# Miners' Journal.

## POTTSVILLE, PA.

SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 1860.


ONLY THREE.

The Senate of the United States consists of 66 Senators, representing 33 States. There are 25 Republicans, 2 Americans, and 39 Democrats. All the Republicans and the 2 Americans, will vote for Morrill's Tariff Bill. It is believed that if only *three* Administration Democrats (the number that voted for the Bill in the House) could be obtained in the Senate, it would pass that body, as several have shown a disposition to *dodge* the question, among which is numbered Senator Douglas, who in all probability will be absent when the vote is taken. Leading Democrats from all parts of the State, including Mr. Foster their candidate for Governor, have been, and are now at Washington, imploring them to pass Morrill's Tariff Bill—but so far they have only succeeded in securing Bigler's vote, and he is considered but "a half" man. Now if all the leaders of the party from Pennsylvania, with Senator Bigler, and James Buchanan, cannot secure the other Democratic votes for the Tariff Bill in the Senate, what hope can there be for Protection to American Industry, with Democracy in the ascendency in the Government? None whatever; and how can any sensible man, who desires such Protection, vote for a Democrat for office? The only sensible course is for the people to turn them out neck and heels, and place those in power who will help Morrill's Bill for Protection to American Industry.

**Who are for Protection? That's the Question.**

The Hon. F. W. Hughes proved conclusively, that Douglas never advocated or voted for Protection in his life, and, of course, he could not support him. The friends of Douglas have also proved satisfactorily, that Guthrie is opposed to Protection to American Industry, but favors specific duties for the collection of the revenues. The Convention that assembled at Baltimore and put forth Bell and Everett, did not say one word about Protection—but ignored it entirely at *their* Convention. None of the other candidates, such as Breckinridge, Hunter, Davis, and others named for nomination at Baltimore on the 18th instant, are friends of Protection—*but its deadly opponents*. The only candidates therefore, favorable to the Protection of American Industry, are

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who stand pledged before the people to protect our Domestic Industry—and are the only candidates that friends of Protection can consistently vote for. And if any person declares himself in favor of Protection to American Industry, as a great principle, and then votes for an opponent of the measure, for the purpose of carrying out that principle, he must either be a *great fool*, or an *arrant knave*. This is plain language, but we defy any person to disprove it.

HAPPY ILLUSTRATION.—As Mr. F. W. Hughes was defining his position on Monday in the Court House, to the Democracy, on the Tariff question among other matters—standing in front of a lump of Coal and a bar of pig iron, representing our great products—a colored "gemman" suddenly rose behind those products in full view of the audience. He was evidently, after a glass of water for the speaker; but the audience was impressed so forcibly by the sudden appearance, with the happy illustration of the Democratic party's policy in this State, that a shout of laughter unexpectedly rung in the distinguished speaker's ears. It was, "a little Coal; a little Iron, and a good deal of Nigger." The palpable hit was more than Mr. Hughes bargained for. He was unfortunate in the selection of the porter to "tote" those articles up to the Court House. He should have had the other branch of the party represented.

## EDITOR'S TABLE.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.—The Chicago *Press & Tribune* has published a pamphlet edition of the proceedings of the National Republican Convention, taken *verbatim*, in the style of the *Globe* reports of the Congressional debates. It was reported by three excellent phonographers, whose notes were duly compared before publication.—It embraces also the official roll of delegates to the Convention, from all the States and Territories. The price of the pamphlet (48 pages in double columns) is 5 cents per single copy, or $3 per hundred.

THE BRITISH REVIEWS AND BLACKWOOD'S MAGAZINE.—These admirable publications are printed in this country by Leonard Scott & Co., 79 Fulton street, New York, and are among the most substantial and interesting issued. Every reading man should subscribe for one or more, if he desires to keep posted in European politics, literature and science.

The June number of "Blackwood" contains: War and Progress in China; Munich, and its School of Christian Art; Captain Speke's Adventures in Somali Island; Judicial Puzzles; Elizabeth Canning; Wellington's Career, part II. The Mill on the Floss; Narcissus; The Snowdrops; A Feuilleton; and Switzerland and French Annexation.

The "London Quarterly" for April contains; Labourers' Homes; Souvenirs et Correspondence de Madame Recamier; Vicissitudes of Families and other Essays; The Bar of Philadelphia.—Washington's Farewell Address; Miss Nightingale's Notes on Nursing; Recollections of Leslie; and The Budget and the Reform Bill. To Pennsylvanians, the article on the Bar of Philadelphia possesses an especial interest.

The "North British" for May contains: Redding's Reminiscences—Thomas Campbell; Quackerism—Past and Present; Sir Henry Lawrence; Australian Ethnology; Poems by Heinrich Heine; Church and State; the Origin of Species; British Lighthouses; the State of Europe, and Recent Publications.

