

Two Weeks Later from California.

The steam ship Illinois arrived at New York, yesterday with San Francisco papers to date to the 16th ultimo, and 569 passengers. The Illinois has \$1,835,714 in gold.

News from all Nations.

A boy, named Gorman, about 12 years, was killed in Jersey city, on Friday afternoon, by being run over by a locomotive. It appears that many boys have had a habit, for some time back, of placing themselves on the track, for the purpose of showing their experiment, or in other words, to show each other how near they can allow the train to approach them, and then jump aside without being cut-hed.



Bradford Reporter.

Free Soil, Free Speech, Free Men. Freedom for Free Territory. E. O. GOODRICH, EDITOR.

Towanda, Saturday, July 16, 1853.

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Fourth of July.

The laying of the corner stone of the Susquehanna Collegiate Institute, took place on the 4th of July, with appropriate ceremonies, calling together a large assemblage.

At 11 o'clock, a procession was formed on the Public Square, under the direction of Col. J. F. MEANS, Chief Marshal, assisted by Messrs. J. C. COLE, W. K. WINSTON, and W. W. KINGSBART. The turn out of the Masonic and Odd Fellows lodges was large and their appearance very fine. The procession was headed by the Towanda Brass Band, which won for itself universal praise, for their excellent music.

The procession was marched up River street, and thence to State, from State to Main, and thence to the College grounds where an immense congregation had assembled to witness the exercises of the day. The blessing of Heaven was invoked by Rev. JULIUS FORSTER, and the ceremonies of laying the corner stone was conducted in Masonic form by H. L. SCOTT, W. M., of Union Lodge.

An ode, composed for the occasion, by Mrs. GRAY, of Easton, and set to music by Wm. C. BOGART, Esq., was sung in excellent style by the Choir, which was followed by Hon. D. WILMOT, in an oration, which we have the pleasure of laying before our readers in the week's paper; at the conclusion of which, Rev. S. F. COLE, gave a brief history of the Institute, which we also publish. The assemblage then marched to the public square and was dismissed.

Athens and Philadelphia Railroad.

THOMAS S. FERRO, Esq., President of the Philadelphia, Easton and Water Gap Railroad Company, Messrs. ELY and ROBERTS, a Committee of the Directors, and Mr. MILLER, the Principal Engineer, are now on the line of the proposed road between Athens and Philadelphia, examining it with a view partly to its final location, and to inform themselves of the country, its people, and resources through which it is to pass.

Mr. Miller proceeded down the river on Monday, by the route surveyed for the road; the other gentlemen, in company with several of our citizens, went to Franklin, and made a very satisfactory exploration of the Barclay Col. fields. Mr. Roberts, we understand, has had much experience as an operator in coal lands, and his judgment as to the quality of our coal fields, will have great weight in inducing the construction of a road from them to this place. They left here on Tuesday for York.

This company give us assurance that the proposed road will be made at once, and that in the course of two years it will be under way its whole length. We trust the people of this county along the route, will afford every facility in their power for the accomplishment of a work so important to them and to Northern Pennsylvania.

HAIR STORM.—A very severe and destructive hair-storm visited New York city, on Friday week, by which much damage was done and several lives lost. The nearest resemblance, says the Herald, that can be given of the noise produced by the storm, is that of a shower of brick-bats upon the roofs of the houses. There was some little damage done the Crystal Palace, but of no considerable amount.

During the storm, a building in the course of erection in the neighborhood of Forty-third and Sixth Avenue, was overturned instantaneously and levelled to the ground by the force of the hurricane. At the time of the accident there were six men engaged on the ground floor in plastering the walls, three of whom were killed, and the others severely injured.

SHOCKING ACCIDENT.—On Saturday last, says the Trojan, Mr. John Miller, of Albany twp., whilst at work in the woods, saw, was instantly killed by the falling of a lodged tree. Falling across the saw, he was cut across the front of one shoulder and the neck, thus partially severing the head from the body and breaking the neck. The deceased, aged about 28, leaves a wife to mourn his early and terrible death.

Hon. GEORGE R. BARRETT has been appointed by the President, Comptroller of the Revenue Laws, under the act of the last session, by which \$10,000 was appropriated for that purpose.

A most terrific hail-storm passed over Northumberland, Pa., on the 1st inst.; doing such damage to the crops. Nearly every farmer has lost his grain this year. Fruits of all kinds have suffered very much.

Gubernatorial.

The following remarks, from the Wilkes Barre Union, meet our views so exactly, that we have adopted them as our own: It is a time honored usage of the democracy of Pennsylvania, to elect for a second term a Governor who has served faithfully in his high office, and of course our present excellent chief magistrate is not to be made an exception to the rule.

