The Columbian.

BLOOMSBURG, FRIDAY, FEB. 21, 1868.

THE Express sled came to grief last week. Like the Deacon's wagon of old, all the parts gave way at once. The reason assigned is because part of the load was for St. John.

ON Thursday of last week, Sheriff Bedford took Snyder and Beaver to the Penitentiary, and Young Dishler to the House of Refuge. He has had two murderers since.—Kessler and Gross.

THE settlement of the debts between Conyngham township and Centralia Borough, after considerable litigation has been concluded and the latter owes the former a balance of $195.13.

THE Odd-Fellows of Columbia, Montour and Northumberland counties are agitating the subject of establishing in the District a home for the maintenance and education of the orphan children of members.

IT is reported that there are 247 paupers in Conyngham township, this county. They give a very large supervisorial majority over there!—*Republican.*

P. John claims Bloom township by 500 majority. It ranks next to Conyngham in number of paupers.

OUR thanks are due our Mainville correspondent for seven new subscribers. We have also contributable accession from Benton and Ferns. Send on the names; if necessary we will hire a special clerk to record them.

MELANCHOLY ACCIDENT.—On Monday evening the 3d, as Mrs. Hannah Alcock, in Danville, was returning from the M. E. Church, in crossing the Chunkwisa Railroad, she accidentally fell, and injured herself seriously. She was assisted home and on Tuesday evening died from the effects of the injuries sustained in the fall. A short time before her death, she gave birth to a child, which is still living.

THE party has been put considerable expense and trouble, in order to gratify the whim of certain individuals, to hold elections throughout the county to send delegates to a County Convention who send Conferees to meet other Conferees, to select Delegates to the State Convention, which is to select Delegates to the National Convention. We do not think such ponderous machinery should be required to accomplish such a small result, and in this instance the movement has recoiled on the heads of its perpetrators.

ON last Friday evening, Hettie Boles, a young daughter of Daniel Boles of this place, while leaning, got too near the stove, and in consequence her clothing caught fire. She at once ran into the open air, and tried to extinguish the flames by rolling in the snow. Failing in this she ran into the room of a neighbor, and in her agony seized her, seeking for help. Her screams brought in another neighbor, by whose help the clothing was torn off. She is severely burned, especially about the waist, but it is not believed that her injuries are fatal.

RUNNING DOWN HILL.—This has got to be a dangerous pastime, especially where the track used crosses any of our streets. We have seen the boys and girls coming down Welsh Hill with frightful velocity, and with apparent disregard of the person crossing the street below. Last week one little boy was severely injured by running into a sled, a little girl met a similar fate by coming in contact with an ox-wagon, and a girl of larger growth came in collision with a tree, and for a time was supposed to be fatally hurt. The accidents should serve as warnings.

WE refer our readers to the full report of the proceedings of the Convention; but we cannot dismiss the subject without an additional word of comment. The Convention was about all of one mind, and the best feeling and complete harmony prevailed. The Speeches which were delivered upon the call of the Convention, showed the anxiety and desire of the people to enter promptly upon the canvass. The Convention was composed of old, well-known, leading and active Democrats, and the spirit in which they opened the campaign is worthy of the motives and the cause. They will increase the overwhelming majority in this county. Just see if they don't.

THE CATTMAN is exceedingly bitter on Gov. Geary for pardoning Ezra and M'Iven who were unlawfully prosecuted for breaking the vote-box in Center. Its "wormwood and gall" are expended in vain. The Governor's pardon to protect loyal, patriotic, law-abiding men in the performance of their clear and manifest duty.—*Republican.*

It is contended like that given by the *Republican*, which is getting officials in trouble throughout the county, and it should be inflicted instead of his pardons. We give fair notice that civil and criminal actions will be brought against every election officer who rejects the vote of a qualified citizen, be the voter Democrat or Republican. In the case just before the Court M'Donald vs. Bower and Hoffman the counsel for the defendants claimed that the officers had an *outlaw* because they believed they were following the law, though he conceded it was *unconstitutional*. That excuse will not answer again, for the law is now settled and has been for over two years.

IN the case of M'Donald vs Hoffman and Boner, which was an action on the case for refusing the vote of a qualified voter, Mr. Comly, counsel for the defendants, predicated his whole argument upon the ground of the acts in relation to deserters being unconstitutional. The defense being, not that M'Donald had not the right to vote, but that in rejecting it, Hoffman and Boner did not act *maliciously*. Mr. Comly said: "All citizens are bound to regard the decision of the Supreme Court, and disregard what seems to be a law of the Legislature."

The opinion of so eminent a lawyer, upon the subject, ought to have great weight, and we trust we shall never have occasion hereafter to test a question which has been settled by the unanimous conclusion of all lawyers, and of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania; and that no vote will henceforth be ruled on the ground alleged in the case under consideration.

WE call attention to the advertisement of Benjamin Warner in another column. We correct some errors made in last week's paper.

NINE GREEN United States Senators retire in 1869, six of whom are Democrats. The elections thus far have given the Democrats a gain of two.

THE New York *World* speaks of the speech of Mr. Buckalew, as "one of the best speeches against the Reconstruction bill which has yet been delivered in the Senate."

DEMOCRATIC VICTORY.—The Democrats of Reading elected their City Auditor, last Friday, by a majority of 833, a Democratic gain of 255 over last year's vote.

