The Erie Weekly Observer.

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Written for the Observer.]

False.

"My fairy queen, my virgin dove,
My hope and light of life,
I swear by Him who rules above
Thy precious self I dearly love
And long to make my wife.

"I'd welcome death, my dear, for thee,
And think my chances rare;
For you I'd brave the bounding sea;
Earth has no joys, my love, for me,
Save thee, my lady fair."

Thus spoke a lover to his maid,
Upon a summer's eve,
As down the pebbled bank they strayed
And sighed that he must leave.

He pressed her warmly to his heart
And kissed her o'er and o'er,
Then with a fond embrace they part—
And never meet they more.

The girl she waits to hear from him—
But all her hopes are vain,
And rain her sighs, and rain her tears—
They ne'er shall meet again.

And there she treads the self same beach,
And looks far o'er the sea,
And watches every coming ship
That she his form may see.

While he, away in foreign lands,
With other girls doth stray,
And tells to them the tale he told
To her so far away.

G.

Mr. John Gensheimer, one of our oldest established clothing merchants, has taken into partnership his son and the firm will hereafter be known as that of Gensheimer & Son. Persons in need of articles in their line will find this firm one of the pleasantest in the city to deal with.

Editorial Convention. — The Editorial Convention, which convened at Brown's Hotel, on Wednesday afternoon, was one of the most delightful gatherings it has ever been our pleasure to attend. About some sixteen or eighteen representatives of the Press were present, and the proceedings were conducted in a spirit of frankness and sociability that will render the occasion memorable to all who participated. A supper was given in the evening to the members of the Convention, which was attended by a number of our prominent citizens, and everything passed off in a highly gratifying manner. We have no time to give a fuller report of the proceedings, but we assure those of the fraternity who were not present that they missed one of the finest affairs that has taken place for many years in this section.

A Serious Occurrence.—On Friday night, during the heavy thunder storm, the central portion of the new Reed House building, fronting on French street, and including a space about twenty feet in width by five stories in height, fell down with a terrible crash, carrying with it all the adjoining wood work in the interior. The occurrence is attributed by some to a defective foundation, by others to poor brick, and by many more to faulty architecture. The wall did not fall either out or in, as would be supposed, but simply squatted down, leaving the brick and rubbish in the cellar of the building. It was evident to all that an occurrence something like this was probable, and many predictions to that effect have been made by persons versed in building. The entire structure appears to be weakly built, and the walls on the Park side are cracked in a number of places. It is very greatly to be regretted that a building as costly and extensive as this should not have been constructed in a more substantial manner.—Unless some measures are taken to secure the walls, the credit of the edifice must be seriously impaired for many years, and instead of being, as was anticipated, a glory and benefit to the place, it will become an object of fear and ridicule.

Blind Tom, the Musical Prodigy.—This celebrated character, who has been attracting great attention in the eastern cities, is advertised to give two concerts in Farrar Hall, commencing on Monday evening next. From the comments of our exchanges, we judge that Blind Tom is an object of peculiar interest. He is a negro boy, who was born lightless, and whose age was only sixteen last Monday. To everything "but music, imitations in greater or less degree associated with it, and a parrot-like repetition of words and sentences, he is essentially idiotic. His brain is large, but his forehead does not come up to the ordinary negro standard of height or width. His emotional character is strong, and its manifestations at all times when listening to others on the piano are almost violent, and always ludicrous in the extreme.—His sense of hearing is very acute, and when he listens he listens intensely; although when apparently indifferent he seems to remember as correctly." From early childhood his musical talents have been remarkable, and he is the pride of all who see him. He plays the most difficult compositions upon the Piano with ease, and repeats any production played in his presence, after hearing it but one time. He has been giving concerts during the week in Buffalo, and the papers there describe them as among the most largely attended and interesting ever held in the city.

