

Local Department

No communication can be noticed unless accompanied by the writer's name...

To Correspondents

Communications, letters, contributions, generally of merit and interest to the reader, will be acceptable from friends from all quarters.

H. S. M.—We never received the MSS spoken of—If so it has been mislaid.

Dix.—We reject your article on account of its length. You write too with lead pencil and on both sides of the paper.

Will.—Abandon the idea at once—do not for God's sake attempt such a thing.

J. A. K.—We will attend to your request, and if successful we will advise you.

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How to Show Your Friendship

FOR THE PAPER.—We can adopt the language of a contemporary and say, "subscribe and pay for it."

DRAFTING AND VOLUNTEERING.—A Washington correspondent says that "there seems to be an impression among a good many senators and members favorable to recruiting our armies by a volunteer system in preference to drafting."

MASONIC REVIEW.—The December number of this old and reliable Masonic magazine has come to hand, which closes the twenty-ninth volume.

TO THOSE WHO GO OUT SHOPPING.—We direct the attention of those persons about to go out shopping for Christmas presents, to the bee hive advertisement of Messrs. Steacy & Bowers.

AN AFFECTING INCIDENT.—Yesterday, with joyous spirits, and in gorgeous trim arrayed, I sallied forth with charming Clara, for a dashing promenade.

THE RIVER.—The late cold weather has had the effect of closing the river, and it is now completely ice-bound from shore to shore.

EXCURSION.—We understand that arrangements are being made to run an excursion train over the Reading & Columbia R. R. about Christmas.

OFFICERS ELECTED.—At a meeting of the Columbia Gas Company, held on Saturday last, the following officers were elected to serve the ensuing year.

ADVERTISING.—It is amusing at times to observe the stores of merchants who don't advertise, to see the anxious proprietors looking into the streets and see the people go by, wondering why they don't come in.

SKATING.—Monday night last, the "raging canal" succumbed to winter's icy touch and presented a smooth surface for young folks to glide merrily along.

NEW STORE.—It will be seen by an advertisement in another column, that Mr. Hardman has opened a first class grocery store at the corner of 3rd & Cherry streets.

SOLDIER BROUGHT HOME.—Wm. Harrison Bruner, who died at the Hospital near Washington, in July last, of fever, was brought home and buried from the residence of his brother on Friday the 9th inst.

ANOTHER.—A Soldier, named Wakefield, was brought home on Thursday last. He died from the effects of wounds received in battle.

NEW LOCOMOTIVE.—Last Saturday a trial trip was made on the Reading & Columbia R. R. with the "Robert Crane."

SEVERAL new and splendid passenger cars have been manufactured expressly for this road and have lately been put on the rails.

The Little Pilgrim

Published by L. K. Lippencott, 319 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, enters upon its eleventh volume with the January number.

ARTHER'S HOME MAGAZINE.—The January number of "Arthur" has come to hand laden with choice original matter.

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PHILADELPHIA MARKETS.—Reported by Janney & Andrews, Commission Merchants, No. 431 Market street, Philadelphia, Dec. 16, 1864.

COLUMBIA FLOUR AND GRAIN MARKET.—Reported weekly for the Spy by Ephraim Hershberg.

COLUMBIA COAL MARKET.—Reported weekly for the Spy by Moore's Yard, delivered in Columbia.

COLUMBIA LUMBER PRICES CURRENT.—Reported for the Columbia Spy by John B. Buchman, Susquehanna Planning Mills, Front street.

COLUMBIA PRODUCE MARKET.—COLUMBIA, Dec. 16, 1864.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.—NEW STYLE OF GAS SHADES.—GAS SHADES, NEW AND BEAUTIFUL.

A. J. KAUFFMAN, ATTORNEY AT LAW.—COLLECTIONS Made in Lancaster and adjoining Counties.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS!—Ladies and Gents will find it to their advantage to call and examine our stock.

LITERARY NOTICES.—MR. DEMOREST'S—Mirror of Fashion for January is the best number yet issued.

CHEAP LOTS FOR SALE.—I HAVE for sale 14 lots of ground, (3 being disposed of) 32x104 feet, which I will sell on very easy terms.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS!—ONE OF THE MOST APPROPRIATE and acceptable gifts for the season is a Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine.

LETTERS REMAINING UNCLAIMED IN THE Post Office at Columbia, Pa., Saturday, December 17, 1864.

NOTICE.—The firm of KAUFFMAN & SHAEFFER

having been dissolved by the death of GEN. B. A. SHAEFFER, on December 5th, 1864, the business of the late firm will be settled, and the Manufacture of PIG IRON continued by the undersigned, at Cordonia Furnace.

WASHINGTON HOUSE PHILADELPHIA.—A CARD.—It having been announced by the Bulletin of the 25th inst., that this hotel would be closed on or about the 1st of December, the Lessee from January 1st 1865, begs leave to inform the public that during the time the House is closed it will be thoroughly renovated and refitted in a manner that cannot fail to give satisfaction to those who may patronize the establishment.

