

**Agricultural.**  
Hints About Work.  
The winter evenings have come, and it is a matter of the first importance that a portion of them should be devoted to the cultivation of the mind. The summer has necessarily been devoted to labor. In the winter, Nature puts a barrier upon many of our labors, and we should take advantage of the interval to read upon topics that have been deferred for want of time to discuss them. The mind needs cultivation as much as the soil, and it is generally the state of the mind that makes farming profitable or otherwise. The brain is more and more showing its power every year in economizing farm labor, and no man can afford to remain in ignorance of the manifold appliances that help him in industry. Keep the mind improving, and make all your farm operations a means of mental culture. Look back over the past year, and see wherein you have made bad plans, or failed to carry out good ones. Determine what practices have been profitable and what ought to be abandoned. Every year's operations ought to have its lessons for the thinking farmer, and settle some principles.  
**Periodicals.**—These are indispensable now to keep a man abreast of his times. No investment pays better than a few dollars in the best agricultural and horticultural journals. Farming is progressive like other arts, and there is money saved and gained in the hints which these papers give in their monthly or weekly visits.  
**Circulating Libraries.** will furnish much that one is not able to purchase for himself. These should be established in every town, and provision made for their regular increase. At least exchange books and periodicals with your neighbors. They are great educators, and you may as well direct their education as to leave it to others. A home well supplied with good books and papers is rarely deserted for places of vicious resorts.  
**Schools.**—Keep your children in the best schools. Make the free-schools as good as they can be, but if there are better, use them. There is no compensation for the loss of the advantages of education.  
**Accounts.**—Have everything settled up by the close of this month, and ascertain definitely the result of the year's transactions. Know whether you have gained or lost, and how much. Farmers are more negligent than any other class in this matter. They have much barter with their neighbors, and at the store or market town, and often accounts run for years without any settlement. They do not know how they stand with the world, and cannot tell whether any crop they cultivate is a loss or gain to them. This is bad farming, and often leads to bad morality. Keep accounts and settle them once a year, for your own sake as well as your neighbor's. Begin the next year with a clean balance sheet.  
**Protection against Frost.**—The cellar may be made frost-proof originally, by good underpinning and double glazed windows. If this has not been done, make a thick bank of earth, tan-bark, sea weed, or straw. The roots have cost quite too much labor to be ruined by frost. A well protected cellar makes the whole house warmer and saves fuel. Protect water pipes and pumps, and if the pipes chance to get frozen, wrap them in flannel and pour hot water upon them to thaw them out. Save plumbers' bills by timely attention.  
**Fodder.**—This has cost money to raise and should be carefully saved. Feed regularly, and only so much as an animal eats up clean. There is waste in irregular, or over-feeding. If you fodder in the yard let it be under a shed, with racks to put the hay in. Stocks should be brought to the barn and foddered there. It is wasteful to scatter hay upon the ground. **Cells and Stacks.**—Improve the leisure of the season to break them in to work. The smooth snow path makes light loads, and their strength should not be much taxed at first.  
**Horses.**—The horse above all animals wants careful handling. See that the shoes are well put on, and the canks sharpened as they wear. Approaches, Warm blankets, and a fodder and promote health. If the young folks go on a sleigh ride, insist upon the horse blanket to keep company with the robes for Tom and his sweetheart. There will be bills enough to settle without a sick horse in the stable to be doctored.  
**Working Oxen** should be kept shod and caulked, if need be. Keep a flesh by generous feeding. A lean working ox is poor property.  
**Cows.**—Keep the stables clean and well bedded at night. Sprinkle plaster or dried peat upon the floors when cleaned out, to save the ammonia and to avoid injury to the eyes of the cows. Ventilate thoroughly, and from the top of the barn if possible. Give them an opportunity to exercise an hour or two in the warm part of the day. Keep the horns ornamented with balls, if they are inclined to be quarrelsome. Plan to have one or more farrow, or new milk cows for winter. There is no substitute for a plenty of good milk in the family.  
