

The Bloomfield Times.



NEW BLOOMFIELD, PENN'A.

Tuesday, February 1, 1870.

THE question of admitting Virginia has at last been settled. Her Senators and Representatives have been sworn in at Washington, and on Friday last, General Canby issued his order turning over the State from the military to civil control.

THE House of Representatives by quite a large majority have voted to abolish the Franking privilege after the 1st of July next. If this abuse is not now done away with, the country will know just who to blame for its continuance.

The saving to the country will not be merely in the Post-office department, but will save in the printing department, thousands of dollars annually, as tons of speeches and other documents, will no longer be printed if they are to be mailed at individual expense.

We have received from Messrs. B. K. Jamison & Co., Bankers and Brokers, Philadelphia, a very interesting table of the rate of gold premium for each day in the year since January, 1862. From this we have condensed the following table, showing the highest and lowest point reached in each year:

In 1862, the lowest point was 101, April 8th; the highest rate, 134, December 4th. 1863—Aug. 25, Lowest, 122 1/2; Feb. 25, Highest, 172 1/2. 1864—Jan. 6, Lowest, 151 1/2; July 11, Highest, 285. 1865—May 17, Lowest, 129 1/2; Jan. 4, Highest, 253 1/2. 1866—March 24, Lowest, 125; June 18, Highest, 167 1/2. 1867—March 13, Lowest, 139 1/2; Sept. 12, Highest, 146 1/2. 1868—Nov. 6, Lowest, 132 1/2; Aug. 6th, Highest, 150. 1869—Dec. 30, Lowest, 119 1/2; Sept. 24, Highest, 162 1/2.

The Mildest Winter on Record.

It appears from records of the weather for past years, that the warm weather of this winter was exceeded in January, 1790, when the average or medium temperature was 44 degrees. This is the mildest month of January on record.—Fogs prevailed very much in the morning, but a hot sun soon dispersed them, and the mercury often ran up to 70 in the shade at midday. Boys were often seen swimming in the Delaware and Schuylkill rivers. There were frequent showers as in April, some of which were accompanied by thunder and lightning.

THE 'Public Ledger Almanac' for 1870, issued by Mr. George W. Childs for gratuitous distribution among his subscribers, contains more valuable information and interesting statistics than any work of equal size that we have ever seen. We are much obliged to the publisher for the copy sent us and no doubt such will be the feeling of every person who is fortunate enough to receive one. Mr. Childs announces that hereafter the 'Public Ledger almanac' will be issued yearly, which will be gratifying news to his 80,000 subscribers. If enterprise and merit controls the increase of his subscription list, 100,000 copies will be needed to furnish each subscriber with an almanac for 1871.

THE demand for an economical use of the public money does not seem to be heeded by the State Senate. They not only tried to hold on to the franking privilege, but attempted to impose on the tax-payers the useless expense of printing the 'Daily Record.' A renewal of the contract at \$14 50 per page would have been made if the House had not defeated the outrage.

The vote in the Senate on that question rather astonished us, among the twenty Senators voting in the affirmative, we see

the name of the Dem. sen. from this district, who has always asserted that he was opposed to that contract. We are glad to see among those voting against the contract the name of Dr. Milliken, the member from this county.

Legislative Doings.

In the Senate, the following bills were introduced:

A bill authorizing seven per cent. as the legal rate of interest and not over twelve per cent. on special contract.

A bill authorizing married women to sell their property when deserted by their husbands.

A bill adding two judges to the number now allowed the Supreme Court.

A bill authorizing the reduction of the sentences of persons in prisons or penitentiaries, if their conduct is such as shall warrant it.

A bill providing for the redemption of the State debt after the manner adopted for the National debt.

A joint resolution appropriating \$1900 to defray the expenses of the Inauguration.

The following bills were favorably reported:

A bill incorporating the State Bank of Harrisburg.

A bill allowing accused parties, if so disposed to testify.

The following bills were considered and passed:

A bill authorizing the reduction of sentences of persons confined in prisons and penitentiaries, if their conduct is such to warrant it.

A bill punishing the wilful damage to baggage.

A large number of petitions were presented for the abolition of the Death Penalty, and for the right of each district to settle by local vote, the question of licensing drinking houses.

The subject of continuing to print the 'Legislative Record,' came up and after some discussion, the contract was awarded to George Bergner, at the rate of \$14 50 per page, by a vote of 20 yeas to 13 nays.

In the House, an attachment was granted for Edward Henry, a witness who refused to appear in the Forsythe contested election case.

The use of the Hall was granted to the State Editorial Convention, which was called to meet at Harrisburg. The use of the Hall was refused to Miss Annie S. Randall, for select readings.

The Committee appointed to examine the doings of the State Treasurer, were directed to extend their investigations for ten years back.

