

NOTICE OF APPLICATION OF CHARTER

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Centre county, on Tuesday, the 4th day of June, A. D. 1886, at 10 o'elock, a. m. of said day, for the charter of a corporation to be called the "Port Matilda super Cornet Band," the object of which is to enliver Cornet Band, "the object of which is to enliver Cornet Band," the object of which is to corner Band and for social enjoyment. ORVIS, BOWER & ORVIS, May 93t Attys. for Applicants.

A DMINISTRATRIX'S NOTICE.

Estate of John C. Gates, dec'd., late of Fer

Letters of administration on said estate hav Letters of administration on said estate hav-ing been granted to the undersigned, all per-sous indebted thereto are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will present them without delay for settlement to the under-signed. MAGGIE B. GATES. May 30-6t Administratria

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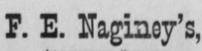
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Haines ownsamp, Montaly June 1744, at the lection house, Rebersburg. Haines and Penn townships and Millheim oro, Tuesday June 18th, at the election house,

Gregg and Potter townships and Centre Hall borough, Wednesday June 19th, at the election

borough, Wednesday June 19th, at the election house, Centre Hall. Harris and College townships, Thursday, June 20th, at the election house, Lemont. Ferguson twp., Friday June 21, at the elec-ion house, Pine Grove Mills. Spring and Benner townships, Saturday, June 22nd, at the Commissioners office in Belle-onta.

fonte. Half Moon and Patton townships, Monday June 24, at the election house, in Stormstown. Taylor and Worth townships, Tuesday June 25, at the election house in Port Matilda. Huston and Union townships and Unionville boro, Wednesday June 25, at the election house in Unionville boro. Snow Shoe and Burnside townships, Thurs-day June 27th, at the election house in Snow Shoe.

shoe. Walker and Marion townships, Friday June Sth, at the election house Hublersburg. Boggs township and Milesburg boro, Satur-tay June 29, at the election house in Central

day Jūne 23, at the election house in Central City. Howard, Liberty and Curtin townships and Howard boro, Monday July 1, at the election house in Howard boro. Rush township and Philipsburg and South Philipsburg boroughs, Tuesday July 2, at the public hall. Philipsburg. Bellefonte borough, Wednesday July 3, at the commissioners office, Bellefonte. Notice is hereby given to the assessors of the several districts that they be present with the board of commissioners on the day of said ap-peal in their respective districts, as well as all persons who may feel themselves aggrieved. Assessors will please bring all books and pap-ers they have to the appeal. A general appeal will be heid at the commis-sioners office, on Friday and Saturday July 5 and 6, 1895. Persons wishing to be heard at the general appeal will be heard after the time above stated. GEO. L. GOODHART,

GEO. L. GOODHART. Attest, R. F. HUNTER, Clerk, Co'ms office, Bellefonte, May 21, '66.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

Sheriff Shale. By virtue of a writ of riera racias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale, at the court house, in the borough of Belleionic, Pa., on WEDNESDAY, JULY 3rd 1895.

at 10:30 o'clock a. m., the following real estate : All that certain tract of land situate in the forwaship of Potter, county of Centre and state of Penna. being part of a tract of land sold by William Ward, higk sheriff of Centre ounty, as the property of Thomas Treaster to Andrew Gregg, deed acknowledged Arig. 22th, 1844, and recorded in Deed Book "B" page 133, bounded and described as follows: On the north by lands of John Deitzel and John Fry: on the east by land of William Farner, A. Holderman and George Harter: on the south by land of David Treaster and McKee, and on the west by the Kearny Warton tract contain-ing about 500 acres more or less, 50 acres there-of being cleared and under cultivation, the bal-ance thereof is well timbered with rock oak, hemioek, yellow pine and white oak, and an excellent growth of young and thrifty chest-nut and white oak, also considerable poplar, linn and ash, desirable for paper wood. There-ogoed stable and other out buildings. ALSO. at 19:30 o'clock a. m., the following real estate : ALSO.

ALSO. All those two certain contiguous lots of ground situate in the boro of Centre Hall, county of Centre and state of Fenna. and marked on plot as No. 60 and 61 respectively, bounded on the nort by Potter street, on the east by Fennsylvania avenue, being 132 feet in front running back 165 feet, said lots being part of a tract of land which Christian Hoffer, by his deed bearing date the first day of Mareh A. D., 1862 to Jno. Hoffer. Thereon erected on said lots 2 two-story frame dwelling houses, ice houses and cold storage room, 2 stables and wagon sheds, and other necessary outbuildings Beized taken in execution and to be sold as the property of A. S. Kerlin, et. al. TERMS-No deed will be acknowledged until

TERMS-No deed will be acknowledged until purchase money is paid in full. Sheriff's Office. JOHN P. CONDO. Sheriff. Bellefonte, May 28, 1895.

