WEEKLY OBSERVER.

ERIE, PENN'A, APRIL 16, 1868.

NOTICE.—After this date no paper will be sent from this office, for any length of time, without payment in advance, unless to old subscribers, whose responsibility we are acquainted with. ap9-tf.

Job Printer Wanted.

A good Job Printer, capable of taking charge of an office, can obtain a steady situation by applying to the editor of the Observer. ap16-tf.

New Advertisements.

The list of unsexed lands to be sold for taxes appears, as before announced.——Proposals are invited by the street committee for improving French St.——H. M. Riblet is assignee of S. F. Andrews, a bankrupt.——R. S. Morrison has opened an elegant stock of dry goods in No. 6 Reed House.——J. A. Plattman & Sprague are prepared to supply Trees, Vines and Plants at the Commercial Nurseries, corner of Myrtle and Simpson sts.——Adam Minnig offers great inducements at the "Live Cash Store," corner of State and Eighth Sts.

In the sudden death of E. H. Davidson, of North East, the editor of the Observer has lost one of his best personal friends, the community one of its most enterprising citizens, and the Democratic party a member of more than ordinary zeal, intelligence and efficiency. His keen knowledge of men, and shrewd common sense rendered him a man of marked character, and would have given him a leading position in any community. He died of inflammation of the lungs, after only a week's illness, during most of which period he suffered in an excruciating manner. The respect in which he was held by the people of North East was well attested by the large attendance at his funeral on Tuesday. In the presence of death all personal and party feelings were subdued, and the community, with one voice, mourned the loss of a valuable citizen and true friend.

DREADFUL DISASTER ON LAKE MICHIGAN—*Nearly One Hundred Persons Lost.*—The side wheel steamer Sea-Bird, belonging to the Goodrich line, which left Milwaukie for Chicago, on Wednesday night of last week, was burned off Waukegan, early on Thursday morning, the 9th inst., and all on board lost their lives excepting three. The fire is supposed to have been occasioned by the dropping of live coals among the straw on the lower deck, while the porter was removing the ashes from the stoves. The boat was about eight miles out in the lake. The fire was first seen issuing from a pile of miscellaneous freight stored around the after guards outside the ladies' cabin, and in ten minutes the entire stern of the boat was wrapped in flames. All on board became demoralized, and no effort was made to lower the small boats. The only survivors, as far as known, are C. A. Chamberlain and Edward Hannaberry, passengers from Sheboygan. There were in all about one hundred persons on board. Captain Yates, of the schooner Cordelia, seeing the Sea Bird burning, hastened to the vessel and rescued the only two persons that were saved, taking one from the water and the other from the steamer. But few persons were burned, the greater number jumping overboard and being drowned. At the time of the rescue Chamberlain was lashed to the bowsprit and Hannabury was hanging to the after davits. The hands of the former were scorched and those of the latter frozen. There were several women and children on board, and their cries were heart-rending. The vessel burned to the water's edge, and her hull floated nearly to shore and sunk. She was owned by Captain A. E. Goodrich, of Chicago; was a side-wheel steamer of one hundred and forty-four tons; was built six years ago; cost over sixty thousand dollars, and was uninsured.

CITY FINANCES.—The city Councils, on Monday evening, decided to assess $62,000 as the amount of taxation for the year 1868, —the rates being 17 mills on the dollar for the general fund and 23 for the interest fund, making forty mills in all. This is exclusive of the special street, school, county and State tax, which will be about 60 mills more, giving us an average taxation of ten per cent. at least on the assessments, which is about as strong a dose as any community ought to be expected to accept at one swallow. The special street tax has not been positively agreed upon, but in all likelihood the resolution of Common Council to fix it at the general rate of fifteen mills will be adopted. The total expense of the city for the year, including interest on bonds, payments on real estate, outstanding warrants, salaries, appropriations for fire, police and engineering purposes, and the ordinary current items, and exclusive of the special street, school, county and State taxation, are estimated at $83,000, leaving a deficiency over the $62,000 provided for of $21,000! The amount assessed, we understand, covers the full limit allowed by law, and the Councils find themselves in the predicament of being compelled to meet this deficiency, with nearly as much left over from the last fiscal year, with no means of securing it except by loan. They have, therefore, authorized the Finance Committee to issue bonds to the amount of $45,000, payable in five years, bearing 7 per cent. interest, and free from city taxation, which cannot fail to be eagerly caught up by capitalists.

