

WEEKLY OBSERVER

ERIE, PENNA., DECEMBER 10, 1908.

LARGEST CIRCULATION. The Observer has the largest circulation of any paper in Erie, Pa., either daily or weekly.

WE ARE ABOUT RE-ARRANGING OUR BUSINESS DIRECTORY for the commencement of the year and wish to secure the name of every firm in the county.

THE DISPATCH calls attention to the fact that in Steubenville, Ohio, the people express their choice for Postmaster by vote, and suggest that there is little doubt of the result of a vote here, where the people would elect for that purpose.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

THE CHURCH OF THE GERMAN EVANGELICAL ST. PAUL'S church will give a Concert and Festival in Farris Hall, on Tuesday evening next, with the object of raising funds to pay off the debt of the congregation.

EXTRA COPIES OF THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE, carefully revised since its publication in the daily papers, can be obtained at this office.

SOME SMART STATISTICIAN says that the births since the creation of our world have been 60,627,843,278,075,231; and you had better believe that than hurt.

THE ATTENDANTS at the Simpson church (Methodist) had quite a sensation on Sabbath last, being filled by a lay member, Capt. Wilkins, Collector of the port, in the absence of the pastor.

THE SHORTEST day of the present winter will be Monday, the 21st of December, when the sun will rise at 7:20 and set at 4:33.

THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, Judge McCandless presiding, will commence its city on the first Monday in January, when the usual large attendance of lawyers, jurors and witnesses from the counties round about, may be expected.

WE WENT attention to the advertisement of the Erie Crocker Store, under our new advertisement head. The stock included some of the choicest articles ever brought to our city, and should be examined by all who desire to purchase holiday presents.

SOME OF the country people who attended market call for a digest of the city laws respecting their occupation. They say the ordinances are changed so frequently that it is impossible for them to keep track of the requirements they are expected to fulfill.

THE LOCAL editor of the Erie Republican displays a familiarity with the fashions which convince us that he has not forgotten his early experience. According to the Lyons City Advocate, he was once quite an adept at the millinery business.

WE UNDERSTAND that a movement is on foot to have the next Legislature pass a bill preventing the issue of any more bonds for city improvements. Its supporters say that two-thirds of the property-holders in the city are in favor of it.

AN EXCHANGE says he can always tell what sort of a woman a man married by the way he treats the printer. The rule won't hold true in all cases, for we have seen some excellent women who had ever walked the streets of Erie.

THE MEADVILLE Republican reckons the population of that city, with the suburbs, at about 13,000. It is a correct estimate, and is characterized as the "local editor of the Dispatch," is a near relative of the local editor of that paper.

WESTON'S walk of five thousand miles has thus far failed to create the expected sensation. The daily papers cruelly neglect to give the illustrious walk the notoriety they did on his former trip.

THE BENEFICIAL nature of the Free Night School is well exhibited in the fact that ninety-three pupils presented themselves for admission on the first night. Most of them are young mechanics and laboring men, who having been deprived of the advantage of a month or two of school, now wish to retrieve their education in the past.

FROM CONNOR TOWNSHIP. CONNOR, December 7, 1908. Mr. Editor:—Since my last letter nothing of much importance has transpired in this vicinity. Yours very truly, Wm. Connor.

REMOVAL. The H. H. H. Hotel, in Water Street, Erie, Pa., has been sold to the new owners, Messrs. H. H. H. & Co., who have taken possession of the same.

HATS, CAPS, & C. L. C. Warranted to be equal in quality and price to any made in the city, and to be made to order in any quantity.

Administrators Notice. Letters of Administration having been granted to the undersigned, for the estate of Andrew Miller, deceased, late of South Erie, Pa., all persons having claims against the said estate, or claims by the said estate, are to present the same to the undersigned, at his office, in Erie, Pa., on or before the 15th day of December, 1908.

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ERIE MARKET PRICES.

Table listing market prices for various commodities including Flour, Wheat, Corn, and other grains, along with their respective prices per bushel or barrel.

THE OBSERVER JOBBER is crowded with work, and is turning out the neatest specimens of printing ever done in the city. Mr. Breck's taste and skill as a printer will soon build up a reputation surpassed by no other office in Pennsylvania.

THE LANCER INTELLIGENCER, alluding to Mr. Lowry's letter in which he declares that "he will not vote a dollar of the State's money to educational institutions which refuse to admit, without distinction, students of all sexes, races or colors," adds: "Lowry is a consistent Radical. He leads his party by the nose, and they are sure to come up to his standard a year or two after he has made an advance."

THE OLD established jewelry store of Capt. Austin is resplendent with handsome things for the holidays. His stock includes all the latest styles of gold and silver goods, and is one of the largest ever brought to the city.

THE REPUBLICAN says "it has not yet been settled, to the satisfaction of the curious, whether 'liger' beer will intoxicate or not." It might reasonably be supposed that the writer of this article, who is a local editor of the Republican, would have the question settled by this time to his entire satisfaction.

