

# AGRICULTURAL

**Crops in the West.**  
A correspondent of the Tribune, writing from Illinois, gives the following:

A large breadth of Spring wheat and oats has been sown, and corn will be planted by every farmer to an extent equal to his power to work it. Potatoes, onions, cabbage and garden vegetables will be largely raised. I never knew the farmers so determined and anxious to plant and cultivate well as they are this Spring—Three things stimulate them; the present and prospective high prices, the necessity for supplying their own families, and the patriotic desire to help the National cause by raising abundance for our armies in the field. There are thousands and tens of thousands of farmers who are willing to give to the Government the fruit of from one acre to 20 acres, year after year, for their whole lives, rather than that the Rebels should conquer.

An immense number of farmers, since the war commenced, have paid off old debts, and having attained an independence, for which they had looked long, they are now in a condition to work their land much better, to make improvements, and to enjoy themselves. As an indication of this, Mr. Phoenix, the great nursery man of Bloomington, informs me that his sales of fruit trees have more than doubled the two past years. Hence, notwithstanding the great discouragements of the past growing season, there are probably no more really prosperous and happy farmers in the world than exist in the West.

The new crop of sorgho has been of immense benefit to the West. It stands every farmer to be on the look out for new crops, for they will make us rich, in fact they are doing it. Of those I feel permitted to mention one, which every one safely can plant, and that is canary seed. Last year, M. L. Dunlap of Champaign sowed five acres of canary seed, obtained from New York, costing four or five dollars a bushel, and his success was so great that this Spring he has put in, during March, thirty acres. I saw the crop last Summer, after it was cut, and from appearances should judge it would yield twenty or thirty bushels to the acre.

Canary seed has been exported from the South of Europe, and we have annually paid for what we required, millions of dollars, as we have for other things which we can raise as well, if not better, in our own country. So far as I know, Mr. Dunlap is the first one who has made the experiment, and I think a debt of gratitude is due him.

The seed has qualities similar to flaxseed and the yield is much greater. At the Hamburg fair last year, Count Pinto of Mettkan, in Prussian Silesia, showed a cow, named "Black Tett," for which he was offered \$1,400 and refused it. It appeared, on trial at the fair, that 115 days after calving, she daily gave 3 3/4 quarts of milk, from which 3 pounds and 1 1/2 ounces of butter were made—equal to 27 pounds a week. I gather these facts from the Country Gentleman, and, without going into particulars, I add, this cow usually was kept stabled, groomed, and fed on plenty of hay and linseed. During the trial at the fair she was fed seven pounds of linseed a day; and two pounds and a half of butter was the profit of this seven pounds.

Dairy men generally are accepting the statement that such fattening feed is required to produce so much butter—and it seems to me that canary seed, if raised in excess of the demand at \$3 or \$5 a bushel, can be raised most profitably for feed for milk cows.

Winter wheat, on some soils, was injured by the hard freeze in February, when the ground was bare, but on the whole, this grain never looked better than it does this Spring. I saw very many pieces with a first rate stand and of a dark beautiful green. It may be said that wheat put in after clover, or on good ground and the work faithfully done, promises to yield largely. Of course, where these conditions were disregarded, we shall hear of the fly, and other insects of the rust and Winter killing. There are men who never will raise good crops of wheat, and there are others who find it most profitable.

**Setting Fence Posts.**  
I will give my experience in setting fence posts in wet clay land, liable to heave with the frost. In the first place dig the holes about two feet deep, then make a hole with a bar, sharpen the post where you commenced to taper the point, bore a two-inch auger hole, and put in a heart cedar pin so as to project about six inches each side of the post, which will last as long as the post. Then drive the post with a beetle the depth of the point, which will be a foot or 18 inches, making the whole depth from 3 to 3 1/2 feet. Then place a large stone on the pin on each side of the post. Then ram the earth firmly above as the hole is filled. Then plow two or three furrows on each side of the fence, and bank it up about six inches; that will carry the water off, which is necessary to prevent heaving. Where this banking is done, horses and cattle are not so apt to trouble the fence. This fence can be built without much extra labor. I adopted this plan two years ago, and can assure you it will never heave.

