

THE MINSTREL.

"I SHALL ARISE." I shall arise—tho' calm I sleep, And stillly slumber reigns around, And tho' I rest in slumbers deep, I'll wake when thrills the trumpet's sound.

Agricultural, &c.

Planting a Walnut Grove.—As near as I can recollect, about twelve years ago I planted a row of these nuts south of my house, on the edge of the ploughed land. I planted in the fall soon after the nuts fell, four feet apart, with a hoe, about two inches deep, as we used to plant corn down east.

Injury to Land by Clearing when too Dry.—It is a fact that very much of the cultivated portions of the United States have once been covered with forests, and that in preparing the ground for the first crops of wheat, &c., fire has been used to burn off the rubbish. And it is also well known that a dry time is generally selected in which to accomplish this work.

Wheat Grown on a Sand Heap.—Mr. Field, of Brooklyn, exhibited before the Agricultural Society some shoots of wheat, thirty stalks to a kernel, grown upon a piece of ground composed entirely of sand, filled in from grading a street, without a particle of manure. What is it that has fertilized these plants? Is it the wash from the clayey land lying above the strip where the wheat grew, as that is composed so entirely of loose sand that in ploughing the piece I only included it because I could not well leave it rest, but I did not manure it as I did the other portion of the lot, because I thought it would not produce anything? Yet there grew the best wheat. Why? Can any one answer, unless it is disintegration and an abundance of rain. What does this fact prove?

Grocery, Provision, Confectionery, and VARIETY STORE,

At intersection of Valley, Mill, Dorcas and Market streets, lately occupied by Mrs. Wertz. THE undersigned having purchased the entire stock of Mrs. Wertz, respectfully announces that he intends to make such additions of articles in general use as to be able to supply almost anything that may be called for by the old customers of the establishment and any number of new ones. Intending to keep on hand all the leading articles of marketing, he solicits farmers and others having Butter, Eggs, Lard, Tallow, Honey, Potatoes, Green or Dried Apples, Soap, Poultry, &c.

to give him a call, as the highest cash price will be paid the market can afford, or Groceries, Salt, Fish, Confectioneries, Perfumery, Fancy Articles, Hosiery for ladies and gentlemen, Ladies' Collars, Combs, Bracelets, Buckles, Belts, Gloves, Mitts, &c. furnished therefor at lowest cash prices.

RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES OF MIFFLIN COUNTY,

From January 21, 1857, to January 4, 1858, inclusive.

HENRY ZERBE, Esq., Treasurer of Mifflin county, in account with said county, from January 21st, 1857, to January 4th, 1858, inclusive. DR. To am't county tax ass'd for '57, \$13,504 49

By am't comm'r's orders lifted, \$20,488 03 By balance due him last settlement, 1,713 95 By am't court orders road damage, road viewers' pay, 229 50

By cash paid State Treasurer, per receipts Jan. 31, 1857, \$1,000 00 Do March 3, " 1,218 05 Do April 14, " 1,087 85 Do May 16, " 1,182 25 Do June 23, " 483 45 Do July 9, " 6,500 00 Do " 14, " 487 02 Do " 24, " 2,105 26

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By State Treas. receipt dated June 23, 1857 400 00 " bal. of tax on real & personal prop. overpaid com'wealth after paying militia tax applied to tavern licenses 225 44 " Treas. com. on \$675 00 @ 5 per ct. 33 75 " bal. due commonwealth 15 81 675 00

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By cash p'd state treas. June 23 '57 " am't deduction all'd by com'th, to E. E. Locke & Co. on their assessment, for Distillery, " Treas. com. on \$60 00 @ per ct. 3 00 " bal. due commonwealth, 52 00

given vs. commonwealth, as per certificate of Justice Swartz and Hoover 71 00 " cash p'd Geo. Frysinger, advertising list 17 40 " " W. F. Shaw " 17 40 " am't treas. com. on \$786 00 @ 5 per cent 39 30 " bal. due commonwealth 511 90 857 00

By cash D. W. Woods, Esq., counsel fee, prosing license against E. E. Locke, & Co's distillery, " am't Geo. Siegrist, license on which suit was brought, and judgment given against the com'th, per certificate of Justice Hoover, 5 00 By am't deduction all'd by com'th, to E. E. Locke & Co. on their assessment, for Distillery, 45 00 " Treas. com. on \$60 00 @ per ct. 3 00 " bal. due commonwealth, 52 00

