Wit and Humor.

[From the New York Dispatch.]

POPPING THE QUESTION.

Two bashful lovers sat one night
With a grape-vine bower. Full bright
The moonlight streamed over. The twinkling stars
Cast over earth their golden bars,
Upon the river's silent breast
A copy of the sky was pressed.
While on the green leaves of the trees
Danced the light spirits of the breeze.
All sounds were hushed, save where some boys
At "hide and seek," were making noise;
And save where, sleeping in her pen,
A Miss Hog grunted now and then.
Charmed by such scenes and sounds, they wove
Within that bower the woof of love;
Within that bower the smacking kiss
Was heard; and sighs which spoke of bliss.
"Dear Jane," said he, "ede-ar Jane
I want to ss-say—"The wife
P-p-pe-haps; but ne'ertheless
Will you—?, may be you will guess
What I—w-w-what I would say.
Will you be mine? Say, yes, I pray."
Down fell the blessed maiden's head,
And though she trembled, still she said,
"O, dearest Thomas, since you've popped—
Since from your loving lips has dropped
The question—may be you can guess
My short response; 'tis yes—'tis yes!"
And even as she said that word
The roosters as by impulse stirred,
Flapped hard their wings and loudly crew
While through the arbor soft winds blew;
Even Miss Hog turned around once more,
Gave one long grunt and one long snore;
While the old watch dog said, "bow-wow,"
And some old tom-cat said, "me-yow."
Thus when the question is let out
A 'rumpus' is kicked up 'about';
And cats, dogs, roosters—all creation
Give one immense congratulation. [PONINGOR.

COUSIN SALLY DILLIARD.

BY HAMILTON C. JONES.

We think it high time that Cousin Sally Dilliard, Captain Rice & Co., were again brought to the memory of the public. They deserve to be reproduced every few years. Especially will they keep our friends in a good humor with themselves for a week after the reading:

Scene—A Court of Justice in North Carolina. A beardless disciple of Themis rises and thus addresses the Court:—"May it please your worships, and you, gentlemen of the jury, since there has been my fortune (good or bad I will not say) to exercise myself in legal disquisitions, it has never befallen me to be obliged to prosecute so direful, marked, and malicious an assault, more willful, violent, dangerous battery, and finally a more diabolical breach of the peace has seldom happened in a civilized country, and I dare say it has seldom been your duty to pass upon one so shocking to benevolent feelings, as this which took place over to Captain Rice's, in this county. But you will hear from the witness."

The witnesses being sworn, two or three were examined and deposed. One said that he heard the noise and did not see the fight, another that he had seen the row but did not know who struck first, and a third that he was very drunk and could n't say much about the skirmage.

Lawyer Chops—I am sorry, gentlemen, to have occupied your time with the stupidity of the witnesses examined. It arises, gentlemen, altogether from misapprehension on my part. Had I known as I now do, that I had a witness in attendance who was well acquainted with all the circumstances of the case, and who was able to make himself clearly understood by the court and jury, I should not so long have trespassed upon your time and patience. Come forward, Mr. Harris, and be sworn.

(So, forward comes the witness, a fat shuffly old man, a little sorned, and took his oath with an air.

Chops—Harris, we wish you tell all about the riot that happened the other day at Captain Rice's and, as a good deal of time has already been wasted in circumlocution, we wish you to be continuous, and at the same time as explicit as possible.

Harris—Adzackly, (giving the lawyer a knowing wink, and at the same time clearing his throat.) Captain Rice he gin a treat, and cousin Sally Dilliard she come over to our house and axed me if my wife she mouldn't go? I told cousin Sally Dilliard that my wife was poorly, being as how she had a touch of the rheumatiss in the hip, and the big swamp was in the road, and the big swamp was up, for there had been a heap of rain lately, but howsomever, as it was she, cousin Sally Dilliard, my wife she mout go. Well cousin Sally Dilliard then axed me if Mose he mout go. I told cousin Sally Dilliard that he was the foreman of the crap, and the crap was smartly in the grass; but howsomever, as it was she, cousin Sally Dilliard, Mose he mout go—

Chops—In the names of common sense, Mr. [illegible] sin Sally Dilliard she came over to our house and axed me if my wife she mouldn't go. I told cousin Sally Dilliard—

Chops—Stop, sir, if you please, we don't want to hear anything about your cousin Sally Dilliard and your wife; tell us about the fight at Rice's.

