Bradford Reporter

Towanda, Thursday, April 16, 1874.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE weekly meetings of the Ladies' Benevolent Association, have been discontinued for the present.

THERE will be a temperance meeting in the M. E. Church, on Sunday afternoon next, at 5 o'clock, to which all are invited.

STEPHEN STRICKLAND, Esq., of Wysox, died at the residence of his son on Sunday morning last. He had reached the ripe old age of 83 years.

J. S. CRAWFORD, of Herrick, recently slaughtered a nine months porker, which weighed four hundred and forty-nine and a half pounds.

WM. KINGSLEY, of Standing Stone, had his barn burned recently, by a deaf and dumb boy. A cow tied in the stall was completely roasted. No insurance.

H. S. HOLLON has removed from Monroeton to Greenwood, and opened a general store. HARRY understands how to run such an establishment, and the people of that vicinity are fortunate in securing him as a neighbor.

THE MESSRS. EILENBERGER have leased their trout ponds in Albany township. Under the liberal management of the late proprietors, the ponds have become quite a favorite resort for the disciples of WALTON.

THE heaviest fall of snow of the season was experienced here on Thursday night last. Friday morning it measured ten inches on the level. Verily "winter still lingers in the lap of spring."

MR. E. H. COWLES presented the festival last week with a neat, artistic and beautiful anchor, made of flowers. While displaying excellent taste in its execution, it at the same time gave evidence that our people are particularly fortunate in having such an establishment in our midst.

FOX & MERCUR have rented the office recently occupied by H B. MCKEAN, over BARTLETT & TRACEY's Insurance Office, where those having business to transact with the late firm, or with Mr. Fox, will find some one to attend to them.

REV. F. D. HOSKINS delivered an able, clear and convincing lecture on Temperance in the Presbyterian Church, on Monday evening last, to a large and deeply interested audience. His account of the good work in Elmira stimulated the ladies to greater zeal here, and we look for the best results.

AS THE section of the Presbyterian church was ringing the bell for service the other evening, the fastening broke, and the large bell, weighing *fourteen hundred pounds*, fell. Fortunately a platform of heavy timber some five feet below, prevented the bell from "going through" the building.

WE NOTICE the following postal changes in this county for the week ending April 11: Office re-established: Powell, and H. S. HOLLON appointed Postmaster. Postmasters appointed: WM. L. PENDLETON, Highland Lake; GEORGE TUBB, South Creek; ARTHUR H. MCKEAN, West Burlington; B. M. WALTER, West Franklin.

WILMOT CAMP is canvassing some of the eastern townships of this county, for the *Christian Union*. The paper is too well known to require any extended notice from us. The publishers offer a pair of beautiful chromos as a premium. We cheerfully recommend Mr. CAMP to the confidence of all who desire to subscribe for a good family newspaper.

THE store recently occupied by FOX & MERCUR, is being thoroughly refitted, and will soon be occupied by our enterprising clothing merchant, JULIUS WOLFF. Mr. W., finding his old quarters too contracted for his rapidly growing business, has secured this capacious store in order to keep pace with the demands of his daily increasing custom. He will remain at his old stand until the new quarters are prepared for him.

JOHN ADAMS met with quite a serious accident a few nights since. His horse had been standing loose to a post for some time, and after Mr. A. got into the buggy to go home, accompanied by his little son, and had started the horse, he discovered that some scoundrel had unbuckled the harness. Fearing that an accident might happen, he jumped from the buggy to arrange the harness, and broke his ankle. DRS. PRATT and LYMAN were called and attended to the wound.

AS A compliment to our foreman, Mr. C. H. ALLEN, who executed the programme, we copy the following item from the Elmira *Daily Advertiser*:

"We have received a copy of the 'Anniversary Exercises of Christ Church Sunday-School at Towanda, Pa., on Easter Day, 1874.' It is one of the handsomest productions in the printers' line that we have seen for many a day, and in a very flourishing condition must be the school that can put forth so handsome a programme."

R. H. RICHARDS, of Albany, has been appointed agent for the "History of the Grange Movement, or the Farmers' War against Monopolies." To the farmer it is decidedly the most interesting and useful volume of the day, and as it comes at a time when the whole country is suffering intensely from the effects of the evils it denounces, cannot fail to have a tremendous sale. It is an able written work, and a bold and vigorous plea in behalf of the farmers and all who are oppressed and robbed by the grasping Monopolies which are causing so much trouble. It is sold by subscription only.

A HANDSOME PRESENT.—Our good friend, S. C. ELSBREE, Esq., was surprised on Tuesday evening last. In fact what happened to him would surprise almost anybody. A gentleman from Ithaca, N. Y., called upon him, and stated that he had been commissioned to present Mr. E. with a token of regard, from a friend, and proceeded to place in his hands a valuable gold watch and chain, valued at $500. The watch is the celebrated Burgessen watch. We congratulate Mr. E. on having such a friend as the modest donor, and assure the gentleman, whoever he is, that the recipient is entirely worthy of such a token of regard, and that the magnificent present will be appreciated.

