Bradford Reporter

Towanda, Thursday, Jan. 21, 1875.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Auditors have completed the work of settling with the several county officers.

J. H. DEXTER has been appointed Postmaster at East Troy, vice W. R. BUCK, resigned.

S. C. ADAMS, of this place, has just accepted a position as book-keeper in a colliery at Kingston.

JUDGE WILLIAMS, of Tioga county, will preside at the third week of February court in this place.

IN GIVING the list of officers of the K. of P. last week, we inadvertently omitted the name of H. L. LAMOREUX, Vice-Chancellor

RELIGIOUS services of great interest have been conducted for the past two weeks in the Presbyterian and Methodist churches.

A. D. THOMPSON, Esq., of Owego, spent several days in this place last week. "TONE" appears as young and vigorous as he was twenty years ago.

MESSRS. PECK & STREETER have rented the front room over the Post Office, for a law office. It is one of the most desirable locations in town.

THE S. S. Alliance will meet in the Lecture Room of the Presbyterian church on Monday evening next. Rev. G. W. CHANDLER will conduct the services.

The stockholders of the Towanda Mutual Building and Saving Fund Association will bear in mind that the annual election of officers takes place this (Thursday) evening.

GRAHAM BARTLETT, who has been seriously ill at Scranton, for some weeks past, is rapidly recovering, and is now at his father's residence in this place.

A "DICKENS Club," composed of gentlemen and ladies of this place, has been organized. The object of the new society is literary culture, and a better understanding of the works of the great novelist.

JAMES A. MEARS has been appointed freight agent of the Pa. & N.-Y R R Co. at this place, vice E. W. ELWELL. GEO. R. SHERWOOD has also been appointed ticket agent at the upper depot in place of F. R. BURBANK.

WE REGRET to learn that DUDLEY TURNER is suffering from a severe attack of inflammation of the nerve of the eyes. He is now in Philadelphia in hopes to receive a cure. We sincerely trust he may not be disappointed.

CASCADILLA LODGE, K. of P., Ithaca, N. Y., will celebrate their second anniversary, on the 27th inst. Representatives from Towanda and Elmira are expected, and the Grand Chancellor of the State of New York has been invited.

THE annual meeting of the Towanda Build ng and Saving Fund Association, will be held in the Grand Jury Room, Thursday evening, Jan. 21, 1875, between the hours of 7 and 9 o'clock, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year.

IN MENTIONING the unfortunate lady who fell and injured herself, we unintentionally omitted to state that Mr. and Mrs. GOFF, of the American House, were entitled to great credit for the self-denying attention bestowed upon the stranger.

ROLL of honor at Towanda Graded School: FANNIE ALVORD, IDA STEVENS, POLLY STEVENS, MARY BENNETT, MAY WATKINS, FANNIE VSFLEET, FITHE ADAMS, LAURA MCGILL, HABRY COLSER, IDA DODSON, BELLE HORTON, BERTIE BARTON, HIRAM WILSON, STELLA DODSON, GEO. BURDICK, A. L. GRIFFITH.

J. A. BILES, Esq., has just resigned the office of Postmaster at Lime Hill, this county. Mr. B had held the office for a long term of years, merely as a matter of accommodation to the neighborhood. The entire community regret that he has been compelled to relinquish of the responsibility now.

WE HOPE our people generally may attend the Mock Washington Tea Party at Mercur's Hall, tomorrow (Friday) evening. An excellent supper will be provided, and the entertainment will be presided over by ladies and gentlemen in the costume of ye olden time. The Father of his Country and Martha Washington will be impersonated.

THE First National Bank of Athens has added $11,000 to its surplus during the past year, making a total of $101,000, or $1,000 more than the original capital. The stock holders have thus doubled their money since the organization of the institution, besides receiving considerable sums in dividends, and the result is certainly very creditable to the management of the Bank.

REV. F. D. HUSKINS conducted the service and delivered two excellent discourses in the Episcopal Church on Sunday last. Mr. H. was always popular as a pastor and urbane Christian gentleman, in this place, but only with the Episcopal congregation, but with all who were so fortunate as to know him well, and his large audience on Sunday last evinced the fact that he is still kindly remembered here.

PERSONAL.—Capt. H. P. GOODRICH, is spending a few days in this place visiting friends.

—J. B. COOLBAUGH and wife, of Wilkes-Barre, are spending a few days in this place. Mr. C. is one of the most energetic business men in the Valley.

H. SMITH and family, of Scranton, Wyo., arrived in town on Tuesday evening, and will remain for several days.

THE usual statement of the First National Bank, which appears in our advertising columns to day, shows the institution in a healthy condition. Notwithstanding the "hard times," and the general distrust which has taken possession of those having a surplus of money, this bank seems to possess the entire confidence of this community, the individual deposits averaging over $275,000. The statement also shows that our business men are accommodated with loans to the amount of $320,000. Could any better exhibit be asked for?