CHAS. A. VAN VALKENBURG.

**NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.**  
NOTICE is hereby given that the Commissioners of Mifflin county have authorized the Collectors of State and County taxes to make a deduction of

**5 PER CENT.**

on all taxes paid on or before the first day of June next, and THREE PER CENT. on those paid after the 1st day of June and on or before the 15th July—after which the full amount will be claimed.

By order of the Commissioners,  
GEO. FRYSDINGER, Clerk.

Lewistown, April 13, 1864.

## WILLIAM LIND, has now open A NEW STOCK OF

### Cloths, Cassimeres

AND  
**VESTINGS,**  
which will be made up to order in the neat and most fashionable styles. ap19

**R. F. ELLIS.**  
OF the late firm of McCoy and Ellis, has just returned from the city with a choice assortment of

**DRY GOODS & GROCERIES,**  
selected with care and purchased for cash, which are offered to the public at a small advance on cost.

**Spring & Summer Goods,**  
suitable for ladies, gentlemen and children, with many new patterns. His

**GROCERIES**  
comprise choice Sugars, Molasses, Coffee, Superior Teas, Pure Spices, &c. Also, **QUEENWARE, GLASSWARE,** and all other articles usually found in Stores, all of which his old customers and the public in general are invited to call and examine. Country Produce taken at full market prices.

R. F. ELLIS,  
Lewistown, March 9, 1864.

**Come in Out of the Draft!**  
**\$1,000 BOUNTY!**  
THE only way to keep out of the Draft, is to buy your Goods at

**SELHEIMER'S  
CHEAP HARDWARE,  
TIN & STOVE STORE.**  
Everybody is now going to Selheimer's for their goods; they have discovered that they can save time and money. mar23 '64

**OIL CLOTHS.**  
A LARGE assortment of Floor, Stair and Carriage Oil Cloths, of all colors, best quality, and cheap, at the store of  
J. B. SELHEIMER.

**Cordage, Cordage.**  
ROPES, Tow Lines, Bed Cords, Clothes Lines, Twines, and other cordage for sale by  
J. B. SELHEIMER.

**SHOE FINDINGS.**  
WE have Sole Leather, Upper, Kip, and Calf Skins; Morocco, Linings, Bindings, Lasts of the best make, Boot Trees, Crimping Boards, Clamps, Wax, Thread, Awls, Knives, Pincers, Punches, Boot Webbing, Lacers, Color, and a variety of Tools and other articles, for sale at  
J. B. SELHEIMER'S.

**Blacksmiths, Blacksmiths.**  
THE Blacksmiths say Selheimer keeps the best Iron and Steel in town. He doesn't only keep the best, but he keeps the largest assortment, and sells the cheapest. Go to  
J. B. SELHEIMER'S.

**STOVES.**  
A LARGE assortment of Cooking, Parlor and other Stoves, always on hand, at the lowest prices, at  
J. B. SELHEIMER'S.

**CARPENTERS.**  
SELHEIMER'S is the place to buy the best and cheapest Hand, Rip, Tennant, Compass and Cross Cut Saws; Planes, Bits, Hammers, Hatchets, Squares, Rules, Chisels, Augers, Auger Bits, Drawing Knives, Spoke shaves, Bevels, and all other Tools in your line. The carpenters all buy at  
J. B. SELHEIMER'S.

**Oils, Paints, &c.**  
WHITE LEAD, Red Lead, Zinc, Venetian Red, and all other kinds of colors. Also, Linseed Oil, Fish Oil, Coal Oil, &c., for sale at  
J. B. SELHEIMER'S.

**TIN WARE, TIN WARE.**  
A LARGE assortment of Tin Ware, at wholesale and retail, constantly kept on hand; all our own manufacture, made out of the best material. SPOUTING and all kinds of Jobbing done at short notice, by  
JOHN B. SELHEIMER.

