

A Visit to the Dead Sea and the RIVER JORDAN.

Jerusalem is generally made the headquarters of travellers during their sojourn in the central district of Palestine, and from this point they visit those places which are so intimately connected with the ministry of our Lord.

When Mehemet Ali had Syria under his control, there was no necessity for an escort in the wildest districts; but, alas, times and governments have changed sadly for the worse, and the choice now lies between making an arrangement for a protective escort, or finding yourself at the mercy of the robbers of this wilderness, and having to accede to their dictation when you cannot help yourself.

Proceeding over the rocky ground south of Jerusalem for nearly two hours we came suddenly upon the valley of the Kidron, but how altered was it in its general features.

Now it had become so gigantic in its general appearance, that standing upon its brink and looking down into the abyss below caused a shudder to the boldest frame.

Situated in the most desert part of Judea, it was obviously necessary to make a fortification sufficiently strong to withstand the attacks of robbers from without, and to exercise all due precaution in admitting visitors of all kinds.

devotions. The weather being exceedingly warm I had my bed spread out upon one of the terraces, where I endeavored to sleep, but with no great amount of success.

A Wild Woman. We know not but our reputation for veracity may suffer by the following statement, but as we have been laying off for the last two years to give it, we think there is no use of waiting any longer.

For the last ten years there has lived and inhabited the thickets of the Navidad bottoms in Jackson county, an animal universally believed to be a woman; and though diligent search has frequently been made, not a living soul has ever been able to see it.

The principal reason for believing it to be a woman, arises from its track, which has often been seen, and which resembles exactly that of a small and delicate female.

About a year ago, it went in the house of Samuel A. Rogers, when he was absent, opened his medicine chest, took a portion of all the medicines in it, carefully putting back the stoppers, and committing no other damage besides that of taking several articles of clothing, which after going to the edge of the bottom, it appears to have sorted out—

So sure are the people on the Navidad that it is a wild human being, that we understand a reward of forty cows and calves has been offered to any one who would capture it. It is supposed by some that there was once a man and woman, but that the man had died. How true this conjecture is, we cannot say; but there can hardly be a doubt but a wild man or woman has inhabited the Navidad Mustang bottoms, near Texana, for many years. It cannot be a negro, male or female, because the track forbids the conclusion. We incline to think it a Mexican woman.

Important Invention. We had the pleasure a few days since of examining models of proposed improvements in railways, and in the construction of locomotives and cars. We cannot but think that the improvements to which we allude will stand the test of experiment, and answer the purposes for which they were intended, if so, a new and most important period will have arrived in this age of iron and steam.

First, a railroad may be laid down over the ordinary undulations of the earth like a turn-pike road, and engines and cars can be so constructed that they can go over it with safety. To accomplish this object the invention enables the engineer by mechanical means to supply any degree of adhesion which may be required at any instant, and to dispense with it the moment he ceases to need it. And to do this there are no rack rails or cog-wheels, or centre-rail; nor is there, by this plan, as much resistance to the progress of the train as would be caused by adding weight to the engine, in order to produce the requisite adhesion.

By this invention, it is made an almost impossible matter for the cars to be thrown from the track, it is therefore invaluable, for it admits of light engines for light freights a great desideratum, certainly, for our southern railroads, extending through sparsely settled districts, while it does not prohibit the use of the most powerful engines, when they are necessary.

The effective power of an engine now is limited to the adhesion of its wheels. By the plan proposed, the adhesion is supplied by the engineer in any required quantity; and consequently the power of the engine is only limited by its capacity to generate and retain steam. Hence it is difficult to say what grade may not readily be surmounted. And when we remember that steam coaches weighing only two or three tons have conveyed at a good speed from twenty to thirty passengers over the common and rough roads of England, readily ascending and descending the steepest hills, we cannot think otherwise than that this invention will multiply in a great degree our means of intercommunica-

tion, and bind together more closely our extended confederacy; while the saving in the expense of construction and in the wear and tear of roads and machinery will be greatly reduced.