THE COURSE of lectures inaugurated by the Susquehanna Collegiate Institute promises to be a success, so far as the committee are concerned. A number of the most distinguished lecturers in the country have been engaged, and it now remains to be seen whether our people will avail themselves of the opportunity thus presented of listening to the lectures. We hope for the good name of Towanda, that no such meagre attendance as was witnessed on the occasion of Prof. BARLOW's readings will be experienced again.

MISS JENNIE PETTY will address temperance meetings as follows in this county: Thursday, Jan 21, Barclay; Friday, 22, Franklindale; Saturday, 23, West Frank in; Tuesday, 26 LeRoy; Wednesday, 27, Canton; Thursday, 28, Athens; Friday, 29 Troy, Saturday, 30, East Troy; Monday, Feb. 1, West Burlington; Tuesday, Feb. 2, Burlington boro; Wednesday, Feb. 3, East Smithfield; Thursday, Feb. 4, Moore's Hill; Friday, Feb. 5, Ulster. These meetings will all be held in the evening, and friends of the cause are requested to make arrangements for them.

MISS PETTY is one of the ablest advocates of the good cause in the country, and we cheerfully commend her to the people of this county.

BURTON L. KINGSBURY, formerly of this place, but for some years past a resident of Kansas, is a member of the present House of Representatives of that State, having been elected by a handsome majority from Coffey county. We congratulate Mr. K. on his success, and the people of his district on their good fortune in securing for a representative a man so well qualified for the position.

LIST of pupils at the Wyalusing Graded School, with perfect records, for week ending Jan. 16, 1874:

MINNIE GAYLORD, ANNIE LATHROP, ADA CHAMBERLIN, EMMA FEE, LYDIA STALFORD, KATIE CLAPPER, VIRGINIA WELLES, LIZZIE KEELER, LETTIE BOSWORTH, JULIA SLOTBY, GRACE GRIFFITHS, FREMONT VAUGHN, LIZZIE LEWIS, JEN KEELER, GEO. SLOTBY, MINNIE HINES, WILLIE HOMET.

THE absence of the advertisements of the following well-known business houses this week, must not be taken as an evidence that they have suspended or become "too poor" to advertise: TAYLOR & CO., EVANS & HILDRETH, D. W. SCOTT & CO., and T. C. COWAN. These men all understand the benefit of advertising and the worth of the REPORTER as a medium, and we owe them all an apology for being compelled to omit their advertisements this week; but the length of the Message compels us to do so. We ask the especial attention of our readers to their several establishments.

A Lodge of the Knights of Honor

was instituted at this place on Thursday evening last, by Dr. D. WILSON, of Louisville, Ken., Supreme Dictator of the world. The lodge numbers 22 charter members. The following officers were elected for the present quarter:

Dictator—CHAS. H. ALLEN.
Vice-Dictator—T. H. MATTHEWS.
Asst. Dictator—E. W. VENABLE.
Guide—G. S. MCCABE.
Financial Reporter—W. K. MARSHALL.
Treasurer—C. M. MYER.
Sentinel—G. W. HEATH.
Past Dictator—DR. S. M. WOODBURN.

EAST WINDHAM.—The friends of East Windham furnished a generous banquet and gift tree, on Christmas eve, at the house of Mr. OSCAR DAWES. The tree was tastefully trimmed and well loaded. Some of the articles were valuable, among which was ORGAN's family Bible, accompanied by a valuable gun. Of course he will be expected to shoot scripturally henceforth. Our friend J. O. DAWES and lady had each a valuable watch. Many other desirable articles were found among the gifts all of which contributed so to enrich the tree as to call forth the remark that "this is the best thing ever furnished by the community." The parents and children were quite remembered. The remarks by Rev J. W. HILLS and speaking by S. S. children, the social visit, choice gifts and rare enjoyment of the evening will long be remembered by all present. The gifts were distributed in good order by V. R. HODGES and J. B. HILLS. S. N. S.

THE ladies of Christ Church, this place, some time last summer, sent a box of clothing and other articles to Miss MARGUERITE SCOTT, at Cavalla Station, Africa to be used for the scholars under her charge in the Mission School at that place. In a letter acknowledging the receipt of the box, Miss SCOTT writes: "You can scarce understand and word are inadequate to express, all the good tokens of love and sympathy do to the heart of one as completely isolated from friends as I have been, during my late sojourn in Africa. As I unpacked the Towanda box, the things looked so fresh and pretty (pretty things are doubly pretty in Africa), to us of thankfulness came unbidden. Each article spoke of real loving interest. Money could not measure their value." This estimable lady has been for years engaged as a missionary and teacher to the benighted people of Africa, but the labor proving too great for her strength, she has been compelled, on account of failing health, to seek rest, and has returned to her home in this country, for a short period. We sincerely trust her most sanguine expectations may be realized, and that her health and vigor may be entirely restored.

