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V. B. PALMER is our authorized agent to receive subscriptions and advertising at his office, in Philadelphia, New York, Boston and Baltimore.

TO ADVERTISERS.—The circulation of the Sunbury American among the different towns on the Susquehanna is not exceeded if equalled by any paper published in North or Pennsylvania.

FOR GOVERNOR: WILLIAM BIGLER. Subject to the decision of the Convention.

EDITOR'S TABLE.

Business Notices.

We call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of P. R. McNeill & Co's clothing establishment, in Philadelphia. Mr. McNeill's we know to be one of the best and most extensive establishments of the kind in the city.

THE LADIES KEYSER for February, 1851, published at New York, by John S. Taylor, contains a Sacred Drama and other interesting matter. Monthly at \$1 per annum.

FRUIT TREES.—We call the attention of persons in want of fruit trees &c., to the notice in our advertising columns.

PRINTING INK.—A few kegs for sale for cash at this office.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.—We are indebted to the Hon. Henry S. Foote, of the U. S. Senate, for public documents. Also to Messrs. R. M. Frick, W. Brindle, and J. B. Packer, Esqs., of the Legislature for similar favors.

Read, on our first page, an interesting article on Beautiful Women. Also several amusing stories.

THE NEW POSTAGE LAW.

The following will be the rates of postage on the Sunbury American, after the 1st of July, 1851, with a comparison of the rates between the old and new law.

Table with columns: NEWSPAPERS PER QUARTER AND YEAR, QUAR., YEAR. Includes rates for In the County (new bill) free, Out of the Co., under 50 miles, 5 20, Old rate, 13 52, Over 50—under 300, 10 40, Old rate, 19 78, Over 300—under 1000, 15 60, Old rate, 19 78, Over 1000—under 2000, 20 80, Old rate, 19 78, Over 2000—under 4000, 25 100, Old rate, 19 78, Over 4000, 30 120, Old rate, 19 78.

The American, under the above rates, can be sent to any Post Office within 50 miles of this place, for 5 cents per quarter. This will bring the greater portion of the Post Offices in Union, Lycoming, Columbia and Montour counties, and a considerable portion in Dauphin, Perry and Schuylkill within the limits of the 5 cents postage. Surely this is cheap postage, and should induce all to take a newspaper.

Post-Office Appropriation Bill.—The bill appropriates and provides as follows: For transportation of the mails, including the service in California and Oregon, \$3,476,000.

For transportation of the mails in two steamships from New York, by Southampton, to Bremen, at \$100,000 for each ship, under the contract with the Ocean Steam Navigation Company of New York; and for transportation by two ships under the same contract, from New York to Havre, at \$75,000 each, in addition to an unexpended balance of former appropriations \$367,000.

For transportation of the mails across the Isthmus of Panama, \$45,000.

For compensation to postmasters, \$1,875,000.

For ship, steamboat and way letters, \$45,000.

For wrapping paper, \$35,000.

For office furniture, \$9000; advertising, \$8000.

For mail bags, \$36,000; blanks, \$35,000.

For mail locks, keys and stamps, \$10,000.

For mail depredations and special agents, \$35,000.

For clerks in the offices of Postmasters, \$425,000.

For miscellaneous items, \$80,000.

For new mail locks and keys, \$25,000.

For mps of post routes, \$6000.

For incidental expenses of Post-offices in California, from the dates respectively of their establishment to the 30th of June, 1851 \$66,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary in addition to the commissions allowed by law to Postmasters; to be expended at such office in such proportions and under such regulations as the Postmaster General may direct, and may be accounted for as commissions.

NEGRO KILLED BY A PANTHER.—One day last week a party of gentlemen residing at Madrid Bend, some twenty miles below this place, undertook a deer-drive, and placed a negro at a stand. The dogs were set out, and they soon started a tremendous panther, who ran to the negro, seized him, (taking his face into his mouth, and before assistance could be rendered the negro was literally torn to pieces. Two white men hastened to the rescue, and in an attempt to disengage the ferocious animal both were wounded.—The panther escaped.—Hickman (Ky.) Argus Feb. 14.

