

Democrat-Editorial.

Circulation increasing TWICE as Fast as any Paper in Northern Pennsylvania.

Gold closed in New York, on Saturday at 114 1/2.

A correspondent of the Hartford Times says the tobacco crop in Connecticut this year is the largest and heaviest crop ever harvested in that State.

Morton is frantically swinging his bloody shirt in Maine and the people are laughing at him. Did Blaine get him to that corner through mistake or design?

The New York Herald publishes an interview between one of its reporters and the widow of Mosher, one of the abductors of Charles Ross, in which she directly states that the boy is living and will turn up before long.

The Republicans have encouraged party politics in this country for many years; but Parson Browne, the temperance candidate for Governor is giving them a surfeit.

"To-day," says the Allentown Chronicle, "the Congress of the nation is Free Trade, and the only protection we have against universal ruin is Ulysses S. Grant." Nothing but a third term will cure this "moonstruck" protectionist.

There will be a thousand more to sing the same song before September, 1876. Nearly every vestige of state taxation has been wiped out, says the excellent Russell Errett, in his address to the Republicans of Allegheny county. It is to be so, Russell should inform the people from what source the state collects the six millions of dollars it annually makes away with.

Some of the republican papers are becoming the loss of political importance to the Keystone State in consequence of the change in the time of holding the election from October to November. It was a wise change, and we may now see in the Ohio canvass, which is forged into an unmitigated channel by its presumed effects upon questions foreign to state policy and beyond state control. The real regret of the radical journal in this state arises from the fact that no money will hereafter be contributed outside of the State to help through the State ticket.

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vacations, and we may as well cut it off here as at any other point. It was the summer holidays, not the summer heats, that ended yesterday, and with to-day we have to face, at once or in the future so near that it will soon be the present, the stern realities of the wiper's work. There are plenty of signs of the reawakening of the city, dormant throughout the midsummer months, and two of these being long especially to-day—the yesterday, crying his wares boldly through the streets, in ready recognition of old Butler's maxim, and "then the whining schoolboy, with his satchel and shining morning face, creeping like snail unwillingly to school." Poor boy; for him the holiday has been all too short. No wonder he goes back unwillingly to the hot stifling school room, to muddle his young brain with dates and definitions and algebraic formulae to drive away the useful lesson he has been learning in the fields for along the river. But a sorer trial than his to-day is his teacher's. She has had a rest, and let us hope, she has had a breath of fresh country air to bring a little color back to her blanched cheeks. She has had, we will suppose, enough of idleness, and is ready to take up her task, again.

Colonel Hoyt arrived in the city yesterday to take the head of the Republican column for the approaching conflict. California didn't particularly encourage him as he entered the field, but he has two months for breathing and getting his Pilgrim lines in battle array. Arkansas will probably throw another slight shadow over his banner on the 6th, and on the 13th Maine will come in with her Republican feathers drooping somewhat from the storm of faction and general confusion that prevails pretty much everywhere. Then Ohio will disentangle her political eel-pile on the second Tuesday of October, and give somebody a brain cloud that will carry its stagers into November. If Colonel Hoyt can get his disjointed army through the Buckeye breakers, he will have the vantage ground and may have laurels for his crown; but if the "reaction" that has been dreamed of in the Republican household doesn't get its work in so as to defeat Allen, Colonel Hoyt will save time, cash and reputation by closing his grocery and hastening to his adored and adoring mountains. Like the young bear, his trouble are principally ahead, and we affectionately tender him the sympathy of the Times in advance.—Philadelphia Times.

It is said that the ingenuity of the manufacturers of hosiery has been taxed beyond precedent to satisfy the demands of fashion for the coming season. The first importations have reached our shores, and the heads of the hosiery departments in our leading dry goods stores say, that the eccentric and costly wagers that they are showing to the few fashion reporters who are not permitted the indulgence of a vacation during the heated term is nothing to what is on the way from Paris. Whether American women will really wear these fantastic embroidered, clocked, and striped stockings is to be seen.

