County Convention. The Democratic Convention called specially to amend the rules of nomination in this county, assembled at the Court House on Monday last. A code was adopted with rare unavimity, which we do not doubt will give perfeet satisfaction, and which will hereafter prevent all division, bickering and disaffection of any character. It will be seen that the cumulative or free voting plan is applied. Not only the majority in every district will therefore be hereafter represented, but the minorities also-every Democrat will, or may if he attends to it, be fully represented. The aggregate will of the majority, thus clearly ascertained, has a right to respect and its decisions will be regarded by all who have the interests print the proceedings in full, and also a table showing the number of delegates to which each district will be entitled until a new appointment is made well to preserve this paper for future

It will be seen also that a radical change has been made in the representation of districts in Convention, and that sundry rules to secure fairness in nominations have been adopted.

The time for holding the annual Convention is fixed upon the second Tuesday of August, Just two months before the date of the general elections, and that is probably as good a time as could be selected. The manner of choosing the Standing Committee is changed and the number largely increased, but the quorum is fixed at so small a number that the business of the Committee can at all times be conveniently transacted. The provisions against fraud seem to be judicious and although stringent caunot be complained of as they are made prospective and apply only to the future. The same remark will apply to the rules which deprive candidates and voters of certain privileges in case of their opposition to party nominations. A reasonable amount of discipline is necessary to the union, strength and success of a party.

But, as we have already mentioned, the important changes made are in the basis of representation and in the manner of electing delegates. Districts are to be represented in Convention according to their party vote, but no district shall have less than two or more than four delegates. Upon an exact apportionment upon a ratio of 60 votes to a delegate, five districts would have but one delegate each. These districts are Berwick, Montour, Frankliu, Roaringcreek and South Conyngham, the two first of which are only a little over the ratio for one delegate while the others fall below it. But it was supposed that taking away one delegate from each of those districts would produce dissatis faction, while allowing them two each, would only give five more votes in Convention out of a total of sixty seven. This would but slightly disturb the general result. Independent of this slight over-representation of small districts, the apportionment will be based strictly upon the principle of numbers (allowance being made for majority fractions of a ratio) and will be comdetely just. The result will be that Locust and Fishingereck will have 4 eratic vote. But the delegations from the larger districts will ordinarily be rule, so that those districts will not have undue power or absolute control

### Speaker of the Senate.

A Harrisburg correspondent of the Philadelphia Press is distressing himself over the imaginary rivalry between Messrs. Buckalew and Wallace about the Speakership of the Senate. He can make his mind perfectly easy and alsop in peace. It is well known amongst Mr. B's friends here that he accepted a seat in the Senate in order to labor in the cause of electoral reform and for no purpose of personal rivalry or ambition. The editor of the Press well knows, if his correspondent does not, that the person nominated at the end of the session is always adopted by his party at the ensuing session as their candidate. Mr. WALLACE was the candidate of the Democracy at the close of the last session, and will no doubt be again supported for that position by acclamation if he does not decline it.

Under these circumstances, all speculation as to difficulty in the organization is idle.

### Death of John H. Orth, Esq.

The last Clinton Democrat brings us of the death of John H. ORTH, Esq., one of the proprietors of that paper, and one of the most useful citizens of Lock Haven. Mr. ORTH was for more than eight years in the employ of the present editor of the Columbian (then proprietor of the Clinton Democrat) of ability and integrity that commanded the highest public regard and confidence, as well as the respect and grateful good will of his employer. He had few if any enemies, while his f. lends acquaintance. He was always a weakage of about 40 years. His remains

GRATZ BROWN told a few wholesome truths at a complimentary serenade given by him by his political friends in St. Louis the other evening. Among other things, addressing the veteran

Union soldiers present, he said: SOLDIERS—Wherever I have gone in the canvass of this great State I have ever found that those who bore the brunt of battle were the first to extend rear that would still prolong the note of discord, hoping for continued pil-

This pointed rebuke of ultra Radicals, who oppose the enfranchisement of whites when the same privilege was towed upon the blacks, was well

### Christmas.

vals of the Roman Calendar, that one called the Saturnalia, or feast in honor the Roman Senate in favor of Christi-

from the Greek and Eastern philoso-

many customs and ordinances. But it was in England in old days wise example-let all others profit by it. that the observance of this season was most celebrated. An Abbot of Unreason and a Lord of Misrule were appointed to conduct the festivities. The big

dance in the great hall with some hum- est way. ble retainer of her family. 'Peace on sally observed."

The excellent custom of making presgreat deal to make this festival an in- tion uppermost in their minds. teresting event to families. In Germany the custom prevails most, pervading all the classes and relations of society. In some German churches, sermons are delivered on Christmas eve for the benefit of children who attend carrying each a little taper. In the

respond to the priest. At the present time, Christmas is obdelegates each and all the other districts by all Christian churches and wherever the Christian influence is felt, by nearly all people. To this, however, the sourdivided between candidates in cases of tent still are, an exception, they regard punishment inflicted. "On earth peace, good will toward men"-or as the all men of good will"-is a sentiment which peculiarly governs the observance of Christmas every where, and from which is derived its title of "Merry Christmas."

