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JOHN R. BOWEN

Begs leave to state that having "removed" from the "OLD EMPIRE STORE" across the street to his present location, he is now prepared to furnish his old friends and customers with a well selected assortment of

DRY GOODS, LADIES' GOODS, READY MADE CLOTHING, CLOTHS, JEANS, CASSIMERES, BOOTS AND SHOES, HATS, GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, TEAS, COFFEE, TOBACCO, &C., &C., At a very small advance upon New York Prices. The highest market price paid for all kinds of PRODUCE. Remember the place—First Store below the POST OFFICE. Wellsboro, Feb. 5, 1862.

CORNING

CHEAP CASH STORE. \$20,000 WORTH OF DESIRABLE GOODS, CONSISTING OF DRY GOODS, BOOTS & SHOES, HATS & CAPS, YANKEE NOTIONS, GROCERIES, &c., now on hand for sale cheap for CASH or produce, at CASH PRICES. The subscriber invites all buyers to call and look through his stock assuring them that they can ALWAYS DEPEND depend on finding (all the goods wanted) In His Stock, saving them the trouble of running around, and also giving them the CHANCE OF SELECTING from a large and varied assortment of NEW GOODS. This fact is the more important, as but few merchants keep their usual assortments of goods owing to the TIMES AND OTHER TROUBLES. All kinds of goods here advanced largely and it is FOLLY TO ADVERTISE, to sell lower than ever, as is the fashion, but we CAN AND WILL sell GOOD GOODS as cheap (if not cheaper) as any HOUSE IN THE TRADE. All Our Purchases are made for CASH OR PRODUCE (which has been our rule for years) we have no bad debts to CHARGE UP to our Customers but can GIVE THEM the benefit of the SAFE RULE. Customers from a distance can save enough in a SMALL BILL OF GOODS, TO PAY Expenses of Coming. All Goods warranted as represented. An early Call is Solicited. JAMES A. PARSONS, No. 3 CONCERT BLOCK, CORNING, N. Y. Feb. 12, 1862.

BOOT AND SHOE SHOP.

The subscriber has opened a BOOT AND SHOE SHOP over ANDREW CROWL'S Wagon Shop, where he is prepared to do all kinds of work in his line. ON SHORT NOTICE. The patronage of the public, is respectfully solicited. L. A. SEARS. Wellsboro, Jan. 15, 1862.

ORPHAN'S COURT SALE.

By virtue of an order of the Orphan's Court do directed, I will sell at public vendue on Saturday, the 5th of April next at the Court House, in Wellsboro, 24 acres of P. M. A certain lot of land in Delmar township, being property of the late Priscilla Colton; bounded east by the road leading from Stony Fork to Wellsboro; south by E. W. Campbell and Wm. Francis, west and north by Wm. Francis—containing 20 acres, with 8 or 10 acres improved, and a good frame dwelling house. ISRAEL STONE, Adm'r. Feb. 26, 1862.

NEW COOPER SHOP.

The undersigned respectfully informs the citizens of Wellsboro and vicinity, that he has opened a COOPER-SHOP opposite CROWL'S WAGON SHOP, and is ready to do all manner of work prompt and to order, from a gallon keg to a fifty barrel tub. Repairing also done on short notice. O. F. ELLIS. Wellsboro, May 8, 1861.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Letters of Administration having been granted to the subscriber on the estate of James Merrell late of Liberty township; notice is hereby given to those indebted to said estate, to make immediate payment, and those having claims to present them properly authenticated for settlement to the subscriber. O. F. VEIL, C. C. MERRELL, Adm'r. Feb. 12, 1862. W. M. KEAGLE.

FLIES! FLIES! FLIES!

FLY-STONE, or Cobalt, for poisoning flies—also FLY-PAPER, and EXTERMINATOR, price 25 cents per paper. For sale at ROY'S DRUG STORE.

DEACON SKINS WANTED.

Thirty to Forty coats will be paid for a sound skin and free from cuts or holes, at the Brooklyn Tannery near New York. H. S. JOHNSON. Feb. 17, 1862-3 mos.

THE SOLDIER'S TEARS.

Upon the hill he turned To take a last fond look Of the valley and the village church, And the cottage by the brook; He listened to the sounds, So familiar to his ear, And the soldier leant upon his sword And brushed away a tear. Beside the cottage porch A girl was on her knees, She held aloft a snow-snow, Which fluttered in the breeze; She breathed a prayer for him— A prayer he could not hear— But he paused to bless her as she knelt, And wiped away a tear. He turned and left the spot— But do not deem him weak. For dauntless was the soldier's heart, Though tears were on his cheek. Go watch the foremost rank In danger's dark career,— Be sure the hand most daring there Has wiped away a tear.

