The Miners' Journal

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THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

A few Hints and Queries for Reflection.

It is not true that Religion is not taught in the Public Schools—Christianity, which is the foundation of Religion and Morals is taught in the Schools of the State. *Sectarianism*, which differs very materially from Religion, is excluded.

The morals of children are as much taken care of in the Public Schools as they are in the mass of the Private Schools of the country.

If the Public School System were abandoned to-morrow, no more religious instructions would be found in the Schools than there now is.

If Catholic Schools are so far superior to our Public Schools, why is it that even Catholic children educated in these Schools will be found more free from crime than even those educated in Catholic Schools?

Why is it that in Catholic countries, where the Catholic Church *does* control education, crime, misery and want prevail to so alarming an extent?

How many children educated in our Public Schools for a period of years, are found on the criminal records of the Court?

CINCINNATI, HILLSBOROUGH AND *Parkersburg Railroad.*

This important line, of which our friend ELLWOOD MORRIS is the Engineer in Chief, has just been put under contract throughout its unfinished portion, from Hillsborough, Ohio, to the Ohio River Bridge below Parkersburg, where it joins the Baltimore line.

This railway is the most Southern of the East and West railways of Ohio—it is the flanking line of the entire system in that State, and standing in the position of cutting off all trade coming from the South and going East, cannot fail, when we add its Baltimore through-business and local Coal trade, to be one of the best paying lines in the Western country.

The contractors are the powerful firm of J. & S. Chamberlain & Co., who have taken *One Million of Dollars* stock in the Company, and one of their firm, Mr. Sturges, a wealthy banker of Zanesville, Ohio, has on his own private account subscribed for $750,000 more.

This line is now running to Hillsborough 25 miles East of Cincinnati, and the unfinished part is about 112 miles in length.

ROMANISM VS. FREE SCHOOLS.

There seems to be a simultaneous movement throughout this country, on the part of the Romish church, to break down our Free School system. An effort is now making in Michigan, having in view the same object attempted in this State, namely, to teach Catholicism with the public money. A correspondent of the Detroit *Tribune*, writing from the Michigan seat of government, says:

Bishop Lefevere and Father Shaw arrived in town yesterday, and are, for the time being, the observed of all observers. It is a new era in the Legislative career of Michigan to see the prelates and highest spiritual and civil "administrator," of a large religious denomination interceding with the Legislature for recognizing their "peculiar institution" as the State Religion, and to make their creed a part of the system of "State Education." Both Houses and the State Officers were honored with the august presence of these holy representatives yesterday, and to-day the petitions of their people are presented to both Houses. They have spread out, liberally, and in every house and lodging room, their "Treatise" on the present school system, in which they take bold ground in denouncing it, the Legislature, and all who have had any influence in bringing it to its present equal, liberal, free, and high position.

On the day following the writing of the above, the same correspondent writes:

"The Catholic Prelate and laymen, are in daily attendance upon both Houses of the Legislature, the Executive offices and members of the Third House urging their "claims" with all the powers of the most practised courtezans. By appointment Bishop Lefevere and Father Shaw met the Committee on Education of the House, in the Representative Hall, after the adjournment this afternoon.

"This Catholic Jesuitical Hierarchy take the bold and menacing position, openly, that *they will carry their religion and principles to the Polls* and to make that bold menace tell, as they evidently think, upon the majority of the Legislature, they claim that nearly one-half the population and voters of Michigan are Catholics, and that every Catholic vote is at their back, and that *they will have their rights and their religion acknowledged!* Such is their position, as put forth in their printed circular, to which they referred in their speeches before the House Committee.

Upon which the Pittsburgh *Gazette* forcibly comments as follows:

This is a little bolder than the position taken here, and results, no doubt, from the fact that the assailants feel stronger in Michigan than they do here. But it will come to that, here, eventually, and we care not how soon. We are prepared for the issue so boldly tendered in Michigan, whenever Bishop O'Connor and his friends can work themselves up to the point of tendering it to us here. We will acknowledge ourselves much mistaken in the temper of the people of Pennsylvania if they do not, in that case, administer to those attempting to accomplish virtually the union of Church and State, a rebuke never to be forgotten.

This subject grows in importance daily and must, sooner or later, be met face to face. We have no fears for the result, however, when the time does come, so far as the School system is concerned; our only apprehension is mingled with pity for the delusion of those who would dare stand in the way of that great fundamental principle of Republicanism—the education of the masses of the people.

AN EXTRAORDINARY CASE.