Miss SCOTT expects to visit this place before many weeks, and will undoubtedly tell the Sunday school scholars something about the work she has been doing among the heathen children of Africa.

TUSCARORA.—Some people call it "dull times;" but we have heard that this many a year. There are dull people in the world, and times are always *dull* to such. Everything is quiet along our Potomac. On Monday, Jan 11, occurred the 1st annual election of Directors for Farmers' Mutual Insurance Co. of Tuscarora. The following were elected: WM SHUMWAY, D. EBINGER, J. H. BLACK, A. B. SUMNER, H. B. ACKLEY, F. ACKLEY, B. W. WOOD, N. J. CONWELL, WM. A. STALFORD, JOSHUA BURROW, J. N. LEWIS, C. W. BROWNING.

The board elected WM. SHUMWAY President, and A. B. SUMNER Secretary and Agent for the coming year.

On Wednesday evening, Jan. 13, Miss JENNIE PETTY gave a very interesting and earnest address on temperance, at the Springhill M. E. Church. She is spending a few days here among friends and acquaintances. Miss PETTY is an intelligent, Christian woman, and rank high among our public lecturers.

MR. SHUMWAY is the Master elect of Springhill Grange, and G. S. ACKLEY Secretary. We have a slight run of pickeling. The demand for "comprehensive diaries" will not be very great for five or ten years to come. Eggs are "far between," and beets have stopped swarming. SOMEBODY.

Jan. 15, 1875.

THE following correspondence will explain itself. We publish it in the hope that the example set by the Naiads may induce other societies to do likewise:

TOWANDA, Jan. 5, 1875.

Mrs. R. M. Welles Secretary Ladies' Benevolent Association:

It has been the practice of Naiad Engine Co. No. 2, after its reception each year, to devote a portion of its proceeds thereof to charitable purposes, and I have the pleasure at this time of enclosing $25 as the Company's mite this year to the funds of your Association. Presenting that your noble Association may ever receive that generous support it so richly merits.

I have the honor to be,
My dear Madam,
Your obedient servant,
C. H. ALLEN,
(for the Company.)

TOWANDA, Jan. 15, 1875.

C. H. Allen:—

The Ladies' Benevolent Association of Towanda desires hereby to return their thanks to Naiad Engine Company, No. 2, for the reception of their very liberal donation to our treasury of twenty-five dollars from their Barbe-fund fund, to be applied to the relief of the destitute. We wish to express our full appreciation of the generosity and self-denial exhibited in this kind remembrance of the work in which we are engaged. The Naiads have honorably won a good name as an enterprising, faithful, and useful part of our fire Department, and fairly earned the gratitude of the people of Towanda for their devotion and promptness in protecting their homes and property from the fires. Their well-deserved motto is, "First at the fire;" so may it ever be the firmly-maintained motto of each member of their gallant band.—First in good morals, sobriety and every noble quality; first in every good and noble work." May God's richest blessings rest upon them. The Naiads as a company are made honorary members of the Association.

MRS. R. M. WELLES, Secretary.
(In behalf of the Society).

DEEDS left for record in the office for recording deeds, etc., week ending Jan 9:

James Hawley to John Carr, May 29, 1874 Ridgbury; Geo P Taylor to Griffin Ackley Dec 29, 74, Tuscarora; Thos S Merrill to Perry Bowen, Dec 29, 74, Warren; Jas A Stanton's administrators to Andrew J Stanton, Oct 25, 74, Burlington; J M Smith, Sheriff, to G C Atwood, May 7, 1874, Pike and Herrick; same to same, Wyalusing; same to same, Tuscarora; same to same, May 7, Pike; N C Harris to Wm Koff, Dec 22, 74, Athens Boro; Edward Herrick, adm'r, to Wm Koff, Dec 9, 74, Athens Boro; Albert Hayden to Julius Hayden Nov. 19 74 Athens; D L P Snyder to Geo W Hubbell, March 30 74, Athens; H C Eastabrooks et al to Silas Beardsley, April 1, 74 Rome Boro; Wm Tillotson to A E Tillottson, March 6 74, LeRoy; John J Griffis to J G Patton, Dec 26, 74, Towanda Boro; Richard Arey to Henry H Ream, June 8, 74, Wilmot; David F Brown to N C Elmore, Jan 1, 75, Warren; Jacob Haverly to J W Haverly, Jan 5, 75, Albany; C M Manville to J L McFadon, Dec 26, 74, Towanda Boro; Wm M Chaffee to Edmond Chaffee, Sept 30, 72, Warren, E T Elliott to A A Mace, Oct 21 '67, Towanda Boro; A A Mace to Thomas Carmony, Jan 2 75, Towanda Boro; James A Owen to Sarah E Spencer, Jan 5, 75, Wells; J G Patton to John J Griffith, Dec 26, 74, Towanda Boro; Wm Patton to same Dec 26 74, Towanda Boro; J M Smith, Sheriff, to J O Frost et al Dec 23 74 Towanda Boro; D A Gillett to Aaron M Gillett, July 9 74, Ridgbury; C Vandoskoll to Samuel B Howard, jr., March 12, 74, Wyalusing; Samuel Howard to Mary B Elliott, [illegible] my neighbor stumbles and falls he's a pitiful object and unwelcomed critic of the members of what particular stage of affairs am I to extend a helping hand? He may have relatives over the river or up the mountain, that would possibly come to his aid a little bit too late, if I be-lated about proffering my quota of temporary relief. It is this very branch of benevolent assistance—that of timely aid at a critical moment—that seems to us is the most effectual. There are intervals in many lives, when the removal of some heavily pressing burden of debt may set a man or woman on their feet and help them to a fresh starting point, whence they can help themselves, and they who come with aid at such an hour, are the friends we thank God for.

