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DEMOCRATIC WHIG NOMINATIONS.

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ALEX. K. M'CLURE, OF FRANKLIN COUNTY.
FOR SURVEYOR GENERAL,
CHRISTIAN MYERS, OF CLARION COUNTY.
FOR CANAL COMMISSIONER,
MOSES POWNALL, OF LANCASTER COUNTY.

A FRANK BUT SEVERE ADMISSION.

The Democracy of the country are just now in a very bad way,—even saltpetre would hardly be efficacious in its present feverish condition. The late Administration appointments have severed the ties, which for a time held the several disconsonant elements together, and each clan is now hoisting its own independent colors and calling to arms on its own responsibility. Scarcely a stronghold in the Union, where the belligerent factions have not either openly taken the field, or the peace of "the camp" is not disturbed by their wrangles. Gen. Pierce has been openly repudiated in many quarters, and his Administration handled without gloves. His own State, Judge Burke leading off, set the example some time ago, and others have not been slow in following up this first hard blow. The following frank admission from the New York *Journal of Commerce*, a most decided and influential supporter of Gen. Pierce, is one of the severest strictures we have seen:

"In electing Gen. Pierce to the Presidency, it was supposed that prominence and influence had been given to the National sentiment which had so conspicuously triumphed over sectionalism. The country did not understand, in electing Gen. Pierce, that the union of factionists held together by the spoils, would constitute the Government, and that those who had been conspicuous in giving a controlling direction to public affairs at a great juncture, should occupy only a subordinate part in its machinery. In our judgment, Gen. Pierce has gone counter to the public intention, and has committed a capital error. We express this opinion with deep sorrow. We have no personal disappointments of any description to avenge. He has been liberal with sentiments favorable to the National idea, and has bestowed power and command on his antagonists; thus holding out an inducement for treachery and desertion of the Constitution, and holding it out to the leaders of those who, feeling that they had committed a great error, were ready to return to their allegiance to the country by assenting to the supremacy of the class, who, throughout the contest, had shown their patriotism and their ability to govern. The appointment of Mr. Sickles, recently made, intended as an exception to the general policy, is one of those mistakes which, under a sudden conviction of error, is often committed. The National feeling of the country, sickened at the display of mere sentiment in its favor, has arrived at the solemn judgment, *that the President has come short of the duties which a great position imposed, and of the high distinction which its performance would unquestionably have conferred.* In our columns to-day may be found an able communication on this subject."

SCHULKILL CO. FOR PROHIBITION

Next Saturday, the friends of a Prohibitory Liquor Law throughout the County, without distinction of political partizanship, are to select Delegates for the Convention, to meet in this place on the Monday following, 5th prox. It is earnestly hoped the matter will be properly attended to, that a full representation may be sent from every district. Preparations are making here for a great day on Monday. Rev. Pennell Coombe has been engaged to be present at the Convention, and also to address a general meeting of the people in the evening. The Convention will assemble in the Sons of Temperance Hall, at 1 o'clock, P. M., and after the transaction of business (the selection of candidates, a Whig and a Democrat, for the Legislature) one or more addresses will be delivered. A cordial invitation is extended to *all*, to attend throughout the proceedings, as well as to be present in the evening. See call by the County Committee.

This question must and *will* be met in Pennsylvania, and that very soon. Politicians and other interested parties may as well accede to the demands of the people and take it up at once. It cannot be dodged much longer. Already Legislative tickets, pledged for a Prohibitory Law, have been formed in Northumberland, Montgomery, Lycoming, Clinton and other counties, and others are preparing to follow their example. No movement, political or moral, since the days of American Independence, has ever spread over the country with such rapidity or so soon found its way into popular favor, as the Maine Law. It is already in operation in some five or six States, and it has become a prominent issue, we may safely say, in more than half the whole Union.

In New York and Pennsylvania, the two great controlling states of the Union, politically considered, the Maine Law had almost carried in their last Legislatures—the vote in each showed a strong favorable disposition of the members, of all parties indiscriminately, though elected mostly without immediate reference to this question. In New York, even its enemies have conceded it inevitable—a manifest destiny"—and from the present appearance of things in this State, we hopefully augur the early consideration and passage of the Law.

OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH

A Society has been founded in Paris for "Sunday repose." Its principle of action is moral suasion. The signers of the agreement engage to do no work on the Sabbath, nor to cause others to work, and to neither buy, nor sell. They agree to give their custom to such tradesmen and master workmen as conform to their ideas on the subject; this is thought to be nothing more than just, as an indemnity is certainly due to such as voluntarily renounce labor on the most profitable day in the week.

Such societies are much needed in many other countries in Europe, besides France; and we grieve to be forced to confess that a similar laxity, in regard to the observance of the Sabbath, is gradually making innovations upon the good old Puritan notions of this country. Public opinion should set its face against it at once, or if that will not do, stop its headway by wholesome laws. We firmly believe that, with nations, as well as with individuals, irreverence for the Sabbath is a most dangerous custom. Besides the authority of the divine injunction, to keep one day in seven as a day of rest, experience has demonstrated, beyond question, that man's natural constitution requires it—it is best for him, morally, mentally and physically.

☞ THE COMET.—Who has not seen the Comet? Any clear evening now-a-days from an hour after sun-set to about 9 o'clock, it is visible to the naked eye in the North-western part of the Heavens. The nucleus is of about the brightness of a star of the third magnitude, and its tail, extending upwards one or two degrees, can also be distinguished. Astronomers have been watching this Comet for a month or two past. It was discovered by Mr. Klinkerfues on the 10th of June last. It is thirty millions of miles distant from the Sun, but some two or three times more remote from the earth.

The mean distance of the Sun from us is 95 millions of miles—by which the several relative distances of the three bodies, the Sun, the Earth and the Comet, may be comparatively estimated.

☞ "OPPOSITION, THE LIFE OF TRADE."—During the week, two agents have been engaged distributing the daily City papers to our citizens. Heretofore the business has been exclusively in the hands of one individual. The young man, who has started the opposition, has been quite successful so far, and, we understand, gives very general satisfaction by his promptness and obliging disposition.

Editor's Table.

WHAT in the world is "A Protestant Dissenter driving at? For the life of us, we cannot discover. If he will select any one subject, and stick to it with some show of purpose apparent, we will, probably, publish his communication. Space in our columns is especially valuable at this time.

"JOHN LIMBERGER" is capital; but he will please recollect that "too much of a good thing is good for nothing."

SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN.—This is a superior paper, especially adapted to the wants of Mechanics, Inventors, &c. In this respect, we know of none equal to it in the whole list of newspapers and periodicals throughout the country. It contains all the latest improvements and discoveries, scientific and mechanical, together with the patents and claims from the Patent office, accompanied with explanatory diagrams. It is issued weekly by Munn & Co, New York, in bindable form, at $2 a year. $450 are offered in prizes this year for the largest subscription lists. See prospectus of the IXth volume in another column. To be had at *Bannan's*.

GRAHAM for September is an interesting number. Its engravings are handsome, and its reading matter presents variety enough to please all tastes. The illustrations of the scenery of the Rhine are excellent—truthful and well executed—they will be continued through another number. There is a pretty piece of music on the first page. Price of Graham $3 a year, or 25 cents a number—to be had at *Bannan's*.

THE LONDON QUARTERLY has just entered upon its XLith year. The number before us, for July, is peculiarly interesting and valuable. It contains "Annals of Ireland, by the four Masters," "Baron Haxthausen's Notes on Russia," "The Palmerston Policy," "Memoirs of Tom Moore," &c., &c.—Blackwood and the four Quarterly Reviews are republished in New York by Scott & Co., and can be had at *Bannan's*. Price for Blackwood or any one Review, $3—both, $5—4 Reviews and Blackwood, $10.

A NEAT LITTLE BOOK, entitled "Trevaro and other Poems," published by John Robins, Pottsville, has just made its appearance. The author, a citizen of this County, modestly makes himself known to the public only as "Alpha Lyra." In mechanical execution, the work is creditably got up—being printed in large, legible type, on good, clear paper, contains several well executed embellishments, and is handsomely bound.

