

# REPORTER :

Wednesday, April 16, 1845.



## REMOVAL.

The Office of the Bradford Reporter has been removed to Col. Means' Brick Store, (up stairs,) entrance on the North side.

### Glorious Victory!

The charter election held in New York city on Tuesday, 8th inst., has resulted in a triumphant victory for the democrats, and the entire and utter overthrow of the Whigs and Natives.

Harper, the Native candidate for Mayor, has been beaten badly, as well as the whole Native ticket for Council. The Whig candidate for Mayor, Mr. Selden, has received twice the number of votes that Mr. Franklin, the Whig candidate last year, obtained. Mr. Havemeyer, the Democratic candidate for Mayor, has a majority of over 6000.

Of the Common Council, the Democrats have 30, and the Whigs 4. The Natives did not elect a single candidate.

This is indeed a most glorious result. For we consider it as a victory of principle—broad, extended and comprehensive—over the narrow, bigoted and sectarian feeling of political speculation which set on foot the so-called Native American party. It has been too, a most decisive victory. The Morning News, speaking of the result, says:—“The Democracy swept the city yesterday, with irresistible force. So complete a victory has never before been won by any party at any period of our political contest. The triumph of the Nativists last Spring, was but a cypher compared with the brilliant achievement. Then the Nativists left to the Whigs only an Assessor in the Second Ward, to soothe the bitterness of defeat. We have now allowed them, the Natives, but a claim to a constable in the same Ward, nominated and elected by the joint action of the Whigs and Nativists. This may be considered equal to about one-half of a trophy. Then the Nativists had to yield to us five and a half wards; now, we allow to them not one, and to the Whigs only two wards. Then Harper's majority was near 4000, now Havemeyer's approaches 7000, shewing a gain on the popular vote of over 10,000. Havemeyer's majority over Selden is about 16,000. Indeed, Havemeyer lacks but a few hundred votes of having a majority over Selden and Harper combined.

ANNEXATION OF TEXAS.—From New Orleans papers, we learn that the steam packet New York from Galveston, arrived at New Orleans on the 29th ult., bringing the first intelligence from Texas, since the news of the passage of the Annexation resolutions reached that Republic. The accounts only extend to the reception of the information at Galveston and Houston. Immediately upon the fact being known in the former city, the vessels in the harbor displayed the Star-Spangled banner, and the lone star in union, from their masts, one hundred guns were fired, and an illumination of the city was agreed upon in honor of the event. A public meeting was convened approving of the course of the friends of Annexation in the United States, and requesting President Jones to convene an extra session of Congress to act upon the matter.

The glad tidings were received with the same degree of enthusiastic rejoicing by the people of Houston: “The sound of the drum and other musical instruments, the roar of cannon, the loud shouts of the multitude, resounding long after midnight, (says the Houston Star) indicated the ardent longing of the people to return once more under the glorious Aegis of the American Union.”

CONNECTICUT ELECTION.—The whigs as usual, make clean sweep of this State, electing their Governor, State officers, and four members of Congress.

POSTPONED.—The bill making a new county out of parts of Bradford and Lycoming, is indefinitely postponed in the Senate by a vote of 13 to 12.

### DREADFUL STEAMBOAT DISASTER.

A most distressing steamboat accident occurred on the Hudson river on Tuesday night, 8th inst. The steamboat Swallow, plying between Troy and New York, when under full speed, ran upon an Island opposite Athens, 20 miles from Albany. The violence of the collision being so great that the bow of the Swallow was bent nearly at right angle with the hull, opening the bottom planks so as to let in the water with great rapidity. The accident occurred at about 9 o'clock, and the waters and hands were taking tea in the forward cabin, the passengers having previously been to tea. Within three or four minutes the lower cabin was filled with water, and the greatest alarm prevailed, every body hurrying to the state room deck. An opening was cut through the roofing of the state rooms, and many clambered up on that, as the boat continued to fill and settle rapidly. At this moment cries were heard for help from below, and Mrs. and Miss Starbuck of Troy were rescued from imminent danger. Mrs. Starbuck, however, died shortly after she was carried to the shore, from the uproar and alarm.

Within a few minutes of the accident, the Express and Rochester came along side the wreck, and took off the passengers and baggage; and it was thought that all were saved.

In the morning, however, the bodies of seven women and one man, were taken out of the state rooms, and the worst fears were entertained that many more would be found, upon farther search, and that some may have floated off the wreck. A man and his wife were picked up floating down the channel on a settie.

