

The Bloomfield Times.



NEW BLOOMFIELD, PENN'A.

Tuesday, February 15, 1870.

PARIS has been the scene of serious riots during the past week. The mob seized several points and raised strong barricades, but were eventually overawed by the police, though the military were called out ready for an emergency. A large number of arrests were made, and several lives were lost.

COMMISSIONER DELANO has been before the Congressional Committee of "Ways and Means," and there asserted that the country could not stand the removal of the Income tax. There is one thing the country could stand, and that would be the placing of some other man at the head of that department.

We have seen it asserted that he had decided that "Boarding-House-keepers" who furnished "hash," must take out license as manufacturers. We always supposed this was only a joke, but in view of some other decisions that have come from the Department, the above decision is not in the least improbable.

Veto Messages of Gov. Geary.

The Metropolitan Police bill which had passed both houses, has come to grief at the hands of the Governor. This was purely a partisan bill, and is a class of legislation which neither party in power should ever attempt. We believe in allowing the people of every locality to govern themselves as far as is consistent with Constitutional law, and to have their affairs administered by officers of their own selection.

There is no doubt there is need of a change in the Police regulations of Philadelphia, and had a bill been passed allowing the people at the next election to elect their own Police Commissioners, with some restriction as to their powers, it is probable the Governor would have signed it. In his message to the legislature he closes with the following remarks, which will find a hearty approval among many men in both parties:

"The election of every local officer with the duties of executive authority, or with the execution of the laws, should be submitted to a direct popular vote, and I can see no reason why the people of Philadelphia should be made an exception to this rule, and be deprived of the right of choosing by their own votes those who shall constitute their Commissioners of Police, as well as who shall be their Mayor Select and Common Councils, or their representatives in the Legislature.

It is an elementary axiom that every Government should have some responsible head, and in a republican Government that responsibility should be left to the people—the source of all political power. Heretofore the Mayor of Philadelphia has occupied this position of trust and responsibility. To him the people looked and had a right to look for the proper execution of the laws and the preservation of the peace and good order of the city. If he has failed to meet their expectations, they have their remedy at the ballot-box, and it is fair to presume they will avail themselves of it at the first lawful opportunity. Would it improve the existing condition of things to divide this responsibility among six Commissioners of whom the Mayor would be but one? To whom could they look for a proper discharge of duty? Hardly to the Legislature of the whole State, which changes annually.

If the people of Philadelphia desire a Metropolitan Police bill, let the Commissioners be of their own choosing at the ballot-box. Let them be "of the people, for the people."

The Governor also vetoed the bill al-

lowing Writ of Error to the Supreme Court, which bill was probably introduced for the especial benefit of Dr. Schoppe.

A Confidential Offer.

A Baptist Minister at Emporium Kansas having a suit as to his title to a piece of land, which case was to be decided by Judge Watson, called at his residence and placed in the Judge's hands a letter, and departed. The letter was addressed: "Hon. J. R. Watson, present, confidential," and the inside was as follows, orthography and all.

Hon. M. Watson—Dear Friend and Brother in Christ: Having made the decision of this suit of H. E. Norton and Dr. J. H. Wyatt, to which I am a party defendant, a subject of earnest prayer to God, I have been constrained to inform you of the conclusions to which I have arrived, which are these: That if justice is done, the disputed land is mine. This is not only my opinion, but the opinion of every one with whom I have conversed.—And if it is so decided by you—if your honor will be kind enough to accept—I will make you a present of \$50. Permit me to say, also, that one-half of the value of the contested land I have promised the Lord, and now promise you, should be used for the benefit of His cause in Emporia. Please accept as confidential, from your true friend and brother in Christ.

"M. A. WIXON."

Judge Watson did decide in his favor, but after pronouncing his decision he related the circumstances under which he received the above letter, and then handed it over to Col. Plumb county attorney, for his action in the premises. Colonel Plumb immediately had a warrant issued for the arrest of the aforesaid messenger of God, and he had his preliminary examination to-day, and was held to bail in the sum of \$1,200 for his appearance at the district court on the 12th inst. He couldn't give bail, and is now enjoying the hospitality of our new sheriff in the county jail. His flock wanders without a shepherd. He will probably withdraw the proposition which he made to the Lord, and use the money which he had promised to Him in keeping himself out of the penitentiary.