**Hogs** ought to be well fattened by Christmas. Pork is made much more economically in warm than in freezing weather. Pay great attention to the quarters of the animals. Good sties with plenty of straw are cheaper than meat to keep up the animal heat. The pig is cleanly in his habits, and will thrive clean if you give him a dry lodging place and straw. Corn meal is high this year, and the root crop is short, and pork will probably cost the Eastern farmer about all it costs to. Cooked food pays best.  
**Wood-cutting and Lumber.**—Now is the time to lay in a stock of wood for the year. Well seasoned wood saves fuel, time, money, and the temper of the housewife. Much of the comfort of a family depends upon the kitchen fire. Ralls have also to be provided upon many farms. Posts are wanted, and joists, planks, and boards. Saw-mill logs are much more easily carried upon sleds than upon carts. Improve the first good snow to move them.  
Why is a telegraphman marring a couple like an apothecary? Because he compounds simples.

**Drugs and Medicines.**  
**W. H. GORE'S**  
DRUG STORE,  
TOWANDA, PA.  
W. H. Gore, (successor to Gore & Powell), has the pleasure to announce that he has received from the manufacturers a large stock of  
**FRESH DRUGS AND MEDICINES.**  
Has just been received, and we are now prepared to supply the  
**WANTS OF THE PUBLIC WITH ARTICLES**  
Belonging to the Trade.  
**PURE WINES AND LIQUORS,**  
FOR MEDICAL USE ONLY.  
A FULL ASSORTMENT OF CONCENTRATED  
BOTANICAL, SOLEOTIC AND HOMOEOPATHIC  
MEDICINES.  
**ALL THE POPULAR PATENT MEDICINES.**  
PAIN, OIL, VARNISH,  
**PAINT AND VARNISH BRUSHES,**  
DYE-STUFFS AND GLASS.  
**FANCY AND TOILET ARTICLES OF EVERY**  
KIND.  
**VILDER'S ALCOHOLIC AND FLUID EXTRACTS,**  
**ALKALOID AND RESINOIDS.**  
All the Best Teas,  
**ABDOMINAL SUPPORTERS,**  
Shoulder Braces,  
**BREAST PUMPS, NIPPLES, SHELLS, AND**  
SHIELDS.  
Nursing Bottles, Syringes and Catheters,  
A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF RUBBER, STYRENE, POCKET  
KNIVES,  
**SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS OF LATEST**  
AND BEST QUALITY.  
A large supply of Brushes for the Hair and Nail.  
Also for the Teeth and Nails. Tooth Powders,  
Tooth Brushes, Hair Dye, Hair Oil,  
Scented Soap, Hair Dressing,  
Lotion, Shampoos, etc., etc., of the  
latest styles.  
**CHOICE CIGARS, TOBACCO AND SHUFF.**  
Physicians supplied at reasonable rates.  
Medicines and Prescriptions carefully and  
accurately compounded and prepared by competent  
persons at all hours of the day and night.  
Sunday hours from 9 o'clock in the forenoon,  
to 1 o'clock in the afternoon.  
TOWANDA, Sept. 29, 1887. W. H. GORE.

**Clothing.**  
**NEW SPRING AND SUMMER**  
GOODS!  
**R. W. EDDY,**  
Would announce to the citizens of Towanda,  
and the generally, that he has in store  
and daily receiving, new and  
**FRESH GOODS,**  
In his line, suitable to the wants of the people,  
which he will sell for currency at former  
**GOLD PRICES!**  
Consisting of usual of good well and reliable  
made  
**CLOTHING!**  
(No Shoddy of any kind) consisting in  
**BUSINESS SUITS,**  
All grades.  
**COATS, VESTS AND PANTS,**  
All Wool.  
**DRESS COATS, PANTS & VESTS,**  
All Wool, Coats, Dusters and Pants,  
Green Allen and Over Shirts, Linen and Peter  
Collars, Linen, Checkers and Flannel Shirts,  
Neck Ties, Suspenders, Gloves, Cuffs, Leather  
Shoes, Spring Suits, Suits and Straw Hats.  
All first class. Remember that Gore's Goods are  
cheaper at a fair price than poor goods at any  
price. Call and examine my goods before buying.  
