The Miners' Journal

POTTSVILLE, PA.

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DEMOCRATIC WHIG NOMINATIONS.

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FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY,
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CHAS. DENGLER, OF SCHUYLKILL HAVEN.
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For Assembly,
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For Treasurer,
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For Director of the Poor,
JOSEPH BALLIET.
For Coroner,
P. A. WHITTAKER.
For Deputy Surveyor,
D. W. C. CLEAVER.

CUMBERLAND (MD.) COAL.

Spontaneous Combustion of Bituminous Coals.

In reply to our namesake of the Cumberland (Md.) Region, the scientifically established and well-known fact that Bituminous Coals *are* spontaneously inflammable, renders it unnecessary for us to say but little, except by way of rightly representing our motives and views in the late mention of the Cumberland Coal made in our columns.

Personally, we know nothing of the peculiar nature or qualities of the Cumberland Coal. It claims to be of a Bituminous character, and it is under that general classification that we have heretofore cautioned against its use, especially on ship-board, from the notorious and admitted tendency of *all* Bituminous Coals to spontaneous combustion. While writing, our eye has fallen on the following communication in the New York *Mining Journal*, which explains, upon authority that cannot be questioned, the normal or constitutional character of Bituminous Coals and the inevitable effect of their exposure to dampness:

"SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION—BITUMINOUS COAL.—Bituminous coal frequently takes fire by spontaneous combustion. I have known some of the Nova Scotia coal, while lying in the coal yards in New York to ignite. On examining coal in which fires originate spontaneously, I find abundance of *iron pyrites*, which is by some called 'fool's gold.' The *pyrites*, on being broken up and moistened by heavy dew, or exposed to a close, warm and moist atmosphere, becomes heated, and from the great heat thus produced fire ensues. I have never known fire to originate spontaneously in cannel coal. Coal brought to this market from Virginia often becomes heated to a temperature sufficiently high to ignite it, except cannel coal, it is said, is very apt to take fire from spontaneous combustion. That coal contains seams of *iron pyrites*, and is generally brought to the sea coast in uncovered cars, in night trains, exposed to heavy dews. Business men should remember that *pyrites* should not be taken on board of vessels, that have valuable cargoes as freight or on board of vessels that carry passengers. Cabin-owners would serve the cause of humanity and the interests of commerce, and lessen their own risks, by making such a difference in the rates of premium, in the insuring of vessels and cargoes, that have this species of Bituminous coal on board, as to induce owners of vessels carrying passengers or carrying valuable cargoes, to refuse Bituminous coal (other than cannel coal) as freight.

"In Bituminous coal mines, fire damp is abundant and explosions are frequent; but the number of these disasters have been greatly lessened by the use of the safety lamp, invented by Sir Humphrey Davy.

"Heat in a body of Bituminous coal, in the confined bottom of a vessel, is sufficient of itself to produce inflammable gas, and that gas mixed with an equal volume of atmospheric air, forms an explosive compound, possessing the force of gunpowder when ignited. E. MERIAM.

NEW-YORK, Sept. 15, 1853.

This saves us any further labor under this head—Mr. Meriam's article is based on the immutable truths of Physical Science, and is applicable alike to all Bituminous Coals, the world over. Is the Cumberland Coal of a Bituminous nature? This is all we need now inquire to settle the whole question at issue. If so, the laws of Geology and Scientific truth alike proclaim it *spontaneously combustible*.

Some Bituminous Coals, we are aware, contain less of the Iron Pyrites in their composition than others, and are consequently not so dangerous; but none are entirely free from these inflammable ingredients, and there is necessarily always more or less risk in their use. Perhaps the Cumberland Coal may be among the safer kinds of Bituminous on this score—we wait for enlightenment.

We may add that this dangerous characteristic of the Bituminous Coals of England has long been known there, and so firmly seated is this consciousness of danger, that various devices have been employed in English ship-building, by making a number of small separate bunkers for the storage of the Coal and by the introduction of pipes to carry off the inflammable gas &c., to remedy the evil; and even attempts have been made at different times, and are still making, to substitute Welsh Anthracite to the total exclusion of English Bituminous, in ocean navigation.

Our cotemporary entirely misapprehends our motives. We are wholly unconscious of the least spark of jealousy toward the Cumberland Region, and we have no disposition whatever to do their Coal injustice or to depreciate its value in the market. True, some of their lengthy Reports and flaming paper calculations find but little favor in our eyes, because sad experience at home has taught us that such things are not to be trusted; and it is rather with a feeling of neighborly benevolence than with a spirit of rivalry or envy that we have at times reduced their "brightitutin" to plain language and shorn them of their speculative odor, in order to save the inexperienced and unwary.