An individual or organization seeing, and wilfully ignoring such a crisis, is guilty of wanton and inexcusable neglect, a charge that never has, and we trust never will be laid upon the Benevolent Association of Towanda.

If we were a nice gentleman, and had time to talk around town, we should consider it incumbent on us to get up some sort of opinion that would tend more directly toward reaching the wants of our less favored fellows, just at this season of winter weather, and hard times. Instead of airing our cheap speculations on the subject of benevolence, we would turn our energies to the business of finding out how many families were out of coal and flour, and how many had forgotten the taste of butter on corn meal pancakes. We would try and discover what length of time a peck of potatoes, enlivened with salt, would keep seven or eight mouths going; and how much longer an instalment of worn out clothes would last in a family that had nothing else to fall back on, than it would in a well-to do establishment, before we set down a certain class who seem to have no other resource than that of charity, as utterly thriftless and improvident. Before we condemned as hopelessly idle, we would offer employment, and, being a gentleman of leisure, we would make it a point to pay as conscientious prices for our labor as we did for our cosmetics and perfumeries and the super-abundant millineries that go to keep up the feminine side of the house. We wouldn't lay our carefully cultivated hands on the barber's department of our exquisite structure, and talk with majestic eloquence upon the larger rewards due to "brain labor," until we had very accurately studied up the question as to how much more of actual brain labor goes into the sum of a professional man's work, than into that of an artizan. Don't we know dozens of these professionals that work after cut and dried rules, that require less mental labor, and discretionary skill than it does to lay a yard of stone wall? Neither are the time and circumstances of apprentice service as dissimilar as custom chooses to make them. If this matter of payment according to the value of labor were a little more wisely adjusted, perhaps the excess of pauperism wouldn't be down there at the *basis* of society, where the moralists and the religious reformers and all the great workers from the Saviour and upwards begin. Go down there, good friend with the kid-gloves, and set yourself to work among the genuine wants. You will find a diff-rent sort of material to handle, from what you do in the region of artificial desires in wrought and overlaid as they are with all the entanglements of sickly and sentimental profusion, and wrapped so closely in the folds of self persuasive righteousness, that the true helper shrinks hopelessly away from the task.

"To the *poor*, preached He the Gospel," and the truth sprang upward from a natural soil. The gospel appealing to the pampered rich must strike down through a system of close-spun, tight woven, ensnarement that holds men's souls with a more fearful grip than do the rougher restraints of poverty.

We aren't preaching a sermon, nor are we moralizing. We are just giving out a bit of reflex suggestion to the gentleman who has helped us to a text. We presume he is a good sort of individual, and that, owing entirely to our remarks, he will pay the next man who works for him, sufficient wages to keep him inside the pale of independence.

If the Bible is true, we have all got to do as we would be done by, and we have got to find out, if we don't know already, whether we are fond of spending our time that way or not, just *how* we would like to be done by. The Bible principle is the great leveler this side of death and as long as we are all to meet on common grounds beyond it, it won't be amiss to get a stout hold of the one here.

ST. NICHOLAS FOR FEBRUARY.—The frontispiece of the February *St Nicholas* is a remarkably well-executed wood engraving, from Sir EDWIN LANDSEER's picture of the "Marmosets." Several well-known writers are represented by short stories. REBECCA HARDING DAVIS has an interesting story founded on the old fable of "The Fox and the Raven," and in which a Yankee trader and the son of an Indian chief personate the respective characters. Some lively incidents in the career of a certain "Birch-Bark Boy" are narrated by ISABEL FRANCIS, and the "boy" himself is shown in a picture by ETTINGE. LUCRETIA P. HALE gives another bit of delightful anecdote about the famous "Peterkin" family; and MARY A. HALLOCK contributes a story, and a large illustration drawn in that beautiful style in which she is surpassed by no artist in the country.

That February is the month of valentines, has not been forgotten, and the number contains a valentine story, by SUSAN COOLIDGE, and an article by ALEXANDER WAINWRIGHT, describing the manufacture and the different styles of those dainty little missives, together with a few hints for making them in an easy and economical way.