PROFESSOR SILLIMAN VISITS EUROPE in company with his son, Professor Silliman, Jr.—They are both connected with Yale College. They visit Europe for the purpose, chiefly, of making a geological exploration of the central and southern portions of that continent.

WILLIAM BIGLER. We have placed at the head of our column the name of William Bigler, as our candidate for Governor, subject of course, to the decision of the Convention. Mr. Bigler was our choice three years since, and we believe there is now a greater unanimity in his favor than at that time.

CENSUS OF PENNSYLVANIA. The following is the census of Pennsylvania, which, with two or three exceptions, is official. The unofficial have been estimated, which will not differ materially from the official returns. Pennsylvania has kept her rank in the Union better than any other State. In 1790 she was the second State, and still holds the same position, while all around her have been changing:

Table with columns: 1840, 1850, Increase, Dec. Lists various counties and their populations, including Adams, Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Bedford, Berks, Blair, Bradford, Bucks, Butler, Cambria, Carbon, Centre, Chester, Clarion, Clearfield, Clinton, Columbia, Crawford, Cumberland, Dauphin, Delaware, Elk, Erie, Fayette, Franklin, Fulton, Greene, Huntingdon, Indiana, Jefferson, Juniata, Lancaster, Lawrence, Lebanon, Lehigh, Luzerne, Lycoming, McKean, Mercer, Mifflin, Monroe, Montgomery, Montour, Northampton, Northumberland, Perry, Philadelphia, Pike, Potter, Schuylkill, Susquehanna, Sullivan, Tioga, Union, Venango, Warren, Washington, Wayne, Westmoreland, Wyoming, York.

California News. ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMSHIP NORTH AMERICA. TWO WEEKS LATER FROM CALIFORNIA. New York, March 7.

The steamer North America, of the Independent San Francisco Steamship Line, arrived at her pier about 11 o'clock. Her arrivals from San Francisco are two weeks later than those previously received. She brings 220 passengers, and \$450,000 in gold dust.

There had been no choice for United States Senator, in California. The contest was between Col. Fremont and T. Butler King—Lumber was in better demand.

THE KLAMATH BOLD DISCOVERY.—Further investigations into the report of rich discoveries of black sand on the sea coast confirm the same, but many obstacles have also been discovered which will retard operations. The road is almost of an impassable nature, and only passable for mules.

The City Treasurer of San Francisco's report shows the receipts of the city on the quarter ending Nov. 30, were \$426,076, and its expenditures \$468,522. The total indebtedness of the city was \$236,493.

The citizens of San Jose had been holding meetings in favor of constructing a railroad from that city to San Francisco. Stock to the amount of \$110,000 had been subscribed for.

There are now forty-five steamers plying in the rivers of California. Among the bills before the Legislature we notice one to provide the punishment of death in all cases of grand larceny.

STEAMBOAT EXPLOSION AND LOSS OF LIFE. The steamer Major Tompkins, from Sacramento, experienced an explosion by steam.

MINING NEWS.—The scarcity of rain, says the San Francisco Herald, of the 1st ult, has very materially embarrassed operations in the dry digging. The miners thus far have occupied themselves in throwing up dirt, ready to take advantage of the first rain that visits them. It is said that in a few days the rain will enable them to collect an immense amount of gold, which being immediately thrown into the hands of traders, would give credit to miners for stores, and have the effect at once of reviving business throughout the country.

A large number of men are engaged, with great success, in the county adjoining the Klamath river, especially on Scott's and Salmon creeks, and their tributaries. The people of San Jose are planning for a Railroad to San Francisco, \$110,000 has already been subscribed, and a committee appointed to co-operate with a similar committee in San Francisco. A bill empowering the Controller to issue State Bonds in small amounts had passed in the Assembly, but was afterwards defeated. Improvements were daily on the increase. The gold dredging operations in the Yuba have been very successful.