There are plenty of purposes for which the Cumberland Coal is pre-eminently fitted and may be employed without interfering in the least with the Anthracite trade. Our Maryland neighbor may rest assured that so long as our Collieries continue in active operation, and the demand for our Coal is constantly increasing, we shall not quarrel with him for market room. *All* the Coal the country can afford, Anthracite, Bituminous, Cannel or otherwise, is, and will for the next half century be, wanted to supply the various necessities of business, navigation &c., to which they are respectively adapted. But let "every tub stand on its own bottom"—if the Cumberland Coal, in common with other Bituminous Coals, possesses certain qualities that render it unsafe for Ocean navigation, then, for the sake of humanity as well as in justice to the producers of a better article, let Anthracite or some other safer fuel be substituted.

POST-OFFICE MISMANAGEMENT.

We are annoyed beyond measure by the constantly recurring mistakes of Postmasters. Every week we receive complaints of packets mis-sent, subscribers' papers coming irregularly, behind time, or, as it frequently happens, not at all. For the last two or three months, it has regularly been a portion, and no mean one, of our weekly business, to read and answer letters, examine our books, re-write and change addresses, &c., &c., in order to explain and remedy this matter, as far as it lay in our power. New Postmasters and new Clerks, as a matter of course, must be indulged for a while after induction to the duties of an unaccustomed office, and Newspaper Publishers will sometimes make mistakes; but making liberal allowance for the latter, when are the new officials to get out of their apprenticeship? It is high time now, if ever they will learn, to understand the routine of their business.

In addition to these ordinary instances of mismanagement complained of, we have before us just now a new feature in Post Office regulations. The annexed correspondence will explain:

POST OFFICE, NEW YORK, }
Sept. 12th, 1853. }

To the Publisher of the Miners' Journal—Sir: Agreeably to the order of the Post Master General, you are hereby informed that the paper addressed to Hopkins & Weston, is not taken out of this office. Yours, Respectfully,
ISAAC V. FOWLER, P. M.

REASON—Refused.

This was the second of these official bulletins we had received in reference to these subscribers—the first having arrived after our packets for that week were written. Thinking it strange, we wrote to Messrs. Hopkins & Co. for an explanation, and have received the following reply:

NEW YORK, *Sept. 20th 1853.*

MR. BANNAN—*Dear Sir:* We have yours of 17th inst. We do not know where the P. M. received his information from, as we have *never* REFUSED *to receive the paper and pay for it.* Please forward your paper as usual, and direct to Yours truly,
HOPKINS & WESTON.

Upon inquiry, we find this is not the only office from which the *Journal* has been returned, "refused," the subscriber at the same time inquiring for it weekly and being turned away empty. Now, we are not much surprised that the general tone of our paper on more topics than politics should be rather distasteful to the appointees of Postmaster General Campbell, and that they would very willingly curtail its circulation; but we want them to distinctly understand, one and all, and once for all, that while Uncle Sam pays for their bread and butter, claiming as we do some distant relationship with the old gentleman, we demand the usual privileges and courtesies of the Post Office Department, for the *Journal*, under the laws made and provided for the safe carriage and speedy delivery of newspapers; or if its subscription list is to be cut down, we want it done in the regular way, at the option of our readers and not at the caprice of Postmasters.

During the whole lengthened period of our experience as a newspaper publisher, we cannot recall a time when the Postal affairs of the country were so badly managed; and to show that our memory is not "treacherous," we append a list of the complaints of fellow-sufferers, gathered casually from our exchanges during a week or two past. It will be perceived they are all from honest, reliable sources, such as are not likely to be influenced by political bias or other prejudices—several are from professedly independent papers and others from the known organs of the present administration, and which have always been especially friendly toward Judge Campbell:

THE irregularity of the mails is a standing complaint with the newspapers in every section of the country. At no time have we before seen so much fault-finding in regard to the delinquencies of the mail. The press of every shade of politics join in the cry, and cite particular instances which justly their animadversion. The Post-Office Department will have need of great a reformatory movement to free itself from the odium into which it is falling.—*N. Y. Courier.*

