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For a garden hoe, garden rake, grubbing hoe, pick, shovel, etc. call on J. W. Buck.

Wall paper with fine borders to match. Just received at J. W. Bucks, Sonestown.

If you need fence wire, call on J. W. Buck, he has different sizes on hand.

Dr. David James Burrell, pastor of the Marble Collegiate Church, New York, said, in a sermon on "The Dignity of Labor": "The effect of indolence upon a nation finds an apt illustration in Spain. No country on earth has a richer soil. They say, 'If you tickle it with a hoe it will laugh with a harvest.' But unfortunately for the Castilian race they have a prejudice against the hoe. They are given to bull fighting and fan flirting and love making. Once there were 12,000 villages along the Guadalquivir; now there are but 800. The land has fallen into innocuous desuetude.

"The people are a race of beggars more or less respectable. There is no greatness in Spain. If the kingdom were to perish from the earth it would leave no laws, no literature, nothing as a legacy to posterity. The pride of the Spaniards is vast and ludicrous. Their strength has been bluster for centuries. Little Holland, with less than three millions of people, fought Spain, one generation taking up the fight where the last had left it, until Philip III. begged for an armistice. They are unable even to subdue Cuba. Poor, famished Cuba! What a pathetic farce is this, that the grandees of Spain, with their armies, should be successfully resisted by a few brave islanders whose ranks are decimated by slaughter, famine and plague!

"We, on the contrary, have been derided as a nation of shopkeepers and artisans. Our glory is in the truth of that imputation. Alas! for us, when we consent to look on labor with Spanish eyes! If war must be declared against Spain--which God forbid--let us rejoice that a call for volunteers would be answered as it was when Lincoln made his historic appeal for a hundred thousand more, not by volunteers from the street corners and the drawing rooms, but from the fields and the work shops. Here is the source of our greatness; here is the hope of our perpetuity. The true American is neither the alms-taker nor the gentleman of leisure."

The Real Article.

The towns of Horton and Richmond, Texas, contain feudal factions, who style themselves the "Reedbirds" and the "Woodpeckers," the Horton faction being the "Reedbirds," and that of Richmond the "Woodpeckers."

In order to demonstrate the brotherly love that exists between them, they have formed the most delightful habit of shooting one another on sight.

Occasionally, when a certain member of either faction has consumed more firewater than is absolutely good for him, he goes to Richmond, or Horton, as the case may be, on an errand of destruction, and the chances generally are that before the sun sets he is a fit subject for the coroner.

Spurville is the name of the place that lies just between these two belligerent townships, and is a general headquarters for the section men of the Texas and Pacific Railway, who in Texas are more familiarly known as "Snipes."

It so happened that one day Mickey O'Rourke, one of the section men, was sitting on a barrel of dynamite, complacently smoking his pipe, utterly unconscious of his close proximity to the happy hunting grounds, when he was surprised by a big, burly fellow, who swaggered up to him with his vest open and his hands on the butts of two very formidable looking guns.

"What are ye?" he demanded, gruffly--"A Reedbird or a Woodpecker?" "Am I phwat?" asked Mickey, noting that his interlocutor was unsteady, on his feet and at the same time slowly edging around for his own gun.

"Phwat was it you said?" "I asked yer if you wuz a Reedbird or a Woodpecker!" shouted the other, "And yer want to answer me blamed quick, too!"

By this time Mickey had reached his gun, so he said:--"Shure, O'm nather; O'm only a Shnoipe, but"--and, pulling quick, he got the drop on his man--"O'm a burrd just the same!"

And the other had to admit that he was.

Smallest Race of Humans.

The smallest race of people in the world inhabit the Apdaman Islands. They have an average weight of seventy pounds, and are under four feet in height.

Treasurer's Sale OF UNSEATED LANDS.

Agreeable to the provisions of an Act of Assembly entitled, "An Act directing the mode of selling Unseated Lands for taxes, passed the 12th day of March, 1815, and the supplements thereto, J. RANSOM THRASHER, Treasurer of the County of Sullivan, hereby give notice to all persons concerned that unless the County, State, Road, School and Poor Taxes due on the following tracts of Unseated Lands situated in said county and paid before the day of sale, the whole or such part of each tract as will pay the taxes and such chargeable thereon will be sold at the Court House in Laporte, said county of Sullivan, on the 13th day of June, 1898, being the second Monday of June. The sale to be continued by adjournment from day to day if deemed necessary for arrears of taxes due, and assessed and cost accrued on each tract respectively.

