

THE SILVER SKIRT.
MORE DURABLE,
MORE ELASTIC,
MORE GRACEFUL!
 And will keep its shape and retain its place better than any other Skirt.

This new and beautiful style of Skirt (Patented March 7, 1865,) was awarded by the Great American Institute Fair, held in New York, October, 1865, a

SILVER MEDAL,
 being the highest Premium ever given for a Hoop Skirt.
 The Steel Springs are wound with fine plat of wire—in place of a cotton covering—which will not wear off or become soiled, and the whole skirt may be washed without injury for four or five times, and will be as good as new.

The Combination Silver Skirt
 This invention combines with the ordinary Skirt the advantages of our Silver Skirt. The buttons, hoops are the same as those used in the Silver Skirt, the covering of which cannot wear off, while the upper ones are covered with cotton. No lady having once worn one of our Skirts, will be willing to wear any other, as the lower hoops of all other kinds are soon injured and soiled.
 The best materials are used in their construction, and, from their durability and neatness they are destined to become a

Favorite Skirt.
 Manufactured solely by the
Silver Skirt and Wire Manufacturing Company,
 30 and 32, BARCLAY ST.
 NEW YORK.

T. S. SPERRY, Sup't. Aug 9th-ly
\$1,500 PER YEAR! we want Agents everywhere to sell our improved \$20 Sewing Machines. Three new kinds. Under and upper feed. Sent on trial. Warranted five years. Above salary or large commissions paid. The only machines sold in the United States for less than \$40, which are fully licensed by Howe, Wheeler & Wilson, Grover & Baker, Singer & Co., and Bacheelder. All other cheap machines are infringements and the seller or user is liable to prosecution, fine and imprisonment. Illustrated circulars sent free. Address, or call upon Shaw & Clark, at Biddeford, Maine, or Chicago, Ill. [May-31'66-ly]

WANTED, AGENTS—\$75 to \$200 PER MONTH for gentlemen and \$35 to \$75 for ladies, everywhere, to introduce the Celebrated Common Sense Family Sewing Machine, improved and perfected. It will hem, fell, stitch, quilt, bind, braid and embroider beautifully. Price only \$20, making the elastic lock stitch, and fully warranted for three years. We pay the above wages, or a commission, from which twice that amount can be made. Address with stamp, or call on C. BOWERS & CO., Salesrooms, No. 255 South FIFTH Street, Philadelphia, Pa. Sell letters answered promptly, with circulars and terms. [May-31'66-ly]

TO CONSUMPTIVES.
 The Advertiser, having been restored to health in a few weeks, by a very simple remedy, after having suffered several years with a severe lung affection, and that dread disease, Consumption—is anxious to make known to his fellow sufferers the means of cure.
 To all who desire it, he will send a copy of the prescription used, (free of charge), with the directions for preparing the same, which they will find a Sure Cure for Consumption, Asthma, Bronchitis, &c. The only object of the advertiser in sending the Prescription, is to benefit the afflicted, and spread information which he considers to be invaluable; and he hopes every sufferer will try his remedy, as it will cost them nothing, and may prove a blessing.
 Parties wishing a prescription, will please address
 Rev. EDWARD A. WILSON,
 Williamsburg, Kings County, New York.
 Oct. 25th 1866-ly.

1867 1867
PHILADELPHIA & ERIE RAILROAD.—This great line traverses the Northern and Northwest counties of Pennsylvania to the city of Erie, on Lake Erie.
 It has been leased by the Pennsylvania Rail Road Company, and is operated by them.
 Its entire length was opened for passenger and freight business, October 17th, 1864.
TIME OF PASSENGER TRAINS AT RIDGWAY.
Leave Eastward.
 Erie Mail Train 3 47 p. m.
 Erie Express Train 10 42 p. m.
Leave Westward.
 Erie Mail Train 10 47 a. m.
 Erie Express Train 3 50 a. m.
 Passenger cars run through without change both ways between Philadelphia and Erie.
NEW YORK CONNECTION.
 Leave New York at 5.00 a. m., Arrive at Erie 4.08 p. m.
 Leave Erie at 5.00 p. m., arrive at New York 3.15 p. m.
ELEGANT SLEEPING CARS on Express Trains both ways between Williamsport and Baltimore, and Williamsport and Philadelphia.
 For information respecting Passenger business apply at the S. E. corner 30th and Market Sts, Philadelphia
 And for Freight business of the Company's Agents:
 S. B. KINGSTON, Jr. Cor. 13th and Market Sts. Philadelphia.
 J. W. REYNOLDS, Erie.
 W. Brown, Agent N. C. R. R. Baltimore.
 H. H. HOUSTON, Gen'l. Freight Ag't. Phil'a.
 H. W. GWINNER, Gen'l. Ticket Ag't. Phil'a.
 ALFRED L. TYLER, General Supt. Erie.

COPARTNERSHIP.
 The undersigned have this day entered into a partnership under the firm name of **HEALY & GILLIS,** in the sale of Provisions, Flour, Feed, Grains, &c., at the stand heretofore occupied by the late firm of Healy & Dill. C. V. GILLIS, March 14, 1867-68.

