Business Directory.

WHOLESALE GROCERS.
Caughey, Burgess & Walker, 25 and 26 N. Park.
Scott & Miles, 500 and 522 French st.
Johnston & Breweliier, 513 French st.
WHOLESALE BOOTS AND SHOES.
Arbuckle & Clark, 32 North Park.
BOOTS AND SHOES.
L. H. Clark, 14 Park Row.
Z. Smith, 503 State street.
C. Englehart & Co., 19 North Park.
George Zarn, 705 State street.
F. Pfeifer, 816 State st.
J. Evans, Jr., 820½ State st.
BOOK STORES.
Caughey & McCreary, North Park.
O. Spafford, 528 French st.
BOOKSELLERS AND NEWS AGENTS.
Wm. J. Sell & Co., 708 State Street.
FLOUR & FEED.
H. B. Haverstick, Park Row.
Crouch & Bro., 519 French st.
Smith Lhue & Son, 1520 State St.
LIQUOR STORES.
Stott & Michael, 821 State st.
Geo. M. Smith, 28 North Park.
MUSIC STORES.
C. D. Ziegler, 820 State st.
Mrs. Wm. Willing, 808 State st.
SEWING MACHINE AGENCIES.
Wheeler & Wilson, 427 State st.
Howe Sewing Machine, 602 French st.
Singer Sewing Machine, 528 French st.
Grover & Baker, 820 State st.
CROCKERY & GLASSWARE
Wm. H. Glenny, 12 Park Row.
Isaac Rosenzweig, 514 State st.
WATCHES & JEWELRY.
Mann & Fisher, 2 Park Row.
W. G. Austin, 20 North Park.
HATS AND CAPS.
J. E. Wilson, 24 North Park.
J. Kunz, Ag't, 513 State street.
Wm. Kendall, 527½ French st.
J. H. Smith, 525 French st.
CONFECTIONERY STORES.
Reber & Burgess, 431 and 700 State street
DRUGS AND MEDICINES.
S. B. Barnum, 1317 Peach street.
Vaux & Elliot, 429 State street.
Hall & Warfel, 830 State st.
Wilkins & Doll, 1312 Peach street.
J. B. Carver & Co., 21 North Park.
Wm. Nick & Sons, 702 State street.
Dr. S. Dickinson & Son, 711 State street.
DRY GOODS.
Monell, Stephens & Wildey.
G. R. Merrill.
Decker, Koster & Lehman, 1350 Peach st
Morrison Bros, 711 State st.
P. Henrichs, 716 State st.
Edson, Churchill & Co., 3 Noble Block.
Rosenzweig & Bro., 512 State st.
Clark, Booth & Co., 5 Reed House Block
DRY GOODS AND CARPETS
Deffendorf, Gross & Foster.
Warner Bros., 506 State st.
GROCERIES.
Barton & Griffith, 1321 Peach st,
R. A. Field & Co., 1325 "
F. J. Rexford & Co., 1321 "
A. & J. Brabender, 1218 "
Henry Beckman, 504 State st.
Marshall, Christian & Craig, 24 North Park.
A. Goff, 515 French st.
A. Minnig, Corner 8th and State st.
P. A. Becker & Co., 531 French st.
Brown & McGiverin, 505 French st.
William Mallory, 527 French st.
F. Schlaudecker, 621 State st.
H. V. Claus, 26 East Fifth st.
P. Schaaf, 701 State st.
CLOTHING STORES.
John Gensheimer & Son, 632 State st.
Stitz & Melick, 1233 State st.
F. Wagner, 626 State st.
J. M. Kuhn, 822 State st.
Marks & Meyer, 4 Noble Block.
W. L. Ross, No. 10 North Park

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Ever brought to this market.

We would call specially the attention of the public to our ELECTRO-TEMPERED

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which we warrant not to break, and will give a new pair for every broken one returned.

Also, on hand a large assortment of Scottish Pebbles, Eye Glasses in Rubber, Steel, Shell and Gold Frames.

