

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

EBENSBURG AND CRESSON RAILROAD. On and after Monday, November 16, 1863, trains on this road will run as follows:

LEAVE EBENSBURG—At 7.20 A. M., connecting with Balt. Express West and Thro' Acrom East. At 7.15 P. M., connecting with Mail Train West and Thro' Express East.

LEAVE CRESSON—At 10.45 A. M., or on departure of Thro' Accommodation West. At 8.45 P. M., or on departure of Express East and Mail West.

CHAT-CHAT WITH OUR READERS.

Since the last issue of our paper, the Holidays have come and gone. Old '63 is stark and dead, and '64 reigns in its stead. Another year has been added to constantly increasing catalogue of by-gones—we stand on the threshold of a new mile-post in the journey of life. Stop here, reader, a moment, and cogitate—has the past year been to you all you expected or prayed for?—has it commended itself to your consideration in the colors in which your fancy clothed it a twelvemonth ago? If so, you are a lucky man. We envy you. If not, perhaps the miscarriage was your own fault—perhaps the bright promises shadowed forth in the beginning were made to the ear to be broken to the hope through your own instrumentality. In such case, we pity you. Just take a retrospective glance and see how it is. In either event, but more especially in the latter event, it is now too late to talk about changing the result. You can, however, "turn over a new leaf," and resolve to do somewhat better during this year of grace, 1864.—If this be your decision—if you conclude to live a new and improved life, steering clear of all thoughts and actions which experience teaches you to be evil, and laying hold only of that which is virtuous and good—and if your purpose be not a flighty purpose, the deed not going with it—we wish you God-speed, and tender you the compliments of the season.

Reader, a not very pleasant yet certainly a profitable employment for the hour is this: Look back over the year just flown, and then tell us—what have you done during its stay that you desire to remain undone? What have you done that is praiseworthy or gratifying to think about? What have you done that you would like to go down unalterably on your record of life? Where are your good deeds, the performance of which constitutes a peg whereon to hang a hope of ultimately arriving at heaven? We have been examining into this matter, on our own private account, latterly, with a singularly unsuccessful result as regards the finding of much to felicitate ourself about.

The Holidays passed off quietly here, with nothing of striking import to vary the usual monotony. People went on bargaining and making bargains, pretty much as though their all depended upon it. The birthday of the Savior, we much fear, was lost sight of in the rush and bustle of business, or looked upon as a secondary consideration. Which seems to be human nature nowadays.

On Christmas the sleighing was most excellent, a state of affairs which was made the most of. In fact, sleighs were to be seen flitting hither and thither incessantly, as long as a person could see anything, to the manifest enjoyment of the parties most intimately concerned. On New Year's the sleighing was also good, but the weather unfortunately was so intensely frigid that it was next to impossible to enjoy the same. The thermometer during the day ranged at from 4° to 6° below zero, and at night sank to 20° below! Oh! but it was cold. Thick-ribbed overcoats for the time being were no protection whatever, for the penetrating blast whistled through them as if they were only so much shoddy—fire was a failure, for one part of a man's corporation would be likely to freeze while another was being subjected to the thawing-out process. Even now we shiver when we think of it.

This was decidedly the coldest snap we have experienced for years—probably since "the winter Kossuth was here," or 1850, when the thermometer is reported to have sunk as low as 22° below zero. So cold was it that, during its continuance, several freight trains on the Penna. Railroad were obliged to stop running, simply by reason that the employees could not by any possibility weather the weather in an exposed position for an hour at a stretch.

In conformity with a good old custom of ours, no paper was issued from this office last week. We may add that, in

this respect, we were not unique, for all the other papers in the county "did likewise" and failed to beam upon their respective patrons. Our readers, of course, will pardon the omission, even as we pardon their sometime omissions to call and pay their subscription as promptly as they ought. You know.

MARRIED: At Pittsburg, on Tuesday, Dec. 29, 1863, by the Rev. R. R. Williams, Mr. JOHN W. GRIFFITH to Miss MARY JANE DAVIS, both of Cambria township, this county.

