The Star & Sentinel.

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Advertisers and others interested will bear in mind that the regular circulation of the "STAR AND SENTINEL" is much larger than that of any other paper published in the County, being read weekly by not less than 11,000 persons.

STATE TICKET.

FOR GOVERNOR
GEN. JOHN W. GEARY.

JUDGE OF SUPREME COURT
HON. HENRY W. WILLIAMS.

MEETING OF COUNTY COMMITTEE.

The Republican County Committee will meet at the Eagle Hotel, in Gettysburg, *on Saturday, the 31st of July*, at 1 o'clock, P. M. A full attendance is requested.

EDWARD McPHERSON.
Chairman.

The following persons constitute the Committee:

Gettysburg Hon. Edward McPherson, Dr. C. Horner
D. McConaughy, David Wills, E. G. Fahnestock, D A. Buehler, Capt. J. F. McCreary.
Berwick Bor. Henry Kohler, Dr. Geo. H. Jordy.
Berwick tp. J. Geo. Wolf, Geo. Baker.
Butler W. H. Detrich, Israel Shank.
Conewago Michael Kelly, Vincent O'Bold.
Cumberland, Wm. G. Black, David Shriver.
Franklin Capt. Jas. Mickley, J. A. Rebert.
Freedom Samuel Moritz, John Cunningham.
Germany Jacob Yeally, Jacob Pitzer.
Hamilton Edw. Meisenhelder, Jacob Rosser.
Huntington Gen. W. W. Stewart, Jos. Wierman.
Highland Jos. J. Kerr, Washington Lott.
Hamiltonban Capt. E. McGinley, R. W. Harbaugh.
Liberty Wm. C. Seabrooks, Samuel Martin.
Littlestown Ephraim Myers, Wm. F. Crouse.
Latimore Isaac D. Worley, Geo. L. Deardorff.
Menallen Samuel Meals, Wm. S. Cart.
Mountjoy Newton Horner, I. K. Durborow.
Mountpleasant J. A. C. Rindlaub, Jos. A. Eckenrode.
Oxford Alex. S. Hinse, Paul Hersh.
Reading Jno. Brough, Samuel Overholtzer.
Straban Maj. Robert Bell, Eden Norris.
Tyrone Henry Spangler, Charles Yeatts.
Union Jno. H. Felty, Geo. Bapshar.

AS THE new Registry Law, endorsed by the Supreme Court, practically dispenses with the further use, in Pennsylvania, of "coffee-soaked naturalization papers," and the services of Mr. WALLACE are no longer needed in that line, that gentleman has been displaced from the Chairmanship of the Democratic State Committee, and WILLIAM A. GALBRAITH, of Erie, substituted. The latter will have the privilege of dealing out the money with which Packer expects to buy up the freemen of Pennsylvania.

THE State Teachers' Association, which is to meet at Greensburg on the tenth of August, promises to be a complete success. The people of Greensburg have already made arrangements to give the teachers a hearty welcome. All the ladies who may attend will be entertained free of charge and gentlemen at the rate of from $1 to $1.50 per day. Teachers paying full fare over the railroads to Greensburg, will be returned free of charge.

WHEN the war commenced JOHN W. GEARY took his oldest son and went into the Union army to fight for the old flag. He fought through the whole struggle, and was severely wounded.—His son was killed. ASA PACKER when the war broke out *opposed* the coercion of the Rebels and went to Europe! He continued a Peace Democrat to the end, and supported Andy Johnson's Reconstruction Policy. The Rebel element, led by Brick Pomeroy, was uppermost at the Harrisburg Convention, and in Asa Packer found a candidate in thorough accord with their views.

THE *Lutheran Observer*, published in Philadelphia, has passed under the exclusive editorial management of Rev. F. W. Conrad, D.D. The *Observer* is the leading organ of the English branch of the Lutheran Church, has a large circulation, and wields a corresponding influence in that denomination. Dr. Conrad is a gentleman of ability, a pungent writer, sound theologian, thoroughly evangelical in his views, and eminently qualified for the responsible position assigned him.—The substitution of one for three editors ought to secure greater unity and efficiency in the editorial management paper.

FRANK HUGHES, the author of the Democratic platform adopted at Harrisburg, is well known as an out-and-out Rebel sympathizer all through the war. This accounts for the fact that while the platform roundly abuses loyal men, not a word can be found in it, from beginning to end, in denunciation of the traitors who plunged the country into Civil War and by means of the Slaveholder's Rebellion sought to break up the Union and destroy the Government. It is the old issue between loyality and disloyalty—between Freedom and Slavery—the same issue which floored McClellan, Seymour, Woodward, and Hiester, and which must inevitably floor Asa Packer.