ED. REPORTER: After a short but interesting speech by Deputy S. W. BUCK, a Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry was organized in Leighfield, on the 6th inst., under the name of Highland Grange, with thirty charter members, and the following officers were duly elected and installed: Master, A. D. Munn; Overseer, S. D. Barnum; Steward, H. S. Munn; Ass't Steward, Henry Hayes; Lecturer, H. F. Johnson; Treasurer, H. D. Morse; Secretary, A. J. Layton; Chaplain, Heman Morse; Gate-keeper, Alonzo Fitz; Ceres, Mrs. A. J. Layton; Pomona, Miss Lovilla Morse; Flora, Miss Sarah Campbell; Lady Ass't Steward, Mrs. A. D. Munn.

THE fair and festival which came off at Mercur's Hall, on Wednesday evening last, was not largely attended, but was quite a success. The inclement state of the weather prevented many from attending, but those present were very liberal. One of the interesting features of the entertainment was the New England Kitchen, presided over by Mrs. LAMB, assisted by Mrs. G. H. WATKINS, Mrs. D. W. SCOTT, Mrs. DR. STEVENS and Miss HANNAH WOODRUFF. Miss PRUDIE E. COLE being present, entertained the audience with a couple of recitations, which were received with the greatest satisfaction and elicited the highest encomiums. She has an excellent voice, well adapted to every character of recitation, and is bound to make her mark in the world.

The festival netted one hundred dollars.

The ladies who so kindly volunteered to conduct the entertainment, deserve great credit. Their unselfish labors will long be remembered by this community.

UNDER the provisions of the new judicial apportionment bill, Judge STREETER has been elected to take Susquehanna county, leaving this county to Judge MORROW.

During Judge STREETER's residence in this county, he has won many warm friends, and his judicial course has met the hearty approval of the entire community, and we have no doubt he would have been pleased to continue his residence among our people, but the fact that Judge MORROW "was to the manor born," and naturally felt somewhat reluctant to break off his old associations, decided Judge STREETER to return to Susquehanna county, where he is deservedly very popular as a citizen and as a judge.

Judge MORROW's term will expire in 1881.

MR. EDITOR: A man named WM. HILL, about thirty years of age, who has resided for a short time in Quick's Bend, Wilmot township, attempted to commit suicide on the 4th inst., by shooting himself in the head with a pistol. The ball entered a little above the ear, and passing upward, is supposed to be lodged near the skull at the top of the head. He is conscious, but expresses no penitence for the rash act, and only regrets that he did the job in such a *bungling* manner. He had recently separated from his wife, and been drinking a good deal lately, but was said to be sober when he attempted self-destruction. His chances of recovery are considered very doubtful.

J. S. LLOYD contributes to the Calaveras (Cal.) *Chronicle* an article on the late CHARLES SUMNER, from which we clip the following reference to our late distinguished townsman, HON. DAVID WILMOT:

"Sumner was a man of conscience. Guided himself by that monitor, he had always the greatest respect for the conscientious convictions of others. David Wilmot, the author of the 'Wilmot Proviso,' and one of the ablest speakers in the country, while a member of the U. S. Senate, sat next to Sumner, on his left. Wilmot, years before, while a young man, represented the strongest Democratic district in Pennsylvania in the Lower House of Congress. Upon concluding his maiden speech, John Quincy Adams, ex-President of the United States, walked over to Wilmot's side of the house, patted him on the shoulder, and said: 'That is the best speech I have ever heard in this house!' Could a compliment come from a higher source? When Wilmot became U. S. Senator, his old district had become the strongest Republican district in the State, and he one of its foremost in that party. While Sumner and Wilmot were members of the Senate, a resolution was offered, I think by Sumner, exempting from military duty, persons having conscientious scruples against bearing arms. Sumner voted for it, and Wilmot gave a decided nay. Sumner turned and asked Wilmot if he could vote for the resolution. 'I am no man be too conscientious to fight for his country,' was Wilmot's reply."

AN A regular meeting of the Burlington Patrons of Husbandry, the following preamble and resolutions were offered and adopted:

WHEREAS, An All Wise Providence has seen proper in His inscrutable way—but whose ways are past finding out—to remove from our midst by death, our worthy Overseer, Josephus Campbell; and while we bow in humble submission to His will, we cannot refrain from expressing our sincere regret and profound sorrow for the death of our Brother, whose voice will never more be heard in our councils, and whose advice and encouragement are lost to us forever. But may we endeavor to imitate his good example, and practice his good precepts, so that when we too are called hence, it will be well with us.

Resolved, That we tender our heartfelt sympathies and offer words of condolence to his afflicted family, whose loss is irreparable, and whose grief we cannot expect to assuage, leaving that to time alone to alleviate; yet may they be consoled and comforted in the reflection that he died a respected, honored, and useful citizen, and let them with all the comforts necessary, live in this life, and in spirit, and with the hope that they may one day meet him in that far-off and better land.

