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Guardians' Sale.

BY VIRTUE of an order of the Orphans' *Court of Erie County*, there will be exposed to sale, on **FRIDAY, MARCH 5th**, 1869, at 1 o'clock, **p. m.**, at **Drakes Mill**, near the premises *hereinafter described*, certain undivided interests, by Guardians undersigned (and the balance by the adult owners of) the following described real estate, lying, being and situate in the township of Washington, county of Erie, and bounded on the North by lands of Leiver (now lands of Crane); on the East by land of Trow; on the South by county line adjoining part of same piece in Crawford county; and West by land of Henry Gross; and containing 45 acres more or less, being part of 130 acres set apart to the heirs of John Gross by writ of partition in the Orphans Court of Crawford county, at No. 26, April Term, 1863. Upon which there are some improvements and valuable timber. (The balance of said piece, being 85 acres adjoining, in Crawford county, will be sold at the same time.)

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B. B. PICKETT, Attorney, Meadville.—fb4-3

Orphans' Court Sale.

BY VIRTUE of an order of the Orphans' Court of Erie County, we will offer at public sale, on the premises, at 10 o'clock, a. m., on **THURSDAY, FEB. 25, 1869, the Farm of the** late William Luther, dec'd, situated in Fairview Township, Erie County, Pa., and bounded and described as follows, to wit: On the North *by road from* **Girard to Sterrettania and by** land of Curtis Heidler, 2d; East by land of Caspar Harbst; South by land of Jacob Etzel and F. Curtze; West by Girard township line:—containing **EIGHTY ACRES** of Land, be the same more or less, and having thereon a good Frame **House, Barn, Outbuildings, Orchard, &c.**

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SEYMOUR WASHBURN,
JABEZ LUTHER,
fb4-3w Ex't'rs will Wm. Luther, dec'd.

Auditor's Notice.

In the matter of the Partition of the Real Estate of Richard and James Crowley.
No. 56 May Term, 1866.
In the Orphans' Court of Erie Co.

NOW, to wit, February 1st, 1869, on petition of Ellen O'B. Crowley, widow of James Crowley, dec'd, the Court appoint Benjamin Grant, Esq., Auditor to examine the will and make report as to the proper distribution of the real and personal property of said Jas. Crowley, dec'd, in pursuance of the said will, and what further order of the Court should be made. Per Cur.

All persons interested will please take notice that I will attend to the duties of the above appointment, at my office, No. 505 French street, in the city of Erie, Pa., on the second Monday in March, 1869, at 2 o'clock, p. m.

feb4-4w BENJAMIN GRANT, Auditor.

Notice.

I HAVE sold out my stock of goods to S. SMYTH, who will continue the business at the old stand, No. 25 French st., who has the settlement *of all my accounts in his hands.* Thankful for the patronage I have received from the public, I would respectfully solicit a continuance of the same *to my successor.*

JAMES H. SMYTH.
Erie, January 25th, 1869.

All those who know themselves indebted to James H. Smyth will please make payment to me without delay, as his books and accounts are in my hands for settlement.

Jan28 3w. S. SMYTH.

Administrators' Notice.

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION on the estate of Alexander Moore, dec'd, late of Waterford Tp., Erie County, Pa., having been granted to the undersigned: notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to the same to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them, duly authenticated, for settlement.

JOHN M. MOORE,
MATHEW CAMPBELL,
Waterford, Feb. 4, 1869-6w Adm'rs.

Notice.

Cynthia E. Poe, by her next friend, Ira G. Hatch, vs. Conrad Poe.
In the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County, No. 21, February Term, 1869.

TESTIMONY in the above case will be taken before the undersigned *on the 17th of Feb.*, 1869, at 11 o'clock, a. m., where all interested will appear.

E. CAMPHAUSEN,
fb7-3w Commissioner.

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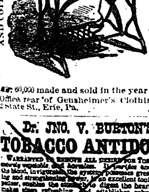

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Voluntary Bankruptcy.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE that on the 6th day of Jan., A. D., 1869, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the *estate* of B. F. Sloan, of Erie city, Erie Co., and State of Penn'a, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the *payment* of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to him, for his use, and the transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law; *that a meeting* of the creditors of said bankrupt, to prove their debts and to choose one or more Assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at the office of the Register, in the city of Erie, Pa., before S. E. Woodruff, Esq., Register in said District, on the 25th day *of* Feb., A. D., 1869, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

THOMAS A. ROWLEY,
U. S. Marshal, Messenger.
By G. P. Davis, Dept. U. S. Marshal.
jan14-4w.

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WEEKLY OBSERVER

ERIE, PENN'A, FEBRUARY 11, 1869.

F. F. MARSHALL, ESQ.—We are happy to be able to state that our well-known citizen, F. F. Marshall, Esq., has at length sufficiently recovered from the effects of the accident which happened to him at the time of Gov. Seymour's visit, to enable him to again appear upon our streets. He is still compelled to move about with cruthes, but is in strong hopes that his limb will soon be as firm as ever.

BAY STATE IRON WORKS.—This well known manufactory, at the corner of Third and Peach streets, is doing a large business, notwithstanding the general depression, and it is a pleasant sight to witness the activity in every department. Under the management of Messrs. Noble & Hall, a wide reputation for the concern has been built up, and orders for work come in from every direction. The establishment devotes special attention to the building of engines, boilers, stills, tanks, steam pumps and oil well and mill work generally. Persons in need of any articles in their line will find it well worth their while to visit the Bay State Iron Works before giving their orders.

