

The Bloomfield Times.



NEW BLOOMFIELD, PENN'A.

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No less than twenty eight States will have legislatures or conventions in session this month.

The Missouri legislature has by a large majority ratified the fifteenth amendment to the constitution of the United States.

We feel confident that the State Senate has at least one able member on the Finance and Judiciary (local) committees as Hon. C. J. T. McIntire of this district has been appointed on those committees.

Mrs. Srowe has had her pen again in operation trying to blacken the character and memory of Byron. She evidently goes into the business with a relish as she has written a book of nearly five hundred pages on the subject. Some people like to poke over filth, and all such will of course gladly read all the nasty details of this disgusting controversy.

IDOLATRY has received its death blow in Madagascar. The Queen and aristocracy have destroyed the images which they hitherto worshipped. The national idol was burned by authority of the Prime Minister, and the people seeing their deities of wood and metal annihilated, asked what they were to worship in the future. Christian teachers have been sent among them, and the island may be regarded as converted to christianity.

The Governor's Message.

The message of Governor Geary was delivered to the Legislature on the 5th instant. It is quite lengthy, but we make some extracts which will give our readers a general idea of its contents. The Governor earnestly protests against Legislation of a private character, and suggests that greater care be taken of the State at large.

The message shows that the receipts of the State Treasury for the year ending November 30th, have been—including the balance on hand from the year preceding—\$6,254,636 55, while the disbursements have been \$4,853,774 16, leaving a balance in the Treasury on the 30th of November, of \$1,400,862 49.—The debt of the State at that date was \$32,814,550 95. The reduction during the year has been a little over Four Hundred and Seventy-two Thousand dollars.

He suggests that the Commissioner of the Sinking Fund be authorized to employ the surplus funds in the purchase of bonds of the State next falling due.

He also advocates an increase of pay to the State Treasurer, as a means of correcting the scramble for the office, which is now disgracing the State. We fail, however, to see how this will correct the evil, but it seems to us it will rather aggravate it.

The Legislature is urged to pay immediate attention to the appropriation bills, so that the governor may not be compelled to hurriedly sign at the close of the session. This is a suggestion which the legislature will, by complying with, do credit to themselves and gratify their constituents.

From the message we also learn, that there are but five districts in the State that have not already accepted the provisions of the school law.

The educational condition of the children in the Commonwealth is thus stated:

Table with 2 columns: Category and Amount. Rows include Attending Public Schools (\$15,783), Attending Private Schools (85,000), Not attending Schools of any kind (75,000), and Whole number of Children (975,783).

It would hardly seem possible that so large a number of children failed to avail themselves of school advantages; but if such is the fact, it is high time some means were taken to compel parents and guardians to pay more attention to the education of children under their care.

The Orphan Schools are represented as being in a satisfactory condition, having under their care at the present time 3,631 pupils. That the sanitary condition of the schools is good, is proven by the fact that the number of deaths has been less than one to every three hundred pupils. The current expenses of these schools for this year are estimated at \$490,700.

The governor also calls attention to the fact that the State has made no provision for the care of disabled soldiers, and suggests that some means be taken to provide an asylum for their benefit.

The Avondale disaster is alluded to as showing the importance of passing a law compelling all mines to provide more than one avenue of egress.

While many persons in the state complain of the number of pardons granted, the Governor makes still louder complaint of the great number of applications which he is forced to consider during the year. It appears that the number of applications were fifteen hundred and fifty-two, of which eleven hundred and eight were rejected, three hundred and eighty are still under consideration, and sixty two only were granted. From this it would seem that the Governor has the most reason to complain.

Appended to the message is a report stating for what reason these pardons were granted and upon whose recommendations. The number of death warrants issued during the year was seven.

The message closes with a few suggestions on national offices, which plainly show that the Governor is not in favor of a contraction of our currency, but he believes that the interests of the country demand a larger supply of the circulating medium.

Compounding Felonies.

The business that appears now to pay the best, is stealing or robbing if one only goes into the business on a sufficiently large scale: but if only a petty rascal, his punishment is swift and sure. The great robbery committed a short time since at the Boylston Bank in Boston, furnishes further proof of the truth of this statement. It is now asserted that the detectives have the guilty parties where they can at once arrest them; but as the unfortunate losers of the bonds had only offered one fifth of the property as a reward for the recovery of the balance, the detectives are waiting a better offer.—In the mean time they have the impudence to advise the owners to offer one half of the whole amount stolen as a reward for the recovery of the remainder. This will of course give them as well as the thieves, a larger amount, and proves the officers to be fully as great rascals as the burglars.

This system of compounding felonies has been carried to such an extent that the punishment of a thief or defaulter is almost impossible if the amount involved is only pretty large. If some change is not soon made, people will have to rely upon Vigilance Committees instead of the officers of the law, for the protection of their property.

