Humorous Sketches.

A SCHOOLMASTER AROUND LOOSE.—Four or five days ago a man about forty years of age, looking as if he had been drawn over a dusty floor for an hour or two, called upon one of the members of the Board of Education and introduced himself as William Cannon Harrison of Saginaw county. He was politely received, and he commenced business promptly by saying:

'I'm a looking for a situation as a school teacher.'

'Ah, ah!' replied the member, wondering why the man wasn't looking for a woodpile.

'I could have brought a pile of recommends so high,' continued the man, measuring with his hands, 'but recommends don't amount to nothing.'

'And have you any school in view?' asked the member.

'I want to get in here, in Detroit,' replied the man. 'What wages do you pay?'

'I'm afraid——' began the member, when the schoolmaster interrupted:

'Oh! well, I s'pose you pay going wages, and that's all I can ask for. I don't want to put on style and live high, as I'm getting a leetle old and ought to save money."

'As I was going to remark—' said the member, when the school master suddenly inquired:

'Do they allow licking in the schools here? If they do, I'm the man you want to dress the boys down! I've had 'em come to me by the dozen, and if it would do your heart good to see the way I laid 'em! Why, when I had that school in Bay county I thought nothing of licking thirty scholars a day, besides hearing twelve classes recite! I'm an old screamer, I tell you, and there's fun in me when you get me woke up!'

'I hardly think—' commenced the member again, when the school master jumped up and said:

'Of course you won't take me unless I pass examination, but I ain't not afraid of not passing. I'd like to see a word that I couldn't spell! For instance 'Catarrh:' C-a-t-a-r-r-h, catarrh.' 'Dandelion:' D-a-n-d-e-l-i-o-n, dandelion,' or try me on words of four syllables. 'Lugubrious:' L-u-g-u-b-r-i-o-u-s, lugubrious.' Oh! I can knock the socks right off'n these swell head teachers and not half try!'

'I should like to help you,' put in the member, 'but—'

'Oh! you needn't think I'm behind on geography,' interrupted the teacher. 'For instance: What is an isthmus? An isthmus is a narrow strip of land connecting two larger bodies. Is the world round or flat? Round. Why is it round? Which is the largest river in the world? The Amazon. Which is the highest mountain? The Andes. I might go on for seventy-five days this way, and then not tell you half I know!'

'You seem to be pretty well posted in geography, but as I wanted to tell—'

'And on Grammar, too!' exclaimed the teacher, jumping up again. 'What is a noun? A noun is the name of any person, place or thing. Give us an example: Man, dog, cat, coon, goat, jack knife, fish hook, gate post. What are the principal conjunctions? And, as both, because, for, if, that, or, nor, neither, and so forth and so forth. Oh! I'm right on the roof of the meeting-house when you sling grammar at me!'

The member was getting desperate, and as soon as he could get in a word he said:

'I will take your name, and as soon as a vacancy—'

'And I know arithmetic from cover to cover!' exclaimed the man, starting up again. 'I can go through the tables like lightning through a hay stack, and when you get to fractions and cube root I'm awful—I weigh a ton and a half and still growing! 'Rithmetic my favorite study, and I'll give you fifty dollars to find a man who will saw sums in two and plane 'em down as quick as I can!

His speech took the wind out of him, and the member managed to say there was no vacancy at present, but he would take his name and consider the case as soon as one occurred:

'I'd like to commence right off!' replied the man, 'but I'm willing to wait. Here's my name, and the minit I get your letter, I'll come down a flying. If you get me you don't get much style, but you get common sense and genuine education. You won't see scholars a playing hide and hoop around the wood box or marbles on the floor—no, you won't!'

And he went down stairs.—*Detroit Free Press.*

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'Can you tell me, sir, how much stone you can drill or cut in a day with this machine?'

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'Can you tell me how much stone you can cut in a day with this machine?'

'No,' without ceasing for an instant in his oiling operations.

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'Yes.'

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'Yes,' came the response.

I waited a few moments, but as the man paid no further attention to me, I very meekly and humbly said, 'I believe you said you were the engineer?'

'Yes,'

'Well, don't you know how much work this machine did yesterday?'

'Yes.'

'Have you any objections to tell me the amount of that work?'

'No.'

Again I waited for a few moments—perhaps a full minute—and then, somewhat put out with the non-committal nature of the man, I repeated the question, 'You say you know how much work this machine did yesterday?'

'Yes.'

