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NOTICE is hereby given that Walter Hayte will apply to the Governor of this Commonwealth for a pardon. Jan.10—6w

The Erie Weekly Observer.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 1865.

Important to All.

The undersigned having been appointed a committee to correct the enrollment lists of this city, respectfully give notice that they will hold a meeting, at the Select Council Room, in Wright's Block, on Saturday, January 28, 1865, between the hours of two and nine o'clock, P. M., which all are invited to attend. The enrollment lists of the city will be on hand, for the examination of everybody interested. This is the *last* opportunity that will be presented for the correction of the lists before the draft, and as the matter is one which concerns every citizen, it is earnestly to be hoped that there will be a general attendance.

JOS. S. M. YOUNG,
J. M. KUHN,
M. W. CAUGHEY,
J. J. RINDERNECHT.

BOUNTIES.—The following resolution passed both branches of the City Council on Monday evening last:

Resolved, That the Councils appropriate a sum sufficient to pay each man who volunteers for one year to fill the quota of the city, one hundred and fifty dollars, and in case a sufficient number of volunteers should not be obtained, then any man who shall have been drafted, who has contributed to a voluntary fund, to be paid into the city Treasury, the sum of fifty dollars, on or before the 30th day of January, inst., shall be entitled to receive the fifty dollars so contributed by him; and in case any person who may have contributed as aforesaid the sum of fifty dollars, shall, before the draft, put in a substitute, that such person shall be entitled to draw the fifty dollars so contributed.

MORE DEVELOPMENTS.—We have been shown at least a dozen letters, and heard of many more, from young men who enlisted in this city as volunteers in the navy, last fall, saying that since they have reached the place of their destination the unwelcome information has been communicated to them that they are registered as substitutes. Most of them are parties who would not have gone as substitutes under any circumstances, and their indignation at the position in which they find themselves exceeds description. On application for the Government bounty belonging to them, they were informed that it could not be paid, as substitutes were not entitled to bounty. We understand that the commander of the river squadron, to which they are attached, is endeavoring to have the matter placed in the right shape at Washington. It is not right that innocent persons should be made to suffer for the frauds or ignorance of the Government recruiting agents, and if the Department will give the case of these young men that consideration which it deserves, there will surely be no hesitation in fixing their situation as it was intended to be when they enlisted. Most of them entered the service for one year, and unless the Secretary of the Navy steps in to their relief, will have to remain for three years.

We do not envy the position of the party or parties responsible for this rank act of injustice and crime. If they have any conscience left, the reflection that they have done so foul and inhuman a piece of villainy must in itself be a grievous burden, and the almost certainty of being discovered and punished an equally great one. Already the victims of their baseness are beginning to plot revenge, and it will hardly be safe for their betrayers if they should meet them after their term of service has expired. One letter says: "We all blame ——— for getting us in this scrape, and he had better not show himself around this boat. Two of our boys have taken an oath, if they ever meet him again, they will shoot *him down like a dog.*" These are unlawful sentiments, it is true, but they are the same that every man of spirit would entertain under like circumstances.

DEFACED TREASURY NOTES AND FRACTIONAL CURRENCY.—Those having defaced Treasury notes and fractional currency in their possession can readily have them exchanged at the postoffice. Postmasters are obliged to receive all Treasury notes for stamps and postages, if clearly genuine, no matter how torn or defaced they may be; provided one twentieth part thereof be not missing; and fractional currency, if not one tenth part be missing. Such notes or currency received as are unfit for reissue should be kept separate and distinct, and returned as occasion requires, to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, in sums of not less than three dollars, to be exchanged for new.—*Exchangs.*

On inquiry at the postoffice in this city, we find that no order of the above nature has ever been received. It is not just that the public should be obliged to lose the large sums of fractional currency that must become defaced, and the arrangement to have them redeemed at the postoffice would be alike convenient and proper.

