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EBENSBURG, PA., THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 1867.

which has "never before been published."

year old letter of their "Great Commoner":

our county. Petitions will be sent to a

the counties for our friends to sign to inves-

tigate, and if we get a fair Committee, I have

no doubt we can vacate the election. Gov.

Ritner has received 128 or 4 thousand votes.

The Legislature convened on the 10th

of December, 1838. The minority return

judges of Philadelphia had refused to mee:

with the majority, but met clandestinely

and gave the certificate of return to the

Stevens' members. -This made their num-

ber 52, instead of 42, their real force.

The democrats had 48 without Philadel-

phia, and 58 with it. The democratic

members from Philadelphia had been

elected according to the returns, admitted

by all to be legal, by over 1,000 majority.

The plan of the traitors was to secure

the organization of the House, (they had

the Senate,) and then the success of their

treason was sure. Accordingly, Ritner's

Secretary read the names of the defeated

members from Philadelphia, who came

forward to be sworn. This the democrats

resisted, and with the legally elected mem-

bers from Philadelphia, proceeded to or-

ganize the House by electing Hopkins, of

Washington, Speaker, while the Stevens'

men elected Cunningham, of Mercer,

This was the emergency Stevens had

anticipated and provided for. An insur-

rection was declared to exist-the military

were called out on a requisition, and large

military supplies were demanded, promi-

nent among which was the article of buck-

shot, which gave its name to the struggle,

and which has since been known as the

The democrats adopted the expedient

of their forefathers of the revolution, and

appointed a "Committee of Safety," in

view of the apparent cessation of the func-

tions of Government, of which Joseph

Newbold, of Philadelphia, was President.

Pennsylvania. The most gloomy fore-

bodings pervaded the public mind. That

the streets of our capitol should be en-

crimsoned with the blood of our people

seemed imminent. But the "sober second

thought of the people" came to the rescue.

The awful perils of the hour induced

thought-cool, dispassionate reflection. A

number of the Anti-Masons, who had

These were dark days, indeed, for

Speaker of the Rump.

"Buckshot war."

extent and character.

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ended his wretched existence.

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BY LINNET.

She resteth now, and the quiet heart Will never again know pain; She lieth low, for the reaper, Death, Has gathered the golden grain. She heard his solemn and warning tread, And, ripe for Heaven, bowed down her head.

She sacrificed for the light of truth The faith of her childhood's days-All earthly ties and all human hopes, The wealth of the world, its praise-And deemed the offering incomplete, Till life was laid at her Master's feet.

She resteth now, and the blessed thought Will tenderly dry the tears That oft may rise from our lonely hearts For her in the coming years. We know not now, but we yet may know How great the mercy that tries us so.

We fix our hearts on the things of earth, They pass like the fleeting waves: Our treasures fade, and they leave us naught To love but their silent graves. We learn at last to what fragile things The human heart in its weakness clings.

Then stretching forth, like a weary child, Our hands to the port of rest, And looking up with a longing gaze To Him who can aid us best, We journey onward, and hope to see The friends we love in eternity.

Original Correspondence.

MacSHANE IN WASHINGTON.

LETTER NUMBER EIGHT.

HON. THADDEUS STEVENS. This distinguished gentleman, who furnishes the brains for the Rump, deserves something more than an ordinary notice. He is the "Great Commoner" in a body of very common men-the man of "iron will" where so many depend on their brass -the great embodiment of the disembodied Congress, which now shows only a

Thaddeus Stevens was born in Vermont, emigrated to Pennsylvania at an early age, and settled at Gettysburg, where he taught school and studied law. About 1834, if memory serves me, he was elected to the State Legislature. He was soon distinguished for his thrilling eloquence and unequalled power of invective.

Prominent in his legislative career was his bold and persistent efforts in favor of a general system of education. This affords the bright spot in his career-the only measure upon which he can venture on posterity with safety to his good name. Apart from this, his declamatery powers were such as to render him an invaluable MPORTANT TO EVERYBODY. leader for a minority, or attacking party.

