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EDITORIAL NOTES.

It is rumored that Justice Noah H Swayne proposes to retire from the bench of the United States Supreme Should be resign, President Grant will further contraction or resumption of have the appointment of a fifth member of the Supreme Court, or a majority of that body.

THE application for stamps for the prepayment of newspaper postage for the first month of the new year already ments. The one strong fact bears Custer. aggregate \$500,000. The Post-officials, equally upon every mind, that we have however, consider that this sum exceeds the probable monthly demand, the estimate of the annual revenue from this source being \$4,000,000. The Department does not expect that any considerable amount of the newspaper business will go to the express companies.

HEAVY monthly reductions of the public debt are evidently things of the past, the Government, like individuals, being compelled to postpone the discharge of its indebtedness until the return of good times. The statement issued on Tuesday, shows a decrease during the past month of \$123,427 68; the coin balance is \$83,043,367 24; currency, \$16,699,311 48; coin certificates. \$23,045,400; certificates of deposit. \$47,120,000.

JUDGE PAXSON'S good fortune still serves him. On Saturday 28th of Nov. he met the Hon. Warren J. Wood. ward of Reading, his brother judge-elect of the Supreme Court for the term of twenty-one years from the first Monday of Jan. next, in the city of Reading to east lots for "priority of commission," in accordance with the provision of the seventeenth section of article 5 of the Constitution. The prize was won by Judge Parson, who will thus be Chief lapse of September, 1873. Justice of Pennsylvania for the last seven years of his term, unless his place should become vacant by death or resignation.

How TERRIBLE -The Clearfield Republican last issue says, speaking of the XLIIId Congress: "It will be the last Radical Congress that will ever meet at the National Capitol. Mark what we

fine morning the Democrats will wake up and discover that the people wh produced the reaction this fall, are not so anxious to be found training with the Democrats. We claim that in four years we will have a Republican majority on joint ballot in our National House of Representatives. Will Bro. Goodlander please mark that and hang it up to dry.

Emigration Returns .- During the first nine months of the present year there was a great falling off in the number of emigrant arrivals at New York The number arriving at that port during the first nine months of 1873 was 227,-891, while during the corresponding period of this year only I24,680 emigrants arrived. A part of this reduction may prove permanent, for the continual drain made upon the labor markets of Europe must result some day in bettering the condition of those who remain. and thereby check the desire to emigrate. But the greater part of the reduction was more likely due to the panie of last fall and the consequent depression of business. It seems probable, too, that there has been a returning tide of foreigners since the panic, but there have been no official figures

on this subject published. A Model Wife .- A Japanese lady has invented a means of reconcilation between quarrelsome partners which should not be confined in practice to that distant part of the world. Having quarreled with her husband, she decided upon dying. Not content with merely relinquishing this dreary world. she endeavored to do it at the greatest possible sacrifice. She bit out her tongue, and awaited death. Fortunately for all parties, death did not arrive as soon as her husband. She was therefore saved. And now Nakamura has a model wife. When he complains of the toughness of his steak, she can merely look at him. Turning his eyes in another direction, he can make the most satirical; comments upon feminine economy; can wonder why women never do learn how to keep down the grocer's bill, to save a portion of their husband's salary; can assure her that a listle variety of delicacies for breaktast is something that any woman of sense could find; can grumble at the milliper's bill. and growl about the coal being all out, without receiving a word of remonstrance He can tell why the bady cries without being challenged to remedy the evil, duty. and can generally enjoy himself without danger of a squall. Why should Japan monopolize such a boon?

Forney's Fress.

The romors [that Forney's Press, of Philadelphia, had been sold to a company and that Col, McClure was to man- unconstitutional. age it, is pronounced untrue. Able Republicans have stepped into the relief of Col. Forney who is somewhat embarrassed and the Press will continue as it is a suporter of Republican measures and men. Col. Forney, writing from \$50,000. Europe, attributes the late Republican defeat to the financial embarrasements Court in a few months, which he may of the country and thinks the remedy do under law of Congress, on full pay. for the country and the party is not in

