

A GOOD MINISTER.

A TRUE STORY.

Some years since, there lived in the town of S. Massachusetts, a most practical and good minister named P. Two of his parishioners, by the names of White and Hagar, lived, on the opposite side of a beautiful pond that was full of pickeral.

On a cold sabbath morning in January farmer White started at an early hour for church, and, it being nearer, instead of going by the road, he cut across the pond upon the ice. But how was he mortified and shocked to find his poor brother Hagar upon it, fishing. He approached him at once and with a stern voice reprimanded him for his wickedness.

Accordingly, as soon as meeting was over in the afternoon, he accompanied parson P. a short distance on the road, and related to him the great wickedness he had witnessed in Hagar, in the morning.

Parson P. thought Hagar ought to be brought to judgment, and made an example of. Accordingly the first time he met him, the subject was broached with all due form and gravity, as in days of yore in all such cases made and provided.

The story of farmer White was repeated, he asked if it was true? Hagar replied in the affirmative, stating also the fact that brother White refused to hear an explanation, which he desired to give, and which he now proposed to state.

Well, said the parson mildly what is it? Why, said Hagar, I worked for Mr. B. till late on Saturday night, and expected to get something to last my family over Sunday, at Mr. G's store, on my way home.

But it was shut up and I got nothing. We had nothing but a few potatoes in the house and I told Mrs. Hagar that I would go out on the pond and catch three pickeral. She made no answer.

And accordingly in the morning just as I had cut a hole in the ice, and put my hook in the water, brother White came along and reprimanded me as I told you. I thought I was doing right, I was but a few rods from my house, and I knew not where else to go for dinner.

I was very thankful when the first fish bit, I kept my mind meditating on religious truths all the time, and just as soon as I had the three I wanted, I went home I was thankful when we came to the table that we had something to eat.

We went to church in the afternoon, I don't think it wrong. What else could a poor man do who had nothing for his wife and children to eat for the day but a handful of poor potatoes? The parson gave him some good words of advice and comfort and they parted.

In the course of a few days he met farmer White, who asked him straightway, if he had seen Hagar. Yes was the reply. What did he say? The parson related to him Hagar's story, and then said Mr. White don't you have warm dinners on Sunday?

Why yes said the farmer somewhat surprised. How do you get it, Mr. White? continued the minister, pleasantly. How, why Mrs. White goes to the meet barrel and takes out a piece large enough for the whole family's dinner and boils, or fries it, and holds said the parson. That pond Mr. White, is Hagar's meat barrel—it is all the one he has and every body knows it.

He took out just meat enough for dinner and more and though I cautioned him not to be caught in such a difficulty again, if he could possibly avoid it, I thought upon the whole it would not be best to trouble the church about the matter. Farmer White was a man of sense, and she admitted that the good parson was right.

Affection For The Dead.

BY WASHINGTON IRVIN.

The sorrow for the dead, is the only sorrow from which we refuse to be divorced. Every other wound we seek to heal—every other affection forget—but this wound we consider it a duty to keep open—this affliction we cherish and brook over in solitude.

Where is the mother who would willingly forget the infant that perished like a blossom from her arms, though every recollection is a pang? Where is the child that would willingly forget the most tender of parents, though to remember be but to lament? Who even in the hour of agony, would forget the friend over whom he mourns—who even when the tomb is closing upon the remains of her he most loved: when he feels, his heart, as it were, crushed in the closing of its portals, would accept of consolation that must be bought by forgetfulness?

No, the love that survives the tomb, is one of the noblest attributes of the soul. If it has its woes, it has likewise its delight, and when the overwhelming burst of grief is calmed into the gentle tear of recollections, when he sudden anguish and the conclusive agony over the present ruins of all that most loved, is softened away into pensive meditations on all that it was in the days of its loveliness—who would not root out such a sorrow from the heart? Though it may sometimes throw a passing cloud over the bright hours of gaiety or a deeper sadness over the hour of gloom, yet who would exchange it even for the song of pleasure, or the burst of revelry? No; there is a voice from the tomb sweeter than song. There is a remembrance of the dead to which we turn even from the charms of the living. Oh! the grave!—the grave!—It buries every error—covers every defect—extinguishes every resentment! From its peaceful bosom spring none but fond regrets and tender recollections! Who can look down upon the grave of an enemy, and feel compunctious throbs, that he should have warred with the poor handful of earth that lies mouldering before him!

