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WEEKLY OBSERVER

ERIE, PENN'A, FEBRUARY 18, 1869.

TO BE ORDAINED.—Thomas A. Casey, son of our townsman James Casey, Esq., and another young gentleman who has been his fellow student at the Niagara Falls Catholic Theological Institute, will receive minor orders in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Fourth street, on to-morrow and Saturday, and on Sunday morning they will be ordained to the priesthood. The ordination ceremonies will be conducted by the Rt. Rev. Bishop, and will be peculiarly impressive.

INCOME RETURNS.—All persons interested should know that income returns must be made on or before the 1st day of March, and any person failing to make return by that date is liable to be assessed, according to the best information within reach of the Assessor. Every person suspected of being liable to pay an income tax is required by law to make a sworn return, no matter whether he has been supplied with blanks or not, and even though the amount of his income may fall short of $1,000—the amount exempted by law.

LOCAL ELECTION IN WARREN COUNTY.—The municipal election in the borough of Warren, and the township elections in Warren county, took place on Tuesday of last week. In the borough the entire Democratic ticket (with the exception of Burgess, for which office there is a tie vote) was elected by a larger average majority than at any preceding election. Several Democrats were opposed to the re-election of the present incumbent, for Burgess, and this, in connection with the fact that his Radical opponent is a very popular gentleman, resulted in a close canvass and tie vote. The Democratic ticket was also elected in Conewango, Glade and Pleasant townships, but we have not learned the result in the balance of the county.

"WHOOSH PEEN HERE SINCE I'M PEEN GONE?"—Our amiable and affectionately disposed friend of the Republican, in one of his periodical attacks of Observer "strabismus," indulges in a "wonderfully amusing" vein of comment upon our suggestion to have a vote of the citizens taken upon the selection of Postmaster. He is in doubt who is expected to vote, how the voting is to be done, "what scope of country would be included," and on a variety of questions that are of equal if not greater importance. It may seem very strange to some that to one of such unlimited and peculiar genius as our neighbor anything in the world could be incomprehensible, but among those who know the effect of the sore affliction referred to upon his system no explanation will be necessary. Whenever these attacks come on, our neighbor's usually gifted intellect becomes, as it were, wrapped in a cloud, he conceives that the atmosphere is filled with demons labelled "Observers," everything is mysterious and to be looked upon with suspicion, the plainest sentences become warped in their meaning, and the distress which he suffers is almost beyond endurance. In the three years or more since this unaccountable complaint has troubled him, we have done all that a sympathizing nature could do to relieve the distemper, but as every effort has been in vain, we begin to despair of achieving less than the usual resort in such cases.

A LOVER COMMITS SUICIDE.—In Greene township, about eight miles East of the city, lived Andrew Baker, a thrifty young farmer, of German descent. About five years ago he commenced paying his addresses to a lady who resides in the neighborhood. It is said that he proposed to her on a number of occasions, but met with a steady and persistent refusal. On Wednesday night of last week, he again visited her, and told her that if she would not consent to marry him he would commit suicide. The lady again assured him that she would not become his wife, and in his desperation he left her, and proceeding to his barn, attached a rope to his neck, fastened the other end to a beam, and jumping from the lower beam upon which he had been standing, his purpose was accomplished. In the morning he was found suspended as described. Mr. Baker owned a well stocked farm of seventy-five acres, was sober and industrious, and leaves a widowed mother, five sisters and one brother to mourn his death. His remains were interred in the Erie cemetery on Friday—the young lady on whose account he committed the foolish deed attending the funeral. She appeared very much affected by the tragical death of her lover.

RAILROAD EMPLOYES.—The new law relative to the liability of railroad employes for neglect of duty, is substantially as follows:

"If any person or persons in the service or employ of a railroad or other transportation company, doing business in Pennsylvania, shall refuse or neglect to obey any rule or regulation of such company, or by reason of negligence or wilful misconduct shall fail to observe any precaution or rule which it was his duty to obey and observe, and cause injury or death to any person, the person so offending shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding five thousand dollars, and to undergo an imprisonment in the county jail or in the State penitentiary not exceeding five years. It is the duty of the county district attorneys to prosecute offenders against this law."