> specie payments. He says: Every intelligent observer must decide that no organization will dare to by a resort to any of the known ideas. such as hard money and specie paynow very little more currency for the whole of the country than we had at the close of the war for a little more than half the country. What, then is the duty of the Republican party in the present situation? I claim that, having created our financial system, having fought the war through with the present circulating medium, having protected industry and contributed unspeakably to the prosperity of the nation, it is the bounded duty of that party to take care of the institution it established and to do this at the coming short session of Congress. The American people have declared that they want the means by which to live, and this can be furnished by the sample process of stopping the reduction of the public debt, increasing the circulating medium, and building our transcontinental railroads. I am writing not in the interests of any party, although I believe these will be the

means of putting the Republicans it fighting trim for 1876. What I suggest organization, and must at last be adop- once. Numerous accounts of suffering ted even by the Deomerats, with all in the South and West have elicited money. Our country has suffered suf- Massachusetts. ficiently for what has been coldly called the "cruicial test." The rich have only prietors of the Reading Eagle convicgrown richer in the course of this fierce | ted of libel in the Charley Ross case, and grinding process, and the poor were brought up for sentence in the poorer. It would be a startling exhibit Common Piens Court to-day. Judge f we could find and print the proof of Allison, after an able discussion of the this assertion, showing how much the responsibility of newspapers, said he redestitute have agonized since the col- cognized the fact of personal ignorance

once, and throw themselves upon the fendants on the result. country, and they will be vindicated at the polls. Let them do this in defiance of protests from whatever quarter, and they will be rewarded not only by pros perity at home, but by a revival of the confidence of foreign nations, so rudely How sanguine the gleeful Democracy shocked by the result of that suicidal are now a days they "tondly hope 'twill | contraction, fruitful alone in bankruptlast for aye," but we predict that some cies and defaications, and still crushing us to the earth.

JUDGE ELWELL, in a Columbia ten mills on the dollar. This decision has been held good by Judge Walker and an additional point decided in a re- New York Liquor Dealers' Association cent Schuylkill county case. A regular | convicted of selling wine without license. assessed in the borough of Pinegrove. The building tax was to be used for the to be illegal. Ordinary repairs must be made out of the regular school fund. As these decisions are in conflict with is more important that they should be the claims of the contemplated road. generally known in order that school directors may not ignorantly collect taxes they are not entitled to receive .-Pittsburgh Telegraph.

A PHILADELPHIAN is said to have invented a machine with which, by the use of only two gallons of water, he can generate sufficient motive power to run a train from Philadelphia to San Franeisco and back. The water is used over and over again, and no fuel, chemical, electricity or magnetic currents are used. sworn to secresy, who were astonished at the simplicity and power of the invention. It is kept closely concealed under lock and key, and is shown only to experts sworn not to divulge the secret. Although it is proposed by this invention to supercede steam, the new machine will produce a pressure of 7,000 pounds to the square inch, the pressure of steam ranging from 30 to are said to have expressed a willingness to pay large sums of money for the patent right for certain localities, and there is no doubt that the inventor, if he can preform with his machine one half he claims, has made his own fortune, besides conferring an inestimable blessi ng der the Poland bill. upon humanity.

ALL taxes on unseated lands should be returned to county commissioners for collection on or before the last day of December. A failure to make such returns will result in a loss of the taxes for such townships. This is a matter of great importance and should not be neglected. Under the new Constitution there is no remedy for a neglect of this

duced the salaries of their officers 25 and mice in the imperial stalls and as the CHEAPEST. ger cent.

GENERAL NOTES

The Supreme Court of Massachusetts has declared the divorce law of 1874

At Bathurst, N. B., the small-pox epidemic has been arrested by the timely neck of woods" for some time.

precautions of the health officers. The New York State Labor Union pledges assistance to the striking 'longshoremen to the extent of \$40,000, or

The Citizens' Oil Refinery of Pittsburgh has suspended payment. The liabilities are about \$300,000, the assets cannot yet be given.

A heavy earthquake occurred at Oreana, Nevada, on Sunday. There were two shocks lasting two minutes. No damage was done.

An investigation, ordered by General attempt to cure the prevailing distress Sheridan, shows that so far no white men have entered the Black Hills territory since the expedition of General

> Attorney General Williams decides that the goods of foreign exhibitors sent to the Centennial buildings are free from seizure by the creditors of the managers. A shock of earthquake has been dis-

> tinctly felt at Salem and Newburyport, Massachusetts. The wave apparently moved from west to east rocking houses, rattling crockery, and causing some consternation.

The boy in the family of F. W. Peyton, at Barboursville, West Virginia, susposed to have been the missing Charlie Boss, was found upon investigation, to have escaped from a neighboring poor-house.

