

Postal Affairs—Annual Report.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.

Nov. E. M. BARBER, Third Assistant Postmaster-General, has completed his annual report. It shows that during the last fiscal year there were issued to Postmasters for sale to the public, 632,733,000 adhesive postage stamps of the value of \$17,275,242; of plain stamped envelopes about 65,000,000, valued at \$1,927,952; of stamped envelopes bearing a return request 32,000,000, valued at \$1,733,733; of newspaper-wrappers some 19,000,000, valued at \$220,000, and of postal-cards 91,000,000. The increase in value of the ordinary issues over the preceding year was \$1,663,488, or over 8 per cent. These figures represent the cost of manufacture added to the postal value.

It is estimated that for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1876, there will be required to defray the cost of adhesive postage stamps \$149,764; of stamped envelopes and wrappers \$416,520; of postal-cards \$159,806; and of advertising \$115,000. The number of stamps, etc., issued each year increases at a uniform rate of about 10 per cent. per annum, but in consequence of more advantageous contracts having been effected the estimate for the above items is some \$31,000 less than the sum appropriated for them for the current fiscal year.

The Dead Letter Division received during the past year 4,601,773 letters, representing an actual or nominal value of \$4,637,429, exclusive of jewelry and other property, which class of inclosures is treated as possessing no money value that can with correctness be determined. One million three hundred and ninety-two thousand two hundred and twenty-four letters, representing \$1,909,863, were delivered to the owners or writers, including 225,893 foreign letters, which were returned unopened to the countries from whence they came. Of the remainder some 2,600,000 were either worthless, containing circulars, etc., or could not be delivered and were destroyed. The rest are filed for reclamation or are in the hands of Postmasters for delivery.

The Third Assistant strongly recommends that provision be made by law for furnishing to each and every Postmaster throughout the country indelible ink and other requisites for effectually canceling postage stamps and for postmarking. None of the possibilities are now furnished by the department with any such articles for the protection of the Government. Mr. Barber estimates that the proportion of washed stamps used again in payment of postage is 5 per cent. of the value of all the stamps sold each year, causing an annual loss of \$1,000,000 to the revenue of the department.

The report describes the plan devised by the Third Assistant, and approved by the Postmaster-General, for collecting newspaper postage under the Prepayment law, which is to go into effect next January. This system provides, in brief, for the prepayment by stamps affixed to a memorandum of mailing, or, in other words, to a book retained by the Postmaster at the mailing office, a receipt showing the weight of the matter and the amount paid being given by the Postmaster to the person mailing the same. The stamps affixed to the stub to be canceled in a cutting-punch. It is expected that, notwithstanding the reduction of rates by the new law, this system of compulsory prepayment of newspaper postage will yield a larger revenue than has ever been collected. Comprehensive inquiry seems to warrant the belief that in the city of New York alone not less than \$600,000 per annum will be paid, a sum which is little less than one-half of the entire revenue from newspaper postage throughout the United States during the fiscal year. It is, however, impossible to estimate the actual increase for the whole country, owing to that provision of the law which allows free mail circulation of newspapers in counties in which they are printed.

From five to fifty tons of briarwood are loaded in Baltimore every week, from points on the Potomac, York, James and Chesapeake Rivers. Most of it is shipped to Philadelphia and New York, bringing \$23 a ton.

Hannington, Tenn., has not had a marriage for two years, and the girls demand to know what policy the Democratic party proposes to adopt in the premises.

Both the constables of Milledgeville, Schuylkill county, are in jail on a charge of highway robbery. One of these same constables had, on the day the robbery was committed, been released from jail, where he had served a short sentence for beating his mother.

A minister asked a tipsy fellow, leaning up against a fence, where he expected to go when he died. "If I can't get along any better than I do now," said he, "I shan't go anywhere. I'll stay where I am!"

They have people in Chicago who are frequently referred to as "eighteen-cent branks." They are men who profess Christianity and charge ten per cent. commission for passing round the hat in church.