AN ERIE BOY IN LUCK.—A boy named Lemuel Jones, aged about 16 years, met with a singular piece of good fortune near Cleveland, a week or two ago. He is an orphan, and had been living with an aunt in this city. Becoming dissatisfied, he started to walk to Chicago, and had accomplished enough of the journey to take him on to the road between Euclid and Cleveland, when he espied a large wallet, tightly tied with a piece of red tape. Upon opening it $6,000 in greenbacks were disclosed to the glistening eyes of the boy, who had not expected to find his fortune in so short a time after leaving home. There were no papers in the wallet, indicating to whom it belonged and it is possible the boy will remain in undisputed possession of the money. The wallet had been exposed to the weather, and was considerably damaged; some of the greenbacks, too, were somewhat injured from wet, but not enough to effect the value of any of them. At Cleveland he took the cars for the remainder of his journey—feeling that he could, under the circumstances, afford to travel like other folks.

THE propeller line, which is to commence running between Erie and the upper ports, this spring, connecting with the Phila. & Erie road, will consist of nine first-class boats, as follows: The City of Philadelphia, Merchant, Hunter, Bradbury, Boscobel, Forest Queen, Queen of the Lakes, Mineral Rock and Mayflower, all of which are officered by men of long experience in lake navigation. Two of these, the Merchant and City of Philadelphia, are iron throughout, the only boats of the kind ever built on the lakes. The City of Philadelphia is entirely new, and has a carrying capacity of 1400 tons. Arrangements have been made which ensure the rapid transhipment of freight from the vessels to the cars, and its conveyance over the railroad at a rate of speed which ensures a successful competition with other routes. We can scarcely be mistaken in the belief that the establishment of a through trade like this at our harbor will ultimately be productive of vast prosperity alike to Erie and Philadelphia.

THE Dispatch heads Mr. Curtis' defence of the President "A Rambling Talk all around the Subject." The Tribune styles it "A Masterly Speech." Great authorities will differ.

THE proposition to sell the present Poor House farm and purchase one in a portion of the county where land is cheaper, like most others, has two sides to it, both of which it is due that the public should know before making a final decision upon the subject. The friends of the measure base their arguments largely upon the theory that the farm would readily bring from $350 to $400 an acre, thus providing sufficient means to procure another farm, and leaving a considerable amount to apply on the erection of new buildings. In conversation, last week, with a gentleman who is intimately acquainted with the affairs of the poor department, we learned that this is a mistaken belief. He informed us that the Directors, have, on several occasions, endeavored to ascertain what price the farm will bring, and that the highest sum they have been offered, from responsible parties, is $300 per acre. The farm only contains one hundred acres in all, and it will be plainly perceived that, if this statement be correct, the revenue received would not warrant the proposed change. One argument advanced in favor of the present location is the fact that all the land is of the very best quality, admitting, if deemed desirable, of turning it to gardening purposes, and allowing the employment in that capacity of a large portion of the able-bodied paupers. It would scarcely be possible to secure a farm at less price, combining the same features, in any convenient portion of the county, and this fact alone he regards as a strong reason why the location should not be changed. We are not sufficiently acquainted with the matter to be able to pronounce an opinion upon these statements, but, in view of the fact that the sale of the farm has been much discussed over the county, it seems no more than just to the Directors that their side of the question should be laid before the people.

WE notice that the New York Canal Board (Democratic,) has appointed five editors of country papers to offices in their department. This is as it should be. Until the Republican party act upon the principle that the laborer is worthy of his hire, they cannot expect that whole-souled interest among the editorial fraternity that the Democrats get. Editors are but human, and they don't like to do all the work and let incompetent nobodies jump in and take the profits. —*Corry Telegraph.*

We cannot agree with the Telegraph in its views of the rewards due to editors. It is true, as it claims, that the editors of political papers do more hard work for their party than any other class, but it is only as a legitimate portion of their calling, and as such ought to be performed willingly. This whole office-seeking business is a scandal to the country, and the sooner some plan is devised to obviate it the better it will be for the nation. Above all, we object to seeing members of the editorial fraternity engaged in it, especially when they are in a position that renders them independent of the emoluments of office. In our view the editor of an influential and prosperous journal occupies a station as much higher than the common herd of office holders as the pine is taller than the stunted scrub near its base. An editor is respected in proportion as he is honest and independent, and no one who is an office-seeker can be either. The moment he becomes one he invariably loses his prestige, and the influence of his paper dwindles. We hope to see the day when editors will regard it as beneath their station to apply for an office of any kind, or even to accept one, unless it comes in such a manner as to clearly indicate that no solicitation was necessary to procure it. A determination of this kind, pervading the editorial ranks throughout the length and breadth of the Union, will do more to elevate the standard and add to the influence of the press, than all other plans that can be adopted.