Unseated Lands.

Table with columns: ACRES, WARRANTEE, TAX. Lists various land parcels with owner names and tax amounts.

Table with columns: NAME, TAX. Lists names of individuals and their respective tax amounts.

Seated List.

Also at the same time and place, the following tracts and parcels of land duly assessed and returned on the seated list will be sold for arrears of taxes in the names of the present or former owners, in accordance with the provisions of an Act of Assembly, passed April 29, A. D. 1844.

Table with columns: NAME, TAX. Lists names of individuals and their respective tax amounts, including sections for Cherry Township, Coley Township, and Dushore Borough.

"Ayer's Cherry Pectoral" advertisement. Text: "saved my little girls' lives when they had Whooping Cough." Mrs. A. H. BEERS, Barnes, N. Y. HALF-SIZE BOTTLES, 50c.

G. A. Rogers advertisement. Text: "Watches, Jewelry, Silverware, Etc." Successor to B.W. Fawcett. Foreign prices as follows: Men's shoes, half-sole and heel, 60c. Women's shoes do 30c. Children's shoes do 25c. Cement patches, 65c.

W.L. Hoffman's advertisement. Text: "HILLSGROVE Three Big Stores-- MUNCY VALLEY, PROCTOR, PA. OUR NEW LINE OF GOODS are first in quality, first in style, and first from a genuine saving point of view, because they're lower in price than you can find elsewhere"

Extraordinary line of CORSETS advertisement. Text: "The lady who wishes the latest styles combined with high grade and half the old price should call and select from the complete line of sizes."

ENNINGS BROS. advertisement. Text: "We keep in stock at our mills a complete line of dressed lumber in hemlock and hardwood." SPECIALTIES: Hemlock Novelty or German Siding, Hemlock Ceiling 7-8 or 3-8 stick, Hemlock Flooring any width desired, Hemlock Lath both 3 and 4 feet long, Hardwood Flooring both Beech, Birch or Maple, The same woods in 3-8 ceiling. CORRESPONDENCY SOLICITED.

Gang Sawn and Trimmed Lumber advertisement. Text: "LOPEZ, PA. SPECIALTIES: Hemlock Novelty or German Siding, Hemlock Ceiling 7-8 or 3-8 stick, Hemlock Flooring any width desired, Hemlock Lath both 3 and 4 feet long, Hardwood Flooring both Beech, Birch or Maple, The same woods in 3-8 ceiling. CORRESPONDENCY SOLICITED.

Buy Good Goods! And you will be surprised how cheap they are in the end. Text: "We have just unpacked such a stock of coats and capes to which we are pleased to call your special attention. We do not pretend to handle the cheapest coats in the market, but we do say we have the BEST and neatest fitting garments made. Our coats and capes are made to order, and in the latest styles with prices to suit everybody."

Spring and Summer advertisement. Text: "Every corner of the store is bright, with the newest things for Women's wear and Men's wear and Children's wear. We are glad to have you come in and see the new life of the old store and look at its excellent line of goods."

Wright & Haight advertisement. Text: "SUCCESSORS TO M. R. BLACK, Forksville, Pa. Furniture AND Undertaking. MANUFACTURERS OF Doors, Sash, Moulding, Flooring, Ceiling etc. DRESSED LUMBER Full and complete seasoned stock always on hand. A fine line of furniture etc. The most complete line of Coffins and Casket to select from in Sullivan County. The finest hearse in the county, with equipments to match. Embalming a specialty. Funerals directed with safety and dispatch. PRICES REASONABLE.

Vernon Hull advertisement. Text: "Hills Grove, Pa. A new and fresh supply of Groceries have just arrived. A fine line of furniture etc. The most complete line of Coffins and Casket to select from in Sullivan County. The finest hearse in the county, with equipments to match. Embalming a specialty. Funerals directed with safety and dispatch. PRICES REASONABLE.

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