

REPORTER

Wednesday, November 13, 1844.

Pennsylvania opens the Ball with 25 Votes for J. K. Polk.

In the absence of both of the editors we adopt the following editorial from the Lancaster Intelligencer:

"We rejoice to be enabled to say that the election of Friday last has resulted in a brilliant and overwhelming democratic triumph. The Key-Stone State yet retains her fixed and impregnable position, and gives her vote, with all the influence of her commanding character and her solid integrity, against HENRY CLAY. If the rest of the Union will do half as well, the 'obscure' Tennesseean—the 'unknown' JAMES K. POLK, will be President of the United States.

"When we look upon the means that were resorted to to give Pennsylvania to HENRY CLAY, we confess that our surprise at this result, is almost equal to our joy. Not that we ever doubted for a moment the integrity of the Democracy of our good old State.—Not that we believed her vote would be cast for Henry Clay. But, when we reflect upon the means used—the open-handed fraud—the brazen corruption—the paid hirelings—the traveling orators—employed by the whigs, we are free to say that the majority for JAMES K. POLK, in Pennsylvania, is surprising. It proves that our honest democracy are firm as their own iron hills—that these means of the aristocracy of the counter and the dollar, instead of swerving the people from their propriety, inspired them with new confidence in their cause, and deeper contempt for their enemies and filled them with indignation at the efforts made to purchase and to corrupt them. Never, in the history of Pennsylvania, have the whigs made such grant efforts. Thousands and thousands of dollars were squandered in attempting to buy votes. Every variety of travelling emissary—the hired bully—the paid orator—the pretended Democrat who preached Clayism, was used to make influence for Clay. The earth was sown thick with whig lies—the very air was impregnated with the poison of calumny—and there was not a hamlet in the Commonwealth where some of these falsehoods might not be found, clothed in most captivating colors, and addressed to the very worst passions of our nature. The rich capitalist—the luxurious millionaire—the proud merchant—left their easy homes and their counting-houses, to canvass for Clay. Every hour in the day—aye, every hour in the night—the agents of Clay might be found busy at their work of defamation and fraud.

"But, among all the causes that operated to the especial disadvantage of the Democracy, the Native American party, so called, was the most dangerous.—Composed of easily-excited materials, and rendered formidable by its organization its numbers, it became at once, an attractive bait to the corrupt and designing leaders of Whiggery. Every effort was made to secure the vote of this new party. Some of its leaders were tampered with, and induced to take hold ground for Clay. Others were paid to circulate falsehoods against Col. POLK. "Against all these influences—against all the corruptions and inventions of the whigs—the Democratic party had nothing to oppose but its single-hearted purpose, its high and unsullied character, its deep devotion for the Right! We thank God that it has nobly prevailed over them all! We rejoice that she has proven an overmatch for the formidable enemy of public and private opposition. It has emerged gloriously from the contest—its bright flag streams in a perfect sea of glory—its loud voice rings the glad tones of triumph over the Union—and the haughty and wealthy aristocracy that came into the fight, flushed with the hopes of anticipated victory, has retired subdued and terror-stricken, before the conquering hosts of a united and true-hearted people!"

"Intemperance did it.—Thos. Barrett, just convicted of murder at Worcester, (Mass.,) and sentenced to be hung, was led on to the commission of the fatal crime by rum.

"Run Over.—A two horse wagon was run over by the train of railroad cars near Pittsfield, Mass., on Saturday, and the driver was instantly killed.

COON DECENCY.

It is not often that we depart from our usual customs to notice the vile and contemptible conduct of the worthless coons that loiter and prowl about this place, who commit deeds of the darkest and deepest hue, at which decency shudders, while the *decenter* coons look on and grin. On Friday last, some mean, low, debased and hardened scoundrel, lost to all decency and honor, stooped from the low place he fills in the earth, and gave vent to his malice by spiking the cannon fired by the Democrats of this place, on the receipt of the election returns from the City, and other parts of N. York. The coon's malignant wishes however, were not fully gratified, the spike was removed from the cannon without much difficulty, and Democratic thunder was then poured into their ears, which caused them to sneak to their filthy dens, and howl over the dismal prospects before them.