THE Republican styles the Dispatch and Gazette "the organs of faction in this city," and accuses them of being "determined to foment, if possible, a local and personal fight in this county." It defends the Radical Co. Committee from the charge of entertaining a disposition to repudiate the action of the last County Convention, adopting the Crawford county system of making nominations, alleging that it has "not the least foundation in fact." The belief, adds the Republican, "perhaps never entered into any one's brain, unless it might be that of some anxious and ambitious politician, or some self-conceited factionist who thinks every one a political scoundrel who does not sympathize in his political hates, and unite with him in his political prejudices." "We know," so says our cotemporary, "that the Republicans of the county have too much sense and too much regard for the welfare of the party to believe these false and utterly unfounded charges, and to be led or cheated into a factious course by men who bitterly hate certain other men, and who would willingly split and distract the party in order to have their own malice gratified." It concludes by warning "all who are truly Republicans, and not mere campfollowers," to "cast aside these false guides and fomenters of discord," which is pretty cool when it is remembered that the Gazette has been the party organ for fifty years, and the men whom it represents are among the oldest and staunchest opponents of the Democracy in the county. The campaign opens briskly, and we will see lots of fun before it is ended.

THE establishment of a new daily effected a remarkable change in the manner of the Dispatch's treatment of local topics, which we are pleased to observe that it has not abandoned since the suspension of its rival. Were a little of the same moderation to be introduced now into its telegraphic and political departments, our cotemporary would render itself more acceptable to a large class of its readers, and add largely to its reputation for candor and "independence." We have a liberal acquaintance with the Radical press of the country, and in the whole range of our acquaintance, we do not know a journal of that party which so systematically, unfairly and indecently traduces Democratic men and measures as the Dispatch. Even Forney's Press and the Harrisburg Telegraph, which have won the reputation of being the most unscrupulous Radical sheets in America, are obliged at times to hide their diminished heads in comparison with the vulgarity and malice of our "independent" cotemporary. We are perfectly familiar with the fact that circumstances seem to require the Dispatch to appear more Radical than it really means, but it can hardly be necessary to commend it to the party favor that it need out-Herod Herod in low and untruthful flings at everything of a Democratic or Conservative nature. Let it at least have the courtesy to confine its politics to the department where they belong, and not flaunt them before Democratic readers who are compelled by necessity to resort to its columns for their telegraphic and local intelligence.

THE quarrel between the Drew and Vanderbilt factions in New York begins to wear an aspect of local interest. It is said to be the purpose of the Drew party, if they can retain control of the Erie Road, to make a bold strike for the Western trade, by extending the broad guage from Akron to Toledo, Ohio, thus diverting a large share of the business which now passes our city to another route. The Vanderbilt party propose to lay down a third rail on the Erie and Lake Shore Roads, making them equally convenient for cars of either guage, and retaining the trade where it is at present. Why not compromise the matter by extending the Erie road to our harbor and making this the western terminus of both these great routes? It will have to come to that some of these days, when the Pennsylvania Company get all their arrangements complete for the working of the Phila. & Erie road.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

THE best forms of notes and blanks n the city at the Observer office. tf.

WE have complaints from our Wesleyville subscribers that they do not receive their papers regularly. Will the Postmaster at that place see to having the matter remedied?

THE thief who stole W. F. Clark's overcoat in Meadville has returned the papers which it contained. He is a more honorable rascal at least than the one who ran away with ours.

PERSONS wishing photographs from Chamber's, St. Clair's and a portion of Palmer's negatives, can have them by leaving their orders at Ohlwiler's photograph rooms, Rosenzweig's Block. apr2-3t

THE Democracy of New Castle have organized a club, which seems to be in a highly prosperous condition. How long will it be until we can give the same report of every important town in Erie county?

THE President has signed the bill releasing domestic manufacturers from the internal tax, and it is now a law. It will effect a saving of many thousands of dollars to the manufacturers of Erie city and county.

It isn't always necessary to go to Ireland for awkward use of the Queen's English. Speaking of marriage and *obituary* notices, the Dunkirk Journal says: "We shall at all times be glad to publish such announcements."

THE Masonic order is spreading so rapidly in this section that it will not be long until every town of five hundred inhabitants or over will possess a lodge. A charter has been obtained for one at Waterford, and it will soon be placed in operation.

Geo. H. Cutler, Esq., is announced as a candidate for the Republican nomination for Congress. The contest for that position promises to be unusually lively, there being no less than half a dozen aspirants named in Erie county alone, not to name the other counties of the district.

THE Republican gives notice that it "is pledged to the support of no man who aspires to Congressional honors in this district," and adds that its "columns are open to a fair and open discussion of the merits of rival candidates for the nomination." It takes the precaution to add that they must be free from "scurrilous and personal abuse."

TIMOTHY MCCARTY, a well known Irish citizen, employed on the track at the junction of the Lake Shore and Philadelphia roads, was caught between two cars, on Saturday afternoon, and instantly killed. No bruises were found upon the body, and it is presumed that the concussion caused his death. He was a man about sixty years of age, and leaves a large family.

