

Our Courts and the Law concerning Taverns.

Mr. Editor—Much is said at the present time of the statutes now in force in our Commonwealth regulating the retail of ardent spirits—some deeming them troublesome and severe, and others thinking them quite insufficient to guard the public interests.

1. No tavern keeper or retailer is allowed to encourage any games of address or hazard, cock fighting, horse racing, or the like; or to furnish any spirits, wine, beer, or cider to persons assembled for such purposes. (Sec. 18.)

2. No tavern keeper or retailer is allowed to permit any kind of game, either of address or hazard, on his premises. (Sec. 19.)

3. No tavern keeper is allowed even to harbor or entertain a minor, apprentice or servant, knowing him to be such. (Sec. 21.)

transferring the responsibility from the judges to twelve irresponsible men, but by furnishing the court with information in those cases to which their personal knowledge does not extend.

The law of 1841, requiring the publication of the certificate, imposes another guard of the same kind. This notice of more than three weeks enables the court to become "satisfied" on the question of the necessity of the tavern petitioned for, and of the character of the petitioner.

But this law of 1841 also imposes obligations on every good citizen, whenever he sees by the public notice that a license is to be applied for by an improper person, or for a tavern where it is not needed.

The writer of this article would not conceal the fact, that he would prefer to have all our public houses conducted on temperance principles; but he would not have this by compulsion.

However our courts shall construe their duties arising out of these statutes, it is proper for all concerned to understand, that just in proportion as the signers of the certificates of those who apply for tavern licenses shall be men of acknowledged reputation, and shall be seen to be entirely disinterested in the business, will the public be satisfied that the taverns licensed are needed for the public accommodation, and the men who keep them are deserving of public confidence.

ONE OF THE PEOPLE. Cumberland Co. Dec. 20, 1841.

Report of the Secretary of War. The Madisonian of Saturday week, contains the "Report of the Secretary of War," which accompanied the President's Message.

An increase of the army by two additional regiments is recommended as necessary to man the forts, posts and fortifications on our inland and maritime frontiers.

The defenses of the country are divided into three distinct heads or divisions. First, for the protection of the Western frontier against Indian hostilities.

Fort Niagara has been reported ready for occupation, and a company has been ordered to garrison it.

The third division (those relating to our maritime frontier) the Secretary says "presents a subject of deep interest."

LARGE AND SYSTEMATIC FORGERIES. Much to the astonishment of the gentleman whose respectable name has been used, as also of the officers of the bank, it was ascertained on Wednesday that numerous and extensive forgeries had been committed on several of the banks of this city by persons who heretofore had borne an unsullied reputation in the commercial world.

Assigneeship Account. In the Court of Common Pleas of Cumberland County, December 14, 1841.

NOTICE. All persons are hereby forewarned not to take an assignment of a Note of hand given by me to Samuel Ensminger, of the Borough of Carlisle, dated some time in March, 1841, for the payment of \$55 to the said Samuel about the 25th of that month.

It was stated by one of the Judges, that other forgeries of the same name, by the person or persons above charged, have been discovered to the amount of \$18,000 on the Butchers' and Drivers' Bank; for a considerable sum, also on the Bank of America—besides on some other Banks—the whole amounting to about \$55,000.

From the Washington Union Democrat. DISTRIBUTION. People of the United States, look at it. Here is an act to give away three millions of dollars of your annual revenue.

Application for Tavern License. NOTICE is hereby given, that I intend to apply at the next term of the Court of Quarter Sessions of Cumberland county, for a License to keep a Tavern or Public House at the west end of the Harrisburg Bridge, in East Pennsboro' township.

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TO LAND PURCHASERS. THE subscriber, being desirous to settle up his business, and lessen his cares, proposes to sell at private sale the following property, viz: That well known property, Cumberland Furnace & Mill, situate on the Yellow Breeches Creek, 3 miles west of Carlisle, in Cumberland county, Pa., with from 1000 to 1500 acres of timber land appended, &c. Also,

SEVERAL FARMS, part limestone, part well improved and part not all however, situated in Dickinson township, in said county, and most of them on said creek, consequently they are well watered. Also, about 500 ACRES in lots of from 10 to 50 acres to suit purchasers, the principal part of which is in growing young timber, suitable for the farmers in the neighborhood.

FOR RENT. THAT large and commodious House, on the corner of Hanover & Louthier streets; it can be divided into as many as accommodates 2 Families, and is well calculated for a Boarding House; there is a large Cistern and a Well of Water in the yard; also a Pump at the door, there is also a Large Garden and extensive Stabling, and a Carriage House. It will be rented separately or together at a moderate rate. JOHN P. LYNNE. Carlisle, Dec. 9, 1841.

FOR RENT. A Two story Brick House and back buildings attached, formerly the property of Dr. Eckert, situate in Louthier street, a few doors east of Leonard's store. The property will be rented at a moderate rate. Apply to RUFUS B. SHARPLEY. Carlisle, Dec. 9, 1841.

FOR SALE. A Half lot of ground in the Borough of Carlisle, situate on the south side of Louthier street, bounded on the west by a Stone House and lot of Jacob Senger, on the south by Dickinson Alley, on the east by the other half of said lot, and on the north by Louthier street, containing THIRTY FEET in front on Louthier street, and extending south TWO HUNDRED AND FORTY FEET, to Dickinson Alley, considered one of the best building lots in said street, and well calculated for a house to be erected for any public business. Application to be made to James Lamberton, who will show the lot and make the terms known. Carlisle, Dec. 9, 1841.

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