PUBLIC SALE OF VALUABLE TOWN LOTS.—TUESDAY subscriber will sell at public sale, on Saturday the 31st day of December, 1864, at the public house of Jacob S. Miller, in the borough of Columbia, all that part of the SHOOCH GARDEN, fronting on Third street between Cherry and Locust streets, extending in depth 100 feet to a 10 foot wide alley, running from Cherry street to Cherry alley.

HOLIDAY GIFTS!—EVER OFFERED FOR SALE OUTSIDE OF PHILA. CALL AND EXAMINE FOR YOURSELVES.

WARES,—Consisting of Smoking Sets, Inkstands, Vases, Match Boxes, Buttons, &c.

A NEW FIRST CLASS GROCERY STORE, CHEAP FOR CASH!—AMONGST OUR LARGE ASSORTMENT we enumerate the following.

CLOTHING, FALL OF 1864.—Extensive Clothing House.

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Gifts for the Holidays!—COLUMBIA BANK.

W. U. HESS' BOOK STORE!—LOCUST STREET OPPOSITE

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MISCELLANEOUS BOOKS, IN GREAT VARIETY, PRAYER BOOKS, of all kinds.

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BENJAMIN HERR, SUCCESSOR TO I. O. BRUNER, HAS JUST OPENED

A new stock of goods, at Third and Union Sts. Where I would be pleased to see all my old customers.

Family Groceries, Coffee, Tea and Sugar of all kinds. PRIME SUGAR CURED HAMS.

AMERICAN HOUSE, OYSTERS! OYSTERS!! BY THE BUSHEL, GALLON, or qt.

COAL! COAL! COAL!—We have just made arrangements to open a Coal Yard at Columbia, and keep a general assortment of all kinds of Coal at WHOLESALE and RETAIL.

R. J. HALDEMAN, COLUMBIA, PA.—We invite attention to our stock of STAPLE AND FANCY SILKS AND DRESS GOODS.

SPRING TRADE 1864:—CLOAK DEPARTMENT, SILK DEPARTMENT, SILAWL DEPARTMENT, DRESS GOODS DEPARTMENT, WHITE GOODS DEPARTMENT, HOISERY DEPARTMENT, MEN'S WEAR DEPARTMENT, HOUSEKEEPING STAPLE GOODS.

32 NORTH QUEEN STREET, HEADQUARTERS FOR SCHOOLS, Academics, Merchants, School Teachers, and the Public generally.

SEWING MACHINES, Wheeler & Wilson. THE cheapest and best Sewing Machine in the Market.

QUICK SALES AND SMALL PROFITS. FASHIONABLE CLOTHING AT GRANVILL STOKES' OLD STAND.

POCKET DIARIES FOR 1865, IN EVERY SHAPE AND STYLE. WOMEN OF BEAUTY AND HEROISM FROM SEMIRAMIS TO EUGENIE, A PORTRAIT GALLERY of FEMALE LOVELINESS, Achievement and Influence. Illustrated with Nineteen Engravings on Steel, from original designs.

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INVITE ATTENTION TO THEIR LARGE AND VARIED STOCK OF GOODS FOR FALL AND WINTER SALES, ALL OF WHICH WERE PURCHASED AT THE LOWEST NETT CASH PRICE.

THE STOCK CONSISTS OF FRENCH MERINOS, VALENCE REPS, MUL-LIN DELAINES, CLOAKING CLOTHS IN GREAT VARIETY, HIGH COLORS, CASHMERE, PLAIDS, BALMORALS, AND Hoop Skirts, American, Delaines, Cloths, Cassimeres, Satinets and Jacones, Shirting, Flannels, Shirts and Drawers.

Wholesale and Retail. 501 BROADWAY, NEW YORK. In addition to our main business of PHOTOGRAPHIC MATERIALS, we are Headquarters for the following, viz: STEREOSCOPES AND PHOTOGRAPHIC VIEWS.

Photographic Albums. We were the first to introduce these into the United States, and we manufacture immense quantities in variety, ranging in price from 50 cents to \$50 each.

CARD PHOTOGRAPHS. Our Catalogue now embrace over FIVE THOUSAND different subjects (to which additions are constantly being made) of Portraits of eminent Americans, &c., viz: about 100 Maj. Generals, 200 Brig. Generals, 37 Colonels, 100 Lieut. Colonels, 250 Other Officers, 75 Navy Officers, 500 Ex-Amines, 130 Divines, 125 Authors, 40 Artists, 125 Stage, 50 Prominent women, 150 Foreign Portraits.

BRUNER & MOORE, DEALERS IN ALL KINDS OF COAL, Wholesale and Retail. In the Coal Yard formerly occupied by J. G. Hess.

JUST THE PLACE. HENRY SUYDAM'S, Corner of Front and Union streets is the place to get your FAMILY GROCERIES.

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