THE Forest Press contradicts a rumor that Wm. Hunter, Esq., formerly of Tionesta, but now a resident of Oak Grove, in this county, has changed to Radicalism—the correction being necessary, it quietly remarks, because Mr. H. is "a gentleman vet in the vigor of mind, who feels jealous of his reputation generally, and more particularly among his life long friends and neighbors."

THE Father Mathew Society has elected the following officers for the coming year: President, Rev. Thomas Carroll; Secretary, Thomas Flynn; Treasurer, M. A. Quinn; Marshall, Daniel Downey; Sergeants-at-Arms, Frank Healy and John Preston. The efficient service rendered by this association in the cause of temperance entitles it to the encouragement of all who have the interests of society at heart, irrespective of their religious or political creed.

THE Conneautville Crisis, having been removed to Girard, made its first appearance from its new location last week, presenting the same general features as before. It announces its determination to sustain Democratic principles, pure and unadulterated, and hoists the name of Col. Rice as its choice for President, "subject to the decision of the National Democratic Convention." The editor of the Crisis, Major Fields, wields a ready pen, and will give the Radicals some effective blows during the ensuing campaign.

Children, don't forget that you owe it to yourselves and to your companions, to be kind, generous, and magnanimous. If there's a boy in a school who has a club-foot, don't let him know that you ever saw it. If there is a boy in school with ragged clothes, don't talk of rags in his presence. If there's a lame boy in a school, assign him some place in the play which does not require much running. If there is a dull one, help him to get his lessons. The surest way to secure happiness is to help in making others happy.

THE "American Mechanic" is the title of a neat paper established at Harrisburg, to promote the interests of the flourishing order whose name it bears. The editors and proprietors are Messrs. J. B. Spiese and W. H. H. Sieg, one of whom, Mr. Sieg, is an old friend and fellow-typo, whom we heartily commend to the fraternity as a gentleman of integrity and enterprise, fully worthy of their confidence and patronage. The paper is edited in a sprightly vein, contains much of interest to the order, and ought to have a wide circulation.

THE Republican thinks if Mr. Hewlett, the temperance orator, had "announced some humbug subject with a sensational title he would probably have drawn a much larger audience." Is this a "sly dig" at Anna Dickinson, Theodore Tilton, and the rest of the mountebanks in male and female attire, who have spouted their Radicalism during the past few years, at much profit to themselves and very little to their hearers? We commend our cotemporary upon the streak of good sense which has evidently penetrated its editorial room.

THE Dispatch advances the idea that unless the "conflicting personal influences" at work in the Radical ranks are forced out of sight, "a conservative Democrat will be put into the field and elected" to Congress. It wants "a true, able and popular man for the candidate," and presents Ex-Mayor King as one who comes up to the required standard. Mr. King possesses more availability than any gentleman in the county who has yet been named, but we have our doubts whether he will permit himself to be dragged into the political arena.

THE body of John Simmer, a Swiss, who disappeared about the 10th of August last, from his residence at Fairview, was discovered on Saturday suspended in a hemlock tree near that borough. It is supposed that the loss of relations caused him to commit suicide, and that he took this plan of effecting it. When discovered, the body was twenty-five feet from the ground, and so hidden by boughs as not to be perceptible from the road, though only a few rods distant. A rope was fast to his neck, and a chain around the body, securing it to the tree. The flesh had dried away, leaving the body literally "nothing but skin and bone."

WHO does the Republican mean, when, in speaking of certain members of its party, it describes one as a "self conceited factionist who thinks every one a political scoundrel who does not sympathize in his political hates and prejudices," and others as "men who bitterly hate certain other men, and who would willingly distract the party in order to have their own malice gratified?" Does it refer to Messrs. Walker, Lowry, Colton, Benson, Scofield, or who does it refer to? We insist that our cotemporary, in justice to itself and to its party leaders, ought not to be so distressingly vague in its denunciations. The public are likely to be misled, and some may think it means one, and as many another. Let the Republican come out boldly, and tell us at once who these wolves in sheep clothing are, that the "trooly loil" may know positively who to trust, and who to smite with the rod of their awful reprobation.

EVERY applicant for the benefit of the bankrupt act, after the 1st of June next, must show that he has property sufficient to pay fifty cents on the dollar, or has obtained a release from enough of his creditors to pay fifty cents on the dollar to the remainder. All who expect to apply for certificates of bankruptcy, without property sufficient to comply with the above conditions, should hurry up or they will be counted out. Those who apply for the benefits of bankruptcy, previous to June, have these advantages:

Any person or firm owing $300 or upward can come under the provisions of the act, upon surrendering his or their property, and making a pro rata division among creditors.

Household furniture, &c., to the amount of $500; the family wearing apparel; uniform, arms and apparel worn in the service; and a homestead to the value of $500, or in lieu thereof, $300 worth of personal property, are exempt.

