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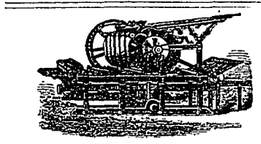

Columbia, Pa.

Saturday, December 19, 1868.

Advertisements, to secure immediate insertion, must be handed in on or before Thursday evening, each week.

GRECIAN BEND.—We saw a bad case of the Grecian Bend, on the streets, on Sunday last. It wasn't alarming, but it was decidedly ridiculous.

A TEACHERS' Institute, to be composed of Lancaster and Dauphin county teachers, will be held at Elizabethtown, commencing on Wednesday, December 30th.

PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION.—Tuesday evening a meeting of the Sabbath School of the M. E. Church was held, to perfect arrangements for the proposed Christmas celebration.

NEW HAT STORE.—Mr. Abrm. R. Breneman has just purchased the hat and cap store formerly owned by R. J. Fry, and in addition to the present stock, will open, in a short time, a very superior assortment of goods in his line.

SUPPER.—M. M. Strickler, Esq., gave a supper a few evenings since, to the workmen engaged in putting up his new house on Second street, this borough. We learn it was a splendid affair and gave great satisfaction to all concerned.

SILVER TRUMPET FOR THE HIVERS.—The Silver Trumpet which was voted for, at the Fair of the Columbia Classical Institute, last week, was awarded to the Vigilant Steam Fire Company, they having the largest number of votes.

A SERMAN TO YOUNG MEN.—Rev. Benjamin J. Douglas will preach a sermon to young men, in St. Pauls' Protestant Episcopal Church, on next Sunday evening, at seven o'clock. Seats are free. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

SUBSCRIPTION.—If you want to help a paper, always pay your subscription in advance. Send the editor at least one subscription beside your own, and often it may happen that you can pick up half a dozen. Such things make his heart light: they make him work with new grit; in short, they make him happy.

THE PRESS.—The pen is said to be mightier than the sword. So is ink mightier than the pen. People who sling printers' ink are mightier than all—the monarchs of mankind. He who understands this art in all its ramifications travels the shortest and best route to the head and understanding of human nature. Printers' ink has made more fames and fortunes than any other—perhaps all other—things put together.

THE VIGILANT STEAMER. — The splendid steam fire engine, belonging to the Vigilant Fire Company, of this place, was out Tuesday, when her "squirting" powers were tested by Mr. Nich. Gillman, engineer; a distance of 276 feet was reached, without much effort, tarough 1¼ inch nozzle. This is not her best, as the distance of 304 feet has been reached through a like nozzle. This engine was built by Messrs. Clapp & Jones, New York, and it is said to be the most perfect fire apparatus in the United States. The "Hivers" may well feel proud of their steamer.

CHRISTMAS.—Christmas is rapidly approaching. The little folks have got it down to a nicety, and can now count on their little fingers and toes how many days the merry Christmas is off. Our storekeepers, too, have calculations, and the holiday goods are being displayed in abundance. Here and there sprigs of evergreen begin to adorn the parlors of our citizens, and all things give token of a merry, happy time in prospective for old and young. Thrice happy is it for the aged when they can with cheerful hearts look forward with pleasant anticipation to the occasion and not to be reminded of it by some little piece of human roguery suggesting that he or she is going to hang up a stocking for Kriss Kringle, who is always kind to good little girls and boys, at least once a year. The growing old can have Christmas time all the year round, if they will only prevent their hearts from growing old by contributing to the pleasures and happiness of the young.

THE RIVER.—Saturday last we took a stroll down the Susquehanna, as far as the dam. We found the water rushing with its usual rapidity through the shute, but the bosom of the river was one vast sheet of ice. The water passing through the shute heretofore has continued on with the current of the river, but now after clearing the shute it takes a course directly across the river, which is caused by the immense gorge of ice a little distance from the base of the falls. This is spoken of by our "oldest inhabitants" as the first occurrence of the kind within their memory. While looking upon the scene we were approached by two gentlemen, who have recently been employed near Lancaster city, but reside near Wrightsville, who were trying to reach their home. *They were not allowed to wait over the bridge* at this place, and were therefore looking for some other means of passage. We learned while there that some individuals were taking passengers over, provided they walk on weak ice about half way, and then pay an exorbitant price to be boated the other half. We thought the facilities for travel rather uninviting, and left several adventurers on the shore, shivering with cold. How nice it is to have a bridge! Ain't we all enjoying it, though?