GREAT COMPLAINTS are made in almost all sections of the Union for the irregularity and bad management of the mails. The fact is that the Post-Office Department, in the immense amount of patronage it dispenses, has become a powerful engine either for good or evil, and ought to be placed into the hands of the people. If it is good policy to elect the Judges of our courts, it certainly cannot be objectionable to elect our Postmasters. Besides such an amount of patronage in the hands of one man is a danger-ous feature in a republican government. Judge Campbell, the Post Master General, it is known, is a politician by profession, and in disbursing his patronage, no doubt, feels it his duty to subserve the interests of politicians first, and the public afterwards. We say again, let the people select their own Postmasters.—*Sunbury American.*

CARELESSNESS.—The carelessness of mail agents upon Railroads leads to much inconvenience to those who imagined government established the office for the accommodation of the public. By neglect to attend to and properly distribute matter dropped in the cars, the good intentions of the law-making power is in too many cases effectually frustrated.—*Pottstown Ledger.*

WHOSE FAULT IS IT?—From all points of the compass we are receiving complaints of the irregular delivery of the *Pennsylvanian* through the mails, and from several places we have received the by no means gratifying information that whole lists of subscribers will be lost to us if the present unsatisfactory state of affairs continues much longer. At first we thought it not impossible that the fault lay with ourselves—that there was inattention in our own office; but investigation and observation have satisfied us that our household is in order, and that the delinquency is on the part of some of the servants of our beloved Uncle Sam.—*Pennsylvanian.*

ANOTHER from the same source, in reply to a subscriber of six years standing in Centre Co., complaining of the irregularity of his paper for the last three months, reads thus:

No one can regret more sincerely than we do the worriment to which our friend at Pleasant Gap is subjected by reason of the irregular receipt of his paper, but not knowing where the fault lies, we can point out no remedy. We trust that our friend will hereafter receive his paper in due time, but should this hope be disappointed, and he still be compelled to read "old matter," we trust he will console himself (as best he can) with the reflection that there are hundreds of others who are no better off than himself. This may be rather poor consolation, but it is the best we have to offer.

Again:

MAIL COMPLAINTS.—Our subscribers at Hood's Mills and at Fairmount, Va., who complain of the irregularity of the receipt of their papers, will, we hope, have no cause of complaint in future. The fault is supposed to be with the distributing agents in the cars, and we have made representations in the proper quarter to produce a remedy of the grievance.—*Balt. American.*

THE MAILS.—We do not recollect a time when there was more general complaint in reference to the mismanagement of the mails. The newspapers in all quarters, are filled with complaints, and in common with others who are suffering, we suppose we can have the privilege of expressing our feelings, even though it will do no good. Our daily for South Coventry, sometimes reaches its destination on the day it is published—sometimes two numbers are received at a time, and sometimes *three*. The mail goes from this place *via* Springfield and Palmer, and sometimes the trains do not connect, which will account for a delay of one day; but why the papers should lay over two days is a mystery we cannot fathom. We have reason to believe they are sent promptly and regularly from the post-office in this city, and as the wrappers are printed it would seem that there could be no possible chance for error. That there is a *blunderhead* on the route somewhere, is evident. We have written to the route agent on the subject, but still the annoyance continues, and we have received directions to discontinue sending unless it can be remedied.—*Hartford (Conn.) Courant.*

SLOW MAILS.—Possessing no "through" mails in Germantown, we have always been behind time in the receipt, and of course in the forwarding of letters; but the negligence of postmasters or mail-carriers, of late, has added greatly to this inconvenience. For instance, within two weeks, it took three days to carry a letter for us from Quakertown, twenty miles above us on the Bethlehem road; three days to carry a letter from Hilltown, about two-thirds of that distance, in the same direction; but worse than all, it required three days for a letter from Bartenville, six miles above us, to come to hand.—Other letters from more distant places, have also been delayed most grievously, in several cases entirely destroying the object for which they were written.—*Germantown Telegraph.*

The only plausible excuse for any one of the many Mail failures we have noticed in different parts of the country, is related as follows:

A TEXAS mail contractor excuses himself for failing to perform his services as per schedule, by alleging that the mosquitos are actually so bad upon his route, as to make it dangerous to the life of man and beast to travel at all the season of his contract failures.

Local Affairs.

☞ *A grand Battalion* is announced by Brigadier General J. K. CLEMENT, to be held in this place on the 3d of October. Some sixteen Companies are expected to be out.

☞ *The Rev. Isaac Bevan* will preach next Sabbath morning in the Baptist Church, Mahantango street, at 10½ o'clock. The public are invited

☞ *Interesting Ceremony.*—A Bible will be publicly presented to the Cadets of Temperance at the Temperance Hall, next Wednesday evening.

