

Middleburg, Mar. 27, 1879.

J. CROUSE, Editor & Proprietor.

Samuel J. Randall was on Tuesday of last week re-elected Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Weston, who is always walking and never winning, has challenged Rowell to a contest for the belt. The match to take place in London May 5th. Hurrah for Weston! He might win this time.

The friends of the Union and of National Government must stand as they stood in 1861, 1864, 1865 and 1872. The issue has come up and it must be met.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

The reduction of the tax on tobacco, together with the inadequate appropriation made by Congress, are likely to prevent Secretary Sherman from paying the arrears of pensions as rapidly as he would desire.

The Democrats don't shut Reform so vigorously as they did a few months ago. The translation of the cipher dispatches served to reform the hidden meanings of their corruptions into blaring letters of infamy. But they are bent on vindication.

Zach Chandler states to a friend that he made his late double-shotted speech on Jeff Davis, expecting them to come back at him, and then he was going to make his real speech. "I wanted them to do it. I was loaded for a bear!"

That sulphur shower, which frightened the good people of Reading, has been explained. It was nothing but pollen caught up from a species of Jersey pine, borne on the wings of the wind and distributed over the land of Berks. The people are no longer troubled with forebodings of their latter end.

Grant had a splendid time in India visiting places of historical interest, receiving delegations, riding on elephants, and dining with the high dignitaries of that country. He will return to this country about August, landing at San Francisco. The journey eastward promises to be a grand ovation.

Chicago, it is said, is to have a Tilden organ, to be called the Morning Herald, with Manton Marble as editor. The Morning Cipher is suggested as more appropriate, as is also the Ark and Shekinah. The Herald would be more to the point than any of them, and should be adopted by all means, if the party is disposed to give force and eclat to the campaign of 1880.

The Widow Oliver, who is prosecuting a breach of promise case against Hon. Simon Cameron, and claiming the modest sum of \$50,000 damages, has already come to grief. In the Washington court a few days ago General Butler, counsel for Gen. Cameron, produced the "widow's" husband, to the consternation of those who were backing her. Thus has another blackmailing scheme been nipped in the bud, and the "widow" will have to look for other pickings.

In Red Rock, Luzerne county, about 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon, an unknown man, evidently intoxicated, staggered through the streets, carrying on his shoulders a bag containing eight quart cans of nitro glycerine. Fifteen minutes later the town was shaken and the inhabitants terribly frightened by a most terrific explosion. Investigation revealed the fact that the man had slipped down, causing the explosion, which scattered fragments of his body in all directions. All that could be found of him would not fill a collar box.

The remains of the late Bayard Taylor arrived at New York last Thursday in the German steamship Gelbert, and were received with fitting honors. There was a funeral procession from the wharf to the City Hall, and there the body was deposited, and a funeral oration delivered by Algernon S. Sullivan, a post-friend of the deceased. Mr. Taylor was greatly beloved by the Germans, and conspicuous among the associations that took part in the funeral ceremonies were the German singing societies. The body remained at the City Hall during the night, while a guard of honor kept watch. On Saturday it was committed to its final resting place in Longwood cemetery, near Cedarcroft, Mr. Taylor's home at Kennet Square, Chester county.

The great walking match in New York, which commenced on the 10th and ended on Saturday night of the 15th inst., between Charles Rowell, an Englishman, John Ennis, Daniel O'Leary and Charles A. Harriman, and which created such a furor in New York and burdened the columns of the newspapers, was won by Rowell. The match was won by 500 miles in six days. Rowell made 500, Ennis 475, Harriman 450, and O'Leary, who stopped on the third day, 215 miles. The aggregate receipts were about \$52,000; the expenses about \$11,000, which leaves about \$40,000 to be divided among the walkers. According to the agreement, Rowell gets 50 per cent., Ennis 37 per cent., and Harriman 90 per cent., the four walkers first making \$1,000 each. O'Leary has been found to make 450 miles, is not counted in any of the gate money, and is not to receive any share of the prize.

The New York Tribune epitomizes the real character and policy of the Democratic party in this way: "In every struggle for the party of darkness there for the Democratic party has been on the side of the

NASBY ON TILDEN. (Governor X Roads, which is in the state of Kentucky, February, 24, 1879.)

The Republican persekooters which is on the track of that martyred innocent, Samuel J. Tilden, are doing a most unnecessarily cruel thing. That poor man has suffered enough by being deprived of the office to which he was elected by votes which he had bought and paid for, without being bound in this villainous manner.

To hold that Mr. Samuel J. Tilden knew anything about them cipher dispatches is to hold him up as a man capable of taking a position irregularly prokrooked. Samuel is not a man of that kind. I know as well as that Samuel J. Tilden didn't know nothing about 'em.

