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Respectfully,
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Full directions are given on the wrapper to each box, how to use them as a Family Physic, and for the following complaints, which these *Pills* rapidly cure:—
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For **Rheumatism, Gout, Gravel, Palpitation of the Heart, Pain in the Side, Back** and **Loins**, they should be continuously taken, as required, to change the diseased action of the system. With such change those complaints disappear.
For **Dropsy** and **Dropsical Swellings**, they should be taken in large and frequent doses to produce the effect of a drastic purge.
For **Suppression**, a large dose should be taken, as it produces the desired effect by sympathy.
As a *Dinner Pill*, take one or two *Pills* to promote digestion and relieve the stomach.
An occasional dose stimulates the stomach and bowels, restores the appetite, and invigorates the system. Hence it is often advantageous where no serious derangement exists. One who feels tolerably well, often finds that a dose of these *Pills* makes him feel decidedly better, from their cleansing and renovating effect on the digestive apparatus.
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The finest and most EMBROIDERED SETTS in the market. One price.
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PROPOSED
AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF PENNSYLVANIA.
JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania.
Be it Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment of the Constitution of this Commonwealth be proposed to the people for their adoption or rejection, pursuant to the provisions of the tenth article thereof, to-wit:
AMENDMENT.
Strike out the Sixth Section of the Sixth Article of the Constitution, and insert in lieu thereof the following:
"A State Treasurer shall be chosen by the qualified electors of the State, at such times and for such term of service as shall be prescribed by law."
JAMES H. WEBB,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
WILLIAM A. WALLACE,
Speaker of the Senate.
Approved the fifteenth day of June, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one.
JOHN W. GEARY.
Prepared and certified for publication pursuant to the Tenth Article of the Constitution.
F. JORDAN,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.
Office Secretary of the Commonwealth, Harrisburg, July 5th, 1871. } (jy19-3m

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CHIMNEY TOPS FROM $1.25 TO $5.00.
Send for a circular, or call and examine at their office and manufactory, corner of Hamilton street and Lehigh Valley Railroad. june 1-tf

NOTICE.
CITY AND DOG TAXES FOR 1871.
By a supplement to the City Charter of Allentown, approved the 23d day of March, 1870, the City Treasurer is made the receiver of City and Dog Taxes. To all of said taxes remaining unpaid on the 1st day of August last, FIVE per cent. has been added. To all taxes remaining unpaid on the first day of October next, TEN per cent. shall be added.
Notice is hereby given that the City and Dog tax for 1871 will be received at my office, No. 539 Hamilton street, Allentown, Pa.
sept9-1mdaw JONATHAN REICHARD, Treas.

REPLY FROM THE HEATHEN CHINEE.

AH SIN TO TRUTHFUL JAMES.

Which my name is Ah Sin:
I don't want to tell name,
But I must, to begin,
Say of this T. James,
That I am convinced he is rather
Well up in the sinful games.

Yes. Ah Sin is my name,
Which I need not deny;
What it means is no shame,
You will find, if you try,
That its meaning is something Celestial,
And how is Celestial for high?

And about that small game
I did not understand,
So I made it my aim,
With a smile that was bland,
To keep my small eyes at their keenest,
On Nye as he dealt the first hand.

And the way that he dealt,
There could nothing be finer;
But somehow I felt,
"Mr. Ah Sin, from China,
Because your smile is so child-like,
These fellows play you for a minor."

But no slouch is Ah Sin,
And from the word "Go!"
I did play for to win,
And Nye rather so;
And I played the new game as I learned him,
Which showed level head don't you know?

On my nails there was wax,
But that nothing proves,
When I state the real facts:
I was 'prenticed on shoes,
And the wax that was found on my fingers
Was the kind that our shoemakers use.

And the pack up my sleeve,
My oath I will take,
Were not there to deceive,
But got there by mistake;
I bought them for Ah Sin, the younger,
Who likes some card houses to make.

In my pockets they were,
When I sat down that day;
But what with the stir
And excitement of play,
They worked up my sleeve from my pocket,
And strange it was too I must say.

Was it right in Bill Nye
When the trump knave I led,
For him to blacken my eye,
And on me put a head?
Had I known James held the right bower,
I'd have played something else in its stead.

But I don't play no more,
For my lot now is cast
On a churchless shore,
So I "stick" to my "last,"
And my smile at North Adams is pensive,
At my heathenish days that are past.