S. TODD PERLEY'S CLAIM AGENCY.—We call attention to the advertisement of S. Todd Perley, Esq., offering his services to those having claims upon the Government for bounties, pensions, &c. Mr. Perley has had many years of experience in this line of practice, and has deservedly won a high reputation for promptness, integrity, and fidelity to the interests of his patrons. His extensive acquaintance in the Washington departments and influence with the public men of the nation, united with rare energy and business tact, render him peculiarly fitted for the duties of a claim agent, and have enabled him to carry on a very large practice with a degree of success seldom attained.

GERMAN SAVINGS BANK.—The report of the German Savings Institution, up to the 15th of the present month, shows a very satisfactory condition of its affairs. The assets aggregate a total of $180,019.97. This sum consists of bonds and mortgages, personal securities, and deposits in banks of acknowledged safety. The amount of regular deposits foots up the handsome sum of $163,438. The gentlemen comprising this company are recognized as men of wealth, and of the very best standing for integrity and moral worth. It is stated that the property of the Directors is liable as security for deposits, and it will thus be seen that the soundness of the institution is doubly assured.

STATE FAIR.—The committee appointed to fix a location for the annual exhibition of the State Agricultural Society, will receive proposals until the 17th of March, when a decision will be given. A guarantee for the performance of any proposition made is required. The exhibition will be held in September next. Letters should be addressed to Amos E. Knapp, Northumberland, A. B. Longaker, Allentown, or A. Boyd Hamilton, Harrisburg. We hope to see an attempt made to secure the next fair at Erie.

A BAD SELL.—A woman was discovered lying upon the floor of a certain house in Westfield, the other day, in an almost insensible condition. When raised up she was just able to articulate "laudanum." From this it was supposed that she had imbibed the fatal poison, with the intention of committing suicide, but the spectators were considerably disgusted when they found that the only "poison" she had swallowed was a quantity of "tanglefoot." The young woman has since fully recovered.

LOCAL LEGISLATION.—The following bills have passed finally in the State Legislature, and go to the Governor for his signature: An act to exempt from taxation the grounds of the Lake Shore Seminary, at North East. An act describing the payment of certain fines to said Seminary by the Courts of Erie county. An act repealing the first section of an act relative to a Law Library in Erie county, approved April 17, 1866. We understand that it is the object of the two latter bills to appropriate certain fines, which heretofore entered to the benefit of the law library, to the use of the Seminary. The act to enlarge the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace in this county, an abstract of which was published in our last issue, passed the Senate on Tuesday. Instead of being limited to cases involving less than $100, Justices will have authority in future to dispose of controversies where the sum is not over $300. On the same day Mr. Lowry passed through the Senate an act to repeal the legislation of last winter relative to the Poor House, by which the Board was authorized to sell the present farm and apply the proceeds to the purchase of a new one. Also, an act to provide for the election of ward and township tax-collectors by the people. Mr. Rea read in place a bill relieving Judge Vincent, of this district, from acting with the Jury Commissioners in the selection of jurors in the counties of Erie, Crawford and Warren, and authorizing the oldest County commissioner of each county to act in his stead. He stated that the bill was originated by the Judge, and that its passage would relieve him from "a very onerous and unpleasant duty," which is rather a good joke in the face of the fact that "His Honor" has seldom acted with the Jury Commissioners. The movement looks much to us like an effort to place the choice of jurors in the hands of the Republicans.

JURY COMMISSIONER.—An Ohio correspondent of the Pittsburgh Post writes to that paper for information in regard to the workings of the Jury Commissioner law, in this State, and whether it prevents the election of a partizan jury. The response of the Post so aptly describes the situation in our own county, that we copy it in full:

"Prior to the passage of the act there were just grounds enough for the complaint that the party in the minority never had a fair proportion upon the juries; and often not a single man could be found upon an entire venire differing in politics from those who placed his name on the list. During the past eight years, party feeling ran so high, and politicians became so unscrupulous, that courts and juries were controlled wherever it was necessary and possible. In addition to this the little patronage, small *per diem* of jurors, was used to gratify the hangers on of party. The result was, the jury box was filled with loafers or worse, and the trial by jury reduced to a mockery.