A young man, named Burnsido being remonstrated with by his father, at Jefferson, Miss., for drawing a knife on a dog, turned on his parent and cut his throat from ear to ear, killing him almost instantly.

Legislative Doings.

The Legislature met on Tuesday last and organized by electing Charles H. Stinson as speaker of the Senate, and B. B. Strang as speaker of the House. Several important bills have already been introduced.

A bill fixing the salary of the State Treasurer at \$5000 and making it a misdemeanor to loan the Commonwealth's money for his private benefit, also appropriating the annual surplus to the payment of the State debt, was introduced in the Senate on Thursday.

The expediency of bringing in a bill to abolish the death penalty in this State is to be inquired into by the Senate Judiciary Committee.

The bill to restore the franking privilege was after some discussion amended as to allow each member \$100 for postage—the account to be kept by the clerk, and in that shape passed the senate.

Committees were appointed to make arrangements for the Inauguration of the governor, which is to take place on the 18th inst.

The Republican Caucus has nominated R. M. Mackay for State Treasurer.

A committee, consisting of eight Democrats and but one Republican, was drawn in the House to try the contested election case of Graham vs. Mooney, in the Sixth District, and another one consisting of five Democrats and four Republicans to try the case of Geiss vs. Forsyth.

A committee was drawn in the Senate to try the contested election case of Diamond vs. Watt, consisting of five Republicans and two Democrats.

A resolution was offered in the House declaring Rev. M. Edwards of Lawrence county, as Chaplain. Mr. Craig thought there was no propriety in opening the sessions with prayer, and the majority seemed to agree with him as the resolution was postponed. We are sorry if the members are past praying for this early in the session.

A Man Robs and Stabs Himself.

A singular robbery occurred in the Treasurer's office at Tama city, Iowa.—Early last month, and after careful search by a detective, the Deputy Treasurer was suspected and finally made a confession that he had robbed the safe himself, and inflicted the injuries on his person.

He stated that the money was in the safe, at his mercy, and that he became possessed of an unconquerable desire to steal it. He took it and buried it under the sidewalk of the Court House yard, where it has since been found, not a dollar missing. The wounds he made with a knife, and then bumped his head against the wall to produce the bruises. He must have been a man of surpassing coolness, combined with great tenacity of purpose, to deliberately plan and execute such a scheme.

He was taken back whence he came and given in custody of the authorities. The surprise of the people on learning the true state of affairs may be imagined. Cameray, overcome with shame and disappointment, shot himself on Tuesday, thus passing ignominiously away at the early age of 25.

There seems to be no adequate motive for the robbery. The unfortunate man was comparatively well off, the owner of some valuable real estate, and in the enjoyment of a good salary.

A poor fellow named Thomas Coyne, sentenced to the Massachusetts State Prison for life, attempted to end his earthly existence last week by making a desperate plunge, head foremost, from the fourth corridor in the south wing to the solid granite pavement, nearly forty feet below. Miraculous as it seems, he was in no way injured, and literally escaped without a bruise.

A wooden stool happened to stand on the spot where he fell, and his body, turning in the descent, was precipitated upon it crushing it to splinters. The stool saved his life, for if he had fallen upon the stone floor every bone in his body must have been shattered. He was taken up in an unconscious condition and carried to the hospital, where he soon revived, and in a short time commenced to walk about, only complaining of slight lameness in his legs.

Two prominent church members in Talbotton, Ga., quarreled about some church matters recently, when one struck the other with his cane. Thereupon the latter stabbed his assailant in the neck with a pocket knife, severing a main artery and causing his death in a few minutes.

Attempted Murder and Suicide.

A man named John Ritchie, who has a pretty gay wife, and of whose attention to other people he is extremely jealous, attempted to kill himself and her in a rather novel way last week, at their residence in New York. He was beating his wife when her cries alarmed an officer on post, who rushed in the room, which is in the second story. As soon as Ritchie espied him he took his wife up in his arms and rushed out of the window on to the fire escape.

From this he made a spring to the yard beneath, but the wife caught hold of the iron railing and clung to it until, by a vigorous pull, Ritchie compelled her to let go her hold, as she was dangling in the air, holding on by one of her arms. They both fell to the pavement, the woman being dangerously injured. He escaped unharmed, and was arrested. The woman is not expected to recover.

A Terrible Tragedy.

A terrible tragedy occurred at Sleepy Hollow, N. Y., on the afternoon of the 1st instant.

A man named V. W. Buckout shot his wife, a New York merchant named Alfred Randall, and a son of the latter, named Charles Randall. Mrs. Buckout was shot in the temple, Alfred Randall through the heart, and Charles Randall in the side. Mrs. Buckout and Charles Randall are dead, and the elder Randall is in a very critical condition. Buckout gave himself up immediately, and was lodged in jail at White Plains. The cause of the appalling tragedy is unknown. Some persons ascribe it to jealousy, and others believe Buckout to be insane.

