

It strange I should make such an extraordinary use of myself? I put spurs to Rosinante, and had hardly got clear of the shop of the honest hunter, before I heard a rifle whistle, which I saw struck a fine buck just about the instant I heard the report. The deer made a single leap and fell dead. "So much," says I, "for the difference between an honest hunter and a highwayman!" It shows what suspicion will do when once excited; but I must confess suspicion was pretty natural under the circumstances.

POTTSVILLE. Saturday Morning, Dec. 13, 1845.

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AGENTS FOR THE MINERS' JOURNAL. Philadelphia—Charles B. De Forest. Baltimore—Henry S. Shiloh. Who are authorized to receive subscriptions and advertisements for the Miners' Journal.

ADMITTED.—During the present Court, William Parker, of the Philadelphia Bar, and ex-Judge Charles B. De Forest, now also of the Philadelphia Bar, were admitted to the bar of the Philadelphia Bar, on motion of C. Loester, Esq., admitted to practice in the several Courts of the State.

DECEASED.—Mr. Storch has concluded his first quarter, and will commence a second, in the course of next week. Those who have children to send, or wish to have lessons, will find it to their advantage to embrace the present opportunity. Mr. S. is a good teacher, and all his pupils progress rapidly.

THE WEATHER.—SLEETING.—The markets.—We have had rather more moderate weather during the present week than we had last week. One or two days of this have been followed by a cold wind which has made the sleighing, if any difference, better than it was before the storm.

The excellent sleighing has caused an unusually large amount of provision to be brought into Pottsville from the neighboring counties. The borough has presented a very lively appearance this week. Sleighs of all sorts and sizes, loaded with pork, poultry, butter, &c. have been coming in upon us, and on Wednesday, Centre Street was fairly blocked up with vehicles of every description. Notwithstanding the amount of provisions that are brought in, the price is constantly increasing.

CONVICTION.—Murphy, charged with murdering James Wainwright, Messrs. Haywood & Snyder's watchman, a few months since, was tried at Orwigburg on Saturday last. After hearing some testimony in his plea guilty to the charge of manslaughter, and was sentenced to two years imprisonment in the Penitentiary, by Judge Kiddler.

REPORT OF THE GRAND JURY.—We refer our readers to the report of the Grand Jury, which will be found in another column. The Court ordered it to be published. The practice of some of the Justices in returning cases to Court has increased to such an extent that it has called for a severe rebuke from that body.

WE regret to announce the death of Mr. J. M. Gantz, an estimable citizen of Mount Carbon, Agent for the Delaware Coal Company, who was respected and esteemed by all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. He unfortunately ruptured a blood vessel while on a visit to Philadelphia, about two weeks since, which was the cause of his death. We sincerely sympathize with his bereaved family and sincerely hope they were removed to Philadelphia this morning for interment.

Some of the Philadelphia papers appear to think it strange that Coal should be scarce in Pottsville. Strange though it may seem, it is nevertheless true. Owing to the demand abroad for Coal, the price has risen in this borough until it is put in the cellars, while it only costs \$4 50 per ton in Philadelphia, and many of our citizens have thus far been unable to get their winter supplies. We learn that complaints are made throughout the Coal Region, that it is almost impossible to get good Coal for family use.

THE SUB-TREASURY. Gold for Office-holders and Deers for the People. The Secretary of the Treasury has recommended the passage of a Sub-Treasury law, more edifying in its features than the one in operation during Van Buren's administration, which was condemned by the people at the ballot boxes, and which was repealed the first year of the last administration, in 1841. He advises that for 10 months nothing but gold and silver be received and disbursed by government—not even the notes of the best specie, paying banks being considered good enough for the office-holders under the present administration to finger.

