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SHOULD BE A CHANGE. The Courier along with several other Cambria county newspapers votes the following sentiments of the Johnstown Tribune:

"Now is a good time for the Republicans of this District to formulate some plan to make a Congressional nomination other than the one now in vogue. We got uncomfortably close to the whipping post this year and two years ago, and if something is not done to make the nomination in a more satisfactory manner the probabilities are we will get there—maybe, in 1900. As a commencement has to be made, how would it do for the Republican Chairmen of the four counties to get together and devise some plan? They doubtless would have lots of suggestions, and from the mass could present something that would be good.

Another plan is, after getting together they could appoint a committee of one or more Republicans from each county to make rules, which might be submitted to the different County Conventions for approval, or to be modified and submitted back to committee, with power to act. These are two ideas; others and much better ones might follow. Something must be done, and now is a good time to make a start.

"Don't forget the ordinance relating to having your board walks cleared of snow. The officer in charge of this matter will keep his eye open this winter.

Those who are so quick to see mistakes in the local newspaper and explode the same to everybody he meets, should stop and consider whether he or his family ever made a mistake or "typographical" error in the daily walks of life. As is a general rule, this very same person could find plenty to do in "keeping his own door yard clean."

The New York Herald says that the victory of our guns has been followed after two months of sword play with the keenest fencers of Europe by an unconditional surrender by them. We have beaten Spain at her worst game—fighting—and at her best—diplomacy. The fruits of complete victory are now ours, to be used as a triumphant but reasoning nation may see fit.

Stone's Plurality 117,906.

The final returns of the vote for the State ticket in November were received at the State Department in Harrisburg Friday afternoon, Elk county being the last to get in, and then not officially, the vote from there being secured by Secretary Martin by telegraph from the Prothonotary. The delay was caused chiefly by reason of waiting for the soldier vote and even that has not been received from Manila. The vote for Congress and the State Senate has not yet been computed. That for Governor is as follows: Stone, 478,906; Jenks, 358,900; Swallow, 133,981; Barnes, 4,978; Lieutenant Governor—Gobin, 808,283; Sowden, 383,281; Nicholas, 66,800. Stone's plurality, 117,906. Grow, with 532,848 votes for Congressman-at-Large, heads the entire list of candidates.

DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve Cures Piles, Hemoids, Burns.

**NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.**

Comment on the President's Message—Canal Legislation.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The importance of the subjects dealt with in ample excuse for the unusual length of President McKinley's annual message to Congress, the greater portion of which is about the war, the events leading to it, connected with and following it, up to the acceptance of our terms of peace. The general tone of the message is highly commended; also the handling of the more or less delicate question connected with our acquisition of the Philippines. It is free from rancor and bombast, although fully recognizing the unprecedented achievements of the country in the war with Spain. Its dominant note is patriotism of the highest order—patriotism such as every good American feels, regardless of political affiliation and can endorse. If the sentiment in Congress is representative of that of the country, and it usually is, the message will be generally commended.

While the legislation of the session of Congress, which opened to-day, will have little direct connection with the newly acquired territory of the country, several of the regular appropriation bills, notably those for the army and for the navy, as well as the bill for the increase of the regular army, will furnish texts for many speeches on the subject, and the talk of Senators and Representatives indicates an intention to take full advantage of those texts. Consequently the debates of the present session are expected to be unusually lively and interesting.

Secretary Alger says, in his annual report, in favor of his recommendation that it be provided in the legislation for increasing the regular army to 100,000 men, that natives of islands occupied by our troops may be enlisted. These men are acclimated, understand the language and habits of their countrymen, and their enlistment will not only give them employment, but also have the tendency to enable the government to get into closer touch with their people than it would otherwise be able to do. This would also relieve our own men from serving in those climates to a large extent, and would, moreover, enable the volunteers to be mustered out of the service and return to the avocations of civil life. That last sentence will do more to hurry army legislation than any other one thing. Every Senator and Representative is besieged with requests to get this or that regiment of volunteers mustered out, and they all know that no considerable number of the volunteers will be ordered mustered out until Congress provides for the enlistment of regulars to take their places. It is believed that this peculiar situation will keep men quiet who otherwise bitterly oppose the bill providing for the increase of the regular army.