Upon several occasions we have refrained from noticing the base and despicable conduct of these heinous coons, because we thought them too worthless to occupy our time and attention. The members of a party who will trample upon the sacred rights of freemen, (as the coons of this county have made a practice of doing,) by forcing men to stay away from the polls, or vote in opposition to their will and their principles, ought not to go unpunished, they ought to have branded upon their fore-heads, INFAMOUS FEDERAL! and the finger of derision and scorn pointed at them as they pass along the public highway. "Oh! for a whip in every honest hand, To lash the rascals naked through the land!"

Prize Banner!

We are requested to give notice that the Prize Banner preparing by the Democratic Ladies of Towanda, to be presented to the Democrats of Athens, for the greatest increased vote for President, over that for Governor, will be forwarded to Athens and presented on the 20th inst.

The Banner will be a beautiful one, and richly do the democrats of Athens deserve it. Hon. David Wilnot has been selected to make the presentation and address on behalf of the ladies, and we hope to see a large turn out to witness the proceedings.

MELANCHOLY ACCIDENT.—The Engineer attached to the passenger train of the Central Railroad, when within 12 miles of Macon, Georgia, on Thursday last, discovered a man lying across the track. Efforts were immediately made to stop the locomotive, but it being on a sharp curve, it was impossible to do so in season, and the whole train passed over him, cutting him nearly in twain. A saddle was found near the spot, with the girth broken, from which circumstance it may be inferred he had been thrown from his horse and was insensible, as he took no notice of the ringing of the engine bell. The deceased was a young man by the name of M' Loud, and resided near Gardon, within a few miles from where the accident occurred.

RELEASE OF MARTIN LUTHER.—The Providence Herald contains an interesting account of the release of Martin Luther from the prison of Rhode Island, where he was confined for the part he took in support of the "People's Constitution." The fine of five hundred dollars which had been imposed upon him, and in default of which he was imprisoned, was paid by the people.—When he came forth, he was saluted by the shouts, cheers and congratulations of a large concourse of people who had collected around the prison to receive him. An immense procession was immediately formed and paraded the streets of Warren.

INDIAN WAR IN TEXAS.—Indians from the United States have made an incursion into Northern Texas, on the Louisiana border. The military around Natchitoches have been ordered out to defend the neighborhood.

VAULTING AMBITION.—An American, some time ago, admiring the statue of Peter the Great, at St. Petersburg, was desirous of getting on the back of the horse—so he clambered over the railings and got behind the Czar, and while comfortably seated was seen and dismounted by the police, and fined 5000 roubles. Upon complaining of the enormity of the fine, he was coolly told if he wished to ride with great men he must expect to pay a very high price.

VICTORY! VICTORY!!

The following table shows the result of the election in this State for Polk & Clay as far as heard from.

	Polk.	Clay.
Adams	723	2409
Allegheny		
Armstrong	579	
Beaver		620
Bedford		157
Berks	4874	
Bucks	398	
Bradford	332	
Butler		137
Carbon	374	
Crawford	650	
Chester		497
Columbia	1632	
Cumberland	76	
Cambria	150	
Centre	578	
Clinton	37	
Clearfield	400	
Clarion	1070	
Dauphin	884	
Delaware	624	
Elk		
Erie	1400	
Fayette	650	
Franklin	615	
Greene	940	
Huntingdon	1511	
Indiana	751	
Jefferson	135	
Junata	175	
Luzerne	1260	
Lancaster	4351	
Lebanon	854	
Lehigh	255	
Lycoming	617	
Montgomery	1105	
Mercer	20	
Monroe	1405	
Mifflin	1	
McKean	100	
Northampton	1094	
Northumberland	900	
Perry	990	
Philad'a city and co.,	4410	
Pike	608	
Potter	314	
Somerset	1650	
Schuylkill	847	
Susquehanna	913	
Tioga	1025	
Union	1011	
Venango	400	
Washington	118	
Wayne	914	
Warren		
Westmoreland	2332	
Wyoming	95	
York	834	
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Polk's majority	6433	

NORTH CAROLINA.—By a letter to the editors of the Globe, dated 6th inst., from Raleigh, N. C. the writer (a member of the Legislature) says he has heard from eighteen counties, which show a democratic gain on the August election of 2060. If these returns should prove correct, Polk has undoubtedly carried the State by a small majority.