The Senate bill restoring the Franking privilege was defeated, and the House refused to send it back to the Senate as requested.

The motion to allow each member \$100 for postage, which had previously passed the Senate was passed by a *viva voce* vote.

A bill regulating the appointment of Auditors was introduced and referred.

The contract for the publishing of the 'Record' which had passed the Senate, was defeated by a vote of 76 to 16.

The following Editorial notice appears in 'The Advocate,' which is the organ of the Methodist E. Church in Buffalo:

'CATARRH REMEDY.—We think we do the public a favor, by calling the attention of those afflicted with catarrh, to the remedy advertised in our columns, as 'Dr Sage's Catarrh Remedy.' A son of ours has been seriously afflicted with catarrh for several years, and having tried various remedies without success, we began to fear that in his case there was no cure. But a few months' use of the above medicine has entirely removed all traces of the disease.

'We write the above not for pay, but for the information of those afflicted, and as an act of justice to those by whom we have been benefited.'

It is sold by druggists for fifty cents.

An Extract.

'Oh, yes, any suit will look well while it is just new, but the thing is to get clothing that will not lose its shapeliness and beauty before you have worn it a month. Now this is one of the great points about this clothing of which we speak, it is so well made, and of such good material, that with any ordinary degree of care, it will look as good as 'new,' even after it has been well and long worn. It is made by Wyanmaker & Brown, at Oak Hall, and is, without exception, the cheapest clothing I have ever bought.'

Bold Attempt to Murder.

On Thursday evening, the 20th ult., a bold attempt was made in the borough of Port Carbon to murder Mr. Jonathan Shearer, who has charge of the office of the Mill Creek Railroad at that point, and the attempt came very near being successful.

On Thursday evening, shortly after 7 o'clock, a man knocked at his door. Mr. Shearer, who had been a short time home, answered the knock, opened the door, and asked, 'Who is there?' The reply was, 'You are wanted. There is a breakdown?' The man then asked, 'Is your name Shearer?' Mr. Shearer had hardly time to reply, 'yes,' when a pistol was pressed against his body. The assassin pulled the trigger twice rapidly, but fortunately the caps were snapped without discharging the loads.

Realizing the imminent peril in which his life was placed, Mr. Shearer seized the assassin by the throat, for the purpose of forcing him out and closing the door. During the contest, Mr. Shearer's assailant raised the pistol and pulled the trigger a third time. This time the ball was discharged, and if it had not been for the interposition of Mr. Shearer's left arm the ball would possibly have passed through his body and killed him. As it was, the ball entered the left arm of Mr. Shearer, and striking the bone, passed up over the shoulder, and was subsequently cut out by Dr. Brown near his ribs. The wound is exceedingly painful, but not necessarily dangerous, and Mr. Shearer will, in all probability recover. The assassin is supposed to have had a confederate, for immediately after the shooting two men were seen to run rapidly from the spot.

Two daring thieves entered the office of the United States Internal Revenue Assessor at Hunter's Point last week but failed to obtain any plunder. They then repaired to the office of Collector Hawkins, but were again disappointed. The iron safe, which they supposed contained a large amount of money, resisted all their efforts to force it open. Chagrined at their failure, the rascals finally beat a retreat, leaving behind them the following note:—

Mr. Revenue:—You may thank your lucky stars that our tools failed or you would not felt so good on Monday morning. Hope to give you a call soon again. Yours, most respectfully, HORACE GREELY, Tribune office.

P. S.—Please to tell the maker of this safe to claim the medal for burglar proof safes. We will leave a sample of our goods. Address, HORACE GREELY and REDDY THE BLACKSMITH.

Queer Freak of a Horse.

One evening last week, a horse attached to a light wagon, ran away in Baltimore, from the corner of Baltimore and Anny streets, and when at the corner of Poppleton street, he dashed over the pavement and into the beer saloon of Mr. Winklen.

Just as the horse got upon the pavement, a young man named Henry Colt, was passing, and he supposing that the horse would run over him darted into the saloon, but what was his horror to discover that the horse was following him. Perhaps the animal thought that if a beer saloon was a proper place for a Colt to visit, it was also a proper place for a full grown horse to enter. At all events he did enter, the wagon remaining on the outside, and as the animal entered the bar-room he ran against a table around which were seated four men playing cards for beer.

The horse upset the table, and played a game of all fours with his feet, greatly to the consternation of the persons in the room. When the bar-tender had recovered from his fright, he asked 'was willst du haben?' glass of pier?' to which the horse replied neigh. The animal after surveying the bar-room for several moments concluded that a beer shop was no place for his morals, and with a snort ran out of the place, and what was singular in his conduct was, just as he reached the door he elevated his heels and demolished a table upon which were standing two glasses filled with beer.