We Can Suit Every Sight

And warrant to give perfect satisfaction in every way. dec17-tf.

Notice.

Harriet Peck by her next friend, Ira G. Hatch, vs. Rollin H. Peck. | In the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County, No. 18, Feb. Term, 1868.

NOTICE IS hereby given that the undersigned, appointed by the Court of Common Pleas a Commissioner to take testimony in the above stated case, to be read in evidence on the hearing of the same, will attend to the duties of his appointment on the 29th of Dec., 1868, at 11 o'clock, A. M., at his office in the city of Erie—when and where all parties interested can attend if they see proper.

E. CAMPHAUSEN, Commissioner.

dec17-2w.

Assignee in Bankruptcy.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT of the United States, for the Western District of Penn'a, in the matter of James Pratt, bankrupt. The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as assignee of James Pratt, of Corry, in the county of Erie 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., Dec 11, A. D., 1868.

HENRY M. RIBLET, Assignee,
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WEEKLY OBSERVER

ERIE, PENN'A, DECEMBER 17, 1868.

LARGEST CIRCULATION.

The Observer has the Largest circulation of any paper in N. W. Penn'a, either Daily or Weekly. On this point we challenge contradiction. Its circulation extends to all places of importance in Erie, Crawford, Warren and Venango counties.

WE TAKE this occasion to suggest whether it is not a little too much of a good thing to ask publishers to contribute in money to every local enterprise that is originated, and to give them the full benefit of their columns besides. As the case stands at present, they are expected to advocate all these matters through their papers, to do the printing at half price, and are about the first called upon to furnish donations for the purpose of "giving them a start." It would seem no more than reasonable that they should either be allowed to charge the usual rate for what they do, or else be relieved from the additional demands upon their charity in the way of financial contributions. Publishers, as a class, are willing to do their whole share in helping every worthy object, but they should not be expected to give three times more in proportion than any other class of citizens.

THE REPUBLICAN press denounce Mr. Johnson's Message without stint, but of all the comments upon it, those of the Corry Republican "take the rag off the bush" for downright malice and indignity. Read, study and ponder over the depravity to which poor human nature can descend in its zeal to minister to the passion and promote the interest of party:

"The last will and testament of Andrew Johnson is now before the American people. It is a long windy affair and as insulting to People and Congress as it is lengthy. We have not space to give this aggregation of spleen and insult, nor even to review the topics treated of. Congress did right in refusing to give it even the usual formal courtesies. Imagine a man who thinks himself wiser than all the world besides, and really to insult every one who has the temerity to differ with him, and you have Andrew Johnson. Thank God, he will inflict no more of his insane vaporings on the nation."

Now, it does really seem as if simple justice would induce the Republican to allow its readers to see this important State paper, and decide for themselves; but such is not the spirit of extreme Radicalism. It fears the intelligence of the people, and aims to distort their judgment in advance, lest they may happen to read the other side, and be led to reflection over the political situation of the country. Our admiration of Mr. Johnson's Administration, as is well known, does not mount to a very high standard, but that circumstance cannot blind us to the truth that the Message is a very able document, and one that deserves the calm perusal of every citizen in the country. We suspect that the editor of the Republican has never read it, and wrote at random what he supposed would best suit the taste of his patrons.

ANOTHER PROJECT TO DIVERT TRADE FROM ERIE.—The following paragraph, from the N. Y. Sun of last week, possesses peculiar interest to the citizens of Erie. Buffalo has already drawn off a good portion of the trade which formerly came to Erie, by means of the Cross-Cut road, and if she now succeeds in tapping the Philadelphia & Erie at the point suggested, we may bid good-bye at once to our dreams of prosperity from that quarter. It is high time for the people of Erie to be alert, and see whether, by establishing manufactures or otherwise, it may not be a possible thing to regain some of the elements of prosperity which more active rivals have succeeded in depriving us of:

"An adjourned meeting of the landholders in Elk, McKean, and Cameron counties, of Pennsylvania, was held yesterday afternoon at 71 Broadway, for the purpose of considering the practicability of constructing a railroad connecting those counties and their coal fields with the cities of Buffalo, Rochester, and other places, and the lakes. Mr. Ed. B. Bibble, Chairman, presiding. After the regular business, Mr. Libby, President of the Citizens' Gas Company of Brooklyn, stated that the coal taken from mines in these counties was of excellent quality, as he had found by actual use. The Chairman then read from a report, showing that the completion of the proposed railroad would open out these coal fields to the New York market and the railroads of this State, also to those north, west, and east. On motion it was resolved to solicit the Commissioners for receiving subscriptions to the Northern Railroad and Navigation Company of Pennsylvania, to open books for subscription immediately in New York, Philadelphia, and the counties above mentioned. Other resolutions were passed encouraging all property owners in those counties, and others interested in the projected road, to subscribe to the stock of the road. The meeting then adjourned to the call of the chair."

SENATOR DOOLITTLE.—Senator Doolittle retires from the Senate, where he has so long and so ably represented Wisconsin, on the approaching 4th of March, and will resume the practice of his profession, in the United States Courts exclusively.

He leaves Washington poor, where so many members of Congress have made fortunes. He closes, for the present at least, a political career which a little subserviency, a little less rigid adherence to his oath of office and to the convictions of his conscience would have enabled him to protract as long as he pleased. And the country loses in its national councils that which no government can afford to lose—political independence, personal integrity, and moral courage.—*N. Y. World.*

CHAUTAUQUA LAKE.—This beautiful sheet of water, in Western New York, not far from the Pennsylvania line, is from two to four miles in width, and from twenty-five to thirty miles in length. Its elevation is greater than any of our lakes, or, in other words, it is the highest known expanse of water of any considerable size in the United States. It is fed principally by springs, and small streams or rivulets, flowing into it from many directions around its lovely borders. On the shore of the Lake, near its center, is a barn, from one side of the roof of which water flows to the Ohio river and thence to the Mississippi, and from the other side to the river St. Lawrence and the Atlantic Ocean.

A TELEGRAM from New York says "the Erie Railroad Company has leased the Atlantic & Great Western Railroad for a term of twelve years, upon condition of the Erie company paying thirty per cent. of the gross earnings of the leased road or a minimum of $18,000,000 yearly in the event of the thirty per cent. of earning falling below that amount. The Erie Company engages to keep the track, stations and rolling stock of the A. & G. W. road in repairs, and gives to that Company the option of renewing the lease at its expiration. The arrangement will give the A. & G. W. Co. an amount more than sufficient to cover the interest upon its bonds due under the recent arrangements with the bondholders."

THE BRYANT & STRATTON BUFFALO BUSINESS COLLEGE.—This institution has been established nearly fifteen years, and has become one of the most popular business schools in America. It is under the management of Mr. J. C. Bryant, one of the originators of Commercial Colleges, and is connected with the Bryant & Stratton Chain, the scholarship being good in forty colleges. The Buffalo College has always sustained the very best teachers, and is in every respect a first-class school.

NOTICE is hereby given to all indebted to the undersigned, to call and settle their accounts before January 1st, 1869.

dec17-4w. WM. NICK & SONS.

WINTER is upon us in earnest. Let all enjoy the pleasures incident to the season, but at the same time remember the poor.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

CLEVELAND claims a population of 85,288, with property valued at $81,676,500.

IT IS the easiest thing in the world to blame others for their short-comings, and the hardest to do better.

CRAIG & MARSHALL are in daily receipt of Fresh Raisins, Oranges and Lemons. Housekeepers will always find a first-class variety at their store of all the seasonable groceries.

CONRAD DECK, 703 State street, near 7th, has a fine stock of Fancy Goods, Cigar Cases, Cigar Holders, Meerscham Pipes, &c., suitable for holiday presents, which he offers very cheap. Call and see him. dec17-2w

WE HAVE received from A. Finch, of Philadelphia, the Publisher, a copy of the famous Old Franklin Almanac for 1869, full of valuable tables and important information. The price is only 20 cents.

