

**Agricultural Department.**

**Soiling Cattle.**

This subject is becoming one of especial interest to farmers, and more particularly to those who own small farms, and are under the necessity of economizing in a rigid degree, in order to support their families.

The principle and economy of soiling is this, a half an acre of land can easily be made to furnish green food for a cow or a horse during the season, till it becomes necessary to commence with winter feed in December, while it requires from an acre and a half to two acres of pasture to keep the same animal the same length of time. Besides this great saving of land, the manure of each animal sold is worth the interest on two acres of land, at \$50 per acre, over what it would be on the common pasturage system. To offset a portion of this advantage, we must take into the account the labor it requires to cut the green fodder and feed it out daily; and yet I am inclined to believe this labor is no more than a fair equivalent for the saving of time in driving stock to pasture, and keeping the fences in a condition far more expensive than the soiling system requires. Indeed, on this system, fences may be dispensed with altogether, except enclosure and roadsides.

Fencing materials are now becoming an item of great expense to all farmers, not only in the materials themselves, but also the labor of building the fences and keeping them in good repair. Moreover, the waste land that fences occupy (which is very considerable) on the soiling system may be cultivated—an item of considerable importance on small farms where the land is divided into small fields.

To adopt this system with the best results, the land from which the green fodder is to come should be adjointly the barn, level and very fertile; and with the abundance of manure that is procured by soiling, there is no difficulty in making the land rich and productive.

The best article for soiling is clover, and next to this is corn sown in drills or broadcast, oats, millet, rye, sugar cane (sorghum) barley, Hungarian grass, and any variety of grass that grows tall and luxuriant which is relished by stock.

Sweet corn is the best to sow for soiling. I have used a kind called "Darling's prolific," which is well adapted to this purpose on account of its thrifty growth and its tendency to tiller, or throw out numerous suckers. It may be sown in drills about 18 inches apart with a seed sower. Cattle are kept in much better condition by soiling them. They are often turned out to pasture too early in the spring, before the grass is sufficiently grown to afford them enough to satisfy their hunger, and if there happens to be early drouth they cannot thrive, and they will hardly get over the effect of a bad winter's keeping before they enter upon another. On the soiling system, a drouth does not seriously affect the stock, as their supply of fodder is always green succulent and abundant.

Independent of all the considerations of economy that I have named, cows give much more milk when soiled, and yielded it more regularly than when pastured, and the waste of time, and the worrying of cows in driving them to distant fields in warm weather are avoided. What can be more injurious to a noble cow than to send an unfeeling boy to drive her a half a mile to pasture every day during the summer, with the thermometer often up to 90 degrees, while perhaps she is worried by a dog, or pounded with a club, because she does not happen to suit in her gate, or otherwise, her driver? Milk which thus heated by improper driving of cows does not produce as much cream as it does under other circumstances, which is a good argument in favor of the soiling system. Butter made from the milk of soiled cows does not have that oily appearance which is so often the case in warm weather, when cows are driven to and from the pasture. Nor is there any difficulty in butter "coming" in the warmest weather, when soiled.

A farmer in Waltham, Mass., is said to have made last season 380 lbs. of butter, from the milk of four cows, in thirteen weeks, fed on green fodder—chiefly grass, and corn sowed broadcast. The cows were not out of the barnyard during that time. Two of the animals were heifers only two years old, which had calves in the spring, and the whole of the milk of one of them was taken by her calf during six weeks of the thirteen, and some of the milk of the other was used in the family; from which circumstances it may be said that the four cows should not be rated at more than three ordinary ones.

A yard should be connected with the barn of a size proportionate to the number of cattle soiled. For a half a dozen cows, about a quarter of an acre is necessary, so that the weaker ones may not be annoyed by those that are stronger and pugnacious. They should have an open shed to lie under in stormy weather during summer, and in November they should be housed in their stalls at night.