The probability of Nicaragua Canal legislation is going to be a good thing for Washington hotel keepers, this winter, and it may be that some in-petuous statesman who will be dropped from Uncle Sam's pay roll at the close of the present Congress, will also handle some of the Panama Canal Company's money, which it is understood will be liberally spent to block Nicaragua Canal legislation. The House is the doubtful body; the Senate is known to be overwhelmingly favorable to the construction of the Nicaragua Canal by this government. There are signs that the administration will use its influence upon the House in favor of canal legislation.

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IF Your EYES PAIN, SMART OR WATER,

It is their pleading for help.

**SPECTACLES!**

No matter if somebody does try to dissuade you. Yours is the pain and danger.

**WE DON'T CHARGE**

Anything for an examination of the eyes, and if an oculist's care is needed we frankly tell you. If your glasses are crooked, or bend, or pinch, we will set them right—for nothing, perhaps.

**TOZER,**  
The Patton Jeweler.

**HOW TO FIND OUT.**

Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

What to do. There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, fulfills every wish in curing rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. At druggists fifty cents or one dollar.

You may have a sample bottle and a book that tells more about it, both sent absolutely free by mail, if you send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing be sure and mention that you read this generous offer in the PATTON COURIER.

Clerical Orders for 1899.

The Pennsylvania Railroad company announces that the issue of clerical orders will be continued for the year 1899 on the same lines as in effect at present. Application blanks may be obtained of ticket agents, and same should reach the General Office by December 20, so that orders may be mailed December 31 to clerymen entitled to receive them. Orders will be issued only on individual application of clerymen when made on blanks furnished by the Company and certified to by one of its agents.

Saw Mill Burned.

The saw mill of R. A. Hamilton, in Brady township, Clearfield county, was totally destroyed by fire last Friday afternoon. The flames originated in the boiler room where a quantity of fine dust, which had accumulated above the furnace, exploded. The mill was a total loss, but the lumber piles were saved. The owner places his loss at \$4,000. The mill was built in 1880, and had a capacity of from 25,000 to 30,000 feet of lumber per day. It was operated by a hand saw and was a well furnished mill.

Just in Time.

A well-known lady in town exclaimed the other day: I have been wearing my life out from the effects of nervous exhaustion, neuralgia and headache. My attention was at last directed to Barr's Celery Sarsaparilla for the Nerves, and after using two packages I am entirely well. Keep your nerves well and strong by the use of this great vegetable compound. Samples free. Large packages 25 cents. Sold only by C. W. Hodgkins, Patton Pharmacy.

About noon yesterday a fierce blast struck the ice house on the Lingenfelter farm at Burket's station, destroying the building. John Lingenfelter, who with three others was working in the building, was struck by flying timbers and knocked unconscious. He remained in this condition for several hours. Dr. Morrow, of this city, who was summoned, found him suffering with two ghastly scalp wounds and painful bruises of the chest. The injuries were dressed and in the evening Lingenfelter was said to be out of danger.—Tuesday's Altoona Tribune.

**KEELEY CURE.**  
LIQUOR AND OPIUM HABITS.  
Remove all desire and appetite, build up the system, remove health and vigor, brighten the intellect and fit one for business.  
THE ONLY KEELEY INSTITUTE  
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The First Christmas.

The Ladies' Home Journal says that Christmas was first celebrated in the year 98, but it was 40 years later before it was officially adopted as a Christian festival; nor was it until about the fifth century that the day of its celebration became permanently fixed on the 25th of December. Up to that time it had been irregularly observed at various times of the year—in December, in April and in May, but the most frequently in January.

Always Fresh.

Fish and oysters at H. Atkinson's, next to Weiskand's livery. Fish received every Thursday and Friday and dressed free of charge.

Early to bed and early to rise, prepares a man for his home in the skies. But early to bed and a Little Early Riser, the pill that makes life longer and better and wiser. C. W. Hodgkins, Patton Pharmacy.

