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Every heavy garment in our store must be sold, This is the store that is a little regardless of cost. over one year old and has made a wonderful record for ltself. We have but two sales a year—one at this time, and the other in August—and when we say sale Itself. We have but two sales a year—one at this time, and the other in August—and when we say sale we mean an honest sacrifice of wearing apparel for men and boys. We do not have much room in this small space to tell you about this wonderful sale, but will quote you a few prices:-

Men's heavy fleeced lined underwear, worth 50c. sale price, 29c.
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price. 90c.
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REGISTER'S NOTICE

100, at 9 A. M. of said day:

1 Third partial account of Joseph Gelbel, acting executor of Charles Gelbel, Sr, dedeased, late of Butler borough

2 Final account of Charles Szebalskie, administrator of Wilhelmina Szebalskie, deceased, late of Ulinton towns be zebalskie, excess of the control of Charles Szebalskie, excess of the control of Charles Szebalskie, deceased, late of Clinton township.

4 Final and distribution account of Elmer P. Sutton, administrator of James Sutton deceased, late of Evans City.

5 Final account of Catherine O'Donnell, executrix of Joseph O'Donnell, deceased, late of Dongal township.

6 First partial account of Mary A. Eicharlaub and W. J. Eichenlaub, executors of William Eichenlaub, deceased, late of Sumitton State of Sumitto Waship.

ecutor of Francis P Conway, deceased, late of Oakland township.

8 Final account of Joseph D. Fleming, administrator of Michael J. Fleming, deceased late of Clearfield township.

9 Final account of Wilson Garvin, administrator of Elizabeth C Garvin, deceased, late of Cranberry township.

10 Final account of Conrad W Wiegand, deceased, late of Winfield township.

11 Second partial account of Peter Nigh, one of the executors of Peter Lynebaugh, deceased, late of Summit township.

12 Final account of John F Lowry, administrator of Charles S Lowry, deceased, late of Suffer Of Butler Dorough. trator of Charles S Lowry, deceased, late Butler borough. 13 Final account of N M McIntyre, admin-strator of Mary Jane McIntyre, deceased ate of Buffalo township. 14 Final account of H H Goucher, guar-ian of Frank F McBride, minor child of Dr F McBrid. of Youngstown, O.

dian of Frank F McBride, minor child of Dr. E McBrid-, of Youngstown, O.

15 F McBrid-, of Youngstown, O.

15 Final account of H H Goucher, guardian of Helen I McBride, minor child of Dr. E McBrice, of Youngstown, O.

16 Final account of S F Clark, administrator of George W Kuhn, deceased, late of Buffalo tomusilp.

17 Final account of Harriet A Wiles, administrative of Henry F Wiles, deceased, are of Fairylew township.

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20 Final account of B R Ramsey, administrator of Jane Mc eerge, deceased, late of Cranberry township.

21 Final account of H A McCandless, administrator of Elizabeth McCandless, deceased, late of Butler borough.

22 Final account of John A Gelbach, guardian of R Bruce Clark, minor child of James A Clark, deceased, late of Franklin township.

of William Crocker, deceased, late of Centerville borough.

25 Flual account of Gnaranty Safe Deposit & Trust Co., guardian of Victor Istehle, minor child of John F T Stehle, deceased, late of Butier borough.

27 Flual account of Albert B McCandless, administrator of Elizabeth J McCandless, eccessed, late of Butier twp.

28 Flual account of Sophia Harley, deceased, late of Butier porough.

29 Flual account of Stephen Cummings, guardian of Charles L Nigh, minor child of Henry Nigh and Caroline Nigh, of Summit township.

township.

30 Floal account of Isaac Meals, guardia of Sarah E Kinzer, minor child of Cather'n Kinzer, deceased, late of Concord township 31 Final and distribution account of Ge W Wilson, administrator ct a of Thoma Donaldson, deceased, late of Evans City.

J. P. DAVIS, Register.

ROAD AND BRIDGE REPORTS. Notice is hereby given that the following roads and bridges have been confirmed nisi by the Court and will be presented on the first Saturday of March Court, 1994, being the 12th day of said month, and if no exceptions are filed they will be confirmed absolutely:

BY THE COURT.