"Now the Commissioners are checks upon each other. Each is anxious that the representatives of his party shall be more intelligent and reputable than those of the opposition. Hence in those counties in which the system of choosing jurors by Commissioners prevails, there is a much better class of jurymen, and in cases in which party feeling may have an influence, neither can obtain undue advantage. We think the system very beneficial to the administration of justice."

THE CITY WATER BOTS.—At the regular meeting of Councils, on Monday evening, the Committee, to whom was referred the proposition of Henry Rawle and others, reported in favor of their proposal. The latter agree to pay the sum of $5,000 for a deed of fifteen water lots, belonging to the city, opposite Sassafras street, and offer to bind themselves in the sum of $25,000 as a guarantee that they will build a blast furnace thereon and have it in operation within one year from the time of transfer. The Committee recommended that the city make application to the Legislature for permission to dispose of these lots for manufacturing purposes, and in accordance with the suggestion a bill, concurrent in by both branches of Councils, was drawn up to be sent to Harrisburg. Communications from two other companies asking the city to grant them fifteen and five water lots, respectively, were presented—the parties agreeing to bind themselves with conditions similar to those offered by Mr. Rawle. A final disposition of the matter will be made as soon as the necessary legislation is accomplished.

HOW THE PEOPLE ARE HUMBUGGED.—On the first page of to-day's paper, will be found a very readable article on the manner in which the unsuspecting are "taken in" by the liberal offers made by the managers of New York lottery concerns, and "gift enterprise" swindles. Our principal reason for publishing this expose, is to warn any of our readers who may feel disposed to accept the liberal offers which are made by these bogus establishments that their money will be lost if they bite at the specious bait so temptingly displayed. The article on our outside is written by a person who is thoroughly conversant with all the tricks of the business, and who is therefore fully competent to expose the manner in which such institutions are conducted.

GOOD ADVICE.—At the anniversary celebration of the Harrisburg Typographical Union, on Saturday last, Hon. I. B. Gara, Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth, responded to the third toast—"The Commonwealth." In the course of his remarks he urged upon newspaper editors the importance of cultivating an intimate acquaintance with each other, and the acrimonious spirit which too often characterizes the columns of a newspaper would then be entirely obviated. We suspect that Mr. Gara had in his mind's eye a certain Erie editor whose propensity for carrying his personal spites into his editorial columns is a matter of general notoriety.

TAX COLLECTING.—A bill is now pending in the State Legislature providing that tax collectors in this county shall be elected by the people instead of being appointed by the County Commissioners as is now the case. We do not see that the tax-paying community would derive any benefit from a change of this kind. The bill presented by Representative Stranahan, and which is substantially the same as that which works so economically and successfully in Ohio, strikes us as being the best plan yet offered for the collection of taxes.

FOR TOBACCO CHEWERS.—Some arithmetician calculates that if a tobacco chewer consumes two inches of a plug a day, for fifty years, the amount chewed in that period will be 3,000 feet, or over half a mile of solid tobacco half an inch thick, and two inches broad, costing $2,095. If he ejects one pint of saliva per day for the same length of time the total will be nearly 2,300 gallons—almost enough to float the Great Eastern.

AN ERROR.—We stated in a recent issue that the legal expenses in each case of bankruptcy was about $250, but have since learned that this is erroneous. Register Woodruff announces that the average costs in cases of voluntary bankruptcy, including the fees of Register, Marshal, clerks, assignee and printers, does not foot up more than one hundred and ten dollars.

SELLING BY WEIGHT.—In Norfolk, Va., dried fruit, potatoes, corn, oats, wheat, seeds, &c., are sold by weight. This rule is prescribed by ordinance, and insures to the purchaser a much more equitable return for his money than selling by measure. It would be a blessing if the custom would become universal.

