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## GROWING.

On the 1st. of January, we propose to enlarge THE TIMES by the addition of another column to each page, and to further improve it, by a new dress.

We shall make no change in price, or terms, and we also make our friends the following

## LIBERAL OFFERS.

Every NEW subscriber for the year 1882 can have his name put on our list now, and for the price of one years subscription, can receive THE TIMES from the date we receive the money, until Jan. 1883.

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As we have to reset our mailing list, we make these offers so as to get as many as possible of the changes made, before that list is reset, and thus lighten the changes that would otherwise have to be made in the month of January.

This enlargement and improvement will cost us considerable cash and work; but the liberal support we have received will we think warrant us in giving our subscribers still more for their money. And our desire is to have THE TIMES the best and cheapest paper in central Pennsylvania.

GUITEAU'S trial has been postponed till November 14, which date the judge says was now fixed peremptory. His counsel says he will not raise the question of jurisdiction.

WILLIAM WINDOM, who resigned his position as Secretary of the Treasury has been again elected to represent Minnesota in the U. S. Senate. He was senator from that state and resigned to enter President Garfield's Cabinet.

LAST TUESDAY President Arthur sent in the name of Ex Gov. Morgan, of New York to be Secretary of the Treasury, and it was supposed he had consented to serve. It transpires however that he declines the appointment although he was promptly confirmed without the usual reference to committee.

EX GOV. MORGAN having declined, Judge Folger of New York, was nominated on Friday as Secretary of the Treasury. Secretary James was also renominated as Post Master General, and Frank Hatton of Iowa, Editor of the *Burlington Hawkeye* was nominated as 1st assistant Post Master Gen., in place of Tyner.

THE STRUGGLE for the nomination for the office of President Judge in the Dauphin and Lebanon county district, has been as bitter as it was disgraceful, and has finally been ended by a sort of lottery arrangement that while it decides the nomination will satisfy none but those who always favored the successful candidate. When the office of President Judge is put up to be raffled for it looks like dragging the Judicial ermine in the mud.

## The Mississippi Fearfully High.

BURLINGTON, Iowa, October 26.—The river is still rising, having yesterday gained two inches. It is now about four inches above high water mark of June, 1880. Reports continue to come in of the loss of crops and live stock on the lowlands north of Burlington. People were obliged to take refuge in the uplands.

KEOKUK, Iowa, October 26.—The Mississippi continues rising. Alexandria is completely inundated, and the water is overflowing the Wabash railway embankment. A number of families have left the town. Danger is still anticipated at Quincy, Ill.

QUINCY, Ill., October 26.—The Mississippi river is higher than at any time since 1851. Trains on the Quincy, Alton and St. Louis branch, Chicago, Burlington and Quincy roads have been abandoned.

"After trying in a sneaking way for several years to get the county printing, it becomes a publisher of an independent paper to propose a conundrum and charge it to a correspondent. That trick is in keeping with some other transactions which we will ventilate in the near future."—*Advocate of last week.*

It is not often we notice through our columns any slurs made against us, but the above contains so many lies to the square inch, and shows such a contemptible, petty, jealous spirit, that we ask our readers to pardon us for deviating from our usual course.

It will be seen by reference to the article entitled "A Conundrum," to which the above petty squib purports to reply, that not a word was said in it regarding the public printing, except to ask why, if ten inches space gave legal notice in Cumberland county, seven times that much was needed in Perry. The bringing in, and opening up the other subject was entirely unnecessary, but it shows where the shoe pinches; and now,

FIRST: We have no hesitation in saying that we have several times asked for a portion of the public printing, but we had a right to ask it, and in so asking there was nothing 'sneaking.' To be sure we did not ask the *Advocate* man, or his boy Jim about it, because we supposed the small amount they paid towards the public revenues, and the trifling influence they now have in the county, gave them no right to control its distribution. The public printing is supposed to be done for the public benefit, and not for the benefit of any paper or person, and should be placed where it will reach the most people at the least expense. Every intelligent person in the county, knows that THE TIMES reaches twice as many readers as any other local paper. We have, however, never said much about the matter in our columns, satisfied that public opinion (which even county officials sometimes fear) would some day compel the placing of the public advertisements where the largest return can be had for the money expended; and we should not probably have ever again referred to the subject, had not the mean insinuations of the above seemed to demand an answer.

SECOND: Why should the editor of the *Advocate* make the insinuation he does regarding the authorship of the article? Is he so in the habit of writing his own correspondence that he thinks we also must do it, and so judges us by his standard of honor? Heaven forbid! that we should ever be judged by such a standard.

