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4 North Main St.

GRADY'S CONVINCING PROOF.

He Forced a Merchant to Admit That People Read Advertisements.

I was reading Wallace Reed's pleasant reminiscence of Henry Grady, and it carried me back to the hard days when Henry was struggling against fate to make his paper a success. The merchants had not then learned the value of advertising, and Henry pleaded in vain for a more liberal patronage. A leading merchant who claimed to be his friend stubbornly declined to give him a big "ad.," and said it would be money thrown away, for nobody read them.

"Don't read them?" exclaimed Henry. "Don't read them! Well, I will show you."

Next morning's paper contained a short editorial on cats and told how cat fur had recently come into great demand in fashionable circles in New York, and how the long, coarse hairs were eliminated and the real fur was made into tippets and muffs, and every fashionable lady wore a feline, etc. Not far off in another column was a displayed advertisement that said:

"Wanted—1,000 cats, for which 50 cents each will be paid."

The merchant's name was signed to it.

By noon the cats began to roll in. Small boys, white and black, brought them in baskets and bags. For awhile the merchant enjoyed the joke, but soon got tired and went away to dinner.

By the time he returned the boys and darkies from the suburbs were coming in, and the sidewalk was blockaded. Henry had laughed until he was exhausted and sat on a window sill across the street, threatened, he said, with a cataleptic fit. Neighboring merchants and their clerks gathered around and laughed and shouted and cried at every new arrival of cats. As fast as the merchant drove off one crowd another filled their places. He armed himself with a big stick, but at last he closed his doors in sheer despair, and night relieved him from the pressure.

But the next morning the catastrophe was worse. The catalogue was not ended, for the country people had heard the news and brought cats in on their wagons and under their buggy seats and tied up in cotton baskets like chickens. Henry took his stand near by and leaned against a telegraph pole for support. He and the folks who loved fun were all there, and while it was fun to the boys and death to the frogs it was such a rare and racy joke that the merchant couldn't get mad, and finally surrendered. He made an appropriate little speech to the crowd and told Henry that if he would promise never to do so any more he would give him the biggest "ad." he had ever had in his paper. Henry promised, and the "ad." was given.—Atlanta Constitution.

Only a Newsboy.

I was attracted by a little newsboy. It was evident that he had not been selling papers very long, for he did not mingle with the other boys, and the childish voice was very weak as he cried his wares. His clothes were neat, but very old and carefully patched. Around his neck were a clean collar and a homemade necktie that had once been a piece of a black alpaca dress. Everything about him betokened that a loving mother's hand had tried to make her boy appear like a little gentleman as he went out to sell his papers. I talked with the young news merchant, and found that he lived with his mother, and she was a crippled widow, with none but him to rely upon. For 4 years of the 11 that had been thus far allotted him by Father Time the little fellow had struggled manfully to bear the burdens fate had decreed should be his, and he proudly declared that "it was not often they went hungry, and then only for a few days, when rent fell due."

He had only been selling papers for a week, but earned $8, almost a dollar of which they had saved toward the rent. And as I left him the lines of care and thought already drawn about the face that had not yet lost the innocence of babyhood, and the picture of a crippled mother proud of her boy, and suffering that he must thus early in the morning of life do the work that belongs to its midday hours, the penury of living on $2 a week, and yet the happiness of saving a few cents, made me look in a new way upon the little fellows who, running around corners, darting into street cars and dodging between passersby upon the streets, try to keep the public informed and themselves from starving.—Washington Star.

It Is No Longer Feared.

That heretofore much dreaded and generally fatal disease, diphtheria, has at last been overcome. Thompson's Diphtheria Cure is as positive to cure as it is used according to instructions. No more deaths need occur from diphtheria, croup, quinsy, or any other throat affection. By all means keep one or more bottles on hand all the time. It costs only 50 cents a bottle and is sold at Kirlin's drug store.

Pay On Wednesday.

The employes of the P. & R. C. & I. Co., in the Ashland-Girardville district will be paid to-morrow.

O'HARA'S LIVERY!

BOARDING AND SALES STABLES.

Undertaking in all its Branches.

Open Day and Night.

COR. WHITE and LLOYD STREETS.

