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Towanda, Wednesday, June 27, 1849.

The last Bradford Argus contains the following letter from the State Treasurer, in regard to the amount of money likely to be in the Treasury...

The Delaware Division, Pa. Canal, and of the canal project provoking loss of revenue. The fall trade on that work, will, in consequence, be better, but I fear not in time to you.

Most depends on the promptitude of the several companies in the payment of their taxes in advance...

I would have insured you a sum not less than \$100,000, to be applied to the North Branch, had not the General Assembly appropriated so large a sum...

The Luzerne Democrat, a paper which has taken a very active course in endeavoring to effect the resumption of the North Branch, holds up the hypothetical professions of our Federal Executive in an unfavorable light.

What has become of the survey that was to be made in June preliminary to the letting in August? Who can tell. The loan for the inclined plane can be taken at a premium, and the state debt increased four hundred thousand dollars for a new work under Mr. Johnson's administration...

What does Win. F. Johnson care for the people of Northern Pennsylvania, and what do they care for him? We speak of the masses. Here and there may be a political backslider, who would hold the ladder to his skirts the more he kicked him.

We regard the North Branch zone for the present killed by Johnson. Done to build him up a sinking fund, by which he may make an effort to again ride into power, but he will fail in this, the course pursued by him towards this great measure will not soon be forgotten by the people of North...

The completion of this work is the only hope of prosperity in the North and the only sure guarantee of the extinguishment of the state debt.

The diggings are two and a half days moderate fishing from me; we think nothing of the journey. It is not unusual for my neighbors to mount their horses, be gone two weeks, and return with \$1000.

The Wyoming Democrat of the 19th inst. says that "The Steamer WYOMING is now in good running order. She was put in motion this forenoon, and ran up the river through the swift water at the mouth of the Tankhanock creek, at the rate of 12 miles per hour."

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THE FOUNDATION for a third cotton factory has commenced in the city of Lancaster.

DEATH OF JAMES K. POLK.

We are called upon to herald the demise of the Eleventh President of the United States—James Knox Polk—who died at Nashville, on Friday night, the 18th inst., in his fifty-fourth year.

This announcement arrests the attention of the country, with its suddenness. But a few weeks since, and Mr. Polk left the Presidential chair, with bright prospects for the future.

Mr. Polk was distinguished, from his early youth, for industry, temperance, activity of intellect and indomitable energy. He was a native of North Carolina, and emigrated in childhood to Tennessee, from which State he was elected to a seat in Congress in 1825, which he held till 1839.

He was elected Governor of Tennessee, in his first entry into the House, and was distinguished in the Tariff, Internal Improvement, United States Bank and Independent Treasury struggles.

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It is believed to have been one of the main causes of the abandonment of Mr. Clay of all principle by the Whigs in the hard-fought campaign of 1840.

During the four years that he presided over the Republic, large accessions were made to our territory—a foreign war was brilliantly conducted, and honorably terminated—the national Treasury made independent, and its trade greatly liberalized.

Without stopping to inquire in what degree these results are to be ascribed to Mr. Polk, the page of history will record that they occurred under his administration, and glory will thus be reflected on his name.

This is not the time, nor the place, to scrutinize narrowly the character or conduct of the deceased—as a public man he will be remembered as one connected with a proud portion of democratic and American history—as a private citizen, his memory will be respected for a blameless and Christian life.

The only family he leaves behind him is a childless widow, whose kindness and accomplishments have endeared her to a large circle of friends, and whose sudden and absolute bereavement will deeply move the public sympathy.

My dear old friend, D. Vandervoort—Well, here am I, now set down to answer yours of the 10th of February, 1848, which I received by the hand of my good friend Capt. Childs.

As to the facilities for making money in California be not alarmed when you read it, for I write nothing but truth if you wish to work as a mechanic, \$16 per day is wages. I have received \$50 per day as a Carpenter and Joiner; but gold digging is a far better business.

I believe that from \$35 to \$50 is a fair average, and yet I would not take that while in the mines. When a man is not getting more than \$20 per day he leaves the diggings.

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LATEST NEWS BY THE TELEGRAPH.

New Orleans, Monday, June 18. We have just received from Mexico to June 1, by which we learn that Congress has passed a bill authorizing the construction of a Railroad from Vera Cruz to the City of Mexico.

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The Clay and Turner Difficulty—Clay Recovered. CINCINNATI, June 22. There are so many conflicting reports in relation to the late death of Mr. Polk, that we are obliged to be prudent to give credence to none of them.

It is said that Mr. Turner acknowledged, before his death, of having stabbed Mr. Clay.

Discoveries alleged recently to have been made at Chicago respecting the operation of sulphur as a counter agent to the cholera has directed public attention to an atmospheric element or condition, termed Ozone, the nature of which is little understood.

It has been talked about for six or seven years, and owes its scientific name and fame to the researches of a German professor, of the name of Schonbein, the inventor of the celebrated gun cotton.

It appears that Prof. Schonbein has also corresponded with Prof. Faraday very extensively on the subject. The former believes that ozone is a simple body; a compound of oxygen and ozone, which he considers as a simple body.

