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FOR CANAL COMMISSIONER. JAMES M. POWER, OF MERCER COUNTY.

A Battic at Tampico.

An officer of the U. S. ship St. Mary's, writes to his friend in Norfolk, under date of the 13th June. The vessel was then lying off Tampico, and he states that on the 8th they discovered the enemy erecting another fort on the north side of the river. The vessel immediately stood in, and when approaching the fort, was fired upon by three gun-boats. A few shot were exchanged, and then the vessel hauled off but returned again in the afternoon and fired 70 shells and 29 round solid shot. The enemy returned the fire with an 18 pounder, but without effect. A sand bar, however, prevented the vessel from entering the river at this time, but in the night a second effort was made, and then her guns were brought to bear upon the boats and the fort by which they were protected. Several Paixhan shells were thrown into the fort, which silenced it, their boats however, kept up their fire for some time without effect. The writer says: "The bar intervening between us and the fort and the gun boats, rendered it impossible for us to choose our distance; we were therefore reluctantly compelled to engage them at long shot. Discovering that we did not do the execution which we desired, the Captain thought that this child's play caused a useless waste of powder and ball, and therefore gave orders at 8 A. M. to cease firing; when we weighed the stream and kedged and stood out to our old anchorage." He adds: "Could we have succeeded in entering the river, I believe that even with our small force, we would have captured the gun boats and silenced the fort by turning their guns upon it."

Reported Homicide.

A report reached us a few days since of the death of a wagoner on the National road, by the hands of a negro, on the 5th instant. We give the particulars as they were detailed to us, without, however, vouching for their accuracy.

On the day mentioned a negro passed a public house, situate some 12 or 14 miles west of Smythfield, and was followed by the tavern-keeper, overtaken and brought back, upon presumption that he was a runaway. The tavern-keeper then went to a field to bring in a horse, and while he was gone the negro, supposing he was to be taken to some place of confinement, took to his heels and made for the woods, followed by a wagoner, who happened to be staying at the house. After a chase of some 400 or 500 yards, the negro was overtaken, whereupon he drew a knife and gave battle to his pursuer. A scuffle ensued, in which the wagoner received three wounds with the knife; one in the hand, another in the arm, and a third in the breast, the last of which proved fatal. He died on the spot where the encounter took place. Our informant did not know the names of either the tavern-keeper or the wagoner, nor had he understood that the negro had been arrested, but supposed he had been suffered to escape.

McKay's Bill Passed.

On the 3d inst., McKay's free trade bill passed the United States House of Representatives by a vote of 114 to 95. The locus of Pennsylvania, with only one exception, voted against its passage, but those of Maine and New York were whipped into the traces and cast their votes in its favor, Brinkerhoff, after all his blustering, and some other of the Ohio delegation, also voted for it. Our opinion is, that the bill will pass the Senate by a small majority.

Mississippi Volunteers.

Hon. Jefferson Davis, son-in-law to Gen. Taylor, and member of Congress from Mississippi, has been elected Colonel of a Regiment of volunteers, who have been mustered into service at Vicksburg.

The Weather.

Summer is at last upon us. During the past week we had the warmest kind of weather, and large quantities of hay were got up in excellent order. On Friday afternoon the thermometer stood at 94 in the shade.

It was rumored last week that Mr. Buchanan had resigned his post in the Cabinet, and received the appointment of Judge of the Supreme Court. The rumor has since been contradicted, but it is said he will resign at the close of the present session of Congress.

Fayette County Whig Ticket.

Assembly.—William Colvin, J. Westey Phillips. Commissioner.—Henry D. Overholt. Poor House Director.—John L. Means. Auditor.—William Elliott.

The Tariff Bill in the Senate.

Quite unexpectedly, in the present stage of the business, the New Tariff Bill became yesterday, on its first appearance in the Senate, the subject of a very animated debate. The question which gave rise to the debate was a motion to dispense with the reference of the bill to the Standing Committee of the Senate upon Ways and Means, and to make it the Order of the Day, without that hitherto invariable previous examination, for Monday next. This motion prevailed by a majority of two votes.

The number of Members voting was forty-six, ten Members being absent, or having paired off with actual absentees. Of the ten not present, or not voting, six are believed to be favorable to the protective principle, and four to be opposed to it. All the Senators being present, therefore, if this impression be correct, the Senate will be equally divided upon the principle of the bill.

