



CLEARFIELD June 23, 1858.

Democratic State Ticket. JUDGE OF THE SUPREME COURT. WILLIAM A. PORTER. OF PHILADELPHIA. CANAL COMMISSIONER, WESLEY FROST, OF FAYETTE CO.

WHITHER ARE WE TENDING?

We have seen this momentous question with which we head this article, propounded by the public journals of the country, very frequently within the few years that have intervened since we have occupied the position of one of the first rate powers of the earth, and since our prosperity as a nation has made us forget the cost at which it has been purchased, and the practice of the means that will be most likely to ensure its continuance.

What was a few years ago looked upon as little short of treason, (absolute treason under the old English definition) in the utterance, is now discussed and its probabilities and consequences commented upon with as much indifference as if it involved nothing more than a new law, or a change in the administration or some other commonplace national incident.

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COL. FORNEY AGAIN. This gentleman in a late number of his paper, the Press, republishes portions of an article from the Washington Union of the 27th 1857, originally copied from this paper of the 21st of the same month, to show that Senator Bigler has been inconsistent in his course on the Kansas question.

We would give these extracts were it necessary, but our readers have already seen them when first published. Suffice it to say in regard to them, that they merely declare what was the opinion of the then editor of this paper after some general conversation with Senator Bigler upon his return from Kansas, as to what would be done in that Territory; and for which he alone, and not Mr. Bigler must be held responsible.

To this and this alone, the article from which the Press copies, refers; and well Mr. Forney knew this; but he was willing to use it for the purpose of injuring a man whom his vanity leads him to consider his rival.

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THE UNDERIGNED feeling himself under many and lasting obligations, desires with this opportunity to express to them his sincere thanks, for the flattering testimonials of confidence heretofore shown him, begs leave to again offer himself as a candidate for the Legislature, subject to the rules which govern the party, and if nominated and elected, pledges himself to a strict and faithful regard of their rights and interests.

Your ob't. serv't. T. JEFFERSON BOYER.

Death of a Revolutionary Heroine. We have read the following from the Honorable Democrat, published in Wayne county, Pennsylvania, with the most lively interest, and we give it to our readers entire.

In February last we chronicled the death of Mr. Michael Grennell, of Clinton township, at the advanced age of one hundred and six years. To day we have to record the demise of Mrs. Sarah S. Benjamin, in Mount Pleasant township, on the 24th ultimo, at the still greater longevity of one hundred and fourteen years, five months and three days.

Her maiden name was Sarah Matthews, and she was born in Goshen, Orange county New York, on the 17th of November, 1742. She was thrice married. Her first husband was Mr. William Reed. He served in the Revolutionary army in the early part of the struggle, and died of a wound received in Virginia. Her second husband was Mr. Aaron Osburn, of Goshen, New York. He also was in the army of the Revolution, but survived the war.

Her third husband was Mr. John Benjamin, with whom she settled in Mount Pleasant in 1812. He died four years afterwards. She had five children, the youngest of whom is seventy years old. She has left four generations of descendants. From her youth until past forty years of age she was in the midst of the rough and stirring scenes of border warfare of the revolutionary struggle.

Up to the latest period of her life she distinctly recollected the family of Mr. Brodhead, whose sons, in 1755, boldly resisted a body of 200 Indians, making a fort of their house. She was in the vicinity of Minisink, when Brant, the Indian chief, led a party of Indians and Tories through that settlement, scalping the inhabitants and burning the houses.

That ubiquitous scamp—a Western editor—gets off the following: "Dearest, I will build thee a cot all covered with ivy, in some secluded vale, close by the purling brook, meandering over its bubbly bottom, incessantly labbling, in dulcet tinkling strains, 'Love, love, love, where the atmosphere redolent of soothing spowaroms, that make the eye languish and the heart dissolve in the liquid fires of love; where the balmy morning zephyrs sigh in the dense forest's leafy maze, chanting love's melody; where the tiny songsters that whirl in ethereal space warble nought but love. I will plant thee a garden of gorgeous loveliness, culled from nature's ardent design, warmest tints, and sweet smelling incense. Delphic, dear, don't forget to have a patch for cow-combers and inguns; they're so nice pickled."

