

THE CAMBRIA FREEMAN. EBNESBURG, PA. Friday Morning, June 13, 1875.

The gratifying statement is received that the miners' strike is ended at last. The strikers are reported to have unconditionally surrendered, and work is to be resumed at an early day throughout the whole Wyoming valley.

The Altoona Mirror of Tuesday last says that Hon. Cyrus L. Pershing, in conversation with a prominent Democratic politician of this place, one day last week, when asked about his candidacy for the Governorship, said: "I have not been consulted in the matter."

On Tuesday last, at Albany, the New York Court of appeals, the highest Court in the State, reversed the judgment against William M. Tweed, who was convicted and sentenced to the Penitentiary for thirteen years in November, 1873.

The potato bug, remarks an exchange, is not the only pest the farmers of Western Pennsylvania have to fight this year; the cut-worm is exceedingly abundant, and is destroying the young corn as fast as it comes up, being more than usually destructive.

Radical rule is a costly luxury. In 1860 the federal government cost the people \$30,000,000 annually, which was two dollars per head. In 1870 the ordinary expenses of government, excluding interest on the national debt, were \$164,421,000.

In accordance with Grant's annual custom, the executive office of the government is now, and for several months to come will continue to be at Long Branch, New Jersey.

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THE name of ex-Governor William Bigler has been frequently and favorably mentioned in connection with the Democratic nomination for Governor by the Democratic State Convention. Governor Bigler enjoys the confidence of his party in this State in a very eminent degree, not only for the integrity and patriotism which marked his discharge of duty when he filled the chief executive office of the State, more than twenty years ago, but also for his firm, able and consistent support of Democratic principles ever since.

ST. NICHOLAS HOTEL, New York, June 4, 1875.

TO DR. R. W. WILSON, Clearfield, Pa. MY DEAR SIR: I am in possession of your of the 2d, and have made special note of what you say therein about the Centennial celebration and about State politics, and have to say in reply, that it is unnecessary to discuss the gubernatorial question, so far as relates to myself, for I am not a candidate for the nomination and cannot be induced to become one.

With sincere respect, I remain your obedient servant, WILLIAM BIGLER.

A LIBEL SUIT was tried last week in a Pittsburgh court, in which Wm. D. Moore was plaintiff and the editors of the Post were defendants. The ground of the action was an article published in the Post, in February, 1874, in which Moore, who was then Chairman of the Democratic County Committee, was charged with abandoning his trust as chairman and being a traitor to his party.

THE California Republican Convention, presided over by Senator Sargent, one of the most active instruments of the administration plunders, indorsed Grant's letter to Harry White, as an effectual quietus to "the third term slanders."

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THE name of Hon. Cyrus L. Pershing, says the Poitsville Evening Chronicle, is being used by newspapers all over the State in connection with the gubernatorial nomination, the universal opinion of the journalists being that he is a man that can be elected. He certainly can be elected, and will make such a governor as Pennsylvania never had, but which she wants very badly—a Thidden-like man.

Struck by an Iceberg.

WRECK OF THE STEAMSHIP VICKSBURG AND GREAT LOSS OF LIFE.

Five seamen drifting in a boat were picked up lately by the State of Georgia and brought to New York. They were in a very exhausted condition, and were themselves a remnant of the crew of the Vicksburg of the Dominion; the story of its loss they tell in the following log.

We left Quebec on May 27, with a ship's crew of sixty men all told, and eight or nine passengers—twenty in the steerage, of whom four were females. The weather was fine until 9 o'clock on Sunday evening, when we fell in with a field of ice and were soon surrounded by it. The ship was stopped till daylight, when we proceeded again with but little ice in sight.

The engine was immediately reversed. The ship struck head on port quarter, carrying away the fans of the propeller, and a hole was knocked through the plates on that quarter, through which came the live steam from the boiler, which was stopped the hole up so that but little water came in.

All hands were employed in leaving the cargo on board. The second officer and myself were taken from the cargo to clear the boats. This was about 6 o'clock, a. m., Tuesday, June 1. The captain ordered the forward wells to be sounded and six inches of water were found, the after-sterage then being full of water. The main-hold wells were sounded, and five feet and a half of water found.

