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From the Warren Ledger. HIGH WATER.

Within the last few days the Conewango creek and Allegheny River at this point, have been higher than they have been known to be for over twenty years, excepting last spring when the water was higher than it was ever known. To produce such a rise, there must have been unprecedented heavy rains above us. We learn that at Randolph, there never was such a flood known; and that several persons were drowned; but we have no particulars. The bridges were carried away along the line of the Erie Railway, and no cars have passed over the road since last Saturday. The train on the Philadelphia and Erie has not been interrupted.

T. S. We learn that the flood has done immense damage in Chautauque, Cattaraugus and Allegany counties. The village of East Randolph is literally destroyed, a great many buildings having been moved from their foundations, and some carried away. The damage is variously estimated from \$50,000 to \$150,000. Ellington suffered in a similar way, and some houses are said to have been lost. Crops and fence standing upon the hill sides were swept away by the water. The damage is the country is incalculable.

Today, (Wednesday) the water is down to a good rising stage, and the lumbermen are starting out with their logs. Before the flood, many raft lay stuck upon sand bars, nearly all of which were swept off on Friday night last, which will result in heavy loss to the owners.

The weather continues very sultry, and has the appearance of more rain.

The Black Issue!

LOOK ON THIS PICTURE?

NOW COMES THE CRISIS,
WHAT IS THE NEGRO? WELL I SAY, IN THE FACE OF ALL PREJUDICE THAT AMID THE GALLOPANT THE PATIENCE, THE BRAVEMEN OF THIS WAR, THE NEGRO BEARS THE PALM!

(Great Applause.)—Speech of Wm. Pitt Rivers at a late meeting of the Boston Anti-Slavery Society.

He had the cause of the colored people, & was above, intelligent, sincere & at the ballot box—it is the right intention, and not philosophical judgment, that causes the vote.—Speech of H. Vassar Davis, at Chicago.

"*Resistance is intended on the individual qualification of all voters, no matter whether constitutional or laws prescribe it or not.*"—Address of the State Central Committee at Massachusetts.

P. FORD, Peppr. Col. September 14th, 1865.

ELECTION PROCLAMATION.

WHENCEAS, In and by the 23d Section of the act of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania, passed July 2d 1839, entitled an act relating to the Elections of the Commonwealth, it is enjoined on the Sheriff of every county in Pennsylvania to give notice of all general Elections to be held in said Commonwealth, and to enumerate in such notice the officers to be elected.—In pursuance thereof, I, P. W. Hays, Sheriff of the county of Elk, hereby make known to the electors of said county that an Election will be held in the aforesaid county of Elk, on Tuesday the 10th day of October next, for the election of the following officers, to wit:

One person for Auditor General.
One person for Surveyor General.

One person to represent the counties of Clarion, Forest, Elk, Cameron and Clearfield, in the Senate of the Commonwealth.

One Associate Judge.

One Sheriff.

One Treasurer.

Two Commissioners, one to serve one year and one three years.

One Auditor.

One Coroner.

The qualified voters of said county of Elk, will hold their elections in the several districts as follows, to wit:

Highland township, at the house of Levi Ellithorp.

Jones township, at the house of R. W. Brown.

Spring Creek township at the house of Stockdale, Dwyer & Co.

Ridgway township, at the Court house.

Fox township at the Grave Yard School House.

Benzinger township at the School House on Michael St., near Elk Creek bridge.

St. Mary's borough at the house of Ignatius Garner.

Jay township at the house of Alfred Pearson.

Benezette township at the house of Thos. Overton.

And then on this:

"John Brown was a murderer." *

"The masters, the thieving, the treacherous conduct of this old man Brown, who was nothing more than a murderer, robber, thief, and traitor." *

"There was never any people on the face of the earth greater than the goyim they worshipped; and if John Brown becomes the Christ, and his galloves the Cross, God deliver me from such people as they, whether they are fanatics, Democratic or Republican, or any other description of persons—I care not by what name they are called.—President Andrew Johnson, in the Senate of the United States.

"An Abolitionist is a sanguinist: A disunionist is a secessionist. A Secessionist is a disunionist. A disunionist is an Abolitionist. Therefore a secessionist is an abolitionist. There is not a particle of difference between them."—President Johnson, then Governor, June 22, 1862.

"The man who deliberately and boldly asserts that Thomas Jefferson, when he penned the sentiment that all men were created equal, had the negro in his mind, is either an idiot or a knave."—President Johnson, of the U. S. Senate, in 1852.

*—The firm of Ester & Burgess, Erie city, continue to keep their trade before the public. They advertise extensively, and well they may, for it is impossible to find a better stock of goods their line, in this section of the country. They are largely engaged in the manufacture of all kinds of confectionary, and dealers will find their goods to be of the best quality and most saleable kind.

They also keep constantly on hand an assortment of Oranges, Lemons, Nuts, Foreign and Domestic Fruits, Pickles, Oysters, Cigars, Tobacco, &c. Their Nation and Jay department embrace all.

Act approved the 18th day of April, 1865.

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METHODIST PARISH.—Our Methodist friends, led by their young Pastor, Rev. F. A. Archibald, have on hand, what we consider a good and very essential enterprise—the building of a parsonage, for the benefit of the preachers sent by their Conference to labor among us. It is well known how much the village of Ridgway, has needed some one to move in this direction, and now as the work is commenced, we hope that those who have taken it in hand, may receive a hearty cooperation of all.

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