ATLANTIC MONTHLY.—We are indebted to the publishers, Messrs. Ticknor & Fields, for an advance copy of the Atlantic for February. The following is a list of articles and contributors: Our First Great Painter and his Works, by Sarah Clarke; Doctor Johns, by Donald G. Mitchell; Roger Brooke Taney; The Mantle of St. John De Matha, by John G. Whittier; Needle and Garden, II; Notes of a Pianist, by L. M. Gottschalk; Garnaut Hall, by T. B. Aldrich; The Pleiades of Connecticut, by F. Sheldon; Ice and Esquimaux, III, by D. A. Wasson; The Old House, by Alice Carey; Memories of Authors; Coleridge, by S. C. Hall; The Chimney Corner, II, by Harriet Beecher Stowe; Pro Patria, by Epes Sargent; A Fortnight with the Sanitary, by George Reynolds; Art: Harriet Hosmer's Zenobia, by Fitz Hugh Ludlow; Reviews and Literary Notices.

HEAVY FINANCIAL FAILURE.—We clip the following item from the *Democratic Era*, published at Cuba, Allegheny county:—

Bill Story, of Buffalo, has been speculating in the oil regions of Pennsylvania, and has made a disastrous failure, financially speaking. He was offered a sixteenth part of twelve acres of land for $196,000,000, but was unable to accept, because of his inability to procure revenue stamps to attach to the deed! The stamps would cost only $200,000, but he couldn't get 'em—the demand was so great! When he went down there, he took with him a pile of ten, twenty and fifty dollar green backs, but they wouldn't pass! They don't deal in such trifling currency in Oildom. Bill will never visit "Oil Dorado" again, we'll bet!

ENOCH ARDEN.—*By Alfred Tennyson.*—The universal interest felt in this charming poem has induced Messrs. Ticknor & Fields, Mr. Tennyson's American publishers, to issue a twenty-five cent edition for popular reading, in addition to the other and more costly editions which they publish. They send copies to the press, hoping that the extended publicity given by this cheap edition may result in the introduction of this most beautiful and touching idyl into all the households in the land. For sale by Caughey, McCreary & Co.

☞ The hour at which the *Observer* is put to press, each week, is 2 o'clock on Thursday afternoon. Advertisements will be received up to 9 o'clock of the day of publication.

THE GRANDEST SPECULATION YET.—A Legislative correspondent of the Philadelphia *Press* gives the following account of a huge scheme for robbing the State, which has recently came to the surface at Harrisburg. We shall next hear, in all probability, of a bill being introduced to give away the State, s interest in the rain that falls and the air we breathe:

"The equilibrium of the members of the House was considerably disturbed yesterday by a huge anaconda offered by one of the Western representatives. The "sarpint" with its great length, occupies as you will see, a large extent of territory, if such the bottom of a stream can be called, but only when you examine the interior of the reptile do you find what a valuable addition is proposed to be added to the State managerie. The anaconda is nothing more or less than a bill to incorporate "The River Oil Company," of which two gentlemen by the name of Salsbury, and A. M. Benton, A. O. Heister, R. Bartley, D. A. Stewart and N. P. Jones appear from the first section to be the getters up. These incorporators, with a capital stock of 500 shares, of one hundred dollars each, and with power to increase that amount, are empowered by the bill to hold in fee simple, and when they think proper to sell, or otherwise dispose of, so much of the bed of the Allegheny river as is in Warren and Venango counties, between the lines of low water mark on both sides of the river, and any other vacant land in the river which they may desire. They may also construct thereon wharves and cribs, dig and bore for oil, salt, or any other mineral, erect buildings and machinery, and connect their works with the opposite shores by ferries or bridges. Of course, they must not obstruct the channel, and must obtain the consent of property owners on the main land before they span the stream with bridges or establish their ferry, but as they are not required to pay the Commonwealth for their cheaply acquired possessions, they can easily afford to pay a handsome sum to the aforesaid property owners."

"What next," is the natural inquiry that every person will address to himself when he reads the provisions of this monstrous bill. A cotemporary published in the oil region estimates that the value of the property which those parties propose that the State shall donate to them is Twenty millions of dollars! It strikes us that of all the impudent propositions which yearly make their appearance at Harrisburg this is the coolest, most brazen-faced yet! We trust it will be summarily kicked out of the Legislative halls, and its supporters along with it.

A MODEL LOVE LETTER.—One of our readers has handed us the following genuine love letter, with a request to publish it. The young lady to whom it was sent we believe is a resident of this city. We take the liberty of altering the names of the parties mentioned; otherwise it is an exact copy of the original. It is hard to understand how any young lady could have withstood the imploring appeals of this very affectionate epistle;

CLEVELAND, July the 25, 1864.