REFORM IN TAX GATHERING.—Hon. John D. Stranahan, one of our representatives at Harrisburg, has introduced a bill into the Legislature which proposes to do away with the present system of tax collecting in our Co., and to substitute for it that which has so been successfully practised in Ohio and other States. It provides for paying the Treasurer a fixed salary and having him collect the tax in person, visiting each portion of the county at stated periods for that purpose, and levying an addition to the sum due in each case when the tax is not paid by the allotted period. Mr. Stranahan has given much attention to the subject, and claims that by this plan a yearly saving of from fifteen to twenty thousand dollars will be effected to the tax-payers of the county. It is well known that the cost of collection under the present system is a heavy item, and that the money is obtained in such an uncertain way that no calculation can be made as to the time when it will be ready for use. As a contrast, Mr. Stranahan has shown us some statements from several counties in Ohio, by which the average cost of collection in that State is found to be only nine-tenths of a cent on the dollar, with some insignificant expenses over and above the Treasurer's salary. One important result, also, consists in the fact that the taxes are mostly secured by a certain date, and the public officers, are enabled to make their appropriations accordingly. In answer to the objection that the delinquent taxes will be very heavy under the new plan, Mr. S. exhibits figures to prove that, on the contrary, they will be less than at present. In Trumbull county, Ohio, $217,000 of taxes was levied in 1868, of which only $7,500 remained uncollected, which is contended to be greatly below the sum in our own county. We are informed that a calculation made on Saturday satisfactorily convinced several gentlemen who have hitherto opposed the bill that the city alone would be a gainer by $5,000 under its provisions. If it will effect even a-half of what is claimed for it, we hope to see the bill adopted, and the people will say to Mr. Stranahan, "Well done, good and faithful servant."

While on this subject, we feel it a pleasure to say that Mr. Stranahan is apparently proving himself a most efficient guardian of the interests of the county. Too many of our Assemblymen have acted as if they were sent to Harrisburg merely to advance mere corporate and personal interests, but Mr. Stranahan seems ever on the alert to secure reform, economy and a better administration of the public affairs of the county. In saying this, we will of course be understood as referring only to his action on local matters, for some of his votes on party issues we most decidedly condemn.

"AN ITEM FOR TAX-PAYERS."—Senator Lowry recently read in place an act to authorize the Commissioners of Erie county to open the account of James Foreman, dec'd, who was tax collector of Corry, for the year 1865. The Gazette, in commenting upon this, says that Mr. Foreman got so far behind in his returns that year as to legally disqualify him for re-appointment the following year, and his son, E. P. Foreman, was appointed, but the father continued collecting the taxes and applied the funds, as rapidly as collected, to the reduction of the deficit on his own duplicate. His death, in 1867, found him still behind to the amount of $5,732, but his account was cancelled and this deficit charged to E. P. Foreman. The Gazette reasons from this that the account of James Foreman should remain closed, and E. P. Foreman compelled to pay the outstanding account. The Republican, on the contrary, alleges that it would be but just and proper to open the account of the former, as there is no law permitting a tax collector of 1866 to apply the taxes of that year to the defaulting duplicate of the preceding one, and that if this has been done the Commissioners of 1866 are placed in a very awkward position. We shall anxiously await further developments in this matter, and as nearly $6,000 is a considerable item to the tax-payers of this county, we can only hope the matter will be arranged in a manner that will be satisfactory to the public.

Since the above was in type we learn that the bill introduced by Mr. Lowry passed the Senate on Tuesday last.

APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSE.—The following applications for Hotel, Eating House and Wholesale Liquor Licenses will be presented to the Court on Monday, 22d inst.:

Hotels.

Erie—James Campbell, West Ward,
" Leland & Bigger, " "
" M. W. Mehl, East "
" E. A. Upson, " "
Corry—J. C. Carney, South Ward,
" T. D. Finch, " "
" J. K. Loomis, North "
Concord tp.—J. R. Raymond,
Edinboro—Alvah Robinson,
North East Boro'—J. D. Fiscus,
Wattsburg—J. B. Goff,
Fairview—Louis Schumaker.

Eating Houses.

Erie—Louis Blass, West Ward,
" W. H. Harlow, " "
" C. F. Mayo, " "
" John Backus, East "
" T. Jarecki, " "
" M. Kneib & Son, East Ward,
Mill Creek Tp.—Michael McCormick,
" " John Strahl,
" " Perry Tate,
" " Anthony Uhr,
Middleboro—John Weigel,
South Erie Borough—J. P. Decker,
Waterford—R. B. Matchett,
Wattsburg—D. C. Ensworth,
Corry—Thos. Mahoney, South Ward.

Wholesale Liquor.

Erie—Johnson & Brevillier, East Ward,
" P. A. Becker & Co., " "
Corry—Mahoney & Garmon, South Ward,
North East Boro'—Burdick & Loron.

A WHOLESALE POISONER.—A man named John W. Vannatta was arrested at Warsaw, Indiana, last week, on the charge of poisoning some thirty guests who were present at his marriage with a Miss Horne of that place, in April last. Vannatta is said to have formerly resided in this city, and it is alleged that for the attempted murder of one of our citizens in 1861 he was arrested, admitted to bail and failed to appear. About a year ago he returned, and is said to have married a Miss Bennett. He was again arrested but made his escape. He confesses to having put a quantity of arsenic in the coffee which was used at the wedding, and from the effects of which a sister of his wife died. He says that he did this out of revenge upon her relatives, who were opposed to the match.

