

THE GAZETTE. LEWISTOWN, PA. Thursday, February 4, 1858.

Notices of New Advertisements. The Receipts and Expenditures of Mifflin county—Notice of an Election—Executor's Notice—Storehouse and Dwelling to let.

U.S. The Lewistown Gazette, with its usual regard for truth and fairness, represents as saying that the local shippers are content to pay the tonnage tax. We used no such language. We proved, satisfactorily, we think, that the local shippers pay the tax, and said, "if they are content to do so, why repeal it?"

We do not think the first part of the above article at all important, although it still appears to us that the Standard's first comments, even with the if, justified an implication that the local shippers were content to pay the tax.

We come then to the question whether the "local shipper would not have to pay the same rates he now does," in case the tax were repealed? Is not this begging a question on the part of the Standard? If the principle of taxing trade is wrong, such a consideration has nothing to do with it, and ought not to be entertained for a moment.

There could be no robbing the treasury where the State would be doing a simple act of justice. We contend that the people along the line of the railroad who use it for the purpose of conveying their products to market, in addition to paying a State tax equal to that imposed on other sections, are now paying about one mill more on all their assessable property.

Our first duty therefore is to ask the State to repeal this imposition, because it receives the money. That done, it will be time enough to shriek out "monopoly" and other corresponding terms calculated to catch the popular breeze, when the Pennsylvania Railroad will refuse to make any alteration in its charges for freight.

The editor of the Standard, like many other individuals, seems to pride himself on his opposition to this repeal, and takes every occasion to make a fling at the road. Now will he for a moment lay aside all other feelings and candidly examine the following propositions:

1st. Is domestic trade a proper subject of taxation by the State? 2d. The consideration for which any specific tax is levied, having passed away, is it right to continue such taxation in one part of the State only? 3d. Is such a principle democratic? These questions are so simple that any schoolboy could answer yes or no, and we hope therefore that the Standard will give us sound reasons for a negative, should he so answer. Like him, we are open to conviction, and if he can give us any other answer than that the railroad, like all other corporations or associations doing a large business, is a "MONOPOLY," our ideas of what is just and right may come nearer his own than they have been on this subject.

ing undergone any material change, free passes, to which we suppose the Standard alludes, were not necessary to buy us—and so the officers of the road probably thought, for from its opening until 1853-4 we held none at all, but paid our fare in all cases. Since then we have had two or three local ones, some of which were never used, and last year we had one from Harrisburg to Pittsburgh, with which we made three trips to Harrisburg and one to Millerstown. Our bill for printing last year was \$7.50. We state these facts merely to show those who see the Standard, that if its fling at potent power was intended for us, it comes out a small potato.

We have given most of the documents relating to Kansas heretofore, and to-day add the testimony of Mr. Stanton, late Secretary of that Territory, who, like others, went there a full-blooded slavery man, but could not shut his eyes to the base frauds perpetrated by a set of men whom the administration at Washington so strangely upholds. It seems to us that this corroborative evidence of all yet appointed to office, ought to satisfy Mr. Buchanan that his course is wrong.

From Utah.—The Platte Argus announces the arrival in Weston, on the 21st, of Mr. Davidson, from Utah, who brings intelligence from Camp Scott of the 14th of December, which is four days later than any previously received.

On the 14th December, left Col. Johnston at Camp Scott, four miles from Bridger; Col. Cooke off with the mules, forty-two miles from Bridger, on Henry's Fork. All hands engaged making comfortable for the winter. Health of the command good.—Twelve ounces of flour and as much "poor beef" as the men want, are the rations.—No news from Captain Marcy, who had started for Taos. No snow this side of Laramie. Plenty of good grass, and buffalo very fat. Capt. Bee, of the 10th infantry, had been placed in command of the three volunteer companies, and was engaged in drilling them. Volunteers enlisted between 16th and 20th November, for six months. Mormons continuing to fortify between army and Salt Lake. Met going out, army mail, near "Devil's Gate," a second near "Ash Hollow," and a third at Kearney. Met train taking supply of salt from Laramie, on the last crossing of Sweet Water.

During the past few days the weather has become cold—the ground slightly covered with snow.

