

Country girl did admirably fill the throne... Mary, wife of William III., and Queen Anne, princess both of illustrious memory.



POTTSVILLE. Saturday Morning, May 11

POTTSVILLE LYCEUM.

Order of Lectures. Lecture 10, Tuesday, May 14, "The Rights of Conscience," by F. W. Hughes, Esq.

"The Colonel's Conscience." We have received another communication from the "Great Philanthropist," which shall have due attention in our next.

"We have been requested to state, that David Niles, Esq., has resigned the Agency of the North American operations."

Pottsville Lyceum.—The subscribers will bear in mind, that next Tuesday is the regular Lecture night, when F. W. Hughes, Esq., will deliver an essay on the "Rights of Conscience."

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New Coaches.—The Proprietors of the Opposition Line between here and Philadelphia, have procured two new large and spacious coaches from the well known manufactory of Edson A. Gilbert, of Troy.

"Fast Driving."—This bad practice is becoming too prevalent in our Borough; and the authorities should promptly visit with punishment, every one who endangers the life or limb of our citizens, by unnecessary speed, while within its limits.

"Frost."—We had a slight frost one night this week which appears to have nipped the peaches, &c. a little, but no serious damage is apprehended to general vegetation.

"Tubes in Canal Boats."—Several of our Boats have already adopted the tubes, for ascertaining the quantity of water produced, by leaking, invented by Mr. Winslow, and which we learn have been inspected and approved of by many of the coal dealers, and by the Directors of the Navigation Co.

"Waverly."—We have received No. 9 and 10 of the Waverly Novels, cheap edition, containing the "Black Dwarf," and "Old Mortality." Those which wish to procure a good and economical set of Scott's works, will do well to avail themselves of this opportunity.

"Coleman's Monthly Miscellany."—The announcement of the appearance of this new Magazine, which will be published on the first of next month, is another evidence that the press is rapidly approaching, when we shall no longer be compelled to draw on England for our literary recreation.

"Rising Potatoes."—It is said that if a potatoe be planted in the bottom of a barrel, and as it germinates it be repeatedly covered with earth, every shoot will send forth roots, and produce fruit. If this be the case, and the experiment is worth trying, let some of our gardeners plant a row or two and as they grow up, follow them with boards, making a long box, which fill up, as in the case of the barrel. Let some one try it, and every one who succeeds, may send us a bushel next fall for the hint.

"Fires at Harrisburg."—An ice-house was burnt at Harrisburg on Thursday week, with all its contents! Also the stable of Samuel Shock, in which the fire originated, and that of B. Park, Esq., On the following day a frame building known as the "Ship Tavern" was destroyed by fire.

"Rhode Island."—Six Whig Senators have been elected in this state; there being no plurality of votes for Governor, the first Senator Samuel W. King acts as the incumbent for the year.

"France."—It appears that Marshal Soult and Louis Philippe could not agree in the formation of a Cabinet, but the King has ultimately made a selection. Unfortunately their appointment was promulgated on a day, which gave them the sobriquet of the April Fool Ministry.

"Literary News."—McMahon's "American Gardener" has passed to a ninth edition—the next English arrival will bring us "Charles Tyrrel," by James; the admirable author of "Sayings and Doings," has published a new novel called "Births, Deaths, and Marriages;" Mrs. Trollope's "Factory Boy," written in the style of Nicholas Nickolby, is highly praised in London;—Rufus Dawes, of New York, has a novel nearly ready for the press.

"Official Misconduct."—There has been much excitement in Philadelphia, from the discovery that Jonathan F. Hassinger, President of the Philadelphia and Westchester Rail Road, had been guilty of a high breach of trust, and had used the credit of that Company for fraudulent purposes.

"Frontier Indians."—The Secretary of war has prohibited the selling of ardent spirits to the Indians on the frontier.

"An outrage, but a sign."—An attempt was made on the evening of the 1st inst, to blow up the Anti Slavery Depository at Hartford, by a heavy torpedo; the building was much shattered, but fortunately no lives were lost, although two persons were in the back of the house. A man was arrested on suspicion of participation in the outrage, from the representation of a boy, who happening to pass a moment before the explosion, was told by him to hurry out of the way or he would be hurt.