LADIES' and Gents' Furs very cheap. Hats, Caps and Furnishing goods. Suits made in the best manner by Jones & Lytle. oc2-tf.

SHERIFF'S SALES.—The Sheriff of the county advertises to sell, at the Court House, on Monday, the 22d inst., at 2 o'clock, P. M. the following property:

Property of Alfred King, consisting of one acre of land in Mill Creek tp., 55 acres in Greene tp., another tract of 55 acres in Greene tp., Brewery on Parade st., Erie city, with malt house on Parade st., dwelling house on corner of 6th and Sassafras sts., Erie city, out-lot 549 in the first section, one acre in Mill Creek tp., and out-lot 558 in the first section of Erie—at the suit of the Keystone Bank.

Property of S. Freleigh, consisting of 215 acres of land, in Amity, at suit of Uriah B. Lowe.

Property of Asa Reynolds, consisting of one quarter acre of land in city of Corry, at suit of C. P. Eaton, use of F. B. Marden.

Property of B. L. Canfield, consisting of one acre and two perches of land in Cranesville, Elk Creek tp., and six acres in same locality, at suit of Patrick Grace for use of L. S. Wright.

Property of Wm. C. Mason, consisting of one lot at Union Mills, at suit of Joseph C. Tilton.

Property of H. H. & H. A. Reynolds, consisting of two separate tracts of land of 100 acres each, in Concord tp., at suit of Willard Levins.

Property of S. T. Proctor, consisting of 67 acres of land in Elk Creek, at suit of Lydia Clark, use of Melissa A. Scott, now for use of B Baker.

Property of C. A. Bush, consisting of one lot occupied by Keystone Hotel, and also one other lot, in city of Corry, at suit of Adam Leibel, use of T. D. Birch, now for use of John Pray.

Property of Sarah and Wm. P. Allen, consisting of 22 1-2 acres of land in Elk Creek tp., and 37 acres in same locality at suit of A. J. Eaton.

Property of Geo. Hetsler, consisting of outlot No. 587, Erie city, at suit of Wm. M. Wallace.

Property of S. Smith, consisting of land in Concord tp., frame house thereon erected, at suit of Abney Lilley.

Property of F. A. Weiblen, consisting of 1 1-2 acres of land in Girard tp., at suit of First Nat. Bank, of Girard.

Property of Joseph Gorenflo, consisting of 15 acres of land, house and barn thereon, in Greene tp., at suit of John Ott, use of Peter Rosentihl.

Property of Matilda M. McVaugh, adm. of A. S. McVaugh, consisting of land in city of Corry, with two story frame building thereon, at suit of Johnson & Brevillier.

Property of John H. Greenman, consisting of three acres of land in North East tp., and 15 acres in same, at suit of G. W. Perry.

Property of J. K. Pickett and J. Waldo, consisting of lot and shingle mill, in city of Corry, at suit of Martha C. Starkweather.

Property of J. K. Pickett and S. K. Dillworth, consisting of lot and shingle mill in city of Corry, at suit of W. H. Walker.

Property of Conrad Brown, consisting of lots Nos. 35, 36, 37 and 38 in Mill Creek tp., at suit of Wm. Bell, Jr., use of John Hearn, Philma Brown and Joshua Follansbee, Exrs., of the will of H. L. Brown, dec'd.

Property of P. Dudley Allen, consisting of one acre of land in city of Corry, at suit of E. Harmon.

Property of John Ferrier, consisting of 1-3 part of lot No. 658 in city of Erie, at suit of Henry Burley.

Property of John Bochner, consisting of land and house thereon, in city of Erie, at suit of Jacob Butt.

Property of Chauncey Lewis, consisting of 1-4 acre of land in Union Mills, with dwelling thereon, at suit of W. P. Hayes and S. P. Kepler.

Property of Martin Esser, consisting of one acre of land in Mill Creek tp., at suit of Jacob Berst.

Property of J. C. Carney, consisting of lot No. 398, in Mill Creek tp., at suit of John Demling.

Property of John J. Smith, consisting of lots 1,470 and 1,471 in Erie city, at suit of Wm. Bell, Jr.

Property of James Pratt, consisting of 1-4 of an acre of land in city of Corry, at suit of Joseph Pratt, use of F. D. Marion.

Property of Martin Ashley, consisting of 18 acres of land in Union tp., at suit of E. Cooper.

Property of H. H. & C. D. Reynolds, consisting of 108 acres of land in Concord tp., and 5 acres and 127 rods in same, at suit of E. Cooper.

Property of Frank Tunberg, consisting of sub-division No. 10 of lot 574, Mill Creek tp., at suit of Jonas Gunnison.

Property of Moses B. Parsons and Kittie E. Parsons, consisting of land with dwelling thereon, in Erie city, at suit of Isaac Moorhead et al heirs of Thos. Moorhead.

Property of A. T. Rockwood, consisting of 234 acres in Union tp., also three acres in same locality and lot No. 2 with improvements thereon in city of Corry, at suit of J. F. Wheeler use of W. Wheeler.

Property of John Robinson, consisting of 50 acres of land in Franklin tp., at suit of James A. Stannand use of E. Eastman.

Property of C. H. Haley, consisting of 62 1-2 acres of land in Concord tp., at suit of E. Cooper, use of J. W. Wetmore.