A TERRIBLE SECRET.

The World at the Mercy of a Murderer—A Scheme to Burn up the Universe—The Pacific Ocean to be Converted into a Sea of Fire—Summerfield Mystery.

From The New York Era.

It is the peculiar property of weak understandings to wonder at what they see, and spend that time in doubting which men of sense will employ in useful investigation, and in endeavoring to turn to advantage every new development of nature or art.

But in spite of all sarcasms and admonitions, revelations so well attested as to preclude the possibility of a doubt, are brought to our very eyes, filling us with fear or admiration, and overcoming us "like a summer cloud." One of the most extraordinary discoveries of modern times is at this moment said to be in possession of a western highwayman, who, if he chose, holds in his hands the means of destroying the universe.

A short time ago Leonidas Parker, a well-known Sacramento lawyer, died, having previously written an account of his connection with the murder of one Gregory Summerfield. Summerfield, who was a man of splendid literary and scientific attainments, was always known before his death as "the man with a secret," and he met with a horrible death, at the age of seventy he being hurled from the platform of a car, on the Union Pacific Railroad at Cape Horn, and falling down a thousand feet on the rocks below. The only person on the platform, at the time, besides the the unfortunate man, was the lawyer Parker, who was twice tried for the murder, and each time mysteriously acquitted.

Parker, during life, was very reticent concerning the man and his murder, but shortly before his death, he placed in the hands of a friend a full explanation of the whole transaction.

A short time before Summerfield's death he came into Parker's office, and introduced himself to Parker, who had formerly known him. After being warmly welcomed to California as an important addition to her mental wealth, he requested a private interview with the lawyer, which was granted at once.

After some general remarks upon the inequality of fortune among mankind, and instancing himself as an example of that unkind fate which kept really deserving men at the bottom instead of the top of the hill of fame, he suddenly sprang to his feet, and said:

"But I have now the means at my command of rising superior to fate, or of inflicting incalculable ills upon the whole human race."

He then said that he had fathomed the mighty secret of making water burn by means of a preparation of potassium, which would separate the particles and ignite the liberated oxygen, thus creating and recreating its own force, and proceeding until all the particles were destroyed. He was, furthermore, fully prepared to demonstrate by actual experiment, the truth of his assertion.

Taking a small, hermetically sealed phial from a portmanteau in his hand, he said he wanted one million dollars for its contents, and unless it was raised for him in San Francisco within one month, he would set the Pacific ocean on fire.

"I claim," said he, "to have discovered the key which unlocks the constituent gasses of water, frees each from the embrace of the other at a single touch, making the water burn itself up. Now, suppose I fling the contents of this small phial into the Pacific Ocean, what would be the result? Dare you contemplate it for an instant. I do not assert that the whole surface of the sea would instantaneously bubble up into insufferable flames; no, but from the nucleus of a circle, of which this phial would be the center, lurid radii of flames would gradually shoot outward, until the blazing circumference would roll in vast billows of fire, upon the uppermost shores. Not all the dripping clouds of the deluge could extinguish it; not all the tears of saints and angels could for an instant check its progress. Onward and onward it would sweep, with the steady gait of destiny, until the continents would melt with fervent heat, the atmosphere glare with the ominous conflagration and all living creatures—in land, and sea, and air—perish in one universal catastrophe. I feel like a God! and recognize my fellow-men but as pigmies that I spurn beneath my feet."

Opening the vial, he handed it to Parker, saying that within the globule of potassium was a pill of his own composition, which at once decomposed the substance in which it floated; the potassium ignited the liberated oxygen, and the conflagration of this mighty globe is begun.

Parker now thought himself dealing with a lunatic, and offered to try the experiment in a bowl of water. It hissed and skipped around, as it always does, and seemed to expire, when a sharp explosion took place, and to his surprise the liquid blazed in lurid flames to the ceiling, until every drop was consumed. Being now fully satisfied that Summerfield held the fate of the world in his hands, Parker imparted the discovery, with the conditions, to a few of the principal men in San Francisco. A leading banker, a bishop, a chemist, two State university professors, a physician, a judge and two Protestant clergymen were selected by Parker to witness the experiment on a large scale. This was done at a small lake near the seashore, some ten miles from San Francisco. Every drop of water was burnt up in less than fifteen minutes. The committee became alarmed, and Summerfield importunate, only half of the million demanded could be raised in San Francisco, and it was proposed to try and get aid from New York, when the bishop rose and said that nothing would satisfy the wretch, and that extermination was justifiable. This, with the exception of Parker, was unanimously acquiesced in. Lots were drawn, to see who of the committee should act as humanity's avenging angel, and Parker was elected. The plan was that the committee should tell Summerfield they would have to go to New York to raise the other half million, and induce him to accompany them, and when a good opportunity presented itself, he was to be hurled from the train. Summerfield assented, and Cape Horn was selected as the place of his death. Parker was twice tried for the murder, but the influence of the prominent men who made up the committee, undoubtedly had him acquitted.

