



A union of lakes, and a union of lands, A union no power shall sever; A union of hearts, and a union of hands, And of the American Union forever!

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H. H. WILSON, Editor and Publisher

THE JUNIATA SENTINEL has the Largest Circulation of any paper published in this County. It is a Paper, truly loyal, ably conducted, a first class Localist, and well worthy of the patronage of every loyal citizen in the County.

The State Debt.

One of the most wonderful results of the great struggle which ended so favorably to the government, may be justly recognized in that which preserved the credit and steadily reduced the indebtedness of the State of Pennsylvania. Before the precipitation of the war, there were those who croakingly insisted that a reduction of the State debt was impossible without a resort to direct taxation. But it has been demonstrated that such a reduction was possible, even while the executive authorities were surrounded by the most embarrassing circumstances adverse to financial health and strength. By the forthcoming report of the State Treasurer, it will be shown that the debt of Pennsylvania, in 1865, is just FOUR HUNDRED AND NINETY THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY SEVEN DOLLARS less than it was in 1860. When it is remembered that this reduction took place at a time while the current and extraordinary expenses of the Commonwealth were enormously increased by the demands of war—when many of the sources of taxation, whence the State derived large revenues, were materially affected by the withdrawal of large bodies of laboring men from productive pursuits, this reduction can only be attributed to a wise policy of economy, prudence and real integrity on the part of those who direct the affairs of the State. And if during four years of devastating and exhausting war, it was possible to reduce the State debt almost half a million of dollars, how much can it be reduced within the next four years of peace promising immense prosperity?

The Union Business College.

Our attention has been directed to a New Business College which has been lately established in Philadelphia, with the most decided success. We refer to The Union Business College under the efficient management of Messrs. Peirce & Farr. The enterprise and foresight of these gentlemen in removing the location of a Practical Business School from the noise and confusion of the business portion of the city to the quiet and convenience of their present location, have been fully appreciated by the public. The advantage of location, combined with great practicability and experienced teachers, among whom we notice our old friend, Capt. Charles H. Miller, have secured for the Institution a patronage of nearly three hundred pupils in the short time it has been established. No other institution in Pennsylvania has risen so rapidly and so deservedly. The course of instruction is thorough, comprehensive and practical, and young men cannot make a better investment of their time and money than in securing just such an education as this College affords. The organization of the Practical Department and the employment of practical book-keepers such as Captain Miller, secures not only the utmost efficiency in the theory but also a great degree of experience in the practice of business affairs.

Young men desiring to enter upon commercial pursuits will do well to visit the Union Business College, Handel & Haydn Hall, Eighth and Spring Garden Streets, or procure a circular by addressing Messrs. Peirce & Farr, Proprietors of the same. They may be sure of a gentlemanly reception and if they decide upon pursuing a course of studies, the greatest attention to their interests and the possession of every advantage that a Business College can give.

The receipts from internal revenue on Saturday were \$524,209.

The State of the Country.

The official statements of the conditions and relations of the country, as given through the Message of the President and the reports of the various departments and bureaus, afford a most satisfactory exhibit. Their influence is already felt in the increase of public confidence and the strengthening of the national securities. Considering the vast responsibilities which have, during the last four years, oppressed the Government, and the immense debt which has been contracted in the war for the Union, every report which has been given the people is much more favorable than was expected. Upon all the great subjects of present national concern—the question of re-organization of the revolted States, the condition and prospects of the Treasury and the financial purposes of the Secretary and of Congress, and the foreign relations of our Government—the official documents laid before the National Legislature, speak in a way that gives ground for entertaining the faith that the course of the country is towards domestic pacification and international peace, and a higher measure of prosperity than it has ever before known.

Southern Opinions.

A leading article in the Albany Evening Journal contains this passage: "When in New York, a few days since, we met a gentleman from the neighborhood of Wilmington, N. C., who, alluding to the change in the labor system of the south, said: 'The fact is, we were all fools upon this subject. I owned before the war two hundred and fifty slaves. I fed them, and clothed them, good and bad, strong and infirm, old and young, alike. Now, I have a hundred hands at fifteen dollars a month each. I take my pick of the best. If they work, they are paid; if they do not work, they go unpaid; and they support their own sick and infirm.—The one hundred do more labor than two hundred and fifty used to perform, and I am making a great deal more money from them.' A distinguished rebel general who stood by, quietly remarked: 'That is so generally throughout the South. The fact is, we had the dearest labor and the most expensive institution in the world.'"