Financial.—We have received the report of the State Auditor General for the year ending Nov. 3d, 1865, from which we glean the following facts of local financial interest. The amount of tax on real and personal estate paid by Erie county was $13,971, by Crawford $13,112, and by Warren $4,231. The same counties paid a special tax of one half mill on the dollar, per act of May 16, 1861, as follows: Erie $2,681, Crawford $2,545, Warren $800. The railroads in this vicinity paid tax on tonnage as follows: Erie & Pittsburgh $2,141, Erie & North East $14,754, Philadelphia & Erie $8.211. The following is the tax paid into the State Treasury by private bankers: Clark & Metcalf $535,57; Sherman & West $39,54; Vincent, Bailey & Co. $39,54; Battles & Webster $27,34. G. W. Cotton, Prothonotary, paid $595,68, and E. Rea, Jr, Register, $1,686,68 for tax on writs, trials, deeds, &c. S. Rea, Jr., paid $541,68 collateral inheritance tax. E. D. Gilbert, county Treasurer, paid $2,794,83 for retailers' licenses; $475 for theatre, circus and menagerie licenses; $483 for eating house and beer saloon licenses; and $114 for peddlers' licenses. The county received $4,462 as its share of the common school fund, and the State Normal School at Edinboro received an appropriation of $5,000.

Important Notice.—Mr. E. J. Kelso, County Recorder from 1824 to 1835, informs us that he has still on hand a large number of deeds placed in his charge during his term of office. Some of them are of great importance to the owners of the property they describe, and they may save considerable trouble by obtaining possession of the documents. All such he requests to call at his residence immediately, and secure their deeds.

(Jan.18.tf.)

Col. McCreary and Woodward, House of Representatives, will please accept our thanks for copies of Legislative documents.

Obituary.

Died, on the 5th ult., on board the U. S. steam sloop of war "Saginaw," at Acapulo, Mexico, and while in command of that ship, Lieut. Com'g Robt. W. Scott, U. S. N., brother of Wm. L. Scott, of this city.

In the death of this gallant young officer, the service has lost one of its choicest spirits; the country a serviceable citizen; society an affable, talented and christian gentleman.—But the loss falls heaviest upon those of closer and more endearing ties; an aged and widowed mother, an only brother and sister, in whom his kind and unselfish nature had planted affection's sanctum; their loss is irreparable.

Lieut. Comd'g Scott entered the service as midshipman on the 9th Sept., 1841, and graduated No. 3 in his class, numbering 55, at the naval academy. Although but a youth comparatively, from his high standing, he was retained several years as an instructor in the institution, thus becoming preceptor to many *now* of his own grade.

When the rebellion broke out, although a Southerner by birth and education, he maintained his allegiance to his Government, faithfully and gallantly discharging his duty in many dangerous and responsible positions throughout the war. After peace was restored, he was ordered to the Pacific to command the Saginaw, and while at the port of Acapulco, where the ship was stationed to protect our citizens and the interests of the Government, was attacked with the fever incident to that climate, and fell a victim after three weeks' illness.

Mr. Scofield Endorses Negro Suffrage.

Mr. Scofield, (Pa.,) expressed his views against the colonization of the black race, and in the course of his remarks said that the Republican party would adhere to its principles. The more we degrade the negroes the more we degrade ourselves; and the more we elevate ourselves the more we elevate the negroes. The cheapest and best elevation is to inspire them with self respect. Give the colored people free suffrage, and you awaken the animation of the whole race throughout the United States. The pending bill should be passed to inaugurate this principle, and there was no better place than the District of Columbia to begin the work.

The above, which we clip from the New York Tribune's report of Congressional proceedings, will surprise many, though not those who are well acquainted with the peculiar characteristics of our member of Congress. He has been playing a double game for the last year—pretending to be a conservative when among conservatives, and a radical when among radicals—and we are gratified to know that he has finally concluded to present himself in his true colors. Our member is one of the class of men who always take the strong side, and we may conclude that the advocates of negro voting are in a majority among the Republican leaders in this district. As Mr. Scofield is a candidate for renomination, and will in all probability be again the candidate of his party, we hope his sentiments as uttered above will be kept before the people. The majority in our district may have been blinded to sustain the Republican policy in the past, but we do not think they are quite prepared to endorse negro equality.

Lecture Course.—But three more lectures remain to complete the course provided by the Y. M. C. Association. On the 25th inst. Rev. Henry Giles, of Quincy, Mass., will give an address, his subject being "The Jews in History." He will be followed by B. F. Taylor, Esq., an ever welcome lecturer, who will discourse upon "Thought and Her Chariots," on the 30th inst. The course will close on the 5th of February by the appearance of Miss Anna E. Dickinson in her favorite character of the Public Scold. Her subject—"Home Thrusts,"—will afford ample opportunity for the display of the qualities in which by common consent she is acknowledged to surpass any woman of the present day.