Ritner was elected Governor in 1835, the democrats having divided on Wolff and Muhlenburg. The same causes that elected an An i-Masonic (that was the name of our opponents then) Governor, of Ebensburg and the north of the county gave the same party a majority in the Legislature. Thus placed in power, Stevens appears in a new role, as the leader and mouthpiece of the new State administration. Here his talents were tried, and

His first measure was to reveal the secrets of Free Masonry. He had sought initiation into the sanctum of the "brethren of the mystic tie," but as he labored under the physical defect of a club foot, he could not work, so he was rejected. Eter-(as he called it) was the consequence.

He got an Investigating Committee, with himself as its chairman-something like his present Reconstruction Committee -which constituted itself a Star Chamtify as to the secrets of Masonry. The hardships endured by these citizens can be better appreciated when it is understood that at this time we had no railroads to Harrisburg, and the unfortunate Masons had to reach that place through the snowdrifts as best they could.

Stevens' warfare upon the Free Masons was singularly like his present warfare upon the South. His theory and aim then was to render Masonry odious-to confiscate the property of the lodges, and to prevent Masons from voting and holding office! But the whole thing proved, as every man not blinded by passion saw it would prove, a miserable abortion-a Onixotic adventure that only brought ridicule upon the "drill sergeant," as Stevens

a new existence as the United Staes Bank

made by those in the "ring," and after a

short, spasmodic existence, the Bank col-

lapsed, beggaring thousands of widows and

vaults. And while many legislators in-

creased their pile hugely, Nick Biddle, its

been deluded into Stevens' scheme, began was then called, and his friends. Thus to report their mistake. failed his first great measure! One of these, Montelius, of Union, His next was equally unsuccessful, and sought an interview with Stevens and much more disastrous. The United States | frankly told him that his conscience would tomers for more than TWENTY-FIVE YEARS, Bank had been shorn of its corrupting no longer permit him to hold out against power by General Jackson-Congress had the legal organization of the House refused to renew its charter, and the "Throw conscience to the devil," was the "monster," as it was called, was considercharacteristic reply of the arch-traitor, as ed as dead. Stevens, by reaching the he passed his victim with a scowl. pockets of certain members of the Legisla-Strolm, of Lancaster, an honest and ture, galvanized the defunct institution into

conservative member of the same party, refused longer to bind himself to the subversion of the government. And while the more honest of the Anti-Masons were becoming disgusted and alarmed at the

dalusia, where, loathed and detested, he even a menace, betrayed their purpose, there was a determination in their looks, In 1836 delegates were elected to amend a seriousness in their bearing, which apthe Constitution of Pennsylvania, and Stepalled the leaders of the concocted treason. vens was chosen from Adams county. And shortly afterwards, on the occasion One of the amendments was the incorpo- of some disturbance, Stevens and one or ration of the word "WHITE" in the new | two of his co-conspirators made their es-

all the bitterness of his nature. Nay, window of the chamber. such was his hostility to the word white, He concealed himself in the shrubbery that when the Constitution came to be of the capitol grounds until a late hour, in the United States of America kept up signed by its framers, he refused to put his One of his confreres sought the same re- a more galling fire in the rear than any name to it. And while the name of every treat, when Stevens thinking him one of other one I am the man. I have been and attempted to raise him. I blew u other delegate stands recorded with the the avengers, implored most piteously for the mark of the Copperheads. And be- Making a charge upon old manhood, Constitution, the name of Thaddeus Ste- mercy, when his friend informed him that sides it has cost me much domestic trou- ruined a calf.skin. he himself was z tive from the same In 1838 the Anti-Masons renominated power. How true is it that "The wicked

Gov. Ritner, while David R. Porter was flee when no one pursueth." placed in nomination by the Democrats. This was the end of the troubles. The This was the most bitter and virulent cam- Stevens House dissolved itself, were repaign eve: known to the people of Penn- ceived into the regular House, and law vania. Stevens was appointed Canal and order resumed their sway. The only Commissioner, and determined, by the exception to this was Stevens himself. force of the immense power yielded by the He refused, and withdrew, declaring him-Board, to elect Ritner. Fraud and cor- self the legal House; but his ambitious ruption ran riot, but it did not avail, for hopes were blasted, and he retired from Porter was elected by some 10,000 ma- politics for a time, brooding on the ignomy for me in argument, but when he came jority. Counselled by Stevens, the lead- of his defeat.