The people of San Jose, notwithstanding the vote of the Senate, have no idea of giving up the removal of the Seat of Government from that place. Business at Sacramento city was excessively dull, but a good trade was anticipated in the Spring.

LYCING IN THE MINES.—We learn from Mr. Reed, a friend now in this city, from the mines, that a most summary lynching affair came off at Curtis, Diggins, a few days since, which resulted in the death of a man named Bowen, who had killed another, without any provocation. A party of miners were playing poker in a trading tent. Bowen commenced quarreling with one of the players, which was presented by another young man who was standing by, and he struck Bowen with his fist. B. drew a pistol, but was prevented using it. Next day, as the deceased was walking out, he met B., who asked him if he was going to fight him, upon which the other replied that he was not armed, and that he thought the whole affair had been made up the night before. Bowen drew a revolver, fired several times at the other, the third shot striking him in the brain, causing his death in a few minutes. The friend of the man who was shot, hearing what was going on, rushed out of their houses, and seized Bowen, dragged him by main force, to a corral, where they hung him with a larvit, to a meat galvanized, causing him to breathe his last almost simultaneously with the man he had shot.

A most foul murder was perpetrated near the Rand, house Inn, about seven miles from Stockton. Three men it is stated, slept at the Inn on Tuesday night, two of whom came together. The three left in the morning, and had been gone but a short time, when the one who seemed to be travelling alone, came back covered with blood and hobbling up a pistol in his hand, having a large charge of buck shot in his shoulders. He died in a few moments after reaching the house. Suspicion immediately fixed upon the two men who had slept at the house the night before, and Mr. Roadhouse the proprietor, promptly offered \$200 for the arrest of the scoundrels.

San Francisco Public Balance Feb. 1st.

EMIGRATION OF FUGITIVE SLAVES.—Boston March 6, 1851.—Thirty-one fugitive slaves left Portland, Maine, yesterday, for St. John, N. B. The citizens promised their protection if they would remain, but they preferred to go where they would be out of the reach of their pursuers. There are many left who declare that they will die rather than be taken again to slavery.

JENNY LAND.—The Louisville Courier of Feb. 19, states that the steamer Magnolia has been chartered for the sum of \$10,000, to carry Jenny Land and troupe, some eight in number, to St. Louis.

COMMUNICATION. For the Sunbury American. At a public meeting held in the Academy, at Chubsky, on the evening of the 27th ult, for the purpose of organizing a "Library Association," the Rev. J. H. Miller was called to the chair, and Mr. S. H. Seed, appointed Secretary.

The Chairman in a brief address expressed the gratification he felt on seeing the liberality of the people of this place and vicinity in subscribing towards the establishment of a Library and urged the importance of adopting a proper system of circulating the Books of the same.

After discussion a Constitution was adopted and the following gentlemen were elected officers: HENRY MILLER, President; ROBERT VINCENT, Vice President; Henry Hayes, Secretary; Henry Rockefeller, Treasurer; Frederick Gaw, Librarian; Wm. Ammerman, Assistant Librarian.

Henry Landau, M. Kessler, Benj. Mowry, J. A. McBride, Francis Kneibler, Committee.

It was resolved to publish the proceedings, after which the meeting adjourned. H. MILLER, President. S. H. SEED, Secretary. Chubsky, Feb. 27th, 1851.

New Advertisements. SHERIFF'S SALE. BY virtue of a Certain Writ of Exec. Facias to me directed will be sold by public vendue or outcry, at one o'clock, P. M., on Monday the 7th day of April next, at the Court House, in the Borough of Sunbury, the following Real Estate to-wit:—That certain

TWO STORY BRICK CHURCH, situated in the Borough of Sunbury, in Northumberland county, bounded southwardly by Blackberry street, eastwardly by River street, westwardly by lot of J. H. Parsy, containing in front on Blackberry street, 36 feet, and in depth on River street, 60 feet, and the lot or piece of ground and curtilage, and also the land covered by said building, and so much of the land immediately adjacent thereto, as may be necessary for the ordinary and useful purposes of said building.