Next door to Powell & Co.  
TOWANDA, May 18, 1887.  
**THE TEMPLE OF FASHION!**  
NEW STORE AND NEW GOODS!  
An entire new stock of Clothing to suit all  
tastes before the war to be sold with  
**SMALL PROFITS!**  
The undersigned would respectfully announce to  
the citizens of Towanda and vicinity that he  
is now ready to offer Clothing, such as  
**FINE BEAVER OVERCOATS,**  
CHINCHILLAS, PILLOTS,  
Also the  
**FINEST DRESS AND BUSINESS SUITS,**  
**HATS AND CAPS.**  
Furnishing Goods, etc., and that these goods  
bought at very low figures will be sold with  
very small profits. I intend to establish a permanent  
trade in this place, and in order to gain the  
confidence of purchasers, will sell on a basis of  
**HONESTY AND INTEGRITY!**  
and all goods will be warranted for what they  
are represented to be. (Come and examine and  
convince yourself. Don't forget the place,  
Temple of Fashion, opposite the Means House,  
south end of Beddeman's Block.  
TOWANDA, Oct. 18, 1887.  
**BURNED OUT!**  
**J. M. COLLINS,**  
Having had his store burned at the late fire, is  
desirous of disposing of his entire stock of  
**READY MADE CLOTHING,**  
**CLOTHS,**  
**CASSIMERES,**  
**TRIMMINGS,**  
**GENTS FURNISHING GOODS,**  
**HATS, CAPS,**  
etc., etc.  
These goods are in good condition and will be  
sold  
**30 PER CENT BELOW COST,**  
As I am obliged to close out the stock for want  
of a place to business in.  
Don't neglect this opportunity for bargains.  
Call at the new wood building, second store be-  
low Beddeman's Block, east side of Main street,  
just opposite the Means House.  
TOWANDA, Aug. 20, '87.  
**THE HIGHEST PRICE IN CASH**  
paid for all kinds of Produce, at  
Beddeman & Co.'s, cheap store.

**GROCERY PROVISION AND**  
**FEED STORE.**  
**JOHN MERIDETH,**  
(Successor to John & Powell), has the pleasure to  
announce that he has received from the manufac-  
turers a large stock of  
**GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS,**  
Which he is selling at the lowest prices, and  
constantly on hand a large stock of  
**FEED STORE,**  
Which he is selling cheap for cash.  
**TEAS, COFFEES, SUGARS,**  
**MOLASSES,**  
**FLOUR, BUTTER, PORK, &C.**  
Which he is selling cheap for cash.  
The citizens of Towanda and vicinity, will  
please accept my thanks for their very liberal  
patronage for the last two years, and we  
promote with their assistance, to improve our  
very opportunity to enlarge our new business, so as  
to warrant satisfaction to all. Call and see us  
again.  
JOHN MERIDETH.  
TOWANDA, July 10, 1887.  
**NEW GROCERY AND PROVI-**  
**SION STORE!**  
Has opened a new Grocery and Provision Store  
in Patton's Block, in the store formerly occu-  
pied by Solomon Store, which he now offers to the  
public a large supply of  
**GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS,**  
Of the best quality, and to be sold at the VERY  
LOWEST PRICES. The stock contains  
**TEAS, COFFEES, SUGARS,**  
**SUGARS, &C. ALSO**  
**FLOUR, FEED, MEAL, &C.**  
In fact everything usually kept in a Grocery  
and Provision Store, which I shall sell as low  
as can be bought elsewhere.  
Cash will be paid for all kinds of Cows, Tur-  
keys, etc., etc.  
TOWANDA, Oct. 17, 1887.  
**NEW STORE!**  
**NEW GOODS!**  
**NEW GROCERIES!**  
**W. A. ROCKWELL'S.**  
**CANED FRUITS,**  
**PINE APPLES, PEACHES, PLUMS**  
**OF ALL KINDS,**  
**AND CANNED OYSTERS.**  
**DRIED APPLES,**  
**PEACHES, PRUNES, CHERRIES,**  
etc., etc., etc.  