"Accidental loss of Life."—A dreadful explosion lately took place at Cushman's store in Hancock, Maryland, which was blown up, and fourteen persons either killed or wounded. It is said that two open kegs of powder had been left standing by the counter, into one of which the snuff of a candle was accidentally thrown.

"Thaddeus Stevens, Esq."—The constituents of this gentleman, at a recent meeting, have requested him to take his seat in the Legislature.

State of Affairs in France.—We have noticed in another column the formation of a provisional Ministry by Louis Philippe. This has been done for the purpose, and merely to open the Chambers. The King can find none of the French diplomats who are willing to form component parts of his Cabinet, and things look very equally. At the opening of the Chambers there was much growling and dissatisfaction, both loud and muttered; all seemed ready for another three days, but a strong military and police force kept them in awe. The Parisians are ripe for mischief; the spirit of the French army, long smouldering, but not burned out, is re-kindling for action; all are dissatisfied with Louis—disposed to give the go-by to the Duke of Orleans, and the Count of Paris is a general favorite with the war party. He will be strenuously supported, unless indeed another movement be made by Louis Napoleon under more auspicious circumstances than at Strasbourg—the Count de Paris will be supported by all who have the memory of the "Great Captain" still green in their hearts, and past for a return of the glorious days of their military renown. It needs but a master spirit to arise—one who can fan the embers of discontent, catch the passing emotion of the nation—infuse a long dormant energy into them, and warm them with the recollections of Lodi and Austerlitz, to shake Continental Europe to its centre, to hurl the weak dynasty which now fills the seat of Napoleon, to the ground, rebuild the Imperial Throne, and place upon it one of the blood of Bonaparte.

"A fair question!"—An advertiser on the last page of the Long Island Star, of a certain liquid medicine, sends the following query:—"Can't this go inside sometimes?" As the medicine is rather popular, we presume it can.

"Times in Mississippi."—We have received through the attention of a subscriber, a number of the Raymond (Miss.) Times, of April 5th. There is no editorial note to this sheet, and not a line of news, its whole columns being taken up with Sheriff's Sales, Marshall's sales, Tax Collector's sales, and Insolvent Notices! The editor has an ad advertisement inserted, headed "pay the printer," and says, all who owe him, must pay up, or prove themselves unable to do so! The last we should think from appearances to be easier than the first. After perusing the Raymond Times, we have no disposition to move to the great south west.

"A Southern Commercial Convention has been held in Charleston, South Carolina.

"Fashions."—The ladies of New York, wear one short frock over another, being the old Roman style. An excellent plan for our fast growing masses, for when a dress becomes too short, they can put it over another.

"The Philadelphia squares are opened to the fashionable circles.

"Com. David R. Porter, Charge d'Affaires of the United States to the Sublime Porte, and Mr. Porter, U. S. Consul at Constantinople, have sailed from Boston.

"The house of Samuel Eris, at Bridgeport, Ct. was consumed a few nights since, and his child 18 months old, was so burnt that lived but a few hours.

"We understand that Governor Jenning, of Vermont, has delivered to the Canadian authorities, Dr. Holmes, the murderer of Tache.

"The citizens of Apalachicola, (Fla.) have presented to the Hon. Joseph M. White, late Delegate to Congress, a splendid silver vase.

"FIREMEN'S BOARD OF CONTROL.—Delegates from thirty-five of the Philadelphia Fire Companies, unanimously approve of establishing a Board of Control, to whom all difficulties among Fire Companies are to be referred.

"LOTTERIES.—By an act of assembly, of 1834, lotteries, and the sale of lottery tickets, are prohibited, in Virginia, after the first day of January, 1840.

"ANOTHER FEVER.—A new species of cotton seed is now selling in Alabama at 50 cents a kernel!

"LARKIN, the murderer and mail robber, was convicted at Mobile on the 18th ult, before the United States District Court, Judge CRAWFORD presiding.

"NAVY.—A sloop of War has been launched at the Charleston Navy Yard, called the Marion.

