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Bedford, Pa.
OFFICE on Pitt Street, nearly opposite the "Bedford Hotel." Teeth plugged, regulated, &c., and artificial teeth inserted, from one to an entire set. Charges moderate, and all operations warranted.
JAN. 19, 1854.

NEW STORE!

Opened Out in a New Place!
The subscriber has just opened out a New and Cheap

Dry Goods and Fancy Store,
in the West end of the building formerly in the occupancy of Dr. John H. Hoist, dec'd, and now occupied by Dr. B. F. Harry.
He sells silk pocket handkerchiefs at from 12 1/2 cents up to \$1; undershirts from 10 cents to \$1.50; silk mitts from 5 to 75 cents; cotton hose from 10 to 35 cents; good blue cotton for 4 cents per yard; collars from 3 cents up to \$4; handkerchiefs from 6 1/2 cents to \$2.50; bonnet ribbons from 6 1/2 to 21 cents; handkerchiefs from 21 cents to \$1.25; bonnets from 25 cents up; bloomers from 62 1/2 cents up; ladies' and gentlemen's wear of every description. Also, in Dr. Hoist's and Harry's Stores; also table linens, all colors; boots and shoes; carpets; a general assortment of **Queenware and Groceries;** and a great many articles omitted for brevity. These can be procured elsewhere in this place.

He respectfully requests all to call and examine his stock and judge for themselves.
ELIAS FISHER.
April 6, 1855.

A Miracle of Science.

Dr. C. Kelling of Mechanicsburg, Cumberland Co., Pa., announces to those afflicted with *Itis*, *Warts*, *Cancer*, *Polyuria*, *Lupus*, *Moles*, *Melan*, *Serofia*, or *King's Evil* and all diseases that have been usually treated with *Gauze* or *Knife*, as can remove them by an entirely new method, without cutting, burning, or pain. New *Chloroform* or *Ether* administered, to the patient.

It is a matter on what part of the body they may be, he can remove them with perfect safety, and in a remarkably short time. No Anesthetics, Vegetable Oils, or Spices, and no money required until a cure is perfected.

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McMechanburg is one of the prettiest and healthiest towns in this or any other State. It is 3 miles from Harrisburg on the C. & P. R. and accessible from all parts of the Union.

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The following excellent School Books have been adopted by more than ONE HUNDRED Boards of Education, in the last sixteen months—First, because of their unsurpassed merit; second, because they are, also, the most economical to the learner.

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Fall Millinery Goods.
AGENTS FOR BEDFORD COUNTY.—Dr. B. F. HARRY'S Drug and Book Store, Bedford; Dr. C. REAMER'S Drug and Book Store, Bedford; and the most favorable terms.

JOHN STONE & SONS,
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The Iron Crown of Lombardy.

A recent letter from Milan to the Boston Transcript says:—

In one of the chapels of Monza Cathedral, near Milan, is preserved the Iron Crown of Lombardy. Provided with a permit from the Bishop, I presented myself at the chapter-house, and two vergers were at once dispatched to make arrangements for the proper exhibition of the sacred diadem.

On entering the cathedral I found the crown chapel decorated with crimson hangings, the candles lighted and incense burning. A scaffolding had also been erected before the altar, for the convenience of the priest who was to take the crown from its resting place, just back of the bronze altarpiece. He soon arrived, with five huge keys hanging at his girdle, with which he proceeded to turn as many locks. Finally, after throwing open two or three doors and drawing back a curtain amid a great waving of incense and constant gunfiring, I saw the Iron Crown in its case of crystal supported in the hands of two bronze cherubims.

At my request, the priest took it from its resting place, and I had leisure to examine it carefully. I found it to consist of six links of pure gold, perhaps two inches or more in width, and very thin. In fact, it resembled very much a highly ornamented dog collar. Its outer surface was beautifully enameled with green leaves on a white ground. It was also set at regular intervals with emeralds, garnets and sapphires. Running round the inner circumference and riveted to the gold links is the iron band which gives the crown its name. Tradition declares it to be one of the nails employed at our Saviour's crucifixion, hammered out into a thin fillet. Indeed, the Italians call the crown *Il Sacro Chiodo*, or the holy nail. To the sanctity of this link of iron is due all the decoration and ceremony I have alluded to.