THE TEMPERANCE VOW.

My brother Harry was coming home. He had been studying for the medical profession at the University of London. That was an event to awaken joyous emotions and numberless preparations in the whole household, from my pale cousin Alice, to our stout energetic cook, who declared heartily, while she beat away furiously at some eggs, to be used for a cake very much in Harry's favor during his schoolboy days "that the sight of his merry face would do her more good than all the doctor's medicine in the world." So we all agreed "simultaneously, though none of us just then stood in any wonderful need of said medicine, except, indeed, our darling Alice. But alas! what potent charm could any physician find to bring back the rose, that for two years had been silently but surely withering away from that delicate cheek? Alice Hale, my mother's orphan niece, for many years now a member of the household, was just as near a perfect character as any I have ever known. Very beautiful she was, too. There was also everything about her that demanded and received tenderness. The timid, beseeching glance of her soft gray eye, had averted many a storm from her mischievous school-fellows; for never a teacher had been installed in our village school, however crabbed and strict with others, but had been at once melted by the gentle grace and serene loveliness of Alice's character. And how every one grieved when little by little her strength gave way till she was seldom seen amid the wood-land haunts and merry gatherings of her young companions! Harry's coming, however, seemed to give reviving strength to the frail blossom we had so tenderly sought to guard from ill. Indeed, he seemed to bring new life and sunshine to the whole household with his bright, handsome face, and cheerful, laughing voice; and very proud was I to perceive the whole village like-wise began to feel the nameless charm of his gay, frank manners, and to seek his society on all their festive occasions. But presently I became aware of something—I could hardly define or realize what it was—that had stolen in upon us, and left in my mother's gentle face an anxious shade of care, and on my father's brow a gathering, ominous frown. Alice, too, looked wistfully and sadly at times into Harry's face, which would flash hot and confusedly beneath her gaze, with an expression I could not fathom. A little time and it was sadly enough explained to me. We were sitting around the sofa where Alice reclined very late one evening, waiting for Harry's return from a fishing excursion in a neighboring county. Alice and I chatted cheerfully, but my mother wandered restlessly to the window every time with a heavier sigh. Slowly the hours rolled on. Our talk died away and we remained silent, scarcely daring to glance at each other's faces, lest we should discover there some new and dismal foreboding. Clear and distinct the hour of twelve rang out in the hall. My father's face had grown so dark and stern, that mother, after another anxious peering forth into the darkness without, came to him and laid her hand beseechingly and deprecatingly upon his arm. He fondled the thin, white fingers, but his brow did not light.

"There he is!" exclaimed I joyfully, as a rustling noise came to my ear. Every one turned toward the door, but all was silent again. It was not Harry.

"Alice, love, it is too late for you to be awake. You and May had better go now," said my mother, softly.

"Please let me stay," replied Alice in a whisper; "I could not sleep, and you would be so lonely."

But at that moment a footstep was heard on the gravel walk outside. This time there was no mistake; but surely not Harry's firm, elastic tread, that wavering, unsteady shuffling. My poor mother's cheek grew ashy white, while a fiery light flashed in father's eye, as he laid a resolute hand upon her, as she attempted to go out into the hall, and said huskily, "Nay, let him come here into the peaceful family circle he has disgraced!"

Every eye was turned to the door, and there, oh merciful heavens! could it be my darling brother, with that staggering gait, those blood-shot eyes, and that foolish, imbecile smile? I covered my face with my hands, while Alice turned the sad, rebuking glance of her pure eyes upon the unhappy boy. He looked conscious of our distress, stammered a few incoherent words of apology, and turned to retreat, but reeled and fell.

We sprang towards him in terror; but my father, like a stern, relentless fate, motioned us back, and bade us leave him, therefore sadly and dejectedly we sought our chamber. I would not talk to disturb Alice, but tugged feverishly through the night upon my pillow, trying to shut out the degrading vision that danced before my eyes.

My brother, my gallant, generous-hearted brother, in his youthful strength and beauty, a drunkard! Oh, it was horrible!

It was an embarrassed group that gathered around our usually cheerful breakfast table the next morning; but Harry was so thoroughly

grieved and penitent that I could not find it in my heart to say more than a whisper. "Oh, Harry, for my mother's sake, for the sake of our hitherto undivided family, never let us see you so again."

He kissed me twice, and then asked, while the hot blush of shame tinged his cheek, "Did Alice see me? May you be a good girl—say did Alice see me?"

"Yes, Harry