ers of the Anti-Masonic party determined | But he was "played out" in Adams | the old reprobate upon his knees I had all not to submit to the will of the majority. | county. He was used up with his politi- | the ray, and you better believe I poured I furnish you with an original letter of cal friends, and even his party was run- grape and canister into Fort Sumter. Thaddeus Stevens, written at this time, ning down from a majority to a minority Amy was a beautiful girl, and I married party in that county. He removed to her because I loved her. Some said I You can retain it for inspection by the Lancaster, and for several years we heard married her for "Dobbs' Cottage," but curious. The Democrats may want to little of him outside of his profession. that is a copperhead lie. It is true, her see the autograph of the greatest revolu- LikeMica wher, he was waiting for "some- father made us a present of the farm and ance, and by an attack upon the rear end tionist this country ever produced, and thing to turn up," and something did turn cottage, but what of that? It was his

the Radicals can have a sight of a thirty up. Dear Sir-We have not been outvoted but outcheated. We will take all the patrotage from the Governor and protect cur outgrown his horrors of secret societies, heads, butternuts and sympathisers, but friends. We have determined to contest the "went in." Nor was his cloven foot any when this suffrage question came up she trotting in the opposite direction. H Governor's election. Pray ascertain all the impediment—the Satanic semblance only gave me hark upon the negro equality made good time, but nothing in compar fraudulent and irregular cases of election in made him more popular with these Knights | question, of the Night. This lever soon raised him into notice again, and he was elected to Congress-a position which he has held until the present time.

and I am sure that is 10,000 majority of all In Congress the same bold, vindictive the votes actually polled. False returns and unscrupulous course that marked his have done the rest. I wish you could be early legislative career, continues to dishere on the 10th of next month, when we tinguish him. And as he was then so is wish a consultation of our leading friends. of his early eloquence has failed, he hurls first in that important step. At the same time the celebrated Antiat his opponents and his refractory friends Masonic circular was issued broadcast the same bitter invective, the same burnover the State, urging the faithful to "treat the election as if it had never taken place, ing irony, as in his palmist days. always commands attention when and, in that attitude, calmly abide the respeaks, for, though few love him, all fear sult." It was apparent to every thinking him. When he rises in debate, his best man that treason was on foot, and the meeting of the Legislature developed its description is that given by Milton to

Their dread commander, he above the rest In shape and gesture proudly eminent. Stood like a tower; his form had not yet lost All its original brightness, nor appeared Less than archangel ruined; but his face Deep scars of thunder had entrenched, and

Sat on his faded cheek, but under brows Of dauntless courage and considerate pride, Waiting reverge, cruel his eye, but cast Signs of remorse and passion to behold The fellows of his crime, the followers rather.

He differed from Lincoln and his friends in the war. They contended it was for the preservation of the Union-he that it was for the subjugation of the South. During the war he was in a minority-now he has Congress with him, and if the people elect members of Congress holding the Lincoln theory, he is opposed to admitting them. In short, as in 1838, so in 1867, having obtained power, he is in favor of retaining it at all hazards! Whether he will be able to revolutionize the country, or whether, as in the Buckshot war, it will prove an abortion, time will show.

of religion, yet he is a model of temperate living. He has never been married, and master Crow, and little miss Crow. has no ties to connect him with the future of his country, which may account for his recklessness as to her future interests. He is about 70 years of age, and his greatwhites of the South.

single exception,) but he hates the whites.

lived in France at the time of the French Revolution, Robespierre would have been assuming an air of malden innocence. but a secondary character, and Stevens would have "borne away the palm."

Executive and Judiciary Departments of to wait upon the guests. the Government, and Thaddeus Stevens controls the Rump Congress.

bookstore where tickets are usually sold to her father there, and ordered him to leave. Alps, diverged from a straight line to avoid such encertainments, and asked the clerk The General called her a dirty huzzy injuring this tree. The honor of superior treason to which they had been made a for "Two tickets to Helmbold's Buchu." for insulting his wife, and at this old antiquity, however, is claimed by some if orphans, whose all was deposited in its party, Stevens had to contend with an element still more dangerous to his schemes. matter as well as possible, and the lady butternut limb. I sprang between them to in Calaveras county, California, which is The PEOPLE began to assemble around retired amid the suppressed laughter of protect my guest, when old Crow placed supposed from the number of concentrations. President, was compelled to retreat to An- the capitol, and while no violence, not several "bloods" who were present.

