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Place of business at the old stand, opposite the Jail.

WILLIAM ROSE,

Has just received, and will sell at reasonable prices, a first class stock of the following: Hardware, Groceries, and all other goods, and will manufacture for you any ware desired, not found in his shop. Give him a call before looking elsewhere. He will suit you in every way.

WILLIAM ROSE.

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J. A. ANDERSON, Notary Public.

W. A. SPRIGGS, Attorney and Counsellor at Law, and Licensed Claim Agents, WOODSFIELD, OHIO.

Office—Up stairs in the old Bloomer House.

April 25, 1868.

JACOB T. MORRILL,

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Charleston, Monroe, County, O.

Will promptly and faithfully attend to business entrusted to his care. Compromises and amicable adjustment always first sought, and litigation used only as the last resort.

Oct. 21, '60.

JAS. B. MORRIS,

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Office—First building South of the Court House.

WILLIAM WALTON, M. D.,

Physician and Surgeon, WOODSFIELD, OHIO.

Office on Main Street.

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NICHOLAS WAGNERHEIM

is prepared to furnish MONUMENTS, TOMB STONES, Headstones, and all articles usually manufactured in first class Marble establishments, at the lowest cash prices.

Persons desiring to purchase will find it to their interest to call. Place of business two doors South of Postoffice, Main Street, Woodsfield, Ohio.

BERTRAND LANGEL'S

will be to the advantage of the trading public to give me a call before purchasing elsewhere.

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NEUHART'S

GROCERY.

It will be to the advantage of the trading public to give me a call before purchasing elsewhere.

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JEWELRY DEPOT.

At his old stand one door North of Ditch's store, WOODSFIELD, OHIO.

Being exceedingly thankful to my great number of friends and patrons for past patronage, and desiring to continue to my old stand.

FAIR DEALING.

I solicit a continuance of the same. Particular attention paid to the repairing of Watches, Clocks, Jewelry and Musical Instruments, and Gold and Silver Plating.

At reasonable rates and promptly. Work warranted.

BERTRAND LANGEL.

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To the Public.

I hereby publicly certify that I have sold to the public, at my old stand, one door North of Ditch's store, WOODSFIELD, OHIO, a large quantity of the following: Hardware, Groceries, and all other goods, and will manufacture for you any ware desired, not found in his shop. Give him a call before looking elsewhere. He will suit you in every way.

WILLIAM ROSE.

CITY BAKERY

AND

CONFECTIONERY.

The undersigned has opened a new

BAKERY,

One door West of Jones' corner and South of the Court House, where he will keep always on hand fresh

White Wheat Bread,

Brown Bread,

Cakes and Pies,

Crackers, Nuts,

Candies, Tobacco,

Cigars and other

things usually kept in a Grocery. I have on hand the

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Poetry.

WEIGHING THE BABY.

How many pounds does the baby weigh,

Baby who came but a month ago;

How many pounds from the growing curl

To the rosy point of the restless toe?

Grandfather tries the kerchief knot,

Tenderly guides the swinging weight,

And carefully over his glasses peers,

To read the record, "only eight."

Softly the echo goes around,

"The father laughs at the tiny girl;

The fair young mother sings the words,

While grandmother smooths the golden curl.

And stooping above the precious thing,

Noting a rise within a prayer,

Murmuring softly, "Little one,

Grandfather did not weigh you fair."

Nobody weighed the baby's smile,

Or the love that came with the helpless one;

Nobody weighed the threads of care,

From which a woman's life is spun.

No index tells the mighty worth

Of a little baby's quiet breath

A soft, unceasing metronome,

Patience and faithful unto death.

Nobody weighed the baby's soul,

For here on earth no weights there be

That could avail. God only knows

Its value in eternity.

Only eight pounds to hold a soul,

That seeks no angel's silver wing,

But shrinks in the human grasp

Within a fair and small thing.

Oh, mother, laugh your merry note,

Be gay and glad, but don't forget

From baby's eyes look out a soul

That claims a home in Eden yet.

Explicit.

A Yankee riding up to a Dutchman

exclaimed:

"Well, stranger, for acquaintance sake,

what might be your name?"

"Vy, my name is Haunce Hollenbof,

fenheffenstemburg?"

"By Cape Cod! if that ain't as long

as a pumpkin vine! Well, I ain't no

time to lose, I'm on a speculation! Tell

me the way to Tammany."

"To Tammany? Well, you see dat

road you de hill?"—pointing in the direction.

"Oh, yes, I see it!"

"Well den, you must not take dat

dat road. You see dis road by de coal

bank?"

"Yes."

"Well, dat is not too roo; but you

must go right by the ham store, and

you see von road what crooks just

so, (bending his elbows and describing

at the same time), and ven you get dare

keep right along till you see furder—

Well, den you will turn te potato patch

round tee bridge over tee river up stream,

an tee hill up, and directly you see mine

prodder Fritz' parn, ankert mit straw,

dat's de house von mine prodder lives.

He'll tell von so better as I can. And

you go a little furder two roasts—you

must not take both of 'em."

The Yankee rode off at the top of his

speed.

A Mile.

The following exhibit of the number

of yards contained in a mile in different

countries, will often prove a matter of

useful reference to readers:

Mile in England or America 1760

yards.

Mile in Russia, 1100 yards.

Mile in Italy, 1467 yards.

Mile in Poland, 4000 yards.

Mile in Spain, 5028 yards.

Mile in Germany, 5866 yards.

Mile in Sweden and Denmark, 7283

yards.

Mile in Hungary, 8800 yards.

League in England and America, 5280

yards.

ROADS.

The next thing to be considered will

be the modus operandi by which such

roads as have been contemplated can be

built. By reference to an act of the

Legislature of Ohio passed March 27,

1867, and the subsequent amendments

thereto, we find that ample provisions

have been made for such improvements.

This act provides, that upon the petition

of a majority of the land owners along

and adjacent to the line of such proposed

road, or improvement, to the County

Commissioners, they are empowered to

authorize the construction of gravel or

macadamized roads.

For the purpose of raising "the necessary

funds to meet the expense of such

improvement, the County Commissioners

are authorized to issue the bonds of the

county payable in instalments or at

intervals not exceeding five years, bearing

interest not exceeding seven per

cent per annum, payable semi annually."

These bonds to be paid by assessment

on the real property along such road for

a distance of two miles on each side of

the line of said road "according to the

benefit to be derived therefrom."

This assessment shall be divided in

such manner as to meet the payment of

principal and interest of said bonds, or

payable in five yearly instalments, the

same as other taxes are collected. The

cost of such an improvement would

therefore be paid in ten semi-annual

payments by the lands and town property

that would be directly benefitted by such

an improvement.

Under this law Belmont County has

already built and in process of construction

some 12 or 15 turnpike roads.

They are constructed stone and gravel

roads all over the State since the passage

of this law and are growing rich thereby.

For such improvements are not only

a great convenience to the county,

but they add greatly to the value of the

lands.

The land owners who are assessed for

such improvements will be reimbursed

a hundred fold by the increase of the

value of their lands, besides the increased

profits on their products. For such roads

would lessen the cost of transportation

at least one half, which would be a net

profit to the producer.

Let us then wake up on this important

subject; the time has arrived for Monroe

to fall in the wake of her neighboring

counties, and commence at once, with

life and action to build up our neglected

roads for our main thoroughfares.

It will be like "bread cast upon the waters

to be gathered after many days."

EXTERPRISE.

From the official report of the proceedings

of Congress, July 25, 1868:

"Mr. Dawes—I am instructed by the

Committee on Elections to report back

the credentials of J. W.