AWARDED A GOLD MEDAL!
 AT THE
American Institute Fair!
 OCTOBER 19, 1865.

In direct competition with all the leading makers in the country.

"PELOUBET"
ORGANS
 AND
MELODEONS.

C. PELOUBET & SON, Manufacturers.
 Respectfully invite the attention of purchasers, the trade and profession, to the following instruments of their manufacture:

Pedal Base Organs.
 Five sizes, Five Octave, one to three Banks of Keys, three to eight sets of Reeds, Prices \$235 to \$600.

School Organs.
 Nine styles, single and double Reed, Rosewood and Black Walnut cases, Prices, \$130 to \$240.

Melodeons.
 Piano style and Portable, Twelve Varieties, from four to six Octaves, single and double Reed, Rosewood and Black Walnut Cases. Prices, \$65 to \$240.

Every instrument is made by competent workmen, from the best material, under our personal supervision, and every modern improvement worthy of the name, is introduced in them. Among these we would call attention to the TEEMOLANTE, which has been so much admired, and can be found only in instruments of our own manufacture.
 From among the flattering testimonials of eminent professors and organists, we give the following extracts:
 "The pedals I conceive to be unapproachable in their beautiful smooth quality."—Wm. A. King.
 "It is a grand, good instrument, and does credit to the builder."—H. C. Folger, Troy, New York.
 "They are among the finest instruments manufactured either in this country or abroad."—Wm. Borg, J. Mosenthal, Aptomas.
 "They have given universal satisfaction."—W. E. Hawley, Fon-du-lac, Wis.
 "There is a peculiarly sweet and sympathetic tone which harmonizes charmingly with the voice."—W. H. Cooke.
 "I am particularly pleased with the arrangement of the different registers."—Wm. H. Bradbury.
 "No other instrument so nearly approaches the organ."—The Chorister, N. Y.
 "This instrument has a clear superiority over everything yet introduced among us."—Independent, N. Y.
 "The tones and the action are excellent."—Rev. W. S. Leavitt, Hudson, New York.
 "The more we use it the better we like it."—J. B. Hague, Hudson, New York.
 "The two Bank Organ is really a gem."—J. W. Kincaid, Boston, Mass.
 "We have found them excellent in all points, constituting a good instrument."—J. C. Cook, T. J. Cook.
 "It looks and sounds splendidly."—S. B. Saxton, Troy, New York.
 "The most perfect toned Melodeon I ever saw."—Guy F. North.
 "They fall back on such substantial merits as superiority of workmanship, beauty of tone and reasonableness of price. And we must say that in all their respects they are well worthy of praise."—Musical Pioneer.
 Every instrument is fully warranted, and boxed and shipped in New York City without charge.
 Circulars, Cuts, and Price Lists, &c., sent on application to

C. PELOUBET & SON,
 BLOOMFIELD, N. J.

Or J. M. Pelton, 841, Broadway, New York; Conrad Meyer, 722, Arch Street, Philadelphia; S. Brainard & Son, Cleveland, Ohio; J. S. Tucker & Co., Jackson, Michigan; Werner & Gerard, Cincinnati, Ohio; Joel H. Snow, Mobile, Alabama, WHOLESALE AGENTS. July 29, 66-ly

NEWS DEPOT
 AND PERIODICAL
STORE.
 DAILY & WEEKLY PAPERS
 will be for sale hereafter, regularly at
THE BOOK STORE
 IN
ST. MARY'S.

N. B.—Any work, either American or European, Religious, Scientific, Philosophical, Historical, &c., will be procured on application as above. Any article in the Book or Stationery line not in Store, will be sent for by mail and be received in a few days after ordering. [Jun. 14-ly.]

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 E. & H. T. ANTHONY & Co.,
 Manufacturers of Photographic Materials,
 Wholesale and Retail,
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 In addition to our main business of PHOTOGRAPHIC MATERIALS we are Headquarters for the following, viz:
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 From negatives made in the various campaigns and forming a complete Photographic history of the great contest.
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 Adapted for either the Magic Lantern or the Stereoscope. Our Catalogue will be sent to any address on receipt of Stamp.
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 We manufacture more largely than any other house, about 200 varieties from 50 cents to \$50 each. Our ALBUMS have the reputation of being superior in beauty and durability to any others.
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 Photographers and others ordering goods C. O. D., will please remit 25 per cent of the amount with their order.
 The prices and quality of our goods cannot fail to satisfy. [June-14'66-ly.]