Medicines will appear next week. We saw an oxer bag crossing the street the other day between two acts of hoops. Rather suspicious. There is nothing transpiring worthy of note, either in Congress or the Legislature.

The boys go in for "whoops," and the girls for the same thing without the w.

We are indebted to Hon. A. White for a valuable public document.

The Hon. A. White, of the democracy is in the ascendancy in Centre county.

C. C. Hemphill, lately of this place, is publishing a thurder and brigstome democratic paper at Chatfield, Minnesota.

There are said to be but two classes now traveling on western railroads, viz: 1. Those running away. 2. Those running after them.

Judge Grier has removed George Pitt as clerk of the U. S. Court, and appointed Benjamin Patton of Allegheny county in his place.

A correspondent who says he is a subscriber, ought to have sent his name. We could then have judged better of the article in question.

The Milltown Sentinel says the mud banks there, unlike the Lewistown Bank, are permanent institutions. No one who has ever been in that locality will dispute the assertion, as there is mud lying loose all round.

St. Valentine's day, now mostly perverted to sending insulting missives, comes on the 14th February. Cogley has some fine ones on hand of the "love" order, where those who have money to spend can get rid of it.

LOCAL AFFAIRS. The coating at the jail wall we noticed the other day is crumbling off, presenting a very unsightly appearance. We do not know to what cause it may be attributed, whether poor work, poor material, or the season at which it was put on, but it ought to be looked after and if possible a remedy applied.

George Frysinger was re-elected on Monday last by the Town Council as Manager of the Lewistown Water Company on the part of the Borough.

At a meeting of the Board on Tuesday evening, the resignation of John A. Sterett, Esq., was handed in and accepted, and on motion Henry Zerbe appointed in his place. George Frysinger was then elected President for the ensuing year. No notice having been published for an election, the old board by the terms of the charter continues in office.

FALSE REPORT.—A report that John Kennedy of this place had failed was extensively circulated in Centre county during the past few weeks, no doubt with a view of injuring his business. There is no truth whatever in the story, and the only wonder is that Mr. K. in nine cases out of ten pays the hard stuff for his purchases, especially pork, &c., such a thing should gain credence. He has at the present day as much specie in his vaults as some banks, and challenges those who have articles in which he deals to test his capacity for paying.

GROUND HOG DAY.—According to the old weather signs, if the ground hog came out on Candlemas day and did not see his shadow, it remained out, portending thereby that the winter was broken; but if the sun shone and it saw its shadow, the animal returned to its hole, where it remained for six weeks, for which period winter weather would continue. Now whether the winter is broken or not is a mooted question, for it was cloudy until nearly 12 o'clock, when the sun came out warm and pleasant, but about two again clouded over with a sharp western wind. Some contend that Mr. Groundhog appears in the middle of the day, in which case we may imagine that he shook himself and returned to his hole; while others allege the day prognosticates a short winter. Our wishes are decidedly with the latter.

TEMPERANCE MEETING.—The Washingtonians held their weekly meeting in the Town Hall on Tuesday evening. The interest felt by the public in this movement was manifested by the attendance of an unusually large audience of ladies and gentlemen, who by their presence endeavored to show those desirous of reforming that they wished them God speed in the noble work. Addresses were delivered by Messrs. Warner, Stratford, Dr. Bower, Belford, and J. A. McKee, several of whom however regret to say were grossly and shamefully interrupted by one man, though probably aided and abetted by others; so much so that proceedings have been instituted against him under the act relative to disturbing religious or other meetings. "Forbearance" in this respect "has ceased to be a virtue," and all who hereafter visit the hall on such occasions for the purpose of violating the decencies and proprieties of life, may expect similar treatment.

F. A. Allen, Esq., whom many of our readers will remember as an eloquent speaker at the Teachers' Institute held here last fall, paid our town a temporary visit on New Year's day, and in a letter to the McKean Citizen, of which he is editor, thus writes: "Lewistown, the place at which we are writing, is a town of some 4000 inhabitants, situated on the Kishacoquillas and Juniata. It is a very pretty town, the county seat of Mifflin county. We were here in September last, assisting in an Institute, under the direction of Co. Supt. Haven, a young man of zeal and true worth. His first Institute was a triumph. He has a noble corps of Teachers, and they are doing good service this winter. The Teachers of the town have an association which meets every Saturday A. M. We had the pleasure of meeting with a few of them.

