

MISCELLANY

Putridity in Wells.

We had a well of beautiful water, says the Connecticut Homestead, soft and cool, which all at once began to taste and smell as if the dead body of some animal were undergoing the process of decomposition in it. We gave it a thorough examination by the aid of a looking glass, but could discover nothing. We descended to the water, but found no animal or vegetable matter in a putrid condition, and we were forced to the conclusion that the water was of itself putrid. Having reached this conclusion, we set our wits to work to devise a remedy; we remembered that only still water became so. We thought the reason of the continued purity of the ocean must be because of its continued agitation, bringing all its particles continually in contact with the atmospheric air, when it absorbed the oxygen to the necessary degree for reinvigoration of any property lost in sustaining in its teeming and infinitesimal life. Upon this fact we based our action and remedy. We hired a man to work thoroughly the chain pump in the well, working with all his might two hours, during which time he scarcely diminished the depth of the water. It was not longer than twenty-four hours before the water was as sweet and good as ever. We believe it was the thorough agitation of the water by pumping, extending to the very bottom of the well, that effected the cure.

Again, we now have a cistern filled with rain-water from the roof, which passes through a filter in reaching the cistern. A week ago the water in the cistern became putrid, tasting and smelling we can't tell how bad. We remembered the experiment with the well, and the supposed reason of its cure; so we procured a long pole, and thoroughly stirred it up, agitating the water as much as possible, perhaps working at the job fifteen minutes. In twenty-four hours the water was sweet and wholesome again.

Poisoning by Narcotics.

The Paris correspondent of the Medical and Surgical Reporter says: Pouring cold water on the face and head appears to be a good remedy in cases of poisoning by narcotics. A young woman a few days ago accidentally swallowed six drachms of a mixture of laudanum and chloroform with some hydrocyanic acid in it. She immediately vomited a portion of the liquid, and then fell down in a state of coma. Prof. Harley being called in, administered hot coffee and nitric ether, and proceeded to effect artificial respiration. No great improvement was perceptible, but on the application of cold water to the forehead, the effect was magical. The patient began to breathe more freely, and she lost some blood from the nose. As soon as the effusion of cold water ceased the coma returned, and was again removed by renewing the effusion. The patient soon moved her arms and legs, and seemed anxious to avoid the stream of water, as if it caused her pain. This treatment was renewed by intervals until the following day, and after the lapse of sixty hours all distressing symptoms disappeared completely.—*Arthur's Home Magazine.*

Mules in Central America.

One of the most striking characteristics of the mule is his aversion to the ass, and the pride he takes in his relationship to the horse; which instincts are met by obtrusiveness in the ass, and by indifference in the horse. If an ass at any time—urged by the vanity peculiar to its race as related to the mule—happens to fall in with a drove of mules, he will, in all probability, be kicked and lamed by his proud relatives. A horse, on the contrary, takes a distinguished position in a drove of mules. The latter crowd around him, and follow his movements, exhibiting a violent jealousy, each trying to stand nearest his high-bred relative. This instinct is employed to keep together the droves of mules on a journey, or at pasture, by putting a mare to the drove, with a bell on her neck, and called the bell-mare. This animal is led day and night by a cord, and the whole drove is thus kept under control, and will not leave their queen. It is therefore very difficult to separate the drove. The man who leads the mare is instructed, in case of an attack from the Indians, to leap upon the back of the animal and take refuge in the wagon encampment, whether the drove is sure to follow him. Even if the Indians succeed in separating any from the drove, they find it difficult to carry them off. The animals incessantly attempt to turn back, and the travelers are thus enabled to overtake the robbers, and recover the stolen animals. The Indians, in consequence, use every means to get possession of the rare; and if they succeed in this, the whole drove is lost to their owners. If several horses are in a drove of mules, the danger is that the latter become dispersed; and this is the reason that, in these journeys, saddle-horses are not allowed to go loose, but are led by a cord.—*Frobel.*

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OF all patterns, constantly kept, and for sale at very low figures, as usual, at the famous **BIG COFFEE POT SIGN.** Lewistown, August 6, 1862.

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F. J. HOFFMAN'S.

ATTENTION, BLACKSMITHS!
Allegheny Smith Coal,
AT
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BRAID STAMPING

Done on the most fashionable patterns by
MRS. MARION W. SHAW.
Lewistown, Sept. 23, 1863.

Charles J. Stahl,
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THE undersigned having had a number of years experience in the Book Binding business, respectfully informs the citizens of Mifflin county that he has taken the room in the second story of Stewart's building, corner of Mill and Valley street, where he is now prepared to bind in any style desired.

BOOKS, MAGAZINES, PAMPHLETS, &c.

Old books rebound.
Lewistown, June 24, 1863.

N. J. RUDISILL,

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Has now open the largest assortment of

MEN'S, BOYS', CHILDREN'S, and INFANTS' HATS & CAPS,

Of every style and variety,
Crown, Military, Slouch and Broadbrim,
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ALSO,

a select assortment of

FURS,

all of which, having been bought low, will be sold cheap

FOR CASH.

Call and examine for yourselves.
Lewistown, October 15, 1862.

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CARPETS,

a superior article,

OIL CLOTHS,

Ladies and Children's

FANCY FURS,

at very low prices,

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in great variety,

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an immense assortment in

FRENCH, ENGLISH AND SAXONY GOODS.

comprising Merinoes, Reys, Valours, De Laines, &c.