On this system of feeding, large quantities of roots can be fed to advantage. Indeed, let no man think that he can derive the greatest possible profit from his live stock who does not grow root crops. Roots are the key to all successful farming in England, and they are almost as important here. Carrots stand at the head of the list here, but the turnips in England. Every Milch cow should be fed a half a bushel of carrots, at least, daily, from November till June, or some other equivalent root that does not affect the milk—T. B. Miner, Cor. of the Genesee Farmer.

**TILLING ORCHARD LANDS.**—It is doubtless well to cultivate the ground in which young orchards stand. By this, we mean that the land is to be manured and worked, as well as cropped. It is supposed, also, that in plowing great pains is taken to guard against barking the young trees by the whiffletree, or having them gnawed or broken down by horses. But when the trees have arrived at bearing age, it is better to suspend plowing among the roots. The loss will be greater than the gain for it is impossible to avoid loosening and breaking the roots; and if this does, it is sure to engender disease, stunt the growth, and lead to premature decay. When an old orchard, having long stood in sod, gets rapping, mowed, and scantily fruited, the best way is to scarify the surface with a harrow, and afterward apply a good dressing of manure.—Agriculturist.

A German woman in Winsted, Conn., thinks "we in this country don't know anything about war yet." During the existence of a war in Germany, she was compelled to work in a blacksmith's shop for three years, so scarce were men.

**Miscellaneous**

**NOW READY!**

**BARTLETT'S NEW IRON WORKS**

**TOWANDA, PENNA.**  
THE Subscriber begs leave to call the attention of the public to the fact that he has enlarged his motive power and purchased and set up additional machinery, and employed a larger number of workmen than formerly, so that he is now prepared to execute orders for Castings and Machinery with promptness.

He has at his works all the PATTERNS in use by the late firm of Wm. H. Phillips & Son of Elmira N. Y., and has also added to these, patterns of various kinds.  
MILL IRONS furnished for GRIST MILLS, Gang, Gate, Circular and Muley Saw Mills, besides.

**STEAM ENGINES**  
different sizes and styles and in fact almost any kind Castings or Machinery in common use.

Steam Fittings such as Steam Pipes, Elbows, Return Bends, Reducers, Couplings, Globe Valves, Check Valves, Gauge Cocks, Oil Cups, Whistles, &c. always on hand and made to order.

He is also prepared to furnish STEAM BOILERS of any size or kind wanted.  
Small Castings made in Brass or Composition. Cooking and Heating Stoves of different sizes manufactured and for sale at the above works. Furniture for Cooking Stoves and Stove Pipes always on hand.

Persons who are desiring of any kind are informed that the subscriber has more patterns for Gearing than any other concern in this part of the country. They would be quite sure of finding among his Patterns Gearing for Castings and Machinery of the best quality and at a low price in getting up work.

He makes also a large variety of Pulleys, Balance Weights and Cranks, Water Wheels, also Saw Gummets, Thimble Shafts and Pipe Boxes; Iron Fence, Calendars, Pliers, &c.

His equipment of machinery consists of as good tools as are made, and was selected with the design of being able to do any job which might be offered, whether large or small. In short his effort has been to get up in all respects a first class establishment.

Terms Reasonable. Orders solicited. Cash paid for Old Paper and Rags.  
Works situated on Main Street near Barclay R. R. Canal Basin. O. D. BARTLETT, Proprietor.  
Towanda, April 11, 1861.

**GREAT BARGAINS!**

From \$3,000 to \$4000 Worth

**Fashionable Furniture**

to be SOLD IMMEDIATELY

Having bought recently the Athens Cabinet Ware Rooms, and entire stock of FURNITURE from the late Proprietor, R. M. WELLES, it will be sold for CASH AT PANIC PRICES.

THE STOCK IS LARGE and very complete, has been selected, and is well adapted for the wants of the country. N. B.—It is a common remark made by visitors to this establishment, "Why, I had no idea you had such a large and splendid assortment of Furniture. I have seen nothing like it short of the city."