As to the merits of the poems, they possess some commendable features; though there is, also, much in them unworthy the distinctive appellation of *poetry*. They are, however, very readable hereabouts, for the local character of most of the productions. The author's salutatory bow is very awkward; though, this being his first work, we believe, there is a chance and no lack of room for improvement. To strike the average *tone* of the work, we would like to quote some of its extreme flats and sharps, but, for want of room, our readers must be content with the appended extracts, till each buys a book for himself. Subject—"The Apotheosis of Knowledge,"—the pitch is decidedly *high*:

* * * * * *
Knowledge divine is vast!
Great, grand, sublime, incomprehensible!
Wide as the space an Angel's wing would cleave
Through heaven's azure for a myriad years,
Beyond where Saturn whirls his shining rings—
Farther than thought can go, from verge to verge
Of the dim universe.
Beyond the extremity
Of the far darting parallactic radii
Of diametric Fomalhaut and Orion,
Knowledge Divine extends its area;
Farther than telescopic views above—
Where heaven expands its high imperial dome,
Whence the bright suns which shine on unknown worlds
Are hung like glittering lamps by golden rays,
Unto Jehovah's adamantine throne;
Deep as the tripods of the widest circling sun,
Arching its bright pathway far around
The centre of the universe (self circled
By its secondary train),
Hailed by the comets on eccentric path,
Like ships of war bound on a distant cruise;
Swifter than the electric spark a thousand years,
Far havens beyond the rays of Sirius,
Farther than human ken (mere North and South)
Beyond the Dragon's black Platonic mouth.
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Knowledge is free and brave, is just and great—
Knowledge is wisdom, eloquence and truth;
Her attributes are these—these are the gifts,
Given by her to world-loved WASHINGTON!
To Henry, Jackson, Webster, Calhoun, Clay,
Shakspeare, Milton, Pope, Byron, Cowper, Burns,
Bayard, Halleck, Greenwood and Hyperion;
These and a thousand others learnt of her,
Ere o'er the mental Lyre their fingers touched—
Some chords connected with the human heart—
The magic force of heaven-born eloquence,
Which master spirits sway o'er Hydra multitudes,
That exercised by Stowe's pathetic pen,
Is knowledge, harmoniously turned;
Or that which idiomatic Dickens weaves
With many a quaint device satyric stow
Into the bare realities of unpoetic life;
And yet another attribute has she in gift
Beyond all price—invaluably great,
All-worth, divine and inestimable,
Which is "the knowledge of the truth in God
And in his holy word forever"—
Earth and Heaven shall dissolve, but that shall never.

TAMAQUA AFFAIRS

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

A man named Backus was dangerously and it is feared mortally injured in Mr. Wm. Levan's Slope, on last Wednesday. He was in a car, when the chain connecting it with the machinery at the top broke, precipitating him and the car about one hundred feet, mangling and crushing him dreadfully. He has a family which resides in Pottsville.

An explosion of fire damp occurred in Messrs. Bowman and Richardson's Slope, last Monday, about noon, in which Mr. Henry Nelk was very badly, and Mr Andrew Carr, fatally burnt. Mr. Carr lived till Wednesday evening. It is feared this accident was the result of carelessness, as it was well known to the men that the Breast, in which they exposed their unprotected lamps, contained large quantities of the fire damp. Mr. Carr leaves a family to mourn his loss.

The subject of a Prohibitory Liquor Law is attracting considerable public attention, and embraces amongst its strongest advocates a large majority of our law and order loving citizens. But while we feel confident that, if the question in its true merits should be submitted to a vote of the people, the result would startle the advocates of rum-selling, yet we doubt much whether the advocates of Temperance could be united on an independent Temperance Ticket—its success would be regarded with much doubt, and hundreds of our most ardent Temperance men would follow their party predilections, rather than trust to a doubtful issue. Let each party give us one Legislative candidate with nerve enough to avow himself an advocate of the Maine Law. The views of the people then can be fairly tested, and the strength of the Temperance party manifested.

An independent Temperance Ticket cannot receive the support of more than one-half of those who would support Maine Law men on their respective party tickets. This we believe to be true, as I regard our Borough a fair criterion of the result for the County. CONGLOMERATE.

Tamaqua, Aug. 25, 1853.

[Our correspondent is one of the "free and independent," and therefore entitled to his own opinion—we publish it, to show that we have no disposition to institute "gag" law, but rather that we encourage the expression of honest, conscientious opinions on all subjects, and especially this, through our columns. Now, in reply we have only to state that our friend, in the above, notwithstanding his seeming opposition to the present Temperance movement, has fallen exactly, in substance, upon the plan of the coming campaign, proposed by its friends. That "each party should give us a Legislative candidate with nerve enough to avow himself an advocate of the Maine Law" is precisely what we want; and if they will only do that, the Temperance men will work in the regular political traces without a word. Hence their Convention, composed of both parties, indiscriminately, will assemble before the others, in order to demonstrate this policy in terms that cannot be mistaken.—*Ed. Journal.*]

[COMMUNICATED.]

THE NEW ORLEANS SUFFERERS.

TO THE EDITOR MINERS' JOURNAL—*Gentlemen*:—You have doubtless been observing with great interest the efforts making in our Northern Cities, to relieve the sufferers at N. Orleans, from the terror of that pestilence, which is daily sacrificing its hecatombs of victims. The fearful strides of the "fever," in the ill-fated city, and appeals made by the press to our sympathies must not go unheeded. From town and country, alike, should be sent the prompt reply to the demands of humanity. Let not Pottsville be the *last* to contribute its portion to this sacred object.

May not this communication call the speedy attention of our citizens to the duty of assisting by their pecuniary contributions the Hospitals and Howard men of New Orleans? C.

☞ *A Steamship* of five thousand tons freight burthen is in course of construction in London, for the Eastern Steam Navigation Company. This monster ship will be 680 feet in length, 83 feet in breadth, 58 feet depth, with both screw and paddle engines, of an aggregate nominal horse power of 2600. She will have an iron hull, and her cabin rooms for first class passengers will number five hundred.

☞ *The Hot Weather of August.*—A correspondent of the New York *Courier* says, that as far as he has been able to carry back his researches, he does not find the record of any weather in August comparing with that of week before last for *fifty years*; that is, hot in intensity and duration of heat, and in its extraordinary effects.

☞ *Baer*, the German Astronomer, calculates that when we shall have a telescope nine times more powerful than that of Lord Rosse, we shall be able to descry objects in the moon as small as a man.

☞ *Of nine* hundred committed to the Jersey City Prison during the year ending on the first of July, six hundred and upwards were for drunkenness. The city, with a population of eighteen thousand, has four hundred places where liquor is sold.

NEW YORK LETTER.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

Foreign Aspect of the City—Strangers—The Crystal Palace and its Progress—Washington Monument—Yellow Fever—Assay Office—Concerts—Amusements—Jullien and the mode of Advertising—New dodge to break Jail—Rape Case—Remarkable Forgery—Post Office Robbery—New Registration Act—Accident to Canal Captain—Singular case of Assault, &c.

NEW YORK, August 22, 1853.

DEAR JOURNAL:—In one respect, at least, if in none other, this Metropolitan City is growing like the great capitals of the old world, and that is in the mixed multitude that throng its streets. The present season is unusual in this respect, which may in part be attributed to the attractions of the World's Fair, and very largely to the great and constantly increasing intercourse with foreign lands; an intimacy becoming stronger with every hour. On Broadway the loiterer may see the inhabitants of almost every clime and country, the gay and vivacious Frenchman who finds in Gotham the counterpart of his own lively Paris, the dark complexioned Spaniard, wondering but little that the Queen of the Antilles should court sisterhood with the Grand Republic, the mustachioed Italian, breathing a deeper breath and walking a longer stride, as though disenthralled from some Argus-eyed tyranny, stout John Bull, the industrious Scotchman, witty Paddy, the Indian, the Arab, the Russian, the Turk, the German all find a place in the category of those who may be seen in a Broadway stroll. That mighty thoroughfare, where may be seen the extremes of vice and virtue, riches and poverty, learning and ignorance, in fact the antipodes of every known station in life, and then, reflect within a few hundred feet of this regal promenade, lined on either side with gorgeous palaces, filled with the wealth of a world, stand in ghastly contrast the deepest dens of infamy and destitution that this hemisphere can show. "Extremes meet," is a trite proverb, but how true, this one simple fact can show. The number of Southerners at present in the city is very large, and it is a subject of universal remark that the streets are thronged with strangers.