# Local Affairs.

WEEKLY ALMANAC.

| 1860.—June. | SUN RISES | SUN SETS | MOON'S CHANGES. |
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| 9 SATURDAY,.... | 4 28 | 7 29 | *D. H. M.* |
| 10 SUNDAY,..... | 4 28 | 7 29 | Full M. 3 11 50 m |
| 11 MONDAY,..... | 4 28 | 7 30 | Third Q. 11 5 8 m |
| 12 TUESDAY,..... | 4 28 | 7 30 | New M. 19 9 28 m |
| 13 WEDNESDAY,.. | 4 28 | 7 31 | First Q. 25 7 40 ev |
| 14 THURSDAY,.... | 4 28 | 7 31 | |
| 15 FRIDAY,..... | 4 28 | 7 32 | |

**Thermometrical Record for the Week.**

P. R. & P. TELEGRAPH OFFICE, *Pennsylvania Hall, Pottsville.*

| June. | 8 A.M. | 2 P.M. | 7 P.M. | |
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| 2—Saturday, | 66° | 74 | 71 | clear. |
| " 4—Monday, | 67 | 73 | 68 | rain. |
| " 5—Tuesday, | 63 | 67 | 63 | " |
| " 6—Wednesday, | 61 | 69 | 62 | clear. |
| " 7—Thursday, | 68 | 72 | 70 | clear. |
| " 8—Friday, | 70 | 71 | 65 | " |

*Peter Maloy*, a miner, was accidentally killed last week, in the new slope, Summit Hill.

*Yesterday* the weather was glorious—a regular lamb-and-peas, strawberry, ice-cream, go-out-pick-nicking sort of day, which our city brethren read about, and we of the country experience.

*Powder* will be required to fire national salutes on the Fourth of July. It is a patriotic custom. We like to see the day welcomed in amid the roar of artillery. It keeps the memory green, of what the Revolutionary fathers suffered for us, their posterity.

*Masonic Conclave.*—The seventh annual conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, will be held in Reading, commencing on the 22d of June, at 8 o'clock, P. M. The Commandery will be opened in appropriate form by the Grand Commander, Wm. H. Allen, of Philadelphia.

*Mahanoy Tunnel.*—The Tamaqua *Gazette* learns from the Engineer of the East Mahanoy Railroad, that the tunnel is progressing at the average rate of one hundred feet per month. The whole distance now excavated is 723 feet at the south end, and 740 feet at the north end, making 1463 in all; leaving 1337 feet yet to be done.

*It is stated that the beautiful testimonial from the Humane Hose Company of Philadelphia, to the Humane Hose Company of this Borough, will be presented on Monday evening next.

*Fourth of July.*—It is less than a month till the anniversary of the day of our birth as an independent nation, and it is proper that measures should be soon taken to have it celebrated in a becoming manner. We notice that in other places preliminary meetings have already been called.—Where is the patriotic individual who will initiate the movement for a celebration in Pottsville?

*Sudden Death.*—John Hookey, residing near Schuylkill Haven, while conversing with a friend at Palo Alto on Thursday, fell and expired. An inquest was held, and a verdict rendered "died from natural causes."

We understand that yesterday morning, a man named Oxrider, a resident of Tamaqua, died suddenly on a railroad car at Palo Alto.

*Upon* petition from the members of the bar of the County, the Court directed that the Sheriff's sales should be held in the Court House. On Saturday last therefore, the first sale was held there. It is certainly, a very convenient place, and we are sure that the intense excitement upon the last spirited bid on Saturday, upon a property, of $999 99½, would hardly have been so keenly appreciated any where else.

*Cricket.*—A match was played on Saturday last between the "Keystone" Club of this Borough, and the "Young America" of Tamaqua —both boys' Clubs. The match was played on the ground of the Pottsville Cricket Club in this Borough. The "Keystone" was victorious by fifty-one runs.

What is the matter with the Clubs of older persons? Come cricketers, let's have a match soon, to get up the excitement.

*Death of an Old and Valued Citizen.*—Mr. Thomas Sillyman, one of the pioneers of this Region, died at his residence in this Borough, on the 27th ultimo, aged 75 years, 3 months and 10 days. He was born on the 17th of February, 1785. Mr. Sillyman, like his brother, the late, lamented Samuel, was for nearly half a century, identified with the rise and progress of this Region; was always public spirited, and was much respected by all classes of our citizens. It is with sincere sorrow, that we note the passing away of citizens, whom we honor and revere.

*Serenade to the Hon. James B. Campbell.*—On Tuesday evening, Mr. Campbell was serenaded at the Pennsylvania Hall, by the Pottsville Cornet Band, as a welcome to our distinguished representative on his brief visit to his mountain home. A large number of our citizens was present. Eloquent speeches were delivered by Mr. Campbell, Hon. R. M. Palmer, and Lieut. Bartholomew, Esq., which elicited at repeated intervals the heartiest applause. Mr. Campbell is indeed, a representative of whom Schuylkill County is proud, and she delights to do him honor.

