

Lancaster Intelligencer.

THURSDAY EVENING, MAR. 3, 1881.

A Destroying Victory.

If the Republican leaders think that their party can stand the issue that has been made by them on the funding bill, they have abundant faith in its native vigor. The question, as it has been made up and now goes to the country, is essentially one between the national banks and the people. The Democratic party in Congress determined to pass a bill providing for a three per cent. loan to take the place of the four and five per cents that are now redeemable and which are largely held by the national banks as the basis of their circulation.

Our Congressman, Mr. Smith, appears on the side of the banks in the roll call on the funding bill.

Mr. Smith has declared that the banks shall be permitted to retain yet awhile their four and five per cent. bonds. Mr. Smith has voted millions of dollars out of the treasury into the bank vaults. What do Mr. Smith's constituents think of it? Those of them who have been eagerly paying twice the par value of our local bank stocks to get a piece of the rich plum will be gratified with Mr. Smith's vote.

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What is the use of making one? Is it not intended to indicate the limit which they themselves have fixed by a solemn ordinance? And which I believe they have not virtually undo by the passage of a mere motion ordering the committee to have the work done.

In one of the bazaars, says a letter from India, we saw some fakirs and devotees. One of these remarkable fellows had vowed to lie upon a bed of upright nails for twenty-six years, and of these he had accomplished sixteen when we saw him. His body was attenuated and full of sores resembling leprosy spots.

THE FUNDING BILL.

What three of its advocates said. In the House last night the bills were suspended, and the funding bill, the last of the general appropriation bills, was passed. The funding bill was considered and finally passed, exactly as received from the Senate.

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The annual report of the superintendent of water works was presented and read by title. (It will be found in full on our first page.) Mr. Zecher said that as it contained a number of important suggestions and recommendations, he would move to amend by having it lay on the table so that it may be taken up for action next month by the new councils.

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LANCASTER NEWS BY MAIL.

Batonou, on the Black Sea, has been declared a free port.

Hatfield, Bates college, at Lewiston, Me., was badly damaged by yesterday. The building is insured for \$30,000.

Two thousand St. Louis bricklayers made a demand for an increase of fifty cents upon the first of March. Their demands were granted.

Gottlieb Foell, aged 67 years, committed suicide in New York on Tuesday night, by stabbing himself with a carving knife.

Texas has a law, now about to be repealed, requiring every railroad train to stand still five minutes on arriving at the boundary line of the state.

Philip Trschel, a young German of sunny habits, fired of life, crushed his head against the iron door of a furnace yard in his uncle's green house at Flatbush, L. I., and burned to death in this horrible yet heroic manner.

Albert Painé returned to Woonsocket, R. I., last week, after twenty-seven years' absence and silence, to find that his wife, supporting him for three years, had married another man twenty years ago, and has lived happily with him ever since.

During the passage of the "Momon" procession in Galveston, on Tuesday night, Mrs. Elizabeth Fencil, proprietress of a place known as the "English Kitchen," was shot and mortally wounded by her divorced husband, Richard Stevens.

At Monte Carlo, recently a man rushed into the gaming tables, carrying with him other men twenty years ago, and has lived happily with him ever since.

Austin Modary went home to his wife at Putnam, Conn., and told her that if he was not mistaken he had on the previous day married Phoebe Brown at Providence.

Peter McColly, of the Rehoboth, Del., neighborhood, has married his own aunt, a woman he had known since he was a child.

Frank J. Wright, an estimable and accomplished native of Uniontown, Md., practicing law in Washington, went to Montgomery, Md., on Saturday last.

At a meeting of the New York Historical society on Wednesday evening, the subject was "Candidates for Old-time Methods and Humors of Office-seeking in the Southwest."

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