If the applicant has only so much property as is above enumerated, of course he has nothing to give up to his creditors. The result of the benefit of taking this law is a discharge from all indebtedness. In cases where there is no contest, it requires from sixty to ninety days to procure this discharge.

IT is asserted that the Illinois politics are disturbed by the efforts of the Temperance party, who have become quite disgusted at having two successive Governors of the State heavy and habitual drinkers, and at having half the representatives in the United States for the last fifteen years drunkards. * * * They are particularly offended with one of their Senators at Washington.—*Dispatch.*

Why doesn't the Dispatch tell who these Senators, Governors and Representatives are, and to what party they belong? Is it because they are all men of "great moral ideas," and the revelation might injure the party of which the Dispatch is such an "independent" advocate? When Saulsbury was making a fool of himself at Washington, the Dispatch never let an occasion pass to bring his convivial propensities to the attention of its readers; but it has seldom a word to say about Yates and Chandler, who are notorious public drunkards. Consistency—a little more consistency, gentlemen,—if only for the variety of the thing!

"SPARE me from my friends," was the exclamation of a noted character upon a certain memorable occasion. Mr. Walker has profound reason for ardently and prayerfully uttering the same ejaculation, if many of his friends are of a pattern with the author of a communication in last week's Gazette, attempting to excuse his support of the Democratic candidate for Congress in 1862. We freely endorse so much of the article as admits that our nominee upon that occasion was more worthy of public confidence than Mr. Scofield, but the endeavor to convict him of being in sympathy with Radicalism will be regarded as a huge joke by those who are acquainted with the facts. Mr. Walker's personal relations with both the candidates led him to prefer Mr. Courtright, and he is a gentleman of too much firmness of character to regret the course he pursued, or to seek to have it "sugar coated" in the lame manner of the Gazette writer. Were we in his place, we should feel strongly tempted to have the latter indicted for a malicious design to injure his reputation.

THE tendency to innovation which prevails in our State Legislature has led to the passage of a bill requiring the local elections, heretofore held in the spring, to take place on the same day as the general elections in October. The effect of this change will be to make everything turn upon politics, and, instead of securing the best men for local officers, without regard to their party proclivities, we will have every officer, from Justice of the Peace to Constable, chosen because he belongs to the dominant party in his district. The new plan will save some expense, but we question whether this will be a sufficient counterbalance to the nuisance of having the selection of all city, borough and township officers hinge upon National issues.

THE cold and backward spring has greatly delayed the work of the farmers, who have not generally plowed, much less planted. It will cause them to look very blue. The condition of the country is such that it cannot afford to have a bad harvest. Such a misfortune would bring untold suffering upon the people. It is not as it was before the war, when we had immense granary accumulations of past years to fall back upon, for our supplies from the past are now small and meager. A bad crop in the United States this year would produce financial and political consequences that would be in themselves the progeny of several revolutions, at home as well as abroad.

THE movement to extend State street, the full width, to the Buffalo road, and secure a safe passage for teams *under* the railroad, meets with general favor in the lower portion of the city. A prominent citizen remarked, the other day, that it would add ten per cent. to the value of property on our main business thoroughfare. The project is universally well received by the country people, with whom the danger of the railroad crossing is an ever-present and annoying source of complaint. It is proposed to have a committee wait upon the railroad companies, and ascertain whether they will not bear the expense of erecting a suitable culvert or bridge.

THE *Meadville Republican* having made a base and unprovoked attack upon the Conneautville Crisis, is retorted upon by Major Fields, the editor of the latter paper, in the following pertinent vein:

"If the Republican, or any other paper, means to call us a Southern sympathizer, it lies, unless above four years arduous service under the Stars and Stripes makes us a rebel. Where was the editor of the Republican during the war? At home buying bonds, living in ease, urging everybody to 'aid in defending the integrity of our country,' and cursing all who would not obey his dictates as he now damns every soldier, who sees fit to differ with him politically, and denounces them as copperheads."

DAN RICE is traveling through Maryland and Southern Pennsylvania with his circus. He takes occasion to give the impeachers some hard rubs every time he appears in the ring, and his pointed allusions generally "bring down the house." While Dan was in Washington, he was so much an object of attraction that the Capitol was for a time almost deserted, the crowds who flocked before to see the impeachment proceedings, preferring a genuine clown to the humbugs in Congress.

AS THIS is the season of the year in which croup is most prevalent, we publish the following recipe, from the Paris Medical Gazette, which is endorsed by Dr. Trevitt, of the Columbus Crisis, one of the best physicians in the country: "Mix one teaspoonful of sulphur in a glass of water, and give a teaspoonful of the mixture every hour. The disease is cured in two days, the only symptom remaining being a cough arising from the loose pieces of false membrane in the trachea."

