

[From the Quincy Whig, October 28.]

Homicide in Philadelphia.

About ten minutes past eight o'clock last evening a shocking scene occurred in front of Guy's Hotel, in Seventh street, above Chestnut, which has created the greatest excitement in that neighborhood.

Mr. Shurlock was at once arrested by a bystander, Mr. John Egan, and without resisting was conveyed to the Mayor's office, where he confessed to having committed the act.

The prisoner was searched, and had upon his person a small amount of money and a dagger-prototype of his wife.

Mr. Shurlock was employed as an accountant in the house of Wilmer & Clawges, and it is alleged that the latter has been on terms of intimacy with the wife of the former for some time past.

From another statement made of the case, it appears that Shurlock walked deliberately up to Clawges, and after telling him of his wrongs, told him he should die; and immediately put his threat in execution by firing his revolver at him.

Shurlock is a young man about 28 years of age, and is said to be of excellent character. During his arrest, he did not make the least resistance, and he seems not in the least to regret the offence committed.

We understand further that another difficulty existed between the two parties, Clawges having borrowed a sum of money from Shurlock and refusing to return it. The parties, about half an hour previous, in crossing with two friends, were examining some of the accounts of the firm, and one of the friends noticed that Shurlock appeared somewhat excited.

Clawges is about 38 years of age, and has a wife and four children. He is a member of Rev. Mr. Chambers' Church.

P. S. Mr. Clawges died the next day at the Pennsylvania Hospital.

GREAT LAND SALE.—A sale is to take place on the 17th of the present month, of about 200,000 of the best lands in Kansas, lying upon the Missouri river, at the very entrance of the territory.

DANGER OF WEARING HOOPS IN A HIGH WIND.—During the wind on Saturday afternoon, and while the dust was circulating so thick that no one could see more than the length of an eyelash in front, a lady, dressed in the most elegant style, in coming round one of the corners, was lifted off her feet by the force of the wind acting on the great expanse of surface which she presented to it.

A CHAPTER OF ACCIDENTS.—A young man employed a day or two in this office, named Oscar McKelvy, while returning from Hyde Park on Wednesday night of last week, fell from the end of the Railroad Bridge to the ground, a distance of thirty feet.

There was a collision of the Passenger and Gravel Trains at Lehigh Summit last Friday, caused by a turned switch. One of the engines was badly damaged, but no one hurt.

On Friday afternoon last, a wind storm fell with pitiless fury upon the neighborhood residing about four miles east of the city on the old railroad track.

On the place of Henry Kemp, which adjoins that of Mr. Laughlin, the out-stacks were levelled and the sheafs scattered over the fields in all directions.

At Mr. John Powell's place, large bearing apple-trees were torn up by the roots. The fencing for miles along the path of the storm was entirely swept away.

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TERRIBLE TORNADO.—THE VILLAGE OF LITTLETON DESTROYED.—We learn from the Peoria Illinois Transcript that on Friday afternoon, the 24th ult., a most destructive tornado passed over the northern portion of Schuyler county, in this state, and in its course completely prostrated the flourishing village of Littleton.

A contribution was made by the citizens of Macon of \$150, and we presume, other towns have also furnished means to the sufferers.

CASE OF SOMNAMBULISM.—A Pittsburg journal gives the following account of a case of somnambulism which occurred at the residence of a gentleman near that city:

CHILD BURIED ALIVE.—SINGULAR TENACITY OF LIFE.—On Wednesday morning, a young woman, about 18 years of age, boarding with a widow in Wyle's Court, gave birth to a female child, and without informing any one in the house, it is alleged, buried it in a pile of ashes in the cellar, about 12 o'clock the same day.

THE CURTAIN LIFTED.—A correspondent of the New Orleans Delta, thus foreshadows the Democratic plan for the future:

CASSIUS M. CLAY, in a speech at Chicago, a few days since, declared, from his own observation, that while men can do labor in the cotton fields, and that in Texas there is a German settlement, where they produce one-third more from an acre of cotton than the slaves do.

Bradford Reporter.

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TOWANDA:

Thursday Morning, November 13, 1856.

TERMS.—One Dollar per annum, invariably in advance. Two weeks previous to the expiration of a subscription, notice will be given by a printed wrapper, and if not renewed, the paper will in all cases be stopped.

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THE ELECTION.

We are without definite returns from Pennsylvania, as regards the votes in the several counties. We make the majority for BUCHANAN about 20,000.

Tennessee, Louisiana and Florida have also been reported as doubtful, but they are now considered as certain for BUCHANAN by large majorities.