Letter from Greenfield Township.

Greenfield, Jan. 13, 1866.

Editor Observer:—The agent of the Librarian Association has visited several schools in the towns of Greene and Waterford, calling meetings to organize Libraries, and has met with considerable success. The people near Wm. Weeds, Lattimors, Sweetman's, Valley and Yaple's Districts took hold with a will.—The trouble seems to be to get the people out to the meetings so as to organize. We hope the interest will increase.

The general health throughout the country seems to be good. Business active. All wishing oil to be found, some expecting it. Reports of new railroads in every man's mouth, terminating at different points, and starting no telling where, but following both branches of French Creek, running through every man's farm in the county. But time will tell what we shall have and where it will be. X

Claim Agency.—S. Todd Perley, Esq., has removed his claim agency from Wayne Hall to Clark's building, Northwest corner of the Park, directly opposite the 1st Presbyterian church. Mr. P. has had much experience in the departments at Washington, and has been eminently successful in the branch of business to which he has given his particular attention. We heartily recommend him to any who have claims for collection. (Jan.18.1m.)

☞ D W. Hutchinson, United States Claim Agent, Girard, Penna. Pensions, Back Pay, Bounty, and all other claims against the Government attended to with promptness. Charges reasonable. Application by mail attended to the same as if made in person. (Jan.18.6m.)

Sorrows of the "Fhat Contributor."

For the benefit of a numerous class of ambitious men who aspire to become popular lecturers, I send you a few items of my experience. I went to Southern Illinois to get started as a lecturer. I told my hotel keeper that it was my first effort in the lecture line, that I did not care for money if I could only get started. I was unfortunate on that occasion either in my subject or my audience. My subject was, "The urgent necessity for the immediate revival and thorough reorganization of the Know Nothing party." My audience were all Irish. I got started.

Being advertised by the *nom-de-plume* of the "Fat Contributor," my audience is sometimes disappointed in the size of the lecturer. Such was the case in a town I visited in Minnesota last summer. My audience was small, owing to the public being suddenly and severely indisposed—they were indisposed to come to the lecture. My audience, in fact, consisted of but one people. He was a gentleman. I began my discourse, "Gentlemen and Ladies," but changed quickly to "Respected Sir." Before I proceed any further my audience arose indignantly to its feet, as one man.

I inquired the cause of the interruption.

"Sir," he said, "the audience is disappointed in the size of the lecturer."

"Well, my dear sir," said I, "the lecturer is disappointed in the size of the audience, and if you will not say anything about size, I won't."

He allowed me to proceed, and at the conclusion was so well pleased that he urged me to stay another night, when he promised me a much larger audience. He could not come himself, but would send his wife, who weighed two hundred and sixty five pounds. I didn't stay.

I have had a good deal of money in my houses at one time and another—generally in the pockets of some wealthy man in the audience. I always come home with money, however; I borrow some to come home with.

I have had some large houses. The largest house I had was at Louisville, Ky. That house must have been two hundred feet long, ninety feet wide, while in height it came pretty high—took all the receipts to pay rent. A Louisville editor said a good thing about me. He said: "The 'Fat Contributor' lectured last night to a small house. His style resembles Artemus Ward's, but he has not the ease and grace of Artemus before an audience." As though a lecturer could be at his ease before an audience, when the audience would not pay expenses. As grace accompanies meat, and there wasn't profit enough in the house to buy meat, where's your grace?

He said, in conclusion, that I would improve with practice, if I had capital enough to continue the practice. And this in the face of the acknowledged fact that I had a capital lecture.

The fullest house I have had was at Pithole City, in the oil regions. Every man who came was full of beer. The lecture went off well, notwithstanding. It didn't go off so well as my doorkeeper did—he went off with the receipts.

I gave two consecutive lectures at Oil City. At the conclusion of the second lecture, one of the first citizens (the second citizen had not yet arrived,) arose and assured me that I delighted them greatly. He said they hadn't enjoyed themselves so much since the Thayers were hung. He added that it was at the request of the audience *en masse* altogether—that I should stay another night. The landlord of the inn where I was stopping, arose somewhat hastily, and stated that I couldn't stay another night with him, unless my bill was secured. Such is sometimes the encouragement that genius receives at the hands of the mercenary.

