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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

LIME, COAL AND LUMBER.
The best
WOOD COAL BURNT LIME,
can be had at the Bellefonte Lime Kilns, on the Pike leading to Milesburg, at the lowest prices. We are the only parties in Central Penn'a. who burn in

Patent Flame Kibb,

which produces the

Best White-Wash
and

Plastering Lime,

offered to the trade. The best
SHAMOKIN AND WILKESBARRIE ANTHRACITE COAL,
all sizes, prepared expressly for family use

Silver Brook Foundry Coal

at lowest prices. Also a lot of first and second quality

BOARDS, BROAD RAILS

PALING, SHINGLES
and plastering lime for sale cheap.
Office and yard, near South end of Bald Eagle Valley. R. B. Devoe,
ap10/68, ly. Bellefonte, Pa.

TINWARE! TINWARE!

J. REIBER,

Respectfully announces to the citizens of Potter township, that he is now prepared to furnish upon shortest notice, and as cheap as elsewhere, every article in the line of

SPRAY-PUMP SPRITTING.

All kinds of repairing done. He has always, on hand buckets, cups, dippers, dishes, &c., &c.

SILVERPLATING.

for buggies executed in the finest and most durable style. Give him a call. His charges are reasonable. ap10/68, ly.

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GET THE VALLEY CHIEF REAPER & MOWER,

Manufactured by J. Marsh & Co., Lewisburg.

It is a self-raker. Cuts grain or grass no matter how much it may be lodged.

This celebrated reaper & mower, can be seen at the residence of the agent, one mile east of Wolf's store. It is the latest invention, all cast iron and steel, and when in operation weighs only 500 pounds. It is a two-wheel machine, and warranted to work satisfactorily, and if it does not work according to guarantee, it will be made to work at the expense of the manufacturer.

Price of machine \$29 cash, or \$210 at six months credit. Price of Mower \$175 cash. W. M. EHRHART Agent, Wolf's Store.

BUGGIES! BUGGIES!

J. D. MURRAY,
Centre Hall, Pa., Manufacturer of all kinds of Buggies, would respectfully inform the citizens of Centre county, that he has on hand

NEW BUGGIES,

with and without top, and which will be sold at reduced prices for cash, and a reasonable credit given.

Two Horse Wagons, Spring Wagons &c., made to order, and warranted to give satisfaction in every respect.

All kinds of repairing done in short notice. Call and see his stock of Buggies before purchasing elsewhere.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF

Bellefonte, Pa.

(LATE HUMES, McALLISTER, HALE & CO.)

E. C. HUMES, Pres't. - J. P. HARRIS, Cash.

This Bank is now organized for the purpose of Banking under the laws of the United States.

Certificates issued by Humes, McAllister, Hale & Co., will be paid at maturity, and Checks of deposit, at sight as usual on presentation at the counter of the said First National Bank.

Particular attention given to the purchase and sale of Government Securities.

E. C. HUMES, President.

HENRY BROCKEROFF, J. D. SHUGERT, Cashier.

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CENTRE COUNTY BANKING CO.

RECEIVE DEPOSITS,

And Allow Interest.

Discount Notes. Buy And Sell Government Securities, Gold and Coupons. ap10/68.

JOHN D. WINGATE, D. D. S.

Office on Northwest corner of Bishop and Spring st. At home, except perhaps, the first two weeks of every month.

58 Teeth extracted without pain. Bellefonte, Pa. ap10/68, tf.

P. D. NEFF, M. D., Physician and Surgeon,

Offers his professional services to the citizens of Potter and adjoining townships. Dr. Neff has the experience of 21 years in the active practice of Medicine and Surgery. ap10/68, ly.

H. N. McALLISTER, JAMES A. BEAVER, ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW,

Bellefonte, Centre Co., Penn'a.

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DEMOCRATIC STATE NOMINATIONS

FOR AUDITOR GENERAL:

HON. CHARLES E. BOYLLÉ,

of Fayette County.

FOR SURVEYOR GENERAL:

GEN. WELLINGTON H. EXT,

of Columbia County.

Is the Career of Cholera Ended?

The warm weather and season for epidemics is approaching, and as an article upon the above subject will undoubtedly be of interest to the readers of the REPORTER, we copy the following from the Scientific American:

Two hundred years ago there were two great pestilences which from time to time smote the human race with sudden and wide-spread destruction, hurrying vast numbers to untimely graves, and filling the hearts of survivors with unspeakable terror. One of these was the small-pox, the other was called the plague. The small-pox yet lingers among us, and the plague is still well known in the southern countries of Europe, but both diseases have ceased their ravages as epidemics, and have been shorn of their terrors. The small-pox is made harmless by the curious process of passing the disease through one of our domestic animals. The plague has probably been banished by the general improvement in modes of living, though its cessation has been attributed to the introduction of the potato as an article of diet.

About forty years ago a new and strange pestilence made its appearance in Europe in the course of its desolating march from Asia, and it has since repeatedly filled the world with fear like that which of old accompanied the plague. But there now seems good reason to believe that epidemic cholera, like its two predecessors, has been conquered by the power of intelligence.

Among the many substances that are produced when bituminous coal is subjected to destructive distillation at that temperature which is required for the manufacture of illuminating gas, is a compound which has acquired the name of carbolic acid, through, as its properties are those of an alcohol and not those of an acid, a more appropriate name would be carbolic alcohol. It is this substance which seems to have given man control over the last and most terrible of the pestilences that have desolated the world.