Though the inventor of this dreadful agent, and the immediate cause of alarm was thus removed in the death of Summerfield, subsequent events have revealed the fact that even now we stand in the presence of the most alarming fate.

In May last, one Charles P. Gillis, formerly a saloon-keeper at Old Spring, was found fatally wounded, on the North Fork of the American river below Cape Horn. In his dying statement he said he left Auburn alone in search of the body of Summerfield. Arriving at the place where he was reported to have been killed, he was groping through the manzanita brush, when he beheld the dead man. At the same instant another person arrived upon the spot, whom he recognized as a former partner in the liquor trade, Bartholomew Graham, better known as "Black Bart," a noted highwayman. Graham drew a revolver and forced Gilson to take an oath to do just what he was bid. Then they gave their attention to the body. There was nothing left but a skeleton. But interlaced within the bones of their search, Graham grasped the bottle and wrenched it from the bony fingers, which snapped like pipe stems. A package of manuscript was also found, a few gold coins, a pistol, dirk knife, and a pair of spectacles. Descending the gorge toward the banks of the American river, they sat down to examine their prize. Graham took the bottle and finding it all right, said:

"This is mine. You can have these manuscripts."

Gilson did not think this was fair, but as he was unarmed, he could not choose but yield. They both lay down on the grass, and when satisfied that Graham was asleep, Gillson drew the vial from his pocket, and attempted to steal away. He had not proceeded far, however, before he heard the click of a revolver, and fell mortally shot. He was discovered next morning, and after making his disposition charged Graham with his murder. Ten thousand dollars reward have been offered by the Governor for the body of Graham dead or alive.

A few days after a lady was stopped in Marion County, by a ruffian who said he was "Black Bart," and who answers the description of him, and informed her that if she did not get him a thousand dollars by the next morning, he would set the world on fire, and to prove that he had the power to do this, he dropped a piece of one of the pills into a small creek, which immediately became a lake of fire, the flames rising ten feet high, and burning furiously until the water was consumed. There are those—good people, too—who earnestly assert that some terrible calamity is impending over our heads; it may be the unspoken word of doom, which is to return man to his original dust, and matter to its original chaos; it may be some plague or pestilence which is to sweep through the land, to purge it of its rapidly accumulating impurities, and restore the minds of men to the contemplation of the purposes of their creation, to remind them of the long-neglected fealty they owe a just but indulgent Creator—or, can it be that the hand of the assassin is to the instrument of our destruction leveling, with hellish rapidity, the temple whose construction exercised the ingenuity of God, and caused Him to pronounce it "Very good." We know not how this may be; but we know that it will not add to our repose, nor increase our sense of security, to be convinced that *any* man holds such power over our lives, and all that we love and cherish, much less that it is held by an unscrupulous murderer.

PASS-ABLE JOKE.

The following paragraph, from the Philadelphia Sunday Dispatch of a recent date, needs an explanation. It is evidently, a gross exaggeration; yet some of the circumstances connected with the ludicrous picture, gotten up by the facetious editor of the Dispatch, may have a grain of truth in them. So far as we we are concerned, we boldly push the soft impeachment aside, in order to give some of the rest of the fraternity an opportunity to explain:

