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WANTED! 10,000 Bushels Wheat, 10,000 Bushels Rye, 10,000 Bushels Oats.

For which we will pay the highest market price in CASH. J. NO. BEIG & SON, Aug. 3-3m Butler, Pa.

New Advertisements. Short-hand & Book. Notice of Application for charter—Butler Glass Co.

Notice to Contractors for the building of School houses. Patrons' Sale for Tuesday, Sept. 6, 1881.

Widow's Appraisement, Road Petitions and Final and Partial Accounts of Executors and Administrators for presentation at September Court.

Local and General. Some dogs killed several sheep for the Krugh Bros. a few days ago.

The puddlers at the rolling mills of Kittington are on another strike.

There is an unusual scarcity of laborers in the Clearfield lumbering region.

To keep dogs away from the farmers of Crawford county put bells on all their sheep.

Harvest Home at Nixon's Grove Friday and Saturday, Aug. 19 and 20. 2-10

An eloping couple at Hartford were a black man of 30 and a white girl of 15.

Dr. Wm Meyerhoff gives music lessons to beginners at the reduced rate of 50 cents a lesson.

Rev. Ferguson arrived home last Wednesday evening, and reports having had a pleasant visit.

Getiteau has made application to be released on bail. This is the first indication of lunacy he has shown.

A South Bend merchant advertises "bull dog revolvers—such as the President was shot with."

Tanner now proposes to fast 95 days, but says the air of the room he stays in must be heavily charged with electricity.

Dr. Von Meyerhoff tunes pianos. Orders by mail, addressed to his name, 150 1/2m

The Fall Term of the Witherspoon Institute will open Monday, Sept. 5. Send for catalogue to P. S. BANCROFT, Butler, Pa.

Mr. Wm. Marshall, of the firm of Marshall & Co., Commission merchants in flour, grain, hay, etc., in Allegheny, made our town a visit last week.

Canada should remember that "It is a sin to steal a pin."

The oil refinery at Freedom, Beaver county, was burned last Thursday night.

The matinee at the Baptist church at this place last Saturday afternoon, for the benefit of the purchase of \$25,000 of Federal bonds, netted \$34.10.

An agent of the Pension Office was in town last week, inquiring into the case of Henry Korn, who claims a pension for military service in the army.

No one is wise certain as all loudly asserting that the President's wounds are of a character which had been properly treated, would not have kept him off his feet twelve weeks.

A Juniata county remedy for a sore eye is to cut the tail of a perfectly black cat and rub the eye with the piece of cut. It may go good for a boy, but it is rather rough on the cat.

A man in Tioga county mashed a number of potato bugs with a stone, in the act of which a portion of the matter of the crushed potato fell into his eyes, destroying one entirely and seriously injuring the other.

A man in Perry county held speculative insurance policies amounting to \$15,000 on an old lady. On the day he paid \$100 in assessments. When she died he realized on his policies just \$400. Served him right.

Last Sunday a Swede went out upon the mountains near Houtdale, Pa., to gather whortles-berries. Not returning home with his eyes, he was found by his neighbors, unable to raise his head, and feeding upon his body.

The gutter mud of to-day," says a medical writer, "is the deadly aspic organism, because the dust of to-morrow, when in respiration is deposited upon the mucous membrane of the respiratory passages of those who breathe it."

With the additions they have lately made to it, the two-story mill of S. G. Purvis & Co., now nears 112,500 feet. They are doing a large business in shipping their doors, sash, etc., as fast as they can manufacture them.

Monday last week, the 1st inst., was the anniversary of the birth of the author of the Star-Spangled Banner, the first national song of this Nation. We print in another place a short account of the circumstances under which it was written.

Germany resembles like a man struck behind the ear with a bludgeon, from the effects of a great electoral victory. There'll be an explosion in Germany, some of these days, which will scatter men and things now deemed inviolable and inviolable.

Two persons out of every million of our population is the average that are killed by lightning strokes annually. This isn't a high risk, but the uncertainty as to whether it will strike you or not is a very ticklish business to lean against a tree in a thunder storm.

Cadet Midshipman Ira McDunkin of this place, has received orders to report to New York on the 15th inst., to take passage on the U. S. steamer Powhatan for Annapolis, then to Panama by rail, where he is to join the U. S. steamer Richmond on his flag ship of the Asiatic squadron.

FIRE IN FAIRVIEW.—The Central Hotel of the town of Fairview, this county, was destroyed by fire on Tuesday morning, 8th inst. It was kept by Mr. James T. Wilson and owned by Capt. James B. Storey of this place. The goods in the hotel were saved. We have not learned any further particulars.

During a thunder shower lately a school house about two miles from Canton, Bradford county, was struck by lightning. A number of children were killed, and one of them was killed instantly and the other badly injured. Several of the other children were hurt, and one boy is not expected to live.

