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Democracy Support Your Local Press. We take the following from one of our exchanges, and ask for it a careful perusal, and after reading to act according to the advice given.

To rid and support our local press should be the aim of every true Democrat. My enemy in this regard is considered a successful one. The Democratic press of this State has by its vigorous work performed many a noble service.

You are not doing your duty to the press of this Commonwealth. We appeal to all true Democrats who have the interests of their party, and above all the interests of their country at heart, to strengthen their local press.

Subscribe for as many Democratic papers as you can afford, but above all take your home paper. Throw all the advertising you can to its columns. Do not yield to a corrupt opposition.

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With a pen I will write you a full and complete account of the facts of a Democratic State in 1865.

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Last week a negro was found murdered in an out house, not far from where the white man was found, and the Mayor, at once offered a reward of \$500 for the arrest of the perpetrators of this horrible crime.

"Getter."—The wholesale poisoning case in Allegheny City, was brought to a focus in the Quarter sessions, at Pittsburg, on Saturday last.

Explosion of a Large Torpedo. New York, Nov. 5.—At 11:30, m. today, an explosion occurred in front of the Wyandott Hotel, No. 333 Greenwich street, shattering the front of the hotel, and breaking nearly all the glass in the building opposite and along the square where the hotel is situated.

Household Friends. Coe's Cough Balsam and Coe's Dyspepsia Cure—they should always be in the house ready for immediate use; they are the most reliable remedies known.

More Counterfeiters Arrested. OSTONA, Long Island, Oct. 31.—A box of counterfeiters was broken up at Ridgway today. Dies, stamps and it is said, \$10,000 in national currency were taken.

Jefferson Davis. Probable Immediate Pardon of the Rebel Chieftain.

The Various Propositions for his Trial Abandoned.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—It appears to have been finally decided that Jefferson Davis will receive a full and free pardon, and be furnished a passport to Europe, on giving his parole never to return. The several plans for his trial have all fallen through.

It was also proposed to try him in Virginia, by a United States circuit court, over which Chief Justice Chase was to preside, but this was also found impracticable, as there is yet no organization of the United States court in Virginia, and it there had been, an impartial jury would be impossible.

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was entrusted to his care as a specimen for sale by the agent of the house of Wilhelm Ree, of this city. Rees was surprised positively that he never opened it, and knew nothing further of its contents than stated above.

National Thanksgiving Day. A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God, during the year which is now coming to an end, to reflect our beloved country from the fearful scourge of civil war, and to permit us to secure the blessings of peace, unity and harmony, with a great enlargement of civil liberty;

And whereas our Heavenly Father has also during the year graciously averted from us the calamities of foreign war, pestilence and famine, while our granaries are full of the fruits of an abundant season;

And whereas "righteousness exalteth a nation, while sin is a reproach to any people;" Now, therefore, be it known that I, Andrew Johnson, President of the United States, do hereby recommend to the people thereof, that they do set apart and observe the first Thursday of December next as a day of National Thanksgiving to the Creator of the Universe for these deliverances and blessings.

And I do further recommend that on that occasion the whole people make confession of our occasional sins against His infinite goodness, and with one heart and one mind implore His Divine guidance in the ways of National virtue and holiness.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. Done at the city of Washington, this 28th day of October, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty five, and of the Independence of the United States, the ninetieth.

The Jamaica Massacre. The Rebellion Progressing—Tenfold Atrocities—Great Excitement—Preparations to meet the Insurgents—Gen. O'Connor Assumes command of the State Troops.

New York, Nov. 6.—The Havana files received per the steamer Columbia give particulars regarding the negro rebellion in Jamaica. The city of Kingston is in great excitement, and business was entirely suspended. The entire population were placing themselves in a state of defence.

A dispatch from the Hon. W. P. George was received and read on the Commercial Exchange, stating that he had been wounded, and that Hon. Baron Von Kettelbach, one of the officials in St. Thomas; Dr. Gerard, Charles Anthony Pries, Stephen Cole and the Rev. M. Herzell had been killed.

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B. W. Greene, late President of the Connecticut Fire Insurance Company, at Hartford, in a fit of insanity, on Sunday night, cut his wife's throat with a razor, causing her death in a few moments. He then cut his own throat in two places and gashed his arm. He is still alive, but there is very little prospect of his recovery.

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NEWS ITEMS.

Gov. Pierpont of Virginia is lying dangerously ill at Richmond.

It is stated that more French troops are being sent to Mexico.