MISS L—— J——: again this Evening I seat myself with sad thoughts is my mind. I have waited untill I think you must not have not received my letter, or if you have you *must have goten cross at me*, the I hop you ar not cross, fur, L——, you have writen to me *one of the best letters—it cases me to* think a good meny times of you. L——, I am not well and am not sick, but have had one of the worst sore hands that you ever saw. I have not worked a lick for two weeks, but it is goten better now the. I hope you are getting sadasfied with your home and your helth may be gured with meny pleasant enjoyments.

L——, I shall state my bisness—my bisness is trashing at the present. I have bought a trash machine. It cost 3 hundred and 26 dollars. I run it by steme and can trash 6 hundred bushels a day and get 6 cents a bushel. I have now all the machinery that I expect to by this fall. Well, I must quit writing fur it is dark and I can't see the rules, and, I——, if you please answer this wright a way and send me all news and good things—such things that you think I am worthy of—I am going to have a party at funky Woglos next week, and I wish you were here to dance with me, so good by, with all good wishes at the end.

from Mr. H—— W——.

THE MOST IMPUDENT DODGE YET.—One day last week our quiet little town had a visit from a keen sharp nosed Yankee. The streets were full of wood teams, those "unconscienceable" wretches who charge us 20 cents a pound for wood, when this fellow drove up and after carefully surveying the crowd, most audaciously offered a $5 greenback for $1. No one bidding, he offered $1 for 75 cents, which was bought. After dickering in this way until he had made the wood trade look small, he opened a quantity of cheap lockets, which are sold at wholesale at 25 cents a quart. He offered them at $5 apiece, agreeing to return the money. Under this arrangement he sold five or six, and promptly returned the money.—Every one pronounced him insane, and tho't he ought to be taken care of and not allowed to squander his property so. After he redeemed all of his lockets, he notified the crowd that he was going down the street to sell something, and he did not wish them to follow him as he had traded enough with them. He drove on a few rods, and then offered his lockets again at $5 apiece. He made a ready sale of six or seven, and quietly pocketing his money, told the crowd that he did not agree to pay back this time, and that if they thought him insane they had best to put him into the Asylum.—*Fredonia Advertiser.*

[The same individual was in Erie a short time ago and sold a number of our speculating citizens. His assurance will carry him through the world.]

CRIM. CON.—A case of *crim. con.* has lately come to light in this city, which is affording a good deal of pleasure to the gossip mongers. The parties are a "loyal" man, married, about fifty years of age, and claiming to be highly respectable,—and a servant girl. Acquaintance begat intimacy, intimacy begat unlawful conduct, and unlawful conduct—resulted as it usually does! The case came before the officers of the law, a warrant was issued for the man's arrest, he appeared before a Justice with fear and trembling, and after much persuasion the unfortunate female received in return for her damaged "honor" a liberal number of greenbacks. Thus ended the first chapter; but it is reported that the friends of the girl are not satisfied with the situation of things at present, and threaten to bring a suit for bigamy.

The authorities of Allentown, Pa., have hit upon what it seems to us is one of the best plans we have yet seen for relieving the people of the unpleasantness of the draft. The following resolution has passed the town council of that borough:

Resolved, That each person liable to military draft in said borough, who shall pay the sum of fifteen dollars to the committee of the ward in which he resides, on or before Jan. 7th, shall, if drafted, be entitled to, and the borough authorities hereby obligate themselves to furnish a substitute for such drafted man, or pay him the sum of three hundred dollars out of the borough treasury.

Mr. A. N. Watts, of Elk Creek township, brought to our office on Tuesday last, a bottle containing surface oil, which he dipped out of his stone quarry, situated on the west fork of Elk Creek, and about six miles south east of Girard. Mr. Watts has known of oil being in his quarry for some five years and at times it has been seen in considerable quantities. The stone, which is of the sandstone formation, when quarried, is strongly impregnated with this oil. Persons desirous of seeing this sample of surface oil, can do so by calling at our office.—*Girard Union.*

ITEMS OF ALL SORTS.

John B. Gough, the lecturer, it is said, has an income of $8,000 a year. Temperance and anti-slaveryism pay.

