

A letter passed through the Detroit post-office the other day, bearing the following superscription: "To the Fat Kuss what sells the Pontiac weekly Gazette and sends me a dunnion letter in a envelope he stole; Pontiac, Michigan."

On the 19th of January a vote will be taken in each branch of the Legislature for United States Senator. In the event of some one candidate failing to receive a majority in both houses, then there will be a joint ballot on the 20th, and the candidate receiving a majority of all the votes cast will be elected.

John H. Hendershot was accidentally killed by his son while getting out of a stage at Port Jervis, New York, on Tuesday last week. Both father and son had been hunting, and by some means a gun in the hands of the latter was discharged, the charge striking the father in the back. Mr. Hendershot was a resident of Pike county, Pa.

Washington market pays the city of New York \$300,000 a year. The annual business done in it is about \$100,000,000. There are 360 stands, of which most occupy 175, butter and vegetables 60, oysters and fish 50. A stand measures seven feet by four, is held at the pleasure of the Comptroller, and with the premium is sometimes valued at \$10,000 a year.

In a little town in Missouri a lady teacher was exercising a class of juveniles in mental arithmetic. She began the question, "If you buy a cow for \$10"—when up came a little hand. "What is it, Johnny?" "Why, you can't buy no kind of a cow for \$10. Father sold one for \$60 the other day, and she was a regular old scrub at that."

A number of gentlemen, embracing many prominent Philadelphians, have formed an organization for the erection of a mammoth hotel in Philadelphia, to be completed in time for the Centennial. One hundred gentlemen subscribed \$5,000 each, thus giving a fund of \$500,000 to begin operations with. The proposed hotel will be situated on Broad street.

There are thirty-seven Confederate officials in the present Congress, and there will be over a hundred in the new Congress. All of these men are pledged to the "Lost Cause," and are ready to repeat the offer to set up an independent Government, based on slavery, whenever they think it likely to result in success.

A former resident in Philadelphia, says the *Boys County Intelligencer*, having a farm of seventy-three acres, all under cultivation has the past year sold produce to the amount of \$3,987.39, being at the rate of \$54.63 per acre. Thirty-two acres were in grass, ten in rye, three in wheat, eight in corn, eight in potatoes, two sown in Russian grass, and six in pasture. The remaining four acres were occupied by buildings, roads, garden, etc.

The Hon. E. McClintock, having been elected a Judge, resigned his seat in Congress in the Twentieth district, and an election to fill the vacancy occurred on Wednesday of last week resulting in the choice of Col. John M. Thompson, Republican, by a considerable majority. This district comprises all of Allegheny city, Allegheny county, and the borough of Sewickley.

Mayor Stokely, of Philadelphia, entered upon a new term of office on New Year's day. He was elected in February last, after A. K. McCure, and will now serve three years instead of two. He has proved to be a good officer. The new City Council also met and organized. The Council is very decidedly Republican—the majority in the Select branch being 16, and in the Common branch 49. There are only 10 Democratic members in both together.

An Altona firm of capitalists purchased an immense tract of land in Clearfield county, and after sinking a shaft to the depth of sixty feet, most of the way through rock, in a portion of their purchase they found a coal deposit six feet eight inches thick. It is their impression that this vein underlies the whole tract, and if such should prove to be the case they consider their fortunes as good as made.

Granges in Pennsylvania. An Honorable General State Deputy of the Order of Husbandry, has been giving a series of public lectures in several of the Grange counties. During the last three weeks he has held seventeen public meetings, and has organized fifteen subordinate Granges of the order, viz: Six in Greene county, three in Fayette, three in Mercer, one in Lawrence, one in Beaver, and one in Erie. In January he proposes to visit the Grange counties, and give public lectures in Allegheny, Washington and Westmoreland counties, bringing an opportunity to organize a Grange over each lecture, if desired. There are now about five hundred Granges in the State of Pennsylvania, and about twenty thousand, with a membership of 2,000,000, in the United States.

Pinching Raspberries. The past season I pinched off the top of my raspberry bushes when they were about three feet high, for the purpose of making them grow slowly, and to save the trouble of setting poles to tie them in. These canes pinched off three or four inches, and the yield of fruit is some double this season on the bushes which were shortened in last season in comparison with those which were left to grow naturally. As the current worm has destroyed nearly all our currant bushes, we have nearly all our currant place in our garden with other small fruits, such as strawberries, blackberries, raspberries and barberries, which as yet have few insect enemies. The best dressing I find for raspberry bushes is decayed chips or rotten wood from the fence and ashes. In my berrying days of childhood I always found the largest raspberries and most thrifty bushes grow on rotten logs and decayed stumps of trees.—*Chas. Meiss Farmer.*

The annual report of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Blind says that in 1860 there were 1,287 blind persons in the State, and that the present number is about 2,100. This institution has now 203 pupils, all that it can accommodate, with 44 applications for admission not yet acted upon. There are 125 males and 78 females among the inmates. Corn brooms, brushes, carpets, door mats and mattresses are made by the pupils. In the female department 46 girls are employed in running sewing machines, 46 on hand sewing, 40 crocheting, 24 on bead work and 20 knitting.