The prolific mind of the gentleman who has made this invention, (James S. French, Esq. of Virginia) has also produced another of scarce less importance. It is of a brake, perfectly simple in its construction, and perfectly new in its application, by which the engine and its train of cars may be stopped almost instantly by the engineer alone.

We have not attempted to explain the means by which such desirable results are proposed to be accomplished, as it is proper that those who are interested should choose their own time and mode of making them public.

Homestead Exemption in Ohio.

A Homestead Exemption bill was introduced into the Ohio Senate, a few days ago, by Dr. Dimmock, which provides that, from the passage of this act, it shall be lawful for any resident of Ohio, being a head of a family, to purchase and set apart, as a Homestead, a tract of land not exceeding one hundred and sixty acres, and the buildings thereon—the whole not to exceed in value one thousand dollars; or, in lieu of a tract of land, a house and lot in any recorded town plat, or city, or village, not exceeding one thousand dollars.

If the head of a family is not the owner of a homestead, or other real estate, he may select and hold from execution and sale, an amount of goods and chattels not exceeding in value one thousand dollars. It was referred to the Judiciary Committee, says a Columbus correspondent of the Cincinnati Chronicle, who reported it back with two slight amendments, with a recommendation to recommit the bill to a Committee of the whole Senate, there to be matured and passed in such a form as would meet the views of the members. It was so re-committed, and made the special order for to-morrow, 27th ult.

Large and Small Farms Compared.

Most young farmers are unsuccessful, simply because their farms are too large, and the complaint is often heard that no money can be made at farming. Take up the directory of ten years since, and mark the names of all the merchants then doing business in New-York; follow these names through the directories of subsequent years, and see if over one in twenty have continued to do business for ten consecutive years without failing. This is a sorry fact, and arises from the fault of the merchants themselves.

MARRIED.

On the 11th of March, by the Rev. Mr. Dubs, Mr. John Rochel, to Miss Maria Oberholzer, both of Washington.

DIED.

On the 16th instant, in Allentown, Ellen Jane, infant daughter of Henry and Sarah Miller, aged 4 months.

Removal of Store Goods.

Respectfully inform their friends and customers, that they have recently removed their Hardware Store, into the new three story brick building on the South side of Hamilton street, directly opposite Dr. Wm. F. Danowsky's Drug Store, where they will constantly keep on hand, a large assortment of Goods, coming in their line of business, and which they sell at the lowest prices.

Allentown Letter List. Catharine Albright, Philip Beck, Frederick Baris, Matilda Barret, Daniel Baumer, Jacob Culbert, Joseph Dupes, J. B. Evens, George Friedrich, Henry Guth, William F. Hodas, Henry Kramer, Charles Krotzer, Edward Krauss, Caroline Krauss, Emeline Knight, E. M. Long, John Mohr, Thomas Morrow, Caroline Moser, Mr. Michael, C. A. Sheldon, Maria Troxel, Jacob Wolf, C. Young. E. R. NEWHARD, P. M.

PUBLIC SALE.

Of Valuable Personal Property. Will be sold at public Sale, on Tuesday next the 27th inst., at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the House of the undersigned in the Borough of Allentown, the following valuable personal property to wit:

A beautiful mahogany Sideboard, Sofa, Pier Table, Centre Table, a good Piano Forte, Breakfast Table, 12 Birch Cane-seat Parlor Chairs, Rocking and Arm Chairs to match, Blinds, Parlor Carpets, Oil Cloth for Entry, Hatstand, High and Low-post Bedsteads, Stoves, Windsor Chairs, Settee, Bed, Clothspress, Kitchen Tables, and a large variety of house and kitchen furniture, too numerous to mention.

PUBLIC SALE

Of Personal Property. Will be sold at public sale on Friday, the 30th day of March next, at the house of Michael Siegel, dec'd., late of the Borough of Allentown, Lehigh county, the following valuable personal property, to wit: Mahogany Tables and Chairs, Bureaus, Carpets, Sofas, Stoves with Pipe, a Gold Patent Lever Watch, Silver Table and Tea-spoons, besides a large assortment of House and Kitchen furniture, too tedious to mention.