Should the recommendation of Mr. Walker be acted upon, the results to the country would be most disastrous. There is now lying in the vaults of various banks about \$7,000,000, which belongs to the National Treasury, and which would at once be withdrawn, and the whole amount would be paid in gold and silver. So much specie being taken from these banks at one time, would depress their credit, and diminish their circulation, would depress their capabilities for transacting business, and prevent them from affording facilities to business men.

The recommendation of the Secretary has already caused a depression in the stock market, which is the best index of the state of the money market, and should the bill pass, its blighting influence will be severely felt by the whole business community. It is also a direct blow at the price of labor. Cripple the operations of the banks, decrease the amount of money in circulation, and of necessity all sorts of business will be prostrated, and the wages of labor be diminished. Next to a reduction of the Tariff, no greater calamity could happen to the working men than the passage of a Sub-Treasury law. It seems that the administration are nothing for the poor man. Under the deceptive cry of "Cheap Goods and Hard Money," which they used to so much purpose prior to the reduction of the former Tariff, they will reduce the Tariff, close our factories, throw thousands of operatives out of employment, pass another Sub-Treasury law, and make wages as low as they were previous to the Tariff of 1842.

THE STUPIDEST FRAUD Practiced upon the people by the Locofoco leaders.

Every Locofoco leader of common intelligence throughout the country, from the capture of 1844, that James K. Polk was one of the most uncompromising opponents of the Protective system that could be found in the Union. When in Congress, he used all means in his power to promote the repeal of the Tariff Act of 1842, 1828. After the passage of the Tariff Act of 1842, in his stump speeches throughout Tennessee, he denounced that act in the bitterest terms, and declared that in his opinion it might not be known extensively enough, through his published speeches, he published the following address to the people of Tennessee, over his own signature, in order that his views might not be misunderstood.

W. WALKER, May 27th, 1845. To the People of Tennessee: The object which I had in proposing to Gov. Jones, at Nashville on the 19th of April last, that we should write out and publish our views and opinions on the subject of the Tariff, was, that our respective countries might be better understood and understood by the people. That my opinions were already fully known, I could not doubt. I HAD FREELY AND OPENLY expressed my views on the subject of the Tariff in CONGRESS, BEEN OPPOSED TO A PROTECTIVE POLICY, RECORDED MY VOTES AND PUBLISHED SPEECHES PROVE. Since I retired from Congress I held the same opinions. In the PROPOSITION TO THE TARIFF ACT OF THE LATE WHIG CONGRESS, I VOTED MY OPINION PROTECTIVE IN CHARACTER, AND NOT DESIGNED BY MY OPINION AS A REVENUE CHARACTER, AND NOT DESIGNED BY MY OPINION AS A REVENUE CHARACTER.

The genuineness of the above letter has never been disputed. It was published in all the Whig Journals, but it was carefully excluded from all the Locofoco papers, in order that the leaders might more effectually practice their deception upon the people.

The following letter, which is also genuine, was published in all the Whig papers, but it was excluded from the Locofoco Journals, in order to conceal Mr. Clay's views of the Protective Policy, and the Tariff of 1842:

ASHLAND, June 25th, 1845. My opinions, such as they are, have been written and expressed at the South, as I ever uttered them at the North. I have frequently maintained, that in adjusting a Tariff for revenue, discrimination ought to be made in favor of the protection of the industry of the country, and not in favor of the protection of the industry of the country, and not in favor of the protection of the industry of the country.

Henry Clay is well known to have been the father of the Protective System in this country. He framed and introduced the first Protective Tariff Bill that ever was passed by Congress, and both in his speeches and letters, he has always advocated the doctrine of Protection.