Though the whole debate was interesting enough, the incident of the Speech by Mr. NILES, who has shown new vigor since his recovery from his late illness, produced perhaps more sensation than any other. He spoke, we understand, in favor of the reference to the Standing Committee. That course, he said, was due to the importance of the subject, to the Senate and to the country. The bill, he said, must undergo a strict examination; and, if not materially amended, both in its principle and its items, it could not have his vote. He stood ready to vote against it, should proper amendment be refused, and would take his own course, independently of party drill. The great interest of the country involved in this bill had been a foot-ball too long. He was for the change of no principle of existing laws on the subject. He wanted, he said, no new experiments—no tariff bill of theories.—Nat. Intel.

THE WAR.

A Letter From Matamoras.

With regard to the war and its results thus far we give the following sad picture from one of the correspondents of the N. O. Picayune:

"The hospitals containing the wounded Mexicans, whom Arista left without the least means of support, present scenes of distress that can scarcely be described. Capt. McCamet politely conducted me through several large buildings that are filled with these wretched creatures, now left to the charity of our army. The first man I saw was a half-breed Mexican, about 40 years old, with a pleasing, good humored countenance, walking about, with both arms shot off, half way between the shoulder and elbow. His cheerful countenance and civil deportment won upon our feelings, and we—two or three young officers were along—contributed sufficient to ensure the poor fellow comforts for a week. No sooner did the wretches around perceive these marks of compassion than most of them held out their hands for alms—some pointing at their stumps of arms and legs, and others, who did not seem to suffer much, were making wry faces, expressive of more pain than they could possibly endure—the rasicals laughed as soon as our backs were turned. We visited between one and two hundred of the wounded, and found them in every possible condition. Two of the number were drawing their last breath, being unconscious of pain and reduced to mere skeletons. Others, say twenty of those we saw, were past all hope, mortification in its worst and most disgusting forms, having taken place.—These fellows were lying there, perfectly conscious of their fate, waiting without a murmur the hour of their dissolution.—One man, who had lost a leg and was evidently suffering severely, was attended by a little girl about four years old.—When we approached them the little creature was lying upon an old cloak, with her head resting upon as plump and pretty little hand as ever graced an angel. She was sleeping; her sweet, dimpled countenance, so innocent and lovely, contrasting strangely with that of the fierce looking, dying father. Another man, whose leg was also gone, was attended by his daughter, a lovely Mexican girl of sixteen. I passed him several times, and always saw the beautiful creature by his side; like a true woman, doing all in her power to assuage his pain, and with a cross in her hand (which she would present now and then to his lips) appeared to be directing his thoughts to another world. Most of the badly wounded had the cross and a picture of the virgin by their side, and many were attended by their wives and daughters."

GEN. GAINES.—A Washington letter states that the President has ordered Gen. Gaines to be tried by Court Martial on charges growing out of his recent movement at the South in calling into service volunteers to prosecute the war against Mexico, and that he is now under arrest awaiting the organization and convening of the Court."

Late from Europe.

The steamship BRITANNIA arrived at Boston on Saturday morning. She left Liverpool on the 19th ultimo.

The Corn-law Bill has passed safely through the Committee of the Whole in the House of Lords. The majority was thirty-three, removing all doubt of its final passage.

Wheat declined in the Liverpool Corn Market, between the 15th of May and the 16th of June, from 57s. to 52s. 10d. per quarter. Flour and Indian corn were also lower.

A decline of the eighth of a penny had occurred in cotton, though the demand continued steady.

All the growing crops in England and Ireland looked well, and bid fair to be large and favorable.

Mr. SAUNDERS, our new Minister to Spain, had arrived safely at Paris, on his way to Madrid.

The British Government have sent a diplomatic agent to the River Plate, to effect a settlement of the differences between Rosas and Montevideo.

Pope GREGORY XVI. died at the Vatican in Rome; on the 1st June, after a short illness. He was in the 81st year of his age, and is represented to have been a good man. Cardinal FAZZONI, Prefect of the Congregation of the Propaganda, aged 70, is expected to be his successor.

The German papers announce that the Emperors of Russia and Austria and the King of Prussia are to meet at Vienna in September next.

In Portugal the Insurrectionary Junts have almost all laid down their arms, expressing their satisfaction with the general measures of the new administration.

LECOMTE, who attempted to assassinate the King of the French, has been tried and executed.

