



POTTSVILLE.

Saturday Morning, April 10.

A NATIONAL CALAMITY.

DEATH OF GEN. HARRISON.

We are called upon to mourn a National Calamity—a calamity as sudden as it is afflictive—as unfortunate as it is irreparable. President HARRISON is no more!

This is the first loss which the Republic has to mourn of an actual President. The distressing event took place on Sunday morning last between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock.

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Immediately after the decease of the President, Mr. Webster, Jr. Chief Clerk in the Department of State, accompanied by Mr. Beal, ex-officer of the Senate, sat out for the residence of the Vice President, in Virginia, bearing to him the following letter:

WASHINGTON, April 4, 1841. "The President of the United States. Sir: It has become our most painful duty to inform you that William Henry Harrison, late President of the United States, has departed this life.

On hearing of the death of General Harrison, the Common Council of New York, promptly as they were politically to the late President, responded to the feelings of the people.

The streets and places of business in the eastern cities were closed on Wednesday last—for that day the mortal remains of the "nation's hope" were consigned to the tomb.

To the honor of Philadelphia be it told, that every newspaper in that city, without regard to party, assumed the emblems of mourning on the death of General Harrison.

FUNERAL OF THE PRESIDENT.—The mortal remains of the lamented HARRISON were consigned to the Tomb on Wednesday last. The following notice in reference to the funeral was issued at Washington last Monday:—

WASHINGTON, April 5, 1841. The circumstances in which we are placed by the death of the President, render it indispensable with us, in the recess of Congress, and in the absence of the Vice President, to make arrangements for the funeral.

The military arrangements to be under the direction of Major General Macomb, the General Commanding in Chief of the Army of the United States, and Major General Walter Jones, of the Militia of the District of Columbia.

Commodore Morris, the senior Captain in the Navy, now in the city, to have the direction of the naval arrangements, assisted by the Mayors of Washington, Georgetown, and Alexandria, the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the United States, and such other citizens as they may see fit to call to their aid.

JOHN QUINCY ADAMS, ex-President of the United States, members of Congress now in the city or its neighborhood, all the members of the Diplomatic body resident at Washington, and all the officers of Government, and citizens generally, are invited to attend.

And it is respectfully recommended to the Officers of Government that they wear the usual badge of mourning.

PRESIDENT HARRISON'S LAST MOMENTS.—The following account of the last moments of General Harrison is copied from the Washington Correspondence of the Philadelphia North American.

WASHINGTON, March 4, 1841. Yesterday the President was better, and considered out of danger, till between 2 and 3 P. M., when he suffered a sudden relapse, by a painful and exhausting diarrhoea, under the effects of which his countenance was instantly and greatly changed.

Whether this is the exact version of this address, I am not perfectly confident. It will probably appear in different forms. The sentiment is obvious, and this dying injunction will be cherished, as a national relic, by all who have aided in electing William Henry Harrison to the Presidency of the United States.

The intelligence of the death of General Harrison has spread the deepest gloom over the whole country. The bitterness and rancour of party feeling have passed away; and the deepest, the most heartfelt regret was felt by all on hearing that the venerable, the patriotic Chief Magistrate of the Republic was no more!

In Philadelphia—as indeed everywhere else—every indication of respect for the memory of the President was promptly paid. The Pennsylvania (a Van Buren paper, we are pleased to add) says that the several courts of Philadelphia "immediately adjourned upon the official announcement of the melancholy tidings. The U. S. Court and the Supreme Court postponed further business until Thursday.

The Vice Presidency.—We see it stated (says the U. S. Gazette) in the papers that Samuel L. Southard, of New Jersey, is now Vice President of the United States. This is not correct.

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Resolved, That as a mark of respect to his memory, the several religious societies in this borough be requested to toll the bells of their respective churches, on the morning of the 7th inst., for one hour, commencing at half past eleven o'clock; and that the national flag be displayed on the flag staff in the borough at half mast, from sunrise to sunset on the same day.

A VETO EXPECTED.—Speaking of the Bank Bill, the Harrisburg correspondent of the Philadelphia Inquirer, under date of April 6th, says:—I may prepare your readers for a VETO to-morrow. Come it must and come it will. I have it from high authority, that it was transcribed "in a fair and legible hand" to day, for presentation on to-morrow.