Before proceeding to the discussion of the main question presented it may be advantageous to state as briefly as possible a few admitted or well established facts having an important bearing upon it. From the earliest times gold and silver have been used as money, not because there was at the beginning any law declaring them to be money, but because, by reason of their limited and regular supply, their great value as compared with other things in proportion to weight and bulk and their durability, they were more stable and convenient than any other commodity as meas ures of value in making exchanges. Consequently these metals were used as money by common consent of the people for cen turies before there was any law upon the subject or any coins in existence. They passed by weight, and their values in effecting exchanges were determined by the quantity of pure metal contained in each lece. Each metal had a distinct value of its own, and when it was used in trade neither the buyer nor seller troubled himself about the ratio between it and the other metal. The laws of trade fixed and regulated

the actual and relative values of both metals in the purchase and sale of other commodities, just as they do now. They had been used as money several centuries before any government undertook, by royal proclamation or statute law, to establish a ratio between them, and when this character of legislation was first begun the public authorities did not attempt to establish new values or new ratios, but ac cepted those already fixed by the laws of trade and the custom of merchants. Coins were made, not for the purpose of attempting to add anything to the intrinsic or ex-changeable value of the metal contained in them, but for the purpose of attesting, by public authority, its weight and purity, thus avoiding the delay and uncertainty resulting from the practice of weighing each piece as it passed from one to another. That the coinage of the metals does not now add anything to their actual value in the commercial world is conclusively proved by the facts that, in all the great transactions between the people of differ ent countries, the coins are accepted only at their bullion value, determined by their actual weight and fineness, and that bul

lion itself is still used in making pay ments, just as it was thousands of years Whatever effect legislation upon the ago. ratios, in connection with legal tender laws, may have had upon the use of the two metals in the payment of antecedent debts, it has never had the slightest effect upon the actual or relative values of the two metals in national or international trade. For many centuries, even after the commerce of the world had grown to enormous proportions, the propriety of making any given quantity of bullion or any particular coin a legal tender was not even suggested, and up to the present time there is no legal tender in international trade.

Coin In the United States.

Although we have the gold standard, or measure of value, in this country, our actual stock of gold bullion and coin amounts to only about one-third of our actual curency-a condition of affairs which would have been inconceivable a few centuries We have about \$625,000,000 in gold, ago. We have about \$625,000,000 in gold, \$397,652,873 in full legal tender silver. \$346,681,000 in old United States notes, \$149,584,471 in treasury notes issued in the purchase of silver bullion, \$209,719,-

coined, at the public expense, into silver dollars, at the ratio of 16 to 1 with goldthat is, that 16 pounds of silver shall be considered equal in value to one pound of gold, and the weights of the coins shall be adjusted accordingly-and that the coins so made at the public expense shall be de-livered to the owners of the bullion, or foreign silver coins, as the case may be, and all the people of the United States, but nobody else, shall be compelled by law to receive them as dollars of full value, in the payment of debts due to them from their own fellow citizens and from the citizens or subjects of other countries. It is not proposed that the citizens or subjects of other countries, with whom our people trade, shall be compelled to receive these silver dollars in their transactions with us, because that can be done only by international agreement, and our impatient free coinage friends declare their determination to proceed at once independently of all other governments. All who are indebted to us are, therefore, to have the privilege of paying in silver, while all to whom we shall become indebted are to have the privilege of requiring us to pay in gold.

Relative Values of Gold and Silver.

Measured by their purchasing power in the markets of the world, which is the only real test, the relative value of silver bullion to gold bullion is about 82 to 1-that is, it requires in all countries, silver standard countries as well as gold standard countries, about 32 pounds of silver bullion to procure the same quantity of commodities that one pound of gold bullion will procure, and therefore the proposition to authorize the free and unlimited coinage of silver into full legal tender money at the ratio of 16 to 1 means, under existing conditions, that the intrinsic value of the silver dollar shall only be half, or about half, the intrinsic value of the gold dollar. My own opinion is that, after we had passed a certain limit, the more silver dollars we coined the less they would be worth, because the inflation itself would still further diminish their purchasing power. Such legislation by the United States alone would not reduce the value of the gold dollar to any extent whatever, because, as already stated, the value of that metal in commercial transactions all over the world is estimated according to its weight and fineness and will continue to be so estimated, and consequently the only way in which this country alone could diminish the value of its gold dollar would be to re-fluce the weight of the pure metal containad in it.