Witness—Well I will, sir, if you will let me.

Chops—Well, sir, go on.

Witness—Well, sir, Captain Rice he gin a treat, and cousin Sally Dilliard she come over to our house and axed me if my wife she mouldn't go—

Chops—There it is again. Witness please to stop.

Witness—Well, sir, what do you want?

Chops—We want to know about the fight, and you must not proceed in this impertinent story.—Do you know anything about the matter before the Court?

Witness—To be sure I do.

Chops—Well, you go on and tell it, and nothing else.

Witness—Well, Captain Rice he gin a treat—

Chops—This is intolerable. May it please the Court, I move that this witness be committed for a contempt; he seems to be trifling with this Court.

Court—Witness, you are before a court of justice, and unless you behave yourself in a more becoming manner you will be sent to jail; so begin and tell what you know about the fight at Captain Rice's.

Witness, (alarmed)—Well, gentlemen, Captain Rice he gin a treat, and cousin Sally Dilliard—

Chops—I hope that the witness may be ordered into custody.

Court (after deliberating)—Mr. Attorney, the Court is of the opinion that we may save time by letting the witness go on in his own way. Proceed Mr. Harris with your story, but stick to the point.

Witness—Yes, gentlemen. Well, Captain Rice he gin a treat, and cousin Sally Dilliard she come over to our house and axed me if my wife she mouth's go? I told cousin Sally Dilliard that my wife she was poorly, being as how she had the rheumatics in the hip, and the big swamp was up; but howsomever, as it was she, cousin Sally Dilliard, my wife she mout go. Well, cousin Sally Dilliard then axed me if Mose he mouth's go.—I told cousin Sally Dilliard as how Mose he was the foreman of the crap, and the crap was smartly in the grass; but, howsomever, as it was she cousin Sally Dilliard, Mose he mout go. So they goes on together, Mose, my wife, and cousin Sally Dilliard, and they come to the big swamp, and it was up as I was telling you; but being as how there was a *log across* the big swamp, cousin Sally Dilliard and Mose, like gentlefolks, they walked the log, but my wife hoisted her coats and waded through—

Chops—Heaven and earth, that is too bad; but go on.

Witness—Well, *that's all I know about the fight.*

A TOUCH OF DOMESTIC SENTIMENT.—"My love," said Krautsalat to his wife, as he sat cudgeling his brains for a subject on which to compose a "first-rate article" for this paper. "My love! I want to write something for the Pie, and I must have a bright idea? Can't you help me?"

"Why, Krauty," responded the quiet little woman, coming close to him and laying her hand on his shoulder, "didn't you get a Bright-eyed Dear when you married me?"

And Krautsalat rather thought he did.—*N. Y. Pic.*

A GRANDEE of Spain handing some refreshments to a circle of ladies, observed one with a most brilliant ring, and was rude enough to say in her hearing, "I should prefer the ring to the hand."

"And I," said the lady, looking steadfastly at the glittering order suspended from the Don's neck, "should prefer the collar to the beast."

"Pa, didn't you whip me for biting Tommy?—Yes, my child, for you hurt him very much."—"Well then, pa, you ought to whip mamma's music teacher too; for he bit her yesterday right in the mouth; and I know it hurt her, because she put her arms around his neck and tried to choke him."

TEACHER—"Boy at the foot, spell admittance." Boy—"Ad-mit-tance, admittance."

Teacher—"Give the definition."

Boy—"Twenty five cents—niggers and children half price!"

An honest farmer thus writes to the chairman of an English agricultural society:—"Gentlemen, please put me down on your list of cattle for a bull."

BOOTS, SHOES, &c.

BOOTS, SHOES, TRUNKS, &C.

