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Poetry.

HOPING. There are days of gloom, coming, Wait and wait, you'll surely see, In the future in the future, All your sorrows will be glad to see. Hope is saying, softly saying, "Come your heartache, sigh and moan, Wait a while, just a little while, It is better further on."

Miscellaneous.

Testing Her Affection.

Mr. Thorpe is a middle-aged widower and some time ago he paid his addresses to Mrs. Botts, a widow on the shady side of forty. Thorpe is rich, and after the widow had accepted him, he began to fear that maybe she had taken him for his money, and so concluded to test her to ascertain if she really loved him for himself alone. So one evening, when they were sitting together in the parlor, he said to her:

"Hannah, I've something unpleasant to tell you, but I am going to do it because I consider it right that you should know it. Hannah, what would you say if I informed you that one of my knee-pans is gone, and that I have a patent hinge on that leg?"

"I should say that I cared nothing for that my dear; I have only one toe on my left foot. The others were frost bitten off, and the ankle is all twisted around crooked."

"You don't tell me!" said Thorpe. "Well, but I've something worse than that. I might as well confess now that the bald place on the top of my head is not really my scalp. I've been trappened. I have a silver-plated concern set into my skull, a kind of skylight. You can lift it up and see down on the inside of me."

"I'm glad you mentioned it, dear," said the widow, "for it gives me courage to tell you that I haven't a hair of my own on my head. I'm bald as a chandelier globe."

"Is that so? Gracious! I never should have expected it. But you will be surprised to learn that none of my teeth are natural. All false, and besides that, I have to wear an India rubber thingamagig on my palate to keep it from dropping down."

"I'm very sorry for you John, but it's some comfort that all my teeth are false too, and that I am perfectly blind in my right eye. It looks like a good eye, but it absolutely ain't worth a cent."

"Great Heavens! Why didn't you tell me of this before?" exclaimed Thorpe. "But while we are on this subject, I will say further that I have chronic torpidity of the liver, and that my bigness is disjoined so that it sticks out like a chicken's. How does that strike you?"

"O, I don't mind it," said Mrs. Botts. "Because I have been bilious and dyspeptic for twenty years; I have a wen on the back of my neck, and beside I am one rib short. It was broken in a railroad accident, and the doctor had to cut it out. I'm subject to fits too."

"This is horrible," said Thorpe. "Mrs. Botts, I think you ought to have mentioned these things to me when I proposed to you. I imagined that I was addressing a woman, a complete human creature. But what are you Mrs. Botts? You appear to me to be a kind of a dilapidated old wreck, with not more'n half of the usual machinery about you. It's a wonder to me you don't fall to pieces."

Stirring up a Hornets' Nest.

The following exciting story is told by the St. Louis Republican: "As the Missouri Pacific train was leaving Miller's Landing, a few weeks ago, a gentleman came aboard carrying a stick, to which was curiously attached a hornet's nest. He had found it in the woods, and it had the appearance of being tenantless. But when brought into the warm atmosphere of the car, and placed near the stove, the heat soon awakened its dormant life, and a low, humming noise from the interior warned the embryo naturalist and his companions in destined misery that the sorrow was about to begin. A frantic effort to throw the nest from the window released the imprisoned insects, and next instant they swarmed through the car, each individual hornet armed with fury and savagely bent on the war-path. They struck right and left, and everywhere left in their trail a cry of agony. Women shrieked and men vented curses loud and deep. But the sorrow waxed apace and the misery increased. People tumbled over seats and groveled on the floor. Polonaises were torn and scattered in promiscuous confusion, and a shapely extremity were exposed in a frantic search for hornets that had ventured in directions which hornets have no right to penetrate. Bald-headed men mopped their pates in agony and cursed the fool who had turned that happy car into a carnival of pain."

Rushing to the rescue of his beleaguered passengers, Conductor King was met on the threshold with such a warm reception that his inquiry "What the—?" may he not have been so far wrong after all. But the conductor only clapped his lips with both hands and commenced an Indian war dance in perfect keeping with the conduct of his passengers. He seemingly lost all anxiety to inquire any further, or if his curiosity was not appeased he prudently refrained from exposing it. Finally the doors and windows were thrown open and the hornets began to leave the car. In a little while only a few stray ones were left, and these the passengers kindly refrained from hurrying, but allowed to take their time, which, everything considered, was magnanimous on the part of people who had undergone so much discomfort."

Romantic Life and Death of a Hermit.