THE Reading *Times* is ventilating Asa Packer's love for the poor man.—The *Times* says that Mr. Packer amassed a colossal fortune by *grinding the faces of the poor*. Years ago he made heavy contracts for boating coal to New York, and got a kind of monopoly of the business. He carried his oppression of boatmen so far that they rebelled against him, and resorted to a strike. He went to South Easton, where the boatmen had congregated, to compel them to continue in his service; "but so violent was the feeling against him that he was seized by the men, thrown into the Lehigh, and would have been drowned but for a timely rescue. So exasperated were the men against Packer, that they drove the man who had saved his life from the ground with stones!" A fortune wrung out of the sweat of other men does not carry with it any great merit, however effective it may be in buying Democratic conventions.

THE National Debt, under the prudent administration of President GRANT, is steadily going down, partly by reason of a more faithful collection of revenue taxes, and partly by reason of rigid economy and reduced expenditures. The estimates of the Treasury Department make it probable that the debt statement for August will show a reduction of about nine millions in the month of July, making a total of forty-three millions since March 4. It is anticipated by Secretary Boutwell that he will be able to reduce the debt the first year of his administration fifty millions of dollars. There are seven months left, but the receipts in those months are not expected to come up very much beyond the expenses of the Government. There will be fifteen millions of dollars to be paid out in August and September, on account of the pension list, and in the fall months the drafts of the War Department for quartermaster and commissionary stores for the winter season are always heavy.

SURRENDER OF THE LORDS.

The struggle in England over the Irish Church Disestablishment Bill has ended, as we predicted it would, in a triumph of the Commons. On Wednesday night of last week the House of Lords, by a decisive vote, so-amended its amendments to the Bill, which the Commons had struck out, the leading conservative Peers making defiant speeches and announcing their willingness to assume the responsibility of the issue thus made. Shortly after the vote was announced, Mr. Gladstone entered the House of Commons and was received with tumultuous demonstrations of applause, which for some minutes defied the efforts of the presiding officer to preserve order. The Prime Minister quietly announced that the Government could not abandon the principle of the bill and would insist on Disestablishment and Disendowment, which announcement was greeted with loud cheers by his Liberal supporters.

The issue was thus made up. But before twenty-four hours had passed, the temper of the Lords had cooled down, and with it their determination to stand by the consequences of their vote of the previous night. It leaking out that it was Gladstone's purpose to recall the Bill from the House of Lords, prorogue Parliament, and next fall present a new Bill, probably more radical than the present one, and under circumstances that would compel the Lords to accept it, the Peers became alarmed, held a consultation, and sent Lord Cairns to Gladstone to negotiate a "compromise." The result was an agreement by the Prime Minister to waive one or two unessential points in the Bill, in consideration of the Lords agreeing to accept the main provisions covering Disestablishment and Disendowment—all of which was ratified by decisive votes on Thursday night.

Thus ends another struggle between hereditary and representative legislation in England, and with the usual result—a triumph of the popular will. The threatened collision between the two great principles contending for supremacy in English politics has been averted, and the Lords, while yielding everything, preserve their nominal prerogatives as part of the legislative power. The issue is bound to come up again, and sooner or latter this anomaly in governmental policy will be swept away.

THE nomination by the Copperhead State Convention, of Judge PACKER, a stay-at-home Democrat during the War, to run against Gov. GEARY, who gallantly fought for the Union all through the war, was a weak play of political cards. The only thing to be said in its favor, is Packer's enormous wealth. He will be made to bleed freely during the campaign, and the various local Democratic Committees will have a good time of it spending his money. The idea of the political gamblers, who controlled the Convention, seems to have been that the best way to carry the next election, will be to *buy* enough votes to insure success. The contest is to be one of money vs. brains—spoils vs. principle. The New York *Evening Post* thus alludes to the contest:

"John W. Geary, the Republican candidate and the present Governor, is a gentleman of the highest integrity and acknowledged abilities. A great part of his life has been spent in the public service, and he has made no fortune and has no claim to an election except upon his character and talents. For many years an earnest Democrat, the trusted friend of Polk and Buchanan, chosen by the latter when President as the best man in his party to administer the affairs of Kansas with justice to all parties, and so to save his waning popularity in the Northern States. Mr. Geary left the Democrats with reluctance, and only when he found that nothing but injustice on his part could satisfy them. Never were freemen more directly asked to choose between money and merit than in this contest; and it is fair to say something more than the Governor's chair is at stake in it—the good fame of Pennsylvania, and the character of her voters for independence and purity."

THE Pennsylvania Democracy are reluctant to learn the lessons of current events, and cling with dogged resolution to the dead issues of the past.—Just now they are making a renewed fight over the interminable "nigger," just as if it were a new issue, and the XVth Amendment an open question. The Democracy of other States thoroughly understand the true position of things and are preparing for the new order of things. In Connecticut, a few months ago, they went it strong *against* Manhood Suffrage and lost. In Virginia, a few weeks ago, they went it strong *for* Manhood Suffrage and won. Even in Kentucky the more astute politicians are waking up to the necessity of abandoning dead issues, to preserve the life of the party. The Louisville *Journal*, one of their prominent organs, in a recent number thus accepts the situation:

"There is a certainty that the elections of the coming fall will be the last that will ever take place in Kentucky with negro suffrage excluded. This is a fact that we had better look square in the face, much as may loathe its visage. Everybody knows that, immediately after the assembling of Congress, the Fifteenth Amendment will be declared to have been ratified by the requisite number of States and be part of the Constitution, and then all the negroes of this State will be voters, and the right will exclude them from the polls except successful war against the United States, and that, whether it would be righteous or unrighteous, will not be attempted."