A "down east" paper gives the following advice to storekeepers: "If you are wise, just rub your eyes, and go to work and advertise."

Mr. George B Sennett, a young gentleman well known in this city, has become one of the proprietors of the Eagle Foundry, at Meadville.

The white fish of our great lakes have attracted attention abroad, and it is proposed to introduce them into the lakes of the Cumberland and Scotland.

Persons sending us marriage notices will please remember that we charge twenty-five cents apiece for them. The printer is entitled to pay as well as the preacher.

C. G. Griffey, Esq., of the Corry *Express*, whom the Conneaut *Reporter* made us say, last week, was on the "verge of the grave," we are glad to learn, is not in the desperate condition he was represented. He came very near having the "melancholy pleasure" of reading his own obituary.

Mr. Cochran has introduced a bill into the Legislature, authorizing the Philadelphia & Erie railroad company to issue three million bonds for the purpose of improving their road. The improvement is surely needed, but as to the legislation, we suspect that the road has had too much of it already for its own and the people's good. What it wants now more than anything else, is shrewd, enterprising and accommodating management.

We are indebted to Messrs. Lowry, Hill, Catlin and Butterfield for Legislative favors. Mr. Lowry has ever been especially clever in this respect, keeping us supplied with all the Important State documents, and it is no more than fair that we should give him due credit for the same.

Putting up stove pipes, driving a balky horse, and getting into a pair of tight boots, are admitted by all mankind to be the three greatest provocatives of profane language known. Impossible as it may appear, the man who has accomplished the first mentioned feat without swearing has been found, and, if one of our cotemporaries is to be believed, a company has secured him for exhibition over the country. It seems to us that he cannot fail to draw crowded houses.

The Postoffice fight grows more vigorous every day. Each of the applicants is putting forth his best efforts, and is confident of success. We are told by one of them that Judge Scofield has promised to keep "hands off," and let the Department decide the appointment according to its own judgment. Looking at the matter from our standpoint, the situation is about as follows: Judge Sterrett has the *Gazette* on his side, and the largest number of signers to his petitions; Sheriff Caughey has the most personal activity, but lacks official influence; and Mr. Catlin has the aid of the most active politicians, including the Lowry influence.

If we are to believe the stories, the neighborhood of Girard is just now as much excited on the petroleum question as the more celebrated localities on Oil Creek and the Alleghany river. The *Union* learns that Mr. R. Wilcox, of Girard, leased week before last a portion of his flats on Elk Creek to an Eastern company, for which he received a bonus of $500, besides a share of the oil. The value of oil territory in Girard—adds the *Union*—is going up every day.

The Crawford *Democrat* says: "Among the many changes that have occurred in Meadville during the past two years, the business of pocket picking occupies a pre-eminent place. Last week some four or five cases occurred—three of them at the depot. Sometimes we hear of such occurrences daily, and not a week passes that somebody is not victimized."

Oil has been unusually excited for the past week by the announcement of the fact that a 250 barrel well had been struck by the United States company, of New York, upon the farm of Thos. Holmden, Esq., on Pit Hole Creek, four miles from Plumer, and six miles distant from the Allegheny river. This strike was made on Saturday last. The well is now producing at the rate of 250 barrels per day, and the sucker rods are still in the tubing. It is reasonable to suppose that the amount of flow will be materially increased by the removal of these.—*Oil City Register, last week.*

A widow complains in one of the Richmond papers that she is taxed $1,364 64 on an income of $1,200; whereupon the Pittsburg *Dispatch*, a "loyal" paper, exclaims: "She should come North, examine the returns made by the assessors, and learn how to pay it."

A distinguished writer says: "I can pick out men in New York—great men, who count millions to their names—of whom, if you should take away their wealth, there would be nothing left—you might hunt with a lighted candle, and you would not find them to all eternity." You may find such men everywhere, who "take on airs" because they happen to have been successful in money matters, but who, if their lives were at stake, could not tell how their native State is bounded, or who have ever read the Constitution of the United States.

W. A. Rupert, Esq., of the Conneautville *Record*, has been appointed Assistant Sergeant at-arms of the House, at Harrisburg. We are a strong believer in the idea that to be editor of an influential paper is more "honor" than any official position can betow, but as some persons must fill the offices, we don't know of any Republican that we would rather see one given to than brother Rupert. He is very black, but a "mighty clever fellow" withal.

