Miners' Journal.

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THE PROTECTIVE POLICY OF THE COUNTRY: The People Demand its Restoration!

For President,
General ZACHARY TAYLOR;
Subject to the Decision of the Whig National Convention

For Canal Commissioner,
NER MIDDLESWARTH.

☞ The circulation of the Miners' Journal is greater than any other paper published in Northern Pennsylvania, and has nearly double the circulation of any other published in Schuylkill county. It also circulates largely among capitalists, manufacturers, iron and coal dealers, throughout the Atlantic and Eastern States.

PLEASE OBSERVE.—Communications, advertisements, &c., for this paper, must hereafter be handed in as early in the week as possible, and none can be admitted after 12 o'clock on Friday. This arrangement is rendered necessary by the alteration in the hour of the departure of the Eastern mail, which will compel us to go to press at 2 o'clock on Friday afternoon, as well as our large circulation, which requires much more time to print off the edition than formerly.

MOUNT CARBON HOUSE.—This well known establishment has been for some time in the hands of Wm. G. Johnson, Esq. who spares no expense or exertion to maintain its high character. There is a fine park and promenade ground connected with it; a private bowling-saloon, &c. which, added to the retiracy of the location, render it one of the most pleasant resorts during the summer season, to be found in the country. The magnificent Scenery of this region, and the stupendous improvements connected with its trade are particularly inviting, as well to the lover of nature, as the scientific student. To such, coming on brief visits, and especially when accompanied by their families, the Mount Carbon House would perhaps be placed first in their estimation.

WE MAKE copious extracts this week from the News by the Caledonia. To many of our readers this intelligence will no doubt come second-handed; but there are many others whose opportunities of informing themselves of the progress of events in the Old World, are not of daily occurrence, and who feel themselves quite as deeply interested as the majority of their fellow citizens.

THERE HAS BEEN little news afloat during the past and present week. Nothing doing in Congress—nothing going on in Mexico—no Treaty—no Peace—no fighting—no election news—no "astounding disclosures"—in short, there is scarcely anything of even ordinary importance to notice. Sorry for it.

WE HAD A fine rain on Wednesday night, which continued over to Thursday night, with slight intermissions. Cold weather on Thursday and Friday.

OUTSIDE PAGES.—We have taken up, perhaps (and we hope) for the last time, the outside pages exclusively with advertisements. We could'nt avoid it, will; but hereafter we shall supply our usual variety of matter, come what may.

A WORD, friends and fellow-citizens! The Presidential election is coming on, with great rapidity; the business season is at hand, and the next twelve months will be pregnant with political, commercial and general interest. You should therefore supply yourself, each and every one of you, with a newspaper,—a weekly newspaper, wherein you can see those things which must concern you, as the advertisements of your neighbors, the deaths and marriages, the court proceedings, the Sheriff's and Treasurer's sales, &c. &c. Now is a very suitable time to subscribe to the *Miners' Journal*. We are holding back for the "good time coming," which we expect will be along here early in the next month. After that, with our banners all perfectly arranged, and the track cleanly swept, we think and believe that we can make the old *family-horse* "travel" along with his fellows, and perhaps go *a-head* of them a length or two! See terms.

THE POLITICAL FIELD.

The startling movements in the Old World have so far engrossed the attention of the people of this country, and have wrought such sudden and singular effects upon our financial, political, and social affairs, that we have comparatively almost forgotten that a President of the United States must be elected the ensuing fall. The preliminary arrangements necessary to place the candidates before the people, will be completed in two or three weeks hence, and then the old party lines will be drawn, the old banners will again be unfurled, and the tug of partizan warfare will commence in earnest.

We have purposely withheld as far as practicable, any expression of individual preference as to candidates. In these times, when everything changes with each passing breeze, there is no certainty or any stability in the choice of men. We have ever believed, and believe now more firmly than ever, that the best and only hope of the Whig party for *success* lies in its *principles*. If these be correct, they will be sustained and carried out yet in proper season. All that reasonable men desire in this contest, is that the line of principles may be drawn—and that good and just men may be selected to *represent* their respective principles. It matters little to us, therefore, who the Whig candidate may be, so that he is a Whig, and conforms to the usages of the Whig creed. Neither care we who the Locofoco candidate may be—it is enough for us to understand the principles he will represent. Neither care we who or how many independent candidates there may be—we know not the *principles* they entertain, and consequently are unprepared to judge. We cannot *forego* principles for the sake of men—a Christian might as well give up his faith and cease to worship, for the purpose of glorifying the preacher.