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HOSIERY AND GLOVES,

in large variety.

Ladies Cloaks,

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a large stock,

CLOTHS,

CASSIMERES,

SATINETS VESTINGS,

and a general assortment of

Men's Wear for Winter.

Best make

HOOP SKIRTS,

in large variety.

Lewistown, November 11, 1863.

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AT

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Grocery and Variety Store.

HAVING just returned from the city with the largest stock and most **WONDERFUL CURIOSITIES** AND

FANCY NOTIONS

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HOLIDAY PRESENTS,

I would invite the community at large to call and see this great exhibition of fancy and useful articles.

I also invite customers to call and examine my stock of

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All kinds of Spices, Dried Fruit, Fine Black and Green Teas, Coffees, Confectioneries, plain and fancy styles, large stock of

SUGAR TOYS

for the Holidays, and a large variety of goods too numerous to specify in this advertisement are kept at my Variety Store.

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FOR THE HOLIDAYS!!

In addition to an extensive stock of

GOLD & SILVER WATCHES,

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BREAST PINS,

RINGS,

and other

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AT

R. W. JUNKIN'S

establishment will be found a beautiful assortment of

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LADIES' BASKETS.

Photograph Albums, \$1 to \$9,

ALSO,

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Keep up the good old custom of giving presents, and for suitable ones, which are sure to please wife, sister, mother, daughter, sweetheart, husband, son, or brother, call on

H. W. JUNKIN.

Lewistown, Dec. 9, 1863.

TO MECHANICS, FARMERS

AND HOUSEKEEPERS.

JOHN B. SELHEIMER

BEGS leave to inform the citizens of Mifflin and adjoining counties that he has just opened in his new store room in Market street, Lewistown, a few doors east of the diamond, a full stock of

HARDWARE,

comprising everything usually kept in a Hardware Store, and which will be sold at a lower profit than goods of this kind have ever before been offered in Lewistown. The following classification embraces the leading articles on sale:

FOR MECHANICS:

A general assortment of Carpenters' and Joiners' Tools; a large lot of Hinges, Serews, Door Locks, Bolts, Axes and Hatchets, Door Bells, Chalk, Twine, Tacks, Trowels, Gate Hinges, etc. Butchers' Tools, consisting of Patent Saws, Spring Balances, Cleavers, Knives, Steels, etc., etc.

FOR FARMERS:

Scythes, Sickles, Rakes, Forks, Shovels, Hoes, Sandboards for Scythes, Traces and Halter Chains, Currycombs, Cards, etc.

FOR HOUSEKEEPERS AND OTHERS:

An excellent assortment of Fine Cutlery, comprising Knives and Forks of varied styles, Dessert, Tea and Table Spoons, Scissors, Razors, etc. Also, Buck Saws, Cedar Spigots, Andirons, Shoe Brushes, Mouse Traps, coarse and fine Sieves.

IRON, NAILS, &c.

All sizes of Nails and Brads, very low by the keg; nail rod, bar, round and hoop Iron; Steel; Iron Wire, Carriage Springs, Wagon Boxes, etc., etc.

A call is respectfully requested, as I am confident that my goods and prices will not fail to please.

JOHN B. SELHEIMER.

Lewistown, May 21, 1862.

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Work's Great War Song, Words and Music, in January Number.

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No. 1, 2 and 3 CUT & DRY, very low.

ALSO,

PIPES, TOBACCO-BOXES,

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and in fact everything that belongs to his line of business, at very low figures.

Call and examine for yourselves, and save money by buying at the Cigar and Tobacco Store of

E. FRYSENGER,

nov11 Lewistown, Pa.

U. S. 5-20'S.

THE Secretary of the Treasury has not yet given notice of any intention to withdraw this popular Loan from Sale at Par, and until ten days notice is given, the undersigned, as "General Subscription Agent," will continue to supply the public.

The whole amount of the Loan authorized is Five Hundred Millions of Dollars. Nearly Four Hundred Millions have already been subscribed for, and paid into the Treasury, mostly within the last seven months. The large demand from abroad, and its rapidly increasing home demand for use as the basis for circulation by National Banking Associations now organizing in all parts of the country, will, in a very short period, absorb the balance. Sales have lately ranged from ten to fifteen millions weekly, frequently exceeding three millions daily, and as it is well known that the Secretary of the Treasury has ample and unfailing resources in the Duties on Imports and Internal Revenues, and in the issue of the Interest bearing Legal Tender Treasury Notes, it is almost a certainty that he will not find it necessary for a long time to come, to seek a market for any other long or permanent Loans. THE INTEREST AND PRINCIPAL OF WHICH ARE PAYABLE IN GOLD.

Prudence and self interest must force the minds of those contemplating the formation of National Banking Associations, as well as the minds of all who have idle money on their hands, to the prompt conclusion that they should lose no time in subscribing to this most popular Loan. It will soon be beyond their reach, and advance to a handsome premium, as was the result with the "Seven Thirty" Loan, when it was all sold and could no longer be subscribed for at par.

It is a Six per Cent. Loan, the Interest and Principal payable in Coin, this yielding over Nine per Cent. per annum at the present rate of premium on coin.

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But I must be brief you know In a column here like this, So now I'll say, but ho! That COFFEE POT SIGN don't miss.

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