The attempt to coin the two metals without limit as to amount into full legal tender money and keep both in circulation at the same time has been made by nearly every civilized nation in the world and has failed in every one of them. It has failed because in every instance it has been found impossible to establish and maintain a legal ratio corresponding at all times with the intrinsic or commercial ratio between the two metals contained in the coins, and because whenever either of the metals was undervalued relatively to the other in the coinage laws it was expelled from the coun-try. England persisted in the attempt for nearly 500 years, and notwithstanding the enactment of most severe penal statutes against the exportation of coins or bullion was at last forced to abandon the effort and adopt the single standard. France, in her efforts to keep the coins of the two

same amount, of better money, and thus leave the people with substantially the same volume of currency they had at the beginning. The act providing for the purchase of silver bullion and the issue of legal tender treasury notes in payment for it was passed on the 14th day of July, 1890, and the purchasing clause of that act was repealed Nov. 1, 1893. While it remained in force United States treasury notes were issued to the amount of \$155,931,002, and there were many people who believed that this was making a material and permanent addition to the volume of our currency, but the official records show that during the same time the net exports of gold from this country amounted to \$103,-419,491, so that the real addition to our circulation accomplished by the issue of nearly \$156,000,000 of new notes was about \$52,500,000 during a period of more than three years. The mere apprehension that the government would not be able to maintain the parity of the two metals under the policy inaugurated by that act not only discredited the new treasury notes themselves, but the whole volume of our currency, and gold went out about as fast

as the new notes came in. While, therefore, it is not at all certain that free coinage would ultimately make any considerable addition to our circulation, it is absolutely certain that it would give us a depreciated and fluctuating currency, and the question is whether the producers of cotton, wheat, corn, beef, pork, oil, lard, cheese and other exportable articles will be benefited or injured by such a result. It is an axiom in trade that the prices of exportable products are fixed in the foreign market where the surplus is sold and are fixed in the currency of that country according to its nominal value there. If sold in England, for illustration, the prices are fixed and paid in pounds, shillings and pence, and not in dollars and cents, and, consequently, it makes no difference to the foreign purchaser what kind of currency the producer has at home. The character or value of the currency in use in the producing country does not af-fect the price of the article abroad to any extent whatever, for the purchaser there trades in his own market and uses his own currency in measuring values.

The establishment of a silver standard here could not possibly increase the price of cotton or wheat or any other American product in Liverpool, London, Paris or Berlin, whatever effect it might have upon the nominal price in this country. If our monetary system were so changed that it would require \$2 to purchase here the same quantity of commodities that \$1 will purchase now, it would not affect the value or purchasing power of the English pound sterling, the French franc or German mark in the least. The only effect would be that the exchange would be doubled, and the pound sterling, instead of being worth \$4.866 in our currency, as it is now, would be worth \$0.782, and when our people wanted to make a remittance to pay a debt abroad they would have to pay twice as much in our money for the same number of pounds as they pay now, while the foreigner who wanted to make a remittance to pay a debt here would pay only half as much in his money for the same number of dollars as he pays now. But the exchange would be in a connow. But the exchange would be in a con-stant state of fluctuation, just as it has been between Great Britain and India on account of the changes in the prices of sil-ver from day to day, and the American

preciation of gold alone is based upon the assumption that the relations between supply and demand have not changed, that there has been no diminution of the cost of production and distribution, that the facilities for effecting financial exchanges have not been improved, and, in brief, that the world has made no progress in the conduct of its industrial and commercial operations for more than 20 years.

Effect of Labor Saving Machinery.

This assumption is so inconsistent with well known economic and historical facts that it seems scarcely worth while to give it a serious consideration. Reductions in the prices of commodities are generally due to so many different causes that it is scarcely ever possible to ascertain the extent of their separate influences. I presume, however, that even the most ardent advocate of free chinage would be willing to admit that the invention and use of labor saving machinery, the extension of our railroad systems, the improvement of our waterways and the great reductions in the rates for carrying freight, the employment of steamships, the use of the telegraph on the land and under the sea, the application of electricity in the production of light, heat and power, the utilization of by products which were formerly wasted, the introduction of more economical methods in the processes of production, the wonderful advance made by our laborers in skill and efficiency, the greatly reduced rates of interest paid for the use of capital, and many other things which it would require muc time to enumerate and explain, have affected prices in some measure, at least, and yet they ignore all these great influences in their argument upon the subject and at-tribute the lower prices of commodities to a single alleged and inadequate causethe appreciation of gold. I presume, also, that our free coinage friends will admit that if the change in prices has been caused entirely by the appreciation of gold, the reduction would have affected all things alike, because it cannot be denied that, in the absence of other influences, gold must bear the same relation to the price of one article that it bears to the price of another. But we do not find that the prices of all things have been reduced in the same proportion, nor do we find that the prices of all things have in fact been reduced.

In 1891, 1892 and part of 1893 I had the honor to serve on a subcommittee charged by the senate of the United States with the duty of ascertaining the course of prices and wages of labor for as long a period as authentic records would enable us to embrace in our investigation, and after a most thorough and impartial examination of the subject a report was made which fills four large volumes and embodies a mass of information upon these subjects which cannot be found in any other official form. As to the course of prices and wages the committee was unanimous, though there were differences of opinion among the members as to the causes that had from time to time produced the changes. The prices of many articles and the wages of labor in many occupations were ascertained during each year as far back as 1840, and for the purposes of com-parison the prices of commodities and the wages of labor in the year 1860 were adopted as the standard.