### Morals of Radical Congressmen.

The New York Tribune says: selling caletships, one resigned to escape expulsion, three or four others got off only by the hard swearing of their accomplices, one has convicted himself of attempting to procure counterfeit money to pass among the poor negroes, one is charged with cheating soldiers'

The fellows who are thus held up to scorn are members of "the party of great moral ideas."

THOSE of the miners of Luzerne county who voted the Radical ticket last fall and brought defeat on the Dethe unwelcome and unexpected news mocracy, are receiving their reward now from the principal organ of the

> In a recent issue it said: for advancing the price of coal to con-

### Georgia to Grant Greeting!

were numbered by the extent of his troops into the State to encourage the struse problems in political philosophy ly man physically and died at the early Democrats have elected five out of seven | ded, therefore, that this undefined and were taken to Harrisburg for interment. jority of the Legislature, which secures altogether a sure reliance, and that it the general elections in the several elec-S. Senator.

Illinois, 797,265, followed by Missouri, place. the right hand of reconciliation—prompt to forget all animosity, and to consign to oblivion obsolete issues, bygone phraseciogy, past nomenciature. It was only those who held high carnival in the protocol of the pole. The protocol of the pole is the protocol of Illinois. This is somewhat of a surprise amongst a free and energetic people. tricts upon a ratio of sixty voters for to us, as we presume it will be to the They force change and excogitate new delegate, allowance being made for th nation.

> THERE will be five negroes in the next Congress. Not much honor to be a Congressmen in these times.

### The First Senatorial District.

Christmas was not celebrated as the The great Democratic triumph in the feast of Christ's birth in the first cen- first Senatorial district is the herald of turies of the Christian Church. When what is to come. It neutralizes the pofirst celebrated, different days were set Hilcal power of this State in such manapart by different authorities for that ner as to give fair apportionments, and, purpose—the Eastern Church fixing the to a great extent, due representation to most wise and enduring good to all. 6th of January. In the 5th century, each political party in Congress and in the Western Church ordered it to be the State Legislature. The election celebrated forever on the day of the old frauds of 1863, 1864, and 1869, when the Roman feast of the birth of Sol, the Democracy were cheated out of their 25th of December, though no informa- victories, can not therefore be repeated, tion respecting the day of Christ's birth and when we carry elections hereafter

existed. "Among the numerous festi- we will reap the advantages of success. election in the first district. A main by appointing the following officers: of Saturn, was by far the most promi- cause of Col. Decherr's success is unnent and important. It occurred on questionably the fact that by education, the 25th of December, and was celebra- experience and personal character he ted much after the fashion of our present Christmas. It was originally an nently qualified for the position. His of West Bloomsburg.

The credentials of delegates were ent Christmas. It was originally an nently qualified for the position. His Etruscan holiday, and borrowed evi- own party was unanimous in his supdently from the nations who afterwards port for this reason -for this reason maunder the name of Goths, played so im- ny Republicans supported him and maportant a part in the history of the ny others withheld their votes from his tion of the Convention at the afternoon world. The Etruscans, or Etrurians, opponent, and for this reason all who were doubtless from the same stock as were not governed by strong partisan the Goths, as is evidenced by their feelings supported him. Why will not of the great party truly at heart. We many resemblances to that people. all parties everywhere, then, heed this to meet at two o'clock p. m. When after the formal declaration by lesson, and for the mere sake of success nominate their most respectable and anity, the birthday of our Saviour was best qualified citizens for office? We made a general holiday, and from a are evidently on the eve of the times after the next Governor's election. As variety of causes the 25th of December when rogues and incompetents must no provision was made to publish the was finally settled upon as the anniver- stand aside-when they will be weak new rules in any other form, it may be sary of His birth, all the general rejoic-candidates sure to bring defeat—and ing of the Saturnalia was incorporated when people will select candidates as M. Millard. into Christmas, and thus the wildest they do agents or employees: for their honors paid to a heathen Deity were fitness to do the business desired and R. F. Clark. transferred to the worship of the Son of their integrity in all things. No man God. When the Gothic and Teutonic willingly employs a rogue to do his prinations conquered and dismembered the vate business, and he is himself a rogue Roman empire, they incorporated their or an ass who voluntarily entrusts his own observances of this season with the public business to such. When any customs of the Saturnalia, and the va-sensible man has work to do he emrious ordinances attached to the day ploys a man who by practice has proved nimself fit to do that kind of work phies. And thus the Christmas of well. Why should not the rule apply Christian nations became a mosaic of with equal force to public affairs? The people of the first district have set a