New Goods.

The Subscribers have just received a large assortment of Goods, consisting in part of the following to wit: Ladies Dress Goods such as Silks, Bombazines, Alpaca, Bergans, Mouslin De Laines, Gingham, Prints &c. Gentlemen's wear such as Cloths, Cassimeres, Vestings &c., Tickings, Checks, Linens, Handkerchiefs, Shawls, Gloves, Ribbons, 5 Bales New Market Muslin, 5 Cases Bleached muslin. They hope by very low prices and strict attention to business they will receive a liberal share of customers.

Mackerel.

50 Barrels & Half Barrels, No. 1 & 2 and 3 Mackerel on hand and for sale cheap by PETZ, GUTH, & Co.

SUGAR.

20 Hogsheds of Sugar for sale wholesale and retail by PRETZ, GUTH & Co.

PUBLIC SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Will be sold at Public Sale, on Thursday the 29th day of March next, at 10 o'clock precisely, at the late residence of Samuel Ziegler, dec'd., the following personal property, to wit: Grain in the ground, straw in bundles, cow, carriage, sleigh, bureau, 1 bedstead and bedding, desk, looking glasses, trammels, together with a variety of other articles, too numerous to mention.

ONE HORSE.

set of single harness, bees and live, copper kettles, bags, 3 beds and bedsteads, chairs, bureau, clock and case, Brussels carpet, rag carpet, settee, tables, stove and pipe, spade and hatchet, crockery, trunks, apple-butter by the pot, saw, wood chest, clover seed, together with a variety of articles too numerous to mention.

Sheriff's Sale.

Will be sold on Saturday the 14th day of April, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the House of Ruben Moyer, in the Borough of Allentown, the following property to wit: A valuable lot of ground on the north east corner of Hamilton and James street, in the Borough of Allentown. The lot is 40 feet front, less a three feet alley, and 230 feet deep.

two story stone House, Frame Barn, Wood House, and other outbuildings, and a good orchard.

No. 2, containing 5 acres and seventy eight perches, more or less, on which is erected one story frame dwelling house, with a good well of water.

No. 3, containing 16 acres, and 131 perches, strict measure, this tract is excellent farm land.

No. 4, containing 9 acres 131 perches, also good farm land. The farm tracts lay adjacent to each other, and north of the road leading from Allentown to Reading.

March 22.

Particular Notice!

Great Rush of Customers!

Old Schurman, has just returned from Philadelphia and New York, with his first purchase for the season; of Spring and Summer Goods, all of which have been selected with the greatest care.

Groceries.

Now receiving 10 Hhds. Molasses, 12 Sugar, 25 Bls. do, 4 Tierces Honey, 25 Sacks Rio & other Coffee.

Queensware.

Now unpacking 8 Crates Queensware comprising an assortment of all kinds, and sold at such prices, to suit the times.

Iron.

The undersigned has also on hand, about 20 Tons American Hammered Iron, which will be sold lower than at any other place.

Country Produce.

Such as Potatoes, Butter, Eggs, Lard and Bacon, always wanted for which the highest market price will be paid in Goods by H. SCHNURMAN.

Co-Partnership Notice.

The New York Store in New Hands. The Subscribers having purchased of Wagner & Huber, their stock of Dry Goods, Groceries &c., and have entered into a Co-partnership under the firm of Kern & Samson, and will conduct the business at the old Establishment, where they hope by strict attention and low prices they may secure a liberal share of patronage.

Spring Millinery Goods.

John Stone & Sons, Importers and Dealers in Silks, Ribbons and Millinery Goods. No. 15 South Second St., above Chestnut, PHILADELPHIA.

Spring Millinery Goods,

Received by late arrivals from France, such as Glace Silks for casing bonnets, Fancy Bonnet and Cap Ribbons—a large and beautiful assortment, of all prices; Plain Mantua and Satin Ribbons, from No. 1 to No. 12; French and American Artificial Flowers (in great variety); Colored and White Crapes; Fancy Laces and Nets; French Chip Hats; Face Trimmings—Quillings; Covered Whalebones—Cane; Buckram—Willow; Bonnet Crowns and Tips. Together with every article appertaining to the Millinery trade.

