

The Forty-third Congress expired on the 4th inst.

The House has repealed the Local Option Law, by a vote of 124 yeas to 54 nays.

The Civil Rights Bill passed the United States Senate on the 27th ult. in the form in which it previously passed the House.

A recent decision of the patent office in relation to the patent for medicinal compounds will be granted.

Importance of Trade.—The Rural Societies. Every species of snake may be permanently driven away from an infested place by planting groundsel.

There is a general opinion in Austria that a war with Germany is inevitable, and that Bismarck was anxious to arrange matters so that Austria would be the aggressor.

General Grant.—A Harrisburg correspondent of the Senatorial Reporter writes: There is considerable talk here already concerning the prospects of the next State election.

Under the new tax law just passed by Congress the tax on whiskey has been increased from 70 to 75 cents per gallon. The tax on tobacco is increased from 20 cents to 24 cents per pound.

Have the Democratic party has not passed the good sense, or call it shrewdness if you will, to husband the fruits of their victories last fall.

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In the country at large the Democrats have not gained since the fall election to elect some other

Equalization of Counties.

Week before last the House of Representatives at Washington passed a bill equalizing bounties, without much opposition, and that solely from the Democrats, a number of whom voted against the bill.

Mr. Albright. Let me ask the gentlemen a question: Whether, according to the decisions of the Treasury Department, a very large number of soldiers who were enlisted in the service for nine months, until the expiration of their services, were prevented from receiving any bounty at all by a technical ruling of the Department?

Mr. General. The Second Auditor commended paying them, supposing they were volunteers fully competent under the law. The War Department found out they were not volunteers, but militia, and under some old law the President had the right to call out the militia.

Mr. Albright. But is it not the fact that they were actually mustered in by the United States commanding officers, placed under command of United States officers, taken into the field in Virginia and other States, and served just in the same way as other soldiers?

Mr. Albright. Yes, sir. But when it came to this bounty question this point was raised, that if they had not been in the service for a year, they were not in the United States service and therefore were not to be paid bounty.

Mr. Albright. Pennsylvania furnished twenty-seven thousand of that class of men at a time when the demand for troops was very great; when the Army had been defeated on the peninsula, and at the time of the second Bull Run; and they were immediately brought into the Maryland and Virginia campaigns.

Since the above was put in type the bill has been defeated in the Senate. We think however that Congress will soon pass a law equalizing bounties.

A HUMAN FRIEND.—The sad story of the death by freezing of the family of Richard Daniels, of Lynn, Conn., who was forced out in the cold by the burning of a house a few days ago, awakened universal sympathy. The sequel of the story, by which it appears that the father was the worst kind of a fiend in human shape, cannot but awaken universal indignation.

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From the Black Hills.

A special despatch to the Sioux Journal from Yankton says Eph Witeher a well known citizen, who was a member of the expedition to the Black Hills, arrived in Yankton He reports having left his companions at the stockade of the expedition within two miles of Harney's Peak, on Box Elder Creek, on the 3d ult.

After reaching an apparently passable path at the foot of the hills, they struck into the mountains, and after picking their way, reached a point within two miles of Harney's Peak in fifteen days after the date of their entry into the hills. They erected a stockade eighty feet long and built log cabins from an abundant supply of timber which they found.

Mr. Witeher describes the parts of the hills they saw as having magnificent valleys, seemingly limitless forests of pine, and abundance of Elk, deer, and other game. The greater portion of the return trip was made through snow drifts, over a trackless country, in most stormy and severe weather. They discovered in coming out of the hills what has been named Witeher's Pass, a good natural wagon road.

Cattle at Large. The following bill for the prevention of horses, cattle, sheep or swine running at large in the various townships of the Commonwealth has been introduced into the Senate.

Section 1. It is enacted, etc. That no horses, cattle, sheep or swine shall be suffered to run at large upon the public roads or highways, in the various townships of the Commonwealth, under penalty of two dollars for each offence.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the constable, within the various townships of the Commonwealth, respectively, and they are hereby empowered and directed, without any special warrant or other authority than this act, to seize and secure every animal of horse, cattle, sheep or swine kind that may be found running at large as aforesaid, and the same to sell at public sale in the same manner as is provided by law for selling strays, giving the owner if he can be found, at least five days notice previous to such sale.

Section 3. That if any constable shall neglect or refuse to seize or secure any animal as aforesaid running at large being notified by any person to seize or secure the same, such constable shall pay a fine of five dollars for the use of the schools of the township where the said constable resides for every such neglect or refusal.

Section 4. The penalties imposed by this act shall be prosecuted and recoverable before a justice of the peace, in the name of the school district of the said respective townships. Provided, That the provision of this act shall not be enforced until approved by a majority of the lawful voters on the same at any annual township election to be held for the election of township officers. That in each of the said townships, on said day, the election officers shall receive ballots on this subject, for or against approval.

The 18th inst. is the time fixed for the adjournment of the Legislature and it is not likely any further effort will be made this session to make it an act.

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TERRIBLE VIOLENCE.—A sad case of the freezing of three children is reported from Exeter, N. Y.

The victims were three boys, named Patrick, Martin and Michael O'Brien, the first aged eight, the second ten, and the third eleven years. They were brothers, living with their parents in Exeter. The father an Irish mother an Irish and dissipated people, and live on the fruits of the labor of their children, who were seven in number.

The brutal parents forced them with threats and beatings, however, to go out with the baskets. They started in the direction of Westville, some miles distant, over a bleak and desolate road, hilly and in some places badly drifted.

The next morning a gentleman who was driving from Westville over the Exeter road saw the bodies of three children lying in the road. Each had a number of baskets tied around his body, and the largest of the three had his arms around the neck of the smallest.

The demand for United States bonds seems to continue large, notwithstanding the reported importations from Germany. This comes not only from new national banks, but also from moneyed corporations generally.

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