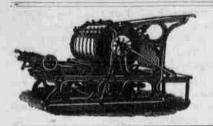
# The Cloomfield Cimes.

NEW BLOOMFIELD, PENN'A.

Tuesday, January 7, 1873.



JOHN F. HARTRANFT, Governor elect, will be inaugurated on the 21st day of January, that being the third Tuesday of the month.

THE Prof. West affair of Dover, Del., is creating a wide and decided sensation .-West's life being insured for \$25,000, it is said the Insurance Companies will try to have him acquitted of murder, as, if he is hung, they must pay the policy to his wid-

THE high wind at Buffalo a few days since blew the water out of the river, so that the supply pipe to the resevoir, that supplied the city with water was left dry, and the city was without water. All factories worked by steam had to suspend operations.

THE President has signed the bill to reduce the expenses and officers of the Internal Revenue Bureau, which passed Congress a few days ago, and the work of putting the new law into practical operation will be commenced immediately. The bill, it will be remembered, legislates all of the assessors out of office by July 1, 1873. There are about seventeen kind of stamps to be prepared before the new law goes into effect, but work on them will be commenced without delay.

A TERRIBLE ACCIDENT happened at Williamsport on Christmas eve. During services in the Baptist church, the floor and ceiling gave way, precipitating about five hundred people into the cellar. Fourteen persons were killed, and about forty injured, some seriously.

The following are some of the names of the killed: John Richie, Boyd Mahaffey, Miss Grace Seaman, Miss Sadie Maffatt, Mrs. Duncan Campbell and her son, Miss Tillie Reader, Miss Fisher, a boy named Ettinger, a child of Linn M'Minn, Mrs. Romig, Miss Elizabeth Baskins and Wm. Shuman. The cause of the accident was a weak floor.

From the annual report of the Superintendent of Public Schools for the year 1872 we notice that Perry Co., is credited with having thirty school houses unfit for use, and while the total number of buildings in the county is 150, only 3 of them are put down as "first class," while 148 are reported as badly ventilated. This is not a very flattering report of the condition of the school buildings of this county. His report also gives the following statements: Number of Districts in the State, 2,029

" Schools,
" Directors,
" Teachers, 15,999 13,456 Average salary of male teacher per mouth \$41.71.

Average salary of female teachers per month \$34.60.

Total cost of the schools for the year 1872, including expenditures of all kinds

# Sentence Remitted.

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In the case of Commander A. A. Semmes, United States Navy, tried in January last for inflicting cruel and unlawful puniskment on persons under his command, abuse of his official power, and oppressive and inhuman conduct unbecoming an officer and gentleman, while he was in command of the United States steamship Portsmouth, found guilty, and sentenced to he suspended from duty and rank for three years, and to be reprimanded by the Secretary of Navy, the President has remitted that portion of his sentence which suspends him from rank and duty, and he will again be ordered to duty by the department.

The severe reprimand which he received, however, by the Secretary at the time, stands on the record, it being announced therein that if the sentence of the Court had been more senere, the Department would not have failed to approve it.

And now in the face of such a declaration as is contained in the words printed in italics a portion of the sentence is omitted. Are we to judge from this, that the former remarks of the Secretary were made only for "buncome," or is the President more wise than those in the control of the Navy Department?"

Davol, Hartford's champion shop-lifter, served two years in the State Prison and was released early in the summer. He worked in the rule shop, and employed his leisure hours in carving rude dolls, which he dressed with much taste, and in making fancy frames and boxes. He manifested his little weakness in leaving the prison, by carrying off a pair of shoes belonging to the warden's daughter.

A Romance in Real Life.

Dr. Ralph V. Aulick, a son of Commodore Aulick, died very suddenly, at his father's house in Washington some months ago, the family believing at the time that he was unmarried. On the following morning, a young lady employed in the Treasury Department, and known as Miss Oler, hearing the announcement of his death read from a newspaper, fainted, and it was soon made known that the deceased was her husband. In October last, the will of the deceased, made in Philadelphia in May last, was filed in the Probate Court, by which he left his property, consisting of ten shares of Cincinnati Gas Light Company's stock, worth nearly \$30,000, to his widow. The father of the deceased filed a caveat to the will, and the judge ordered that issues be made for trial at the Circuit Court. The counsel for the caveators, after preliminary remarks, said the family had come to the conclusion not to interpose further objections to the probate of the will. The counsel for the widow said there was now no course to take but to obtain a verdict, and a jury was accordingly sworn, and the issues being read, they returned a verdict, that the testator was of sound mind at the time of making the will, and that it was not procured by fraud, artifice or undue influence.