**Builders and Farmers**  
CAN find anything in their line, such as Locks, Screws, Hinges, Bolts, Glass, Putty, Nails, Spikes, trace, breast, halter, log and other Chains, Forks, Shovels, Spades, Hoes, and all other goods used in the building and farming business, for sale at  
J. B. SELHEIMER'S.

**Cedar and Willow Ware.**  
TUBS, Churns, Buckets, Butter Bowls, Clothes, Baskets, Market Baskets, &c., for sale by  
J. B. SELHEIMER.

**Brushes, Brushes.**  
WALL, Dusting, Sweeping, Hand, Scrubbing and Horse Brushes. Paint Brushes of all sizes.  
J. B. SELHEIMER.

**COAL OIL, COAL OIL.**  
BEST quality of Coal Oil for sale by the quart, gallon and barrel at  
J. B. SELHEIMER'S.

**Saddlery Ware.**  
A LARGE stock of saddlery ware constantly on hand, consisting in part of Saddle Trees, Pad Trees, Harness, Buckles, Rings, Snaps, Terrets, Swivels, Stirrups, Bridle Bits, Tacks, Awls, Needles, Thread, Hair, Patent Leather, and a variety of other articles, for sale by  
J. B. SELHEIMER.

**Coach Ware, Coach Ware.**  
CONSISTING of Rims, Spokes, Hubs, Shafts, Poles, Bows, Springs, Axles, Bolts, Clips, Top props, Shaft shackles, Patent Leather, Enamelled Leather, Oil Cloths, Linings, Lace, Fringe, Tacks, Nails, Knobs, and all other goods used in coach making, for sale at  
J. B. SELHEIMER'S.

**TRY Hoffman's Cheese,** it is extra.

## Kishacoquillas Seminary AND NORMAL INSTITUTE.

THE Summer Session of this Institution will commence on

**MONDAY, APRIL 4, 1864,**  
and continue twenty-one weeks.

Cost for Board, Furnished Rooms and Tuition in the English Branches, per session, \$60.  
Day scholars, per session, \$12.  
Music, Languages and Incidentals extra.  
In order to secure rooms in the Institute application should be made before the opening of the school.

For further particulars, address,  
S. Z. SHARP, Prin.  
Kishacoquillas, Pa.  
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## TUSCARORA FEMALE SEMINARY, Chartered by the Legislature in 1859.

THIS Institution is located at Academia, in Tuscarora Valley, Juniata county, Pennsylvania. It is situated 8 miles south-west of Mifflin, and 6 miles west of Perryville Station, Pennsylvania Railroad leading from Philadelphia to Pittsburgh, and is six hours' ride from the former place.

This situation has always been noted for its healthfulness. The scenery, for variety and grandeur, cannot be surpassed; the buildings being on a high eminence, command the enchanting view of Tuscarora Mountain and Valley for thirty miles in extent.

Tuscarora Academy; an Institution of wide celebrity, and extensively patronized—being located here, persons having sons and daughters to educate, may have the opportunity of sending them to the same place, where they may enjoy each other's society while prosecuting their studies. None, however, but relatives, are allowed to visit the pupils, without a written permission from their guardians or parents. Libraries, Literary Societies, and occasional courses of Lectures on various topics, will be auxiliary to the main course of studies prescribed.

The great object of the course of training is to fit the young ladies for future usefulness. By a judicious combination of useful accomplishments, with thorough mental discipline and high moral culture, it is hoped that the Institution will merit and receive the liberal patronage of the public.

Terms for a Session of Twenty Weeks.  
Board, Rooms neatly furnished and carpeted, Tuition in the English Branches, for a Session of Twenty weeks, \$60.  
Extra Branches, at usual rates.

**CALENDAR.**  
The Summer Session commences on Wednesday, May 4th, 1864, and continues Five Months.  
The Winter Session commences on the first Wednesday in November, 1864.