THIRD: We can assure our amiable friends that the correspondent, though a resident of Carlisle, has a money interest in the expenditures of the taxes raised in this county, and that this, like every other communication we publish, comes from the source indicated by its heading. We advocate nothing that we are ashamed of and, consequently, have no need of any such "blind."

In conclusion, we suggest, that our friend(?) hasten the ventilating of those other mean tricks referred to, for until he does so, most people will think as we do, that when the editor said he had such ventilation to make, that he knew he was lying.

## A Postal Clerk Arrested.

J. R. Van Horn, a mail agent traveling the route between this city and Pittsburgh, will answer the charge of mail robbery before the United States court. For some time past letters as well as articles of merchandise forwarded by mail over the route mentioned never reached their destination, and complaint was lodged at the Pittsburgh office. B. H. Camp, inspector at that place, was delegated to find the cause of the trouble. Decoy letters were used and Van Horn fell into the trap. The arrest was made yesterday shortly after the arrival of the Cincinnati express with Van Horn on board, after the gentleman had gone to his boarding house on Fifth street and retired. A decoy letter was found on his person. He was taken west one hour later. Van Horn is a man of over forty years of age, and has a family of seven children in Pittsburgh. His stealing is alleged to have been confined principally to merchandise, although considerable money has been lost sight of.—*Patriot.*

## Train Robbery in Ohio.

PITTSBURGH, October 25.—A daring attempt was made to rob the Chicago express, near Bucyrus, Ohio, about 12 o'clock, last night, by three men, while the train was on its way to this city. Just after passing the junction of the Ohio Central railroad at the point named Conductor Shalls, of the Pullman car, discovered a man entering one of the sleeping coaches. He ordered him out of the car, when the man pulled a revolver and fired, the ball passing through the left pant-leg of the conductor's trousers. The robber then started through the car on a run, but was met by the porter at the other end, where a scuffle ensued, the robber, however, managing to get away. The other men, who were seen before, were discovered crouching on the steps of one of the coaches, but before they could be captured they jumped off the train, which was running at

the rate of about twenty miles an hour. The man who had fired the shot also succeeded in escaping.

## Short but Sharp.

Judge Gumm, of Williamsport, in sentencing a man for carrying concealed weapons said: "There are only two classes that carry concealed weapons: one class is composed of cowards and the other of villains; six months imprisonment, \$10 fine and cost of prosecution."

## A Lady Terribly Burned.

Tuesday evening, at Chambersburg, Mary Eyster, while holding a student lamp, was frightfully burned. Her clothing caught fire and she screamed and ran into the yard, where a brisk breeze fanned the flames. Her mother wrapped a shawl about her and had her hands burned to the bone. Her sister and brother attempted to wrap her in a carpet and were burned. She tore the carpet off, and the fire was only quenched when two gentlemen, by main force, held the carpet about her. She is now conscious but suffering terribly, and it is not expected that she can recover.

## Des Moines County Under Water.

BURLINGTON, Iowa, October 25.—Last night there was an additional rise of one inch above the mark of the noon report. The water is now two inches above the high water mark of one year ago last June. The river covers the Illinois bottom lands opposite this city for a distance of five or six miles. Large portions of Jackson and Huron townships, in the western part of this (Des Moines) county, are more or less flooded. The water is doing great damage to the crops.

## A Heavy Drop.

At eleven o'clock Wednesday morning a truck loaded with a safe weighing 10,000 pounds, and drawn by four horses, while attempting to cross the free bridge at Newark, broke through and fell into the water beneath. One of the horses was crushed beneath the safe. The others were rescued. The drivers escaped without serious injury. The safe and truck block the channel so that vessels cannot pass through.

## Teeth Knocked out by a Stray Bullet.

While Mrs. Elizabeth Schone, of 328 Delancey street was looking from her window at the departure of a wedding party from 326 Delancey street for Beethoven Hall, a pistol was fired in the crowd. The bullet struck Mrs. Schone in the mouth, knocking out several front teeth, and passing through the left cheek.—*N. Y., Sun.*

A horse belonging to Hezekiah Yaukey fell into a hole at an ore bank near Fayetteville on Sunday a week falling a distance of twenty-five feet. In a short time after the occurrence the neighbors were notified and about forty persons gathered at the mouth of the well and after laboring about half an hour the animal was brought to the surface considerably bruised and cramped, but not dangerously hurt.

