

Lancaster Intelligencer.

THURSDAY EVENING, DEC. 16, 1880.

The Cheapness of Money.

The city of Harrisburg has just borrowed sixty thousand dollars at four per cent. to replace a six per cent. loan, and received a premium of one-half per cent. beside. This is as surprising as it is gratifying...

General Porter's Case.

The Comte de Paris, in a new edition of his history of the army of the Potomac, declares that the criticism on Fitz John Porter's conduct in the prior edition is no longer warranted by the evidence...

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Peppered and Whipped.

A Young Lady's Attack in the Street on a Man Whom She Accuses of Insult. In New York Tuesday afternoon a young woman of medium height and figure, dark eyes and hair, about 18 years old, stepped into the hallway at 9 Barclay street and sent a boy upstairs to the room occupied by Howard S. Ingersoll...

Minor Topics.

In the city of Wheeling, W. Va., the price of gas is \$1.08 per 1000 feet. Rome has not been for ten years so gay and brilliant with foreign visitors as at present.

Russia is this year importing grain, tallow and wool, the very things with which she has been accustomed to supply half the world.

A Baltimore clergyman recently preached on the subject, "Why was Lazarus a beggar?" The World supposes because he didn't advertise.

A DISPATCH from Paris to the London Times says: "The success of the Panama canal enterprise is enormous. The organization of the undertaking is in full swing."

The official vote of Texas, just declared, gives over 85,000 majority for Hancock. This renders it almost certain that Gen. Hancock carried a majority of the popular ballots cast and counted.

The superintendent of the census reports that the re-enumeration of districts in South Carolina in which census frauds were suspected shows a somewhat larger population than was shown by the suspected returns taken six months ago.

Mr. Diaz of Mexico doesn't see anything undignified in an ex-president's making himself useful to his country, and incidentally earning an honest living. Accordingly he has accepted a portfolio of public works in his successor's cabinet.

It is believed that the sub-committee to which was referred Gen. McCook's bill placing Gen. Grant on the retired list with the rank of general, will report against the bill. One member, Gen. McCook, favors it; one is known not to, and the views of the remaining one are matters of surmise.

The terms of the Turkish note relative to the Greek question have been decided upon. In the note the powers are asked to recommend Greece to enter upon a path of negotiations instead of resorting to armaments. More pacific influences have prevailed since the draft of the note last week, in which the powers, were asked to obtain a categorical answer from Greece as to her acceptance of the Porte's proposals.

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FOUNRY TO GOSHORN.

The Great Republican Corruption Fund. ANCHOR WHITE LEAD COMPANY. CINCINNATI, Dec. 6, 1880.

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WEST, HAVE MADE AN ASSIGNMENT TO JULIUS BUNZEL.

W. J. Bradley, aged 60 years, was shot dead by a magistrate named Squares at Summit, North Carolina, on Tuesday. The murder was the result of an old grudge. Charles Hissworth, a colored freedman, was arrested in Albany, New York, yesterday, on the charge of having attempted to poison several persons by treating them to beer which he had drugged with Paris Green.

A mass meeting of citizens was held last night in Caldwell, Kansas, Mayor Meagher presiding, at which resolutions were adopted approving the movement by Payne and other colonists to settle on the Oklahoma lands, in the Indian territory, and asking the president of the United States to "order the troops to accompany the settlers to Oklahoma as an escort." The invasion movement is reported to be gathering force and numbers, owing chiefly to the destination among the settlers in Western Kansas.

Snow has fallen over the north of Scotland. It now covers the ground to the depth of several inches. The tramway cars at Dundee were compelled to stop running. Aberdeenshire storm commenced yesterday morning, continuing with unabated fury. The snow lies to a considerable depth in the streets, while in the country the average is about a foot. There is every appearance of the continuation of the storm.

At a meeting of a number of the business men of Philadelphia, held Thursday, September 10th, Hon. John Welsh was chosen chairman, and Cyrus Elder secretary. The undersigned were appointed a committee to procure funds for the use of the Republican party in the present campaign.

You know that on the result of the November election depends the prosperity of our manufacturers, the existence of our national banking system, and the safety of our national finances. You know that the inevitable and legitimate expenses of such a campaign are large, and that in order to insure success, the most successful measures must be taken. Seven weeks from this day the great battle will be fought and, if the present apathy continues, it will be a sad day.

LARGESUMS ARE NEEDED INSTANTLY, and to you, as one of the moderate number to whom such an appeal can be made, the committee look for prompt and liberal contribution. This note and your answer or contribution are to be held confidential.

Payments are to be made to Wharton Baker, Treasurer, No. 28 South Third Street. You will perceive, Mr. Goshorn, that I do not stop to discuss the sincerity of the offers of John Welsh for this corruption fund. I find, I might say, that there is not an honest man between the two oceans who believes that if General Hancock had been elected president last November he would have destroyed our manufacturers, impaired our national banking system, or interfered with the safety of our national finances. Hancock's whole life is a protest against the scandalous assumption. He is a citizen of Pennsylvania, known to John Welsh, far better known to John Welsh than John Welsh is known to you or by you. Hancock was one of the best of our countrymen, almost with sound of the bell of independence hall, and yet, because a man whose whole life heretofore has been a single illustration of "purity of character," alleges all these things against General Hancock (I will not insult John Welsh by the intimation that he believes what he wrote and signed), but because he alleges such things against General Hancock, he did not hesitate to recommend the purchase of great states, and to take the lead in a crusade against the thousands of thousands of poor working-men who had to vote against General Hancock on the threat of being turned into the streets, or being made beggars and paupers.

