

LIST OF FREELAND MERCHANTS

WHO GIVE

Standard Rebate Checks With Cash Purchases.

PATRONIZE HOME INDUSTRY.

EXPLANATION The merchants whose names appear in this Directory are the leading business people in this vicinity; they want your cash trade, and in order to secure it they are going to give STANDARD REBATE CHECKS. One check for every ten-cent purchase or ten with every dollar, etc.

When you have saved the required number of STANDARD REBATE CHECKS from any or all of these merchants combined, you exchange them at our stores WHICH ARE PERMANENTLY LOCATED IN "THE BETHLEHEMS," or at any of our Branches, for useful and attractive articles to decorate your home. Rebate Checks bring cash trade and cash trade is always worth 5 per cent. The merchant makes no advance on his goods, but on the contrary, can and does sell cheaper. The merchant may not always think to give you Rebate Checks. For that reason, you must ask for them; they belong to you for cash trade; you are not begging for them, and it pleases the merchants to get your cash trade. The Standard Rebate Check puts business on a cash basis, enables the merchant to pay his debts, purchase his goods cheaper, and does not figure in his losses a lot of dead book accounts. Are you not entitled to a discount if you pay cash? Pay cash and ask for Standard Rebate Checks. They belong to you.

Standard Rebate Check Company's Stores,

30 East Third Street, South Bethlehem, Pa.

45 South Main Street, Bethlehem, Home Office.

132 South Main Street, Bethlehem, Pa.

Storehouse, Over Public Market, Bethlehem, Pa.

LIST OF PREMIUMS.

Checks Required.

Furniture	Glassware
Rocking Chairs..... 400-500	Vases..... 300-400
Morris Chairs..... 1000-1500	Water Sets..... 500-600
Writing Desks..... 1000-1500	Tea Sets, 4 pieces..... 1500-2000
Japanese Screens..... 500-1000	Rose Bowls..... 400
Birds' Eye Maple, Golden Oak, Mahogany and Mar- quette Tables..... 500-600	Lemonade Sets..... 400-500
Tabarets..... 500-800	China-ware and Crockery
Hall Racks..... 1500-1800	Lamps..... 300-400
Hampers..... 500-700	Jardiniers..... 1000-1500
Rugs..... 500-800	Tea Sets, 50 pieces..... 1000-1500
Pictures..... 300-400	Toilet Sets, 10 pieces..... 1000-1500
Musical Instruments	Dinner Sets, 112 pieces..... 2000-2500
Banjos..... 1000	Umbrella Stands..... 800-1000
Violas..... 500	Vases, per pair..... 300-400
Guitars..... 800	Chocolate Pots..... 500-600
Autoharps..... 800	Clocks..... 500-600
Mandolins..... 500	Jardiniers, with Pedestals..... 500-800
Accordeons..... 400-600	Cabarets..... 1000-1500
Silverware	Cracker Jars..... 300-400
Knives..... 300	Sundries
Forks..... 300	Bronze Ornaments..... 200-500
Spoons..... 300	Jewelry Cabinets..... 600-800
Fruit Dishes..... 500-600	Revolvers..... 400-500
Cracker Jars..... 800-1000	Cameras..... 200-300
Ice Pitchers..... 800-1000	Japanese Art Goods..... 300-400
Cake Dishes..... 500-600	Hanging Lamps..... 1000-1500
Custars..... 500-600	And Other Beautiful and Useful Articles.
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MERCHANTS OF FREELAND.

- A. OSWALD, Dry Goods, Notions, Groceries, Wood and Willow-ware, Oilcloth, Hats, Caps, Shoes, Flour, Feed, etc.
- REFOWICH'S "Wear Well Clothing House," Centre Street.
- REFOWICH'S "Wear Well Boot and Shoe House," 53 Centre Street.
- E. J. CURRY, Choice Groceries, Butter, Eggs, etc.
- S. WENNER & SONS, General Merchandise, Shoes, Rubbers, etc. Agents for the "White Star" Flour.
- WM. KEIPER, Confectionery, Tobacco, Cigars, etc.
- JOSEPH BIRKBECK, "Sunshine" Stoves, Ranges and Furnaces, Hardware, Paints, Oils and Glass. Toys of all description.
- "BLACK DIAMOND" Cash Store, J. C. Berner, Manager.
- GEO. H. HARTMAN, Meats, Green Groceries, Fish in season.
- JOHN RIPPEL, Baker and Confectioner.
- GEORGE KROMMES, Groceries and Provisions.
- WM. WILLIAMSON, Stoves, Tinware, Hardware and House Furnishing Goods.

