

Wednesday, October 21, 1868.

Wanted at this office, a load of good dry wood, on subscription to the DEMOCRAT.

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CAPT. GEO. H. BROWN has opened up a new restaurant in the Exchange Block, this town, where he will be pleased to see his old friends. "George" understands the business, and we are quite sure no one knows better how to cater to the taste of the epicure than CAPT. BROWN.

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SUICIDE.—On Friday morning last between 12 o'clock and daylight, a young girl aged about 22 years, named Sarah Jane Ely, of Mayberry township, Montour county, went to Jacob Swank's Mill dam in the above township and drowned herself. We have not heard what it was that drove her to the act, further than she had been much afflicted with depression of spirits.—*Danville Intelligencer.*

COLUMBIA HOUSE, on Main street, near the Court House, kept by Mr. Bernard Stohner, is an establishment which exactly meets the wants of travelers, farmers, jurors, witnesses, and others visiting town. Good accommodations are had at this house on most reasonable terms. The visitor, in addition to having his ordinary wants supplied, can here obtain the best of oysters, ale, lager, &c., &c. The establishment is well kept, in an orderly manner.—Give *Burney* a call.

TUESDAYS are dark and dismal rumors from down town. It is said that *Sam* has sold out to *CUFFEE*—that the former was so "extincted" with the glories of his long political labor, as shown by the result in Columbia county, of the late election, that he "died gone and burst himself"; that he "flung himself right fu de winds, and was cotted in de arms of several boulders in", who are going to lay his illustrious remains away on a shelf. We hope to be able to inform our readers of the truth or falsity of these horrid reports in our next issue.

MR. SAMUEL M. PRENTISS, son of the much respected Noah Prentiss, died, who for many years held sway as the king of Columbia county, has opened new Livery, Stable and Exchange Stables in this place, on the premises of Mr. B. Stohner, and is fully prepared to accommodate the public in every department of his business. His stock is prime, his prices are reasonable, and with steady attention to business, he hopes and expects to receive a reasonable share of public patronage.

HONORABLE MURDER.—Sad and shocking news reached this town on Monday morning, relating the fact that **ALEXANDER W. REA**, Esq., Superintendent of the Loos Mountain Coal Company's works, in this county, had been horribly murdered, on the public road, while driving from Centralia to Mt. Carmel, between the hours of 8 and 9 o'clock a.m., on Saturday last. Mr. Rea left his house about 8 o'clock for Mt. Carmel, to visit the coal works, as he was accustomed to do every day. Saturday last being pay day, the supposition is that he was murdered for money. It so happened that Mr. Rea had paid off his men the day before, (Friday) and had little or no money with him. The villains had taken the body off the road several rods in the woods, and had tied the horses a few rods beyond the body, where they remained until about 8 o'clock that evening, when they came home with the buggy. Search was immediately made that evening for Mr. Rea, but with out any success. On Sunday morning the search was renewed, and during the forenoon discovery was made where the horse and buggy had been taken into the woods, among brush and rocks, which led to the finding of the dead body. It was evident that the horses were taken out as well as the woods, the place being so rough that they could never have come off the ground with a whole wagon, without assistance. The body was completely perforated with bullet holes, there being some six or seven holes in the face and neck. As yet there is no sign of the murderers. A heavy reward will no doubt be offered. Mr. Rea was a perfect gentleman; a man of a fine mind and possessed high social qualities. A business man his superior in every way. He leaves an interest in his family, mourns his unexpected loss, and they have the sympathy of the community. No pains should be spared to find the guilty parties and bring them to justice.

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