I was at Tilden's house at the very day Pelton and Marble were there arrangin to see that the Presidency wuzn't taken by frod by Hayes. We had bin consultin on the situation, which we considered frod with danger. It wuz a crittike period in the history of the Government. Here wuz Tilden elected, ez we beleived, and here wuz returnin boards, holdin out for money. Ur course, being a just man, I won't say the Republican nerspers had offered 'em money to hold steadfast, but it wuz very plain they woodn't come over to us without money, and a good deal of it.

Pelton, Marble and the old man had bin in consultashen before I got in; in fact the consultashen wuz over. Pelton and Marble had their carrit bags packed, and a kerridge wuz at the door to take 'em to the train.

"Good-bye, nevw, good-bye, my steadfast friend Marble," sed Tilden cheerfully. "I don't know wat yer are a goin to Floridy and South Kerlyin for, but may success attend your efforts, whatever they may be."

And he winked a solum wink with his left eye.

"Unkle," sed Pelton, "uv course you don't know wat we are goin for, nor yoo musn't know; yoo must keep yerself in possishen not only not to know, but to swear that you don't know."

And newew Pelton winked solumly.

"Newew, trust me for that," sed Tilden, "but see that you don't fail, no matter wat your mishun is. Success is everything in this life. To fail in anything is criminal. I taught you that, newew, when you wuz a pullin infant. Wat yoo want is success."

And Mr. Tilden winked still more solumly with his right eye. Mr. Tilden kin wink with either eye.

"Never fear, unkle, never fear; all you hev to do is to cash sich drafts ez we shall make you in, and you will be satisfied. We shall require a large sum—possibly two or three hundred thousand dollars. But no matter how large, cash 'em and have confidence into us. Yoo needn't know anything about wat we mean to do, but them drafts will be drawn onto the fund from Floridy and South Kerlyin." And he winked once more, this time very solum.

"It is well, newew," replied the kind and confidin old gentleman, "I hev sich confidence in you hev all the money you want and kin yoose. I woodn't take the Presidency by any questionable means, ez I hev sed a great many times, and above all I woodn't yoose any money to prokrook it, and I know you woodent be an agent in any sich transachens. Still, you shall hev a barl fall uv it, persomatin that yoo are goin to endow skools for the ingernent freedmen with it."

And he fetched another wink.

"That is our purpus, unkle, to bring the prejudist freedmen in close conjunkshen with his natural pecters, the Dimocriy, and it will cost a great deel uv money."

And all three uv em winked at each other solumly.

And they departed gaily, and the result is afore the world. They didn't git the electoral vote they wanted—wich Mr. Tilden didn't know nothin about—the yooseper Hayes okkepied the White House, and ther is a nigger in the post-offis at the Corners.

I insist that Mr. Tilden told the exact trooth when he said he didn't know nothin about the cipher dispatches, and that the effort to fasten gilty knowledge onto him is vilens itself. I know it becoz I can't comprehend how so skillful a purchaser uv men ez he bez alius shown hisself to be shoed hev failed of he had attempted it; and second, Mr. Samuel J. Tilden sez he didn't do it, and that ought to be conclsiove.

Besides all this, he is very angry with his newew Pelton, for compromisin him in this matter. He bez bin over two years gittin angry at him, but he is a man slow to wrath, in which he is moderashen itself, ez in everything else.

No opprejudist person will ever hold Mr. Tilden gilty. He was the victim uv newew Pelton, which bez alius led him.

PETROLEUM V. NASBY, Reformer.

A violent wind storm, amounting almost to a tornado, passed over the southern part of Macoupin county, Illinois, on the 11th, destroying houses, barns and other property.

Edward McDonald, living near the southern line of the county, and his little grand-children were killed, and several other members of his family were severely wounded. One or two other deaths are reported.

The track of the storm, which came from the north-west, is said to have been about a quarter of a mile in width.

Auditors Report of Receipts and Expenditures of Snyder County, Penn'a, from January 1st to December 31st, 1878, inclusive.

Table showing the amounts charged and received, both County and State; Commissions, Exonerations, and the balance. Yet due.

Table with columns: DISTRICTS, COLLECTORS, County, State, Received, Commissions, Exonerations, Balance Due. Lists names like Adams, Beaver, Beaver West, Centre, Chapman, Franklin, Jackson, Middleburg, Middlecreek, Monroe, Penn S. C. Fisher & Isaac Row, Perry, Perry West, Selinsgrove, Union, Washington.

Table of Delinquent Collectors of 1877 and Previous years.

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Items of Expenditures.

Table with columns: Auditor's, Prothonotary's Office, Register & Recorder's Office, District Attorney's Office, Jury Commissioners, Commissioners' Office, Constables' Justices and Witnesses fees in Commonwealth Cases, Court Expenses, Courthouse Expenses, Bridge Repairs. Lists various expenses like Auditor's pay, Prothonotary's fees, Register & Recorder's fees, District Attorney's fees, Jury Commissioners' fees, Commissioners' Office expenses, Constables' fees, Witnesses fees, Court Expenses, Courthouse Expenses, Bridge Repairs.

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