In the Whig Convention, the probability is that the choice will lie between Gen. Winfield Scott, and the Hon. Henry Clay. Both of these eminent gentlemen are so closely identified with the principles and policy of the Whig party, that we confess little preference remains for one over the other. Our sympathies, however, are with Mr. Clay; and his commanding talents, which have won the respect and admiration of the whole civilized world, eminently fit him for the Presidency; while his early and intimate connection with our Government, and his earnest advocacy and defence of the principles we espouse, through a long life of public service, peculiarly identify his name with them, and gives them, if possible, additional strength and lustre. If nominated, there can be no doubt whatever of his election, no matter whom the Locofocos may select. We are aware that an assertion of this kind may seem hazardous and premature—but our readers must bear in mind that the political field presents at present a somewhat unusual appearance. Things are unsettled; the business of the country is becoming embarrassed; revolutions are occurring *at home* as well as abroad; and besides there will be one, if not several *independent* candidates in the field. New principles and new facts have arisen since the last Presidential election, and there are people who hated the name of Clay before, and who placed no confidence in his wisdom or in the virtues of his principles, who would *now* forego no personal sacrifice to secure his election! So-called "Democracy" has brought about the very evils that we were warned against, and has given rise to *issues* which will hurl that "long, low, black schooner" to the bottom of the political sea.

The recent circular of Mr. Clay, submitting his name to a National Convention, has occasioned some surprize in certain quarters. Like many other acts of this great man, it is, deemed so bold and fearless that instead of endeavoring to comprehend its true object, many persons could only find fault with it, and make it the occasion for heaping abuse upon its author. But Mr. Clay seldom commits a blunder. That circular was intended—expressly intended to divide the choice of the Convention between himself and Gen. Scott, and thereby *cut off* another prominent candidate! Why was this done? Let us inquire:

For our part, we believe that Gen Scott would run very nearly, if not quite as well as Mr. Clay. But let us suppose Mr. Clay the candidate, and we cannot but believe that he will secure the votes of New York, Ohio, Tennessee, Kentucky, Massachusetts, North Carolina, Maryland, New Jersey, Connecticut, Vermont, Rhode Island, Maine, and Delaware, all of which, except New York and Maine, he had before—making 150 votes—majority over all 4. Now, Gen. Taylor, the *independent candidate*, can and will carry Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Michigan, Florida, Texas, Arkansas, and Illinois, making 41 votes; and he will render *doubtful* (as they would be if but two *regular* candidates were running) Virginia, Pennsylvania, Indiana, and Georgia, *all of which* voted for Gen. Harrison. Now, then, where is the Locofoco vote to come from?

It is conceded on all hands that no anti-Wilmot Proviso Locofoco can carry the State of N. York; and it is equally as certain that while a Proviso man *might* secure it, S. Carolina, Virginia, Missouri, &c., would be lost. There is no other alternative, therefore, but that the Whig candidate can carry this State by an overwhelming majority, and whoever carries it and Ohio, will be the *next President of the United States*. As goes New York, goes the Union. Such has been the case for years past, and such is the fact now.

THERE MUST BE REFORM.

There must be some radical reform in Congress. The people are keen for it, and the best members of that body concur in the opinion that the reduction of the pay is indispensable. There are several classes of people there—many of them real business-men, as lawyers in good practice, physicians, planters, merchants, manufacturers, &c. who anxiously endeavor to dispatch the business of the nation, so as to get home in reasonable time to attend to their own affairs. But there is another class, whose sole object and interest it is to prolong the session; it is not indeed, numerous, but what it lacks in number is amply made up in bluster and noise, and confusion, which the present rules of the House not only concede, but the proceedings of the whole body are thereby governed. These fellows live higher, drink freer, are of more consequence, and get more money than they ever did previously, at home, or ever will get again. They pocket $56 per week each, and on a fair average, there is not one of them whose talents would, under ordinary circumstances, command $20 per week in the common affairs of life.

In addition to this sum, many of them receive small fortunes in the shape of mileage. The two Senators and Representatives from Texas, receive each for every session about $2500. The Senators from Arkansas will this year take over $6000 out of the Treasury, merely for mileage. This is laying it on pretty thick—$3000 each for going to and returning from Washington! Why, in this day of locomotion, the tour of the whole continent of Europe could be made for that sum, if not for a less amount. The Honorable members from Oregon, and California, and Mexico, will soon be coming in, carpet-bags in hand, at the rate of about $10,000 each for mileage! When this occurs, we think it will be high time to pause.

Our Olla Podrida.

☞ *American Fame.*—A correspondent of the Boston *Advertiser* states that the late argument of Daniel Webster, before the Supreme Court of the United States, in the Dorr case, has been translated into Italian at Bologne, in Italy, as a sound exposition of popular government.

☞ *Columbia River.*—A new and excellent channel has been discovered at the mouth of the Columbia River, Oregon. This makes three entrances to the river through which ships can pass. There were nearly two thousand wagons on their way to Oregon at last accounts.