☞ *P. D. D. G. M.*—J. D. Rice has been re-appointed D D G M for Schuylkill District, by the M. W. G. M. of the G. L. I. O. O. F., of Pennsylvania, in place of D G McGowan.

☞ *Ordination.*—Rev. Mr. Castle will be ordained Pastor of the Baptist Church, in this place, next Tuesday evening. The ceremonies will, no doubt, be interesting. Several eminent Divines will be present. See notice

☞ *Fatal Accident.*—On Wednesday of last week a young man named Charles Long, engaged in hauling coal out from the Screens at Donaldson's Sharp Mountain Colliery, at Tamaqua, got off the loaded car and the wheels passing over, severed his head and one arm from his body.

☞ *Drowned.*—On Tuesday evening, about 7 o'clock, as John Dorsey, of Port Carbon, was pushing his boat through the Canal Tunnel, below Orwigsburg Landing, he fell into the Canal and was drowned. An inquest was subsequently held, and a verdict rendered accordingly.

☞ *Sunk stamps* have been throwing stones in the windows of the Public School House of the Borough. The Board of Directors have offered a reward of $5 for the names of the guilty parties. All the tax-payers of the Borough are interested in checking these depredations on the public property of the Borough.

☞ *Anniversary Ball.*—The Ball, we noticed some time back, to be given at the Town Hall by the Pottsville Brass Band, comes off next Wednesday evening. Besides the attractiveness of their excellent music, the fact that there has not been a public dance in Pottsville for an unusually long time, will most likely draw a crowded house. We hope so, for the Band richly deserves it.

☞ *Public Schools.*—On Wednesday evening last the Directors of the Public Schools elected Mr. Joseph P. Sheaffer, of Maine, a classical scholar and regular graduate, Principal of the No. 1 Male School, and also a Teacher in connection with the Superintendent of the High School, at a salary of $600 a year. The examination of Mr. Sheaffer has satisfactory in an eminent degree, and the Board have been fortunate in securing the services of so competent a Teacher, while the demand for good Teachers is so great throughout the country.

☞ *Outrage and Death.*—The man, noticed in our columns last week, as having been found nearly dead from severe beating, at Westwood, on Thursday evening, died next morning. His name was John Whalen, an employee on the Mine Hill Railroad, aged about 25 years. As yet, we believe, the perpetrators of this outrage and its cause are unknown

Since writing the above, we have been informed of the following additional facts relating to the above case:

The affray occurred at about eight o'clock in the evening, between three Irishmen and the deceased. The latter was a single man, about twenty-five years old and had not been long in this county; the others lived at or near Westwood. Whalen left his boarding-house sometime in the forenoon, and came over to Westwood. The parties were not particularly noticed together till toward evening, when they came into Mr. Russell's, where the three others threatened to beat Whalen, and soon after all left together. Subsequently they came to Heath's tavern, but remained only a short time, when immediately on crossing the bridge adjacent to the tavern, the three fell upon Whalen, and before any assistance could be rendered, had beaten him in a shocking manner. His skull was fractured, and other severe bruises found on his body. He remained insensible up to the time of his death, at 10 o'clock next morning, (Friday). The assaulting party were seen running, on the approach of some persons on the neighborhood to the spot, but could not be overtaken. After the affray, Whalen was carried into Mr. Russell's house, and properly taken care of.

The man with whom Whalen lived, represents him as quiet and inoffensive, not addicted to drinking, and from all that can be ascertained, he was sober at the time of this occurrence. The Coroner's Jury rendered a verdict in accordance with the above facts.

☞ *Maine Law Convention.*—Convention re-assembled according to adjournment of 31st inst., on Tuesday, the 22d inst., at Foster's Hall, and organized by ABRAHAM HEEBNER taking the Chair, when W. D. Hodge was chosen as Secretary.

The report of the Committee appointed to address the nominees of the two political parties being called for, they reported having addressed the following communication to the nominees separately:

POTTSVILLE, *5th Sept.* 1853.

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to address the candidates hereafter to be nominated by the two political parties, and report their answers to a subsequent meeting of this Convention.—*Minutes of Temperance, or Maine Law Convention, Tuesday, Sept. 5th*, 1853.

DEAR SIR: In compliance with the above resolution, we, as the Committee of said Convention, would respectfully say, the matter before you, and ask whether, if elected to the coming Legislature, you will do all in your power to have a bill passed similar in character, and equally effective, in prohibiting the sale of intoxicating drinks, as a beverage, in the State of Pennsylvania, as the one known as the Maine Law, and now in force in that State.—The Convention will re-assemble on Thursday, the 22d inst. Should no communication be received from you prior to its sitting, it will be considered as a refusal on your part to pay proper favorable to our cause, and will be so reported to the Convention.