Two of the bodies found, were subsequently recognized as the Misses Wood, sisters of Dr. Wood of Albany, and one as Mrs. Coffin of Troy, and another as Mrs. Briggs.

It is known that a Mrs. French and an old lady named Mrs. Lambert were drowned.

From the best estimates there were on board the Swallow, at the time of the accident, about three hundred souls. Very probably other persons will be found drowned.

By later papers we have further particulars of this dreadful disaster. The accounts differ in regard to the number of lives lost. Some say fifty, others one hundred.

One of the bodies recovered has been identified as that of Mrs. Walker, from New York. Her husband was on board at the time, when the boat went down had hold of his wife, but the current was so strong as to tear her from him—he, however, retaining a part of her dress in his grasp.

Another body has been identified as that of Mrs. Coffin, an old lady, and mother of George M. Coffin, whose wife was found the day before.

On the person of one of the ladies was found a card on which was written in pencil “Mrs. Skidmore,” and in her pocket a handkerchief marked with indelible ink, “H. Conklin.” The body supposed to be that of Mrs. Conklin, of Albany. In the pockets of the young man recovered, there were found a handkerchief, marked “Sarah Brundage,” a large roll of Bank bills, and memoranda for the purchase of hardware. On Mrs. Walker, whose body was found there was a pocket book containing a large sum of money. Her husband recognized her by a miniature of himself, attached to a gold chain, which she wore around her neck. Mr. Walker is a merchant of New York, who has been on a collecting tour in the western country.

Among the persons lost is Mrs. Parker, of Utica, widow of the late Milton Parker. Her body has not been found. The son of General Mather, who was supposed to have been lost, is safe. He floated on a plank, and was picked up a good distance from the wreck.

One of the bodies turns out to be that of William Davis, son of Nathaniel Davis, of Albany, a promising young man aged about 23, who was on his way to New York, in company with his sister. He had succeeded in rescuing his sister from the threatened danger, and had placed her on board the Rochester, but returning to seek for Mrs. Conklin, lost his own life.

When the vessel struck first time, one of the colored waiters jumped overboard, and swam about for some time, but at length returned to the boat, where

his first act was to take from his vest pocket three one dollar bills and dry them before the fire. Notwithstanding the danger all were in, this drew forth a smile from many who witnessed it.

It was given in testimony before the Coroner's Jury, that the boat, at the time she struck, was only going at the rate of six miles an hour.

The pilot says that it was his intention to have stopped at Athens, and to have laid by until the squall had passed over.

LIBERATION OF DORR.—The election for Governor of Rhode Island took place on the 2d inst., and it is with great pleasure we announce the success of CHARLES JACKSON, the candidate of the friends of the liberation of Thomas W. Dorr, now incarcerated like a felon, for his support of liberal principles. This election was conducted solely upon the question of the liberation of Gov. Dorr, and it will afford those who have sympathized with him in his distress, much joy to learn, that the election must be the signal for his release. Though confined within the walls of a prison, the feelings of the true-hearted and generous have been with him, and many a token of the country's approbation has been received to cheer him in adversity. We trust that this Republic will never again be disgraced by an occurrence like this. Mr. Dorr will come from his prison, commanding the respect of the friends of equal rights, and the cause of equality has only been strengthened in Rhode Island by the oppression heaped upon him.

Mr. Jackson is elected by about 200 majority over Fenner. The Whig candidate for Lieutenant Governor is elected, and the whigs doubtless have a majority of the general ticket.

THE MONTGOMERY IRON COMPANY, AT DANVILLE.—We learn from the Intelligence, the Montgomery Iron Company at Danville, have now contracted, with two contractors, for the erection of one hundred and twenty dwelling houses, this season. The houses are to be of good size, and well arranged for the comfortable accommodation of families. The carpenter work of the great Rolling Mill of this Company, now approaches completion, and the contractor for the Rolling Mill has taken a large portion of the dwelling houses.

SHOCKING ACCIDENT.—Mr. Levi Trimmer, conductor of a train of cars at Hollidaysburg, Pa., recently, by some means lost command of his cars as they turned off the main track on to a side track, which terminates abruptly in the basin. He was upon the front car when it pitched off the track into the water and he was caught beneath the car following and buried in the wreck, and thus crushed to death. He leaves a wife and three or four small children.