But the grave of those we loved—what a place for meditation! There it is that we call up in long review the whole history of virtue and gentleness, and the thousand endearments lavished upon us almost unheeded in the daily intercourse of intimacy—there it is that we dwell upon the tenderness, the solemn, awful tenderness, of the parting scene—the bed of death, with all its stifled griefs—its noiseless attendants, its mute, watchful assidues—the last testimonies of expiring love—the feeble, fluttering, thrilling, oh, how thrilling! pressure of the hand—the last fond look of the glazing eye, turning upon us even from the threshold of existence—the faint, faltering accents, struggling to give one more look of affection!

As you go to the grave of buried love, and meditate. There settle the account with thy conscience for every past benefit unrequited—every past endearment unrequited—every past endearment unrequited of departed being who can never—never—never return to be soothed by thy contrition! If thou art a child, and hast ever added a sorrow to the soul, or a furrow to the silver-brow, of an affectionate parent—If thou art a husband, and hast ever caused the fond bosom that ventured its whole happiness in thy arms, to doubt one moment of thy kindness or thy truth—if thou art a friend, and hast ever wronged in thought, or word, or deed, or spirit that generously confided in thee—if thou art a lover, and hast ever given one unmerited pang to that true heart which now lies cold and still beneath thy feet; then be sure that unkind looks, every ungracious word, every ungentle action, will come thronging back upon thy memory, & knocking dolefully at thy soul—then be sure that though will lie down sorrowing and repentant on the grave, and utter the unheeded groan, and pour the unavailing ear, more deep, more bitter, because unheeded and unavailing.

Then weave the chaplet of flowers and strew the beauties of nature about the grave; console thy broken spirit, if thou canst, with these tender, yet futile, tributes of regret—but take warning by the bitterness of this thy contrite affliction over the dead, & henceforth be more faithful and affectionate in the discharge of thy duty towards the living.

A young lady, wearing a gold pencil case suspended from a gold chain, appeared to be very vain of the ornament by frequently looking at it and handling it. A gentleman observing her stepped up to her and inquired, 'Miss B. I presume you belong to Pencil-vain-ia.'

Three things only are well done haste flying from the plague; escaping; quarrels and catching fleas.

The following is a copy of the bill for the Removal of the Seat of Justice of Columbia County, introduced into the Senate last winter.

AN ACT

To Authorize the Removal of the Seat of Justice in the County of Columbia, and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, a large majority of the taxable inhabitants of the County of Columbia have, by their memorial, set forth to the General Assembly of this Commonwealth, the great hardships and inconvenience they suffer in consequence of the seat of Justice for said county being located at Danville, and praying the same may be removed to the town of Bloomsburg. For remedy whereof,

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That at any time within three years from the passage of this act, shall be lawful for the citizens of Bloomsburg, in the county of Columbia, to erect, or cause to be erected, at THEIR OWN PROPER EXPENSES, in the town of Bloomsburg suitable buildings, of brick or stone, of not less size and dimensions than the county buildings now at Danville, for a Court House, prison, and different offices for the keeping of the public records, under the direction of the county Commissioners, who are authorized to receive a conveyance for such lot or lots of grounds, for the use of such county buildings, not exceeding one acre, in fee simple, clear of all incumbrances, for the use of the county of Columbia. The said buildings to be erected on such lot or lots of ground thus conveyed. And the said county Commissioners are hereby authorized to sell at public auction, or otherwise, all the right, title and interest which the said county may have in the real estate situate in the town of Danville, and to execute a conveyance to the purchaser or purchasers, and the MONEY ARISING FROM THE SAME TO BE PAID INTO THE COUNTY TREASURY FOR COUNTY PURPOSES.