Four Washington lawyers began to drink port wine from a ten gallon cask at 3:30 P. M., Saturday. By eight o'clock one of them was dead, another in a critical condition, and the other two very sick. They drank three gallons of wine.

It is said that there is a city of 10,000 inhabitants in Mexico which has four public schools, two churches, only a half-dozen saloon-keeping places and not a single lawyer. It is further stated that in the space of twenty-six months there has not been a murder committed in the city, and only two slight collisions between citizens have occurred. War is the name of this happy city.

Here is how a Genevise county farmer manages to sell Baldwin apples for ten dollars a barrel: He takes a strip of paper and cuts out children's names, then places the papers around the apples when they begin to color; and in a week or two Mamie, Jennie, Johnnie, or Susie appear on the apple in large red letters. These, packed and barreled by themselves, bring high prices for the New York Christmas market.

Snow fell Friday in New York, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, Canada, and the northern region.

The tax-rate in Philadelphia, next year, will be \$2 65 on the \$100 valuation—the largest ever reached.

The fires in Fayette county last week swept over a space of forty square miles, destroying large quantities of fencing and timber.

There were 385 deaths in Erie from January 1st to November 1st. Of this number 215 were under ten years old, while 33 died from old age.

The wages of the track laborers on the Morris and Essex and Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroads have been reduced to one dollar per day.

The number of emigrants arrived at Liverpool from the United States and Canada, during the six weeks from the middle of August to the first of October, reached no less than 8,168.

Major J. W. Ormsby, near Sharon, has from twenty ewes raised thirty-two lambs, which sold for \$140. The clip from the same ewes brought \$60, making \$200 profit in one year from the ewes.

Icicles an inch and a half thick have already formed on the mountains immediately above Mauch Chunk, and will probably stay there all winter. Mauch Chunk is the place to look for the earliest cold.

At a recent cattle show at Paris, Ky., twenty-one cows were sold at an average of \$1195 a head and fourteen bulls at an average of \$1195. One cow sold for \$6000, another for \$5100, and still another for \$4400.

A curious fish, says the Troy Times, was caught near the Bassener Steel Works this morning by Robert Cole. It swims like a fish, walks like a lizard, has a tail like an eel, a head like a catfish and a body similar to the lizard. It is about twelve inches long and has four legs. It has a smooth skin and is covered with red and silver spots.

Special Notice.

Rubber Coats and Blankets, at Fried's.

Furs, Furs, for Ladies' Gents' and childrens, at very low prices at Simon Fried's.

Simon Fried received the first premium on Boots and Shoes at our county fair.

Simon Fried received the first premium on Ladies' Gents' and Childrens' Furs at our county fair.

Simon Fried has the largest and best selected stock of ready-made clothing in Monroe county—he sells cheaper than any other merchant in our county. Call, examine and convince yourselves.

A Question.

Oh, why are the streets so crowded, mother, And where do the people go? The circus is not in town to-day, Nor any other show. See how they hurry along, mother! There are men and women, too. Can't you tell me where they are going, mother Or what are they going to do?

THE ANSWER.

Be still, my child, and listen; They are going to the well-filled store Of Simon Fried, the Clothier, Where they can get much more, In these hard times, for their money, Than anywhere else around. In no place in our county Can a better stock be found.

Cloths, Cassimers, Wool Blankets, Flannels, &c., the largest stock at Rader's corner, Easton, Pa. [Nov. 12-31.]

LADIE'S cloaks and pascely shawls just opened a large line at Rader's corner, Easton, Pa. [Nov. 12-31.]

Cashmere, Mohairs, Alpacaes, Silks and dress goods that cannot be beaten at Rader's corner, Easton, Pa. [Nov. 12-31.]

GET OUT OF THE WAY!

Don't you see the Lightning Express COMING IN LOADED DOWN WITH

DECKER'S GOODS

FOR THE WONDERFUL

CHEAP AUCTION STORE,

AT THE SMASH DOWN PRICES!