No Checks Given With Sugar.

NEVER TO BE FORGOTTEN.

Terrible Discomforts of Post Card Traveling in South Africa.

In the old days, while in South Africa, the traveler had to trust himself to the tender mercies of the post contractor, and he did so, as a rule, in fear and trembling. There were, as in all else, degrees in the various services, but the man who could have found pleasure in a trip even on the best roads must have indeed possessed a disposition of which Mark Tapley might have been proud. In some of the services on the principal routes from the Cape Colony and Natal the carts were well horsed, the drivers were thoroughly up to their work, and the conditions were made as desirable as was possible under the circumstances. But the carts had been built to suit the roads, the space was strictly limited, and the mails would absorb a considerable quantity of this space, and the unfortunate passenger, jammed in between a couple of other unfortunates, his knees compressed against a pile of bags and his back sore from constant friction against the seat, would sit in silent agony until his destination was reached.

The start from the town was always of the same nature. The four or six horses would stand pawing the ground while a couple of Hottentots would hang on to their heads, the driver would gather up the reins and crack his whip, the boys would spring to one side, and the equipage would disappear in a cloud of dust in the distance. On some lines this would hold good at all the various stopping places, but in others, once the first halt was reached, and civilization left behind, a span of weary mules would be dragged reluctantly forth, and the traveler's heart would sink into his boots, and he would glance reproachfully at the driver.

The mules would be inspanned and a fresh start made, and the driver's assistant would bring forth his short "sjabbock" and prepare for business. Tender-hearted travelers would at first sympathize with the mules; later on the sympathy would be transferred to the wretched boy who had to urge them on, by jumping down from the cart every few minutes, and running alongside the animals and belaboring them.

After a time the traveler's sympathy for both would have vanished, and he would mentally consign both to the nether world. Like the Irish harvey, the post cart driver firmly believed in "saying a trot for the avenue," and the coach would wheel into the village in a blaze of glory, the driver awakening the echoes with a shrill blast from his bugle.

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NOTES ON PORTO RICO

A GOSSIPY LETTER OF INFORMATION AND INCIDENT.

Brief Description of San Juan—Getting into Morro Castle—Interviewing a Native—Dancing and Music. Popular Amusements.

(Special Correspondence.) San Juan is worth a brief description, its commercial importance being underestimated in the United States just as that of Ponce is overestimated. The city will always be the metropolis of the island owing both to its natural and acquired advantage. It stands upon an island something over two miles long, about a quarter of a mile wide, and separated from the main land at one end by a narrow arm of the sea, over which is the bridge of San Antonio. The other end is a rugged bluff nearly three-quarters of a mile from the mainland, connection being made by a small ferryboat. It is a walled town, with portullis, gates and battlements, and yet it did not take long for the Spaniards to conquer it. "Don't shoot; I'll come down!" when Admiral Sampson started to bombard Morro Castle last summer.

Although built over two hundred and fifty years ago, the town is still in good condition. It has a population of nearly 25,000 and contrary to the usual custom in Porto Rican cities a good many people live on the ground floor. Running water has just been introduced, though the people mostly drink rain water caught in about six cisterns, a span of weary mules would be dragged reluctantly forth, and the traveler's heart would sink into his boots, and he would glance reproachfully at the driver.

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A MOTHER'S OFFER.

Ten Thousand Dollars to Doctors Try to Save Her Child's Life.

With a distracted mother urging them to their best efforts with the offer of a reward of \$10,000, five Brooklyn doctors labored in vain to save her child from death by strangulation. The mother is Mrs. Vincent Gerald, of 274 State street, Brooklyn, N. Y., and the child was her two-year-old daughter Annie. The physicians who strove vainly to save the child's life were doctors of the neighborhood, summoned one after the other.

