

The Columbian.

BLOOMSBURG, FRIDAY, FEB. 19, 1869.

We would call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of Lazarus & Brown in another column.

Mrs. AMELIA WEBB has purchased the book-store now occupied by Dr. P. John, and proposes to move in there in the Spring.

The river for several days has been full, and many entertainers have had a freshet would take place. It is now falling.

There will be an election on the question of the division of Brainerock township, at the usual place of holding township elections, on Thursday, March 4th, 1869.

Mr. JAMES CADMAN has on hand a lot of very fine Black Walnut extension tables of any size desired. They are for sale at a low price. Go and see them.

The necessity of having news from the County Seat has induced the Berwick Gazette to secure a correspondent at this point. His letters are well written, pointed and piquant.

We keep constantly on hand a first-class assortment of deeds, mortgages, leases, marriage certificates, notes of all kinds, summons, subpoenas, warrants, etc., etc.

We print in another column the list of jurors drawn for the adjourned Court beginning March 15th next. No other business will be transacted there and the trial of the prisoners under indictment.

For perfect satisfaction in Dry Goods Groceries, Glassware, Queensware and House Furnishing Goods, go to Miller & Wolf. Their stock is of endless variety and of the very latest and most beautiful styles.

VALUABLE Real Estate to be sold in Centre twp., at the Half-Way House, on Saturday, Feb. 27th, a farm, town lots in Centreville, Honesdale lot, etc. Let all attend. J. W. & Wm. Miller, agents for Peter Miller, deceased.

MANY persons have asked us why we have not published the testimony in the recent Homicide case. We have refrained from doing so at the request of the Court as it might prejudice the minds of the people in favor of or against the prisoners yet to be tried.

ONE of the Royal Generals in Spain condemned a child only five years old to be shot as the son of a rebel. The child not understanding the situation, moved about, and by extraordinary luck was missed. The General then coolly threw it an orange, and while stooping to pick it up, a second volley stretched it dead.

In the cities a good price is paid for old paper. Some enterprising young men in the country could make a snug sum by establishing a depot here, and buying up the waste paper which is now destroyed or wasted for want of a market. He could connect himself with dealers in New York or Philadelphia, and realize a handsome percentage with little loss.

SEVERAL ACCIDENT.—On Saturday last while Alfred Gulp of Scott twp., was bringing a load of ore to town, just above Senator Calkins's residence he attempted to mount one of his horses, and fell, and both wheels of the loaded wagon passed over him. He was found lying in the road by some of his neighbors, and carried home. His injuries are very severe.

The weather for some time past has been so pleasant, that the birds are returning, and vegetation has taken a start. We were surprised to find in our garden a few days ago several pansies or Johnny-cakes, in full bloom. We do not think there is such cold weather in reserve, however, and many of our fruit-trees may be injured by pattering forth their buds prematurely.

MERIT will obtain its own reward. We are glad to know that our friend Chamberlin has received such positive proofs of public approval. His clothing is everywhere acknowledged to be the most stylish, the most durable and the most comfortable to be found anywhere. The praise is well bestowed, and we trust that all his friends may give him a trial.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—It is with much regret we learn that on Thursday last while Elisha Albertson was fixing the cornice on the house of Mathias Appleman, Esq., at Rohrsburg, the scaffolding broke, and he was precipitated to the ground, crushing in the back part of his head. He died the next day. The incident has cast a feeling of gloom over the entire community in which he lived.

ACQUITTAL OF DONAHOE.—As announced last week the jury returned a verdict of acquittal in the case of Alexander W. Rea. The jury at first stood, we are informed four for conviction and eight for acquittal. As soon as the verdict was announced Donaheo again arrested while yet in court, on the charge of attempting to rob Maj. Claude White near Pottsville. The Court ordered his release until he was out of Court, and upon his leaving he was again arrested and conveyed to Pottsville to answer the charge.

DR. EDWARD EVERETT, formerly of Orangeville, we see by the following tract from the *Lycoming Standard*, practicing by *Lycoming*.

Wm. Mrs. Rachel A. Clark, wife of Wm. Clark, residing in Ankersburg, Lycoming county, was on Wednesday last delivered of a female child on Wednesday following had two children. We suppose this case properly be denominated a case of twins. Dr. Edward Everett, the physician of Linden, we learn attended on the occasion, and pleased to hear that when last of the parties were in a tolerable condition.

We have received the March number of the *New Eclectic Magazine*, and are pleased to find it a very interesting and valuable work. It is published by Trumbull & Mardock 50 Lexington St. Baltimore @ \$4.00 per year.

THE KALIBIDOSO.

—its fluctuations and its vast concerns.

GEN. FRED W. LANDER.

It is in the beginning of 1862, while on duty in Gen. Banks' command on the Upper Potomac we were intimately associated with the command of General Lander, and I propose to give a few incidents in the life of that brave and remarkable man, gathered mainly from his own lips.

Of his public life previous to the late war, it is unnecessary for me to speak, suffice it to know that his perseverance and indomitable courage long ago made him known to the American public.

In person he was tall and commanding, with a slight stoop in his shoulders. His deep-toned voice seemed formed to command, and the expression of his eyes denoted the force of the fires within. By his conduct in the field he had already acquired and deserved the name of "the American Murat." Though he had a strong reliance upon his own powers, he was not deaf to the opinions of others, and in many instances was guided by them; yet in the conception and execution of his plans, he was decidedly original. He had been a soldier "from a baby," as he expressed it.

The first place he distinguished himself during the late war was at Rich Mountain, where he held a position on Gen. McClellan's staff. For some time he brought his chief to give him the command of three or four regiments in the field that he might attack the enemy. McClellan for a long time refused but finally gave him two regiments of new troops, one of them being under the command of his old friend, Col. Benham, a hero in the Mexican war. Gen. Lander, in a conversation, gave in substance the following account of the action.