'And you say you have no objections to tell me?'

'Yes.'

'Well, then, how much work was done?'

'No work at all. This machine ain't been running since Saturday;' and the man rubbed a little harder.

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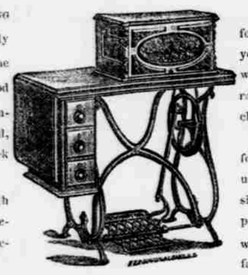

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In view of the decline in GOLD, we have reduced prices on our entire Stock of Foreign merchandise to **Par Gold Rates,** and purchasers will find it to their interest to make their selections NOW, while the ASSORTMENT IS COMPLETE. Goods sent on approval for selections. Articles purchased now, for the Holidays, will be packed and retained until such time as desired. ROBBINS, CLARK & BIDDLE, 1124 CHESTNUT ST., PHILADELPHIA

Tailoring! Tailoring!! CHARLES MAIHL, RESPECTFULLY informs the citizens that he has just received his **Spring and Summer Goods,** at his **TAILOR SHOP,** on Fourth Street, below Market, in the Mullen building, and that he is prepared to make up all kinds of **GENTS' AND BOY'S SUITS.** of the latest styles. Having had much experience in the business he desires the public to give him a trial. Clothing will be made up in the latest Paris and American Fashions in the most satisfactory manner. a12,'73. CHARLES MAIHL.

Maize & Schwartz, Successors to Geo. Evans & Co., 1108 Market Street, Philadelphia, MERCHANT TAILORS and **MILITARY CLOTHIERS.** Men and Boys' suits made to order in the latest styles, of the best cloths and cassimeres in market, at prices suitable to the times. Military, Band & Fire Organizations promptly uniformed. Samples of Cloth, with Photographs, sent free on application. Ours being the leading house on Military work, we feel that we can offer inducement which cannot be attained anywhere else. Nov. 27, 1872.

WITHOUT EXCEPTION, THE CHEAPEST IN TOWN. WINTER GOODS of every description and variety such as *WOOLEN GOODS,* **Dress Goods,** comprising all the novelties in fabric and shade. FULL ASSORTMENT OF NOTIONS, which are being sold at the lowest Cash Prices. ALSO, GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS, pure and fresh. QUEENSWARE, GLASSWARE, AND WOOD AND WILLOW WARE. Nicest Brands of Flour constantly on hand. A very large ASSORTMENT OF WALL PAPER, both glazed and common, always on hand. BOOTS AND SHOES FOR MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN. *READY-MADE CLOTHING,* of all sizes and of the latest styles. FLOUR. A constant supply of western white wheat flour a speciality. The public are invited to call and examine our Goods free of charge. Our motto is "Quick Sales and Small Profits," and to please all. The highest prices will be paid for all kinds of country produce. By strict attention to business and keeping at all times the most complete stock, and selling at the lowest prices, we hope to merit a full share of patronage. REED BROTHER & SEASHOLTZ. Sunbury, Dec. 4, 1874.

Sugar, Coffee, Syrups, Spices, Canned Goods, Queens, Willow and Cedar Ware.

George W. Smith, who has just opened a NEW GROCERY STORE, on Market Street, SUNBURY, and keeps everything in the Grocery Line. FINE GROCERIES A SPECIALTY. Goods delivered promptly to families free of charge.

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Fall and Winter Stock OF **MILLINERY GOODS.** A large assortment of Millinery Goods, Hats and Bonnets, trimmed and untrimmed, Plumes, Tips, and Feathers of evey description, Flowers, Ribbons, Velvets, &c., just opened at Miss L. & S. Weiser's, on East Market st. Also, Dress Trimmings and Notions, Yak, Lace, Bead, Trimmings, Fringes, &c. Ladies' Gauntlets and Kid Gloves at 75 cents and upwards. Sunbury, Nov. 13, 1874.

Railroads.

PENNSYLVANIA RAIL ROAD. PHILADELPHIA & ERIE R. R. DIVISION.

WINTER TIME TABLE.

On and after Sunday, Nov. 15th, 1874, the Trains on the Philadelphia & Erie Rail Road Division will run as follows:

WESTWARD.