VERY CONTRADICTORY.—It is evident that the assertions of the local of the Dispatch can only be taken for what they are worth. A short time since he declared he had no "disposition to pry into the ladies' toilets;" now we find him perpetrating the following parody upon the naughty poet Byron, and openly adapting it to Erie's "gay" daughters:

"And the sheen of their legs is like stars on the sea,
And their blonde hair waves nightly above merrily."—*Girard Cosmopolite.*

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE.—About the first of this month, a man going by the name of C. Norton, arrived in this city, and announced himself as having come to establish a confectionary store on a large scale, above the depot. He leased the room of C. Wœltge, No. 1817 Peach street, for a term of years, and kindly associated with himself the proprietor of the drug store before kept in the building, buying the stock of drugs and crediting the amount on the articles of copartnership. He then sold the stock for cash, the shelving for one hundred dollars, and completely gutted the storeroom, making a contract with Messrs. White & Co., to put in new and extravagant fixtures, worth at least ten thousand dollars. The cellar was cleared out and immense improvements were started therein for the manufacture of sweet meats. Brick and materials of all kinds, were secured by the wholesale, regardless of expense, and Norton, alias S. S. Smith, was the "lion" of that portion of the city. On Saturday last Mr. Norton proposed changing his boarding place to the Morton House, and Mr. Stafford, the former owner of the drug store, waited till a late hour in the evening to introduce him to the landlord, but up to this date Norton has failed to put in his appearance. His mysterious departure leaves the owners of the building and drug store, and numerous others, including some poor laborers, in an anxious condition respecting the money due them.

TRUE AS GOSPEL WRIT.—A good way to make "Hard Times," is to refuse to pay all little bills, although you have the money in your pocket!—push men to pay you who haven't the money, although you can get along without it—If a man don't meet his obligations just at the time they become due, report that he is about to "burst"—cut down the wages of your hands before it is necessary—keep back all your marketing until the prices get up to "starvation rates"—use money in speculations that you should pay your creditors with—forget that unnecessary retrenchments increase hard times instead of bettering them—carry a long face and talk long and mournful of evils to come—do those and other acts like them and "hard times" will surely come, however little real cause there may be for them.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

GEO. A. ALLEN, Esq., has received from Gov. Hoffman the appointment of Commissioner of Deeds for New York in this city.

ST. VALENTINE'S DAY appears to have passed by almost unnoticed. A falling off in the number of tender missives sent is reported.

HON. J. D. STRANAHAN, who has been confined to his home for two weeks past, on account of indisposition, is, we are glad to learn, again in his place at Harrisburg.

OUR enterprising friend Pain, of the Corry Telegraph, has again commenced the experiment of a daily paper in that city. It is called the Corry Daily Blade, and makes a very creditable appearance.

MONDAY next is the date fixed for the commencement of the regular term of our Court of Quarter Sessions, but as that is the anniversary of Washington's birth day it is probable the Court will not commence until the following day. The list of jurors has already been published in our paper.

THE Mayor was on Monday last authorized to execute fifty Water Works Bonds, of $1,000 each, payable in twenty years, bearing seven per cent interest, payable semi-annually, and, in connection with one member from each of the Councils, and the Water Commissioners, to sell them on the most favorable terms possible.

WE understand that Messrs. A. J. Foster, G. W. Gunnison and James Skinner will be candidates for Justice of the Peace in the West Ward. Mr. H. L. White will be a candidate for constable in the West Ward, and Mr. Geo. Hill will ask a re-election to the same office in the East Ward.

COL. DAN RICE has completed all arrangements for his new Railroad Circus. He has secured the finest arenic talent to be found in this country, and the new circus, under his proprietorship and management, will sustain the reputation which he has acquired as the most popular and successful "Master of the Arena" that has ever engaged in the circus business in this country.

AN EXCHANGE says that "Erie county is the latest region in which silver has been discovered." To prevent a rush of anxious seekers after the precious metal, we will merely state that this report has no foundation in fact. The only silver in this county, that we are aware of, is family plate, &c., the property of citizens residing here. We have not even seen a silver coin in the last six months.

THE 22d inst. (anniversary of Washington's Birthday,) will be celebrated by the I. A. B. Association and Fire Department with a parade during the day and a grand supper and entertainment at Brown's Hotel in the evening. A brass band and choir of good vocalists have been engaged for the entertainment and a number of prominent citizens are invited and will be in attendance. Tickets $1.50

THE editor of the Republican suggests a plan for choosing a Postmaster, which he commends to the faithful as "sound on the Republican goose." Inquiry is quite general to know how long the aforesaid editor has been "sound on the Republican goose," that he speaks upon the subject with such positive knowledge? Has the "Republican goose" adopted him as one of its goslings, or does he merely assume to be its "self-constituted organ," in view of future probabilities?