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OWN LEGISLATURE.—On Monday last, the House of Representatives being called to order at 10 o'clock, the following message from the Governor was presented to the House by the Secretary of the Commonwealth:

To the Senate and House of Representatives: Gentlemen—Intelligence has been received that William Henry Harrison, President of the United States, has paid the debt of nature. He departed this life at the President's House in the city of Washington on yesterday morning.

The public services and private worth of the distinguished citizen who had just been elected to the highest station in the Republic, call upon the General Assembly of this Commonwealth, on behalf of our common constituents, for the appropriate testimonial of public feeling which are inspired by the melancholy event.

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ARRIVAL OF VICE PRESIDENT TYLER AT THE STATE GOVERNMENT.—We copy the following from the National Intelligencer of Wednesday morning:—

By the extraordinary despatch used in sending the Official Intelligence to the Vice President at Williamsburg, and similar despatch by him in returning to the seat of Government, John Tyler, now President of the United States, arrived in this city yesterday morning, at 5 o'clock, and took lodgings at Brown's Hotel.

At 12 o'clock, all the Heads of Departments, except the Secretary of the Navy, (who has not yet returned to this city from his visit to his family) waited upon him to pay him their official and personal respects. They were received with all the politeness and kindness which characterize the new President.

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ALL SORTS OF ITEMS. The value of property in the United States is estimated at five billions of dollars.

A Convention of Baptists met in Baltimore this week. The late municipal election in Mobile resulted in the triumph of the democratic whig ticket.

The Association of American Geologists, organized about a year ago, held their annual meeting in Philadelphia this week.

The Secretary of the Treasury reports Treasury Notes outstanding on the 1st inst., \$6,301,324 87. The personal property of Louis Philippe is said to be equal to fifty millions of dollars.

Mitchell, the notorious M. C. forger, is stated to be in Boston in time to take the steamer. Other accounts represented him on his way to Texas.

The Junata Canal is now in navigable order. The Ohio Legislature adjourned on the 29th ult.

Mathew L. Davis, the "Spy in Washington," has been appointed Deputy Collector of New York. The first salmon made its appearance in the Boston market last week. It sold for two dollars a pound—that's all!

A German Jew pedlar, named Arnold Klughart, met with a shocking death on Monday last. He was run over by a train of cars on the Columbia Railroad.

There are now 254,900 children in the Common Schools of Pennsylvania. During the month of March, there were 386 arrivals in the port of Boston and 283 clearances.

In a scuffle lately at Natchez Landing, Miss. an individual had his nose slit and the bridge cut down by the stroke of a bowie knife.

The Union Bank of Florida has resumed specie payments. Miracles will never cease. Corporal Streeter says that duelling practices will always be popular.

It is stated in the Pittsburg Gazette that Walter Fordwell, Esq., has accepted the appointment of First Comptroller of the Treasury.

Mr. Clay was reported at Wheeling, on the 30th ult., on his way home, with his health considerably improved.

The General Tax Bill has passed both houses of the Maryland Legislature and is now a law. Levi Woodbury's friends in Portsmouth, N. H. are preparing to give him a public dinner on his return home.

The steamer North America recently brought 700 passengers from Albany to New York. The New York papers are raising a crusade against the vendors of "ground coffee" in that city. They swear that the said "ground coffee" is worse than poison.

HARRISBURG.—The following resolutions passed both branches of our Legislature on Tuesday last: Resolved, That four Senators and six Representatives, to be selected by the Speaker, be deputed to represent this Commonwealth at the city of Washington, at the funeral of the late President of the United States.

Resolved, That an eulogy on the character and public services of WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON, be pronounced on Saturday, the 17th inst., at noon, in the Hall of the House of Representatives, by Thomas Williams of the Senate.

Resolved, That the members of the Legislature, as a testimonial of their sincere sorrow for the death of the late President; wear the usual badge of mourning for the remainder of the session.

Resolved, That an extract from the journal of each House, to be signed by the Speaker, be communicated to the Governor, with a request that he will forward the same to the family of the late President.

The committee appointed to proceed to Washington were Messrs. Pearson, Headley, Strohm and Kingsbury, of the Senate, and Messrs. Cox, Brodhead of Northampton, Chrisman, Lusk, Smyser and Hill, of the House.