Notwithstanding his large official majority of 1301, extraordinary precautions had to be taken to prevent Col. DECHERT from being cheated out of the punch bowl was brought out, and the election. Injunctions were obtained wild bells of the birthright rang out from the several Courts compelling the their merry peans to the universal joy. return judges to make fair returns and The sacred mistletoe was put over the to add them all properly together, and door-post, under its mystic seal the kiss | then to give the certificace of election of love was given by the merry revel- to the person thus appearing to have lers. In the days of the Roman Satur. the highest number of votes. This gave nalia the slaves were allowed the most the Courts power over the whole subperfect liberty, and for the time being ject and compelled honest action on the the relative positions of master and ser- part of the board of return judges. But vant were changed. In England and for this precaution Col. DECHERT would among the Gothic nation; almost the no doubt have been cheated out of his same license was allowed, and on the seat, as Mr. DIAMOND was last year, 25th of December the proudest and fair. from the same district. It is something est heiress of the haughty lines of to know that the Courts can and will Neville, of Clare, and of Cholmondely control corrupt election officers and did not think it beneath her dignity to force them to do their duties in an hon-

Another fact is proven: The people, earth, good will to man,' spoken 1870 even partisan people, want to see fair years ago, has been on this day univer- apportionments. Many Republicans, very many, desired Col. DECHERT's election because it would compel a fair ents on Christmas eve is derived from apportionment. Let politicians and an old heathen usage, in vogue amongst legislators profit by this example. In the ancient Germans, but it has become all theirefforts to get up apportionments concecrated by ages and contributes a they will do well to keep this admoni

### Conservatism

It may be worth while to consider the fact occasionally that Conservatism. however respectable and wise, was never popular in the United States. The Mr. Leggott, by striking it out and sub-Catholic church, the officium pastorum most radical of parties has ever tri is sung, in which a chorus of children umphed over its rival in Federal poli- ject. A further motion of amendment ties. Neither public interests, nor customs, nor Constitutions, nor experience, nor morality, nor all combined, nor reason, nor philosophy, nor danger, have ever proven sufficient as barriers to thwart or even stay the headlong course of the party that professed the most advanced radicalism. We do not contest, under the operation of the 5th ing as sinful every thing that is pleasurable except their own desire to see our history proves it to be fact-an imand consideration-and is perhaps an Catholics have it: "On earth peace to evil that ought to be guarded against. Federalism was conservative-Democracy was a radical experiment and innovation upon former precedent. And Democracy drove its rival out of existence, and maintained its power against all conservative competitors until a rival more radical appeared on the scene. Sheer accident gave that rival its first victory and placed the Federal The XLIst Congress is not likely to go down to history with a commendable reputation for good morals. Two of its members have been expelled for that radicalism, maintained it in the commendation of that radicalism, maintained it in the commendation of that radicalism, maintained it in the commendation of the radicalism. of that radicalism, maintained it in power until our government was not only changed but revolutionized. That this particular form of radicalism can not last long from mere want of adhesion is sufficiently patent, but as love widows out of their pensions, and now the indictment of another for bigamy eventually be supplanted by something for the extreme prevails, will it not still in advance of all former parties in the profession o' extravagant ideas? The French have never been able to maintain a Republic and probably never will for this very reason,

The dependence of the American people is upon their assumed superior intelligence. If they possess this virtue it may be sufficient for their purpose, but it may be well for them to bear in Radical party, the New York Tribune. mind that this rare excellence is not universally accorded to them, is even "The strike of the coal miners in denied, and may possibly be an haluci Pennsylvania is not a serious one, yet it will be used, we dare say, as an excuse that regard, it can not but be apparent during which time he had entire charge of the large business of that establishment, which he conducted with a degree one, but swindles a great many."

to every one who looks around him that they are not a very reflective people, that go-aheaditiveness is an overpowering element in their chargeter. powering element in their character, that they bend almost every energy to the making of money and to maintain At the recent election in Georgia, extravagance in living, and that their notwithstanding the fact that President | minds are more intent in that direction GRANT sent large numbers of Federal than in considering and mastering ab-'pet lambs' and Carpet-baggers, the and public morals. It may be conclumembers of Congress and a large ma- unadmitted claim to intelligence is not Saturday before at the places of holdin the election of another Democratic U. behaves all people to strive further for tion districts, between the hours of intelligence and to think deeply upon every matter of public concern-and AHEAD.—The North American says then to act solely fron noble aspirations that Pennsylvania leads the van of and patriotic impulses. The fondness States in actual increase of population, for extreme ought not to rule, ought to tion to the Democratic vote of each her absolute gain being 979,000, while be checked and destroyed, and an earthe largest gain in any other State is nest desire to do right ought to take its ernor, but the whole number of dele

521,009; Iowa, 502,605, and New York, Nor have we, by any means, undoubtwants and new vices, develope new virtues and powers-never occupy an even plain but advance upward or re- whenever necessary make an apportion trograde downward-and will thus ever ment of delegates to the several dis

nearly every thing else, a sober, sub- nual convention. stantial and well defined medium is

County Convention The Democratic Delegates from the everal districts of Columbia county met at the Court House in Bioomsburg, pursuant to the call of the Standing Committee, on Monday, December 26, There are lessons in the result of the 1870, at 11 1 o'clock a. m., and organized

> President, WILLIAM LAMON, of Briarcreek; Secretaries, WILLIAM T. SHU MAN, of Main, and John G. FREEZE,

> called over and accepted. On motion a committee of seven was appointed to report amended rules for the considerasession. After some informal discussion of several questions of proposed

> AFTERNOON SESSION :- The Convention reassembled at 2 o'clock p. m., and the corrected list of delegates being called over was found to be as follows: Benton-I. K. Krickbaum, Peter

Bloomsburg, East-C. R. Buckalew,

Bloomsburg, West-John G. Freeze, Briarcreek-Wm, Lamon, Lewis J. Adams.