☞ *Nicknames* hang to a man worse than a crime. Mr. Polk's pet hero and quondam law partner, is now pretty generally known as the "Pillowcase," from the fact of his being *a case*. Again we find him spoken of as "Major General Leonidas Ditch-digger."

☞ *The True Yankee* never answers one question without asking another. Accustomed to 'swap" by instinct, he never gives away an answer; he must have another in exchange—and he often drives as profitable a bargain in ideas as in notions.

☞ *Heavy Damages.*—A suit for slander was tried in the Fayette (Ky.) Circuit Court on Thursday last, in which Mrs. Elizabeth White was plaintiff, and Benjamin A. Muir defendant, and a verdict for $6000 in damages was rendered for the plaintiff.

☞ *Prince Metternich*, with his son and daughter, arrived in London on the 20th. The Austrian Minister, the Earl of Aberdeen, Lord Brougham, the Duke of Wellington, and other distinguished persons called upon them.

☞ *The Bonapartes.*—Three of the Bonaparte family are now candidates in Corsica for seats in the National Assembly, viz: Louis Napoleon; Napoleon, son of Jerome Bonaparte, and Pierre, son of Lucien.

☞ *Dear Sport.*—A fellow tried to play the ghost a few nights since, in Cincinnati, by winding a sheet around him; but, being caught, was beaten so severely that it is feared he will become a ghost in earnest.

☞ *To be Hung.*—Tom, the slave convicted of a rape upon a respectable white lady, in Anne Arundel county, Md., is to be hung on Friday, the 19th of June. The Governor has signed his death warrant.

☞ *The N. Y. Police Gazette* does not hesitate to charge the Philadelphia Police with a knowledge of the robbers of the Chester County Bank, and participation in the chances of profit, in a contemplated compromise.

☞ *Pennsylvania.*—In the XVIIth Dist. of Pennsylvania, Jno. L. Dawson and Mr. Cummings, both Locofocos, are self-nominated for Congress. Hon. Andrew Stewart represents this District.

☞ *There are in France* 34 millions of Roman Catholics, and only some few thousands of Protestants. So says Mr. Cheever, delegate from the Paris Tract Society.

☞ *The New York Herald* says there is a movement going on in that city, in favor of Gov. Shunk for the Presidency. "The fools are not all dead, yet!"

☞ *Fanny Forrester.*—The Maulmain Free *Press* for December 24th, announces that a daughter was born to Mrs. Judson on the morning of that day.

☞ *Lieut. Crittenden*, son of the Senator, who acquainted Santa Anna with the disagreeable fact that "General Taylor never surrenders," is now at Cincinnati.

☞ *Poverty of Guizot.*—A London letter to the New York Literary *World*, states that Guizot and his family are now in London, actually in a state of destitution.

☞ *Human Nature.*—Pick a low-lived fellow from the gutter, and render him respectable, and ten chances to one he will be the first to become your enemy, and slander you on every occasion.

☞ *At Liverpool*, the Exchange was cleared of a mob by the fire-engines: at Kennington Common a shower of dense rain answered the same purpose.

☞ *Just So.*—In the present unsettled state of Europe, the London bankers give a preference to bills from the United States, and this class of paper is now anxiously sought after.

☞ *Plainfield Bank Dividend.*—The receivers, it is thought, will be able to pay about six cents on the dollar, on the bills presented.

☞ *The Volunteers* of Philadelphia are making arrangements to give Gen. Cadwallader a brilliant reception on his return home.

☞ *Changed the Flag.*—The Pittsburg *Journal* has hauled down the Taylor flag and, placed the name of Clay at its mast-head.

☞ *Why is a Soldier* more tired in the month of April than any other month? Because he has just had a March of thirty-one days.

☞ *A great many* Philadelphians are removing to Camden, this spring, where a large number of houses are going up.

☞ *Mike Walsh*, who has gone to Boston to edit the *Herald*, was refused permission to speak at a liberty meeting the other night.

☞ *The Human Mind*, says Marioti, "walks in England; it skips and capers in France; it plods and grapes in Germany—in Italy soars!"

☞ *What fish* does a newly married lady pride herself upon, at dinner, on her wedding-day? (Herring) Her ring.

☞ *Why is a man* in a crowded boarding house like a rheumatic person? Because he's troubled with the *room-mate*-ism.

☞ *The case of a husband* abandoning his wife and family on account of her religious opinions, is now before the Philadelphia courts.

☞ *Good Law.*—In Buffalo a man is fined $25 if he erects a building without setting out shade trees in front of it.

☞ *Cattle on Foot* are now selling in Cincinnati at the high price of $5,75 per hundred!

☞ *There is said* to be a girl in Boston whose heart is so warm that it burns through her bosom.

☞ *Attempts* are being made to induce the Pope to abolish the celibacy of the clergy.