WE HAVE THE HANDSOMEST DESIGNS OF

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IN TOWN.

E. B. FOLEY,

—No. 27 West Centre Street.—

THE HONEST SHAKERS AND THEIR CURE FOR DYSPEPSIA.

The shopkeeper who cheats us by lying with regard to the quality of his goods, and the grocer or the butcher who gives us short weights, is a thief. However, their knavery touches nothing but our pock-book. There is another widespread form of misrepresentation of a far more dangerous and villainous character.

We refer to the false statements and worthless guarantees that frequently accompany medicines. To guarantee a medicine to cure is to brand it as a quack product. If we can guarantee to cure disease, then we can guarantee everlasting life, for in a large majority of cases people die of disease, the proportion of violent or accidental deaths being very small.

The Shakers have always been known as a most upright and honorable people, and their success in the manufacture of medicines has also been well known. It is therefore not surprising to find them pursuing a very original and novel plan for the introduction of their remedy for dyspepsia.

These God-fearing people, whose motto has always been "Try all things and hold fast that which is good," have put upon the market ten cent sample bottles of their product, or sufficient to give it a trial.

The Shaker Digestive Cordial is so prompt in its action that for the trivial sum of ten cents, a person can usually determine as to whether or not it meets the requirements of his case. There are forms of dyspepsia which it won't help, but these are very rare. In most cases the first dose relieves all distress and an increase of appetite at once follows.

All druggists have it, and the next time you are troubled with indigestion send out and try this popular and successful product. It represents nearly a hundred years of patient investigation and study.

Orphans' Court.

In the Orphans' Court Judge Dunn awarded an inquest in partition in the estate of Henrietta Lesser, deceased. Returnable Monday, April 5th.

Distribution statements were filed in the estates of Joseph Barnsley, David Middlecamp and Sallie N. Taylor, all deceased.

In the estate of Peter Meyer, deceased, Court dismissed the exceptions and confirmed absolutely the adjudication.

In the estate of Nelson Brandon, deceased, Court confirmed nisi the return of sale.

William A. Sauerbrey was appointed guardian of Maud Casson, minor child of Emma Hess, of Mahanoy City.

Frank Tracey was appointed guardian ad litem of Hettie and William Tracey, minor children of John Tracey, deceased.

CLOSING OUT AT AND BELOW COST!

I will close out in 30 days my entire stock of BOOTS AND SHOES of the best and finest make. The greater part of this stock is home made goods. Reason for selling out I intend to leave town. Call early and examine the stock.

GEO. MANNING,

123 E. Coal St.

MAHANOY CITY.

Another Coasting Accident Added to the Long List.

MAHANOY CITY, Feb. 17.—While coasting on cemetery hill last night John Cleary sustained a fracture of the left leg and Jacob Ever was badly bruised about the ribs and legs.

The funeral of John Close, of Jacksons, took place this morning. High Mass was celebrated at St. Canicus church.

Quite a novel affair will be a poverty party in Knepp's hall on the 19th inst. under the auspices of the Y. P. S. C. E.

Catherine, the six-month-old daughter of John Shrock, Jr., of East Centre street, died this morning.

Memorial services are being held in St. John's Lutheran church in celebration of the 400th anniversary of Philip Melancthon, the German reformer and co-laborer of Martin Luther.

Last evening a sleighing party numbering 138 people from Delano enjoyed a sleigh ride to Lakeside and return.

Mrs. Garrity, of Wetherly, who is in town as the guest of her son, James J. Quirk, slipped on a pavement while returning from church and injured her forehead severely.

Chicora, Pa., "Herald:" Richard Vensel reports One Minute Cough Cure the greatest success of medical science. He told us that it cured his whole family of terrible coughs and colds, after all other so called cures had failed entirely. Mr. Vensel said it assisted his children through a very bad siege of measels. One Minute Cough Cure makes expectoration very easy and rapid. C. H. Hagenbuch.

A Tour to Balmy Florida via Pennsylvania Railroad.

