

THE RAFTSMAN'S JOURNAL.

GO IT, BOB-TAIL.

A specimen of the genus "Hoosier" is found by the Captain of a steamer, in the engine room of his boat, while lying at Louisville one fine morning in June. The captain inquired to know what he was doing there? "Have you seen Captain Perry?" was the interrogative response.

"I don't know him; and can't tell what that has to do with your being in my engine room," replied the captain justly.

"Hold on! That's just what I was getting at. You see, Captain Perry and I walked down street together. Captain Perry asked me to drink, and so I did. I knew I wanted to drink, or I wouldn't have been so cussed dry. So, Captain Perry and I drank two or three times. Captain Perry and I then went to a ball. Captain Perry was putting on some extra on one toe. I sung out, 'Go it, Captain Perry, if you bust your biler!' With that a man steps up to me and says, 'See here, stranger, you must leave.' 'Says I, 'what must I leave for?'"

"Says he, 'you're making too much noise.' 'Says I, 'I've been in a bigger crowd than this, and made more noise, and didn't leave nuther.'"

"With that he tuk me by the nap of the neck and the seat of the breeches, and—I left! As I was shovin' down street, I met a lady. I knew she was a lady by the remark she made. She says,

"Young man, I reckon you'll go home with me?"

"And I—went! 'I'd been in her house but a short time when I heard a d—d of a knockin' on the door. I knew the ch—d wanted to get in, whoever he was, or he wouldn't have kept up such a thundering rump. By and by said a voice,

"If you don't open, I'll bust in the door!" "And so he did."

"Put on a bold face, and says I, 'Stranger, does this woman belong to you?'"

"Says he, 'she does.' 'Then, says I, 'she's virtuous, I think, from all that I've seen of her!'"

"With that, he come to me with a pistol in one hand, and a bow-knife in the other; and he bein' a little pressed for time, I jumped thru the window, a leavin' the bigger portion of my coat tail. As I was streakin' it down town, with the fragments flutterin' to the breeze, I passed a friend. I knew he was a friend, by a remark he made. Says he,

"Go it, Bob-tail! he's gassin' on you!"

"And that's the way I happened in your engine room. I'm a good swimmer, captain, and do excuse me, if you please, from takin' water!"

THINK.—The number of languages spoken are 4,064. The number of men is about equal to the number of women. The average of human life is 33 years. One quarter die before the age of 7. One half before the age of seventeen.

To every 1,000 persons, only reach 75 years; and not more than one in 600 will reach 80 years. There are on the earth 1,000,000,000 of inhabitants. Of these 33,333,333 die every year; 1,824 die every day; 7,780 every hour, and 60 per minute, or 1 every second. These losses are about balanced by an equal number of births.

The married are longer lived than the single, and above all, those who observe a sober and industrious life. Men live longer than short ones. Women have more chances of life previous to the age of 50 years than men, but fewer after. The number of marriages is in the proportion of 76 to 100. Marriages are more frequent after the equinoxes, that is, during the months of June and December. Those born in Spring are generally more robust than those born in Winter.

Deaths are more frequent the night than the day. Number of men capable of bearing arms is one fourth of the population.

GOT CHEATED.—Under this caption, the Kanawha (Virginia) *Falvey Star* tells the following hard story:—A colporteur, quite recently, in an adjoining county, approached a man whose name we will not make public, and solicited him to purchase a Bible. The man refused, and gave as his reason for so doing that he had no money, and that he could not read. The colporteur, ascertaining that he was a married man, and that he had no Bible, became anxious to leave one with him, and not being able to sell it to him, offered to give the book to his fellow creature. The man agreed to take the book, and seemed to ponder on the proposition. But finally he decided to take one, provided it was given to him. The colporteur gave the Bible; the man took it home and presented it to his wife, who could read a little. She examined the volume very carefully, and gave it back, saying that only about one half of it was the Bible, that the other half was something else, called the New Testament. The bright husband became enraged, and went in search of the colporteur, declaring that he had got "cheated," because the book was only half "Bible."

AN IMMENSE WINDFALL.—According to the Cumberland (Md.) *Alleghenia*, an old man named John Wood, living in Glades, in that county, recently discovered that he was the rightful owner of a large tract of land in the richest mineral region of Pennsylvania, underlain with immense seams of coal and iron, and valued at \$8,000,000. Brobst, it is said, lived on the farm fifty years ago, became involved through his brother, mortgaged his property to his brother, and came to Maryland, where he has ever since lived in the most diligent circumstances. The property subsequently passed into the hands of his nephews, who afterwards sold it to a wealthy company. The difficulty of giving a good title to the property led to the fact that Brobst was still on it. He was searched out, found, and taken on to Pennsylvania, and according to the *Alleghenia*, has sold out all his right for the sum of \$2,500,000.

New York city pays \$800,000 annually in support of Alms Houses, or about \$2,200 per day; \$250,000 annually for cleaning streets, or about \$680 per day; \$400,000 for gas, or about \$1,105 per day; \$359,000 for police, or \$2,600 per day; \$480,000 annually for salaries, or \$1,300 per day; \$1,400,000 for public schools annually, or about \$3,800 per day. Total expenses per day, \$11,680.