"STEAM BOAT BURNED.—We learn from the Louisville Journal that the steam boat Pennsylvania was destroyed by fire at Paducah on the night of the 21st April. She had a valuable cargo for Tusculum, Florence, and Knoxville, and \$50,000 in specie for the Decatur.

"IMMIGRATION.—It is stated, that all the Havre Packets are coming out full of German Agriculturists as passengers. The ship Lora, had four hundred persons of this class—all bound for Illinois and Michigan.

"THE ALEXANDRE.—Marsand and Reimond, the two Frenchmen arrested in New York, and convicted to France for trial, for the mutiny and murder on board the ship Alexandre have been convicted and condemned to death.

"FOR IOWA.—Nearly a thousand Saxons lately arrived at New Orleans, bound for Iowa or Missouri, with upwards of one hundred thousand pounds sterling, in gold and silver.

"RAPID PROFITS.—It is stated that Messrs. Prince, of Flushing, L. I. have within a short period, disseminated 400,000 Morus Mulciferia Trees throughout the country, and realized a profit of \$200,000.

"Noble MINDS.—We learn that some noble-minded merchants of Boston have presented the widow of Mr. Curtis, who, readers will recollect, was killed on the Worcester rail road, with from fifteen to twenty thousand dollars.

"THE TENNEL on the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, in Allegheny county, Md., is now nearly half finished. It will be nearly three thousand feet in length, and the highest point of the mountain, through which it passes is 360 feet above the level of the tunnel. The whole distance to be cut through is solid rock.

"H. M. ship Winchester, of 53 guns, has been commissioned as Admiral Harvey's flag ship, on the North American station.

"MARKING A RATE.—A Western editor, who has just been getting married, says:—'Every man who has a just regard for the welfare of his country, should raise something.'

"AMERICAN CREDIT.—Mr. Crowell, who came here some two years since—an agent for the Bank of England, returned in the Great Western, having collected or secured almost every shilling of the large sum with which he was entrusted.

"The following communication shows how admirably well our Port Carbon friends execute every thing, in the fancy way, they undertake. There is a spirit about them, which never leaves undone or incomplete; a due appreciation of what is felicitous, and a happy harmony, which renders them as one social family. It would have pleased us much, to have seen this may-day festival—for said the turmoils and business care of life, the sight of childhood, robed in happy innocence, comes to us—like the sweet south o'er a bed of violets!—"

"Dwells in an Eden, hearing angel lutes, As Eve in the first garden—it is, The blissful interpreter of thoughts, as pure As virgin wells, where Dian takes delight, Or fairies dip their changelings!"

"FOR THE MINERS' JOURNAL. MOUNT CARBON, PA.

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"But the Sachsen still thought on his fallen might, Of his power, and his tribe, when a King! When he conquered his foeman in every fight! 'Twas now a departed thing!"

"He stood alone, with his foe clustered round, The centre of circling hate, For the white man had marked this spot as the ground, On which he should suffer his fate.

"They mocked not, nor scoffed at the captive King— They had feared him too much in his reign, But a Mohagen stepped from the red-wood ring, And took him through the brain; And the Red King's death was the white man's deed, Though by a fled man slain."

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May, I am satisfied you would have felt as it were transported from this to the lands of the Tartars." Our little juvenile spirits, in order to celebrate the day as was their wont, gathered the green of our hills, and adorned each column, each window with festoons of garlands—colled by tender hands—of the rarest flowers. The size of the room did not adapt it for much pomp or pageantry—but the various and fragrant plants with which it was filled gave a luxury to that sweetness and innocence, which so characterizes the young in their love amusements. At the extremity of the room, upon a platform some four or five feet high, were seated in all their virgin beauty the God and Goddess of the day, attended by their maids of honor, surrounded by a semi-circle of beautiful green, adorned by a profusion of gay flowers and canopied by herlock boughs and mountain pine. Around and on either side of the room, sat the beauteous nymphs, arrayed in purity, innocence and love. Up the centre aisle was spread a table, which groined under the weight of the richest and sweetest delicacies, interspersed with flowers fragrant as beautiful, and o'er hung by silvery pine and mountain laurel—and there in a corner stood together as fair a group as ever blessed the eyes of man, acting in the offices of lookers on, or ministering angels. In short, it was as joyous, happy, sweet and beautiful a congregation as e'er I looked upon.