DOBBS AND HIS DIFFICULTIES.

I am no novelist, and have never aspired to be, but I claim to be something of a politician.

If there is a loyal man I believe I am one. I made great sacrifices during the was just then the special object of Constitution, which Stevens opposed with cape by an ignoble leap from the back war for my country. I did not go to war charge from the General. because I could not. My private affairs would not permit it. But if one person

> George Washington Harrison Socrates Clay Dobbs, (that's me) unfortunately married one Amy Amanda Maria Louisa Scraggs, and as old Scraggs was a Democrat, my Amy has been a follower of the old rebel sympathising Copperheaded Butternut, and at times the climate at "Dobbs' Cottage" became somewhat tropical. But I have borne it all like a Christian.

Old Scraggs has always been too fast visiting and I held family prayer and got daughter, and she had a right to it. I record. The Know-Nothing party, an organiza- was master of the situation until recently. tion destined to galvanize so many putrid This suffrage question involved me in a bodies into new existence, became an in- very serious difficulty. I had taken spestitution in the land. Stevens, who had cial pains to tantalize Amy about copper-

> I fended the best I could, but found the position was getting untenable, and so I declared straight for equality and went at it upon general equality principles. I went my whole length and declared

> for outright equality. Our people had got patriotic and had admitted the Negroes into the public

One evening a few weeks ago I came equality question. The children had been at school that day, and each had a negro. but was a decidedly dangerous next to them. I saw Amy was working by way of practical jokes. I in her wits, the result of which was an announcement that if the children had to

associate with negroes, I should too. I regarded the threat as an idle boast,

and thought no more of it. A few days after this I notified her that General - and his wife would dine with us. Her eyes sparkled. I knew there was mischief brewing, but I could

and I would be at the cottage at one. And sure enough we were.

And Amy was prepared for us. She had prepared an excellent dinner, and was ready.

the way to the dining room, and to my surprise had spread a large table, and had a saucy old negro by the name of Crow, with his wife and the two children that were seated next to our children at school already at the table. She apologized for her haste in scating her first guests, assuming that she had concluded we were not coming, and then proceeded In private life Mr. Stevens is a contra- to formally introduce old Crew and the diction. He has never made a profession | Crow family generally to the General and wife as brother Crow, sister Crow,

I felt a good deal like crowing some could heave out any six negroes in the The General had brought with him from est avowed regret is that he cannot live neighborhood. But I fully comprehended the Valley a rough, uneducated man, full long enough to sufficiently punish the the nature of the situation. The Gener- of energy, who had served him in emer-He differs somewhat from Greeley and General, although an earnest Radical, confidence. He called this man and told Gerrit Smith. They appear to be gov- could not suppress his olfactory from be- him that stream must be bridged immedierned by a spirit of philanthropy—he is coming slightly elevated. My Amy was ately; the regular engineers were also controlled by misanthropy. They love extremely polite, and chatted away ap- advised of the fact. In a short time the the negro-he does not, (with perhaps a parently in one of her happiest moods. rough carpenter and the polished men of He is a born Revolutionist. Had he the armholes of his dilapidated old vest, had his plan, the latter theirs; he wished whilst his wife, with folded arms, was

wench, which filled up that side of the retired to their tent to perfect a paper I have taken considerable space to this table, and hurriedly seated the General's bridge; the carpenter took his men and sketch of Mr. Stevens, as he is just now wife by old gums and ivery. Then gaththe greatest power in the country. The ering up the children scated them beside Rump Congress, representing only a por- their school fellows, after which she took tion of the country but making laws for her seat at the head of the table, and rethe whole, has absorbed the powers of the quested me to be seated at the further end