THE Chicago *Tribune* says the nomination of Asa Packer by the Democracy, whose standing candidate for all offices they couldn't get he has been for twenty years, means that money has been expended, and that more is coming. The *Tribune* concludes:

"We do not know exactly how many millions of dollars it would require to carry Pennsylvania for the Democracy, but as Judge Sharswood decides against the registry law, and as coffee-soaked naturalization papers are plenty, and Western and Southern stuffers can be had on fair terms, 10 per cent off for cash, it is hard to say what may not be done."

Judge Sharswood's decision has been reversed by the Supreme Court, who hold the Registry law to be constitutional. "Coffee-soaked naturalization paper" will be cheaper than the *Tribune* supposed, as their use this fall will somewhat hazardous. "Repeaters" and "ballot-stuffers" will also find their occupation gone. Packer's money will have to be scattered among the township politicians; or he can follow Wallace's tactics, and offer a round sum per head for every vote that can be bought.

THE editor of the New York *Citizen*—a Democratic paper—takes it for granted that the nomination of Asa Packer means defeat. Hear him:

"WANT A WHIPPING.—Our Democratic friends of Pennsylvania must need a flagellation. They have taken off their coats and stepped up to the whipping-post once more. We hope the Republicans will lay it on well this time."

HERE is how they look upon the Pennsylvania canvass in Delaware.—The Wilmington *Commercial* says:

"Packer's money is all the theme of discussion in Pennsylvania. The Democrats are delighted with their hopes of handling it, and the Republicans at the certainty of its being spent for nothing."

MR. PACKER is said to be the wealthiest man in Pennsylvania. How much he is worth we do not know or care to know. It is enough to say that he is a Railroad King, a contractor, and a stock gobbler, and has been eminent in the lowest order of intellectual ability—that of a money getter. While GEARY was shedding his blood to preserve our government, PACKER was intent on pelf. When our armies were defeated, and our candidate was bearing the smarts of defeat and wounds with soldierly fortitude, PACKER was keenly watching the fluctuations of the stock exchange, and buying in stocks which our defeats depressed. When victory rested on our banners and GEARY was bleeding on the victorious field over the body of his dead soldier son, PACKER was adding to his hoard by sales of stocks which the wounds of our heroes had caused to advance in value. He traded in patriotic blood, and the patriots in whose blood he traded will neither support his ambition, nor accept his blood-money. They are made of sterner stuff than he and his managing bullies imagine, and the second Tuesday of October will teach the speculator how he has miscalculated the force of their contempt, and the power of his purse. Buying a Democratic convention, led by a law breaker, is one thing; buying the governorship of Pennsylvania is another matter, as he will find to his sorrow.—*Beaver Argus.*

THE Convention of School Superintendents, which met in Harrisburg last week, passed resolutions in favor of having School Directors sworn for the faithful performance of their duties; asking the Legislature to repeal the law exempting mortgages, judgments, &c., from taxation for school purposes, as detrimental to the interests of the common schools; providing for the better support of the poorer districts by an equalized or uniform system of taxation; and for a law allowing the county Superintendents to apply a portion of the county funds in defraying the expenses of county institutes.—Prof. Wickersham, State Superintendent, announced that he was preparing the draft of a new School Law to be submitted to the next Legislature. He had called together the County Superintendents to secure a conference of views as to the wants of the system, and he would endeavor, as far as practicable, to have their views carried out.

WHEN Judge WILLIAMS was a candidate for the Supreme Court two years ago, he was assailed by the Democratic press all over the State as a "carpet-bagger" and "interloper." It was his fortune to have been born in Connecticut. Now the same Democrats have nominated Packer, another native of Connecticut, as their candidate for Governor. Shall we hear anything more about "carpet-baggers?"

A FEW FACTS ABOUT THE "NIGGER."

1. The whole number of colored people in the United States is 4,418,294.

2. Averaging the number of votes which this population can cast, in a very full poll, at 1 in 7, the number of negro votes is 631,185.

3. The State which now permit the negro to vote contain a colored population of 3,341,802, and consequently, the number of enfranchised negroes now is 477,401.

4. The negro population in the States which have not yet enfranchised that race is 1,976,492, and the number of negroes yet to enfranchise is 153,785.

5. The total number of negroes in Delaware, Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri, and Tennessee is 830,447, and the number of negro voters in these States, if enfranchised, would be 118,635.