Local Items;

☞ *Church Dedication.*— We neglected to mention last week the consecration to the service of God, of Zion's Church at Tuscarora, on Sunday, the 25th ult. It was consecrated by the Rt. Rev. Bishop of the Diocese, Alonzo Potter, D.D., LL. D.; and the Rev. Mr. Evans was installed as pastor. The church is a neat edifice, and exhibits the liberality and Christian spirit of the donator, Mr. Cornelius Stevenson, of Philadelphia, (the present Treasurer of that city.) It was erected at a cost of between three and four thousand dollars. Mr. Stevenson is joint owner of some coal lands in Tuscarora, but as yet no actual profit has been derived from them. The act, therefore, is the more generous from this circumstance. There are those who receive annually from five to 20,000 dollars from our region, in the shape of rents from coal lands, who have never been known to contribute a cent for a church, a school house, or any other object calculated to improve the moral condition of our population. There are some exceptions to the rule; but as a general thing the moral, physical, and intellectual condition of the people of this region rests with those who reside here, while the owners of the land elsewhere grow rich upon the fruits of their labor. Some slight acknowledgement, we think, should be occasionally made; and the course of Mr. Stevenson, points out a splendid example for others to follow.—Who'll do it?

☞ *Theatricals.*—We perceive by the Reading papers that a Theatrical corps is giving representations in that good old Dutch town. We understand that the "manager" has an idea of coming to this place. Unless his company has more than the ordinary merits of itinerant artistes, he might as well stay where he is.

☞ *The Circus.*—The performances of the Circus which visited us on Wednesday, much to our surprize, proved very insipid.

☞ *More Accidents.*—Two little girls, daughters of a gentleman named Davis, who is employed at the Reading Furnace, were instantly killed, on Monday last, near Reading, by the fast line of passenger cars. They were gathering coal near a curvature, which had just been spilled from a coal train, and which was but a few yards in advance of them, when the passenger train came round the curve, at a speed of thirty miles an hour, and before the children could be apprized of its coming, or the train checked, they were all horribly crushed to death! The accident was altogether and perfectly unavoidable—the children were but thirty yards in advance when the train rounded the curvature, and the noise of the coal train had not yet been lost. It would have been impossible to check the passenger train, so as to have avoided the horrible consequences which followed, if it had been going at a speed of but ten miles an hour.

Many accidents occur through the cattle which are allowed to wander along the line of Railroad. By a recent act of the Legislature, Railway Companies are no longer held responsible for cattle destroyed on railways, unless under aggravating circumstances. But we think much of the damage sustained by the cars and locomotives, as also by persons on them, could be avoided if wide platforms were supplied the engines, to be borne in front. These would receive a cow, or two or three of them, and bear them uninjured until the train could be stopped. A ride or two generally suffices—they never venture near the Railroad afterwards. We have seen practical illustrations of what we recommend, and we know the thing to be admirable. We once rode to a Whig Convention via railway, and for six miles at least we had the pleasure of the company of a furious bull, who attacked the locomotive with loud talk and violent gestures, but whose "heels" having been very unexpectedly up-tripped, he was borne along in triumph until the train stopped. He then walked off, apparently much frightened and subdued.

☞ *Burial of Lieut. Wunder.*—The remains of this brave and patriotic young man, were conveyed to the house of his father, in Reading, on Monday last, by Col. C. F. Jackson, of this Borough, who was specially despatched to the city of Mexico for that purpose. They will be consigned to their last resting place, this day, at 2 o'clock, with such appropriate ceremonies as his brave conduct in the battles of Mexico, and his fine character, merit and demand. The volunteer companies of this Borough, and deputations from the different Lodges of the Old Fellows, will leave here, it is understood, at 12 o'clock, for the purpose of taking part in the ceremonies of the burial, and to testify their respect for the deceased.

We regret to observe, in this connection, that Col. Jackson returns home with health much impared. It is believed, however, that he will soon regain his wanted strength.

☞ *Trinity Church—Sale of Pews.*—It will be seen by an advertisement in another column, that the Pews in the Episcopal Church, of this Borough, (with a reservation of fifty-eight, to be free) will be offered for sale on Monday, the 22d inst. and all remaining unsold, will be offered for rent. The free pews are on both sides of the middle range, and alternate in every fourth pew from the chancel; and on the side ranges, every third pew. These always remain free.

☞ *German Sympathy Meeting.*—The German citizens and others assembled on Saturday evening last, at the house of Mr. Betz, to express sentiments of sympathy and encouragement for the Revolutionary movements in Germany, and for those engaged in them. There was no lack of orators. The speeches were very good. If we may be excused for making an exception, we would say that our friend Strouse acquitted himself very creditably in his native tongue. He is a fine German Scholar, and is deservedly popular with our German citizens.