FOX CHASE.—On Saturday last agreeably to a public announcement, a large number of persons attracted hither from various sections of the county met at Silver Spring to witness a fox chase. After partaking of a sumptuous repast, given by Mr. E. Hopton, mine host of the Silver Spring Hotel, it was announced that Raynard would be set free, the crowd retired to a field in the rear of the hotel, foxy started North at a very rapid rate turning several somersaults over the cornstalks protruding through the snow, causing the spectators to shout, which elicited a response from the hounds confined in the barn, hearing which Raynard concluded to change his course and wheeled around and came back almost over his own tracks and went through the crowd from whence he started, he passed East after getting away several hundred yards he deliberately sat down combed his whiskers with his front and hind feet, then rolled himself several times in the snow, and started in a zig-zag course which baffled the dogs very much when on his trail, and turned in the direction of Salunga, in about twenty minutes the hounds were let loose, they soon got the scent and gave tongue, when a hunter from Columbia exclaimed, "do you hear the heavenly music" when a amateur sportsman from Lancaster responded that "the hounds made so much noise that he could not hear it." Raynard after being run about three miles took refuge under a barn near Salungo, he was unearthed and taken to Lancaster by the sports from that place. The "pot" was divided between those from Columbia and Chesnut hill.—We learn that there will be another fox chase at Isaac Evans' hotel, in Petersburg, on Wednesday, the 23d inst.

CHANGE OF TIME.—A change in the time of running the trains on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad went into operation last week. The mail train for the West leaves daily (except Sunday) at 8.45 A. M., the fast line at 5 P. M., and the express train at 9.45 P. M. For Washington, at 3.45, 7, 8.35 and 11 A. M., and 1.30, 4.30 and 8.30 P. M. For Annapolis at 7 A. M., and 4.30 P. M. On Sunday, for Washington at 3.45, 7 and 11 A. M., and 4.30 and 8 P. M.

AN UNFORTUNATE EDITOR.—One of our colemporaries thus bewaileth a loss; "The scoundrel who stole our stovepipe hat will find it to his advantage to return it immediately." The man who would steal an editor's hat, cannot have brains enough to fill it respectably, and he ought to take it back. We hope he will "go and do likewise," and not only escape the anger of the whole fraternity of editors, but "flee from the wrath to come."

THE COAL TRADE.—Never in the annals of the coal trade, have the shipments been so heavy at this season of the year, as at the present time. The total shipments from the Schuylkill, Lehigh, Wyoming and Lackawanna regions for the week ending November 29, 1868, were in round numbers 346,000 tons. This has been about the average weekly shipments for the past two months. Of this vast amount, 102,000 tons were shipped over the Reading Railroad; 54,023 tons over the Lehigh Valley Railroad; 50,000 tons over the Lehigh and Susquehanna Railroad and Lehigh canal; 39,000 tons by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad; 45,000 by the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company; 20,000 by the Pennsylvania Coal Company and 35,000 by the Schuylkill Canal. The total shipments for the year, up to this time, are 1,400,000 tons more than there were last year. With all this increase and this steady supply, it must require considerable sharp practice among the operators to keep coal up to the present exorbitant price.—*Williamsport Gazette.*

INTERESTING TO FARMERS.—The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has decided that Farmers have no right to have their grain manufactured into flour, and then sell the flour in any manner, without paying a license to the Government, and if they do, they are liable to the penalties provided by law. We mention the fact for the benefit of those who may be interested in knowing. Day by day the people are becoming more and more acquainted with the face of the tax collector, and we are growing more familiar with the ramifications of the Internal Revenue law.

ABOUT THE NEW BRIDGE.—On Saturday morning last, we published the following item in the local columns of the SPY:

THE NEW BRIDGE.—The bridge across the river at this place is so far completed as to admit of the crossing of passengers and vehicles, but orders have been received to allow no person to cross over it, under any circumstances. Persons have been crossing on foot for some time, by securing a pass, but now, when the river is closed, and there is no other way of crossing than by the bridge, this privilege is denied the traveling public. We deem this action of the bridge company unwarranted, and a great wrong to the public, as we think no evil can arise from passengers crossing on foot.