"We took a stroll along the banks of the 'Blue Juniata,' and wondered while passing along whether this was the spot where, 'Wild roved an Indian girl, bright Afiaretta.' "There is one thing sure, we found some wild girls in this village, but they are fine Teachers. The schools of Lewistown are not such as they ought to have. The people are opposed to the co-education of the sexes, and notwithstanding their zeal in other things, they can never reasonably look for good results as long as they adhere to a system so radically defective as this, and one which is so at war with all our better feelings. It is certainly contrary to the laws of our being; as to us, it is quite evident that it strikes at the foundation of the true principles of education. With a large and well furnished school building, suitable for conveying the children of the town, suitably graded, with the males and females together, Lewistown would have a system of schools of which she might justly feel proud, and the fruits of which in three years' time would convince the most skeptical on this point. We trust the Teachers will work a reformation there."

Who are the wild girls referred to in the above letter?

RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES OF MIFFLIN COUNTY, From January 21, 1857, to January 4, 1858, inclusive.

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given vs. commonwealth, as per certificate of Justice Swartz and Hoover 71 00 "cash p'd Geo. Frysinger, advertising list 17 40 " " W. F. Shaw " 17 40 "am't treas. com. on \$786 00 @ 5 per cent 39 30 "bal. due commonwealth 511 90

BREWERS AND DISTILLERS. DR. To am't said licenses assessed and levied for 1857. 105 00 "E. E. Locke & Co license unpd' at last report, 50 00

By cash D. W. Woods, Esq. counsel fee, proc'ing license against E. E. Locke & Co's distillery, 5 00 "am't Geo. Siegert, license on which suit was brought, and judgment given against the com'th, per certificate of Justice Hoover, 50 00

By am't deduc'd all'd by com'th, to E. E. Locke & Co. on their assessment for Distillery, 45 00 "Treas. com. on \$60 00 @ per cent 3 00 "bal. due commonwealth, 52 00

JAMES McDOWELL, Esq. Register and Recorder, in account with the Commonwealth from Jan'y 22, to Nov. 30, 1857, inclusive. COLLATERAL INHERITANCE TAX. CR.

To am't said tax on the estate of Joseph Keiser, 18 57 " " " Jane Power, 22 31 " " " Alfd Miller, 64 92 " " " J. T. Sterrett, 50 00 "bal. due at last settlement 14 92

By cash p'd state treas. Jan'y 7, '58 125 00 "am't reg't com. on \$155 80 @ 5 per cent 7 79 "cash p'd appraisers fees & mileage 13 92 "am't reg'rs' fees 8 75 "this account 4 50 "bal. due commonwealth 10 76

JACOB MUTTERSBOUGH, Esq., Sheriff of Mifflin county, in account with said county, from January 22, 1857, to Nov. 7, 1857, inclusive. DR.

To am't verdict fees rec'd in Common Pleas, 12 00 " " " fines rec'd in quarter sessions, 242 00 "bal. due Sheriff 5 71

By fees summoning 252 jurors at 25 cents each 63 00 "expenses conveying Sam'l Carter to House of Refuge 65 68 "fees adv'ng Gen'l election and amendments to constitution 1 50 " "sundry commonwealth cases 122 27 "am't of com. on \$242 00 at 3 per cent 7 26

Petit Jurors' pay, 1250 00 Furniture for jail, 250 00 Witnesses in Commonwealth cases, 59 11 Justices' fees in Commonwealth cases, 3 74 qualifying election boards, commissioners, sheriff, county auditors, directors of the poor, &c., 173 00 D. D. Muthersbough, Jailor, for boarding prisoners, 536 00 Henry Ferer, Court Crier and Janitor, 73 12 Books and stationery for public offices, 134 72 Andrew Reed, District Attorney, fees, 11 50 Jacob Linthorst, Esq., Comm' p's pay, 165 00 Jacob Hoover, do, 50 00 R. D. Smith, Commissioners' Clerk to October 1st, 1857, 295 00 Assessors' pay, 458 48 Cleaning gutter, pavement, &c. at C.P.I., 200 00 Wm. F. Shaw, et al, adv. & printing, 200 00 Clothing for prisoners, 1 00 Directors of the Poor, 4000 00 Election officers' pay, 355 84 Coroner and jurors' inquisitions on dead bodies, 28 00 Jacob Muthersbough, Comm'w' fees, 4 00 Interest paid, 150 00

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of BENJAMIN MCCOY, late of Grantville township, Mifflin county, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, residing in Derry township, in said county. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims to present them duly authenticated for settlement. T. G. BILL, Executor. February 4, 1858.