Last week the goods went under, and it is just what Decker has expected and what he has been waiting for, so he could sell nearly all kinds of goods from

15 to 30 cents lower on every Dollar than those merchants who laid in their stock six weeks ago.

Just come and look for yourself and see the thousands and thousands of yards of Calicoes, Bleached and Brown Muslins, Black and Colored Alpaca, all colors, beautiful, for 30 and 40 cents, worth a great deal more money.

Flannels, Cloths, Cassimeres, CLOTHING, Boots and Shoes.

Nearly all these goods you will find as cheap as before the war. We have Calico @ 6 cents, good Pins and Needles, at 5 cents a whole paper, RIBBONS AND WINTER FLOWERS, nearly half price. Come and see for yourself and you will be satisfied. DECKER & CO. Nov. 5-2m.]

ANOTHER TROPHY WON

BY THE

ESTEY COTTAGE ORGANS!

These superior and beautifully finished instruments so far eclipsed their competitor in volume, purity, sweetness and delicacy of tone, as to carry off the first and only premium given to exhibitors of reed Organs at the Monroe County Fair, held September 25, 1874.

Buy only the best. For price list address J. Y. SIGAFUS, Oct 1-4f.]

Rubber Boots and Shoes at Fried's.

Rubber Coats and Blankets, at Fried's. Collars, ties, cuffs, suspenders, &c., at Fried's.

For Overcoats, go to Fried's. For overcoats, go to Fried's.

Furs, Furs, for Ladies', Gents' and Children, at very low prices at Simon Fried's.

Simon Fried has the largest assortment of Trunks & Valises in Stroudsburg.

Bargains, Bargains, at Simon Fried's in Clothing. Come and look at them.

Simon Fried received the first premium on trunks and valises at our county fair last week.

Simon Fried received the first premium on boots and shoes at our county fair last week.

The largest and best assortment of ready-made clothing, boots and shoes, trunks and valises at Simon Fried's.

Simon Fried received the first premium on ladies', gents' and childrens' furs at our county fair last week.

Go to Fried's for clothing, boots and shoes, trunks, valises, and gents' furnishing goods.

Cassimere Suits at astonishing low prices. Boys Suits from \$3.00 to 12, at Simon Fried's.

Produce and Furs, taken in exchange for goods at Simon Fried's Empire Clothing Store.

The largest and best assortment of Ready-made Clothing in Stroudsburg, you will find at Simon Fried's.

Ladies, Misses, and Childrens Shoes of almost every variety, at very low prices at Simon Fried's Empire Clothing Store.

Simon Fried received last week the largest stock of Ready made Clothing, Boots, and Shoes, and Gents' Furnishing Goods, ever before seen in our county.

Simon Fried has the largest and best selected stock of ready-made clothing in Monroe county—he sells cheaper than any other merchant in our county. Call, examine and convince yourselves.

BARGAINS.—For bargains in Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Trunks and Valises, &c., go to Simon Fried. Simon will sell you good goods cheaper than any other merchant in Monroe County.

No HUMBURG.—Simon Fried has the largest and best selected Stock of Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Trunks, Valises, and Gents' Furnishing Goods in Stroudsburg, and he will sell them cheaper than any other merchant in Monroe county. Call and examine for yourselves.

Just received at Williams' Drug Store one barrel of seven year old Rye Whiskey.

Just received at Williams' Drug store a large lot of English Salted Potash, warranted good. [Oct. 8-1t.]

Just received at Williams' Drug Store a large stock of White Lead and Linseed Oil for the fall trade. Prices of Oil and Lead reduced. [Oct. 8-1t.]

It was proven at the Monroe County Fair that N. Ruster had the best made and finest Clothing in Monroe County. Ruster received the first premium on Clothing for 13 years.

NOTICE.—N. Ruster has returned from the city with a big stock of clothing, hats, caps, furs, furnishing goods, dry goods, &c. If you want anything in his line, give him a call. He will sell you goods cheaper than ever before.