The captain called me on the bridge and told me not to mind the boats, and then called everybody aft and told them to have no fears as he could take the ship to St. Johns, N. B. It was discovered that the live steam in the engine-room was drowned out. The captain then gave orders to launch the boats with their respective crews, and told them to mind that the distance from St. Johns was 120 miles N. W.

Another DASTARDLY ASSAULT ON A YOUNG GIRL, a Baltimore morning paper of Tuesday says that on the day of considerable interest was excited in one of the leading hotels by the rumor which was being floated about to the effect that a serious assault had been committed on the person of a young girl, aged about fourteen years, by one of the employees of the establishment.

A NOVEL SIDING track of fifty miles took place between New Mowrey and J. L. Smith, at San Francisco, recently. The \$1,000,000 side, with the conditions that each man should have ten horses, and be compelled to change horses, or mount and dismount, in each mile. Of the two, Mowrey exhibited greater strength and activity, and as an expert in the mode of mounting and dismounting, is by far Smith's superior.

The Beecher Scandal.

A STRANGE STORY TOLD BY A NEW YORK PAPER—ALLEGED PROOF AGAINST MR. BEECHER.

The New York Herald of Monday had a long sensational article giving some alleged additional evidence of Mr. Beecher's guilt. The article has a decidedly dubious look. After giving the evidence of a druggist who says that he sold Prussic acid to Mr. Beecher in May, 1871, the Herald publishes a statement of an upholsterer who was engaged in Mr. Tilton's house in October, 1869.

In the fall of 1869, in the month of October, I was engaged by a man named Price to assist him in laying carpet in the house of Theodore Tilton in Livingston street. Along in the afternoon I remember hearing the front door bell ring. Price and myself were then finishing work on the ballstair.

The two, after this first salute, walked into the parlor. I asked Price if he knew who the man was, and he said "Yes, that is Beecher, the preacher." I remarked, "You are a pretty young couple. I guess, Dicky, you had a great deal to do with that affair, didn't you?" Price said, "Yes, and I guess I'll take a peep and see what they are doing."

After leaving the man who gave the information contained in the foregoing statement an effort was made to find out the man Price. The right man was finally discovered to be John J. Price, an upholsterer, 35 West 34th street, New York city. He, like the other, however, when spoken to on the subject appeared to be scared almost to death that his acquaintance with any facts pertinent to the great trial should be leaked out.

A STRANGE STORY—Enoch Arden. Oudon, a strange incident was reported in the American paper. About ten years ago a Jew in straitened circumstances left Transylvania for America, to improve his position in the New World.

At noon on Sunday a fire started in a distillate tank of the Brilliant Oil Works, owned by Lockhart & Frew, seven miles north of Pittsburgh. The tank contained 20,000 barrels of oil ready for refining.

A thrilling incident occurred recently at the copper mines near Villa Rica, Georgia. Several miners had been engaged in clearing out a deep shaft by blasting when one of them placed a lighted time-fuse in the blast-hole, and was being drawn out of the shaft by a windlass, when the fuse and gear got out of order and refused to work.

A Terrible Disaster.

THE FATAL COLLISION IN THE CHINA SEAS.

Papers received by the China mail bring particulars of the collision which occurred on Sunday, the 4th of April, between the China Coast Steam Navigation Company's steamer Ocean and the China Merchant Steam Navigation Company's steamer Fusing, on the voyage between Shanghai and Teuton.

The weather was calm at the time, but a dense fog prevailed, and the sea was rising to a heavy though unbroken swell. The Fusing was going almost dead slow, when suddenly the sound of a steam whistle was heard, and almost as suddenly was seen the form of a large vessel bearing dead on her bow.

The Ocean herself received a mortal injury that had the weather been in any degree rough, it is more than probable she would have lived to reach port. As it was, a large hole was knocked in her bows, and her fore-compartment was filled with water, but luckily the bulkhead stood firm, and another catastrophe was prevented.

The principal residents of Anne Arundel county, Md., in which the recent outbreak upon Miss Jackson was reported by the negro Simms, visited Annapolis early Monday morning, and proceeding to the jail, the jailer was searched and the keys found.