THE HOLIDAY advertisement of Caughey, McCreary & Moorhead is deserving the attention of all who wish to purchase anything specially nice for Christmas or New Year's gifts. They have a remarkably fine lot of goods.

THE Pittsburgh Gazette calls upon the people of that city to raise three millions of dollars to secure the enlargement of the canal to Erie. It looks upon the measure as one of the most important proposed in the last ten years.

THE great popularity of the Morning Glory Stove, manufactured by our townsmen, Barr, Johnson & Co., is well exhibited in the fact that during the past two years they have sold 16,000 in this State and in the West.

THE FORMAL transfer of the Atlantic and Great Western Railway to the control of the Erie Railway Company was made on Saturday evening. The road is to be known as the Atlantic and Great Western Division of the Erie Railway.

The "World" and "Democratic" Almanacs will be for sale at this office as soon as they are received from the printers. Let every Democrat obtain a copy of these valuable publications, instead of the kind that have heretofore been foisted upon them.

THE SISTERS of St. Joseph's tender their thanks to Mr. Richard O'Brien for a donation of coal amounting in value to eighty dollars. Mr. O'Brien's purse-strings are never closed whenever help is needed for any charitable object. He is one of the few men whose hearts are "in the right place."

IS THERE not an ordinance requiring people to shovel the snow off their side-walks, and, if there is, why is it not enforced? The shabby condition in which our side-walks and crossings are permitted to remain for days after a snow-storm, does not speak well either for the enterprise of the citizens, or the efficiency of the officers.

SINCE the passage of the bankruptcy law, about 160 cases have arisen under it in the Nineteenth Congressional district, of which 75 or 80 have been from Erie county. As a general thing, those who have availed themselves of the act in our county are persons who had become too hopelessly involved to be able to free themselves from debt in any other manner.

THE APPROACH of the Christmas holidays invites dealers in all kinds of merchandise suitable for presents to make their business as generally known to the public as possible. No better method could be adopted than advertising, and as this journal reaches a large class of readers who do not take any other Erie newspaper, its advantages in this respect will be seen at a glance.

THE NUMBER of woe-begone creatures seeking public relief is on the increase. One night this week thirteen persons were sheltered at the police station, and ten in another. They were mostly of the class called vagrants, who travel from place to place, finding food and lodging wherever the opportunity presents. Many plans have been devised to rid the country of their presence, but none have worked successfully.

HON. WM. L. SCOTT has been doing another of the magnanimous acts that have made his name the synonym of generosity in this community. Last week he donated to the Monument Fund the sum of three hundred dollars, being the largest contribution that has been received from any source. Mr. Scott is one of the few men who do not forget that the chief pleasure in possessing wealth consists in the opportunity it affords for assisting the cause of charity and patriotism, and the many deeds of kindness which are linked with his name justly entitle him to the esteem of our citizens.

A FAIR for the benefit of the orphans in charge of the Fourth Street congregation will commence in Farrar Hall on the 22d inst., and a lively interest in it has already been elicited, which promises to render it scarcely less successful than the Monument Fair last week. The ladies of the church have taken the matter in hand with true feminine earnestness, and will spare no labor to make the occasion at once enjoyable and profitable. When we say that the orphans are greatly in need of assistance, we say all that will be required from our ever generous community to secure one of its most emphatic displays of liberality.

WE understand that several of the candidates for the Post office have agreed to submit their claims to the people at the next spring election. It is proposed that an extra box be provided, in which each voter can have his choice for Post Master deposited. This is a capital idea, and will be endorsed by the whole community. There are strong reasons why the voice of the people should be regarded in making a choice for this important office, and no person who is worthy of the position will decline to allow his claims to be submitted to their decision. Let us have a vote by all means. Everybody who desires to see a popular and capable man chosen as our next Postmaster should insist upon a vote being taken.