☞ *Hydrophobia.*—The Chief Burgess has issued his proclamation against all dogs found at large up to the 15th inst. We understand that the Town Council, after that date, will compel every owner of dogs to have them muzzled, and that moreover, it is their intention to enforce, for the first time, the collection of *dog taxes*. Dog taxes, if we recollect, consist of about 50 cts. for the first dog, one dollar for the second, two dollars for the third, and so on. Dogs have evidently no friends in these revolutionary times. *They* are faithful in their affections—*helas!*

☞ *Major McMicken.*—A Mexican correspondent of the North *American*, says of this gentleman, (who was formerly a resident of our Borough,) "our Northern friends will be pleased to learn that Major McMicken, who is Postmaster in the Mexican capital, has raised his Attorney's "Shingle" near the Halls of the Montezumas, and is doing a very large business."

☞ *A Second Daily Line* of Stages, to connect with the afternoon passenger Train at this place, has been started by Messrs. Peters & Co. for the accommodation of travellers across the mountains Westward to the Susquehanna. A Stage now leaves here daily, morning and afternoon, upon the arrival of the cars from Philadelphia—say at 12 M. and 6 P. M.

☞ *A Committee* of our Town Council visited Reading last week, to look at the Market House recently erected in that Borough. It is proposed to erect one in this place, but whether it will be after the style of the Reading House, we are uninformed. How would a *circular-house*, with rooms overhead, answer?

ACADEMY OF THE FINE ARTS.—This institution is now open for exhibition in Philadelphia. The galleries are stored with some of the best productions of the modern pencil. We anticipate the pleasure of seeing them in a few days.

CASSIUS M. CLAY.—The name of Cassius M. Clay was hissed at the Palo Alto celebration in Philadelphia, on the announcement of a letter from him.

☞ *A Rescue.*—There have been many bad things said of dogs of late. Here is a word in their favor. The Hartford *Courant* relates that in that city last week a little boy about three years old, son of S. D. Sheldon, fell from the wharf near the Steam Saw Mill. Mr. Sheldon's dog, a large bull terrier, plunged into the water, took him by the arm, and drawing him above the wharf, brought him in safely to the bank. Two men who came to the rescue of the child arrived just in time to find themselves anticipated by the noble and sagacious animal.

☞ *The Queen and the Babies.*—Queen Victoria will be 29 years old on the 24th inst. She was married on the 10th of February, 1840, and has already given six heirs to the throne, namely: Victoria Adelaide Maria Louisa, born November 21, 1840; Albert Edward, Prince of Wales, November 9, 1841; Alice Maud Mary, April 25, 1843; Albert Earnest Albert, August 6, 1844; Helena Augusta Victoria, May 25, 1846; and an infant born March, 1849. The allowance to each child is $135,000 a year.

☞ *A Last Rebuke.*—Marast has given a most courageous and manly rebuke to a deputation of Paris workmen who desired the government to sanction and assist the continued expulsion of foreign operatives from France. He told them that such a course was not only wrong but impolitic, because other nations could retaliate in kind to a fearful extent, and that the government must not only refuse to sanction the proposed expulsion, but endeavour to prevent it.

☞ *An Extraordinary Fact.*—The following fact speaks volumes as to the prospects of England and the United States: At the dedication of the Hancock School, in Boston, Mr. Mann stated as an interesting fact, that for the last ten years the expenditures of the city of Boston for schools were equal to the whole expenditure for schools in England, by the government, for 17,000,000 of people. They had kept pace with each other from year to year."

☞ *A Rabbi From Jerusalem.*—The Boston *Transcript*, of Tuesday, says: "The gentleman dressed in oriental costume, who has been seen in our streets for some days past, and attracted considerable attention, is M. M. Susie, a Rabbi from Jerusalem, who is on a charitable mission to this country in behalf of the suffering poor of his native city.

☞ *To make Furniture Paste.*—Scrape four ounces of bees-wax into a pot or basin, then add as much spirits of turpentine, as will moisten it through, at the same time powder one quarter of an ounce of rosin, and when it is dissolved to the consistency of paste, add as much Indian red as will bring it to a deep mahogany color; stir it up and it is fit for use.

☞ *A Fortune in Prospect.*—It is stated that a certain Alderman McBain, lately died in London, leaving property to the amount of $1,000,000. His principal heir, it is rumored, is in this country, and a citizen of Philadelphia, no other in fact than Mr. William M. Spear, well known as being connected with the newspaper press of that city.

☞ *Astor's Partner Dead.*—The New York papers announce the death of Cornelius Heeney, Esq., at Brooklyn, on Wednesday, the advanced age of 94. He was a native of Ireland, but he came here in early life, and was connected with John Jacob Astor, in the fur trade. After accumulating an ample fortune, he retired.

☞ *A Curious Fact.*—It is stated by some statistical hunter, that the sum annually expended for bread by the population of Great Britain and Ireland, amounts to twenty-five millions sterling, while the money expended in distilled and fermented drinks amounted to upwards of fifty millions annually.