DAN'L. MCHENRY, and Rohr McHenry, Hon. Dyer L. Chapin, E. J. McHenry, and Hon. James McHenry left yesterday, to attend the 22nd of February meeting of the Prisoners of State in New York. They were in capital spirits, and will doubtless have a pleasant time. We wish them abundant success.

"IN consequence of the resignation of Senator Guthrie of Kentucky, an election for his successor was held by the Legislature on the 18th; when Thomas C. McCreery was elected by the following vote. McCreery 110, Barnes rallied 9. Senator McCreery is a life long Democrat, and is said to be a very able man.

REV. MR. IRVINE, of, we believe, the Evangelical Methodist, is holding a protracted meeting in Light street, in the Presbyterian House of Worship. The meeting has been progressing for over two weeks and more than forty persons profess to have experienced a change of heart under his ministrations. Mr. Irvine is laboring with great earnestness and zeal, and we are glad to learn he has been abundantly blessed. The glorious reward of those who turn many to righteousness, may that be his.

GOOD STORIES.—Part 5 just issued by Tickner & Fields, furnishes a collection of capital stories specially suited for reading on Winter evenings. The contents are as follows: Christmas with the Baron; Stephen Yarrow—by the Author of "Waiting for the Verdict;" "A Family Christmas in Germany;" The Christmas Banquet, by Nathaniel Hawthorne; Three of a Trade, or Red Little Kriss Kringle, by Fritz-James O'Brien; Adventures of a New Year's Eve, by Heinrich Zschokke. With four admirable illustrations.

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Court Proceedings.

We continue the proceedings of the second week, from where we left off in our last:

Mary E. Green vs Robert S. Howell. Ejectment, verdict for the Plaintiff.

Wm. Abbott vs Silas D. Edgar. Book account. Verdict for Plaintiff.

James Seaman vs Michael Beaver et al. Ejectment. Verdict for the Pl'ff.

John M'Donald vs Lewis Boner and Sylvester Hoffman. Action on the case for refusing a vote. Jury called Forgeys, Peter Werkheiser vs Adam Rost and John W. Leiby. Amicable for mutual purchase money. Verdict for Plaintiff, to be released upon payment in thirty days of amount then due, with interest April first.

C. B. Person vs Andrew Frans. Action on contract for furnishing Corks. Verdict for Plaintiff.

Charles M. Miller vs the Township of Sheets. Action on statute for putting substitute. Verdict for Plaintiff the Court reserving the legal points raised.

Catharine Singley vs Stephen Michael. Action on Breach of promise of marriage. Settled by the Parties.

Will of appointment by the Orphans' Court of the estate of Henry Boeckel set aside.

Distribution of money arising from sheriff Sale of property of Dr. Beiterly, on application of David Camp referred back to auditor.

Sale of the interest of Susan, minor Child of Joseph Geerhart dedd by William Creasy, Guardian, ordered.

Commissioners on the Division of Hemlock Township, Continued.

Report on the division of Locust Township confirmed, and sale to divide also ordered.

Verdict ordered on the question of changing the place of holding the elections in Conyngham Township.

Report of Master in Chancery on settlement between Centralia Borough and Conyngham Township affirmed, and decree filed.

Leave granted to change Draft of proposed Borough of Bloomsburg from Locusts, as presented and filed.

There was a large amount of miscellaneous business transacted; and the court only adjourned at four o'clock on Saturday afternoon, having held a night session every evening but Monday. The acquaintance at court was very small both weeks, the Court room at times being crowded to excess. We hope the enlargement now in progress will remove the pressure.

One week of Court was ordered for May, so as to interfere as little as possible with the labors of the farmers.

Communicated.

LEPY, February 11, 1868.

EDITORS OF THE COLUMBIAN: *Sirs*—The Columbian County Farmers' Club met this evening, with Mr. Benton in the Chair.

The question for discussion was then opened and discussed in a most pleasant manner by several gentlemen present.

Owing to the interest felt on the part of all present, the subject was continued for further discussion at our next meeting, which will be held at the place on Tuesday, Feb. 25th, at 2 o'clock P.M.

M. C. M'CLELLAN.

MARRIED.

WYMER—IRVINE—On the 5th inst., at the Episcopal parsonage in Berwick, by the Rev. Mr. Hopkins, Mr. Brian Wymer to Miss Sarah A. Irvine, both of Briarcreek.

WAGNER—SHELHART—On the 6th inst., by the Rev. William E. Lee, Mr. Henry Wagner of Danville, to Miss Catharine Shelhart of Mahoning township, Columbia county.

ERNST—MARCLA—On the 6th inst., by Rev. H. A. Stoke, at his residence in Derry, Mr. William Ernst of West Hemlock, Montour county, to Miss Christiana Marcla of Madison township, Columbia county.

GEORGE—BERE—On the 2d inst., by the Rev. George E. Lee, Mr. Levi D. George, to Miss Annie Bere, of Washingtonville, Montour co.

DECKENBERGER—On the 13th inst., by the Rev. Geo. E. Lee, Mr. Jacob Deckenberger, of Mahoning township, to Miss Mary Wagner of Derry, Mr. John C. Bailey, of Mahoning township, to Miss Frances C. Kreitzinger, both of Lewisburg.

DIED.

BUCKALEW—In Bloomsburg, 18th inst., Mrs. Sarah Buckalew, aged 75 years, 11 months and 10 days.

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