When the North is at its worst Florida is at its best. When lakes and rivers are icebound here and a drifting snow fills our streets the violets are blooming there and the air is laden with the sweet perfume of budding Spring. When Old Boreas howls around our northern homes and the frost king rules, the mocking bird is singing in Florida's graceful palms and the whole land is melodious with happy song. The elegant special trains of the Pennsylvania Railroad Jacksonville tours are fitting introductions to this delightful land. The next tour, allowing two weeks in Florida leaves New York and Philadelphia under personal escort February 23. Round-trip tickets, including Pullman accommodations and meals on the special train, will be sold at the following rates: From New York, $50.00; Philadelphia, $48.00; Canandaigua, $32.85; Erie, $34.85; Pittsburg, $53.00, and at proportionate rates from other points.

For tickets and itineraries apply to ticket agents, Tourist Agent, 1196 Broadway, New York, or to Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia.

Buy Keystone flour. Be sure that the name LIBERTY & BARR, Ashland, Pa., is printed on every sack.

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—Nourishing and exhilarating—

5 CENTS PER GLASS

Absolutely pure. Contains no alcohol. Constantly on hand at

JACOB NOLL'S,

NO. 14 NORTH MAIN ST.

It pays us to lose—

Sometimes!

Here's a case in point.

We have left a small lot of those excellent, popular warm-lined shoes. We haven't the room, nor the disposition to keep them until next winter, and rather than run the risk of so doing we've cut the prices even below the money-saving factory prices.

It's positive loss to us, but we'd rather lose than carry them over.

Factory prices were 65c., 75c., $1 and $1.25.

The get-out-quickly figures are 50c., 60c., 75c. and $1.

If you want a taste of this best of all shoe chances, you must come quickly. Can't last long at these prices.

Checks with every purchase; $25 worth gets a handsome Parlor Lamp.

Factory Shoe Store,

BEDDALL BUILDING.

J. A. MOYER, Mgr.

SHOES AT FACTORY PRICES.

CLEARING SALE

Offers Unusual Opportunities for Great Bargains.

We rather sacrifice all profits, and even part of their cost, than carry goods over another season. Our entire stock is marked down.

NOTICE.—A half-price ticket on all our fall and winter clothing included in this sale.

—Hundreds of small lots of broken sizes will be sold at exactly—

HALF-PRICE

Suits.		Overcoats.	
Men's all-wool suits in Cassimere and Cheviots, reduced from $6.00	$4.00	All-Wool Beaver and Melton Overcoats, reduced from $6.00 to	$4.00
Men's English Melton and Silk Mixed Worsted Suits, reduced from $10.00 to	$5.00	All-Wool Kersey Over oats, clay lined, satin back, reduced from $10.00 to	$5.00
Men's Finest Cassimeres and Black Clay Suits, reduced from $10.00 to	$8.00	Finest English Kersey and Frieze Overcoats, reduced from $18.00 to	$8.00
Boys' all-wool suits and Chinchilla Reefers, reduced from $3.00 and $4.00, now $2.75 and	$1.48	Boys' Overcoats, Ulsters and Reefers, reduced from $7.00 and $6.00, now	$3.39

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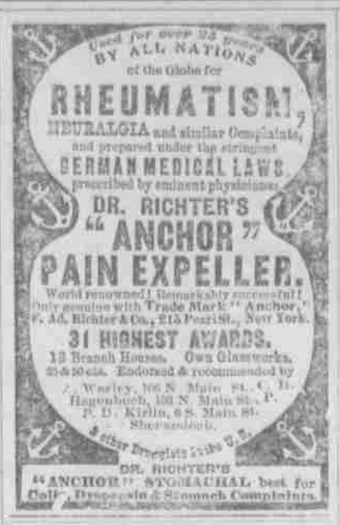

PERSONAL MENTION.

P. W. Bieratein returned home from a trip to Philadelphia last evening.

Mrs. Cantwell was a passenger on the noon P. & R. train to Philadelphia.

Dear Lewis, of Wm. Penn, returned from a visit to Philadelphia yesterday.

Charles F. Brecker, of Pittsburg, spent yesterday in town among his patrons.

Charles Hooks, of Pottsville, was in town yesterday, attending the funeral of Colfax Brown.

Mrs. Daniel Whalen, of Philadelphia, is sojourning at the residence of Mrs. Coyle, on West Lloyd street.