6. The number left in the balance of the non-negro voting States is. population 246,045: votes, 35,150, as follows:

	Colored Population.	Negro Votes.
California	4,086	584
Connecticut	8,627	1,232
Illinois	7,628	1,090
Indiana	11,428	1,633
Michigan	6,799	971
Nevada	43	6
Nebraska	82	12
New Jersey	25,336	3,620
New York	40,005	5,715
Ohio	36,673	5,240
Oregon	128	18
Pennsylvania	56,949	8,136
West Virginia	48,000	6,888

7. The proportion which the colored vote would bear to the white vote, if the XVth amendment be passed, is as follows:

California	1	colored to	186	white
Connecticut	1	"	80	"
Illinois	1	"	419	"
Indiana	1	"	210	"
Michigan	1	"	232	"
West Virginia	1	"	7	"
Nebraska	1	"	1,264	"
Nevada	1	"	1,949	"
New Jersey	1	"	45	"
New York	1	"	149	"
Ohio	1	"	99	"
Oregon	1	"	1,226	"
Pennsylvania	1	"	76	"

8. Will this proportion of votes, given by an "inferior race," be likely soon to enslave the "proud Caucasian?"

MENAGERIE IN A STORM.—The Davenport (Iowa) *Gazette* of the 14th says:—"On Monday, Bailey & Co.'s Menagerie and Circus exhibited at Muscatine. The tent was struck at 11 p. m., and the show started for Davenport. Before a dozen miles had been traversed a terrific storm let loose its lightning, thunder and water. The lightning was blinding in its brilliancy, the thunder was terrific, and the rain, violently driven by the wind, came down in sheets. A panic seized the whole cavalcade—men, horses and animals seemed terror-stricken. Eight of the drivers deserted their teams, and it was not long before wagons and horses were in inextricable confusion—a jammed up mass of floundering animals and overturned vehicles. The darkness, save when lightning illuminated the scene, was impenetrable. The caged lions, tigers, leopards, wolves and other beasts, became frightened, and bounded from side to side of their prisons, and roared and growled, and shrieked in very terror. The lightning came nearer and nearer, until its thunder seemed to break in the midst of the caravan. The elephants laid down in the road, and refused to move. Three of the horses were struck by lightning and killed. It is a wonder that no human lives were lost. At daybreak the scene presented beggars description. Imagine it from the above account of the night's experience. It was the worst adventure that ever befell a circus in this portion of the West. The show reached Davenport at a late hour in the day, men and teams well nigh exhausted by the terrible night's work and the hard journey which followed it."

WHEN the wind storm came up in Hunterdon, N. J., last Friday afternoon, George Kuhl, of Copper Hill, was just tying the cap-sheaf of a stack of wheat. The wind struck the stack, and Mr. Kuhl found himself sliding off with the top, and landed in the wagon, which was standing alongside. A ladder standing against the stack was blown over, striking the mules across the back, which frightened them, and away they went over the fields on a wild run for the barn. On their way they took a short cut through the peach orchard, running against more than thirty peach trees, of four years' growth, every one of which was either broken off or torn out. Mr. K. remained in the wagon all the time, and says he never had such a jolting up as he then experienced.

GENERAL NOTES.

EIGHTY Austrian families are about to settle in Virginia.

BENJAMIN HARRIS has been appointed President of Iowa University.

IT is reported that a Chinese idol temple is to be erected in New York city within six months.

JESSE D. Bright expects to be chosen United States Senator by the next Legislature of Kentucky.

A SHOCK of earthquake was felt at Memphis on Monday morning. During the night several meteors fell.

SECRETARY Boutwell has written a letter in support of Stokes, the Radical candidate for Governor of Tennessee.

RUSSIA teaches England a lesson in disestablishment by dropping its hereditary priesthood at one swoop.

THE railing round the Mexican monument in Harrisburg, Pa., is to be made of condemned muskets, with bayonets attached.

A SCRANTON firm advertises that "their parlor furniture is elegant, their bed room furniture is rich, their mattresses downy, their coffins comfortable."

IT is said that South Abington, Mass., produces more boots and shoes, in proportion to its population, than any other town in the United States or the world.

THE total amount of the gifts presented to the Pope on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of his entering the priesthood is estimated at twenty millions of francs.

SAWDUST pills would effectually cure many of the diseases with which mankind is afflicted if every individual would do his own sawing.

LETTERS from Europe state that Secretary Boutwell's management of the Treasury Department has done much to strengthen the credit of our Government abroad.

F. J. JONES, a wealthy citizen of Liberty Mills, Maryland, dropped dead at White Sulphur Springs, Va., on Friday night, caused by heart disease.

The Secretary of the Treasury, in reply to a communication, calls attention to the fact that the coolie trade is in violation of United States laws.

AN action at law in England has just developed the fact that picture dealers in that country are in the habit of affixing the names of eminent artists to pictures not painted by them.

A SINGULAR accident occurred at Stratford, Conn., a few days since. As a farmer was sharpening his scythe with a rifle, a swallow flew between the rifle and the blade, and his head was severed from his body.