Fast Line	leaves	Philadelphia,	12.55 p m
" "	"	Harrisburg,	5.00 p m
" "	"	Williamsport,	9.15 p m
" "	"	Lock Haven,	10.90 p m
" "	arr. at	Buffalo,	9.00 a m
Erie Mail	leaves	Philadelphia,	11.55 p m
" "	"	Harrisburg,	4.25 a m
" "	"	Williamsport,	8.35 a m
" "	"	Lock Haven,	9.45 a m
" "	"	Renovo,	11.10 a m
" "	arr. at	Erie,	8.05 p m
Elmira Mail	leaves	Philadelphia,	8.00 a m
" "	"	Harrisburg,	1.25 p m
" "	"	Williamsport,	6.20 p m
" "	arr at	Lock Haven,	7.30 p m
Lock Haven Ac.	leaves	Harrisburg,	9.15 a m
" "	" "	Williamsp't,	2.05 p m
" "	" "	Lock Haven,	3.10 p m

EASTWARD.

Philadel. Express	leaves	Lock Haven,	6.40 a m
" "	"	Williamsport,	7.55 a m
" "	arr. at	Harrisburg,	12.10 a m
" "	"	Philadelphia,	4.15 p m
Erie Mail	leaves	Erie,	11.20 a m
" "	"	Renovo,	8.25 p m
" "	"	Lock Haven,	9.45 p m
" "	"	Williamsport,	10.50 p m
" "	arr. at	Harrisburg,	2.30 a m
" "	arr at	Philadelphia,	6.50 a m
Fast Line	leaves	Emporium,	8.55 p m
" "	"	Renovo,	10.40 p m
" "	"	Lock Haven,	11.55 p m
" "	"	Williamsport,	1.10 a m
" "	arr. at	Harrisburg,	4.20 a m
" "	arr. at	Philadelphia,	8.05 a m
Day Express	leaves	Lock Haven,	11.25 a m
" "	"	Williamsport,	12.25 a m
" "	arr. at	Harrisburg,	4.00 p m
" "	"	Philadelphia,	7.30 p m

Mail East connects east and west at Erie with L. S. & M. S. R. W. and at Corry with Oil Creek and Allegheny R.R. W.

Mail West with east and west trains on L. S. & M. S. R. W. and at Corry with Oil Creek and Allegheny R. R. W.

Erie Mail and Elmira Mail make close connections at Williamsport with N. C. R. W. trains, north, and at Harrisburg with N. C. R. W. trains south.

WM. A. BALDWIN, Gen'l Sup't.

Philadelphia & Reading Railroad.

WINTER ARRANGEMENTS.

JANUARY 17th, 1875.

TRAINS LEAVE HERNDON AS FOLLOWS: (SUNDAYS EXCEPTED.)

For Shamokin, 10.40, 11.00 a. m. and 3.40 p. m.

For Mt. Carmel, Ashland, Tamaqua, Pottsville, Reading and Philadelphia, 10.40 a. m.

TRAINS FOR HERNDON, LEAVE AS FOLLOWS: (SUNDAYS EXCEPTED.)

Leave Shamokin at 8.00 a. m. 1.50 and 3.55 p. m.

Leave Philadelphia, 9.15 a. m., Reading 11.30 a. m., Pottsville, 12.10 p. m., Tamaqua, 1.30 p m. Ashland, 2.35 p. m., Mt. Carmel, 3.21 p. m.

TRAINS LEAVE HARRISBURG, AS FOLLOWS:

For New York, 5.20, 8.10 a. m. and 2.00 *7.40 p. m.

For Philadelphia, 5.20, 8.10 9.45 a. m., 2.00 and 3.50, p. m.

SUNDAYS.

For New York, 5,20 a. m.

For Philadelphia, 1.45 p. m.

TRAINS FOR HARRISBURG, LEAVE AS FOLLOWS:

Leave New York, 9.00 a. m., 12.40 and 5.15, *7.45 p. m.

Leave Philadelphia, 9.15 a. m. 3.40 and 7.00 p. m.

SUNDAYS.

Leave New York, 5.15 p. m.

Leave Philadelphia, 7.00 p. m.

*Via Morris and Essex R. R.

J. E. WOOTTEN, *General Sup't.*

Reading, Pa. Nov. 13, 1874.

Druggists.

CENTRAL DRUG STORE, MARKET ST. SUNBURY PA. G. B. CADWALLADER Is the place to buy pure and fresh MEDICINES, DRUGS, PAINTS, OILS, GLASS, PERFUMERY, NOTIONS, CIGARS, TOBACCO, LIQUOR for medicinal purposes, and all other articles usually kept in a first-class Drug Store. Special attention paid to comp