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Vicinity Excerpts

- S. J. Thatcher, of Cobleskill, is doing a large insurance business.
- The "Times" says nearly 1500 bushels of potatoes were delivered at the Worcester depot last week by South Worcester and Charlotteville farmers.
- A little judicious ignorance is always comforting – Schoharie *Scab*. We always knew Kromer was blessed with more ignorance than any other stock in trade.
- The Fullington house in the east part of this town was destroyed by fire on Wednesday last. The barn on the premises was burned the week previous. The origin of the fire is supposed to be the work of an incendiary. – Jefferson *Courier*.
- Mr. and Mrs. Peter Tingue started for Kansas on Monday evening, for the purpose of visiting their daughter, who resides there. Mr. Tingue expects to remain until Fall. The many friends of "Pete" will regret the contemplated long stay. Arthur Tingue will manage the farm. – Cobleskill *Index*.
- We think the telephone business had better be dropped, and a telegraph line settled upon, to connect us with Stamford and Richmondville. This would not cost any more than the telephone line, except the little extra cost of sending messages, and would prevent every one from knowing your business. We do not care to go into a telephone office and tell every bystander our business. – Jefferson *Courier*.

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Local Department

CHURCHES

- M. E. CHURCH. – Charlotteville – Rev. A. M. Gay, pastor. Services every Sabbath at 11:00 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Class meeting at the close of morning service. Prayer meeting Thursday evenings, at 7:30. Seats free. Strangers always welcome.
 - FREE METHODIST CHURCH. – Rev. R. M. Snyder pastor. Services every Sabbath at 10:30 and 7:30 p. m.
 - BAPTIST CHURCH. – Rev. I. Powers, pastor. Preaching every Sabbath morning at 10:30 a. m. Sabbath school immediately after close of meeting. Prayer meeting Wednesday evenings at the church.
 - M. E. CHURCH – Summit – Alternately Sabbath mornings, Summit and Westkill Hollow at 10:30 a. m. Morseville at 2:30 p. m. Prayer meetings at Summit and Westkill Hollow every Thursday evening; at Morseville each Wednesday evening.
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- Mr. S. Lape will pack eggs again this season.
- Frequent showers last week and a fine growing time.
- The West Fulton Methodists are to have a new church.
- J. Gladke & Co. have a new "ad." in this issue. Please read.
- Mrs. A. B. Seeley is repairing her house somewhat in the interior.
- Jerry Van Buren exhibits the boss hen's egg for the season - 6³/₄x8³/₄.
- Hen-hawks are making bad work with young poultry in this section.
- L. M. Stevens and wife are to commence house keeping in part of his father's house this week.
- A suit against the turnpike corporation at Franklinton, was in progress at Schoharie last week.

- Warm weather was on the boom last week. Mercury in the thermometer stood at 86 in the shade Thursday.
- Mr. A. Melvin, who is canvassing our town for the new history of Schoharie county, is meeting with admirable success.
- Many of our citizens visited Cobleskill, Richmondville and Worcester last week. We presume they made the merchants happy.
- It was a young man: his name was Van Dusen, and when they rode out they hugged. Now the town boys will sigh one big sigh. Goodenough.
- The Rev. A. M. Gay will be here the first Sunday in June, and will then assume his duties as pastor. He was preaching in Canada, and was only recently informed of his appointment here, hence his delay.
- Who says our boss devil has been taking lessons from Jefferson Davis? It hain't so. He didn't have on the hoops. He Daw-ley-ed around some before he was captured by the spectator's eye. For further information inquire of O. B. Ireland.
- The following letters remain uncalled for at the Charlotteville post office, viz: Warner Nelson, Miss Catherine McClue – 2, Mr. Delisle Brookins, Chas. Englert Headcook, James Bostyate, S. G. Pickle, Miss Susie L. Collins and Miss Kittie M. Gibson. Persons calling for the above letters will please mention they are advertised. S. LAPE, P. M.
- The editor of the *Scat (Union)* evidently favors the manufacture of oleomargarine, or butterine as it is often called, as he gives space to an article in his last issue which pronounces it a “beneficial and wholesome food product.” Will our farmers please take notice that the *Scab* favors an illegitimate business, (illegitimate because it is placed upon the market as *butter* instead of oleomargarine) which must necessarily injure the farmer in his good and honest avocation – butter making. Oleomargarine must be an inferior article or no person would care to sell it for anything other than what it really is. We are like many thousands of others who believe it to be a spurious and unwholesome article and one which will kill the butter trade.
- PROF. WELLINGTON LAMONTE. – In our last issue we gave it as a rumor that Wellington LaMonte was in the Utica Insane Asylum. In justice to his friends here we deem it well to re-publish an article from the *Canisteo Times* relating to Prof. LaMonte. We wish however to say first that he was simply placed in the convalescent ward for better medical treatment than he could receive at home.

