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The following is a list of parties to whom we have sold Stoves since September 1st, 1887, mostly of which were of "The Gold Coin" manufacture:

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| Henry Miller | Mr. Loren Farmer |
| George Miller | Geo. Sawyer |
| John Gray | S. D. Bidwell |
| Mrs. John Gaffney | Era Sanderson |
| Canton Reading Room | Truman Rich |
| James Leatherford | Schuyler Hemeway |
| Sam Slatley | Asbury Church |
| Wm. Gaylett | Leland Gil |
| Eliza Lawrence (3) | Henry Jones |
| Mrs. Charles W. Hall | Mrs. Mary Gibson |
| George Barnes | Matthew Wallace |
| Mrs. Bacheller | John Healey |
| John Midgley | W. A. Leighton |
| E. J. Bonney | A. E. Moody |
| John Smith | Jerry Casey (2) |
| John C. Gaffney | Daniel Trout |
| Charles W. Hall | Byland Cray |
| George Barnes | Thomas Woods |
| Mrs. Conger | James Leavitt |
| P. C. Maltner | Thomas S. May |
| Patrick Dewell | John Harrigan |
| Mrs. De Witt | John De Witt |
| Mr. Lockwood | John Maltner |
| Ellis Orr | Jacob Smith |
| Harvey Knox | George Smith |
| Frank Parker | Thomas Fox |
| Washington Farmer | Mrs. Allen |
| Peter Budeville | L. M. Barber |
| William Todd (3) | Wm. DeLancey |
| John L. Allen | George Wallace |
| George Hewitt | George Gilmore |
| John McBeth | Henry Clark |
| Ed. Gibson | L. H. Gilman |
| Charles W. Allen | Thomas Fox |
| Deek W. Allen | M. Chapin |
| Anson Morgan | Alex. Moran (3) |
| Roger McLaughlin | Richard Sheridan (3) |
| Abner Aldrich | John Fitzgerald |
| Henry Slatley | Mrs. Moray |

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JOB PRINTING.

The St. Lawrence Plaindealer Job Printing Office is well equipped with type and presses, and can execute any order for printing.

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY.

Ogdensburg.

Progress is being made in getting up electric light wires.

E. A. Newell has just shipped a large quantity of toboggans to Rhode Island.

There is a project on foot for putting machinery for the cutting and polishing of marble and the turning of marble columns into the building between the Empire Mills and McGillivray's factory. It is expected to bring the marble here in the rough from New England and to manufacture it here.

Eight parties have paid a fine of \$10 each for attendance at the Airy Point cooking main. One went out to get the money to pay the fine, and did not return. It is said that several have stepped over into Canada. Those fined were simply outlookers at the fight.

John Mills, a resident of 202 South Water street, died instantly about noon, the 11th, in the woods, on what is known as the Burditt lot, owned by the Messrs. Averell, of this city, about two and one half miles from town. He was at work with two others cutting wood. He sat down to eat his dinner and toppled over dead. It is supposed to be a case of heart disease.

There are now four Chinamen at work in Ching Kee's laundry. Ching Kee appears to be an enterprising young man and very much of a Yankee.

There is probably no other place of the same size in the United States of America where the mail facilities are so poor as at Ogdensburg at the present time. There are a number of circumstances combining to produce this result. At such a time as this the O. & L. C. R. R. should make its best endeavor to get its morning mail train through on time. But we are informed a rule that gives eastbound trains the right of way tends to delay it by giving a local passenger train the right of way over the mail. This rule is an old and general one, but it has a tendency to delay our best mail train at this particular time. No person here has the authority to change it.

On Saturday the friends of Joseph Burns, who was taken violently insane some time ago and taken to the Utica asylum for treatment, received a telegram that he was dead and asking what disposition should be made of the remains. A little later in the day a letter from the asylum authorities was received, giving particulars of his death. The letter stated that on Monday, Jan. 3d, the patient was left alone in the washroom of the asylum and while there he turned the hot water onto his hands and burned them badly, and that his chin was also burned, and the letter stated as a reason for not informing his friends of the accident that it was supposed the patient was improving and it was not desired to unnecessarily alarm them. He died on Friday night. The remains arrived here Monday and a medical examination was had by one of the physicians of the city, who says that his hands were terribly burned, that he was also burned on one of the arms between the elbow and shoulder, that the chin was not burned but wounded by some sharp instrument and that he died of his injuries and not of his disease. Mr. Burns, before his illness, was a bright young man of correct habits and highly respected. His many friends who were shocked to hear of his insanity will be still more so to hear of his terrible death. We extend our sympathy to his bereaved parents and relatives.—*Advance*.