A little town on the Allegheny turned out well. The principal occupation of the inhabitants was to haul oil. That being the only hall they had, I lectured in a grocery. The people turned out in the most unexpected manner; they turned out the lights—then they turned out the lecturer—because he wasn't fat enough. They gave me twenty minutes to leave town. I told them if they'd make it twenty dollars I'd go.

At the termination of the twenty minutes I felt something come against me very rapidly from behind. My first impression was that it was from an old fashioned leather valise. Subsequent reflection has convinced me that it was a boot. I shook hands with them all with much feeling. I told them they must excuse me, for I felt that I had got to go! Leaving somewhat hastily I caught the sound of cherub voices in that grocery, singing in tones of the most pathetic inquiry:

"Shall we never more behold thee,
Never hear that winning voice again?"

I yelled back that they wouldn't—not if I could help it. "That winning voice" didn't seem to win in that neighborhood.

A friend advised me to go twice to the same place. He said although I might only make expenses the first time, the next time it would be different. It was, to be sure; I only paid expenses the first time, but yet the second time—I didn't. I have tried my agents. They proved unsatisfactory with one exception.—He never asked for money. He never alluded to money but once. Said he to me one day:

"You don't care for money, do you?"

"No, indeed," said I.

"I thought not," said he, "I never saw you have a cent."

I humor him in those harmless light flights of wit. You may hear from me again.

Thinely. Phat Contributor.

Items of Local Interest.

The concluding lecture of the series upon Hell, by Rev. Mr. Laurie, in the Universalist church, will be delivered on Sunday, the 28th inst.

The Dunkirk Union has been compelled by the high price of all the articles used in the printing business, to raise its subscription price.

Hon. C. V. Culver, Representative from the Crawford and Venango district, is the youngest member of Congress—being but thirty five. Hon. Thaddeus Stevens is the oldest—seventy three.

Some of the oil companies which last year, in paying taxes, assessed their stock at $10 per share, now value the same stock at five cents a share. "What a fall was there, my countrymen!"

We have a few copies left of the Observer of January 4th, containing a list of the marriages and deaths in the county, which any persons desiring them can obtain by calling at this office.

Mr. Aldrich has been removed from the post office at Platea, in this county, and Wm. M. Connell appointed in his place. The former is an out and out advocate of negro equality, and his successor is said to be a man of more conservative views.

A story is told of a lady at Pithole, who, while on her way to the Morey Farm Hotel, from Holmden street, got stuck in the mire, and had to be fished out by some gentlemen.

Another counterfeit greenback $10 bill has made its appearance. The signatures of Spinner and Chittenden are good, but the portrait of Mr. Lincoln is coarse, and the bill generally much heavier in appearance than the original.

A cotemporary calls attention to the fact that the year 1865 was favored with fifty three Sundays—the first and last day being a Sabbath. It will be quite a number of years before the same circumstance occurs again.

The Meadville Republican states that the whole amount of capital invested there in buildings during the past year exceeds $870,000. We presume this is inclusive of the cost of the improvements made by the A. & G. W. R. R. Co., which have been quite extensive in that vicinity.

One of our editorial cotemporaries, with wisdom beyond the usual run, thus sagely observes: "It is not what we earn, but what we save, that makes us rich; it is not what we eat, but what we digest, that makes us strong; it is not what we read, but what we remember, that makes us learned. All this is very simple, but it is worth recollecting."

Mr. H. Catlin has received the appointment of Secretary to the committee on contested elections in the State Senate. The position is an easy one, and will leave Mr. C. an abundance of time to flatter Mr. Lowry, and calumniate his opponents, through the columns of the Corry Telegraph, Girard Union and Union Mills Bulletin.

Senator Clymer, of Berks county, and Senator Lowry, of this county, occupy seats in the Senate chamber, this session, immediately adjoining. We scarcely know whether to congratulate Mr. Lowry upon the sound political company he has got into, or to condole with Mr. Clymer on account of the doubtful sort that circumstances have thrown upon him!

Mr. Lowry seems to be held in high favor by his Republican associates in the State Senate, if we are to judge by the committees he has been placed upon. He is chairman of the committee on Federal Relations, which constitutes him the leader of his party in the Senate, and a member of the committees on Banks, Railroads, Military Affairs and Pensions and Gratuities. The low standard of ability possessed by the Republican party in the Senate is best exemplified by facts like these.