THE Subscriber begs leave to inform his customers and the community at large that he has just returned from the city with a fine collection of articles in his line, consisting of

BOOTS, SHOES, GAITERS, SLIPPERS, PUMPS, &c.,

of all descriptions, for Ladies, gentlemen and children. An elegant article from the city of Misses' and children's buttoned gaiters, something new in the latest style.

Also, a new lot of Trunks, Valises, Carpet-bags, Satchels, &c., &c.

Customer work neatly and expeditiously attended to. Store and Shop in Centre, one door above High street.

☞ Next door to the Red Front.☜

Pottsville, July 30, '57 22-1y] DANIEL SCHERTLE.

REAL ESTATE SALES.

TOWN LOTS FOR SALE—In the Borough of Port Carbon. Apply to

J. M. WETHERILL, Agent.

Feb. 14, '57 7-tf

CHEAP FARM, COAL AND TIMBER Lands in McKean County, Penna.

PERSONS wishing to procure lands in McKean or any of the adjoining Counties, at very low rates, can be supplied by addressing the undersigned. The McKean Coal region, now about being opened to the markets of Western New York, offers superior inducements to settlers. With abundance of Coal and Iron, a fertile soil and healthy climate, it is unsurpassed as a locality for investment or settlement.

WM. K. KING, Smithport,

August 22, '57 34-3m *McKean County, Pa.*

FOR SALE.

1000 Acres of Valuable Coal Land.

ONE THOUSAND Acres of the valuable Broad Mountain Coal lands, situated in Butler and Barry townships, Schuylkill county, Pa., is hereby offered at private sale. The Ashland Extension Railroad runs through part of the property, which is underlaid with Coal seams and well timbered. For reference or information apply to Samuel Lewis, Esq., Centre street, or to the subscriber, at his Real Estate Agency, in Railroad street, Pottsville, Pa. The terms are half cash, and half mortgage bonds. FRANCIS SPENCER.

Pottsville, April 19, 1856. 16tf

VALUABLE COAL & TIMBER LAND FOR SALE.

WILL BE SOLD at private sale a valuable tract of Coal and Timber land, known as the Amos Wickersham Tract, in Columbia county Pennsylvania, and located at the Eastern termination of the Mount Carmel and Shamokin Coal Basin. Said tract contains about 400 acres, more or less, is well timbered, believed to contain the same veins of coal running through the Shamokin Coal Basin. Title indisputable. For terms and other particulars apply to the subscriber,

FRANCIS SPENCER

Real Estate Agent, Pottsville,

February 7, '57 6tf

VALUABLE COAL LAND FOR SALE.

THE subscriber will offer for sale, at the Court House in Sunbury, Northumberland county, on Wednesday, the 7th day of October next, at 1 o'clock, P. M., the one undivided ONE-THIRD part of a valuable Tract of Coal Land, situated in Ralpho township, Northumberland county, surveyed on a warrant in the name of LUKE FIDLER, containing in the whole, Five Hundred and Fifty acres, or thereabouts, bounded by lands surveyed in the name of John Brady, Samuel Clark, William Lambert and others. The improvements on the said tract of land, are three two story frame dwellings, one log dwelling house, two sawmills, and a blacksmith shop. Connected with the said tract of land is a large COAL BREAKER.

The terms and conditions of sale will be made known on the day of sale. A. JORDAN, *Trustee.*

Sunbury, September 5, '57 36-3t

A VALUABLE RED ASH COLLIERY FOR SALE.

THE subscriber, being desirous of retiring from the mining business offers his *Milford Colliery* at private sale. This colliery is situated on the Schuylkill Valley Railroad, about one mile above Middleport. *The Coal is of a deep Red Ash, and of superior quality, and well adapted to the New York and Eastern markets.* All the improvements are of the most approved construction—consisting in part of one 75 horse power pumping and hoisting engine, with pumps and all the necessary machinery. In perfect order; one 25 horse engine and breaker; schutes, bins, screens, hoisting plane and gearing complete, cars, tools, and stock, all in good order. The colliery comprises the celebrated Peter Lewis Veins, above and below water level, allow-ned and ready to commence immediate operations. For further particulars inquire of the subscriber, at Pottsville, or of ALEX. S. FISLER, at the works.