The total vote of Louisiana, as officially declared by the Returning Board, for Representatives in Congress, was 71,627 Democratic, and 67,465 Republican; a Democratic majority of 4,162. The Democrats carried three districts, and the Republicans three. The vote for State Treasurer was 69,544 Republican, and 68,588 Democratic; a Republican majority of 958.

Jane Perry, a married woman, was arrested in Philadelphia, ten days ago, for theft, but told such a pitiful tale of starvation that she was released, the man who complained of her giving her twenty dollars with which to purchase food for her family. The festive Jane was re-arrested on Christmas day, rigged out in silk and velvet, for picking pockets, having been caught in the act.

No new candidates for the United States Senatorship from this State have developed the last few days. But this is nothing remarkable. Nearly all the Democrats in the State who can read and write became aspirants for that position, or some other, within two weeks after the election. Quite an army of them are applying for places under the Auditor General elect, while the indications are that Harrisburg will have an invasion of office seekers something similar to the grasshopper invasion of Kansas.—*Lebanon Courier.*

Extraordinary Story of Long Lost Children.

One of the most extraordinary stories of long lost and finally restored children, is this which is gravely told by the *Portland (Oregon) Bulletin*, of Nov. 29: "We have just learned of a strange incident which has recently transpired in this city, which proves that truth is oft-times stranger than fiction. Miss Gemma Frankle, well known to many in this city, will be a passenger on the outgoing steamer to San Francisco, en route to visit her parents, in Florence, Italy, whom she had no recollection of ever having seen. When she was three and a half years old she was given to a family named Stokes, who promised to educate and provide for her until she was eighteen years of age. She was then taken to England, India, Germany, China, Australia, and last to Portland, Oregon, traveling with a circus. When she reached this city, about four years ago, she attained her eighteenth year, and left the company and took up her home here. She at once entered a printing office and learned to set type, and has been succeeding admirably, winning hosts of friends by her admirable disposition and modest retirement. She had been in Portland but a short time when she chanced letters to be sent to the United States Consul in Florence, with her photograph, requesting that steps be taken to ascertain the whereabouts of her parents, if living. In a short time they were found, and the happiness giving the family at home, who had advertised in almost every country on the globe for their lost daughter, can better be imagined than described. They forwarded sufficient means to carry her from the land of the setting sun across the blue waters to the vine clad hills of her Italian home. She goes, and with her the kinds wishes of a hundred friends."

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE.

Those who are arranging for their home papers for the next year, will do wisely to send for sample copies of the PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, Daily or Weekly, as it will be seen to be the best paper published in Pittsburgh. It is the oldest, being nearly 89 years old, and has kept pace with all phases of modern newspaper progress. It is printed with new type, and on clean, white, handsome paper. Its news is especially full, and accurate. It receives cable news from Europe, and dispatches from all parts of the country. It has special correspondents in Washington, during the session of Congress, and at Harrisburg during the session of the Legislature, and will give full reports of all that is interesting in the proceedings. Its local news is complete and varied, yet chaste and pure. Its editorials contain trenchant discussions of all current subjects, and deal independently with all the issues of the hour. The paper is Republican in politics, but holds that the party is superior to cliques and rings. Its market reports are especially full and complete, and have a reputation that is wide-spread, for accuracy and reliability. In frequent instances, parties in the country have saved or made considerable sums by following the accurate reports of prices, given in the GAZETTE, in selling their produce. It also contains agricultural, household, and family reading, carefully selected. Thus it is a family paper of great excellence and rare cheapness, as to price. Its circulation is the largest of the Pittsburgh press. This year the postage on papers is prepaid at the Pittsburgh office, thus necessitating the addition of this item to the rates. For this reason, we present amended rates, and claim that they afford the cheapest newspaper published, when the size and quality of the paper are considered.