Miscellaneous News Items.

Emigrants are pouring into Texas with almost a continuous stream.

A New York dentist is charged with stealing a woman's earrings while fixing her teeth.

An accidental death occurred in New York on Tuesday from carrying pistols.

A burglar was arrested in New York recently, while pretending to be deputy sheriff.

The temperance societies of Trenton, N. J., are to unite in the formation of a Funeral Aid Association.

General Terry has assumed command of the State of Georgia under the recent Reconstruction acts.

Well-executed counterfeit notes of twenty dollar notes of the Tradesmen's National Bank of New York are in circulation.

A clergyman in Lewiston, Me., married a couple some time ago, and was asked to wait for his fee until "pay day." Pay day has not yet come to him.

An entire family at Pottstown were recently poisoned by the water from their well. They are all recovering under medical treatment.

A young lady of Conden, N. Y., who has been blind for sixteen years, suddenly received her sight a few days since, while enjoying the company of some friends.

Mrs. Clark who murdered her three children at Eedenville, Marshall county, Iowa, is still living, but is very low, wearing rapidly away, and must soon die.

A California couple lately celebrated their golden wedding by a fight, in which the woman was victorious. The old man immediately drowned himself.

A woman hanged herself in New York on Tuesday, though fear of long separation from her husband, against whom a warrant had been issued by a criminal magistrate.

On Saturday a fare bank on Broadway, N. Y., was entered by burglars, the safe broken into and \$5000 carried off. If they had taken the proprietors too, no one would have cared very much.

A Methodist clergyman at Hingham Mass., being unable to officiate owing to illness had his place in the pulpit supplied by his wife, a few sabbaths since. She was a help-meet indeed.

St. Louis physicians report that city alarmingly unhealthy at the present time. Smallpox among adults, and scarlet fever and measles among children are prevailing to an alarming extent.

The Ohio Legislature met on the 3rd inst., and organized by electing A. J. Cunningham the reform candidate as speaker of the House.

Governor Hayes, in his message to the Legislature, recommends the adoption of the Fifteenth Amendment, shows a surplus in the estimated receipts over expenditures; states the debt at \$9,855,938, and recommends a revision of the financial laws.

Mr. Thomas Haskell has returned to Paris, Me., after an absence of seventeen years, and has greatly incommoded his "heirs" by demanding a return of his property, which they divided among them long ago supposing them to be dead.

A parot shell, one of 'Gimmore's pills,' was found the other day lodged between two buildings in Charleston, S. C. A fire nearly destroyed one of the buildings, but fortunately did not reach the unexploded shell.

It has transpired that a Hartford youth who, much to the disgust of the lady in the case, postponed his wedding by swallowing laudanum, was driven to the act by the refusal of his tailor, in whom he trusted to trust him for his wedding suit.

The wind on Sunday blew off the hat of a little girl as she was walking with her father in Trenton. Her father and she turned and hurried after it, and the next moment the spire of the Fourth Presbyterian Church fell with a crash across the sidewalk at the very place where they had just been.

Toronto has just had a mysterious case of murder. The coroner's jury returned a verdict that the deceased came to his death from injuries received by some blunt instrument having penetrated the roof of his mouth and passed through a portion of the brain, but how or by whom inflicted there was no evidence to show.

First Pick.—There is no danger of a stock such as Wanamaker & Brown's giving out very soon, and if there was, they are continually manufacturing and adding new and fresh garments. But at the same time, there is great advantage in making early selections of Fall and Winter Clothing. We advise all our readers to be in time in making their purchases, and to get a "first pick" out of this wonderful stock at Oak Hall, of which we hear so much.

PAIN KILLER.

A Cure for Diphtheria!

All interested, please read the following extract from a letter from Mrs. Ellen P. Mason, wife of Rev. Francis Mason, Troughoo, Birmah:

My son was taken violently sick with diphtheria, cold chills, burning fever, and sore throat. I counted, one morning, ten little vesicles in his throat, very white, and his tongue toward the root, looked like a watermelon full of seeds; the remainder coated as thick as a knife-blade. So many children have died around here, I was afraid to call a physician, and thought I would try your Pain Killer for a gargle with small doses inwardly. I did so and found the gargle invariably cut off the vesicles, and he raised them up often covered with blood. He was taken on Sunday; on Wednesday his throat was clear and his tongue rapidly clearing off. I also used it as a liniment with castor oil and hartshorn, for his neck. It seemed to me a wonderful cure, and I can but wish it could be known to the many poor mothers in our land who are losing so many poor children by this dreadful disease.

I have found your Pain Killer one of the most valuable medicines ever used in Birmah. Once I was stung by a very large black scorpion; the pain was indescribable. I immediately applied the Pain Killer, (for I never travel without it,) again and again, and in half an hour my foot was well.

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