Property of Jane Goodwin, executrix of the estate of Sam'l E. Goodwin, dec'd, consisting of a lot of ground in the city of Erie, having thereon erected a large brick dwelling house and barn, at suit of Wm. C. Curry.

Property of Belinda Nash and John Smith, consisting of two tracts of land of 30 and 50 acres respectively, in Concord tp., at suit of E. Cooper.

Poor Taxes in 1868 and '69.

We give below a certified statement of the amount of Poor Taxes levied in each district of the county for the years 1868 and 1869, which will be of general interest to our citizens. Heretofore the amount of tax levied has been given to the public in such a shape that it was impossible to ascertain the amount specially required for Poor expenses from each district. The table below will enable the people of every locality to see the exact sum they are called upon to pay for the support of the Poor, and enable them to form more intelligent conclusions upon the various propositions on the subject of our Poor expenses. It will be a source of gratification to the public to know that the Poor Tax for this year will be ten thousand dollars less than it was in 1868, the enormous figures of which year were the first to awaken attention to the necessity of reform. Whether this reduction is due to the agitation of the topic by the Press, or to an actual falling off in the demands upon the public bounty, we leave for others who are better informed than we are to decide:

	1868.	1869.
Erie, East Ward	$3,730	$2,487
" West Ward	4,200	2,800
South Erie	630	420
Mill Creek	3,645	2,430
Harbor Creek	1,300	866
North East Tp	1,653	1,102
" " Boro'	378	252
Greenfield	406	270
Venango	637	425
Wattsburg	116	77
Amity	370	246
Wayne	584	390
Concord	598	400
Corry	1,146	764
Union Tp	593	397
" Boro'	250	167
Le Bœuff	626	417
Waterford Tp	888	592
" Boro'	283	188
Greene	680	453
Summit	500	330
McKean	758	505
Middleboro	55	36
Washington	928	617
Edinboro	215	143
Franklin	354	236
Elk Creek	458	305
Conneaut	735	490
Albion	140	93
Springfield	1,456	970
Girard Tp	1,545	1,030
" Boro'	349	233
Fairview	1,162	775
	$31,366	$20,906

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
Erie County, Pa.

We, the undersigned, Commissioners of Erie county, do certify that the within [above] is a true statement of the relative proportion of poor taxes levied upon the several Districts of Erie county, for the year 1868 and 1869 respectively, in accordance with the requisitions of the directors of the poor for said years.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and affixed the seal of our office, at Erie, this 6th day of February, 1869.

S. J. GODFREY,
WM. B. WEED,
L. M. CHILDS,
Commissioners.

Attest: A. J. STERRETT, Clerk.

LOCAL LEGISLATION.—On Friday last the bill incorporating the Corry Gas and Water Company passed finally in the State Legislature, and has been signed by the Governor. A bill authorizing the Philadelphia and Erie Railroad Company to extend and construct their branch railroad, now located and being built in the counties of Cameron, Elk, Clearfield and Jefferson, to the line between this State and Ohio, and to connect the same with other railroads, passed the senate on the same day. The new route will run from a point near Lock Haven, on the P. & E. road, making the best and most direct road to New York from the west, which the Penna. R. R. Co. design employing for the transportation of their through freight.

Important Bill.—An act enlarging the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace in this county was recently introduced into the House, at Harrisburg, by our Representative, Mr. Rea, and has passed that body. As it will undoubtedly be concurred in by the Senate, we herewith append an abstract of its provisions:

Hereafter Justices shall have jurisdiction in all causes arising from contract, expressed or implied, when the sum demanded is not over $300, the same as heretofore, when the sum did not exceed $100. In cases when a suit or action shall be commenced in the Court of Common Pleas, and the plaintiff shall obtain judgment in a sum less than $300, he shall not be allowed to recover costs from the defendant, unless he shall have previously filed with the precipe his own or some other person's affidavit that the amount expected to be recovered exceeded $300.

The said Justices shall have jurisdiction in actions of trover and conversion, and of trespass, when the value of property claimed or damages alleged does not exceed $300, the same as in cases when at present the law limits to $100.

In actions before Justices, when the sum involved exceeds $50, either the plaintiff or defendant may demand a jury trial, and the Justice will empanel a jury of six, in conformity with the act of May, 1861. The mode of procedure shall be, as far as applicable, the same as in civil proceedings, and the successful party shall be entitled to full costs—provided, in the defendant's case, he shall file an affidavit that he has just and legal defence to the whole or a stated part of the plaintiff's claim; and if the plaintiff will not accept the stated amount defendant is willing to pay, and the judgment does not substantiate the amount of his claim, then he shall not recover costs from the defendant.

Before any party shall be allowed to appeal from the verdict of the jury, all legal costs that have accrued must be paid, and recognizance, with ample security, entered into in a sum to cover all costs which may thereafter accrue.

In cases of jury trial Justices, will be entitled to one dollar per day, in addition to regular fees.