We have BEEN-STEADS from \$2.50 and upwards. COFFEES and other CHAIRS, in great variety, from \$4.00 to \$25.00 per set. TABLES from \$2.00 upwards, and

Everything else in Proportion.

In every style, size and price, to suit the means and taste of any and all customers. Call and see our stock. Athens, Pa., July 21, 1861. P. N. PAGE.

**ATTENTION IS INVITED TO MY DESIRABLE STOCK OF**

**Fall and Winter Clothing!**

FOR MENS & BOYS WEAR, HATS AND CAPS, BOOTS AND SHOES, LEATHER OF ALL KINDS, Hosiery, Gloves and Underwear.

In all colors and sizes, for the present season, which I am offering at

**ASTONISHING LOW PRICES**

All those wishing to get good bargains may call at the

**CLOTHING STORE**

OF

**M. E. SOLOMON,**

No. 4 Patton's Block, TOWANDA, PA.

**HOTEL KEEPERS,**

DRUGGISTS, FARMERS, AND ALL WHO WANT

**PURE LIQUORS**

I HAVE just received from the City, a Large Stock of

**IMPORTED PURE LIQUORS,**

of every variety. My stock of LIQUORS has been purchased for CASH, directly from the Importers, whereby I am enabled to give the commanding Harvest, a Superior and Pure article of Liquor, of any kind whatever, at LOWER PRICES than were ever before offered in Towanda.

**HOTEL KEEPERS**

Will find it greatly to their advantage to examine my stock before purchasing elsewhere. I have facilities for purchasing, which enables me to WHOLESALE my goods at New York

**WHOLESALE PRICES!**

Needles my Liquors are warranted pure and unadulterated. I have also on hand the Largest Stock and Greatest Variety of

Ever brought to Towanda, which having been purchased directly from the Manufacturers and Importers, enable me to compete with the Wholesale Tobaccoists of the City. Hotel keepers and others are respectfully invited to an examination of my entire stock of Liquors, Cigars and Tobacco. Also,

**Groceries & Provisions,**

Of every description, will be kept constantly on hand, at prices LOWER than elsewhere in this town.

Confident that I am enabled to sell my entire stock of Goods, either at Wholesale or Retail, less than like goods can be purchased on this side of the City. I respectfully solicit the public to an examination at No. 6, Brick Row.

H. W. NOBLE.  
Towanda, June 14, 1860.

**KEROSENE OIL, FOR SALE CHEAP**

at FOX'S.

**EXECUTOR'S NOTICE**—Notice is hereby given, that all persons indebted to the estate of REUBIN GRIFIN, dec'd., late of Sheeshegan township, hereby requested to make immediate payment, and all persons having demands against said estate will please present them duly authenticated for settlement.

May 13, 1861. JOHN N. GRIFFIN, Executor.

**Miscellaneous**

**BOOK BINDERY.**

The subscriber having withdrawn from the Argus Building would respectfully inform the public that he has removed his Plain and Fancy Bindery to the North Room of the Wash House, formerly occupied by Post Office, where he is now prepared to bind all kinds of Books in the most approved and workmanlike manner. Having to share his profits with no second person I flatter myself that my prices will meet the satisfaction of the public.

Thankful for the confidence reposed in me and the public appreciation of my work, for the last two years, I shall endeavor in the future to merit the continuance of public support.

Particular attention given to re-binding Books. All work will be warranted. Terms, Cash.

Also, a large assortment of STATIONERY of the best quality, at the lowest prices. Justices and Constables' BLANKS, of all kinds.

PICTURE FRAMES, round, square and oval; and pictures framed to order, cheaper than ever known.

Call on JOHN N. GRIFFIN, Book Binder and Artist.  
Towanda, Jan. 11, 1860.

**LINCOLN TO BE ELECTED.**

YET all these seem only to increase the business and prosperity of the Old Foundry and

**MACHINE SHOP,**

(South side of Pine st., one door East of H. S. Mercur's Store.)