## Remarkable Surgical Operations.

Among the remarkable operations performed in Germany recently by eminent surgeons, those in which the stomach or abdomen had to be opened have been at once the most dangerous and the most successful. After the achievements of Dr. Billroth, of Vienna, in the removal of cancers from the stomach, comes now Dr. Schinzinger, a professor of the University of Freiburg, with two cases in which obstructions in the entrails had to be removed. In one case, that of a woman, a section of one of the intestines had to be cut out and the severed ends sewed together. In both instances speedy recovery followed.

## Miscellaneous News Items.

Maggie Carol died at Chester on Saturday from burns received by the explosion of a coal oil lamp.  
Two masked men robbed the house of John Light, near Lebanon, on Saturday a week, of about \$50.  
A farmer at Port Rogue, near Quebec, lighted a fire under a balky horse, the other day, and the horse stood it until overcome by the heat, when he laid down on the pile and was burned to death.  
Within the past ten days Mr. George C. Bloomer, of Lewisburg, Greenbrier co., Va., has lost some fifteen or twenty sheep from the ravages of bears. The scarcity of corn and other food of the bear is the cause of their inroads upon the flocks.  
At Marquette, Mich., a few days ago, two lads about 10 years of age found some nitro-glycerine on the street, and while playing with it, it exploded, as is the wont of that stuff. It blew one cheek off one boy and some fingers off the other youngster. Both will be maimed for life.  
A man by the name of Cracraft, living in Greenwood county, Kansas, has been arrested on the charge of illegally making peach brandy. He cooked the

peaches in a common wash-boiler, and was making the peach essence for home consumption.

Mrs. Wallen, of Lower Creek, Salem county, nearly severed her arm a few days ago by the misdirected blow of an axe while attempting to decapitate a chicken which she held in her hand.

Some day or two ago at a point in the road near Bolling's Landing, Buckingham county, Va., a two horse carriage and a half dozen farm wagons had to wait some time to allow a troop of gray squirrels to cross the road. They marched along in a solid column, taking twenty-five minutes to pass a given point.

A negro in Texarkana bought a whiskey barrel to make a tub of. When he got it home some of the children rolled it near a fire in the yard where the mother was washing. One of the little chaps lit a piece of board and stuck it to the bung-hole of the barrel. It at once blew up with a terrible report, killing one of the children and wounding several others.

William Mills and a young woman, described as "of a high-toned family" were sitting in Queen's Park, Toronto, and he kissed her. Henry, S. Ross, a rival sailor, had been watching the pair from a hiding place in the tall grass, and at the sound of the smack he involuntarily rose into view. Then Mills angrily drew a pistol and fired at Ross, grazing his scalp, and bringing about his own arrest.

A valuable scientific discovery made in Huntingdon county, Indiana, a short time ago, can be fairly credited to the drought which prevailed in that region. A stock-raiser whose wells had gone dry began digging for water in a neighboring bog, and had proceeded but a short distance when his shovel struck a hard substance, which proved to be the skull of an immense mastodon. Further search has been rewarded by the discovery of a rib four feet two inches in length; two tusks, each eleven feet long, and several leg-bones. Two teeth which dropped from the jaw weighed seven and three-quarters and eight and one-third pounds respectively.

A woman in Portland, Oregon, has adopted a novel way to get rid of her husband. She is a believer in spiritualism, and stated that she received a communication, stating that her husband would die a certain day in the near future. She so worked upon the poor man that he actually fell sick, and became nearly frightened to death. When at his worst she ordered her mourning clothes, and calmly talked to him about his notions in regard to another husband for her, and whom he preferred she should take. Finally his anger overcame his fears, he braced up, and determined to postpone his death to an indefinite date.

## A Builder's Testimony.

Chas. S. Strickland, Esq., of 9 Boylston Place Boston, Mass., after relating his surprising recovery from rheumatism by St. Jacobs Oil, says: I cannot find words to convey my praise and gratitude to the discoverer of this liniment.—*Grand Rapids Times.*

Some lady of this place should take the agency for the popular and useful book "Practical Housekeeping," issued by the Buckeye Publishing Co., Minneapolis, Minn. It sells rapidly on its merits. Every lady who examines it, wants it. Address the publishers for terms. 444t

## OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 29, 1881. There is an organization here in Washington, composed of veterans of the late war, which is making preparations to stir up some of the nests in the Government Departments with a very sharp stick. A committee of this organization has been at work for some months gathering the data upon which to base their action, and when the developments come there will be a scattering all along the line. During the Presidency of Gen. Grant we heard a great deal on the subject of nepotism. The provision which the Administration made for its own and its wife's relations was the subject of much discussion in the newspapers and undoubtedly had its effect. If that was the origin in this country of what Webster calls "an undue fondness for nephews and other relations" among those in authority, certainly the disease has spread with exceeding rapidity. There is so much of it in every Department of the Government at this time that it has come to be a crying evil. And that is what these veterans are going for.