The abstract of the condition of all the National Banks of the country on June 12, shows resources and liabilities aggregating $1,564,175,00. The specie amounted to $18,455,000.

A VALUABLE mare, belonging to President Grant, valued at $15,000, died at Washington on the 22d ult. It is supposed she was poisoned either by eating poisonous weeds or by some malicious person.

SPOTS on the sun are quite numerous, a group being now visible near the eastern limb, one of which is said by the astronomers to be 5,000 miles in diameter. They do not seem to be numerous or large enough to make much difference in the heat.

"HERE'S your money, boy, and now tell me why your rascally master wrote eighteen letters about that contemptible sum?" "I'm sure, air, I can't say; but if you'll excuse me, sir, I sort o' reckon 'twas because seventeen didn't fetch it."

THERE is great dissatisfaction among the Democracy of Ohio, with the nomination of Rosecrans. Some demand his withdrawal and denounce the attempt of others to enforce upon them a man who has for years denounced them as "traitors and scoundrels."

A FEROCIOUS sow, near Newark, Ohio, a few evenings ago, seized a child, stripped its clothing off, broke one arm in three places, severely cut its face and head, and was only prevented from killing it by the interposition of a young woman who was near at hand, and came to its rescue.

THE ecclesiastical trial of Rev. E. C. Cherry, of Episcopal Church, on the charge of violation of one of the cannons of the church, for omitting part of the ritual in the baptismal ceremony, was suddenly brought to an end in Chicago last Thursday, by an injunction from the civil courts, sued out by his counsel.

A LONDON despatch says that it is rumored that a treaty has been concluded between France, Austria and Italy, whereby the latter, in case of war, is to support France with a contingent of 50,000 troops, and to occupy Viterbo. It is also rumored that Prussia has offered the Pope 12,000 men if the French forces evacuate Rome.

A MADRID despatch of Saturday's date says that an actual outbreak of Carlists has taken place at last. A battle was fought between Government troops and the Carlists under Gen. Savrigo. The Carlists lost fifteen killed and a number wounded. The Government troops lost three officers killed. Four thousand Carlists are reported to have arrived in La Mancha. Government troops are on the march to the scene of action.

THE Democrats are not pleased with Mr. Boutwell's very successful management of our National Treasury. His rapid reduction of the public debt is falsifying all their evil predictions, and they are consequently unhappy. Gen. Grant and the Republican party have pledged themselves to "economy, retrenchment, and the payment of the public debt," and they mean to fulfil their pledge if it makes miserable every Democrat in the country.

MRS. Stephens, mother of J. W. Stephens, of Yanceyville, Ga., Senator in the Legislature, says the Milton, (Ga.) *Chronicle*, was found in her room Wednesday evening of last week, a lifeless corpse, with her throat cut, apparently by falling with her neck on an earthen bowl, a rimmed vessel, that broke in two places and cut her throat, severing the jugular vein as if cut by a knife, and breaking her neck bone.

DEMOCRATS, and Pennsylvania Democratic newspapers in particular, have nearly always heretofore looked upon New England "Yankees" with scorn. We have not heard a single denunciation of New England "Yankeelsm" since the nomination of Asa Packer. Why?—he has born in "Yankee land," and has overcome and conquered by a pure "Yankee" trick. Verily, New England will soon be embraced by the whole Democratic clan.—*Harrisburg Telegraph.*

HORRIBLE DEATH.—The Erie Dispatch says: "A telegram has been received at Girard, announcing that Charles White, the lion tamer, traveling with Thayer's Menagerie, was actually eaten up by the lions on Friday night, in a small town in Michigan. He is said to have been struck on the shoulder by the very same lion that came so near killing him at Rochester, knocked down, and before they could be beaten off, had torn him to pieces and devoured the greater portion of his body.

AN APPROPRIATE COAT OF ARMS.—Anton Klaus, Mayor of Green Bay, Wis., and one of its wealthiest and most influential citizens, began his career as a wood sawyer, and like a true American nobleman is not ashamed of his humble origin, for the fact proves that his present wealth and distinction are due solely to his talents and energy. "In the hall of his splendid residence," says the *Advocate*, "is a niche, left for a boss or statuette. In this niche, his children have placed a small saw buck, with a wood saw hanging over it, and the inscription, 'Papa's First Saw Mill.'"

ANDREW JOHNSON DISPOSED OF.