SECTION 2. That as soon as the public buildings are completed according to the provisions of the first section of this act, the Commissioners aforesaid shall file a report of the same in the Court of Common Pleas of said county, and thereupon the commissioners and Sheriff of said county, shall cause the prisoners, if any there confined in the old prison to be safely removed to the new, and the public papers and records remaining in the public offices at Danville, to be safely deposited in the new buildings so as aforesaid built and prepared for the reception thereof, and from thenceforth the seat of Justice in and for the county of Columbia shall cease to be at Danville, and the same shall be moved and fixed at the town of Bloomsburg, in the said county and the public offices heretofore kept, and the courts of justice heretofore held at Danville, in and for said county of Columbia, shall be kept and held at Bloomsburg, in the buildings erected for their accommodation as aforesaid.

SECTION 3. It shall be lawful for the citizens of Bloomsburg to obtain subscriptions for any person or persons willing to subscribe any money or materials for the erection of such public buildings, as are provided for in the first section of this act, and in default of the payment of the same, the county commissioners are hereby empowered to cause suits to be brought in the name of the county to enforce the collection of the same, and when collected to be applied towards defraying the expenses of such buildings.

SECTION 4. So much of the existing laws of this Commonwealth as are altered by this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of George Zerr, late of Catawissa township, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that letters of administration, on the above mentioned estate, were this day granted to the subscriber residing in the town of Catawissa. All persons indebted to the said estate are hereby notified to make immediate payment, and those having claims are requested to present them properly authenticated to

EZRA S. HAYHURST, Adm'r. Catawissa, May 22, 1844.—5.

NOTICE.

THE Members of the Independent Troop, possessing State arms or accoutrements of any description, are required to forthwith deposit them, either with Dr. George Lott, Orangeville, Wm. Neal, Bloomsburg, or with Bright R. Paxton, Catawissa.

FRPERRICK SWABY, Capt. May 25, 1844.—5.

FSH, BACON, & C.

The Subscriber is receiving and for Sale, 20 BLS. MACKEREL & SHAD, 2000lbs. SMOKED BACON, ALSO,

A GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, &c. &c. for which he will take GRAIN, LUMBER and PRODUCE generally.

MATTHEW McDOWELL, Williamsburg, May 10, 1844.

List of Letters REMAINING in the Post Office at Bloomsburg, for the quarter ending June 30, 1844.

Joseph Bayler Mrs. Mary M. Echerd Isaac Dercainer P. O. Hagen James Hudson Maria Hall Wm. Jerret Mrs. Mary Keel George Kellog Jacob Leblat J. K. Millard Charles Robson Isaac Stratten Daniel Shusoyer Petre Stratten Miss Susannah Vannan Samuel Wanich Chas. P. Willard.

Persons calling for letters in the above list will please say they are advertised. J. M. MOYER, P. M.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP. THE Copartnership heretofore existing between Owen D. Leib & George Frederick, at the Catawissa Foundry was dissolved on the 15th of March last by mutual consent. All persons knowing themselves indebted, will please make payment, and those having claims will present them to Owen D. Leib who is duly authorized to settle.

O. W. D. LEIB, GEORGE FREDERICK. N. B. The business will in future be conducted by George Frederick, who respectfully solicits a continuance of patronage. May 25, 1844.—5.

Now is the very nick of time to Subscribe, as, on the 16th of March, 1844, will commence the fourteenth Volume of

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OUR ENGRAVINGS. Scarce a number is issued without one or more instructive and explanatory engraving or copy of some gen of the old masters, with a descriptive Tale, Essay, or Sketch.

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To Farmers, Gardeners, &c. Our increased size gives us much more space to indulge in our favorite subject of tilling the bounteous earth, and especial attention is paid to Agriculture, Horticulture, Floriculture, and the culture of every thing calculated to improve and benefit mankind, make them independent of Foreign Monopolists, pernicious Legislatures, &c.

Our European Correspondent. Our special European Correspondent, resident in London, keeps us supplied with the earliest news, and materials for enriching our departments with choice Literature and Variety, and giving to Emigrants, as well as others, a correct and connected account of whatever occurs of interest, either at home or abroad.