Sized, taken in execution and to be sold as the property of the German Reformed Church, in Sunbury, with notice to Jacob Seasholtz, Daniel Bass, David O. E. Maize, Philip Reed, and Geo. Young, building Committee. JAMES COVERT, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office, Sunbury, March 15, 1851.

TO THE ELECTORS OF NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY. THE subscriber respectfully informs his friends and fellow citizens of Northumberland county, that he will be a candidate for County Commissioner, at the ensuing election. He therefore solicits from his friends and fellow citizens a liberal support, and promises should be elected to discharge the duties of the office with fidelity and impartiality. ELIAS BROUSIER, Sunbury, March 15, 1851.

ATTENTION, FARMERS AND MECHANICS ARTILLERISTS!! YOU are commanded to meet in Market Square, Sunbury, on SATURDAY, 29th inst., at 10 o'clock, A. M., fully equipped for drill. By order of the Captain, SOLOMON STROH, O. S. Sunbury, March 15, 1850.—St.

FRUIT TREES, NURSERY, &c. THE subscriber will receive orders for all kinds of Fruit Trees, such as, Apple Trees, Pear Trees, Cherry Trees, Peach Trees, Apricots, Quince Trees, &c. Together with all kinds of Shrubs, Bulbous Roots, Plants, Grape Vines, &c. All of which will be sold at the lowest rates by H. B. MASSER, Agent. Orders for Trees, &c., should be sent in as early as possible to secure them in time. Sunbury March 15, 1851.—

CLOTHING!! Wholesale & Retail. At the PHILADELPHIA WARDROBE, South East Corner, Market and 6th Sts. Clothing Fashionably Cut and Well Made. P. R. McNEILLE & Co. EXAMINE the attention of Wholesale and Retail Buyers, to their extensive and complete stock of Spring and Summer Clothing, comprising every variety of style that can be produced. Our aim is to please and accommodate all; and in order to do this, we manufacture Clothing as almost ready-made. Selling for cash only, enables us to offer clothing at a very trifling advance. Our motto is, Supply Profits and Quality. We are confident that an examination by you in all that is necessary to confirm what we say and secure your patronage. P. R. McNEILLE & Co. Philadelphia, March 15, 1851.—1m.

LIST OF CAUSES. TO be tried in the Court of Common Pleas of Northumberland County, at April Term A. D. 1851.