Most of our timid and peace-loving people have been sorely perturbed by the announcements published from time to time, that Andrew Johnson, the Constitutional Veto and Impeachment memory, was soon again to play a prominent part in public life, as United States Senator from Tennessee. These portentous intimations have reached the home of our eccentric and loquacious ex-President, and his fellow-citizens hasten to deny the truth of the report. They were manufactured to Johnson's order, no doubt, as he understands matters of that sort probably as well as any man living, and a shrewd advertising agent, fertile in expedients and persistent of purpose, was lost to the world when Mr. Andrew Johnson became Alderman of Greenville. A leading conservative Republican journal of Tennessee, says that Mr. Johnson's help in the present gubernatorial campaign in that State is not needed, and "that the absurd and malignant harangues which he is now making are calculated to do much mischief." It concludes this explanation by saying:—

"We cannot close without declaring, for the satisfaction of our friends at a distance, that there is not the smallest danger of Mr. Johnson ever being sent again to the National Senate from this State. His public career is at an end forever, as he will himself ascertain in a few weeks. The people of Tennessee are not yet mad enough to feel interested in needlessly getting up hostile relations between themselves and those at present in power in Washington City."

And so the self-styled preserver of the Constitution, dispenser of stars, disturber of the South, and wrong-headed demagogue, *par excellence*, is repudiated in his own State. The Tennesseans evidently have a just appreciation of their ex-alderman, member of the Legislature, &c. Having by their aid swung around the circle of official preferment, it is fitting that, by their assistance, he should be sent off at a tangent into the obscurity of private life, where we hope his days may be many and quiet.—*Phila. Inquirer.*

THE ECUMENICAL COUNCIL.—A Florence letter of a recent date says that as the interval between the present and the time of meeting of the Ecumenical Council diminishes the attention given to it in public discussions increases. So many varying statements are made that very little trustworthy information is obtained, and one hardly knows what to believe. Changes have been made in the original plan of the amphitheatre in the left tribune of St. Peter's where the meetings are to be held, and it would appear that the Prelates are to be made so comfortable that one is led to the supposition that the Council is to have protracted continuance. Each member is to have before him a praying stool, which, by a mechanical contrivance, can be in a moment converted into a writing desk. Besides Cardinals and Bishops, it is not yet positively known who and what is to have the privilege of sitting in the Council. The place of meeting is to be as imposing and beautiful as the artisan and decorator can make it, and most of the time between now and December will probably be needed to complete the work.

FEARFUL DEATH OF A YOUNG WIFE.—The wife of Hezekiah Greenlee, of Mason county, West Virginia, was instantly killed one day last week, under the following circumstances: In company with her husband, she was returning home by a near path through the woods from a neighbor's where her husband had been at work during the day. They were walking hand in hand, not dreaming of any danger, when a dead tree they had just passed suddenly fell, brushing the shoulder of Greenlee and striking his wife on the top of the head, crushing her to the earth in one solid mass, breaking every bone in her body, so that her remains could not be recognized as those of a human being. Strange to say Mr. Greenlee was not injured in the least, further than being stunned for a few moments. The evening was a calm one, and it is supposed that the tree, which was rotten at the roots, gave way from its own weight. Mrs. Greenlee had been married a little less than six weeks.

A BOY LIFTED BY A KITE.—The Vicksburg *Times* of the 10th instant relates the following incident: "A young lad at Lake Station, Mississippi, had a very large and beautiful kite presented to him, about six feet by four in size, which he attempted to raise on the 2d instant, just as the wind was increasing, and a storm threatening. The wind drew the kite so heavily as to drag the boy along also. To prevent losing the favorite, he wound the cord around his body. At last the gust bore kite and boy along in the rapid air currents. The boy seemed to be about one hundred feet above the earth, and the kite five times that distance. At last the young kite-flier caught in the top of a tree, and was suspended seventy-five feet above the ground. A flood of rain came on, slackening the line, abating the wind, and allowing the little sufferer to be rescued. He was found to be unconscious, and so bruised and marred as to be scarcely recognized: but was restored the same evening, and is now doing well."

THE GRAND ARMY.—New opportunities are opening to the boys of the Grand Army of the Republic. The National Encampment is about to established a co-operative life insurance association, whose policy holders shall consist only of members, and all of whom are entitled to equal insurance without regard to age or health. The investments will be made in United States bonds, and when the association expires, which will be with the last of our Union soldiers, the funds, computed at over $100,000,000, will be devoted to the education of soldiers' children and the liquidation of the national debt. The fees will be cheap, the results certain, and the investment profitable. This new feature in its organization will increase the usefulness of the Grand Army.

THE Navy Department has determined to organize a torpedo corps. This corps will consist of one head and such officers as may be detailed from time to time for instruction and service. The corps will be under the direction of the Bureau of Ordnance, so far as the material and the direction of the experiments is concerned. Torpedo stations will be established at Portsmouth, N. H., Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Norfolk, Pensacola and Mare Island. Other stations will be added as occasion may round them. A sutible place will be selected where all officers entering upon this service will be sent for instructions and to witness experiments.

A DEMOCRATIC State Convention has actually constructed a platform without mentioning the Fifteenth Amendment. This surprising exploit was performed at Des Moines by the Democracy of Iowa. They denounced the Maine liquor law, a high protective tariff, and so on, but laid a resolve against the Amendment upon the table. This is encouraging, and proves the utility of being beaten. A long succession of severe defeats has chastened the Democracy of Iowa into a degree of good sense that their brethren in some other States have not yet attained.

