

BICKEL'S MONTHLY STORE NEWS.

A grand clearance sale in all lines now going on. MEN'S FINE SHOES. Men's fine box calf, enamel, vic-kid and cordovan, hand sewed soles...

Big Bargains In Felt and Rubber Goods.

We have a large stock of Men's, Boys' and Youth's felt boots and overs which we do not wish to carry over and will be closed out at a big reduction.

JOHN BICKEL, 128 SOUTH MAIN STREET, BUTLER, PA.

Mrs. J. E. ZIMMERMAN.

18th Semi-Annual Sacrifice Sale.

Our Semi-Annual Sacrifice Sale Takes Place as Usual Beginning Wednesday, Jan. 8th, and continuing Throughout the entire month of January.

Sacrifice Prices on

- All Wraps, Suits and Fur. All Waists, Wrappers and Dressing Sacques. All Millinery—trimmed and untrimmed.

Mrs. J. E. Zimmerman.

Have a natiness about them that mark the wearer, it won't do to wear the last year's output. You won't get the latest things at the stock clothes either.

G. F. KECK, Merchant-Tailor, 42 North Main Street, Butler, Pa.

WICK'S RHEUMATIC CURE. PROMPT RELIEF, CERTAIN CURE. The Latest Internal Remedy. Easy to Take. FIFTY CENTS per Bottle—A Week's Treatment.

Try The CITIZEN FOR JOB WORK. Practical Tailor and Cutter. Bushing, Cleaning and REPAIRING A SPECIALTY.

The Cure That Cures Coughs, Colds, Grippe, Whooping Cough, Asthma, Bronchitis and Incipient Consumption, is OTTO'S CURE.

PURE REFINED PARAFFINE. Don't use the top of your jelly and preserve juice in this containing the best of Paraffine. Has no light and gold color.

CATARRH. Ely's Cream Balm. Ely's Ointment. Ely's Headache Cure.

Johnston's Beef, Iron and Wine. It is the Best Tonic and Blood Purifier. Price, 50c per pint.

Johnston's Crystal Pharmacy. R. M. LOGAN, Ph. G., Manager. 106 N. Main St., Butler, Pa.

New Liverr Barn. W. J. Black. Is doing business in his new barn which Clarence Walker has erected for him.

L. C. WICK, DEALER IN LUMBER. 125 W. Jefferson, Butler, Pa.

THE STEPSON

How His Run Away and Made His Fortune and What Happened When He Came Back.

The night after his stepfather, Squire Halsted, whipped Harold Burr for a thing he had done Harold run away. No one knew it but I, and I was nobody.

I had had my share of it, too, for while Mr. Robbing lived and while she was a widow I was like a daughter of the house. But no sooner had she come back from her honeymoon trip than all that was altered.

"I told you, sir," he said, "that I wanted to see you, the dearest being alive to me. Just words as you utter I cannot permit you to speak as though they were mine.

There was no quarrelling. People like the squire and his family never offend their neighbors, and I am the happiest of men living.

The last execution at Tyburn. The last execution on a permanent gallows in London took place at Tyburn on Nov. 7, 1783, the malefactor being John Austin, condemned for highway robbery with violence.

An Interesting Belle. In the matter of diminutive bell notes a correspondent sends an account of curious note which he has in his possession.

Not Durable. "Marriages may be made in heaven," he said thoughtfully, "but if so, they're dealing in a cheaper grade of goods up there every day.

A Fair Supposition. "Who is that man who keeps saying it is always the unexpected that happens?" "I'm not sure—probably an attaché at the weather bureau."

AN AWFUL TEST OF GRATITUDE

By John H. Rafferty. The friendship between Senator Harline and old Newt Stuart was for twenty years one of the many anomalies and one of the few edifying conditions that distinguished the social life of the capital.

So far as any outsider knew, there were only three grounds for the unusual admiration between Newt and the old senator—viz., fishing, terrapin and mint julep.

The senator stood up and down the balcony a dozen times in moody silence. Once he paused before Newt as if to utter further protestations.

The deepest audible sound in a musical instrument of any kind from a great thirty-two foot pipe of the organ of St. Paul's, which gives sixteen vibrations a second.

The net and the swan. During a dreadful storm, when the river Tyne had flooded the country all around, a number of people were assembled to watch the huge masses of hay swept along in its rapid course.

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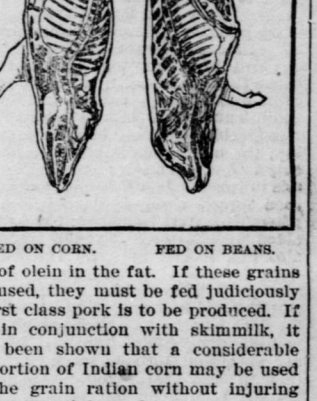
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FIELD AND GARDEN

SOFT PORK. Indian Corn as a Cause-Skimmilk the Great Corrector. Many theories have been advanced to account for softness in pork.

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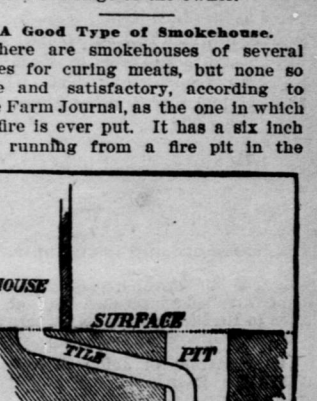
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or below it or the droppings of the animals as they roamed over the field in summer. They are not lacking so much in vegetable matter as in the mineral elements of fertility.

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