By cash p'd state treas. Jan'y 7, '58 " am't reg't. com. on \$155 80 @ 5 per cent 7 79 " cash p'd appraisers fees & mileage 13 92 " am't registers' fees 8 75 " cash p'd aud'ts and clerk, set. this account 4 50 " bal. due commonwealth 10 76 170 72

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Petit Jurors' pay, 1250 31 Furniture for jail, 33 00 Witnesses in Commonwealth cases, 59 11 Justices' fees in Commonwealth cases, 17 40 qualifying election boards, commissioners, sheriff, county auditors, directors of the poor, &c., 173 60 D. D. Muthersbough, Jailor, for boarding prisoners, 536 07 Henry Fezer, Court Crier and Janitor, 73 12 Books and stationery for public offices, 134 72 Andrew Reed, District Attorney, fees, 11 50 Jacob Linthorst, Esq., Comm's pay, 165 00 Jacob Hoover, do, 50 00 R. D. Smith, Commissioners' Clerk to October 1st, 1857, 225 00 Assessors' pay, 458 46 Cleaning gutter, pavement, &c. at C.H., 3 74 Wm. F. Shaw, et al, adv. & printing, 200 00 Clothing for prisoners, 1 00 Directors of the Poor, 4000 00 Election officers' pay, 355 94 Coroner and jurors' inquisitions on dead bodies, 28 03 Jacob Muthersbough, Comm'w'h fees, 4 00 Interest paid, 150 00 T. F. McCoy, late Prothonotary and Clerk of Sessions' fees, 53 57

Franklin Fire Insurance Co. OF PHILADELPHIA. Statement of the Assets of the Company on January 1, 1858. Published in conformity with the provision of the Sixth Section of the Act of Assembly of April 5th, 1842.

MORTGAGES. Being first Mortgages on Real Estate in the city and county of Philadelphia, except \$30,250 in Montgomery, Bucks, Schuylkill and Allegheny counties, Penna. \$1,596,825 19

REAL ESTATE. Purchased at Sheriff's sales under mortgage claims, viz:— Eight houses and lot, 70 by 150 feet, on the southwest corner of Chestnut and Seventeenth streets. A house and lot, 27 by 71 feet, on the north side of Spruce street, and west of Eleventh street. Two houses and lot, each 18 by 80 feet, on the south side of Spruce street, near Sixteenth street. Five houses and lots, each 17-9 by 90 feet, Nos. 159, 161, 163, 165 and 167 Dillwyn street. Three houses and lot, 49 by 54 feet on east side of Seventh street, south of Pine street. Hotel and lot 50 by 81 feet, on the southeast corner of Chestnut and Beach streets. Five houses and lot, 42 and 86 feet on north side of George street, west of Ashton street. Seven houses and lot, 30 by 117 feet on the east side of Beach street, south of Chestnut st. A house and lot, 18 by 30 feet, No. 96 Fitzwater street, east of Ninth street. A ground rent of \$30, issuing out of a lot 134 by 40 feet on the north side of Otter street, 40 feet west of Leopard st.

LOANS. Temporary loans on Stocks as Collateral Security. \$101,088 17

STOCKS. \$10,000 Almshouse Loan, 5 per cent. (interest on.) 200 shares Bank of Kentucky. 17 do Northern Bk of Ky. 100 do Union Bank of Tenn. 13 do Insurance Company of State of Penna. 200 do Southwark R. R. Co. 37 do Commercial & Railroad Bk. Vicksburg. 300 do Penna. Railroad Co. 91 do Franklin F. Ins. Co. 2 do Merc. Library Co. 24 do Union Canal Co. 10 do Schuylkill R. R. Co. \$10,000 N. Penna. R. R. Bonds. 2,000 Burlington City Water Loan. 700 Philadelphia City Loan. 49 47 " City Warrants. Notes and Bills Receivable, \$4,307 00 Cash, on hand, \$36,225 00 do in hands of agents, 4,630 48 \$40,855 48

Losses Paid During Year 1857, \$203,789 74 By order of the Board. CHAS. N. BANCKER, President. EDW. C. DALE, Vice President. Attest: W. A. STEEL, Sec. Pro Tem. DIRECTORS. Chas. N. Bancker, Mordecai D. Lewis, Tobias Wagner, David S. Brown, Samuel Grant, Isaac Lea, Jacob R. Smith, Edward C. Dale, Geo. W. Richards, Geo. Fales. H. J. WALTERS, Esq., Agent for Mifflin county. jan 28-6t