SUICIDE.—On Monday evening last, Frederick E. Bailey, Esq. Editor of the York Democratic Press, committed suicide. It is but two weeks since, Mr. B. entered upon the editorial duties, and he had just been appointed Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for York county. On Monday last he entered Court, and commenced the duties enjoined upon him, and in the evening he took his own life. He left a wife and two small children.

THE WOODS on every side of us are on fire, and our town is enveloped in a dense cloud of smoke, rendering respiration rather a burden than a luxury, and impeding the free range of the optics. We hear that in many places in the county the fire is making sad havoc, and rumor says that buildings have been burned in Rome and Smithfield.

DEATH OF AN OLD MAN.—On the 21st ult., Mr. Benjamin Bushe died at Greensboro' Vt., at the extraordinary age of one hundred and fifteen years. He is believed to have been the oldest man in that State.

THE LEGISLATURE.—The Legislative bodies of this State were to have adjourned yesterday, after a session of 98 days, during which time a vast amount of public and private business of importance has been transacted.

THE MADISONIAN DISPOSED OF.—Mr. J. B. Jones has sold out the Madisonian to Jesse E. Dow and Theophilus Fisk, who will start a new paper about the first of May.

THE GLOBE.—This well known Democratic paper, it is said, is about to pass into the hands of Mr. Richie, of the Richmond Enquirer.

### Correspondence from Harrisburg.

HARRISBURG, 11th April 1845.

The Revenue Bill has passed the House of Representatives, and although not as general and searching in its operations as it should have been—not reaching, as it is, a moiety of the taxable property in the State—yet it is better than any other Bill of the kind ever passed. A proposition was remorselessly and shamefully voted down, which assessed a tax upon Steam Boats—Canal Boats—Omnibuses—Cabs—Hacks—Manufactured Articles—Coal—Sheep, &c., which principally reached property in the cities, which is now wholly exempt from taxation. A tax upon these Articles is needed—nay, absolutely required, as millions of dollars are thus invested, which now escape taxation altogether. It is really painful to see men representing a tax-ridden constituency vote against measures tending to their relief, by adding millions to the taxable property of the Commonwealth, which has heretofore been exempt from taxation, and which is owned by the wealthiest classes of citizens, who are well able to pay their proportion to supply the wants of an impoverished Treasury. If a given amount of tax is required, and can be raised by assessing a tax of 4 mills on the dollar, by doubling the amount of property assessed, the same revenue will be raised by reducing the tax to two mills on the dollar! It can be seen at a glance, how important it is to the laboring poor, who cultivate the soil which scarcely produces sufficient to meet the requirements of the tax-gatherer, to have all kinds of property assessed. Real Estate is taxed high enough in most parts of the State, and none of it escapes taxation,—but three millions of dollars worth of personal property that is not taxed a farthing! This is a villainous state of things, and the people will sigh in vain for better Laws, until they send to the Legislature, better men!

The New York and Erie Rail Road Bill has passed the House, and has passed Committee of the Whole in the Senate. I have strong hopes that it will pass that body also; but tremendous efforts are being made to defeat it—the gold of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company circulates freely about the Legislative Halls—her agents are here—her bidders are here, reminding one of the “Lice of Egypt!”

The Bill erecting a new County out of the northern portion of Luzerne, to be called Lackawanna, was lost in the Senate by a vote of 12 to 12. It will be re-considered, however, and possibly may pass.

A Bill allowing the citizens of Susquehanna county to decide by ballot whether intoxicating liquors shall be longer sold or not, has passed the Senate.

The renowned Abolition Lecturer, Abby Kelley, together with other coadjutors of both sexes, have been lecturing here for a few days past, and created great excitement and indignation, by her violent, indecent and despicable attacks upon Washington, the Constitution, &c. She abused every body that not agree with her in sentiment—declared the negroes were the most respectable people in Harrisburg—went to their meetings—herded with them—and called them brothers and sisters! She said the people might as well put up blocks of wood in the Halls of the Legislature, as to send such men! She advocated an immediate dissolution of the Union—eulogized England, and continued her tirade of denunciation of everything good, until her audiences, disgusted and outraged, hissed and stamped, and yelled and groaned, and hooted and howled, and pelted her with rotten eggs, until she left the House! There were several Abolitionists in Harrisburg before she came, but not one can be found now! She left town suddenly to avoid more serious consequences of her disgraceful course.