A Minister Elopes with a Young Girl.

On last Monday, a minister, the Rev. Samuel Walls, who has a charge near Van Wert, was arrested and lodged in jail at Centreville, Ind. The charge against him is of the most revolting description, and if true, proves him to be a villain of the deepest dye.

On Saturday last, this man Walls shipped a corpse from Centreville, under circumstances which gave rise to suspicions on the part of the people of that place that all was not right. Following the matter up, he was arrested on his return to that place.

The corpse was shipped Saturday and got through to this city Saturday night. He called on the agent at the Dayton and Michigan Depot Saturday night to have the body shipped forward to Botkin's Station, directed to Jos. Lambert at that place. On being asked by the agent, "whose corpse was in the coffin," he said it was his wife (or companion, as he called it). In response to several questions he returned but few evasive answers. He said his business would not permit of his going to Botkin's himself, but left the corpse in the care of the agent and left on the western train.

The coffin contained the dead body of the daughter of Jos. Lambert, a young lady 20 years of age, who ran off with this creature, Walls some four months ago since which time nothing has been heard of her until Saturday.—Walls placed a letter on the coffin to Mr. Lambert, stating that the body was that of his dead daughter, and that he would send her clothes, with the particulars of the death to him in a short time. There was no signature to the letter.—(From the Piqua (Ohio) News 28 ult

General Spaulding, engineer in charge of the Eastern Division of the Northern Pacific Railroad, from Lake Superior to the Missouri river, is being fitted out in Minneapolis with all the necessary animals and supplies for commencing a new survey on that part of the Northern Pacific Railway. Four parties, of sixteen men each, were to have started last week. Their work is to be a preliminary survey of a route from Lake Superior to the Red River of the North, further north than heretofore surveyed and a line from some point to the Lake Superior and Mississippi Road, easterly through Wisconsin, with a view to an outlet in that direction.

Infatuation of Gambling.

The infatuation of gambling is strongly illustrated by the tale told by one Collins, an employee in the Boston city treasury, who had been arrested for stealing from the Department about \$10,000, mostly in gold. Collins says;

"When arrested I had \$2,400 in gold and some few greenbacks—some 170 or 180 odd dollars. I there acknowledged that I had been gambling, and also that it was with money belonging to the city of Boston. No one induced me to play; the cause was as follows: I have played before and won. A few days ago a near relative asked a loan from me of \$150.—I had but eighty; I gave fifty and took the other thirty, and played at 135 Court street; I lost it, I thought I would try again; took \$65 from the treasury and I lost that; I next day took \$150 with the same result; next day \$400, with no better luck; I saw no way to recover myself, and day after day I drew and lost, lost, lost; I had gambled before; I played when I was in the water board at city hall, and lost \$100 but this was recovered for me; in California I made money, and returning, I took an oath to myself that I never would again gamble; but—I have broken my resolution; the amount I have taken, which is about \$9,000, has been lost in gambling; hardly \$50 has been spent for cigars or hack hire.

The day he was arrested he secreted \$5,000 in gold in his desk, intending to take the night train for New York and the steamer for Europe. The \$2,400 on his person were to "pay expenses" with.

Exciting Chase after Thieves.

The quiet town of Lehighen was the scene of much excitement on Tuesday. It was rumored during the day that the Wilkesbarre bank robbers were in the town, but the statement was hardly believed till constable J. T. Westen approached four suspicious looking characters who had been loafing about Mantz' Hotel, with the intention of arresting them. The constable had no sooner made this attempt at securing the scoundrels, than they pulled out pistols and prepared for resistance. But seeing how futile such a course would be, the robbers tried to escape by running.

They crossed the Lehigh Valley Railroad and plunged in the river, hoping to find security in the heavily wooded mountain on the opposite shore. This certainly was not a pleasant undertaking, as in some places the water is deep and swift. The terrible snow storm that was raging did not make the journey through the black waters any more pleasant than it would have been otherwise, and we should suppose rather added to the discomfort of the whole party after they got out and began to climb the mountain. The constable summoned a posse and at once began the pursuit. Nearly all of both parties were armed.