Resolved, That these proceedings be entered in the books of our Order by our worthy Secretary, and a copy thereof handed to the family of the deceased Brother.

J. P. MORLEY, Sec'y.

THE Canton *Sentinel* of the 2d inst. contains quite a lengthy biographical sketch of the late DAVIS VANDYKE, of East Canton, who died in December last, at the advanced age of 76 years. The deceased was for a number of years a resident of this place, and occupied the farm where J. M. WARD now lives. His pastor, in writing of him, says:

"He was converted in 1838, under the labors of Rev. L. A. Baker, and joined the M. E. Church, and was soon after made a leader, which responsible position he filled with acceptability for some years. He has been Steward and Sunday-school Superintendent at various times, and at the time of his death was a trustee of the church, thus filling with satisfaction the important posts of the church during all his Christian life. His house was long the home of the *Itinerant*, and in him the Herald of the Cross had a true friend and sympathizer. He was a man who thought much and weighed carefully his motives, his religious experience took deep hold of the inner man, and had to do with the springs of action.

"The writer has often noticed with what simple frankness and childlike honesty he expressed himself when relating his experience in class-meeting.

"Some three weeks since he attended the Sabbath morning services, and in the class-meeting expressed very joyfully the fullness of his hope in the Redeemer, saying his experience of the Saviour's goodness had been richer and more blessed to him of late than ever before. We can but believe he was ready and waiting the Master's summons to come up higher. 'To live was Christ, to die was gain.'"

PERSONAL.—MR. I. CLINTON MYER is visiting his aged mother and other friends in this place, after an absence of over thirty years. His present home is in California.

—Our jovial, good-natured friend, W. J. DELPECH, has returned to the "old homestead" in Sheshequin.

—Judge MERCUR is spending a few weeks with his family in this place, but as usual is very busy writing out "opinions" to be delivered at the May session of the Supreme Court.

—Mrs. S. N. ASPINWALL and Miss MARY ASPINWALL are in town visiting friends.

—Dr. R. PRATT, son of Dr. LEONARD PRATT, is spending a few days in this place. Dr. P., although a recent graduate of a medical college, filled one of the Professor's chairs during last winter at the Medical College of Chicago.

—Constable ROYAL, who has been confined to his house for several months past, is able to be out again, and we hope may soon be restored to his usual health.

—E. G. MERCUR has returned from a visit to the Bay State, and will soon take up his residence in Wilkes-Barre.

—Prothonotary PECK has made a wise selection of a clerk, in securing Mr. G. W. BUCK, of LeRaysville, a young man of superior ability and excellent qualifications for the responsible position.

—Miss MARY CASH GRISWOLD is spending a few days with her mother in this place.

OUR columns have already called attention to the new edition of Appleton's American Encyclopedia. It is thoroughly revised and harmonized in every respect with the learning and science of to-day. Much new matter has been added, and all the old articles revised, and as far as necessary amended. An entirely new feature is a large number of excellent illustrations. Five volumes have been published and distributed to subscribers. It gives us great pleasure to endorse this Cyclopedia, as invaluable beyond all competition for the purposes of the American student. There is no similar work worthy of being mentioned by its side for his uses. It is literally an American Cyclopædia; adapted specially to the use of Americans, and treating of all national subjects in an American spirit and manner. At the same time it is cosmopolitan, doing justice as far as possible to all sorts of people and all sorts of questions. We have consulted it mainly upon biographical and geographical subjects, and find it to be as full as could be expected in such a work, while always lucid and comprehensive. One can rely upon its facts. It is a great labor-saving machine. It gives the cream of libraries—it supplies the student with material that he could procure himself only at the expense of thousands of dollars and long years of severe toil. It is hard to see how any student or professional man can get along without it. At the same time it is an entire library to a intelligent family, supplying biography, history, science, and even a little theology—everything indeed but poetry and fiction. Such a work is beyond all price where there are boys and girls eager for knowledge and ambitious to excel. From an educational point of view, we feel that we are conferring a favor upon this community in calling its attention to the New Appleton.

DEEDS left for record in the office for recording of deeds, etc., week ending April 11:

M. F. Ransom to Andrew Young, Ulster.

Stephen Strickland to John Holmes, trustee, Wysox.

S. C. and J. W. Means to John Holmes, Towanda.

Amos T. and Sally Bennett to John Holmes, Towanda.

Elisha Lewis to Ransom Fuller, Wyalusing.

Henry Burnes to Thomas Croft, South Creek.

Wm. P. Decker to Mary Webb, Athens.

Wm. Allen to P. H. Buck, LeRaysville.

P. H. Buck to Wm. Allen, Pike.

John F. Sanderson to Mary S. Myer, Towanda Boro'.

G. P. Spencer to J. L. Coolbaugh, Asylum.

Wm. Horton to Andrew Webb, Sheshequin.