The early history of the Iron Crown is involved in obscurity. The traditions of Monza relate that in the year 569, King Ariperto, the son of King Theodelinda, Queen of the Lombards. Others say it was made in Constantinople for the mother of Constantine. At all events, Henry VII, or Henry of Luxembourg, was the first sovereign of Germany who was crowned with it, and Charles V. the last. Having adorned the brows of five and forty sovereigns, it was, on the death of Charles V. assigned to the treasury of Monza Cathedral, and preserved more as a sacred relic than part of the insignia of royalty. Napoleon was the first to disturb it. Always desirous to strengthen his power by any prestige the past might give it, he caused himself to be crowned King of Italy with the sacred crown of the Lombards! Disdaining to receive it from the hands of the bishop, he placed it himself upon his own head, at the same time pronouncing those memorable words, "*Dieu me l'a donnee a qui la touche!*" To commemorate the coronation Napoleon instituted the Order of the Iron Crown, now conferred by the Emperor of Austria. Since Napoleon I, Ferdinand I, who abdicated the Austrian throne in 1848, is the only sovereign at whose coronation the Iron Crown has been used. His present apostolic majesty, Francis Joseph, feels hardly secure enough in his Lombardo Venetian possession to place upon his head their ancient pledge of independent sovereignty. He visited Milan after the disturbances of 1848, but as yet has only been crowned in his lawfully inherited capital of Vienna.

After the crowd which had gathered round the chapel had fully satisfied their curiosity, the five locks, the two doors and the one curtain performed their proper functions, and the Iron Crown was restored to its sacred seclusion, only to be distributed by some equally curious traveler, or by recurrence of the annual fete of the sacred nail.

POWER OF GENTLENESS.

No bad man is ever brought to repentance by words, by bitter and scornful reproaches. He fortifies himself against reproach, and huris back foul charges in the face of his accuser. Yet guilty and hardened as he seems, he has a heart in his voice. Who, therefore, can restrain his disposition to blame and find fault, and can bring himself down to a fallen brother, will soon find a way to better feelings within.

Pity and patience and the two keys which unlock the human heart. They who have been most successful laborers among the poor and vicious, have been the most forbearing. Said St. Vincent de Paul: "It has pleased God to employ the most miserable of men for the conversion of some souls, they have themselves confessed that it was by the patience and sympathy he had for them."

An Auction of Ladies.

An auction of unmarried ladies used to take place annually in Babylon. "In every district," says the historian, "there assembled on a certain day of every year, all the virgins of a marriagable age." The most beautiful was first put up, and the man who bid the largest sum of money gained possession of her. The second in personal appearance followed, and the bidders gratified themselves with handsome wares, according to the depth of their purses. But alas! it seems there were in Babylon some ladies for whom no money was likely to be offered, yet these also were disposed of, so provided were the Babylonians. "When all the beautiful virgins," says the historian, "were sold, the crier ordered the most deformed to stand up, and after he had openly demanded who would marry her with a small sum, she was at length adjudicated to the man who would be satisfied with the least: in this manner, the money arising from the sale of the handsome served as a portion to those who were either of disagreeable looks or that had any other imperfections." This custom prevailed about 500 years before Christ.

A Priceless Jewel.

Hon. Edward Everett, in his eulogy on the late Abbott Lawrence, remarked: "His business life extended over two or three of those terrible convulsions which shake the pillars of the commercial world, but they disturbed in no degree the solid foundation of his prosperity. He built upon the adamantine basis of probity; beyond reproach, beyond suspicion. His life gave a lofty meaning to the familiar lines, and you felt in his presence, that "An honest man is the noblest work of God."

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Far from being ashamed of his humble beginnings, he was proud of them, as the merchant prince of Florence, at the height of their power, and when they are giving the law to Italy, preserved upon their palaces the cranes by which bales of their chandise were raised to their attic. A young gentleman told me yesterday, that Lawrence took from his waistcoat pocket, and exhibited in his presence, a pair of blunt scissors, which had served him for daily use at the humble commencement of his business life. As for his personal integrity, Mr. Chairman, to which you alluded, I am persuaded that if the dome of the State House, which towers over his residence in Park street, had been coined into a diamond, and laid at his feet as the bribe of a dishonest transaction, he would have spurned it like the dust he trod on. His promise was a sacrament."

The Climate of Greenland.