Ask your grocer for 'ce "Royal Patent" flour, and take no other brand. It is the best flour made.

HARVARD AND YALE

Have Settled Their Athletic Difficulties and Will Meet in Contests.

Cambridge, Mass., Feb. 15.—Harvard and Yale have at last signed a definite treaty, and a complete athletic reconciliation has been effected. Walter Camp and William Brooks, Jr., drew up the agreement Saturday evening, but it was not signed until yesterday. It provides for baseball, football and track athletics to be agreed to by the undergraduate managers, and for an arbitration committee in case of a disagreement. As to the boat race this year, Cornell appears to hold the key to the situation.

The signing of the agreement puts an end to a long suspense, and will be received everywhere with great relief. The plan is tacitly that which Harvard presented to Yale months ago, but which, without being actually refused, was strongly objected to. Every one in Cambridge is delighted.

It is understood that the first baseball game will be played in Cambridge on June 25, which is the day before class day, with the second at New Haven on June 30. If a third game is necessary it will be played a week later. The track athletic games will occur at New Haven May 15.

Why the Treaty Is Opposed.

Washington, Feb. 15.—Senator Teller, when asked to furnish the Associated Press with a statement of the reasons for seeking a postponement of the Anglo-American arbitration treaty, prepared a lengthy article detailing the duty of the senate on such an important matter, urging against undue haste, and concluding as follows: "I am decidedly in favor of arbitration in all cases that can be arbitrated, but this is no reason why I should join in ratifying a treaty that lacks the greatest essential of a treaty. When the treaty is put in proper form, as I hope it will be, it will be ratified. I regret that the agreement has not been considered in open senate, so that the people could see the defects in it."

Serious Charge Against a Mayor.

Bloomington, Ills., Feb. 15.—The grand jury indicted Captain Daniel Foster, mayor of the city, on a charge of allowing Ryan, a Chicago pickpocket, to escape from the city prison on Oct. 15 last. There are two indictments against the mayor, one for allowing Ryan to go and one for malfeasance. Ryan was arrested soon after in Chicago, and is now in jail there. He says that he gave up $150 and a diamond pin to secure his freedom. Captain Foster gave bond in $1,000. He stoutly denies any knowledge of the escape.

She Has Forty-one Fingers and Toes.

Little 4-year-old May Hill is one of the queerest human freaks in the matter of fingers and toes that a person sees in a lifetime. She was brought to Fort Worth by her father, J. W. Hill, who, with her mother, is carrying her back to their home in Cass county. The child has on her left foot nine toes, one growing from the top of her foot, and on the right foot eight toes. She has nine fingers and three thumbs on the right hand and seven fingers and five thumbs on the left. Each hand is divided into two phalanges, each containing several fingers. The thumbs grow on the hand where one thumb of normal persons grows. The fingers are grown together like web feet. In all the girl has 41 toes and fingers.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Fugitive Murderer Captured.

Denver, Feb. 15.—Harry Davis, charged with the murder of Night Officer Joseph Baker, at North Baltimore, O., June 21, 1896, has been arrested in this city. He is said to be the last member of the Stratton gang of postoffice robbers. Officer Baker discovered Davis, Bob Curry and Doc Lee in the act of robbing the North Baltimore postoffice. They killed him, but were captured. Davis escaped from the Toledo jail through the connivance of turnkeys. Curry and Lee were tried, convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary for life. Davis was betrayed to the police of Denver by his youngest brother, Guy, with whom he had been traveling through the south and in Mexico since his escape.

Ex-Congressman Arrested.

West Chester, Pa., Feb. 15.—A sensation was sprung on this community when Smedley Darlington, president of the Chester County Guarantee Trust and Safe Deposit company, was arrested at the instance of Mrs. Mary A. Burnett, of Malvern. The warrant charges embezzlement, and was served on the ex-congressman at his office in West Chester by Constable Spackman, of Malvern. Mrs. Burnett charges that Darlington permitted $1,300 of her money to be received by the company when he knew it was insolvent. A hearing has been fixed for next Saturday. Darlington says it is all spite work.

Origin of a Phrase.