THE Dispatch quotes approvingly from the Philadelphia Bulletin an article which argues that "the character which its inhabitants give to a city has vastly more to do with its growth than all other causes put together." If this be true, how important is it that the press of a community should ever stand ready to present its good qualities in their most advantageous light, and not make a habit of belittling its reputation, and carping at its citizens and officers, like one or two journals that we might mention.

AN Anti-Tobacco Club has been started in Girard, with W. C. Culbertson as President, and H. M. Webster as Secretary. The topics it is to consider are "the evils resulting from the excessive use of tobacco, as well as the virtues of camomile flowers as a substitute." Between tobacco and camomile, it strikes us that the choice is six of one and half a dozen of the other.

THE Philadelphia Bulletin (Radical) characterizes the speech of Mr. Lowry, in regard to the judges of that city, as "gross, scandalous, indecent and consequently in keeping with the character of the man." It is evident that the editor of the Bulletin needs "reconstructing;" and we suggest that the Senator introduce a bill for that purpose immediately. These rebellious and dangerous assaults upon the "harmony of the party" must not be tolerated.

SOME of the papers are circulating a story that the Northern Central Railway Co. has taken the pass of Representative Stranahan from him, out of spite for his successful efforts to have a law passed requiring railroads to build fences along their lines. He is said to have sent it to the office, with a request to have his wife's name inserted, and never had it returned. The joke is one of that sort which can be made to cut both ways.

THE Legislature has passed, and the Governor approved, a bill which provides that "all policies of life insurance or annuities on the life of any person, which may hereafter mature, and which had been taken out for the benefit or *bona fide* assigned to the wife or children, or any relative dependent upon such person, shall be vested in such wife or children, or other relative, full and clear from all claims of creditors of such person."

THE number of letters sent from the North East post office during the last six months amounted to the large aggregate of 22,671—double, we are informed, that of the same period in any previous year. This fact speaks volumes for the efficiency and energy with which the office is managed by Mr. Hills.

THE Gazette heads the impeachment proceedings "The Great Trial." They are certainly a "Great Trial" to the patience of every citizen who respects justice, and entertains a regard for the reputation of his country.

CONGRESS issues a weekly official report of the impeachment proceedings, for regular copies of which we are indebted to the courtesy of Judge Scofield.

THE Dispatch intimates that Mr. Lowry is about to bring a libel suit against the writer of certain articles in its columns. We doubt it muchly.

THE wizard Anderson has made it up with his errant wife, and the happy couple are enjoying a second honeymoon in Indianapolis.

MARRIED.

NICK—BUSECK—At the residence of the bride's parents, on the 9th inst., by Rev. Wm. Semler, Mr. Wm. F. Nick, jr., of this city, to Miss Matilda C. C. V. Buseck, of Mill Creek.

MOORE—WILKINS—On March 31st, 1868, by Rev. C. I. Barnhart, in Greene township, Mr. C. A. Moore, of Waterford, Pa., and Miss Lydia A. Wilkins, of Greene.

ROBINSON—MCDONALD—In North Springfield, Pa., on the 25th ult., by Rev. E. B. Chamberlain, Mr. Manville Robinson to Miss Eliza M. McDonald, all of the above place.

HARRINGTON—DUNN—On the 7th inst., at the residence of the bride's father, Deacon Dunn, by Rev. John McMaster, Mr. Benj. F. Harrington to Miss Sarah M. Dunn, both of Corry.

TAIT—AGNEW—On the 7th inst., by Rev. J. H. Pressley, Mr. A. J. Tate to Miss M. J. Agnew, both of Summit township, Erie Co., Pa.

SMITH—RIBLET—On the 15th inst., at the residence of the bride's father, Wm. Riblet, Esq., by Rev. W. F. Bainbridge, Mr. Harrison C. Smith, of Williamsport, to Miss Jennie Riblet, of this city. No cards.

DIED.

CLARK—In this city, on the 26th ult., Timothy Clark, jr., of consumption, in his 37th year.

BRINDLE—In Harbor Creek, on February 27th, 1868, Tryphena, consort of Amasa Brindle, Esq., of that place, aged 88 years, 1 month and 3 days.

DAVIDSON—At his residence in North East, on the 12th inst., after a brief illness, Edmond H. Davidson, aged 63 years.

GERMER—In this city, on the 12th inst., after a short illness, Michael Germer, aged 67 years and 5 months.