The Cheapest Place for Holiday Goods is at

**FISHER'S WALL PAPER STORE,**  
CONSISTING OF

Albums, Toilet Sets, Work Boxes, Pictures, Frames, Wall Pockets, Etc., Etc.

Picture Framing a Specialty.

A. C. FISHER, PROP'R.

**Save Your Tickets.**

With every 50 cents worth of goods purchased at our store you will be presented with a ticket and the person bringing the largest number of same to us on New Years Day 1899, will be given a \$3.00 pair of shoes free. GOLDSTEIN'S MAMMOTH DEPT. STORE.

Pains in the chest when a person has a cold indicate a tendency toward pneumonia. A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on to the chest over the seat of pain will promptly relieve the pain and prevent the threatened attack of pneumonia. This same treatment will cure a lame back in a few hours. Sold by Patton Pharmacy, C. W. Hodgkins.

Ripans Tablets: pleasant laxative.

**Mr. Hardin Norris, clerk of the drug store of R. Shoemaker, Perry, Ill., says:**

"A man came into our store the other day and said, 'I want a bottle of that stuff that saves children's lives. I read in the News about it. The children may get sick when we cannot get the doctor quick enough. It's the medicine you sell for croup.' He alluded to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and bought a bottle before he left the store. For sale by Patton Pharmacy, C. W. Hodgkins.

Many a household is saddened by death because of this failure to keep on hand a safe and absolutely certain cure for croup such as One Minute's cough cure. See that your little ones are protected against emergency. C. W. Hodgkins, Patton Pharmacy.

**L. W. COOK. - ALTOONA, PA.**

Lower prices than ever

Now prevail in the big

**WHITE STORE.**

Every department is crowded and Holiday Goods are on display. The following are good values:

- Ladies' Jackets Sacrificed. No better money-saving chances can be found than these offers, and more likely not as good. One lot of Ladies' Jackets, probably 150 in all, have been greatly reduced. One lot were \$5 to \$7.50, now \$3.49. Other lots at the same reduction. Could you ask for greater values? Second floor, front.
- Ladies' Outing Gowns. We have a beautiful assortment of Ladies' and Misses' Outing Night Gowns in pink and blue, Mother Hubbard style, torchon lace trimmed, very handsome, \$1.38 each. Empire style, lace trimmed, \$1.25. Plain Mother Hubbard, 50c and 79c. Misses' Gowns, 50c, 59c and 65c. See them, left aisle, second floor.
- A Great Corset Bargain. To make things lively in the Corset department we offer a 50c Corset in white, drab and black, 3-hook, solid bone bust, at the small sum of 35c.
- You will call it a splendid value when you have examined it.
- Fur Muffs Reduced. One lot of black Coney muffs, regular price 75c, our price now 55c each. One lot Coney muffs were \$1, now 65c each. Electric seal muffs, worth \$2.45, now \$1.69. Natural Opossum, were \$1.69, to go at \$1.29 each. There are other sorts, but these figures show the bargain prices set upon the entire lot. Right aisle, second floor.
- Men's Gloves. Fleece lined mocha in one and two buttons, from 75c to \$2 per pair. Astrakhan buck kid palm one button Gloves, 75c to \$1.25 per pair. Silk lined dog skin, one button, assorted colors, \$1 per pair. Unlined dress kids in all fashionable shades, \$1 to \$1.50 per pair. Working gloves in sheepskin, goat, buckskin, 25c to \$1.50 per pair. Cashmere, Jerseys and Scotch gloves 50c and \$1.25 per pair.

**A MONEY SAVER.**

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Monday, Wednesday and Friday

DURING DECEMBER I WILL SELL THE FOLLOWING GROCERIES FOR

**\$1.00.**

- Two cans corn . . . . .20
- " " Tomatoes . . . . .20
- " " Peas . . . . .20
- Four cakes Soap . . . . .16
- One lb. Tea, Oolong or Eng. Breakfast .35
- " box Lye . . . . .10
- " lb. Loose Coffee . . . . .15
- \$1.36**

**CASH GROCERY,**

JOHN BOYCE, PROP'R.