The undersigned would call the attention of all concerned to the fact, that he is prepared to do, and will execute all work entrusted to him with dispatch, and in the most workmanlike manner.

FITTING UP MILL IRONS, REPAIRING STEAM ENGINES, from the simplest to the most complicated, in any of their parts, and WARRANTED to give satisfaction.

Flows always on hand of the most approved patterns, wooded in the most substantial manner.

Having recently added considerably to his facilities for doing work, and employing experienced workmen in every department, he is confident that he can satisfy all who favor him with their patronage.

JOHN CARMAN.  
Towanda, Oct. 15, 1860.

**Coal, Lime, Cement, Fire Brick, Drain Tiles, &c.**

THERE is a Lime Kiln at the Barclay Company's Basin, in Towanda, where is kept constantly for sale, fresh burnt White Lime, made from the best quality of New York lime stone at 25 cents per bushel, or 41 per barrel, headed up in barrels, and 123 cents per bushel for slacked lime. Lime shipped on boats at Towanda without additional charge. Also Syracuse Slates, 12 and 14 inch, and Fire Brick at 8 cents each. Drain Tiles 2, 3 and 4 inch sizes, at 6 cents per foot, a very nice article for drain land or about dwellings. Merchants supplied with Barclay's Lard by the dozen. Jack Screws, for moving buildings, to let at 25 cents per day each.

Barclay Coal at \$2.25 per ton for Lump Coal and \$2.00 per ton for Smith Coal. Coal delivered in Towanda at 25 cents per ton.

All the above for sale at the office of the Barclay R. R. & Coal Company, Towanda.

J. MACFARLANE, Gen. Superintendent.  
Towanda, Feb. 22, 1861.

**CAUTION**

"To be, or not to be—that is the question! Whether 'tis nobler in the mind to suffer The slings and arrows of outrageous fortune, Or to taking up arms against a sea of troubles, And opposing, end them."

The proprietor of the Argus takes occasion to advise using his Bindery to indulge in an unneeded for doing about "a sort of concern," which is hoping "to divide the business of the town, and satisfy the public in my own account, the inference is that if the public being their liking to me, they are in no danger of being defrauded.

For two years I have been working in Towanda, and have taken great pains to satisfy the public in my "best Binder in America," as the columns of the Argus will testify. I have been all that time "defending the public" from the "defrauding" of the public. I have been engaged in a fraud, he has been in a fraud. But I refer to any work during that time a evidence that there has been no fraud practiced.

Having served a long apprenticeship at the Bindery business, I have resumed business here on my own account, as I know of nothing which prevents me from following a legitimate and lawful calling for my support. I shall endeavor to give work and attention to my business to give public satisfaction.

March 15. JOHN N. GRIFFIN, Binder.

**CIGARS & TOBACCO.**

The best brands of Cigars in town at lowest prices—also, Smoking and Chewing Tobacco, wholesale and retail, at FOX'S.

**NEW ATTRACTIONS!**

At Geo. H. Wood's Gallery TOWANDA, PA.

You can procure, at low prices, PHOTOGRAPHS, of all sizes, up to life size, either plain or retouched, colored in oil or pastille.

Also, MELANOTYPES and AMBROTYPES, and almost all other kinds of types. Pictures in good cases for 25 cents, and other sizes and qualities in proportion.

Minutely printed in all kinds of reading, except for children. All work warranted. July 25, 1861.

**LATEST FROM W. A. R.**

W. A. ROCKWELL is again on hand with the first

**New Goods of the Season!**

DRESS GOODS, GENTLEMEN'S WEAR, FANCY AND STAPLE GOODS, YANKEE NOTIONS, PROVISIONS, GROCERIES, LEATHER, BOOTS & SHOES, WOODEN WARE, HATS AND CAPS.

Those wishing a good bargain will find it greatly to their advantage to give us a call, as the hard times will not prevent us selling good articles at moderate prices. We feel confident that we can give our customers perfect satisfaction. W. A. ROCKWELL.  
Towanda, Sept. 25, 1861.

