



ALTOONA, PA.

THURSDAY, JULY 29, 1858.

Where parties are unknown to us, our rules for advertising are as follows...

The "Whig" in for a "Fuss."

"A Voice from Blair County," and our comments thereon, which appeared in the last number of the Tribune...

His article starts out with an assertion which the writer knows to be false, and concludes with one equally remote from truth.

The editor of the Tribune never professed neutrality; but we excuse his seeming ignorance, on the ground that it is only by perverting truth that he could make a show of opposition to that "Voice" which is now grating so unpleasantly upon his ears.

As to the explanation he asks, we think the "voice" explains itself in a manner not easily misunderstood—only a little to plain to be agreeable.

With the action of the Delegates to the American Convention, we think the Whig has little to do, and the less said about the better for his cause.

Mr. Brotherline has certainly as many claims on the conferees and the people of the District, as those mentioned through the columns of the Whig.

There is no division among the opponents of the Democracy on the Congressional question, in the other counties in Blair, hence we consider the article in the Whig exceedingly impolitic.

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Editorial Excursion.

On Friday and Saturday last, our town was honored with the presence of a number of editors and other distinguished men from Philadelphia and vicinity...

At Altoona the tourists were glad to be seated comfortably on terra firma, and to enjoy the hospitable shelter of the Logan House.

The internal economy of the house is complete in every department, and in all the points of a well-ordered hotel.

After a good night's rest, which was the more enjoyed as the thermometer indicated a temperature of 63 degrees, the excursionists rose, and prepared to make a personal inspection of the immense rock machinery connected with the Central Road.

The next step set down in the programme was to visit Cresson, a point about fifteen miles west, and about twenty-two hundred feet above the level of the sea.

It is usual to compare the mountain scenery of one locality with that of another. We may therefore say that the difference, as it struck us, between the Alleghenians in Pennsylvania, and the mountains in Switzerland, can be stated in a single sentence.

One very grateful and well-deserved act was performed at Altoona, on Friday evening, namely, the organization, under the presidency of Chief Justice Lewis, of the tourists into a "meeting," at which thanks were voted to Mr. Foster.

The Logan House, which the party quitted with regret, at noon on Saturday, merits a more detailed description than we can now give.

The second story contains forty-seven chambers, four parlors, six bath-rooms, with cold and hot water, and four sets of water-closets.

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DEATH OF AN EDITOR.—Wm. T. Porter, long known as the editor of the Spirit of the Times, and of various sporting publications, died in New York on the 19th inst.

Mr. Porter, after leaving the Times, in which he had gained a wide reputation, established, about a year or two since, a new periodical entitled Porter's Spirit, of which he was editor at the time of his death.

LADIES HOME MAGAZINE.—The August number of this excellent Magazine, now graces our table. The engravings are superb. Published by T. S. Arthur & Co., 323 Walnut street, Phila., at \$2 per year in advance.

PEN AND SCISSORS.

Loefer, the Cincinnati murderer, is endeavoring to starve himself. On the 18th inst., he had neither eaten nor spoken for five days.

Ex-Governor Reeder, it is said, will be the anti-Leocompton candidate for Congress in the thirteenth district of Pennsylvania.

A lady up town refuses to wear a watch in her bosom because it has hands on it. Mr. Moriah.

J. Edgar Thompson, Esq., President of the Penna. Central R. R., has just been elected President of the Pittsburgh, Chicago and Fort Wayne road also.

Rev. Mr. Spurgeon, the preacher, who has created so much excitement in England, will shortly leave that country for a visit to the United States.

Mr. Henry Bills was recently married in Michigan, to Miss Mary Small. Wonder if the laws of that State prevent the issuing of small Bills!

What are the four qualifications that fit a sheep to become a member of the Jockey Club?—Because he is bred on the turf, gambols in his youth, associates with blacklegs, and is fleeced at last.

A man in Kentucky killed a cow, a few days since, in whose stomach were found a large brass ring, a hair-pin, and a quantity of hooks and eyes. "Bride" had probably swallowed the milk maid.

The India News possesses some interest. The British troops meet with success everywhere except in the climate. The sun and summer are slaying far more than the enemy war or can.

At a foot race in Bangor, Me., James Small, of Albany, ran around the mile track four times, drawing a light sulky, in 34 minutes and 37 seconds, and then an Indian ran five miles in 80 minutes and 12 seconds.

Alfred, a slave, aged about 14 years, was hung on the 16th inst., at Mobile, Ala., for the murder of the son of Mr. Gomez, about two years ago. The victim was four years old, and his murderer twelve, at the time.

The Democrats of Schuylkill county have divided into two factions, each of which claims to be "the party," and denounces the others as disorganizers. They have called separate county conventions and delegate elections.

In a late Mississippi row, one of the rowdies "shot at a man and hit a horse." If a rowdy were to make a bad shot at our neighbor of the New Albany Ledger, he might possibly hit a horse, but if he made a good one, he'd hit an ass.

A lawyer in one of the Western courts lately tried a case at the head of another.—The Court required him to apologize for it. He did so, and added: "While I am about it, I may as well apologize beforehand for throwing another case at him the first chance I get."

It is stated that there is not a county in the United States that produces from her own soil more wealth than Washington county, Pennsylvania. In ordinary years, she sells \$250,000 worth of wheat, \$300,000 wheat and flour, \$500,000 coal, and \$350,000 sheep and hogs, making a total of \$1,400,000.

Extract from Mrs. Steel's "Residence in Switzerland," showing what curious bustles the Swiss girls wear:—"In order to ease the labor of milking the cows, the maids sit on little low stools, which they carry about with them ready strapped to their person, producing an effect more characteristic than poetical."

A married resident of Bristol, Conn., has been fined six dollars and costs for pinching his wife when in bed. His defence was that she threw her leg that way and hit a bill from which he was suffering, and that he merely struck out to save himself. Two lawyers on each side were engaged.

For the Altoona Tribune.

Terrible Accident on the Erie Railroad—Six Lives Lost. The most serious accident that has ever occurred on the Erie Railroad, happened to the Express train which leaves Jersey City at 5:30 P. M., on Thursday, six miles east from Port Jervis, at about 9 o'clock P. M.

The locomotive, in the operation of the engine, struck a large tree which had fallen across the track. There were about 150 persons on the train. They had just stopped at Turner's Corner where passengers take tea, and then proceeded westward at the rate of about 65 miles an hour.

For over an hour a scene of the wildest confusion prevailed around the spot. All the lights having been extinguished, the surrounding darkness added to the horror of the situation. While some labored industriously to extricate those who were buried beneath the wreck, others piled portions of the fragments together and made bonfires to give light, and others brought water from a spring near by to revive those who were fainting from heat and loss of blood.

The great advantages of this invention may be perceived by any person of ordinary talent at a moment's thought. Nothing that has ever been produced in railroad inventions surpasses it in utility and safety.

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