Another practical sketch, entitled "How Dolls are Made," is written by OLIVE THORNE, and acts forth in detail the various changes and experiences in the life of a wax doll, which is really an eventful one; while W. H. BIELENG's account of "Chimney-Sweeps, Past and Present," and JOHN LEWEES' sketch of the great traveler, VAMBERY, are admirable descriptive articles.

Among the poems, there are two which are quite fanciful: "The Coal-Imp," by C. P. CRANCH, and "The Fairy Wedding," by MARY A. LATHBURY; each accompanied with an illustration designed by its author.

ST. NICHOLAS also gives us in this number "The Ice-Boat Song," from "Hans Brinker," set to the music by GEORGE J. HUSS.

The series by LOUISA M. ALCOTT and J. T. TROWBRIDGE progress favorably, and the fortunes of "Rose" among her "Eight Cousins," and of "Jack" among the Western settlers, are likely to prove equally interesting.

HON. G. A. MADILL.—Many of our readers in this vicinity, and especially the earlier students of the Susquehanna Collegiate Institute, will remember GEO. A. MADILL, as a most promising young man. After completing his studies he read law and graduated at the Albany Law School, after which he entered into copartnership with Hon. JOHN J. TAYLOR of Owego. Some nine years since he removed to St. Louis, where his legal attainments, polished manners and strict integrity, soon gave him a prominent position and lucrative practice. Four years ago he was nominated for the bench in that city, and elected without opposition. Having declined a re-election, he retired from his high official position on the last of December. The St. Louis *Republican* gives an interesting account of the proceedings on the occasion, and says that nearly every member of the bar was present. R. S. MACDONALD Esq., in a neat and appropriate speech, presented his Honor, Judge MADILL, with the following testimonial, signed by the entire bar of the city:

To the Hon. George A. Madill, Judge of the St Louis Circuit Court:

HONORED SIR: The members of the bar of the city of St. Louis, whose names are hereto subscribed, knowing that you are about to retire from the position of circuit judge, which you have so long occupied, are unwilling you should leave the bench without an unqualified expression of their approval of your official career, which we now declare has been marked throughout by dignified modesty, unquestioned impartiality, extensive learning and great ability. And we further bear cheerful witness that you have discharged the important, laborious and responsible duties of your office in a manner BENEFICIAL TO THE JURISPRUDENCE OF THE STATE, with justice to all suitors, honor to your own head and heart, and with courtesy and kindness to your professional brothers.

It is our earnest desire that in your retirement from the bench you will carry with you for all time the kindliest remembrances of our regard and esteem, and with them our best wishes for your happiness and prosperity in the future. Respectfully yours. [Here came the signatures of nearly 300 members of the bar.]

Judge Madill responded as follows:

GENTLEMEN OF THE BAR: Having both from inclination and duty, cultivated the habit while in the bench of hearing much from others and saying but little myself, I cannot summon that facility of speech which I ought to command to convey to you in suitable terms the sentiments inspired by the generous compliment you have paid me. I have never ceased to cherish with becoming gratitude the fact that my elevation to the bench resulted chiefly from the unanimous and unsolicited action of the members of this bar. And as this is the first appropriate opportunity which has offered itself since then, I desire now to assure you that I gratefully appreciated the unanimity and magnanimity with which you at that time contributed so large a part in placing in my hands one of the most important trusts to which a lawyer can aspire. The evidence of your confidence which you then gave me was supplied in a large measure, the incentive to whatever diligence I may have exercised in discharging the duties of this position, and justly made me anxious to merit your commendation. A quiet assurance that I had succeeded, in however moderate a degree, would have compensated me for all the care and labor which the effort has cost me, and supplied me with an unfailing source of pleasure in the quiet professional career which I hope to secure in the future. But since the same liberal spirit which led you in the first instance to select me for this position, now leads you to tender me this gratifying and durable approval of my official action, I am excited by emotions the supreme pleasure of which is allayed only by my regret that I have been so little able to illustrate in my judicial life those virtues which you as lawyers are so quick to discern and so ready to applaud. Recognizing above all men, by reason of your opportunities, the vast importance of the relations which the judiciary of the country bears to the social, commercial and political interests of the citizen and the State; appreciating the imperative necessity for the strictest fidelity to independence, to principle, to duty, on the part of judges; realizing that purity of life, elevation of thought, and simplicity and sincerity of purpose, must needs steady the hand of him who would hold the scales of justice evenly, your approbation conveys to me a reward transcended in its value only by my consciousness of having wronged no suitor intentionally, and of having striven always to administer the law in the interests of justice and of right. And while you have placed me under an obligation which I cannot hope fully to discharge, yet be assured that so far as an undivided allegiance to the best interests of the profession to which I am devoted, and a profound admiration for the great science among whose followers I esteem it a distinguished honor to be numbered, will serve to discharge that obligation, it shall certainly be done.