From present appearances, the citizens of our borough, on t'other side of the creek, are turning their door yards and gardens into oil territory. Every one owning a lot is either preparing to put down an oil well himself, or leasing to other parties for that purpose. It is a query with us, where will our people live after a while? The land is getting to be too valuable for dwelling sites. Where houses have hitherto been built, oil wells will have to go down now.—*Oil City Monitor.*

A movement is on foot for the construction of a railroad from Union to Titusville. The transfer of the Oil Creek road to the Pennsylvania R. R. Co. has operated to the disadvantage of the Atlantic & Great Western road, and the managers of the latter desire to "check-mate" the former by building a new road. Its completion would be of great advantage to Union, but the Penna. Co. are too powerful at Harrisburg to allow of the opening of a new route that would interfere with their plans.

PUBLIC SALES.—On Thursday, Feb. 9th, 1865, at residence of Jacob A. Minnig, in Mill Creek township—Cattle, Sheep, Hogs, Agricultural Implements, Hay, Grain and Household Furniture.

On Wednesday, Feb. 15, on the premises, in Mill Creek tp, guardian's sale of real estate belonging to heirs of Samuel Kendig, dec'd.

PETROLEUM.—The export of petroleum during the past year amounted to 21,288,499 gallons. There were sent to Great Britain 6,275,000 gallons; to France 4,625,000; to Antwerp 5,149,000; Bremen 971,000; Hamburg 1,186,000; Rotterdam 533,000; Cronstadt 450,000; Genoa and Leghorn 686,000; Peru 170,000; Lisbon 167,000; China and East Indies 34,000; Brazil 149,000; Mexico 113,000; Cuba 418,000. In fact it was sent in large quantities to nearly every leading port in the world. Four thousand gallons were sent to light up the tombs of Egypt, and even Hayti took seven thousand gallons.

"ECONOMY IS WEALTH."—Franklin, the greatest of modern philosophers, remarked that "a penny saved is a penny earned." Instead of destroying waste paper, every family should preserve it, and receive its equivalent in cash, which we will pay *for old newspapers* of every description, whole or torn; old pamphlets of all kinds, old circulars, handbills, tickets, cards, catalogues, and old scrap paper, in all its varieties, in quantities large or small. Also old writing paper, and school books, old blank books, ledgers, etc., of any size, it matters not how much they may be written on or mutilated.

EDINBORO.—The rush of people at Van Tassel & Lockhart's store, in Edinboro, still continues, thus proving in the plainest possible manner that the community thereabouts appreciates enterprise and good business qualities. There are not many men, even in larger places, who excel our friends "Ike" and "Sam" in either of these qualities. They have, at great expense, fitted up the handsomest country store in Erie county, furnished it with a fine stock of goods, and are selling them at the lowest possible rates. If they don't succeed, it is not because they do not deserve to.

GOOD INVESTMENT.—We often hear men boasting of lucky neighbors who have made fortunes in a day. Such a fellow had struck oil—got a flowing well. Another realized a fortune from the sale of his oil lands, and still another had made his half million in buying oil interest, &c., &c. But we think the man most successful of all who bought a bottle of Hall's Cough Remedy, and from its use saved the life of his promising boy from a violent attack of lung disease. See advertisement.

ARRESTED.—Sheriff Stewart, of Allegheny County, says the Franklin *Spectator*, arrived in town on Monday, with a man named Campbell, who was recently arrested in Pittsburgh on suspicion of having murdered M'Fate, at Oil City. Campbell was lodged in jail to await his trial. We know nothing about the circumstances that tended to fasten suspicion upon him, further than when intoxicated he admitted that he had committed the deed. He now denies all knowledge of it.

A CAPITAL IDEA.—A gentleman who had a mania for collecting worthless old papers, old books, old pamphlets, etc., was suddenly reduced to poverty by the failure of a firm whose paper he had indorsed. On Monday he was complaining to a friend that he had not enough money to buy a meal. "Why don't you sell your old papers, etc.?" asked the other. "Why, who would buy them?" queried the poor fellow. "At the *Observer* office you can get a good price, *in cash*, for them."