VIRGINIA.—The majority in this State will be about 5,000 for Polk & Dallas.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.—Polk's majority in this State over Clay will be upwards of 12,000.

Ohio, N. Jersey, Maryland, Rhode Island, Connecticut, have all undoubtedly gone for Clay.

NEW YORK.—Polk & Dallas have carried this State, by from 6,000 to 10,000 majority.

Gov. DORR.—The father and mother of Gov. Dorr have petitioned the Rhode Island Legislature for the release of their son. The memorial was referred to the "Convicts Committee," on the ground that Dorr was a convict, and that the sole object of those who pretended to be his friends, and were anxious for his liberation, was agitation and excitement. The parents of Mr. Dorr are as respectable people as are in the State, and natural affection would prompt them to sympathize with their unfortunate son. The insulting reference of their petition disgraces nobody but those who moved and voted for it.

A MOTHER'S COURAGE.—Last week, George, aged four years, son of the Rev. Josiah Graves, of Middletown, Conn., fell into the well of the Rev. Mr. Goodwin, but kept his head above water by holding on to the stones. The alarm reaching his mother almost immediately, she hastened to the spot, and descending the well, secured him to the bucket and rescued.

GEN. JACKSON'S REPLY TO MR. ADAMS.—Gen. Jackson, in a letter published in the Nashville Union, denies the accuracy of the statements made by Mr. Adams, in his great speech at Boston, and promises to prove it as soon as he can obtain the necessary papers.

RUNAWAY PRISONER TAKEN.—The Trenton Gazette, says, Baker, the prisoner who escaped from jail at that place, has been retaken. While secreted, he saw one of the officers of the prison, who was in pursuit of him.—This frightened him greatly, and he ran a considerable distance and swam a creek and the canal; just as he was getting out of the water he was seen and taken. He was almost dead with cold, fright and exhaustion, and his captors, for a time, entertained apprehensions for his life.

THE BODY FOUND.—The body of the stranger drowned near Niagara, at Table Rock, some few weeks ago, was, on the 18th inst., discovered a few feet above the Manitou Rock, near the Whirlpool. His head was gone, and body otherwise very much decomposed. His head is supposed to have caught between some rocks, thus accounting for its loss, and for the length of time his body was in the water before it was found. He was decently interred, below the bank, near the water's edge.

U. S. DRAGOONS MURDERED BY INDIANS.—The Wisconsin Herald of the 12th, contains a postscript stating that an express had arrived at Prairie du Chien from Fort Snelling, with news of the murder, by a band of Soosatong Indians, of ten of the detachment of Dragoons lately sent out from Fort Atkinson for the purpose of ferreting out the perpetrators of the late murders in that quarter. The Soosatong are a small band of outcasts, that formerly belonged to the Sioux, who live by robbery and murder, and are dreaded by all the other tribes in that quarter.

THE NEW STATE PRISON.—The Albany Argus states that the Governor, Comptroller and Attorney General have decided to purchase the mines of Gen. Skinner, in Clinton county, about fourteen miles west of Plattsburg, and three from the Saranac river, as a site for the new State prison.

LOVE AND SUICIDE.—A young man named James Garnett committed suicide at his room in Gravier street, New Orleans, on Wednesday night week, by taking laudanum. From a letter written by him previous to his taking the fatal dose, explaining the cause of the act, it appears there was a lady in the case.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—On Thursday, as Mr. David Wardwell, of Andover, was engaged in hanging window blinds on a house, in Ipswich, he fell to the ground and was injured so badly as to survive but an hour after. Mr. W. was about seventy years old.

THE NEW COMET.—A comet, which completes its revolution round the sun in five years, has just been discovered. It was first observed by Signor Vico, at the Observatory of the College of Rome, on the 22d of August last, and has since been seen at the Observatories of Paris, Altona and Kensington.

