

**ELIJAH W. HALFORD.**

The Journalist Who Has Been Selected  
 Federal Secretary in Presidential-Elect.  
 Elijah W. Halford, editor of The Indianapolis Journal, who has been made private secretary to President-elect Harrison, is a native of England, came to this country when a child with his parents, who settled in Cincinnati, is now 45 years of age, and began his newspaper career twenty-five years ago as a typewriter on The Indianapolis Journal. After a time he became a reporter and from that time has constantly worked his way upward. He was for a time managing editor of The Chicago Inter Ocean, and before he became editor of The Journal was connected with The Indianapolis News. He has long been interested with much important work for his party, and was a delegate to last summer's convention at Chicago, where he did much good work for Col. New, who engineered Gen. Harrison's campaign there. Mr. Halford's hair is turning gray. He wears glasses, is slender and of medium height. His manner is pleasant and obliging. His religious tendencies are as strong as those of Mr. Harrison, although he is a Methodist instead of a Presbyterian, being a lay preacher in his church. Up to the beginning of the recent campaign he had never missed a weekly prayer meeting. He has a wife and daughter.



ELIJAH W. HALFORD.

When Mr. Halford was a reporter he was what is known in the west as a "bummer," and many entertaining stories are told about this period of his life. This one is too good to let slip:  
 Being assigned to report a hanging, he determined to find out if possible whether consciousness departed the victim at the moment the drop fell or not. In conversation with the condemned man he said:  
 "My friend, have you any objection to help settle a scientific question? There has been a good deal of talk in the newspapers lately as to whether a man who is hung has any consciousness or feeling after the drop falls. Now, if you choose, you can settle this question."  
 "How?" asked the surprised man.  
 "Well," said Halford, "suppose you have consciousness after the drop falls. If you will just wiggle the little finger of the right hand that will be a signal to me. I will know you are conscious as long as the finger keeps wiggling. Will you do it?"  
 The man was not easily persuaded, but Halford's eloquence finally overcame him. It is not recorded that the finger wiggled.

The Contents of an Eggshell.  
 The weight of an ordinary new laid hen's egg is from one and a half to two and a half ounces avoirdupois, and the quantity of dry solid matter contained in it amounts to about two hundred grains. In 100 parts about 10 parts consist of shell, 80 of white and 80 of yolk. The white of the egg contains a larger proportion of water than the yolk. It contains no fatty matter, but consists chiefly of albumen in a dissolved state. All the fatty matter of the egg is accumulated in the yolk, which contains relatively a smaller proportion of nitrogenous matter and a larger proportion of solid matter than the white. Therefore, in an alimentary point of view, the white and the yolk differ considerably from each other, the former being mainly a simple solution of albumen, the latter being a solution of a modified form of albumen, together with a quantity of fat.—Cassell's Domestic Dictionary.

Fraser's is the purest and best Soap ever made.

**BUREAU OF NAVIGATION.**

Annual Report of Commodore J. G. Walker, Washington, Nov. 26.—Commodore J. G. Walker, chief of the bureau of navigation, in his annual report, discusses the improvement in nautical instruments, and states that the chronometers now are much superior to those purchased in former years. Chronometers of foreign make are no longer purchased for the navy. Attention is called to the report of H. B. Bradford, the naval inspector of electric lighting, setting forth in detail the operations of the bureau during the past year in the matter of introducing electric lights into the naval ships. "The first man-of-war in the world," says the report, "to be lighted by electricity, the Froston, was installed under the direction of this bureau under an appropriation especially asked for by the bureau for that purpose. From the first this method of lighting has been successful, and it is now conceded that no ship is complete without electric lights. They have been proved beyond a doubt to exert a direct and salutary influence upon the sanitary condition, the discipline and the efficiency of vessels of war."  
 The commodore renews his recommendation made last year that a naval reserve be established, in order to meet the demands of the country for rapidly manning and increasing its fleet upon the outbreak of war. Rapid mobilization, he says, may be said to be the leading naval question of the day, and the recent naval maneuvers abroad have given occasion for the frequent statement of the opinion that to the readiness of ships and guns must be joined an equal readiness of trained men to make any system of mobilization complete and effective.

For speedy relief and cure in cases of bronchitis, take Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. It controls the cough and induces sleep.

**BUSINESS MATTERS.**

Dr. Hester's Curative Cream Cure promptly administered, will cure any and every form of throat and lung trouble. Prevents Pneumonia and Consumption. 50 cents.

The above medicines are for sale by John H. Abraham & Co., Druggists, Utica.

**CHEST PROTECTOR, AND CHAMOIS SKIN JACKETS.**  
 Nice line just received.  
**LOW PRICES.**  
 Please call and examine. Also a line of  
**CHAMOIS SKIN**  
 for those who desire to make their own, at  
**Howarth & Ballard's**  
**DRUG STORE,**  
 183 Genesee street.

Thousands of people have found in Hood's Sarsaparilla a positive cure for rheumatism. This medicine, by its purifying action, neutralizes the acidity of the blood, which is the cause of the disease, and also builds up and strengthens the whole body. Give it a trial.