It seems that our very mild strictures call forth two communications, both directed to us, one of which is signed "Justice," and was prompted by an officer of the bridge; the other has no signature, but is the work of an over-officious dealer in bar-room literature. "Justice" is genteel, at least, in his letter. He says that we are in error when we say that the bridge will admit of the passage of vehicles and passengers, for this reason: "Sixty feet of the flooring is not down, and the entire length of the bridge is lumbered up with timber, iron, &c.," and that the all sufficient reason why the Bridge Company has stopped persons from crossing is, that the "*bridge is not safe.*" In reply to all this we simply say that "Justice" informed us, the other day, that the engineer had gone to Philadelphia to get permission from the Company to allow vehicles and footmen to pass, and that was the basis of the correctness of our assertion. We intended no individual or other wrong in our remarks. But since the matter has elicited public notice, we will go further: Two months ago *we* were invited to cross this "unsafe" bridge at night, and know of two gentlemen that did, and that by permission of the authorities, and not a word said about its "unsafety." "Justice" says as a "personal favor" persons have been permitted to cross the bridge. Would "Justice," or anybody else, consider it a "personal favor" to be allowed to risk his or their lives? The other day he was eager to procure a pass for a gentleman *who did not want to go over the bridge.* He knowing the bridge was unsafe; did he want to endanger the life of his friend? Facts will tell. One day last week *forty persons* were allowed to pass over this unsafe "bridge" as a "personal favor," while the company's horses pass every every day; besides immense quantities of iron and timber are and have been piled upon the bridge between the piers, and cars very heavy laden with bridge material are passing over at all hours of the day. Therefore, there must be other than "unsafe" reasons for prohibiting travel, which these remarks may doubtless develop. At all events the Company is very considerate suddenly, and very fearful of a casualty. We say now, despite the letters of "justice" and old "Humpty-dumpty," there is a screw loose somewhere, and that this sudden whim of the bridge company is a wrong to the public, and entirely unwarranted.

ANOTHER LETTER FROM "HUMPTY DUMPTY."—Our esteemed friend, who has long been known for his quiet manners, giant mind and powerful tongue, has again addressed us on the "Bridge" question. He still insists that he will have no name, but for convenience sake we call him, with all the fervor of our "slang" tongue, the same "Old Humpty Dumpty." Here you have his retort to the SPY, in his own way:

The Ed of the daily Spy of the 12th inst come out with a charge against the Bridge Co. of this place which we believed to be unjust—Supposing this was an error and not intentional we corrected by giveing the facts: which we sent to the edditor—now we find he is unwilling to correct the error: but goes of in slang epithets against us. Perhaps he felt we were too personal in our remarks, If so we ask his pardon—we did not see him or his paper—we seen injustice done they inocent and drew his attention to this by stating that providence had closed navigation by ice makeing crossing the river by boat impossible—we also stated that the bridge co. had no controle over the bridge as it was in the hands of the contractors—for them to asume the right to pass travel over it was a violation of contract which would subject the co. to damages—Mr Editor we admit in our heading the artical referd to we made a gross error in styleing you a second Daniel come to judgment—when it should have been the unjust judge Mr Ed we intended to ask for was simple justice, the Spy professes to be a republican journal—that parties platform is based on truth and justice they scorn epithets or the impugneing of motives to cover or hide from the public glareing injustice tho it may appear in a journal professing to be an organ of the party. Slandering corporations — misrepresenting, — writing false statements—in a word decursing the people to strengthen there party belongs to legitimately to Democrucy—Now Mr Editor either adopt the republican creed and be truthfull doing just to all or do not claim to by a republican journal. Insinuations—personal motives or low epithets will not close the eye of justice.

Humpty Dumpty presented the above to us with one of his brightest smiles, and a request that we publish, which we do. He asked us to correct mistakes, &c., which we have not done, for the reason that we deem it imprudent to sharpen a stick for him to punch our eyes with; and then again we wish to do his talents justice, and thus enable the Bridge Company, which he so nobly defends, to properly appreciate his self-sheriticing efforts in behalf of justice. We are now convinced that the lowest object can find its advocate, and we hope that Humpty Dumpty is persuaded that his knowledge is better displayed, his wisdom more perceptible, his power of thought better exhibited and understood in his bar-room ravings, than through the columns of a public journal.—EDS.]