ELECTION NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given to the Stockholders of the Lewistown and Kishacoquillas Turnpike Company that there will be an Election held at the house of Wm. Brothers, in Reedsville, on the SECOND MONDAY (8th) OF MARCH next, to elect one President, Six Managers and a Treasurer for the ensuing year. CASPER DULL, President. February 4, 1858.

FOR RENT, THE FORGE FARM. Possession given 1st April next. For further information apply to JNO. A. WRIGHT, Freedmen Iron Works, Derry tp., Mifflin co., Jan. 28, 1858.—

NOTICE. The undersigned being about to remove to M'Alavey's Fort, Huntingdon county, hereby gives notice to all persons having unsettled accounts with him to call and adjust the same without delay, as otherwise he will be necessitated to place them in the hands of others for that purpose. SAMUEL B. GROSSMAN. For sale low, a large lot of Lumber, such as

Shingles, Boards, &c. The STORE HOUSE DWELLING, BOARD YARD and all necessary outbuildings now occupied by me, are for rent. The right kind of man may sell from \$8000 to \$10,000 worth of goods per annum. Belleville, Jan. 28, 1858.—

Franklin Fire Insurance Co. OF PHILADELPHIA. Statement of the Assets of the Company on January 1, 1858. Published in conformity with the provision of the Sixth Section of the Act of Assembly of April 5th, 1842.

MORTGAGES. Being first Mortgages on Real Estate in the city and county of Philadelphia, except \$30,950 in Montgomery, Bucks, Schuylkill and Allegheny counties, Penna. \$1,596,825 1/2

REAL ESTATE. Purchased at Sheriff's sales under mortgage claims, viz:—Eight houses and lot, 70 by 150 feet, on the southwest corner of Chestnut and Seventeenth streets. A house and lot, 27 by 71 feet, on the north side of Spruce street, and west of Eleventh street.

Five houses and lots, each 17-9 by 90 feet, Nos. 159, 161, 163, 165 and 167 Dillwyn street. Three houses and lot, 49 by 54 feet on east side of Seventeenth street, south of Pine street.

Hotel and lot 50 by 81 feet, on the southeast corner of Chestnut and Beach streets. Five houses and lot, 42 and 86 feet on north side of George street, west of Ashion street. Seven houses and lot, 20 by 117 feet on the east side of Beach street, south of Chestnut st.

A house and lot, 18 by 30 feet, No. 96 Fitzwater street, east of Ninth street. A ground rent of \$30, issuing out of a lot 134 by 40 feet on the north side of Outer street, 40 feet west of Leopard st.

LOANS. Temporary loans on Stocks as Collateral Security, \$101,088 1/2

STOCKS. \$10,000 Almshouse Loan, 5 per cent. (Interest on) 200 shares Bank of Kentucky, 17 do Northern B'k of Ky, 100 do Union Bank of Tenn., 13 do Insurance Company of State of Penna., 300 do Southwark R. R. Co., 37 do Commercial & Railroad Bk, Vicksburg, 300 do Penna. Railroad Co., 91 do Frankln F. Ins. Co., 2 do Merc. Library Co., 24 do Union Canal Co., 10 do Schuylkill R. R. Co., \$10,000 P. Penna. R. R. Bonds, 2,000 Burlington City Water Loan.

700 Philadelphia City Loan, 42 47 " City Warrants. Notes and Bills Receivable, \$4,307 00 Cash on hand, \$36,285 00 do in hands of agents, 4,630 48 \$40,915 48

Losses by Fire. Losses Paid During Year 1857, \$203,788 1/2