A Bill has been introduced into the Senate of the Maryland Legislature, to explain an old Act, "relating to servants and slaves," to meet a most singular case, the particulars of which are thus related in the Baltimore *Argus*:

"It appears, by the law referred to, that any white person found guilty of marrying what is commonly called a colored person, the parties are liable to be sold, the man and woman, for a term of years, (I believe seven) in servitude, and their issue, if any, as slaves for life. The case referred to, is somewhat after this fashion narrated:—A white citizen of this State, some years ago, married a female whom he believed to be of pure white descent. The woman is said to be handsome, of excellent qualities, and does not bear, in any way, the slightest marks indicative of her being otherwise than of the Anglo-Saxon race. The man has acquired fine property, and is held in great respect by all who know him and his family. They have three children. Some person having undertaken to trace out the pedigree of the wife, alleges that her blood is tainted—some of her grand or great grand parents *probably* have been of the colored species; and the parties have accordingly been indicted in one of the circuit courts of the State.—A taripture of blood works the serious penalty mentioned. The indictment is said to be the result of malice. The neighbors, all who know the family, have taken a deep interest in their behalf. It is said that Governor Lowe, upon due representation of the case, has offered to grant a *nolle prosequi*—which would relieve the parties of the process of the court; but the parents, feeling anxious to redeem their offspring from all stain in public estimation, have preferred standing a trial, and hence the present action of the Legislature. This is not only a novel, but most severe case.

☞ THE MAINE LAW AND THE WOMEN.—On our first page will be found an appeal from the Women of New York in favor of the Maine Law. We do not approve of all the sentiments expressed in that petition, but there is sufficient truth set forth to make men think, and women, too.

☞ CHRISTIAN SHEIFFER, Esq., has been re-elected Mayor of Lancaster city.

Local Affairs.

☞ *Educational Convention.*—A Convention of School Teachers and friends of Education was held, last week, in St. Clair, and we are pleased to say that it was well attended.

The interest manifested in the object for which the convention met, by those present, lead us to hope that, a brighter day is dawning upon Schuylkill County with regard to Common School Education. The Teachers are beginning to feel that the profession of Teaching must be elevated before a corresponding elevation of sentiment can be looked for in the community at large, and hence they think that this desirable object can best be accomplished by the stated meetings in various parts of the County for future consultation and advice.

The hospitality extended to the members of the convention, by the inhabitants of St Clair, is deserving of the highest commendation. They did their part nobly, and we would be doing injustice to the spontaneous promptings of our own heart, did we fail to make this public acknowledgement of their attentiveness and kindness to us. Mr. Jonathan Johnson, the hotel-keeper, seemed to anticipate the wants of his guests, making every provision for their comfort, and by his courtesy and attention elicited our warmest thanks.

F LAUDERBURN, *Cor. Sec'y.*

Proceedings of the Schuylkill County Teachers Institute, or Educational Convention.

Assembled at St. Clair, Friday, January 28th, 1853, at 11 o'clock A M, Mr. ELIAS SCHNEIDER, President, in the Chair

Delegates were in attendance from nearly all parts of the County. The President, on being called to seat, announced the resignation of Henry J B. Cummings, which, on motion of Mr Browne, was accepted

On motion of Mr Olmsted, A K BROWNE, was nominated and elected Recording Secretary of the Association, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr Cummings.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved; also the constitution of the Society

On motion of Mr. Guildin, two additional members were elected to the Executive Committee, Messrs. Marsden and Guildin

Suggestions on the order of business, and general remarks on the object of the meeting were made by the President, Messrs. Olmstead, Jackson, Lawton, Guildin, Browne and Flood, whereupon it was resolved that the Ex Committee report the order of business, and a series of resolutions for the consideration of the Institute at the next meeting

On motion of Mr. Browne, it was resolved that when the Institute adjourn, it do meet at 2 o'clock P M, in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

On motion of Mr Siegfried, the Institute adjourned

AFTERNOON SESSION.—The Institute met at 2 o'clock, in the M. E Church, with a reinforcement of Teachers, and organized permanently. The proceedings were opened by prayer.

The minutes of the business meeting were read and approved. The Executive Committee reported the order of business, and a series of resolutions for consideration and discussion, which report was accepted

On motion of Mr Lawton, the Secretary read the report of the Superintendent of the Common Schools.

An expression of views and sentiment on the subject of Education—relation of Common Schools—the importance of the Convention, &c., was called for, and responded to by the President, and the following gentlemen, Messrs. Bush, Moody and Barnett, after which Rev. A. Beatley was introduced, who made a few remarks touching the general objects of the meeting

Mr. Marsden called upon the first preamble and resolution, which was, on motion, laid on the table for discussion in the evening, viz.

Whereas, it is indispensably necessary, in order to improve our Public Schools, that the profession of teaching be elevated, therefore,

Resolved, That we inquire in what manner it may be best accomplished

Mr Bush called upon the 2d resolution for consideration, which was, on motion, unanimously adopted

Resolved, That this convention do most earnestly recommend to teachers, and all other friends of education, the Pennsylvania School Journal, edited by THOMAS H BURROWS, as a publication most admirably adapted to awaken a proper interest in the cause of education throughout our State, and that we urge upon all persons the importance of encouraging this ably conducted Journal.