WE understand that Capt. G. P. Davis, of this city, at present Deputy Marshal, is a candidate for Marshal of the Western District, with influential friends to support him. The Captain is popular wherever he is known, and our citizens to a man would be glad to hear of his appointment. J. W. Brigden, Esq., of this city, we also learn, is a candidate for Collector of Internal Revenue under Grant's Administration. Mr. B. is a relative by marriage of Vice President Colfax and Senator Wade, and, with the influence they will undoubtedly lend to him, stands a fair chance with his competitors. Other gentlemen are spoken of as candidates for different positions, in addition to those already mentioned in our columns, but as our information is not positive we will withhold their names at present.

OUR FRIEND of the Dispatch thought he had a good thing upon us last week, and, with a display of enterprise that the public will join with us in wishing more frequent in its columns of late, proceeded to lay it before his readers *in extenso*. We managed to get even with him, as we make a practice of doing, and, instead of taking the matter good naturedly, he commences to call names, which is a sure sign of a ruffled temper. We trust that by this time our neighbor has recovered his equanimity, and reached the conclusion that those who like to poke fun at others should be willing to take a little in return,—though, we believe, it is generally admitted that such persons seldom enjoy a joke on themselves. It is no part of our intention to be drawn into imitating his bad example at present, but we may gently say, by way of suggestion, that a paper which does not know the difference between a Senator and a Congressman, and is almost daily obliged to correct its own blunders, will do well not to provoke a controversy on the subject of reliability.

A CORRESPONDENT of the Dispatch administers a well deserved rebuke to a writer who indulged in some severe aspersions upon the character of the young ladies of this city. He advises him that if he wishes to indulge in the "spirit of reform" he will find plenty of room among the young men. "Go to the saloons," he says, "where muggins is played or billiards are punched, and a sight most shocking will meet your eye. There you will find young men of respectability, who stand high in the estimation of the public—some of them communicants of churches—considered devout, wasting away the precious moments of this life, which should be spent in business, study or other profitable occupation. Go and work with them."

THE DISPATCH tells a story to the effect that two heavy pieces of board, taken from a box of plug tobacco, were split over Jim Stewart's cranium without injuring him in the slightest. The experiment, according to our cotemporary, only cost the perpetrators ten cents for each trial, which Jim thought was making money fast and mighty easy. He is willing to submit himself to the test on the same terms wherever it is thought desirable, and thinks of giving exhibitions over the country. After the neat piece of carving which the local editor of the Dispatch perpetrated on the Reed House curbstone, we would be almost willing to bet that he can surpass Jim on a fair trial.

SENATOR LOWRY may congratulate himself upon another victory gained. He has spiked the Gazette's guns so effectually that it has not even mentioned his name for two weeks. Our neighbor started out with a valor that gave promise of wonderful things, but a few shots from the Lowry battery knocked all its martial ardor into a cocked hat. The public were in hopes of seeing a lively "mill," but the pitiable cowardice of the Gazette has again disappointed them. If the anti-Lowry men possessed the merest moiety of his pluck and perseverance, they would soon regain their ascendency in the county.

THE Young Men's Christian Association will not furnish a regular course of lectures this winter, but expect to employ a few of the leading lecturers at convenient periods. They intend inaugurating a series of free lectures by State and County speakers, to be given in Walther's Hall, on the third Monday of each month. The first will be delivered on Monday evening next by Hon. Geo. Connell, the Philadelphia Senator, on "the "Americazation of America," and as it is pledged to be free from Radical politics, we advise our readers to be in attendance.

THE New York Herald's Washington correspondent says "Scofield is something of a wag." Yes, he is, and the best joke he has ever perpetrated is in making the leaders of his party in this county believe he has a chance to be elected U. S. Senator, and getting them to support him for that office. Each one believes that he will be Scofield's successor, and is working like a beaver to shove him out of the road for that purpose.

WE CALL upon the authorities to enforce the ordinance prohibiting fast driving in the streets of the city. The snow has brought out all the rapid nags in the neighborhood, and State Street resembles a well patronized race track more than a business thoroughfare. We do not blame the owners for wishing to enjoy themselves, but public safety requires that they should select some locality where there is less danger to life and limb.