The child was fretful, and Mrs. Gerald gave her a button bag to amuse herself with. When Mrs. Gerald went into another room for a few minutes the child opened the bag and took from it a big bone button. She placed it in her mouth and it slipped down her throat, lodging in the windpipe. Mrs. Gerald heard the child gasping for breath and hurried into the room. The mother frantically tried to dislodge the button. Finding her efforts unavailing she sent for a physician. The doctor came at once but tried in vain to get the button from the child's throat. Mrs. Gerald almost beside herself with fear, hurriedly summoned two other physicians of the neighborhood. The continued efforts of the three physicians, however, failed to dislodge the button, and they despaired of saving the child's life. Mrs. Gerald would not give up hope, and thinking they might know of some method of dislodging the button which the physicians' attendance had not tried, she called in two more doctors. The five doctors, too, agreed that it was hopeless to try to save the child's life. They told Mrs. Gerald that they had employed every method known to them to get the button out, but that it could not be dislodged.

"It is useless," said one of the doctors, "do not let her die," she cried. "I will give \$1,000 if you save her."

The doctors shook their heads, but continued working on the child. Little Annie was slowly dying, and the physicians told the mother that her daughter could live but a few minutes. "I could give my own life for hers," said the mother pitifully. "Save her and I will give you \$5,000."

The physicians looked at each other helplessly and shook their heads again. "I will give you \$10,000. I can pay you; only save her!"

"It is useless," said one of the doctors, turning away from the little girl. "The child is dead."—N. Y. Times.

LITTLE-KNOWN FACTS.

They Show What We Know of Each Other and of Our Country.

But eighteen per cent. of all the families in America employ domestic help, leaving eighty-two per cent. without even one servant.

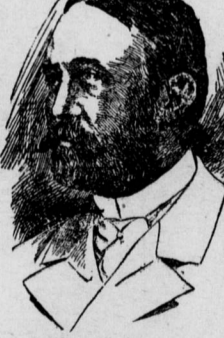
If all the dressmakers known to exist in America worked twenty-four hours of each day for a whole year, without stopping for sleep or meals, they would still be able to make only one dress apiece for less than seven-eighths of the women of America.

No six per cent. of all the women in America spend as much money as fifty dollars per year on their clothes. Out of twelve million American families the income of four million of these families is less than \$400 each per year, and the incomes of nearly eighty per cent. of the entire number are less than \$100 each per year.

There are scores of places in this country where only one mail comes every fourteen days. Ask the average person where the central point of area is in the United States and he will fix it somewhere in Illinois. Tell him it is nearer San Francisco and he will be incredulous until he remembers that Alaska is within the boundaries of Uncle Sam.—Edward Bok in the November Ladies Home Journal.

Our Population is 75,000,000. In June of next year the people of the United States will be counted for the twelfth time since the establishment of our government. "It will require about fifty thousand enumerators," writes Clifford Howard in the November Ladies' Home Journal, "to take the census, and their work must be finished in one month's time, or by the first week of July, 1900. That means that about seventy-five million people must be recorded in thirty days, or at the rate of two and a half million a day. The rate will be even greater than this, however, for in towns and cities of eight thousand inhabitants the enumeration must be completed within two weeks. The enumerators will not be permitted to have any assistance in the work; it must be done by them in person, except in such sections of the country as contain a great many foreigners where the employment of interpreters will be allowed, as otherwise it would be next to impossible to secure the necessary data. The enumerators will be paid for their services in accordance with the amount of work they are called upon to do."

General Fred Grant. General Fred Grant, who is now in the Philippines campaign, is winning laurels from all quarters for his sound



(General Fred Grant.) sense and fighting qualities. He was in Porto Rico at the close of the campaign there, and was also liked for his soldierly qualities.

English collectors complain that the prices of rare books on musical topics are going up rapidly, largely on account of the increasing demand for the libraries of rich Americans.

McMENAMIN'S

When in Doubt What to Buy...

FOR A Holiday Present

FOR Your Father, Your Brother, Your Son or Your Friend

Come and See Us.

We are in line with a huge stock of goods that is complete, appropriate and elegant. In Gift Making nothing is appreciated to such extent as articles of practical utility and serviceability.

PRICES TELL THE STORY.

Our lines of ties are without limit as to shapes, colorings and designs, and all of popular styles, including puffs, four-in-hands, tecks and bows. Our prices begin at 10c per tie. Some are worth 15c, others 25c; better qualities at 50c; while for 75c you get a really handsome article. Our present line was specially selected for the holidays. In neckwear we outdistance all competitors in quantity, quality and low price.

MUFFLERS Favorite articles in the gift line are handkerchiefs and mufflers. Without bragging we must say that we can suit you if you can be suited. Our handkerchiefs, in silk, linen and even cotton, are all that can be desired. Prices, 25c up for full size. Silk Mufflers are shown in profusion, 60 to \$1.50, according to quality.