Gouverneur.

Two skating rinks in Gouverneur, plus a toboggan slide—no wonder the "club" couldn't hold together.

James O. Sheldon, late book keeper for the St. Lawrence M'G. Co., has accepted the position of teller with the bank of Gouverneur.

Twelve freight trains passed Gouverneur going north, in one day recently. Eight of them were double headers. Twenty engines were employed to draw the twelve trains.

A double header freight of 33 cars going north had a smash up Sunday. Just before the train reached the bridge three cars consisting of the caboose and two coal cars became detached and were stopped. The other part of the train went on to the depot to take water and when near the station eight more cars broke loose and as it is down grade toward the bridge, these eight cars gained quite a momentum and went smashing into the three others. None were derailed, but the bumpers on nine were broken and the ends of two cars smashed in.—*Herald Times*.

Charles Patten had a narrow escape from serious injury recently. He was passing around the rear of a freight train which blocked the sidewalk, and had to take the road to do it. As he rounded the car he was struck and run over by a team passing in the opposite direction, resulting in a bad cut on the head and other bruises.

At the annual election of officers of the fire department, the following officers were elected: Frank L. Cox, foreman; Albert W. Hill, secretary; Geo. H. Robinson, treasurer.

Distinct shocks of earthquake were felt here Wednesday morning.

A surprise party was given Rev. M. W. Chase at his residence Monday evening last. The Rev. had many friends of various articles left for him. Among many was a pair of silver dollars. About seventy-five were present. A very sociable time was spent.

Potsdam.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the National Bank, held at their banking house the 10th day of January, 1888, the following gentlemen were duly elected directors: Geo. A. Harden, Little Falls; B. Usher, Potsdam; P. F. Bellinger, Herkimer; Luke Usher, Potsdam; William Usher, Potsdam.

Prof. Little gave one of his interesting "chalk talks," as the second entertainment of the Lecture Course, before a large audience at the Town Hall.

Mr. James Miller, who has been connected with Stone's gallery the past year or more, has removed to Massena, where he has entered into copartnership with Mr. F. E. Bailey, under the firm name of Bailey & Miller, to conduct a general mercantile business.

The class of '87-8 of the Normal school number 11 members, as follows: Classical—M. P. Fobes, Mabel B. Foster, Julia E. Merritt. Advanced English—Patricia M. Hartford, Carrie M. Morse, Aletha V. Ruy, Orla C. Robinson, Evan J. Smith. Elementary—Francine E. Bidwell, Harriet L. Parker, Willow M. Peake. The commencement exercises will be held in the Town Hall Tuesday, Jan. 31, at 10 A. M. The baccalaureate sermon will be preached in Normal Hall Jan. 29th, at 3 P. M., by Rev. Dr. I. M. Atwood, of Canton.—*Courier and Freeman*.

Andrew J. Train has brought suit before the court of claims, which meets in Albany this week, for \$9,000 damages, which he alleges are caused to his farm by the overflow of the Rackett river. Prof. Geo. C. Shurtz, Chas. Snell, Mark Parmeter and W. L. Stevens were subpoenaed to Albany as witnesses for the claimant, and Luke Usher, G. W. Sisson, Geo. Lewis and N. L. Benson for the State. Some years ago the Legislature passed an appropriation providing for the improvement of the Rackett river for the transportation of logs, and as a result of these improvements the river was changed so as to overflow part of the island known as Allen's island, which belongs to Mr. Train's farm. The island contains 116 acres and Mr. Train claims that he is seriously damaged every year by the overflowing of this land. Dart & Erwin are attorneys for the claimant.—*Courier and Freeman*.

William R. Weed, of Potsdam, vice-president, and George E. Maiby, of Ogdensburg, member of the executive committee of the State League of Republican clubs, have been in Albany in attendance upon a meeting of the executive committee.

