

VAN WERT.

From the BULLETIN.

Mr. W. Harman, of Lima, is making arrangements to open, in Van Wert, a Cheap Store, where he will keep dry goods, boots, shoes, fancy goods, etc. The new store will probably be located in Col. Alexander's block.

A disease, which is most terrible in its effects, has broken out among the hogs in this county, and is carrying off whole droves. Hogs attacked with the disease have symptoms of dyptheria accompanied with a lung complaint. After death the mouths and throats of the hogs are found to be perfectly rotten and of a white color. The lungs are also found to be wasted away. After the first attack the hogs suffer great pain until death. Mr. James Montgomery, of this township, has lost upwards of fifty hogs, by this disease. Mr. J. V. Hester has lost forty-three, while many others have lost heavily. Mr. Adam Gilliland, of Ridge township, has lost upwards of thirty and many of his neighbors have also lost large numbers.

The scarcity of stone in this county, suitable for building purposes, and for improving the roads and the streets, has been a great drawback. Heretofore, all the stone that has been used in the town has been shipped from Middlepoint, Lima and other places. Lime has also been imported at a heavy expense. It is claimed that stone of good quality, in large quantities, has been discovered in Ridge township, some three miles north-east of town, which, if true, will greatly lessen the price of this commodity. Messrs. G. G. Rupert & Co., are opening a quarry on the Hoffman road, north of Mr. M. H. McCoy's, and expect to begin quarrying this week. They hope to be able, at an early day, to fill orders for stone and lime, at reduced prices. Of course, under these circumstances, they will receive at once a large patronage.