"JUAN.

"FOR THE MINERS' JOURNAL. RAILROADS AND CANALS.

"There is one argument in favor of the Pottsville and Philadelphia Rail Road of immense importance to our region, which has escaped the comment, if not attention of the many who have written on the subject. There are many tracts of coal land, lying some 6, 8, 10 and 12 miles from the head of navigation, which would now require an outlay of from 6 to \$10,000 in rail road cars, in order to carry on a profitable business. This would be required to transport the coal from the landings to the canal, and is too expensive, and prevents the opening of new mines; but when the Pottsville and Philadelphia rail road is completed, and that Company furnish the cars, which can be carried to the very mouths of the drifts and loaded, a great item of private expenditure is saved, and these mines will immediately be thrown open to competition. The facilities this plan of operation may afford, will be incalculable, and will open a new field of enterprise which is now completely shut out by the distance from the head of canal navigation.

"This argument will pertain equally to all the limbs of the new Rail Road, the Little Schuylkill, the West Branch the Norwegian, the Mill Creek, and the Schuylkill Valley Roads. Each of these lead from valuable coal fields, and must be considered as so many arms of the great road when completed. I advertised last week to the Little Schuylkill Road, and endeavored to show that the cause of its proving unprofitable, was to be traced to the fact, that the Company were engaged in mining as well as transporting coal, thus proving the old adage of 'two as many irons in the fire.'

"The West Branch Road comes next; on this the produce of the vast coal fields west of Pottsville are brought to market, and it will form a junction with the Rail Road at Schuylkill Haven.

"The Norwegian Rail Road is the next in order, commencing at Mount Carbon, running NW through the Borough of Pottsville, about half a mile, and then branching off east and west. The east branch connects with the Danville Rail Road, and the west extends to the Afne Hill at Mount Lauffer.

"The Mill Creek Road commences at Port Carbon, two miles east of Pottsville, and can easily be joined to the main road. It extends about four miles up the course of the Mill Creek, crossing the coal strata at right angles, and terminating at the Broad Mountain, near the Danville and Pottsville Rail Road.

"Lastly comes the Schuylkill Valley Road, likewise commencing at Port Carbon, which is the head of Canal Navigation, and extending up the Schuylkill river ten miles to Tuscarora, crossing the coal measures obliquely.

"All these limbs, it will be seen, penetrate into the very heart of the coal formation, and lead through excellent timber land. When they become grafted to the parent stock, the Philadelphia and Pottsville Rail Road, what is to prevent a locomotive from starting from Philadelphia, and visiting the Jugular Vein on the Broad Mountain, the same day!—what is to prevent it from taking a train of laden cars, depositing the coal on the Delaware, and return the same night! When this is effected, will any coal merchant, who has a train of cars ready built, haul his coal to the landing and put it into a canal boat, exposing it to shipment, loss on the line, and attendant wastage, when the very cars that receive it at the mouth of the mines, all ready screened, can carry it to Philadelphia? Will any dealer go to the vast outlay of providing cars when that company will furnish them! Assuredly not, and the Rail Road Company may rest assured that they secure the transportation of every ton of coal from this region, for which they furnish the requisite cars.

"Many operators are now engaged in the business, who in a year or two would have to procure a new set of cars for canal business; these will gradually use the Rail Road for sale this outlay.

"Here then is the great overlooked advantage of a Rail Road to our region. The Coal can be screened in the working chutes of a colliery—placed in the cars at its mouth—drawn to the depot—crossed to the Delaware—pass on, without re-shipment to the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Rail Road.

"The Canal has no such advantages—the Mill Creek, the West Branch, or the Schuylkill above Port Carbon, cannot be penetrated by its branches, for the want of water. There is not sufficient for a present supply, as the last dry season sufficiently tested; and as the Rail Road is not effected by changes of season, except probably a week or two in mid winter, it must be recognized as the quickest, most convenient, and most economical route for our produce.