☞ *A. Herr Smith, Esq.*—A correspondent of the Lancaster *Examiner*, suggests to the Whig party of that county, the name of A. Herr Smith, as a candidate for Congress. Mr. Smith was a useful member of the last Senate, and would make a great run.—[*Daily News.*

FROM MEXICO.

There was an arrival at New Orleans on the 2d inst. from Vera Cruz. There was nothing of particular interest. The Treaty remains in *statu quo*, there being no quo-rum of the Mexican Congress to ratify it. It is generally thought that it *will* be ratified, but it is at most *questionable*. At any rate, it is impossible to cypher out the precise time by any arithmetical rule.

The opinions of the members present, as far as they have been expressed, are all in favor of the ratification of the Treaty.

The trial of Lieutenants Hare and Dutton, and the men accused of the late murder and attempted burglary, was not yet finished.

A correspondent writing from Queretaro, states that from fifteen to twenty American deserters had arrived there and were immediately enlisted into the Mexican army.

SUIT FOR DAMAGES.—Mr. Nugent, one of the Washington correspondents of the New York *Herald*, and who was lately imprisoned by that body for having obtained and published the Mexican Treaty while it was yet under discussion, announces his intention to bring suit for the recovery of damages. He might as well let it alone; he deserved all he got, and more beside.

CUNARD STEAMERS.—The Cunard line of steamships arrive and depart every week alternately at Boston and New York. The Cambria will be due to-day. Her news will no doubt reach us about Monday next.

THE CROPS IN ENGLAND.—According to advices from Europe, we should not be greatly surprized if the crops there proved a failure the present season. There have been continual heavy rains for several weeks past, which have in many cases washed the seeds out of the ground. If this should have continued a few days longer, there would be no question as to the result.—Great alarm was entertained.

THE TELEGRAPH TO YORK.—The telegraph line between Baltimore and York, Pa., has been completed, and messages have been transmitted with great facility. This new line opens a direct telegraphic communication between Baltimore and the West, and also a desirable mode of intercourse with Philadelphia and the East, especially when the line by way of Havre de Grace is out of order.

CONGRESS.—We perceive that A. Herr Smith, Esq., of Lancaster, is spoken of in connection with the Congressional representation of that County. We are acquainted with Mr. Smith, and know him to be one of the most estimable citizens, as well as one of the most industrious statesmen in that County. He has faithfully represented the Old Guard in both branches of the Legislature for several years, thereby foregoing a lucrative practice at the bar. His nomination would be hailed with joy by every Whig in Pennsylvania.

TO CONTRACTORS.—Proposals will be received until the 17th inst., at the borough of Huntingdon, in this State, for the grading and masonry upon about thirty-six miles of the Pennsylvania Railroad, between Lewistown and Huntingdon, and also for the heavy work on the Little Juniata. Sections of half miles on the Wabash and Erie Canal will be allotted at Terre Haute, Indiana, on the 24th inst. The route of the Canal is surrounded on all sides by fine land, good for immediate cultivation. Said to be a splendid country for emigrants.

A CRAZY MAN broke out of the Alms House in New York, where he had been undergoing medical treatment as a lunatic, and in twenty-four hours, when he was captured, had realized three thousand dollars by speculations in Flemington Copper stocks! Copper stocks, by the way, are looking up.

POPE PIUS THE NINTH.—The present Pontiff of Rome is truly an extraordinary man. When the twelve thousand men were about to march to the succor of Lombardy, he was asked for his benediction, which he gave as follows: "As Head of the Church, I am at peace with all the universe. As an Italian Prince, I have a right to defend Italy, my country. I bless you. The cause you go to defend is a holy cause—God will make it triumph. I bless you once more. Fight and conquer in the name of the Lord." We question if there is any man living who could comprise so much meaning within so few words.

TROUBLE IN CANADA.—The spread of Republicanism in France seems to worry all the old adherents of royalty to madness, and causes them to forget prudence.—The New York *Tribune* learns from a gentleman who left Montreal on Monday noon that a meeting of the friends and adherents of Mr. Papineau was to be held there at six o'clock that evening, to congratulate the French on their success in overthrowing the monarchy and establishing republicanism. The authorities had forbidden the meeting, and the guards at all the posts were doubled, in expectation of trouble. If this be true we may have results something like that which attended the suppression of the Reform Banquets in Paris.

NEW YORK CANALS.—Business on the New York Canals meets with serious detriment for want of sufficient water. The laden boats from Albany and Troy are detained at Schenectady, or in that vicinity, and the number is large. The point of detention is between Schenectady and Frankfort. West of the latter place the canal is in a navigable state. Owing to the want of water on the levels east of Rochester, there has been a great accumulation there of boats from the West. At that place, and for ten or twelve miles East, there is a perfect crowd of boats, all heavy laden and bound to tide water.