Very Respectfully Yours,
W. D. HODGSON,
T. H. WINTERSTEIN,
DANIEL SHIFFLEY.

When the following reply was read and received from Hon John Horn, Jr.:

POTTSVILLE, *September 15th* 1853.

GENTLEMEN: Your favor dated Pottsville, Sept. 5th, 1853, came duly to hand this day, the latter part of which makes it entirely unnecessary for me to answer your letter. I am unwilling that you should know my views on the subject you refer to, I will not hesitate in saying that should I be so fortunate as to be elected a member of the Pennsylvania Legislature, I shall not vote for any law similar to, and in effect and character like that of the so-called Maine Liquor Law.

With flattering hopes of being elected, I remain yours fully and very respectfully,
JOHN HORN, Jr.

TO W. D. HODGSON, T. H. WINTERSTEIN, DANIEL SHIFFLEY, *Committee.*

None of the others daring to meet the question and show their hands.

A motion was then offered, viz:—That the former nominations of this Convention be now confirmed—which was *unanimously* carried.

On motion, *Resolved*, That a Committee of five be appointed to draft resolutions.—Committee—J. Y. Wren, C. L. Pinkerton, Andrew Mortimer, Daniel Shiffley, Joseph Seiders.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

WHEREAS, The nominees of the different political parties have refused to pledge themselves to the support of a Prohibitory Law, to be submitted to a vote of the people; Therefore

Resolved, That we pledge ourselves to support the nominees interested by this Convention, held on the 5th of September, and that we will use all honorable means to secure their election.

Resolved, That we hereby call upon all the friends of Law and Order to give their most earnest support to our candidates, and that the clergymen of all the different religious denominations of the County be requested to preach a sermon to their respective charges on the subject of Temperance, as soon as practicable before the next election.

Resolved, That the friends of Temperance be requested to appoint Committees of Vigilance, to attend the Polls at each District, on the day of election.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to prepare an address to the people, setting forth the true effects of a law similar to that in Maine; as such it cannot fail to meet the approbation of the people of Schuylkill County, and satisfy the wants of every honest and intelligent community, the same to be published in the English and German languages.

Resolved, That we have every reason to believe that the candidates of our choice will not only use their influence, by every honorable means, for a Prohibitory Law, but also every other law which is for the benefit of those they represent.

The following Committee was then appointed to prepare an address to the people of the County, setting forth the objects of the Temperance meet, and refuting the false impressions made upon the people by its opponents:—B. Bartholomew, Benjamin DeLong, Esq., Dr. Treichler, Dr. E. Chichester, Eli Thompson, Milton Bailey and Mr. Barndt of Tremont.

The following persons were added to the Committees of Vigilance appointed at former sessions of Convention:—John Spade and Mr. Wilson of Frailey township, and George Reilmyder, of Newcastle.

While the Committee was absent preparing resolutions, addresses were delivered by Dr. Chichester and Mr. D. Mertz; after which delegates from different sections of the County gave the most flattering accounts of the prosperity of the good cause in their sections, entertaining no doubt of the triumphant success of our cause, if the friends of the triumphant success of our cause, if the friends of the County will but do their duty.

☞ *Democratic Whig County Convention.*—Agreeably to notice, the Convention assembled at the house of GEORGE KAUFMAN, in the Borough of Schuylkill Haven, Monday, 19th inst., JEREMIAH REED, President; and J. T. SCHOENER, of Pottsville, and EPHRAIM PHILLIPS, of New Castle, Secretaries. Dr. Coryell, Joseph Albright and J. B. McCreary were appointed a Committee on Credentials.

Committee on Resolutions—John K. Clement, O. M. Robins, J. M. Reinhart, Jacob Kohler and Joel Kistler.

The following Delegates were admitted from their respective Districts:

Pottsville—South Ward—Jeremiah Reed, John Rutch.

N. W. Ward—G. N. Bowman, J. T. Sinner.

Middle Ward—Wm. Fox, Jacob M. Long.

N. E. Ward—Jas. H. Graeff, Daniel Shantle.

Mount Carbon—James Lanigan, H. A. Bell.

West Norwegian—Joseph Atkinson, John W. Butler.

East Norwegian—

Port Carbon—George B. Fisler, Jonathan Bachman.

St. Clair—R. H. Coryell, Theodore Thorn.