TERMS: Daily Gazette (postage prepaid) by mail, per annum, \$10.00; for six months, \$5.00; for three months, \$2.50; for one month, \$1.00; by the week, payable to the carrier, 15 cents. Weekly Gazette (postage prepaid) by mail, single subscribers, \$1.75 per year; in clubs of five, \$1.50; in clubs of ten or more, \$1.40, and an additional copy for every ten, to the getter up of the club. Postmasters are requested to act as agents. For sample copy, of daily or weekly, free of charge, address: KING, REED & CO., Pittsburgh, Pa.

The Philadelphia Evening Bulletin says that at the late exhibition of the Franklin Institute, there were weighed 15,840 men, aggregating 2,314,270 pounds; 17,487 women, aggregating 2,249,370 pounds, making the average weight of each man 146 2/3 pounds, and of each woman 129 pounds. This statement shows that though women may not have their rights, they have their weight.

The "hard times" seems to have had little effect in the way of retarding building improvements in Philadelphia. During the year just closed, permits were issued for 5,040 new buildings, and 1,434 for alterations, and additions, while in 1873 the number of new buildings reached 5,221, and of alterations and additions 1,333. Of the 5,040 new structures last year erected, 4,309 are dwelling houses. "The City of Homes" is in no present danger of losing its title.

HON. GERRIT SMITH died in New York on Monday of last week, after a short illness, at the age of 78 years. For more than half a century Mr. Smith has been known to the nation and the world as a philanthropist. He was a leader in the anti-slavery movement, an active temperance man, and a prominent member of the American Peace Society. He gave his money and lands to the poor without stint, and he lived to see much good come of his liberal charities.

Boys, did you ever think that this world with all its wealth and woe, all its mines and mountains, oceans, seas and rivers, with all its shipping, its steamboats, railroads and magnificent telegraphs, with all its millions of grooping men, and all the science and progress of ages—boys like you? Believe it, and look abroad upon your inheritance, and get ready to enter upon its possession. The presidents, kings, governors, statesmen, philosophers, ministers, teachers, men of the future—are all boys now.

The emigration back to Europe, from this country at the present time, is nearly equal to that into it, taking the weekly average since January last. For the week ending November 14th the number of those who left our shores, from New York alone, was 1,900, and for the week ending November 21st 1,600. The average weekly immigration, during the current year, has not exceeded 2,500, so that the emigrants seem to be going back about as fast as they come in.

The rabbit forms an important article of food in Great Britain and Ireland. In addition to the very large number imported from the Continent, it is estimated there are annually bred for food 27,000,000 rabbits. The flesh is sold at an average rate of twelve cents gold per pound, which is fully a third less than the price of beef, and considerably under that of the choicer portions of the sheep. The value of the annual supply is estimated to be \$7,875,000.

Japanese Peas, 200 Bushels Per Acre—Something New—Farmers and Gardeners Read This—Agents Wanted.

These Peas have recently been brought to this country from Japan and prove to be the finest known for Table use or for Stock. They grow in the form of a bush from 3 to 5 feet high and do not require staking. They yield from 1 quart to a gallon of Peas per bush. A package that will produce from 5 to 10 bushels of Peas with circulars giving terms to Agents and full directions as to time and manner of planting, will be sent, prepaid to any one desiring to act as Agent, on receipt of 50 cents. The seed is offered as *Fresh and Genuine*, this year's production. Now is the time to order, so you may be prepared for early planting. Address, L. L. OSNENT, Cleveland, Tennessee.

TESTIMONIALS.

We have cultivated the *Japanese Peas*, the past season on a small scale, and we are convinced they are a perfect success. Their yield was enormous. For the table and for stock, they are unsurpassed by any other pea. They grow well on thin land and are bound to be a No. 1 fertilizer. A. J. WHITE, Trustee, Bradley Co. A. E. BLUNT, P. M. Cleveland Tenn. I have cultivated the *Japanese Pea*, the past year and raised them at the rate of 200 bushels to the acre. The bloom excels buckwheat for bees. F. E. HARDWICK, J. P. Bradley County.

MARRIED.

On the 29th of December, 1874, at the residence of the bride's Mother, by Rev. Wm. H. Dinmore, William Kelsey, Esq. of Syracuse, N. Y. and Miss Ella C. Diehl, of Stroudsburg, Pa.

By the same, on the 30th of December, 1874, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. John M. Wyckoff, of Stroud township, and Lydia Bush, daughter of Mr. Wm. F. Bush, of East Stroudsburg, Pa.

At the Presbyterian Parsonage, Shawnee, Acc. 28th, 1874, by Rev. J. L. Jenkins, Thomas Batchelor, of Smithfield, and Susan Clark, of Middle Smithfield, Pa.

At Hackettstown, N. J., Dec. 29th, by Rev. Thomas McCauley, Julius F. Bush, of Marshall's Creek, Pa., and Miss Esther A. Price, of Canadensis, Pa.