A violent tornado and lightning storm passed over the northeast part of Quincy, Ill., on Monday night, continuing from 8 till 10 o'clock. A large number of houses were leveled to the ground, and in numerous instances severe injuries sustained. John Menne, a brickmaker, was struck by falling timbers and killed.

A profound sensation was created among the mercantile community of New York Thursday by the announcement that the great dry goods firm of H. B. Childs & Co. had been indicted by the grand jury of the United States circuit court for buying, concealing and selling smuggled silks, etc.

The Provincial Court at Vienna, Austria, on Tuesday last acquitted Weissinger of the charge of attempting to defraud Father General Beck. In the course of the trial Weissinger declared that he was an adherent of Prince Bismarck and an enemy of the Ultramontanes.

News and Political Items.

Mrs. Tilton is going to commence proceedings for a divorce, they say.

Thirty-four head of Ayrshire cattle at Fitchburg, Mass., were sold on Wednesday for \$2,000. One cow brought \$410.

News has been received at Havana, of a terrible earthquake in New Grenada, it being reported that 1,600 lives were lost.

Four or five editors have consented to run for Governor on the Democratic ticket. Three at least are likely to go into a decline before autumn.

The Catholic jubilee procession of Montreal, Canada, on Sunday, was participated in by over 20,000 men, women and children.

Count Alessandro Marefoschi, of the Noble Guard of the Pope and the bearer of the zucchetto to Cardinal McCloskey, sailed for Europe Saturday on his return home.

The Earl of Gifford, a notorious desperado, made famous by the tragic end of his cousin, Hon. C. L. Vallandigham, was assassinated in his saloon at Hamilton, Ohio, Sunday night.

A problem in relationship might be constructed from the case of Mrs. T. W. Talnage, of Columbus, Ohio, who is a granddaughter of Mrs. Harriet Parke, who was a niece and adopted daughter of George Washington.

The grashoppers are moving northward. Thousands of them passed over Omaha on Monday, causing a lively consternation among the residents of that place, but not even alighting for dinner.

A large turtle was recently captured by the inventor of the steam engine, and taken to Marks, Florida, weighing two hundred pounds. The following legend was discovered carved on his back: "A. J. St. Marks, April 9, 1832."

A rattlesnake with thirty-one rattles was killed a fortnight ago on the Kewanee River, in De Witt county, California. The measured thirteen feet in length, and is said to have been the largest rattlesnake ever killed on the California coast.

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Mr. Caleb Walters, of Cambridgeport, Mass., performed the feat of shearing 55 sheep in one hour. Walters' flock of the "Cambridge" breed, and weighed from 125 to 150 pounds per head. One of these sheep was sheared in six minutes, and did not well.

The Springfield Republican has really said that the Hon. William H. Hunt is a "rapid emanation from a questionable industrial class." "a rapid emanation from a questionable industrial class."

The story goes that Captain John H. Brown, a member of the Fifty-first State Cavalry, died for love of the lady who was the wife of General Sheridan. He wore a ring before he died which he sent to her before he was buried.

The steamship Vicksburg, considered the largest vessel of the Dominion Line and the largest vessel in England. Her cargo consisted of 92 barrels of cotton, 2,945 bushels of wheat, 7,945 bushels of corn, 1,000 bushels of flour, and 100 bushels of the Dominion Line, which she had only seventy-five passengers on board.

A lady in Versailles, Ind., who has an old cat who always pins her claws on one particular piece of furniture, has a kitten that is that the table leg, originally 1 1/2 inches in diameter, is worn away, it is now half the size at a point above the floor, simply by the pinning of the cat's claws.

An iron tank containing 18,000 barrels of petroleum was struck by lightning at Monterey on Saturday. Part of the oil was saved by running it through pipes into tank cars.

John Bent, lighthouse keeper, Howland, Me., was killed recently, a ball hitting the front of his head, and the air and brought him down as suddenly as if hit with a bullet.

Philip Murray was sentenced to be hanged by Judge Ewing, at Pittsburgh, on Saturday, for the murder of James White. The prisoner said his sentence with respect to the composition.

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