Congressman Dolliver of Iowa, as every one by this time knows, is the author of the now famous phrase, "advance agent of prosperity," as applied to Major McKinley. Impatient men are fond of writing letters to Mr. Dolliver, asking him when the show is to come along. They have seen the advance agent, but the main attraction seems to be lost by the way.—Washington Correspondence Chicago Times-Herald.

PITBY POINTS.

Happenings Throughout the Country Chronicled for Hasty Perusal.

To-day is a half holiday at the banks.

The cantata of "David" is to be produced in the Reformed church at Shamokin on the 25th inst.

The American Hose Company of Tamaqua will celebrate their 20th anniversary on Wednesday evening.

The Americus Club of Mahanoy City will hold a grand sociable in Kaier's hall on Washington's Birthday.

Arrangements are being made by a number of young men of town, to give a full dress party before the beginning of Lent.

Thomas Reese, of Kaskawilliam colliery, it is said, will succeed D. J. Thomas as the superintendent of the Moren colliery.

The loser of an umbrella at the ball in Robbins' hall last night can have same by calling on Adam Miller, 105 South Bowers street.

The Concordia Singing Society, of Hazleton, held a masquerade ball last evening. German singing societies from all the region 'round were there.

Miss Mary J. Brown, of Forestville, has been appointed by the Cass township School Board to teach the primary school at Heckscherville.

William Ridge, of Mt. Carmel, who deserted his wife and family five months ago was arrested in Minersville on Saturday, and committed to jail at Sunbury to await trial.

The Christian Endeavor Societies of the Presbyterian church, are busily engaged in making arrangements for a musicale and vocal concert in observance of Washington's birthday.

John York, of Beech street, Mt. Carmel, while melting lead to fill dumb bells on Saturday had some of the liquid metal splash in his face and he will probably lose the sight of his left eye.

The W. C. T. U. of Mt. Carmel, were instrumental in have the churches of that place adopt resolutions on Sunday favoring the bill prohibiting the sale of liquor in the capitol at Washington.

Never Fails for Coughs and Colds.

That's what Pan-Tina is, 25c. At Gruhler Bros., drug store.

A Feigned Issue.

Judging from the number of overseers of election petitioned for and appointed by the courts yesterday trouble is expected in some places. This expectation will no doubt be realized in Shenandoah and Butler. In the former place the Democrats have been harping on a feigned issue, and through their organ have carried on a campaign that has made fathers and mothers hold their noses. In Butler Prof. Sweeny has succeeded in raising a pretty row, and if half what he says about tax receipts and school management is true, there are likely to be some criminal cases in court after the election is all over.

A torpid liver means a bad complexion, bad breath, indigestion and frequent headaches. To avoid such companions take DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. C. H. Hagenbuch.

Deeds Recorded.

From Benjamin S. Hess and wife to William G. Hess et al, premises in Shenandoah.

From Mary Peters to Kate Dooling, premises at Fountain Springs.

From Alex. Scott, sheriff to Frank P. Krebs, premises in Tamaqua.

From Lehigh Valley Coal Company to John Aller, lot in Reilly township.

From Jennie Burnard et vir to Borough of McAdoo, premises in McAdoo.

Carpenters' Wages Reduced.

The carpenters employed by the Lehigh Valley Coal Company were not a little surprised to learn on Saturday that their wages had been reduced from $2 to $1.75 per day. Dullness in the coal trade is the reason assigned.

A lady at a ball called her beau an Indian because he was on her trail all the time. Now we're Indians on your trail to make you a customer, if we once get you. FACTORY SHOE STORE.

Roadmaster Appointed.

In comance with a petition presented to court by the Girard Estate for permission to appoint a road master and keep in repair the roads in West Mahanoy township, in accordance with the Loach road bill, the court appointed Patrick Flannery to fill the position. The roads are about twenty-five miles in length.

A weed in the garden can be easily destroyed when it first starts. Consumption can be nipped in the bud by One Minute Cough Cure. C. H. Hagenbuch.

Suffers for the Guilty Ones.

From Mahanoy City Record.