HOWARD ASSOCIATION, PHILADELPHIA. A Benevolent Institution, established by special enactment for the relief of the sick and distressed, afflicted with Virulent and Epidemic Diseases. TO all persons afflicted with sexual diseases, such as Syphilis, Gonorrhoea, Gleet, Syphilis, the vice of Onanism or Self Abuse, &c. &c. The Howard Association, in view of the awful destruction of human life caused by sexual diseases, and the deceptions practiced upon the unfortunate victims of such diseases by Quacks, several years ago directed their Consulting Surgeon, as a Charitable Act worthy of their name, to open a Dispensary for the treatment of this class of diseases, in all their forms, and to give Medical Advice GRATIS, to all who apply by letter, with a description of their condition, (age, occupation, habits of life, &c.) and in cases of extreme poverty to furnish Medicines Free of Charge. It is needless to add that the Association commands the highest medical skill of the age, and will furnish the most approved modern treatment. The Directors, on a review of the past, feel assured that their labors in this sphere of benevolent effort have been of great benefit to the afflicted, especially to the young, and they have resolved to devote themselves with renewed zeal to this very important but much neglected cause. Just published by the Association, a Report on Syphilis, or the Venereal Disease, the vice of Onanism, Masturbation or Self-Abuse, and other Diseases of the Sexual Organs, by the Consulting Surgeon, which will be sent by mail (in a sealed letter envelope) Free of Charge, on receipt of Two Stamps for postage. Address, for Report or treatment, Dr. GEORGE R. CALHOUN, Consulting Surgeon Howard Association, No. 2 South Ninth Street, Philadelphia, Pa. By order of the Directors. EZRA D. HEARTWELL, President. GEO. FAIRCHILD, Secretary. dec 3

Ready-made Clothing. We will sell at Philadelphia prices. Now is the time to pull off your old clothing and buy new at the cheap store of jan 7 KENNEDY, JUNKIN & CO. WANTED—500 additional cash subscribers for the Gazette.

MIFFLIN COUNTY POOR HOUSE STATEMENT.

JOSEPH H. MORRISON, Steward, in account with the Directors of the Poor of Mifflin county, from January 1st, 1857, to April 1st, 1857.

To sleigh bells, \$5 00 One talma, 10 50 Order on Treasurer, 18 00 Cash rec'd for 109 bushels wheat, 154 40 do do 60 do potatoes, 27 00 do do 2 do corn, 1 00 Note for mare bought at sale, 151 72 Sundry articles charged by order of the Board, 103 68 \$471 30

By balance due at last settlement, 200 86 Cash paid W. W. Morrison, 100 08 do do Cook, 1 75 do do for threshing, 6 00 do do for marketing, 2 00 do do for table and chairs, 13 08 do do for traveling expenses, 3 67 Dr. Charles Bower, two years' services, 6 27 do do for sund. outdoor paupers, 16 92 do do Justice for issuing orders, 1 00 One quarter's salary, 125 00 \$471 30

By 2 bushels dried apples, \$4 00 22 do oats, 9 90 Half bushel beans, 1 25 7 bushels corn, 2 50 Barrel of cider, 3 00 Quarter of beef, 6 35 Cash paid for kitchen furniture, 1 90 do do for wood and bar rails, 3 62 do do for books and stationery, 4 36 do do for brick, 2 50 do do for traveling expenses, 9 33 do do for cart, 14 00 do do for new pump, 32 00 do do for labor, 33 25 do do for marketing, 12 82 do do for digging graves, 4 50 do do for clothing, 5 62 do do for barbing, 5 37 do do for postage, 1 30 do do for shoes, 10 23 do do for lightning rods, 5 00 do do for repairs, 15 79 do do to and for sundry outdoor paupers, 80 33 Three quarters' salary, 375 00 \$643 92

Amount of orders outstanding for debts contracted before Jan. 1, 1857, \$424 06 Amt. of orders outstanding for debts contracted from January 1, 1857, to April 1, 1857, 259 09 Amt. of orders outstanding for debts contracted from April 1, 1857, to January 1, 1858, 1266 81 \$1949 96 Balance due Jos. I. Langton as above, 105 92 Balance due State Lunatic Hospital for support of Lydia Adams and John McCormick, about 250 00

