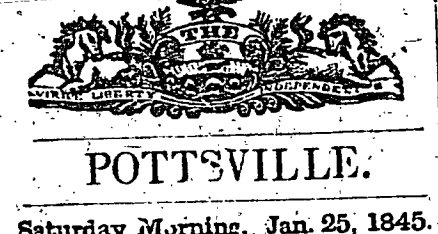


I have given a brief historical sketch of the Schuylkill Navigation Company, and a description of the present works and their tributary trade.



VOLENEY B. PALMER, At the Real Estate and Coal Agencies, No. 62 Pine Street, Philadelphia.

Gov. Shunk's Inaugural Address will be found in another column. It is very brief—and on the subject of the State credit is orthodox.

Gov. Porter has pardoned Milton J. Alexander, convicted for murdering Mr. Lougee, in Philadelphia, about a year and a half ago.

HARRIS' PICTORIAL BIBLE—No. 17 of this magnificent work has been issued. It seems to improve as it progresses, and certainly exhibits the most beautiful specimens of printing we have ever seen.

REPORT ON THE SCHUYLKILL NAVIGATION.—Our first page taken up entirely with Mr. Roberts' Report on the enlargement of the Canal.

LOCAL MUSIC.—Few places of the same size and population as Pottsville, can boast so much good music. In addition to the numerous excellent Bands already in existence, a new Brass Band is being organized to be under the direction of Mr. P. A. ...

ATTEMPT TO COMMIT A RAPE.—An Irishman, by the name of James Logie, was committed to prison at Orwigsburg, on Tuesday last, charged with attempting to commit a rape on a girl of the name of Jane Davis, aged about 14 years, residing near Walesville.

GREEN'S WHO ALMANAC.—About thirty thousand copies of this Almanac has been sold within the last four weeks, and the demand still continues. A few copies remain unsold at this office.

ARTHUR'S LADY'S MAGAZINE.—We are gratified to learn that the first edition of the January Number, of this excellent and cheap publication, has been exhausted, and that the publishers have been obliged to issue a large second edition.

SENATORS FROM NEW YORK.—The Legislature of New York, has elected John A. Dix, and Daniel S. Dickinson, U. S. Senators, from that State. Mr. Foster, who was appointed by Gov. Bouck, has leave to retire. It is stated that both the new Senators are opposed to the annexation of Texas.

THE "AMERICAN RAIL ROAD JOURNAL" has been greatly improved, by its editor, Mr. D. K. Minor, and is now published weekly at three dollars per annum. It is an invaluable work for all persons interested in Railroads.

THEIR LIFE OF NAPOLEON.—Messrs. Carey & Hart have issued the first number of the History of the Empire of Napoleon, by M. Thiers, author of the History of the French Revolution. This is a wonderful and beautiful work, showing imagination, taste, spiritiveness, and sentiment.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL.—In the Annual Report to the Legislature, touching the Militia of the Commonwealth and the public arms and ordnances and military stores, says there are 17 Major Generals in the State, 39 Brigades, 168 Regiments, by numbers; 1452 militia companies; 223,243 militia; 622 Volunteer companies; 4390 volunteers; 3591 artillery; 14,129 infantry; 12,322 dragoons; 258,043 aggregate of brigades; 258,060 aggregate of divisions; 82 six-pounders; 5 brass four-pounders; 34 iron six-pounders; 25 pieces of harness; 19,725 muskets; 16,007 bayonets; 15,554 cartridge boxes.

THE COAL MINING ASSOCIATION OF SCHUYLKILL COUNTY, held their Twelfth Annual Meeting at the Pennsylvania Hall, on Thursday evening. After the business of the meeting was transacted, the members and a few invited guests sat down to a sumptuous supper, served up by the host of the Hall, in his usual style of elegance and excellence.

DEFALCATION AT WASHINGTON.

Mr. McNulty, the Clerk of the House, expelled from the House, has been discovered to be a defaulter. He has been expelled from the House, and his name has been struck from the roll of members.

STATISTICS OF THE SCHUYLKILL COAL REGION.