Accompanying the above announcement we received—just think of it!—a huge pound-cake and a gold dollar. Yes, reader, strange as it may sound in this un-metallic age, when scrip and postage currency rule the roast financially, and tissue paper is a legal tender for everything marketable, we were actually presented with a gold dollar! We intend placing this most unexpected and valuable relic on exhibition in our office, that those who feel disposed to doubt the accuracy of our statement may come, see, and be convinced. And not only a gold dollar, but a cake!—we are overwhelmed with kindness.

In view of the fact that our friend John has gone and got married, and not losing sight of that other fact that, in the hour of his greatest happiness, he didn't forget the printer, we tender him and his bride our warmest wishes for their future happiness. May they live a hundred years from date—may each recurring anniversary of their nuptials find them only the more closely wedded in spirit—may their children and children's children rise up and call them blessed—may prosperity be their constant guest, and adversity hit them never. In short, may this prove a most auspicious union of hearts and hands, and an apt exemplification of the proverb that—

"True bliss there's none, Outside the pale of Hymen."

MAJ. CHARLES M'DERMID.—This gallant officer is at present the commandant of the United States military post at Fort Churchill, Nevada Territory. We copy the following extract from a report of Gen. Wright, commanding the Department of the Pacific, made in September last. It is highly complimentary to one of Cambria's worthiest sons, and will be gratifying to the numerous friends of Maj. M'D. in this section:

Major Charles M'Dermid, who commands this post, (Fort Churchill), is an officer of great merit, irreproachable in his habits, industrious, and careful of the interests of his government.

In regard to the men, he says: A finer body of men I never saw, orderly, well behaved, and undergoing a thorough course of instruction and discipline. The post I found in admirable order. I critically inspected all the departments, and found the government property well taken care of and economically used. The officers, by the example of their commander, are zealous and attentive to their several and respective duties.

ST. JOHN'S SUPPER.—A very pleasant reunion of the Masonic fraternity of this section was had on Monday evening, 28th ult., at Foster's Arcade. About thirty of the brethren were in attendance, and participated in the festivities. At 9 o'clock, the entire party sat down to a sumptuous repast prepared by mine host of the Arcade, to all of which ample and entire justice was done. Herr Foster, as a caterer, is deservedly famous, but on this occasion he even outdid himself.—After the cloth had been removed, a number of appropriate toasts were drunk, and responded to by A. C. Mullin, John Cresswell, David J. Jones, William M. Jones, Henry Nutter and Henry Foster. All in all, the occasion was a most happy one, and will long be remembered by the brethren of the "mystic tie" under whose auspices it was gotten up.

DONATION PARTY.—On Christmas evening, a large number of ladies and gentlemen, comprising a majority of the members of his congregation, paid a visit to Rev. D. Harrison, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of this place. Taking possession of the parsonage, they spread a bountiful supper, which they had carried with them. After this feature had been fully discussed by all hands, a purse containing a handsome donation was pressed in Mr. H.'s hands. A cheerful interchange of sentiment followed for an hour or two, when the party separated, feeling that they had added at least a link to the bond of love which should always unite a pastor and people.

MASONIC.—A. M. Lloyd, of Hollidaysburg, has been appointed D. D. G. High Priest for the counties of Blair, Cambria, Huntingdon and Mifflin, for 1864. John Cresswell, of Hollidaysburg, is appointed D. D. Grand Master for the counties of Cambria, Blair, Huntingdon, Mifflin, Bedford and Fulton, for 1864.

LOCAL CORRESPONDENCE.

JOHNSTOWN, January 4, 1864.

Dear Alleghanian: A serious conflagration occurred here on Christmas morning, involving the loss of Union Hall, and the entire contents of the ladies' Catholic Fair, which had been opened the preceding day. The fire originated in the heating room, and was caused by the too close proximity of the heaters to the floor. The loss to the stockholders of the Hall amounts to \$3,000, upon which is an insurance of \$2,000. The loss to the Fair foots up about \$1,100.

After the fire, the ladies connected with the Fair immediately despatched one of our merchants to Philadelphia for a new supply of articles, and on the Monday following the Fair was re-opened in Odd Fellows' Hall, since which time it has been crowded day and night. The young ladies are succeeding even beyond their most sanguine expectations. If any of your readers design visiting Johnstown during the present week, I would advise them to call and see the Fair.

