

OUR NEW VOLUME.

With this issue the INQUIRER enters upon a new volume (the 43d) and a new year. The festivities of the season have come and gone and we once more address ourselves to the duties of the hour.

As in the past, we have labored to present to our patrons a complete report of all important events transpiring in the county, and a brief and succinct resume of foreign news.

At the same time we have labored to promote the general welfare by advocating and upholding every good work, and by condemning what seemed to us of a hurtful or deleterious character.

But our efforts have been blessed with a reasonable degree of success and we accept the liberal support and patronage of the public as the best evidence of their approval of our course.

For the year that our aim shall be to enter we propose to do our best to support and defend true Republicanism, to expose crime, corruption and dishonesty, and to labor at all times to the best of our ability for the success of the party and its principles.

In local matters, our best efforts shall be directed to the improvement of our county and the development of her resources. Through our labors in this direction in the past have not realized all our hopes, they have not been in vain.

Though we have not yet built a railroad to Bedford, we have succeeded in bringing the immense mineral wealth of our county to the attention of capitalists and in awakening an interest in her resources, that gives promise, in the near future, of a brighter day for the whole county than we have heretofore yet known, and that long looked for railroad may yet be nearer than many suppose.

All events our efforts shall not be relaxed until it and many more greatly needed improvements are made. In point of news and literary matter, with our new arrangements, we will have more time to devote to these departments, and we promise our readers that the "INQUIRER" shall not lose the spirit of improvement that has thus far marked its career.

Our aim is to make and keep the INQUIRER second to no local paper in the State. To this end, having given a brief synopsis of our aims, we ask the aid and patronage of all who approve of our efforts and desire the promotion of our local, as well as the public, welfare.

Believing that we have the public approval in these our humble efforts, and with a consciousness of our own good intentions, we enter upon the new year with renewed zeal, cheerful hopes, and a firm determination to use our best endeavors to carry out the programme we have laid down.

EDWIN M. STANTON.

J. Hart, Messenger, W. W. Gibson, Assistants; Anthony McManus, W. W. Wright, George C. Anderson; Postmaster, August Becker, of Allegheny; Assistant, William Shields; Superintendent of folding department, James Reins, of Philadelphia, who will doubtless all be elected.

INCOME TAX.—We see many of our exchanges opposing the extension of the income tax. Have the wealthy men of their communities given their consent to it? While we must have direct taxes we are decidedly in favor of the Income Tax. It is the least burthensome of any. It falls only upon those who can pay it, for it is a tax on acquiescence. It entirely exempts the poor and in no respect touches them, for it causes no increase in the expense of living. It increases the price of an article of food or clothing. The rich alone complain of it, and that because they can in no way saddle the burthen on their poor tenants or employees.

Let us have the income law extended and faithfully carried out in all its provisions. We can bear it much better than a tax upon our flour, meat or clothing against which these same parties make no complaint whatever.

THE NEWS.—Holiday week is proverbially dull and unagreeable news. Scarcely any piece of public interest has transpired in the past two weeks, except the death of the Hon. Edwin M. Stanton. Congressmen have been taking holiday and indeed the world at large seems to have been given up to enjoyment, and that with remarkable good fortune for not even an accident, fire or failure of any importance has occurred in that time.

SPAIN is still unsettled and begins once more to talk of a Republic. GOLD closed in New York on Monday the 4th inst., at 119 1/2.

MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE. The following is a corrected list of the members of the Legislature: SENATORS. City of Philadelphia.—First District—W. W. Watt. Second District—A. W. Hendry.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. 1st District—L. B. Thomas, 245 Greenway street. 2d District—Geo. Maxwell, 232 Christian street.

THE EIGHT-HOUR LAW. We believe in honest, straight forward work, and have no sympathy with demagogues of any party. The eight hour law, passed last winter, which fixed the number of hours of labor in government workshops and ship-yards, at eight hours, without fixing the wages, and which the Attorney General very sensibly construed to mean that the labor of eight hours would receive the pay of eight hours and not of ten, is again before Congress.

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Coray, Hyde Park; Jno. F. McMahon, Wilkesbarre. Mercer Lawrence and Balfour—E. W. Wheeler, Chester; Mercer county, David Craig, New Castle, Lawrence county, W. M. Craxton, New Castle, Lawrence county, Alex. Leslie, Bakertown, Allegheny county, Pa.

THE JEDGER says the manufacturers of boots and shoes in Philadelphia have had a year of active business, and within a year the probability is that the shoeing trade will commence early and be larger than has been during 1869, a great increase in the production of women's misses' shoes, which will be the result.

PHILADELPHIA. A dress which is at once agreeable, healthy, and effectual for preserving the hair. Faded or gray hair is soon restored to its original color and the gloss and freshness of youth. This hair is thickened, falling hair checked, and baldness often, though not always, cured by its use.

HAIR DRESSING. Nothing else can be found so desirable. Containing neither oil nor dye, it does not soil white hair, and yet lasts longer on the hair, giving it a rich glossy luster and a grateful perfume.

THE AMERICAN FAMILY KNITTING MACHINE. Presented to the public as the most simple, durable, compact and cheap. Knitting Machine ever invented.

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REAL ESTATE. VALUABLE TRACTS OF LAND FOR SALE. The subscribers offer at private sale the following valuable tracts of land, viz: No. 2. A tract of 2730 acres near the coal fields, joining the same lands, and supposed to contain the same veins of coal.

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