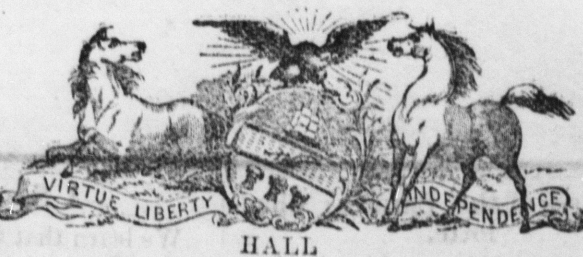


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## BUGGIES! BUGGIES!

J. D. MERRAY, 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.  
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**RECEIVE DEPOSITS,**  
And Allow Interest.  
Discount Notes, Buy and Sell Government Securities, Gold and Coupons.  
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Attorney-at-law, Bellefonte, Pa. promptly pays attention to all business entrusted to him. July2/68.  
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**MILLERS HOTEL**  
Woodward, Centre county, Pa. Stages arrive and depart daily. This fine new Hotel has been refitted and furnished in its new proprietor, and is now an inveterate respect one of the most pleasant country hotels in central Pennsylvania. The traveling community and drovers will always find the best accommodations. Drovers can at all times be accommodated with stables and pasture for any number of cattle or horses.  
GEO. MILLER, Proprietor.  
July3/68.

**CONJUGAL LOVE,**  
AND THE HAPPINESS OF THE MARRIAGE.  
Essay for the Young Men, on the Errors, Causes and Diseases which destroy the Manly Powers, and create impediments to Marriage, with sure means of relief. Sent in sealed letter envelopes, free of charge. Address, Dr. J. Skillin Houghton, Howard Association, Philadelphia, Pa. June, 5/68.

**BECK'S HOTEL,** 312 & 314 Race Street, a few doors above 3d, Philadelphia.  
Its central locality makes it desirable for all visiting the city on business or for pleasure.  
A. BECK, Proprietor.  
(formerly of the States Union Hotel).  
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**GREAT REDUCTION IN PRICES,**  
AT THE  
**The Bellefonte Boot & Shoe Store.**

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**GENTS' CALF BOOTS,** warranted, now selling at \$8 per pair,  
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**Boot & Shoe Store,**  
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A large assortment of  
**Gum Cloth Artie Over Shoes,**  
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Consists of the best of  
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From the most fashionable workshop in Philadelphia, and warrant every pair.  
Beautiful Button Boots, leather-lasted, only \$4 per pair. We have the largest assortment of

**LADIES & CHILDREN'S Shoes Shoes**  
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**SCALES,** at wholesale and retail, cheap, by  
IRWIN & WILSON,  
Oct10/68.

**BOOTS,** by the thousand, all styles, sizes and prices, for men and boys, just arrived at Wolf's well known Old Stand.

## THE DUTCHMAN'S HEN.

Once with an honest Dutchman walking, About his troubles he was talking— The most of which would arise From a friend's and wife's perversities. When he took breath, his pipe to fill, I ventured to suggest, that will Was off the cause of human ill. That life was full of self-denials, And every man had his own trials. 'Tis not the will,' he quick replied, 'And that's the way I live and tried. When people will, I'm always glad; 'Tis only when they won't I'm mad! Contrary folks, like mine old hen, Who laid a dozen eggs, and then, Instead of sitting down to hatch, Runs off into me garden patch! I goes and catches her and brings her, And back on to her nest I flings her: And then I snags her on the head, 'And tell her, 'Sit there, you old jade!' But sit she won't, for all I say, She's up again and runs away. Then I was mad, as mad as fire, But once again I thought I'd try her, So after her I soon makes chase, And brings her back to the old place, And then I snags her a great deal, And does my best to make her feel That she must do as she was bid; But not a bit of it she did. She was the most contrary bird Of which I ever saw or heard.