Thos. Leavell, of the Kane Expedition, mentions the singular meteorological fact, that he has seen the thermometer standing at 86 deg. Fahrenheit in the sun, while the same instrument, transferred to the shade, would often fall to 28 deg. below the freezing point. The effect of cold upon the men was remarkable. The injuries sustained by frost bites are apt to be lasting in their effects. One man on board the Advance had his heel so badly frozen as to be laid up for seven weeks. The bone of the foot appeared to have been touched, and the flesh came entirely off; the injury causing intense pain. After the lapse of a year, the foot is still very tender, and the heel so sensitive that it cannot be touched without pain. The Greenland coast is described as rocky, barren, high land presenting hardly vegetation enough to yield timber for a tooth-pick. In the interior, the valleys present some little verdure, in the spaces of stunted grasses and a hardy moss, but even during the summer, the foxglove and shape are hardly to be driven more than six inches into the soil. The Eskimoes, and other tribes of those regions, are found to be rapidly diminishing—one cause being attributable to their emigration to warmer climes; and the opinion is that the lapse of a few years will find those sterile and frigid regions entirely deserted by their hardy inhabitants.

Turkish Delicacy.

The Turkish lady is at the boot bazaar. It is utterly impossible that she can be fit, without pulling schalwar (trousers) to a height equal to that of the leg of the boot. Except for this she could not draw it on. But it is a necessity; and all delicacy that can be observed. The shoe-merchant professes to take no notice; so do all others in the bazaar. And if you would like to test the propriety that you are not expected to enact, do you just go opposite the stall and look. The lady will say nothing, but she will simply blush, and turn away. But the eagle-eye of the merchant will detect your gaze on the instant. As he will assail you in a voice so loud, as, probably, you never before heard from the calm, stately, true believer. And it will be well for your self-respect if you do not happen to understand the Ottoman language. If you do, you will not feel very greatly delighted by his opinions of yourself, but especially of the women in your family.—*The City of the Crescent.*

A man famous for hunting up enigmas philosophizes thus: "What strange creatures girls are: offer one of them wages to work for you and ten chances to one if the old woman can spare any of her girls—but just propose matrimony and see if they don't jump at the chance of working a life time just for victuals and clothes."

The Fate of a Flirt.

It is very rarely, indeed, that a confirmed flirt gets married; ninety-nine out of every hundred old maids may attribute their ancient loneliness to juvenile levity. It is very certain that few men make a selection from ball-rooms or any other public gaiety; and as few are influenced by what may be called showing off in the streets or any other allurements of dress, our conviction is that ninety-nine hundredths of all the fiery, which women decorate or load their persons go for nothing as far as husband-catching is concerned. Where, and how then do men find their wives? In the quiet homes of parents or guardians—fresides where the domestic graces and feelings are demonstrated. These are the charms which most surely attract the high as well as the low, before which all the fiery and the airs in the world sink into insignificance.

A Farmer who lately became a widower, was aroused at midnight by the loud barking of his dog. On going to it, the animal displayed great terror; whereupon the farmer took his gun and proceeded to an inspection. All at once he saw a phantom clothed in a white sheet rise behind the hedge. The farmer turned deadly pale and his limbs shook with dismay. He, however, contrived to ejaculate, "If you come from God, speak, if from the devil, vanish!"

Mind Your Dots.

A Kentucky member of congress wrote to his wife on his arrival at Washington city, that he had "formed a connection with a very agreeable Miss A, and expected to spend the winter very pleasantly." Unfortunately to the surprise and mortification of the good lady to whom he was writing, he inadvertently dotted the *e* in the word *Miss*.

Dimensions of the American Lakes.

The greatest length of Lake Superior is 435 miles; the greatest breadth is 160 miles; mean depth, 988 feet; elevation, 627 feet; area 32,000 square miles.
The greatest length of Lake Michigan is 360 miles; its greatest breadth 180 miles; mean depth 900 feet; elevation, 587 feet; and 22,000 square miles.
The greatest length of Lake Huron is 300 miles; its greatest breadth is 100 miles; mean depth, 800 feet; elevation, 574 feet; area 20,000 square miles.
The greatest length of Lake Erie is 250 miles; its greatest breadth is 80 miles; its mean depth is 84 feet; elevation 554 feet; area 9,000 square miles.
The greatest length of Lake Ontario is 180 miles; its greatest breadth is 65 miles; its mean depth 500 feet; area 6,000 square miles.
The total length of all five lakes is 1585 miles; covering an area altogether of upward of 90,000 square miles.