New Castle—Jacob Lundenmuth, E. Philips.

Minersville—E. *Ward*—Isaac Straub, Jos. M. Frech.

W. Ward—Wm. Siemer, Joseph Thirlwell.

East Township—Thos. Cassidy, Robt. Patton.

Branch—John Kay Clement. Dr. O. M. Robins.

Tremont—S. McCreary, Samuel Ould.

Frailey—David Lounsberg, George Klock.

L. Mahantongo—Jacob Kohler, Jacob Senz.

Upper Mahantongo—

Elected—

Barry—Elijah Yarnall, Henry Bickel

Butler—D. J. McKibben. Wm. Levy.

Union—Joel Kistler, Mark Butler.

Rush—Wm. Koch, Jonas Reichard.

Mahanoy—Samuel Everitt, A. H. Stauffer.

Tamaqua—*N. Ward*—H. B. Graeff, John M. Reinhart.

S. Ward—John Haldeman, Jesse Dodson.

E. Ward—D. H. Goodwin, F. Lauderbun.

Schuylkill—Alex. Silliman, Jos. Edwards.

Hegins—Charles Maurer, Charles Bensinger.

West Penn—Dan'l S. Kistler, Elias Wheatstone.

E. Brunswick—Franklin Heisler, George Dreibelbis.

Port Clinton—John Cockley, Henry Kentzel.

W. Brunswick—Jos. Albright, Daniel Yost.

Orwigsburg—H. Hammer, J. P. Palm.

Landingville—Samuel Leffler, Wm. Deibert.

N. Manheim—Wm. Dengler, Mark E. Eckert.

Schuylkill Haven—James B. Levan, John Doherty.

S. Manheim—T. M. Potts, D. M. Reber.

Wayne—John W. Heffner, Jacob Mountz.

Pinegrove Borough—John Huber, Jr., Fred. Wernitz.

Pinegrove Township—Leonard Felty, Geo. R. Cressman.

Porter—John Hand, Jacob Hawk.

FOR ASSEMBLY.

The following names were mentioned as candidates for nomination for Assemblyman, South of Sharp Mountain:—Thomas M. Potts, S. Manheim; Jacob Minnig, Wayne; Lewis Royer, Schuylkill Haven; Wm. Leech, Wayne.

1ST BALLOT.

Potts,	23	Minnig,	34
Royer,	14	Leech,	4
Wetherill,	2		

2d. BALLOT.

Potts,	29	Minnig,	43
Royer,	13	Koch,	1

Whereupon Jacob Minnig was declared duly nominated.

For Assemblyman, North of Sharp Mountain:—J. M. Wetherill, Pottsville; Wm. Muntzer, Rush township; John K. Clement, Minersville; Walter Sedgwick, Pottsville; Daniel Koch, Middleport; Thompson A. Godfrey, Tremont.

1st BALLOT.

Wetherill,	18	Muntzer,	23
Clement,	3	Sedgwick,	12
Koch,	12	Godfrey,	9

2d BALLOT.

Wetherill,	20	Minnig,	30
Sedgwick,	9	Koch,	10

3d BALLOT.

Wetherill,	6	Minnig,	20
Sedgwick,	2		

J. M. Wetherill was accordingly declared nominated. Clement, Sedgwick and Godfrey had been withdrawn after the 1st ballot; and Koch after the 2d.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

1st BALLOT.

J. Hughes, Pottsville,	46
J. W. Roseberry, do	10
Howell Fisher, do	12
A. W. Leyburn, Tamaqua,	1

John Hughes was declared nominated.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER:

1st BALLOT.

John Seringer,	4	C. W. Taylor,	28
N. M. Wilson,	10	Chas. Dengler,	21
E. Lauderbun,	14	B. W. Hughes,	2

2d BALLOT.

Seringer,	6	Taylor,	33
Wilson,	2	Dengler,	30
Lauderbun,	6		

3d BALLOT.

Seringer,	10	Taylor,	32
Wilson,	4	Deibler,	31
Lauderbun,	1		

4th BALLOT.

Seringer.	8	Taylor,	33
Wilson,	1	Deggler,	46

Chas. Dengler of Schuylkill Haven was declared the candidate.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER:

Jacob Kline, of Pottsville, was nominated by acclamation.

FOR CORONER:

1st BALLOT.

Dr P. R. Palm,	36	Dr. C. Steinberger,	29

2d BALLOT.

Palm,	34	Steinberger,	35

FOR DIRECTORS OF THE POOR.