That was a profound philosopher who compares advertising to a growing crop. He said: 'The farmer plants his seed, and while he is sleeping the corn is growing. So with advertising; while you are sleeping or eating, your advertisement is being read by thousands of persons who never saw you nor heard of your business, and never would had it not been for your advertising.'

Miscellaneous News Items.

Young New York has had but a single day's skating this winter.

A bill is before the Senate, appropriating \$30,000 for the relief of the poor of Washington.

After obtaining several thousand dollars for forgery, the postmaster at Waterloo, Me., has absconded.

Mr. Wilson offered in the Senate last week a resolution granting \$2000 per annum as a pension to Mrs. Lincoln.

A boy was burned to death during a fire in Wall street, N. Y., last week and his parents were severely injured.

There are 6,000,000 dogs in the United States. A tax of \$2 a head would produce \$12,000,000. Off with the income tax and on with the dog tax.

It is proposed to distribute \$30,000 and a lot of condemned army clothing among the poor of Washington. A resolution is before congress to that effect.

A false alarm of fire raised in a church in Liverpool, on Sunday, resulted in a panic and the trampling to death of fifteen persons.

Mrs. Maria Archer, of New York city, threw herself from an attic window and was instantly killed. She was sick and delirious.

A nervous householder was waked up the other night by an alarm of burglars, got out his gun, fired from the window and ruined a pair of his best trousers that were flapping on a clothes line.

With a view to rescue him from the friends of a pickpocket raised an alarm of fire, in a Boston theater, last week. The panic which ensued was calmed before any serious harm was done.

Dr. George E. Evans, residing on Harrison avenue, is under arrest, charged with causing the death of Martha A. Hall, a widow, a resident of Wakefield, Mass., by malpractice.

Robert Harper, a leading and well-known citizen, mysteriously disappeared on Saturday evening. His body was found the next afternoon in the basin, and it is supposed that he was murdered.

Rev. D. S. Hawley has been expelled from the ministry and membership of the Baptist church in Swansey, for unchristian treatment of his wife, falsehood and moral weakness.

A bill is now before the North Carolina Legislature to exempt all mills now established or hereafter to be established in that State, for the manufacture of cotton, or wool, or both, from taxation for a period of five years.

An English Bishop querulously remarked to his servant that he was dying.—'Well, my lord,' said the good fellow, 'you are going to a better place.'—'John,' replied the prelate with an air of conviction, 'there is no place like Old England.'

The dwelling of James C. Nottage, in Chelsea, was partially demolished last week, by a freight car on the Eastern Railroad, which ran off the track and went smashing into the house. The occupants had a few moments previously left the house to attend the funeral.

An Italian, whose betrothed deserted him in Italy, and came to this country, followed her, and disguised as an organ grinder, searched New York, succeeded in finding her, and had his pistol not missed fire would have murdered her. He was afforded an opportunity of cooling off in jail.

A German, direct from the Fatherland, met his wife in St. Joseph, Missouri, who six years ago, left him to come to this country and join the Mormons, got disgusted and escaped, and has since been forgiven by her husband, and earned and forwarded sufficient money to him to pay his passage across the water.

A few days since a little son of Wm. Clement, of West Gorham, aged three years, was found in a tub, set for watering horses in the stable, with life extinct to all appearances. After an hour and a half of labor by the physician and family, signs of life returned, but it was not until nearly twelve hours had elapsed, that the child was out of danger.

Monroe, Mich., has had its case of breach of promise to marry, the fair plaintiff of 57 suing a youth of 20, who promised to marry her if she would buy him a suit of clothes. The suit had the desired effect and they were married by the Justice before whom the case was brought, the bride excusing her impertunity by saying she wanted some one to saw her wood.

The costliest watch that was ever made is said to have been one that was constructed in 1844, for the late Sultan Abdul Medjid, who must have found it rather inconvenient, since it was five inches in diameter, and struck the hours and quarters on wires, with a sound resembling that of a powerful cathedral clock. It cost twelve hundred guineas. Another famous watch was noted for its smallness. It was inserted in the top of a pencil case, and though it was but three-sixteenths of an inch in diameter, its dial not only indicated the hours, minutes and seconds, but also the days of the month. It was made in Geneva.

PAIN KILLER.

A Cure for Diphtheria!

All interested, please read the following extract from a letter from Mrs. Ellen B. Mason, wife of Rev. Francis Mason, Tounghoo, 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.

Dr. Walton writes from Coshobut:—Your Pain Killer cures this new disease—Diphtheria, or Sore Throat—that is so alarmingly prevalent here; and it has not been known to fail in any instance when used in time. This fact you should make known to the world. (It is used in this disease as a gargle and lotion as well as a tonic and a stimulant.)

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Prepared by M. B. Strickler, New Bloomfield, Pa.

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