**TEAS, SUGARS, SYRUPS,**  
**MOLASSES, COFFEE, SPICES,**  
Of all kinds, in fact everything in the  
**GROCERY LINE!**  
Will be kept constantly on hand  
**FLOUR, FEED, BRAND, POTATOES,**  
**BUTTER, LARD, EGGS, AND EVERY**  
**VARIETY OF FARMERS PRODUCE.**  
A fresh lot of  
**DRY GOODS OF ALL VARIETIES,**  
Purchased at the  
**LOWEST POINT IN THE MARKET**  
And will be sold as  
**CHEAP AS THE CHEAPEST!**  
**TO THE FARMERS.**  
**CASH PAID FOR**  
**ALL KINDS OF PRODUCE.**  
W. A. ROCKWELL.  
May 23, 1887.  
**THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVING**  
Purchased the entire interest of  
**R. H. PATCH,**  
In the firm of C. B. PATCH & CO., is now  
prepared to offer to the citizens of Bradford  
County and vicinity, a large and well selected  
stock of  
**GROCERIES,**  
Which I have purchased for Cash and feel con-  
fident that can sell at as low figures as can be  
purchased elsewhere. I now offer to the public  
a splendid stock of  
**TEAS, COFFEES, SUGARS,**  
**STARBUCH, SALERATUS, SPICES, &C.**  
Have on hand a large stock of  
**AKRON FLOUR, GRAHAM DO.**  
**RYE DO. BUCKWHEAT DO.**  
I keep constantly on hand, PORK, HAMS,  
LARD and kinds of FISH. Will call the at-  
tention of the public to our Can't Be Beat  
**STOCK OF TOBACCO,**  
In quality or price. Jesse Oakley's Celebrated  
Laundry, New York Chemical and Brown Soap.  
Please call and examine our stock of  
**WOODEN WARE.**  
Large assortment of YANKEE NOTIONS,  
TOILET SOAPS, etc., etc. I will pay the high-  
est cash price for  
**COUNTRY PRODUCE.**  
Farmers give us a call before selling elsewhere.  
C. B. PATCH.  
R. H. PATCH.  
TOWANDA, March 12, 1887.  
**MUSIC OR ANY OTHER ART-**  
**ICLES IN ONE LOT, ordered at short notice**  
by calling at the  
NEWS ROOM.

**STILL ANOTHER NEW STOCK**  
**OF GOODS!**  
**JAMES G. FROST,** would call attention to the  
large and varied assortment of  
**FURNITURE!**  
Now on exhibition at the new store, which  
he will be happy to show to any and every one  
free of charge, or to sell at a very small ad-  
vance from the cost. He has a large stock of  
the public, which will be kept constantly sup-  
plied with such purchases, and will be glad to  
deal with any one who may wish to purchase.  
**LARGER STOCK**  
To select from there is kept in any other Part  
of the Store in this region; but also by offering  
them at a less price.  
**AT A LESS PRICE**  
Than the same quality of goods can be pur-  
chased elsewhere. I have now in store over 50  
**DIFFERENT PATTERNS OF CHAIRS,**  
And more than  
**THIRTY DIFFERENT STYLES BEDSTEADS**  
Bedsteads, Bureaus, Tables, Book Cases,  
What Nots, Chairs, Piano Stools, Child-  
ren's Carriages, Children's Cradles,  
Chests, Trunks, etc., etc., for Cash and  
Looking Glass Plate, Pic-  
ture Frames, Picture  
Savings, etc., etc.  
In fact a full assortment  
**OF EVERYTHING IN THE LINE,**  
All of which will be sold  
**CHEAP FOR CASH.**  
The public are invited to call and examine  
my stock before purchasing elsewhere. Store  
on Main Street, 2 doors south of Monday.  
I also keep on hand, a large assortment of  
**READY MADE COFFINS,**  
From the most common to the finest Mahogany  
or Rosewood, which will be furnished with or  
without Attendance with Hearse, at as low a  
price as the same quality can be purchased else-  
where.  
Dec. 1886-87.  