The exhibition is in a fair way towards completion, and in fact is so full that unfilled space must be searched for to be found. Some of the recent additions are truly superb, especially in the department of statuary, and I am proud that our own country, though a novice in the elegant arts, stands pre-eminent before the world. Powers' works, the Greek Slave, the Fisher Boy and Eve, are the gems of the Palace. The number of visitors has reached nearly 9,000 per day and as yet is comprised almost exclusively of strangers. The contributions to the Washington Monument have exceeded 1,500 Dollars.

The City remains unusually healthy, despite the capricious weather, last week, like an African desert, and now like an iceberg. It was reported that the yellow fever, imported from New Orleans had made its appearance at Quarantine, which report has been found to be *in toto* erroneous, and promulgated by some person distressed for material for a paragraph. No such thing has been known, as the Affidavits of our health officers have shown. The epidemic has reached a fearful pitch in New Orleans, so great that the dead cannot be buried sufficiently fast, and we are told that 125 bodies were burned for want of interment. This is dreadful, but under the circumstances, undoubtedly, the wisest course to be pursued.

A site for the Assay Office has been procured, which will undoubtedly be accepted, if it has not already been. The old United States Bank, now occupied by the Banks of Commerce and the State of New York, in Wall street, adjoining the Custom House, having a front of 75 feet, by a depth of 120 feet has been bought for $525,000. When the Mint is removed to New York, which must soon be, additional ground can be purchased running through to Pine street which will afford ample accommodations for the wants of the Mint. This land was bought for the Bank at $40,000, resold in 1839 for $230,000, and now at the above seemingly large price, which, however, is by no means extravagant, when compared with other property.

Our city seems to be this season a perfect nucleus of all the Fire Companies of the Union, as we have at least two or three on a visit at once, the entire time. The streets resound with the music of their bands, and the places of amusement are filled with them every evening.

In the way of amusements we are well supplied both at present and in prospective. Both of our operas are in full blast, and on Monday next, Jullien's famous troupe commence at Castle Garden.—Every brick-pile and fence is covered up with huge red posters bearing the name of Julien, and on the side-walk men have been busily employed for a week past with an enormous stencil plate and pot of red paint, lettering the name on the flag stones, so that wherever you turn, under foot and overhead, on the fences, posts, gates and doors, the word greets you, and every music window displays a lithograph of the famous leader.

A shrewd but abortive attempt to escape from the Tombs was practised a day or two since. A news-reporter while in prison, accidentally dropped his pass ticket, which was found by one of the prisoners, who sold it to number two for a shirt, from whom number three purchased it for a Dollar. So far, so good, but alas for dame fortune, number three was unable to pass out with it when he presented himself at the gate. The reporter himself had considerable trouble in making an exit, so that the keepers were on the *qui vive* for the ticket and unceremoniously walked the indignant holder back to his cell.

Our Courts are busy with a case of rape, preferred against an old white haired married man by a girl of fourteen. The act was committed during his wife's absence and the testimony was unfit for publication. It is thought by many that it is a mere scheme to extort money, as the old man is said to be well off.

One of the most ingenious escapes from confinement has lately come to light. One Endymoine was confined in Sing Sing State Prison, for forgery, but by means of letters of recommendation, signed by the officers of the Court that convicted him and also by the authorities of the Prison, seconding his request for pardon in the strongest terms, the Governor was induced to set him free. The letters, in some way or other, were ascertained to have been forged, when he was re-arrested. The case is now under advisement, many of our best lawyers being of opinion that a pardon once given is final, and the subject of it, not thereafter liable.

It is rumored that some great robberies have been developed in the New York Post Office, and that the perpetrator has left for Europe. The utmost secrecy has been preserved, in order to further the ends of justice, so that we are only able to give the mere fact, without particulars.

Another new feature in our City Administration has made its appearance; the registration of births, deaths and marriages, in the city of New York, according to a recent Act of the Legislature, to be reported monthly. From the report we see that from the 1st to the 31st of July, the number of births was 1601, marriages 492 and deaths 2,332. These statistics must be of great value to the public and especially to the City Inspector, who receives a fee of ten cents for each registration, making his office one of the most lucrative in the government.

On Saturday, a man named Sylvanus L. Bacon, Captain of a Coal Boat, the L. G. Cannon, was struck on the head by the hoister's derrick, which fell and severely hurt him. He was removed to the City Hospital and placed under surgical care.

A verdict has just been recovered in the Marine Court of $200 for a singular charge of damage. One Styles fell asleep in his chair, when two fellows, for a practical joke, hand-cuffed him and crammed a newspaper in his mouth, in which condition they left him for two hours. He sued for assault and recovered the above verdict.

This is almost as bad as the man who a few days since, stole a watermelon from a gentleman's garden and accidentally dropped his wallet containing $500. Rather poor fun in both cases, and rather expensive. Yours &c.,
G. C. F.

☞ INFORMATION WANTED—Of William D. Keemer, son of Hiram Keemer. He is in the 14th year of his age, small size but well built, pleasant in his manners and address, dark eyes, light hair, had on a black Kossuth hat well worn, a great Kentucky chain sack coat, brown cassimere pants somewhat spotted, a blue vest redcast variegated with black, and a pair of calf skin lace boots. He left his home on Friday the 19th inst., and has not been heard from since. He has worked at the plastering business for several years. Any information respecting said boy will be thankfully received by his father. Address Hiram Keemer, Leacock P. O., Lancaster county, Pa.

☞ ALL FOR RUM.—From a writer in a neighboring town we have these facts:

"The town, in which I live, is supporting ten paupers, and every case is in consequence of intemperance. The cost of supporting these ten persons, amounts annually to $700; and yet our citizens will pay their tax and never inquire how it may be avoided, or why they have to pay. Nor is this all. Ten out of twelve of all the quarrels that disturb the quiet of our town are from the same cause. Take away all that can intoxicate, and no town in the State would better maintain an honorable name than this. In view of these things, it is plain what our duty is. Labor for a Prohibitory Law, and never yield the point till we see the object, for which we labor, accomplished.—*Norwich (Conn.) Exam.*

The same may be said of Pottsville, and of the State at large.

☞ A NEW POLITICAL PARTY has been formed in New York city, with the following as its leading tenets:

In favor of universal education, by supporting and extending the system of free schools, independent of the control or interference of any religious sect.

In favor of reforming the naturalization laws, either by the extension of the term of residence, or by requiring additional qualifications, such as being able to read and write, or both. Such form not to apply to any foreigner who may have come into the country upon the faith of the existing naturalization laws.

In favoring of fostering American interests, by promoting free trade in all articles of prime necessity, not the products of our own country, and of imposing a judicious tariff on articles which enter into competition with products of American labor.

In favor of a liberal system of harbor and river improvements, and of the general government lending its aid to the construction of a railroad to the Pacific.

In favor of selling public lands to actual settlers.

In favor of an economical administration of the Government, and strict accountability of General Agents.

In favor of the continued and harmonious Union of these States, and opposed to any measure which shall tend to array one section of the country against another, our motto being "our country and our whole country."

Opposed to any legislation which shall interfere with the free and ancient right and usage of the people of this country, to cause the Bible to be read in our Public Schools.

Opposed to any legislation which shall vest property devoted to religious or charitable uses, exclusively in the hands of the clergy.

WHAT IS DEMOCRACY?

