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INDEPENDENT AND PROGRESSIVE.



LANCASTER CITY, PA.

FRIDAY, MAY 7, 1869.

Economy, Retrenchment, Faithful Collection of the Revenue and Payment of the Public Debt.—Giant.

Meeting of the Union Republican County Committee.

The members of the Union Republican County Committee will meet in the Orphans' Court Room in the City of Lancaster, on MONDAY, MAY 10th, at 11 1/2 o'clock.

RIGHT!

Ex-Gov. Pollock, Director of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, who was compelled to resign on the advent of Johnsonism, in 1868, and who has been appointed to his old position by Gen. Grant, has issued an order to the employees, that all whose appointments date since October, 1866, may consider themselves discharged.

NOT AFRAID.

Gen. Lee, in his interview with General Grant, informed the President that he did not look upon the adoption of the fifteenth amendment with such forebodings as had been done by leading men North and South.

SMART!

During the late Gould-Vanderbilt war, in the New York Legislature, the Erie and Central both sought the services of an ex-legislator from the Western portion of that State in the lobby.

STATE TREASURER.

On Monday last, General W. W. Irwin retired from the office of State Treasurer, the duties of which he has discharged with great faithfulness and acceptance.

A GRATIFYING RESULT.

The re-election of David Evans, Esq., as County Superintendent, by the Convention of School Directors, on Monday last, was a great triumph over the arch political trimmer—the chief of the Thugs—George Brubaker.

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THE REGISTRY LAW.

The great length of the Registry Law prevents us from giving it in full in our crowded columns. The law, as it passed the Legislature, contains forty-three sections; but the latter part refers solely to the city of Philadelphia.

INFAMOUS.

A Washington letter-writer reports that recently an Ohio Congressman received a petition, signed by three hundred persons, asking the appointment of a woman as postmaster, and three days later had received twenty-six confidential letters from the signers, informing him that she was not fit for the place.

GOOD NEWS.

The New York Tribune contains the following information from Washington, which is of interest to people generally.—We hope the "determination" will be carried out, and that there will be an end put to whisky, as well as to all other kinds of "rings."

"The Internal Revenue Bureau has determined that hereafter no cases shall be settled, dismissed, or compromised, except by the decision of the Solicitor, and no Assessor, Collector, or District-Attorney will be permitted to negotiate on the subject.

A GOOD LAW.

A bill to prevent railroad employees from "amassing" baggage is pending before the Massachusetts Legislature.

Any baggage master, express agent, stage driver, hackman, or other person whose duty it is to handle, remove, or take care of the baggage of passengers, who shall willfully and wantonly injure or destroy any trunk, valise, box, package, or parcel, while loading, transporting, unloading, delivering, or storing the same, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars, or by imprisonment in jail not exceeding two months.

Of which the New York Sun says—and its words have our hearty endorsement:

It would that some such bill were passed in every State in the Union so that a man could be fined or imprisoned for every trunk he smashed. If this were the case, the trunk-dealers might not do so thriving a business as they now do, but the comfort and good temper of the traveling community would be greatly promoted.

HIT THEM AGAIN!

The Middletown Sentinel says: "On Sabbath a colored clergyman preached in the M. E. church of this place. When he entered the pulpit several white Christians (?) left the church. Comment is unnecessary."

AS EXPECTED.

The Philadelphia Sunday Republic says that "Mayor Fox is hard at work, and, as we predicted some months ago, the adjournment of the Legislature has been the signal for the removal of every loyal policeman. And for this who is to blame but Senators Fisher, Robinson, Taylor and the other Republicans who voted against their party to secure the defeat of the metropolitan police bill?"

A SHARP DODGE!

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THE New York Senate has a Chaplain who is manifestly an anti-Lobby man, for he recently prayed the Lord to "thwart the designs of those bad men who loiter about the halls of the Legislature with bribery in their hands, and still worse, bribery in their hearts, to corrupt the representatives of the people, and promote wicked legislation."

NOT EXACTLY.

There are a few soft-headed Republicans, and any quantity of solid-skulled Democrats, who labor under the delusion that the party that conquered the great rebellion for the perpetuity of slavery, and saved the great Republic of the new world for the interests of humanity through all ages yet to come, has had its little day of development, and is already willing to decay.

The Republican party is of course destined to reverse, but these will purify rather than destroy. Stupid and presumptuous managers, whose corrupting wealth or crawling servility, has purchased them the places due to worth and patriotism, will disgust the true men of the party, and weaken the efforts of the many, but the end is not yet.

GOING—GONE!

The Southern Opinion, a newspaper which was conducted on the most approved pro-Rebel principles, at Richmond, Va., has given up the ghost. It expired without a struggle—suffocated by its own false doctrines—on the 1st inst.

TOO MUCH MONEY.

An exchange tells a rather suggestive story of a member of the Legislature, who left the cars temporarily, and left his pocket book on his seat. A brakeman found and opened it, and discovered eighteen hundred dollars in bills, besides some papers, which gave him a clue to the owner.

"BORED TO DEATH."

Those members of Congress who complain of being "bored to death by office seekers," forget that they were office seekers themselves quite recently and bored other people as much as they are now bored themselves.

ABOUT REPRESENTATIVES.

A few days ago, in a conversation with a leading Republican of Philadelphia, on Legislative affairs, we found him to be very decidedly of the opinion that, as a general rule, the "country members," in point of character and intelligence, are far behind those of the city of Philadelphia.