**NEW FURNITURE STORE!**  
Having received the Furniture Ware-rooms form-  
erly occupied by J. R. Page, Athens, Pa., I  
would now call to the attention of the public the  
fact that I have a complete Stock of Goods,  
just received, embracing everything in the  
**FURNITURE LINE.**  
My goods are new and well selected, and for  
GOOD GOODS  
Will not be underbid by any. Call and ex-  
amine my stock before purchasing. I retain  
the Workmen of the old establishment, and  
**MR. N. I. HART**  
Will have charge of the business and Manufac-  
turing. In short we have the finest Stock of  
Goods in our line west of New York, consisting of  
Parlor Furniture,  
Chamber-Sets, Sofas, Bureaus, Marble-top  
Centres Tables, etc., etc., etc., etc.,  
Dining Tables, Chairs, Bedsteads,  
Mirrors, Picture Frames,  
Photograph Orbits, Cords and Tassels,  
Steel Engravings,  
Oil Paintings, Table Stands, Work-Boxes,  
Pictures, etc.  
**COFFINS AND BURIAL CASES.**  
Our Undertaker's Department will at all  
times be supplied with everything in that  
line. We have the  
**FINEST HEARSE**  
In this section, not excepting anything west  
of New York, and will attend to funerals with a  
circuit of Twenty Miles, on reasonable terms.  
A. N. HART, Agent.  
Athens, Pa., Dec. 18, 1886-87.  
**FURNITURE WAREHOUSES!**  
JAMES MAKINSON announces to the public  
that he still continues to manufacture and keep  
on hand a large assortment of  
**CABINETS, PICTURE FRAMES,**  
Bureaus, Tables, Bedsteads, Stands, Chairs,  
etc., etc., etc., etc., etc., etc., etc., etc., etc.,  
of every description, which will be made  
of the best materials, and in the most workman-  
like manner.  
I invite the attention of the public to my work,  
which shall be of the highest quality, and my  
shop in the country, and my prices will be  
found to be as low as the time will admit.  
I have a large stock of goods on hand or  
made to order. A good Hearse will be furnished  
when desired.  
Aug. 14, 1886.  
**Miscellaneous.**  
**GLASSWARE!**  
225 Green Street, 2 doors below Barclay St.  
Is the Great Depot for  
**CHOCOLATE DEALERS' GLASSWARE,**  
**CONDIMENTERS' DRUGGISTS'**  
**GREEN GLASS BY THE PACKAGE**  
In fact all kinds of  
**GLASS WARE.**  
Also, a complete assortment of  
**BRITANNIA WARE,**  
And  
**SILVER PLATED WARE,**  
**KEROSENE WARE,**  
**CHANDLERS, LANTERNS, &C.**  
Best brands of Kerosene Oil.  
The best patent Fruit Jars in the market, to  
be sold at the lowest prices. A full line of  
Lotion Glasses. All kinds of Glassware  
made to order. Agent for Meridian Britannia  
Company.  
J. T. WRIGHT,  
225 Green Street,  
April 15, '87. 2 doors below Barclay, N. Y.  
**MERCHANTS UNION**  
**EXPRESS COMPANY.**  
**GREAT INDUCEMENTS TO**  
**MERCHANTS NOT SHIPPERS**  
Having made arrangements with the New  
York and Erie Railway, to Express Business  
from Towanda and vicinity, by leaving their cars  
freight and merchandise for all parts of the  
Union—North, South, East, West, the Cana-  
dian Provinces, West India, and all other  
ports of call, with the greatest dispatch. Shippers and Merchants generally  
know what enormous rates they have been pay-  
ing for quick transportation. Now this Com-  
pany pay a special rate for Merchants Union  
Express, and will be glad to have the use of the  
company (which the old Companies have formed) as a  
means of saving time and money. All goods  
and packages weighing 40 lbs. and up-  
wards, are shipped by actual weight. The way  
to keep low rates, is to patronize the Means  
House, and to have your goods packed and  
attention given to money and valuable pack-  
ages. Collections are made for you, and  
returned forward by quickest dispatch.  
R. G. CARR, Agent.  
P. O. Agents to be forwarded from  
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