The New Orleans correspondent of Harper's Weekly is the young New Yorker to whom recently had pointed as the intended Miss Elizabeth Bowlegs, daughter of the distinguished chief Billy. He denies the soft impeachment, however, but says that King Billy did him the honor to propose an alliance with his eldest daughter.

THE CAPTAIN OF A BAND OF 100 ROBBERS ARRESTED BY PIER COVE.

On the morning of Tuesday last, S. W. Carpenter of the Dubuque Detective Police arrived in this village, and after an interview with James Garrison, left in his company for Pier Cove, which is some 25 miles west of this place. Their business at that place was the capture of a man by the name of Bell, alias Sweetling, whom Carpenter had been following for about a fortnight. The object of their search was peeling bark for Mr. H. Barringer, and was boarding at the house of Mr. Esler, at Pier Cove. Bell or Sweetling was known to be a most desperate ruffian, and consequently his arrest had to be arranged with caution.

It was ultimately effected, just as he had taken his seat at the dinner table by Garrison seizing him around the arms. At the same moment Carpenter rushed from his concealment, and in less time than it takes to relate the fact, freed the prisoner. A hurried search was made of the prisoner's person, but nothing beyond an old jack knife was found. The three then instantly started for this place, but they had not proceeded more than half a mile before Carpenter's suspicions were awakened by his elbow coming in contact with some hard substance under the prisoner's arm, and it was then expedient to make another and more thorough examination of his person.

A halt was made, and two Colt's revolvers, four inch barrels, loaded and capped, were taken from his person, having been secreted one under each arm, and a formidable bow-knife was found hidden in his right boot. A thousand dollars in counterfeit money was likewise taken from him.

We learn that the prisoner recognized Carpenter, and was exceedingly earnest in getting a promise to be kept out of the mob when they should reach Dubuque. From this time he became very talkative and communicative. We gather from a conversation with Mr. Garrison, the following antecedents of Bell or Sweetling. For two or three years he has been captain of a gang of 100 robbers, on the banks of the Mississippi. He lived in a perfect palace on the Iowa bank, and passed as a retired physician, which enabled him to go to visit him without suspicion.

Later from Utah. Sr. Louis, June 21.—A despatch from Leavenworth, dated the 18th, received at Booneville per the U. S. Express, says that parties had arrived there, having left Camp Scott May 22d, en route for Independence.

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Later from Havana, Key West, and California.

The steamship Isabel, Capt. Rollins, arrived at quarantine at about ten o'clock on Saturday evening, from Havana, via Key West, bringing dates from these ports to the 10th inst.

HAVANA, June 10, 1858.—It is my duty to report two further outrages upon American commerce, perpetrated by British cruisers. The first is a second detention, if that be not an Hibernalism, upon the regular trading brig Allan A. Chapman, Captain Laurent, which arrived here from New Orleans on the 30 ult.

The United States steamer Water Witch and Fulton arrived here last Saturday—the former came into this harbor, the latter did not. The commanders of both vessels were, however, in this city; having shipped coast pilots they both went to sea next day.

On the 2d inst., the Spanish steamer Mejico returned from Vera Cruz and Sinaloa. She did not bring any news; but she had among her passengers one hundred and seventy-two Yucatan Indians.

During Ignacio Comonfort's Administration in Mexico, this exportation of Indians was not permitted; under the present rule in that unhappy country, men born free as the air they breathe are made "prisoners of war," and then sold into slavery.

The public health, I am sorry to add, is far from being good. Yellow fever is exhibiting its malignant power amongst the mercantile marine.

An American naval officer had a long conference with Lieut. Pym the day of his arrival at Key West, upon the present all-absorbing subject of the "right of search" and the overhauling and fringing into American vessels in the Gulf. Lieut. Pym assured the officer that no new instructions had been given him by his Government, but that he and all his consorts were acting under printed orders issued in 1849.