The war between the United States and Mexico engrosses much attention in England. In complimenting the despatches of Gen. TAYLOR, the London Times of the 15th June says:

"He writes like a man of sense, skill and courage; and we have not the slightest wish to detract from the honors he has gallantly earned under the flag of his country. Whatever opinion we may entertain of the causes of this war, and the political motives in which it originated the behavior of the American General and his troops deserves to be judged of by a much higher standard than the policy of the Government which it is their duty to serve. The conduct of the Mexican army, on the contrary, demonstrates the utter inability of that Government to protect any portion of its dominions from invasion, and it degrades the descendants of the Spanish Americans still lower in the rank of nations."

Republic of the Rio Grande.

There is a rumor of a design to form a distinct Republic out of the Mexican States or Provinces on the Rio Grande, and that a proposition has been made at Washington, on behalf of a number of the leading citizens of the States of Taunaulipas, Chihuahua, and Zacatecas, for a cessation of hostilities on the part of the United States, for that purpose.

We have a rumor from Washington, that Mr. McDuffie, the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs in the Senate, is about to report a measure from that committee, for the termination of the war with Mexico, by a speedy adjustment. The Senate, it is said is to take the initiatory measures that will lead to peace.

GRAND MILITARY

Encampment on the 22d, 23d, 24th and 25th days of September 1846, at Somerset, Pa.

The undersigned Committees of Invitation and arrangement appointed by the Somerset Guards and the citizens of Somerset, on the 4th day of July inst., take great pleasure in announcing to the several Regiments, Battalions and companies of organized Volunteers of Somerset, Fayette, Greene, Westmoreland, Indiana, Cambria, Blair and Bedford counties, Penna., and of Allegheny county, Md., that a military encampment is contemplated at Somerset, to commence on Tuesday the 22d day of September next, and to continue four days. Special invitations will in a few days be directed to the commanding officers of all the companies in the above named counties, whose names can be ascertained.

We need scarcely say, that whether as citizens or soldiers, we will be prepared to greet all with a cordial reception and to render their visit pleasant and agreeable.

SAM'L W. PEARSON, JOHN C. KURTZ, G. CHORPENNING, JR. JOHN NEFF, A. J. OGLE, WM. P. AMKENY, THOS. E. OGDEN.

Committee of Invitation. Isaac Ankeny, J. R. Edie, John McCreery, S. Gebhart, S. Gauthier, M. Tredwell, Wm. H. Picking, Daniel Flick. C. F. Mitchell, Jas. H. Benford, Joseph Cummins, Wm. B. Coffroth, Philip Husband, R. L. Stewart, Wm. H. Picking, Daniel Flick.

Committee of Arrangement. Editors of newspapers in the counties above mentioned are requested to copy.

DIED.

On Friday last near Stoytown, after a lingering illness ADAM WILT, in the 55th year of his age.

PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the honorable JEREMIAH S. BLACK, President, and G. Chorpenning and John M. Carty, Esqs., associate Judges of the court of common pleas, in and for the county of Somerset, and assistant Justices of the courts of oyer and terminer and general jail delivery and quarter sessions of the peace, in and for said county of Somerset, have issued their precept to me directed, requiring me among other things to make public proclamation throughout my bailiwick, that a court of oyer and terminer and general jail delivery; also, a court of general quarter sessions of the peace and jail delivery, will commence at the borough of Somerset, in and for the county of Somerset, in the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, on the 5th Monday of August next, (31st day) in pursuance of which precept

Public Notice is hereby giving, to the justices of the peace, the coroner, and constables of said county of Somerset, that they be then and there, in their own proper persons, with their rolls, records examinations, and inquisitions, and other remembrances, to do those things which to their offices appertain in that behalf to be done and also all those who prosecute against the prisoners that are, or then shall be, in the jail of the said county of Somerset, are to be then and there to prosecute against them as shall be just.

Given under my hand, at Somerset, this 14th day of July, in the year of our Lord 1846.

JACOB PHILIPPI, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Sale.

BY VIRTUE of a writ of Venditioni Exponas, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset county, and to me directed, there will be exposed to sale at the house of Joseph Fleming, in Jenner tp., on Saturday the 20th day of August next, at 1 o'clock P. M. the following Real Estate, viz:—

All the right, title, interest and claim of Frederick Althouse, in and to a certain PLANTATION

situate in Jenner township, Somerset county, containing two hundred and forty acres, more or less, about one hundred and eighty acres clear, about twenty acres in meadow, adjoining lands of Christian Ludy, Samuel Griffith, Jonas Ankeny and Henry Landis; on which are erected a large two story log dwelling house, a one and a half story spring house, and a large log barn, and a large apple orchard on the premises, with the appurtenances—also the property of the said Frederick Althouse, at the suit of Gillian Friedline for the of Peter Friedline.