Mr. Ward, (N. Y.), introduced a bill, which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, granting bounty land and money to United States soldiers who served during the Rebellion. The bill provides for giving bounty land and money to all soldiers who enlisted prior to June 25th, 1863, and were honorably discharged. The object is to make the bounty of this class of soldiers equal to that of those who subsequently enlisted. It also provides for the repeal of a law which allowed the master of colored soldiers who enlisted to give these bounties.

The announcement of the committees by Speaker Colfax seem to have given very general satisfaction among the members. Ohio and States westward have 18 chairmanships out of 31, while Pennsylvania, New York and New England have a majority of important committees. It is generally conceded that the Committee on Appropriations is a most important one now that our disbursements are to be well looked after. Thad. Stevens is just the man.

The Union State Committee met recently in Philadelphia, and after adopting a memorial to Congress suggesting amendments to the Constitution which should be ratified before the admission of the rebel States, and resolutions commending President Johnson and Speaker Colfax, adjourned without fixing a day for the State Convention. It is understood that the Committee will meet at Harrisburg in January, and call a Convention to meet in April or May.

About three hundred 2d Lieutenants are to be immediately appointed in the regular army. The number will be equally proportioned among the Congressional districts. All applicants must have served two years in the volunteer service and been honorably discharged therefrom. A board is in session to examine the testimonials of candidates, and select some for personal examination as may seem fitted.

It is stated that the Democratic candidate for State Senator in New Bedford, Massachusetts, at the late election was a negro, "as black as night's sable curtain." The Republicans nominated a white man, in order to catch the votes of black men, the Democracy put up a negro. But the colored voters could not be deluded, and the Republican white man was elected.

"Treason should be punished and made infamous," says President Johnson. So says every loyal man. The blood of our martyred Union Soldiers demands it. If Jeff. Davis is not hung and his name made infamous, Treason will be raised to respectability. We may pity the Traitor, but the future well-being of the country demands that he should meet a Traitor's doom.

NEWS ITEMS.

The Louisiana Senate has manifested its loyalty by refusing to have the national flag suspended over the President's desk.

The full vote for Governor in South Carolina was as follows:—James L. Orr, 970; Wade Hampton, 9109. Majority for Orr, 667.

A resolution in the favor of the pardon of Jeff Davis was laid upon the table the other day by the Virginia House of Representatives.

On the 1st of next month over two hundred clerks in the commissary general's department of subsistence in Washington will be discharged.

General Grant has issued an order for the discharge from the army of all civilians except clerks, and to substitute for them, when necessary, men detailed from the army.

Gold was higher yesterday under the circulation of rumors of a rupture in our diplomatic relations with France. The closing rate of the day was 146 1/4—the highest, 146 1/2. Government Stocks do not maintain the extreme prices of Thursday.

From recent returns received at the Indian Bureau, the various tribes of the United States are estimated to represent a collective strength of 307,800 souls, of which number 5,400 are known to have served in the Union service during the late war.

The National debt was lessened by \$26,221,441.11, during the month of November. The decrease for the months of September, October and November together, was \$43,928,256.68. Thus the debt is slowly but surely being wiped out.

The Supreme Court of the United States has now before it the case of the United States vs. Leroy M. Wiles, which involves the question, does the President's pardon result in forfeiture of rebel property, and re-instate the rebel in all his rights thereto?

A party of 200 Cayenne and Apache Indians on the 26th ult., attacked one of the stages on the California Overland route, near a place called Business Spring, killed seven persons, burnt all the buildings in that vicinity, with the stock of goods they obtained and committed other outrages.

Ex-Governor Clark, of Mississippi, who was a conspicuous rebel, lately wrote a very temperate reply to an invitation to address the Legislature of that State, in which he said of the national flag: "With all of you, I marched under that in a foreign land, and it was victorious. With all of you, I marched against it, and it was victorious. It again waves over us, in our flag, and may it ever be victorious." Amen!

Mr. Colfax's Speech.

The following is the address delivered by Mr. Colfax on taking the Speaker's Chair in the National House of Representatives:—