Catacissa-Hiram J. Reeder, Hamilton Fisher. Centralia-Thomas Geraghty, C. G.

Murphy. Centre-H. D. Knorr, L. A. Hutchi-

Conyngham, North-R. Thornton, J. Dougherty. Conyngham, South-Michael Dough-

Fishingcreek-Emandus Unangst, Cyrus Robbins. Greenwood-John Leggott, A. J. Al-

Hemlock-William H. Shoemaker. Main-William T. Shuman, Michael

Grover. Mifflin-John R. Yohe, Samuel Snyder. Montour - John G. Quick.

Mt. Pleasant-John Mordan, William Miller. Orange-James B. Harman, O. A.

Megargell. Pine-Joseph Dribelbis, P. W. Sones Scott-Samuel R. Kline, R. J. Mil-

Mr. Buckslew from the Committee and amendments of the old rules which were acted upon in their order by the Convention

The first of the old rules was amended, on motion of Mr. Krickbaum, so other member thereof, who shall enteras to fix the time for holding the annu- tain and put to vote motions for the al Conventions on the second Tuesday of August.

The second rule fixing two delegates for each district was amended, according to the report of the Committee, by striking it out and substituting in its place four new rules regulating the representation of districts and providing for the manner of voting for delegates This amendment was agreed to after debate, by a vote of 23 to 12. The ninth rule, relating to the Standing

Committee, was amended, on motion of stituting a new rule on the same sub-Standing Committee to appoint all Conferees, was lost. A new rule reported by the Commit-

tee to enforce obedience to instructions or has corrupted or attempted to corby delegates in convention, was then rupt any voter of the district with refconsidered, amended and agreed to. The fifth, fifteenth, sixteenth and

zerne county, with several modificaa new rule also reported by them relating to the challenging of voters at delegate elections, were severally adopted. The following resolutions also reported by the Committee on Rules, were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That our Senator and Representative in the Legislature be instructed to use their best efforts to secure fair and full representation for this county in the Legislative apportion-ment to be made at the coming session,

been long subjected.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention it will be simple justice to this county that she be allowed a Representative by herself in the new apportionment, or be placed in a district which shall be allowed two or three members of whom one can always be members of whom one can always be allotted to her in the making of district

nominations.

Resolved, That the principle of the proportional representation of districts and of voters adopted by this Convention for county nominations is one eminently proper for application to district nominations in which this county may be hereafter concerned, whether

On motion, the Chairman of the Committee on Rules and the Secretaries of the Convention were authorized and requested to arrange the rules as adopted and supervise their publication. Adjourned. WILLIAM LAMON, WILLIAM T. SHUMAN, President

JOHN G. FREEZE, Secretaries.
BULES OF NOMINATION, As adopted by the Convention, Dec. 26.

I. The annual County Convention shall be held at the Court House in Bloomsburg, on the second Tuesday of August, at one o'clock p. m., and th Delegate Elections shall be held on th three and seven o'clock in the after

County Convention shall be in propos cast at the most recent election for Go gates shall not exceed seventy nor b less than fifty-four, and no district sha be allowed less than two nor more than

III. Until the next election for Go ernor delegates shall be allowed to dis largest fractions of a ratio.

IV. The Standing Committee sha render new measures and new ideas tricts under these rules and publish it,

necessary. But these need not neces- together with the rules as amended, in sarly be either radical or conservative the Democratic newspapers of the counas a general rule of action, and, as in ty, at least two weeks before each an-

V. Voters at Delegate elections may the safest and surest, and effects the give their votes to a smaller number of candidates than the whole number to following amendment: "The memoers be elected, in the manner provided in of the Legislature shall be paid by the the fourth section of the Bloomsburg day, and shall receive pay only for each act of 4th of March, 1870.

VI. The delegate elections shall be by-ballot and shall be held and conducted by a Judge and clerk, to be selected by the Democrats in attendance, and the said officers shall keep a list of voters and tally of votes counted, to be Legislature next following it. The sent by them to the Convention with year and nays shall be called, upon the their certificate of the result of the elec-

VII. All cases of disputed seats in Convention shall be disposed of openly by vote after hearing the respective claimants and their evidence.

