

Montrose Democrat.



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Poor Old Abe has got into another mess with his masters, and they again begin to class him with the copperheads. The Constitution forbids the forfeiture of a traitor's property after death—at which time the heirs are entitled to the estate.

The State Senate Difficulty.

On first page we copy a statement on this subject which should be read by all. It clearly and fully vindicates the course of the Democrats, and shows that the Republican opposition are doing wrong in refusing to organize the Senate.

The opposition members stand out obstinately against any COMPROMISE, "and co-operating directly with the Richmond authorities, and serving their ends even more effectively than they could do in the rebel ranks."

That's a severe cut at the Republican Senators, and cannot be erased for it is a charge that those who refused to compromise do thus serve the Rebels!

The much talked of resignation of Maj. Harry White, the absent Senator, is once again revived by a Washington despatch to the Philadelphia Inquirer, which says that the resignation was in the hands of Gov. Curtin, to be used at his discretion.

Maj. Gen. Sedgwick indignantly denies the story of Greeley's Tribune and an abolition parson, that Gen. French was intoxicated at the battle of Locust Grove.

Circular of the Democratic Members.

Whereas, "A circular letter" has lately made its appearance in the public journals, addressed to "His Excellency, Abraham Lincoln, President of the United States," fully endorsing his national policy as such, with a request that he will allow his name to be used before the people as a candidate for re-election in 1864:

And whereas, The same is certified to by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania as having been signed by "Every Union member" there of, when it is evident that only fifty-two members of said House did sign such a letter of request, thereby plainly intimating that forty-eight of the number representing a constituency of 254,000 voters are disunionists:

We, the undersigned, Democratic members of the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania, did take an oath or affirmation to support the Constitution of the United States and of the State of Pennsylvania—this being the only test of loyalty required by the framers of the same: therefore,

More Frauds upon the Government. The military commissioners now in session at Norfolk, of which Brig.-Gen. I. J. Wistar is president, have investigated another model steamboat operation.

Another neat case, is that of an old canal barge called the Miss Mary, which was worth from \$800 to \$900. She was chartered in November, '62, at the exorbitant rate \$25 a day, and remained in charter until she earned her patriotic owners \$4,000.

Congressional Proceedings. Jan. 18.—In the Senate Mr. Howe read a bill to create an Emancipation Bureau.

Mr. Cox moved that a board of commissioners be appointed to endeavor to get an exchange of prisoners of war. Voted down by the abolitionists.

The House by a large majority refused to exempt preachers from the draft. Mr. Miller, of Pa., offered a resolution, which was adopted, instructing the committee on ways and means to inquire into the expediency of repealing the act imposing a duty of 20 per cent. upon printing paper.

Mr. Harding of Ky., offered a resolution quoting from the Chicago Platform, the declaration that each State had the right to control its domestic institutions. This too was repudiated by the Lincolnites, they again rejecting their party platform.

The New York Times, a Republican journal, in discussing the corruption which exists in almost every branch of the Government service, says:

"Turn which way we will, we meet with accounts of little but enormous frauds perpetrated by government officials. First it is a paymaster; then it is a quartermaster; and then it is a confidential clerk in the Treasury Department, or a subordinate in some navy yard, who undertakes to fill his private purse at the public expense. A very atmosphere of dishonesty pervades the localities devoted to the disbursement of government moneys, and nobody seems to meet with the punishment due to such crimes. The culpability of one party only, stimulates the cupidity of other parties, and the game of swindling goes on ad infinitum. Of the immense national debt we shall have to pay in some shape, by and by, how many millions and millions of it, will alone for the thefts of men entrusted with positions of greater or less note in public affairs? What a reflection!

THE WAR.

Affairs are generally quiet in General Grant's department. A correspondent states that skirmishing continues almost daily to the northeast of Knoxville, generally in Knoxville county, but there has been no important battle, nor will there be immediately; but the 1st of March, it is predicted, will see East Tennessee clear of one of the two contending armies.

Nothing of interest has transpired in the army of the Potomac for several days, and the enemy seem to be enjoying a similar state of quietude.

The wholesale conscription law is creating great consternation and excitement in the western portion of North Carolina, where preparations are being made to resist it. Public meetings are held, some of which, it is stated, openly repudiate the confederacy, and favor a return to the Union.

In front of Cedar Mountain, Va., three or four days ago, the enemy erected two lunettes, and now annoy the federal pickets terribly. Despite all protection, the cavalry videttes have to be dismounted, and crawl behind trees and walls to avoid being shot.

The principal news we have this morning is from Louisiana and Texas. In Louisiana the Federal forces have abandoned the entire Teche district, extending for a hundred miles west of Brashear City. It is the section over which General Franklin marched, and in which General Washburne was defeated.

Railroad Conductor Convicted. HARRISBURG, Jan. 22.—The trial of F. P. Hill, a railroad conductor, charged with embezzling the funds of the Reading Railroad Company was brought to a close to-day.