For some distance the mountain was almost inaccessible, the fallen trees and thickets were so dense that the men could not close a rifle to the enemy's entrenchments, and then commenced firing. For a time his troops stood it well but the unaccustomed sound of bullets whistling by their ears, the perilousness of their position, and the uncertainty of their situation, all conspired to make them timorous, and they began to fall back. At this crisis Lander placed himself at their head, and thus addressed them: "Boys, why did you come here? Did you enlist to fight, or run? If you came to fight, *fight away!*" It was necessary to get nearer the entrenchments. "Boys," said he, again addressing them, "we must get nearer; *follow me!*" He then dashed down the side of the mountain and mounting a high rock said, "Now, boys, you can get behind this rock and fire at the rebels."

In the meantime old Benham's regiment began to waver. Benham, perceiving this, called out, "Boys, it is getting warm here, let us take a smoke!" He then coolly proceeded to draw from his pocket a pipe and tobacco, and after deliberately lighting it, re-formed his men into line of battle as well as the trees and ground would permit. After giving the command "Load," the regiment was advanced close to the enemy and the front rank was ordered to fire. By this means he advanced close to the enemy's entrenchments, and then gave the command for both ranks to fire, after which they fixed bayonets and drove the enemy from their position, thus winning the victory.

When McClellan took the command of the Army of the Potomac, Gen. Lander followed him, and soon after had a Brigade given him under Gen. Stone. At the Edwards' Ferry, he had a few troops under him, but they were armed with Belgian rifles, which could not be fired. The Confederates on the opposite side numbered some 3000. Lander was fortunate enough to have a company of sharpshooters. Concealing his useless force in a neighboring ravine, he posted his sharpshooters and opened on the enemy. Every shot told. Finally the Confederates began to waver, when Lander brought out his entire force, apparently as reinforcements. This added to the confusion of his opponents, and caused them to retreat. They again appeared, strengthened to 6000 in number, and the same tactics were used, with a like result. At this time Lander fired a ball in the center of the line and the loss of blood soon after caused him to faint. Speaking of the action, he said, "I have defeated 3,000 men, and caused 5,000 to retreat, with one company."

Before his wounds had healed he asked to be returned to duty, and was placed in command of Kelly's Division. It was with many regrets he left his "darling brigade." His principal duty was to protect the opening of the Baltimore and Ohio R. R. to Harper's Ferry. A man of less energy and determination would have been appalled at the almost insuperable obstacles in the way. On reaching Hancock, Md., he found our forces almost demoralized, and Stonewall Jackson threatening to shell the town. This at last he attempted, but the Parrott guns of our Battery not only saved the town, but drove the enemy from the opposite heights. He then telegraphed to Gen. McClellan a plan for annoying the enemy. It was as follows: To take all the horses in the vicinity, cavalry, artillery, and team horses included, and during the night to put several hundred men on the opposite side of the river, the men riding double. By attacking the enemy's rear with this force, he could either capture his wagon trains, or compel the foe to burn them in order to keep the supplies from falling into our hands. McClellan telegraphed to our hands, the supplies no one to interfere with his plans. Lander felt this implied reprimand severely. "Well," he said, "I have done what I could for the people here, and would have ventured further had I been allowed. At least I am not sorry I proposed the plan. Gen. McClellan must have sent me to command this important Division."

McClellan had confidence in him, as was shown in a special order issued by him March 31, 1862, announcing Lander's decease to the army, in which he said, "As a military leader he became a spirit of the most daring in the adaptation of means to the end. As a man his devotion to his country, his loyalty to affection and friendship, his sympathy with suffering, and his indignation at cruelty and wrong, constituted him a representative of true chivalry."

The public are aware how soon he brought order out of chaos in his command, and how rapidly he proceeded with the B. & O. R. R. the grand object of his Division. His dash and courage were undoubted. Learning that a Confederate force of 4000 men was encamped at Bloomsburg Gap, he made a march, with an inferior force, of forty-three miles, through a deep snow, without rest, and with scant sustenance, and succeeded in surprising the enemy, capturing seventeen officers and fifty privates. When nearing the camp he dashed forward with one aid, and before his support arrived had taken prisoner the Confederate commander and his staff.

The Secretary of War in a letter of thanks written by direction of President Lincoln, said: "You show much to be done, in the worst weather and the worst roads, by a spirited officer, at the head of a small force of brave men, unwilling to waste life in camp when the enemies of their country are within reach."

His care of the men under his command was remarkable. One instance will illustrate this. A private soldier in one of the hospitals wrote to him complaining of ill treatment, and demanded his discharge on the ground that he was blind in one eye, and was fast losing sight of the other. Lander at once sent for the Brigade Surgeon to ascertain the facts, and had summary justice done. The man and his outfit were guilty of intemperate swearing, but it was done with such earnestness, that instead of a sin it seemed like a necessary adjunct to the language. It was also reported that he was very intemperate, and had several fits of *delirium tremens*. This I do not believe. Doubtless his eccentricity impressed many with the belief that he was intoxicated.

He had no idea of fear. "Fear," said he, "is the feeling a young man has, when he first enters a ball-room or engages in a battle; but to try a man's soul let him engage in a duel, with a sword, six-foot bowie-knives, in a dark room, let us take knives, where the result is certain death to one party or the other."

He has been engaged in some such duels. The reader may remember that he was Congressman Potter's second in the projected duel between him and Roger A. Pryor. The latter refused to fight because the weapons named were *bovie-knives!* Lander afterwards offered to fight him with any kind of weapons, at any time and place Pryor might name.

STATEMENT OF THE FINANCES OF COLUMBIA COUNTY.

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