For Circulars address  
MRS. O. J. FRENCH, Principal, or  
ANDREW PATTERSON, Proprietor.  
Academia, Juniata Co., Pa.  
Lewistown, April 6, 1864.—3m.

## NEW DRUG STORE Two Doors West of the Odd Fellows' Hall.

PURE and fresh drugs always on hand. The most reliable preparation of  
**CITRATE OF MAGNESIA,**  
in the dry and liquid form,  
TRUSSES, SHOULDER BRACES, SPINAL AND ABDOMINAL SUPPORTERS.

Goodyear's celebrated patent **BREAST PUMPS.** A general assortment of  
**Notions, Perfumery, Soaps, &c.,**  
and in fact everything connected with Medicine or Medical treatment.

Physicians' and all other prescriptions carefully compounded and put up.  
All consultations strictly confidential, and free of charge. Any preparation or medicine not on hand will be immediately ordered. I hope that the experience of sixteen years almost constantly engaged in the active duties of the medical profession will be a sufficient guarantee that no deception or humbug will be practiced upon those who consult me professionally, or who desire to purchase medicines.

mar23 '64—ly R. MARTIN, M. D.

## PRIME EASTERN SUGAR-CURED HAMS!

Country Bacon, Fine Eastern Cheese, Sour Pickles, Dried Peaches, Prunes, Cherries, Apples, Beans, Hominy.

**CANNED PEACHES,**  
Tomatos, Cranberries, Sugar, Coffee, Rice,  
**CHOCOLATE,**  
**Black & Green Teas,**  
**SPICES,**  
Syrups, Orleans Molasses, &c.

The above goods are of choice quality, and are offered at the lowest Cash Prices.

## FELIX'S Is the Place to Buy your GROCERIES & NOTIONS,

as the People say he has the Goods that will please all, and so cheap that they have some pennies left to buy Candies for their children. Come all, we will be pleased to see you. Call and buy your friends a present. mar16

## TOBACCO! Genuine Oriental Turkish, Im- Turkish, Rose, Favorite, Un- ion, Kiss-me-quick, Seafar- lati, &c.

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

## PIPES, TOBACCO-BOXES, CIGARS,

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. FRYSDINGER,  
Lewistown, Pa.

## A GREAT BATTLE Is Expected to take Place in Virginia.

**BUT** notwithstanding this the people must have

**BOOTS AND SHOES,**  
and we would respectfully set forth our claims to public attention, first, because we keep a large and well assorted stock of Boots and Shoes for men and boys.

Gaiters, and all other kinds of shoes for women and children.  
We are prepared to take measures and complete work of all kinds at short notice.  
Repairing done at short notice, at  
E. C. HAMILTON'S,  
West Market street, a few doors west of Col Butler's, and nearly opposite Daniel Eisenbise's Hotel. mh30-'64

## NEW OPENING AND NEW GOODS.

P. F. LOOP, having purchased the stock of Boots and Shoes of T. Cox, and just returned from the city with a large and well selected stock of city-made goods, would invite the attention of all his old customers, and also new ones. As stock is very high, he proposes to sell at very small profits, but for cash only, hoping that all will be prepared with the same. I have examined all the latest styles in the city, and am prepared to make all kinds of Shoes in the most fashionable styles. A good assortment of home made work on hand. I am also prepared to make to order at shortest notice, all manner of work in my line.

I am also agent for the Grover and Baker **SEWING MACHINE.** Sample sewing always to be had. Any one purchasing a machine will be regularly taught to sew. Call and see this machine before buying elsewhere, as it is the best family machine, now in use, and will recommend it self.

P. F. LOOP,  
Local Agent.

## A NEW STOCK OF BOOTS AND SHOES,

Just received at Billy Johnson's, which will be sold at very small profits for cash. So come on, boys and girls, and see for yourselves.

A fine assortment of Ladies Gaiters on hand, and all kinds of Boots and Shoes, both city and home made work. The greater part of his eastern work is made to order, and is home-made work against rips.