**SPECIAL NOTICE**

IN ACCORDANCE WITH WHAT seems to be the necessities of the times, and for my own business security, I have decided to sell Goods FOR READY PAY!

I believe I have as good credit customers as any one, and I mean to prompt paying ones, but future prosperity in business I think requires that Groceries and Provisions should be sold for cash.

I hope, by attention to business, and an earnest desire to please, to still retain all of my old customers.

Those who are indebted to me will oblige me by settling up at once. E. T. FOX.  
Towanda, August 1, 1861.

**THE WAR TO BE SETTLED!**

THE OLD TAILOR SHOP STILL IN MOTION.

G. H. BUNTING, THE OLD STAND.

G. H. TAILOR, would inform the public that he is still doing business at his old stand, where he is still prepared to execute all kinds of work in his line on the shortest notice, and in the most approved style.

Having lately secured one of the most perfect systems for cutting in existence, he can warrant smooth and easy fits with safety.

By an arrangement with the merchants, he is enabled to get up suits at a very low figure for cash. He would inform the public that he is agent for A. Barthol's Sewing Machines, the best machine extant—which will be furnished for cash, from \$50 up to \$80, as may be desired.

N. B.—He is prepared to clean and mend garments at reasonable rates, to suit the times—making them look nearly as new as when first made. Call and try him.

Shop on Main st., opposite Cording & Russell's hardware store, and three doors south of Dr. Carter's grocery. Fashionable revolvers, every month. G. H. B.  
Towanda, Nov. 20, 1861.

**A FINE ASSORTMENT OF**

GROCERIES & FAMILY SUPPLIES.

Tea than can't be beat, the best black Tea in town, also Sugar, Coffee, Soap, Fish, Pork, and almost everything in the Grocery line, for sale cheap at FOX'S.

**Cheese Worth Eating.**

I HAVE RECEIVED A LARGE QUANTITY of the best Swiss and Cheddar Cheese, and as it was ever brought into this town. Please call and try it, if you like it you can buy it cheap. E. T. FOX.

**Handmade, &c.**

**CHEAPNESS, STYLE & BEAUTY.**

NOW IS YOUR TIME TO BUY YOUR

**CLOTHING CHEAP**

AT YOUR OWN PRICES.

**PROCLAIM IT TO THE PEOPLE!**

JUST RECEIVED—A Large Stock of FINE AND WINTER CLOTHING, at J. CORN'S

Elmira Branch boys have won renown, and delicately, that he takes to the foremost of the Clothing Merchants of Towanda.

Eighteen hundred and sixty-one has come, and the light and airy Spring shines upon us, with all its radiant splendor. I shall continue to sell Clothing, Cheap, cheaper than any other man, as my goods are all bought cheap for cash, and they will be sold cheap for cash.

My goods are all manufactured in Elmira, therefore, I can warrant them well made. Enough for me to say, I have everything in the line of

**CLOTHING!**

GENTS FURNISHING GOODS, HATS CAPS, &c., That is kept in any other Store in town.

My banner is on the breeze, We've Goods enough for all to see, O'er the head of the wave, And the home of the brave! While her Stars and Stripes Sit clothed like a sun, Telling all the nations That Freedom's best is true.

This is a free country; therefore it is free for all to do their trading where they can do the best, regardless of the cross and sour looks of old fogy merchants. I invite you to come and see me—country as well as the city are invited—every person, rich or poor, high or low, loud or free are invited to call.

Come one, come all, and stop your speed, We've Goods enough for all to see, The boys, themselves, are at their posts, And they alone can supply a host. O'er other dealers in this town, The boys have won renown, For selling the cheapest and the best, And selling more than all the rest! Hurrah! Hurrah! I am a free man, Accept our thanks, and call again. Among our assortments you'll always find, Goods to fit, and please the mind. Come on, on hand, and see the things, To sell our Goods, and earn a shilling! So hold your horses, and come this way, We shall be glad to see you any day.