An editor in Harrisburg lost his pass on the railroad, and requested the officers of the road to secure the arrest of any man who should present it. The next day he found the pass in the pocket of his Sunday trowsers, and proceeded to take a trip upon it. As soon as he offered it to the conductor, that faithful official knocked him on the head with his lantern, called in three brakemen and the baggage-master, dragged him, despite his frantic struggles, along the floor into the baggage car, where a brakeman sat on him while the conductor battered him up a lot, so that he would keep quiet; and then they searched him, to ascertain what other thefts he had been perpetrating. With the exception of a ticket to the circus, the man had upon his person absolutely nothing but rail passes over all the main roads and branch lines and feeders, and sidings in the State of Pennsylvania. He had free tickets over all the railroads in the Eastern, Southern, Middle and Western States, and in four of the Territories. He had a pass over a railroad from Yeddo to Yokohama, and another from Calcutta to Bengal. He had a letter promising him one on the new road which is proposed in Terra Del Fuego, and a manuscript puff which he had written for a man who had assured him he should have a pass over the road, which the man said he was about to run under the Mediterranean from Africa to Italy, as soon as it was built. The conductor concluded that he had caught the greatest pass-kleptomaniac that the world ever saw. But when he got back to Harrisburg the affair was explained. And now, if there is any one editor in the State who is completely sick of "gentlemanly conductors," that editor resides in the State Capital.—*State Journal.*

The Secretary of the Masonic Lodge in Rockingham, Va., was recently orderd to produce in court the book in which the minutes of the lodge were kept. He refused and was threatened with imprisonment for contempt. The Judge spoke in strong terms of the evil of societies passing resolutions and orders that are liable to come in conflict with the law of the land, and expressed his intention of enforcing the law against all such proceedings. Finally, after a long and heated argument between the attorneys, they agreed to accept an attested copy of the minutes, and the Secretary was released.

THE PREDICTED TIDAL WAVE.

The near approach of the time for the appearance of the tidal wave which was predicted some time ago, is beginning to create an excitement amounting to almost a panic in Charleston and other points along the coast of the Carolinas. Several of the citizens of Charleston, imitating the good example of the patriarch Noah, have provided themselves with yawl boats which are moored in their door yards, which has given rise to a great discussion as to whether such boats would ride the wave or be swamped by it, and should it be decided that they would stand the shock and prove arks of safety to the prudent occupants who are expected to occupy them during the eventful day of the predicted flood, boats will be in demand. The Wilmington Star says the excitement in North Carolina is very great and adds: "Some excited individuals, we learn, are proposing to send their families to the mountains, while the attics in all the three and four story building are at a premium. A gentleman from one of the Sounds informs us that a frightened market man from that locality returned home late Friday night from this city, where he heard of the big wave, and went around among his neighbors, arousing them from their slumbers, and retailing the terrible news of the expected billow, although it was past twelve o'clock." The Newbern Times also reports great excitement, and states that the near approach of the problematical day of doom has had the effect of causing a "powerful religious awakenin" among the timid ones. It says: We are informed that the people living along the banks and at Beaufort, and the entire sea coast, are, in view of the tidal wave, holding prayer meetings night and day, in which prayers are made to avert the supposed impending calamity. Many persons are joining the church, and a general religious feeling prevails." The excitement has also extended to Georgia, and the Augusta Chronicle and Sentinel says the probable effect of the wave upon that place is discussed with great earnestness by all classes of the people. Augusta is not very far from the coast, and a wave fifty feet high, and traveling at the rate of forty miles an hour would easily reach it.

JENK'S WOODCOCK HUNT.

A DEAD SNAKE THAT WASN'T A STONE DEAD.

Jenks is a sportsman. He loves hunting and fishing almost as well as he loves eating, and he loves eating a great deal better than any dyspeptic we know of. Jenks lives in Hartford, whose Times thus tells of him: One day a few weeks ago Jenks hitched up his horse, and with an open wagon and a friend started for the country in search of game. They aimed at woodcock, or rather intended to aim at them, providing they saw any. But as this is a truthful narrative, we are compelled to say the day wore on without bringing them any luck, and they were about to give it up, when their perseverance was rewarded by a sight of something decidedly gamey.

They were liable after all to wind up with rattling good sport; for before them, in the path they were pursuing, with head proudly erect and jaws widely distended, was a full grown rattlesnake, as if intending to dispute their further passage in that direction. Jenks dislikes snakes, while Jenks's friend is as fond of snakes as it is possible for any human to be, and he expressed a desire to carry the fellow home and have him stuffed. Jenks was for shooting him, but as this proceeding would mar the beauty of his snakeship, his friend would not permit him to do so, and told him to stand as close to the reptile as he safely could, keeping him at bay while he cut a stick. The timid Jenks declined the honor, and said he should prefer to "cut stick" himself.