VIII. All delegates must reside in the district they represent. In case of an absent delegate he may depute another, if he fail to do so his colleagues in amendment, the Convention adjourned attendance may substitute for him. In other cases the Convention may fill up the representation from the citizens of the district in attendance. 1X. The voting in Conventions shall

be open, and any two members may Harrisburg, in the nomadic character Kelly and John W. Forney. This, require the yeas and nays on any question pending. X. Special Conventions may be called

when necessary, by the Standing Committee, the proceedings of which shall conform to these rules. XI. All county nominations and all appointments of conferees and of dele-

fiding fellow citizens. gates to State Conventions, shall be made in County Conventions. XII. The Standing Committee shall consist of one member from each elec-

tion district, who shall be elected by the people at the delegate elections, who shall choose their own Chairman; and any five of them shall be a quorum, when called together by the Chair-

XIII. No member of the Legislature shall be chosen by this county as a Delegate to a State Convention during his

XIV. In Convention a majority of a nomination, and no person named shall be peremptorily struck from the vote, when the lowest name shall be vote until a nomination shall be effec-

XV. Delegates instructed by the vo instructions in Convention, and votes given by them in violation of their inon Rules reported sundry new rules Convention. All instruction shall be reported by the election officers. XVI. Conventions shall be called to

order by the Chairman of the Standing Committee, or in his absence by some election of a President and two Secre taries for purposes of temporary organ-

XVII. No person shall be eligible to nomination by a Convention who has opposed the Democratic ticket at the next preceding election; but this rule shall apply only to cases of opposition to tickets hereafter formed.

XVIII. It shall be a good cause of challenge against any person offering to vote at any delegate election that he has voted against Democratic candidates at Federal or State elections within two years, or has opposed the Democratic ticket at the last preceding elecfor his vote at such delegate election, erence to the same; but this rule shall apply only to causes of challenge arising subsequent to its adoption.

Convention that any candidate before it for nomination to any office shall have offered or paid any money or valuable thing, or made any promise of person with the knowledge or approbation of such candidate the name of such candidate shall be immediately struck from the list of candidates; or if such feet be ascertained after his nomination to any office and before the final adstruck from the ticket and the vacancy either case such person shall be ineligiple to any nomination by a Convention or to election as a delegate, for a period

of two years. XX. If any delegate shall receive any money or other value ble thing, or accept the promise of money or other valmay be hereafter concerned, whether Judicial, Congressional, Senatorial or Representative, and that it be recommended to future Conventions to insist upon and take proper steps to secure the extension of this just principle to district conferences whenever more than two counties (including Columbia) shall two counties (inclu forthwith expelled and shall not be rescribed as a delegate to any future Convention for a period of two years, and during that time shall also be ineligible for any party nomination. Cases ter to be applied for." forthwith expelled and shall not be ble for any party nomination. Cases arising under this and the next preceding rule shall have precedent all other business in Convention until determined.

XXI. None of these rules shall be

altered or rescinded at a regular annual Convention, unless by a vote of twothirds of all the delegates present.

APPORTIONMENT OF DELEGATES UN-DER THE SECOND AND THIRD BULES ABOVE

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## Harrisburg Correspondence

HARRISBURG, Dec. 17, 1870. To the Editor of the Columbian:
In continuation of the subject of Lag-

islative reform, I would respectfully suggest to the Reform Convention, the day, including Sundays in which they shall be employed at the seat of Government, in the performance of their Legislative duties."

"Each Legislature shall fix, by law, the daily pay of the members of the passage of the aforesaid law and shall be published in at least one newspaper printed in each county of the Commonwealth during the week immediately preceding the following general

It is to be hoped that the adoption of back the sessions of our Legislature to that degree of stability and permanency necessary to a calm investigation of of traveling railroad menageries or of wandering tribes of carpet baggers, deportment of American citizens, en gaged in the performance of the highest and most responsible duties which could be entrusted to them by their con-

The Senators and Representatives be ing, by the above amendment, paid by the day, it will become necessary to limit the duration of the Legislative essions, as follows: "The regular essions of the Legislature shall terminate on the 31st day of March, in every year, unless sooner adjourned by joint resolution of both Houses." In order to cure our Representatives of the erratic habits they have acquired, under the corrupting influence of free railroad passes, I would suggest the following amendment to the 17th section of the first article of the present Conall the votes given shall be necessary to stitution. "Neither House shall, without the consent of the other, adjourn for more than one day nor to any other no accumulation of such articles during list of candidates until after the fourth place than that in which the two Houses shall be sitting." To secure economy struck off and so on at each successive and to put a stop to the annual creation of numerous sinecures by each House, to reward partizan loafers, I would propose the following amendment to the ters who select them shall obey their 11th section of the first article of the present Constitution, to wit: "Each House shall choose its speaker and oth structions shall be disallowed by the er officers and the number of officers to be employed in either House shall be determined, the yeas and nays being called, by not less than two thirds of all the members constituting the body of the House, and the Senate shall also choose

