



The new church on the land of Jacob Dibert in Bedford township, will be dedicated to the service of the True God, on Sabbath, the 25th, inst. The public are respectfully invited to attend.

DELEGATE ELECTIONS.

The Democratic voters of the several election districts of Bedford county, and others who intend to act with them in good faith hereafter, are hereby requested to meet on SATURDAY, 21ST OF JUNE, NEXT, at the hour and place to be appointed by their respective Vigilance Committees...

By order of the Dem. Co. Com., JOHN S. SCHELL, Chairman.

Buying Freedom for the Slaves.

It is generally admitted by all conservative men that the abolition of slavery in the District of Columbia, was not only ill-timed and impolitic, but a positive insult to the Union men of that gallant little State...

The Rebellion.

The splendid success of the plans of Gen. McClellan, has put a new phase upon the rebellion, and whilst we cannot yet discern the probable issue of the war, we can distinctly see that the Secession leaders will either have to change their programme, or disband their army and succumb to the Federal power...

change their mode of fighting, to abandon the idea of building forts, to move away from navigable streams so as to keep aloof from our gun-boats, to draw our armies after them into the hot climate of the Gulf States, and thus to prolong the war, if possible, until, as they say, our Government "shall be bankrupted."

HOME NEWS.

RESIGNED.—Lieut. D. W. Mullin has resigned his commission in the army and is about to return to his home in this county. We have not heard what caused his resignation.

WOUNDED.—Capt. Thomas A. Boyd, formerly District Attorney for this county, was wounded at the battle of Shiloh. His wound, we are glad to hear, is not serious.

MENDEL HOUSE.—This hotel is still conducted by Mr. Isaac Mendel, Jr., and enjoys the reputation of being a very comfortable and well kept house. Isaac is a "host in himself," and accommodates his guests in the best style. See card on outside.

LAND SALES.—John C. Riffe of Juniata tp., offers a very valuable farm and mill property for sale. Rare opportunities will be presented to buyers at this sale.—Jos. Wigfoos, of W. Providence, Daniel Barley, of M. Woodberry, and John L. and David Replage, of S. Woodberry, offer valuable tracts for sale.

FENCED IN.—The Poor House graveyard has been surrounded with a handsome and substantial fence, which when painted, as it will be in a few weeks, will give a much more respectable appearance to things than we have been accustomed to see in that once neglected neighborhood.

FIRE ON THE MOUNTAIN.—Wills' Mountain, immediately West of this place, was on fire for a few days, this week, rendering the atmosphere sultry and smoky. At night the flickering flames and burning masses presented a most beautiful appearance.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—On Saturday last, as Mr. John Houck of Cumberland Valley, was engaged in cutting down a tree on his plantation, a limb struck him on the forehead, killing him almost instantly.

BEDFORD OBSERVATORY.—This is an age of improvement, and though some people can't see any "enterprise" in or about Bedford, except the Wire Bridge and the big tree at the end of it, yet we imagine that if such people would know that we have an observatory in our town, they would alter their opinion as to our "go-aheadative" qualities.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.—The following is a list of the causes disposed of during the late session of Court: COMMONWEALTH CASES.

Commonwealth vs. George Gardill. Indictment for selling spirituous liquors contrary to law. Nolle Prosequi.

Commonwealth vs. H. F. Perrin. For and Bas. A. has Process awarded.

Commonwealth vs. L. K. Diehl. Selling liquor without license. Not a true bill. County for costs.

Commonwealth vs. A. McGrigor, jr. Assault. Noll. Pros.

Commonwealth vs. Wm. Spidel. Assault. Noll. Pros.

Commonwealth vs. J. Baker, Polly Baker, Jane Baker, Frank Baker and Benedict Baker. Surety of the Peace. The four last named defendants to pay costs of prosecution and to enter bail in the sum of \$100 each to keep the peace, &c.

OUR BOOK TABLE.

HARPER'S MONTHLY.—Harper for May contains "American Historical Trees," "A Dangerous Journey," "What are the Nerves," "Clotilde and the Contrabands," "Mistress and Maid," "Miss Mulock," "Pinches from a Scotch Mull," "Orley Farm," (by Trollope) "Valentine Mott," "Early Disunionists," "Order versus Force," "The Bolder Murder," "Adventures of Philip," (by Thackeray) and the usual editorial varieties.

AMERICAN EXCHANGE AND REVIEW.—We have before us the April number of this publication, and find it a very useful and entertaining book. It is, as its title page expresses it, "an expositor of social and economic science."

PARSON BROWNLOW'S BOOK.—Geo. W. Childs, a Philadelphia publisher, is about to issue a history of Brownlow's adventures and hardships in Tennessee, during the Rebellion, written out by the redoubtable Parson himself.

CONTINENTAL.—The May number of the Continental is filled to overflowing with instructive and entertaining reading. Among the best of its articles are "What shall we do with it?" "The Molloy O'Molloy Papers," "The Ante-Norse Discoverers of America," and "A Story of Mexican Life."