R. H. Cooley to B. K. Adams, Springfield.

J. M. Cranmer to B. K. Adams, Rome Boro.

Patrick Kane to S. C. Hovey, Ulster.

John F. Means to M. H. Lanning, Towanda Boro.

Albert Lent to Pond Hill Cemetery, Wysox.

George B. Neal et al. to Charles Knorr, Towanda Boro.

Geo. P. Taylor to Chas. Howland, Tuscarora.

Perry L. Decker et al. to John Dixon, Towanda.

Timothy Hireen to Michael McMamara, Athens.

Timothy Hireen to Patrick Barrington, Athens.

John A. Woodworth to Chas. H. Wheelock, Athens.

M. W. Wheelock to H. W. Wheelock, Athens.

Harrison Grinnell to Wisner J. Roy, Welles.

Catharine A. Brooks to Robert Brooks, Ulster.

Henry Dixon, guardian, etc., to Robert Brooks, Ulster.

Lyman Blackman to Daniel W. Peckham, Albany.

Reuben Morley to Julia A. Calkins, Burlington Boro.

J. H. and B. Stalford to J. B. Stalford, Wilmot.

J. B. Stalford to Alfred Smith, Wilmot.

J. B. Stalford to John Baggott, Wilmot.

Nelson S. Watson et al. to Theodore and Thomas Watson, Springfield.

John C. Welles to Dubois Bell, Athens Boro'.

George M. Lewis to E. E. Harkness, Springfield.

Leander Walker to Wm. P. Decker, Athens.

Jacob A. Weller to B. F. Brown, Athens.

Charles L. Stalford et al. to Levi P. Stalford, Wyalusing.

Wm. H. Whitney to Levi Chamberlin, Tuscarora.

Levi Chamberlin to E. W. Cobb, Tuscarora.

John F. Gillett to Geo. O. Turk, South Creek.

John Spencer et al. to Janette Davy, Welles.

Bela Cogswell to Mary E. Fessenden, Tuscarora.

Joseph F. Simpson to J. B. Alexander, Sylvania.

Ellen J. and Edward Welles to Edgar Underhill, Athens.

Adam Vangorder to Teadeus Vangorder, Standing Stone.

C. H. Mosher to Joseph Simpson, Sylvania.

Geo. T. Billings to Joseph Simpson, Sylvania.

OLD FOLKS' CONCERT.—As everybody anticipated, the Old Folks' Concert, on Tuesday evening, was a perfect success. The Hall was densely packed with a most appreciative audience. Everything was gotten up in real primitive style; an old-fashioned clock over a hundred years old, was conspicuous on the stage. The costumes were arranged for the occasion, and the admission tickets and programmes were just what they would have been a hundred years ago.

The following persons took part in the unique performance: Mrs. O. A. BALDWIN, Mrs. CLARK WILSON, Mrs. DUDLEY TURNER, Mrs. J. W. BISHOP, Mrs. DR. JOHNSON, Mrs. M. M. SPALDING, Mrs. DR. MONTANYE, Mrs. T. MULLOCK, Miss HELEN CARTER, Miss IRENE MASON, Miss JOIE CARTER, Miss FRANK COLLINS, FRANKIE WOODRUFF, Prof. C. E. GLADDING, W. T. DAVIES, Esq., D. C. DEWITT, Esq., A. J. MARSH, O. A. BALDWIN, M. M. SPALDING, DR. JOHNSON, T. MULLOCK, BYRON KOON, LEONARD PRATT. Miss CORA HUMPHREY presided at the Piano.

The following was the programme:

A LYSTE.

Of Sacred Tunes and likewise a fewe worldly Songs, certain of wh were sunge in ye yere of our Lord 1873, And wh Pieces will be once more sunge at a GREATE CONCERTE, To be attended at Ye Publick Halle, called Mercur's, In Towanda Towne,

On ye 14th day of April, in ye yere of our Lord 1874.

N. B.—If any body would wish to carry thyf lyfta to hys owne home, let hym take goode care of ye same, insomuch as thye Conterte may of necessity be again rehearsed for ye ayde of a good caule.

N. B.—As much as possible ye discreete younge women singers are expected to looke awai from ye men singers.

N. B.—Ye discreete women who bryngo Fried Cakes are requested not to cate them except between ye partes.

A GREATE CONCERTE.

Timeist.—Philander Dumpus.
Harpsichorder:—Kartenhappuck Hopkins.

WOMEN SINGERS.

Jane Jerusha Skegs, Susanna Sparrow,
Philly Ann Sliggins, Mehitable Arabella Snooks,
Harriet Ann Pauliny Slocum, Percilla Ann Stout, (She that was a Prim.)
Aunt Polly Basset, Phidella Sabrina Putnam,
Deliverance Higgins, (She that was a Dumpus.)
Seraphina Salina Billins, Nancy Maria Olden,
Beulah Ann Cooper.

MEN SINGERS.