The 3d resolution was called up, and after a short discussion, adopted

Resolved, That uniformity of Text Books in the Schools in this country is earnestly recommended. Messrs Marsden, Browne, Bush, Beatley, Olmstead and Dickinson participating in the discussion

The President called up the 4th resolution

Resolved, That we view, with feelings of grateful respect and pride, the efforts made by our Chief Magistrate, Gov. BIGLER, to awaken an interest in the minds of the community, in relation to Common Schools.

Mr Bush offered the following amendment—And that we, as a Teachers Institute, heartily agree with and endorse the recommendations of our Superintendent of Common Schools, F W HUGHES, Esq., in his last annual report to the Legislature

This resolution, as amended, was adopted.

Mr Siegfried called up the 5th resolution

Resolved, That we inquire into the expediency of introducing Phonography and Phonetography into our Schools, as a means of the most rapid for accomplishing the education of all, which was laid on the table

Mr. Guildin called up the 6th preamble and resolution

Whereas, the frequent use of the rod, in enforcing discipline, in Schools, produces wrong impressions on the minds of the young, impressions which have a tendency to destroy that self respect, which properly cultivated, is one of the already powerful incentives towards doing right, and that whereas, the frequent practice of this mode of punishment does not induce the pupils to cherish in their minds a correct idea of right and right, but drives them into a habit of obeying, not from principle, but from fear, therefore,

Resolved, That we will dispense this punishment, as far as possible, which was adopted

The President announced that the Rev D G Carrow, and Rev. Mr McCarter, would address the convention this evening, and, on motion of Mr Moody, the names of strangers were enrolled, and the Institute adjourned to meet at 7½ o'clock in the evening

EVENING SESSION.—The Institute met pursuant to adjournment. On motion of Mr. Browne, H M Bush was appointed Secretary pro tem Rev. Mr McCarter was introduced to the convention, who delivered an able address upon the duties of parents and children. On motion of Mr Moody, a vote of thanks was extended to Mr. McCarter for his address

The resolution respecting the profession of teaching was then called for and discussed by Rev Beatley, Mr Guildin and the Chair, when, on motion of Mr Browne, it was postponed for the evening, and the convention adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock in the morrow morning.

SATURDAY MORNING.—Institute met at 9 o'clock A M, the presiding officers at their posts. The exercises opened with prayer by Mr Wm E Porter

The minutes of the previous meeting read and approved. The discussion of the resolution relating to the elevation, of the profession of teaching was resumed—Messrs Jackson, Bush, Lawton, Browne, Porter and the Chair participating

Mr Porter offered the following resolution, which was adopted

Resolved, That it is the deliberate opinion of this Institute, that the cause of good morals and sound education, would be more speedily and efficiently promoted, if the Legislature would employ a portion of the public money for more Lecturers—men competent for the task, who shall go from place to place, and lecture to the children in the day time, and to the parents in the evening, on education.

The resolution on the subject of phonetics was called up and discussed by Messrs Flood and Jackson

The two following resolutions were adopted without discussion

1 *Resolved*, That considering it highly important that all educational efforts have a direct bearing on the morals of our pupils, we feel it a solemn obligation resting upon all teachers to cultivate the moral as well as the intellectual nature of those entrusted to their care.

2. *Resolved*, That as the teacher's usefulness would be greatly promoted, by acting in concert with the parents of their pupils, it should be the duty of the teacher to enlist their sympathies and co-operation in all the transactions of the school.

On motion of Mr. Siegfried, remarks were called for upon the best method of teaching the different branches

To this call Messrs. Olmstead, Gatchell, Beatley, Jackson, Bush, Barnett, Guildin, Porter, Mitchell, and Dickinson responded. The best mode of teaching Geography was discussed, afterwards English Grammar

Mr. Flood offered the following resolution, which was discussed by Messrs. Flood, Olmstead, Browne and Montelius, and adopted:

Resolved, That this Convention recommend to the different Boards of School Directors in this county, the absolute necessity of establishing Night Schools in their respective districts

The Secretary read the following resolutions, and the first two were unanimously adopted

Resolved, That this association duly appreciate the courtesy and hospitality of the citizens of St. Clair, which they have extended to us on this occasion, and the kindness of the Trustees in permitting us to hold our sessions in their church, and that we will ever remember them in connection with our visit to this place, with feelings of gratitude and pleasure.

Resolved, That the thanks of this association are particularly due Mr. Wm. E. Porter for his politeness and attention in providing for the accommodation of the female members of the association.