My return to the bar, as you know, is in accordance with a long-settled purpose. And yet I am not unconscious of the fact that in so doing I am severing personal and official relations of the most agreeable character. To my brother judges I am indebted for many of the pleasantest and most profitable experiences of my social and professional life. With them individually and as a body, and from first to last, my personal intercourse has been unexceptionably cordial and my official relations distinguished throughout on their part by temperate forbearance and considerate respect. No differences of opinion, however great or tenaciously held or vigorously pressed in the discharge of duties at once varied, complicated and burdensome, have been permitted to interrupt for a single moment the free exchange of the warmest sentiments of friendship. And I esteem it a privilege to have an opportunity to say that to these associations and relations, I gladly acknowledge myself greatly indebted, not only because they afforded me opportunities for correcting opinion and securing valuable assistance, but also for the reason that they have furnished me constant exhibitions of devotion to duty and to truth which have strengthened my own resolution and given me a profounder appreciation of the value of an honest, fearless judiciary. And I shall leave these associations carrying with me the enduring conviction that in no sphere of human action can prejudice or passion find less encouragement, or all the higher qualities of the heart and understanding find better conditions for constant exercise than in the judicial administration of the law.

Gentlemen, the chief pleasure of this occasion would be lost to me did I fail to acknowledge how much, in the discharge of my duties here, I have been indebted to your industry and skill and learning. Upon these aids I have always greatly relied, and your diligence has never failed or disappointed me. By them my labors have been diminished, my responsibility made less burdensome, and my judgment in dealing with facts and applying principles, constantly assisted and enlightened. Among many of the brightest features of my experience in this place have reached me through the medium of your courtesy and thoughtful recognition of those relations which ought always to subsist between the bench and the bar. But while to all these things I have been made constantly sensible of my obligation, I cannot refrain from giving expression to the pleasure I felt when, while I have had the honor to preside here, by the abundant proof you have furnished of the fact that the crowning glory of our profession is the fidelity which distinguishes its members in the discharge of their professional obligations. Having witnessed from day to day the magnitude and importance of the interests, as well as the variety and delicacy of the trusts confided solely to the honor of the members of this bar, and having watched the unremitting faithfulness with which these interests have been served and these trusts executed. I have been profoundly impressed with the fact that among the body of men engaged continually in conducting the more important affairs of human life, is there found a quicker response to moral obligation, or a stricter devotion to the interests entrusted to their care, than among the members of the legal profession. Throughout the entire administration of these interests and trusts, which have taxed your industry, tested your skill, engaged your powers, no guarantee of faithfulness has been asked or given, save that commanding sense of professional integrity, which is the conspicuous, while it is the natural virtue of the genuine lawyer; no bond has been required save that honor for which the spirit of the law, the history of the profession, and the experience of the courts stand as willing sureties. And standing here to-day in the clear light of a large experience and an infinite variety of tests, I am better able than ever to appreciate the truth and justice of the sentiment of Lord Erskine, who, first a sailor, then a soldier, and afterwards a lawyer and England's greatest advocate, declared that he was bred in his early youth to two professions, the characteristic of which is honor. But after the experience of many years, I can say with truth that they cannot stand higher for honor than the profession of the law. Amidst unexampled temptations, which through human frailty have involved their victims, the great bulk of it are sound and the cause is obvious. There is something so beautiful and exalted in the faithful administration of justice, and a departure from it is so odious and disgusting, that a perpetual monitor is raised up in the mind against the excess of corruption.

I cannot conclude these ill-directed remarks more agreeably to myself than by congratulating you on the fact that you have in my successor a gentleman whose dignity of character and urbanity of manner must continue to him as a judge, what he has so long enjoyed as a citizen and lawyer—the personal esteem of the entire bar; and whose ripe experience and liberal learning to the law will command for his judgments the highest consideration and respect, alike from lawyers and litigants. [Applause.]

Allow me again to thank you, gentlemen, for this expression of your good will. And again be assured that whatever may be the vicissitudes of professional life that await me, I shall bear through them all my humble but cheerful testimony to your uniform generosity and professional magnanimity, and shall esteem myself fortunate in securing opportunities to imitate these virtues. [Great applause.]

It afords us pleasure always to record the success of any Bradford county man, and it is especially pleasant to do so when distinction is achieved by one so worthy of preferment as Judge MADILL. He has our sincere wish for continued prosperity.

OYSTER SUPPER.—An Oyster Supper will be served in the Good Templars' Hall, at Rome, on Friday evening, Jan. 29, under the auspices of the Lodge. Proceeds to be invested in a library. A general invitation is extended. Come on with your dollars and help us in this good work. Bill $1. By order of the Committee

NOTICE.—There will be a conference of the North Branch Universalist Association at Standing Stone, on the 3d and 4th of February, 1875. A general invitation is extended to all.

A conference will also be held at Athens, on the 17th and 18th of February, 1875.