Gentlemen of the House of Representatives: The re-assembling of Congress, marking as it does the procession of our national history, is always regarded with interest by the people for whom it is to legislate. But it is not unsafe to say that millions were not ever before, North, South East & West, are looking to the Congress which opens its first session to-day with an earnestness and solicitude unequalled on similar occasions in the past. The XXXVIIIth Congress closed its constitutional existence with the storm-cloud of war still lowering over us; and after a nine months' absence, Congress resumes its legislative authority in these council-halls, rejoicing that from shore to shore in our land there is peace. Its duties are as obvious as the sun's pathway in the heavens. Representing in its two branches the States and the People, its first and highest obligation is to guaranty to every State a republican form of government.—The rebellion having overthrown the constitutional State governments in many States, it is yours to mature and enact legislation which, with the concurrence of such a basis of enduring justice as will guaranty all necessary safeguards to the people, and to afford what our magna charta, the Declaration of Independence, proclaims is the chief object of government, protection to all men in their inalienable rights. (Applause.) The world should witness in this great work the most inflexible fidelity, the most earnest devotion to the principles of liberty and humanity, the truest patriotism and the wisest statesmanship. Men by the hundreds of thousands have died that the republic might live. The emblems of mourning have darkened the White House and the cabin alike. But the fires of civil war have melted every fetter in the land and proved the funeral pyre of slavery. It is for you, representatives, to do your work as faithfully and as well as did the fearless saviors of the Union in their more dangerous eras of duty. Then we may hope to see the vacant and once abandoned seats around us gradually filling up, until this Hall shall contain Representatives from every State and district, their hearts devoted to the Union for which they are to legislate, jealous of the honor, proud of its glory, watchful of its rights and hostile to its enemies, and the stars on our banner that pale when the States they represented arrayed themselves in arms against the nation, will shine with a more brilliant light of loyalty than ever before. (Applause.) Invoking the guidance of Him who holds the destiny of nations in the hollow of his hand, I enter again upon the duties of this trying position, with a heart filled with gratitude to you for the unusually flattering manner in which it has been bestowed, and cheered by the hope that it betokens your cordial support and assistance in all its grave responsibilities. I am now ready to take the oath of office prescribed by law.

Thanksgiving day, Dec. 7th, was the eighty-fifth anniversary of the general thanksgiving appointed by the Continental Congress at the suppression of the treason of Benedict Arnold during the Revolution.

SOLDIERS' MEETING.—At a meeting of the soldiers of Juniata county hold in the Court House in Millintown, on Friday evening, December 15, 1865, to select delegates to the Soldiers' Convention to meet in Philadelphia January 1, 1866.

Resolved, That Lt. Col. G. F. McFarland late of the 151st P. V., Col. John K. Robison late of the 16th P. C., Sergt. W. J. Jackman late of the 1st P. C., Capt. Wm. Vanormer late of the 53rd P. V., Sergt. Wm. M. Allison late of the 126th P. V., and Lt. John D. Howell late of the 49th P. V., be, and the same are hereby appointed a Committee to represent Juniata county, Pa., in the National Soldiers' Convention, in Philadelphia, and they are instructed to use all honorable efforts to secure an act of Congress equalizing the U. S. bounty of all soldiers who fought in defence of our imperiled Government, who were honorably discharged.

Resolved, That our Representative in Congress, Hon. George F. Miller, be earnestly requested to use all the means in his power to secure the passage of an act of Congress at its present session, granting to the soldiers of 1861—62 the same benefits as were bestowed upon those who enlisted at a later date.

On motion of Sergt. Wm. J. Jackman, the Secretary was authorized to notify the delegates of their selection and to have the proceedings published in the county papers.

On motion of Lieut. W. W. Davis, the delegates were requested to publish a report of the doings in the convention in all the county papers.

On motion adjourned.

R. P. M. WILLIAMS, Pres. W. W. DAVIS, Sec'y.

THE SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' NATIONAL CONVENTION.—There seems to be a misunderstanding about the time and place of the Soldiers' and Sailors' National Convention. It will convene in the city of Washington on the fourth Monday in January. Further information may be obtained from L. Edwin Dudley, President of the Soldiers' and Sailors' National Union League, Washington, D. C. The soldiers of every Congressional District, and every soldiers' and sailors' organization are expected to send delegates.

AMERICAN AGRICULTURIST.—The 12th number of the 25th volume of this useful monthly has reached this office.—This number closes the present volume—hence it is accompanied with a title page, and a copious index. We cannot say too much of its usefulness for the farmer, gardner, and house holder. It pays the possessor of it an hundred-fold. Published by Orange & Judd, A. M., at \$1 50 per annum, No. 41 Park Row, N. Y.

A thread company at Willimantic, at which three hundred hands are employed and 2,500 lbs. of cotton used per week, and six hundred and twenty-four cords of white birch wood, are annually made into spools, for the thread, has made 300 per cent. dividends the past year and is building a new mill.

New Advertisements.

PUBLIC SALE.

Will be sold at Public Sale, in the borough of Perryville, on SATURDAY, JANUARY 6th, 1866. A Valuable HOUSE and LOT, with a never failing well of water, and a large cistern at the door, situated on Main Street, near Keper's Store. Persons wishing to purchase can view the property at any time.