AT HIS POST AGAIN.—Mr. Samuel Carter, Upholster, Walnut street, Columbia, who has been ill for two or three weeks, is at his post again. He is ready to receive and attend to all orders in his line.

THE RIVER.—The Susquehanna has succumbed to the Ice King, and is frozen over at this place. A few persons are crossing on the ice, but we think it rather hazardous as yet.

THE REASON WHY.—The reason why persons are not allowed to cross over the bridge between Columbia and Wrightsville, is that that structure is being built by contract and cannot be accepted by the Company until it is fully completed and inspected. It is not finished, as yet, although the spans have reached either shore.—*York True Democrat.*

IMPUDENT.—Brigham Young, who seems to be anything but a gentleman, in enumerating libel suits now pending makes reference to the SPY. He entirely forgets that it cost him the snug little sum of one hundred and thirty dollars to get rid of a libel suit he had upon his own hands. We think Brigham excels the father of impudence in petty rascality.

RAILROAD CONNECTIONS.—The Havre de Grace *Republican* learns that the Philadelphia and Baltimore Central and Columbia and Port Deposit railroads have each finished the grading and laid their rails to the junction of their roads on the Susquehanna river, and that freight is already being carried from along the line of the Philadelphia and Baltimore Central over the Columbia and Port Deposit and Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore roads, by way of Port Deposit and Perryville, to Baltimore, and that regular passenger trains will soon be put on the same route.

COMPLAINT. — Complaint has been made that children attending the public schools of this place are compelled to stand out in the cold of a morning until the hour of opening school. This being the case parents will not allow their children to go so early, and the consequence is if they arrive five minutes late they find the doors locked on them, and they are denied the benefit of the school. There is a wrong somewhere in this matter which we hope to see remedied.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS.—List of letters remaining unclaimed, in the Columbia Post Office, up to this date. Persons calling for these letters will please mention that they are advertised in the SPY:

Ladies' List.—Margret Smith, Mary Jane Richards, Sarah Kinda, Elizabeth Fissell, Mary Odenwald, Harriet Magee, Anna Maria Shug, Annie Mowery, Mollie Manning, Fannie Lord, Carrie Lowell.

Gentlemen's List.—J. A. Seigler, Edwin Shaeffer, John P. Shaeffer, Samuel James Chessnits, Miles Maguire, William Lammen, Henry E. Holland, Daniel Hoffman, Rudolph Pickell, Joseph Hogentogler, Jr. Esq., Daniel Hogan, Jos. W. Gurnsey, Gen. Wellington H. Ent, Samuel Case, John Conkley, John Konklin.

THE CHRISTMAS NUMBER OF THE SPY.—The Christmas number the Weekly SPY will be circulated on Thursday next, Christmas eve. We shall spare no pains in making it a superior number. Its outside pages will contain a highly interesting "History of Christmas," Christmas poetry, a variety of miscellaneous articles, &c.; its inside pages will contain "Merry Christmas," an editorial that will be read with interest, and be a pleasant reminder of the days when we were young; also editorials upon all interesting toples; the usual Congressional and telegraphic news; a review of all local transactions, Christmas advertisements, &c., &c. The Christmas number of the SPY will be unexcelled by any country paper, for general instruction and interest. Persons wishing extra copies will please hand in their favors early.

ADMITTED TO BAIL.—John Cooper, who was arrested a few weeks ago for prowling about the dwelling of F. S. Bletz, was, on Monday last, taken before Judge Hays on a writ of habeas corpus, and discharged from prison on giving bail in the sum of $300, to appear at the January Sessions to answer, &c. It has been ascertained that this man is a professional burglar, and that the name he gave is one of the many *aliases* he goes by. There is no question but every man has the right to give bail for his appearance to answer to any charge which may be made against him in our courts, except murder, but we infer from the remarks of the *Express* of Wednesday evening last, that there must be something "rotten in Denmark" in this case. In New York it is a notorious fact that the conviction of these professional burglars are but few, and why? because they can command any amount of money, which will procure the services of the "shyster" lawyers who are hanging about the "tombs" and the courts ready for such jobs, and who can always procure bail in some way, and the malefactor is turned loose upon society to again commit depredations. We are informed that this Cooper had plenty of money. Can it be possible that bail has been procured through that means. This matter needs looking into. The papers give accounts almost daily of burglaries committed in some section of our county, which indicates that crimes of that character are on the increase. And yet, when a professional burglar is caught, by some mysterious means he procures bail and gets free. Won't the *Express* publish the name of Cooper's bail.