On the 21st of December, 1874, at the residence of the bride's parents, in East Stroudsburg, by Rev. B. H. Sanderlin, Mr. Thomas Haysor, of Portsmouth, Norfolk Co. Virginia, and Miss Anna M. Hohensheldt, of East Stroudsburg, Morne Co., Pa.

On the 24th of December, 1874, at the parsonage of the M. E. Church in East Stroudsburg, by B. H. Sanderlin, Mr. Milton E. Michael, and Miss Rebecca M. Van Why, both of Monroe county, Pa.

DIED.

In Smithfield township, Dec. 28th, Mrs. Mary Ann Teel, aged 70 years 2 months and 18 days. At Bartonsville, January 3, 1875, Jacob Gurr, aged 25 years and 6 months. In Stroud township, Dec. 29th, 1874, Annie L., daughter of Charles and Sarah Srink, aged 10 years 2 months and 26 days. At Bangor, Northampton Co. Pa., on the 6th inst., Mr. James McNeal, formerly of this County, aged 78 years and 4 months. Funeral at Bangor, on Friday morning at 10 1/2 A. M.

Special Notice.

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-tf.

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-tf.

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, boisey, 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, alpaca, 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.

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 Cottage Organs at the Monroe County Fair, held September 25, 1874. Buy only the best. For price list address Oct 1-tf. J. Y. SIGAFUS.

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. Nov. 5-2m.] DECKER & CO.

Assignee's Sale

OF VALUABLE

REAL ESTATE

AND

PERSONAL PROPERTY.

ESTATE OF SAMUEL S. GOWER

IN BANKRUPTCY.

By virtue of an order of the U. S. District Court, there will be offered for sale upon the premises, on

Saturday, January 30, 1875.

at 2 o'clock, p. m., the following described Real Estate, the property of said Bankrupt, to wit: Purpart No. 1. A certain farm situate in Hamilton township, Monroe county, State of Pennsylvania, adjoining lands of J. Gower, George Butts, George Ruth, John Shoemaker and others, containing

65 Acres, 100 Perches,

more or less. The improvements are a well built and commodious

Stone Dwelling House,

2 stories high, 30 x 40 feet, Frame Bank Barn 35 x 46 ft. Wagon House, Hog Stable, Corn Crib and other outbuildings. A fine stream of spring Water flowing in a trough at the door. About 60 acres of above are cleared and in a good state of cultivation. Balance timber land. A public road passes through the property.

Purpart No. 2. A certain lot or piece of land situate in Hamilton township aforesaid, adjoining lands of Saylor & Bro. Melchior Kintz, Anthony Kintz and Samuel Mengle, containing

5 Acres, 154 Perches,

more or less, all cleared.

ALSO at same time and place the following articles of personal property, to wit:

One Grey Mare, One Corn Cultivator, One load of Clover Seed in Sira, Ten loads of peeled Wood, more or less, in the woods. Terms and conditions will be made known on day of sale by WM. SMITH, Assignee. Brodheadsville, Pa. January 6, 1875.

BLANKS OF ALL KINDS for Sale at this Office.

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.—tf. MAIN STREET, STROUDSBURG, PA.

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.

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. EMBALMING attended to in any part of the County at the shortest possible notice. [June 15, 74-tf] J. B. HULL, (Successor to J. E. Erdman), Monroe Co. Marble Works, Main St., Stroudsburg, Pa., Where will be found constantly on hand or made to order, MONUMENTS, HEADSTONES, &c., of the best Italian and American Marble. Having been in the employ of Mr. Erdman for nearly ten years, I feel confident in my ability to please all that give me a call. All work warranted to give entire satisfaction. Orders by mail promptly attended to. Feb 20-74-tf

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, I 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. November 20, 1874.—tf.

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 all orders promptly. The capacity of the Kilns are between three and four hundred bushels per day. The LIME IS OF A BETTER QUALITY 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. A. S. HELLER, Experiment Mills, P. O. Monroe county, Pa. June 11, 1874.—4f

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-tf

ROCKAFELLOW, DEALER IN Ready-Made Clothing, Gents Furnishing Goods, Hats & Caps, Boots & Shoes, &c. EAST STROUDSBURG, PA. (Near the Depot.) The public are invited to call and examine goods. Prices moderate. [May 6, 69-tf] 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-tf

Can you tell why it is that when any one comes to Stroudsburg to buy Furniture, they always inquire for McCarty's Furniture Store? H. D. BUSH, Stroudsburg, April 30, 1874.—4f.