Resolved, That when we adjourn it be to meet on the 1st day of July next, in Schuylkill Haven, to hold our third annual Convention.

To the latter resolution Mr. Christ moved to amend, by striking out Schuylkill Haven and inserting Minersville. A warm discussion ensued on the amendment, which passed finally, and the resolution, as amended was adopted by a vote—Yeas 33 Nays 31.

On motion of Mr. Bush, it was resolved that the Corresponding Secretary be requested to forward a copy of these proceedings to the Editor of the *Pennsylvania School Journal*, and to the Editors of the County Papers, requesting their publication in each of their respective Journals

Previous to the adjournment the President addressed a few very impressive words on parting, to the members of the Institute, congratulating them on the present prosperous condition of the association and the amount of good it is destined to accomplish, when the Convention closed with prayer by the Rev. A. Beatley. A K BROWNE,

R. Secretary

☞ *The Schuylkill County Medical Society.*—At the Annual meeting of the Schuylkill County Medical Society the following gentlemen were elected officers for the ensuing year:—

W. Hoover, President; G W. Brown, Vice-President; D. J. McRobin, Recording Secretary; G. Halberstadt, Corresponding Secretary; J. S. Carpenter, Treasurer.

Members.—John G Koehler, Samuel K. Shannon, Robert Phillips, Enos Chichester, Lewis Royer, A. Heger, T. R. L. Elmer, J. C. McWilliams, B. F. Shannon, R. H. Coryell, John T. Nicholas, Samuel Berlochy, R. Leonard, J. W. Gibbs, Samuel R. Medlar, Daniel A. Ulrich, Jacob F. Fetterler, T. B. Hale, Andrew Foster, William Appley, Charles M. Stemberger, O. M. Robins and E Hance.

☞ *Consecration.*—Trinity Church, in this place, will be consecrated to-morrow with appropriate ceremonies. Rt. Rev. Bishop Potter will officiate. Rev. Dr. Ducachet, of Philadelphia, is expected to preach the Dedicatory sermon in the morning—in his absence, the Bishop will preach. The Bishop will preach in the evening. A number of distinguished clergymen will be in attendance.

☞ *Bible Soc. Anniversary.*—The Schuylkill County Bible Society will hold its Anniversary on Monday evening, at 7 o'clock, in the Protestant Episcopal Church, Centre street, Pottsville. Eminent speakers from abroad have been invited, and may confidently *re* expected:

The unwonted interest recently manifested promises to fill even the spacious edifice, in which his been secured for the occasion. The Tamaqua, Port Carbon and St. Clair auxiliary Societies, are expected to take part with that of Pottsville. All who feel disposed are cordially invited to attend.

By Order of the Society,

D. WASHBURN, *Cor. Sec. pro tem.*

We believe it is understood that Bishop POTTER will remain, to address the Society, besides other distinguished clergymen, who will be present at the Church services to-morrow. The publication of the several interesting reports read at the Boro' Society meeting, on Monday evening last, has been deferred till after the Anniversary—they may be expected next week.

☞ *Schuylkill County Clay Monument.*—This work, we are happy to state, is rapidly progressing. Two sections of the Column have been cast by the Messrs. FISTLER, of Port Carbon, to whom this part of the structure was entrusted, and they are now ready for raising.

As an evidence of the interest this project has excited abroad, we may mention that, although the Monument was originally intended as a tribute of respect by our own citizens, and no subscriptions have been solicited beyond the limits of the County, a subscription has been voluntarily forwarded by Mr THOMAS PINCKNEY HUGHE, of South Carolina. This is a good name. It adorned the annals of that State during the Revolution, and is subsequently found in history, when the chivalric Lafayette was gallantly rescued from the Austrian prison at Olmutz. We cordially welcome Mr HUGHE as a worthy co-laborer in our great enterprise.

☞ *Port Carbon Borough Election.*—The election, held on Monday last, 7th, resulted in the selection of the following officers:

Chief Burgess—Ross Bull, (re-elected);

Town Counsel—Uriah Gane, George B Fisler, John Hadesty;

High Constable—John K. Niess;

Town Clerk—Henry Shissler, (re-elected);

Auditors—Abraham Pott, Jacob Fisler, John Illingworth,

Assessor—Charles Smith;

Assistant Assessors—Joseph Beir, Adam Harzog.

☞ *The New Methodist Church*, at Tamaqua, under the pastoral charge of Rev. JAMES E. MEREDITH, will be dedicated on Sunday, 20th.—Services will be held in the morning, afternoon and evening Rev Dr BARTIN and Rev. JNO. STREET, of Philadelphia, and Rev. Mr. CARROW, of this place, will officiate. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to be present Excursion tickets, at half the usual price, will be issued for the Mt Carbon & Schuylkill Valley Railroad—good from Saturday till Monday

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METEOROLOGICAL TABLE.