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE.

St. CLAIRSVILLE, May 13th, '62.

DEAR EDITOR: I observed, some weeks ago, by a little article in your paper, that you desire to have some correspondence from the country, and have ever since been trying to make up my mind to write you a few items for publication.

ARMY CORRESPONDENCE. CAMP WINFIELD SCOTT, 101st P.V. Near Yorktown, May 3d, '62.

I set down to tell you a little about Yorktown, and the doings of the Army in and about it. You should have seen us as the whole Army moved off for this place from our last camp (Camp Keim) so called in honor of our General. Division after division dashed on, and all was in rapid motion.

I understand that we are to have a Fourth of July celebration here on the next anniversary of American Independence. Can't you write me out a toast? Things have got so much mixed about Liberty, Fraternity, Equality, Union, The Constitution, and the other old subjects for Fourth of July Toasts, that I am plagued if I know what to think or say about them.

The following letter would have been printed ere this, but our columns have been hitherto crowded with original matter landed in before we received it. We shall be glad to hear often from our friend.

MONROE TOWNSHIP, April 25th, '62.

MR. MEYERS: I write to inform you that Oliver Horton and James O'Neal, Esq's., have been removed as post master and deputy post master at Clearville. I understand that but one prominent man of the county, advised the Post Office Department that a change of this sort was necessary, while the majority of the citizens of the township, protest against it.

Commonwealth vs. Mary Ann Dohson. Larceny. Noll. Pros.

Commonwealth vs. P. M. Nawgel. Larceny. Guilty as to first count of indictment and not guilty as to second count. Sentenced to pay costs of prosecution, fine of one cent, and to be imprisoned for five days.

Commonwealth vs. Nathan Lee. Assault and Battery. Not a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Patrick Burns, John Burns and William Burns. Continued.

Commonwealth vs. John W. Snider and M. Heyner. Disturbing Exhibition. Noll. Pros.

Commonwealth vs. Geo. Iiams. Larceny. Noll. Pros.

Commonwealth vs. John Park. Continued.

Commonwealth vs. Thos. N. Young and Joseph Gates. Not opening public road. Process awarded.

IMPORTANT NEWS.

Capture of Norfolk, Portsmouth and the Navy-Yard. FEDERAL TROOPS IN FULL POSSESSION.

WASHINGTON, May 11th.—The following official dispatch was received at the War Department this morning: Fortress Monroe, May 10, 12 o'clock at night. Norfolk is ours. Also Portsmouth and the navy-yard.

General Wool, having completed the landing of his forces at Willoughby Point about 9 o'clock this morning, commenced his march on Norfolk with five thousand men.

Secretary Chase accompanied the general. About five miles from the landing place a rebel battery was found, on the opposite side of the bridge over Tanner's creek, and after a few discharges upon two companies of infantry that were in the advance, the rebels burned the bridge.

The city and navy-yard were not burned. The fires which have been seen for some hours proved to be the woods on fire.

Highly Important FROM FORTRESS MONROE. The Merrimac Blown up by the Rebels!

WASHINGTON, May 11.—The following highly important announcement has just been received from Fortress Monroe: Fortress Monroe, May 11, A. M.—Hon. R. H. Watson, Assistant Secretary of War.—The Merrimac was blown up by the rebels at two minutes before 5 o'clock this morning.

Later from Pittsburg Landing. From Memphis—Destruction of Cotton, Sugar, and Molasses—General Beauregard's Army on Half Rations.

From Gen. McClellan's Army—A Battle at West Point. By steamer from Yorktown I learn that Gen. McClellan had advanced twelve miles beyond Williamsburg, and had several skirmishes with the enemy, routing them with heavy loss.

"Good-Bye, John." John Forney, we mean—the veritable, venerable and immaculate John W.—the dignified and august clerk of the Senate—the nominal editor and proprietor of a certain anomalous newspaper called the Press—the pretended friend and advocate of Stephen A. Douglas—the original and ardent supporter of James Buchanan—for which last may he be forgiven.

LISTEN to his affecting farewell: "Falling in our efforts to cleanse and purify the old sanctuary (of Democracy) from the pollutions of Mr. Buchanan and his followers, it becomes us, if we would no longer be affiliated with their iniquities, to spurn their fellowship."

Once more, then, good-bye, and joy go with the flit. It is an old and true saying, "an open enemy is better than a secret foe;" and the latter you have been to everything that was Democratic for the past year.

THE cannon have been roaring all afternoon on the outposts. They are shooting at the Pyramid that McClellan is constructing trying to knock it down for him. Yours &c. JOHN B. HELM

Commonwealth vs. Thos. N. Young and Joseph Gates. Not opening public road. Process awarded.

CIVIL LIST. Robert Harris vs. Thomas Haney. Appeal. Verdict for plaintiff for \$45 47.

Joseph Cresswell vs. Henry Fisher and Christina Fisher. Verdict for defendants.

Joseph Filler vs. Directors of the Poor. Jury find for the defendant.

CLEAR RIDGE.