LARGE CAPACITY, GREAT STRENGTH and unequalled speed, simplicity and completeness of operation, are qualities peculiar to the
Nonpareil Washing Machine.
 It is a squeezing machine constructed on strictly mechanical principles, and the experience derived from five years extensive use in families, hotels and public institutions proves it to be of lasting value to the purchaser.
 The manner of operating the Nonpareil, by rotary motion acting on a crank shaft (with balance wheel), which moves the plungers alternately, is the simplest, least laborious and most powerful that can be devised for the purpose, and accomplishes the work with the greatest rapidity and the least possible labor.
 The great speed with which this machine performs work will be understood from the statement that it is generated to give six strokes of the plungers for one turn of the handle, or, when worked leisurely, about four hundred strokes a minute—Safety to the fabric washed is insured by the entire absence of rubbing.
 A girl or boy of fifteen can work the machine, and do a week's washing for a family of six or eight persons in two to three hours' time; and it may be relied on to cleanse the clothing thoroughly, without assistance from hand rubbing.
 Send for free Descriptive Circular and terms to dealers, to whom exclusive right of sale is secured.
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 July 28, '66-ly

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 707, BROADWAY, N. Y.

In addition to our Photographic Art Gallery, established in 1840, we have for the last five years had advantages superior to any other establishment in obtaining sittings from life, of all the prominent Celebrities of the day in Card portraits, and are now publishing a Catalogue of over
2500 SUBJECTS,
 American and Foreign, also a large list of copies of Works of Art and Engravings. Catalogues sent on receipt of Stamp. An order for one dozen pictures from our Catalogue will be filled at \$1 80, and sent by mail free. Single pictures 25 cents each, copies of engravings 15 cents each.
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 Parties desiring copies, should therefore correspond with us direct.
 Send for a catalogue. The trade supplied at a liberal discount. Gallery open for free inspection, and strangers visiting the city will find our Gallery one of the most agreeable places where, in to while away an hour.
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 All of superior quality, for sale by the
Tannerdale Coal Company,
 St. Mary's, Elk County, Pa.
 Orders by mail promptly attended to. [sept 16 '66-ly]

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 YOU CAN BUY
The Cheapest.
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 THE SUBSCRIBERS TAKE PLEASURE IN ANNOUNCING TO THE CITIZENS OF ELK & ADJACENT COUNTIES that we are now prepared to furnish Flour, Pork, Fat, Fish, Salt, Oil, Sugar, Syrup, and all kinds of Groceries, Clothing, Dry Goods, Dress Goods, Hats & Caps, Boots & Shoes, Trimmings, Buttons, and all articles, both Staple and Fancy, ever sold in a well appointed country store, at Prices that defy competition.
 Our Wholesale Department will be found well supplied, and our customers more than the freight from Erie.
 As we buy directly from Manufacturers for Cash and Sell for Cash, we save intermediate profits, and our prices are lower than those of any other store in the county.
 Flour is manufactured and put up expressly FOR OUR OWN TRADE and may be relied upon as represented.
 LUMBER, SHINGLES, and all kinds of COUNTRY PRODUCTS taken in EXCHANGE FOR GOODS.
 Call and see SAMPLES of our GOODS and PRICES. Price Lists furnished on application.
 Centreville, December 6th, 1866.
Schenck, Little & Co.

NEW GOODS
 AT THE
New Store of
WEIS BROTHERS
 at St. Mary's, Elk County Pennsylvania
 SUCCESSORS TO GEORGE WEIS.

Offer for sale, at wholesale and retail, a well selected stock of **SPRING SUMMER**
DRY GOODS.
 SILKS, MORINGS,
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 Plain and figured Alpaca. A large assortment of Prints, White goods of every description. Flannels of all kinds, Gingham, Tickings and Shirting in great variety.

LADIES & CHILDREN'S
 Millinery Goods; such as
BONNETS,
HATS, CAPS, RIBBONS, &c.
GLOVES & HOSIERY.
GENTS furnishing goods of every description,
CLOTHS, CASSIMERES &c., &c.
GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS
 A large stock of
PETROLEUM CANDLES
SOAP OF ALL KINDS.

In short, we have everything needed for family use.
 Cedar and Willow Ware of every description. Confectionary, Brushes of all kinds. A full assortment of Stationery, Wall Paper, Paper Curtains, Beautiful Oil Cloth Window Shades. A very large assortment of Segars and Tobacco.

WE BUY OUR STOCK directly from the Manufacturer and therefore we can afford to sell cheaper than any other establishment in Elk county.

THE PUBLIC are respectfully invited to call and examine our stock and prices! Whether they wish to buy or not, for we claim to have one of the most complete stocks and the finest STORE in the county and can sell for less profit, than any other house in the county.

INSURANCE
 AGAINST LOSS OR DAMAGE BY FIRE.
 THE LYCOMING COUNTY MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY at Muncy, Pa., continues to insure against Loss or Damage by Fire on all kinds of Merchandise, Public and private buildings, either in town or country. Also on Mills, Tanneries, Barns, stocks of Grain, &c., at the lowest possible rates, consistent with safety to the insurer and insured. The Lycoming County Mutual Insurance Company invites an investigation as to its stability. Its capital amounts to
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 St. Mary's, March 10th '66.

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ATTENTION.
GREAT EXCITEMENT!

THE CHEAPEST, Largest and Best Stock of Goods
 TO BE HAD IN ELK COUNTY ARE TO BE FOUND IN ST. MARY'S AT THE
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 600 BEADLE'S DIME NOVELS.
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 June 14'66-ly.

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