wheat	45
Rye	40
Oats	30
Barley	38
Buckwheat	30

SALE REGISTER. FRIDAY, JANUARY 31.—J. B. Gentzel, 1 1/2 miles south of Spring Mills, at 1 o'clock, 1 horse, sleds, old iron, farm implements, etc. WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15.—H. E. Duck, Administrator of W. G. Duck, dec'd, one mile west of Millheim, horses, cows, young cattle, hogs, farm implements, household goods, etc. FRIDAY, MARCH 15.—George Reiber, near Colyer, at 1 o'clock, 2 horses, 2 head young cattle, wagon, drill, hay rake, plows, harrows, etc.

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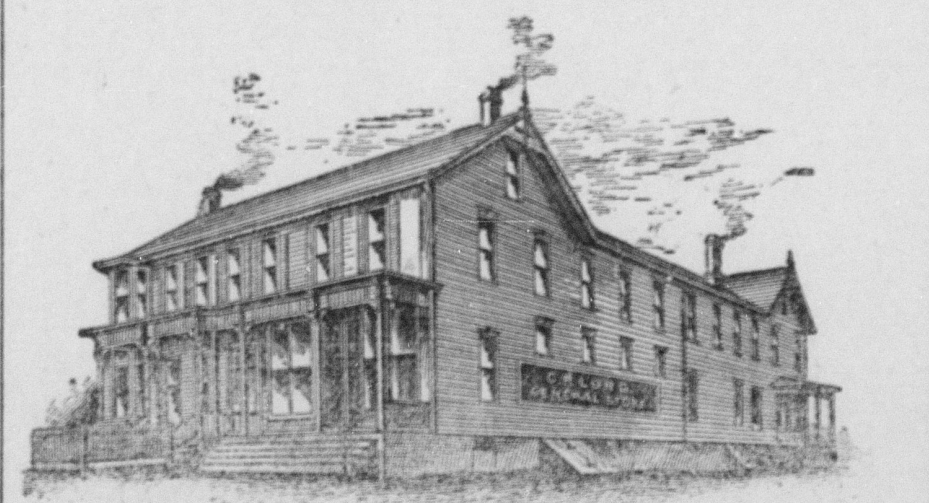
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Mid Winter Sale.

The cold weather is here. It will continue for some time. Protection from the cold blasts is the first thought when Winter strikes you. And then where it can be secured with the least possible cash outlay. You will need Heavy Underwear, Heavy Clothing, Blankets, Mittens, Gloves, and anything that will turn cold. You want good goods and you want it cheap, too. We have everything you will want. We sell it at figures that our competitors dare not think of. We propose to get rid of our immense stock, and have

MARKED DOWN PRICES ON ALL GOODS!

The goods must go, and the prices we intend selling them at will make them go with a rush. Do you need anything? If you do, get in the swim. Our fine line of Dress Goods will be sold at a sacrifice. We want you to have the benefit, what we want is the room, and will have it regardless of cost. Come while they last.

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE FARMERS MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Office of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Co. of Centre Co., Pa. Centre Hall, Pa. Jan. 13, 1896.—In accordance with the provisions of their charter the thirty-eighth annual statement of the transactions of company is hereby presented.

ASSETS.

Bills receivable being premium notes due and payable by members for insurance the past year	\$25,552.41
Cash premiums	1,276.69
From tax	2,075.93
Cash in treasury	755.44

EXPENSES.

Compensation to directors	168.02
Salary of secretary	125.00
Salary of treasurer	50.00
Printing, office rent, postage and stationery	66.42
Special services, making duplicate justice services and adjusting expenses	11.50
Election board	2.00
State ins. report	5.00
J. B. Crawford, loss on mill	1800.00
M. B. & L. Association	15.00
H. G. Strayer and wife, stable	116.00
Adm'r. J. C. Boal, note	9.25
J. C. Small, bal. due on house burned	59.88
B. F. Frankenberg, bal. on barn	33.25
W. F. Reynolds, note	500.00
Int.	19.58
Total assets and funds of the company the past year less expenses	26,479.57
To which add notes of 1891, '92, '93 and '94	124,140.86
Minus cancellations	\$150,619.98
Leaving the available assets this day	146,155.81
Insurances taken the past year	276,641.33
To which add insurances of 1891, '92, '93 & '94	1,094,094.00
Risks in force this day minus cancellations of	50,611,003-1,220,124.33

LIABILITIES.

Sam'l. Garner, note	94.29
Borrowed money	100.00
Int. same	24.00
Hazel & Gramley, note	103.00
Int. same	6.18
J. B. Crawford, note	250.00
Int. same	12.00
G. W. Nerhood, house	536.00
Int. same	42.90
Total amt. liabilities	1,188.60
Amt. outstanding	479.48

At a meeting held the same day the following Directors were chosen for the ensuing year: H. C. Campbell, J. G. Bailey, Frank McFarlane, Jacob Bestorf, W. Fred Reynolds, J. W. Shook, J. W. Evans, H. E. Duck, Aaron Weaver, Samuel Gramley, Fred Kurtz and Daniel Brungart. The board organized by electing the following officers for the ensuing year:
 President, Fred Kurtz.
 Vice President, H. C. Campbell.
 Treasurer, H. H. Arney.
 Secretary, D. F. Luse.

Attest:
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