

# The Centre Reporter.



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### CENTRE HALL

## Manufacturing Co.

Having enlarged our New Factory and Machinery Works, and constructed improved Machinery at Centre Hall, announce to the public that they are now ready to receive orders for anything in their line of business.

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CENTRE HALL CENTRE CO., PA.

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### Shaftings,

### Pullies,

### Hangers,

## IRON & BRASS

### CASTINGS

of every description made and fitted up for MILLS, FORGES, FURNACES, FACTORIES, TANNERIES, &c., &c.

We also manufacture the celebrated

## KEYSTONE

### HARVESTER.

which now stands unrivalled. This Harvester has advantages over all other Reapers now manufactured. One advantage we claim for it, is the lower power, by which we gain one hundred per cent. over other machines. Another advantage is the hoisting and lowering apparatus, whereby the driver, by means of his complete control of the machine, is enabled to get up or down the grain in an instant, without stopping the team, varying the stubble from 1 to 14 inches at the outside of the machine, as well as on the inside. It is constructed of first class material, and built by first class mechanics. We warrant it second to none. All kinds of Horse-powers and Thrashing Machines, Hay and Grain Reapers, latest improved. All kinds of Reaping done. Different kinds of

## PLOWS

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## PLOW CASTING.

The Celebrated Reapers and Economical plow which has given entire satisfaction. We employ the best Pattern-makers, our patterns are allowed of the most improved plans. Plans, Specifications and Drawings furnished for all work done by us. We hope by strict attention to business to receive a share of public patronage.

## TINWARE

### TIN AND SHEETIRON WARE.

### Stove-Pipe

### and Spouting.

All kinds of repairing done. They have always on hand

BUCKETS, CUPS, DIPPERS, DISHES, &c.

All orders by mail promptly attended to.

CENTRE HALL MFG CO. PA.

### HOWE SEWING MACHINE.

Geo. Fairer, at Bellefonte, sells the celebrated Howe Sewing Machine, which has no superior in the market. Go to Fairer's store and see it. It has received prime medals at all fairs. They are the oldest established machines in the world.

### TINWARE TINKERING!

### SILVERPLATING.

for bargains executed in the finest and most durable style. Give him a call. His charges are reasonable.

### 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.

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.

### Surgeon & Mechanical Dentist,

who is permanently located in Aaronsburg, Pa. Dr. Neff, who has been practicing with entire success—having the experience of a number of years in the profession, he would cordially invite all who have as yet not given him a call, to do so, and test the merits of his profession. Teeth Extracted without pain.

### CENTRE COUNTY BANKING CO.

(LATE MILLIKEN BROTHER & CO.)

### RECEIVE DEPOSITS,

And Allow Interest.

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Woodward, Centre county, Pa. Stages arrive and depart daily. This favorite Hotel has been refitted and furnished with its new proprietor and is now exclusively the property of the most pleasant country Hotels in central Pennsylvania. The traveling community and drivers will find here the best accommodations. Drivers call at all times be accommodated with tables and pasture for any number of drovers or horses.

### CONJUGAL LOVE

AND THE HAPPINESS OF TRUE MARRIAGE

Essay for the Young Men, on the Errors, Burdens and Diseases which destroy the Marriage Powers and create impediments to Marriage, with sure means of relief. Sent in sealed letter envelopes free of charge. Address: Dr. J. S. Kilgus, Honesdale, Pa. and Association—Philadelphia, Pa. June, 1868.

### WHITE FISH

Atterberg, Mackersack & Co., a. 1868. BURNSIDE & THOMAS.

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raisens, peaches, apples, oranges, lemons, all kind of foreign fruits. Honesdale, Pa. BURNSIDE & THOMAS.

### TERMS.

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FRIDAY, JAN. 22nd 1869.

### EDITORIAL NOTES.

The radical caucus at Jefferson City, Missouri, last week, was a very curious affair. It was a bad one, and should be changed, so that the people of that populous valley could have a more intelligent communication. We would suggest a plan—Mails from Philadelphia, and all other parts, reach Centre Hall earlier than any other point in the county, and a new route, daily or tri-weekly, from Centre Hall through the mountains to Wolf Store, would strike all the Offices in Brushvalley directly, with the exception of Centre Mills, which lies 1 mile from the main road, and which deviation could be made with less inconvenience than the present zigzag and cut-cornered arrangement. We know how aggravating it is to have an imperfect mail arrangement, and this is what the section referred to has always labored under.

### Civil Tourer Act.

The sudden action of the House in relation to this act, in repealing it, has struck the Senate all in a heap. The forty-seven votes against it, were all Republicans of the Radical stripe, who will have to make their peace with Grant if they expect a share in the kingdom to come. Will some of our contemporaries favor the public with a few extracts from the sixteen hour speech of Hon. Thomas Williams, on the impeachment trial, where he proved as clear as mud, that the law was constitutional, and the degradation of the President was demanded because he had violated it. The Republican party was committed to this view and the President escaped by the skin of his teeth. Now this same party is on its knees to Grant, and in this humiliating attitude before the country confesses its acts were unconstitutional, not for the benefit of the people but only to embarrass the Chief Executive officer of the nation to carry out party ends. The facility with which lawyers adapt themselves to either side of a cause, lead us to hope the impeachment committee will furnish the country with irresistible arguments on the other side.

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### Report of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

In this important report, it will be seen that in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1868, the sum of one hundred and ninety-one million dollars was collected from internal revenue, the expenses of collecting was five per cent. The heavy items in this account are the taxes paid on the indulgence of popular appetite. The amount received, for instance, from the tax on chewing and smoking tobacco was, in round numbers, fifteen million dollars. Add to this the cost of production and dealers' profits which is estimated to be five times more than the revenue tax, amounting to seventy-five million dollars. All the railroads paid together less than seven millions, the insurance less than two millions, and the telegraph and express companies not a million between them, so that chewing and smoking tobacco—our small evils, as they are called—are really "bigger things" in the Commissioner's report than all the railroads, telegraphs or express and insurance companies in the United States taken together. The number of cigars taxed was six hundred millions. It is calculated as many more are used through smuggling, making a grand total yearly expenditure in the United States of one hundred and fifty million dollars for tobacco alone.

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### Great Fire.

Philadelphia, Jan. 14.—The most destructive fire which has occurred in this city for probably ten or twelve years last night consumed the block of marble stone at the southwest corner of Ninth and Chestnut streets. The site upon which they were erected is that formerly occupied by the old Burd mansion. They were built by Howard & Brothers, paper-hangers; the next by James E. Caldwell & Co., jewelers; the third by the firm of J. F. & E. B. Orin, carpet dealers. Three of the finest buildings in the city were ruined.

### To Purify a Room.

Set a pitcher of water in a room, and in a few hours it will have absorbed all the respired gases in the room, the air of which will become purer, and the water utterly filthy. The colder the water is the greater the capacity to contain these gases. At ordinary temperature a pail of water will contain a pint of carbonic acid gas and several pints of ammonia. The capacity is nearly doubled by reducing the water to the temperature of ice. Hence water kept in a room a while is always unfit for use. For the same reason the water from a pump should always be pumped up in the morning before any fire is used. Impure water is more injurious than impure air. The above, if true, proves how exceedingly careless many of us are as regards to our health for we venture to say that a large number of us have died from drinking water which has "absorbed" for hours the noxious gases of their rooms. Much is requisite to preserve health.

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