Scientific Blackmailing.—A young man named Peter Grine was arrested recently by Thomas J. Wells, a constable of the West Ward, on the charge of setting fire to a cooper shop at Springfield. He was brought before Justice Gunnison for a hearing, but as there was no evidence to implicate him he was discharged. Subsequently Wells demanded $17.40, alleged costs on the case, and Grines, after a fruitless attempt to raise the amount in various quarters, was compelled to get that sum from his wife, who was lying quite ill at the time. Wells took the money and enjoined silence, but the story leaked out and the constable was compelled to disgorge a portion of it. Mr. Buckley, a young attorney of this place, volunteered his services in the matter, and Wells, after a hearing before Esquire Curtze, was held to bail in the sum of $300 to answer. Subsequently a warrant for his re-arrest was procured from Justice Kohler, on the charge of incurring the civil penalty of $50 for receiving illegal fees.—Wells, in the meantime, had departed for parts unknown, and there the matter rests at present. Our Republican friends are rather unfortunate in their young lawyers, Wells being the second of the ilk, who, within the last year, has been compelled to take leg-bail in order to avoid punishment.

Coasting on the Ice.—In the mountainous portions of this State the boys consider it rare amusement to coast down the hills in winter, when a sufficiency of snow covers the earth to enable them to pursue this healthgiving exercise. Here, in Erie, our children of a larger growth can enjoy a similar, but less laborious pleasure, by coasting over the ice which covers the bay, by means of the "ice boat." These boats are constructed in such a manner as to enable persons who desire the agreeable sensations of rapid, yet safe motion, to skim over the ice at the rate of thirty or forty miles per hour, by simply elevating a sail and using the wind as the propelling power. These boats are under complete control of the person operating them, and their course can be changed, or, even when moving at the most rapid rate of speed, they can be stopped with the utmost facility. The ice in the bay is now of a sufficient thickness to render it perfectly safe, and a stretch of about six miles in length by nearly two in width can be navigated over with this species of craft. One of these boats is now in almost constant use, and it will amply repay a visit to the bay to see the rapidity with which it glides over the ice.

A Suggestion.—There are three applicants for the position of postmaster at Meadville, under the incoming administration, and, as there is only one office, two of these are doomed to disappointment. A number of prominent Radical citizens proposed to the applicants that they should submit their names to a general vote of the citizens of that party, the two receiving a minority of the votes to withdraw all claims to the position in favor of the one whom a majority of the citizens would vote for. Two of the candidates refused to accede to this proposition and the third was willing to abide by the result. As there are several Radical applicants for the post-office in this city would it not be a good idea to submit their claims to a vote of the Radical citizens?

Issue of Bonds.—The Water Works Commissioners laid a petition before Councils, at their meeting on Monday night last, asking a further issue of bonds to defray the expense of laying pipes from the mains to the sidewalks. They argued that the cost of digging up the street prevents many from taking the water, but that if this expense could be defrayed by the city the introduction of the water would become more general, and the additonal water rents would soon repay the cost. The committee to whom this was referred reported favorably, and by a unanimous vote Councils authorized the issue of $50,000 more of Water Works bonds, to defray the cost which will be incurred.

A Slight Mistake.—The *Gazette* is in error in stating that we advised "our friends" to attend the lecture of B. F. Taylor. It was that paper that announced him as "the eloquent and popular B. F. Taylor, of Chicago," and that "of the few lectures yet to be delivered none would be better than his." This, coming from such a source, was enough to give rise to suspicion among "our friends," and hence they thought it advisable to keep away. So many Radical fanatics are traveling around under the guise of lecturers that we do not feel it incumbent upon ourselves to advise our friends to attend their so-called "lectures."

Washington's Birthday.—On Monday, the 22d inst., occurs the anniversary of the birth of George Washington. By recent enactment this day is now set apart as a legal holiday, and business of a public nature must be suspended. We understand that a general parade of the Fire Department and the Irish American Society will take place here on this occasion, to be followed by a supper at Brown's Hotel. We have not as yet heard of any further arrangements being made to celebrate the day in a worthy and becoming manner.

Fatal Accident.—Mr. Samuel C. Stanford, a well known citizen of Waterford, was killed instantly at Corry, on Monday last, by being run over by an engine. He was standing on the track and looking in an opposite direction when the engine was backed up, and the engineer did not discover him in time to prevent the accident. Mr. Stanford leaves three orphaned children to mourn his untimely death.

A Chance for a Newspaper Man.—The city of Lafayette, Indiana, offers extraordinary inducements for an enterprising printer or business man to start a Democratic journal. The city contains a population of 20,000, and is reliably Democratic by about 300 majority. Two Republican daily papers are now published there, and the Democracy are compelled to patronize them for lack of one of their own.

The Benefit of Advertising.—One of the wealthiest members of the House of Representatives, at Washington, is a gentleman from Brooklyn, N. Y., who started in the patent medicine business on a small scale, but by judicious and extensive advertising is now "vastly rich." It is singular that there are many merchants, even in this locality, who do not appear to appreciate the benefit of advertising, when instances of men who have accumulated a fortune by the liberal use of printers' ink are so common. If you want to sell your goods don't be afraid to tell the people where your store is and what you have for sale.

Judgment Notes.—The Commissoner of Internal Revenue has recently decided that a Judgment note should be stamped at the usual rate of promissory notes, being five cents for every $100, or fractional part thereof, with five cents additional, on account of the clause "without defalcation." This decision is made under the clause of the Internal Revenue law, which provides that no stamp duty should be charged upon any warrant of attorney accompanying a bond or note duly stamped.

Antidote for Tobacco.—Trask, the anti-tobacco philanthropist, says that gentian root, coarsely ground, chewed well, and the saliva swallowed, will cure the appetite for tobacco if its use is persisted in for a few weeks. Take as much of it after each meal, or oftener, as amounts to a common quid of fine-cut or cavendish.