At length a suitable stick was obtained—a stick with a crotch on the end, the prongs of which were about two inches long. Jenks' friend then cautiously approached the snake, which commenced to rattle furiously and raised himself up to strike, when the man dexterously caught him just below the head in the crotch of his stick, forcing him to the ground and there held him as if in a vice despite his struggling and writhing until he ceased to move. Supposing he was dead, a string with a slip-noose was placed around his neck, and the pair started for their vehicle with no other game than the rattlesnake. When they reached the wagon their lifeless prize was duly dumped into the rear end of the vehicle and the pair headed for Hartford.

As they rode along their thoughts naturally dwelt on the subject of snakes, and finally they became engaged in a discussion relative to the fascination which these repulsive reptiles exert—each entertaining widely diverse opinions. The argument had become quite animated, when they were suddenly startled out of all sense of propriety, and the thread of their discourse was interrupted by the clear, distinct, ominous rattle of the snake, which they had flattered themselves was as dead as an Egyptian mummy. Both of them sprang from the wagon with commendable alacrity, leaving the resuscitated rattlesnake in sole possession of the vehicle. And the reptile seemed to be proud of its victory. Its head was reared above the box of the wagon, and waved back and forth like a stalk of rye agitated by a gentle breeze.

Unlike Crusoe he might not have been monarch of all he surveyed, but he certainly was "boss" of the wagon. When the men sprang from the seat, the driver had presence of mind enough to seize and stop the horse, or mayhap his snakeship would have enjoyed a free ride to the city, leaving Jenks and his friend to foot it. How the dead reptile came to life was not near so much of a mystery as if Wilson should come to himself after Sheriff Russell had done with him. It might have been dead, but it was not stone dead; a snake has got to be stone dead or else it will surely be about again. The vibrating motion of the wagon loosened the slip noose, and that explained all.

But there the snake remained in full possession of the wagon. Something must be done. A council of war was held. If the right sort of a man had come along just then, Jenks would have sold the establishment for half price and thrown the snake in. They finally decided they did not care to preserve the reptile's skin for stuffing, and so they determined to kill it. Jenks held the horse, while his more courageous friend, with a stout cudgel in his hand, commenced to skirmish around the vehicle, showing a skilful degree of strategy of evading it in front and approaching it from the rear, until at last he dealt it a stunning blow which was followed up by more of the same sort, and soon the death-rattle was heard.

It was then pitched out of the wagon, and a large stone was dropped on its head some fifteen or twenty times; but Jenks declared he would not trust the treacherous snake in the wagon again, not if Bunker Hill monument had been dropped upon it. So the sportsmen returned without any game after all. Thus ends this o'er true tale with eleven rattles on it. If any one doubts the truth of this sketch let them ask—Jenks. His whereabouts can be ascertained at police headquarters.

An Omaha man laughed so heartily at a burlesque that he gained ten pounds. His neighbors consider this a weight-y argument in favor of the drama.

GLEANINGS AND GOSSIP.

Even wool is adulterated.

Thiers' sister, just dead, was 72.

Mulberry leaves contain nitrogen.

A town is to be built at Race Lake, Minn.

The heavier the potato, the more nutritive it is.

There's lively competition among Duluth doctors.

Brunettes are the fancy of the Grand Duke Alexis.

A wax candle in the Vatican weighs 2,700 pounds.

Small pox dimples the stormy coast of Hatteras, N. C.

A Chicago belle has cut off with her uncle's hostler.

Some Indiana parties have to haul water six miles.

Slight "flurries of snow" may be expected at any time.

A low-priced "international ball" enlivened Duluth lately.

The finest dwelling in all the South, is Col. Heck's, at Raleigh.

Chills and fever both prevail to an unusual extent in Newbern.

A hog show is now in progress at Dexter Park Chicago.

A black baby took the first prize at a Keokuk baby show.

Buying winter fuel engrosses the attention of house-keepers.

The United States annually consumes $12,000,000 worth of tin plates.

And now England has become infected with the "mysterious disappearance" disease.

Twenty bottles of whisky were included in the stores of an Indiana Sunday School pic-nic.

A New Hampshire man prayed in the woods so fervently that three men ran to his assistance.

Chinese doctors charge $1.80 for six weeks' attendance, including a portion of the funeral expenses.