The St. Louis Assessor of the 12th states that a heavy frost occurred there on the previous night. The levee from one end to the other was entirely submerged, and in many places the water was standing on the levee yesterday.

The Corps.—A correspondent writing from New Orleans to the Louisville Journal says: "The damage thus far done in this State by the present overflow, is, as yet unknown here, though it has been vaguely estimated at six millions of dollars. It must be large, and seriously affect not a few of our commission merchants. The loss of crops will, in some cases, however, be partly well compensated for by the making of additional land. The deposit left by a heavy overflow is much greater than most persons suppose. Not unfrequently it is found to be three or four feet thick, and there can be no doubt that many hundreds of acres if not thousands of acres of swamp lands are being filled up and made valuable for agricultural purposes.

John Lyons, an Irish laborer, residing in Greenwich street, New York, kicked his wife to death on Friday night. He was arrested.

PRIMARY ELECTION. NOTICES OF CANDIDATES.

LEGISLATURE. We are authorized to announce that WILLIAM P. JONES, of Union township, will be a candidate for the Legislature, subject to Democratic rules.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY. We are authorized to announce that ROBERT J. WALLACE, of Clearfield Borough, will be a candidate for District Attorney, subject to Dem. rules.

SHERIFF. We are authorized to announce that SAMUEL CLYDE, of Lawrence township, will be a candidate for Sheriff, subject to Dem. rules.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER. We are authorized to announce that WILLIAM MERRILL, of Lawrence tp., will be a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to Dem. rules.

CO. COMMISSIONER. We are authorized to announce that WALTER B. HOLT, of Bradford tp., will be a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to Democratic rule.

NOTICE. LETTERS of Administration on the estate of Christian Potter, late of Clearfield borough dec'd, having been granted to the subscriber all persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate, are notified to call on me immediately with their claims against the same and present their accounts duly authenticated for settlement.

IRON DEPOT, Kept by Merrell & Carter. On Second Street, Clearfield, Pa. IS the place where all the following articles can be had at reduced prices: Iron of all sizes, by the small or by the quantity; Cast Steel of various sizes and qualities; a large assortment of Steels, among which will be found the New World Oak Oak Premium, Great Republic, Duck's Patent, and the elevated Standard. Also, a large assortment of new-patent and Patent Axes, Axes of the best and latest patterns—Also, Axes of their own Manufacturing a large assortment of Tinware, Stone pipes, Sheet-iron pipes of all sizes, and all articles of the kind that they keep always on hand.

HOME AGAIN. REED & WEAVER are now receiving and opening a large and well selected Stock of Goods, consisting of Dry Goods, Groceries, Hardware, Queensware, Boots and Shoes, Oils, Paints & Drugs, Hais and Bonnets, Nails & Spikes, Salt and Fish.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. LETTERS of Administration on the estate of George Grant, late of Brady tp., dec'd, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to the estate are notified to come forward and settle, and those having claims against the same will present their accounts duly authenticated for settlement.

NOTICE. LETTERS of Administration on the estate of Abraham High, late of Lawrence tp., dec'd, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate are requested to make payment immediately and those having claims against the same will present them duly authenticated for settlement.

BUCKSKIN. ED. P. ORRILL, NO. 54 WALNUT STREET, PHILADELPHIA. P. HEALY & CO., Manufacturers of Buckskin Gloves and Mitts, Ladies' and Gentlemen's Gaiters, Sparring, Sword and Cricket Gloves, Buckskin Shirts and Drawers, Riding & Shooting Leggings, Walking Gaiters, of Cloth and Leather, Buckskin and India Rubber Saddles, Waist Bands, Money Belts and Patent Sleigh Robes, and Buffalo Suits of every description.

LUMBERMEN. Send for a descriptive Circular of COLEMAN'S FARM MILL. The most simple, durable and effective Mill for grinding all kinds of grain into fine or coarse meal on a stone—Price, \$30.

JAS. B. GRAHAM, Post Master, Merchant, and extensive dealer in square timber, boards shingles, &c. Grahamston, Bradford township. Aug. 23, 1858.