There has been so much said pro and con, in relation to the insanity of Prof. W. LaMonte, of this village, that we deem it an act of simple justice to his estimable family to correct the wrong impression already gone forth to the public, and therefore we called upon Mrs. LaMonte on Monday and obtained the following facts:

The Prof. has been a resident of Canisteo about six years, and was at one time Principal of our Academy. He is brilliantly educated, and a gentleman of fine sensibilities. He has made educational topics a study during his life, and has held several high and important positions in the different large educational institutions of the country, having been, at one time, Professor of Mathematics of the Wyoming Seminary, at Kingston, Pa. His arduous labors in the cause of education wore upon his frail constitution, and of late years he has been in very poor health. About four weeks ago he suffered a severe attack of erysipelas, and when but partially recovered walked a large portion of the way to and from Hornellsville, which resulted in unquestionable insanity. The reports about his threatening the life of his wife and that of his family are totally untrue. He was conveyed to the State Insane Asylum at Utica, last week. His many friends here trust that the medical treatment and care which he will receive there will result in his rapid and entire recovery.

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- M. E. Owen was in town Friday.
- Farmers have turned out their stock.
- S. Lape has a fine lot of ready-made clothing for sale.
- It is said that there is considerable sickness about Fultonham.
- L. J. Lincoln has accepted an agency for the Singer sewing machine.
- M. E. Owen has sold 25 casks of his cider to Keeler, of Albany, delivered Tuesday.
- Rev. N. Lovett will occupy the M. E. pulpit next Sunday morning at the usual hour.
- Andrew Albert, of Worcester, will soon place several new monuments in our cemetery.

- Geo. Gage, Geo. L. Baldwin and Egbert Baker have each set out a hop yard this spring.
- It is said that a family near Gilboa has consumed 18 quarters of beef during the past winter.
- The frequent showers with warm weather have been worth a mint of gold to our farmers and the people generally.
- In all probability the potato bugs will be here in full force again this season as we have seen many of them already.
- Wm. Chislett, of Grovenor's Corners, was seriously injured on Sunday 8th inst., by a kick from a horse which he was cleaning off.
- John Smith, living near East Worcester, is intending to start for Omaha, Neb., in a few days, where he intends to pass most of the summer.
- Don't expose yourself to sun and rain when you can buy a carriage top for \$15, of A. Ferguson Cobleskill. N. B. A better grade for \$20 and \$25.
- The Mackey's Corners tar and feathers affair has broke out afresh. Mrs. Contine has had eleven of her neighbors arrested for assault and battery.
- Luke Colliton went to Albany last week expecting to have his arm, which he recently had broken, amputated; but the surgeon who examined it thinks it can be healed without amputation.
- West Fulton has an excitement concerning a pension case. It appears a pension of \$1,700 has been granted an old lady there, and she has been deliberately cheated out of \$1,000 of the amount.
- John Pierce bought the Daniel Picket farm property, which was sold at foreclosure sale Thursday, 12th inst. John is a young man of excellent habits and in every respect intelligent. We trust he will succeed in life.
- Don't find fault with the printer, if your improvements, changes, transfers, fine stock, fine fruit, etc., etc., are not noticed. The editor is always glad to see you or hear from you, when you have items of interest for the local columns. Send them in.
- J. Mack, Jr., the tobacco manufacturer of Cobleskill, has a fine lot of tobacco dust on hand which some of our leading farmers say is the best remedy for killing lice and ticks on sheep. Orders may be sent to him by mail, which will receive his prompt attention.
- Last week Mrs. Sebera Toles disinterred a deceased child of her's, which had been buried near Emery Cornell's new house for several years, carried it home, dug a new grave upon their own ground, close by the side of another more recently made, and there again interred it. It is certainly a remarkable day's work for Mrs. Toles, and proves a mother's love to be the purest on earth.
- If you *will* dabble in politics buy your wife a washer, that she may keep your clothes respectably clean. The original BUCKNELL WASHER, formerly sold by Morris & Hicks, are now sold by Geo. H. Warner of Charlotteville, N. Y., and A. G. Stilson of Cobleskill, N. Y. PRICE REDUCED FROM \$12 TO \$8. Any new parts furnished, or repairs made on old washers of this patent, by applying to G. H. Warner near Charlotteville, N. Y.
- Escape of a prisoner. – The U. S. marshal, of Kentucky, was bringing three prisoners – John Borders, John H. Overby and John Miller, alias Fox – to the Albany penitentiary yesterday. They were sentenced to two, five, and ten years respectively by the U. S. circuit court of Kentucky for making and passing counterfeit money. The latter slipped the irons off his hands and jumped from the train near Central Bridge. The marshal's sheriff of Schoharie county and a posse of twenty-five men have surrounded the woods in which he is supposed to be concealed. – Albany *Press*, 13th inst.