THE Republican office has again changed hands, the company who owned it having disposed of their entire interest to Wm. P. Atkinson, Esq., late of the Dispatch. Mr. A. is a gentleman of energy and experience, who will be as likely to manage the establishment successfully as any person we know of. The paper promises to be "continued, as heretofore, as an organ of advanced Republican principles. B. Frank Sloan, Esq., continues as its editor, being, we believe, both political and local, a capacity he has filled for a month or more.

A CORRESPONDENT of the Republican, in writing from Harrisburg concerning the late James Foreman, whose account as tax-collector of Corry, in 1865, legislation is asked upon, states that when a boy he served his time as an apprentice to the tanning business with John Brown, of Ossawattamie. During the latter's confinement in the Virginia prison, and just previous to his execution, Senator Lowry called to see John Brown, who inquired earnestly concerning Mr. Foreman and his family. The last letter written by Brown was to his former apprentice—a copy of which was recently published in the Philadelphia Press. All this may be very interesting to our Republican friends, but, for the life of us, we cannot perceive what argument it furnishes in favor of releasing those who are liable for the payment of Mr. Freeman's delinquent account.

Miss Julia Russel, of New Bedford, writes: I have been afflicted with severe prostrating cramps in my limbs, cold feet and hands, and a general disordered system. While visiting some friends in New York, who were using Plantation Bitters, they prevailed upon me to try them. I commenced with a small wine-glass full after each meal. Feeling better by degrees, in a few days I was astonished to find the coldness and cramps had entirely left me, and I could sleep the night through, which I had not done for years. I feel like another being. My appetite and strength have also greatly improved by the use of the Plantation Bitters.

MAGNOLIA WATER.—Superior to the best imported German Cologne, and sold at half the price.

THE BEST forms of Leases, Deeds, Notes, and Blanks of all kinds, always on hand at the Observer office. jan7-tf

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

MARK TWAIN lectured at Titusville on Tuesday evening last. Can't we get him to visit Erie.

THE candidates for Burgess at the election in Warren received an equal number of votes. They decided their case by lot and the choice fell on Mr. S. J. Page, who was then declared duly elected.

THE average daily production of petroleum in the Pennsylvania oil region, during the month of January, was 10,192 barrels. The total amount shipped during the month was 292,965 barrels.

THE office of the Western Union telegraph company, at Titusville, ranks as the third best in the State. Nearly 5,000 messages were received and transmitted last month.

THE bill to erect a new county out of parts of Crawford, Warren, Venango and Forest—to be called Petrolia, passed the Senate last week, by a vote of 21 to 10. It now goes to the House, where its fate will be definitely decided.

How often it is that a woman's love grows brighter, stronger, more heroic and more enduring, as the object of her affections becomes less worthy of that love. The wife of Davis, the murderer who was executed at Cleveland the other day, sold everything she possessed, not even retaining a change of wearing apparel, to administer to the comfort of her husband. He wrote the record of his life of crime, and placed it in her hands, to be published for her own benefit, and, although she might have made money by doing so, her self-sacrificing devotion even to the memory of her guilty husband restrained her from making it public. She was constant in her attentions to him while in prison, and faithful to the last.

A dead boa-constrictor was found on the margin of Oil Creek, last week. The discovery created a great sensation, and even that unquestioned authority, "the oldest inhabitant," could not recollect a time when such reptiles vegetated in that locality. The excitement incident to its discovery subsided somewhat when it was announced that his snakeship had been a living curiosity in a Dr. Hoffman's Museum, and on shuffling off its mortal coil, the owner had consigned it to the creek. The body had stranded on the shore, and the discoverer, on learning the facts, again launched it on the "raging waters." It is presumed that it will be found again in the neighborhood of Pittsburgh, and will there probably be mistaken for a sea serpent from the Gulf of Mexico.

From the West.

LYONS, IOWA, Feb. 15, 1869.

Mr. Editor,—I observed a notice in your last issue asking the people to send in items that would be of value to the public, and thought perhaps something from the West might be of interest to your readers, especially those who think of coming West, therefore I will give you the prices of some of the main productions:

Flour is from $7 to $8 per barrel.
Wheat is from 75 cts. to $1.10 per bu.
Corn is 37 cts.
Oats are 38 cts.
Barley is $1.50.
Hogs dressed $13.75.
Prairie Hay $7.
Timothy Hay $10.
Common Lumber $19 per M.
First class Lumber $55.
Dressed siding $25.