R. W. CHENEY, Standing Clerk.

ED. REPORTER: In your paper of Thursday last, I read the obituary notice of my grandmother, DEMARIS GEROULD; and also that of my father, THEODORE GEROULD, in which it was erroneously stated that his death occurred at Rome. He died Feb. 18, 1871, in Shesbequin, at the home of his son-in-law, JOSIAH TOWNER. He had resided in that township nearly six years previous to his death.

Yours Respectfully,
THERESE GEROULD TOWNER.

Hornbrook, Jan. 16 1875

BUSINESS LOCAL.

NOTICE.—After the 1st of February, 1875, MCCABE & EDWARDS close their books and will do a cash business.

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

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

☞ You can find the best of School Shoes very cheap, at CONSER & COON'S.

☞ HENDELMAN offers a great reduction in Silver-Plated Ware.

☞ Ground Plaster at the Myersburg Mills, at $6 50 per ton.
Jan. 14 75-tf.

☞ A large line of Parasols in all the new shades, just received by
EVANS & HILDRETH.

☞ C. F. CROSS has the best assortment of fine Stationery we have ever seen

☞ If you want to purchase LAND, read the B. & M. advertisement in another column.

☞ Music boxes and Musical Clocks, at HENDELMAN'S.

☞ Trimming Velvets, Velveteens and Children's Clockings, may be found at EVANS & HILDRETH'S.

☞ New goods received daily at HENDELMAN'S.

☞ American and French Clocks in great variety, at very low prices, at HENDELMAN'S.

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

☞ Don't fail to call at HENDELMAN'S, if you wish to buy anything in the line of Jewelry, Silver and Silver-Plated Ware.

☞ An immense stock of Ladies', Misses', Children's and Gents' Hosiery and Gloves, at EVAN'S & HILDRETH'S.

☞ Opera, Field, and Spy Glasses in a great variety, at HENDELMAN'S.

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

☞ Gold, Silver, and Steel Spectacles, and Eye Glasses, in great variety, at HENDELMAN'S Jewelry Store.

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

☞ A large assortment of Paisley and Woolen Shawls opened this week by TAYLOR & CO.

FOR RENT.—The First Ward Bakery, now occupied by Mrs. KITTREDGE. Enquire of BARTLETT & TRACY.

☞ The best place to buy Sash, Blinds, Doors and all kinds of Lumber, is at FROST & SONS Factory on Charles street. Office 107 Main street. They sell cheap for cash.

☞ Switches made at Mrs. HENRY KING-BURY'S dress making rooms, Arcade Block, of cut hair and combings also.
Dec. 17-74-tf.

☞ For all kinds of goods in the jewelry line, call at M. HENDELMAN'S.

☞ If you want to secure a good article, and get the worth of your money, the place to go is M. HENDELMAN'S.

☞ Nitrous Oxide Gas successfully used for the extraction of teeth.
W. B. KELLY, Dentist,
Towanda, Pa.

☞ A specialty in Cloaks, Shawls, Blankets and Felt Skirts, can be found at EVANS & HILDRETH'S.

☞ A full line of Guipure Lace, Yak Lace, and Passementry trimmings, just received by EVANS & HILDRETH.

☞ A large stock of Ladies', Misses', and Gents' Underwear, at EVANS & HILDRETH'S.

NOTICE.—M. E. ROSENFIELD will sell you, for 50 cents, a Winter Cap that will cover you from top to bottom, and everything else in proportion.

☞ Keep your feet warm by buying those wool-lined boots, Arctics, and warm shoes, at CONSER & COON'S, opposite the Court House.

☞ A very large stock of Men's, Boys', Youths and Children's Boots, just received at CONSER & COON'S, opposite the Court House.

☞ We shall be prepared in a short time to manufacture Lumber and Shingles. Bring your Logs and Bolts to FROST & SONS' Furniture Factory, Towanda, Pa.
Jan. 19, 1875—3mo.

☞ Your wife, husband, daughter or son, and perhaps that "other feller," will be expecting a pair of slippers about these days, and the place to buy them is at CONSER & COON'S, opposite the Court House.

CAMPTOWN WOOLLEN MILL.—Carding, Spinning, and Weaving, also Manufacturing, Cloth-Dressing, etc., as usual. Stocking Yarn, Flannel and Cloths for sale. Machinery running in good order, and work warranted and done with dispatch.

DRESS-MAKING.—MRS. HENRY KINGSBURY, in the Arcade block, opposite the Episcopal Church is prepared to do dress-making in the latest style and neatest manner on short notice and at reasonable prices. Fitting made a specialty. Stamping done also.

SOMETHING NEW!—*A 99 Cent Store* will open on Tuesday next, 26th inst., on Bridge street, next door to EVANS & HILDRETH'S.

The public are invited to call and see what 99 cents will buy.
GEO. E. SMITH.

☞ HARRIS, at the Bee Hive Store, has the gayest looking show window in town, and his customers say he has the best and cheapest assortment of fancy and millinery goods ever offered in this market. His store is a favorite resort for the ladies, who are noted for good judgment in the purchase of goods. A word to the wise is sufficient.