Besides the regular nomination required, a vacancy for two years was to be filled, on account of the decease of Emanuel Reichart.

1st BALLOT.

Daniel Deibert, S. Manheim,	7
John Plummer, S. Manheim,	7
Daniel S. Kistler, West Penn,	49
George Reukert, Landingville,	6
Wm. Deibert, Upper Mahantongo,	35
Kistler was accordingly declared nominated for the full term, and Deibert for the vacancy.	

FOR DEPUTY SURVEYOR:

Joseph Heisler, of McKeansburg, was nominated by acclamation.

FOR AUDITOR:

John A. Otto, of Barry, was nominated by acclamation.

Standing Committee.—Jeremiah Reed, (Chairman), of Pottsville, Daniel H. Stager, Schuylkill Haven, D. Ashland, Samuel Keller, Middleport, John K. Clement, Minersville, Israel Reed, Barry township, J. M. Reinhart, Tamaqua.

The following Preamble and Resolutions, reported by Gen. JOHN KAY CLEMENT, were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, The Democratic Whigs of Schuylkill County have assembled, by their delegates duly elected, in Convention, for the purpose of selecting a ticket to be supported by them at the ensuing election, and expressing again their adherence to those ancient and well-tried principles which are incorporated into the catechism of their political faith, and pledging anew their faithfulness to the Constitution and the Country; Therefore,

Resolved, That although by a combination of adverse circumstances, we were, last year, unfortunately defeated at the general election of October last, yet though defeated we are not discouraged. Defeats are necessary at times to bring out and fully develope the strength and integrity of parties as well as of armies, and the Democracy have but to snatch a victory out of their very reverses; governing themselves by the wisdom and avoiding the errors of the past, they rally with undaunted heartsround issues involving nothing less than our present all high aloft, they will move forward in solid columns to the polls and applying there the force which is the lever, the fulcrum and the power of our political machinery, will make still one more vigorous, energetic, and effort to regenerate the public morals and establish the true principles of Government, as we understand them, upon the foundations of immutable truth.

Resolved, That we abandon not one of our ancient principles, but retain and cling to them all, regarding them as convictions calmly and conclusively adjudged. A new world of wealth has been opened to us and by the treasures thence derived, the evils consequent upon the free Trade policy, have been happily averted—nevertheless, we adhere to the *Democratic* doctrine of Protection to Home Industry, confident that such Protection can alone fully develope our strength and build up our power as a people.

Resolved, That Pennsylvania has justly been regarded as the keystone of our Union; she is so not only by her geographical position, but by her great mineral and agricultural resources—hence to counteract her strength and must be fostered and protected by wise legislation.

Resolved, That a General Mining Law, by building up large corporate monopolies, will be necessarily destructive of private enterprise, and so warp the entire prosperity of all our industrial interests. We are therefore utterly opposed to such a law, and hereby instruct our candidates, if elected, to use all honorable means to prevent its enactment.

Resolved, That in Hon. JAMES COOPER, Pennsylvania has a representative in the councils of the nation of whom she may well be proud; his high and manly bearing, his uncompromising hostility to the wild schemes of the present ultra factionists, and his able support of the Union and Constitution, have endeared him to his friends and gained the respect even of political foes; Schuylkill county owes him a especial debt of gratitude for his strenuous efforts to introduce her staple into the canals of the United States Navy.

Resolved, That our State Senator, COL. JOHN HAGENBUCH, by his vigilant attention to the best interests of our County, as especially manifested by his vigorous, untiring and successful efforts to defeat the General Mining Law, so strongly urged by the satellites of the State Administration, has entitled himself to the hearty thanks of his party and of the people of Schuylkill County.

Resolved, That we deeply regret the untimely decease of our late Congressional representative, Thomas H. Bibighaus, a noble specimen of the Christian and the Patriot; and while we deplore our loss, we mourn not as those without hope, for he has left behind him a life of good deeds, alike the pride and most precious consolation of his numerous friends.

Resolved, That the ticket which we have this day offered for the public support exhibits a careful selection—our candidates being alike eminent for moral worth, business capacity, adaptation for the respective offices for which they are named. We unanimously pledge to them our cordial and determined support, and confidently look for a creditable majority at the Polls.

MINERSVILLE AFFAIRS.

☞ *John Braslen*, a miner, about 20 years of age, was accidentally killed in the Colliery of Odgers and Chalfant, near Minersville, last Saturday.

☞ *The Minersville Literary Society* gives notice that the $100 taken in at their late Anniversary will be appropriated to the establishment of a Library, and solicits donations, in books and money, from the public to further this commendable design.