At JOHN SHAM'S Clothing Store, next door to H. S. Mercur's Dry Goods Store, Main Street, Towanda, Pa.

N. B.—We wish to be understood, that we are not to be understood by any man, or combination of men.

No charge for showing our Goods. J. CORN.  
Towanda, March 12, 1862.

**The Argus Book bindery**

Again in Full Operation!

WE have the gratification of announcing to our friends, customers, and the public, that we are now prepared to bind

**BOOK BINDING,**

in all its branches in the latest and most approved styles, and on the most favorable terms.

Having recently, to the services of Mr. H. C. WILKINS, a finished workman from Philadelphia, and having added extensively to the fixtures of the concern—giving greater facility than formerly—we can present to our old customers, as well as to prevent an imposition upon the public generally, to caution them against a sort of concern that lately holds out to the public that it is the Argus Bindery. This fraud is practiced, no doubt, with a view to injure the Public, and against its bold and deliberate attempt to deceive, they are hereby cautioned.

Particular attention paid to re-binding. All work guaranteed.

Country Produce of all kinds taken in payment for work.

Having made complete arrangements, we are prepared to bind and re-bind BOOKS of any style or pattern at prices as low as elsewhere.

Sowanda, March 5, 1860. J. A. PARSONS.

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**UNION MARBLE WORKS!**

Located at Towanda, Penn'a.

GEORGE McCABE

WOULD inform HIS FRIENDS and the people of Bradford county in general, that he has purchased the Marble Yard, formerly owned by Taylor, Cash, and has added to its stock a large assortment of

**American and Foreign Marble,**

he invites the public to see his large stock ever in this county. Customers purchasing at the shop or sending their orders will expect at least 50 per cent, and name from with agents looking after grave sites before the corpse is buried, and who are not responsible. Come and see what you are getting. Having been in the business for the last 25 years, in the city of Philadelphia, he intends to keep a variety of yard on hand of Marble Mantels, Monuments, Grave Yard Posts, Head Stones and Tombs, at city prices.

By a lot of Main Street, opposite Gen. Patton's, N. B.—Alterations and Repairing promptly attended to. GEORGE McCABE.  
Towanda, Dec. 18, 1861.

**Thrashing Machine Agency**

ATTENTION! FARMERS! THE SUBSCRIBER IS SOLE AGENT

in the county of Bradford and the neighboring counties in Pennsylvania and New York, for

**EMERY'S**

**Celebrated Thrashing Machines,**

EMERY'S ONE AND TWO HORSE POWERS, are too well and popularly known to need any description from me, and I will only say that they continue to deserve the reputation they have enjoyed for ten years of being the "best Endless Chain Horse Power in use." These Powers possess conveniences and advantages possessed by no other power.

**EMERY'S NEW PATENT**

**THRASHER AND CLEANER**

This is a new Machine, and has not before been introduced into this region. It has no endless chain carrier, but separates all kinds of grain thoroughly from the straw, by a combination of Pitts' Endless Canvas Celled Apron, a New Improved Revolving Picker, and the well known Vibrating Riddle. It is a simple, durable and efficient Machine, will thresh rapidly and clean thoroughly, without wasting, all kinds of grain. It will not choke, run easily and steadily, without jumping, and is warranted to be superior to the common Rack Cleaner now in use. It remains only to be seen and tested, to be pronounced by every experienced hand at thrashing, to be an admirably contrived and constructed Thrasher and Cleaner.

EMERY'S IMPROVED THRASHERS & SEPARATORS are not excelled by any in market, are well constructed, simple and durable, and are prepared to supply all kinds of

**AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY**

at manufacturers prices and terms.

For further information, illustrative and descriptive Catalogues, prices, &c., apply to

R. M. WELLES, Agent.  
Athens, Pa., July 20, 1861.

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JOSEPH POWELL.  
Dried Fruit, GOOD DRIED APPLES, Blackberries, Raspberries and Whortleberries, cheap FOX'S.

**Medical.**



**DR. PORTER'S**