Governor Morton of Indiana, is lying dangerously ill from the effects of inflammatory Rheumatism.

A new batch of counterfeit \$50. greenbacks have just been put in circulation, altered from two's.

Rev. Henry Shenk, a bishop of the Mennonite church, fell dead in his pulpit near Lancaster on Sunday last.

Day wood, Esq., one of the members elected to the Assembly, from Lancaster county, died on the 22d ult.

Ex-President Buchanan's new book, giving a history of his Administration, will be out in a few weeks.

A Negro Convention was held in the state of Indiana, on the 24th ult. They clamor loudly for the "rights of free men." Go in darkness! Miss Shoddy and Mr. Loyalty, will see that justice is done you.

Hon. John Aleora, an old line Whig, and General in the rebel State army, has been elected U. S. Senator from Mississippi, for the long term, while Ex-Governor Sharkey, was elected for the short term.

The rebel General Simon Boliver Buckner, of Kentucky, has turned editor, and in connection with Col. Nixon of his staff, and former owner, have revived the N. Orleans Crescent.

A lot of sharpers were arrested at Springfield Mass. last week for passing greenbacks. They had their pockets filled with all denominations, from one dollar up to \$500. Glorious times for the counterfeiting fraternity, "loyalty" pays them handsomely.

The negro Methodist Conference in session at Washington last week, actually passed a unanimous resolution, stating that they had confidence in the Administration of President Johnson, and five of the "scalded broddern" were appointed to inform him of this loyal move.

The three unknown persons, killed at the rail road accident, near Lancaster last week, have been identified, as Mrs. Bean and her two daughters, from California, who were returning home from a visit to their friends in Ohio.

Prentice says a bone of contention should be thrown away when there is no longer any meat on it.

At thirty we are trying to cut our names, in big letters, upon the walls of this monument of life; twenty years later we have carved it, or shut up our knife.

A marriage of two persons of the name of Gunn took place the other day, in this city. All who sat down to the wedding dinner rejoiced in being members of the ancient clan, Gunn, all being of that name, and regular sons of Gunns.

An honest Hibernian, trundling along a hand cart containing all his valuables, was accosted with—"Well, Patrick, you are moving, again, I see!" "Faith, I am," he replied, "for the times are hard, it's a dale chaper hiring carts than paying rents!"

A newly married couple went to Niagara on a visit, and the gentleman, in order to convince his dear that he was as brave as he was gallant, resolved to go down into the "Cave of Winds." She, of course, objected; but finding that he was determined, affectionately requested him to leave his pocketbook and watch behind.

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LOCALS.

AT HOME.—It gives us pleasure to notice the safe return home of Miss Mary Ely and Miss Emma Horton, who for several weeks past, were dangerously ill, with Typhoid fever at Alfred Centre College, Allegany county N. Y.

Mr. Ely & Lady and Mr. Horton & Lady, parents of the two young girls, immediately on hearing of the illness of their children, went to see them. On arriving where they were, they found them fast sinking under the treatment they had received from the Doctors of that place.

Mr. Horton, started at once on his back-track for other Doctors. Finding Dr. Bordwell of this place at home, he urged him to go and see them—and from what we learn from Mr. Horton and Ely, they give all credit to Dr. Bordwell for raising them from their then, very dangerous situation.

We understand that the winter term of school, will commence on next Monday. Miss Bond, will take charge of the school.

We were favored on last Sunday morning with snow, sufficient to whiten mother earth once again.

PHOTOGRAPHS.—Mr. McCartney, having re-modelled and fitted up the ball room of the "Fountain House," is now ready to take PHOTOGRAPHS or AMBROTYPES. Mr. McCartney is a good workman, and no doubt his work will give general satisfaction.

RE-MODDING.—Mr. W. C. Healy, has for some time past, been re-modelling and fitting up his house, which indeed, improves it very much.

WANTED.—A few cords of good hard wood at this office—taken on subscription. Also, a few loads of coal.

SOUND.—Raptee on the Deer question—I thank you.

PAYS WELL.—The Clock and Watch business. So says our friend Mr. Seed.

We are requested by J. W. Bally, Dentist of St. Mary's Elk Co. Pa., to say to the citizens of Ridgway and vicinity, that he will be at the "Hyde House," on the 20th of the present month (Nov.) to remain some time, having work in his line, will find him fully prepared to attend to their wants.

NOT RETURNED.—Them papers that was loaned out of our office a few days ago. John, you must be more punctual, or we will send our "devil" after you.