THE MARKETS. Particular care is taken to procure the earliest advices in reference to the prices of all kinds of Grain, Provisions, Produce, &c. and the state of Stocks, Banks, Money, and Lands; and our extensive arrangements will hereafter render our Prices current of inestimable value to the Traveller, Farmer, and all Business classes whatever.

Business classes whatever. The subscribers have established at the above place, a new MARBLE YARD, and will always be ready, at the shortest notice, to furnish to order,

MONUMENTS, TOMB-TABLES, TOMB-STONES, HEARTH-JAMBS, MANTLES, PAINT-STONES, MULLERS, &c.

or any other work in their line. They are also prepared to furnish WINDOW CAPS and SILLS, DOOR SILLS and STEPS, &c. either of Marble, Lime or any kind of stone that can be procured in this vicinity.

Having had considerable experience in the business, they pledge their work to be executed in as handsome a style as can be furnished from any yard either in the city or country; and on as reasonable terms.

ARMSTRONG & HUGHES, Bloomsburg, Nov. 3, 1843. 1y—28

NOTICE. I hereby given to all concerned, that I have left in the possession of Jacob Shoemaker, during my pleasure, one Mulby Heifer, one Dining Table, one Bedstead and Bedding, and one Bedstead, and forbid any person taking them from him, either by purchase or otherwise, without my consent.

ELSY SHOEMAKER. June 28, 1844.

COAL. COARSE AND NUT COAL. Of a superior quality for Sale by GEORGE WEAVER

CHARLES KAELER, Tailor,

WOULD respectfully inform the citizens of Bloomsburg, and its vicinity, that he still continues to carry on the above business, at his old established stand on the corner of Main and East streets.

Having received the LATEST PHILADELPHIA and NEW YORK FASHIONS, in connection with Scott & Willson's Highly Improved patent for cutting garments in the most fashionable manner, warranted to fit without any possibility of failure, and feeling assured from his long experience in the business, that work executed at his shop, will never be complained of, he hopes, by strict attention to business, to receive a share of public patronage as heretofore.

Where the state of the system does not harmonize with the above picture of health, it is of the greatest importance that no time be lost in sending for a doctor, or in the use of foolish remedies, but often the result of speculation; instead of this course a dose of BRANDRETH'S PILLS be taken, which will not deceive, but will at once restore health to the organ or part that it requires it.

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Wanted, NEAR BLOOMSBURG, 50,000 feet Inch Pine Boards. 50,000 feet Weather Boards. 100,000 Lap Shingles. 30,000 feet Pine and Hemlock Plank. 2,000 feet lineal Round Timber, from 10 to 14 inches in diameter. And a quantity of Oak and Pine Timber for Mill Right work.

Apply to JOSEPH PAXTON, President of the Bloomsburg Rail Road Iron Company. March 23, 1844. 48

A Valuable Property For Sale.

THE SUBSCRIBER OFFERS TO SELL HIS VALUABLE FARM AND MILL PROPERTY.

A PRIVATE SALE, situated in Greenwood township, Columbia County, Pa., upon the road leading from Bloomsburg to Jerseytown, about 7 miles from Bloomsburg, and ten from Bloomsburg, containing

115 Acres, most of which is improved, and upon which are erected

TWO STORY BRICK HOUSE, 48 BY 32 FEET

A SAWMILL AND Clover Mill.

and other out buildings. There are also on the land

TWO VERY GOOD APPLE ORCHARDS OF FIRSTRATE FRUIT.

The land is in a good state of cultivation, and that which remains uncultivated is covered with good timber. He considers it unnecessary to give any further description, as all who wish to purchase will view for themselves. It will be sold on reasonable terms, and possession given on the first of April.

WILLIAM LEMON. Greenwood, January 5, 1844. 2m37

Chair Manufactory, THE subscriber continues to carry on the CHAIR MANUFACTURING

business at the old stand of B. & S. Hagenbuch, where he will be ready at all times to furnish Fancy & Windsor Chairs, Settees, Boston Rocking Chairs &c. of every description, which may be called for, at short notice and on the most reasonable terms. He will also execute House, Sign & Ornamental Painting, and House Papering in a superior manner.