Northampton Water Company.

All persons who make use of the Water of the said Company, for family purposes, or otherwise, will please take notice, that the time to renew their Permits, is on the 2nd of April next, and it is expected that it will be strictly attended to. Those persons, who have not settled for the same, between the 2nd and the 10th of April, must not complain if the water is stopped after that time.

Prices Current.

Table with columns: ARTICLES, Per, Allent. Easton Phila. Rows include Flour, Wheat, Rye, Corn, Oats, Buckwheat, Cloverseed, Timothy seed, Potatoes, Salt, Butter, Lard, Tallow, Beeswax, Ham, Pritch, Tow-yarn, Eggs, Rye Whiskey, Apple Whiskey, Linseed Oil, Hickory Wood, Oak Wood, Egg Coal, Nut Coal, Lump Coal, Plaster.

Pennsylvania Hotel, FOR RENT.

The undersigned offers his new and spacious Hotel, lately rebuilt by him, situated on the north west corner of Market Square and Hamilton street, in the Borough of Allentown, for rent, for a term of one, two or three years.

PUBLIC SALE.

On Easter Monday, the 9th and Tuesday the 10th of April, each day at 10 o'clock A.M., there will be exposed to public sale at the house of Joseph Kleider, deceased, late of Hanover township, Lehigh county, the following articles:

3 horses and a colt, 9 head of cattle, hogs, 2 farm wagons, 1 cart with harness, pleasure carriage with harness, harness and flynet, ploughs and harrows, one 1 horse wagon, a light sleigh and wood sled, hay and wood ladders, thrashing machine with horse power, windmill, cutting box, wheelbarrow, grain cradles, stone quarrying implements, 6 bar hives and a lot of boxes and bee hives, grain bags, straw by the hundred, a lot of rails, potatoes by the bushel, wheat and rye in the ground, hay by the ton, a small boat, 6 barrels of cider, also vinegar by the barrel, cross-cut saw, 13 shares of the Lehigh bridge, beds and bedsteads, bureau, tables and chairs, an 8 day clock, cupboard, watch, stove with pipe, double and single barrel shot guns, a cut and smooth rifle, large copper kettles, iron-kettles and pots, besides a variety of other articles too tedious to mention.

Conditions will be made known on the day of sale and due attendance given by JOHN CLADER, LEVI CLADER, DAN. CLADER, OW. CLADER, Adm'rs.

PUBLIC SALE.

Will be sold at Public Sale on Tuesday, the 27th of March next, at 12 o'clock, at the house of Daniel Derr, deceased, in Upper Saucon township, Lehigh county, the following remaining articles, to wit:

3 Milk cows, 2 shoats, a 1 horse wagon-body, bows and cover, single and double wagon harness, stall halters, bridles, wheelbarrow, cow chains, hoes, spade, shovel, forks, rakes, axes, carpenter's and chopping benches, a good grind stone, grain bags, half bushels and sieves, straw by the bundle, grain in the ground, 2 stoves with pipe, iron and other kettles, tubs, bureaus, bed and bedstead, tables, benches and chairs, looking-glass, wash-stand, also glass, crockery, earthen and tin ware, and about 60 yards of well made rag carpeting, window-blinds, and many other articles too tedious to mention.

Conditions will be made known at the time of sale, and due attendance given by THE HEIRS.

Two Story House for Rent.

A new two story Brick Dwelling House, Kitchen, Wash House, and other outbuildings attached thereto situated in the most beautiful part of Hamilton street, in the Borough of Allentown, Persons wishing to rent a convenient building of this kind, will please make application to Mr. William Kern, in Allentown.

NOTICE

The books of Charles Kline, and all the money due on the accounts in said books, have been assigned to the subscriber. Therefore all persons indebted in said books are requested to make immediate payment to me. All accounts not settled before the tenth day of April next, will be put in suit.