Under the rule of the British House of Commons, the practice of a government to which John Welsh was the accredited American minister, a member of Parliament, elected by the process recommended by himself in regard to the choice of the president of the United States, would have been unseated almost without a vote; the very petition stating the fact that he had purchased the ballot, would have left him without a case.

Mr. Hutchins, sent recently to investigate the condition of the "Connellama Colony in Minnesota, reports terrible suffering among the colonists for the lack of clothing, fuel and food. Mount Baker, Washington territory, has now joined the array of volcanoes, headed by Mount Loa and Mount Vesuvius, in active operation in various parts of the earth's surface.

Mr. R. Wornack, a prominent farmer of Halifax, Virginia, was killed by a runaway accident on Monday. P. N. Wernburg was killed near Harmony, New York yesterday morning, by the sudden fall of a tree which he was cutting down.

In Lambertville, N. J., during a quarrel on the ice between John Pierman, aged eighteen, and Theodore Parker, aged thirteen, the blade penetrating his heart and killing him instantly. Pierman has not been arrested.

A "confidence man" fleeing from a policeman in St. Louis, on Tuesday night, attempted to cross the bridge on the railroad track, but fell through, there being no floor between the rails, and he was drowned. The bridge track is 90 feet above the water.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

THE CITY SOLICITOR'S OPINION.

Upon the Question of the Approaching Election for the Office of Mayor of the City of Lancaster, Dec. 15, 1880. Hon. John T. MacGonigle, Mayor of the City of Lancaster.

DEAR SIR: The question which you have presented to me is, whether aldermen must be elected in the First, Fifth and Eighth wards at the city election in February, 1881, or whether these offices shall be filled on the third Tuesday of February, A. D. 1882.

I am of opinion that no election should be held for these offices until the third Tuesday of February, 1882. The act of February 10, 1874, Sec. 1, provides that all members of council and all other city, ward, borough and township officers to be elected on the third Tuesday of February next, or in any year thereafter, whose term of office would expire after the expiration of the first Monday in April, shall continue in office until the first Monday in April, after which their terms shall expire.

The aldermen of the wards above mentioned, being elected on the third Tuesday of February next, will, if the provisions of the act, are included within its provisions and their term of office is therefore extended from the time it would otherwise expire until the first Monday in April, 1882. But the concluding part of this section provides that "elections for officers which shall be vacant on the first Monday in April shall be held on the third Tuesday in February next preceding thereto."

You also inquire whether an election should be held on the first Monday next to fill the vacancy caused by the death of R. W. Shenk, esq., the late select councilman of the Third ward.

The supplement to the charter of the city, passed March 30, 1880, contains the following provision: "If any member of select or common councils shall absent himself from three successive meetings, thirty minutes after the hour appointed, without reasonable excuse, his seat shall be declared vacant, and from and after the expiration of the same date any vacancy shall occur in the select branch, for the cause herein named, or by death, removal from the ward, resignation or any other cause, during the term for which any member shall be elected, the same shall be filled by the voters of the ward." As the vacancy caused by the death of Major Shenk has been filled by select council, and the term for which he was elected will only expire on the first Monday in April, 1882, no election can be held for the office of select councilman.

I am respectfully yours, CHAS. L. LANDIS, City Solicitor.

A Handsome Memorial. Charles H. Frailay, esq., the talented penman, has just finished per order of Rev. David Wilson, for the class of 1877 of Trinity, a beautiful and a beautifully executed tribute to the memory of their class-mate Joseph Mosgrove Truby. It is written in Indian ink in Old English, German text, and other fancy letters, artistically displayed, and reads as follows: "Joseph Mosgrove Truby, who died within the college walls, November 15th, 1877, aged 18 years. A loving brother, a true friend, a careful scholar, a faithful Christian. God proved him, and found him worthy for Himself."

At the regular meeting of Goodwin Council No. 19, R., S. E., and S. M., held in Masonic hall Wednesday evening, Dec. 15, the following officers were elected and installed by P. T. F. G. M. Edward Whelan, W. M., and J. C. Morris, Secy.

Harrisburg City Loans. The Harrisburg city council, having advertised for \$600,000 to refund 6 per cent. city bonds, opened the bids yesterday. Among the bids for the 5 per cent. were Reed, McGrann & Co., of Lancaster, who offered to take \$200,000 at 110.75 per cent.; \$200,000 at 110.9; \$200,000 at 110.95. The best bid for the 5 per cent. was by Mr. Jennings, of Harrisburg, who offered \$105.60 per \$100. The best bid for the 4 1/2 per cent. was \$110.50, by J. W. Weiss, of Harrisburg. The best bid for the 4 per cent. was \$110.75, by Thomas & Shewmaker, of Philadelphia. It is noteworthy, as showing the plentifulness of money, that while only \$60,000 were advertised for, \$600,000 were offered—all at or above par.

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