THE SCALPEL.—Dr. EDWARD H. DIXON, whose famous Quarterly, The Scalpel, has made his name familiar on both sides of the Atlantic, commenced on the 1st inst., the publication of a Quarto Monthly of the same name.

Table of Electoral Votes for Buchanan, Fillmore, and Fremont across various states including Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, etc.

NEW-YORK.—The majority of Fremont over Buchanan is now up to 75,000, and is likely to go a trifle higher yet.

RHODE ISLAND COMPLETE.—The complete vote is now published and summed up as follows:

MARYLAND.—Full returns from Maryland show the following result:

THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS CHOSEN ON Tuesday last, will be called by the Governors of the several States to meet in each State capital, on the first Wednesday of December, and cast their vote, and choose a messenger to carry it sealed to Washington.

SMALL NOTES IN TENNESSEE.—In accordance with the law of the last legislature, on and after September 1, 1856, the issuance or circulation of small notes of a less denomination than \$5, by any bank except the Bank of Tennessee, is made an indictable offense, punishable by a fine of not less than \$500, nor more than \$10,000.

THANKSGIVING DAY.—Ohio joins with twelve other States in designating the 20th of November as Thanksgiving day.

JUDGE BURELL'S SUCCESSOR.—THOMAS S. CUNNINGHAM, Esq., of Beaver, Pa., has been appointed Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Kansas, in place of Hon. J. M. BURELL, deceased.

Official Vote of Bradford County, November 4, 1856.

Detailed table showing the official vote of Bradford County for various districts including Athens township, Athens borough, Armenia, Albany, Asylum, etc.

The Fillmore Union ticket received in the county 20 votes, included in the Fremont column. Gerrit Smith had 6 votes in Herick and 1 vote in Asylum.

PORTER'S SPIRIT OF THE TIMES.—This is the title of a handsome weekly of sixteen pages, of which that veteran editor, WILLIAM T. PORTER, formerly of the New York Spirit of the Times, and George Wilkes, have recently commenced the publication at New York City.

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DR. DIXON says, in bringing the Scalpel before the public in its new form, that he is "going to stump the Union for it," and he announces himself as "the independent candidate for the Medical President of the United States."

THE PENNSYLVANIA FARM JOURNAL.—Pennsylvania can now boast one of the very best agricultural periodicals in the country.

DEATH OF THE HON. JOHN M. CLAYTON.—A telegraphic despatch, yesterday, announced the death of the Hon. John M. Clayton, at Dover.

GOV. POLLOCK, on the 6th inst., signed the following acts of the last Legislature:

PUBLIC DEBT OF VIRGINIA.—It appears by an official statement of the condition of the public debt of Virginia on the 30th of September last, that the actual amount is \$26,914,949.

FIRE AND LOSS OF NINE LIVES.—The house of a man named PERRINS, situated about two miles from Kirkwood, near Banghantown, N. Y., was consumed by fire last Saturday evening.

FATAL RAILROAD ACCIDENT.—On Friday evening a telegraphic operator, named Charles Osborne, was run over and instantly killed by a freight train, at Cleveland, Ohio.

APPOINTMENTS BY GOVERNOR POLLOCK.

The Governor has appointed ROBERT T. CONRAD Associate Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia, from the 1st of December next, vice Wm. D. Kelley, resigned.

NORTHERN CENTRAL RAILWAY.—Another link of this road, extending from Bridgeport, opposite Harrisburg, to Millersburg, Pa., a distance of twenty-six miles, is now reported as completed and ready for delivery.

KANSAS.—GOVERNOR GEARY had, at the last accounts, arrested some dozen or more free State men in the southern portion of the territory, on charges of having participated in the recent disturbances near Oswattomie.

SINGULAR WAGER.—Major Benj. Perley Poore, a man weighing 200 pounds, wheeled a wheelbarrow, containing a barrel of apples, from Newburyport, to Boston, a distance of thirty-six miles, last week, in fulfillment of a wager he had foolishly made before the election that Fillmore would beat Fremont in Massachusetts.

ILLINOIS LAND SALES.—The land sales of the Illinois Central road, in October, reached \$909,800, against \$444,490 in October last year.

IMPORTANT DECISION.—It is stated the Secretary of the Interior has decided against the ruling of the late Commissioner of Pensions making a discrimination between the volunteer and regular service.

THE TOTAL VOTE OF NEW YORK STATE, unofficially reported, is—Fremont, 255,896; Buchanan, 170,844; Fillmore, 118,316.