Sulphur, which under the name of ozone, is a mild purgative, and efficient in diseases of the skin. How it can get through the densest material of the human system, which we perceive in cholera, is a proper subject for scientific inquiry.

The burning of gun-powder in Louisville was followed with a very noticeable decrease of the epidemic; whether the two facts had any dependence upon each other, we are not advised.

Horrid Murder.—One of the most horrid and revolting murders ever heard of, occurred yesterday at the levee, in our city. During the absence of her husband (Mr. J. Foster) a fiend in human shape entered the dwelling of Mr. F.

The Mobs Remain.—The course of a rowing up of Henry Clay and Thomas H. Benton for alleged treachery to the South, observed.

Writing on Newspapers.—A newspaper, bearing the initials of a friend, was received at the post-office, Syracuse, directed to a young lady. The Postmaster, Mr. Teal, demanded letter postage on ordinary newspaper postage, which was refused.

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IMPORTANT NEWS FROM THE GOLD REGION.

Having returned from the mines this morning, after a tour of three weeks in prospecting the different localities abounding in gold in this region, already discovered, and showing that all correct information in relation to them will be acceptable to your readers, I will endeavor to present to them the exact state of things as they now exist at this place and the mines.

Upon landing at San Francisco, where there are at present fifty square rigged vessels, and none larger from the United States than the Iowa, you behold a mountainous country devoid of wood or vegetation as far as the eye can reach.

Small sloops or schooners, made from jolly-boats of ships in port, and which cost here from \$2,500 to \$5,000, are daily plying between this place and the different emporiums towards the mines.

The population at the mines is about \$5 a day for living expenses, and for food, and on top of that the miner has to pay for the cost of a small cabin or hut, and for the cost of a small cabin or hut, and for the cost of a small cabin or hut.

Any detailed summary of the message would consume too large a portion of our telegraphic dispatch, and we must content ourselves with a few extracts in reference to the foreign policy of the government, and especially to the intervention in favor of France upon the peace of Europe.

The President says it is the destiny of France to shake the world when she is agitated, and to tranquillize it when she shall be in a state of peace.

At Rome, a revolution was effected, which created great emotion in the Catholic and liberal world. In fact, for two years we were accustomed to behold in the Holy sea pontiff who took the initiative in useful reforms, and whose name was repeated in hymns of gratitude from one end of Italy to the other.

Thus the acts of aggression, which obliged this Pope to quit Rome, appeared to the eyes of Europe, to be the work of a conspiracy, rather than the movement of the people, who could not have passed in an instant, from the most lively enthusiasm to the most bitter indignation.

Placed under the necessity of explaining ourselves, we had but three modes to adopt: either to oppose ourselves in arms in every species of intervention, in which case we would break with all Catholic Europe, for the sole advantage of the Roman Republic, or we had not to establish in that city the Papal authority, or to exercise our own motion to direct our independent action.

Several persons (passengers by the steamer) who went to the mines with the expectation of picking up the surface, hundreds of dollars daily, have returned here very much disappointed, realizing in about six weeks when the averages become dryer, to try it again, while some others entirely disappointed are returning in the steamer.

The Machine for washing gold got up in the States are not only useless after treating here, but are a ball of expense on first cost in getting here. The common mill first cost being all sufficient to wash the contents of the hundredst of homes in the States, emigrate to California to the gold, and after reaching here I guarantee upon your own part, to be fully and totally satisfied upon your own part.

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Arrival of the Steamer America.

The steamship America, Capt. Harrison, bringing Paris dates to the 7th, London of the 8th, and Liverpool of the 9th inst. arrived at Halifax on the 18th inst.

The Hibernia arrived at Liverpool on Monday, making the passage from Boston in 9 days.

The Paris journals of Thursday furnish intelligence to the 3d inst. up to which date hostilities had not commenced though Gen. Oudinot denounced the Armistice.

On the 1st the Overland rail from India had arrived from Bombay to the 19th of April and arrived with Calcutta dates to the 19th of April and arrived with Calcutta dates to the 19th of April.

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The statement of Dr. Herriek is held to have been an advertisement. According to his account, Dr. Bird, were led to infer from the statements of a German chemist, as to the agency of cholera in the production of influenza, that it also might be the cause of cholera.

As to the use, it may be well to remark that a recent search was made for it in the air of the cholera hospitals, as in the epidemic of 1831, during the late prevalence of cholera in the East.

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bear the same hatred to the Government of Prussia, and under whatever form it may be presented, we shall fight to the last against all projects of a restoration.

The New German Constitution.—The plenipotentiaries of Prussia, Hanover and Saxony have promulgated a new constitution for Germany, in which the principle of universal suffrage is recognized.

Hungarian Affairs.—More Victories Gained by the Hungarians.—The war in Hungary presents new features, and since the fall of the Buda castle the Hungarians, no event has occurred calculated to have a permanent influence on the result of the struggle.

The English press in their review of the message of the President speak of it as exhibiting an unlooked for degree of ability in its author and as being a vigorous and eloquent exposition of public affairs.

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