

NEWS FROM ALL NATIONS.

Major General Banks has received orders to return to New Orleans.

Hon. Jacob Broom formerly M. C. from Philadelphia, died last week in Washington.

The pirate Semmes is reported to have arrived at Bagdad, Mexico, on October 15th, en route for Richmond via Matamoros.

Mr. and Mrs. Brewer, of Wayne county, Ky., have twenty-two children.

Hon. Frederick W. Seward, of New York, Assistant Secretary of State of the United States, is confined to his room by a broken arm.

Hon. Reuben E. Fenton, Governor elect of New York, has written his resignation as member of Congress, to take effect Dec. 20th.

Maj. Gen. John A. McClelland and Brig. Gen's Neal, Dow, and E. A. Paine have resigned, and their resignations have been accepted.

Mr. Enos Prizer, senior editor and proprietor of the Bucks County Intelligencer, died at his residence, in Doylestown, on the 25th ult.

The rebel General Wayne, now in command of a body of rebels in Georgia, allied to in the Richmond papers, is a son of Judge Wayne of the Supreme Court.

Maj. Gen. Pope has received orders from the War Department to report to Washington. It is very probable that he is to be placed in an active command.

Lyman Cobb, widely known as the author of various school books, mainly of an elementary character, died at Colesburg, Potter county, Pa., on the 20th ult., aged about 65 years.

Gov. Curtin has been presented by Bishop Wood, of Philadelphia, with a solid silver medal, ten inches in circumference, commemorating the dedication of the Catholic Cathedral in that city.

Gov. Curtin has appointed John Kennedy Ewing, son of ex-Judge Nathaniel Ewing, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Lindsay, in the Fourteenth circuit, composed of the counties of Washington, Fayette and Greene.

Mrs. Sarah Hutchins, of Baltimore, recently convicted of giving aid and comfort to the enemies of her country, is now in Fitchburg, Mass., House of Correction, under five years' sentence. She is the woman who presented a sword to the rebel Harry Gilmore.

William Overfield, Esq., at one time a member of the House of Representatives and Senate of this State, from Luzerne county, and afterwards a Canal Commissioner, died at his residence, in Monroe county, on the 21st ult., at the advanced age of 78 years. He was always an active and prominent Democrat.

Ex-Gov. Erastus Fairbanks, of Vermont, died at St. Johnsbury, on Sunday the 29th. He was 72 years of age, and without reproach in his public and private life.

The rebel emissaries in New York seem to be bent upon their work of destruction. A large fire occurred in that city on Wednesday which destroyed the Government warehouses containing immense quantities of clothing was destroyed, involving a loss of \$100,000. The warehouses fortunately escaped. As in the case of firing the hotels, phosphorus was used.

Hon. James Speed, a leading lawyer and earnest emancipationist of Kentucky, has been appointed Attorney General, in the place of Hon. Edward Bates, resigned.

A petition from fifty thousand citizens of Illinois will be presented at the coming session of the Legislature of that State, for the repeal of the Black Law of Illinois.

The hotel-keepers of New York have offered a reward of \$20,000 for the detection of the incendiaries who attempted to burn the hotels of New York.

Muller, the Englishman who murdered a passenger in a railroad coach, near London, and then fled to this country, whence he was taken back, tried and convicted, was publicly hung on the 14th of November.

In the next House of Representatives thirteen States will be without Democratic Representatives—exclusive of the seceded States. Is there not some danger that the Democratic party will become sectional?

The Southern Methodist Conference was about to open its session at Millersville just as Sherman approached that place, and like the Georgia Legislature, the members stampered as fast as their legs could carry them.

An old Irishman who had witnessed the effect of whisky for many years past, said a barrel labelled whisky contained a thousand songs and fifty fights.

Thomas Smelker, of German Valley, Huntington county, had both his legs fractured recently, by the upsetting of a load of clover stacked upon him.

A wedding transpired in Pittsburg, Pa., on Sunday week, and the bride ran away with another man two days after.

Dear are said to be unusually plenty in Clearfield county, and parts adjoining there.

Mr. Swain, one of the original proprietors of the Philadelphia Ledger, who has been connected with it twenty-nine years, has retired from it with an ample fortune. Mr. George W. Childs has purchased the Ledger.

Lord Lyons took leave of the President and Secretary of State on Monday, and proceeded to New York in a special car furnished by the Government. His health is so seriously impaired as to require relaxation, with the benefit of his native air. He carries with him the respect, sympathy and good wishes of the Government and people of the United States. J. Hume Burnley, Esq., will have charge of the British Legation during the absence of Lord Lyons.

The excitement at Toronto concerning the Fenian Brotherhood is reviving. On Monday night an Orange lodge was broken open, and all its property destroyed by the Fenians. Some portraits of Queen Victoria were disgracefully mutilated.

A number of persons employed in the Philadelphia Navy-Yard were arrested on Monday, on the charge of stealing public property there.