One of the first lessons for a newspaper publisher to learn—and one of the hardest to learn, sometimes never learned—is that it is always unwise and sometimes dangerous business, to be engaged in pulling other people's chestnuts out of the fire. When trouble comes as a result, it is not the parties who have been so ready in suggestion, so eager to urge on the conflict, who have suffered, but the complaisant publisher, who is thereby twice injured. Mephistopheles in the newspaper office may well be represented in the fellow who urges the publisher on to a conflict while he takes safe refuge behind him and rolls the balls for him to fire. These remarks have a very special application to the case of two young and inexperienced newspaper men of this county, at the present time.

Cascarets stimulate liver, kidneys and bowels. Never sicken, weaken or gripe. 10c

A Good Showing.

The Shamokin-Mt. Carmel Electric Railway carried 1,403,745 passengers during the year of 1896. The operating expenses of the road for the term stated were but $28,587.45.

PIMPLY FACES

Pimples, blotches, blackheads, red, rough, oily, mothy skin, itching scaly scalp, dry, thin, and falling hair, and every blemishes prevented by CUTICURA SOAP, the most effective skin purifying and beautifying soap in the world as well as purest and sweetest for toilet, bath, and nursery.

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Sold throughout the world. POTTER D. AND C. CORP., Sole Props., Boston. "How to Beautify the Skin," free

BLOOD HUMORS Permanently Cured by CUTICURA REMEDIES.

"Will You be Cured of Your Infirmity?"

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—If so, its certainly worth while to try the—

BRONCHO HOMOEOPATHIC REMEDIES | 10 CENTS -AT- ALL DRUGGISTS.

"They do the Work"

COUGHS AND COLDS, RHEUMATISM, DYSPEPSIA, CROUP, CONSTIPATION, FEVER, &C.

SEND FOR SAMPLE.

BRONX CHEMICAL COMPANY, Yonkers, N. Y.

$3,400.00 CASH AND PRIZES GIVEN FREE EACH MONTH FOR Sunlight SOAP WRAPPERS

As follows:

4 First Prizes, each of $100 Cash - -	$ 400.00
20 Second " " " $100 PIERCE SPECIAL Bicycles	2,000.00
40 Third " " " $ 25 Gold Watches	1,000.00
Cash and Prizes given each month - -	$3,400.00
	12
Total given during 12 mos. 1897,	$40,800.00

HOW TO OBTAIN THEM.

Competitors to save as many SUNLIGHT SOAP Wrappers as they can collect. Cut off the top portion of each wrapper, that portion containing the heading "SUNLIGHT SOAP." These (called "Coupons") are to be sent, postage fully paid, enclosed with a sheet of paper stating Competitor's full name and address and the number of Coupons sent in, to Lever Bros., Ltd., New York, marked on outside Wrapper (in left hand corner) with NUMBER of the DISTRICT Competitor lives in.

No. of District	NAME OF DISTRICT.
1	New York City, Brooklyn, Long and Staten Islands, New Jersey.
2	New York State (outside of N.Y. City, Brooklyn, Long and Staten Islands).
3	Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, West Virginia and District of Columbia.
4	The New England States.

*The Bicycles are the celebrated Pierce Special, 1897 Pattern, as fitted by Geo. N. Pierce & Co., of Buffalo, Boston and New York. Fitted with Hartford Tires, First Class Rims & Lamps, New Departure Bell, Standard Cyclometer, and Hunt Lock Saddle.

RULES.

1. Every month during 1897 in each of the 4 districts prizes will be awarded as follows:

The 1 Competitor who sends in the **Largest Number** of coupons from the district in which he or she resides will receive **$100 Cash.**

The 5 Competitors who send in the **Next Largest Numbers** of coupons from the district in which they reside will Each receive at winner's option a lady's or gentleman's **Pierce Special** bicycle, price $100.00.

The 10 Competitors who send in the **Next Largest Numbers** of coupons from the district in which they reside will Each receive at winner's option a lady's or gentleman's Gold Watch, price $25.

2. The Competitions will Close the Last Day of Each Month during 1897. Coupons received too late for one month's competition will be put into the next.

3. Competitors who obtain wrappers from unsold soap in dealer's stock will be disqualified. Employes of Lever Brothers, Ltd., and their families, are debarred from competition.

4. A printed list of Winners in Competitor's district will be forwarded to Competitors in about 21 days after each competition closes.