a Speaker pro tem when the Speaker shall exercise the office of Governor." Not one out of a thousand who live at a distance from the seat of Government can realize the number of Legislative sinecures which this amendment s intended to wipe out. Besides the Sergeant at Arms and door keepers for each House, there seems of late no other limit to the number of their assistants than the claims of hungry partizan expectants. The same may be said of messengers and their assistants; Post Masters and their assistants. Then comes the grand army of pasters, with nothing to paste; and those valiant and

incorruptible patriots whose invaluable services at the polls entitle them to the agreed to take dignity of guards at the doors of Cloa money or other valuable thing, or any cina's Temple, where, with tissue paper pecuniary advantage, as a consideration in hand, they humbly minister to the ease of their magnificent Legislative benefactors, for the moderate sum of seven hundred dollars per session! Then to fill up the measure of Legislative munificence, follow, rank on rank the battalions of washer women, useful XIX. If it shall be made to appear in more ways than one, and sufficient, perious fact that deserves observation tions, reported by the Committee, and to the satisfaction of a majority of a in point of numbers, to bestow a snow white purity, not only upon the most secret recesses of the Capital, but upon the consciences of its numerous inmates! There is a redeeming spice money or valuable thing to take effect of charity in the very liberal payment in future, as an inducement to any dele- of these hordes of poor women, which gate to vote for him; or to any other imparts to the Capitol a certain poorperson with the view of inducing or house appearance, very suggestive of securing the votes of delegates; or if the future condition of the Commonthe same shall be done by any other wealth under the persistent legislation of our modern solons! The Senators and Representatives be-

ing paid by the day, it will be necessary to limit the duration of the Legislative sessions, to wit: "The Legislature shall meet on the first Tuesday of Janjournment, the nomination shall be uary in every year, unless sooner convened by the Governor, and shall tersupplied by a new nomination; and in minate its sessions on or before thirtyfirst of March following." The following three amendments are

intended to put an effective check upon the local legislation which has become the main source of corruption in our State Legislature:

"The Legislature shall not have power to enact laws annulling the contract of marriage in any case whatever." "No corporate body shall hereafter

be created, renewed or extended, or the charter thereof amended, without six months previous public notice of the application for the same, in such man-

tition shall be certified correct by the President Judge of the Court of Quarter Sessions having jurisdiction over the district aforesaid." The twenty-third section of the article of the present Constitution should be

so amended as to require two-thirds of all the members constituting the body of each House to pass a bill over the Governor's veto. This amendment will strengthen the hands of the executive; will render ineffective the tricks of the artful dodgers and will carry out the real intent of a two-third vote. The ideas contained in the above proposed amendments, will I believe cover nearly the whole ground of the Legis-

practical defects which have marred Legislation under the provisions of the present Constitution. "JUNIUS." LUMINOUS!—The Wilkesbarre Spiritt of the Times approves both of the President's position in favor of the annexation of San Domingo and SUMNER's opposition to it, but thinks the conduct of both worthies "unworthy of statesmen!" The same editor is "jealous" of "the spirit of annexation that wants all that adjoins us."

lative reform suggested by the many

### European News.

While there has been heavy fighting n France during the past week, and a terrible slaughter of men, with the usual French defeats, we do not see that the situation is materially changed It is reported that the Prussians have commenced bombarding one of the Par's forts and that the bombardment will become general by the 1st of Jan-

uary. Other European affairs remain with out decisive alteration,

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 25.—The Rev. Albert Barnes, D. D., the well known author of Barnes' Note on the Gostel. died suddenly at four p. m. on Saturday, while on a visit of condolence, at the residence of a member of his congrega tion, in the Twenty seventh ward. He was in apparent perfect health, having preached (wice last Sabbath. He was conversing with his daughter, when he this proposed amendment, will bring suddenly threw back his head and expired. He was seventy-two years old.

Col. DONN PIATT pronounces the he grave matters submitted to their Hon, Jeremiah S. Black to be the one consideration, and that the representagreat man in Pennsylvania. In the tives of the people instead of twice in same paragraph, the Col. rates very low each week appearing in the streets of the Hon. Simon Cameron, William D. from a Radical journalist, is pretty well and may atone for some unjust deprewill resume the sober and respectable ciation of the State. His acquaintance with Democrats is probaby limited. Congress adjourned on Thursday

last to meet again on the 4th of January. Previous to adjournment, the San Doningo resolution to appoint commissioners to visit and report upon the Island, passed by a large vote. During the debate, SUMNER indulge I in severe denunciation of the President. FORNEY declares that the Radicals of the Senate hate each other worse than they do the

Among the articles of value which Treasurer SPINNER has charge of in the vaults at the Treasury, are a large bottle of otto of roses presented to Provident VAN BUREN by the Imaum of Siam. valued at \$800; a lot of fine shawls, and other rare gifts presented to different Democratic Presidents, There has been the reign of GRANT.

MAJOR GEN, MEADE closed his speech at the unveiling of the Gettysourg picture, with a humane sentiment, very creditable to an eminent soldier: War is not to be encouraged unless circumstances compel us to engage, a d looking at this picture all will join in the prayer, 'God preserve us from an other war.'