### A Snow Slide.

At Little Cotton Wood, near Central City, a terrible snow slide occurred on the 2d inst. From six to eight feet of snow baving fallen there in the last two days. At 2:30 an avalanche six hundred feet wide and twelve deep came down, crossing the teams and teamsters, and taking them fifteen hundred feet across Cottonwood creek. Three men have been shoveled out alive, but badly hurt. Four men were not rescued, and it is thought impossible to find them before spring, although one hundred to two hundred men are at work. The names of the men were not ascertained.

### Miscellaneous News Items.

A barn, and twenty horses and sleighs belonging to a dancing party, at Lottsville, Washington county, Pa., burned up Christmas night.

TA little girl named Longaker, living at Croton, Lawrence county, was so badly frozen while on her way to Sabbath school, last Sabbath a week, that her life is in danger.

The widow of Mallov, who was killed in an affray at the Five-Mile House, near Davenport, about a year ago, has accepted \$5,000 in settlement of her suit against Malloney, the man who beat her husband to death.

Last week Carolina Low died at Sandwich, Ill., from the effects of a cut by glass several years since. Minute fragments of the glass literally worked through her body, causing death.

Quite a number of dogs, some of them supposed to have the hydrophobia, and others that had been bitten, have been killed in different parts of Chester county, within the past few weeks.

At Philadelphia on the 26th ult., the roof of Winches' spike mill, corner of Canal and Palard streets, fell in through the heavy weight of snow, injuring several persons.

At York recently, a fireman made a narrow escape at the depot through the engineer starting when he was under the engine. The mistake was discovered in time to save his life.

Some New Bedford boys were coasting down one of the streets in that city, the other day when they come plump upon a two-horse team, but, by wonderful good luck, their sled passed safely between the horses' legs.

During the prevalence of a heavy gale recently four large storm panes in the lighthouse at Tybec were broken by a large number of wild ducks that were driven against the glass by the wind. Several of the ducks were killed.

A wedding was recently broken up at Columbus City, Iowa, in the following manner: The preacher asked if any one had any objections; the young lady said, "Yes ; I don't want to marry him." The expectant groom folded his broadcloth and silently stole away.

Albert C. Abbott, a fireman at Charlestown, injured at the great fire, died in the hospital last week. At the time of his injury he was engaged to be married to a young lady, and at the desire of both parties, the couple were married at the hospital, three days before Abbott's death. His brother was buried in the ruins at the same fire, and the mother died from grief at her bereavement.

La A few nights ago the conductor of an east bound freight train on the Central Pacific Railroad received instructions at Truckee to "proceed carefully and look out for train No. 5." He was one of the most vigilant of men, and he did keep a sharp look out. Suddenly he espied a big bright light ahead through the trees, and bringing his train on a stand-still, he seized a flag and lantern and ran ahead, waving them most lustily, till he discovered he was flaging the rising moon.

As a train on the Portland and Ogdensburg railroad was leaving the station at North Conway, N. H., the other day, a large deer sprang upon the track and ran on a head of the engine for about two miles, when it got a little tired and concluding to switch off. In the attempt however, it slipped and rolled over, and the train stopped and an employe jumped off and killed the animal, which weighed 169 pounds, and it was carried down to Portland.

IB"Six big girls banded together the other day and thrashed an Iowa schoolmaster so severely that he had to have a doctor.

### Foreign Items.

France paid Germany 200, 000,000 francs of war indemnity on the first of January, and will pay 75,000,000 francs in each succeeding month until May next.

A Paris tradesman has been sent to prison for two years for displaying, in his shop placards containing remarks insulting to to the National Assembly.

London, December 28 .- The Amyutas was lost while on her voyage from Holyhead for Washington, and every person on board perished. A severe gale prevailed in the English Channel yesterday, and several marine disasters are reported.

A railway accident occurred last Wednesday near the village of Milnagavis, Scotland, seven miles north of Glasgow, and forty persons were severely injured.

Rome, December 31 .- The rivers in the Valley of the Po are again rising, and fresh inundations are threatened. The Crown Prince Humbert was thrown from his carstage road and carrying away eight to ten riage, while riding in this city to-day, and received some slight bruises.

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