Knowing that the above letters, expressing the sentiments of the two candidates upon the subject of the Protective Tariff, were published, the leaders of the Locofoco party adopted desperate measures to get the reins of government in their own hands. They wanted office, and regardless of truth, reckless of the consequences upon the country and the laboring portion of the community, they commenced their game of deception. They asserted that all the extracts from Mr. Polk's speeches and letters, which were published for the purpose of proving that Polk was a Free Trade man, were "Whig lies," and proclaimed that Polk was a better Protective Tariff man than Henry Clay. They declared that if Polk was elected the Tariff would remain unchanged; but if he was not, it would be so altered as to destroy its protective features. They raised their Hickory poles, and placed at their tops signs upon which were inscribed "Polk and the Tariff of 1842." On the stump, in their papers, and upon their banners, they attempted to prove that Polk and the Locofoco party were truly the friends of Protection.

By such representations as these were the people of Pennsylvania gulled into the support of James K. Polk. The Locofoco leaders knew well that they could not get the electoral vote of Pennsylvania, for any man whom the people knew to be an opponent of Protection.

Now that the President's views upon the subject of a Protective Tariff have been placed before the people in his message, in such a way that there can be no mistake concerning those views, let us look a little while at the effects which would result from the proposed reduction of the Tariff. The President says that the Tariff of 1842 must be reduced to the Revenue standard, and Secretary Walker fixes the Revenue standard at twenty per cent. At this rate, even if discriminations are made, the duty on coal, on the ad valorem principle, cannot exceed forty cents per ton. The present duty, imposed by the Tariff of 1842, is a specific duty of \$1 75 per ton. Should that duty be reduced to forty cents, as is proposed, the wages of labor must be reduced as low, if not lower than they were three years ago, to enable our operations to compete with the foreign article. Let us go into a little calculation to show what love the Locofoco leaders have for the laboring men, and illustrate the great measure of the administration intended for their especial benefit.

There are about four thousand men directly employed as miners and laborers in the Coal field of Schuylkill county. According to Walker's standard, wages must be reduced from twenty-five to thirty cents per day below the present rates. Suppose we say only twenty cents per day. This would cause, on four thousand men, a loss

Per day of \$800
" week 4,800
" month 21,600
" year 216,000

Two hundred and sixteen thousand dollars out of which the miners and laborers directly engaged in the coal works of Schuylkill county, will be sustained, per annum should the Tariff be reduced to Walker's standard.

But what do the Locofoco papers of Pennsylvania say to the proposed reduction of the Tariff? Occasionally we meet with one which cries out in piteous tones, "Pray, Mr. Polk don't meddle with the Tariff of 1842; don't deprive it of its protective features; don't reduce the duties on coal and iron." If you do we shall be placed in a very unpleasant position before the people of Pennsylvania. But we have seen no more avowed opposition to the views of the President. We see no open denunciation of Lieber's course. On the contrary, the message is lauded to the skies as one of the most masterly, patriotic, and statesman-like documents ever sent from the Capitol, thus strengthening the administration, and giving it the power to carry out one of the most destructive measures ever recommended for the adoption of Congress.

We shall now next week that the views of the Locofoco leaders in this region, and those of James K. Polk are identically the same, and that their pretended attachment to the Tariff of 1842 is a deception practiced upon the people for the purpose of lulling them into quiet, while Congress carries out the recommendation of the President.

Flour.—The price of flour has receded in price from 12 1/2 to 25 cents per barrel, since the last week previous to the Tariff of 1842.

COMMUNICATED. An adjourned meeting of those interested in the mining operations on the Valley Road, held at the Pennsylvania Hotel on Monday evening, the 8th inst.

A large representation of the parties were in attendance, many of the grievances under which they have been suffering during the past season, were talked over and discussed. The sense of opinion appeared to be in favor of the present as to the evils complained of, and of the necessity of having them speedily removed. The meeting finally appointed a committee to confer with the President and Managers of the Valley Road, as to the difficulties connected with the committee to report to a meeting to be held at the same place on Monday evening next, at 7 1/2 o'clock. Punctual attendance is requested, not only on the part of those who were present at the last meeting, but also those who were not then in attendance.

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All sorts of Items.

The Board of Council of Reading have authorized the taking of the census. Another division of the sons of Temperance will soon be organized in that borough.