SWEATERS We have a big line for men and boys. Sweaters in all-wool worsted, a fine article, at \$1. Not quite so good, 50c. Something better, \$1.50.

UMBRELLAS An acceptable present is a Silk Umbrella. We have them in all varieties of coverings and sticks. Very fine article for \$2. Cheaper ones for \$1.50, \$1 and 75c. Better grades at \$2.75 and \$3.

GLOVES A big line of Gloves in kid, with fur tops, and undressed kids for men and boys. Large assortment of working gloves and mittens in wool and leather as low as 15c. Large varieties in buckskin, calfskin, asbestos, astrakhan and mocha from 15c to \$1.50.

SHIRTS White or colored, stiff or soft bosom, laundered or unlaundered, no matter what kind you desire, we have them in all quantities and at all prices. We sell our shirts for what they are worth, not for what we can get for them.

SUSPENDERS A neat present is a pair of Suspenders. A special line awaits your inspection. 10c to 75c.

UNDERWEAR If there is anything we pride ourselves on it is our underwear. We have the largest and finest stock ever shown in town. We can give you a suit of fleece-lined, or natural wool, or camel's hair or Glenburg, single or double-breasted, from 25c to a \$1.50 garment.

COLLARS AND CUFFS. We carry none but the most reliable makes, including the famous Lion and Anchor brand.

BOYS' KNEE PANTS. We warrant our Boys' Knee Pants not to rip. The quality is unsurpassable, price considered. 25c, 50c and 75c a pair.

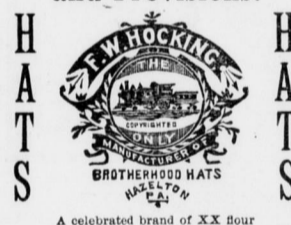
OVERALLS AND COATS We have the Freeland make at 40c, 50c and 75c. Sweet Orr's celebrated union make, never to rip, for mechanics, railroad men, teamsters, etc., 75c. Sweet Orr's Pants, \$1.75 to \$4.50 a pair. Union make guarantee given to each purchaser.

HEADWEAR Our hat department comes to the front with the season's best offerings. The stock is larger than ever and our prevailing low prices on other goods also hold good here. You always get up-to-date styles here. In caps we have an excellent article at 10c. Men's and boys' caps of heavy all-wool cloth.

BOOTS AND SHOES Men's Shoes, \$1.20 to \$3.50. Boy's Shoes, \$1 to \$2.50. Youths' Shoes, \$1.25 to \$1.75. Felt and Rubber Boots, \$1.25 to \$2.75. Rubbers, 40c to 80c, according to quality desired. Mining Shoes.—The satisfactory results given by the Mining Shoes we sell are worth columns of space in the best advertising mediums. They are advertising themselves so well by their excellent service to purchasers that nothing more need be said in their praise.

McMENAMIN'S

Dry Goods, Groceries and Provisions.



A celebrated brand of XX flour always in stock.

Roll Butter and Eggs a Specialty. AMANDUS OSWALD, N. W. Cor. Centre and Front Sts., Freeland.

DePIERRO - BROS. CAFE.

Corner of Centre and Front Streets, Freeland, Pa. Finest Whiskies in Stock. Gibson, Dougherty, Kaufer Club, Rosenbluth's Vovet, of which we have EXCLUSIVE SALE IN TOWN. Mumm's Extra Dry Champagne, Hennessy Brandy, Blackberry, Glna, Wines, Claret, Cordials, Etc. Imported and Domestic Cigars.

OYSTERS IN EVERY STYLE. Ham and Schweitzer Cheese Sandwiches, Sardines, Etc. MEALS - AT - ALL - HOURS. Ballentine and Hazleton beer on tap. Baths, Hot or Cold, 25 Cents.

TRUSSES, 65c, \$1.25 AND UP



We are selling the very best Trusses made at FACTORY PRICES, one third cheaper than the price charged by others, and WE GUARANTEE TO FIT YOU PERFECTLY. See whether you will suit the French Truss or our \$1.25 New York Renovable Elastic Truss. Illustrated above. Our little ad. out and send to us with OUR SPECIAL PRICE named, number, whether rupture is large or small, also state number inches around the body on a line with the rupture, say whether rupture is on right or left side, and we will send either truss to you with the understanding, if it is not a perfect fit and equal to letters sent at three times our price, you can return it and we will return your money. WRITE FOR FREE TRUSS CATALOGUE which shows all styles of trusses, including the New \$10.00 Lulu Truss \$2.75 address SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO., CHICAGO.