Obedia Tubbs, Zackeriah Zimmerman,
Chang Bunker, (Brother to Eng.)
Ebenezer Cowles, Rip Van Dam,
Mr. Jehial Slab, Simon Goodwelle,
William Barlow, Anzions Ansel Porter,
Moses Hosea Smith.

FIRSTE PARTE.

Auld Lange Syne — All ye men and women Singers.
Russia, All ye men and women Singers.
Sons of Zion, All ye men and women Singers.
Childhood Memories, Philander Dumpus and others.
Dost thou love me Sister Ruth, Simon Goodwelle and Ruth Love.
Invitation, All ye men and women Singers.
Majesty, All ye men and women Singers.
One Parte Song, Harriet Ann Pauliny Slocum.
Two Parte Song, Mehitabel Arabella Snooks and Mistress Jane Angel.
David's Lamentation, All ye men and women Singers.
One Parte Song, Ye younge woman from a Strange Land.
Sound the Loud Timbrel, All ye men and women Singers.

SECONDE PARTE.

Yankee Doodle, All ye men and women Singers.
One Parte Song, Timothy Melancthon Sprondette.
Northfield, All ye men and women Singers.
Easter Anthem, All ye men and women Singers.
Sherburne, All ye men and women Singers.
Complaint, All ye men and women Singers.
One Parte Song, Philly Ann Sliggids.
Old Folks at Home, All ye men and women Singers.
Strike the Cymbal, All ye men and women Singers.
One Parte Song, Chang Bunker, (Brother to Eng.)
Lord dismiss us with Thy Blessing, All ye men and women Singers.
Old Hundred, All ye men and women Singers and others.

N. B.—Forasmuche as ye younge women who singe are shamefafte, ye younge menne are defired to loke awaie from them whenne they singe.

N. B.—Any olde ladyes whofe foote stoves need frefe coals, can nowe have them sente in from Naber Fowles her kitchen, as hys women folke will keep up a big fire on purpofe.

N. B.—All thofe wh are so much blefled as to have good lungs and religious training, are expected to ftand up and help singe ye last hymne.

N. B.—All thofe who bring umbrellas shd buffalo robes, may leave them with ye Tithing-Man, Job Weld, who alfo hath many lyke curiofities unclaimed.

Mrs. BALDWIN, Mrs. MONTANYE, FRANKIE WOODRUFF, Mr. MARSH and Prof. GLADDING were encored, and all were repeatedly and enthusiastically applauded. The universal expression at the close was that the performance was equal to anything of the kind ever listened to, and that it is unnecessary for Towanda people to go abroad, for musical entertainments, so long as we are blessed with natural talent of such high order. We are sure the old folks will not consider us invidious, when we call especial attention to the youngest performer, FRANKIE WOODRUFF, who sustained the *role* of lavender girl to perfection. Although a mere child, she has a peculiarly sweet and full voice, which only needs cultivation to place her in a few years among the *prima donnas*.

While all who took part in the performance, are entitled to the highest praise, not only from the lecture committee but from the entire community, Mr and Mrs. BALDWIN deserve special attention. To Mrs. B. belongs the credit of originating the idea of the concert, and she has given weeks of time to carrying out the details, and her house has been thrown open night after night for practice. She really deserves some more substantial token than a newspaper notice.

IMPORTANT TRIAL.—An arbitration of more than usual importance, came off in Athens last week. Some time since, DOUGLASS DAVIDSON, of Sheshequin township, deeded to J. LEROY CORBIN, of Athens borough, a farm containing some four hundred acres of land, and at the same time transferred to him all his personal property, valued at several thousand dollars. In consideration, CORBIN executed a bond in the sum of $20,000, conditioned for the support of DAVIDSON and wife. Subsequently CORBIN conveyed a portion of the land to F. T. PAGE. Prior to the first payment becoming due, steps had been taken by Mrs. DAVIDSON to annul the contract between her husband and CORBIN, on the ground that the former was not of sound mind, or at least reports to this effect were in circulation, and PAGE refused to make the payment, claiming want of title in CORBIN, whereupon the latter brought an ejectment, and entered rule to arbitrate. The case came on last Monday, and was continued for several days. Realizing the importance of the case, not only to those immediately concerned, but to the public generally, we invited R. A. MERCUR, Esq., to report it for the REPORTER. Below we give such of the evidence as we think of interest to our readers:

J. LeRoy Corbin vs. F. T. Page. In Bradford Common Pleas, No. 577. May Term 1874.

Before L. F. Stalford, S. S. Clark, and Abram Snell, Arbitrators. April 6, 1874; 1 o'clock P. M.

Ejectment for about two hundred acres of land situate in Sheshequin township, Bradford Co.

H. W. Patrick, Elhanan Smith, and I. N. Evans for plaintiff.

W. T. Davies and J. B. Reeve for defendant.

H. W. Patrick opened for the plaintiff.

Boundary of the land: On the north by lands of Frank Sexton and Walter French; on the east by the public highway; on the south by lands of Ralph Gore, and on the west by lands of Nancy Snyder's estate, and John Chandler, being known as the "Watkins Farm."