### MARRIAGES.

WISE-KRESSLER-At the residence of the bride's father, near dio-maturz, on the 22d inst, by fee, B. F. Alleman, Mr. D. F. Wise, of Williamsport, is Mrs M. Electa Kressler.

MORRIS-HOFFMAN-Dec. ist, by Rev. J. Fearon Brown, Mr Robert J. Morris of Biooms-burg to Miss Angelina Hoffman, of Orange twp, Columbis coarty, Pa. BOWER-HENRY-At the M. E. Parsonage, it Ora gevine, on the with inst., by the same Mr. Henry Bower and Miss Louisa J. Henry. MccLOUGHAN-BOWMAN-In Orangeville, on the 231 inst., by Rev. N. Spear, Mr. . T. Me-Cloughan, of Danville, to Miss Anna M. Bow-man, of Orangeville.

HOFFMAN-HINTERLEITNER-On the 22d inst., by Rev. Wm. J. Eyer, Mr Francis Hoff-man, of Catawissa, to Mes Amanda Hinter-lettner, of Beaver Lawnship. RUNALE-DREISBACH-On the 24th inst., at KUNALE—DREISHACH the r-sidence of the bride's lather, by Rev. A. Houtz, Mr. Elimandus Kunkie, to Miss Eliza Breishach, both of Fishingcreek township,

# HUTTON-THALER-In Shenandoah, 6.1 the 13th Inst., at the M. E. Parsonage, by Rev. J. T. Swindells, Mr. James W. Hutton, of Blooms-burg, to Mes Emma A. Thaler, of Shenandoah,

DEATHS.

YOUNG On Friday morning, in Williamsport Willoughly Amorose, son of Robert S. and Harriet S. Young, formerly of Bloomsburg aged 21 years, 5 months and 22 days.

# NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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LICENSE NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the following petitions for License to sell liquor have been filed in the Prothonoutery's office, and will be presented to the Court at February term, A. D. 1871, to wite Andrew T. Ikeler. Benton, Hotel, William Torry, Centralia. Liquor Store, Edward Curley, Edward Curley, WELLINGTON H. ENT.

Bloomsburg, Dec. 39, 1870-tf.

Bloomsburg, Dec. 30, 1870-tf.

COLUMBIA COUNTY, S.S. O'LUABIA COUNTY, S.S.

In the Orpans' Court. Petition of Nicolas Kindt. Administrator of Frederick Rodice sad-Becember 12, 1876, upon presentation petition, E. H. Little, Esq., appoint a middle to acceptain the indectiness of the said estate petitioner and to apply a sum sufficient out the real estate to pay the same safe entire the real estate to pay the same, and to mad distribution of the balance of the money arisin from said real estate to the heirs and legal recentatives of Frederick Rorr, deceased. It the Court. From the Rooord.

W. H. ENF. Clerk

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned Auditor will attend to the duties of its abov appointment at his office in discussion of standay, January 28th, 1871, at ten o'clock at in, juried in the contraction of the standay and the con-juried in the contraction of the standay and the con-COLUMB A COUNTY, S.S.

In the Orphans' ourt. Is Ric fie B-Bj.onin F. Hartman, Administrates Discount F. Hartman, Administrates Open on the Park of the Common Oral F. Clark, Esq. E. H. Lill is outed Auditor to make discribution sure. From the Record. Notice is nereby given that the understant

No local law shall be enacted by the Legislature except upon the petition of not less than two-thirds of the taxable inhabitants residing within the district for which the law is asked: the said petition shall be certified.

ALUABLE REAL ESTATE. In pursuance of an order of the Orphans' Court of Colombia county, the undersigned Administrator, a, of the estate of John Hess, intend of the town-hip of Fishing-rees, in said county, decassed, will expose to public sale on the premases on SAT URDAY, the flat day of January, A. D. 181, at 16 octoos A. M., of said day, the lollowing described real estate, to wit: A certain message and

TRACT OF LAND,

aimate in Pishingcreek township, in said count; bounded by lands of Cornelius C-deman an John Andrews on the east, Josiah Hess on th south, Nathan Smin on the west and Georg Pealer and others on the north, CONTAINING 135 ACRES,

nore or less, whereon are erected a good

a frame barn, horse stable and wagen shed, and other outbuildings a good well and spring of water near the dwelling house, a good apple or chard and other Iruit on the premises. About one hundred acres of the above tract is cleared land. one hundred acres of the above tract is cleare iand.

Tenus of Sale.—Ten per cent of one-third of the purchase money to be paid at the strikin down of the property. The one-third of the partiase money less the ten per cent, to be paid of the ist of April, A. D. 1611, when possession of the purchase money to be paid as follows: One had for the balance of the purchase money to be paid as follows: One half of the balance on the lat day of April 1871, and the other half on the lat day of April 1871, and the other half on the lat day of April 1871, pay able annually. The last two payments to be secured by bond and mortage on the premise Purchaser to pay for mortgage, deed and stamp Purchaser to pay for mortgage, deed and stamp Hillam HESS.