Before I'd turn me back again, Was running off, that cursed hen, 'Thinks I, I'm now a 'used up man, I must adopt some other plan. I'll fix her now, for if I don't, My will is conquered by her won't! So then I goes and gets some blocks, And with them makes a little box; And takes some straw, the very best, And makes a nest, and kind of nest; Then in the nest he eggs I place, And feel a smile upon my face. As I think now at last I've got her; For to this little box I did, Consider I must have a lid. So that she couldn't get away; But, in it, till she hatched must stay. And then again, once more I chased her, And catches her on the head. Again I snags her on the head, Until I fear she might be dead; And then, when I had made her sit down, Immediately I clasp the lid on. And now, thinks I, I've got her fast, She'll have to do her work as last, No longer shall I stand the brunt Of this old hen's confounded rant! So I goes in and to me mine folks, And then I takes my pipe and smokes, And walks about and feels so good That 'wouldn't I'd snapp'd at length' would, And he so of I snapp'd the hen. I takes some snappy myself, and then I thought I'd see how the old cretur Was getting on where I had set her; The lid he box so nicely fits on I gently raised—'dunns and blizzit!' (Give me more snapps—and fill the cup!) There she was sitting—standing up!

## CENTRE HALL Manufacturing Co.

AND  
**Machine Works.**  
CENTRE HALL CENTRE CO., PA.

Having enlarged our New Foundry and Machine Shops and Agricultural Works. Stocked with all new and latest improved machinery at Centre Hall, announce to the public that they are now ready to receive orders for anything in their line of business.  
**Shaftings, Pullies, Hangers, IRON & BRASS CASTINGS** of every description made and fitted up to MILLS, FORGES, FURNACES, FACTORIES, TANNERIES, & C.

## KEYSTONE HARVESTER,

which now stands unrivaled. This Reaper has advantages over all other Reapers now manufactured. One advantage we claim for it, is the lever power, by which we gain one hundred per cent over other machines. Another advantage is the hoisting and lowering apparatus, whereby the driver has under his complete control of the machine; in coming to a spot of lodged grain, the driver can change the cut of the machine 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 machinists. We warrant second to none. All kinds of Horsepowers and Threshing Machines, Hay and Grain Rakes, latest improved. All kinds of Repairing done. Different kinds of

## PLOW CASTING.

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

## TINWARE!

The Company announce to the citizens of Potter township, that they are now prepared to furnish upon short notice, and as low as elsewhere, every article in the line of **TIN AND SHEETIRON WARE. Stove-Pipe and Spouting.**  
All kinds of repairing done. They have always on hand.  
**BUCKETS, CUPS, DIPPER, DISHES, & C.**  
All orders by mail promptly attended to.  
CENTRE HALL MFG CO. P.  
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**TERMS.**—The CENTRE HALL REPORTER is published weekly, at \$1.50 per year in advance, and \$2.00 when not paid in advance. Reporter, 1 month 15 cents. Advertisements are inserted at \$1.50 per square (10 lines) for 3 weeks. Advertisements for a year, half year, or three months at a less rate.  
All job-work, Cash, and neatly and expeditiously executed, at reasonable charges.



## THE GOLD HILL CALAMITY.

Excitement at the Mines—Grief of the Wives and Children of the Lost. (From the Virginia (Nevada) Enterprise, April 8th.)

As soon as it was known that the mines were on fire, and that a large number of miners were imprisoned below, the most intense excitement prevailed, both in Gold Hill and in this city. The wives, children and relatives of the lost flocked to the various hoisting works, and their grief was such as to cause tears to course down the cheeks of the most stout hearted. Father Monogue and several other Catholic clergymen did all that could be done to comfort the weeping women and children, but even the reverend fathers, could find but little to say upon such an occasion. The poor women, with their weeping children about them, stood about with their hands clasped, rocking themselves to and fro, yet scarcely uttering an audible sob—they seemed perfectly astounded and overwhelmed at the suddenness and awfulness of the calamity. Turn where they would there was no comfort for them. At the Yellow Jacket, all but one man known to be below, had been brought up dead, yet no smoke issued from the shaft, while at the Kentuck and Crown Point shafts there arose a thick and stinging column of smoke mingled with the pungent gases generated from the burning wood and heated ores below. No person who stood at the mouth of either of these shafts and experienced the choking effect of the smoke and gases issuing from below could for a moment entertain the slightest hope that any one of those in the mine could be alive, yet wives and relatives would still hope against everything, and in every direction, almost superhuman exertions were made to extinguish the fire. By closing up the shaft and turning into them the steam from the several hoisting works, the fire could have been extinguished almost immediately, but to do this was almost equivalent to say that all are dead below—and would, indeed have been death to any that might have been living—besides, the order would have drawn from all present and all interested in the fate of those below such a wall as no one would wish to hear.