The Buffalo *Republic*, a Democratic paper, asserts this question, and answers it in the following definite and comprehensive manner: "Like all the names of things, it implies whatever the people mean who use it, in the particular country where it is used." We have never heard a more complete definition of the term "Democracy" from any source, than this from an organ of Democracy. "It implies whatever the people mean who use it, in the particular part of the country where it is used!" We always thought Democracy an India rubber cloak, that could be stretched into shape to cover all sorts of political doctrines in any latitude. In Massachusetts it implies Coalitionism; in New York it implies Hunkerism and Barnburnerism, Hards and Softs. At the North it implies Free Soilism and Abolitionism; at the South SouthernRights, Secession and Disunion.—In the East it implies steel construction; in the West, Internal Improvements by the General Government; at the North it implies protection; at the South free trade; at the North Fourierism; in Georgia rapperism, and so on *ad infinitum*. It implies any and everything in turn, and nothing long—its active principle being the loaves and fishes. "It implies whatever the people mean!" It is one thing at the North and another at the South, and entirely different in the East from what it is in the West; and yet it is all Democracy. Truly, Democracy is a comprehensive term, and suits alike the views of Abolitionists at the North and Fire-eaters of the South, latitudinarians and strict constitutionists, free traders and protectionists, Union men and Disunionists, internal improvement men, and anti-internal improvement men, "black spirits and white, blue spirits and gray." It is a Protean mask for aspiring political demagogues of every hue and color in any part of the country. In short, "*it implies whatever the people mean who use it, in the particular country where it is used!*"—That is modern Democracy.—*Savannah Republican.*

☞ A PUBLIC FARCE.—The greatest public farce that has been enacted in this big State of Pennsylvania, for a long while, was the recent session of the Canal Board in judgment on the alleged mismanagement of the Portage Road. They admit the charges against their sub-agents of having cheated the poor laborers out of their honest hire, on the ground of an empty Treasury, though they cannot account for it. Neither can we. What has become of the $2,000,000 appropriated by the last Legislature to repair the State works, if there is no change in the Treasury now?

This whole affair throughout, beginning with the swindling manoeuvers on the Road and including the farcical examination by the Canal Commissioners, is another strong link in the lengthened chain of evidence in favor of the sale of the Public works.

☞ MANY FARMERS in this vicinity have been excessively annoyed this season by grasshoppers. They not only devour every green thing in the fields they visit, but sometimes even attack harder objects than the blades of grass or corn. As an instance, the following has been related to us by a gentleman upon whose farm it occurred. By accident a willow basket and common rake, with a hickory handle, were left in a field infested by these insects. Failing to find other food, they attacked the basket and rake handle, and in a short time consumed the former and rendered the latter entirely useless.—*Miners' Journal.*

We observe this paragraph going the rounds of our exchanges, credited as above, but being in rather a weakly condition at this present writing from the late hot weather, we respectfully beg leave to disclaim its paternity—can't conscientiously "father" it, indeed.

It may have originated with our namesake of Cumberland, Md.,—they get up awful long yarns over in that Region occasionally, especially about their Coal.

☞ WHAT IT'S COMING TO.—We observe that the School question is to be the great topic at the next election in Maryland. The Catholics and Protestants are making out separate nominations for Governor and members of the Legislature.

This is precisely what the late movements of the Romish Hierarchy are tending toward all over the country. In Maryland the Romanists are numerically strong enough, they think, to make an open issue with the Protestants; and there is only wanting the same requisite—numbers—in Pennsylvania, (they have the *will* already) to show fight here. For their own good and for the common welfare of the whole State, we hope that day may be far distant.

☞ A GOOD PLAN.—It is said that the State Temperance Committee at Trenton have addressed circulars to many officiating clergymen in New Jersey, requesting them to deliver sermons or addresses on the importance of the Maine Law, and the necessity of only electing persons to the Legislature favorable to its enactment.

This strikes us as a capital idea, and we beg leave to suggest the adoption of the same policy in Pennsylvania. Will not the clergy of Pottsville set the example—the sermons being delivered in turn, in the different churches, so as to give every body the opportunity of attending the entire course?

☞ TELEGRAPH REPAIR.—The line of Telegraph between this and Philadelphia is now undergoing thorough repair. New wire is to be put up the whole route, and most, if not all, the stations supplied with new apparatus. Something of the kind is much needed, as the line has been working but poorly for some time past, especially during bad weather, and the business of the Region is such as to render certain and constant telegraphic communication between us and the city almost indispensable.

☞ NOBODY DOUBTS IT.—The New York *Herald*, a strong Pierce advocate during the campaign, truthfully says of the President's appointments:—

"Gen. Pierce has amply vindicated himself against any suspicions which may have been raised against him during the Presidential canvass, of a prejudice against our adopted citizens. He has appointed a Frenchman to Spain, an Englishman to Naples, a Hebrew to the Hague, and any number of Irishmen, Germans, Italians, and other foreign born citizens, to posts of honor and profit, at home and abroad."

☞ BEAU-TI-FUL.—The New York *Courier*, speaking of the machinery in the Crystal Palace, says,—"The large double engine was started during the evening, for the first time, and operated admirably, moving in its monstrous power with barely the sound of the softest kiss."

That engine must possess something of the "poetry of motion."

☞ THE INCREASE of lager beer houses in Newark, N. J., is astonishing, says the *Advertiser*.

This accounts for the late demand made of the city authorities there by the German population, to be allowed to spend Sunday as they pleased.

☞ *The Engineers* of the Pinegrove Railroad, having completed the try-line from near Phoenixville to the Falls of Schuylkill, the east side of the Schuylkill, and from thence to Market street Bridge on the west; are now, as we are informed, engaged in running a line down the west side of the river from Phoenixville to the city. The route first surveyed is said to be a mile and a half shorter than the Reading Railroad from between the same points.

☞ *Indians for the Crystal Palace.*—George Copway, the Ojibway Chief, is about to visit the extreme West, for the purpose of collecting some of the finest specimens of the Western Indian tribes, such as have the best intellectual and physical development, with a view to exhibit them at the World's Fair. There will be fifteen or twenty in all.

☞ *The Thirty-Third Congress.*—The United States Senate contains 38 Democrats and 20 Whigs, with four vacancies. To the House of Representatives, 142 Democrats, 66 Whigs, and 3 Abolitionists, have been elected, leaving 23 seats to be filled, viz: 6 from Maryland, 8 from Georgia, 5 from Mississippi, and 4 from Louisiana.

☞ *When a man* refuses to pay a debt among the Mormons, they send three officers called *whittlers*, who take their stations in front of the debtor's house, each with a jackknife and a bundle of sticks, and whittle away day after day, till the delinquent knocks under. It is said that the remedy seldom fails.

☞ *The Salem Gazette* says it was Stephen A. Chase, the first Superintendent of the Eastern Railroad, who, in reply to a conductor who asked, "How long shall we wait for the up-train, when it is late, before we can proceed?" said, "Wait until the wheels rust off, and then get new ones!"

☞ *Black Spring*, 5,680 gallons of liquor have been seized and destroyed in Bangor, Me.

☞ *The* [illegible] *of* [illegible] *Boston is* $280,000,000, while in New York it is $330,000,000. The population of the latter city is about 600,000, while that of Boston is 150,000, showing Boston to be a much richer city in proportion to population.

☞ *Lemon Syrup*—that is commonly sold in the shops, and used in mineral water, is *now* made of sulphuric acid, which is purchased at sixpence per pound! It is well enough that this should be known.

☞ *It is said* that Col. Benton's friends in Missouri, are already preparing to bring him out for the Presidency in 1856, against all parties and all conventions.

☞ *German* physiologists affirm that of twenty deaths of men, between eighteen and twenty-eight years of age, ten originate in the waste of the constitution induced by smoking.

☞ *Rum is like death*—it levels all distinctions. "A member of Congress, with "a brick in his hat," would as soon fraternize with a chimney sweep as a foreign envoy.

HAVE YOU THE FEVER AND AGUE?—If so, then be persuaded to try Dr. J. W. Cooper's Vegetable Compound Fever and Ague Pills, prepared only by C. P. Hewes, as they will positively perform a perfect cure in three days time. We ourselves know of a number of cases in which they have been used, and we never knew them to fail; therefore, we conscientiously recommend them to our friends, as being the very best medicine ever discovered for the cure of this distressing disease.—These Pills are for sale by H. J. Beachem, Tuscarora, H. Shissler, Port Carbon, and John S. C. Martin, of this place. Price $1 per box. He has also constantly on hand a supply of Dr. J. W. Cooper's Vegetable Worm Powders for the destruction of worms, and from the many applications of our friends to give notice through the press of the wonderful benefits their children have derived from the use of them, we have no doubt they are really a superior article; they are also pleasant for children to take. Also for sale by the same, Dr. J. W. Cooper's Vegetable Cough or Consumptive Syrup. We ourselves can testify to the great superiority of this medicine in the cure of a stubborn and obstinate cough of several years standing. If you have a cough, try this syrup; and our word for it, if it does not cure you, nothing will.

DYSPEPSIA.—This distressing complaint is a weakness of the digestive organs, caused by impurity of blood. The gastric juice, a fluid peculiar to the stomach, when secreted from bad blood, is deficient in those solvent properties which are of such importance to digestion. Consequently the food, instead of being dissolved, often becomes spoiled or putrified in the stomach; hence bad breath, sour belching, costiveness, pains in the stomach, colic, dysentery, and other dreadful complaints.