EMINENT men assert that Mishler's Herb Bitters is the great household remedy of the age for Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Constipation, General Debility, Flatulency, Loss of Appetite, Sick Headache, Cholera Morbus, Cramps in the Bowels. It was never known to fail when taken thoroughly, according to the directions which accompany each bottle. Clergymen, physicians, professional gentlemen in all stations of life—and the most eminent men in public positions—all who have ever used or seen it used, join in the most unbounded praise of its merits. Our best physicians are constantly urging us to tell them the formula from which it is made, saying its effects are wonderful; its success is beyond all precedent, and its cures in even the most aggravated cases are as certain as sunrise. It will stop distress after eating in a moment's time; sweeten a sour stomach as soon as taken; relieve pains or cramps in the stomach or bowels instantaneously, and enable the dyspeptic sufferer, who has lived on Graham bread and the plainest diet, to eat a hearty meal without fear of any trouble from it. For sale by all respectable druggists.

DR. H. Y. PICKERING would return thanks to his many kind patrons in Erie for their liberal support during his residence here, and having relinquished the profession of dentistry, would recommend his patrons and friends to Dr. C. B. Price as a superior operator in all branches of the profession. apr9-3w.

NOTICE.—The annual meeting of the Erie County Bible Society has been postponed until the 20th of May next. By order of the Board of Managers.

S. S. SPENCER, Sec'y.

New Spring Silk and Fancy Hats, beautiful Coatings and Cassimeres; also, agents for reports of fashion. JONES & LYTLE. mh19-tf.

Erie Market Report.

The following are the buying prices of the retail dealers:

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES—Apples, Green, ℔ bushel, $1 50@1 75; Dried apples ℔ bushel: $2 00; Potatoes ℔ bushel 80c; Turnips ℔ bushel 40c; Beets ℔ bushel 60c; Onions ℔ bushel $3 00@3 50; Beans ℔ bushel $4 00@4 50; Raspberries ℔ ℔ 30c; Blackberries ℔ ℔ 15c; Cabbage ℔ head 6c.

PROVISIONS—Butter ℔ ℔ 40c; Cheese ℔ ℔ 15@16c; Lard ℔ ℔ 17c; Eggs ℔ dozen 18c; Beef, dressed, ℔ ℔ 8@10c; Mutton, dressed, ℔ ℔ 8@9c; Pork, dressed, ℔ ℔ 11c; Hams, sugar cured, ℔ ℔ 18c; Hams, plain, ℔ ℔ 16c; Shoulders ℔ ℔ 12c; Pork, heavy mess, ℔ bbl $20 00; Pork, clear, ℔ bbl $21 00; Dried Beef ℔ ℔ 20c.

MISCELLANEOUS—Clover Seed ℔ bushel $——; Timothy Seed ℔ bushel $2 75@3 00; Flax Seed ℔ ℔ 2 00; Lumber, hemlock, ℔10 00; do Pine, common, $18 00; do Pine, clear, $45 00; Shingles, shaved, $4 50; do sawed $4 50; Hay ℔ ton $15 00; Wood, hard, short, ℔ cord $3 00; do hard, long, ℔ cord $3 00.

GRAIN, FLOUR AND FEED—The following are the retail selling prices: Flour, XXX W. W. ℔ bbl $15 00; do XX red ℔ bbl $13 00; do XX spring ℔ bbl $11 00; Wheat, white winter, ℔ bushel $3 00; do red winter, ℔ bushel $2 70@2 75; do spring, $2 20@3 45; do seed spring, $2 60@2 70; Corn ℔ bushel $1 20; Oats ℔ bushel 80c; Meal ℔ 100 lbs $3 20; Feed ℔ 100 lbs $2 25.

New Advertisements.

☞ Advertisements, to secure insertion, must be handed in by 8 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon. All advertisements will be continued at the expense of the advertiser, unless ordered for a specified time.

Proposals

WILL BE RECEIVED up to May 11th, 1868, for the grading, curbing and paving with medium sand stone, of the carriage way of French street, from the north line of 5th street, to the north line of Front street. Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of the City Engineer.

M. HARTLEB,
G. M. SMITH,
J. EICHENLAUB, Jr.,
J. O. BAKER,
Street Committee.

G. W. F. SHERWIN, City Engineer. ap16-3w.

Assignee in Bankruptcy.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT of the United States for the Western District of Pennsylvania, in the matter of Samuel F. Andrews, bankrupt. The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as assignee of Sam'l F. Andrews, of Erie city, Erie Co., and State of Pennsylvania, within said district, who has been adjudged a bankrupt upon his own petition, by the District Court of said district, dated at Erie, Pa., April 14, A. D., 1868.

HENRY M. RIBLET, Assignee,
ap16-3w. No. 1323 Peach St., Erie, Pa.

John Lindt, 1249 Peach Street,

Retail Dealer in

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New Advertisements.

Treasurer's Sales of Unseated Lands and Town Lots for Taxes.