CONDITION OF THE AMERICAN NAVY.—We copy the following judicious and sensible remarks in relation to the present condition of our Navy, from the Philadelphia Daily Standard:—

"It has been so much the custom recently to speak of the weakness of our marine defences, that most persons have probably an incorrect idea of our real naval strength. The United States Navy at this time comprises 68 sail, including eleven ships of the line, one sloop, and fourteen 44's. Then we have the frame timbers (contracted for and mostly in readiness) of 15 ships of the line, 18 frigates, 15 corvettes, 9 steamers, and 9 brigs and schooners, besides copper, iron, etc. In no very long period, therefore, we could go to sea with 28 heavy ships of the line, 32 frigates, only two of them rating less than 44 guns, 30 corvettes, a dozen steamships, and a suitable proportion of smaller vessels. If half a dozen frigates and a few corvettes could in the last war maintain the honor of the country against the immense Navy of England, one would suppose that the above mentioned force, offered and manned as it would be in the most efficient manner, would give even England some trouble.

The Senate has fixed upon the 27th inst., as the day of adjournment of the Legislature. It is questionable if the House agree to it.

ANOTHER VETO.—Governor Porter has returned the bill in relation to the Chester County prison with his veto!

FOR THE MINERS' JOURNAL. MR. BANNAN.—I beg leave to inform you that the ladies of St. James' Church, Schuylkill Haven, do not design in these hard times to act upon your suggestion of giving back no change" at their approaching sale on Easter Monday and Tuesday.

They mean to suit their prices to the times, and to expose their large and rich collection of articles at rates, with the cheapness of which purchasers will be satisfied. Their own labors have been most liberally aided by the skill and taste of the ladies of Pottsville, Philadelphia, and New York. Thanking you for your notice of the sale,

I am yours truly, SCHUYLKILL HAVEN. MODesty.—Who shall win the prize? There was a meeting of the flowers, and the judge appointed to award the prize of beauty. "Who shall win the prize?" asks the rose, proudly stepping forward in blushing beauty, with full assurance of its winning worth. "Who shall win the prize?" asks the rest of the flowers as they came forward, each conscious of its attractions, and each equally sure of receiving the award. "I will take a peep at the assemblage," thought the Violet, not intending to make one of the company, "and see the beauties as they pass." Just as it was raising its modest head from its humble and retiring corner, and was looking in upon the meeting, the judge arose to award his decree. "To the Violet," said the judge, "I tender the prize of beauty, for there is no more rare, none more enchanteingly beautiful than—MODesty."

MARRIED. On the 7th inst. by the Rev. E. B. Evans, Mr. DAVID OWENS to Miss ANN EDWARDS, both of this borough. At Pottsville, on the 9th inst., by the Rev. Joseph McCool, Mr. GEORGE W. SLATER, late of Centre County, to Miss ANNA S., daughter of the late Richard Macarty, of Germantown.

OUR MARKET. CORRECTED WEEKLY. Pottsville, April 10th, 1841. WHEAT FLOUR per Barrel \$4 25 RYE do do 2 75 WHEAT, do per Bushel 50 RYE, do do 50 CORN, do do 47 OATS, do do 45 EGGS, per doz 12 BUTTER, per pound 12 BACON, do do 8 HAMS, do do 10 POTATOES, per bushel 42 HAY, per ton 15 to 17

Pottsville PHILOMATHIC SOCIETY. Tuesday Evening, April 13th, 1841. Subject for Debate: "Which are the most exalted, the pursuits of the Philosopher, or those of the Poet, the Artist, or the Statesman?" AFFIRMATIVE—Messrs. Neville, Lawton, and Silliman. NEGATIVE—Messrs. Porter, Holzer & Wynkoop. The Ladies of Pottsville particularly, and all friends of learning and free discussion, are invited to attend the meetings of this Society, which will hereafter be held on Tuesday instead of Thursday evenings, at the Academy. JOHN C. NEVILLE, Secretary. April 10th. 10—

Public Sale. PURSUANT to an order of the Orphans' Court of Schuylkill County, the Subscribers, Administrators of the estate of George Lyons, late of Port Carbon, in the county of Schuylkill, deceased, will expose to Sale by Public Vendue, on Monday the 30th day of May next, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, at the house of Michael Mortimer, in the Borough of Pottsville and county aforesaid; A Certain Lot of Ground situate in the town of Port Carbon, county of Schuylkill, bounded by lot forty nine Spruce Street Valley Alley, containing sixty feet front and one hundred and ninety eight feet of estate of said deceased. Attendance will be given, and the Conditions of Sale made known at the time and place of sale by. JOHN LYONS, HUGH KINSLEY, Administrators. By Order of the Court. JACOB KREBS, Clerk. Orwigsburg April 10th 15—3*