The Senate at Albany, has considered, in committee of the whole, three bills introduced by Mr. Erwin, amending the charter of Potsdam to allow the raising of \$3,500 a year; localizing the action of the Potsdam authorities in raising money for the fire department; and authorizing the board of water commissioners of Potsdam to appoint a superintendent of water works. The bills were ordered engrossed and printed for a third reading.

Fire was discovered in the steam laundry on Depot street about five o'clock Saturday morning. The cause of the conflagration is unknown. The building was nearly all destroyed besides considerable laundry work. The loss will probably reach about eight hundred dollars. The building and contents were insured. The building was owned by W. H. Hawkins, of this place, and the laundry was owned and operated by J. B. Bishop. The fire companies did effective work, and saved the buildings near with quite an effort. Considerable loss is felt by those who had laundry work there.

Brick Chapel.

JAN. 14.—At present, Jack Frost is trying to moderate his manner to ward his friends. Whether he will succeed or not, we cannot tell. A few melting tears have fallen upon the icy barriers which have so long oppressed him, and he is gradually thawing out. Just as the hand of sympathy and friendship, extended to one who is suffering, breaks down the icy barriers that have so long existed between them, and makes them friends forever, so it is with Jack Frost, only he goes back to his old cold ways, and the tears must fall again to subdue him.

A Leap Year party and dance was held at the residence of Mrs. Charles Wallace last Friday evening. We suppose the young men have been very busy during the past week, getting their refreshments ready, but they no doubt had time to rest at the party, while waiting for the young ladies to ask them to dance. One young man had retired when a young lady came to ask him to accompany her to the party. You see it doesn't pay, young men, to retire too early during Leap Year.

M. R. Wait started for Albany, Monday, Jan. 9. He has left a vacancy in one home which cannot be filled until he returns again.

A Woman's Discovery.

"Another wonderful discovery has been made and that too by a lady in this county. Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly and could not sleep. She sought of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption and was so much relieved on taking first dose that she slept all night and with one bottle has been miraculously cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz, of this city. Write to W. C. Hamrick & Co., of Albany, N. Y.—get a free trial bottle at Conkey & Guley's Drug Store.

Remembrance Falls.

JAN. 14.—After a long period of prosperity and freedom from financial disaster, our village was considerably startled during the past week with rumors of an assignment, which rapidly materialized into fact. Of course there are those who say, "I told you so," but to most people it was a surprise, and caused genuine regret. Although quite a number are interested, the writer thinks the business men, with one or two exceptions, are not included in that number. Beyond the matter of an assignment, facts are too meager to make further statement at present writing.

We are favored with two dentists in town, Mr. C. W. Barber, of Gouverneur, and C. P. Day, of Hermon. Those who have nothing else to do can have their teeth pulled.

Mr. Geo. Lytle and wife, of Lisbon, have been visiting friends in town during the week.

The handsome grey team of Mr. S. O. Child is often seen on our streets, and in the admiration of all and the delight of the small boys.

Our genial friend, Collector McKelvey, is very accommodating, and will receive all the money you choose to give him.

The recent failure caused a suspension of hostilities, and the coal war is apparently at end.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Lent are enjoying a short visit to friends in East Constatle.

The reading room is well patronized and seems to be gaining in popularity, a fact which is very satisfactory to ZIP.

Jerusalem Corners.

JAN. 14.—One of the happiest events of the season occurred last Thursday evening, by which Mr. James Taylor and wife were most happily surprised by their children and neighbors.

About seven o'clock the people began to gather at Mr. Taylor's and with well managed excuses for their calling, kept Mr. and Mrs. Taylor ignorant of their true purpose until many of the party had arrived. Festivities soon began. After supper as many as could repaired to the parlor where Mr. and Mrs. Taylor were awaiting the further pleasure of their guests.

Then Mr. Chas. Barber, in the name of those present, with his usual blandness of manner and long-meter-wit, presented them with two easy chairs. Mr. Taylor responded briefly in well chosen words. Music and games followed. At a seasonable hour all withdrew to their homes, not fully conscious of the pleasure of that evening.