THE POOR.—"Now is the winter of our discontent!" Words fitly spoken by the great Shakspeare—and applicable to the present time. Those of you who read these lines may be comfortable, with plenty of this world's goods at your command; but how many, Oh! how many are they who in the agony of their souls cry out—"Now is the winter of our discontent!" Gentle reader, the cause of suffering is your cause; to alleviate distress is your duty; to care for the poor is your privilege. The highest type of christianity is developed in caring for the unfortunate, the noblest aspirations of humanity are stirred in ameliorating the wants of the needy, the profoundest depths of the heart are moved in their valuable sympathy. A long cold winter is predicted by our prognosticators; the severities of our climate are rapidly concentrating upon us; the cold winds which penetrates poorly guarded houses, is whistling through our streets; thinly clad people and shoeless children are suffering from the piercing blasts of the northwester. Suffering, want, hunger, are making their visitation known and felt in this community. Families reduced to poverty from sickness or from a thousand reverses familiar to our experience, are in agony—never known, never appreciated, and totally beyond the understanding of some people. Over their abiding places, for these people can have no home, write "poverty and honesty." Too proud to beg, not too proud to die from suffering. The county cannot, or does not reach them. They belong to you—they must depend upon your private charity. You must feed them, comfort them, clothe them and warm them. This is your heritage—God given plenty. Let no one be found a sufferer on it. You are God's stewarts of the prosperity and plenty which he has given you. In the great day of final decrees let it not be said of you that you were selfish to criminality. God demands something of you. These poor whom you have in your midst may be monuments of your good deeds, or witnesses that shall condemn you to unutterable grief. No one has done his duty as long as there remains a sufferer. No one has given all he can afford to give until he has received the command from Heaven to stop. God giveth and taketh away. God loveth a cheerful giver. Bestir yourselves, then, and open up your hearts to the wants of the poor.—See to it that there are none within the sound of your voice in need. How many hearts can be made to rejoice, to bound with joy, between now and Christmas. Send out your turkeys and chickens, your flour and your meal, and by so doing, comfort the poor and needy.

THE COLUMBIA AND PORT DEPOSIT RAILROAD.—The Cecil *Whig* says there was left for record in the Clerk's Office at Elkton, on Tuesday afternoon, a mortgage given by the Columbia and Port Deposit Railroad Company for the sum of two and a half Millions of dollars, to secure bonds of the company, the stamps on which amount to twenty-five hundred dollars, a nice little pile of itself.

RELIGIOUS.—Rev. S. H. C Smith will preach in the M. E. Church, this place, on Sunday morning and evening, at the usual hours. In the morning his subject will be "Transfiguration," in the evening, "The Prodigal Son." Come out, everybody.

"THE HEAVENLY HOME."—Come and hear "good news from a far country." The Pastor will deliver two sermons on "The Heavenly Home," on next Sabbath (tomorrow) morning and evening, at usual hours, in the U. B. Church. Morning subject: "*Heaven a Place.*" Evening: "*Heaven a State—and who shall be there.*"

"Soft Snaps."

MESSRS. EDITORS.—Your correspondent, "A Voter," states a fact worthy of the most earnest consideration of the tax-payers, viz: That they pay, or have paid, at Harrisburg, $709 dollars to a pauper and folder of documents distributed by the members. As the session of the Legislature seldom or never exceeds 120 days, this would be *five dollars and eighty-three cents a day*, for sitting in a warm, snug room, and folding up documents very leisurely, and putting the covers on them. Pretty good wages for a paster and folder! No wonder there is such a scramble for office—and no wonder that so many hangers on, panders, lackeys, and horn-blowers flock around our members, and electioneer for their nomination. The poor wood-sawyer, who stands in the street on a cold winter's day, sawing wood, can only earn a dollar and a half a day with hard work, while some of our lazy, seedy folks, who do nothing but blow around, to public annoyance, must be comforted with a much greater remuneration. There is something radically wrong at Harrisburg.