"It remains then for the Schuylkill Navigation Company to prepare for a keen competition; it behooves them so to increase their facilities, reduce their tolls, guard their line from wastage, and protect the light-weights as, to induce the trade to support them, for they may rest assured, that their day of dictation will end, the very moment the Rail Road is open to the Schuylkill Coal Trade.

"Pottsville, May, 1839.

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Democratic County Meeting. Agreeable to public notice, a large and respectable meeting of Democratic Whig Citizens of Schuylkill County, friendly to the election of Gen. Wm. A. Harris and Daniel Webster, to the Presidency and Vice Presidency of the United States, assembled at the House of Henry Stager, Esq., in the Borough of Pottsville, on Saturday the 4th of May, inst. The meeting was called to order by appointing J. A. COB REED, Esq., Chairman, and Mr. Charles Halsette, Secretary.

"Resolved, That a Committee of seven be appointed to propose proceedings expressive of the sense of the meeting, whereupon the following persons were appointed as said Committee, viz: Daniel Bly, Adam Sharple, Daniel Kasler, John Orlip, Jacob Kline, Gustav Moore and Samuel Marvine, who reported the following, which was read and unanimously adopted.

"Resolved, That we are decidedly opposed to the Administration of Martin Van Buren, believing that his leading measures are fraught with danger to the liberties of the people, especially his favorite measure, the odious 'Sub-treasury System,' which has been by him repeatedly recommended to Congress, but which has fortunately been twice rejected by the Representatives of the people in Congress of the United States.

"Resolved, That this meeting approves of holding a State Convention on the 22nd of May, inst., at the Borough of Harrisburg, for the purpose of forming an Electors' Ticket, friendly to Wm. H. Harris and Daniel Webster; and that we deem it the duty of the freemen of this State to adopt every honorable means to secure their election to the high offices for which they have been respectively nominated.

"Resolved, That it is high time for the people to prepare for the next election, being only about 18 months yet until we are to decide through the ballot box whether we will continue our present corrupt and profligate administration, whose expense is amounted to the enormous sum of nearly 35 Millions of Dollars, during the last year, being almost as much as the whole expenditures of the year's Administration of John Q. Adams, or whether we will elect a man in his stead, who will in reality, not be more profane, (like the Van Buren Party) carry out. Retrenchment and Economy, as loudly called for by the people in all parts of the Union.

"Resolved, That in the character of General Harrison we recognize the Soldier and the Statesman, the disinterested Patriot and Civilian, who has rendered distinguished and honorable service to his Country, in the field of battle as well as in numerous and responsible civil stations.

"Resolved, That in his Election we feel confident that he will reform the abuses of Government—that he will do away the dangerous and wide spreading system of executive and official interference with elections, and bring fresh from the people, will introduce a system of retrenchment and reform, which the prosperity of our republican institution loudly calls for.

"Resolved, That we cordially respond to the nomination of the Hon. Daniel Webster, for Vice President, and will give him a cheering support, because he is a distinguished statesman and scholar, of spotless integrity and correct principles.

"The meeting then proceeded to the election of Delegates, to attend the above stated Convention, whereupon the Hon. Samuel D. Leib and Mr. William Wolf, were duly chosen, with power to fill vacancies, if any should occur.

"Resolved, That the proceedings of this meeting be signed by its officers, and published in the Miners' Journal and Democratic Free Press. JACOB REED, Chairman. Charles Halsette, Secretary.

MARRIED. On the 19th inst., by the Rev. Wm. Morgan, Mr. David T. Jones, of Hazleton, to Miss Sarah Elizabeth, of Mercersville. On Monday, May 6th, by the Rev. Evan R. Erwin, Mr. Daniel Jones, to Miss Margaret Harris, both of this Borough.

DIED. At Port Carbon, on Sunday last, Remeyn, young son of Rev. Dr. McCarrie.

State of the Thermometer. KEPT BY JOSEPH CANTWORTH.

Table with 4 columns: Year, Time, Temperature (°C), Temperature (°F). Rows for 1839 and May 3-9.

Schuylkill Coal Trade. Shipments of Coal for the week ending on Thursday evening last.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Quantity, Total. Lists coal companies and their weekly shipments.