TO THE PUBLIC.—If you want a nice and stylish suit of clothes and one that will wear good, go to Ruster's and you can have your pick out of the largest and best selected stock in town, at prices that will astonish you all.

Great bargains at Ruster's in white dress shirts, under shirts, draws, hosiery, gloves, neckties, bows, collars and cuffs, handkerchiefs, suspenders, umbrellas, &c. Call and examine before purchasing elsewhere.

N. Ruster just received from the city a nice assortment of dry goods, alpacaes, shawls, trimmings, &c., which he sells real cheap.

If you want nice paper collars, cuffs, neckties, bows, &c., go to Ruster's he has the largest stock and sells cheap.

N. Ruster has all the very latest styles of hats. Call and see them. He is selling goods very low.

PROTHONOTARY'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that Ephraim Arnold committee of the person and estate of Peter Arnold (a lunatic), of Ross township has filed the second account in the office of the Prothonotary, of the Court of Common Pleas of Monroe county, and will be presented for confirmation and allowance at the next term of said Court to be held Monday, Dec. 23, 1874. THOS. M. McFARLANE, Prothonotary. Dec. 3, 1874.]

Register's Notice.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested in the Estates in the respective decedents the following accounts have been filed in the Register's Office of Monroe county, and will be presented for confirmation to the Orphans' Court of said County at Stroudsburg, on Monday, the 25th day of December, 1874, at 10 o'clock, A. M. Account of Philip Remel, Administrator of the Estate of Mary Remel, dec'd. Account of Samuel Besskir, Administrator of the Estate of Andrew Besskir, dec'd. Account of Henry Kertz, Guardian of Thos. Y. Shuener. Account of Wm. H. Bultz, Administrator of the Estate of George Werkheiser, dec'd. First account of Alonzo B. Shafer, Administrator of the Estate of Mary Shafer, dec'd. Account of David B. Malvin, Guardian of Edgar P. Hollinshead. Account of Wm. H. Case, Executor of the last Will and testament of John Lynch, dec'd. First account of Thomas Altomese, Administrator of the Estate of Jacob Altomese, dec'd. First account of Josiah Shupp, Administrator of the Estate of Nathan Shupp, dec'd. Account of Peter Gruver, Administrator of the Estate of George A. Buskirk, dec'd. Account of Edward B. Dreher and Secilia S. Carr, Administrators of the Estate of James Carr, Jr., dec'd. J. APPENZELLER, Register. Register's Office, Stroudsburg, Pa. Nov. 27, 1874.]

DON'T you know that J. H. McCarty & Sons are the only Undertakers in Stroudsburg who understand their business? If not, attend a Funeral managed by any other Undertaker in town, and you will see the proof of the fact. June 18, 74-f]

BLANKS OF ALL KINDS for Sale at this Office.

Court Proclamation.

Whereas, the Hon. SAMUEL S. DREHER, President Judge of the 2d Judicial District of Pennsylvania, composed of the counties of Wayne, Pike, Monroe and Carbon, and John De Young and Peter Graver, Esq's, Associate Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Monroe, and by virtue of their offices, Justices of the Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail delivery and Court of General Quarter Sessions in and for the said County of Monroe, have issued their precept to me commanding that a Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace and Common Pleas, and Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail delivery and Orphan's Court, for the said County of Monroe, to be holden at Stroudsburg, on

MONDAY, the 25th day of December, 1874, to continue one week, if necessary.

NOTICE

Is hereby given to the Coroner, the Justices of the Peace, and Constables of the said county of Monroe, that they be then and there ready with their rolls, records, inquisitions, examinations and other returns, to do those things which their offices are appertaining, and also that those who are bound by recognizances to prosecute give evidence against the prisoners that are or shall be in the jail of the said county of Monroe, or against persons who stand charged with the commission of offences to be then and there to prosecute or testify as shall be just. (God save the Commonwealth.) CHARLES HENRY, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office Stroudsburg, Pa. December 3, 1874.]