Stilliwater, Dec. 30, 1870-it. Administrator.

decs07 tw. Republican please copy.) DUBLIC SALE VALUABLE REAL ESTATE.

DITOR'S NO TOE

In pursuance of an order of the Orphana'C of Columna county, will be exposed to partie, on the premises, on ThussDay Jaxe, 56th, 1871, and to continue on Friday if the perty should not all be sold, the following seribed heat Estate Late of Jacob Eyer, deceand umbered by purparts as per sheriff, quest, viz.

No. 5.—A TRACT OF LAND, situate in Greech and county wood township, Columbia county. voisi township, Columbia sounty, adjoi ther and of Heirs of Jacob Eyer, land of lam Fairman, Elizabeth Fairman and of ontaining

PIFTY-FOUR ACRES AND NINETY-NIN No. 6.—Situate in Madison township, by Demott's creek, Fishingcreek, and other the heirs of Jacob Eyer, containing

ONE HUNDRED ACRES. No. 7.—Situate in Madison township, bom by lands or neob Manning, Robert Monig ety's nerth, Jacob Demott, and other labd heirs of Jacob Eyer, containing ONE HUNDRED & THIRTY-THREE ACR

AND FOUR PERCHES. No. 8.—Situate in Madison township, bay 1 rats of Jacob Demort, John Reine Philip Miller, and other lands of deceder laining

SIXTY-ONE ACRES AND FIFTY-FOUR PERCHES.

No. 9, Situate in Greenwood and Mar leasant townships, bounded by lands or frew Miller, rhulip Miller, George Beagle, sther lands of Jacob Eyer's Heirs, containing TWENTY-THREE ACRES AND ONE H No. 10.—Situate in Greenwood township olning the town plot of Eyer's Grove and between Fishingcreek and the mili race athing

FOUR ACRES AND ONE HUNDRED A

TWENTY-SIX PERCHES No. 11.—About Six Acres of vacant town in the town plot of the village of Eyer's Gr No. 12.—A Brick Dwelling House and le ground, in Eyer's Grove, occupied by Ja No. 15.—A Frame Dwelling House and I ground in Eyer's Grove, late occupied by No. 16.—A Frame Dwelling House and ground in Eyer's Grove, occupied by J.

No. 17.-A Frame Dwelling House and I No. 18 —Situate in Madison and Mount P and townships, counded by mads of A. P. an townships, counded by made of A. P. ser, Reno. a Wilson and others, containing a TW.NTY-IV. A AURES, and known a. Water Right Let."

No. 19.—A SAW MILL with a good we power, viz. the use of the overflow from grist unit, adjoining the town of Eyer's Grogether with about one-furth of an acland, situate between the grist mill tail race the old one.

No. 30.-The undivided one-half of the fo TRACT OF LAND. whereon are erected a arge three stary min, averaging house and bundings with the art unables, and confined as follows, to be a few and start the intersection of the start and start start and the intersection of the start and start start and the intersection of the start start and start start and the start and start start and the start

EIGHTY THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDREI FORTY-SIX AND ONE-FOURTH SQUARE FEET,

pd said lot number ninety-seven in the tine town of Eyer's Grove with the water and privileges attached to said belonging to aid mill. ALSO the undivided one-half pa it that certain other. LOT OF GROUND, nate in Eyer's Grove, Greenwood tow

oresaid, and confided and described wit: beginning at a post at the inte Spruce altey and Main Street and bence south sieven and three-quarter

THIRTEEN THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRE AND THIRTY-TWO SQUARE FEET and being het number ninety-six, in the plan of the town of Eyer's Grove.

ALSO: That portion of the same estate situat in the town of Bloothyburg, will on offered as sate on the premises, on SATURDAY JANUAR STO, 171, Viz.

No. 1.—bounded by lands of Bloomsburg Is the male of John G. Freeze, McKelvy, Nort Co., Dr. John C. Ratter an a others, contained ONE HUNDRED AND NINE ACRES. with the farm buildings.

SEVENTY-TWO ACRES AND ONE HUN DRED AND FIFTY-THREE PERCHES. Upon which days and times due attendance as priormation will be given.

STEPHEN H. MILLER.

Administrate
The Court therefore order and decree that
said Stephen H. Miller expose the said prem The Court therefore order and decree that is aid Stephen H. Millier expose the said premise to public saile on Thursday, the 26th day of Jin unry, A. D. 1871, at 1en o'closed A. M., and self it same for the best price that can be had therefor with power to adjourn from time to thus, upon the following terms and conditions: Ten be cent. of one-fourth of the purchase maney to be paid at the striating down of the property; the one-fourth less the ten per cent, at the confirmation of saile, and the remaining three-fourths is one year thereafter, with interest from combination in the confirmation of saile, and the remaining three-fourths is one year thereafter, with interest from combination in the confirmation of the property of the confirmation of the property.

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