GREAT FIRE IN BUFFALO.—As we go to press (on Thursday afternoon) we learn that the fire which broke out in Buffalo, on Tuesday night, is still raging, having already destroyed the American Hotel, the best in the city, and a large amount of other property, estimated at from $500,000 to a million dollars. The intense cold prevents the firemen from rendering efficient service, and there are fears that the fire will spread still more widely.

CARTER'S EXTRACT OF SMART WEED.—The following unsolicited testimonial to the merits of this valuable preparation was received by the proprietor of the medicine on Thursday:

EAST RANDOLPH, CATTARAUGUS CO., N. Y.

MR. JOHN S. CARTER, Erie, Pa.—DEAR SIR—I am out of your Extract of Smart Weed, and want some more very much, as it is a great remedy in Diptheria, which prevails here to an alarming extent.

Please send three dozen small sized bottles, and one dozen large sized. Send by Express.

Very Respectfully, S. U. MAIN.

We regret to hear of the resignation of Wm. S. Brown, Esq., as a member of the Common Council from the 3d district. Men of his enterprising qualities and superior business talents cannot well be spared at this time from our public offices.

☞ THE POOR MAN'S FRIEND—why? because at a trifling expense he can be permanently cured of Catarrh by the use of Dr. D H. Seelye's Liquid Catarrh Remedy. Ordinary cases cured by one bottle—never known over three bottles to be required in the most obstinate cases.

ALARMING DESERTIONS.—We speak of what we know when we say that more men, on the James, desert from our side to the rebels than desert from the rebel side to ours. Day after day we are filling our quota with scoundrels, thieves, jail-birds, hang-dog bounty-jumpers, known to be such by the substitute brokers, and often by the officers whose business it is to stop such outrageous swindling. Every day hundreds of those rogues are sent to the front. They do not add anything to the army; they weaken it. They cannot be trusted, either as guards or pickets, or to go into skirmish or battle. They steal what they can, and then desert.—*Hartford Press, (Rep.)*

REFUGEE LOYALISTS IN CALIFORNIA.—There are no religionists so intolerant as sinners who have just turned saints; nor patriots so "loyal" as cowardly Abolitionists, who have fled from the East to escape a draft. California is brim-full of these noisy Unionists. They aim to redeem lost character. The further they get from the battle-fields the braver they grow. Should they run another three thousand miles from the fight, their patriotism would burst them. Loyal Leaguers receive them (on arrival) with open arms. "A fellow feeling makes them wondrous kind."—*San Francisco Press.*

MARRIED.

PERKINS—MOORHEAD.—In Meorheadville, January 19th, by Rev. G. W. Cleveland, at the residence of the bride's father, Dr. GEORGE PERKINS, of Erie, and Miss NANCY C., daughter of Mr. Joseph Y. Moorhead.

DIED.

LANDON.—January 10th, 1865, on board U. S. steamer Colorado, of typhoid fever, GEORGE G., son of A. C. and L. A. B. Landon, of this city; aged 16 years.

House and Lot for Sale.

A FIRST CLASS FRAME DWELLING slightly located on a pleasant street, within five minutes walk of the Postoffice, is offered for sale. It has double parlors, dining room, bed room, kitchen and store room on first floor, and five rooms on second. A brick paved cellar under the entire house, with coal cellar partitioned off with brick. A hundred barrel cistern in the yard—City water in the cellar—gas throughout. Will be sold with or without the furniture—price without, $2,000. Terms cash. Enquire at this office. jan19-tf.

Important Notice.

Within the last two months we have sent out a large number of bills to persons in arrears on our books. Some of them have responded promptly, but the larger portion have not even done us the honor of acknowledging our circular. We give notice to all such that we cannot afford to wait much longer, and respectfully request of them that they will endeavor to make an early settlement. If this is not done before the 15th of February, we shall be compelled to the unpleasant necessity of placing them in the hands of an officer for collection. tf.

Wedding and Visiting Cards.

We call special attention to the superior styles of Wedding and Visiting Cards printed at this office. Having procured several new fonts of type especially for this kind of work, we are enable to print cards in a style equal to those obtained in any of the larger cities. It is nothing less than foolishness for persons to go abroad and pay extravagant prices for engraved cards when they can get just as hand some ones at home for less than one-third the cost. tf.