McKeon, Snyder, Shultz, Wolf and Sunk, were all re-elected. The present State Treasurer has been re-elected twice. The Auditor General and Surveyor General are nominated for a second election, and it would be a singular freak of capriciousness, such as has never characterized our democracy, to set aside Gov. Bigler, than whom (without disparagement to others, be it said,) 'we have never had a more competent and faithful chief magistrate. Gov. Bigler has administered the financial affairs of the State with consummate ability—diminishing the State debt, and increasing the revenues, without increase of taxation. The North Branch Canal, which had dragged its slow length along for many years, is now being hastened to completion, and his first three years of administration will be signalized by bringing this great work into productive employment. And though other agencies have necessarily borne an honorable part in finishing this most important improvement, yet it never to be forgotten, that we are indebted to the firmness and resolution of Gov. Bigler for the efficient appropriations for the energy and zeal which have driven the work to speedy completion.

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SAD ACCIDENT.—We learn from the Trojan, that on Wednesday last, at about 11 o'clock, A. M., a span of horses, belonging to Mr. James Rockwell, ran away with a wagon load of lumber, on which Mr. Rockwell was sitting at the time, on the road leading from Smithfield Centre to Athens; the load upset and caught Mr. R. under it. His son, who was with him, extricated him as speedily as possible, and medical assistance was immediately in attendance; but it was found that the cervical vertebrae had sustained a severe fracture, rendering all human aid of no avail. He lived until the next day, about 12 o'clock, M., in the full possession of his senses, when he expired, peacefully and happily.

Mr. Rockwell was in the 58th year of his age, and has been a resident of Western Bradford for the last 45 years; at the time of his death, he was a resident of Canton, where he leaves a family and a large circle of friends to mourn his sudden departure. The deceased, with his son, were on their way to Athens, and at the time of the accident, the young man was walking by the side of the wagon, and driving down a steep hitch; the boards had worked forward and hit the horses, when they became unmanageable. The corpse was conveyed to Canton, on Friday, and interred in the old burying ground near Canton Corners.

TWO MEN DROWNED.—Two young men—Patrick Heffernan and John Griffin—whilst bathing in the river, in the rear of O'Connell's place, just above this village, on Friday morning last, were drowned. They were fishermen by birth, having been employed on the N. Y. and Erie Railroad, and had saved the most of their earnings which was found in their pockets.

One of the young men, as we learn, lost his life in attempting to rescue his companion whom he discovered to be sinking—the latter seizing hold of him, when both went down together. An inquest was held by Coroner Dr. F. Nye, and a verdict rendered in accordance with the foregoing facts; and, on the following day both of the bodies were sent to Friendsville, and deposited in a single grave.

HEFFERNAN had a brother and sister living at Waverly—Griffin, we understand, had no relatives in this country.—Owego Gazette.

PHILADELPHIA, EASTON AND WATER GAP RAILROAD.—We are informed that the managers of this important enterprise have secured a large and admirably located lot of ground in the Northern Liberties as a site for a depot for their road. It comprises the entire space bounded on the north by Noble street, on the south by Willow, on the west by Front street, and on the east by Washington Avenue, a thoroughfare fifty feet in width. Willow and Noble streets measure each fifty feet wide low and Front street is sixty feet, so that this lot will have all about it spacious business streets. As regards the area of the lot, it is 156 feet on Willow street, the same extent on Noble, 340 feet in front, and a somewhat less extent on Washington Avenue. This selection is convenient to the river, and when the depot is constructed, it will no doubt give a great impetus to business in that section.—North American.

A man was killed a few miles from Belvidere, Ill., on the 29th ult., by his step son. His name was Venable. The murder was done with a rifle, two balls entering the body of Venable, killed him on the spot.

RAILROAD ACCIDENT.—On Monday morning, the cars, near Kirkville, N. Y., ran over an ox, upsetting the locomotive, and instantly killing the fireman.

Celebration of the 4th at Burlington.

Arrangements having been made for the celebration of the fourth at Burlington, accordingly, about one thousand people of the township of Burlington, Troy, Granville and surrounding townships, assembled on that day, at 11 o'clock, A. M.; the procession was formed under the direction of Col. ALLEN M'KIM, Marshal of the day, assisted by J. V. DANIELS, Esq., in the following order: 1. The Music, followed by the officers of the day, Speakers, clergy, and readers of the Declaration of Independence.