The increase of trade in the Schuylkill Coal Region, has been steadily and rapidly progressive, and facilities for extended operations have been multiplied and improved every year.

THE SURETY COURT DESCRIBED.

We are gratified that a movement is being made at Harrisburg, to reduce the number of Judges on the bench of the Supreme Court from five to three.

THE LADIES' NATIONAL MAGAZINE.

The Ladies' National Magazine for February is embellished with two handsome engravings and a plate of Fashions for this month which will, we suppose, give it especial interest with the Ladies.

GOODE'S LADIES' BOOK.

Goode's Ladies' Book, for February, is our first. It contains four engravings; the two first are really beautifully drawn, and well executed.

THE LEGISLATURE.

This being inauguration week, very little business was transacted in the Legislature. James R. Snowden, has been elected, State Treasurer, in place of Job Mann, the present incumbent.

READERS RAIL ROAD REPORT.

This document has been published, from which we glean the following items: The whole expense of the Road, Machinery, &c., cost up to the 1st of December last, \$9,547,569 84 cents.

EXPENDITURES.

Table with columns: Expenditures, Amount. Items include: Exp. of transporting a ton of Coal from Pottsville to Richmond, including repairs of Engines and Cars during the year, \$1 8-10 cents.

THE HOV. JOHN P. HALE.

Representative from New Hampshire, has addressed a lengthy and very able letter to his constituency upon the Texas project. Mr. Hale takes bold grounds against annexation, and attacks the disorganizing and paralyzing arguments with which the leaders of the party have attempted to carry a measure.

MURDERS.—THE PAPERS FROM ALMOST EVERY SECTION.

The papers from almost every section of the country, teem with accounts of murders, the bare recital of which almost sickens the heart, in contemplating the depravity of human nature.

ANOTHER MURDER.—A GERMAN BY THE NAME OF ANDREW TREAGER.

A German by the name of Andrew Treager, was found murdered in his house, in the Northern Liberties of Philadelphia on Monday. The deceased was about 35 years of age, and followed the business of plaster-parian image making.

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SCHUYLKILL NAVIGATION.

Mr. Bancroft—Whether his habit of investigation or enterprising disposition entitle me to the notice of our citizens, when they desire information on Canal interests, I am unable to say; but as frequent calls are made upon me to this effect, and with your permission, I will answer such interrogatories next week—marking now that the contemplated enlargement will go on—mechanics will again feel the benefits of regular employment—and our wharves again be enlivened with the clatter of our mineral treasures. Yours, &c. J. M. C.

NATURALIZATION LAWS.

A number of Petitions have been presented to Congress at the present session, asking an alteration in the Naturalization Laws. In the Senate the petitions were referred to the Judiciary Committee, and Commissioners have issued from that body to certain individuals in the different cities, to receive testimony on the subject.

FROM TEXAS—ANNEXATION WOULD DOUBT.

A letter from Texas dated Galveston, Jan. 6. It is believed that Duff Green, who is Consul at that port, has offered something like a bribe to the Executive of Texas, on the subject of annexation; at all events the President has issued a proclamation dissolving all connection or intercourse, with Mr. Green.

GOVERNOR DORR.—THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE RHODE ISLAND LEGISLATURE.

The House of Representatives of the Rhode Island Legislature, has passed an act to liberate Thomas W. Dor, conditioned that he shall go before the Supreme Court and take the oath of allegiance to the State; and empowering the warden of the State Prison to conduct him before the Court, if he shall signify his willingness to take the oath.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.—THE PACKET SHIP OXFORD, ARRIVED AT NEW YORK, ON SUNDAY LAST.

The Packet Ship Oxford, arrived at New York, on Sunday last, bringing four days later intelligence. Cotton had advanced 1 per cent, and the prices were firm—a matter of considerable importance to the cotton market.

THE ENGLISH PAPERS CONTAIN NOTICES OF THE EXTREME DUTY OF SEASON.

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INAUGURAL ADDRESS OF FRANCIS R. SHUNK.

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