PLAINTIFFS. vs. DEFENDANTS. J. Milliken, Jr. & Co. vs. Frank & Steinbocker. Bowers, Lowrey & Co. vs. George Miller & son. James Bowman et al. vs. James Bowman. Daniel C. Bottelle vs. Haywood & Snyder. Daniel Keene vs. Wm. Ayres. Lath Stroecker vs. Jacob Hoffman. Taylor Paulding et al. vs. J. D. Normandine. Peter Richter's ex'ors vs. Dabry & Baxet. Ann Myer vs. Stewart & Jonathan. Richard M. Corry vs. Elizabeth Weitzel. Wm. R. Freely & co. vs. John Shosder. Mary Snyder et al. vs. Robert W. Dunn. Pontius & Thompson vs. Samuel R. Wood. Corp. of Seal Furnace vs. S. D. Jordan, S. Hart. John R. Miller vs. Alex. Jordan. J. A. Phillips vs. John B. Boyd's ex'ors. J. A. Phillips vs. George L. Weiner. J. Lawrence Palmer of vs. Peter & D. Wagner et Sarah Leigh. J. Clayton for J. Williams vs. John Bowen. P. O'Donnell for Wm F. Nagle vs. John Divers. Mary Vickery vs. Peter Brogus. Charles H. Frick vs. Ed. Slinger. Thom Cummings et al. vs. James Cuyler. Jonathan Keenan et al. vs. Wm. McVay's adm. Clatonia Hollinger vs. Charles House. Chas. A. Andie vs. P. Matthews. Daniel Harnbach vs. John C. Canal. Moses Boyer vs. Richard Goodman. Samuel Stannan vs. Philip Snyder. S. A. Jordan et al. vs. John Arnold. G. & C. How for T. Howard vs. Henry Jantz. David Perry vs. John K. Kizer. Montgomery A. Frewy vs. Henry Hollmann. Clayton for McWilliams vs. Jas. Savidge. R. D. Cummings vs. Montgomery & Mastel. Jacob Stitzel vs. Samuel L. Beck. R. B. Keen vs. Geo. B. Dixon. G. P. Tyson for Job Tyson vs. Daniel L. Selnes. Jas. Crotcher et al. vs. Edward D. Pearce. Philip Bilymer vs. D. H. Wetan. Jacob Nitzmer vs. Samuel Jarret. Geo. Apley vs. Northumberland court. James Deffenbach vs. same. Evert M. Wain Moyer vs. Elias Kizer. Wm. M. Auten vs. Thomas Rasz. Wm. McClery vs. R. D. Cummings. Daniel P. Carl vs. Dentler & Montag. Aaron Reppart vs. Ira T. Clement. Henry Colby vs. Wm. McCarty. Platt & Platt vs. Henry Massey. P. K. Hoffman & wife vs. H. Kuhns, McCarty & Joseph Snyder vs. Reuben Troyel. Hugh Martin vs. Isaac Shaffer. John McCormick vs. H. Yostberger adm. Mort Irwin's adm'r vs. Daniel Dreishach. Martin & Spoler vs. H. Stinson. Follmer for Canal vs. H. Stinson. Henry Keiser vs. Henry Vostheper. Ira T. Clement vs. George Rothsch. Conrad Reedy vs. Hoats, Kepler & Stough. Wm. Gross for Saml Gilbert vs. J. J. Updegr. J. Bowman Andrae & co vs. J. F. Perkins. Elijah Barro vs. Charles Sailer. Benj. Hummel vs. Philip Clappeter. Thomas J. Addis vs. Baltzar Garnhart. Lower & Barron vs. Ira T. Clement. Jacob Kline vs. Joseph Kline's adm. William Welch vs. Jacob K. Tregu. Thomas Sutton vs. Benj. P. & J. W. Stai. Caspar Heckart vs. Frederick Heckart. Nicholas Hower vs. Jacob Hower. George Eckerts' adm'r vs. John Kohr. Daniel H. Drioshach vs. A. B. Artman. John L. Ross vs. Leonard Roudrupal. John T. Cleuney vs. J. H. Parsy. John W. Feal vs. Geo. B. Dixon. Geo. C. Melvay vs. Joseph Long. Sarah Stitzel vs. Samuel S. Sheldon. Jacob Koch et al. vs. John Kitzel. Timbrook for Appleton vs. James H. Beck. R. D. Cummings vs. Geo. B. Dixon. Hickok & Cantion vs. Geo. W. Armstrong. John Keiter vs. Charles Lerch. Reuben Fagely vs. Kerlauer & Clemen. Nancy Houerl vs. David Housh's adm. Jacob Keller vs. Bank of Northumberland. Raker & Co for Jacob Bloom vs. Henry Co. Henry Klauze & Eve his wife vs. administrate. Jonathan Harman vs. David Miller. Thomas Allen vs. Peter Kapp. Same vs. Same. George E. Gehrig et al vs. Peter Wexer. William McCarty vs. Samuel Hunter. Tretzel for Carl now for vs. Jacobs Lino & J. Forb. Daniel Rhoads vs. Jacob Wartman. Mary Jane Bruner et al vs. William Wilson. Becker & Weiler vs. R. D. Cummings. JOHN FARNSWORTH, Proct'r. Prothonary's office, Sunbury, March 15, A. D. 1851.