SLAVES LIBERATED.—Nathaniel H. Hooe, of King George county, Va., lately deceased, left by his will nearly all his slaves free, amounting to some 200 or 300, with ample provisions to carry them to Liberia. The liberated slaves are to be removed under the direction of the Colonization Society.

DEATH OF A MISSIONARY.—In the intelligence from China, received by the way of London, we find mentioned the death of Mrs. Lucy H., wife of Rev. D. Ball, M. D., of the mission established by the American Board.—She died at Hong Kong on the morning of the 6th of June, aged 36 years.

VERMONT.—Samuel S. Phelps has been elected a Senator of the United States, from the State of Vermont, for 6 years from the 4th of March next, when his present term expires. The vote in the Legislature stood: S. S. Phelps 129, S. S. Brown 72, G. P. Marsh 21, C. K. Williams 9, W. Slade 4, scattering 2.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—The entire delegation in the new Congress will be as follows:—1st district, James A. Black, Dem., re-elected; 2d, Richard F. Simpson, Dem., re-elected; 3d, Jos. A. Woodward, Dem., re-elected; 4th, A. D. Sims, Dem., vice John Campbell, Dem., 5th, Artemas Burt, Dem., re-elected; 7th, R. Barnwell Rhett, Dem., re-elected.

The Connecticut Courant has been published for upwards of 80 years.

News from all Nations.

At a bull fight, at Valladolid, on the 19th ult., three persons were killed, eight mortally wounded, and a great many more seriously hurt, by the breaking down of a platform, on which about a thousand people had placed themselves to view the fight.

During the firing of a salute at Jackson, Miss., a few days since, the cannon prematurely discharged, breaking the arm and mangling the face and body of Mr. J. B. Houghton. His arm was subsequently amputated.

There is much agitation amongst the Jews, in consequence of the office of Chief Rabbi, in England, being vacated by the death of the Rev. Dr. Solomon Herschell. There are four candidates for the office.

David Hilderbrand was murdered in Champaign county Ill., on the 4th inst. by a fellow of the name of Wm. Weaver. The murderer escaped.

General Lamar, of Texas, Mons. Bodisco, Russian Minister to this country, with his family, are among the most recent arrivals at the Astor House New York.

It is said in the English papers that Fanny Ellsler has long been married, and has a daughter six years old.

American copies of English works, landed in England by passengers, may now be retained by them with the consent of the authors.

Sheridan Knowles, has made his appearance on the Glasgow boards after five years absence from the stage.

The Rev. Mr. Maffit has been lecturing in New York on the Millerism of the eleventh century.

The loss by the storm at Dunkirk is estimated by the Beacon at \$50,000.

BURNED DOWN.—A large building in Ithaca, corner of Cayuga and Chilton belonging to Gov. Tallmadge, was consumed by fire on the 22d inst.

Horace Smith, of the authors of the famous "Rejected Addresses," and the writer of that admired historical romance, the "Brambletye House," has achieved a new novel, which will shortly be forthcoming, entitled "Arthur Arundel, a Tale of the English Revolution."

At South Orange, in Franklin co., Mass., there is an extensive wooden ware establishment belonging to Wm. Whitney, for the manufacture of pails, bowls, tubs, clothes-pins, ect. Over 70 hands are employed in this manufactory.

The New Orleans Courier states that the unhappy disputes which have so long existed between the bishop and the wardens of the cathedral of St. Louis, of that city, are upon the eve of being amicably arranged.

Three companies of the British 43d, regiment, commanded by Lt. Col. Furlong, arrived at Quebec on the 13th inst., from Montreal. This regiment was in the battle fought on the Plains of Abram eighty-five years ago.

A letter from Tahiti says: "The Queen is still on board the British ketch. I foresee the moment when they will not know what to do with her, and will put her upon some island."

Charles B. Closey, a native of Philadelphia, died at New Orleans, on the 15th instant, of yellow fever.

A Mrs. Bayly, a widow lady, committed suicide in Vicksburgh on the 14th inst. Domestic affliction was said to be the cause.

The difference between a *corps* and a *corpse*. A *corps* is a body of men; a *corpse* is a man's body.