T. CAMPBELL,

dealer in Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots and Shoes.

Also PURE WINES & LIQUORS FOR FAMILY AND MEDICINAL PURPOSES. Centre and Main streets, Freeland.

P. F. McNULTY, FUNERAL DIRECTOR AND EMBALMER.

Embalming of female corpses performed exclusively by Mrs. P. F. McNulty.



Prepared to Attend Calls Day or Night. South Centre street, Freeland.

Condly O. Boyle,

dealer in Liquor, Wine, Beer, Porter, Etc.

The finest brands of Domestic and Imported Whiskey on sale in one of the handsomest saloons in town. Fresh Rochester and Shenandoah Beer and Youngling's Porter on tap. 28 Centre street.



A Cure for Constipation.

I have been troubled with constipation for years. It was ruining my health, my comfort and my complexion, and I am glad to say that Celery King has relieved all three, and this after trying many other medicines that were supposed to be good, but which were of no value whatever. I would like to tell every suffering woman what Celery King has done for me.—Nellie Gould, Medina, Ohio. Celery King cures Constipation and all diseases of the Nerves, Stomach, Liver and Kidneys. Sold by druggists. 25c and 50c. 3

GEORGE FISHER, dealer in Liquors, Wines, Cigars, Etc.

FOR A GLASS OF FRESH BEER, PORTER, OR ALE call at NO. 6 EAST WALNUT STREET.

The Dilemma. "Aren't you afraid of us?" asked the Englishman severely. "Yes," answered the Transvaal citizen. "I guess we are more or less afraid of you. The difficulty is that we're just as much afraid of you when you talk diplomacy as when you talk fight."—Washington Star.

Prima Facie Evidence. "So the lady engaged you at once when you said you had served with me?" "Yes, she said that any girl who could stand three months must be an angel."—What-to-Eat.

A Ready Retort. The Vulture. It's hardly polite to read your paper at table, Mr. Hall-room. The Victim. I know, Mrs. Skinnem, but it takes my mind off what I'm eating.—What-to-Eat.

A Wise Precaution. Lulu. You should get him to sign the pledge before you marry him. Baba. Why, he doesn't drink. Lulu. No, but he may be tempted to do so later.—What-to-Eat.

NUTRITIOUS FOODS.

Beef and Eggs Must Step Down From Their High Place. Professor Atwater, who has devoted himself to the study for a number of years, declares that there is no single perfect food, the nearest approach to it being milk. No food, however, contains the essential constituents in right proportions, and thus we have to get what we want by combining our foods.

It will be a great shock to many thrifty housewives to learn that beef and eggs are among the greatest of all economical mistakes. A single dollar spent in wheat-flour will yield more nutrition as \$30 spent on sirloin of beef. Sugar ranks next to wheat-flour as an economical food, for a dollar's worth of sugar contains as much nutriment as \$3 worth of milk, \$12 worth of eggs, or \$40 worth of oysters. In proportion to their cost oysters are almost the least nutritious of all close riced for the table places among valuable and cheap foods, and the fourth place is shared between fat, salt pork and cheese made from skimmed milk.

Wasted Energy. Do you know a man who twiddles his thumbs all the time he talks to you, or his fingers, or possibly the watch chain which he wears? Or, if he does not do any of these things, he does something equally annoying. It may be that you yourself, when you sit thinking what you will say next to your shorthand clerk, beat time with the tips of your finger nails while she taps her foot.

All these little idiosyncrasies the neurologist classes as physical automatisms and regards as energy wasters. Probably you will find yourself avoiding or stepping on cracks, or counting figures on patterns or the posts flying past the windows, grouping uniformly recurring shapes in wall paper or bisecting lines and rows of figures. The great Napoleon counted windows as he walked abroad, and if he happened to lose count his temper was completely upset for the rest of his walk. Everybody knows the story of poor old Dr. Johnson, who counted posts, and many sad, insane men are doing the same to-day. One should avoid as much as possible this tendency of mind and body to dissipate valuable energy.

Pie That "Ate" Well. Ted's friend treated him to a piece of pie. It was so good that he wanted another, but thought that it would not be polite to ask for it. So he sidled up to her and said: "Miss Turk, that pie eats well."

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