The still of Wm. P. Murray & Co.'s refinery, Mr. Jones Superintendent, on Mill Creek, south of the railroad bridge, blew up early on Monday morning, with a report which sounded like the discharge of a cannon. The top of the still was taken off just above the riveting as clean as if cut with an instrument, and carried away some sixty or seventy feet. At the same time the oil in the still caught on fire, and the flames leaped high in the air, making a display superior to the best pyrotechnical efforts. The cold weather has the effect of making the refining business more than unusually risky, from the tendency of the pipes to freeze up and prevent the steam from escaping, and most of our establishments of that kind have stopped to await a milder season.

People who are fond of patronizing the various Gift Concerts and jewelry concerns which travel about the country may derive some benefit from a few facts which we learned from a man in the business on Tuesday. He informed us that the so-called gold and silver articles distributed are all imitations, and cost the parties but a mere trifle. Thus, for instance, "gold" rings advertised on the bills as being worth $1, are bought at wholesale in New York for $0,37½ per dozen, or less than four cents apiece; "gold" watches valued at $50, cost from $3 to $4, and "gold" sets of jewelry valued at $15, cost about 40 cents. These items are a specimen of the whole, and in the majority of cases where gifts are advertised, they do not cost the rascals $5 for every $100 worth claimed to be distributed. If the public were generally aware of the deception practised by this class of concerns, they would soon die out for want of patronage.

The Corry Daily Telegraph came to us on Tuesday evening with an entire new dress, and the name extended so as to read "Corry announces its intention to support the so-called Republican principles hereafter, and Daily Telegraph and Erie Co. Republican." It claims to be the especial organ of that party in the county. We have always heretofore been led to suppose that one of the editors of the Telegraph claimed to be a Democrat, and were it not that we long ago concluded not to be surprised at any political change, we might be tempted to express some astonishment at his present position. The paper, we infer, is to be the champion of Mr. Lowry.

The Buffalo Express, noticing the closing of the Quartermaster's Department in that city, strongly compliments Capt. E. C. Wilson for the satisfactory manner in which he performed the duties of his position. It says:

"He has expended between one and two millions of dollars at this port, without a single instance of censure or fault finding on the part of the War Department or any of its subordinate officers. As an evidence of the favor which has met his official conduct, we will refer to the fact that he has been nominated to the Senate for a colonelcy in the regular army."

The Express states further that the Captain designs returning to Erie and resuming the practice of the law.

The statement is made that the railroad from Irvine to Pithole will be in running order by the 1st of May. The Pithole and Franklin R. R. is expected to be completed before that date, and within the next summer it is intended to extend the Allegheny Valley R. R. to Franklin, which will complete the through line between Pittsburgh and the P. & E. R. R. at Irvine. When this is done we will have two routes to Pittsburgh—one by the E. & P. R. R., and the other down the Allegheny River. The former having the advantage in distance by a number of miles, will always be the favorite for travelers from our city.

A petition is in circulation for the removal of the post office to a location in the vicinity of Seventh or Eighth streets. The friends of the movement argue that the present site is outside of the business centre of the place, and that a regard for the convenience of the public requires that the office should be situated in some more eligible locality. It is claimed, on the other hand, that the larger portion of the business is concentrated near the Park, and at the docks, and that the present situation of the office is better suited to the majority of persons who have the greatest interest in it than the one proposed. An interesting local quarrel bids fair to spring up on the subject.

We understand that the first payment of $10,000 made to Mr. Lowry for his Westfield railroad privilege has been divided among the stockholders of the Union Land and Mining Co., to the amount of $2,500 each. Of course this is not investing it in the railroad from Erie to Millville.—*Dispatch.*

Bosh, neighbor. If you believe any such story, you are not as well acquainted with Lowry as some of us. He is the last man in the world to divide the proceeds of his speculations with anybody.

In his speeches through this district during the last three or four campaigns, Mr. Scofield persisted in claiming the Administration as the Government. He has seen proper during the present session of Congress to co-operate with the disunion radicals, and in opposition to the Administration; therefore, in accordance with his own doctrines, he must now be an enemy of the Government. How do the "loyal" people of the district, who were so anxious to "sustain the Government," like the idea of being represented at Washington by a "copperhead?"

A Convention of Sabbath School teachers, pastors of churches, and friends of the religious education of children is to be held in Park Church, on the 5th and 6th of February. An invitation is extended to the friends of the cause throughout all this section of the country. A number of eloquent and prominent speakers are expected to be present.