Light! Light!! Light!!!

A NEW ENTERPRISE!

Keystone Oil and Lamp Store!

The subscriber has just opened a new and elegant stock of

Lamps and Lamp Fixtures, Kerosene, Machinery, Sperm and Neats Foot Oils, &c.,

on Main street, directly opposite the Stroudsburg Bank. I am now prepared to furnish the citizens of Stroudsburg and surrounding country with Chandeliers, 2, 3, 4, and 6 lights, Hall Lamps, Stand and Bracket Lamps, Glass and Metal Lamps, Perkins' & Houses' Patent Safety Lamps, Orient, Fuller's Patent Safety Lamps; all kinds of Burners, Chimneys, Wicks and Lamp Trimmings. Kerosene oils 1.10 to 1.50 and over fire test, from 20 to 40 cents per gallon. Machine oils of the best quality, warranted not to freeze or gum, \$1 50 per gallon; Neats Foot Oil, best quality \$1 60 per gallon; Sperm Signal Oil \$1 50 per gallon; Leather Saver, for harness, boots and shoes 50 cents per can. Give us a call. No trouble to show goods. S. S. DRAKE. November 26, 1874.—4f.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

MR. R. MAINONE the gentleman who advertises in another column of this paper has been engaged here for some time in regulating, repairing, and tuning Pianos, Organs, Melodeons, etc., and we the undersigned think him a perfect master of the business. He repaired, regulated and tuned our instruments, that is Pianos and Melodeons, to our entire satisfaction, and better than any one we ever employed before. We think him a gentleman in every respect and recommend him to every one who wishes to employ a competent tuner, as thoroughly acquainted with the construction of musical instruments.

C. R. ANDRE, REV. J. KOHLER, G. SANFORD, JOHN S. FISHER, NELLIE R. HINDS, DARIUS DREHER, HON. J. B. STORM, C. D. BRODEHEAD, FRANK BUSH, A. W. LODER, J. K. SHAFER, FRED. WAGNER. November 19, 1874-4t.

NOTICE.

All persons indebted to the firm of Lee & Co., are requested to make settlement before the first day of December, 1874. LEE & Co. Stroudsburg, October 22, 1874.

R. MAINONE,

Maker, Tuner, Regulator and Repairer OF

Pianos, Organs and Melodeons.

Parties residing in Stroudsburg and vicinity, wishing their instruments thoroughly tuned, regulated and repaired at a most reasonable price, will please leave their orders at the Jeffersonian Office. Those wishing to purchase Pianos or other instruments will find it to their advantage to call on me. Having had a practical experience of over twenty-six years in the musical line, am prepared to furnish the latest and most improved instruments at the lowest possible prices. I have located myself permanently here and solicit your favors.

FOR SALE CHEAP,

58 DESIRABLE BUILDING LOTS

near the Depot. For further particulars, apply to G. E. STAUFFER & CO., East Stroudsburg, Pa. Oct. 15/74-2m*

STROUDSBURG

HAS A CHEAP

CLOTHING AND

Boot and Shoe Store,

AT LAST!

James Edinger has just returned with an entire new stock of

CLOTHING, BOOTS, SHOES,

AND

Gents' Furnishing Goods,

that he bought at panic prices and is selling them at prices that astonish all. Call and look and be convinced before you purchase elsewhere. One door above Hollinshead's Drug Store. [Sept. 17-3m.]

ROOFING SLATE.

Farmers, Slaters and others in want of first class ROOFING SLATE, can procure them (by calling on Geo. W. Drake) at nearly Quarry prices. I do not keep or sell No. 2 or Ribbon Slate. I am also sole agent for Monroe County, for

Smith's Turbular Fluted Lightning Rod,

which I will put up and warrant to be the best conductor of Lightning in existence. Call and examine the Slate or Lightning Rods before purchasing elsewhere. GEO. W. DRAKE. Stroudsburg, Aug. 5/74-f]

Caution Notice.