Caution.—Storekeepers would do well to exercise care in buying from pedlars. We understand that a man by the name of Hiestand, and another by the name of Sines, are offering what purports to be Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills. These persons are not authorized Agents for this Medicine, and the article offered cannot be guaranteed as genuine. The genuine is for sale by Mrs. E. M. BEATTY and J. G. BROWN, Pottsville. Wholesale Office, 169 Race Street, Phila-delphia.

LYON'S KATHAIRON,—*For Preserving, Restoring and Beautifying the Hair*, is the most delightful and wonderful article the world ever produced. Its astonishing success is without a precedent in the history of the *Materia Medica*. Dark and luxuriant curls, soft and glossy hair, with scores of admirers, (mark this ladies,) is the universal effect of the Kathairon. Bald and gray heads were perfectly astonished. "The Kathairon has firmly restored my hair after a baldness of 12 years. A. J. COURTRIGHT, 76 Bond st N. Y." The Kathairon is a certain cure for Nervous Headache, and all Cutaneous Diseases. Sold by all dealers, everywhere. Try it. Price only 25 cents in large bottles. D. S. Barnes, Proprietor, 161 Broadway, N.Y. Sold by every Dealer in Pottsville; T. W. Dyott & Sons, Philad'a., Wholesale Agents [30-3m

"I DIGEST."—Such is the true meaning of the word "Pepsin," or of the two Greek words from which it is derived. This is the significant and appropriate title of the True Digestive Fluid, or Gastric Juice, prepared by Dr. J. S. Houghton, of Philadelphia, from the fourth Stomach of the Ox for the cure of indigestion and Dyspepsia. It is Nature's own remedy for an unhealthy Stomach.—No art of man can equal its curative powers. It renders good eating perfectly consistent with health. See the figure of the Ox, in another part of this paper.

RECOMMENDATION OF MRS. ANN LEWIS, MINERSVILLE ST., POTTSVILLE.—Feeling it a personal duty I owe to Mrs. Ann Lewis, I beg leave to make known the wonderful cure performed on the lately, after meeting one of those awful casualties to which miners are at all times exposed. On the morning of the 30th ult., I was injured by an explosion of fire damp, so that my life was considered in danger. My head, limbs, and other parts of my body were burnt in a frightful manner. Knowing of the skill and experience of Mrs. L. in such cases, she was immediately sent for, and so far has success crowned her unceasing efforts that I was able to walk about in less than 3 weeks after the accident. This is a wonderful cure, considering my condition and the heat at the time I lay sick.

Another person was burnt slighter than me at the same time; but is now much worse than I am, as his treatment was not so successful. Scores through this neighborhood can make similar statements concerning Mrs. Lewis, and as she is a widow depending on her own efforts, I trust she will receive that support from the public to which her skill so justly entitles her.
WILLIAM GRIFFITHS.
Near Pottsville.
August 23, 1853. 35-1t*

POTTSVILLE MARKETS.

CORRECTED WEEKLY FOR THE JOURNAL.

Wheat Flour, bbl	$5 50	Dr'd peaches par'd,	$4 00
Rye do	4 00	do unpar'd	2 00
Wheat, bushel	1 15	Dr'd apples paired	1 25
Rye, do	75	Eggs, dozen	12
Corn, do	70	Butter	14
Oats, do	42	Shoulders,	8
Potatoes, do	75	Hams,	12
Timothy Seed	2 25	Hay, ton	16 00
Clover do	3 50	Plaster,	6 00

MARRIED,

On the 25th inst., by Rev. A. Prior, HOWELL FISHER, Esq., to CHARLOTTE, youngest daughter of the late Jacob Sheafe, Esq., all of Pottsville.

On the 24th by Rev. Wm. G. Mennig, CHARLES HELWIG to MARY ANN McGUNIGLE, both of Minersville.

On the 21th inst., by the same, JACOB SCHILL to SARAH ANN WEAVER, both of Schuylkill Haven.

On the 16th inst., by Rev. W. R. Giet, JOSEPH CLARKE to MARGARET BOYD, both of Tamaqua.

On the 15th inst., by Rev. C. Spurr, THOMAS UNNET to MARY ANN MATTISON, both of St. Clair.

On the 6th inst., by Rev. Julius Ehrhart, JEAN SAUBER to ESTHER BECKER, both of Auburn.

DIED:

On the 18th inst., at Schuylkill Haven, WILLIAM, aged 9 years and 10 months, and on the 22d SUSAN REBECCA, aged 1 year and 8 months, both children of Peter and Rosina Schreck.

In Middleport, on the 11th inst., SARAH ELIZABETH, daughter of John George Koch, aged 12 years 8 months and 21 days.

RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

☞ TRINITY CHURCH, (EPISCOPAL.)—Service held regularly in this Church every Sunday Morning, at 10 o'clock, Afternoon, at 3½
Except the first Sunday of each month, when service will be held in the evening at 7½ o'clock, instead of the afternoon.

☞ PREACHING in the Associate Reform Presbyterian Church, Market Street, Rev. John R. 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 may be expected every Sabbath morning and evening, also every Wednesday evening, at the usual hours.

GENERAL NOTICES.

PROPOSALS will be received to the 1st of September for building a two-story Brick House, the plan and specification can be seen by calling on MICHAEL McDONOUGH, Port Carbon.
August 20, 1853. 34-2t*

CARD.—The patrons of the "Young Ladies' Institute," corner of Market and Adams street, are respectfully informed that the duties of said Institute will be resumed on Monday September 5th, 1853.
M. M. ALLEN, Principal.
August 20, 1853. 34-3t*

YOUNG LADIES' INSTITUTE.—The Fall term of this Institute, situated at the corner of Market and Williams Streets, will commence on Monday the 5th of September next, and continue eighteen weeks. For terms apply to
REV. A. PRIOR, Principal.
August 20, 1853. 34-2t

☞ POTTSVILLE ACADEMY.—The Fall Term of this institution will commence MONDAY, September 5th, and continue eighteen weeks.—TERMS.—For English Studies, $10; for Languages, $12 extra. A. P. SPINNEY, A. M., Principal.
July 16, 1853. 29-6t*

PUBLICATIONS.

ILLUSTRATED NEWS, for July 23—EXTRA NUMBER.—This beautiful illustrated paper, together with a magnificent Crystal Palace Supplement, for sale at BANNAN'S Bookstore.
July 23, 1853. 30—

MODERN FLIRTATIONS—A NOVEL—By Catharine Sinclair, author of Beatrice, or the Unknown Relatives—for sale at B. BANNAN'S Cheap Bookstore.
July 2, 1853. 27—

WELSH BIBLES, TESTAMENTS, &c.—The subscriber has just received a lot of Welsh Bibles, Octavo, plain and gilt edges. Also, Pocket Bibles, Testaments and Welsh Tracts, Primers, &c., all of which will be sold low, at B. BANNAN'S Cheap Book and Stationary Store.
July 9, 1853. 27—

TRACTS, TRACTS, &c.—The subscriber has made arrangements with the American Tract Society to keep their Publications on hand, and will furnish English, German and Welsh Tracts and Books at their prices, by the single copy or 100, at B. BANNAN'S Cheap Book and Stationary Store.
July 2, 1853. 27—

OILS, PAINTS, &c.

PATENT LUBRICATING and Burning Oil, Patent Paint and Linseed Oil, Machinery Grease, Tar, &c., at the Town Hall Store. FRANK POTT.
May 7, 1853.

BLASTING PAPERS.—200 Reams Blasting Papers, of various prices, direct from the Mill, for sale by B. BANNAN.
July 9, 1853.

WANTED.