Fred Douglass—And the Abolition War. Fred Douglass lectured on Wednesday evening last at the Cooper Institute on the "mission of the war." The large hall was crowded by an audience of mixed white and black, the former somewhat predominating. The most radical portions of Douglass' speech was loudly cheered.

A SEVERE ASSAULT AND THREE COLORS TAKEN.—It is not often we hear of a more chivalrous assault, and with such dying success, and so few killed, as has been made on Howe & Stevens' Family Dye Colors, and that too by ladies, wholly unaccustomed to anything of the kind.

The expenses incurred by the present administration of our government during the three years past, are equal to the whole amount expended in the seventy two years previous! During which time our Government prosecuted a three-years' war with Great Britain, and numerous ones with the Indians, besides a war with Mexico, where our troops, munitions of war and supplies had to be shipped thousands of miles from our own soil.

—Ever since our civil war began there have been found, in all parts of the country, large numbers of citizens strongly in favor of its prosecution, yet wholly unwilling to volunteer to do the fighting. The most violent, rampant, hot-mouthed advocates of the war policy have been and are still found in that class.

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CAMP NEAR CALPEPPER, VA. Jan. 14th, 1864.

Mr. Gerritson:—Having finished our winter quarters, and being quite comfortably situated for soldiers, I thought that a few lines from a soldier would not come amiss.

Our regiment is now quartered about the distance of one mile from the small, but noted town of Calpepper. We occupy, as our camping ground, a slightly eminence in full view of the Blue Ridge and Pony Mountain.

On last Monday a week it snowed nearly all day. The snow yet covers the ground; still it is much warmer than it has been for the last two weeks. Thus far we have had bitter cold weather for Virginia. We have suffered much of cold since our removal from Paul Mills, where we had comfortable winter quarters.

Our quarters are built of small pine logs, cut down so near together as to require only chinking and some mud—as a substitute for mortar—which makes them quite comfortable. We have six-places made of stone. I believe one of our houses would compare favorably with the most primitive of the Vermont School-houses.

"Uncle Sam" feeds us pretty well nowadays. We draw from his great storehouse as often as three times a week. We get soft bread in the place of hard tack as often as every other day. This is quite a relief to our grinders. We have a sufficiency of clothing to keep us warm. The health of the Company is as at the present time pretty good. One has died of small-pox out of the Company, and two or three more, I believe, are coming down with it. I hope that this scourge may not fairly get under way among us.

Where we are now we can see no enemy, but the camp of the enemy are in full view from Pony Mountain.

THE DEMOCRATIC CREED.—The Clearfield Republican says: "Whether slavery is right or wrong, of divine or evil origin, the Democratic party have ever held, as they now hold, that we of the North have no right to meddle with it in the States where it exists.

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THE EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE PRESENT ADMINISTRATION OF OUR GOVERNMENT DURING THE THREE YEARS PAST, ARE EQUAL TO THE WHOLE AMOUNT EXPENDED IN THE SEVENTY TWO YEARS PREVIOUS!

THE CASE OF THE HON. C. L. VALLANDIGHAM has been before the Supreme Court of the United States. It was originally ex parte, Mr. Vallandigham being the petitioner. The motion for a writ of certiorari to the Judge Advocate Gen. was argued by ex-senator Pugh for and by Judge Advocate Holt in opposition thereto.

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THE FIRST ARRIVAL OF NEW FALL GOODS!

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PLEGANT assortment of Ladies' Dress Goods, Do. 21 Talmae, Cashmeres, Paris Crape, all-wool Pinks, black and colored alpaca, black silk prints & ginghams, Ladies cloths, skeleton and Balmoral Skirts.

DOMESTICS. Brown and blacked muslins, White, red, gray, striped and domestic flannels, denim, ticks, and all other styles of domestics.

Men's Wear. Particular attention is called to this department. 31m fine black French cloths and cassimers, army blue cassimers, fancy cassimers, Kentucky jeans, shabra gray, satinet, and Tallors, Trimmings, Hats and Caps, etc.

Ladies' Wear. Hoology, Hoods and Leggins, Ladies' Jockies, Fancy Goods and Notions, including an elegant and classy style of Ladies' Sewing Combs.

GROCERIES. Sugar, brown, yellow and white, at prices not to be excelled, Japan, Black, and Green Tea, of the very BEST quality, coffee, spices, ginger, saffron and tobacco, Birds' food, macaroni, codfish, etc., etc.

CROCKERY, Oil, Lamps, Glass, &c. Crockery of all kinds, hardware and nails, coal, lamp and linseed oil, coal oil lamps and fixtures, glass, cast-iron, paint, putty, brushes, etc., etc.

BOOTS AND SHOES. Men's Kip and heavy boots, boys and Youth's kip and heavy boots, children's copper lined shoes, misses' morocco shoes, ladies' prime article walking shoes, ladies' gaiters and morocco shoes, ladies' balmoral shoes, ladies' calf shoes.