ORPHANS' COURT SALE.—By virtue of an order of the Orphan's Court, the following valuable real estate will be exposed to public sale on the premises, on SATURDAY, JANUARY 12th, 1866:—

One-third of a House and Lot of Ground situated in the borough of Perryville, Juniata county, Pa., on the north side of Market street, adjoining lot of Watson Stuart's heirs on the west, and running north to an alley, with appurtenances. TERMS.—Ten per cent. of the purchase money to be paid when the property is struck down, one-third of the whole to be paid on the confirmation of the sale, one-third on the first of April next, and the residue in one year thereafter with interest from the 1st of April next, to be secured by judgment bond. Sale to commence at 1 o'clock, P. M., when attendance will be given by DAVID G. ALTER, Adm'r of David Alter, dec'd. Dec. 13, 1865-42.

R. R. CORSON.

(Late Major in Quarter Master Department.) Real Estate Broker & Conveyancer. Farms in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware and Virginia.—Have Agents in all of the above States. Catalogues now ready for distribution by sending a stamp. Officers and Soldier's claims adjusted. Collections made in all States. R. R. CORSON, 112 South 4th Street, Philadelphia, Pa. Box 518, Philadelphia P. O. Pa. Dec. 6, '65-3m.

ORPHANS' COURT SALE.

By virtue of an order of the Orphan's Court the following valuable Real Estate will be exposed to public sale on the premises on SATURDAY, JANUARY 6, 1866. A tract of land situated in Fernmangh township, Juniata county, adjoining lands of Wm. Kauffman and Daniel Seiber, on the public road, between Wm. Kauffman and Abraham Stone's residences, containing TWO ACRES more or less, having thereon erected a good Log House, Log Stable, Stone Spring House, with well of never-failing water at the door, and an Orchard of young fruit trees.

TERMS.—Ten per cent of the purchase money to be paid on the confirmation of the Sale by the Court, one-half the balance on the first day of April, 1866, when a deed will be delivered and possession given, and the remaining half on the first of April 1867, with interest from first of April 1866, to be secured by judgment bond. Sale to commence at 1 o'clock P. M., when attendance will be given by CHRISTIAN MUSSER, guardian of William Ort. Dec. 13, '65.

REAL ESTATE AT PUBLIC SALE.

Will be offered at public sale on the premises, in Millertownship, Juniata county, Pa., on WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19th, 1866. A tract of land situated about two miles from Patterson, in the above named township, bounded on the North by lands of Henry Anceby; on the North-West by A. Guss, Sr.; on the West by David Schouff, Sr., and on the south by George McDonald, containing 200 Acres, More or less, about 100 acres of which are cleared, well fenced, and in a state of good cultivation, the balance being well timbered, having thereon erected a large LOG FRAME HOUSE, Bank Barn, Corn-Crib, Wagon Shed, and other necessary out-buildings. A well of good water at the door. The farm is well watered. There is a young PEACH ORCHARD, containing about 200 trees, and an Apple Orchard of Grafted Fruit.

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THE PROPERTY IS CONVENIENT TO STORES, CHURCHES, SCHOOLS, AND MECHANICS OF ALL KINDS. Sale to commence at 1 o'clock, P. M., of said day, when attendance will be given and terms made known by CHRISTOPHER HARDY, Wm. Given, Auctioneer. Dec. 13, '65-48

Assignee's Sale of Valuable REAL ESTATE.

The following valuable Real Estate, will be sold on the premises, about one-half mile from Johnston, Juniata county, Pa. on TUESDAY, JANUARY 29th, 1866. A tract of Land, containing 5 ACRES and 120 perches, having thereon erected a Good Dwelling House.

BANK BARN, and other necessary out-buildings. Also, A TANNERY, in good order, with all the necessary buildings and machinery, situated in the midst of a good bark country. There will also be sold at same time and place, two tracts of MOUNTAIN LAND, well set with Chestnut and Chestnut Oak Timber, situated about one mile from the Tannery containing respectively 100 and 300 hundred Acres.

TERMS.—Ten per cent. of the purchase money to be paid when the property is struck down; half the balance on the first day of April, 1866; and the remainder on the first day of February, 1867, to be secured by judgment. Sale to commence at 1 o'clock, P. M., when attendance will be given by JEREMIAH LYONS, Assignee of HENRY BRUBAKER, Wm. Given, Auctioneer. Dec. 13, '65-48.

GRAND PRIZES.