Valery Wiedemann, a German government agent, has brought suit against Robert H. Winchelsea, the heir presumptive to the earldom of Oxford, England, for \$10,000 damages for breach of promise and libel. She alleges that Winchelsea met her in Bulgaria. He made her an offer of marriage and then betrayed her. He afterwards discarded her and now repudiates the paternity of her child.

The Postmaster, Winchester, Mass., says I am personally acquainted with Mr. and Mrs. Carter, and was astonished at the remarkable effects of your Sulphur Bitters in curing their son, and its large sale is undoubtedly due to the fact that it is so honest a medicine. I know of many others who have been cured by its use, and I do not think too much can be said in its praise. Yours truly,  
 GEORGE P. BROWN, P. M.

We are the agents for the  
**JAMES MEANS \$4 SHOE**  
 and the  
**JAMES MEANS \$3 SHOE.**  
 JAMES MEANS \$4 SHOE is made of the best quality of leather, and is the most comfortable shoe ever made. It is made in the city of New York, and is the only shoe of its price which is made in this country. It is made in the city of New York, and is the only shoe of its price which is made in this country. It is made in the city of New York, and is the only shoe of its price which is made in this country.  
**J. Gschwind & Sons,**  
 8 Arcade, Bleeker Street,  
 and 88 Second Street, Utica.

**DON'T FAIL TO SEE OUR STOCK OF HOLIDAY GOODS NOW OPEN.**  
 No trashy old stock, but bright, new, clean goods, straight from the workshop.  
 Beautiful Leather and Plush Novelties, Photograph Albums, Lap Tablets, Desks, Scrap Books, Wallets, Fancy Ink Stands, Cigar Cases, Gold Pens, Games, etc., etc.  
**CALL EARLY FOR THE BEST SELECTIONS.**  
**ROWLEY & HORTON.**

**OUR ASSORTMENT OF MILLINERY GOODS**  
 is one of the largest. Art and Fancy Ribbons in all widths and shades. Round Hats and Bonnets in the latest shapes and colors. Nuns Veiling, Ruching and Crape.  
**H. BARNARD'S SON,**  
 85 Genesee street.

**SEAL GARMENTS, Sacques and Jackets, FUR TRIMMINGS, FUR GLOVES AND COLLARS, GENTS' FUR COATS, Robes and Blankets.**  
**FURS MADE TO ORDER.**  
**E. W. JARRETT,**  
 82 GENESEE STREET, UTICA.

**Closing Out Sale.**  
 We have a large line of  
**Parlor Suits, Ladies' Desks,**  
 And Brass Goods that must be sold at once, regardless of cost, to reduce stock.  
**JOHN A. DAVIES & SON,**  
 51, 52 and 53 Franklin Square, and 39 Seneca St.

**NEW BOOK STORE.**  
**KELLY & BOSTICK**  
 Will Open about December 1st  
 AT  
**NO. 62 GENESEE ST.**

**Headquarters for Sewer Pipe.**  
 We are now enabled to make the same prices on our  
**SUPERIOR STONE SEWER PIPE**  
 than the inferior Pipe being sold at. Do not be fooled by a handsome sample and poor stock. We like to show our pipe as it runs in the yard. WE MAKE NO CHARGE FOR DELIVERY. Before buying call upon  
**N. A. WHITE & SON,**  
 163 WHITESBORO STREET.

**TIDINGS**

—Are being carried by well satisfied customers, who come fifty and one hundred miles to buy Clothing at the  
**GREAT 30 DAYS' CLOSING OUT SALE.**

All Heavy Weight Men's and Boys' Suits and Overcoats at actual cost to manufacture.

**THIS CLOTHING**

Has been made under our own supervision, the Cloth Sponged and Shrunk by our own Steam Shrinker and Sponger; and therefore we have taken no one's word for it being made right in every particular.

**EIGHTEEN DAYS MORE.**

You can not mistake the place. The large Store and factory of

**TAYLOR & HOWE,**

100 AND 102 GENESEE STREET.

**336 MEN'S SUITS,**

Made of Fine Fancy all Worsted Goods, Four-Button Cutaway in style, Double Stitched Seams and best of Italian Serge Lining,

REGULAR RETAIL PRICE \$18.00  
 WILL SELL FOR 11.35

**865 PAIRS OF MEN'S PANTS,**

Made of the Celebrated Adams Mills, fine heavy weight, All-wool Cassimere.

REGULAR RETAIL PRICE \$4.50  
 WILL SELL FOR 3.00

**275 CHILDREN'S SUITS.**

Made of Fine Worsted and Cassimere Goods, in the Very Latest Styles,

REGULAR RETAIL PRICE \$6.50  
 WILL SELL FOR 3.75

It takes only two or three days to close out any lot of Suits or Overcoats advertised.

**WILLIAM TAYLOR,**

Successor to Taylor & Howe, 100 and 102 Genesee street, Utica, N. Y.