The New York Board of Health, in one of its reports in 1865, made the statement that pestilences among men have generally been preceded by epidemics in cattle, and they regarded the prevalence of pleuro-pneumonia as one reason for apprehending a visitation of cholera. Besides their advent as harbinger and follower, there are other intimate relations between these two epidemics.

In 1849 it was announced that a microscopist in Michigan has discovered minute animalcules in the faces of cholera patients, but this discovery being American, had to wait, like anaesthesia, the Ruhmkorff coil, and so many other American discoveries, till it could be heretofore discovered or appropriated by some European pretender. When an Englishman, Mr. Beale, found similar animalcules in the blood of cattle suffering with pleuro-pneumonia, the most eminent masters of science proclaimed the important discovery.

In the case of pleuro-pneumonia, Mr. Crookes passed the breath of diseased cattle through tufts of cotton wool, and produced the tufts in healthy cattle by inoculating them with the matter thus collected. In a recent lecture, Dr. F. Crace Calvert declared his agreement with Mr. Crookes in the inference that the breath of the diseased cattle must have transferred to the cotton wool the germs of the animalcule which Mr. Beale found in the blood.

As the presence of carbolic acid even

in the form of vapor, and in extremely minute quantities, is death to all organic germs, it was inferred by its use the propagation of pleuro-pneumonia from diseased to healthy cattle might be effectually prevented. The brilliant success of Mr. Crookes in the practical application of his theory, as set forth in the report of the Royal Commission, has already been published in our columns. Dr. Calvert, in the lecture above referred to, says that the spread of pleuro-pneumonia was arrested in Belgium and Holland, as well as in England, by the use of carbolic acid. There is no room to doubt that pleuro-pneumonia in cattle can be controlled by carbolic acid; will this substance also stop the spread of cholera?

During the summer and fall of 1866 the cholera several times secured a foothold in this city, and every time it was stamped out by the Board of Health. Dr. Harris and other members of the Board regard carbolic acid as the most efficient agent which they employed. It was also used with singular success in several other of our principal cities. Dr. Calvert refers to numerous cases in England where the spread of the cholera was absolutely stopped by the same agent.

Whatever may be the theory of the disease, the numerous and rapidly multiplying facts give us at least a reasonable hope that the means have been discovered for stopping effectually the spread of Asiatic cholera, and that terrible pestilence will scourge the earth no more. If this should prove to be the case, the discovery must rank as by far the most valuable and beneficial of any one that has been made in the nineteenth century—a century so prolific in great discoveries.

THE BANKRUPT LAW, AND WHO MAY TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT.—The first of June is the time allowed to those desiring to take advantage of the Bankrupt Law. For the benefit of those who do not fully understand the law, we furnish the following abstract:

Who may take advantage of this law?

Any person, or firm, who owes debts to the amount of three hundred dollars or upwards whether they be individual or partnership debts, or both, and it makes no difference what is the character of the indebtedness, whether it be by bill, note, account, judgment, as principal, or surety, or otherwise.

What does the law demand of the applicant?

That he shall surrender his property, except such as is hereinafter mentioned, to his creditors, for a prostrate distribution among them.

What does the law permit the applicant to keep?

First—Household and kitchen furniture and necessaries to the amount of five hundred dollars.

Second—The uniform, arms, and equipments of any person who is, or has been, a soldier in the militia or the service of the United States.

Third—If the applicant is the head of a family, his homestead, to the value of five hundred dollars. If he has no homestead, then in lieu thereof money or other personal property, to the value of three hundred dollars.

If the applicant has only so much property as is above enumerated, of course he has nothing to give up to his creditors.

The result of the benefit of taking this law is a discharge from all indebtedness.

In cases where there is no contest, it requires from sixty to ninety days to procure this discharge.

The hostility of the "narrow-minded blockheads" to the mysterious Ku Klux Klan is due to the fact that they often may retaliate upon them for the crimes committed by their own secret proscription organization—the "U. L. A.," and its offshoot, the "G. A. R."

They are very great blockheads, however, to suppose that they can succeed in retaining a monopoly of the secret political society business. Organizations like the shoddy league, which is based upon political, social and business proscription of political opponents, must, sooner or later, beget counter organizations of equal virulence in feeling and action. So far as is known, the Klan is no such organization, but, denounced, misrepresented and assailed by the membership of the "U. L. A.," it may not be long before, in self-defence, it may be driven into the adoption of retaliatory measures.

There are thousands of people in the land who believe that John Wilkes Booth was hired by now prominent Radicals to slay Abraham Lincoln, and that they then treacherously gave him up to destruction by their minions in the hope of covering their tracks. The closeness with which the other prisoners were guarded from outside intercourse; the unfairness of their trial, and the haste with which they were put out of the world, all give color to the suspicion, whilst the plot now maturing to complete the work which the assassin left unfinished i. e. the destruction of Andrew Johnson—seems to fill the measure of proof against them. Abraham Lincoln fell a victim not when he performed his most arbitrary and hostile acts against secession, but at a time when he was healing the wounds of war; holding out the olive branch, and preparing to gather the repentant "rebels" into the old Union. Andrew Johnson is falling beneath hostile blows for following in the last footsteps made by Abraham Lincoln!

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buildings &c., and are happy in being able to present here with a subscription of five thousand five hundred and forty dollars, which, if the lands above described be purchased, they have no doubt will be greatly increased, and the Centre County Agricultural Society be placed at once upon a firm and solid basis.

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J. D. SHUGERT,
H. N. McALLISTER.

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