TEACHER WANTED.—Wanted a male teacher [illegible] School District, near Orwigsburg. The schools will open on the 6th of November next. [illegible] CHARLES MILL, Secretary.
August 27, 1853. 35-3t

WANTED.—Four Teachers to take charge of the Public Schools in Schuylkill Township. One of whom must be competent to give instruction in both the English and German languages. Applications to be made to the Board of Directors on Saturday the 17th day of September next, at one o'clock P. M. [illegible] school house, in Patterson.
August 27, 1853. 35-3t*

WANTED.—A Journeyman Cabinet Maker—good wages and regular employment will be given. Apply to HENRY GRESSANG, Pottsville.
August 27, 1853. 35-3t*

ARTILLERY SERVICE.—U. S. Army.—Men are wanted for the Artillery service of the United States Army.
Also a few good Band Musicians. Apply at the Recruiting Rendezvous, Pottsville, Pa.
August 20, 1853. 34-tf

TEACHER WANTED.—Wanted a male teacher to take charge of No. 1 School at Germantown in the Allison School District about two miles distant from Pottsville. Board of Directors will meet on the 1st Saturday in September when applications will be received and candidates examined. By order of the Board, THOMAS ALLISON.
August 20, 1853. 34-2t

TEACHERS WANTED.—The Board of School Directors of the Borough of Minersville desire to employ Six competent Female Teachers for the Public Schools of said Borough. An examination of Teachers will take place on Monday the 29th day of August inst., at 1 o'clock P. M. The Schools will open on the 1st of September. WM. N. ROBINS, Secretary.
August 20, 1853. 34-2t

WANTED—A Cabinet-maker, in the town of Middleport. Good Wages will be paid. None but a good workman need apply.
LEVI ARNOLD.
August 13, 1853. 33-3t

WANTED.—6 School Teachers wanted—3 male and 3 Female—to teach the Public Schools of the Borough of Port Carbon. None need apply but such as can stand a thorough examination. Schools to open on the first day of October—examination the last Monday in September, at 2 o'clock, P. M.
J. C. SIEGFRIED, Secretary.
August 13, 1853. 33-6t

TO MINERS.—Soon will be wanted a set of able Miners to sink a perpendicular shaft in a Colliery. For particulars apply to Messrs. J. WREN & BROTHERS' Iron Works, Pottsville, or to the Printer.
August 13, 1853. 33-3t

WANTED.—A situation as Clerk or Salesman in some store, by a young man 24 years of age, who is now pursuing legal studies, but is obliged to desist on account of impaired health. Has had 8 years experience in a store; speaks English and German equally well; and can give undoubted reference. A line addressed to FRANK, Box 167, Easton, Pa., will meet with prompt attention.
Easton, July 30, 1853. 31-4t*

SCHOOL TEACHERS.—Applications will be received by the Pottsville School Board until September 1st 1853, for 1 Male Teacher, as Principal of State School No. 1, a classical scholar.
Also a Female Teacher, an assistant Teacher for Male School No. 3.
Applicants will be examined on September 1st, 1853, at 9 o'clock, A. M., at the New School House on Schuylkill Avenue.
Applications to be addressed to
JOHN S. C. MARTIN, Secretary.
August 13, 1853. 33-1

NOTICE TO TEACHERS.—Notice is hereby given that applications will be received for three teachers able to give instruction in English and German, to take charge of the Public Schools of Lower Mahantongo Township. The Directors will meet applicants at the house of Joseph R. Osman, on SATURDAY, the 27th day of August.
JOSEPH HUNTZINGER, Sec'y.
August 6, 1853. 32-3t*

NOTICE TO TEACHERS.—Notice is hereby given that application will be received for Four Male Teachers and Two Female Teachers, to take charge of the Public Schools of the Borough of St. Clair. The Directors will meet applicants at the New School House, on Saturday, the 27th day of August, at 2 o'clock, P. M. J. W. LAWTON, Secretary.
August 13, 1853. 33 tf

WANTED—Six practical IRON ORE MINERS. Miners who understand Iron Ore Mining in its various details will find permanent employment and good wages at the "Moselem Iron Ore Bank," in Richmond Township, Berks County. Apply immediately to FREDERICK S. HUNTER, Manager of the Leesport Iron Company, at Leesport, Berks County; or to HESTER CLYMER, opposite the Pennsylvania Hall, Pottsville.
May 7, 1853. 19-tf

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

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

BUSINESS CARDS.

EBY, CONYNGHAM & HERR, WHOLESALE GROCERS, Tea and Liquor Dealers, and Commission Merchants, No. 188 MARKET Street, *Between 5th and 6th,*
R. C. Eby,
W. L. Conyngham, } PHILADELPHIA.
A. C. Herr,
July 9, 1853. 27-6m

NEVILLE & RICHARDS, Attorneys at Law will attend to all business entrusted to them with diligence and care. Office Centre Street, next door to R. R. Morris' Store, Pottsville.
June 11, 1853. [Jan. 8, 1853. 2-ly* 24 tf

D. W. C. CLEAVER, formerly of the firm of S. & D. W. C. CLEAVER. Engineers and Surveyors, after several years' engagement in other places, has re-opened an office in Pottsville, where he will be pleased to see the friends of the old firm, and all who may require the services of one of his profession.
OFFICE—CENTRE Street, immediately opposite the "Shaw Terrace."
May 28, 1853. 22-6m

HOWELL FISHER, ATTORNEY AT LAW, POTTSVILLE. Office CENTRE Street, 3 doors South of Episcopal Church, same side.
April 30, 1853. 18 ly

CARD.—Window Sash and Doors, of various descriptions, on hand and for sale by the Subscriber.
JOHN H. JAMES,
Market Street above Tenth, Pottsville.
Feb. 26, 1853. 9-tf

CARD.—Market Street Property for sale. Inquire of JOHN H. JAMES, Ag't.
Market Street above Tenth, Pottsville.
Feb. 26, 1853. 9-tf

JACOB KLINE, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, will attend to the collection of Accounts, &c., promptly, and all the duties appertaining to his office. Pottsville, Dec. 25, 1852. 52-ly*

THOMAS B. BANNAN ATTORNEY at LAW. Office in Centre Street, opposite the Episcopal Church, Pottsville Pennsylvania.
Nov. 20, 1852. 47-ly

JNO. N. WAGENSELLER & CO., Bankers and Dealers in Exchange, Tamaqua, Penn'a. Collecting attended to, and drafts for sale on all the principal cities of the Union. Also, Drafts payable at all the principal Banking Houses in England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales.
July 17, 1852. 29-tf

GROCERIES.

MACKEREL, SHAD CODFISH, SALMON and HERRING, Pork, Hams, Shoulders, Sides and Lard, Cheese, &c., constantly on hand and for sale by J. PALMER & Co.
Market Street Wharf, Philad'a.
August 27, 1853. 35 3m

PINE-APPLE CHEESE.—A splendid article, just received and for sale at the corner of Coal and Norwegian streets by L. C. LEIB & Co.
August 20, 1853. 34-2t

JELLIES.—Raspberry, Blackberry, Currant and Pine-apple Jellies, a delicious article; just received and for sale by L. C. LEIB & Co.
Corner of Coal and Norwegian streets.
August 20, 1853. 34-2t

PICKLES.—Just received a large lot of Pickles in jars and warranted to be in good condition, for sale cheap by L. C. LEIB & Co.
Corner Coal and Norwegian streets.
August 20, 1853. 34-2t

TOMATO KETCHUP.—A good article for family use, for sale low by L. C. LEIB & Co.
Corner Coal and Norwegian streets.
August 20, 1853. 34-2t

BAKER'S COCOA.—This is a pure product of the Cocoa Nut, and has long been recommended by Physicians, for sale by L. C. LEIB & Co.
Corner of Coal and Norwegian streets.
August 20, 1853. 34-2t

BAKER'S CHOCOLATE.—This article is manufactured from Cocoa of the best kind and quality, and for sale by L. C. LEIB & Co.
Corner Coal and Norwegian streets.
August 20, 1853. 34-2t

SEGARS.—30,000 of the Fabrica de Tobacos—These Segars are manufactured from the best Vuelta Abajo Tobacco. Just received and for sale wholesale and retail by L. C. LEIB & Co.
Corner Coal and Norwegian streets.
August 20, 1853. 34-2t

BLACK TEAS.—New crop of fine Black Teas just received and for sale by L. C. LEIB & Co.
Corner Coal and Norwegian streets.
August 20, 1853. 34-2t

A LARGE ASSORTMENT of choice Brands of Hams just received, and for sale at SILLYMAN & CHAMBERS.
August 13, 1853. 33-tf

A CHOICE STOCK of superior Teas, which will be sold very low, notwithstanding the late advancement. SILLYMAN & CHAMBERS.
August 13, 1853. 33-tf

A LARGE STOCK of very fine sugars, which will be sold low for cash by SILLYMAN & CHAMBERS.
August 13, 1853. 33-tf

SCHEIDAM SCHNAPPS.—Genuine Aromatic Scheidam Schnapps, the pure extract of Barley and Juniper, recommended by medical men as a superior Tonic, Anti-Dyspeptic and Invigorating Cordial. For sale by M. STROUSE,
Centre Street, Pottsville.
Feb. 26, 1853. 9-tf

CIDER AND VINEGAR.—Clarified Champagne Cider, of a superior quality. Also, Cider and Pickling Vinegar, by the Hogshead or Barrel, warranted, as usual, to meet the approbation of the purchaser. Shipping orders filled at the shortest notice. For sale by EMIL MATHIEU,
No. 12 and 14 Lombard St, below 2d, Philad'a.
Jan. 29, 1853 5-6m

COAL.