After a long chase through the snow the robbers were overhauled. At first they refused to surrender and again drew their pistols, which could not be fired, as they had got wet in the river. After some show of determination from the constable's men the thieves gave themselves up, and the whole party returned to Lehighen to recount their adventures to the eager citizens who crowded around the hotel. The prisoners were kept overnight at Mantz's Hotel, and sent to Wilkesbarre.

Phenomena at Lake St. Clair.

On Thursday of last week a most extraordinary and sudden rise of the waters of Lake St. Clair occurred, and was particularly observable in the vicinity of the mouth of the river Thames, and along the south shore of the lake to and beyond the river Ruscom. Parties resident on the lake shore say that at first two loud reports were heard, resembling the reports from cannon fired at a distance, after which was experienced a sensation as from a gentle swaying to and fro, as though an earthquake had been awakened from a century's repose. Upon visiting the water line it was discovered that the ice had been suddenly shoved upon the shore, and piled up several feet in height, carrying with it trunks of trees and logs, which had for a quarter of a century lain imbedded in the sand of the beach. At the mouth of the river Thames and vicinity the ice was thrown to the height of two or three feet, while at the river Ruscom it was raised at least four feet above its ordinary level. So sudden was the action of the water in the lake that ice and trees and logs were absolutely piled in a jumbled mass several feet in height along the shore for a distance of several miles, but was most observable in the south and southeast quarter.

Miscellaneous News Items.

Naturalization is to be made uniform by Congress throughout all the States.

A woman has been elected Justice of the Peace in Jersey Landing township, Illinois.

The Virginia Legislature met Friday and the Governor's message was received.

Small-pox is carrying off about twenty-five Indians a day in the camps on the Inaras.

A resolution passed the House for the payment of the balance of one year's salary for War Secretary to the family of the late Mr. Rawlins.

Whisky frauds to the extent of two million dollars are alleged to have been committed by A. Stevens, an ex-revenue officer, and a number of business men in New York. Stevens has been arrested.

H. Salle and Fred. Mohrman publish a card in the Chicago Tribune, saying they are the makers of the Cardiff Giant, and are ready to make any number to order. They claim an interest in the present giant.

For some time past it appears that a large amount of smuggling has been done through the mails. The discovery was made at Chicago. Among the goods seized were some addressed to Brigham Young.

Judge Bodford in the Court of General Sessions, denied the motion to transfer the trial of McFarland, for the murder of Richardson, to the Court of Oyer and Terminer. The trial will commence on Monday, the 7th of March.

They have a cat in Augusta, Me., which can open doors having glass knobs, and moreover, frequently with her paws wipes moisture from the windows, or scratches off the ice to enable her to look out and see what is going on.

In the court of Oyer and Terminer, N. Y., Judge Ingram charged the Grand Jury to the effect that all agreements with persons who have committed felonies not to prosecute them if they return portions of the stolen property are illegal, and the offenders should be brought to trial.

Several officers interrupted a prize fight, last week, in the basement of a liquor store of Thomas Mullally, No. 627 Court street. About sixty men were crowded in the room, and it was impossible for them to discover who the principals were. Several of the ruffians were arrested and locked up.

It is now currently reported that the five men engaged in the Boyston Bank robbery having failed to make through the Boston detectives, a satisfactory compromise with the losers of the bonds, have divided the plunder, each share amounting to about \$72,000. The division is said to have taken place at New York early last week.

J. H. Clark, cutter in the wholesale house of Moore, Loomis & Co., of St. Louis, has been arrested for robbing his employers of goods to a large amount. The value of the goods taken is not known, but \$4000 worth have been recovered. He was considered one of the best men in the establishment.

Valentine Klein of Cincinnati, has been arrested on the charge of murdering his own child, aged seven months. The testimony before the Coroner showed that Klein came home drunk, and when his wife asked for money to buy bread for supper, he became enraged and took a pot of boiling coffee and poured it on the face and bosom of the child, which died of this maltreatment in a few hours.

A train coming north on the Utica, Chenango and Susquehanna Valley Railroad was uncoupled at Claysville, and two passenger cars seized by Collector DeGraff. A special train, carrying the President of the road, Lewis Lawrence and Deputy United States Marshall West was also seized. The passengers were delayed about five hours and were finally brought away by an engine and some cars from the Utica and Black River Road. The Southern mails did not reach Utica until the next morning.—As one night train was going through Claysville stones were thrown at it. There is intense excitement in Claysville and throughout the town of Paris.

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