Another Survivor.—The Venango Spectator states that a survivor of Perry's command, named Samuel McKinney, is living in Cranberry tp., that county, and that he is now about eighty years of age. Mr. M'K. served on board the fleet during the battle, and has a medal.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

As candidates for Mayor next month, Messrs. P. A. Becker and Geo. W. Colton are prominently spoken of.

The city of Corry has been divided into two Wards. The track of the A. & G. W. Railroad is the dividing line.

The Senate, last week, refused to concur in the amendments made by the House to a bill authorizing the Governor to appoint additional notaries public for Erie and other counties.

Rev. W. F. Bainbridge, of the Fifth St. Baptist Church of this city, has accepted the call of the Central Baptist Church of Providence, R. I. It is stated that his salary will be $2,500.

It is rumored that C. L. Knapp, the notorious thief, has been seen in this neighborhood, within a few days past. It is said that a large reward is offered for his capture, and it would be a relief to the community if he were safely caged.

A man named Daniel Openheimer was arrested on Tuesday, charged with offering for sale a quantity of mutton which did not come up to the standard required by the city ordinance. He was taken before Esquire Curtze, and fined $10 and costs.

A Girard lady accomplished quite a feat last week, according to the Spectator. She prepared breakfast and dinner, did a two week's ironing, and made a bouncing contribution to the census—all in the same day, and before four o'clock, P. M.

There is one species of business getting very lively in Erie just at the present time—the *dunning business*. Every body wants money very badly and nobody appears to have it. No use talking of the resumption of specie payments when the most persistent dunning cannot produce currency payments.

On Monday of last week two enterprising boys from Albion skated on the canal from that place to Conneautville, Crawford Co., a distance of over ten miles, in one hour and twenty minutes. This included the time consumed in walking around five locks, and may be considered pretty good traveling. The younger of the boys was only seven years of age.

A German newspaper at Pittsburgh, the Volksblatt, thinks that the Germans of this county are entitled to an Assemblyman, and suggests that they ought to insist on the nomination of one by the next Republican convention. The Democrats invariably remember the Germans in making up their county tickets; the dominant party seldom do, except in the distribution of some petty office.

An attempt was made at an early hour on Monday morning last, to set fire to the machine shop of Messrs. Noble, Hall & Co., but the design of the incendiary was frustrated by the timely arrival of the person who is employed to watch the establishment. The villain who made the attempt to fire the building escaped, but the officers have their suspicions as to who he is, and it will be advisable for him to act cautiously in the future.

Two young ladies residing in North East made a narrow escape from drowning last week. They had gone to a pond to skate, and the ice being treacherous they broke through. A young man who was working in the vicinity fortunately noticed them and after a great deal of exertion succeeded in rescuing them from a watery grave. This should serve as a lesson to venturesome persons who feel like indulging in the amusement of skating on ice of insufficient thickness to render it safe.

We are glad to know that Judge Sterrett has yielded to the request of his friends, and consented to become a candidate for re-appointment as Postmaster. He has made one of the most obliging and efficient officers the city has ever possessed, and, since a Republican must have the place, we know of no one who would be more generally acceptable. The candidates now are Judge Sterrett, Capt. J. C. Hilton, M. W. Caughey and Rev. J. H. Whallon. The latter is understood to have the endorsement of Congressman Scofield and Senator Lowry.

The latest invention (yet still, like a great many of the new inventions, one of the earliest known) is the property of a Milesian gentleman who resides in this city. He calls it the Wheelocipede. It has only one wheel and is not only a useful but also a perfectly safe vehicle. The operator rests his feet upon the ground, the weight of his whole body on his feet, and guides the arrangement by means of a pair of bars. It can be used for the conveyance of earth, sand and such materials, and quite a number are in practical operation in different portions of the city.

New Publications.

Hearth and Home.—No. 8 of this excellent weekly journal is one of the best yet issued. This publication is indispensable to the fireside, and commends itself peculiarly to the agriculturist. A fine engraving accompanies this number. Published by Pettengill, Bates & Co., New York. Subscription price $4,00 per year.

The American Year-Book and National Register.—From the publishers, O. D. Case & Co., Hartford, Conn., we have received an advance copy of the above work. It will be exceedingly valuable as a book of reference; its contents embracing information on the astronomical, historical, political, financial and commercial condition of this and other countries, during the past year. To be sold by traveling agents. Any person desiring an agency for the sale of this book can secure it by addressing the publishers.

Wm. J. Sell & Co., are selling paper Collars and Cuffs cheaper than they were ever sold in Erie. Call and see them at 708 State street.

St. Valentine's day is near at hand and Wm. J. Sell & Co., have received their stock of Sentimental, Comic and Juvenile billet-doux for that occasion.

Irish poplins, dress silks, all colors, jus received at 512 State street.
dec8-2m. L. Rosenzweig & Co.

New Advertisements.

HAYES & KEPLER,
REAL ESTATE
AND
INSURANCE AGENTS.

Houses for Sale.

New 1½ Story House of I. Christoph, on Buffalo st., bet. Chestnut and Walnut sts.

2 Good 1 Story Houses, with lot 80x165 each, on 11th st. near 12th st. R. R. Owners have left town and will sell cheap.

For Rent.

2 Tenements, 5 rooms each, on 3d st., between Myrtle and Chestnut, at $110 and $150 per annum. Possession immediately.

For Rent.—Dwelling House of Capt. Dunlap's on Sassafras st., about 8 rooms, cellar, water, good garden, fruit, &c. A good tenant can have it at $175 per annum.