THANKSGIVING.—By reference to another column it will be seen that President Johnson has set apart the first Thursday (7th) of December next as a day of a national thanksgiving.

ARRESTED.—George Kramer, of Henderson township, this county, was arrested a few days ago for passing counterfeit greenbacks. This is the same George Kramer, who about a year ago was so intensely loyal as to desire and assist in the arrest of a number of Democrats in this and Clearfield counties for disloyalty.

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The Old Man Dreams.

O for one hour of youthful joy! Give back me (twain) my spring! I'd rather laugh a bright-haired boy, Than reign a grey-beard king!

Off with the wrinkled spoils of age! Away with leavings crown! Tear out life's wisdom-written page, And dash its trophies down.

One moment let my life blood stream From boyhood's fountain of fame! Give me one giddy, roiling dream Of life all love and fame!

My being angel heard the prayer, And, calmly smiling, said: "If I but touch thy silver hair, Thy lusty wish hath sped.

"But is there nothing in thy track To bid thee fondly stay, While the swift seasons hurry back To find the wished-for day?

Ah! trust soul of woman-kind: Without the what were life? One bliss I cannot leave behind: I'd take—my—precious—wife!

The angel took a sunshine pen And wrote a "with-draw down." The man would be a boy again, And be a husband too!"

And is there nothing yet unsaid Before the chosen moment? Remember, all their gift have fled With those dissolving years!

Why, yes; for memory would recall My fond paternal joys: I could not bear to leave them all: I'd take—my—girl—and—boys!"

The smiling angel dropped his pen—"Why this will never do! The man would be a boy again, And be a father too!"

And so I laughed—my laughter woke The household with its noise—I wrote my dream when morning broke, To please the gray-haired boys.

A RARE NAME.—If there is such an individual in the United States as John Smith, he is hereby notified that there is a letter for him in the Baltimore Post Office. It is advertised in the Sun.—Exchange.

The last we heard of John he was living in Michigan. The papers of that State will please copy the above.—Toledo Blade.

That's a mistake. He was sent to the Penitentiary here the other day for being caught with too much scrap iron whiskey aboard.—Buffalo Advertiser.

Strange that our cotemporary should fall in such an error. John Smith is in the Erie county jail, on charge of being an active participant in the late outrage on Linwood Avenue, and is likely to remain for some time.—Buffalo Courier.

We don't see how he can be in the Erie county jail, as he stole our best exchanges from our sanctum last evening, in the face, too, of private writing in large letter on the door.—Cleveland Herald.

If the John Smith referred to is a son of old Mr. Smith by his father's side, he is now living in Summit township, Crawford county Pa. We know him.—Crawford Journal.

All wrong gentlemen, John Smith lives in Oil City. He is the husband of a prudent wife, the father of two children, and is boss of a little Oil Well about two miles up the creek. We'll bet on that.—Oil City Monitor.

We don't wish to insinuate that our cotemporaries would tell an untruth, but we are positive that John Smith works in the Rolling Mill, there may, however be two John Smiths, which is hardly probable.—Armstrong Democrat.

Well gentlemen, you are all mistaken. John Smith is an old resident of Brookville, and a well to do and respectable man, has filled the office of Sheriff of Jefferson county, besides acting as Justice of the Peace for five years. To show that we are not mistaken in the man, we will state that he weighs considerably over two hundred pounds.—Brookville Herald.

Now we think the Herald is certainly mistaken in the man—let us have a word to say on the subject of Mr. John Smith, having a 4th cousin who has frequently seen the house in Highland township, in this county, where Mr. S. lives. He is a well to do father and has served the State honorably in the Legislature and Penitentiary. He is at present employed on the public works and wears a striped uniform—all letters containing money for him may be sent to our care.—Elk Advocate.

Do Good.—Thousands of men breathe, move, and live—pass of the stage of life—and heard of no more. Why? They do not a particle of good in the world; none were blessed by them as the instrument of their redemption. Not a word they spoke could be recalled, and so they perished; their light went out in darkness, and they were not remembered more than the insects of yesterday: Will you thus live and die. O man immortal! Live for something. Do good, leave behind you a monument of virtue, that the storms of time can never destroy. Write your name in kindness, and love, and mercy on the hearts of thousands you may come in contact with year by year. You will never be forgotten. No! your name, your deeds, will be as legible on the hearts you leave behind as the stars on the brow of the evening. Good deeds will shine as the stars of heaven.—Dr. Calver.

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