

Home Affairs.

Clearfield, Pa., August 15, 1860.

RELIGIOUS NOTICE

Rev. Dr. Litz, of Philadelphia, will preach in the Baptist Church this (Wednesday) evening, and on each succeeding evening during the week.

Also on Sunday at 10 o'clock.

Camp Meeting.

The Camp Meeting of the M. E. church for the clearfield and curwensville charge will be held on the ground of Mr. Thos. Feed on the old pike to commence on Friday Aug 24 1860. Come to the Camp Meeting.

Wm L Spotswood,

Preacher in charge.

The recent refreshing rains have been of vast benefit to the corn, potatoes, pasture &c.

TALL TIMOTHY.—Mr. James Bailey of Lawrence tp., brought to our office the other day three stocks of Timothy, each measuring six feet and six inches. Beat this if you can. It was raised on his farm about two miles from town.

We have one of "Grace Greenwood's Little Pilgrims" upon our table. It is indeed a fine number.—Pilgrim that should be in every family. Fathers and mothers get it for your children.

About to leave temporarily on a professional tour.—P. C. Purviance, Ambrotypist of Clearfield, takes this method to announce to the public, that he will close his Gallery on the 27th Aug. (inst.) for the purpose of making a professional tour, of probably several months. Those wishing Ambrotypes can secure his services during the mean time. In addition to his stock of cheap cases always on hand, in a few days he will be supplied with an apartment of fancy cases, at lower prices than ever before sold in Clearfield county.

Aug. 15, '60.—21.

A lady friend writes us "that the committee of arrangements for our country fair, have omitted a very important class of things for which there should be a liberal premium awarded—it is for the best trotting old Bachelor in single harness, the ring to be open to all competitors, the object being the improvement of the stock."

Sixty-four counties in the State of Kentucky give Gen. Leslie Coombs 27,296 majority for Clerk of Appeals. He was the Union candidate, and received the support of the friends of Douglas.

The result of the recent election in Missouri is still in doubt. Four candidates were out for Governor, and the same number in some of the Congressional Districts.

An affray occurred at Cleveland on the 9th inst., between the keeper of a saloon and two negroes, in which the white man was instantly killed by a knife in the hands of one of the negroes. The negroes fled, but were subsequently arrested.

Recent Publications.

Teachings of Patriots and Statesmen; or, the Founders of the Republic in Slavery. By Ezra B. Chase, Esq. J. W. Bradley, 48 N. Fourth street, Philadelphia.

From a very hasty examination of this book, we should say that it ought to be read by all persons, no difference what their religious or political feeling may be.

The subject of slavery is treated fairly and impartially, and in accordance with the view of the "Early Fathers of the Republic," no dicta of a single individual is allowed to establish a fact, either for or against slavery.

This book displays much patient research, and Mr. Chase has displayed admirable judgment in the arrangement of its pages. In it we find the history of the slavery question, from the Act of Confederation down to the present time, giving the reader an accurate history of this institution for nearly a century.

We have no hesitation in recommending Mr. Chase's book to all our readers, as being worthy of their patronage and support.

The "American Agriculturist" for August has also been received. This is one of the best and cheapest Agricultural papers in the country, and should be liberally patronized by all classes, and particularly Farmers. Published by Orange Judd, N. Y. at \$1.00 per annum.

The "Democratic Test," is the name of a new paper published in Bloomfield Perry co. Pa., by J. B. Cooper Esq. It is a neat paper, and has the ring of the true metal.

The "Atlantic Monthly" for August, is upon our table. The high literary character of this publication is well sustained. It is an admirable number. Published by Ticknor and Fields 135 Washington street Boston, at \$3.00 per annum.

The Secretary of the Treasury has issued his advertisement for proposals for the use by the Government of a line of magnetic telegraph to be constructed within two years from the 31st of July, 1860, from some point on the west side of Missouri, by any route which the contractor may select, (connecting by telegraph with Washington, New Orleans, New York, Charleston, Philadelphia, Boston, and other cities in the Atlantic, Southern, and Western States to San Francisco.) The contract will be for ten years, and must not be for a greater sum than forty thousand dollars a year.

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Mysterious Music.

In going from Mobile to New Orleans through Grant's Pass, and along the sound formed by the main land and a succession of islands, the steamer carries you near to the mouth of the Pascagoula river, which is on your right. In sight of the line of transit, a short distance up the river, is often heard mysterious music, of which the reader may probably get the best idea by comparing it to a distant though powerful Zolian harp.—Many assert that they hear as many as three or four notes. Others compare it to the purring of a cat, yet of course very much louder.

This music may be heard at any time of the year, or at any period of the day, though not at all hours. It is most frequently noticed at night. It is apparently loudest when there is considerable wind. It is said that the United States Government sent a corps of surveyors to this place to discover, if they could, the cause of this strange melody. The result was unsatisfactory. Some persons have a tradition that a number of poor Indians were long ago murdered at that place, and that the sound heard is their plaintive moan. This is of course superstition.