THE EDITOR of the Gazette says he has been trying Frank Adams' velocipede and didn't get thrown. In that respect he was luckier than us, and we congratulate him on the circumstance. The explanation is readily given—in our neighbor's case all the weight was in the seat and none in the head, and thus the balance was preserved without difficulty.

COL. JAMES WORRALL, formerly of Erie, is making surveys of Pymatuning Swamp and Conneaut Marsh, in Crawford county, with a view to their reclamation. The prospect of successful drainage is encouraging. If it should prove a successful undertaking thousands of acres, now worse than useless, will be added to the arable land of Crawford county.

SOME OF our exchanges are advocating Mr. Scofield's claims as our next United States Senator, and some as the Speaker of the next Congress. He is able to fill either.—*Gazette.*

"How are the mighty fallen!" A few months ago pouring hot shot into Scofield at the rate of several columns per week—today endorsing him for Senator and Speaker! "Wonders will never cease!"

AN EXCHANGE says "money is not half so scarce as people try to make it at present. We know plenty of men who have money, but refuse to pay it out, simply because the present depression gives them an excuse for holding it from those who should have it." We suspect there is considerable truth in the assertion.

On Friday last, a young man named Dudley Sample, formerly of Jamestown, N. Y. was found frozen to death on the line of the Philadelphia road. An empty whiskey bottle and a pack of cards in his pockets told the tale of his life, and the causes that led to his death, in language too plain to be misunderstood.

THE CONCERT and Festival for the benefit of the German St. Paul's church in Farrar Hall, on Tuesday evening, was largely attended, and gave satisfaction to all present. The music was as fine as has ever been given at an amateur performance in our city, and well sustained the wide reputation of the participants.

WHAT IS the matter with the city gas works, that they continue to furnish so poor an article of light? There is general complaint throughout the city, and with abundant reason. The cry of "Let us have Peace," so universal a few weeks since, is changed to "Let us have a better quality of gas."

AN AGRICULTURAL paper gives the following advice to its readers, which we publish for what it is worth:

"Farmers should keep a close watch on the grain markets at present—remember your wheat will not bring old prices and when you are certain the price will secure you from loss you had better sell."

CALL AND see the new holiday goods at Wm. J. Sell & Co.'s cheap Bookstore, 708 State street. They have just received a full line of Writing Desks, Portfolios, Pocket-Books, Initial paper, Photograph Albums, &c., which were bought at a bargain and can be sold very cheap.

THE FALL of snow was a great deal deeper in the back country than on the shore of the Lake. Persons on the line of the Philadelphia road inform us that at some points it reached a depth of fully two feet. The mild weather during the last couple days caused it to disappear very rapidly.

THE LADIES will find the advertisement of Nathan Cohen, hoop skirt manufacturer, worthy of their attention. He claims his skirts to be equal to the best Eastern make, and sells at prices that defy competition.

A TELEGRAM from Maine says Weston's walk has been "delayed by the non-arrival of expected funds." It is said that he has gone to New York to make arrangements for starting again.

GOV. FENTON has commuted the sentence of the Buffalo murderess, Kate Johnson, from death to imprisonment for life. She has accordingly ceased to weep and pray, and gone to Sing Sing.

SHALL WE decide by vote who shall be our next Postmaster? The people say yes; the politicians say no. Which side will prevail?

THE EDITOR of the Meadville Republican says he has not asked, nor does he expect Mr. Lowry's "personal support for any office."

ROGER SHERMAN, Esq., formerly of this city, has entered into a law partnership with Hon. M. C. Beebe for the practice of law at Franklin and Pleasantville. They are both men of talent, and cannot fail to secure a large business.

SCORES of deer are brought into the city daily, from the backwoods counties along the Philadelphia road, and venison is almost as cheap and abundant as beef. Venison steak is one of the standard articles at nearly all our saloons.