Up to this time I had managed well. But the General's wife arose and remarked that she did not intend to bear the insult further. At this the General flew into a perhaps the oldest tree on record. It was IN SEASON .- While Helmbold's adver- passion, and accused me of purposely ar- known to be in existence in the time of tising agent was putting up his mammoth ranging an insult. I protested, and ac- Julius Caser, 42 years before Christ, and poster in New Haven, Conn., on a large cased Amy, and as I did so old Scraggs is therefore more than 1,900 years old board near a bookstore, a richly dressed stopped in. The General remarked, "you It is 105 feet high and 20 in circumference young lady, evidently one of the "shoddy," old butternut, you are at the bottom of at one foot from the ground. Napoleon seeing the advertisement, and supposing it this." My Amy reminded him that that when laying down the plan for his great to be a circus or concert, stepped into a was her home, and no one should insult road over the Simplon, a portion of the

the melce the wench assailed the Gen al's wife and the fight became gener Amy in the meantime expostulating a counselling peace.

Finally we al. succeded in resuming perpendicular positions but Crow,

Amy was playing Pocahontas, by lear

ing over the old carcass, and succeeded causing the Generel to retreat. She then placed her arms around hi

Mrs. Crow patted me on the back wil a chair, whilst the young Crows set up

regular down South jubilee. But I cleaned them out. I did, indeed The last words I heard from old' Crow were, "You're no gemman."

Scraggs enjoyed it. Amy was exceed

ingly sorry, and could not comprehen what had caused the row. The General and his wife were off in a flurry. And I-I was the maddest and muter

Radical in the State. I pursued after the General to apoliga and explain, and run into old Crow. gave me an exhibition of his "manhood and seeing I was flanked, I wheeled to retreat. In my haste I encountered th wench and over we went.

I partially recovered and started on a fours, when old Crow came to my assis bled me to make the fastest time c

As I came down the pavement I di covered a waving handkerchief. It wi

Scraggs had assumed a belligerent pe sition, and as I passed him, set Crow t

son to what I had done. Since which time I have been dubbe "Dexter" by Amy and her father, and the least intimation that I intend to voi the Radical ticket, Amy insists upon re h a sing her story of the race between Man hood and Radical. I have partially and ceeded in reconciling the General and hi wife, but my suggestion to play the same he now-THE LEADER. Though the power | schools, and I had the honor of moving | joke on Scraggs and Amy, at their house brought to the General's mind such a vivie recollection of old Crow's muscular powers home and Amy and I had a set-to on the that he concluded that Negro equality would answer for electioneeru

too. - Ohio Statesman.

REMARKABLE STORY .- In the At Department at Paris, there is on the tion some gold embroidery which are universal admiration. The richness the material and the elegance of the wo. manship is unequalled. It is from ar American lady. Her husband is a New York publisher. He lives in great style. I advised her that the General, his wife He has his fine house, dashing teams, and is emphatically fast. His wife is not allowed to dwell under his roof. She is an elegantly accomplished lady, on whose fame not a breath of suspicion has rested. met us at the door to welcome us, an- But deserted, and with no provision made nouncing at the same time that dinner for her maintenance, she resolved to turn her accomplishments to a good account. So soon as we were prepared she led This lady called on Mme. Demorest and told her story-exhibited her skill, and found full employment and fair compensation. For five years she has carned a comfortable subsistance, and is esteemed by all who know her. Kings and Oueens bend over her handy work. By little and little her story has leaked out and great interest is attached to it. With her needle and patient endurance she will make a name in the world .- New York Gazette.

STORY WITH A MORAL. - When General Jackson was moving on to strike McClellan's flank on the Chickshominy, myself. My legs began to show unmis he came to a stream which had no bridge, takable signs of elasticity. I felt as if I and could not be crossed without one. al's wife was about to explode. The gencies, and in whom he had the utmost Old Crow sat back with his thumbs in science were at the stream; the former to go at the work at once without drawings, but they objected until they could Amy han led the General a seat by the perfect the plans on paper. The engineers went to work at once to make a real one. In a very short time he appeared at the General's tent, and reported briefly, thus: "General, that bridge is done, but them pictures ain't come yet." This story has a moral that all our readers can discover

OLDEST TREE IN THE WORLD .- The eypress of Somna, in Lombardy, Italy, it the General and I upon an equality. In circles in the trunk to be 2,265 years of

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