THE National camp-meeting at Round Lake New York, attracted people from the Old World as well as from Canada, and every one of the States, except, perhaps, Louisiana, Texas and Florida. The love-feast and the sermon of Bishop Simpson were the great events of the Sabbath. During the love-feast of an hour and a half three hundred and sixty spoke of their Christian experience. The sermon of the Bishop was one of overwhelming power, fully sustaining his great reputation as a pulpit orator.

NEWS OF NEIGHBORING COUNTIES.

BEDFORD.—Rev. Mr. Liba, of M'Connelsburg, had an iron grey mare stolen from him on the 16th inst., whilst on a visit to some friends at Fort Littleton.—On the 16th inst., a horse was stolen from William Cypher, in Hopewell township, Bedford county.

CARROLL.—On the 14th and 15th inst. several heavy thunder storms, accompanied by hail, passed over portions of Carroll county, damaging growing crops. Mr. Geo. Harbaugh, living near Unlontown, lost a very valuable horse by lightning. The storm extended past Union Bridge toward Warfieldsburg, near which latter place Mr. Jesse N. Zile had two horses severely injured, it is supposed by lightning.—In consequence of the injunction proceeding to prevent the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore from carrying out the ordinance appropriating $1,000,000 to the completion of the Western Maryland Railroad, which will lead to protracted litigation, the work is much embarassed. It is said a number of persons residing beyond the present terminus of the road at York Road Station, have agreed to advance sufficient money to purchase the rails necessary to complete the track to Double Pipe Creek.

CUMBERLAND.—A Camp Meeting for Carlisle district, will be held in the grove at Red Barn Warehouse, Newton township, Cumberland county, on the Cumberland Valley railroad, commencing on the 4th of day of August, and continuing eight days.—The Anderson Troupe had a re-union in Carlisle on the 21st inst., with dinner and speeches. The next re-union will be held in Philadelphia in December, 1870.—Christian Zimmerman, residing near Eberley's Mill, fell from a pear tree on the 17th inst., breaking his arm and wrist.—Gov. Geary has appointed Gen. James M. Allen, of Carlisle, Notary Public, vice Capt. J. F. Zug, resigned.—An unsuccessful attempt was made to fire the office of the Mechanicsburg *Valley Democrat* on Friday night last.—On the 16th inst., a daughter of Levi K. Hock, five miles east of Shippensburg, aged 3 years, was drowned by falling in a cistern.—S. Miller, of Green Spring, last week, lost two fine cattle from the effects of clover eating.—Robert Mateer, of Shippensburg, arrested for incendiarism, has been committed in default of $8,000 bail.—Dr. P. H. Long, of Mechanicsburg, last week drove out in a buggy, accompanied by his niece, to the summit of the mountain at Lamb's Gap, to get a view of the Cumberland Valley. When near the top, the Dr. got out to pick some blackberries, when the horse became frightened and commenced backing. The road being narrow and the mountain side at that point very steep, Miss Long jumped from the buggy, just as the horse and buggy rolled over and down the mountain side a distance of about 60 feet, when they lodged against a tree. Dr. Long procured aid and relieved, the horse from his uncomfortable position, rather demoralized but not seriously injured.

FRANKLIN.—The Postmaster General has ordered the name of the Post office at State Line to be changed to Mason and Dixon, and Amberson's Valley to New-Bridge.—The residence of Samuel Reisher, Chambersburg, was entered by burglars, on the night of the 21st inst., and $100 in greenbacks taken.—Mrs. Catharine Row, who died in Waynesboro on the 13th inst aged 85 years, 7 months and 19 days, was mother of 11 children, 49 grand children and 27 great-grand children, making a total of 87. She was married 65 years and lived with her husband Michael Row, dec'd, 63.—The Republican County Convention meets in Chambersburg on Tuesday next.—The colored folks intend holding a camp meeting near Greenwood, commencing on the 7th of August next.—Nine head of sheep, belonging to Peter Brubaker, who resides near Mercersburg, were killed by dogs last week.

FULTON.—Mr. Geo. C. Scott, of Fulton County, was waylaid and robbed last week on the Bedford turnpike, four miles from McConnellsburg. The robber was masked.

FREDERICK.—A Postoffice has been established at Foxville, Hauver's district, and Jacob Buhrman appointed Postmaster.—During the storm of the 15th inst., John Diller, near Mountpleasant, had three cattle killed by lightning.—An employee of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, named Mahoney, was run over and killed by a train near Keedysville on the 14th inst.—A son of Richard Mammert, near Middletown, was thrown from a colt last week and subsequently tramped in the face by the colt, cutting his lips and face badly and requiring the services of a surgeon to sew up the wounds.—On the 14th, two strangers, who had recently come from Pennsylvania, names unknown, were killed at Catoctin Furnace, by an oar bank caving in on them.—Elias Ramsburg, of Frederick, died suddenly of heart disease on the 14th inst. He had been on his farm during the day; at dinner complained of not feeling well, but returned to the barn. He was found dead soon after in the barn yard.—The colored people intend to have a grand Emancipation Celebration at Frederick, on the 18th of August. Fred. Douglass, J. M. Langston, and other noted colored orators, are expected to be present.—The ceremony of "breaking ground" on the Frederick and Pa. Line Railroad was to take place yesterday, (Thursday,) at Woodsboro.