Amount of indebtedness Jan. 1, 1858, \$2305 88 Produce of Farm. About 200 bushels wheat, 250 do. rye, 403 do. corn, 300 do. oats, 100 do. potatoes, 5 do. beans, 1 do. peas, 10 do. turnips, 800 heads cabbage, 6 loads hay; 1 beef killed weighing 400 lbs.; 8 hogs killed weighing 1600 lbs. Stock on Farm. One horse, three cows, nine shoats. Farming Utensils. 1 shovel, plow, cultivator, 2 one-horse wagons, 2 sets single harness, 1 set plow gears, riding saddle and bridle, wheelbarrow, cart, sleigh, grind stone, cutting box, 2 axes, 2 woodsaws, 2 shovels, spade, 2 grubbing hoes, pick, 4 cow chains, halber chain, post bar, 5 bags. House Furniture. 7 coal stoves, 2 cook stoves and furniture, 1 copper kettle, 5 tables, 3 stands, 1 long tray, 5 coal buckets, 29 bedsteads, 28 beds and bedding, 3 iron kettles, 3 tubs, 6 buckets, 19 chairs, 1 sink, 1 churn, 4 large meat vessels, 1 writing desk, 2 short cupboards, mantle clock, lounge, looking glass, 30 yards carpet, 1 small brass kettle.

Work done at Poor House by and for Paupers. 37 shirts, 5 skirts, 3 sacks, 23 aprons, 7 pairs drawers, 7 chemises, 12 dresses, 13 pair stockings knitted, 15 pairs pants, 6 barrels soap, 4 roundabouts, 6 pairs pillow slips, 2 night gowns, 4 night caps, 20 haps. Paupers. No. in Poor House January 1, 1857, 37 Admitted through the year 1857, 45 Born in the house, 85 Whole No. inmates for 1856, 3 Died in the house, 5 Bound out, 4 Discharged, 61 -70

No. in Poor House Jan. 1, 1858, 15 Outdoor paupers, 61 do died, 24 do discharged, -33 In State Lunatic Hospital, 2 Whole No. supported by Co. Jan. 1, 1858, 45 In addition to the above there has been about 80 transient paupers supported for a short time without orders or any entries on the books.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of Mifflin county, elected and sworn according to law, having examined the accounts of Joseph H. Morrison, late Steward of the Poor House, from January 1 to April 1, 1857, have settled the same as above stated, and having also examined the accounts of Joseph I. Langton, Steward of said Poor House, from April 1, 1857, to January 1, 1858, do certify that we find a balance due to the said Joseph I. Langton, on the books, from the said Directors of the Poor, of one hundred and five dollars and ninety-two cents. Given under our hands at Lewistown, January 14, 1858. GEO. HANAWALT, } Auditors. JOS. KEARNS, }

HENRY ZERBE, Treasurer, in account with John Atkinson, John Peachey, and John Cubbison, Esquires, Directors of the Poor of Mifflin county from January 1st, 1857, to January 1st, 1858. To cash received from W. Russell, former Treasurer, \$1 39 Proceeds of sale of farming utensils, stock, &c., at public vendue March 10, 1857, 1259 86 Cash rec'd of County Treasurer, 4000 00 A fine rec'd from a Justice of the Peace by the hand of John Peachey, 3 37 \$5264 62

By the following orders paid, viz: S. & M. Frank, merchandize, Penna. State Lunatic Hospital for support of John McCormick, E. McKinney and Lydia Adams, James McCord, saddlery, Jacob Hamaker, repairing wagons, J. A. Cunningham, buggy hire, Joshua Morrison, wood for outdoor paupers.

R. H. McClintic, coffins, David Jenkins, fire wood, J. C. Wilson, carpenter work, G. W. Stewart, Esq., fees on orders of relief, W. G. Zollinger, hats, John B. Selheimer, tinware, &c., Joseph H. Morrison, on account, F. G. Franciscus, hardware, Geo. Stull, keeping John Luckenberry, W. P. Milliken, merchandize, George Blymyer, merchandize, F. Schwartz, fire wood, Owen Owens, funeral exp. of McClintic, W. J. Steele, keeping S. W. Lochlin, Dr. Charles Bower, two years' services, Dr. J. D. Stonerod, drugs & medicines, Dr. A. W. Moss, salary as Physician, Alfred Marks, merchandize, C. Hoover, Esq., fees on orders of relief, John McKee, fire wood, F. McCoy, clover seed and plaster, McCoy & Ellis, merchandize, Henry Frysinger, advertising notices, John Davis, saddlery, Major & Shimp, meat, Isaac Kipp, keeping Chas. McKinney, Wm. Swartz, Esq., fees on ord's of relief, J. W. Stewart, removing T. W. Cookson, Fire insurance, Jacob Bearley, wood and coal, Mary A. Dailey, cook, John Zeigler, plow beam & stove grate, Major & Rittenhouse, meat, Miller & Shimp, blacksmithing,