☞ *Charles Beckman*, 1st Sergeant of the Minersville Artillerists, was accidentally killed in the mines of Richard Kear, near that place, on Thursday of last week. He was 32 years of age, and has left a wife and several children. He was buried with military honors; and suitable expressions of regret and sympathy were subsequently passed at a meeting of the Company.

☞ *The new English Lutheran Church*, in Minersville, was dedicated with appropriate ceremonies on Sunday last. There was a large congregation present. $490, the *Bitteran* says, were collected and subscribed toward defraying the expenses of building, &c.—only $170 more are wanted to pay off the whole debt, and no difficulty is apprehended on that score. It is said to be a very prettily finished edifice.

PORT CARBON AFFAIRS.

[FROM OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENT.]

[This letter late again—we are obliged to shorten it.—*Eds. Journal.*]

Scarcely anything worthy of note has transpired since our last.

Political speculation appears to be the principle hobby. The general opinion is that the Temperance ticket will head the van at our polls.

Our authorities seem determined to finish the work on the streets, which they laid out in the Spring. They are somewhat retarded by the obstinacy and perverse disposition of certain property holders.

There has been no complaint here from the Operators about boats. They appear to be a plentiful commodity—there is any quantity of them lying in the basin. Yours &c. VOX

Port Carbon, Sept. 22, 1853.

NEW YORK LETTER.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

Rum Convention—Arrest of Liquor Dealers—Convention of Libertarians—Cooper Institute—Railroad Strike—Busy State Disunion—Speculation and Stagnation—Insatiable Himicide—Death from bursting of Orange Extract—Improvement on California Routes—Crystal Palace Attendance—Awful Slaughter of Start—Future of Printing Overwhelmed.

NEW YORK, Sept. 20th, 1853.

DEAR JOURNAL:—The past week has not been marked by any striking events, though the endless succession of odds and ends in the way of news better leaves us at a loss for a topic. In fact most of the time there seems to be a person accustomed to city life, absolutely nothing stirring, while to a stranger to metropolitan doings and activity, it seems in a whirl of excitement. We have had quite a stir among the liquor dealers since I wrote last, in two different channels; one where according to a previous call, the notice, bar, and saloon keepers met in convention to take into consideration a rise in the retailing price of liquor by the gallon, which after considerable discussion and various propositions ended in an advance of one hundred per cent on all imported drinks. The agitated excitement was the street of so-called liquors—a person now can hoard for selling without a license, it having been refused on account of the appraisement not being considered apt to receive it. Verily it must be a hard, character, indeed, that is not fit to take out a license in Gotham.

Apropos of Gotham, a rousing contract to those we have just mentioned is that of the Librarians of the Union, which has just sojourned. According to call, they met in New York to take into consideration all things relating to or likely to have a bearing upon library interests, throughout the country. Their meeting must be productive of the greatest good.

Speaking of literary subjects, we may mention the fact of the laying of the corner stone of the Cooper Institute, or Second Union, which occasion Mr. Cooper, with accustomed liberality and oddity presented each workman with a shirt, dollar and a memorial. The institute is a monument of private worth and munificence to growing up almost unparalleled in our public annals. The building, about cloud, it was soon burst in full splendor, but passed, on the wind.

Quite a little excitement was raised one or two days since, by a move on the part of the employees of one of our municipal Railroads, the Third Avenue. An increase of labor was required, when this men turned out and demanded the same labor and no increased pay. Five hundred policemen patrolled the line to restrain acts of violence, which the men were ready to commit, some dozen of whom were bound over to keep the peace. New men were, however, employed, and though a little green at first, all is now going well. The first day, the directors, passengers and all who chose, drove the horses—the managing department of the boys, who collected to see the fun.

We have to record the death of Miss DeWolf of Chicago, one of the victims of the Bay State disaster, making four daughters of one man swept away in a single night. The funeral services, in the New York Hospital, yesterday, by Dr. Tyng, were most eloquent and impressive.

Our ship builders have just completed the most elegant steamer afloat, the Golden Age. She is built upon that celebrated principle in Marine Engineering, the Watertight Bulkhead, which is objected to on account of the great weight to be carried above the decks. The machinery, however, is much more light, less expensive, occupies less room, and in the Golden Age has proved itself to be of the greatest speed, so that the experiment has been tried, and the result, in a trial trip, has far exceeded the most sanguine expectations. She will proceed to Liverpool, load for Australia and then come for her place in the new line from Panama,