Manufacturing attended to as usual, and repairing done at shortest notice. No work to be given out until paid for, and in all cases where work don't suit, and is returned in good order, the money will be refunded.

Having purchased the patent right for Mifflin county for Eiswald's

**METALLIC SOLES**  
and Heels, he is prepared to furnish them to his customers. It is one of the great discoveries of the age; they will save four times their cost in leather, and can be easily put on by any one. Give them a trial. A liberal discount given to wholesale dealers.

may11 '64 BILLY JOHNSON.

## NATHANIEL KENNEDY'S STORE, In the Odd Fellows' Hall.

A Very Choice Assortment of Old Liquors.

OFFER for sale all the liquors, late the stock of John Kennedy, de'd., embracing prime French Brandy, Cherry Brandy, Gin, Wines, Jamaica Spirits, and Scotch Ale. Hotel keepers are requested to call.

Physicians can always obtain a pure article for the sick.

ALSO,  
Foreign and Domestic Dry Goods, Groceries, Queensware, Stoneware, Hardware, Cedarware, always on hand; Shoulders, Hams, Fish, Herring, Shad, and Mackerel; Dried Beef of most excellent quality; with Boots and Shoes in great variety. All the goods will be sold very low.

N. KENNEDY,  
Lewistown, January 15, 1861.

## FISH'S Lamp Heating Apparatus, BOILING—FRYING—STEWING—STEERING— With the Flame that Lights the Room.

BY the flame of a common lamp, at the cost of a cent's worth of oil, a very comfortable breakfast can be cooked.—N. Y. Tribune.

\* \* \* Simple in construction, easily kept in order, ready for use in a moment, convenient to have on hand.—Druggist's Circular.

\* \* \* Fish's lamp is one of the most popular novelties of the day. \* \* \* the utility of it is unquestionable, a great saving is made in heating and cooking small articles, and can be made to cook meals for a great many persons, which is actually done on the ambulance cars which carry the sick soldiers.—Scientific American.

\* \* \* For family use, hospital, tent, barrack, picnics, fishing, nursery or sick room, it is an article of comfort beyond all proportion to its cost.—Hall's Journal of Health.

\* \* \* I have tried the apparatus, and my wife and I proclaim the same a most valuable and indispensable article, and we now wonder how we could have so long done without it.—Ed. Coal Oil Circular.

\* \* \* An economical contrivance for getting up heat at short notice for nursery and general household purposes, \* \* \* one important point is the saving in cost over coal fires.—N. Y. Evening Post.

PRICE FROM \$2 TO \$6.  
Capacity from one to four quarts. Three or four times cooked at one time with one burner. Arranged for Kerosene or Coal Oil, or Gas. A descriptive pamphlet of thirty pages furnished gratis. Also,  
**THE UNION ATTACHMENT,**  
PRICE 50 CENTS,  
To be attached to a common Kerosene lamp, or Gas burner, by which water may be boiled, and food cooked; also arranged to support a shade.

Every Family Needs One.  
WM. D. RUSSELL, Agent,  
No. 206 Pearl st., New York.  
AGENTS WANTED.

English Lever Full Jeweled, Detached dial, to Cylinder Escapements, and all kinds. War prices, at  
PATTON'S.

## Treasurer's Sale OF UNSEATED LANDS.

WHEREAS by an act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An act to amend an act directing the mode of selling unseated lands for taxes and other purposes," passed 13th March, 1815, and the other acts upon the subject, the Treasurers of the several counties within this Commonwealth are directed to commence on the 21st Monday in June in the year 1816, and at the expiration of every two years thereafter, from day to day, if it be necessary to do so, and make public sale of the whole or any part of such tract of unseated land, situate in the proper county, as will pay the arrearages of the taxes, which shall then have remained due or unpaid for the space of one year before, to gether with all costs necessarily accruing by reason of such delinquency, &c. Therefore, I, Amos Hoot, Treasurer of the county of Mifflin, do hereby give notice that upon the following tracts of unseated land, situate as hereinafter described, the several sums stated are the arrearages of taxes, respectively, due and unpaid as above, and that in pursuance of the direction of the aforesaid act of Assembly, I shall, on

**Monday, the 13th day of June** next, at the Court House, in the borough of Lewistown, commence the Public Sale of the whole or any part of such tracts of unseated land, upon which all or any part of the taxes herein specified shall then be due; and continue such sale by adjournment until all the tracts upon which the taxes shall remain due and unpaid, shall be sold.