WASHINGTON.—Mr. J. B. M'Cleary, formerly a well known citizen of Hagerstown, died in St. Josephs, Missouri, on the 16th inst.—Mr. Benjamin Kidder, of Boonsboro, while pitching grain on a rack, on the 16th inst., was suddenly prostrated by sunstroke, and died fifteen minutes afterwards.—A little child of Theodore Hawthorn, died a few days since, in Hagerstown, from swallowing a small portion of condensed lye.—The dwelling of Daniel J. Crouse, near Cavetown, Md., was struck by lightning last week. Several persons in the house were stunned and a cat was killed.—The Cumberland Valley Railroad is to be extended from Hagerstown to the Potomac. Proposals for the buildingof eight miles will be received at the office of the Company in Hagerstown until the 11th of August.

YORK.—During a severe storm on the night of the 14th inst., the barn of Henry Hass, Manheim township, recently erected, was blown down and completely demolished.—On Sunday the 11th inst., Andrew Keyser, of Chanceford township, York county, fell from a tree, fracturing an arm.—Last week Wm. Morningstar, of Heidleburg, while picking blackberries, killed a large female Copperhead snake, which, on being opened, was found to contain 63 young snakes, averaging about 3 inches in length.—A daughter of Daniel Baer, residing near Hanover, aged 4 years, had her forearm fractured on the 21st inst., by the arm being caught in a door as it blew shut.—Prof. Light made an ascension with his balloon in York, on Saturday last, alighting 55 minutes afterwards near Lancaster, having travelled 22 miles.—David Piffling, aged 13 years, while playing about some coal cars at the railroad in York, on Thursday last, fell in the track and had both legs badly mashed below the knees.

THE landing of the new Atlantic cable was commemorated by a grand celebration at Duxbury on Tuesday. There was a salute, a dinner, and a levee, and an immence crowd of people, distinguished and undistinguished, present. Congratulatory despatches were exchanged between the Mayor of Boston and the Perfect of Paris.

A WASHINGTON correspondent states that a German banker has offered to loan our Government three hundred million dollars at five per cent. interest, but Secretary Bout well has declined it, as he has reason to believe that he can next winter borrow money enough at four and one-half per cent. to take up the five-twenties now due.

MICE INVESTING IN GREENBACKS.—The Milwaukee *Daily Wisconsin* of the 12th says:—

An industrious wood sawyer named Ritger, a German, living in the Ninth Ward, had, by dint of hard labor, saved $500. He had no confidence in banks, so he put the money in a stocking and stowed it away behind a rafter in his house. Some days after upon going to look for his money, he found that the mice had made sad havoc with it. They had chewed the bills up into the finest bits and made for themselves the softest kink of nests. The poor woodsawyer was in despair. He gathered the fragments and they made a peck measure heaping full of scraps, stocking wool, nut shells, &c., and what to do he did not know. A friend advised him to send the whole mass to the Treasury Department at Washington, and he did so. This was several weeks ago, and not a word did the old man hear of the money until last Saturday, when he received a draft for $250 from the Treasury Department, and a letter stating that so much only had been saved out of the $500. Two girls in the department were at work seventeen days sorting, picking, and pasting, and had finally succeeded in getting $250 so that it could be recognized. This amount was sent on. Ritger paid the man who advised and assisted in sending to the Treasury Department, $10, and is glad to get out with so little loss. With German coolness he said if he had put the money in bank, it might have all been lost—now he had saved nearly half of it. We do not believe he will use old stockings as a bank to any great extent hereafter.

A CONFIRMED drunkard, living near Pittsburg, Pa., committed suicide in the following characteristic manner. On Monday he drank to excess, and got into a violent passion with his wife, threatening to shoot himself. He even took down his gun from where it hung, to show that he was in earnest, but his wife quieted him, and induced him to put it aside. Mrs. Muhlbronner, imagining that he was pacified, went to her garden to attend to some matters, but was out only a few minutes when she heard her husband call her. She looked up and saw him on the porch, with his chin resting on the muzzle of the gun. He said, "Good bye, now," and the next instant his wife heard the report, and saw her husband fall heavily to the porch. She ran to him as quickly as possible, but life was extinct when she reached him. The whole head was shattered to pieces.

DEATH AMONG THE TOMATOES.—An Illinois exchange utters the following warning, to which the necessary heed should be given. We do not know what truth is in it but it would be well to be cautious while gathering those delicious edibles. It says:—"People at this season should look out for the large worm which infests to tomatoe vines. Its sting is deadly poison. It is