TAXPAYER.

Lyceum.

MESSRS. EDITORS.—The people of Columbia are constantly congratulating each other upon the growth and prosperity of their borough, and many go so far as to express their opinion that it should be incorporated as a city. Now, this is all right, but I am of the opinion that there should be some thoughts entertained by these same people in reference to the intellectual culture of the young men, that are now growing up, and who will some day not far distant, rule and direct the interests of this very prosperous town.

Lancaster, Mechanicsburg, and many more of the leading towns of the southern interior of this great State, have formed lyceums, or reading and debating clubs, for the improvement of their young men during the winter.

Many of the most able orators of our country have swayed vast multitudes with the power of their eloquence, received their first lessons in the country debating society. The amount of information to be gained, too, in the course of a winter, in attending a well conducted lyceum or literary society, of whatever character, is immense, and can only be estimated or realized by those who have enjoyed such advantages.

Hoping that a lyceum will be formed in Columbia before New Year, and thus prevent the useless waste of time by our young men,

I remain yours truly,

J. M. GILPIN.

Auditor General's Report.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—I have lately read a very interesting little work published at government expense, entitled a "Report of the Auditor General of the Finances of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the year ending November 30th, 1867. Every taxpayer and voter should have a copy and ponder its contents. It is calculated to enlighten the public as to the extravagance of our Representatives, and show the reason that so many persons are so, very, very anxious for a residence in Harrisburg, during the sittings of the Legislature. On page 112, the item of money paid to "Pages and Folders," for the members of the House alone, is $20,612.10, which at the salary of $700 paid to Mr. Hias, for doing nothing, would show that a corps of at least twenty-eight persons were employed in pasting and folding documents for one hundred members. Can any man believe that such a sum could be legally and honestly expended for such a purpose? If this matter is properly ventilated, it will be found that many members provide situations at the public expense for lackeys and hangers-on, who help them to get their renominations and do other dirty work. Besides, the sum total of the pay of Messrs. Jas. McDermott, received $857.10 for acting four months as Marshal of the Rotunda, and Mr. Geo. W. Wright received for the same time $835.50, for acting as Assistant Marshal of the Rotunda, being at the rate of seven dollars per day for each. When were these offices created, by whom, for whose benefit, and what are the duties of the same besides keeping the apple women and pea-nut boys from jangling?

From the great number of employees and the immense amount expended, the conclusion is irresistible, that although the members when at home are very glad to set upon themselves, at Harrisburg thinks that each must have his waiting man at his elbow, either to blow his horn, or pander to his tastes. Let us have this ventilated, and let the job of pasting and and folding be given out at public outcry to the lowest bidder, and thousands upon thousands of dollars will be saved to the

TAXPAYERS.

THE PALM OF SUPERIORITY IS AWARDED TO MRS. S. A. ALLEN for her improved (new style) Hair Restorer or Dressing, (in one bottle,) and a grateful public appreciates the very low price, One Dollar. Every druggist sells it. dec5.1mo

CATARRH, CATARRH — DISGUSTING COMPLAINT.—Get pint bottles of Wolcott's Annihilator. It will cure it. And if you have rheumatism, or any pain, get Wolcott's Pain Paint, in white wrappers, at all druggists. dec.19-2t

THE attention of our readers is directed to the advertisement of Coe's Cough Balsam and Coe's Dyspepsia Cure, in another part of this paper. These truly Valuable Medicines are recommended by all who use them. Read the certificates.

DERANGEMENT OF THE BOWELS.—Judicious use of Speer's "Standard Wine Bitters" in keeping the system in tone, and preventing derangement of the Bowels, is almost beyond belief. Try them and you will be convinced of the fact. For sale by Fred. Brown, Johnson, Holloway & Co., and other Druggists.

We heard a clear-headed old farmer say the other day in speaking of buying some new clothing, "what we want is something that will wear, a coat made out of the flimsy stuff which some tailors use is of about as much use to a farmer as a sieve is to carry water in." He was reading over the advertisement of Wanamaker & Brown, and was struck with the special stress they lay upon this one point of "*good goods.*" We'll wager a new hat that when he comes back with his new suit from Oak Hall, he'll have something that'll *wear.*

JOSH BILLINGS BEGS LEAVE TO STATE.—That Ships are called She because the always keep a man on the lookout.