As citizens of Lancaster county, we humbly confess that the picture drawn by our Philadelphia friend, is a true one, and anything but agreeable to look at. But, we do most emphatically deny that we of the "country districts" are alone to blame for sending this kind of material to the Legislature.

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The new store of our friend, John D. Skiles, in East King street, next to the County Bank, is a magnificent affair.

John H. Longnecker, Esq., editor of the Baltimore Co. (Md.) Union, formerly of this county, has been appointed to a prominent position in the Baltimore Custom House.

WASHINGTON NEWS AND GOSSIP.

One of the female clerks recently dismissed from the Treasury Department called there yesterday to ascertain if the demand of a Congressman that she should be reinstated would be successful.

About eleven o'clock, General Lee, accompanied by two friends, drove to the White House and called upon the President, who received them very courteously.

The Pennsylvania appointments are all made, and our people have gone home. A few members of both houses still linger around the departments picking up odds and ends, but the capital is practically deserted by the politicians.

The clerks in the several departments are more nervous now than they have been at any time since the new administration came into power.

An interlude between General Carl Schurz and the President, on Monday last, was enlivened by a pleasant incident. The President remarked: "General, I see by the Democratic papers that you and I have been having a fierce fight."

William S. Roseman, a colored man from Troy, N. Y., has been appointed to a first-class clerkship in the third auditor's office.

The "iron heel of military power," which the Democratic organs pretended to have had such a crushing effect at the South, is thus spoken of in the Richmond Inquirer: "Our exchanges throughout Virginia, at every point where troops have been stationed, refer to their departure in kindly terms, and speak of the mutual regrets expressed by the soldiers and citizens."

GOV. CURTIN, our new Minister to Russia, will leave for St. Petersburg about the middle of June next.

THE Farmers National Bank of Lancaster, has declared a second dividend of 6 1/2 per cent. County Bank 8 per cent and the Strasburg Bank 5 per cent.

MAYOR SANDERSON has dismissed Samuel Shroad and Leonard Krause, policemen of the 7th and 1st Wards of this city, at the request of the Finance Committee of Councils.

Our genial friend, Mr. Alfred Sanderson, formerly of the Lancaster Intelligencer, now of the Potomac Standard, visited his old home in this city, for a few days, arriving on Saturday. Barring his politics, Alfred is a good fellow, and we are glad to learn he is succeeding admirably, peculiarly, at his new home.

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Charles Glinger was on last Friday committed to prison by Mayor Sanderson, on the charge of stealing a mule, wagon and harness belonging to John Hartman, of this city.

The means of all "onuses" is the man who will employ a boot-black, and then refuse to pay him. A. J. Steinman, of the Lancaster Intelligencer, for libel on Mr. Kleckner, a member of the Legislature from Philadelphia.

JOHN HART'S CONCERT AND READING. The entertainment given by Mr. John Hart, assisted by Miss Hindle and Prof. Hall and Steinhauser, at Fulton Hall, this city, on Tuesday evening last, was a great success.

BEVERLY THOMAS: "A young blood living in his doze, miles from here, was the victim of a huge joke last Sunday night. He was trying to be particularly 'sweet' on a young lady, and had paid her several visits. The old folks thought that the children were too little to keep company, and conveyed the hint by calling the girl out of the room and sending her to bed, the lady of the house attending the young gent by bringing into the parlor a huge piece of bread and butter and sugar, saying in her kindest manner: 'There, Bub, take this, and run home to your mother; it is time little boys were in bed.'"

TO BUSINESS MEN: If you have an advertisement running through our own or any other good paper, you have good servants out at work for you, whether you wake or sleep, whether you are sick or well. No monarch's slaves ever scattered at his bidding so fleetly as faithful, or in such bewildering numbers, as the literary messengers that bear your individual word to the people.

Guard—(The) Thomas a Radical of the Radicals. We chronicle his success with great pleasure. The Intelligencer is hard on our "City Fathers," especially with regard to the miserable condition of many of our sidewalks, and with reason. But what can be expected of "common people," when the pavement in front of the residence of the "Democratic" President of Select Council, in South Queen street, is one of the worst—if not the worst—in the city. Stir him up, for he is one of you, Mr. Intelligencer.

The Columbia Spy says that splendid Susquehanna shad, caught at that place, are retailing on the street at from fifty to seventy-five cents a pair. Send some along, friend Rumbo. Don't be selfish.

H. W. Hager, Esq., the new P. M. of this city, assumed his duties on Monday evening last. Jacob Martin, clerk, and C. F. Eberman and Edw. Edgerley, letter carriers, having resigned their positions, Scott P. Lytle has been appointed a clerk, and Henry Hartley and Samuel Musselwhite, letter carriers.

The State Legislature recently passed an act authorizing the appointment of a Milk Inspector in every city and borough in the State. As there is much complaint by consumers of milk in Lancaster, as to the quality furnished by milkmen, it would be well if our authorities would appoint an officer to inspect it.

The Harrisburg Gas Company have reduced the price of gas fifty cents per thousand feet. When our brilliant company come down, we will make a note of it.

Thirty-two non-commissioned officers and privates is now the minimum for all military organizations, except when called into actual service.

The General Assemblies of the Old and New School Presbyterian Church will meet on the twentieth of May, to settle finally the question of re-union.

A big battle between May bonnets and close pocket books is now being fought by bright eyes against husbands and fathers all over this great country.

David Evans, Esq., was on Tuesday last re-elected County Superintendent of Common Schools of Lancaster County, for three years, the annual salary for the three years, \$1700. The vote stood, for Evans, 111; A. O. Newpher, 106. A close shave.

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