2. Committee of Arrangements. 3. The Sons of Temperance in part, from the several Divisions of Burlington, Troy, East Troy, and Granville in their proper regalia, and with their appropriate banners.

5. Ladies, with the citizens generally. In which order the procession marched a short distance to a grove, where they were comfortably seated in front of a stand, which had been prepared by the committee for the speakers and clergy. Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Ingalls; the Declaration of Independence was then read in a clear and audible tone by the Rev. Mr. Leisenring, Boon, Esq., which was followed by one delivered by Rev. HANNAKES, to which, like attention was given. The procession was then formed in its original order, and line marched and was formed in columns in front of the Town Hall, and was formally dismissed by the Rev. Mr. Lane, who delivered the benediction. After which the most part of a dinner which was served up in the most style by the two landlords of the place, Messrs. Forman and Magee, both of whom had kept their bars closed during the day, and refrained from selling any intoxicating drinks, which was an arrangement between them and the committee.

The whole proceedings were characterized by the best order and the greatest civility; and attention and good order prevailed through the whole day. The orations were able, and the addresses were of a national character; at the same time, bestowing a proper tribute to the Sons of Temperance, who had taken the lead in getting up the celebration. The committee of arrangements and most of the officers were appointed for the occasion from the citizens generally, who did not belong to the Order. All political or sectarian ideas and opinions were laid aside; all met upon the same common platform. Nothing occurred during the whole day which they had assembled. All was joy and perfect good feeling—the cause of their country seemed with them all a common cause. At an early hour in the afternoon the people mostly left for their homes.

REMARKABLE ESCAPE OF A SHIP FROM FIRE.—A late English paper contains an account of a most marvellous escape from destruction by fire of the emigrant ship John Melbush, while on her voyage from London to Sydney, with 200 passengers: The mate and three men were engaged in getting the ship's stores forward when they came across a cask of Brandy which the mate had moved once or twice, and then sent the men on deck to pump the ship. While they were thus engaged he took an unextinguished light and proceeded in the direction of the Brandy cask, and in about ten minutes afterwards the passengers were startled by his rushing up from the hatchway enveloped in a blue flame, with consternation depicted on his face, exclaiming in a loud sort of scream, 'the ship on fire! the ship on fire!' He ran into one of the passenger's berths, where blankets were thrown over him, the fire about him was put out.

A passenger named Hayward, suspecting that the mate had been tapping the brandy cask, and had allowed the spirit to ignite, stripped off his coat, jumped down and put his thumb in the hole to prevent the escape; but the hole being large and rough, the brandy continued to flow, which igniting, the blue flame ran up his arm and set fire to his shirt, hair, and clothes. At this juncture, Captain Jenkins jumped down to his assistance, and being aided with the aid of a bucket of water, Mr. Hayward meeting with a horrible death. The pumps being got into operation, hose were laid down into the lower hold, and a stream of water brought to play on the cask on fire, the passengers passing down wet blankets and sea sails to throw over the flaming spirit, which partly overflowed the deck. Had it not been for Hayward's heroic conduct, the brandy cask must soon have burst, and there being not less than two hundred and twenty casks and cases stowed along with it, nothing could have prevented the instant destruction of the ship and the 240 souls on board. The mate was placed in confinement, and upon the ship's arrival at Sydney, was delivered to the authorities, to be tried on the charge of breaking cargo.

MURDER.—On Thursday last, a young woman by the name of Mahala Wiggins, was brutally murdered by a James Quinn, on board a canal boat at Nanticoke. As near as we can learn, they were both employed on board of the boat, and the murdered Mahala had previously passed as the wife of Quinn. On the morning of the murder, the two were heard disputing in the cabin, and shortly after the sister of the deceased, who was on the cabin steps at the time, heard a blow, and fall, and turning saw Mahala lying on the floor covered with blood. Quinn, after having struck her some two or three blows on the back part of the head with the edge of the hatchet, left the boat and made his escape. We have no report of his arrest up to the time of our going to press, notwithstanding dispatches were immediately sent to all the telegraphic stations north and south of this place.—True Dem.

EXPLOSION OF A CANNON AND ESCAPE.—During the celebration on the 4th, at Williamsport, Pa., in front of the Court House, a cannon burst on the mound in the rear. A piece, weighing about thirty pounds, carried away part of the brick jam of the Judges' window, the casing and the entire shaft. Another piece was hurled over the Methodist church. Fortunately no one was injured.

DEATH OF DR. CHAPMAN.—Dr. Nathaniel Chapman, one of the oldest and most eminent physicians of this county, died on Friday evening, in this city, in his 74th year. His long connection with the Pennsylvania University, his learning, his accomplishments and his wit, have given him a reputation with the profession which few physicians in the country have ever exceeded.—Ledger.

