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S. M. PETTENGILL & CO., Advertising Agents, 110 Nassau street, New York, and 20 State street, Boston, are the Agents for the Altoona Tribune, and the most influential and largest circulating newspaper in the United States and the Dominion.

The Tonnage Tax Question.

In our last we noticed that the suit between the Commonwealth of Pa. and the Penna R. R. Co., to test the constitutionality of the Tonnage Tax, was about to open before Judge Pearson, at Harrisburg. The trial was concluded on Friday evening last, and on Saturday morning Judge Pearson delivered a lengthy opinion of the case, reviewing the various points presented to the Court.

The Judge remarked that the Pennsylvania Railroad Company was incorporated on the 13th of April, 1846, for the purpose of building a railroad from Harrisburg to Pittsburgh, and a burden was at that time imposed upon them that they should pay a tonnage tax upon goods carried over their road, and that after the expiration of twelve years they came now to contest the claim upon them made by the State, and the court is called to decide the constitutional power of this State to impose a tax upon goods carried in the State.

His honor then directed the jury to return a verdict in favor of the State for the full amount claimed, with interest thereon; whereupon the jury returned a verdict against the R. R. Co. for the sum of \$91,195.61, debt and interest to date.

HAND-BOOK OF THE PENNA RAIL ROAD.—Col. Geo. B. Ayres, formerly connected with the Penna R. Rail Road, has published a Descriptive Hand-Book of the road, a copy of which is before us. The author commences at Philadelphia and goes over the whole line of the Road, noticing every station and point of interest, and furnishing information in regard to the country and towns which must be of great interest and satisfaction to every traveler.

ANOTHER STEP.—The emigrants to Pike's Peak, keep politics, as well as gold, in view. Delegates to a Constitutional Convention having been chosen met on the first Monday of August, at Denver city, and shortly afterward adjourned to Aurora.

NEWS AT WASHINGTON CITY.

Quite an excitement has been created at Washington, in consequence of the Post Office Department refusing to forward an immense quantity of Republican documents franked by Hon. John Covode, under the pretense that the frank was not in Mr. Covode's hand-writing.

The Republicans contend that they have proofs that Judge Douglas, Mr. Florence and others, are constantly franking by their clerks, and no questions asked. All they want is for the Post Office Department to decide that Democratic members have no more privilege of using the frank than those of the Opposition.

NEW BOOKS.—We have just received from G. G. Evans, Philadelphia, a copy of a work entitled "Italy and the War of 1859," by Julia De Marguerites, with an introduction by Dr. R. Shelton McKensie, embellished with a map of the country and portraits of the principal officers of the armies engaged in the war.

From the same publisher we have also received a copy of a work entitled "Brown's Lectures," which is well worth the price of the book. In fact many of them are worth more than the price asked for all of them.

NEW PAPER.—We have received the first and second numbers of a new paper styled the "Alleghenian," published by Bolstinger & Hutchison, at Ebensburg, Cambria county. It is a neat and spicy sheet, creditable to the publishers and the town.

AGRICULTURAL STATE FAIR.—The grounds upon which the Agricultural State Fair is to be held, at Philadelphia, is now almost ready for the reception of articles and animals on exhibition. The Fair opens on Tuesday, the 27th of September, and closes on Friday, the 30th.

It seems a little strong to have on the same ticket their (the Penna R. R. Co's) agent has published a Descriptive Hand-Book of the road for eight months for Assembly and their lawyer (Col. Hall) for the Senate.

PROMOTED.—We notice in the last number of the Juniata Sentinel, that our old friends, R. E. Parker and Squire J. P. Wharton, have been assigned positions in the staff of Maj. Gen. J. W. Crawford, with the rank of Major.

Mr. R. Irvin, of Cumberland county, was on Tuesday last, unanimously nominated as the People's candidate for Senator, in the district composed of Cumberland, Perry, Juniata and Mifflin counties.

PEN AND SCISSORS.

"Going in" on it.—The Huntingdon papers on politics.

Said to be plenty—pigeons in the vicinity of Hollidaysburg.

How to get the "Juniata jig"—drink a quart of buttermilk and take a seat for an hour or so on the sunny side of a cellar door.

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Liver Complaint, Dyspepsia, Jaundice, Debility of the Nervous System, Diseases of the Kidneys, and all diseases arising from a disordered liver or weakness of the stomach and digestive organs, are speedily and permanently cured by the GERMAN BUTTERS.

Confirmed Consumption. A few doses will also at once check and cure the most severe Diarrhoea proceeding from Cold in the Bowels.

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A Voice From Virginia.

Dr. S. H. Hume—J. W. in Baltimore in April, 1884, and from a paper I received of your valuable pills, and a box of your Pills, recommended as a superior cure for the Rheumatic Pains.

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