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- Steam dressed geese feathers at Lewis.
- We buy clothing at Flint & Taylor's Worcester.
- Children's carriages and boy's express wagons at Lewis'.
- Wool, Husk and Excelsior mattresses at Lewis' Richmondville.
- Another lot of flag seat chairs just received at H. S. Lewis' Richmondville.
- The women's suffrage bill has again failed to pass in the Assembly of this state.
- Holmes & Drew, Richmondville, are having a big trade, because they sell cheap.
- H. Frasier & Son are the sole agents for the indispensable corset. Price 50 cents.
- H. S. Lewis Richmondville, will frame the Illustrated Lord's Prayer with glass for 60 cents.
- Chas. Manning and A. B. Merchant of Howe's Cave, visited O. B. Ireland Saturday night and Sunday.

- Flint & Taylor, of Worcester, say the people of Charlottesville should look at their stock before they go to Cobleskill or Richmondville.
- For \$1.10 you can get your Lord's Prayer framed with a heavy black walnut moulding with glass &c., complete at H. S Lewis' Richmondville N. Y.
- H. S. Lewis will furnish a carriage top with side curtains, shifting rail and all ready to set on a wagon for \$14.00. Don't buy until you have seen my tops.
- IMPORTANT TO TRAVELERS. – Special inducements are offered you by the Burlington Route. It will pay you to read their advertisement to be found elsewhere in this issue.
- The Lord's Prayer framed with the finest 1½ in., polished double ebony line, black walnut moulding with 1 in. hollow lining with glass &c., for \$1.25 at H. S. Lewis' Richmondville N. Y.
- Room 30X60 full of clothing – men's, youths' and boys'. Remember upstairs at H. Frasier & Son's, Richmondville. Their first floor is crowded with dry goods and groceries, boots, shoes, etc.; a full stock and low prices.
- David L. Ryder says he was in possession of a new breed of fowels Sunday. It was a rooster of the improved Erin Isle strain and weighed 150 lbs. We might say by way of explanation that he found a man in his hen house "stone blind drunk." We do not know where he obtained his cider but whoever sold it to him on Sunday should be punished for it; and if he had a chance to visit Capt. Root or pay a fine it might have taught him a lesson.

Local Correspondence.

Correspondence solicited from all the neighboring towns. Communications received later than Monday of each week will not be inserted.

Hyndsville.

- Lawsuit in town Monday.
- P. P. Hilton if refilling his store with a good stock of goods.
- This hot weather tells on the loungers as well as the laboring people.
- Miss Zimmer has returned from the city with a fine stock of goods to please the ladies.
- Newell Safford has rented rooms of George Rich and is making preparations for moving.
- Mr. and Mrs. Marcellus Hynds of Troy, passed last Sabbath at his father's in this village.
- Miss Martha Hynds returned from New York Saturday after passing the winter with her sister, Mrs. Druer Baird.

East Worcester.

- Decoration day will be observed in this village.
- E. Snyder returned from Canada on the 13th with another lot of horses.
- Some arrangements have been made for painting the M. E. Church.
- J. Miller of this place and a Miss King of Decatur were recently married.
- Miss Grace J. Hammond has returned from Franklin where she has been attending school.
- The funeral service of J. Ostrom occurred on the 10 inst. Deceased was an old man and had been ill for some time.

Howe's Cave.

- Geo. Rickard is re-painting his house.
- "Stuff" Wetsell has gone to Binghamton.
- Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Luman Ingersell, a son.
- Tunis Swart is visiting friends at New Jersey.
- Eli Rose will put a new feed run in his cement mill.
- The carpenter work at the Cave House is about completed.
- Hon. J. H. Ramsey, of Albany was in town Saturday last.
- J. M. Russel, of Preston Hollow will run the Cave House another year.
- Geo. Westcott is the happiest man you ever saw – it is a pair of twins, boys.
- Sunday school was re-organized on Sunday last. W. B. Bucklow was elected Superintendent.
- The horse and wagon of T. Owen's that was stolen Sunday night, 8th inst., was found near Otego, on Friday, last.