R. D. No. 7, December Term, 1902. In the matter of the petition of citizens of Washington township for a county bridge over south branch of Slipperyrock creek, where you strong, will give you an appetite and new life.

If you feel tired and

BY THE COURT.

R. D. No. 7, December Term, 1902. In the matter of the petition of citizens of Washington to which provide over south branch of Slipperyrock creek, where you have crosses the public road leading from Hilllards to West Sunbury. September 1908, 1903 filed their reports in favor of proposed. Notice to be given according to rules of Notice to be laid before the Grand Jury at next term.

BY THE COURT.

R. D. No. 8, becomber Term. 1903. In the matter of the petition of citizens of Jefferson township for a county bridge over Thorn Creek in said township, where said creek crosses the public road leading the old Butler and Freeport turnpike to the Butler and Saxonburg road, at or near the pump station. November 7, 1903, viewers appointed who on December 4, 1903, filed their report in favor of proposed bridge. Now, December 12, 1903, approved. Notice to be given according to rules of Court, and to be laid before the Grand Jury at hext term.

R. D. No. 8, December Term. 1903. In the

R. D. No. 8, December Term, 1903. In the matter of the petition of citizens of Butler township for a public road from a point on the Harmony road at or near the residence of William Wachmuth, to a point on the public road known as the Butler and Gilleland Mills road, near a point where the public road such as the Butler and Gilleland Mills road, near a point where the private road, near a point where the close of the period of the p

BUTLER COUNTY, 88; Certified from the record this lett day of Feb. A. D. 1891 FORGE M. GRAHAM, Feb. A. D. 1891 Clerk U. S. Court.

WIDOWS' APPRAISEMENTS.

The following widows: appraisements of personal property and real estate set apart for the benefit of the widows of decedent have been filed in the office of the client of the Orphans, Court of Butler County, viz: have been hied in the care of which of the Orphan's Court of Butler County, Widow of John Reed, per, prop'ty Widow of Isaac Donadson, per prop'ty Widow of Isaac Donadson, per prop'ty Widow of John D. Boyco, per prop'ty Widow of John T. Wick, per prop'ty Widow of John T. Wick, per prop'ty Widow of Levi Letove, per prop'ty Widow of Levi Letove, per prop'ty Widow of Harrey D. Hyerity, per prop'ty Widow of Harrey D. Hyerity, per prop'ty Widow of Hone B. Hervey, per prop'ty Widow of John Post, per prop'ty Widow of John Post, per prop'ty Widow of Levi Bellow, per Hop'ty, Widow of Levi Bellow, per prop'ty Widow of Isaacard H. Pfelfer, per prop'ty Widow of John L. McKee, per prop'ty Widow of John L. McKee, per prop'ty Widow of John L. McKee, per prop'ty Widow of John Sumney, per prop'ty Widow of John Sumney, per prop'ty Widow of John Sumney, per prop'ty Widow of Ben'amin F. White, per prop' widow of Willam J. Mashs, per prop

All persons interested in the above appraisements will take notice that they will be presspited by confirmation to the Orphans Dentr of Butler county. Pa., on Saturday the Cith day of Mar., 1904, and if no exception are filed, they will be confirmed absolutely GEORGE M. GRAHAM, Clerks Office, February 10, 1904

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> > Opp Court House.

of ROYALTY

A MEETING

Barbara stood at the gate drinking in the mountain air, which was like a draft of wine to her. The sun, hanging just above the crest of Bald Hill, had lifted the early morning fog and set the dew covered spider webs on the grass shimmering like so many clusters of crystals. Adown the road linnets and thrushes were chirping merrily in thus, she started down the road, followed by her aunt's admonition to be back



o dinner at noon and to remember no to cross the Johnsons' pasture, where rattlesnakes had been seen recently day it was indeed good to be alive. great arched gateway of the sanitari-um, and, looking up the steep drive-way, she could see the buildings perched on the hill. She had not been down this road for ten years, but she suddenly remembered, with a little thrill of pity for its inmates, that the red brick building on the extreme left was