Douglass Davidson sworn: I heard the description of this property read. Once owned the property. Went into possession of it about 35 years ago, excepting about twenty acres. Charles Chandler had possession of it before me, for about five years. I purchased from Chas. Chandler, excepting the twenty acres. I continued in possession for about sixteen years, sold then to B. F. Watkins. He remained in possession until his death, about four years. His heirs sold it back to me, with the twenty acres. I went into possession under this purchase, and remained in possession for about five or six years. I remained in possession until I sold to Corbin. I purchased the title of Col. Joseph Kingsbury, of Sheshequin, who was acting as agent for the Decators. Deed offered was the one he received.

I was living in Litchfield twp., before I purchased from Chandler. Came there in 1816. Will be 79 years old in September next. Was born in 1795. Moved to Vermont (from Litchfield) to the county of Rutland, town of Wallingford. Do not remember the exact number of acres I purchased from Chandler. The two hundred acres for which this suit is brought is not all of the land I purchased. I sold some lots; cannot tell how much exactly. I supposed I conveyed to Corbin four hundred acres, more or less. I sold the first piece to a man by the name of Bush, about 15 acres; also to John Chandler about 9 acres, also to Walter French about a half of 36 acres. Sold to Walter French between three and four years ago. Believe this is all I have sold. I gave a deed to Walter French. Do not recollect about the date of the deed. Also gave deeds to Chandler and Bush. Gave the deed to Chandler between 5 and 10 years ago. The piece I sold to John Chandler I think was of the Chandler possession. I gave but one deed to Corbin. He gave me a bond of maintenance. J. L. Corbin is no relation of mine. Have known him about five or six years. When I first know him, he was a clerk in Page's store. Did not know his father. Did not know J. L. Corbin until I met him in Page's. I suppose he is married. His wife is not related to me. Have known her for two or three years. The fair value of the real estate I conveyed to Corbin was considered to be worth $20,000. This was my estimate of its value. I was first married in 1819 or 1820. Was married in Litchfield township. I was married twice. My first wife died five years ago the 25th of last December. After she died I did not go away to any place. I was married again; my second wife is living for anything I know. The eighteen acres I purchased from Chandler is part of the land I conveyed to Corbin. I went in possession between eight and ten years ago.

Direct: Cannot tell how long Watkins had these 18 or 20 acres in possession. He purchased from Burton Kingsbury. The bond Mr. Corbin gave me was a judgment bond. The amount of it was $20,000.

I have not agreed to release that bond to Mr. Page. Have not a copy of the bond. Cannot tell who entered it up. Did not give the bond back to Mr. Corbin after he gave it to me. Have not seen the bond since it was entered. It was entered soon after it was given to him. He paid me no money for the land, except that which he gave me from time to time.

June 25, 1873: Deed. Douglass Davidson and wife to J. L. Corbin; offered in evidence, by plaintiff.

Plaintiff rests.

Mr. D. was called by the defense and testified as follows:

Was not present at the Justice's when Sallie Davidson acknowledged it. Did not go to the Justice's office with her. I delivered the deed to Mr. Corbin as soon as I acknowledged it. I acknowledged it before Chas. T. Hall, Notary Public. Did not send and get it from the Recorder's office after I acknowledged it; neither did I direct any one to get it.

The following witnesses were called to establish Mr. D.'s unsoundness of mind:

J. L. Ball, Mrs. Margaret Thompson, Peter Wolf, Nathaniel Davidson, James Newman, Dr. C D N Cole, Mrs Hannah Cole, Mrs Nancy Newman, Mrs Sallie Davidson, John B Ball, John F Cole, (J C Parks, Frank Sexton, Mrs Clarissa Towner, Benjamin Smith, Edward Van.)

The following persons testified that they believed him of sound mind:

Guy Tozer, A H Spalding, William Snyder, Chauncey Decker, O D Kinney, Addison Gillett, R C Sinsabaugh, Samuel Wolcott, G W Kinney, Orson Rickey, F S Ayers, Martin Tompkins, Moses Watkins, Edward Herrick, Jerome Gillett, J P Rogers, Robert McDaniels, Henry Cooper, Thomas Weller, C H Ames, David Strubel, Hiram Vanduzer, William Segar, Clinton Gore, John Paine, Martin Rodgers, Charles Prince, N C Harris, C T Hull, Wm Tuttle, Samuel Osborn, W H French, Delmer Park, J D Kyser, Josiah Hill, Daniel Gore, L D Minier, Wm Hancock, Cornelius Hunsicker, Reeve Williams, E G Fitch, Benjamin Kuykendall.

On Thursday the case was submitted to the authorities, after able arguments by the counsel, who found for the plaintiff.

BUSINESS LOCAL.