For Rent, on W. 4th street, bet. Sassafras and Myrtle, a well finished dwelling. Price, $250 per annum. Possession given at once.
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We have lately received another Large Invoice of FRENCH GLASS, direct from the Manufacturers in Europe, making our present supply the largest in any house west of New York. Our stock in store

Embraces Nearly Every Size, both of Double and Single Strength.

Dealers and others in want of Glass will FAVOR THEIR INTERESTS by examining our stock and prices before buying elsewhere.—Large sizes of Single and Double Strength Glass Imported expressly for HOUSE AND STORE FRONTS. The Superior Quality of French Glass over all other kinds in CLEARNESS, STRAIGHTNESS, BRILLIANCY AND STRENGTH is fully admitted, and the Trifling Excess in price over American is of NO ACCOUNT, considering its better qualities in every respect.

A liberal discount made on jobbing lots to the trade.

AMERICAN GLASS.

We have also a large stock of American Glass of Single and Double strength, which we are selling at Low Rates, both in jobbing lots to dealers and in retail parcels to suit buyers.

Paints, Oils, Varnishes, &c.

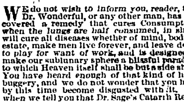
In this department we keep well supplied with every article used in the Painting Line, from a harrow to the finest house included. The quality of these articles is not excelled, and we are selling at lowest market rates.

Dye Woods and Dye Stuffs.

In this class of goods our stock is extensive and complete, including the Aniline dyes, and we are offering strong inducements both to Wholesale and Retail buyers.

Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals, &c., &c.

Our stock of Drugs, Chemicals, Patent Medicines, Perfumeries, Toilet Articles, and Miscellaneous Goods is extensive, having from long experience been bought with much care, and the public can depend upon finding the largest stock of the kind in Western Penn'a., which we are selling at close figures, either in whole or broken packages. jan14-6m.



WE do not wish to inform you, reader, that Dr. Wonderful, or any other man, has discovered a remedy that cures Consumption, when the lungs are half consumed, in short, will cure all diseases whether of mind, body or estate, make men live forever, and leave death to play for want of work, and is designed to make our sublunary sphere a blissful paradise, to which Heaven itself shall be but a side show. You have heard enough of that kind of humbuggery, and we do not wonder that you have by this time become disgusted with it. But when we tell you that Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy WILL POSITIVELY CURE THE WORST CASES OF CATARRH, we only assert that which thousands can testify to. Try it and you will be convinced. We will pay $500 Reward for a case of Catarrh that we cannot cure.

For Sale by most Druggists Everywhere.
PRICE ONLY 50 CENTS. Sent by Mail post paid, for Sixty Cents; Four Packages for $2.00; or 1 Dozen for $5.00 Send a two cent stamp for Dr. Sage's pamphlet on Catarrh. Address the Proprietor. R. V. PIERCE, M. D.,
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AND WILL PRESENT to any person sending us a Club in our

Great ONE DOLLAR Sale
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A WATCH, PIECE OF SHEETING, SILK PATTERN, &c., &c.,

FREE OF COST!

Our inducements during the last few years have been LARGE.

We now Double our Rates of Premiums.

We have made many important additions to our Winter Stocks, and have largely extended our Exchange Lists, and we now feel confident of meeting the demands of our extensive patronage.

Send for New Circular.

Catalogue of Goods and Samples sent to any address Free. Send money by Registered Letter. Address all orders to

J. S. HAWES & CO.,
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GEO. A. ALLEN,
Attorney at Law, Cor. of State and 7th Sts., (over Nick's Drug Store, Erie, Pa. jan1'69-tf

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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,

Wish to notify the public that they have bought an immense quantity of FIRST CLASS Dry Goods VERY CHEAP since the recent BREAKDOWN in the Eastern Market, and are now offering them at much lower prices than any other store. Our business is done strictly on the

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 Muslins	8	cents.
" " "	10	"
" Yard wide and fine	12½	"
" " " and heavy	12½	"
" 40 inches fine and heavy	15	"
Cases Bleached Muslin	10	"
" Yard wide	12½	"
" " " and fine	15	"
" Prints	8	"

The very best Prints made for only	12½	Cts.
Cases heavy Ginghams, only	12½	"
Heavy Cotton Flannels	20	"
Five cases Cotton and Wool Flannels, half price	20	"
Heavy ⅞ wide Shaker Flannel	35	"
Plaid Shirting Flannels	25	"
All-Wool Grey Flannels	25	"

FINE RED, BLUE AND GREY FLANNELS, MUCH UNDER PRICE.

White Flannels of every width and quality, VERY CHEAP. Heavy all-wool shirting flannels, at 45 cents.

Three hundred pieces all-Wool Cassimeres at 50, 62½, 75, 80, 85 cents and $1.00. These Cassimeres are VERY CHEAP.

Heavy Beavers for Over Coats, MUCH UNDER PRICE.

IN SHAWLS, WE DEFY COMPETITION.

Five hundred White Bed Spreads from $1.75 to $3.50 each. These goods are half price.

DRESS GOODS! DRESS GOODS!

BLACK ALPACCAS, 37½ cts., 40 cts., 45 cts., 50 cts., 62½ cts., and 75 cts.

COLORED ALPACCAS, 37½ cts, 45 cts, 50 cts, and 62½ cts.