Our paragraph, in another place, saying that the lecture course will close with Miss Dickinson's harangue, is incorrect. The last lecture of the course will be delivered by Bishop Simpson, on the evening of February 14th. His subject will be the original, instructive and entertaining one: "Abraham Lincoln."

We understand that the sisters of the St. Vincent Society have purchased the brick residence on Second street owned by James C. Marshall, Esq, and occupied by Mr. Wm. G. Arbuckle, to be used as a Hospital. It is designed to be open to persons of every religious persuasion, and the inmates will be entitled to the services of such ministers and physicians as they may prefer.

The Warren Mail urges the rebuilding of the bridge at that place, which was destroyed some years ago. It would seem as if such a movement would commend itself to the hearty approbation and encouragement of the people of the town. No stranger visits the place without feeling surprised that so necessary a measure for its prosperity should have been so long neglected.

The members of Perry Fire Co. propose to give a ball shortly, for the purpose of raising funds to furnish their new engine house. The company have given so many evidences of their zeal and efficiency in the service; that any measure which may be proposed for their benefit will undoubtedly command the favor of our citizens.

Owing to a severe accident to his left hand, Mr. Clark, the vocalist, after singing two or three pieces, was compelled to postpone his concert until further notice. The slight opportunity the audience had to judge of his qualities as a singer gave them a warm impression in his favor, and he can rely upon having a full house on his next visit to Erie.

A meeting was held at the First Methodist church on Monday, at which committees were appointed to prepare a charter and collect funds for a Protestant Hospital. Another meeting will be held at the First Presbyterian church on Monday evening next.

We have another letter from "Tiddy O'Raferty," which will appear next week. The many friends of the illustrious "Tiddy" will be delighted to hear that he has sent another "letther" for publication.

We were called upon on Tuesday by Mr. King, brother of the boy employed at making the fires in the school house burned in Mill Creek township, who requests us to say that the statement that his son placed ashes in a barrel within the building on the morning of the fire is incorrect. He says the boy did not take the ashes out of the stove that morning at all.

A correspondent of the Conneautville Record says it would be difficult to decide which is the best looking member of the House at Harrisburg—Mr. Sturtevant, of Crawford, or Col. McCreary, of Erie. If these two gentlemen are the handsomest, goodness gracious, what a homely set of fellows the rest must be!

We understand that parties have procured the lots on the canal, at or near its intersection with Front street, for the purpose of erecting perpetual lime kilns upon them. The gentlemen concerned have an abundance of capital, and intend carrying on the business upon a more extensive scale than it has ever been conducted here.

Cards with the words "For Sale" and "To Let" printed upon them in large letters and a blank left for the name of the party to whom application is to be made, kept constantly on hand at the Observer office.

On Friday, about midnight, a heavy storm of thunder and lightning occurred, a phenomena not often witnessed at this period of the year.

W. W. Wolf, sheriff of York county, died at York on the 22d ult. We observe by our exchanges that no less than three "loyal" applicants were at Harrisburg after the office, two days before Mr. Wolf was dead.

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JOSEPH McCARTER, Sen.,
jan4-1m* On the premises.

FARM FOR SALE.

The undersigned offers his Farm for sale, situated in Harbor Creek tp., 7½ miles from Erie and one half mile from the Station Road. Said farm contains 56 acres of land under good improvement, with good frame house, two barns and other comfortable outbuildings. Also, a young orchard, beginning to bear, and good water. Said land is well adapted to grass and spring grains with good school and mill privileges near by. And also a valuable wood lot, containing 20¼ acres, near by, with small clearing upon it. For further information inquire of the undersigned on the premises

ARNOLD JORDAN.

dec15w*.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Letters testamentary on the estate of John Crowley, dec'd, late of Harbor Creek tp., Erie county, Pa., having been granted to the undersigned; notice is hereby given to all indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them, duly authenticated, for settlement.

RICHARD CROWLEY, Executor.

Harbor Creek, Dec. 21, 1865.-5w*

MORRISON & DINSMORE,

WHOLESALE DEALERS IN

FLOUR, PORK, BEEF, SALT, GRAIN,

CLOVER, TIMOTHY SEED, &C.

NOS. 501 AND 503, FRENCH STREET,

Between 5th and 6th Streets, Erie, Pa.