FOR SUBSCRIBERS TO THE AMERICAN STATESMAN. A NATIONAL WEEKLY FAMILY JOURNAL at \$1.50 Per Annum. THE FOLLOWING SPLENDID PRIZES ARE SENT TO CLUBS, VIZ. For every Club of Forty Subscribers, A Wheeler & Wilson best \$55 Sewing Machine With two extra copies to the getter up of the club. For every Club of TWENTY, and less than forty subscribers, we will allow \$1.25 for each subscriber on the price of said machine. For every Club of SIX, a splendid steel engraving of PRESIDENT LINCOLN, (full length.) ANDREW JOHNSON, LIEUT. GENERAL GRANT or SHERMAN on horseback, worth \$3.00 each, with an extra copy to the getter up of the club. For every Club of THREE, one of those splendid steel engravings of the Uniform Series of NATIONAL PORTRAITS

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Teeth inserted upon an entirely new style of base, which is a combination of Gold and English Rubber, (vulcanite). Also American Rubber, (vulcanite), which for beauty, durability, cleanliness, and the restoration of the natural contour of the face, cannot be surpassed. Either of the above bases.

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Special attention will be made to diseased gums, and a cure warranted of no charge made. Teeth filled to last for life. Teeth Extracted without Pain by a new process, without the use of ether, chloroform or nitrous oxide, and no danger. Having been in business for upwards of ten years, five of which has been spent in Millintown, and being in possession of the latest improved Instruments and Machinery, I warrant entire satisfaction, or the money will be refunded. Office on Bridge Street, opposite the Court House Square.

G. L. DEER, Resident Dentist. November 29, 1865-1y.

ORPHANS' COURT SALE.

BY VIRTUE OF THE ORPHANS' COURT, the following valuable Real Estate will be exposed to public sale on the premises, on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1865. PURPORT NO. 1.

A tract of Land containing 112 ACRES and 29 perches, about 80 of which are cleared and in a good state of cultivation, the balance timberland, having thereon A GOOD STONE HOUSE, Bank Barn, and other out-buildings, with an excellent Spring of Water at the door and a good Orchard of choice Fruit; also a good Limestone Quarry.

PURPORT NO. 2. A tract of 167 ACRES and 45 perches, about 80 acres of which are cleared and in good order, the balance well timbered, having thereon a GOOD STONE HOUSE, Bank Barn, &c., with a Spring of running Water at the door; also a good Orchard.

The above properties are situated about one mile from Oakland Mills, and are convenient to schools, mills, stores and mechanics. Those wishing to buy farms should take note of this. TERMS.—So much as shall be necessary to pay expenses of proceedings to be paid on confirmation of sale by the Court; one-third of the balance on April 1st, 1866; one-third on April 1st, 1867, and the remaining one-third at the death of the Widow, the interest to be paid annually during her natural life. Sale to commence at 12 o'clock, M., of said day, when attendance will be given by SAMUEL LEONARD, Adm'r of the Estate of Cook, dec'd. Dec. 6, '65.

MUSIC STORE.

M. GREENE HAS OPENED HIS Music Store, one door west of W. Lewis' Book Store, where he keeps constantly on hand STEINWAY & SONS' and GALE'S Pianos Manufactured by Company; MASON & HAMILTON'S CABINET ORGANS and CHARTER, NEEDHAM & CO'S MELODIONS; Guitars, Violins, Flutes, Banjos, Guitars and Violin Strings. Music Books—Golden Chain, Golden Shower, Golden Conson, Golden Trio, &c. &c. SHEET MUSIC.—He is constantly receiving from Philadelphia all the latest music, which persons at a distance wishing, can order, and have sent them by mail, at Publisher's Prices. Pianos and Organs Warranted for five years. Those wishing to buy any of the above articles are invited to call and examine mine before purchasing elsewhere. My prices are the same as in New York and Philadelphia. Circulars of Instruments sent promptly upon application with any additional information desired.

GREAT REDUCTION IN PRICES. TODD AHEAD!

J. E. M. TODD has just received a large and fine assortment of GOODS from Philadelphia, which he is prepared to sell at the following reduced prices:—

Table listing various goods and their prices, including Flour, Sugar, Coffee, Tea, and other household items.

The following prices will be paid for marketing in CASH or GOODS to suit customers: Butter—90 to 1.00 Eggs—50 to 60.00 Raisins—50 to 60.00 Highest price for Walnuts, Shellbarks and Chestnuts. Patterson, Nov. 29, 1865-1y.

ESTATE NOTICE.

Estate of Jacob Besom of Delaware township dec'd. Notice is hereby given that letters of Testamentary on the estate of Jacob Besom late of Delaware township, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned residing in Delaware township. All persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment and those having claims will please present them duly authenticated for settlement. JANE BESOM, Executrix. Nov. 29, '65.