A Bill has passed the House providing for the erection of an Asylum for the Insane poor, and has passed Committee of the Whole in the Senate.

P. S. The bill providing for an Insane Asylum, passed the Senate this afternoon.

JONATHAN D. LEET, Esq., has been appointed Post Master at Washington, Penna.

GEORGE SHARPSWOOD, Esq., has been appointed a Judge of the District Court of Philadelphia.

### News from all Nations.

The laborers on the Morris Canal at Little Falls have had a fight and struck for higher wages. One thousand “better behaved” laborers are advertised for. The Boston Courier states that the Vermont and Massachusetts Railroad Company will commence the construction of their road without delay. The last intelligence from Washington is that Captain Tyler is seizing the James river for his summer supply of fish. This is much more agreeable than being harassed on each side by opposing parties.

The New York papers state that on Monday, a crowd was in attendance around an immense hat about nine feet high, belonging Robertson, 103 Fulton street which was carried about on a stick drawn by a stout horse. Inside was a band of musicians. Verily this is an advertisement on a large scale. Punch describes an artist who was an eye witness of the battle of Navarino, in the peaceable capacity of a passenger, and received a cannon ball in his chest which utterly destroyed—a dozen shirts that were packed up in it! The new buildings erected last year in Buffalo cost \$350,000. The Democrats have carried all their town officers in Williamsburg, Long Island, the highest majority being 90. Last year the Natives carried it by 200 and over. The Hudson river at Albany had risen on the 1st instant to the basement of the stores on the pier. A shameful practice, it is said, prevails in the Connecticut State prison, of hanging convicts by the heels, head downward, and dashing cold water upon him in that position. A young man was walking through a newly opened field in New Orleans when not a breath of air was stirring, a tree fell upon him and crushed him to death. Duties received at the Custom House for the month of March, 1845, \$1,575,679.95; do. 1844, \$1,691,527.82. Falling off, \$115,847.80. It is stated in some of the papers that there are no less than one hundred and twenty towns in Massachusetts, utterly destitute of a Grog Shop! The amount of Treasury notes outstanding on the 1st inst., was, it is officially stated, \$1,073,331.22. A. S. Higgins publisher of the St. Louis Organ, and J. R. Robb, formerly editor of the St. Louis Ledger, had a fight in the streets of that city a few days since. Higgins afterwards bro't a charge of assault with intent to kill against Robb. The Enfield, Conn., Powder mills exploded on Saturday morning, but the extent of the injury we did not learn. The explosion was heard at Springfield, ten miles distant. The early Wheat, in the northern part of Georgia, has been seriously injured by recent cold weather. Navigation of the Tide Water Canal, on the Sabbath has been suspended, by order of the Board of Managers. The workmen on Trinity Church, N. York, commenced operations on the spire on Monday, and before another cold month will probably complete that part of this beautiful structure. The Girard Bank Bill has passed the Senate. The charter is inoculated with the “individual” principle. Mrs. Story, of Greenville S. C. gave birth to 3 children recently. She named the son James Knox, and the daughters Elizabeth Polk and Rebecca Dallas. Among the importations at New York we observe one of an entire circus company, with a complete stud of horses, and the necessary apparatus for artistic displays. Several very extensive and valuable copper mines are said to have been discovered in Franklin county, Missouri. The Cincinnati Atlas says—That in consequence of the late foreign news, the lard oil manufacturers have agreed to raise the price of that article from 60 to 65 cents. The large coach Factory of James E. Delmater, in Hudson N. Y., was totally destroyed by fire on Monday. It is said that Mr. Calhoun is about to publish a work on the political men and measures of his day. The Missouri Legislature adjourned on the 27th ult. About six hundred laws were passed, one half of them of a private or special character. H. H. O'Callaghan, one of the proprietors of the Crescent city, is about to extend Morse's telegraph from Mobile to New Orleans, whereby news will reach that city in advance of the mail. Iron, of all sorts, has risen to such a price in England, that it can be manufactured in a crude state here, (in the form of bars and pigs,) and transported to England and sold at a profit.

BROOKLYN ELECTION.—In Brooklyn the Democrats have gloriously succeeded in electing their candidate for Mayor, Thomas G. Talmadge, and a majority, (10 out of 18) of the members of the Common Council. Democrats majority over Whigs 1293; over Natives, 1569.