SOMEBODY who is posted says "the biggest aristocrats, as well as the most disagreable people in the world, are persons who, without education or culture, have by mere luck, come into possession of a few thousand dollars."

OYSTERS ARE selling in this city at sixty cents a quart,—less than the price has been in a number of years. At such a moderate charge, nobody can complain of inability to indulge in the luscious bivalves to his stomach's content.

S. TODD PERLEY, Esq., proposes to be one of fifty citizens to give a hundred dollars a-piece to the Monument Fund. The offer is a fresh proof of Mr. Perley's liberality, and we hope to see it promptly accepted.

GRANT COLLARS are the last sensation.—*Exchange.*

There are several scores in Erie who want to wear them, particularly if they have a Postoffice or Revenue brand on them.

A GRUBBING MACHINE is one of the latest inventions. A machine for supplying grub would be rather an acceptable invention these high-priced times.

J. E. PEFFER & Co., 632 State st., offer the unrivalled Singer Improved Family Sewing Machine at a reduction of Five Dollars, until January 1st.

IN HARRISBURG, with a population of 25,000, the street railway has suspended operations for want of sufficient patronage.

AT THE FAIR.—A correspondent of the Louisville Democrat attended a Fair in Chicago, and gives a full description of his experience. The picture is well drawn, and bears so close a resemblance to the Fairs in our own city, that our readers will have no difficulty in recognizing it:

I thought I would expend a dollar or two, and see what was going on. So I bought myself a ticket and slid in. I went to a table where refreshments were sold, and called for some oysters, chicken salad and coffee. A beautiful siren with big black eyes, little white hands and a most bewitching mouth, spread the edibles before me. I don't know how it was, but I felt a strong affinity for that ministering angel at once. While eating and drinking, and devouring her with mine eyes, in the meantime, we struck up a scattering conversation. At last I arose and handed her a five dollar bill. She put it in a little box, and forgot to give me any change, but instead thereof a sweet smile unto me saying:

"Are you a stranger to Chicago?"

"Yes, madam, I am from Kentucky."

"Is it possible? I am a Kentuckian also."

"Ah! I knew it."

"How did you know it, may I ask?"

The reply was whispered, but it produced a faint blush, a drooping of the beautiful eyelashes, and a gratified smile.

"Would you like to walk around the room and look over our fancy articles?" quoth the siren.

"If you will show me," quoth the spooney.

She took my arm, and raising herself by it to her toes, she murmured, "we are not strangers, you know."

Go away, Grant, with your presidency, I would not change places with you this minute. Nor with Colfax, who was married this morning. Go away, jack screws, you can't raise me any higher.

We wandered through that room, talking—sweetly talking, of things that had been, of things that were, and of things that might be. Pretty soon we came to a silver tea set that was to be raffled off. Would I take a chance? Of course I would. Then a wonderful cake, with a valuable ring concealed in it, appealed to the cupidity of the chance takers. I was persuaded to take a chance in the cake. And so things glided on until I concluded that if I took many more my chances for getting home would be rather slim. So I refused to tempt fortune any further.

Anon a costly work box met our eyes, but I bravely resisted all appeals, until the little black-eyed scoundrel took me on a new tack. Leaning heavily on my arm, and absolutely resting her cheek on my shoulder, with those wicked eyes and silvery tongue she said:

"Won't you take a chance for me?" Oh, well, folks preach about the fall of Adam, but I never blamed him, though I don't think the old fellow had half the excuse I had. I needn't tell you that I took that chance, and kept on taking chances for the unprincipled and beautiful wretch that had me in tow until I had not a dollar left. Yes, I was penniless, and then it began to dawn on me that the young lady was working for the success of the Fair, and that I had made a first-class fool of myself, as usual.

MORAL REFLECTIONS.