The same or a similar sound is heard at other places. A gentleman of high standing assures us that he has heard the same in the port of Guymas, in the Gulf of California. It is asserted that it is also heard at the mouth of Bayou Conde Inde, and at other places along the coast of the Gulf of Mexico. Nor is it confined to this continent, as may be learned from Sir Emerson Tennant's recent work on Ceylon. At least something like it is heard at Batticaloa. There it is said to be most audible at night and when the moon is nearest the hill. Sir Emerson says:

"Sounds somewhat similar are heard under water, at some places on the western coast of India, especially in the harbor of Bombay. At Caldera, in Chili, musical cadences are said to issue from the sea near the landing place; they are described as rising and falling fully four notes, resembling like those at Batticaloa, till they produce a musical discord of great sweetness and delicacy. The animals from whence they proceed have not been identified at either place, and the mystery remains unsolved, whether those at Batticaloa are given forth by fishes or mollusks."

Whether this sound proceeds from fish, or any scallop fish, or from shell fish, or from any of these, seems very doubtful. A friend of ours has been promised some papers on this subject. Should he secure them, our readers may hear something further on the point. We should be much pleased to receive any further reliable information on the subject. We have heard that it is noticed in Col. Fickett's history of that part of the Southwest.

N. Y. Observer.

CANDIDATES FOR THE CHARLESTON NOMINATIONS.—There were nine gentlemen before the National Democratic Convention, for the Presidential nomination, viz: Messrs. Hunter, Guthrie, Douglass, Dickinson, Lane, Toucey, Davis, Johnson, Tennessee, and Pearce, of Maryland. Since the Baltimore nominations, they have declared their preferences as follows:

FOR MAJOR BRECKINRIDGE.
1. Hon. R. M. T. Hunter.
2. Gen. J. Lane.
3. Hon. James Guthrie.
4. Hon. Andrew Johnson.
5. Col. Jefferson Davis.
6. Hon. Isaac Toucey.
7. Hon. James A. Pearce.
8. Hon. Daniel S. Dickinson.
FOR JUDGE DOUGLASS.
1. Hon. Stephen A. Douglas.
2. Hon. George W. McCullough.
3. Hon. John B. Thompson.
4. Hon. Andrew Johnson.
5. Hon. Wm. W. H. Seward.
6. Hon. G. W. McClellan.
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8. Hon. D. W. Atchison.
9. Hon. J. J. Crittenden.
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To Persons out of Employment.

GENTS WANTED TO SELL the Erie Sewing Machine.

We will give a Commission, or wages at from \$20 to \$60 per month, and expenses paid. This is a new Machine, and so simple in its construction that a child of 10 years can learn to operate it by half an hour's instruction. It is equal to any family Sewing Machine in use, and the price is but Fifteen Dollars.

Persons wishing an Agency will address J. N. BOYLAN.

Secretary Erie Sewing Machine Company, Aug. 8, 1860.—5w.

ORPHAN'S COURT SALE.

—By virtue of the Orphan's Court of Clearfield county, there will be exposed to public sale at the house of Isaac Bloom in the Borough of

Clewensville on Saturday the 8th day

OF SEPTEMBER A. D. 1860,

the following described real estate to wit: that certain plantation or tract of land situated on the public road leading from Clearfield to New Washington in Pike township, Clearfield county Penna. Bounded on the north by land belonging to the estate of John S. Curry deceased, on the east by land of Fitch & Boynton, on the west by lands of Wm. A. Bloom and Wm. Rex, and on the south by land of George W. Curry. Containing two hundred and fifteen acres more or less, having erected thereon a large two-story frame (b) house, weather-boarded and painted, with collar, a large double log barn, grain-house, dry-house, wagon-shed, and about one hundred acres of cleared land, with a large bearing orchard, and a never failing spring or water thereon, late the estate of Richard Curry deceased.

TERMS, 10 per cent on day of sale, one-half at confirmation of sale, and the balance in one year with interest to be secured by bond and mortgage.

WM. REX Adm'r., Aug. 8, 1860.

of R. Curry deceased.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of sundry writs of Vendition Exp'd has issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Centre county and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bellefonte, on Monday, the 27th day of August next, the following property, viz:

All the right, title and interest of D. M. Bilger, in the undivided one-fifth part, &c., of six certain tracts of land with the improvements thereon, situated partly in Morris township, Clearfield county, and partly in Rush township, Centre county.

One tract whereof situated in Morris twp., Clearfield county, was surveyed under warrant to Peter Yarnold, and contains 530 acres and allowances.

Also—One tract situated as above was surveyed under warrant to John Weidman, containing 105 acres and 70 perches and allowances.

Also—One tract surveyed under warrant to Jacob Rush, containing 463 acres and 35 perches.

Also—One tract situated as above was surveyed under warrant to John Weidman, containing 380 acres and 22 perches.

There being erected on the above described property, two Saw Mills and several dwelling houses.

Seized taken in execution and to be sold as the property of D. M. Bilger.

THO'S MCCOY, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Bellefonte, Aug. 8, 1860.

FRIDAY THE 7TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER A. D. 1860,

the following described real Estate to wit: A tract of land situated in Huston township, Clearfield county Pa., surveyed on a warrant in the name of David Caldwell. Containing 195 acres and allowances, bounded by lands surveyed on warrant in the name of James Wilson and lands in the name of Moore & Delaney; the whole of said tract being well timbered, with valuable white Pine timber and having a stream of water thereon, which can be made navigable for logs, or upon which a Saw Mill might be erected, late the estate of Samuel Caldwell deceased.

TERMS, one-fourth of the purchase money on day of Sale; one-fourth on the confirmation of Sale, and the balance in two equal annual payments with interest from day of Sale, to be secured by Bond & Mortgage.

DAVID CALDWELL, Adm'r.

Aug. 8, 1860. of Samuel Caldwell, dec'd.

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