On Friday, 30th ult., Austin Sheldon, known as the Pike County Hermit, was found dead, in a ten feet snow drift, on the Moosic Mountains in Wayne county. He had lived over forty years in a cave in the rocks, near the entrance of which his body was found. Sheldon was nearly 72 years old. He was discovered in his cave thirty years ago by hunters. He said he had been living there ten years, and had not seen any human beings in that time. His cave was nine miles from Dingman's village. His reason for seclusion was a very peculiar one, and in these days when married affection is rapidly becoming 'one of the lost arts' it is probably that his example will find but few emulators. It appears that he had lost his wife after a brief married life, and disappeared on the day of the burial. He was not heard of until last year. Before he took up his abode in the Pike county cave Sheldon says he roamed for five years through the woods of Connecticut, Vermont and New York, shunning civilization. At last he found a cave in which he concluded to live the rest of his life. He did not know its locality at the time, but found afterwards that it was among the Moosic Mountains, in Wayne county. The great forest that surrounded his cave soon attracted the attention of the lumbermen, and he fled deeper into the wilderness. After three months of wandering he found the cave in the wild region where he died. For over forty years he lived in this hole in the rocks. Sheldon lived on game, fish, roots and berries. At the time of his death his form was much bent. The clothing that hung in rags and tatters from his person, had been donned twenty-two years ago and never been taken off. It was held together by hickory withes. He never washed. A thick gray beard that hung almost to his waist, and hair of the same color hanging over his shoulders, was matted with burrs and twigs and had not been touched with a comb or brush for forty-five years. He never went far away from his cave. A long staff and an ancient Bible—the latter hanging from his belt—were his constant companions. Several times his cave was surrounded with forest fires, and almost every avenue of escape cut off, but he calmly remained in his retreat, reading his Bible, until removed by woodmen thoughtful of his safety. Nearly every winter for years he has been rescued from freezing and starving. He never made any effort to save himself, saying he was in the hands of God. Sheldon's relatives, he being a highly educated man, belonged to one of the leading Connecticut families, and several efforts have been made to wean him from his peculiar life. About a year ago his brother and sister attempted to get him back to civilization, using every argument that their wealth and kinship could devise, but in vain, he died and died a hermit.

The Queen of Shop-Lifters.

The New York "Mercury" says: Among the females now domiciled at the city's expense in the work-house on Blackwell's Island is Martha Hargreaves, whose name has figured prominently in some of the great crimes committed in the city. She is widely known to the detective police as having been for many years one of the most expert thieves that has ever operated here. Her history is one of strange adventures and vicissitudes. During the last fifteen years she has operated as a confidence woman, shop-lifter, pick-pocket, 'queer-shorrer', forger's assistant and 'fence' for thieves. Her skill in the dark and various ways of crime made her a great favorite among the big professionals of the Eighth and Fifteenth Wards where she reigned like a queen. Dan Noble, the Lord bond robber, who is serving a long sentence in an Austrian prison; 'Datch' Heinrich, the Allen, and Sharkey, the fugitive murderer, treated her with their secrets. She is the wife of Phil Hargreaves, who was mixed up in a fracas with the late George Hill, otherwise 'Cooley Keys'. She came to New York from Liverpool with Hargreaves in 1851, and soon afterwards turned to shop lifting and pocket-picking. As a shop-lifter she had great success. She made many a rich haul from the dry goods and millinery stores along Broadway, hardly one of which she had not visited. With ready conversational powers and good address she found it easy to beguile dull or careless salesmen, and almost always purloined some valuable article without detection. It is thought that she has made over two hundred thousand dollars in her time, but she spent all her ill-gotten gains for drink. She has frequently been known to give some valuable articles, worth four or five hundred dollars, for a glass of liquor. In 1872 the men who committed the two million dollar bond forgeries in this city trusted her with two hundred and fifty thousand dollars of forged Chicago and Northwestern Railroad bonds to take to London and deliver to Walter Sheridan, alias Ralston. She sailed in the steamer Adriatic, and Roberts and Gleason, who are now in Ludlow street jail, were present at her departure. Roberts was arrested on the wharf by Detective McDougall, under the habitual criminal's act. The arrest was the first made under the act. Martha delivered the bonds to Sheridan in London, and he gave them to a noted American burglar for safe keeping until he found an opportunity to put them on the British market. Chapman had to go out of the way very suddenly, and he gave the bonds to the care of a man who kept a hotel in London which was resorted to by American fugitives. This man afterward said that the police made a visit to the hotel and that he buried the bonds. Sheridan, to whom Martha was sent, is under conviction for forgery, and is in the Tombs awaiting sentence. Martha was arrested by officer Maher of the Eldridge street police a few days ago, while helplessly intoxicated in the street. Judge Wendell sent her to the Island for ten days. She says that her maiden name is Walsh, and that she is fifty years of age, and was born in Ireland. She talks with a strong Cockney accent. The thieves discarded her when they found that she was too old to be of any further service to them in their operations.