The undersigned, owners of Real Estate in Stroudsburg, Monroe County, Pa., hereby caution all persons against trespassing on their premises for the purpose of fishing, hunting, or for any other purpose whatsoever, as they will have the law executed as in such cases provided. SILAS L. DRAKE, CATHARINE STAPLES. May 11-1874]

BARGAINS At N. RUSTER'S, The National Hall of Fashion!

THE OLDEST AND MOST

Reliable Clothing House in Town!

GOODS MARKED DOWN AT

Extremely Low Prices!

CALL AND EXAMINE THE LARGE AND FINE SELECTED

STOCK OF FALL AND WINTER

CLOTHING,

Hats, Caps, Furs, Furnishing Goods, Dry Goods, &c.

N. B.—Particular attention paid to CUSTOM WORK. Good fits warranted.

N. RUSTER,

PROPRIETOR OF THE NATIONAL HALL OF FASHION,

September 3, 1874.—4f. MAIN STREET, STROUDSBURG, PA.

HENRY D. BUSH,

(Successor to R. F. & H. D. Bush) DEALER IN

DRY GOODS & NOTIONS,

Shawls, Cloths and Cassimeres, SILKS, DELANES, CALICOES,

AND Dress Goods Generally,

White Goods, Flannels, Trimmings, and HOSIERY,

AND IN SHORT

The usual stock of a well appointed

DRY GOOD AND NOTION STORE.

The stock was not purchased at Auction or Bankrupt Sales

but will be sold at prices satisfactory to purchasers, and warranted as to quality

CALL AND SEE. H. D. BUSH. Stroudsburg, April 30, 1874.—1f.

GRAND OPENING

IN HUTCHINSON'S BRICK BUILDING,

opposite T. Stemple's Store, EAST STROUDSBURG.

Having just opened with an entire new stock of

Dry Goods and Groceries,

CONSISTING OF

DRESS GOODS, WOOLENS,

DELAINES, SHAWLS,

POPLINS, ALPACAS,

WHITE GOODS, FLANNELS,

CASSIMERES, DOMESTICS,

CLOTHS, PRINTS,

AND OIL CLOTH.

Also a full assortment of choice Family Groceries and Provisions, Flour, Feed, Meal, Salt, Fish, Pork, Oil, Syrup, Molasses, Sugars,

Crockery and Tinware, Wooden and Willow Ware,

Flavoring Extracts, and Spices of every kind, and in fact every thing usually kept in a Dry Goods Store. All my goods are new and cannot fail to give satisfaction.

Goods shown with pleasure. Call and examine before purchasing elsewhere and thereby save time and money. J. H. SHOTWELL, Formerly Slater & Shotwell. Dec. 4, 1873-3m.*

LIME! LIME!!

The undersigned hereby informs the public that they have opened two kilns, near Experiment Mills, Monroe county, Pa., and are prepared to fill orders promptly. The capacity of the kilns are between three and four hundred bushels per day. The

than that burned in any other part of the county. Parties desiring lime along the line of Delaware, Lackawanna & Western R. R. will have their orders promptly filled, by addressing

G. S. HELLER, Experiment Mills, P. O. Monroe county, Pa. June 11, 1874.—4f. Can you tell why it is that when any one comes to Stroudsburg to buy Furniture, they always inquire for McCarty's Furniture Store? Sept. 26, 74.

UNDERTAKING.

MCCARTY & SONS have on hand the largest and best assortment of

COFFINS and TRIMMINGS

to be found outside of either city (New York or Philadelphia), and will make this branch of their business a specialty.

COFFINS and CASKETS of any shape or style, can be furnished at one hour's notice for shipment, at a charge of one-third less than any shop in Stroudsburg. In no case will they charge more than ten per cent. above actual cost.

ENHANCING attended to in any part of the County at the shortest possible notice. [June 13/74-4f]

J. B. HULL,

(Successor to J. E. Erdman.)

Monroe Co. Marble Works,

Main St., Stroudsburg, Pa.,