



ALTOONA, PA.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 16, 1860.

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

S. M. PETTENCOIL & CO.,

Advertising Agents, 119 Nassau street, New York, and 20 State street, Boston...

Railroad Arrangements.

The Pittsburgh Post says that a Convention, composed of the representatives from the grand trunk lines from the seaboard west, has been in session at Saratoga...

Hereafter, to common points beyond each other's lines, fares or freights are to be uniform, thus leaving to each road its natural business...

The following tabular statement of the votes of all the States, cast in 1856, for the Presidency, will be found highly interesting at this time, as a matter of reference—

Table with 5 columns: State, Electors, Buchanan, Fremont, Fillmore. Lists states from Maine to Oregon with their respective electoral votes and candidate counts.

The Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society, we learn, are making active preparations for their coming annual exhibition on the Wyoming battle-ground...

The Presidential Question.

The Erie Dispatch in commenting on the election of a President by the House of Representatives uses the following language:—Every man who really loves his country above party...

Such an election can in no sense be called a popular election; and we doubt if there is one voter in one hundred, throughout the country, who in his sober, deliberate sense, would prefer that the election of President should be taken out of the hands of the people...

LETTER FROM TEXAS.

The Japanese are better remembered, especially by those who have the taxes to pay for that 10,000 bottles of cider the Aldermen put in their "pockets." A gentleman asked me to-day what could be done to get rid of such terrible public swindling...

In the memory of the oldest settlers this season has never been equalled for drought and heat. There has not been any rain here since March, and the prospect of the country is very flattering to a stranger...

The heat for several weeks past has been so intense that it was almost unendurable. The thermometer ran as high as 112° in the shade and 180° in the sun...

I would not advise any one to come to Texas at present, who desires to make it his home, or wishes to travel for pleasure, for it is unpleasant as well as dangerous for a northern man to be in this State during the excitement that is now prevalent all over her wide extent...

THE CENSUS RETURNS.—The census returns are rapidly pouring into Washington, and by the first of September, the limit fixed for their reception, it is expected they will be fully completed...

LATEST POLITICAL ITEMS.

DEMOCRATIC STATE COMMITTEE MEETING.—The Democratic State Central Committee met at Orono on Thursday last, and after considerable debate, the following was agreed upon: Resolved, That the action of the committee of the 2d of July be rescinded...

After a long debate the first portion of the proposition about heading the electoral ticket was agreed to. Ayes 49; Nays 22. The second part, throwing the vote for the candidate who has a chance of election, was agreed to viva voce. The resolution as finally adopted reads as follows: That the Democratic electoral ticket be headed with the names of Douglas or Breckinridge, as an elector at large...

LETTER FROM NEW YORK.

The news is almost burnt out of this good city. The thermometer ranges through the day from 80° to 95°, without the influence of bricks and pavements, which are 'ortful.' Be thankful and rejoice with exceeding gladness, all you who lie down in green pastures, and hear the breezes in the leaves and 'treeces.' The Great Eastern made the quickest trip on record a few days since. She sailed out of Popularity into Oblivion in less time than she any other craft that was ever on that sea...

The affair has created considerable excitement. A personal rencontre also took place last night between Messrs. Sanborn and G. A. Smith, a Breckinridge attorney. Sanborn gave Smith the lie, when the latter colored him. The parties were then separated.

The Douglas Democratic State Convention met at Louisville, Ky., August 11th. Eighty-seven counties were represented by seven hundred delegates. The White president, Archy Dixon and John C. Mann were nominated electors at large, and a full electoral ticket was formed.

MISSOURI ELECTION.—The St. Louis Republican says that John B. Henderson, Dem., for Congress, in the Second District, is defeated by James A. Rollins, Opp., by 249 votes. Clairborne F. Jackson, Douglas Democrat, so far as heard from, leads Sample Orr, Union, for Governor, by 6,290 votes.

HON. JOHN BELL HAS WRITTEN A LETTER in which he declines to make any new declaration of principles. He refers to the public to the record of his public life and states that a collection of his speeches and votes on controverted topics has recently been printed.

AN INDIAN FUNERAL.—A Fort Riley correspondent of the Pittsburgh Dispatch gives a description of an Indian funeral: There was a procession of wagons, drawn mostly by small Indian horses, called ponies...

ARRIVAL OF LADY FRANKLIN.—Among the passengers arrived by the steamship Adriatic, which reached New York on Saturday, was Lady Franklin, accompanied by her niece, Miss Crockett, and her waiting maid, Lady Franklin will remain in New York two or three weeks, as the guest of Mr. Henry Grinnell...

SUGARS ARE FIRM WITH LARGE SALES. Money is abundant at 5 to 6 percent on call. Yours, W.

THE DROUGHT IN TEXAS.—A letter from San Antonio, Texas, dated July 21st, says:—The weather continues perfectly dry, and the failure of the crops, is causing great inconvenience by hindering transportation between the coast and San Antonio. Freight has risen so much that flour, within a week or two, has gone from \$10 to \$20 per barrel, and corn is now selling here for three dollars per bushel.

