

THE SCHOOL QUESTION IN THE LEGISLATURE.

On the 6th of February, House bill No. 123, to which we believe was attached bill No. 124, entitled an act to increase the efficiency of the common school system, was taken up, debated and lost by a vote of 36 for and 47 against its passage.

REVENUE OFFICERS REJECTED.

Both Colforth and Slope, the former Assessor and the latter Collector of the 16th Collection District of Pennsylvania, have been rejected by the United States Senate within the last week.

RECONSTRUCTION.

Congress has at last adopted a plan for the reconstruction of the Union. The result was not arrived at without much debate, all of which we may now consider as having been very necessary in view of the tolerably acceptable shape in which the bill decided on has been offered for Presidential signature.

PASSAGE OF THE RECONSTRUCTION BILL.

The weary struggle is over. Congress after two years of long investigation and wearisome debate has at last perfected, passed and sent to the President, a bill for the reconstruction of the recently rebellious States, which gives promise of successfully settling this vexed question.

HARRISBURG CORRESPONDENCE.

HARRISBURG, Feb. 24, 1867.

A bill for the relief of deserted wives will probably be passed by the Legislature. It provides, in addition to the remedies now provided by law, that if any husband or father shall separate himself from his wife or children, or shall neglect to maintain his wife or children, any magistrate may, upon proper information, issue his warrant of arrest, and bind the party to appear and answer the charge at court.

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

The Commissioners of Franklin county have erected a Court House in Chambersburg at a cost of \$53,026 12.

FROM THE SOUTH.

The Herald's Southern correspondence, represents that some excitement existed in South West Virginia, on account of the murder of two members of the Red Star Association, a radical organization for electing purposes.

ARRIVAL OF JOHN H. SURRATT.

The U. S. Gunboat Scutiger, with John H. Surratt on board, arrived at Washington on Monday last. The vessel was not allowed to approach the wharf, nor was any one on shore permitted to go on board to communicate with the prisoner.

BOUNTY BILL.

The bill to equalize the bounties of soldiers, sailors and marines, who served in the late war for the Union, passed the House on Friday of last week by a vote of 92 yeas and 69 nays.

THE PROPOSED UNION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

It will be remembered that the General Assembly of the two great branches of the Presbyterian Church in America, the Old School and New School, at their sessions in May last appointed special committees to confer together and see whether they could agree upon some common and satisfactory basis of union for the two bodies.

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WASHINGTON HOTEL AT PRIVATE SALE.

The Washington Hotel in the Borough of Bedford, now in the occupancy of Isaac F. Groves, is offered at private sale. This is by far the best hotel property in the town, and affords a rare opportunity to secure one of the best locations in the country.

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