May 31, '56 22-tf] SAMUEL SILLYMAN.

COAL LANDS FOR SALE.

VALUABLE COAL LANDS AT PRIVATE SALE.—That Celebrated tract of splendid Coal land known as the "Spohn Tract," containing the justly celebrated "Spohn Vein," also what is generally known as the "Seventy-five acre tract," adjoining, on the Mt. Carbon Rail road and in West Norwegian Township, owned by Nicholas E. Thouron Esq., is hereby offered at private sale, on the most advantageous terms.

The tract contains all the Coal Veins in the Great Southern Anthracite Region—including besides other tracts, those generally known as the *Palmer, Charley Pell Clarkson, Peach Orchard, Orchard, Primrose and Mansfield*, with all the underlying, though yet unexplored, beds of coal which are known to exist in the formation, averaging, when proved, over a hundred feet of solid Coal. In fact, the tracts now offered, contain the richest Coal deposits in the County.

For information, apply to Francis Spencer, Esq., agent for Coal lands, and real estate generally. Office in Railroad street above E. Market street, Pottsville, Pa.

March 22, 1856 12-tf

MISCELLANEOUS.

JUSTICES' FEE BILLS.

THE new Justices' Fee Bills, Revised and Corrected by the Legislature of Pennsylvania just printed, and for sale by B. BANNAN.

PAPER BAGS.

PATENT MACHINE MADE Paper Bags and others, for sale by B. BANNAN, Centre street, Pottsville.

November 8, '56 45-tf

A CARD.

E. T. TAYLOR wishes to call the attention of his customers and the public in general to his new style Spring HAGLAN HATS.

Corner of Centre and Mahantongo streets, Pottsville.

May 2, '57 18-

THOMPSON & DENGLER,

Bankers and Dealers in Exchange,

Opposite the Episcopal Church, Pottsville, Pa.

UNCURRENT MONEY and Land Warrants bought and sold. Will give strict attention to all Collections entrusted to them.

[April 19, '56 16-] 32-

LEONARD, FRY & CO.,

Bankers & Dealers in Exchange.

TAMAQUA, PA.

COLLECTIONS ATTENDED TO and drafts for sale on all the principal cities in the Union. Also, drafts for sale on England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales. June 14, '56 24-

IRON ORE!

THE attention of Capitalists and Iron Masters is called to the valuable deposit of IRON ORE lately discovered in the immediate vicinity of the Wyoming Coal Field. The discovery of Iron Ore in connection with the immense deposits of Anthracite Coal, has long been a great *desideratum* among persons engaged in the business of manufacturing Iron.

The deposit in question lies in the North Mountain boundary of the Valley of the Wyoming, entirely outside of the Coal measures, yet within a few hundred rods of the Coal, and distant only one mile from the Lackawanna and Bloomsburg Railroad.

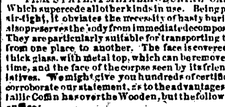
The quality and richness of the Ore has been fully and practically tested in a Furnace, yielding some forty per cent. of superior metal, and working admirably intermixed with other ores. The development of the deposit exhibits a face of seven feet of Ore, composed of two veins, one four feet in thickness, the other three feet, lying above water level, at an angle of fifteen degrees, thus affording facilities for mining, nearly excelled.

☞ **Propositions** for leasing the Ore in the mine, or for delivering it at a certain rate per ton, on the line of the Lackawanna and Bloomsburg Railroad, will be received until the first of October next.

Any communications addressed to Dr. WILLIAM BRISBANE, Willesbarre, Pa., or to GEORGE H. BICKING, Esq., No. 414 Market street, Philadelphia, will meet with early attention.

August 29, '57 35-tf

PATENT METALLIC COFFINS!



READ! READ!!