The silk hose come in fancy boxes, four pairs in a box, from \$40 to \$60 a box. The four pairs are all of different colors, and each pair is embroidered or clocked in a different design. The artist's and designer's skill is seen on every pair. Some are pure, others pearl, and others cream white; some pale blue, rose-color, mauve, dark brown, in all shades; red, from scarlet to deep crimson; and grey, from the darkest London smoke to the palest lead color. Exquisite combinations of strongly contrasted colors appear in embroidery on the sides, running half the way up the leg, or the swell of the calf above the ankle, and sometimes covering the whole instep. Sometimes the embroidery is of the same color as the stockings, long lines, running between open lace like clock, terminating in flourish points half way between the knee and ankle. The instep of a pair of white silk hose is sprinkled over with tiny roses and leaves in natural colors like a purple and red. Another pair has a wreath on the instep, with bees swarming in lines that terminate below the garter; another pair is striped lengthwise in alternate inch bands of blue and rose color, each stripe ending in a steeple, or triangle, at the same points, defined on a solid ground of dark or lead color. The tops of the stockings are ornamented with embroidery in flowers. Again, another pair is scarlet with gold color or bright blue embroidered clocking on the sides. Some are striped horizontally in narrow stripes of blue and rose color, or rose and lead color, interspersed with lengthwise lines of embroidery and open clocking. Others again are of plain solid color—blue, apple green, rose color, scarlet and crimson, purple, brown, and grey, in all shades, but knit or woven in form of long lengthwise lines.

All of this hosiery is long enough to garter far above the knee. They say that in Paris choice and fastidious women are having the tops of their fine hose trimmed with Valenciennes, Cluny, and Duchesne lace. It is being put on large enough to admit of being futed. Exquisite garters, with gold and silver buckles, some even jeweled, are shown to go with costly hosiery. The garters are also trimmed with roses of real lace.

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in both the senate and the assembly of the next legislature. Gorham's hopes to reach the United States senate are gone forever, and people here are already speculating as to what course senator Booth will pursue next winter as to the abuse heaped upon him by Gorham during the campaign which has ended in effectually snuffing out both the independent and administration parties.

San Francisco, September 3.—The vote of the state, as far as heard from except the cities of San Francisco, and Sacramento, which are much mixed gives Irwin, democrat, for governor 22,824, and well independent, 13,123. In the second congressional district Page, republican, receives 4,301 votes, Larkin, democrat, 4,301, and Tuttle, independent, 1,300. In the third congressional district Wigginton, democrat, received 6,542 votes; Houston, republican, 4,809, and Thompson, independent, 1,300. In this city, Irwin, democrat, for congress is undoubtedly elected, but the other officers are still undecided. This great democratic victory is something like a revolution. Alameda county across the bay from this city, always the banner republican county of the state, has given a democratic majority of over 1,000. The cry at every precinct was "no third term."

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A Riot at a Funeral. Reading, Aug. 21.—The funeral of Mrs. Phelps Bessinger and her three children, who were drowned on Tuesday, took place in this city yesterday. The procession consisted of thirty carriages and not less than one thousand persons on foot. For an hour before the time appointed for the funeral the house was surrounded by an excited crowd, and a detachment of police had to guard the premises. Bessinger kept his sabon in this place, and his family consisted of himself, his wife, and three small children. His mother also made her home with his family. Of late there has been much unhappiness caused, the neighbors say, by the treatment of Mrs. Bessinger by her husband and his mother. The report commonly accepted is that Bessinger had become his affections upon an unmarried woman from Philadelphia, and that she had been driven from his house. On Monday the husband and wife quarreled on this account, and he ordered her out of his sight. He told her he would give her \$2,000 to go away and return no more—a tale to take two girls and to keep the boy—and threatened to kill her if she returned. This report of separation from one of her children, added to her previous unhappiness, preyed upon her mind, and she was very much depressed.

On Tuesday she took her three children, and entering a street car, rode out of the city for a distance of about two and a half miles to a point on the bank of the canal. She had a basket with her and this she filled with stones, her children assisting her. Then she bounded the basket secretly to her waist, and taking a child under each arm, and holding the third to her breast, she jumped into the canal. The cries of the children attracted the attention of a man who could not see and who had been helped all along by the treatment of Mrs. Bessinger by her husband and his mother. The bodies were recovered, and taken to the house of the husband. He received the news of the tragedy, it is said, while in the presence of the woman who had caused the unhappiness.

So great was the indignation among the people at large, that a detachment of police was kept guarding the house of Bessinger until after the funeral. It is said that in the crowd not less than fifty men, and several women, were arrested with pistols for the purpose of shooting Bessinger. He was guarded by the police all the way to the grave and back, and as a further precaution, the coffin containing the little boy's body was carried and driven off to the grave by the police. When the bodies were lowered into the grave part of the crowd hooted at him, and a number of women tried to get at him. One shot was fired at him without effect. He was then instantly hustled into a carriage and driven off to the grave. He was then hustled into a carriage and driven off to the grave. He was then hustled into a carriage and driven off to the grave.

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