KEEP STRAIGHT AHEAD.—Pay no attention to slanders and gossip mongers. Keep straight on in your course, and let their backbiting die the death of neglect. What is the use of lying awake nights, brooding over the remark of some false friend, that runs through your brain like lightning! What is the use of getting into a worry or fret over gossip that has been set afloat to your disadvantage by some meddlesome busybody who has more time than character? The thing cannot possibly injure you unless indeed you take notice of them, and in combating them give them standing and character. If what is said about you is true, set yourself right; if it is false, let it go for what it will fetch. If a bee stings you, would you go to the hive to destroy it? Would not a thousand come upon you? It is wisdom to say a little respecting the injuries you have received. We are generally losers in the end if we stop to refute all the backbiting and gossiping we may hear by the way. They are annoying, it is true, but not dangerous, so long as we do not stop to expostulate and scold. Our characters are formed and sustained by ourselves; by our own actions and purposes, and not by others. Let us always bear in mind that calumniators may usually be trusted to time and the slow but steady justice of public opinion."

Although the Pennsylvania railroad was opened from Philadelphia to Columbia in 1831, horses were not dispensed with as motive power until 1838. Although there was continuous connection with Pittsburg as early as 1834, it was mainly by canals and water routes that the Pennsylvania railroad proper, from Harrisburg to Pittsburg, was only incorporated thirty years ago with \$7,000,000 capital.

VEGETINE He Says It Is True.

SENECA FALLS, Nov. 9, 1876. Dear Sir:—I am an entire stranger to you, I want you to know that VEGETINE has done for me. Only those who have been raised from death's door can know the value of such a good medicine. I am 55 years of age. Three years ago I was taken sick with what the doctors called LIVERACHE. For weeks I was confined to my bed. I had three different physicians, without any effect. I never had a better sleep than I have since I began to take VEGETINE. The last doctor told me there was no help; he said I might possibly save my life by injecting morphia in my arms and legs. The encouragement for saving my life by having this done was so small a chance I could not consent to run the risk. About this time my son read your advertisement in our paper. A testimony of a person who had been cut down with about the same complaint, and was cured. My son went right away to the drug store and bought a bottle of VEGETINE. He gave me three bottles. I was able to sit up and move about my room. I continued taking the VEGETINE, and I feel better than I have for many years. My doctor said there was no help for me. I have had a bottle of VEGETINE. He told me I take a dose of VEGETINE, and I recommend it to my friends. Your Vegetine ought to be in every family. My doctor was surprised to see me in good health. He says VEGETINE is a good medicine. I tell him it cured me. He says, "It is true." I cannot feel too thankful. Very truly, MRS. CATHERINE COONS. Seneca Falls, Seneca County, N. Y.

VEGETINE WILL CURE CANKER HUMOR.

ROCKFORD, March 31, 1876. Dear Sir:—Last fall my husband got me two bottles of your Vegetine to take for the Canker Humor, which I have had in my stomach for several years. I took it and the result was very satisfactory. I have taken a good many remedies for the Canker Humor, and none seemed to help me but Vegetine. There is no doubt in my mind that every one suffering with Canker Humor can be cured by taking Vegetine. It gave me a good appetite, and I feel better in every respect. Yours truly, MRS. ELIZA ANN POOLE.

VEGETINE NOTHING EQUAL TO IT.

SOUTH SALEM, MASS., Nov. 14, 1876. Dear Sir:—I have been troubled with Scrofula, Canker and Liver Complaint. For three years, nothing ever did me any good until I commenced using the VEGETINE. I am now getting along first rate, and will using the VEGETINE consider that every one suffering with Canker Humor can be cured by taking it to every body. Yours truly, MRS. LIZZIE M. PACKARD. No. 16 Lagrange St., South Salem, Mass.