FOR SALE.—A No. 7 Artisan Cook Stove, with pipe and *furniture*, will be sold at a bargain. Enquire at this office.

ARTHUR GOETZEE can find his *keys* by calling at this office.

Every variety of Canned Fruits, very cheap, at the Third Ward Grocery.

A very large line of Silver-Plated Castors and Cake Baskets, just opened at BLACK'S.

Price of Plaster reduced to $7 per Ton, at Mycrsburg Mills. April 9, 1874.

If you want anything in the line of Crockery or Glassware, call at O. A. BLACK'S.

Fine, flavored Teas cheap, at CALKINS'.

You can buy fresh Groceries cheap for cash at CALKINS' new Grocery.

Field Peas, Garden and Flower Seeds, fresh, at CALKINS' Grocery, Mercur's Block.

Groceries of all kinds cheap, at CALKINS'.

A fine lot of Bird Cages, at BLACK'S.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE.—Apply to GEORGE RIDOWAY, at CALKINS' Grocery.

Choice Family Flour cheap, at CALKINS'.

Spring styles Hats and Caps, just received at TAYLOR & DAVIES'.

A good boy can get his board and schooling at the Institute, in return for doing chores in the family of the Principal.

Apples, Potatoes and Dried Fruits wanted at CALKINS' New Grocery.

The office of H. B. MCKEAN, Attorney-at-Law, has been removed to rooms over MCCABE & EDWARDS', Main-st.

Go to WHITCOMB & SHAUT'S, Mercur's Block, for your Books and Stationery.

For the best Roast or Steak go to MYER & BUNDELL'S.

Best Garden Seeds, by ounce or pound; also Canada Peas, for sale at MCCABE & EDWARD'S.

If you want good goods cheap remember the old Red, White and Blue Store.

If you want fine Hair Work made up, or desire to purchase any, go to E. LAVOUR, a reliable hair dealer, Bridge-st., at Mrs. J. D. HILL'S Fancy Store.

Large stock of Pictures and Picture Frames, at WHITCOMB & SHAUT'S, Mercur's Block.

Wall Paper and Curtains cheap at WHITCOMB & SHAUT'S, Mercur's Block.

Tea's a specialty at the Red, White & Blue Store.

An opportunity that does not often present itself is now offered. We have a good house worth $3,500, which we offer for sale for $3,000, and will take half the amount in monthly payments. A. J. NOBLE & Co.

Fancy Goods and Stationery for the holidays, better and cheaper than elsewhere, at C. F. CROSS'.

The "Girl of the Period" is to be seen in the window of LAVOUR'S Hair Palace, on Bridge-st., at MRS. J. D. HILL'S Fancy Store.

The best stock of cigars in Towanda at the Third Ward Grocery and Bakery.

If you will call at HENDELMAN'S Jewelry Store, Bridge street, and price his goods, you will be satisfied that it is the place to purchase.

Roll Butter wanted at CALKINS'.

You can buy everything in the Grocery and Provision line a little cheaper at MCCABE & EDWARDS than any other place in town.

IMPORTANT.—People living up-town can order their groceries at CALKIN'S new store, thus saving considerable travel.

The best place to buy ready-made clothing is at No. 4, 2 doors west of CODDING, RUSSELL & CO'S.

Why run the risk of an accident, when you can get a ticket good for $3,000 in case of death, for 20 cents a day, by calling on FRANK BURDANE, at upper depot?

HARRIS, of the "Bee Hive," is now in New York, purchasing a large and elegant assortment of Spring Millinery Goods. Ladies, keep a sharp look-out for his "opening day."

It is not generally known that H. C. WHITAKER, at the Book Bindery over the REPORTER office, makes Blank Books in any style of ruling and binding desired. If you want a new Ledger, Journal or Docket, give him a call.

Hair Work of every description will be sold at 25 per cent. less than New York prices. Call and examine at E. LAVOUR'S Branch Hair Palace, Bridge-st., in Mrs. J. D. HILL'S Fancy Store.

Grangers and everybody else can buy their Clover and Timothy seeds at bottom prices, at MCCABE & EDWARDS.

FOR SALE.—The new house on Main street, second door north of Chestnut street, lot about 100 feet front. Terms easy. Enquire on the premises of Mrs. HOWES and of E. T. FOX.

REVERSIBLE SIDE-HILL AND LEVEL LAND PLOWS.—I sold 75 in 1873, and every one gave satisfaction. A full stock on hand.

R. M. WELLES.

Towanda, Pa.

After all the blow and bluster, this fact is acknowledged, that the Singer is the *best, easiest managed and most durable* machine in market. It don't cost you anything to try one.

It will pay you to call and look over our stock of Boots, Shoes, Gaiters, Trunks, Traveling Bags, etc.

CONSER & COONS.

Opposite the Court House.

A fine assortment of Stone Ware, at the Third Ward Grocery.