For the week ending Thursday evening February 10, 1853, at Pottsville, 610 feet above tide

Annual Barom'r			*Fahrenheit Therm'r*		
	Max	Min.		Max	Min
Feb	4 29.40	29.27		42	29
"	5 29.35	29.20		44	40
"	6 29.27	29.10		55	35
"	7 29.23	29.18		31	29
"	8 29.23	29.27		30	20
"	9 29.23	29.30		26	20
"	10 29.17	28.96		35	14

SCHUYLKILL HAVEN AFFAIRS.

[CORRESPONDENCE OF THE MINERS' JOURNAL.]

SCHUYLKILL HAVEN, *Feb. 9, 1853*

MESSRS EDITORS.—I observe in your last paper the amount of premiums, and to whom they have been awarded by the Schuylkill Navigation Company. The three best of the premiums one of five awarded from Schuylkill Haven, have been obtained by men living in this place. The first premium is awarded to Captain Burkert, of boat George Reid for 39 trips to Philadelphia. This is the greatest number of trips that has ever been by the same boat to Philadelphia in one season; and for this reason Captain Burkert should have been awarded a premium, even had none been offered for the most trips during the season. Captain Kerkeslager, of boat Col. C Huntzinger, receives the second premium for 36 trips, and had he possessed the same advantages and facilities in horse-power, &c., that Captain Burkert had, no doubt would have drawn the first premium, as at one time he was a trip ahead. But each of these deserve equal praise for their industry and perseverance, in accomplishing the feat of running the greatest number of trips, ever run before in one season, by any two men.—Captain Byaly drew the third premium for 21 trips, being a difference of 15 and 18 trips, by which we can form an idea as to the perseverance of Captains Burkert and Kerkeslager

I yesterday visited the new dock about being built by the Schuylkill Navigation Company at this place. It is the largest dock in the County, capable of holding 45 large boats, it is 900 feet long and averages 100 feet in width This in connection with the old dock, will give them harbor for 65 boats, and great facilities for loading them They have engaged since fall 200 hands at work, and if nothing unusual occurs they will have it finished early in the spring I understand it is the intention of the Company to have double sets of hands, so that they can load day and night. The preparations for shipping Coal from this place will be more extensive than from any of the other places in the County, which, of course, will be necessary as soon as the Railroad is completed to the Mahonoy Should the amount of Coal to be shipped from this place meet the anticipation of many of our Coal Operators, and the different Railroads and Canal Companies, it will certainly equal, if not exceed, all the other shipments from the region

On last Saturday Michael Doc, aged 9 years, son of Mr Don, living at Mt. Carbon, was accidentally drowned whilst sliding upon the ice His mother sent him to one of the neighbors for something, and whilst on his way got upon the ice, which had got quite brittle from the effects of the warm weather, broke in. Though seen by several persons, he could not be rescued in time to save him. The Coroner held an Inquest—verdict rendered accordingly. S H

MINERSVILLE AFFAIRS.

[CORRESPONDENCE OF THE MINERS' JOURNAL.]

MESSRS EDITORS.—The friends of the Broad Mountain Railroad Company, which was defeated last winter, have reorganized under the name of the Anthracite Railroad Company, to connect with the Philadelphia Railroad Company, at Schuylkill Haven, and to extend to Harrisburg for the purpose of facilitating the transportation of coal.

Although the increase of avenues to market is desirable and of importance to all interested in the coal region, we have reason to think that there is something wrong in the application or the parties interested would not proceed with so much caution They have made no exertions to procure signatures to their petitions here, nor is the application generally known. They have agents out for all kinds of weather procuring signatures in the country above us, and as these signatures are procured from the farmers by false representations, we think that it is their intention to create another monopoly in our midst. I for one protest against this secretly procuring Charters—the Bill has not been seen, and experience has taught us that unless they are placed under such restrictions as would make them useful to all, they would prove a curse rather than a blessing Of the necessity of an opposition to the present Mine Hill Company, there is no doubt. This Company, by its immense revenue, has been enabled to defeat all restrictions which have been actually found necessary for the protection of our interest.

There is another question of importance to the citizens of the Coal Region, and one I think that will be endorsed by all except those interested in the Mine Hill or Philadelphia & Reading Railroad Companies. It is this, notwithstanding, they draw all their revenue from the transportation of Coal, we find there expenditures are made at points distant from us. Suppose we look at their policy, what do we see? The Philadelphia & Reading Railroad Company employ from 800 to 1000 hands at Reading, in rebuilding and repairs; from 4 to 500 at Pottstown; and about the same number at Richmond. At Pottsville they employ about as many as they do at the smallest wood station on their line. The Mine Hill Company have their machine shops and other buildings at Schuylkill Haven; and at Minersville employ two or three hands. Schuylkill County, by the policy of one of these Companies, has raised the small town of Reading with its one and half story houses to a city of palaces. The Mine Hill Company by pursuing a similar course has given to Schuylkill Haven an importance to which it has no right or title. Are we not entitled to any of these benefits is a question of some importance to us YANK.