JACOB PHILIPPI, Sh'ff. Sheriff's Office, Somerset, July 14, 1846.

JURY LIST. For August Term 1846, (COMMENCING ON THE 31st DAY.) GRAND JURORS.

- Somerset br. John O. Kimmel, John Benford of J, John Witt. Somerset tp. Daniel Stahl, Sam'l will, John Gardiner, Jacob Young of G, Jacob Weller. Jenner John Donean, Samuel Griffith, Wm. Hoover. Addison James Campbell, Henry Ling. Elklick P. Miller of Jona, Benj. Wilhelm, Thomas Potter, Charles Heffley, Jacob Gearhart, Philip Unberger, Solomon Barkley, W. Johnston, Charles Cramer, Michael Stuft, Samuel Boyer. TRAVELER JURORS. Southampton, Samuel Close, Daniel Fichter, Peter Heckart, Abm. H. Miller, Jacob Koontz, Benj. Woolley, Martin Halterbaum, Jacob Myers, John Hugus, Henry Baker, John Marteny Sr. Somerset tp. Jeremiah Snyder, Philip Mowry, David Smith, Jacob Snyder, John Foust, James Cook, John A. Miller, Jacob Fike, Daniel P. Walker, Marcin Moyer, Jacob Brandt, Henry Heckman, Peter Berkepile, Joseph Berkey, Joseph Lehman, Jacob Cover. Shade Stonycreek John Atchison jr, Jacob Miller, Jesse Long, Jacob Good, C. Beam, Jos. Johnson, Wm. Campbell, Daniel Turney, John Hartzell, Daniel Zimmerman, Benj. Bowman, Henry Peterson, John Critchfield, Peter Putnam, Geo. Scott, Ludwig Sanner, Jacob Schrack, Robert Paton, Geo. Snyder, Michael King, Jno. Bowsly.

Notice.

Estate of Elizabeth Husband, dec'd.

THE undersigned having obtained from the Register of Wills, Letters of administration with the Will annexed on the estate of Elizabeth Husband, deceased, requests all persons indebted to said estate to make payment on or before the 20th day of August next, and those having claims, to present them to the undersigned at his office in Somerset, on or before said day.

SIMON GEBHART, Adm'r &c. July 14, '46-61.

Somerset County, ss.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to the Sheriff of Somerset County, Greeting:

WE command you, that you attach William Armstrong, late of your County, by all and singular his Goods and Chattels, Lands and Tenements, in whose hands or possession soever the same may be, so that he be and appear before our Court of Common Pleas, to be holden at Somerset, in and for said county, on the last Monday of August next, there to answer George Pile, of a plea of debt, not exceeding \$150. And we further command you, the said Sheriff, that you summon all persons in whose hands or possession the said Goods and Chattels, Lands and Tenements, or any of them may be attached, so that they, and every of them, be and appear before the said Court, at the day and place aforesaid, to answer what shall be objected against them, and abide the judgment of the Court therein: And have you then and there this writ. Witness the Honorable Jeremiah S. Black, President Judge of our said Court, at Somerset, this 11th day of July in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and forty-six. A. J. OGLE, Prothonotary. July 13, '46-61.

Caution.

MY wife Mary having left my bed and board without any reason or provocation I hereby caution all persons against trusting her on my account, as I am determined not to pay any debts of her contracting from this date. HERMAN UMBERGER. Jenner tp. July 7, 1846.

LIST OF RETAILERS, OF MERCHANDIZE, In the County of Somerset.

AS returned to the Court of Quarter Sessions in January, 1846, by the constables of the several districts, designating those who have taken out license, and those who have not.

- Names. Daniel Flick, no license. John L. Snyder, do. Parker & Ankeny, do. Michael A. Sanner, do. J. J. & H. F. Schell, do. Joseph Cummins, do. Chorpenning & Benford, do. Samuel Kurtz, do. William M'Creery, license. Miller & Fredwell, no license. Michael Sipe, do. Hay & Barr, do. Samuel A. Michael, license. Creldine & Flick, do. Culbertson Rankins, no license. Elias Stahl, do. Knable & Vought, do. Aughtinghaugh & Brubaker, do. Walter & Knable, do. Samuel Harued, license. Alfred Newton, no license. Moses A. Ross, do. John D. Roddy, do. Joseph Hendrickson, do. Samuel Elder, do. Moses Jennings, do. Aaron Wiatt, do. J. C. Darrall, do. Fry & Endsley, license. Elijah Wagner, no license. Livengood & Heffly, license. Miller & Dively, no license. Joseph J. Miller, do. Samuel H. Haller, do. P. & W. Myers, do. John M'Clary, do. Miller & Dively, do. Geo A. Cook, do. Samuel S. Platt, license. George Johnston, no license. Keizer & Pourbaugh, do. A. Heffley & Co. license. Charles Krissinger, no license. Samuel Philson, license. Jacob Berkey, do. Samuel J. Row, do. Samuel Kimmel, no license. Geo. A. Clarke, do. George A. Clarke, do. James O. Carson & Co, do. Henry Little, do. Isaac R. Shaffer, do. Jacob Custer, do. Edmund Kiernan, do. George Parker, do. Huber Linten & Meyers, license. David T. Storm, no license. George R. Benham, license.