TO DAIRYMEN. I have constantly on hand a supply of butter pails. No charge for pails and cash for butter. Ashton Salt for sale.

PRODUCE TAKEN IN EXCHANGE. Produce taken in Exchange. Montrose, Sept. 21, 1863. J. R. DEWITT.

BENTLEY & LOOMIS, Attorneys and Counsellors at Law. OFFICE OVER FULLER'S DRUG STORE, SCRANTON, PA.

COLLECTIONS AND REMITTANCES promptly made, and all business entrusted to them attended to with dispatch. MILITARY claims for Pensions, Bounties, Back Pay, &c., will be carefully prepared and attended to, as also all claims for exemption from Draft. The following are among the cases for:

EXEMPTION FROM DRAFT. 1. Being one of the sons of aged or infirm parents where there are more than one. 2. The father of a motherless child or children under 18 years of age, dependent upon him for support. 3. The only son of a widow of aged or infirm parents dependent upon him for support. 4. A member of a family, two members of which are already in the service. 5. A physical disability, or an ailment. 6. All claims for an election of one from two or more sons, must be made upon the draft.

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DR. J. H. SCHEMK has a large suit of rooms at No. 30 Broad-street, New York, where he can be found every Tuesday, from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m., and at No. 30 North-street, Philadelphia, Pa., every Saturday.

ERIE RAILWAY. CHANGE OF HOUR COMMENCING Monday, Jan. 25th. Trains will leave for Great Bend, Pa., at about the following hours, viz: WESTWARD BOUND. 1. Buffalo Express, 3:30 p. m. 2. Night Express, 1:30 a. m. 3. Mail, at 7:30 a. m. 4. Day, at 9:30 a. m. 5. Way Freight, 12:30 p. m. 6. Accommodation, 1:30 a. m.

NEW GOODS! A general assortment of GOODS, arriving at TUNNEL'S.

NOT ALCOHOLIC. A Highly Concentrated VEGETABLE EXTRACT. A PURE TONIC.

DOCTOR HOOFLAND'S German Bitters, PREPARED BY Dr. J. E. JACKSON, Philadelphia, Pa.

WILL EFFECTUALLY CURE LIVER COMPLAINT, DYSPEPSIA, JAUNDICE,

Chronic or Nervous Debility, Diseases of Kidneys, and all diseases arising from a disordered Liver or Stomach.

Such as Constipation, Fulness of Blood in the Head, acidity of the stomach, Nausea, Heartburn, Diagonal Food, Fulness or weight in the stomach, sour eructations, sinking or fluttering at the pit of the stomach, swimming of the head, hurried and difficult breathing, Fluctuating at the heart, shaking or rattling sensations when in a lying posture, Dizziness of Vision, dots or webs before the sight, Frequent colds, Head, dizziness, or vertigo, Yellowness of the skin and Eyes, pain in the side, Back, Chest, Lungs, &c., &c., sudden Dropsical Swellings, Burning in the Feet, Constipation of the Bowels, and great Depression of Spirits.

and positively prevent Yellow Fever, Billous Fever, &c. They cure the above diseases in 25 cases out of 100.

No Alcohol or Bad Whiskey! They will cure the above diseases in 25 cases out of 100.

DO YOU WANT SOMETHING TO STRENGTHEN YOU? A GOOD APPELITE? TO BUILD UP YOUR CONSTITUTION? TO GET RID OF NERVOUSNESS? TO SLEEP WELL? TO DRINK AND VIGOROUS FEELING? IF YOU DO, USE HOOFLAND'S GERMAN BITTERS. From Rev. J. Newton Brown, D. D., Editor of the Encyclopaedia of Religious Knowledge.

Although not disposed to favor or recommend Patent Medicines in general, this distinguished and judicious physician, who has been a frequent contributor to this paper, has not hesitated to give his approval to a medicine which he has used with the most successful results. He has done so, not only in regard to Hoofland's German Bitters, but also in regard to Hoofland's Great Peppermint Cure, which he has used with the most successful results. He has done so, not only in regard to Hoofland's German Bitters, but also in regard to Hoofland's Great Peppermint Cure, which he has used with the most successful results.

PHILADELPHIA, August 23d, 1863. Hoofland's German Bitters have cured my son. There is no mistake in this. He was nearly a year ago with a complaint, some of whose names are appended, and who were ignorant of all the circumstances of my case. I am, and have been, for the last four years, a member of Sherman's established battery, and under the expert command of Captain B. Ayres. Through the exertions attendant upon my arduous duties, I was attacked in Nov last, with inflammation of the lungs and was 72 days in the hospital. This was followed by dyspepsia, heightened by an attack of dysentery. I was then removed from the White Horse, and sent to the city of Philadelphia, where I was taken care of by Dr. J. H. Scheink, of the Medical Department of the Army. Since that time I have been able to do my duty as any one could be and will remain so, as long as I live. For a week or more I had been unable to eat or sleep anything, and if I did take a morsel, it was immediately thrown up again.

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