D B. Frink, ex-editor of the Truckee Republican, was shot and instantly killed at Truckee, Nevada, the other night, by an unknown man. Frink was a member of the vigilance committee in that place.

In response to a telegram from Tuscumbia, Mayor Coff of Boston has received a number of contributions for the cannot be safely opposed by any political sufferers, which will be forwarded at their tendencies to free trade and hard very general expressions of sympathy in

Philadelphia, December 5:- The proof the defendant's of the libellous article. The Republicans are in an over- and waived sentence of imprisonment, whelming majority is the two houses imposing a fine of one thousand dellars of Congress which meet on the first and costs. A large number of promi-Monday in December, 1874, and ad- nent citizens, who have interested them. journed on the 4th of March, 1875. selves in behalf of Hawley and Ritter, Let them move to the good work at were present and congratulated the de-

John D. White, Republican Congressman elect from the Ninth Kentucky district, shot and killed Harrison Ceckerel!, his Democratic competitor in the late election, in Estelle county, Kentucky on Tuesday. The canvass between the two men was very bitter and personal, and a tew days since severe strictures upon White.

turning board will make a final report esting to raties county case, recently, decided that on Saturday, more than half the State school directors could only levy a tax of has been canvassed, showing Dubuclet over 3,000 ahead of Moncure, Democrat,

for State Treasurer. Sigismund Schwab, the first of the tax of ten mills and a special tax of two was sentenced by Judge Barrett to mills for building purposes, had been thirty days in the city prison and a fine of \$200. The court warned the liquor dealers that if organized resistance to the law continued, the full penalty repair of a school house already erected. would be meted out. This case is the Judge Walker decides the two mill tax | first criminal prosecution by the excise board for 22 years.

Colonel Thomas A. Scott wants Congress to give \$70,000,000 to aid in constructing the Texas Pacific Raihoad. the rulings of the school department it He is now it Washington, and will pross

A remarkable accident occured last Friday morning at the extensive Clark thread works at Newark, N. J. The coupling or the main shaft by which the power is supplied to the factory became detached, and the engine of 700 horse power, thus released from restraint, acquired a fearful momentum. The driving wheel, weighing 200 toos, flew into fragments, one of which, weighing two tons, shot through the roof and landed fifty feet distant. There were many

narrow escapes, but no personal injuries. The Concord (N. H.) Savings Bank uspended on Tuesday, after paying out A trial of the machine was made re- \$600,000 to depositors, who have been cently in the presence of three witnesses making a run on the bank for some weeks. The trustees have petitioned the Superior Court to appraise the value of the remaining securities in the bank to determine the loss of unsatisfied de-

The Government has no confirmation of the report that the Spanish government has pardoned Dockray, the American, now imprisoned in Spain for being a Cuban spy, and the story is not credited. Should Dockray be pardoned and return home, the Department of 200 pounds. A number of capitalists Justice will secure his arrest and try him for embezzlement of Government funds while Collector of Internal Rev enue in Florida.

> An epidemic known as the "black flux" is raging at Alexandria, Tenn-The Utah authorities refuse to pay jury fees for the term of the court un-

Mr. Gage charged with embezzling the Chiesgo city funds, while Treasurer,

has been acquitted. It is announced in the Washington Chronicle that Daniel Ames obtained a divorce in a Virginia Court on Monday last from his wife, Mary Clemmer Ames, the well known authoress and Washington correspondent.

Twelve thousand five hundred thalers are set down in the bubget of the German Empire for the purpose of feeding the imperial dogs and cats, which are The Carbon Pa. Iron Company have kept for the purpose of destroying rats

stores.

FROM the Warren Mail we learn that J. C. Utter killed a martin last Tuesday,

below Warren on the opposite side of the river measuring 2 feet 4 inches in length. The first one shot in "that

A Spelling exercise was given at a school in Chatauqua County in whitch the word "Chautauqua" was spelled by different students twenty-seven different ways, as follows: Chatacqua, Chataga, Chatauqua, Chataukwa, Chattauqua Chatauqua, Chatachu, Chataqua, Chetalka, Chautaukwa, Chautugia, Chetaque Chetauky, Chetawgua, Chetawkah, Chetawca, Chitaqua, Chittawke, Schautaugua, Schutwaky, Shabtaugua, Shaw taqua, Shawtawqa, Shawtouqua, Shetaw key, Shetawka.

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