A gridiron was the implement selected by a coloredess of Atlanta, to pound an idea into a neighbor's head.

Three things are lacking to the complete happiness of Rushville, Ind., a freshet, a revival and some quinine.

An Illinois paper would have us believe that several snakes issued from a sick woman's mouth just previous to her death.

Secretary Bontwell will buy $2,000,000 of bonds each Wednsday, and sell $3,000,000 of gold each Thursday, during October.

A Detroit toper passed a pleasant night in a gravel heap, having dug out a hole for his body, and covered himself with dirt up to the neck.

The Detroit Post laments that "the camel playing a star engagement with Warner's menagerie shuffled off his mortality at Ionia the other day."

Two clouded citizens of Detroit settled a rivalry by firing at each other eight times without effect. They then clasped hands, wept and "smiled."

Premiums Awarded at the Lehigh County Fair.

FIELD CROPS.

Best 3 acres wheat, Morgan Person, $5; second best, do, Jacob DeLong, American Agriculturist and 2; best 3 acres rye, Morgan Person, 4; best acre of barley, Morgan Person, 3; best 3 acres of oats, Jacob DeLong, 3; best acre of timothy seed, Jacob DeLong, 3; best acre of clover seed, Jacob DeLong, 3; best one-half acre of potatoes, Joseph Wittman, 2; best 3 acres of corn, Elias Miller, 5; second best, do, Morgan Person, Am. Ag. and 2; best rye, Jacob DeLong, 4; best one-fourth acre of tobacco, Ruhe & Yohe, 3.

Committee—Henry Stine, F. J. Slough, John H. Laubach.

The revising committee have divided the 1st and 2d premium on rye, and called them both the best, seeing that the competitors being equal yields, 33 bushels to acre.

Committee—Roth, Schantz and Selder.

HORSES.—*Class* 1.—IMPORTED.

PERCHERON.

We, the committee on imported horses, have made the following report: Edward Schreib r, best stallion, $50; Edward Schreiber, second best, 25; Edward Schreiber, best mare, 25; T. S. Cooper, English coaching stallion, light draught, 1st premium, 50.

Committee—Jos. C. Exton, B. J. Smoyer, Jacob Beck.

The revising committee have examined the above report, and are of opinion that the premiums offered in the schedule of premiums are too low in comparison with the premiums offered for imported cattle, and therefore have amended the report and allowed the premiums above stated.

Revising Committee—H. J. Schantz, Charles Selder, Jeremiah Roth.

Class 2.—NATIVE HEAVY DRAUGHT.

George Desh, best stallion, $15; John Gross, second best, 7; Good Will Steam Fire Co., best pair farm horses, 15; Charles Heninger, second best do, Ag. and 7; Wm. Kichline, pair of farm horses, worthy of notice; Henry Smith, best colt, 5.

Committee—David L. Barner, David Danner, Sr., Henry Yeager.

Class 3.—NATIVE LIGHT DRAUGHT.

George H. Durhammer, best mare between 4 and 12 years, $8; William Lorash, second best between 4 and 12 years, Ag. and 3; Elias Miller, best colt between 2 and 4 years, 6; Josiah Nagel, best colt between 1 and 2 years, 4; George H. Steininger, second best between 1 and 2 years, Ag and 1; Josiah Nagel, colt worthy of notice.

Committee—J. W. Lichtenwalner, William Dillinger, William Kichline.

Class 4.—BLOODED STOCK, HEAVY DRAUGHT—PERCHERON.

The committee on horses, blooded stock, heavy draught, report as follows: Mahlon Berky, best horse colt, $6; B. J. Schmoyer, second best do, 3; B J Schmoyer, best mare colt, 6; B J Schmoyer, second best do, 3; Jacob Weaver, best stallion between 4 and 12 years, 20; Milton Eisenhart, second best do, 10; Mahlon Berky, best brood mare, 15; B J Schmoyer, second best do, 7; William Hoffman, best horse colt under 2 years, 8.

Committee—George P. Snyder, Jacob Kelchline, Charles Eisenhart.

Special premium awarded by the revising committee to Lucas Warmkessel, for a horse colt, 3; Milton Eisenhart, for a mare colt, 3.

Committee—Jeremiah Roth, H J Schantz, Chas Selder.

Class 5.

BLOODED STOCK—LIGHT DRAUGHT.

We the committee on blooded stock, light draught, report as follows: Samuel C.