There is some talk of organizing a quadrille club to meet semi-monthly. The last lyeum was the best of the season. The woman suffrage question was warmly debated. A most excellent question has been chosen for the next meeting, "Do the signs of the times indicate the continuation of the Democratic party in power?" OMT.

Morley.

On Friday evening, the 13th inst., a large party of friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Myers, gathered at their residence on Slick street, to celebrate, by a surprise, their twentieth wedding anniversary. Parties were there from Norwood, Canton, Cray's Mills, Lisbon, Woodbridge Corners and Morley, also Mr. Horace Conger, from Virginia City. The evening was passed in games, music, both vocal and instrumental, and visiting.

About eleven o'clock the tables were spread and an oyster supper served to the large company. In addition to oysters, the table was loaded with good things which the ladies had not forgotten to bring along with them. After all had partaken of this feast, and some the second time, the Rev. Mr. Jenkins presented Mr. and Mrs. Myers, in behalf of the company, with a large extension table, hanging lamp, rocking chair and some silver knives and forks. Mr. Myers responded in a few well chosen words, expressing his thanks for the kindness shown himself and wife, after which they all went to their several homes saying "We have all had a good time." ONE WHO WAS THERE.

West Sterpont.

JAN. 11.—I for one of your many readers am well pleased with the Plaindealer in its new form.

John F. Robinson's saw mill, which was burned last fall, has, since its arising from its ashes, and after fitting about two miles from its old site, has sprung up on the Plains road, and in a short time the inhabitants of Pierpont South and West will hear the buzzing of the saw and the blowing of its whistle.

Russell.

JAN. 16.—Last Tuesday evening about ten o'clock, when nearly all the good people of this quiet village had retired, the terrible cry of "fire!" rang out on the night air. The wind was blowing nearly a gale and we feared the worst when we found the fire was in James Gore's building (occupied for a gum factory) in the center of the village. Nothing could have prevented a general conflagration, had there not fallen during the day a sleet and snow that protected the roofs from the shower of sparks and cinders. If the wind had been blowing from the North, Union block could not have been saved. Willis Gibbons's shoe store, which joined Gore's, was also consumed. [We understand from other reports, that the stock in the shoe store was saved, but that about a ton of gum was burned in the gum factory, and that the loss on the building was \$1,000, with \$700, insurance.

The earthquake at 4:45 Wednesday morning was distinctly felt by those that were not too much fatigued by the fire.

Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, about 25 Good Templars went to Hermon Friday evening to attend the Lodge there.

While H. B. Reed and wife were on their way to Hermon, Saturday, their horse became frightened and ran away. After clearing itself from the cutter it fell and broke its neck.

Miss Laura Smith, of Clayton, is visiting relatives in town.

Miss May Brown, of Antwerp, is spending a few days at C. D. Shaw's. Mrs. Judson Hamilton is not expected to live from day to day.

We are happy to see Miss Lena Boyd out once more.

Miss Victoria Geron has returned to Houghton Seminary. DIDD

ADJOINING COUNTIES.

Franklin County.

P. A. Burdick is expected to begin a week's engagement at Malone on Monday, Feb. 27th.

J. B. Amesen, of Malone, went to New York last week with two carloads of steers, and found satisfactory sale for them all within 12 hours of his arrival. They brought from \$55 to \$80 each, or a total of about \$2,500. Mr. Amesen returned home on Tuesday.

M. W. Hutchins returned home from Wichita, Kan., on Thursday last—just one week from his departure from Malone. The railroad fare, sleeping car charges, the cost of meals and reasonable incidentals for such a trip is close to \$125. Mr. Hutchins says that on arrival at Wichita he found the man he was shadowing was King that he would not have compromised his claim for the reward of \$1,000 for cash in hand to the amount of \$800, and after hearing his story and description Mr. Hutchins became equally confident. The suspected party had one missing finger, his body was terribly so red as the result of injuries received in a railway accident, his complexion and eyes were the same as King's, he had acknowledged having been at Malone, he plainly belonged in the criminal class, and quite as significant, he had arrived in Wichita in June last, just about three weeks after King's flight from Malone. But when Mr. Hutchins had the man pointed out to him the next day, he was instantly and completely undeceived. The "suspect" lacked about four inches of being as tall as King and did not resemble him either in form or feature. The thousand dollars are still at the command of anybody who will discover the right man and produce him at Malone.—*Pulladium*.