All persons who have not taken out their license will do so immediately, as the Act of Assembly requires the Treasurer to bring suit against all delinquents, within the month of June. Those persons who have been returned, on the above list and have declined business previous to the 1st May ult., will call upon the subscriber without delay, and make due proof of the same. MILLER TREDWELL, Treasurer.

Sheriffality.

To the electors of Somerset County: FELLOW CITIZENS:—Thankful for the very liberal support received on a former occasion, I again offer myself as a candidate for

SHERIFF, and respectfully solicit your votes for the same. If elected, I will perform the duties of the office correctly. SAMUEL GRIFFITH. Jenner tp. July 14, 1846.

Sheriffality.

To the voters of Somerset County. FELLOW CITIZENS:—Thankful for the vote I received on a previous occasion, I again offer myself to your consideration as a candidate for the office of SHERIFF, at the ensuing election. Should I be so fortunate as to be elected I pledge myself to perform the duties of the office with fidelity and impartiality. June 16, '46. JACOB C. SPEICHER

SHERIFFALTY.

TO THE VOTERS OF SOMERSET COUNTY. AT the suggestion of many friends, I offer myself to your consideration as a candidate for SHERIFF, at the ensuing election. Should I be elected, I pledge my utmost abilities for the faithful discharge of all the duties of the office. JOHN O. KIMMEL. May 19, 1846.

Sheriffality.

To the Voters of Somerset County. FELLOW CITIZENS:—At the suggestion of numerous friends, I offer myself to your consideration as a candidate for

SHERIFF, at the ensuing general election, and respectfully solicit your votes for the same. If elected I will perform the duties of the office with fidelity. JACOB CUSTER. Rockingham Furnace, June 23, 1846.

Sheriffality.

TO THE FREE AND INDEPENDENT VOTERS OF SOMERSET COUNTY. FELLOW CITIZENS:—I offer myself to your consideration as a candidate for the office of

SHERIFF, at the ensuing election, and respectfully solicit your suffrages for the same. If elected, I will perform the duties of the office with fidelity. JAMES PARSON. Somerset tp. May 19, 1846.

Sheriffality.

To the voters of Somerset County. FELLOW CITIZENS: I offer myself to your consideration as a candidate for the office of

SHERIFF, at the ensuing general election, and respectfully solicit your votes for the same. If elected, I will perform the duties of the office with fidelity. SOLOMON KNEE, May 26 1846.

Commissioner.

To the Voters of Somerset County. FELLOW CITIZENS:—At the solicitation of a number of friends, I offer myself to your consideration as a candidate for

COMMISSIONER, at the ensuing general election, and respectfully solicit your suffrages. If elected, I will discharge the duties of the office with impartiality. WM. F. DIVELY. Berlin, June 23, 1846.

COMMISSIONER.

TO THE INDEPENDENT VOTERS OF SOMERSET COUNTY. I OFFER myself to your consideration as a Candidate for the office of

COMMISSIONER, Should I be so fortunate as to receive a majority of your suffrages I pledge myself to the performance of the duties of the office, with impartiality and fidelity. JACOB LAMBERT (of J.) Stonycreek tp, May, 26, '46.

Commissioner.

To the Voters of Somerset County. FELLOW-CITIZENS, — I offer myself to your consideration as a candidate for

County Commissioner at the ensuing election; and should I receive a majority of your suffrages, shall perform the duties of said office to the best of my judgment and ability. JOHN MONG. Stonycreek tp. June 2, 1846.

Commissioner.

FELLOW CITIZENS: Through the solicitations of numerous friends throughout the county, I offer myself to your consideration for re-election.—Should I receive a majority of your votes you may expect the duties of the office to be faithfully and efficiently performed. FREDERICK WELKER. Somerset, May 26, 1846.