NOTICE TO CLOTHING BUYERS.—M. E. ROSENFIELD has just received a new invoice of ready-made clothing for men and boys, and a large stock of overcoats of every description, which I offer to sell regardless of price, to suit purchasers. My entire stock of clothing and furnishing goods must be sold within 60 days; therefore, I will sell to suit each and all. Come one and all for bargains to M. E. ROSENFIELD'S.

☞ T. C. COWEN, of Towanda, has just received the largest stock of China, White Granite, Iron-stone China, and French, Belgian and American Glassware, ever brought to this market. And the best of all is, he has procured them in such a way that he is selling them full 25 per cent. cheaper than they were ever before sold in Towanda.

☞ 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.

☞ Dr. KELLEY has secured the right to use a attachment for lower dental plates, which greatly assists in holding them in place. For difficult cases itself prove indispensable. Office on Main-st, Towanda.

FOR RENT.—House situated corner of Locust and Cherry streets, Towanda. Immediate possession given. Terms one-half the usual rental until the 1st of April. Address,
MRS. H. W. PATRICK,
Athens, Pa.

☞ JUST OPENED, a handsome line of Paisley Shawls, and selling cheap, at KENT & WATROUS'.
Towanda, Jan. 14 75 3-w.

☞ Every reader of the REPORTER will receive free a copy of the best Agricultural and Family Newspaper in this country, by addressing *Moore's Rural New Yorker*, 78 Duane street, New York.

☞ PAISLEY SHAWLS.—If you want a Paisley shawl, the place to buy it is at KENT & WATROUS'.
Towanda, Jan. 14-75-3-w.

☞ C. F. CROSS has just received a very large invoice of Books suitable for S.S. Libraries, which he will furnish at a discount of 25 per cent. to schools.

☞ J. O. FROST & SONS, in order to keep their Factory going during the Winter, will sell their entire stock of goods very low for cash. Now is your time to buy.

☞ Never buy a Cook Stove until you have called at JONA'S and examined the "New Empire," a stove which has novel disappointed the expectations of the most fastidious housewife.

☞ A large stock of Ladies' and Children's Furs at reduced prices, at TAYLOR & CO'S.

☞ Scarfs, Nubias, Leggins, Hosiery and Gloves, at TAYLOR & CO'S.

THE RENDEZVOUS.—To all who wish operations performed on the teeth, we say go to Dr. DODSON's new office on State-st., below Main, in Dr. PRATT's new office building, second floor. You may rely upon good work, correct treatment, and a pleasant instead of a disagreeable time in the operating chair.

☞ Knit Jackets for Ladies, Misses and Children, at TAYLOR & CO'S.

☞ All kinds of Handkerchiefs, Ties and Fancy Goods, at TAYLOR & CO'S.

☞ If you want a beautiful Chromo, go to WHITCOMB & SHAUT'S. They have the finest selection in town, which they are offering very cheap.

☞ Engraving done at HENDELMAN'S Jewelry Store.

☞ Hats and Caps for Men and Boys at TAYLOR & CO'S.

☞ Great variety of Yak Laces, Gimps, and Bugle Trimmings, at TAYLOR & CO'S.

☞ M. HENDELMAN has the largest and best stock of ladies' and gentlemen's gold and silver watches ever brought to Towanda.

☞ KENT & WATROUS have just received a fine assortment of PAISLEY SHAWLS, *bought greatly below their value*, and propose to give their customers the advantage of small profits on them. Now is your time to buy a PAISLEY cheap.
Towanda, Jan. 14-75 3-w.

☞ Baby mothers will be gratified to learn that there is one establishment in Towanda where they can buy good, substantial clothes for their boys cheaper than they can get the material and have them made, viz: JULIUS WOLFF, realizing the wants of community in this particular, has purchased and is selling very cheap boy's clothing of every description.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.—The "Towanda Mutual Building and Saving Fund Association, of the Borough of Towanda," will meet in the Grand Jury Room, on Thursday evening, January 21, 1875, between the hours of 7 and 9 o'clock, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year.
C. F. CROSS, Sec'y.

LIVERY FOR SALE.—We have a Livery of eight horses and good carriages, hack, etc., which we offer for sale cheap and on reasonable terms. Enquire of our agent at the stables, or at our Music Store.
HOLMES & PASSAGE.

READY PAY.—CHAPTER IV.—We have for a long time been aware that selling goods on credit was a curse to both buyer and seller. To the buyer because it leads him down with debts; pay-day is sure to come, and very often it comes at the same time with sickness and other afflictions. Then comes the officer with execution to take the last morsel from suffering wife and children. The home is sold; the family are turned out into the cold cheerless world, homeless and penniless after debt. It is a double curse to the seller because it puts his means out of his hand, and compels him to collect of many who are unable to pay without distress to themselves and families; he meets many losses by bad debts, and customers who pay cash feel dissatisfied, believing