J. F. HORTON.

REMOVAL.—A. N. NELSON, Jeweler, on or about May 1, will remove his store to the store formerly occupied by FOX & MERCUR, corner Main and Pine streets, with JULIUS WOLFF, Clothier.

FARM TO RENT.—I offer for rent the farm on the old plank road, adjoining the Boro' of Towanda, belonging to the estate of Mrs. H. C. WARD, deceased.

N. N. BETTS, Trustee.

PUBLIC SALE.—Five shares of the stock of the Mutual Building and Saving Fund Association, will be sold at auction to the highest bidder, at the regular meeting of the Association, on Monday evening, April 20, 1874, at 7:30 P. M. Terms cash.

Examinations of Teachers for the Summer Term of Schools, will be held as follows: Rome, Monday, April 13; Troy, Wednesday, April 15; East Smithfield, Friday, April 17; Tuscarora, Edinger School House, Monday, April 20; Towanda, at Public School House, Saturday, April 25.

Applicants will please come provided with Sixth Reader, pen, ink, lead pencil and foolscap. Exercises to begin at 9 o'clock A. M.

A. A. KEENEY, Co. Supt.

Towanda, March 28, 1874.

TO THE PEOPLE OF WESTERN BRADFORD.—I wish to give notice that Mr. D. A. LAMONT, of Troy, is acting as Agent for the sale of the Singer Sewing Machines, and any one living in that section, wanting to try one of these *reliable* machines, can do so by sending him word.

Remember, every machine sold is warranted and will be made good in every respect.

O. A. BLACK,
General Agent.

SUSQUEHANNA WOOLEN MILLS.—The Susquehanna Woolen Mills are now open for business, and we respectfully solicit the patronage of all dealers in wool and woolen goods. Specialties, cassimeres and flannels. Farmers having wool for sale, to be carded or manufactured, are invited to call at the Mills.

SMITH & BEDFORD.

Waverly, N. Y., Feb. 16, 1874.

EGGS.—From very fine Light Brahmas, White Leghorns and Buff and Partridge Cochins. Price $2 per setting of 13 well packed and delivered at Express office.

C. P. WELLES.

Towanda, Pa., April 1, 1874.

1874.—Headquarters for Spring Clothing of every description; best of workmanship and latest styles displayed. Prices guaranteed to be the most reasonable. Call and see for yourself, all the latest styles, and save money and time by purchasing of the One-Price Clothier, ALEX. SOLOMON, 123 Main-st.

AUCTION SALE.—Wishing to close my Furniture business, I will sell the remainder of my stock at auction;—sale to commence on Monday, May 4, and to continue until all is sold.

I shall continue to sell goods at cost until the day of sale. JOSEPH HINES.

Towanda, Pa.

THE BEE HIVE.—The ladies of Towanda and vicinity, will find it to their interest to defer purchasing their Spring Millinery and Furnishing Goods until they have an opportunity of examining the stock of Mr. HANNIS, late of the Bankrupt Store. Mr. H. is now in the city, and will open in a few days the most complete assortment of goods for the ladies ever established in this town.

NOTICE.—For sufficient reason, I think it desirable, just and profitable, to make a permanent reduction in my prices. Therefore intending nothing but business, and that without lowering in the least the high standard of honor and excellence which I always aim at; I announce my determination to sell my present spring and summer stock of ready made clothing, furnishing goods, hats and caps, all of the latest styles and novelties for the ensuing season, consisting of the very best of all the various kinds of goods, from fine dress to ordinary business suits, which can be obtained at my store on Main street. They have been carefully selected by myself, with a view of supplying the wants of my customers and the public generally. You will please regard this card as an invitation to all. Yours respectfully,

M. E. ROSENFIELD.

Garden and Flower Seeds a specialty at the Third Ward Grocery.

Several valuable Farms and Houses and Lots for sale by BARTLETT & TRACY.

You can get a good set of Knives and Forks for 75 cents at BLACK'S.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE OR RENT.—Terms easy. Apply to MRS. E L. WOODRUFF, over M. J. LONG'S store.

C. F. CROSS has the best and largest assortment of fine Books ever offered in this market.

Pure Bluestone Cayuga Plaster, on hand for sale at Myersburg Mills. Well prepared and warranted a pure article.

Ladies, we advise you to try that prepared flour at F. J. CALKINS' new Grocery.

THREE HOUSES TO RENT.—One in First Ward, near upper depot, and two in Second Ward. Inquire at office of OVERTON & ELSBREE.

Choice Family Groceries, as cheap as the cheapest, at the Third Ward Grocery.

If you want *the best* Cook Stove extant, call at JUNE's, in Mercur's Block.

An endless variety of heating stoves at JUNE's, which are being sold very cheap.

SPRING HATS.—All the latest styles at MRS. J. D. HILL'S Millinery Store, Bridge-st., Towanda, Pa.

DURHAMS.—I will sell either one of two Short Horn Bulls, at a price to suit those wanting such stock. G. H. WELLES.

Wyalusing, Pa., April 6, 1874.—3w.

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