## PERILOUS WORK.

No one could have lived to descend twenty feet into either the Crown Point or Kentuck shafts, but the Yellow Jacket shaft being cooler, the gallant firemen and equally gallant miners descended it and bravely began the battle with the fire. A long string of hose was attached to a hydrant on Main street and carried down to the eight hundred feet level, when the work began. The firemen would advance as far as possible, extinguishing the burning timber, and when a cave occurred or the timbers seemed about to give way, the water would be shut off and the miners would go to the front and make all secure. The walls of the tunnels were so heated that it was very frequently found necessary to fall back even after the burning timbers had been extinguished and play the stream upon the rock in order to cool it down, and in places water nearly boiling hot stood to the depth of two or three inches on the floor of the tunnel. When the air was bad, and with the steam and gases almost suffocating, it was found necessary to lead an air-pipe from the main pipe of the blower in order to enable the men to continue work. During this fire several caves occurred; when the miners came to the rescue, and when the ground was made secure, the firemen would again go forward with their steam. It was such work as few firemen in the United States have ever undertaken, and such as none but the firemen of a mining country could have done.

## SCENES BELOW THE SURFACE.

Some of those who were below the surface, and who were fortunate enough to escape, give most thrilling descriptions of the scenes which occurred far down in the drifts of the lower levels. All agree in saying that the smoke and stifling gas came upon them suddenly, and that, although they rushed at once for the shaft, there were many who sank down on the way. At the Crown Point the men so crowded upon the cage that it was detained nearly five minutes, the station man fearing to give the signal to hoist while so many men were in danger of being torn to pieces. A young man who came up on that cage told us it was the most fearful moment of his life. One man, unable to find room to stand upright, crawled upon the cage, and thrusting his head between our informant's legs, begged to be allowed to remain there and go up. He was allowed to remain and his life was saved. As the cage ascended, those left behind were heard to throw themselves into the shaft, and some were heard falling back upon the floors.

Another young man told us that in rushing for the shaft it suddenly occurred to him that he might fall into it, when he got down and crawled upon his hands and knees, feeling his way, till he knew he had reached the shaft. While lying at the shaft he says that three or four men came running from behind, and pitched headlong into the shaft. At one lowering of the cage a man, who went down to rescue the sufferers, finding that there were more persons below than could be brought up that trip, himself got off into the drift and put on board a young man who was so suffocated that he was hardly able to stand. We were unable to learn the name of this man, but were happy to hear that he was afterwards brought up safe and sound.

**FIREMEN UNDERGROUND.**  
This is a strange country, and strange things occur here, giving rise to strange necessities; but our people are equal to all the requirements of the "situation," as was well proven yesterday. We have before given it as our opinion that few firemen in the United States would have had the heart to "tackle" a fire 800 or 1,000 feet below the surface of the earth, and we wish to state that all did their duty most cheerfully, even striving to be allowed to go below. It was comical to see the "shifts"—for they frequently changed—of five ladies with their big hats on, going down on the cage—a new way of going to a fire. A stream was kept on in the 600 feet level all day, and about 9 o'clock at night, as it was found the fire was rising, a second stream was put on at the 700 feet level. The fire was finally so far subdued, as we learned about 12 o'clock last night, that the workmen were able to reach the bodies of some of the unfortunates who lost their lives by this terrible accident. We understand that a number of bodies were brought up to the surface about 11 o'clock, and that nine others were lying at the station of the 800 feet level. The fire was not yet out, though about conquered. This is the greatest mining calamity that has ever occurred on the Pacific Coast, or in any mines in the United States.