Petty larcenies are the order of the day, or rather of the night, in this place at present. The cellars of two prominent citizens were despoiled of their contents last week, and two fine quarters of beef were stolen from the market rooms of Akers & Tesh.

A laughable occurrence transpired here on Sunday evening. A music teacher and a hardware merchant, in the course of conversation, "agreed to disagree," and high words, with terms more expressive than elegant, were the result. Seemingly to use the plebeian method of "rough and tumble," a challenge was sent and accepted, pistols, seconds and the ground chosen, and, as per agreement, the parties met a short distance from town on last evening to fight a veritable duel. The pistols were duly loaded with black sand, in the presence of the parties interested, the challenged party and one of the seconds being in the secret. Twelve paces were marked off, and the word given. The caps snapped, but the pistols would not go off, so the matter was amicably adjusted by the parties shaking hands and adjourning to a lager shop. Thus ended a bloodless duel.

Christmas and New Year passed off quietly in our town, and, save for the presence of strangers, and the holiday attire of our population, one would hardly suppose the Holidays were near. We can only sigh, and exclaim—

"The Year has gone, And with it many a glorious throng Of happy dreams."

But may we not hope that with the dawn of a New Year, peace and prosperity may dawn upon a distracted country; that the discord and dissensions of to-day may cease to exist, and our country once more take her place as the "queen of nations." Yours, MAY LEON.

FROM OUR SOLDIERS. HEAD QRS. 1ST DIV. 14TH A. C. CHATTANOOGA, TENN., Dec. 20, 1863. Correspondence of The Alleghanian.

As you will have learned the result of the late battle (Chicamauga) long ere this gets to hand, it is unnecessary for me to enter into particulars concerning the same. Suffice it to say that the rebels were totally routed, and fled in dismay. The line of their retreat was covered with a large amount of the spoils of war, which fell into our hands. Being on provost duty at these headquarters, I have a good opportunity to know the feelings and sentiments of the rebel prisoners and deserters. With but few exceptions, they unite in saying that their army is greatly disheartened and demoralized. All rebel prisoners taken by our division, and deserters coming to that portion of our line picketed by our division, are brought to these headquarters. The number of prisoners taken in the battle and deserters arriving here since amounts to fourteen hundred, two hundred being deserters—men who have been fighting for their rights and have given up all hope of finding them in the pseudo Confederacy. They all express a willingness to take the oath of allegiance and return to the old government, wiser if not better men.—Among the prisoners taken by our division there is some speculation here among the soldiers as to who will be our next President. The almost unanimous choice, I may add, is "Father Abraham." With him as our standard bearer in the coming canvass, success would be certain as it was to the Union men of the old Keystone in October last, when Curtin so signally triumphed over his opponents.

The health of the men in this department never was better than at present, and their spirits are correspondingly

buoyant. There is no doubt but the majority of soldiers would prefer civil to military life. They look upon the war, however, as a contract they have undertaken—a contract that must be finished up before they return home. Acting under this impression, a large proportion of the army are re-enlisting as veteran volunteers.

The weather here now is such as you usually have in Cambria in the month of October. THOMAS DAVIS, 2d Lieut. 19th U. S. Infantry.

DIED.—On the night of the 29th Dec., 1863, in Philadelphia, JAMES DOUGHERTY, aged 39 years and 10 months.

The deceased was a son of John Dougherty, Sr., of Ebensburg, and was born and passed the major part of his life here. He was widely known throughout the county, and his many acquaintances will mourn his untimely demise.

MARRIED: In Wilmore, on Wednesday, 30th inst., by Joseph Miller, Esq., Mr. JAMES WRIGHT to Miss MARTHA WILMORE, all of Wilmore borough.

DIED: On Sunday, 3d inst., at his residence, in Carroll township, Mr. GEORGE LESLIE, aged about 65 years.

METAL TIPPED SHOES.—Persons wishing to economize in clothing their children will do well to try metal-tipped shoes. Children invariably wear out their shoes at the toe first. Metal tips never wear out at the toe, and a pair of tipped shoes at an additional cost of a few cents will wear out three pairs without them.—Boston Journal.

"HOW ARE YOU, '64!"—Now that the new year has dawned upon us, let our readers be wise. Remember that "the best is always the cheapest," and buy your goods for winter wear or consumption at James M. Thompson's new store. Don't forget the place—Post Office building, High street, Ebensburg.