Gambling for a Wife.

The Hamilton (C. W.) Banner furnishes the following illustration of the evil effects of gaming: "A military officer, residing at the time of the occurrence we are about to mention, in one of the small towns on the coast of Ireland, was passionately fond of gambling, and one night, after losing all his money and other valuables at the gaming table, offered to stake his wife, a lovely woman, against all that his opponent had won from him. The offer was accepted, the game played, and the officer beaten. The wife, indignant at her lord's seeming affection, and little knowing the infatuation of gambling, determined on becoming the property of the winner. The husband's honor being at stake, he could offer no objection; the wife, who had no children, accompanied her new master, and the poor victim to the hellish passion of gambling became a maniac. Often and often have we met the poor fellow on the sea shore, his hands behind his back, gazing intently across the broad, expansive ocean, as if he expected the return of her on whom his soul had doated, and still remembered, from its bosom, wild and tempestuous as his own, but she never came."

A Beautiful Thought.

"When I gaze into the stars, they look down upon me with pity from their serene and silent spaces; like eyes glistening with tears over the little lot of man. Thousands of generations, all as needy as our own have been swallowed by time, and there remains no record of them any more. yet Arcturus and Orion, Sirius and Pleiades are still shining in their courses, clear and young as when the Shepherd first noted them from the plains of Shinar. What shadows we are, and what shadows we pursue!"—*Carlyle.*

The following advertisement under the head of a Wife Wanted, is in the Batesville Arkansas News: "Any gal, what's got a bed, coffee-pot, and skillet, knows how to out her own britches, can make a huntin' shirt, and knows how to take care of children, can have my services until death parts both of us."

AN EPITAPH.

The editor of the Burlington Recorder, bears witness that he recently discovered in a flourishing city in the line of the New Jersey Railroad a grave yard in which stood a tombstone on which was inscribed by his friends the following touching and simple, yet exquisitely poetic epitaph:—"HE WAS A GOOD BOY."

163 Acres.

of patented land, the improvements are: A large Two Story log dwelling house, with Stone Kitchen attached; large double log barn, granary and other out buildings, about 120 acres cleared, under good fence and in a high state of cultivation, the balance of land cleared there are on this farm about 20 acres of good mowing. There is also a large apple orchard of choice fruit together with an abundance of peaches, pears, plums, cherries &c. There is also a well of never failing water near the door, and several good springs on the farm. The above property is well worthy the notice of purchasers.

He was a brick.
He was a perfect horse.
He was a whole team.
He was some pumpkins.
He was one of 'em.
Well he was!

HEIGHT OF IMPUDENCE.

To go into a printing office, look over a compositor's shoulder and read his copy. To go into an editor's room, rummage among his newspapers, and steal them, and look over his shoulder to read his manuscript. Height of Impudence. To kick such rascals out without ceremony.

Final Notice.

By virtue of an order of the Orphan's Court of Bedford County, the subscriber will expose to public sale, by public vendue, on the premises of the Court House in the Borough of Bedford on Saturday the 5th day of January, A. D. 1856, the following described Real Estate, to wit: The property of Solomon Fisher, deceased, viz: A LOT OF GROUND, in the Borough of Bedford, being lot No. 14, in the plan of said Borough, situate on Juliana Street, containing 60 feet of front on said street, and running back 240 feet of lotting, thereon erected a first rate commodious

PRIME BOARDING HOUSE.

Prime Stable, Ice House, Ten Pin Alley and other buildings. This property is handsomely located on the street leading to the Bedford Springs, and is a very desirable one—particularly for those desiring to keep a private boarding house, for which purpose it has been used for several years. The building is sufficiently large to accommodate fifty or sixty boarders, and is furnished for four years from the 24th day of September, 1855.

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By order of the Trustees of the Bedford Springs, Dec. 7, 1855.

ALLEGHANY MALE AND FEMALE SEMINARY.

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"Make you a coat sir? Oh, yes, sir with the greatest pleasure. There just stand in that position please, and look right upon that sign while I take your measure." Sign reads "Terma Cash."

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PUBLIC SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of an order of the Orphan's Court of Bedford County, there will be exposed to sale by public vendue, on the premises of Friday the 28th day of December, inst., all that valuable farm, late the property of Allen Conroy, dec'd, situate in Newport, about 21 miles North-West of Bedford, containing

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