COAL received on Yardage and delivered to order, on reasonable terms, by E. SCHREINER,
S. W. Corner Broad and Callowhill Sts., Philad'a.
May 7, 1853. 19-6m

J. M. BEATTY & SON have removed to the office of C. W. Pitman, Esq., in Centre street, below the American House; where persons having business with them will please call.
JAMES THOMAS & CO., will also be found in the same office.
April 16, 1853. 16-tf

GEORGE WIGGAN & SON, Miners of Red Ash Coal, Tamaqua.
Jan. 8, 1853. 2-ly

NOTICE.—CHARLES MILLER & CO. have removed their office, in Philadelphia, from No. 61 Dock Street, to No. 11 WALNUT street, north side, between Front and Second Streets.
Philad'a., Jan. 8, 1853. 2-ly

IRON & CUTLERY.

A. PURVES, DEALER IN SCRAP IRON, Copper, Brass, Bar and Block Tin, Soldier's Spelter Lead, &c. Orders received for Brass and Copper work, and Machine furnishing. All orders connected with the above line promptly attended to.—N. E. Corner Penn and South Streets, Philad'a.
June 11, 1853. 24-tf

ROSENDALE HYDRAULIC CEMENT.—An excellent article for lining Cisterns, Vaults, Spring Houses and Cellars, and the Roofing damp-proof [illegible] [illegible] SMITH & [illegible]
N. E. cor. of Front & Willow Sts. [illegible]
Feb. 19, 1853. [illegible]

NOTICES.

ATTENTION! ARTILLERY!—The members of the Washington Artillery [illegible] for Parade and Target-firing on Monday, September 5th, 1853, at 1 o'clock, P. M.
A stated Meeting will be held on Tuesday Evening August 30th. Punctual attendance is requested, as business of importance will be transacted.
By order of the Captain.
JOHN M. SHOMO, O. S.
August 27, 1853. 35-1t

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP.—The public are hereby notified that the Copartnership heretofore existing between Jonas Smith & William Mintzer, as Lumber Merchants, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent, and that William Mintzer is duly authorized to collect all outstanding accounts, and settle business of copartnership.
JONAS SMITH,
WILLIAM MINTZER.
Pottstown, August 11, 1853.

NOTICE.—The Subscriber having purchased Jonas Smith's interest in the late concern of Smith & Mintzer, intends continuing the Lumber business as heretofore, thankful for the liberal patronage bestowed upon the late firm, he hopes to merit a continuance of the same. WM. MINTZER.
August 27th, 1853. 35 3t

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.—The undersigned, Auditor appointed by the Court of Common Pleas of Schuylkill County to ascertain the amounts due for rents to the Landlords, and the sums due respectively to Miners, Laborers and Mechanics, out of the proceeds of sale of the personal property of JAS. FEWELL, DOVEY and SOUTHALL, under sundry writs of Fi. Fa., issued out of the said Court, will attend to the duties of his appointment at his office in Centre street, in the Borough of Pottsville, on Tuesday, the 20th day of September, 1853, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.
WM. L. WHITNEY, Auditor.
August 27, 1853. 35-3t

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—The Register of Schuylkill County having granted letters of administration of the estate of David Price, late of St. Clair, Miner, deceased, to the Subscriber, all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the said decedent, are requested to make known the same without delay, and all persons indebted to the said estate, to make immediate payment to
MARTHA PRICE,
Administratrix, St. Clair.
August 27, 1853. 35-6t*

DISSOLUTION.—The partnership heretofore existing between Daniel Moreton and Henry Dickinson, Plumbers and Coppersmiths, trading under the firm of MORETON & DICKINSON in the Borough of Pottsville, was dissolved by mutual consent on the 20th of August. The business of the late firm will be settled by Daniel Moreton.
HENRY DICKINSON,
DANIEL D. MORETON.
August 27, 1853. 35-3t

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—Whereas Letters of Administration on the estate of Maria P. Howells, late of Norwegian Township, Schuylkill County, deceased, have been granted to the subscriber by the Register of Schuylkill County; therefore, all those indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims will present them for settlement on or before the 10th of September inst. BENJAMIN HOWELLS
Administrator.
August 20, 1853. 34-3t

PHILADELPHIA AND READING RAILROAD CO., Office 73 South FOURTH St., Philadelphia, July 23d, 1853.—The FREIGHT and TOLL on Coal, from Mount Carbon to Richmond, on and after August 8th, will be $1 75
September 1st, 1 80
October 1st, 2 00
JOHN TUCKER, President.
August 13, 1853. 33-tf

OFFICE SCHUYLKILL NAVIGATION Co., July 23d, 1853.
NOTICE is hereby given that the charge for Toll on Anthracite Coal carried on the Schuylkill Navigation, from Port Carbon to Philadelphia, will be as follows:
On and after August 6th, 1853, seventy-five cents per ton.
On and after September 1st, 1853, ninety cents per ton.
On and after October 1st, 1853, one dollar per ton.
F. FRALEY, President
August 13, 1853. 33-tf

DISSOLUTION.—The partnership heretofore existing between John Preston and Andrew Robinson, trading under the firm of PRESTON & ROBINSON, in the Coal business, at New Philadelphia, Schuylkill County, was dissolved this day by mutual consent. The business of the late firm will be settled up by John Preston, who will continue on his own account. JOHN PRESTON
ANDREW ROBINSON.
August 13, 1853. 33-3t*

NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that the subscribers, having loaned to Joseph Springer, residing near Centreville, Two Horses, Harness and Wagons, during their pleasure, will not hold themselves accountable for any debts contracted on them, and they hereby caution all persons meddling with them in any way. C. & A. FOCHT.
Ringgold Schuyl. Co., Pa.
August 13, 1853. 33-3t

LAW PARTNERSHIP.—The undersigned have entered into co-partnership in the practice of Law, and have taken the office lately occupied by F. W. Hughes, Esq. The business of Mr. Hughes having been by him entrusted to us, will receive, as well as all else that may be confided to our care, our diligent attention.
WM. B. WELLS,
JOHN HUGHES.

Being desirous of withdrawing from the practice of the law in the Courts of this County, I have confided all unfinished professional business to the care of WM. B. WELLS and JOHN HUGHES, Esqrs., whom I will assist in the management of the same until all my existing engagements are discharged.
F. W. HUGHES.
August 6, 1853. 32-tf

NOTICE.—The Books of Accounts of the late firm of BRIGHT & POTT, have been placed in the hands of the undersigned for collection, and those indebted will please call and make payment, without further delay. JOHN C. CONRAD, J. P.
Pottsville, July 23, 1853 30 tf

DISSOLUTION.—The partnership heretofore existing between Jonathan Shultz, M. B. Bell, and Edward Becker, trading under the firm of SHULTZ, BELL & CO., in the Coal business at Mt. Laffee, Schuylkill Co., was dissolved by mutual consent on the first of December, 1852. The business of the late firm will be settled by Messrs. Shultz & Bell, who continue the business on their own account.
JONATHAN SHULTZ,
M. B. BELL,
EDWARD BECKER.
July 23, 1853. 30 6t*

DISSOLUTION.—The partnership heretofore existing between Edward Becker and Jonathan Shultz, Flour and Feed Merchants, trading under the firm of BECKER & SHULTZ, in the Borough of Pottsville, was dissolved by mutual consent on the 5th of July, inst. The business of the late firm will be settled by EDWARD BECKER, at the old stand.
EDWARD BECKER,
JONATHAN SHULTZ.
☞ The business will be continued at the old Stand, by Messrs. A. SHULTZ & LOOS.
July 23, 1853. 30-6t*

NOTICE.—The Subscribers hereby give notice that application will be made to the next Legislature of Pennsylvania for a charter of a Savings Bank; to be located in Borough of Pottsville, with a capital of Fifty Thousand Dollars, and the privileges of increasing it to One Hundred Thousand Dollars, and of receiving money on interest and discounting, to be called "THE POTTSVILLE SAVINGS BANK."