TAMAQUA AFFAIRS.

[CORRESPONDENCE OF THE MINERS' JOURNAL.]

TAMAQUA, *February*, 10, 1853.

Lental services have been held in the Episcopal Church during the present week by Rev. Mr. Beasley, assisted by Rev. Messrs. Poor and Washburn, of Pottsville; Russel, of Mauch Chunk; and Christman, of Tamaqua. The sermons and addresses throughout were solemn and impressive, and undoubtedly resulted in the edification of the Congregation.

The military election last Saturday resulted in the almost unanimous choice of E. J. Fry, Esq., as Colonel of our Regiment. Col. Fry will make an efficient officer, and, under his surveillance, the Regiment, which now lacks discipline, will no doubt soon compare with any in the State.

The Newkirk Library, after being closed up for nearly two years and the books pertaining to aluse of our citizens. It contains about 1000 volumes, and is accessible to any good moral citizen, by the annual payment of one dollar. It will afford the young men of our Borough a fine opportunity for improvement. CONGLOMERATE.

THE NEW EMPRESS OF FRANCE.

"The following extract from the Paris correspondence of the London *Times* of the 25th January corroborates the assertion that she is of Spanish origin. The Countess of Montijo, mother of the future Empress, was of Scotch extraction. Her great-great-grandfather perished on the scaffold in 1745, in consequence of the part he took in the rebellion in favor of Charles Edward. His son emigrated and settled in Ostend; the family afterward passed into Spain and settled in the South, where the Countess's father was residing when the brother of the Count of Montijo, (the Count of Teba,) whose name is often mentioned during the war of independence, married her, and some time after succeeded to the title and estate of his eldest brother, who died without issue. It is the etiquette in Spain that a grandee cannot marry without the assent of the Sovereign, and it must be shown that the lady he intends marrying is pure in blood, that none of her ancestors ever exercised a degrading profession,—in a word, that she is noble for a certain number of generations. The same condition is required from military men, and the certificates proving the fact are denominated the *limpieza de sangre*. When the present Countess of Montijo married, it appeared from certificates produced from Scotland, that she belonged to the family of Kirkpatrick of Closburn (not Glasburn,) and that her ancestor had been created a Baron by Alexander II. of Scotland."

The *Ledger* of yesterday says: "The *Tribune*, in condemning his course, publishes a letter from Europe, containing a graphic description of the new empress. And what does it make of her? A beauty, a wit, a witch, a sorceress, a dare-devil, a double fortified Fanny Fern, who can turn men's heads into spinning tops with a glance of one eye, and their hearts into furnaces with a wink of the other. She rides like a Navajo, dances like a sylph, fights bulls like the best toreadors of Madrid, drives eight in hand like Jehu, loves cock-fighting like a Javanese, speaks all the languages of Europe, can outwrangle the smartest lawyers, unsystify the most learned professors with their own fog, out-rhyme the sweetest poets, and dodge the shrewdest diplomatists. That is the article for our money; and with such a wife to inspire Napoleon, and such an Empress to intoxicate the French, let the "reigning families" and all other "old fogies" look out for squalls. She is just the woman to put up and sustain a husband in some dare-devil enterprise, and he is just the fellow to be inspired upon and confirmed in his own purposes by such influences. She will be more than Josephine. She will do more than sustaining the Emperor under difficulties. She will prompt him to enterprises, and aid him to overcome obstacles. She is a Spaniard: and O those Spanish women! Consult history, and see what they have done!"

☞ ALIVE AND KICKING.—The New York *Times* has an article to prove that the Whig Party is very far from being annihilated, and its proof is conclusive. In the first place it presents the aggregate vote, since 1840, as follows:

	Whig	*Dem*	*Free Soil*	*Aggregate*
'40,	1,274,168	1,128,222		2,402,390
'41,	1,091,728	1,040,122	63,192	2,703,031
'48,	1,360,221	1,222,463	292,926	2,876,812
'52,	1,372,020	1,536,500	156,848	3,115,677

It will be seen from these figures, that the Whig Party has actually increased in numbers since their triumph in 1848. A growing party cannot be deemed a dead or dying party.

But whether the Whig party be dead or not, the Democratic party has no great leeway. Pierce's majority over his two opponents was but 57,741. The man at the helm must keep a sharp look-out or the minority will, by becoming the majority, soon send him among the breakers.