That turning water into wine is a meirkle in these days worth at least 300 per cent.

That the ready made clothing, boots, shoes, &c., sold at No. 5 Front street, Columbia, are just ahead of any other goods yet brot into his notise, and he considers himself the champion judge, and konfidentially refers unto — J. O. BRUNER.

CAN it be possible that over Five Million Bottles of Plantation Bitters have been sold during the past year? It is almost incredible, nevertheless it is absolutely true, and is the most convincing proof of their wonderful medicinal and health-restoring qualities. Every family should be supplied with these Bitters, at whatever cost or trouble it may be to obtain them. Be careful that you get the genuine, and that you are not imposed upon by a spurious article.

Magnolia Water.—Superior to the best imported German Cologne, and sold at half the price.

"TRUE MERIT WILL ALWAYS HAVE ITS REWARD."—It is certain that no truth has ever been more satisfactorily demonstrated in our midst than the above, as may be seen daily in the immense demand for that invaluable and popular tonic and stimulous, Mishler's Herb Bitters. It is the one thing needful for persons whose surroundings are unfavorable for good health, because it is a perfect protection against all morbid influences productive of disease. The present is the most fitting season for reinforcing the organs of our bodies, and insuring our health during the "cold term." We are all more or less negligent, but there are many persons who are always behind in this matter, consequently each change in the season comes along before they are prepared for it, and sickness seizes upon them, followed by all its train of ills. Begin now to ward off disease by using Mishler's Herb Bitters every day regularly, and all the characteristics of good health will spring up within and continue with you. dec.12-2td&w

HORACE GREELY purposes to write, during the year 1869, an elementary work on Political economy, wherein the policy of Protection to Home Industry will be explained and vindicated. This work will first be given to the public through successive numbers of the New York *Tribune*, and will appear in all its additions—Daily, $10; Semi-Weekly, $1; Weekly, $2 per annum.

NEWSPAPER DIRECTORY.—G. P. Rowell & Co., the New York Advertising Agents, are about issuing a complete American Newspaper Directory. It is a compilation much needed, since nothing of the kind having any claims to completeness has ever been published.

Messrs. Rowell & Co. have spared no pains or expense to make the forthcoming work complete. We understand the book will be a handsome octavo volume of about three hundred pages, bound in dark cloth, and sold for Five Dollars per copy.

As the publishers are Advertising Agents, their issuing a work containing so much information, usually jealously guarded by those in that business, shows that they are confident of their ability to be of service to advertisers, or they would not so readily place in their hands the means of enabling every one to communicate direct with publishers if they so desire.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

FRIDAY, December 18th, 1868.—There is no demand for Flour except from the home consumers, who purchase principally of good family brands, which are in small supply. About 500 barrels were taken in lots at $5 50@5 75 for superfine; $6 00@6 75 for extras; 7 25@8 for Iowa and Wisconsin Extra Family; $8@8 25 for Minnesota do., do., $9@10 75 for Winter Wheat do., do., and $11@13 for Fancy brands, according to quality. Rye Flour is unchanged; 100 barrels sold at $7 75. No change to notice in Corn Meal.

The receipts as well as the stocks of Wheat continue light, and there is a moderate inquiry for prime lots, but inferior sorts are neglected. Sales of 1,000 bus. Red at $1 90@2 05, and some amber at $2 10@2 15. Rye sells at $1 40 per bus. for Western. Corn is steady, with sales of old yellow at $1 18@1 20. Oats are less active. Sales of 2,000 bushels Western at 55@56c.

Whisky sells at $1 04@1 04 per gallon, tax paid.

Marriages.

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Deaths.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

An election for SEVEN TRUSTEES of Odd Fellows' Hall Association will be held at the Hall, on Monday, the 4th of January, 1869.

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NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the COLUMBIA & PORT DEPOSIT RAILROAD COMPANY will be held at the office of the Secretary, Lancaster, Pa., on Monday, January 11th, 1869, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

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dec19-tew] Secretary.

NOTICE.

An Election for NINE DIRECTORS, of the First National Bank of Columbia, Pa., will take place at their Banking House, on Tuesday, January 12th, 1869, between the hours of 9 o'clock A. M., and 4 o'clock P. M.

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