SPECIE.—Nearly one million of dollars of specie went out of this country within the last week. The troubles are coming on. The effects of Polk's Free Trade policy are beginning to be felt. Six months hence, and we shall experience all the horrors of free-trade! The expenses of maintaining the Mexican war are at least $30,000,000 per annum, and if we are to be drained of our specie, at the rate of about $800,000 per week for British Goods, &c. it is easily seen what is to be apprehended.

GEN. TAYLOR.—It is generally believed that old Rough and Ready is opposed to the Wilmot Proviso.—If so, he'll never do.

SUNDAY PAPER.—A new paper, to be circulated on Sunday, is to be commenced shortly in Philadelphia.—The larger cities are surfeited with newspapers.

The Coal Trade for 1848.

The quantity sent by Rail Road this week is 22,498 01 —by Canal 10,985 08—for the week—33,484 09—total by Rail Road 353,607.10—do by Canal 58,199.10.

The supply this week is by far the largest ever shipped for this County in any one week, exceeding *forty four thousand tons.*

Freight by Canal remains the same as last week, and boats both to New York and Philadelphia are plenty.

Freights from Richmond to New York have advanced to 93 a 81. per ton.

Our correspondent quotes as follows:

To New York,	90 a 100	Portsmouth,	1 62½
Newark,	90	Portland,	1 62½
Providence,	1 12½	New Haven,	1 12½
Fall River,	1 25	Hartford,	1 62½
New Bedford,	1 25	Troy,	1 25
Boston,	1 50	Albany,	1 25
Salem,	1 50		

Amount of Coal sent over the Philadelphia and Reading Rail Road and Schuylkill Navigation, for the week ending on Thursday evening last:

	RAIL ROAD. WEEK.	RAIL ROAD. TOTAL.	CANAL. WEEK.	CANAL. TOTAL.
Pt. Carbon,	8,027 11	107,825 19	8,428 04	44,343 14
Pottsville,	5,779 03	61,734 18		
S. Haven,	14,721 08	146,726 14	2,540 04	14,059 10
Pt. Clinton,	3,959 12	39,309 19	000 00	154 00
	32,498 01	335,607 10	10,968 08	58,199 10
		58,199 10		
Total by R. R. & Canal,		393,807 00		

RATES OF TOLL AND TRANSPORTATION ON RAIL ROAD.

	To June 1, 1848. From Mt. Carbon.	Sch. Haven.	Pt. Clinton.
To Philadelphia,	$1 33	$1 20	$1 15
To Richmond,	1 83	1 20	1 05

RATES OF TOLL BY CANAL, to June 1, 1848.

	Mt. Carbon.	S. Haven.	Pt. Clinton.
To Philadelphia,	40 cts.	33 cts.	33½ cts.

RATES OF FREIGHT BY CANAL.

To Philadelphia	56 cts. per ton.	
To New York	81.78	do

TRANSPORTATION ON THE RAILROADS IN SCHUYLKILL COUNTY.

The following is the quantity of Coal transported over the different Railroads in Schuylkill County, for the week:

	WEEK.	TOTAL.
Mine-Hill and S. H. R. R.	17,465 05	163,172.00
Mount Carbon do	7,977 16	63,912|18
Schuylkill Valley do	7,305 13	66,076 19
Mill Creek do	7,048 02	29,217 00
Mt. Carbon and Pt. Carbon do	8,350 07	108,014 00
Little Schuylkill R. R.	4,154 00	42,096 12
Union Canal R. R.	1,456 06 2	9,050 05 1
Swatara R. R.	1,592 09 0	3,711 11 2

LEHIGH COAL TRADE.
Sent for the week ending, May 6, 1848.

	WEEK.	TOTAL.
Summit.	5,684 10	22,556' 09
Rhume Run,	2,519 04	15,833 09
Beaver Meadow,	3,277 00	6,857 00
Spring Mountain,	2,653 03	8,888 11
Hazleton.	2,087 02	9,203 08
Rock Mountain,	1,204 03	18,855 15
Wyoming.	0,000 00	0000 00
	18,510 18	72 207 19

For additional New Advertisements see Next Page. They will there be found arranged under Suitable Heads.

F. X. LAURE,
Respectfully informs his friends and the public in general, that he has established in SECOND STREET, *near the 1st Methodist Church*, an UPHOLSTERY AND TRIMMING SHOP, where he will finish on the lowest terms and in the newest style all kinds of Chairs, Sofas, Mattresses, Settees, Coaches, &c. He will also attend to the Paper Hanging business, if applied to.
Pottsville, May 13, 1848. 20-3m.