led across the lower end of the santarium grounds and into the pine woods. She found a place where glant which is obtained from Modena. pines towered many feet skyward and when the cracking of a twig warned her of some one's approach. She look-ed up. Before her, hat in hand, stood who regarded her with a steadi gaze decidedly disconcerting. As she

looked up he bowed gravely, "Good morning, Princess Louise," he gaid in a cheerful voice, "Really de-lightful morning, isn't it?" Barbara's mouth curved scornfully. Then, all at once, the truth flashed upon her. This man before her was a strayed inmate of the insane pavilion, Her eyes opened wide in alarm and made her doubly charming—at least so thought the young man with a keen

"Charming spot here," he went on easily. "Let me congratulate you on Barbara's heart was beating wildly. The man might be dangerous, and she was at his mercy. She remembered she had heard somewhere it was best and safest to humor lunatics. So, smothering a desire to scream, she

faced the intruder with as much com-posure as she could summon. "I should very much like to sit down ere with you," he was saying. "It tsn't every one, you know, who is favored with a morning interview with

"Oh, yes," Barbara said breathlessly.
"Do sit down. I shall be very glad to have you sit down with me. Indeed, I'm awfully-awfully pleased to have You sit down,"

He seated himself with a smile which in a sane person would have betokened inlimited patience. "And what is Princess Louise doing this morning?" he asked.

"I'm-I was reading a book on birds, Mr. Henry IV.," she said. He glanced at her quizzically. "Do you mind if I feel your pulse, your highness?" he asked quite humbly.
"Oh, no, indeed not," she assured him, at the same time extending her wrist to him. He pulled out his watch and took her wrist lightly in his hand.

Presently he dropped it and returned the watch to his pocket, the watch to his pocker.
"Ah, thank you," he said as he drew a tablet from his pocket and began writing rapidly on one of the pages with a pencil. He laid the tablet aside and as it lay on the ground near her Barbara read in the round, full hand on the page: "Janet Tolman.

"June 14. Tucker's Grove. Eyes un usually dilated. Conversation rational. "And now, Princess Louise," the young man was saying, "I think we'd better seek the banquet hall." He rose and slipped the tablet and

pencil into his pocket.
"I'm—it's very comfortable here," she said, and then as a forlorn hope she added, "but don't let me detain you." "But really I insist," he said, with well bred firmness.

Barbara dared no longer hesitate "Henry IV." assisted her to her feet,

and as she gained them he slipped her arm through his own. She felt his arm pinning hers firmly against his side and realized that opposition was useless. Together they started through the grove, and Barbara was surprised to find they took the path leading to the sanitarium. They gained the grounds and started up the hill toward the buildings, "Henry IV." meantime conversing pleasantly and Barbara answering him as best she could. She breathed more freely now, for she was Register. sure they would soon encounter an at-tendant, who would relieve her of her

dangerous escort. They had nearly gained the summit

dressing Barbara's companion, "but "Who?" said the other quickly.

"The Tolman woman. Found her in the laundry," said the attendant. "Here they come now," he added, pointing to two men who led a struggling woman between them.

"Good Lord!" gasped the erstwhile "Henry IV." "Who have I got, then?" "Then-then you're not insane?" said Barbara, giggling hysterically with this sudden removal of the tension. "I wasn't an hour ago," he said, rub-bing his forehead in a bewildered

fashion.

here escaped, as we supposed, this morning," he explained. "You are the image of her, which accounts for my warted the scent of pines to her. The
woods were calling her. She would
not disregard such an invitation.
She ran lightly into the here. not disregard such an invitation.

She ran lightly into the house and presently reappeared with a parasol and a small red volume. Accoutered results and a small red volume. Accoutered results and the case, and because I was wondering what effect the quiet of the specific product would have I test to be seen to be some other celebrity. Henry IV. fell to my lot. I'm particularly interested in the case, and because I was wondering what effect the quiet of the specific production. woods would have I took your pulse and made those notes in the grove.

It's a terribly absurd situation. I don't know how to apologize to you.