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Just opened,

A NEW ASSORTMENT OF CARPETS!

English Brussels, Elegant Patterns, New styles 3 ply Ingrain; Good all Wool Ingrain, at $1,30 W'y'd; Fine Praggets and Felt Cloths, Hemp Carpets of the Beautiful Damask Pattern, Cocoa Mattings, Floor Oil Cloths, all prices, styles and widths; Stair Oil Cloth, heavy; Oil Cloth by the sheet, large enough to cover a large room without piecing, Velvet Rugs and Mats, Cocoa and Manilla Door Mats, Stair Carpets and Rods. All styles Gilt and Plain Window Shades. Buff and Green English Hollands for Shades, all widths.
Miller's new

PATENT SPRING BALANCE CURTAIN FIXTURE!

The neatest thing out. Come and see it. Elegant Gilt and Bronzed Window Cornices, Curtain Hooks, Picture Nails, Tassels, Cords, &c., &c. Everything in this line can be found here. A Splendid Assortment

NOTTINGHAM LACE CURTAINS!

Nottingham Lace by the yard, Elegant Designs for 25 cents—cheaper than Emb. Muslin. Emb. Muslin also, Lace Edg. Handsome Lace for Vestibule Windows, with rods and Fixtures. The largest assortment of Wall and Window Paper in the town.

LINENS, LINENS, LINENS.

The largest assortment of Linen Goods in this market at prices that defy competition. Elegant Bleached Table Linens, 1¾ yards wide, at $1,15 per yard. We can show these goods in all grades, from the coarsest to the finest Double Damask. Napkins, all styles and prices. We have a job lot of these goods at $3 per dozen, all Linen, which we consider the *sugar ultra* in the market.

TOWELINGS,

Huckaback and Damask Linen. Splendid Huckaback Towels at $2,50 per doz., all Linen. Elegant Huckaback Toweling, bleached, by the yard, 16 in wide, at the very low price of 25 cents. Irish Linens, Sheeting Linens, Shirting Linens, Pillow Linens, Etc., Etc. Gents', Ladies' and Children's Linen Handkerchiefs. A good, all linen, Ladies' Handkerchief at 12½ W doz.

GLOVES AND HOSIERY!

Gents, Ladies, Misses, Boys and Children's Cotton and Wool Hose, all prices. The best stock in town. A good Cotton Hose at 25 cts. per pair. Winter Gloves for Everybody.

YANKEE NOTIONS AT WHOLESALE!

Stamped Sheetings, Shirtings, Pillow Muslins, &c. Also, a good stock of Domestic Goods at low prices. We keep no Dress Goods, thereby enabling us to keep a larger stock of Furnishing Goods. Call before all the bargains are taken.

W. G. GARDNER,

No. 7 Reed House Block, Erie, Pa.

☞ The above is under the supervision of Mr. S. S. GRISWOLD, who is well known in this vicinity. nov6.

C. ENGLEHART,

DEALER IN

BOOTS AND SHOES,

ALSO, MANUFACTURER OF

CUSTOM MADE BOOTS AND SHOES,

Would take this method of returning his thanks to his friends and the public generally for their liberal patronage heretofore extended to him, and hopes to have a continuation of the same. I take pleasure in informing the public that I am still selling

READY MADE BOOTS AND SHOES AS CHEAP,

—IF NOT A LITTLE CHEAPER—

Than any House in this place, and I am still making the best qualities of Gents' Boots and Shoes, for which I employ none but the BEST OF WORKMEN, under the Superintendence of O. MILLER.

Having obtained a license to use the

PLUMER PATENT BOOTS,

I am now prepared to make the Plumer Patent Boots and Shoes in a manner not to be surpassed in Style and Workmanship.

☞ I always keep on hand a selection of the best Brands of French and American Calf and Kips.

P. S.—Repairing attended to. mr15'64tf.

THE PLACE
TO GET YOUR MONEY BACK
IS AT
E. COUGHLIN'S
BOOT AND SHOE STORE,

State Street, Nearly Opposite the Post Office.

E. Coughlin, Boot and Shoe Dealer, respectfully informs the Public that he has removed his stand to the Store Room on State street, nearly opposite the Post Office, where he invites all his old friends and customers to give him a call. Particular attention given to

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Having careful workmen, and superintending all his business himself, he believes he can give as good satisfaction and sell at as low prices as any other person in the city. Good Fits Warranted. apr6'64tf.