CAVE JOHNSON.—The N. Y. Journal of Commerce says of our new Master General, that “he has been terror to spendthrifts and lazy fellows through all his long political life.”

FOOT RACE AT NEW ORLEANS.—Gildersleeve has again been victorious in a foot race, lately run at New Orleans, on Sunday, for \$500, running miles in 59 minutes and 59 seconds.

DEATH OF AN EDITOR.—Mr. C. Kaine, late editor of the Harrisburg Express, deceased on Wednesday last, that paper is now conducted by J. J. CANTINE, formerly of this place.

THE WEATHER.—We fear that present weather is doing much injury to the crops and fruit. The lumbermen are anxiously awaiting a freshet to convey their lumber to market.

FOR SALE.—The “Star of the North” establishment, at Berwick, Pa., is offered for sale. The “Columbia Democrat,” at the same place is also for sale.

ALBANY ELECTION.—The Charter election in this city, resulted in election of Paige, the democratic candidate by a majority of 27.

NATURE'S OWN PRESCRIPTION.—Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills are the best medicine known to man for incipient Consumption, Asthma of every stage, Bleeding of the Lungs, Coughs, Colds, Liver Complaints, and all diseases of the pulmonary organs. The Pills are approved by the most distinguished physicians, and universally acknowledged the most valuable medicine ever discovered. Weak back, pain and weakness in the breast, back, limbs and other parts of the body, are speedily and effectually removed by these Pills.

The unparalleled success which has attended the use of these Pills, has induced some unprincipled persons to manufacture a spurious article, which they endeavor to palm upon the unsuspecting as the genuine medicine; hence the importance of purchasing only the regular advertised agents.

For sale at the store of J. D. & D. D. Montanye, in Towanda, and agents published in another column of this paper.

Caution.—As counterfeiters are abroad, avoid all stores of doubtful character, and be particular in all cases, to ask for Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills.

THE BRAD. CO. MEMORIAL SOCIETY will hold its quarterly meeting at the office of Drs. Huston & Mason in Towanda, on Wednesday, the 7th day May next, at 2 o'clock, P. M. E. H. MASON, Secretary.

### Opening of Navigation.

AND with it a few Blis. Mess. Pork, also 6 or 8 cwt. of Hams. An assortment of Bonnets, also a lot of Palm Leaf, Lash and other Hats of the newest style in fashion which will be disposed of on the reasonable terms. The first Boat from New York City will bring us new Spring Goods. A few bushel yet remaining on hand of large and small clover seed.

Wanted from our friends all the aid they can give us in the way of funds, to enable us to furnish them with cheap and good goods which we pledge ourselves to do if we lend a helping hand.

J. D. & E. D. MONTANYE.

April 12, 1845.

### SPECIAL COURT.

WHEREAS the Hon. Wm. J. Jackson, President Judge of the 11th Judicial district has appointed a special court of common pleas to be holden for the trial of cases certified to him, in Bradford county, on Monday the 23d day of June next at 10 o'clock in the afternoon, of which the following is a list to wit:

Alexander Barrington et al. vs. J. Harkness et al.	Life insurance and trust company vs. Edward Overton
Samuel Benight vs. Wm. Seely et al.	same vs. Lewis M. Palmer et al.
Chester Butler and wife vs. Amos Ackley	same vs. John Bennett
G. M. Hollenback et al. vs. David Bingham et al.	
Alexander Barrington et al. vs. I. Kingsley et al.	same vs. James O. Tracey et al.
same vs. Ezekiel Crowell et al.	
same vs. same	
same vs. Solomon Bovier et al.	
same vs. William Harkness et al.	
same vs. Sally Welles & Geo. H. Welles executors &c.	
same vs. William S. Ingalls	
same vs. James Roe	
same vs. Shubel Rowley et al.	
same vs. Richard Garrison et al.	
same vs. Stephen Wilcox et al.	
same vs. Zephaniah Knapp et al.	
AARON CHUBBUCK Plaintiff	

Prothonotary's Office, Towanda, April 14, 1845.

### Regimental Notice!

THE CAPTAINS of the several companies within the bounds of the 1st Regiment, 2d Brigade, 9th Division, Pa. Militia, hereby ordered to have their respective companies hereby ordered to have their respective companies made, agreeably to law, by the 1st of next. E. W. MORGAN, Lieut. Col. &c. April 14, 1845.