I presame you thought me insane and

tried to humor me."
"Precisely," said Barbara, and they oth laughed heartily. "At least, let me get my automobile and take you home," he said. "I pre-sume you've had quite enough of the grove for one day."

"Thank you," said Barbara, "but it's only a step to where I am staying with my aunt, Mrs. Durgin." "Mrs. Durgin's!" said the doctor.
"Why, I spend half my evenings

my aunt's idol," said Barbara. "A fallen idol, I fear," he returned when she hears of my latest esca-

Three months later they sat one evening before the fireplace at Mrs. "Really, Barbara," the doctor said

"I demand an answer."

Barbara lifted her downcast eves "I suppose I should humor you, as I did once before, 'Henry IV,' " she said. "I'm utterly uncontrollable when rossed," he laughed.
"Then," sighed Barbara, "for the sake

ence was interrupted. Several Kinds of Sausages,

of peace"- But at this point the ser

The Germans, in most instances, altogether discard bread crumbs for their Barbara went briskly toward the woods with a feeling that on such a day it was indeed good to be alive. Well down the road she passed the that their famous "Bolognese mortagreat arched gateway of the sanitaridella" is at once a more nourishing and a more economical sausage than the very best German wurst, inas-much as the "mortadella" must be boiled three times before it is properly cooked, and the water in which it has been boiled constitutes a strong clear soup. The Romans make likewise a highly ambitious sausage, in which no the insane paylion.

She took the little footpath which led across the lower end of the sanical it "zampino," which is the footpath which led across the lower end of the sanical it "zampino," which is the footpath which

A leg freshly salted is chosen and pines towered many feet skyward and the ground was covered thickly with pine needles. Here she sat down and listened for a time to the tinkle of a tiny brook hard by and the sighing of the breeze through the pine tops. She had just opened the little red volume when the cracking of a twig warned were from some pure's approach. She look to the pan to two hours. Wholly innocent of bread crumbs are also the renowned the ground was a superscience. Stress here were the cracking of a twig warned by the components approach. She look to the control of the control "cervelas" of Strassburg.

At the time of the destruction of the Bastille the most remarkable of the unfortunate wretches who had been confined within its walls was the Comte de Jorge, and he was brought to Mme Tussaud that she might take a cast of his face. He had been incarcerated for thirty years, and when liberated he begged to be taken back to his prison. The people flocked in thousands to see the dungeons, and Mme. Tussaud was prevalled upon to accompany her uncle and a few friends for the same purpose. While descending the narrow stairs her foot slipped, and she was on the point of falling when she was saved by Robespierre, who held out his protecting hand and just prevented her from coming to the ground would indeed have been a great pity if so young and pretty a patriot should have broken her neck in such a horrid place," said Robespierre, in his own peculiar complimentary style.—"Mem-

olrs of Anna Maria Pickering." The Time to Think, think before I accept in.

Maud—Oh, no. You'll have plenty of ime to do that afterward. - Detroit

SHORT STORIES.

Buenos Ayres proposes to erect a monument in honor of the memory of Garibaldi. The amount of gold in the United States treasury exceeds that in the banks of Russia, Germany, Belgium

and the Netherlands combined. A Wareham (Mass.) bank official has just resigned after twenty-one years' service, during which time he has never had a vacation nor has he been absent from the bank on account of sick-

ness. Truman Newton of Vergennes, Vt., has recently shingled his house, the first time it has needed it in sixty-two years. The shingles that were on it were made by his father and were put on with old fashioned nails.

A Paris paper says that "M. McClellan, the newly elected mayor of New York, is the son of the famous Confederate general of that name." By the same token it will be remembered that Victor Hugo never forgave General Grant for hanging John Brown. When Margaret Dinwiddle died at Rushville, Ind., sixty years ago, she left an estate valued at \$80,000. There to talk about alfalfa. He owns a hunwas litigation between the heirs, and the other day the last fragment of the property, worth \$15,000, was turned over by order of the court to the lawyers engaged in the several suits grow-

"We had known each other slightly," said Miss Evvy Waite, "but never to ing I fell down quite near him, and"-"Ah, yes!" replied Miss Peppery.
That broke the ice, of course."—Philadelphia Press.

ing out of conflicting claims.