New Music.
The following is a list of Popular Songs, Airs, Marches, Gems from favorite operas, &c. just received and for sale at Bannan's Variety Store.
SONGS.
Come, I've something Sweet to sing You.
Kate O'Shane.
The Sea King's Bride.
Adieu Sweet Maid, Tis honor's call.
Switzer's Song of Home.
Farewell to the scenes of my Childhood.
Mary Blane.
Oh ask me not to love again.
Oh! what Pleasure.
Oh send me back to my native sod.
Nothing else to do.
Tea in the Arbour.
"Then You'll Remember Me."
The Lay of the Chamois Hunter.
The Spider and the Fly.
The little disaster.
Dunbarton's Bonnie Dell.
Rory O'Moore and Paddy O'Rafferty.
Dandy Jim of Caroline.
Love Now.
Irene.
When Gentle Hands its Tendrils Train.
WALTZES.
The Rosa Waltz.
Flough Boy.
The Hope.
Sontag.
Le Duc De Bordeaux.
New York Polka.
Vienna.
Mozart's Favorite.
Mozart's Military.
Silver Lake.
Lucretia Borgia.
Gertrude's Dream.
Marseilles Hymn, com. as a waltz.
POPULAR AIRS.
Gems from Lucretia Borgia.
Sprig of Shillelagh—Flute and Piano.
Yankee Doodle with Variations.
Marina Polka.
Miss Lucy Long Cotillion.
Rory O'Moore and Paddy O'Rafferty's Rondoletto.
QUICK STEPS.
The Wrecker's Daughter.
The Gipsies' Festival.
MARCHES.
Greek March. Marseilles March.
VARIATIONS.
Il Desiderio, Fenice Romantique.
Les Idenies, Jenny Lind's favorite Polka.
Together with a large supply of other Music just received and for sale at
BANNAN'S
Music and Variety Store.

Whig Convention.
No doubt there will be a large number of persons who intend visiting Philadelphia, to attend the great *Whig Convention* to be held on the 7th of June next. To all such the subscriber would call attention to his large assortment of HATS and CAPS, consisting of Fine Black Beaver and Moleskin Hats, Fine White Rocky Mountain Beaver and Gossamer (very light,) Panamas, Leghorns, fine Colombiers, &c. &c. Also, Summer Caps, of every description, all of which will be sold at the lowest prices.
CHARLES OAKFORD, Hatter.
No. 104 Chesnut St. a few doors above Third, Philada.
May 13 20-1mo

Roses, Roses, Plants, &c.
JUST received, a lot of Hardy Everblooming Climbing Roses, of beautiful tints, together with Tiger Flower, Gladiolus, Tuberose, Bulbs, Dahlias, Plants, &c. just received and for sale at BANNAN'S
Seed and Variety Stores, Pottsville.
☞ A few Paulonl Imperialis Shade Trees, the foliage of which varys from 10 to 20 inches in diameter, new, and said to be a beautiful Shade Tree, remain for sale; also, a *few* European Linden Trees. [april29 18

TREASURER'S SALE OF UNSEATED LANDS.
AGREEABLY to the provisions of an Act of Assembly, entitled an Act directing the mode of selling unseated lands for taxes, and for other purposes, passed on the 13th *day of March*, 1815, and the further supplement thereto passed on the 22d *day of March*, 1847, and the 25th *of March*, 1831, the Treasurer of the County of Schuylkill hereby gives notice to all persons concerned therein, that unless the County, Road, School and State taxes due on the following tracts of unseated lands, situate in Schuylkill County, are paid before the day of sale, the whole or such parts of each tract as will pay the charges and costs chargeable thereon, will be sold at the Court-House in the borough of Orwigsburg, County of Schuylkill, on the second *Monday in January*, and be continued by adjournment from day to day, for arrearages of taxes due said county and the costs accrued on each respectively.

Acres.			
	Upper Mahanoy Township.		
100	Ludwig P. F. & Huntzinger J. jr. into Kaufman		8 77
2730	Otto John B.		43 49
50	Hoyel John		68
180	Jackson Jeremiah		2 47
50	Evans Smith		68
201 67	Foor Robert		2 75
37	Tydell Robert		5 44
335 45	Smoke Robert		4 58
60	Lukens Smith		82
16	Shaubre John		19
	South Mahanoy.		
1000	Keim & D. B. & Beneville		66 00
700	Beck Frederick		37 10
407	Kaufman Christian		22 20
65	Boyer P. Dengler & W. Heiser		3 41
436	Moyer Frederick		20 43
69	Koch George		6 36
2 lots	Brick John B.		4 18
20 as	Bartolet Abraham		1 25
96	Koch George		8 40
	Branch.		
571	Offerman Coal Company		63 80
96	Seitzinger, J. Duncan & G. W. Dronkie		5 95
1200	Jacob Dick (Reading)		68 58
439½	Robert Ervin		80 09
439½	Elijah Weed		80 09
439½	George Weed		80 09
410 46	William