AMOS HOOT,  
Treas. of Mifflin Co.

Treasurer's Office,  
April 12, 1864.

Amount of Taxes due and unpaid on the following Tracts of Unseated Lands, up to and in part including the year 1863.

**ARMAGH TOWNSHIP.**

Acres	Probs.	Warrant	Taxes due
400	60	John Boyle	3 30
400	60	William Hild	3 30
400	60	Luke Snider	7 60
400	60	Martin Traister	6 60
400	60	John Bell	3 30
400	60	John File	3 30
400	60	John Barr	3 30
400	60	Luke Barr	3 30
400	60	George Ulrick	8 10
400	60	William Mackey	7 60
400	60	Peter Folkner	7 60
400	60	John Brady	3 30
400	60	John Frick	3 30
400	60	John Allen	3 30
400	60	John Thomas	3 30
400	60	Jacob Thomas	3 30
400	60	William Bonham	3 30
400	60	John Mason	3 30
200		Part of Robert Irwin	1 60
386	146	John Norris	7 60
100		Geo. W. Wilson	1 36
20	119	Moses A. Sample	39
80	75	Jonathan Peter	1 34
14	57	John Miller	38
387	64	Alexander Jackson	6 01
103	28	John Triester	1 91

Parts of Tracts along the County Line.

40		William Boyle	43
250		William Smith	2 70
50		John Didd	55
250		John Craig	2 70
60		Thomas Castoria	1 35
250		Elmner Branham	3 78
12		Mary Barr	1 3
25		James Barr	26
37	80	Thomas Barr	43
225		Michael Sigler	1 60
237	80	Isaac Richardson	1 60
250		Daniel Reese	1 60
262	80	Jacob Morely	1 60
47		Joseph Snook	96
350		Catharine Raser	6 47

**BROWN TOWNSHIP.**

400	9	Hugh Watson	7 60
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**BRATTON TOWNSHIP.**

400	153	Christian Gettys	7 60
400	48	Henry Shaffer	7 60
410	1	Wm. McAdams	7 60
330	154	Frederick Lazarus	7 60
400	48	Paul Lebo	7 60
400	48	James Smith	7 60
400	48	Paul Weitzell	7 60
400	48	John Weitzell	7 60
400	48	Jasper Ewing	7 60
400	48	Charles Hall	7 60
400	48	Charles Gobin	7 60
400	48	Paul Baldy	7 60
400	48	Henry Busher	7 60
400	48	John Demer	7 60
400	48	Joseph Thompson	7 60
400	48	Thomas Grant	7 60
400	48	Samuel Young	7 60
400	48	William Brady	7 60
400	48	John Brady	7 60
400	48	William Gray	7 60
400	48	John Kidd	7 60
400	48	Daniel Levy	7 60
400	48	Daniel Smith	7 60
34	147	Andrew Jenkins	76
51	120	Part of Jean Beatty	97

Parts of Tracts in Bratton Township, along the Juniata County Line.

325		Jesse Brooke	5 88
320		Safah Zane	5 88
315		Rebecca Kelso	5 88
310		Joseph Kelso	5 71
305		Martha Godfrey	5 71
300		Mary Zane	5 71
295		John W. Godfrey	5 71
290		Wm. Zane	5 71
100		Daniel McClintic	1 91
300		John Barron, jr.	5 71
100		John House	1 91
100		Robert Gray	1 91

**DECATUR TOWNSHIP.**