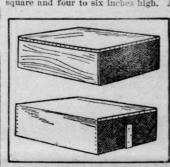
Choosing a Minister. Dean Everett used to say that parish

tor has a fool for a patient as truly as ley's talk the story runs as follows. the man who acts as his own lawyer of the hill when an attendant in white has a fool for a client.

PLANT PROTECTORS.

Devices For Shielding Early Plants From Frost, Winds and Bugs. Get your plant protectors ready, for there will be little time to do so later T. Greiner gives designs and dewinds and from bugs.

First is the simple box frame, a box



BOX WITH MUSLIN TOP-MUSLIN COVER WITH END BOARDS.

square piece of cloth or netting may be tacked over the top. A similar device is made of stiff paper, with a piece of cheesecloth sewed or pasted right over a square opening cut into the top, the sides being held down by pieces of wire bent in double pin shape. For another prove its adaptability to a wide area of device a piece of netting may be tacked in two end boards, each end board be-man.—Alva Agee in National Stock-man. ing provided with a small sharpened stake (nailed on the outside), which when pushed into the ground will held the end boards in place, with the cloth stretched tightly between them over the plants. Even a large piece of cloth or netting and a few sticks will do the business. We can take some pieces of willow twigs or other pliable wood and



MUSLIN. We may simply push one or more little sticks slantingly into the ground and over the plant of plants and cover with netting netting may be simply placed directly over the plants in loose folds. Cheese cloth may be considered preferable t ordinary mosquito netting. The latter is rather coarse and would not prove an effective barrier to thrips and other small insects that might do damage All these devices are simple and per haps as effective as any more elaborat

EGGPLANT.

Its Successful Cultivation - Packing For Market-Good Varieties. For the successful cultivation of egg plant continual perseverance and ete ready for market, nearly six months. Seed is sown on March 1 in hotbeds or hothouse in rows three inches apart, not too deep, as a quick start is necessary on account of the tenderness of the plant. Before sowing the bed is covered with sand to insure quick germination and prevent dampening. After the plants are up large enough glass into five inch pots or six inch | bran should not be called pure bran. ready to be set out after having been well aired and toughened to withstand any cool weather that may follow.

Land that has been well manured is then marked off in rows four feet each way, a hole is dug at each cross line for sod with plant to set in and ground well pressed around the plant and wa tered. The field is then well cultivated both ways between the rows with horse cultivators, after which the plants are well hoed to keep the ground loose and kill the weeds. The fruit should be ready for market

by Aug. 15, provided the bugs and weather have not discouraged them too much. The eggs are then cut and packed in small crates holding from thirty to thirty-six, according to size. The best strain I have as yet grown is Purple Perfection, thornless, an im proved strain of New York and New Jersey Purple. The last two seasons eggplant culture has not been a howling success on account of the wet and cold weather interfering with the plants to a great extent, concludes an Illinois writer in American Agricul-

The Interest In Fertilizers. We have never before had so many stions about fertilizers. They come from all over the country, a large proportion from the west. We can easily remember the time when he who talked of using fertilizers west of the Mississippi was regarded as a wild man. Last year in the state of Missouri alone nearly \$2,000,000 worth of fertilizers were used by farmers in addition to their supplies of stable manure. In states farther east the use of chemicals is be coming general. This is one thing in which the west can learn of the east. There are eastern farms which were producing good crops when the west was a howling wilderness. With the tid of chemicals, properly used, these farms are now producing more than they ever did, says Rural New Yorker.