No, no; the Whig party is not dead. Nearly a million and a half electors are ready, at any moment, to again pronounce their devotion to Whig principles by voting for the faithful representatives of these principles.—*Albany Journal.*

☞ *Bishop Ives*, Episcopal Bishop of North Carolina, has issued an address to the clergy of his diocese, giving his reasons for uniting with the Roman Catholic church.

☞ *Mrs. Stowe* has recently received $10,000 as her percentage in the sale of "Uncle Tom's Cabin"—making her receipts $20,000, for nine months' sale.

☞ *Joseph Trotter, Esq.*, for half a century connected with the Bank of Pennsylvania, and for many years as its President, has sent in his resignation.

☞ *The* Crystal Palace at New York is progressing. The reports of the European agent say that the artisans of the old world will be fully represented.

☞ *It is said* that Kossuth purposes visiting the United States, hoping that a democratic administration will be more favorable to his projects.

EAR DISEASES.—*Deafness radically cured.*—Dr LE BRUN offers to those suffering from Deafness, Aural Remedies, which have been successful in nearly *three thousand cases* of confirmed Deafness. These remedies have been pronounced by Drs. Kramer, of Berlin, Itard and Detau, of Paris, and Curtes, Pelcher and Yearsley, of London, as the most valuable and effectual ever applied for diseases of the internal and middle Ear. It the disease is confined to the external Ear their effects are apparent on the fifth and sixth day Dr Le B warrants a cure in every case, when the ear is perfect in its formation He has eighteen certificates from those who had lost their hearing in infancy, whose hearing is now completely restored, and are now enabled to learn the language Over twenty-seven hundred certificates of cures may be seen on application. Patients by sending a few particulars of their case, can have remedies sent to any part.

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POTTSVILLE MARKETS.

CORRECTED WEEKLY FOR THE JOURNAL.

Wheat flour	$5 50	Dried peaches par'd	$3 50
Rye do	4 00	do do unpar'd	2 00
Wheat, bushel	1,10 a 1 15	Dr'd apples pelled	75
Rye do	80	Eggs, dozen	15
Corn, do	65	Butter do	17
Oats, do	40	Shoulders, do	10
Potatoes, do	40 a 50	Hams, do	12 a 13
Timothy Seed,	2 25	Flax do	5 00
Clover do	3 50	Plaster,	3 00

MARRIED:

On the 5th inst., by Rev Wm. Morgan, WILLIAM B. MORGAN, to MARY ANN JONES, both of Pottsville.

In Tamaqua, on the 30th ult., by Rev. Joel M. Grim, GEORGE WAGNER, to ANN SOPHIA SHAEFFER, all of that Borough.

DIED:

In Pottsville, on the 2d inst., HANNAH O., daughter of Nathan and Mary Cleaver, in the 22d year of her age.

[COMMUNICATED.]

The death of this most amiable and excellent young woman has produced very lively emotions of sorrow through a large circle of friends and acquaintances. But how much more deep must be the feeling of her family, at the loss of a sister so beloved; and of her parents for whom she always exerted remarkable affection and respect—a virtue of the highest grade; but which is often too little regarded by the young. She had been, for four years past, a member of a Christian Church, and her religion consisted not principally in names and forms, but had its residence in the heart, and manifested itself in a godly life, and in deeds of love and piety in the sphere where Providence had placed her; and when she found herself on the verge of eternity—on her death-bed, and that "detector of the heart"—its influence was happily displayed; for, though called to die at so untimely period of life, she testified, in a clear and decided language, her confidence in God and submission to his will, and her readiness to depart.

Although the weather on last Saturday was very unfavorable, the funeral was largely attended by the citizens, who were assembled on the occasion by Rev. Mr. TURNER, Pastor of the 2d Methodist Church, and the remains of the deceased were then taken from the house of her father to the Odd Fellows' Cemetery for interment, amid the manifest sympathy and regret of the large concourse of people, at seeing thus early transferred to the tomb, one so lovely and promising.

"We know, by faith, we know,
If this vile house, of clay,
This tabernacle, sink below
In ruinous decay,
We have a house above,
Not made with human hands,
And firm as our Redeemer's love
That heavenly fabric stands.

In Pottsville, on the 29th ult., MARIA, consort of John H. Kurtz, in the 35th year of her age. Also, on the 10th inst., ANNA MARIA, infant daughter of the above, aged 17 days.

RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

☞ PREACHING in the Associate Reform Presbyterian Church, Market Street, Rev. John P. Warner, every Sabbath morning and evening.

☞ THERE WILL BE preaching in the English Lutheran Church, Market street, every Sunday morning and evening.

☞ THE BAPTIST CHURCH.—Divine worship will be conducted every Sabbath morning and evening, also every Wednesday evening, at the usual hours.

NOTICES.