The city of Boston is about to be supplied with water, from Long Pond, at an expense of \$2,511,643.

The Board of Aldermen of Boston still persist in refusing to concur with the resolution of the Common Council, in electing a new Mayor. The citizens had better take the question into their own hands—considering that it is they who are most interested. They have done it.

Another fire recently occurred in Pittsburgh, which about twenty houses were burnt. Loss estimated at \$300,000.

There are three thousand and fifty-eight Totebags among the Cherokees, a tribe which is acquiring many of the virtues but few of the vices of civilization.

A man in Brooklyn N. Y. was recently robbed of all his money, and after being severely beaten, was forced, under pain of being shot, to give the robber a certain sum of money. He was released from his perilous situation the next day.

What are the ways of Providence? asked a Sunday School teacher of an arch in his class. "The Railroad to Boston, and steamboat New York," was the reply.

The trial of C. J. McNulty, late Clerk of the House of Representatives, for embezzlement of the public money, is to be resumed during the term of the Criminal Court at Washington commencing on Monday last.

There have been heavy snow storms throughout the Northern and Eastern States recently.

BAGGAGE-GAME.—A Detroit paper gives a statement of the public patronage enjoyed by a single family in the State of Michigan, named "The Family of the State," which they have received an aggregate amount of \$16,794 during the present year alone from the public purse. This is bagging game with a vengeance.

Men catch manners from one another as easily as they do diseases. It is no more possible for a man to catch the small-pox or measles, than it is to catch the manners of the gentleman.

A. G. Brown is re-elected Governor of Mississippi, and R. W. Roberts, Stephen Adams, Jefferson Davis, and Jacob Thompson elected to Congress.

A young lad lost his arm, the week before last, by being caught in the machinery of a steam engine. A present of THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS was made up for him—three hundred dollars was given by the company, and THREE THOUSAND by the hands employed, the female and male operatives addressed a large audience at Faneuil Hall on Thursday evening; he was received with great applause.

Two persons were recently murdered near Tabular, the capital of the Cherokee country. They were out hunting hogs, and were horribly mutilated when found. The perpetrators of the outrage are known, but fear to appear before the law, from denouncing them. The county is very unsettled.

A Steamboat for the Hudson is being built at New-York, of 14,000 tons, 310 feet long, 40 feet beam, 72 feet wide on deck, 103 feet high, and propelled by an engine of 600 horse power.

From Peter Pan Conk.—The Gazette published at Holly Springs, Mississippi, says that corn is selling at that place at two dollars per barrel, and with a prospect of increase in price—all owing to drought probably.

It is one of the most common errors of mankind to think that the possession of something which they cannot attain would greatly increase their happiness.

CITY ENCROACHMENT.—An old citizen of New Orleans stated in evidence the other day, that the city had encroached upon the river one third of a mile within the last forty years.

You didn't go to the City, Paddy? "Oh, no," said Paddy, "but a gentleman says there would be an eclipse of the moon here to-night, and I stayed to see it."

TO TAKE STAINS OUT OF SILK.—Mix together, in a gill, two ounces of essence of lemon, one ounce of oil of turpentine. Grease and dirt may be removed with a linen rag dipped in the above composition.

Lawyers find their fees in the faults of our nature, as woodpeckers get the worms out of the rotting parts of trees.

A young man was killed a short time since, by falling through the hatchway, from the fourth story to the cellar of the book-store of Messrs. Lindsey and Black, in Boston Street.

How JAMES M. NILES, U. S. Senator from Connecticut has just taken to himself a second wife—Miss Jane Pratt, of Spencerwood, Columbia county, N. Y.

IN A QUANDRY.—There is an eccentric fellow in Germanopolis, who last week sat up all night because he could not describe, with his own first hand, his own boots!

THE founder of the National Intelligencer, S. H. Smith Esq. has bequeathed \$100,000 to the Columbian Typographical society. An example