## Lincoln's Domestic Querelles.

A correspondent of the Rochester (New York) Union states that Mr. Lincoln's life was by no means free from domestic jars. On the occasion of the wedding of Miss Kate Chase, a daughter of the Chief Justice, to Senator Sprague, Mrs. Lincoln, who had a violent aversion to Miss Chase, declared that President Lincoln should not go, and on his coming to her in full dress, she made a furious assault upon him. He retired in confusion, with the loss of a shirt collar and a portion of his whiskers, but having repaired all damages, proceeded to the festival. On his return he found the door of his sleeping room locked. In vain he called upon his wife to open it; she would not. In vain he used every term of endearment. She was immovable. So, vanquished in the final encounter the poor man had to call on the house-keeper for a "shake down." Then he retired in solitude to reflect upon the uncertainty of domestic bliss.

## The Story of a Beautiful Young Widow Who Advertised for a Husband.

In the latter part of February, says the New Haven Palladium, there appeared in one of the New York papers the following advertisement:  
"A young widow, nineteen years of age of high standing in society, and having a large fortune in her own right, wishes to correspond with a thoroughly educated young man of equal standing in society, with a view to matrimony. Photographs exchanged. The reasons for resorting to this method to obtain a husband will be satisfactorily explained. Address Millie Stanton, Station D, New York City."

Among the persons who answered this advertisement was a dashing young gentleman who does not live more than a league from this city. His letter was very brief, but sufficiently ample in its language to give the young widow of nineteen an idea of the sort of a fellow he was. The young gentleman (whose name is withheld at special request), enclosed his "picture," and as it was a very correct presentation of a rather handsome man, it seemed to make a quick impression on the heart of his fair correspondent. A few days later the young gentleman received an answer to his letter. This, like his own, was brief, and read as follows:  
No.—EIGHT STREET, )  
NEW YORK, March 2 )  
DEAR SIR: I have received yours, and answer at my earliest leisure. I am favorably impressed with your face, as shown in your photograph, and send you mine, which I hope will not displease you. If, after examining my likeness, you think you might learn to love me, I shall be pleased to meet you on Tuesday evening next, at No.—, Eighth street.  
Respectfully,  
MILLIE.

P. S.—Inquire for Mrs. DeForests, and don't call before eight o'clock.  
This missive was written in a delicate hand which showed culture, and caused the young gentleman who had commenced the correspondence by way of a joke to feel a little serious over the matter. The picture of the young widow was the likeness of an exceedingly handsome young woman, whose face wore an expression which showed that the pride of birth and fortune was in the blood that gave to it the rosy flash of beauty. Truth makes it necessary for us to state that the young gentleman at once fell in love with the face and resolved to go down to New York on the following Tuesday and have an interview with his owner. He therefore dropped "Millie" a line announcing his intention of calling and expressed the hope that she would not disappoint him by her absence from a home at the time she had appointed for an interview.

## The Shad Fishers.

The Chester, Del., Republican says: The gill-net fishmen complain of the unusual scarcity of shad, and the oldest among them predict that the sea so will be an unprofitable one. It is a well known fact that for a number of years past shad have been getting scarce, and notwithstanding the improved methods which have been devised to capture them they have not been taken in large quantities for many seasons. Twenty-five years ago, with a gill-net not over sixty fathoms in length, it was not an unusual occurrence to catch, in a drift of four miles, occupying in the operation three or four hours, two hundred and fifty shad. Now, with a net of three or four hundred fathoms, it is a rare thing to take more than twenty or thirty, after fishing all day and part of the night. The expenses of an outfit, comprising a net and boat, reach about two hundred and fifty dollars, and many of the fishermen do not realize the first cost of the material. They attribute the scarcity of fish wholly to the condition of the water, it being at times wholly unfit for them to live in, owing to the refuse from gas works in the neighborhood of Philadelphia, which, in times of freshet, abounds in the river and poisons the water. Fish caught directly after a freshet are as luminous as phosphorus, and are totally unfit to eat. Some plan should be devised to remedy an evil which threatens to, and will in the end, drive all the shad from our rivers. We want some legislation on the subject, or in a few years this delightful fish will disappear from the Delaware.