Amount of debts contracted in 1856 and paid in 1857, J. W. Hackenberg, wheat and funeral expenses of Mrs. Mooney, F. G. Franciscus, hardware, Wm. Hardy, keeping John Peris, (coll.) E. J. Hoffman, merchandize, G. W. Thomas, stationery and tobacco, F. J. McCord, funeral exp. of C. Carr, Blymyer & Brisbin, groceries, Z. Rothrock, exp's, &c. Mrs. Mooney, Charles Hitz, drugs and medicines, Galbraith & Hobson, bringing pauper to poor house, John Baptist, fire wood for J. Wood, Dr. J. A. Swartz, Phys. for McVeytown, N. J. Rudisill, hats, John Atkinson, cash and grain for C. Berlow, J. Strong, groceries for Mrs. Mooney, W. & J. Macklin, funeral expenses of Beatty's child, George Blymyer, merchandize, A. A. Banks, drugs, Benjamin Stuber, pruning orchard, S. & M. Frank, merchandize, Eting, Graff & Co., coal, W. F. Shaw, printing vendue bills, notice, &c., G. J. Vanriper, repairing boots, William Butler, beef, F. Smith, keeping Elizabeth Cornelius, Amos Hoot, blacksmithing, J. Wharton, Esq., fees on ord's of relief, Alfred Marks, flour, feed, &c.

Amount of debts contracted from January 1 to April 1, 1857, and paid in 1857, J. B. Selheimer, spouting, tinware, &c., Dr. T. A. Worrall, on account, D. Bearley & Sons, staves, R. U. Parker & Bros., merchandize, William Butler, meat, Dr. J. A. Swartz, in full of salary, Wm. Hardy, keeping John Peris, (coll.) do do S. Farmer & R. M'Call, A. McMannell, wheat furnished Mrs. Longwell, and rent of house, Dr. J. J. Dahlen, medicines and attendance on Kelley, S. & M. Frank, merchandize, Joseph I. Langton, Steward, John Buas, coffin for J. Smallman, Lewis Wisler, school tax, Henry Book, in full as Director, Amos Hoot, ironing wagon, John Atkinson, provisions furnished C. Berlow, and salary as Director, Henry Kreiser, fire wood, Dr. J. D. Stonerod, half year's salary, Jacob Everich, bacon, fish & groceries, J. W. Everich & Bro., bacon, Geo. B. Patterson, carpenter work, John M. Bell, State tax, Richard Gallagher, on account, G. B. Oves, two coffins, Dr. S. Maclay, medicines and attendance on Rager and Stringfellow families, Longwell and Kable,

Debits contracted after Ap. 1, 1857, \$1200 00 Amount of debts of 1856 paid, 2972 71 Do. from Jan. 1 to April 1, 1857, \$3082 71 J. H. Morrison's vendue note returned and charged to him, Discount on vendue notes for 5 mos. Treasurer's per centage, Balance in favor of Directors,

We, the undersigned, Auditors of Mifflin county, elected and sworn according to law, having examined the accounts and vouchers of Henry Zerbe, Treasurer for the Directors of the Poor from January 1, 1857, to January 1, 1858, do certify that we find a balance due from the said Henry Zerbe to said Directors of the Poor, of nineteen dollars and twenty-two cents, and that we have cancelled all orders paid by the said Treasurer. Given under our hands at Lewistown, January 14, 1858. GEO. HANAWALT, } Auditors. JOS. KEARNS, }

NOTICE. The partnership heretofore existing between the subscribers and the BOOT & SHOE BUSINESS was dissolved on the first day of January 1858, by mutual consent. The business was carried on and accounts settled by Wm. Johnson, at the old stand, where all persons indebted to the late firm are requested to make payment as soon as possible, and those having claims will present them for settlement. If not settled soon, the books will be left with a Justice for collection. WM. JOHNSON, JOHN CLARKE, Lewistown, Jan. 21, 1858-4*

500 Headed and Square Pailing, \$204 62