

The Drift of It.

Greatly as the present financial condition of our country, the paralytic state of our industries, and general administrative corruption are to be deplored, we must look to them as the causes most likely to effect that change for the better, so earnestly desired by all.

Says the Daily Graphic: It looks as if the country were striking bottom. During the three months just ended there were 2,800 business failures in the United States, against 1,438 in 1875, and the aggregate liabilities are \$64,644,156, as compared with \$38,873,222 in 1875—a large and nearly equal increase of failures and liabilities.

CORRESPONDENCE.

From the National Capital. FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT. WASHINGTON, April 21, 1876.

It seems that there is never to be an end of the backwash developments which follow in rapid succession and run one after another high in the councils of a party, that once assumed to comprise within itself all the intelligence and morality of the country if the Republican party was ever a party of "great moral ideas."

It is by such artifices as these that Blaine has just himself forward as the "popular" candidate. The leading sensation at this moment is the report concerning Mr. Blaine. "Jim" Blaine as he is most frequently called, just now stands all his Republican competitors in the Presidential race.

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all the way from China to see the Centennial. I shall invite him to tea next time I meet him. "Opening Day"—So the notice said and in I went. Please open me a few, I remarked, in my usual banter and cheerful manner.

Business is good (I counted four pairs of dilapidated boots on a merchant's desk the other day). The merchant must have been a "sole agent."

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Matters of Interest. The silver bill was signed by the President Monday.

The demand for green house plants is increasing. The whitewash brigade is doing a flourishing business for the week ending Saturday.

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New Advertisements.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE. Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned Auditor, appointed by the Court of Common Pleas of Carbon County, Pa., to distribute the funds arising from the sale of the personal property of J. H. HEDGECOCK, was personally notified of his appointment on TUESDAY, the 18th day of MAY, 1876, at Ten o'clock A. M., at his Office, First Floor above the First National Bank, Lehigh Valley, Pa., when and where all persons interested may appear.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE. Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned Auditor, appointed by the Orphans' Court of the County of Lehigh, to distribute the funds in the hands of THOMAS SHAFER, Administrator of the Estate of JOHN SHAFER, deceased, of said County, was personally notified of his appointment on TUESDAY, the 18th day of MAY, 1876, at Ten o'clock A. M., at his Office, First Floor above the First National Bank, Lehigh Valley, Pa., when and where all persons interested may appear.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE. Estate of Adam Beer, Deceased. Letters testamentary on the Estate of Adam Beer, late of Towamencoon Township, Carbon County, Pa., have been granted to William Shaffer, of Towamencoon Township aforesaid, to whom all persons indebted to said decedent are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given, by the undersigned, that a HAND-CART was left on my Lot on the 18th day of APRIL, 1876, by some person or persons unknown; the cart is loaded down with parts for an engine scattered over the lot. The cart is in the hands of the undersigned, and will be sold at public sale, and pay damages and cost of advertising.

TO CAPITALISTS! A LIMITED NUMBER OF SHARES OF THE CAPITAL STOCK OF THE Lehigh Gas Light Co.

Bankway, Lehigh, Penna. Announces to her Lady Friends that she has just returned from Philadelphia with a new and elegant assortment of SPRING and SUMMER STYLES.

SPRING STYLES! NEW PRICES! MISS LIZZIE KRAMER, Next to the "Carbon Advocate" Office, Lehigh, Penna.

MILLINERY GOODS. Hats, Bonnets, NOTIONS, TRIMMINGS, SWITCHES.

MISS A. A. BECKER, Next to the Post Office Building, WEISSPORT, PENNA.

MILLINERY GOODS! COMPREHENSIVE Bonnets, Hats, Trimmings, Switches, Notions and

other Goods usually found in a first-class Millinery Store, which she has just returned from the city with an entirely new stock of the LATEST DESIGNS.

Mrs. M. GUTH. Respectfully announces to the LADIES OF WEISSPORT AND VICINITY that she has just returned from the city with an entirely new stock of the LARGEST STOCKS OF SPRING

MILLINERY GOODS COMPREHENSIVE Hats, Bonnets, and Trimmings

Very Latest Fashion, AT PRICES BELOW ANY OTHER ESTABLISHMENT IN THE COUNTY.

Ladies' own Hair made up to order

MRS. M. GUTH, Weissport, Pa. April 21st

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Dry Goods, Groceries, Queensware, CARPETS Oil-Cloths, Wooden and Willow Ware, &c.,

Cash Through. With One Price to All. We hope to serve the trading public with Goods at Prices to defy competition. THE ADVANTAGES ARE:

1. Saving of Time, Labor, Perfect Security, &c. 2. By enforcing "CASH PAYMENTS" the bad debts are avoided. 3. By putting plenty of ready money in hand, it enables us to buy goods at figure that credit men know nothing about.

J. T. NUSBAUM & SON. April 1, 1876. New Store and New Stock! Heim and German

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TREMENDOUS REDUCTION IN PRICES FOR CASH!!

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LAURY & PETERS, Merchant Tailors, P. O. Building, Lehigh, Pa. Oct. 2, 1875.

1776. CENTENNIAL. 1876. NEW RULES & NEW PRICES. The undersigned, in announcing the arrival of his IMMENSE STOCK OF SPRING and SUMMER

Cloths, Cassimeres & Vestings, would also state that he has concluded to do business from and after APRIL 1st, 1876, on a STRICTLY CASH-BY-SYSTEM. He has induced to this course by the large amount of debts standing on his books, much of which it is utterly impossible to collect, and no business man can afford to lose a share of his labor and goods by the prevailing credit system, and he therefore, trusts that the adoption of a strictly cash system and a corresponding reduction in the price of goods of all kinds will be an inducement for many friends to continue their patronage, believing, as he does, that he can give them much greater satisfaction under the new system, than he was able to do under the old one.

T. D. CLAUSS, Merchant Tailor, 2nd door above the Public Square, BANK STREET, Lehigh.

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