NOTICE is hereby given that in pursuance of an act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, passed the 13th day of April, 1835, entitled "an act to amend an act directing the mode of selling unseated lands for taxes," &c., and the several subsequent acts supplementary thereto, and an act entitled "an act to increase the county rates and levies for the use of the Commonwealth," passed the 29th day of March, 1831; and agreeably to the provisions of the 61st section of an act entitled "an act to reduce the State debt and incorporate the Pennsylvania Railroad Company," passed the 29th day of April, 1844, and "an act in relation to the sale of unseated lands in the several counties of this Commonwealth," passed the 9th day of March, 1837; the following tracts and lots of unseated lands in the county of Erie, (or so much thereof as will pay the arrearages of taxes and costs accrued thereon,) will be exposed to public sale, at the Court House, in the city of Erie, on the second Monday of June, 1868, at 2 o'clock, p. m., and continue by adjournment from day to day, if it should be found necessary to do so.

ERIE—EAST WARD.

REP'T'D OWNERS.	DESCRIPT'N.	YR'S.	AM'T.
Curry, Michael, lot 44, block C	1866		6 63
Davidson, Amelia, h'rs, in-lot 3225, 3228	1866-67		84 00
Goalding, Jno., 1-16 acre out-lot 560	1863		9 10
Hamot, P S V, heirs, ½ w ½ out-lot 527	1866-67		92 96
Hamot, P S V, heirs, 16 lots in out-lot 560	1866-67		225 40
Irvine, Wm A, in-lot 1956	1866		82 35
Robinson, Wm T, ½ in-lot 1985	1866-67		16 80
Rembo, Valentine, 60x66 feet, out-lot 568	1867		1 95
Sterrett, Jas B, heirs, in-lot 2625	1866-67		25 20
Stewart, J H, heirs, in-lot 3283 and 50 feet in 3284	1864-67		29 40
Strong, Landaff, cor part in-lot 3278	1867		5 85
Wallace, Rev Benj, heirs, in-lot 650	1866-67		33 00
Wallace, Rev Benj, heirs, w ½ in-lot 652	1866-67		16 80
Wallace, Rev Benj, heirs, w ½ in-lot 655	1866-67		16 80
Wallace, Rev Benj, heirs, E ½ in-lot 667	1866-67		21 33

ERIE—WEST WARD.

Brady, James, lot 29, Reed's Plat	1866	9 10
Bradley, J B, lot 126	1867	5 85
Boyer, Joseph, lots 55, 56 sq 326	1867	3 85
Cerbrash, Austin, lot 2803, sq 18	1866-67	8 40
Campbell, H S, in-lot 1906	1867	47 35
Fullerton, Bailey, ½ lots 786, 772	1866	11 38
Flath, J F, lots 24, 25 and ½ 23 sq 222	1867	8 62
Gross, John, lots 27, 28, sq 368	1866	7 28
Green, Samuel, lot 18 sq 83	1867	3 85
Grace, Patrick, lot 18 sq 37	1867	3 85
Herring, Sarah, heirs, 35 ft lot 565	1866	5 46
Jewett, E R, 125x232 feet, sq 372	1867	23 10
Kessler, Jacob, lot 15, Wood's Plat	1866-67	8 40
Kiel, John, lots 8 and 9, sq 9	1867	7 11
Loesch, Wm, 23 ft lot 21 and 18¾ ft lot 22, sq 298	1867	18 40
Marvin, W E and Elizabeth, ½ sq 63	1866	22 75
Martin, Henry, lots 18, 19 and 20, of out-lot 369	1866	9 10
Martin, Henry, ½ lot 2750	1866	9 10
Perkins, Rufus L, ¼ sq 372, less 1½ lot	1867	28 95
Russell, John, lot 2128	1867	15 40
Strong, Landaff, ½ out-lots 295, 355, 364, 320, and ⅙ 412	1866-67	108 00
do do ½ lot 3209	1866-67	32 80
do do 82½x100 ft lot 2736	1866	22 75
do do 10-13 sq 7	1866-67	70 08
Snell, Mary A, 4 lots, sq 84, 82½x165 feet each	1866-67	16 80
Sanborn, Wm, lot 125	1867	5 85
Schwab, Philip J, lot 12, sq 292	1867	3 55
Thompson, V M, ½ sq 67	1867	23 10
Unknown, lot 42, sq 368	1866	2 23
do lot 40, sq 368	1866	2 23
Wilkes, Henry, sq 68	1866-67	134 46
Woods, Dr W M, 5-16 sq 363	1866	18 38
West, Mrs M C E, lot 2707	1866-67	25 20
Honecker, P B, 22 ft lots 729, 732	1867	39 45

SOUTH ERIE BOROUGH.

Williams, J & J, 3-7 of ⅔ acre out-lot 21	1867	11 31

MILLCREEK TOWNSHIP.

Irvin, Wm A, out-lots 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 683, 390, 391	1864	7 23
Frey, Jacob, 1 acre of tract 531	1866-67	6 28
Blake, Tyler R		
Carse, John, out-lots 550, 551, 1 acre each	1866	2 00