GRASS AND ALFALFA. frowing Together In Unity and

Making Fine Cattle. At the Pittsbore (Ind.) institute we had Mr. J. N. Shirley of Boone county dred acre farm, fifty of which are in alfalfa and fifty in blue grass, and his business is the growing of cattle. Excepting a little grain to calves in their first year the feed is blue grass and alfalfa in the summer and alfalfa hay in the winter. Mr. Shirley says he does not like to plow, and he sees no use of doing so. He has a herd of Herefords and produces fancy cattle without any particular labor except that of making hay and feeding it. The scheme was so novel to me for an eastern state and the memory of criticism of myself for reporting examples of success difficult of acceptance by the uncircumcised committees had no more ability choosing a minister than a minister showed inquiry of Mr. Shirley's neighbors and in buying a horse.-Boston Christian others who know his farm, and they say that this farm is run just as it is

According to my notes of Mr. Shir Eight years ago he sowed one and a half acres in the spring where his

wheat had failed. It was rich black soil, and twenty pounds of seed per acre were used. The next year be

covering it two inches deep. It was a showery fall, and a good stand was got on all except two and a half acres. He has sown any time from April to August with good results. There are now scriptions in Farm and Fireside for blue grass on the other fifty acres will some useful homemade devices for pro-tecting early plants from frost and cold effort will be made to kill the blue grass out by cultivation of a crop, but he expects it to come in with the alfalwithout top or bottom, say a foot fa, occupying the surface with its roots square and four to six inches high. A while the alfalfa uses the soil down below the surface. Some grass and al-

> ing together in unity and making choice tle on blue grass and alfalfa and some mixture of alfalfa and timothy and is growing fine Herefords for breeding and for the block without grain after the first year, it does not follow that alfalfa without grain will give satisfactory results to others. It will to some, probably; not to all. His blue grass is heavy, and that is a great feed. Lots of the credit is due to the grass. But we should see that alfalfa is less diffi-cult to grow than some have supposed and that if we can produce the five to

Desirable Fowls on Small Places. The Polish are a class of poultry very much liked by fanciers and breeders can Agriculturist in presenting the ac companying cut. They are probably



WHITE CRESTED BLACK POLISH COCK. the handsomest class of poultry, their large topknots and brilliant coloring making them very attractive. The White Crested Black are solid black in color except the topknot, which is pure white. The fowls are medium in size and lay beautiful white eggs.

den a heavy dressing of fine old complace kegs or boxes over some of the plants and heap over them some horse

consin says weed seeds are often ground and introduced into the bran. They may possess feeding value, but the According to American Agriculturist, potato holdings are not heavy, fully three-fourths of the crop having found

menters' league at its first annual meet-ing at Cornell university elected Dr. I. P. Roberts honorary president, H. B. Winters president and J. L. Gilmour, Ithaca, secretary-treasurer As a cultivated plant the dandelion is ssuming a place of some importance in farm gardens, and in the New England market gardens it is grown exten

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sively, yielding large returns per acre, says American Cultivator. The gypsy moth pest is exciting renewed anxiety in Massachusetts.

WAYS OF THE MAGPIE.

The Bird Is Sociable, Secretive and Full of Mischief. The magpie has the same sort of sociability, the same secretiveness, the ame thirst for education-of a certain kind—the same inherent and ineradica-ble love of mischief as has that very versatile bird the raven. Not that in intellect and strength of character she is in any way equal to the raven. Fun she has in abundance, but hardly humor. Conscious humor, that high and rare gift of man which interpenetrates and colors everything in life, is, I think, possessed in germ by the raven eye, in the pose of his head, in his walk, in every movement of his body. The eye of the magpte is, like the wit of Dickens, always on the move, nervous, excitable, glittering, scintillating. The eye of the raven is like the humor of Goldsmith. It has a faraway look, it dreams, it thinks, "it bodes and it bodes," it all but smiles. The magpie she will only talk or talk well if her silver sixpence died a natural death ealm had to be "milled" and so were rendered unsuitable for so stupidly cruel an operation.—R. Bosworth Smith

n Nineteenth Century. Servants In Germany. It is difficult in Germany for a proas a character book, in which the misng and leaving of the servant, with the girl is obliged to take to the nearwith the official stamp, thus preventing manufacture of bogus recommen

"Didn't I hear your wife refer to you as the human mince pie?" said the curi-

Yes," answered Mr. Sirius Barker. "Is that a compliment"
"Not exactly. She means that I never
gree with anybody." — Washington

"When I looked at this picture last week I failed to observe those goats Probably they butted in since then."