MR. H. GRESSANG has been appointed Agent for this county, for the sale of "FISK'S PATENT METALLIC BURIAL CASES." Which superceds all other kinds in use. Being perfectly air tight, it obviates the necessity of hasty burials, and also preserves the body from immediate decomposition—They are particularly suitable for transporting the body from one place to another. The case is covered with a thick glass, with metal top, which can be removed at any time, and the face of the corpse seen by its friends or relatives. We might give you hundreds of certificates, to corroborate our statement, as to the advantages the Metallic Coffin has over the Wooden, but the following will suffice:

WASHINGTON, April 6th.

Gentlemen:—We witnessed the utility of your ornamental "Patent Metallic Burial Cases." used to convey the remains of the late Hon. John C. Calhoun to the Congressional Cemetery, which impressed us with the belief that it is the best article known to us for transporting the dead to their final resting place.

With respect, we subscribe ourselves, yours, etc.,

(Signed) Henry Clay, Lewis Cass, Dan. Webster, Wm. R. King, John P. Davis, J. M. Berrien, J. Y. Mason, D. R. Atchinson, A. C. Green, Wm. P. Mangum, Henry Dodge, D. S. Dickinson.

Similar testimonials might be added without number. *Apply to* H. GRESSANG,

Centre street, corner of Union.

Pottsville, June 3, 1856. 23-tf

GENINS',

Broadway, New York.

SULLEBERGER & PASCAL'S,

Sixth Street, Philadelphia.

McCORD'S,

Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

Styles for the Spring and Summer of

1857,

Gloves! Gloves! Gloves! Gloves! Gloves! Gloves!

GLOVES a la HANTEEN (new style for the Ladies).
GLOVES made by IDUYN, who the best in the trade are
GLOVES of Kid, and gloves of BEAVER:
GLOVES of DOESKIN, CLOTH and CASSIMERE:
GLOVES of Wool and Silk and Cotton:
GLOVES of Buckskin, (a large lot 'n):
GLOVES for driving, Gloves for walking:
GLOVES of White Kid, fine Black Roskin:
GLOVES Imitation, which much resembles these
GLOVES to be worn at the coming Assemblies;
GLOVES of Natakin, (very fine.)
GLOVES all sizes, of every kind:
GLOVES to suit the young and old;
GLOVES to keep out the Winter's cold:
GLOVES in great numbers, in style very nice;
GLOVES which I'm selling at a very low price;
GLOVES, if you want them, be certain to call
At the City Hat Store and Gents' Furnishing Hall—
Next Door to the Pottsville House, Centre st., Pottsville.

N. B.—Just received, a small lot of Hunt's Patent Enamelled **Paper Collars**, a new article for Gents.

Gents' SHAWLS, Shawl Pins, Cashmere Pearls, &c.

December 6, '56 49-

OFFICIAL.

PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, in and by an act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled—"An Act regulating the General Election within this Commonwealth, passed the 2d day of July, 1839," it is made the duty of the Sheriff of every county to give public notice of such election to be holden, and to make known in such notice what officers are to be elected:—Therefore, I, WILLIAM MATZ, High Sheriff of the county of Schuylkill, *do make known* by this advertisement to the electors of said county of Schuylkill, that a GENERAL ELECTION will be held in the said county on TUESDAY, the 13th day of October next, at the several districts thereof, as follows, to wit:

The electors of the borough of Orwigsburg will hold their elections at the public house of Daniel Boyer, in the borough of Orwigsburg.

The electors residing in the following described boundaries of West Brunswig township, Schuylkill county, beginning on the township line of East Brunswig, on the land of Daniel Dreher; thence along a public road leading to Daniel Faust's mill and dwelling, including the same; thence to Zion's Church; thence along said public road, leading past the dwelling house of George K. Moyer, including the same; thence along said road until it intersects the tp. line of North Manheim tp., including all the voters residing north of said road, in the township of West Brunswig, aforesaid, shall hereafter, at all general and special elections, as also at all elections for judges and inspectors, vote at the same times and places and in the same box with the voters of the borough of Orwigsburg, in the county aforesaid.