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CAUTION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following articles have been purchased by the undersigned at Sheriff's sale and left in the possession of John S. Hendricks during our pleasure. All persons are cautioned not to interfere or meddle with the same, viz: Six, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100. J. G. MOYER, Sheriff. JOSIAH KLINE, H. M. THORPE.

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HAVING JUST RETURNED FROM THE EASTERN CITIES WITH THE LARGEST AND MOST COMPLETE STOCK OF MENS, YOUTHS AND BOYS CLOTHING, ALL OF WHICH WE WILL SELL AT PRICES TO DEFT COMPETITION. READ THE FOLLOWING AND SEE WHY WE CAN AFFORD TO SELL SO CHEAP.

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- 2nd. Our expenses are much less than those of any similar Establishment in this section of the country, consequently we can sell cheaper than they can.
- 3rd. Having had many years experience in the business, we are enabled to take every advantage of the business and are enabled to give our Customers the advantage of the same.
- 4th. We adhere to the Golden Rule of: ONE PRICE FOR ALL, and no Misrepresentations which secures for us a customer of every man who buys one bill from us.
- 5th. Whilst we do not allow our customers to deduct their Railroad fare like some clothing houses, we sell at such bargains, that every one who gives us a trial is enabled to save many times the price of their fair.

Try us and see for yourself. Our stock is large and embraces in connection with the clothing a full line of Gent's furnishing goods, Hats, Caps, Umbrellas, Trunks, Valises &c.

ALL OF WHICH WILL BE SOLD AT BOTTOM PRICES.

You can buy goods as cheap of us as of any clothing house in Central Penn'a. besides having a chance in drawing a solid silver American watch. See advertisement in another column.

Feeling confident that our endeavors to serve our customers will meet with their approval and patronage we remain, Yours Respectfully,

WEIS & OPPENHEIMER ONE DOOR ABOVE KEYSTONE HOTEL SELINGSGROVE.

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People in need of any goods in our line will find it to their advantage to call and examine my goods and prices before purchasing elsewhere. They can always save from 25 to 40 per cent. GOODS RECEIVED ALMOST DAILY DURING SEASON.

Thankful for past favors a continuation of the same is respectfully solicited. Oct. 16, '73. S. WEIS.

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H. H. Grimm, Wm. H. Dill, GRIMM & DILL, Attorneys & Counselors AT-LAW, Office Near the Post Office, 'Frederic, Penn'a.' Consultation in both English and German Languages. Pgs. 19, '72.

S. ALLEMAN & SON, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, Selinsgrove, Pa. All professional business and collecting entrusted to their care will be promptly attended to. Can be consulted in English or German. Office, Market Square, Selinsgrove, Pa.

F. J. R. ZELLER, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, Centreville, Snyder County, Penna. All business entrusted to his care will be promptly attended to. Will practice at the several courts of Snyder and adjoining counties. Can be consulted in the English or German language. Oct. 30, '73

CHARLES HOWER, ATTORNEY AT LAW, Selinsgrove, Pa. Offers his professional services to the public. Collections and all other professional business entrusted to his care will receive prompt attention. Office Two doors north of the Keystone Hotel. [Jan 5, '67]

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B. T. PARKS, ATTORNEY AT LAW, SELINGSGROVE, SNYDER COUNTY, PA. [Sept. 15, '67]

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A. J. PETERS, Justice of the Peace, Middleburg, Snyder county, Penn'a. (Conveyancing done, and Collections made. Everything entrusted to his care, will receive prompt attention. June 11, '74.

DR. J. F. KANAWEL, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON, Centreville, Snyder Co., Pa. Offers his professional services to the public. 6-361f

DR. A. M. SMITH, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON, Middleburg, Pa. Offers his professional services to the citizens of Middleburg and vicinity. [Sept. 4, '73]

DR. J. Y. SHINDEL, SURGEON AND PHYSICIAN, Middleburg, Pa. Offers his professional services to the citizens of Middleburg and vicinity. [March 21, '67]

I. I. MONBECK, Justice of the Peace, Adamsburg, Snyder Co., Pa. Will be in his office at the above mentioned place, on MONDAY and SATURDAY of each week, when all kinds of business relating to his office, will be attended to. June 26 '73

B. F. VAN BUSKIRK, SURGICAL & MECHANICAL DENTIST, Selinsgrove, Penn'a.

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A. B. KECK, Justice of the Peace and Conveyancer, Smith Grove, Snyder Co., Pa. Collections and all business pertaining to the office of Justice of the Peace will be attended to as early as possible. Selinsgrove, Pa.