There I was, a bankrupt in money, in reputation, in self-respect. I had been robbed—yes, for where is the difference between a pair of Derringers and a pair of black eyes in a robbery? You part with your money because you can't help it. I know that society looks with lenient eyes upon the female guerrillas who haunt these charitable fairs, but it is my opinion when all the robbers come to take their final trial and receive their final sentence, that little Chicago robber will take her place by the side of Jack Sheppard.

MARRIED.

COATES—WEIGEL.—By the Pastor, at the residence of Rev. Geo. F. Cain, on the 8th inst., Benjamin F. Coates, of Erie, to Miss Rosanna Weigel, of West Mill Creek.

DIED.

WOOLEY—At Greenfield, Ill., on the 15th of Nov., Peter S. Wooley, formerly and for many years a resident of Summit Tp., in this county, aged 77 years.

BROWN—In Cherry Hill, Erie county, on Monday, Nov. 16, Mrs. Lucy Brown, aged 82 years.

NOONAN—In this city, on Sunday morning, Dec. 13th, Robert Emmett, son of Jeremiah and Margaret Noonan, aged 4 years and 4 months.

BALL—At Girard, Dec. 10th, of consumption, after a long and painful illness, Mattie, daughter of Henry Ball, Esq., aged 19 years.

GREER—GRIFFITH—In North East, on Wednesday morning, December 16th, by Rev. Thomas Guy, Lieutenant John E. Greer, U. S. A., to Mary R. Griffith, of North East.

SEWEL—In Harbor Creek, on the 27th of Nov., Robert Sewell, aged 53 years.

PORTER—In North East, on the morning of the 5th inst., Matilda, wife of H. R. Porter, aged 62 years, 4 months and 17 days.

The deceased was a very kind and affectionate wife and mother. She leaves a husband and seven children to mourn her irreparable loss. She was a great sufferer for more than two years. For the last eight weeks her distress was most excruciating, but she bore it with Christian grace and fortitude. Her only complaining was, "I long to be at rest, for no one has or ever shall know how I suffer." She was conscious to the last, but could not talk much. She died in the triumphs of a loving faith, embraced twenty-four years ago, on the same day of the month that she was buried. Her funeral was attended by a very large concourse of people, and all who knew her were like sorrowing friends. [Meadville Democrat please copy.]

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FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

	Buying.	Selling.
Dried Apples, ℔ bushel	2 25	2 75
Green " " "	1 00	1 25
Potatoes, " "	55	75
Beets, " "	55	75
Raspberries, ℔ ℔	30	45
Blackberries, ℔ ℔	15	18@20
Cabbage ℔ head	4	8
PROVISIONS.		
Butter, ℔ ℔	30	40
Cheese, ℔ ℔	16	22
Lard, ℔ ℔	16	20
Eggs, ℔ dozen	35	40
Mutton, dressed, ℔ ℔	4	7
Pork, dressed, ℔ ℔	9	12
Hams—Sugar Cured, ℔ ℔	21	22
Hams—Plain, ℔ ℔	18	20
Shoulders, ℔ ℔	14	18
Pork, heavy mess, ℔ bbl	28 00	
Pork, clear, ℔ bbl	27 00	
Dried Beef, ℔ ℔	20	25
Clover Seed, ℔ bushel	10 00	11 00
Timothy Seed	3 50	4 00
Flax Seed, ℔ ℔	2 00	2 50
GRAIN, FLOUR AND FEED.		
Flour, XXX W. W. ℔ bbl	11 00	12 00
" XX red ℔ bbl	9 50	10 50
" XX spring, ℔ bbl	8 00@ 9 00	
Wheat, white winter ℔ bu	2 00@ 2 20	
" red winter ℔ bush	1 95@ 2 00	
Corn, ℔ bushel	90	95
Oats, ℔ bushel	62	64
MISCELLANEOUS.		
	Wholesale.	Retail.
Coal—Hard ℔ ton	8 00	9 50
do Bituminous	8 00	9 00
Lumber—Hemlock	10 00	14 00
do Pine, common	18 00	20 00
do do clear	45 00	50 00
Shingles—Sawed	4 30	5 00
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do do long	5 00	6 00

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