The electors residing in that part of West Brunswig township, lying and being east of the following described line, shall hereafter, at all general, special, and at elections for judges and inspectors, vote in the same box with the qualified voters in the borough of Port Clinton, at the house of Samuel Boyer, now occupied by A. D. Savage; commencing at the river Schuylkill at the lock-house of the schuylkill Navigation Company, number twenty-four; now occupied by John Leash, including the same; thence in a straight line to the house of Jacob Mengle, including the same; thence to the house of Conrad Mengle, now occupied by Mantuna Mengle, including the same; thence to the farm of John Schall, now occupied by Henry Kintzel, including the same, thence to the farm of the heirs of John Bond, deceased, now occupied by George Mengle, including the same; thence to the house of the widow Tranklip, including the same; thence to the farm of Henry Reiner, including the same; thence to the farm of Samuel Miller, including the same; thence to the farm of Benjamin Moll, including the same; thence to the Mineral Point Mill, and the dwelling houses belonging thereto, including the same; thence to the house of George Koch, in the town of Hillsburg, including the same; thence to the house of George Rarer, excluding the same; thence to the farm of Charles Miller, including the same; thence *in straight line to the sand hole at or near the Berks* county line.

The electors of West Brunswig township not included in the above boundaries, will hold their elections at the public house of Joseph Horburger, in said township.

The electors of West Penn township will hold their elections at the house of Isaac Datdorf, in said township!

The electors of Porter township will hold their elections at the house of Daniel Herb, in said township.

The electors of Hegins township will hold their elections at the house of John G. Rees, in said township.

The electors of Hubley township will hold their elections at the house of George F. Weist, in said township.

The electors of Upper Mahantango township will hold their elections at the house of John W. Hepler, in said township.

The electors of Eldred township will hold their elections at the house of John Weiser, in said township.

The electors of Barry township will hold their elections at the house of Francis Dengler, in said township.

The electors of West Penn township will hold their elections at the house of Gideon Wintstone, in said township.

The electors of Union township will hold their elections at the house of C. F. Heim, in said township.

The electors of Rush township will hold their elections at the house of Samuel Dasteport, in said township.

The electors of Mahanoy township will hold their elections at the house of Henry Snyder, in said township.

The electors of the East Ward of the borough of Minersville, will hold their elections at the house of Isaac Ward.

The electors of the West Ward in the borough of Minersville will hold their elections at the house of Charles Mohan.

The electors of Schuylkill township will hold their elections at the house of Hannah Bensinger, in said township.

The electors of Reilly township will hold their elections at the house of Edward Connelly, in said township.

The electors of the borough of Ashland will hold their elections at the house of Michael Horn, in said borough.

The electors of New Castle township will hold their elections at the house now occupied by Ephriam Phillips, in the town of Newcastle.

The electors of Branch township will hold their elections at the house of J. Sanler, in the town of Llewellyn.

The electors of the borough of Port Carbon will hold their elections at the Port Carbon House, in said borough.

The electors of East Norwegian township will hold their elections at the house lately occupied by Wm. C. Barber in said township.

The electors of Norwegian township will hold their elections at Deer Park, in said township, at the house now occupied by C. F. Weyhesser.

The electors of Blythe township will hold their elections at the house of John George Koch, in the town of Middleport.

The electors of Tremont township will hold their elections at the house of Edward F. Welst, in the town of Tremont.

The electors of the South Ward of the borough of Pottsville, will hold their elections at the house of Jos. M. Fegg.

The electors of the North West Ward in said borough will hold their elections at the house of John G. Fetzinger, said ward.

The electors of the North East Ward in said borough will hold their elections at the house of Patrick Curry, in said ward.

The electors of the Middle Ward in said borough will hold their elections at the house of Matthew Branegan, in said ward.

The electors of the borough of Palo Alto will hold their elections at the house of Daniel Devine, in said borough.

The electors of Foster township will hold their elections at the house of Joseph Reilner, in said township.

The electors of Cass township will hold their elections at the house of Archibald Miller, in said township.

The electors of the northern district of Cass township, in said township.

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