POPLIN ALPACCAS, 55 cts, 62½ cts, 75 cts, and 87½ cts.

Three Hundred pieces English Merinos, eight yards for only $3.00.

One hundred pieces Cashmere Plaids, worth 50 cents, for 25 cents.

Fifty pieces Cashmere Plaids for 30 cents.

Seventy-five pieces English Serge Dress Goods, 25 cents.

Thirty pieces heavy Mohair Plaids, 30 cents.

Two hundred pieces all-wool French Merinos, 75 cts, 87½ cts, and $1.00.

Fifty pieces Empress Cloths, 75 cts, 87½ cts, and $1.00.

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.

LINEN NAPKINS, TABLE LINENS, TOWELS, CRASH, Under Price.

CLOAKINGS, CLOAKINGS, CLOAKINGS.

An endless variety at very Low Prices.

Fifty pieces Electro Tapestry Carpeting, 50 & 62½ 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 after reading this advertisement have doubts in regard to the cheapness of our goods, let them call with this advertisement and judge for themselves.

A great many of these goods are cheaper than they have been for the past ten years.

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,
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Oriental Tea Company's Double Column.

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

A Saving 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.,

And have fitted it up in Oriental style, and are now prepared to furnish every one with prime Teas and Coffees, at Cargo Prices. Our store in Erie will be known as the

WESTERN ORIENTAL TEA COMPANY!

It is generally understood that Tea is retailed for a larger advance on its original cost than any other article in the long list of household stores, which may be partially accounted for by recollecting THE GREAT NUMBER AND IMMENSE AMOUNT OF PROFITS which accumulate on it between the cultivation in China and Japan, and the consumers here, including the American Commission House there; the Importer, the Banker who furnishes the exchange; the middle men or speculators: the wholesale grocer, and the retailer. Each of these make large, and many of them enormous profits, from which it is evident that the consumer is compelled to pay many times the original cost for a pure article, or forced to use an adulterated or inferior one.

It is with a view to remedy this evil that our gigantic enterprise was formed over a year ago which has been a perfect success, and we have ventured to open a Store in Erie, so that we may better accommodate our customers west of New York State.

And in the following lists which we have selected with great care, will be found TEAS which will suit

Everybody's Taste and Everybody's Purse.

Experience shows that the best are far the cheapest on account of their great strength and flavor. The duty on a pound of good tea is no more than on an inferior one. In ordering our customers will please note the annexed

SCALE OF PRICES.

Oolong, (Black.)

Fair	80c.
Good to Choice Quality	$1.00
Finest Flavor, very highly recommended	1.10

Japan, Uncolored.

Fair	$1.00
Good	1.10
Choice Quality	1.25
Finest Flavor, full strength, very highly recommended	1.35

English Breakfast, (Black.)

Fair	90c.
Good	$1.00
Choice Quality	1.10
Finest Flavor, full strength, very highly recommended	1.20

Young Hyson, (Green.)

Fair	$1.00
Good	1.10
Choice Quality	1.25
Finest Flavor, full strength, very highly recommended	$1.40

Hyson, (Green.)

Fair	$1.10
Good	1.25
Choice Quality	1.40
Finest Flavor, full strength, very highly recommended	1.50

Gunpowder, (Green.)

Fair	$1.25
Good	1.40
Choice Quality	1.50
Finest Flavor, full strength, very highly recommended	1.65

Mixed, (Green or Japan and Black.)

Fair	80c.
Good	90c.
Choice Quality	$1.00
Finest Flavor, full strength very highly recommended	1.10

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 the pods opened by artificial heat. This is never so good as that which ripens naturally. The coffee buyers of this Tea Company thoroughly understand this, and examine nearly every cargo of coffee imported to the United States, and select only the full grown, field-ripened, for them. All the Coffee sold by this Company is ROASTED AND GROUND DAILY, by themselves, insuring its absolute purity and freshness, which they guarantee. The Company are roasting all their coffee on a new principle, which renders them particularly pure, all acidity being removed by their process of cooking, enabling persons now to take coffee who have been obliged to discontinue its use.

The Company are doing an immense business in their Coffee Department, and selling more PURE COFFEES than any other house in the country. To assist customers in making up their orders, the following Descriptive List is offered by the Company with no little pride, as embracing the largest and most carefully selected assortment of Coffees ever opened in this country.

LIST OF COFFEES AND SCALE OF PRICES.

Breakfast Coffee.

Roasted and Ground Mixed	20c

Dinner Coffee.

Raw	20c
Roasted	20c
Ground Pure	30c

Plantation Coffee.

Raw	25c
Roasted	35c
Ground Pure	35c

Oriental Java.

Raw	30c
Roasted	40c
Ground Pure	40c

Old Government Java.

Raw	38c
Roasted	50c
Ground Pure	50c

Best Old Mocha.

Raw	42c
Roasted	55c
Ground Pure	55c

MALE BERRY.

This is the true Male Berry

HAND PICKED OLD GOVERNMENT JAVA COFFEE,

Warranted the richest flavored, strongest and best Coffee in the world, of which we have the only lot in the United States.

Raw 45c | Roasted 60c
Ground Pure 60c

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As a matter of convenience to our distance customers we are arranging with suitable persons in all parts of the country west of New York State, to act as our agents and distribute our goods in their locality, at our warehouse price, thereby saving the freight from Boston. We would like to correspond with any gentleman or lady who would like to act as our agents in getting up clubs. A fair commission allowed agents. Direct all orders and communications to

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