A VOLCANO IN WISCONSIN.—One of the strangest phenomena in nature has recently developed itself near the Horse Lake, Polk county, Wis. Flames of fire came up, through the earth in several localities, and one man's barn has been burnt down by it. Strange to say, the fire can only be seen in the daytime, the earth in the evening bearing a close resemblance to phosphorus. The air smells as if impregnated with sulphur.

THE POPULATION OF JOHNSTOWN, by the late census, is 4,500, being an increase of 2,600 since 1850.

Hard Times in Kansas.

We have had frequent reports within a few months of the terrible drought prevailing in the territory of Kansas, more particularly in the southern section. For nearly or quite a year there has but little rain fallen in the territory, and in southern Kansas it is stated that not more than four or five inches of rain have fallen during the year...

I have just shut the door to keep the hot wind from blowing on me, so that I can write. To my mind it has not rained for twelve months would not be telling the truth; but to say that not more than four or five inches of rain had fallen in that time, would be nearly or quite true. Now, for God's sake, what are the people doing? We cannot stay here without food for ourselves and cattle. Many of us have not got money to pay for our land, or to get away with, to say nothing of buying food for our wives and children, either here or somewhere else...

LUCKY EDITORS.—James Gordon Bennett is the richest of the New York editors. His property is put down at \$600,000. He has a magnificent residence in Fort Washington on the north of the island, and makes an establishment of luxury in Paris, where his wife resides a good share of the time. Gerard Halleck, of the Journal of Commerce, stands next on the list, though he spends five days of the week in New Haven, Conn., where he offers for sale a single acre for which he asks \$100,000. The Journal yields him and his two sons from \$30,000 to \$40,000 a year. He can command \$400,000. Horace Greeley is not a rich man. He makes plenty of money, but he has not the faculty of keeping it. The Brooks are worth \$200,000 each. Each married a fortune of \$100,000, and the Express is a paying institution. Bonner of the Ledger, who is the Midas of the metropolitan press, and converts almost everything he touches into gold, has a pile over \$200,000, and it is growing fast. Moros of the observer, has also about that sum. The fortunes of the other members of the class are moderate.

A WOMAN SHOT.—On Saturday evening, August 4th, at about 5 o'clock, John Cathcart of Knox township, shot his wife with a gun. It seems that he came home under the influence of liquor, but what was the direct cause of his committing the deed does not appear clearly. He alleges that he did it accidentally. As there are a number of contradictory reports in circulation in regard to the matter, the woman died at about 11 o'clock the same evening. Dr. Fetzer was called in and extracted the bullet before she expired. A coroner's jury was held and a verdict rendered that Mrs. Cathcart died from the effects of a gun shot wound inflicted by her husband. Cathcart was brought to town on Monday and lodged in jail.—Clearfield Journal.

DESTRUCTIVE FLOOD.—A most violent storm passed over Stanton, Virginia, on Saturday afternoon, flooding the town and doing an immense amount of damage. A correspondent of the Richmond Dispatch says: "The streets of the town are literally torn up in many places. The cloud passed over to the East, but it was not without doing a great deal of mischief, and with great fury. In some places have been torn up to that a horse might be hidden in them standing. It is hard to form an estimate of the loss, but it is supposed that not less than \$100,000 will repair the damage."

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FRIGHTFUL OCCURRENCE.—At Russell's Foundry, in Chicago, on Thursday last, a number of men were engaged in casting, when one of them accidentally spilled his ladle of molten iron into the boots of another. The agony of the burn caused the second man to drop his ladle, the scalding contents of which fell upon the man who had charge of the crane. He let that go, and in an instant the fluid spread throughout the shop, severely burning about twenty. Some of them were horribly burned in the breasts and legs, but not fatally.

SIBIRIAN DOGS FOR DOGS.—Edward Sydnor, of Hanover, Va., has two pointers, which can work more tobacco in a day than any two hands he owns. The dogs run along the furrows and show the greatest sagacity in detecting worms, finding them by the scent and eye. They never injure the plants and where the field hands over look the insects the dogs are sure to find them. The animals devour the insects as they become completely gorged.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Dr. Weston's Infantile Cordial. It must be obvious to every attentive parent that the first disease of infants arise chiefly from the bowels, and in this connection we know of a medicine which can be relied upon with perfect confidence in all infantile complaints whatever their nature may be. We speak of Dr. Weston's Infantile Cordial, which contains no opium of any kind—no purgative, and relieves the suffering infant as if by magic. Mothers by all means try this—its efficacy is well known. See the advertisement in another column of Messrs. Church & Dupont, Druggists, New York, who are the sole proprietors, and also sole agents of the world-renowned Dr. Ross's Broom Food, which is a preparation for the relief of all complaints arising from deficiencies of the blood, from whatever cause such deficiencies may proceed. It is without exception the most strengthening cordial any invalid could take, as it is immediately absorbed by the blood, without having to go through the process of digestion, and is the life of the human body, by nourishing and protecting it, it restores to perfect health those who have been prostrated for years. We consider the above two Preparations decidedly the best of their kind offered to the public.—For sale by A. Ross, Altoona, Pa. See advertisement.

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