The Northern New York Telephone Co. has received a cash allowance of \$10,000 by the Bell Telephone Co., to be expended within the next five years in constructing extensions of the lines of the Malone, Plattsburgh and Port Henry exchanges.

Jefferson County.

A Turkish bath has been established at Watertown, and the citizens are patronizing it liberally.

Following is the form of a petition which it is proposed to circulate throughout Jefferson county with a view to the extermination of the English sparrow.

To the Honorable Legislature of the State of New York:

But sparingly insectivorous themselves, these birds drive away and destroy our native insectivorous birds. They have now multiplied so enormously that there are millions of them in every part of the State, and they have already become a public enemy, threatening vital agricultural interests. Like some other animals under new conditions when introduced into a new habitation, they have acquired new and pernicious habits, and are not yet controlled by natural causes. In the spring they disbud our fruit trees, at harvest they enter the grain fields and destroy the grain. When fruit are ripening they throng our vineyards, orchards and gardens, and not content with satisfying their natural food desires, they maliciously mar and destroy the ripening fruit, merely to gratify an evil nature.

Albany Correspondence.

Went to Union Hall this afternoon, where a large number of boatmen and friends of the Erie Canal had assembled to organize a Canal Union for the protection of the State canals. The object of the organization is as follows:

To obtain a reduction in elevator charges at the ports of New York and Buffalo; to obtain a reduction in wharfage charges at the port of New York; to prevent the railroads from discriminating against canals; to obtain adequate appropriations for canal improvements; to see that the laws relating to insurance on canal grain are rigidly enforced; to repeal or modify the "Saturday Half-holiday Act," so that shipping and canal interests may not be embarrassed and obstructed; and to ask the legislature to pass a bill entitled, "An act to facilitate State commerce by increasing the lockage capacity of the Erie and Oswego canals, and to improve the Erie, Oswego, Black River, Champlain and Cayuga and Seneca canals," and appropriate one million dollars therefor. In the bill are named fourteen locks on the Erie canal to be enlarged by this appropriation, while there are fifty-eight more on the Erie canal that would have to be enlarged also, in order to derive special benefit from the enlargement of the fourteen.

Mayor Cleveland, of Jersey City; Hon. James Wadsworth, of New York, and Capt. DePuy, of Buffalo, spoke before the convention and recited the grievances of the canal boatmen. They were opposed to giving the general government control of the Erie canal, claiming that it is the great natural outlet from the granary of the west, down the lakes to Buffalo, from Buffalo through the Erie canal to Albany, and from Albany the canal boats are towed down the Hudson to New York, and the grain shipped to foreign markets.

It seems that the great and serious trouble with the boatmen on the Erie canal is the elevator monopolies at New York and Buffalo. They claim that the elevator charges at these two places take more than the lion's share of the profit in canal boating. The elevating that costs \$5.00 in Chicago, costs \$14.50 in New York and Buffalo. They say the elevator monopoly in New York charges the boatmen \$8.00 for trimming a ship load of grain, and pay a day laborer \$1.50 for doing the work, and on millions of bushels they figure out the robbery, as they term it. Then one speaker struck the key note of alarm by saying: "The game has come when the labor organizations of this State will stand by the canal boatmen to break this iron band of monopoly."

There is no doubt but that this is a question that should be given more than a passing thought by careful legislators; and, too, it may possibly have a political significance as well as a commercial one.

I might add that when I was clerk of the senate canal committee in 1884 and 1885, an elevator bill was introduced both years, asking a mere fraction of reduction on elevator charges; and after a hot contest was beaten both times. An elevator bill will be introduced again this year, and the canal union has appointed a committee to look after general canal legislation.

Those most deeply interested in canal matters fear that if the general government should get control of the Erie canal there would be a scheme to turn freight down the Mississippi to New Orleans, and down the St. Lawrence to Montreal, to be shipped from thence to foreign markets.

"Liberty" at Atlanta.

No more powerful argument in behalf of temperance legislation could be made than the scenes enacted at the recent election at Atlanta.