THE WARREN MAIL complains that the lecture course in that place is not better patronized. The same complaint comes from all parts of the county, and it can only be accounted for on the theory that people either have not the money to spend, or that the lecture system is growing into disfavor.

STEWART'S SYRUPS AND DRIPS! Very choice. HERB-Pulverized for seasoning Soups, Poultry, Meats, etc.

Wm. UNDERWOOD'S Celebrated Deviled Ham, Tongue and Lobster. Anchovy Tasted, Sardines, Spanish Olives, Deviled Cold Pot, English Chow-Chow, Olives, Pickles and Walnut Cakes, Egg-salad, Olives, Pickles and Walnut Cakes, Egg-salad, Olives, Pickles by the hundred or lot.

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Locke & Co.'s Double Column.

GREAT PANIC IN NEW YORK.

Fearful Breakdown in the Prices of Dry Goods the past Ten Days.

LOCKE & COMPANY, No. 6 Noble Block, Erie.

ONE PRICE PLAN.

Prices alike to all, whether Judges or not. We advertise no goods or prices but what we are able to show when you visit our store. Every article is warranted as represented, or money refunded.

Read the following prices carefully and judge for yourselves: Bales Brown Mullins, 8 cents; The very best Prints made for only 12 1/2 Cts. Cases heavy Gingham, only 10 1/2 Cts. Heavy Cottons, only 10 1/2 Cts. Five cases Cotton and Wool Flannels, 30 Cts. Heavy Blue and Red Flannels, 30 Cts. Heavy Blue and Red Flannels, 30 Cts. All-Wool Grey Flannels, 30 Cts.

FINE RED, BLUE AND GREY FLANNELS, MUCH UNDER PRICE. While Flannels of every width and quality, VERY CHEAP. Heavy all-wool shirting flannels, at 45 cents. Three hundred pieces all-Wool Casimeres at 30, 32 1/2, 35, 40, 45 cents and \$1.00. These Casimeres are VERY CHEAP. Heavy Beavers for Over Coats, MUCH UNDER PRICE.

IN SHAWLS, WE DEFY COMPETITION. Five hundred White Best Spreads from \$1.75 to \$3.00 each. These goods are half price. The above Dress Goods were purchased at the late New York auctions, at about ONE-HALF the usual price. They are all warranted perfect and first-class goods.

Five Hundred pair White Blankets, Good Quality, \$4.00 and \$5.00 per Pair. LINES SAFFRAN, TABLE LINENS, TOWELS, CRAB, Under Price. CLOAKINGS, CLOAKINGS, CLOAKINGS. An endless variety at very Low Prices. Fifty pieces Electro Tapestry Carpeting, 60 & 62 1/2 Cts. The above are only a few of the many bargains we have. Our stock is full and complete in every department. Should any one be reading this advertisement and have doubts as to the cheapness of our goods, let them call with this advertisement and judge for themselves. Remember the place, the only ONE PRICE DRY GOODS STORE in Erie, where all goods at all times are sold at

NEW YORK WHOLESALE PRICES!

LOCKE & CO., Prop'rs, No. 6 Noble Block, Erie. Original Tea Company's Double Column.

TEAS AND COFFEE BY THE SINGLE POUND, AT CARGO PRICES.

A Saying of One-Half to One-Third! The Great Tea Company of Boston, Which is the Largest in the World.

Would respectfully inform the citizens of Erie and surrounding country, that they have leased the Store, No. 5 NOBLE BLOCK, ERIE, PA.

WESTERN TEA COMPANY!

It is generally understood that Tea is retailed for a larger advance on its original cost than any other article of household necessity. This is due to the fact that the tea is imported in large quantities, and the importer, the banker who furnishes the exchange, the commission merchant, the wholesale grocer, and the retailer, each of these makes the middle man and speculator a large profit, from which it is evident that the consumer is compelled to pay a very high price for a pure article, or forced to use an adulterated article.

SCALE OF PRICES. Oolong, (Black), Fair, Choice Quality, \$1.00; Japan, Unbleached, \$1.00; Gunpowder, (Green), Fair, Choice Quality, \$1.00; Mixed, (Green or Japan and Black), Fair, Choice Quality, \$1.00; Young Hyson, (Green), Fair, Choice Quality, \$1.00.

Our Coffee Department.

This is an immense institution of itself, and is undoubtedly the largest in the country. It is a fact generally understood that a large proportion of the coffee imported is picked green, and is not so good as that which ripens naturally. The coffee imported by this Company is thoroughly understood this, and examine nearly every cargo of coffee imported to the United States, and select only the full grown, field-grown, and of the finest quality. The Company are fortunate in their selection of coffee, and their coffee is of the highest quality, and is guaranteed to be of the highest quality. The Company are fortunate in their selection of coffee, and their coffee is of the highest quality, and is guaranteed to be of the highest quality.