It has been understood that ex-soldiers, qualifications and other things being equal, were to have the preference in appointment to minor positions under the Government, but they do not get it. Such a large proportion of places are filled by the relatives of Department officials, favorites of Senators and mistresses of Congressmen, that the soldier gets pretty unanimously left. This is not mere idle talk; it is solid fact, based upon actual investigation. I have seen the lists now in course of completion after a careful and thorough canvass of every Department and feel constrained to say that there will be some music when Congress assembles this winter. There are over seven hundred cases where from two to fourteen members of favorite families are on the Government pay-rolls, drawing salaries ranging from \$900 to \$2,500 per year. Assistant Secretary French of the Treasury has ten members of his family snugly stowed away, seven of them, consisting of sons, nephews and nieces, are attached to the Treasury and its various bureaus. Chief Brooks, of the Secret Service division of the Treasury Department,

is happily provided with salaries aggregating something over \$11,000 in his immediate family. These are merely samples. To go on through the list would require too much space, though it might be what Horace Greeley used to term "mighty interestin' reading."

Sometimes a Secretary or bureau chief after providing for a goodly number of his relations in his own department, to save appearances, uses his influence to get the rest of them in somewhere else. Secretary Hunt of the Navy Department is the latest example of official tenderness for offspring and the ties of consanguinity. He has snugly located all his four sons where they can to the most good—for themselves—the Navy positions as in the Army being for life, or during good behavior. Other relations have also been provided for. Apropos of Hunt there is a strong effort being made to keep him in the Cabinet but I am certain it is wholly without effect. Had General Garfield continued in his administration both Hunt and Kirkwood would most probably be in retirement. Both have proven failures. I am not now speaking my private opinion but giving the facts which must go to make up history.—Mr. Hunt was given a position in the Cabinet as a Southern man, but with the distinct understanding that it was an experiment so far as he was concerned and that if at any time a change was desired his place was at the disposal of the President. It was also understood that as he gave up a life judgeship to enter the Cabinet he would be properly cared for in case he left it. This arrangement President Arthur will no doubt bear in mind.

I saw Judge Davis this morning and could but notice the smiles which wreathed his countenance the day he was elected President of the Senate had all disappeared. In fact the old gentleman is just a little worried. That this is true is evidenced in his anxiety for some days to find out what people thought of his election. Besides he knows that the Republicans will most likely elect some one else to the position one of these days. The Judge now perhaps, realizes that he made a mistake in accepting the position. But it was the first and only chance he has ever had to make one step toward the Presidency. He has had the Presidential bee in his bonnet for years. Your correspondent attended the Cincinnati convention in 1872 and saw car loads of delegates come in from Illinois whose expenses had been paid out of Davis' plethoric purse. But for the obstinate and expensive fight made for him in that convention his State would have voted for Trumbull, instead of dividing its vote, and the result not only of the convention but of the campaign that followed would, probably, have been different. Previous to this the Judge had just accepted a nomination from some harum scarum convention in New Jersey. But ambition is too much for many a public man. Perhaps the two most notable instances in our recent history are Horace Greeley and Salmon P. Chase. "I charge thee, Horatio, ding away ambition."

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## Come and See!

We have again made additions to our stock that we would like to show you.

We have a lot of handkerchiefs we are selling, "Four for 25 cts." and a variety of others of better quality.

We have as pretty a line of collars and ties as you would wish to see.

We have good black Alpaca double-width at 20cts. per yard. If you want a low price black dress it will suit you for it is worth more money.

We have made some additions to our Dress Goods stock that are pretty and cheap. And the old stock you can buy at nearly half Price.

We have a splendid line of buttons and trimmings.

We have a handsome line of Floor and Table oil cloths of the various widths from 3-4 up to 8-4.

We have a good line of Hats for Men and Boys.

We have a large assortment of Shoes for Men, Women and Children.

We have an assortment of Mens' every day Pants, and Shirts.

We have a complete stock of Iron and Hardware.

We have as good an assortment of Groceries as can be found in this county.

We have a full line of Paints, Oil, Glass and building hardware which we expect to sell as low or lower than anybody in the county.

We have Spokes, Hubs and carriage wood-work and hardware, and our Spokes and Rims are the best that are made. These we sell at the manufacturers price, as we are his agents.

F. MORTIMER, New Bloomfield, Pa.