Adams & Co. gave us Eastern papers on Saturday in advance of the mail.

Four of the Oregon emigrants from St. Grouse have died.

St. Grouse is found in abundance in the prairies.

Mr. Hiram Hersey, of Aroostook county, Me., on Thursday last, 19th inst., went out to hunt bears from his cornfield, and while standing on a log his gun accidentally went off, discharging its contents, consisting of three balls, wad, &c., through his wrist, lacerating and burning his wrist and hand in a shocking manner. The arm was amputated.

"This is high living," as the poet said when he dined in the garret on three fourths of a cracker.

The Hutchinsons have been giving concerts in Albany.

Who is JAMES K. POLK?

MURDER.—The Louisiana Chronicle, (St. Francisville) says a murder was committed there on the 12th ult. A man named Robert Carter shot Randolph Fogleman with a pistol loaded with large shot, nine of which entered his body, and he died in two days after. No provocation was given, and Carter made his escape, but was subsequently arrested at Natchez, where he is now in jail.

AFFAIRS IN CANADA.—In Canada, the elections seem to favor the Conservative party. In the Upper Province every member elected is a conservative. In the Lower Province, the majority are radicals, and of doubtful politics. So far, 18 conservatives, 8 radicals, and 3 doubtful members are chosen.

BISHOP ONDERDONK.—The New York True Sun says, there is no doubt that the Episcopal Bishop of that Diocese will be presented for trial by the three Bishops, who have been examining into the charges made against him of immoral and unclerical conduct. It is but justice, however, to the Bishop to say, that he expresses himself ready to meet his accusers, and desires a suspension of public opinion for the present.

A GREAT SNOW STORM.—The Buffalo Courier of the 30th ult., says: "Our snow storm yet continues. It comes from the north; and if Jefferson St. Lawrence and other counties that direction are not piled full, we are much mistaken. From the detention of the mail due yesterday afternoon until late in the night, the east, too, must have had its full share. For nearly thirty-six hours, snow has fallen incessantly—though at times slowly. Fully two feet, we should judge, has fallen, though much of it has melted."

FATAL AFFRAY.—A Mr. Pickard and his son, a young man about twenty one years of age, were killed in an affray on the 16th inst., at Miller's Bluff. He had been for many years a commissary of one of the wards of New Orleans.

LOSS OF STEAMBOAT BOURBON.—The steamboat Bourbon, Capt. Bolton, was sunk on Monday night, the 28th ult., last, on her downward trip to Mobile by striking a snag at Old Hell about twenty miles above Selma. The Bourbon had on board about 160 bales of cotton. It is supposed the boat will be raised.

The St. Louis Republican says that the present tobacco crop of Missouri will equal in quantity, and greatly excel in quality, that of any former year.

Great damage was done to the crops at Trinidad and Cienfuegos, Cuba, the late gale.

SENTENCE OF DEATH.—We learn from the Lexington, Ky. Observer, that Dick, the slave who was tried and convicted of the murder of Mrs. C. Turner during the present term of Fayette Circuit Court, has been sentenced to be hung on the 19th of the next month.

HORRIBLE DEATH.—A man named Hamilton was found the other morning under the hill at Cleveland, Ohio, face and his hands run down into sand, where he had died in a death struggle after a night's debauch. He left a wife and children at Ohio. Shocking.

INSTANTLY KILLED.—The Cincinnati Bulletin of Thursday, says a gentleman, traveler, who had his only child with him, was instantly killed on landing day before yesterday, when he spar from a boat breaking and struck him on the head as it fell. His name was Somers, and was bound for west.

GREAT FIRE AT CONSTANTINOPLE.—A letter from Constantinople, of the 10th ultimo, mentions that a fire had broken out near the bazaar in that city, destroyed upwards of 100 houses and 500 shops.

On the 10th ult., in the neighborhood of Minerva, Columbia county, Ohio, a woman while in the act of rying corn into a spring house, was struck by lightning, and instantly killed.

Mr. CALHOUN is expected to reach Washington on Saturday, to perform his official duties.

JAMES K. POLK, on Saturday, reached his fiftieth year—just one century old.