## Another Cure for Hydrophobia.

A German forest-keeper, eighty-two years old, not wishing to carry to the grave with him an important secret, has just published in the Leipzig Journal, a receipt he has used for fifty years and which he says has saved several men and a great number of animals from a horrible death by hydrophobia. The bite must be bathed as soon as possible with warm vinegar and water, and, when this has dried, a few drops of muriatic acid poured upon the wound will destroy the poison of the saliva, and relieve the patient from all present and future danger.

## A Hard Sum.

Are you good in arithmetic? I will give you some losses to add up, and calculate how much they come to. It is a good sum for all, both young and old. The following are the losses, and they are all made by strong drink:  
Loss of money.  
Loss of time.  
Loss of health.  
Loss of business.  
Loss of character.  
Loss of friends.  
Loss of good conscience.  
Loss of feeling.  
Loss of mind.  
Loss of life.  
Loss of immortal soul.

## FROM NEW JERSEY.

**National Sunday School Celebration—Speeches of Welcome—Large Attendance.**  
Newark, N. J., April 23.—The third National Sunday School convention met in the First Baptist church this morning. A large number of delegates from Sunday school organizations throughout the Union are present. The convention was called to order by Edward Eggleston, of Chicago, and Mr. Amos Shinkle, of Kentucky, was made temporary chairman and Rev. H. Clay Trumbull, of Connecticut, secretary. An address of welcome was delivered by Gen. Theodore Runyon, of Newark. Committees were then appointed and the convention finally organized with Mr. George H. Stuart, of Philadelphia, as permanent president and a vice president from each State. On motion the greetings of the convention were extended to a convention of Sunday school workers in London. The afternoon proceedings were opened with singing by children from the "Home for Little Wanderers" at Philadelphia. A delegation from the British provinces was introduced by the chairman in a speech of welcome, to which Reverends F. H. Marling and Alexander Sutherland replied. Rev. Mr. Henry, of the Irish Baptist Union, stated the progress of evangelization. The afternoon was occupied in hearing reports from the societies.

## Lane, the Wife Poisoner.

Pittsburgh, April 28.—Louis Lane, who has killed half a dozen wives, will be hung to-morrow at twelve o'clock. He has ceased to protest his innocence, and the impression prevails that he has made a confession to his confessor and so debarred himself from further denial of guilt. Lane has been anxiously awaiting the arrival of his son from Cleveland, but Sheriff Clully received a letter to day, which states that he will not be here. It is said his son is convinced that Lane poisoned his mother, the first wife of the prisoner.

## Newspaper readers will remember the circumstance of three attempts up on the life of a Mr. Samuel Temple, at Yardsville, Bucks county. It has just been discovered that those attempts were made by regular assassins hired for the purpose by a lady of New York, who, upon being thrown from a horse which she was riding near Fairmount Park some two years ago was rescued by Temple, when she fell in love with him, but being rejected, determined to put him out of the reach of any other woman.

It is now asserted with much apparent positiveness that an important change, amounting to what would be called a dissolution, is about to take place in the cabinet of President Grant. Fish, Borie and Hoar, are to leave within the next thirty days; having notified the President of his intention on their part, which will necessitate the reconstruction of his cabinet. What fixed and stable administration this party of great moral ideas gives us!

The finer sensibilities of the good people of Lewistown were entertained the other day by witnessing the sale for rent of the household effects of an old man named John Brown, even to the bed on which rested the time worn limbs of himself and wife—so says the True Democrat.

Don't read this lie.