KEYSTONE STOVE WORKS.

TIBBALS, SHIRK & WHITEHEAD,

MANUFACTURERS OF

STOVES AND HOLLOW WARE,

Have a large and extensive assortment of Stoves at Wholesale and Retail.

THE IRON GATE

Is a first-class Coal Cook Stove, with or without reservoir, for hard or soft coal, or wood, and is

BETTER THAN THE STEWART STOVE

We also manufacture the

WHEAT SHEAF AND NEW ERA,

Both low oven Coal Cook Stoves—with wood grates—can be used either for coal or wood.

THE FOREST OAK.

We are still manufacturing this celebrated low oven Stove for wood—with or without reservoir.

THE MENTOR,

A Low Oven Stove for Wood. This is a new Stove, beautiful design, and now for sale—together with a large assortment of elevated Oven Cook, Parlor Cook for wood or coal, and Parlor and Office Stoves, for wood or coal.

C. M. TIBBALS, D. SHIRK, W. H. WHITEHEAD
Erie, Jan. 12, 1865—tf.

ERIE ALE BREWERY,

CORNER OF PARADE AND BUFFALO STREETS

ERIE CITY LAGER BREWERY,

CORNER OF POPLAR AND RIDGE STREETS.

ERIE MALT AND BARLEY WAREHOUSES,

CORNER OF 7TH STREET AND CANAL BASIN.

Pale and Amber XX and XXX Ales,
The Best Quality and Usual Varieties of Lager,
Prime Selected Eastern Hops,
The Choicest Qualities of Malt and Barley,
On hand and and for sale by

A. KING.

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NEW FURNITURE STORE.

J. H. RIBLET & CO.

Would respectfully inform the public that they have opened a

FURNITURE WARE-ROOM,

IN GABLE'S BLOCK,

BETWEEN 6TH AND 7TH STREETS, ON STATE

Where they intend to keep constantly on hand a full assortment of

NEW AND WELL SELECTED FURNITURE

☞ We respectfully solicit a share of the Public patronage. J. H. RIBLET,
jan1'64 tf H. W. SPOONER.

NEW FIRM.

FURNITURE AND UNDERTAKING

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On State St., between Seventh and Eighth.

The Subscribers have entered into the Cabinet Making and

FURNITURE TRADE,

And propose making to order and keeping constantly on hand all kinds of Furniture.

Orders will receive prompt attention. Repairing done on short notice.

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The subscribers will give special attention to this department of their business. They will manufacture and keep constantly on hand a large assortment of Metallic Cases and Coffins, and hold themselves in readiness to meet orders in this line, promptly, from any part of the country. Determined to spare no efforts to give satisfaction both in the quality of their goods and prices, they hope to secure a liberal share of public patronage.

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AND

FANCY GOODS STORE!

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An elegant stock of Fashionable Goods for the Holidays, now opening at the *old stand*. The largest and finest variety of desirable

GOLD AND SILVER ARTICLES, PLATED WARES,

And Fancy Goods generally ever offered in this city, at small advance. Call and see.

dec14-3m* T. M AUSTIN.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Letters of Administration on the estate of Robert Spence, dec'd, late of McKean tp., Erie Co., Pa., having been granted to the undersigned; Notice is hereby given to all indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them, duly authenticated, for settlement.

McKean, Dec. 14, 1865 6w* THOMAS SPENCE

NOTICE.

The agency of the American Life Insurance Company of Philadelphia, having been transferred from Dowsing & Gaggin to Messrs. Whilldin & Gaggin, all persons insured or wishing to be insured in said Company will call on Whilldin & Gaggin, at the branch office of the Company, over the store of Crawford, Christian & Ruth, Erie, Pa. JAMES P. GAGGIN,
jan4-1m. Gen. Agent American Life Insurance Co.

NOTICE.

Whereas, my wife Harriet Hall has left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, and against my consent; this is to notify all persons not to trust her on my account, as I will pay no debts of her contracting.

OLIVER HALL.

North East tp., Jan. 5, 1866-3w*

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Prepared from a Prescription of Sir. J. Clarke, M. D., Physician Extraordinary to the Queen.

his invaluable medicine is unfailing in the cure of all those painful and dangerous diseases to which the female constitution is subject. It moderates all excess and removes all obstructions, and a speedy cure may be relied on

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