A gentleman, who is a very blundering servant, put down in writing, everything he wished him to do. Going to the country, one day, the master fell into a ditch. He called the lad, who, instead of hastening to his assistance, exclaimed, "Stop, let me see if it's down in my memorandum book."

A voter declined in personal beauty, said to Sheridan, "I mean to withdraw my vote from you." "Many thanks for the favor," replied Sheridan, "for it is the ugliest mug I ever saw."

A traveler, relating his adventures, told the company that he and his wife had made fifty wild Arab runs; which startling them, he observed that there was no great matter in it, for, said he, "we ran, and they ran after us."

The Western papers say that the muskrats have built their winter houses "high and thin," as if contemplating a mild time coming.

A coquette is said to be an imperfect incarnation of Cupid, as she keeps her beauty, and not her arrows, in a quiver.

TERMS OF THE JOURNAL.

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HALLOA!—NEW WAGON MANUFACTORY. The undersigned would inform the public generally that he has opened out a new Wagon-Making Establishment in "New Salem City," Brady township, where he is engaged in the manufacture of all kinds of Wagons, Carriage, Wheelbarrows &c. The best material that can be procured will be used, and his work will be made in the most substantial and durable manner, such as to stand the test of long examination. By a close observation of his business engagements, and by disposing of his work on the most reasonable terms, which he will do either cash or approved notes, he hopes to merit and receive a liberal share of public patronage. BENJ. RISHEL, New Salem City, Jan. 16, 1858.

GRAHAMTON AHEAD!! Now is the Time for Bargains!! Now is the Time for Bargains!! The undersigned has just received from the East a large and complete stock of SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS, an extensive and well selected stock of embracing every variety of Dry Goods, Hardware, Groceries, &c., &c. The undersigned has selected with an especial view to supply the wants of this community, and will be sold on the most reasonable terms. They will positively be sold as cheap as the cheapest in the country. Particular attention has been paid to the selection of LADIES' DRESS GOODS, among which are Plain and Fancy Silks, Plain Barges, Challies, Barges, Delaines, Gobelins, figured collars and sleeves, Kid Gloves, Shawls, a great variety of Trimmings; Silk and Linen Fringes; Bonnets of the latest styles; Bonnet Ribbons and trimmings. Also, Parasols, Hosiery, Gloves, Mitts, Blouses, India Muslin, Gingham, Domestic and French Gingham, Lawns, Calicoes, Barred and Check Muslin, Diapers, Crabs, Napkins, Ladies' Gaiters, children's shoes, &c., and there is no doubt that all can be well satisfied.

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THE "GREAT REPUBLIC" MONTHLY.—To the Public, the Book and Periodical Trade, and the Press.—We have the honor to announce that we shall issue on or about the 1st of December, 1858, a new and complete edition of the "Great Republic" Monthly. It is intended to make this magazine superior in every respect to any other published in this country. The general scope of its character can best be understood by its name. It will be thoroughly national in its views, and wholly impartial in its offers to the writers and thinkers of this Union. The Magazine will be published on the highest ground of contemporary literature. It will aim to gather about it every variety of intellect. The range of articles will be a wide one, covering the most important subjects of the day, and including the most interesting and valuable of the American public, than ever before offered in any country. The Magazine will be published on the highest ground of contemporary literature. It will aim to gather about it every variety of intellect. The range of articles will be a wide one, covering the most important subjects of the day, and including the most interesting and valuable of the American public, than ever before offered in any country. The Magazine will be published on the highest ground of contemporary literature. It will aim to gather about it every variety of intellect. The range of articles will be a wide one, covering the most important subjects of the day, and including the most interesting and valuable of the American public, than ever before offered in any country.

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RAIL ROAD HOUSE, CORNER OF Main and White Streets, BROOKFIELD, Pa. Feb. 24. R. R. MEANS, Proprietor.

GLORIOUS NEWS!—NATIONAL EX- CHANGE. The undersigned having taken the above well known stand, in Curwensville, Pa., is ready to accommodate all who may favor him with their patronage. His table will always be supplied with the best market can afford, and his Bar will furnish liquors. His stable will be under the care of attentive hostlers. DAVID SMITH, April 8, 1858.

MANSION HOUSE, Clearfield, Pa.—The undersigned respectfully announces to the public that he has leased the above Hotel in Clearfield borough, and that he is prepared to accommodate all who may favor him with their patronage. His house is commodious and convenient, and his table shall be supplied in the best manner possible. No effort will be spared to render general satisfaction. By strict attention to business, and to the wants and comfort of his guests, he expects to secure a liberal share of patronage. DAN. M. WEAVER, feb17-58

MT. VERNON HOUSE, LUMBER CITY, CLEARFIELD COUNTY, PA.—The undersigned notifies the public that he has opened out the above named house, and that he is well prepared to accommodate all who may favor him with a call. The house is three stories high, and is commodious and well furnished, and no pains will be spared to render satisfaction to guests. His Bar is always supplied with choice liquors of all kinds. There is plenty of stabling connected with the house. He solicits a share of public patronage. L. W. TEN ENCK, Lumber City,