WILBROTH'S LITTLEJOHN, a young man aged 23, was suddenly crossed by the cars, passing under a bridge at Little Valley, N. Y., on 4th. He was in company with others on a pleasure excursion, and had mounted on top of the cars, by which means he came to a sad and sudden death.

THE ALBANY KNICKERBOCKER lately received a letter, inquiring among other things, whether iron was petrified pork, and if it was, which was the best way to cook it to make it juicy.

Hon. Gerrit Smith, M. C., lies seriously ill at his home in Petersboro', having recently undergone a very serious and painful surgical operation.

The New York Crystal Palace.

The New York Crystal Palace appears to be filling the world with contributions. Goods are coming in of great abundance, keeping them several persons occupied in registering them and making out the necessary papers. England, France, Germany, Prussia, are largely represented, and the Crystal Palace is at present completely filled with goods from these countries, still increasing, and remaining in their original packages, not less than 1500 foreign packages are already entered, exclusive of many others yet in the warehouse, some of which are of large value. It has been great delay in forwarding a complete catalogue of the collection will be quite incomplete, and the collection will be forwarded to America opening on the 14th inst., unless more progress is observed. The Journal of Commerce reports that in a few days, many goods will be presented for exhibition; and it seems hardly possible that a considerable proportion to be in readiness by the 14th inst. Enough will be ready, however, to render the exhibition attractive in a high degree, and subsequent to that date, it will improve as the presence of the President and a large number of our Cabinet, will greatly to the interest of the annual committee of the 14th.

The Palace is now undergoing a thorough renovation in every part, under the superintendence of Mr. DeWitt, the Engineer, who has the satisfaction of seeing the important work completed, and it seems hardly possible that a double the diameter of the cupola could be done without any difficulty. He says it could be spoken of, a mass of iron, weighing 107,000 pounds, was placed on each square of bay (in the gallery) between four columns, which is equal to 175 tons to the square foot. The columns are 75 feet high, whereas the tall was made as though the columns would form an unbroken passage. The cupola is in mind, in addition, that the greatest weight that falls on a superficial square foot, in a dense crowd, is only five hundred pounds, whereas the galleries will be considerably less. The machinery department, which extends to the main building, is advancing rapidly, and will be ready the present month; and, it is said, some time after everything else is finished.

The Palace is surrounded with increasing numbers of various kinds, attached to the exhibition, which draw back to the desiderata of the establishment. Thousands of visitors, from different parts of the country, will there be exposed to temptations of the most seductive forms, and too many of them, it is to be feared, will be enticed to their own ruin.

COTTON FAKELY PACKED.—The Memphis Enquirer says, that a great deal of cotton, lately packed in bags, was shipped from that port, the sea-ports of which were returned to the Memphis merchants a few days since in Memphis, the weight of 548 on the bale, unless the should be recovered from the planter.

Accidents in coal mines in Great Britain are so frequent and destructive of life, that the British Government has four Inspectors employed with particular districts assigned to each, for the purpose of investigating the causes, &c., connected with every accident or disaster occurring in a mine.

The New Orleans Bee states that the yellow fever has not appeared in that city for many years in the form of an epidemic; also, that, notwithstanding the filthy condition of the streets, particularly to the eye and offensive to the nose, the sanitary condition of the city is a subject of special contemplation.

ENOCH REED.—This person, tried and executed at the January term of the United States Court, for participating in the Jerry Rescue, died on Wednesday, of Consumption, in Syracuse, aged thirty-eight years.

SCROFULA.—Mrs. C., says Dr. Tyler, of delicate constitution, when nineteen years of age, was afflicted with a cough and hoarseness, which gradually assumed a more violent character. Under the influence of a friend's decoction of Rock Rose, she recovered her health, and has not been afflicted with any such symptoms since. The above is taken from a work published by Dr. A. Tyler, M. D. of New Haven, Ct., &c., and proves the wonderful efficacy of the plant Rock Rose, as a cure for Scrofula.

MYERS' EXTRACT of Rock Rose, for sale by Dr. H. C. PORTER, Towanda, Pa., of whom prescriptions may be had gratis.

Waverly Station, N. Y., & E. R. R. TIME TABLE.

Table with columns for GOING EAST, GOING WEST, and various train names like Day Express, Night Express, Mail, etc., with their respective departure times.

LIST OF LETTERS.

Table listing names of individuals and their addresses, such as M'Hugh Patrick, M'Donoghue Patrick, Marshall Joseph, etc.