LIST OF LETTERS.

Remaining in the Post Office, Ebensburg, Pa., up to January 1st, 1864: Jacob Adams, Miss A. Gonner, Mrs. Anna Bryan, Morgan Huber, Samuel Colomann, George Hemphill, Geo W Campbell, Maggie Jones, Jno D Davis, Carroll Mary Ann Jones, Miss Martha Davis, E James, James Davis, Ernest Kifer, Mary Jane Davis, E E Manchor, Catharine Davis, James Murtaugh, Richard Davis, A G Miller, 2, Harriet Davis, 2, Eli M' Cormick, William Edwards, Anna J Reese, Thos E Evans, Maria Shaffer, Jennie Evans, Samuel Smith, Mrs Elizabeth Evans, Thos W Williams, Randolph Folkoner, Mrs Mary W Winch, Maggie Francis, Ellis Williams, Annie M George, Mrs Jane Thomas. Persons calling for the above letters will please say they are advertised. JOHN THOMPSON, P. M. Ebensburg, January 7, 1864.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Letters testamentary on the estate of Elizabeth Pringle, late of Summerhill township, Cambria county, deceased, having been granted to the subscriber by the Register of said county, all persons indebted to said estate are hereby notified to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same are requested to present them to the undersigned, properly authenticated for settlement, at the late residence of deceased, Mr. John Pringle's, near Wilmore station. WASHINGTON GEER, Ex'r. Jan. 7, 1864.

FLEM HOLIDAY, with NICKERSON, HARRIS & MOSELEY.

Manufacturers of and Wholesale Dealers in BOOTS AND SHOES. No. 435 Market street, PHILADELPHIA. A large assortment of City Made Work constantly on hand. [Jan 7, 1864]

STRAY HEIFER.

Came to the residence of the subscriber, in White township, Cambria county, last October, a dark red Heifer, with several small white spots, about three years old. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges, and take her away. Dec. 24, 1863-3t. ISAAC GATES.

THE PROTECTION MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF CAMBRIA COUNTY.

Notice is hereby given to the members of said Company, that the annual elections for a Board of Directors will be held at the office of the Company, in Ebensburg, on the second MONDAY, 11th day, of JANUARY, 1864, between the hours of ten o'clock A. M., and two o'clock P. M. D. J. JONES, Sec'y Ebensburg, December 24, 1863.

EBENSBURG & CRESSON RAILROAD COMPANY.—Notice to Stockholders.

Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of the Ebensburg & Cresson Railroad Company that the annual election for a President and twelve Directors of said Company will be held at the office of the Company, on the second MONDAY, 11th day, of JANUARY, 1864, beginning at the hour of one and closing at four o'clock, P. M. D. J. JONES, Secretary. Ebensburg, Dec. 24, 1863.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Letters of Administration on the estate of Emmeline Benson, late of Wilmore, Summerhill tp., Cambria county, deceased, having been granted to the subscriber, all persons indebted to said estate are notified to come forward at once and settle their respective accounts, and those having claims against it will present them, properly authenticated for settlement. JOSEPH MILLER, Adm'r. Wilmore, Dec. 17, 1863-6t.

NEW BLACKSMITH SHOP.

The subscriber would respectfully inform the public that he has bought out the well-known establishment of Isaac Singer, in the West Ward, Ebensburg, where he will carry on the BLACKSMITHING business in all its branches. Confident in rendering entire satisfaction, he hopes for a share of patronage. WILLIAM GRAY.

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A HIGHLY CONCENTRATED VEGETABLE EXTRACT.

A PURE TONIC.

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German Bitters,

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Will effectually cure

LIVER COMPLAINT,

DYSPEPSIA, JAUNDICE,

CHRONIC OR NERVOUS DEBILITY, DIS-

EASES OF THE KIDNEYS, AND ALL

DISEASES ARISING FROM A DIS-

ORDERED LIVER OR STOMACH,

such as

Constipation, Inward Piles,

Fulness or Blood to the

Head, Acidity of the Stomach

Nausea, Heartburn, disgust for food,

Fulness or Weight in the Stomach, Sour

Eruptions, Sinking or Fluttering at the

base of the stomach, Swelling of the head,

Harried and Difficult Breathing,

Fluttering at the heart, Chok-

ing or Suffocating sensations

when in a lying posture,

Dimness of vision, Dots

or Webs before the

sight, Fever and dull

pain in the head,

Deficiency of

perspiration,

Yellow-

ness of

the

skin and eyes, Pain in the side, back, chest

Limbs, &c., Sudden Flushes of heat burning

in the flesh, constant imaginings of evil, and

great depression of Spirits.

