

AMERICAN VOLUNTEER.

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WHITFIELD ACADEMY.—By reference to the advertisement of Mr. Desiring, principal of the Whitfield Academy, it will be seen that the ninth session of this popular institution will commence on the 7th of May next.

THE AMERICAN.—This is the title of the new Know-Nothing paper, recently established at this place. The first number made its appearance last week, and presented a creditable appearance in its mechanical execution.

THE PROPHETARY OFFICE.—Mr. Norrell, the Proprietor of this county—on account of continued bad health—has appointed Mr. Puttler Quigley his deputy, to assist in conducting the duties of the office.

OUR PAVEMENTS.—The recent soft weather has increased the mud-crocks of our town amazingly, and has also caused a great rise in ladies' dresses.

WE HOPE OUR CITIZENS FAVORING TO compelling property holders to pave, will take the matter in hand at the approaching spring election, and vote for no man who will not pledge himself favorably to pavements.

CARLISLE GAS AND WATER COMPANY.—By the Act of Assembly incorporating the Carlisle Gas and Water Company, it is provided in section 4 of said Act, that the stockholders shall meet annually on the second Monday of May.

BOROUGH AND TOWNSHIP ELECTIONS.—Tomorrow, (Friday) the Borough and Township elections will be held throughout this county.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE LUNATIC HOSPITAL.—We have received the annual report of the Pennsylvania State Lunatic Asylum, for the year 1854.

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PUBLICATION OF THE LAWS.

In most of the western States all public laws are required to be published in one or more newspapers in each county, the expense of such publication to be defrayed by the State.

Many of our public laws are highly important in their provisions, and contain penalties and fines to enforce their observance.

It is a fact that the people, generally speaking, are ignorant in regard to those provisions, and often violate them because of their ignorance.

WE THEREFORE ONCE MORE URGE the importance of the publication of all public laws, and in doing this we feel satisfied we never advocated a measure of more necessity and benefit to the people.

OUR NEIGHBORS OF NEW JERSEY.—Our neighbors of New Jersey, it appears, are not more safe from the charges of corruption than our own State.

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THE POST OFFICE AT PHILADELPHIA.—The Post Office at Philadelphia has been removed from its old stand to the large and spacious building of Dr. David Jayne, in Chestnut street, between Third and Second.

RELIGIOUS TOLERATION.

A few of the more reckless of the Know-Nothing papers, with that hypocrisy belonging to their creed, insult their readers by asserting that it is not on account of their religion that they persecute the Catholics.

THE TRUTH OF CHRISTIANITY.—The truth of Christianity is eternal and unchangeable. The institutions given by Christ to his apostles, are as much the mandate of Jehovah at this day, and as binding upon His true servants now, upon earth as they were upon those who received them from the lips of Divinity.

LET US TRY OUR MINISTERS.—Let us try our ministers by the rules by which they profess to be guided, and see how many of them are at this day living up to their professions.

THE INCREASE OF THE ARMY.—Congress did respond to the call of the War Department, and increased the army by four regiments of the line—two of cavalry and two of infantry.

THE ENGLISH ARMY AND NAVY ESTIMATES.—According to the estimates of the army and navy, for the year 1855, submitted to the British Parliament, we find that the English Government contemplate having engaged in the war during the opening year, no less than 203,594 men of all ranks in both the services, land and sea.

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PREGACHERS AND POLITICS.

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THE CATHOLIC VOTE IN 1852.—Letter from Gen. Scott.

Hon. Wm. S. Durnell, the anti-Slavery Know-Nothing member of Congress from Massachusetts, having asserted in his lecture in Chelsea county, that the Catholic vote was of great importance at the late Presidential election, several persons who heard him, determined to address a letter to the distinguished veteran, who returned the following reply:

New York, March 18, 1855. Gallatin.—I have just received, through the Hon. Mr. Hibbard, M. C., at Washington, your joint letter dated the 24th ult., in which you say to me that, in some recent political address, delivered in your neighborhood and in your presence, the speaker declared substantially, that in the late Presidential canvass—

That Bishop Hughes' demands were assented to by the party to whom he first proposed, except that he demanded a Cabinet office, upon which you hesitated; and the proposition was made to Gen. Pierce, and he assented.

With great respect, Your obt. Servant, WINFIELD SCOTT.

New Hampshire.

The estimate that fifteen hundred members have left the Know-Nothing lodges in New Hampshire, is made by the committee appointed by those who have withdrawn from the lodges in Concord, nearly one hundred of whom sign a card in the Patriot.

THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.—The Indiana State Sentinel has the following advice and encouragement for the Democratic party, to which all good friends of that party will cordially respond:

LET THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY ITSELF REMAIN intact—let it not presume to set its foot upon its unity, and pursue steadily and faithfully its well defined and republican policy.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN NEW YORK.—In the State of New York the tide appears to be setting in strong against Know-Notthings.