5. Lever Brothers, Ltd., will endeavor to award the prizes fairly to the best of their ability and judgment, but it is understood that all who compete agree to accept the award of Lever Brothers, Ltd., as final.

LEVER BROS., Ltd., New York.

KILLED THE DEVIL.

Two Little Lads Who Really Believe They Have Done So.

There are two little boys in Germany who honestly believe they have rid the world of the devil. They live near Huntsburg and are 8 and 12 years of age. The other day they were left by their mother at home to take care of the house. A man with blackened face and black attire suddenly entered and announced: "I am the devil. Where do you keep your money?"

Faith and fear alike induced them to believe the intruder. They instantly pointed to a trunk where the modest wealth of their parents was treasured. While the murky impostor was ransacking the chest the younger boy whispered to his brother to go and fetch the gun and shoot the devil dead. The brother jumped at the idea, fetched the weapon, crept up to the unsuspecting thief and lodged the whole charge in his back. He fell back dead.

LOST—A dear little child who made home happy by its smiles. And to think, it might have been saved had the parents only kept in the house One Minute Cough Cure, the infallible remedy for croup. C. H. Hagenbuch.

Tours to Florida.

No district in America presents, during the Winter season, so many varied attractions as the State of Florida. Besides its delightful climate, which is one escaping from the cold and unhealthful changes of the North seems almost ethereal, it is pre-eminently a land of sport and pleasure. Along its eleven hundred miles of salt-water coast and in its twelve hundred fresh-water lakes are fish of almost every conceivable variety, from the migratory tribes common to Northern waters to the tarpon, pompano, and others of a more tropical character. Nowhere in all our broad land can the angler find a greater variety of game or better sport.

Here also the most enthusiastic hunter finds satiety. Deer, turkeys, bears, panthers, and wild cats roam at large through the more sparsely settled regions, while birds of all kinds may be found in abundance throughout the State. The more novel sport of alligator and manatee hunting may also be indulged in by the more adventurous tourist.

With its matchless climate, its orange groves, its rivers and lakes, its boating and bathing, its fishing and hunting, and its extensive forests, Florida presents unrivaled attractions for the valetudinarian, the lover of nature, the sportsman and the explorer.

To this attractive state the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has arranged four personally-conducted tours during the season of 1897, leaving by special train January 26, February 9 and 23, and March 9. The first three tours will admit of a sojourn of two weeks in this delightful land; tickets for the fourth tour will be valid to return until May 31 by regular trains.

Rates for the round trip, $50.00 from New York, $48.00 from Philadelphia, and proportionate rates from other points.

For tickets, itineraries and other information, apply to ticket agents, special booking offices, or address Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad street station, Philadelphia.

WILKINSON'S STORE NEWS.

For the balance of this month we will continue to sell the white goods, Embroideries, Sheets, Pillow Cases, Muslin Underwear, etc., the balance of the great stock purchased for the

WHITE FAIR

at advertised prices.

Customers who have bought here need no second invitation; good judges of values admit we are leaders in our line, and the prices we have placed on everything are all temptingly low.

FAMOUS McCALL PAPER PATTERNS.

Are always in stock at 10 or 15c. each. Why pay more?

L. J. WILKINSON

MAIN STREET. LLOYD STREET.

Coffee

Every man's wife who has used SEELIG'S knows a good drink. Try it on your husband.

friends can tell you about Seelig's. This admirable improves cheap coffee and makes you a delicious drink for little money. At all 25c a pound. 16

MISCELLANEOUS.

FOR SALE CHEAP.—One soda apparatus, three 15-gallon Copper fountains, one generator, lot of jars, cake stands, cake ornaments, baking utensils, show cases, one milk shaker, two hanging lamps. F. BOHNARRY, 23 North Main street, Shenandoah, Pa. 2-15-1w

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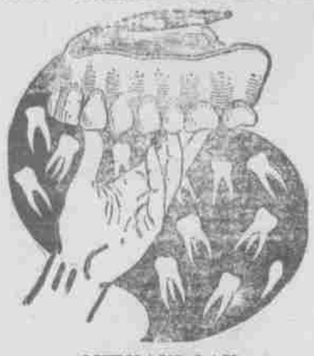

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