They will positively prevent Yellow

Fever, Bilious Fever, &c.

THEY CONTAIN

NO ALCOHOL OR BAD WHISKEY!

They will cure the above diseases in nine-

ty-nine cases out of a hundred.

From Rev. J. Newton Brown, D. D., Editor of

the Encyclopedia of Religious Knowledge.

Although not disposed to favor or recom-

mend Patent Medicines in general, through

distrust of their ingredients and effects; I

yet know of no sufficient reasons why a man

may not testify to the benefits he believes

himself to have received from any simple

preparation, in the hope that he may thus

contribute to the benefit of others.

I do this the more readily in regard to

Hooiland's German Bitters, prepared by Dr.

C. M. Jackson, of this city, because I was

prejudiced against them for many years,

under the impression that they were chiefly

an alcoholic mixture. I am indebted to my

friend Robert Shoemaker, for the removal of

this prejudice by proper tests, and for en-

couragement to try them, when suffering

from great and long continued debility. The

use of three bottles of these Bitters, in the

beginning of the present year, was followed

by evident relief, and restoration to a degree

of bodily and mental vigor which I had not

felt for six months before, and had almost

despaired of regaining. I therefore thank

God and my friend for directing me to use

them. J. NEWTON BROWN,

PHILAD'A., JUNE 23, 1861.

ATTENTION SOLDIERS!

Will build up the constitution, and give

health and strength to an overtaken and

diseased system.

PHILADELPHIA, August 12, 1862.

Dr. C. M. JACKSON.—Dear Sir: While in

Virginia, owing to the change of water, I was

taken with a severe diarrhoea, which seemed

incurable, and which greatly weakened me.

When we reached Martinsburg, I feared that

I should have to come home; but notwith-

standing some of your Bitters in the store of Mr. H. H.

Price, in that town, I purchased a supply, and

on taking it was speedily restored to health.

The diarrhoea was quickly checked, and I

experienced no return of it. A number of

my comrades who suffered in the same

manner and from the same cause, with whom

I shared the Bitters, join me in this certificate.

I expect to return to the seat of war with the

Legion, and shall certainly take a supply of

the Bitters in my knapsack. I would not be

without it for its weight in gold, particularly

on going into a limestone region.

Yours, truly, A. E. ALMEUS,

Company H, Scott Legion.

BEWARE OF COUNTERFEITS!

See that the signature of "C. M. Jackson"

is on the wrapper of each bottle.

Price per bottle 75 cents

Or half dozen for \$4.

Should your nearest Druggist not have the

article, do not be put off by any of the intox-

icating preparations that may be offered in

its place, but send to us, and we will forward

by express, securely packed.

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PROVOST MARSHAL'S OFFICE,

17th DIST., PENNA., HUNTINGDON, June 11 1863.

MEN WANTED FOR THE INVALID CORPS. Only those faithful soldiers who, from wounds or the hardships of war, are no longer fit for active field duty will be received into this Corps of Honor. Enlistments will be for three years unless sooner discharged. Pay and allowances same as for officers and men of the United States Infantry; except that no premiums or bounty for enlistment will be allowed. This will not invalidate any pensions or bounties which may be due for previous services.

All persons honorably discharged from the service, not liable to draft, whether they have served in this war or not, can be admitted into this Corps of Honor.

Men who are still in service and unable to perform effective field, may be transferred to this Corps.

For the convenience of service, the men will be selected for three grades of duty.—Those who are most efficient and able bodied, and capable of performing guard duty, etc., etc., will be armed with muskets, and assigned to companies of the First Battalion. Those of the next degree of efficiency, including those who have lost a hand or an arm; and the least effective, including those who have lost a foot or a leg, to the companies of the Second or Third Battalions; they will be armed with swords.