Several prominent Union men in East Tennessee, have issued a call for a State Convention on the 19th of December, to vote a ticket to run for a Constitutional Convention. This State will soon be wheeled into line with her loyal sisters.

A big chieftain has been shipped from California for the use of the army. Its weight is 3,300 pounds. It was made from the milk of 600 cows, given at seven milkings, and is nearly six feet in diameter.

In Pennsylvania and elsewhere, the State Banks are fast finding up to become National Banks. Properly managed, we soon shall have a currency at par over the Union.

John Bowen, for forty years an honored preacher in the M. E. Church, died recently, near Baltimore, aged 71 years. He preached many years in the West Branch Church.

The Polish rebellion is now completely subdued, and the unfortunate insurgents are scattering everywhere. The Denmark war is also at an end.

Gen. Tom Thumb and wife have been received by the Prince of Wales.

Bradford Reporter.

Towanda, Thursday, December 15, 1864.

Our grateful acknowledgments are due those whose exertions have added several hundred names to our subscription list since the 1st day of December.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

We had neither time nor space for lengthy comments upon the annual message of President Lincoln, published in our last week's issue.

The late triumphant re-election of President Lincoln was as much an expression of this popular feeling, as a verdict in favor of those measures which he has laid down for his guidance in prosecuting the war.

Recognizing the fact that the Rebellion is the legitimate offspring of slavery, that the country has been plunged into civil war, and deluged with blood in an attempt to strengthen and perpetuate this accursed system of human bondage, and also the popular demand that its sin and danger shall be forever removed from the country, the President goes straight to the root of the foul enormity.

The closing paragraph of the President's Message are worthy of especial notice. The glorious record he there makes for himself is the proudest act of his career.

REPORT OF THE NAVY DEPARTMENT.

This document affords a fine picture of the rapid progress and glorious achievements of our navy during the past year.

The nomination of Mr. Forney for the next vacancy in the Cabinet, will be backed by the whole force of this State.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Mr. Fessenden, in his report, has given a thorough and intelligible report of the condition of the national finances, and its candor is not its least value.

\$85,733,292, and the whole estimated expenditure of the Department to the 4th of March next \$280,647,261 from the commencement of the present Administration.

HON. JOHN W. FORNEY.

We copy from Fitzgibbon's (Phila.) City Item an editorial which we have no doubt expresses the general and earnest opinion of the Union party of Pennsylvania.

The New Chief Justice.—During all of President Lincoln's administration, he has done nothing which has given more universal satisfaction to the loyal people than the appointment of Salmon P. Chase Chief Justice.

The situation of affairs remains unchanged. In front of the Fourth Corps not a shot was fired till 2 o'clock this afternoon.

GENERAL WARREN'S MOVEMENTS. HONORS, ARMY OF THE POTOMAC. Thursday, Dec. 8, 1864.

Yesterday morning, at daylight, the Fifth Corps, with the Third Division of the Second and two brigades of Gregg's Cavalry, started south.

They were heard from yesterday afternoon, and had crossed the Nottoway River, on the Jerusalem road, without meeting opposition of any consequence.

HEAVY FIRING NEAR SAVANNAH ON DECEMBER 7.

The following special dispatch has been received at The American office: BALTIMORE, Dec. 10, 1864.—P. M.

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THIRTY-EIGHTH CONGRESS.

SENATE, Dec. 6.—The principal business of the session was the reception of and listening to the Message of the President. Reports were called for from Committees.

HOUSE, Dec. 6.—After hearing the Message, reports were called for, but none were read. Mr. Stevens introduced a bill to prohibit the exportation of gold and silver coin.

SENATE, Dec. 7.—Mr. Lane introduced a bill for a special session of the U. S. District Court of Indiana. Mr. Morrill presented a bill to extend the time for completing the railroads in Washington City for two years.

LATEST WAR NEWS.

FROM GEN. THOMAS'S ARMY. NASHVILLE, Saturday, Dec. 10, 1864. The situation of affairs remains unchanged.

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PENNSYLVANIA ELECTORAL COLLEGE.

HARRISBURG, Dec. 7.—The Electoral College of this State convened today, in the Senate Chamber, and was called to order by Hon. J. P. Penny, of Allegheny county, who nominated Morton McMichael, Esq., of Philadelphia, as President.

Mr. McMichael, on assuming the chair, made some appropriate remarks. The Secretary of the Commonwealth was introduced, and presented the returns of the election, re-appointing the following electors:

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New Advertisements.

BARSTOW DRUG STORE. The subscriber having purchased the Drug Store, 239 North Third St., Towanda, Pa., formerly occupied by T. P. Smith, is now ready to adding to the list of goods.

FRESH PURE AND RELIABLE DRUGS, MEDICINES AND CHEMICALS. Purchased from the most reliable and responsible parties at manufacturing prices.

FANCY AND TOILET ARTICLES OF EVERY DESCRIPTION. Also, the latest styles, Choice of Colors.

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