By reference to an article in another place it will be seen that the free schoolship for this Senatorial district, in the Pennsylvania State College, located near Bellefonte, Centre county, Pa., will be made subject to a competitive examination to be held in Butler on Friday, September 23 next at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The Cincinnati Commercial's cent subscription started to pay the fine and costs assessed upon C. A. Cook, of Brownsville, Ohio, for slapping Morrison in the mouth, when he said he was President Garfield would die, has far outgrown its original purpose. The number of names now is, about 15,000 and still coming.

The time for shooting squirrels has not been changed, as some supposed, by amendments to the game and fish law, passed by the Legislature at the late session. It is now lawful to kill any grey, black or fox squirrel between the 1st of January and the 1st of September, and hunters will please bear this in mind. The woodcock season began July 4.

The man hunt in the Eau Gallie woods, of Wisconsin, has proved a failure, as the Wisconsin people, while their pursuers were listening to the yarn of Buffalo Charlie about what he had done and what he could do. The people there have now learned not to put implicit faith in frontier scout with picturesque nicknames, as others had learned before them.

Nixon's grove is situated on the Three Degree Road, seven miles south of Butler, and is the most beautiful and best selected this year as the laboring man's rest in this neighborhood. It is a great accommodation to those who love to meet their neighbors, instead of going to Atlantic City, Cape May, Chatsquis or Saratoga.

Court House Notes. Mr. Samuel L. Strain has brought suit in divorce against his wife Harriet, on account of desertion. His affidavit sets forth that they were married in 1850, and that she deserted him in 1877.

Mr. R. J. Fleming has brought suit in detinue against his wife, Annie F. Fleming, setting forth that she deserted him in December, 1878.

A demented man who gave his name as John Boyce, was found in Cherry township on Monday morning taking through the woods and along the public road.

He was violent and refused to have any clothing put on him, he was chained and brought to town in a cart, where he was confined to jail. Next morning he tore up things generally in the jail. His insanity takes a religious form.

Mr. James Hall, of this place, was committed to jail on a charge of surety of the peace.

The infernal machines manufactured in Peoria, Ill., are made of zinc, in the interior of which the clock works operate through a spring, and after six days running it liberates a hammer, something like a gun-trigger, which strikes and explodes the charge.

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violated; for, though he admits that he made the machines, that is not a crime, and it requires to be ascertained who put them on the ship, or even packed them for shipment, since both these acts are punishable under various sections of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

—There is a steamship race every year from China to England, the prize being the glory and profit of putting the first cargo of new crop tea into the hands of the consumer. This year the Gloucester arrived on June 30, four days earlier than the earliest previous arrival. The Gloucester was also the fastest steamer in each of the two preceding years. The Gloucester carried off the prize in 1878, the London Castle in 1877, and the Gloucester led the way in each of the four years ending with 1876. The Gloucester has just made a quick passage from the harbor to New York, in company with a tea ship of a rival line under interesting circumstances, although if there is any point of honor in the race, it is not to be won, and unequivocally it is not to be won. Ordinarily there is no race to New York, for the early tea comes first by rail from the Pacific coast, where they are brought by the Pacific Mail steamships, but there were some circumstances in this case which rendered it a reason for a race if one had really occurred. The Gloucester arrived at the Lightship, near the harbor, 50 days, 17 hours and 15 minutes after leaving Ansoy with her cargo.

—It is somewhat unfortunate that the question of a reform in the Civil Service should have received its present impetus from the hands of a President. It is to be desired that the proper perspective of the subject, and to force secondary matters into the foreground, the question is not one of party politics, and neither the convenience of public officials, neither is it one of guarding the President from attacks of disappointed office-seekers. Nor is it even the problem of securing for the country a better administration of the public offices than the present one. It is "How shall we get rid of the professional politician, who works for the party for the sake of an office, and becomes the enemy of the people, and the enemy of the office? How shall we prevent the sixty thousand office-holders from becoming an organized machine to oppress all free citizens of popular feeling and opinion?" The only true solution is to be found in elevating every citizen to the position of a party politician, by giving him security for his place so long as he behaves himself in it. This will have several advantages. In the first place, it will reduce the appointments to a small number, and that it will not be worth anyone's time to wait for such an appointment. In the second place, it will reduce the appointments to a small number, and that it will not be worth anyone's time to wait for such an appointment. In the second place, it will reduce the appointments to a small number, and that it will not be worth anyone's time to wait for such an appointment.

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This was one of the greatest outrages that has ever been committed in Western Pennsylvania. The crime was so heinous, and their identity established beyond a doubt, by confession or otherwise, an application of the law is being made for their arrest, and a good effect on the desperadoes of that lawless region.

The directors of the Glass Company of this place held a meeting last Monday evening, at which the clock works operated through a spring, and after six days running it liberates a hammer, something like a gun-trigger, which strikes and explodes the charge.