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Samuel Sillyman,	William Fox,
D. G. Yuengling,	John Pinkerton,
John W. Weber,	Nathan Evans,

July 2, 1853. 27-6m

NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that the citizens of Schuylkill County intend to apply to the Legislature at the next session, for a charter of a Bank of Discount and Deposit, to be located in the Borough of Tamaqua, Schuylkill County, Pa., to be called the "THE ANTHRACITE BANK OF TAMAQUA," with a capital of Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, with the privilege to increase the capital of said Bank to Five Hundred Thousand Dollars.

Robert Ratcliffe,	W. W. McGuigan,
B. T. Hughes,	S. Morganroth,
E. J. Fry,	R. A. Heaton,

July 2, 1853. 27-6m

NOTICE.—The Stockholders of the Miners' Bank of Pottsville, in the County of Schuylkill, hereby give notice that they intend to apply to the Legislature of Pennsylvania, at its next session, for the privilege of increasing their Capital Stock from Two Hundred Thousand Dollars to Five Hundred Thousand Dollars. Said Bank is located in the Borough of Pottsville, in the County of Schuylkill, created for the special object of a Bank of Discount, Deposit and Issue. By order of the Board,
CHAS. LOESER, Cashier.
June 25, 1853. 26-tf

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P. S.—Thankful for past favors, the undersigned would solicit a continuation of the hitherto liberal patronage. J. H. J.
Nov. 27, 1852. 48-ly

NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the next Legislature of Pennsylvania for a charter for a Bank, to be located in the Borough of Pottsville, with a capital of Fifty Thousand Dollars, with the privilege of increasing it to One Hundred Thousand Dollars, with Banking and Discounting privileges, to be called the Miners' Savings Bank.
June 25, 1853. 26-tf

CO-PARTNERSHIP NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that I have this day June 6th, associated with me M. EDGAR RICHARDS, Esq., in the practice of Law, which, in all its various branches, will hereafter be conducted under the firm of NEVILLE & RICHARDS. Office, Centre Street, next door to R. R. Morris' Store, Pottsville.
JNO. C. NEVILLE.
June 11, 1853. 24-tf

LOST & FOUND.

STRAY COW.—Strayed away from the Subscriber at Pottsville, near Minersville, on Thursday the 4th inst., a large white Cow, with several red spots about the neck and shoulders; age about 6 Years. Any person giving any information which may lead to her recovery will be liberally rewarded.
THOMAS VERNER.
August 20, 1853. 34 2t*

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WM. PHILLIPS.
July 30, 1853. 31-3m

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June 18, 1853. 25-tf

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April 16, 1853. 16-tf

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Jan. 24, 1852. [illegible]

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THE FORMATION OF COAL.

Few people have any conception of the process by which those immense deposits of combustible matter were prepared, from which the fuel of the world in all coming time, or so long as fuel shall be required, is to be supplied,—nor of the peculiar condition of the earth and its surroundings during the long period occupied by that mighty chemical elaboration. The thought that during the slow lapse of these uncounted years, and indeed during the almost inconceivable ages that had proceeded them, no living voice broke upon the stillness of eternity, and no "moving thing that had life" existed above the surface of the waters, is one of peculiar interest and grandeur. Yet that such was the fact is made evident by the unerring record of the Great Architect himself, upon his work. This was most clearly shown in the recent course of lectures on Geology, given by Dr. Boynton here, a good report of which is presented in the Boston *Journal.*

In the coal beds traces of a peculiar vegetation have been found, more luxuriant than any which now exist on the earth.

This peculiarity, with the fact that no air-breathing animals existed previous to the formation of the coal beds, led to the belief that carbon existed in the atmosphere in the form of carbonic acid gas in such quantities as to prevent the existence of all animals breathing air. How solitary must have been the earth during the period of coal formation! No birds flitted from branch to branch amid the dense foliage, and no living creatures traversed its plains or threaded the lonely forests. Verdure flourished and beauty shone upon its surface, but the essential charm of life was wanting. Silence, too, reigned throughout the world, broken only by the hoarse thunders of the earthquake, as the pent up fires vainly endeavored to burst through the bonds that confined them.

But this gigantic race of vegetation absorbed the carbon from the air. As fast as those plants died and fell to the earth, they were succeeded by others which in their turn died and fell to the earth; and in this manner an immense mass of vegetable substance was accumulated; which upon subsequent fermentation was changed into a mass of coal. The calling into existence of this race of plants was the great purifying process of the world. They were not of a nature to sustain animal life, but after they had succeeded in absorbing the poison in the atmosphere and rendering the earth fit for the habitation of air breathing creatures, such plants were produced.

The vegetation of the coal period differed from that of the present day in the fact that nearly all of the plants grew on the inside; whereas nine tenths of them now grow on the outside. They were somewhat analogous to the fern, &c., of our tropics. All the plants found as low as the coal strata, were of orders which induced the belief that throughout our planet generally, even as far north as Melville Island, where mercury freezes, a tropical climate prevailed in the carboniferous era.

If the weedy substance which after decomposition and fermentation became coal, contained rosin or bituminous matter, as is frequently the case, the coal produced would be bituminous. If the bituminous coal was covered with sandy matter and subjected to a slight heat, the carburetted hydrogen gas would pass into the sand; leaving the pure antnracite. Sometimes, being powerfully acted on by the heated rock around it, it was deprived of all its gases and changed into coke; as is the case in Virginia, where large mines of that substance are found.

VOLCANIC ACTION.

Between Port Hope and Coburg, C. W., is a small island which was once entirely above water, but which is now a mere reef having been decapitated by winds and ice. It is, according to the report of E. Merriam, Esq., composed of bituminous and fossiliferous limestone, and an eminent geologist says it is evidently the production of a volcano.—This portion of the lake is subject to submarine convulsions at the present day, during which the waters of the lake ebb and flow every ten minutes. At Port Hope, Coburg, Grafton and Colbourne, the water recedes suddenly and leaves the harbor bare, and then returns with a violent roar and invades the land. One of these occurred September 20th 1845; one 8th of January, 1847, and another 5th of July, 1850. That of September, 1850, produced a most terrific lightning storm which traversed the whole width of the lake north-easterly and the wilderness between Lake Ontario and Champlain. It was accompanied with a tornado which laid the forests prostrate in its path. That of the 5th of July, 1850, created a terrific water spout, which was broken by the thunderbolt, the electric energies of which came from the bottom of the lake. As soon as the lightning did its work, it formed a cloud, which divided in two parts, one part following the water to Quebec, and the other crossing the lake over the land towards Albany, and discharged so much water as to cause a flood in Canada Creek, which swept off the railroad bridge, and the engine and cars plunged into the water before the engineer knew that the bridge was gone.

Near the mouth of Black River the lake is subject to terrific lightning storms, one of which visited Oswego county in February, 1851, while three feet of snow was on the ground, and the thermometer was seven deg. below zero. These volcanic eruptions are supposed to account for the remarkable rise and fall of the water, so proverbial in Lake Ontario.—*Phil. Register.*

SOLDER FOR IRON.

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When the filings of soft cast-iron are melted in a crucible with borax, which has been previously calcined in order to get rid of the water it contains, a hard shining black pitch-like soldering substance is obtained, being glass of borax colored black with iron.

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Another method which has been published for this purpose, is to melt five ounces of borax in an earthen crucible, and when melted, add half an ounce of Sal ammoniac, and pour the metal upon an iron plate. When cold, it will appear like glass, and is to be powdered and mixed with an equal quantity of unslacked lime.

The iron or steel being heated to a red heat, a little of the above powder is to be sprinkled on the surface, where it will melt like sealing wax. The iron or steel is then to be again heated, but considerably below the ordinary welding heat, then brought to the anvil, and hammered until the surfaces are perfectly united.—*Scientific American.*

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