HON. JAMES W. McLANE.—Hon. James W. McLane will sail for Europe to-morrow night, in the capacity of Commissioner to the Great Industrial Exhibition to be held in Paris next Summer.

LOUISIANA.—It is said that there are at the present time three hundred and ten candidates (the Know-Notthings predominating) for Governor and Lieutenant Governor in Louisiana.

SPEAKER LITTLEJOHN.—The New York Legislature, who was burnt in effigy for refusing the yoke of the Know-Notthings, has just been elected Mayor of his district by over 500 majority.

HON. WM. M. GWIN.—Hon. Wm. M. Gwin sailed from New York, on the 3d inst., for California.

OUR KNOW-NOTHING GOVERNOR.

Every intelligent politician must be impressed with the extraordinary change which has taken place in public sentiment since the late Presidential election.

INDIANA, as a State has wisely selected her own domestic policy; and the people feel that they have the right, from time to time, to change or modify that policy.

OUR ONLY HOPE OF PERPETUATING our institutions in all their original vigor and purity, rests upon the adoption of a system of education that shall tend to the cultivation of the moral and intellectual faculties of the Union more and more upon their own resources, and confine the action of the General Government within the limits defined by the Constitution.

MILITARY FORCE OF PENNSYLVANIA.—The report of the Adjutant General represents the condition of the militia of this State as in a very bad condition.

MILITARY APPOINTMENTS.—The President has made the following appointments of Officers under the new Act of Congress, authorizing an increase of the army:

PHILADELPHIA MATCHES.—FLUKE and MEAL.—Fluke and Meal, a firm of some little importance in the city of Philadelphia, are at 284 N. 9, and have consumption at 284 N. 9 for flour, bran, and extra at 95 N. 10.

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TAVENNA LICENSE.—The Honorable the Judges of the Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace of Cumberland county, at April Sessions, 1855.

WE THE UNDERSIGNED CITIZENS of the Borough of Newville, in the county of Cumberland, do certify that we are well acquainted with the above named Daniel S. Dunlap, and that he is of good repute for honesty and integrity, and is well provided with house room and conveniences for the accommodation of strangers and travelers.

Peace and Union.

The following just paragraphs are from the recent message of Governor Wright, of Indiana:

We cannot be indifferent spectators to the action of the general government, and to the political events of the day. The past year has been one of unusual political excitement and strife to the patriot; it must be a source of regret to perceive that this excitement has, in no small degree, evinced a dangerous spirit of sectionalism.

Whatever views may be entertained by others, it is my deliberate opinion that, at this day, the people of no State are more national in their political sympathies than are the citizens of Indiana.

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ONE OF THE DANGEROUS SIGNS OF THE TIMES.—The Louisville Journal thus speaks of one of the most dangerous signs of the times: "One of the most dangerous signs of the times is the popularity of such a book as the autobiography of P. B. Barham. It is a strange thing with what eager greediness the book that records Barham's strides to wealth was seized by American readers. As he unveils his course of proceeding, his daring impostures, his systematic methods of deception, and his more than common receipts—what passes to ask how the glittering pile was gained? From every page of the book, the voice rises in the ear of youth, 'Money—money—get it honestly, if you can, but get it.' And crowds rush to the stores where this book is sold—at least, the open sense of Barham is not to be pardoned, by the book, drink in Barham's philosophy of getting money, and devour of future transients of the town, of being made co-heirs of Banks in their native city and village, and of smooching the doubtful moralities of their lives by cheap lectures on temperance. But all this is the propensities, the alignments to ruin, the perils of the soul, which that book teaches in its principles, are so embalmized with the magic of success, that the moral and the religious tremble for the young generation just treading upon the threshold of manhood."

MECHANICS' WIVES.—Speaking of the middle rank of life, a good writer observes: "We behold woman in her glory; not in a noisy silk or jewels; not a puppet to be flattered by praise and adulation; not a day, discarded to-morrow—always held out of the place which nature has assigned her, by assiduity or by contempt—desired, but not desired; she is the wife of a husband, not the partner his weakness, not his consistency, in the work she can do, the source of an effort or vanity; we see her wife, partaking the care and anxiety of the anxiety of a husband, and the toil, and by her diligence spreading cheer around her; for his sake, sharing the decent refinements of the world without being seen by them, planting all her days a happiness in the man she loves. As a mother she finds her affectionate and ardent instructor of her children whom she has reared from their infancy, training them to thought and knowledge, and by her industry and industry, preparing them to become men and women in their turn. Mechanics' daughters become the best wives in the world."

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