There is a great quantity of flour being held for higher prices, and most of the merchant mills have shut down until they can sell at a better profit. There seems to be plenty of wheat in the country as the streets are crowded with wagons loaded with that grain.

The warm weather has partly stopped the great excitement in the Hog market, which thronged the streets the past two months.

We have been blessed with about 40 days of very fine weather, also splendid skating on the Mississippi river, which afforded splendid amusement for the young ladies and gents, yet the pleasure of many brought sorrow to some, as quite a number died from the effects of falling on the ice—also some found watery graves through holes in the ice. Fifteen fine young men, while running a tight race by moonlight, were precipitated into a large hole where the ice had been taken out through the day for summer use. The river is now rising fast and the ice is going out, therefore, steamers are expected to run in a few days.

Business in most of its branches, is lively. Wages for laboring men are very good. The society here is splendid—great attention is directed to religious services, and many have been led to see the error of their ways within a short time. F. H. B.

MARRIED.

BASSETT—PETERSON.—In Corry, Feb. 2d, by the Rev. J. C. Scofield, Mr. S. R. Bassett of Wayne to Miss Philena A. Peterson of Corry.

SMITH—AULDS.—In Edinboro, Feb. 7th, by Rev. J. G. Townsend, Mr. Nelson Smith and Miss Sarah Aulden, both of Edinboro, Erie county, Pa.

SMITH—HAWKINS.—In Girard, on the 4th inst., by the Rev. Ira M. Condit, Mr. T. K. Smith and Miss Lizzie A. Hawkins, both of Girard.

McKEE—BROWN.—On the 11th of February, in West Mill Creek, by the Rev. J. L. Smith, John McKee, Esq., to Miss Sarah C. Brown, daughter of the late S. M. Brown.

BONE—ROBINSON.—In this city, on the 9th inst., by the Rev. A. S. Dobbs, Mr. Jas. W. Bone to Miss Emma L. Robinson, both of this city.

WYATT—PURDY.—On Wednesday, February 10th, at Rochester, Pa., by the Rev. Taylor, of New Brighton, Mr. John H. Wyatt, of Erie city, and Miss Myra Purdy, of the borough of Rochester.

HOWARD—SHERWOOD.—Feb. 14th, by the Rev. P. W. Sherwood, Milo M. Howard, of Petroleum Centre, to Rosa J. Sherwood, of Union, Pa.

DIED.

STERRETT.—In this city, Feb. 11th, Mrs. Jane Sterrett, relict of the late James M. Sterrett, aged 73 years.

WISWELL.—In Corry, Feb. 2, Anna G., wife of Franklin S. Wiswell, aged 25 years and 4 months.

TATE.—On the 15th inst., after a short, but severe illness, James Tate, in the 56th year of his age.

HUNTLEY.—At Union Mills, on the 2d inst., of consumption, Clara M., daughter of J. S. and C. M. Huntley, aged 19 years, 6 months and 16 days.

[Western papers please copy.]

DAVIES.—In Wesleyville, on Sunday, Feb. 14th, 1869, Sarah Ann, wife of D. Davies, aged 57 years.

In all the various relations of companion, mother, friend and neighbor, Mrs. Davies, in the most marked degree, exhibited those qualities of heart which reflect so much credit upon the sex and unmistakeably portray the truly Christian woman. For years a member of the Baptist church, she eminently adorned her profession by a holy walk and godly conversation, and convincingly exemplified the beauty and excellency of the religion she professed and the power of saving grace. None knew her but to love her. None spoke of her but in terms of commendation. As her life was pure so her death was not only peaceful but joyous, yea, triumphant. She sweetly fell asleep in Jesus, with a bright unclouded prospect of glory, immortality and eternal life beyond the tomb. T.

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In the matter of the Partition of the Real Estate of Richard and James Crowley. No. 50 May Term, 1868.

In the Orphans' Court of Erie Co.

NOW, to wit, February 1st, 1869, on petition of Ellen O'R. 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.

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, 21; 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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