To-Day's Advertisements.

Notice.

MESSRS. CRAWFORD & CHRISTIAN having associated with them in the grocery trade Mr. J. Byron Ruth, the firm title will hereafter be Crawford, Christian & Ruth. All persons indebted to the late firm are requested to make an early settlement. Thankful for past favors, a continuance of the public patronage is respectfully solicited.

WM. A. CRAWFORD,
E. F. CHRISTIAN,
J. BYRON RUTH.
Jan26'65-3t

Crawford, Christian & Ruth,

Dealers in

GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS,

Dried and Sealed Fruits,

PAINTS & OILS,

Ship Chandlery, Boat Stores, &c., &c.,

NO. 7 BEATTY'S BLOCK, PARK ROW,

Also, Public Dock, Foot of State Street,

ERIE, PENNA.

WM. A. CRAWFORD, E. F. CHRISTIAN
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Sewing Machines!

THE CHEAPEST & BEST.

BUY EITHER THE EMPIRE OR SINGER.

The undersigned having been appointed agent in Erie city for the above celebrated Machines, respectfully calls the attention of the public to the same.

They are acknowledged to be the best in use and are the cheapest in the market.

Each Machine has all the latest improvements, which render them far superior to any other now sold.

Persons desiring to purchase a Sewing Machine will find it of advantage to call and examine these before buying elsewhere.

Samples on exhibition at my store, No 6, American Block, between the Park and Seventh street.

jan26 65-tf F. WAGNER.

Stolen.

A WARRANT, No. 85, of the county of Erie, in favor of Wm. Roy, for $278, was stolen on Tuesday night, Jan. 10, 1865. All persons are hereby cautioned against purchasing or receiving the same, as payment has been stopped at the County Treasurer's office. [jan19-3t] JOHN CARSS.

Administrator's Notice.

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION ON the estate of Stephen Rilling, deceased, late of Millcreek township, Erie county, Pa., having been granted to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to all knowing themselves indebted to the same to make immediate payment, and those having claims against said estate will present them for settlement.

GEORGE RILLING, Administrator.
Millcreek, Dec. 28, 1864—6w.

Stray Cattle.

CAME TO THE PREMISES OF THE Subscriber, in La Beouf township, about the first of December, two stray cattle—the one a heifer, two years old, red and white color, the end of horns cut; the other a steer, one year old, color red—both thin in flesh. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take them away; otherwise they will be disposed of according to law.

JAS. STRANAHAN.
La Beouf, Dec. 15, 1864—Jan 19—3t.

Sale of Real Estate.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF the Orphan's Court of Erie county, will be sold at public vendue on the premises near the borough of Corry, Erie county, Pa., on Saturday, February 11th, 1865, at 2 o'clock, p. m., the following described property, to wit:

All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in Wayne township, Erie county, Pa., bounded and described as follows, to wit: Commencing at a post in the center of the road leading from Amos Heath's house to Corry, in the south line of said Heath's land, thence southwardly along said road 9¾ perches to a post, thence westwardly by land formerly owned by Patrick Germra 82 perches to a post, thence northwardly 9¾ perches to a post at the corner of said Heath's and Perkin's land, thence eastwardly 82 perches to the place of beginning. Containing five acres of land; being part of tract No. 34 of the Holland Land Company.

TERMS. One half in hand and the balance in two equal annual installments, with interest payable annually, to be secured by judgment bond and mortgage on the premises. N. W. GREEN, Administrator.
Jan12'65—7t.

ANTHRACITE AND BITUMINOUS COAL!

The Subscriber would respectfully announce to the public of Erie and vicinity that he will continue to deal in Coal during the present year, at

HIS OLD STAND,
CORNER OF
FIFTH STREET AND THE CANAL.

Persons desiring to procure any kind of Coal can be supplied in

LARGE OR SMALL QUANTITIES,
And at the
LOWEST MARKET PRICES!

I intend paying special attention to the

Anthracite Coal Trade!

And will soon open a Yard for that purpose at the RAILROAD BRIDGE OVER MILL CREEK, Where I will keep on hand

THE BEST QUALITIES
Of that kind of Coal.

☞ Orders for either Anthracite or Bituminous Coal will be promptly attended to.
my23-3m. W.