MR. B. KINGSBURY & SON have received a large stock of goods for the Fall and Winter trade, the particulars of which may be ascertained from our advertising columns.

GOV. WISE.—A few weeks since, in conversation with a northern gentleman on the political state of the country, he stated the position of affairs thus: "We have no fear of northern abolitionists. We can take care of them. But what we have to fear is an insurrection among ourselves."

DISGORGING A LIZARD.—Last week, John Mitchell of the town of Chemung was taken with a fit of vomiting, and finally disgorged from his stomach a lizard near nine inches long!

HORRIBLE MURDER AND ROBBERY.—On Thursday morning the dead bodies of Peter Naughton and his wife were found in the kitchen of their residence, in the town of Dudley, Mass., shockingly disfigured from blows with an axe and a flat iron.

HOGS AND PORK.—The Cincinnati Price Current of the 29th ult., reports that contracts for 30,000 hogs have been closed in that quarter, chiefly at 6 1/4-1c net, for early delivery.

A Dreadful Scene.

The London papers by the Canadian, at Quebec, furnish the following particulars of the fatal accident at the Music Hall, Surrey Gardens, while the Rev. Mr. Spurgeon was preaching:

Before the service commenced the enthusiasm within, and even without, the building was intense. After the preacher had proceeded for some minutes, on a sudden the hysterical scream and subsequent fainting of a female in the gallery to the left of Mr. S., and at the further end of the building, occasioned a commotion.

The preacher paused in terror. Viewed from the orchestra, the body of the hall presented a scene of dire confusion and agonized excitement. Fortunately, from the floor being encumbered by seats, a moment's obstruction was given to the rush.

The preacher, recovering himself, implored silence, assured the people of safety, and while the shrieks and screams still resounded, and terrible groans were beginning to be heard, set up a hymn, which, at first loudly chanted from the orchestra, soon spread itself over the troubled congregation in the body of the hall who now seeing the roof still above them, and the galleries still crowded with listeners, terror-stricken, yet eagerly hanging upon the preacher's words, thus encouraged, joined in the hymn.

Not so in the galleries. There a rush was made to the circular stair case on the right side facing the entrance. Down this a stream of frightened men, women and children poured, rushing on in terror and impelled from behind by crowds in still greater alarm.

The first who tumbled over was a well-dressed woman, who struck upon her head and died without a groan; the second, another respectably dressed female, who fell screaming in agony, with a child clasped in her arms; then came another woman, then two men, and others followed.

THE CEILING OF THE NEW HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.—Sufficient progress has been made with the ceiling of the House of Representatives in the new south wing of the Capitol, to give an idea of its surpassing gorgeousness.

WHILE the work of ornamentation is thus progressing in the ceiling of the hall of the House, there is no idleness in the new committee rooms. Several of them are paved with the beautiful encaustic tiles, and are ready for frescoing; others are undergoing that process, and so exquisitely beautiful in taste and finish is this work that every visitor pines forth, upon witnessing it, utterances of mingled astonishment and delight.

IN the north wing to be occupied by the Senate and its officers, several committee rooms are finished, and some are well advanced towards completion. One now in hand is for the use of the Naval Committee of the Senate, and its ceiling and walls are being most tastefully and fittingly frescoed and painted.

MR. E. B. PARKER, of Jersey Shore, Lycoming county, has been appointed County Superintendent of Common Schools, in place of J. W. BARRETT, resigned.

CURIOS WOLF TRAP.—The Hartford Times of Saturday says:—A very ingenious and apparently effectual contrivance for catching and killing wolves, foxes, &c., has been invented by Frederic Reuther, of this city, a workman at Colt's pistol factory. It is small and compact, being hardly ten inches long, and it works with great strength and precision.

WHEN the animal seizes the meat, he pulls out the two prongs upon which it is fastened, and in doing so opens them by a powerful spring, thus forcing his jaws wide apart and holding them firmly by the cruel barbed points while at the same instant both pistol barrels are simultaneously discharged down his throat!

THE inventor goes to Canada with his trap, to sell it in that wolf-swarming region.

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THE packing season there will soon commence. The same paper reports sales of mess pork at \$17 per bbl, while at the same period last year pork was held at twenty dollars.

WE hear of no movement in boxes for packing prices among our packers. The prevailing price among holders is 6 1/4-1c net.—Pork is freely offered at \$17 per bbl. Bacon shoulders are dull at 6 1/2-2c; clear sides at 7 1/2-2c, and bagged hams at 19 cents.