☞ NOTICE is hereby given that a regular meeting of the Schuylkill County Agricultural Society will take place on Saturday, the 26th inst., at 2 o'clock, P. M., at the Public House of Daniel Boyer, in the Borough of Orwigsburg.

It is expected that members will feel an interest in attending—a question of importance will come up for a decision. S. S. ESLEEP, Rec. Sec'y.

☞ English papers in the County will please copy.

WANTED.

WANTED.—A Storekeeper—one who can speak German, and is sufficiently acquainted with Accounts.—Address Box 40 Pottsville Post Office. Feb. 12, 1853. 7-tf

BOOK-KEEPER WANTED—AT BECKSCHERVILLE, (commonly called Payneville.) None need apply unless they are fully competent to keep Books by Double Entry. Good reference, as regards their practical capability and moral character, will be necessary. WM. PAYNE Beckscherville, Feb. 5, 1853. 6—tf

WANTED.—Recruits for the United States Army, at the Pottsville Rendezvous. Nov. 27, 1852. 48-tf

WANTED—A PERSON TO SUPERINTEND a Coal Mine, well situated in Western Virginia. Experience in Mining and references of the highest character required. Address, New York City Post Office, Box 3106, stating qualifications. Aug. 3, 1851 31-tf

WANTED—At the General Intelligence Office—MEN, WOMEN and CHILDREN. All persons wishing employment, big and little, young and old, male and female; and also, all persons wishing to employ any and all kinds of hands, LABORERS or SERVANTS, will receive useful information by calling at the office of the subscriber in MARKET street, Pottsville, Pa. ☞ TERMS moderate.

N. M. WILSON, J. P.
Land Agent and General Collector.
April 5, 1851 14-tf

WANTED TO LEASE a tract of Coal land, lying 50 rods from the Leggett's Gap Railroad. The property has been opened in several places, the Coal is of superior quality, Veins lying horizontal, and can be worked for many years above water level. This property lies the nearest point to the Road, and affords an excellent opportunity for an enterprising Operator for the Great Western Market. To a Good Tenant, a favorable Lease will be given, no other need apply. Address the subscriber at No. 2, New Street, New York.

WALTER MEAD.
Nov. 15, 1851. 46-tf

FOR SALE & TO LET.

VALUABLE PROPERTY, on Market street, Pottsville, for sale. A Stone House, late the residence of Job Eldridge, deceased, situate on the southerly side of the street, 18 by 30 feet deep, with an alley adjoining. The Lot is 20 by 230 feet deep, and running to Schuylkill Avenue, with a Stable on the premises Application to be made to Aaron Fogg, No. 5, North street, Philadelphia, or to

JAMES GILLINGHAM, Pottsville.
February 5, 1853. 6—3t&w4w

FOR SALE—A very desirable Residence in Mahantongo Street, Pottsville. Information can be had by enquiring of OSCAR F. MOORE. Jan. 29, 1853. 5-1m

VALUABLE COLLIERY FOR SALE.—The valuable Colliery, situated in the Sharp Mountain, near Tuscarora, which has been worked for the last three years by William Cooper, and from which has been taken about twenty thousand tons per annum. The Colliery and Fixtures are in good condition and in good Coal; in fact everything is in excellent working order. Said Colliery will be sold low. For terms, &c, apply to the Subscriber, corner of Hudson and Thirteenth Streets, New York City.

WILLIAM COOPER,
or to JOSEPH BEACHAM,
Tuscarora.
Jan. 15, 1853. 3-tf

WHARF IN PHILAD'A. TO LET.—A Wharf on the SCHUYLKILL, near to Lombard Street, about one hundred and thirty feet front, and upwards of four hundred feet deep, with a very spacious Dock

It has been used for a Coal Wharf, for which it is well adapted. Apply to RICHARD SMETHURST.

No. 72 South Fourth Street, Philadelphia.
Jan. 15, 1853. 3-3t

A CHEAP HOME.—The subscribers residing in Philadelphia, offer for sale a Lot in a East Market Street, in the Borough of Pottsville, twenty feet fronting on East Market street, and extending back eighty feet, to a twenty feet wide alley, on which is erected two good Frame Dwelling Houses with all necessary out-building, constituting a comfortable, cheap Home—price $1500. Apply to N. M. WILSON, Agt.,

per WISE, PUSEY & WISE
Land and General Agt's Office, Market St.
Pottsville, Jan. 8, 1853. 2 3m

WAGON FOR SALE.—For sale cheap, a one horse Wagon, well made and covered, suitable for a Peddler's, or Provision Market Apply to B. BANNAN
Dec. 18, 1852. 51

FOR SALE.—A set of Elevators, nearly or quite as good as new; also, a set of Breaking Rollers, in the same Mill, both in order for Day Colliery, of 25 or 30 cars