From his experience in the business and his facilities of manufacturing the various articles of his line, he flatters himself that he shall be able to furnish as good work, and upon as reasonable terms as can be done in the country, all of which he will dispose of for CASH or COUNTRY PRODUCE.

N. B. Orders from a distance will be strictly and punctually attended to. B. HAGENBUCH. Bloomsburg, Dec. 30, 1843.

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Brandreth's Pills. PICTURE OF HEALTH.

HEALTH is characterized in an individual by the absence of all pain, suffering, or affliction in any part of his body; by the free and regular exercise of his functions without any exception.

They consist in having a good appetite at meal times, an easy digestion, free evacuations, without looseness or costiveness at least once in every twenty-four hours, and without heat, dryness, or burning at the passage, the free issue of the water without acrimony or burning, and without a reddish sediment which is always a sign of a present or approaching pain; quiet sleep without agitation or troublesome dreams; no taste of bile or other bad taste in the mouth upon rising in the morning; no sourness or disagreeable rising of the stomach; a clean tongue; a sweet breath; no itching, pimples, spots on the skin; no piles; no burning heat upon any part of the body; no excessive thirst when unexposed to labor or other known causes; no interruption to any natural evacuation, but pain at their periodical return.

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PAPER? PAPER? THE subscriber having established a PAPER MILL at MILL GROVE, near Bloomsburg, Columbia county, where he has the latest European Machinery, and having followed the business for twenty years he is confident he can furnish as good paper as any in the Country and on as reasonable terms to printers, Merchants and Lawyers, or any persons who may want the article. He also keeps constantly on hand Attorney's Cap, Fool's Cap, Letter, writing, Printing and Wrapping paper of all kinds. Also, an assortment of Senior Books, Blank Book, Extra bound. Full bound, and half bound of all sizes and assortment of writing books &c. He is ready to exchange the above for Paper or Books, for Rates of Strick.

THOMAS TRENCH. Millgrove; February 26' 1844—1f.

CATAWISSA HOTEL. J. DYER.

RESPECTFULLY informs his friends and the travelling public in general, that he has taken the above Hotel situate in the centre of the town of Catawissa, Columbia county Pa. and formerly occupied by D. Clark. Where he will be happy to wait upon those who will favor him with their custom. The Hotel is large and commodious and well furnished throughout, and no pains will be spared to render general satisfaction.

His table will be furnished with the best the country can afford.

His bar is well stored with the best of liquors. Excellent stabling is attached to the establishment and careful and attentive hostlers are always in attendance.

Catawissa, May 13, 1843—3.

Franklin HOUSE, Bloomsburg, Columbia Co. Pa.

THE subscriber respectfully informs his friends, and the public generally, that he has taken that well known stand, in Bloomsburg, formerly kept by William Robison, and that the House and Stables are under going a thorough repair. As his bar will always be furnished with the choicest of Liquors, and his Larder with the best the market affords, and having good Stabling and attentive hostlers, he with confidence invites all to call and test his ability as a caterer for the palate and stomach, and flatters himself that none will leave dissatisfied with their treatment.

The worth of the pudding is told in the eating. Some give it a trial, there will be no cheating. Best and Man shall always go away rejoicing. Swearing by the powers, they'll call on returning. M. SILVERTHORN. June 8, 1844—7. 3m.

BEE HIVES A New Kind.

THIS is one of the best constructed Bee Hives ever invented. It is so arranged, that you can draw from the bees, honey at any season of the year, without any injury to them. It also prevents the bees being injured by the worms. The subscriber is now prepared to dispose of township or single rights in the following townships, on the most reasonable terms—Bloom, Hemlock, Liberty, Jefferson, Mt. Pleasant, Greenwood, Orange, Fishing creek, Sugarloaf and Jackson.

He also keeps them on hand, ready made, which he will sell cheap.

He has in his Bee house, several swarms of bees in operation in hives of the above description, which he would invite the public to call and examine, for he believes that all who do so, will at once acknowledge that they are the best hives in use.

GEORGE LILLY. Bloomsburg, April 13, 1844.