*Signor Blitz* has been delighting old and young this week at the Town Hall—the children particularly, being pleased with his learned canaries, and busily engaged in cultivating the acquaintance of "Bubby." Owing to the bad weather of the early part of the week, the Signor was induced to prolong his stay; but will positively, give his last performances this afternoon and evening. We need hardly predict that old and young will give the Signor a "touring" house at parting. We know no performer in his line, so capable of keeping an audience of adults and children in a roar of laughter, as Signor Blitz.—We understand that the Signor will give a performance before the Japanese Embassy in Philadelphia, next week.

*The "Wide Awakes."*—Are we not to have an organization of "Wide Awakes" in Pottsville? Companies are forming in every other place, and why not here? As there is some curiosity to know what the Wide Awakes are to do, we give the programme of the Chicago Association for the campaign:

1st. To act as a political police. 2d. To escort duty to all prominent Republican speakers who visit here to address our citizens. 3d. To attend all public meetings in a body and see that order is kept and that the speaker and meeting is not disturbed. 4th. To attend the polls and see justice done to every legal voter. 5th. To conduct themselves in such a manner as to induce all Republicans to join them. 6th. To be a body joined together in large numbers to work for the good of the Republican ticket.

*The Mountain City H. Royal Arch Chapter*, No. 196 of A. Y. M., of Pennsylvania, held a stated meeting on Monday, the 4th inst. The officers are:

H. P., Rev. D. Washburn, A. M.; K., Geo. W. Reifsnyder; S., Wm. Milnes, Jr.; C. H. of Z., Capt. Frank Pott; Prin. Sojs., Henry C. Russel, Trenk., L. F. Whitney; Sec., C. Little, Esq.; R. A. C., H. K. Nichols; Chaplain, Rev. S. F. Colt; Guide, D. E. Nice, Esq.; Stewards, Messrs. Greenawalt and Maise; M. V.—1, W. D. Hudgson; 2, C. P. Tyson; 3, T. A. Godfrey; Tyler, J. D. Rice.

A special meeting will take place on next Monday evening week, at 7½ o'clock, at the Masonic Hall, June 18th, when the Chapter will be happy to welcome any R. A. Masons, Mark Masters or Most Excellents who may attend.

*Another Burglarious Attempt.*—Yesterday morning about 1 o'clock, an entrance was effected through the roof, into the store of Mrs. Berryman, at the corner of Third and Market streets, this Borough. In breaking in however, through a door leading from the entry of the dwelling into the store, Mrs. Berryman was awakened, and giving the alarm, the burglar effected his retreat rapidly up Third street. He had not time to disturb anything in the store. The marks of the fellow's dirty toes and fingers were observable yesterday morning on the floor and door. The same fellow undoubtedly, has been hanging about that neighborhood for some evenings, evidently watching, as he was observed a night or two before, at the rear of a private dwelling, on Market street, and effected his escape by jumping three fences, before reaching Third street.

*The Burns Club.*—The members of the Burns Club held a meeting at the hotel of D. Muir, Esq., in Minersville, on Saturday evening last. The meeting was very largely attended, and all the then pending business was satisfactorily and speedily disposed of.

Immediately upon the adjournment of the meeting Jos. McCool, Esq., on the behalf of many members of the club who had united in the testimonial, presented to David Beveridge, Esq., (ex-President of the Club) a fine edition of the works of Robert Burns. Mr. Beveridge accepted the gift and most feelingly expressed his gratitude to the donors. Messrs. C. W. Pitman and George M. Dallas, Jr., then severally responded to a call for a speech, after which songs were sung by many gifted members of the club, and by a distinguished member of the Burns Club of Philadelphia, who happened to be present.

*Schuylkill County Alms House.*—The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Poor was held at the Alms House on Monday, June 4, 1860. Present, N. H. Butz, Charles Focht and Dr. Augustus Shultz.

The Steward reported the following as the census of the House for the month ending May 31, 1860. Number in the House on the 1st of June, 232; same time last year, 292; decrease, 10; of the above 69 are in the Insane Department, 65 in the nursery, and 47 under medical treatment.—Admitted during the month of May, 27; discharged, 32; absconded, 1; died, 3; born, 2; bound out, 2. Lodging and meals were furnished 129 traveling paupers during the month. Outdoor relief was granted to 4 families, amounting to $36 00.

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| Bills were passed and orders drawn amounting to | $ 307 03 |
| Previously this year, | 8,017 35 |
| | $8,324 38 |
| Paid towards New Hospital since 1st Jan: | 895 68 |
| Cost of maintenance since 1st Jan. | $7,428 70 |

*Honor unto whom Honor is Due.*—On Wednesday evening the School Board of this Borough, unanimously re-elected John Bindley tax-collector. And we must say that it was a mark of confidence justly due an able and efficient officer.—The school-tax duplicate of the Borough amounts to $12,506 46, which amount excluding exonerations, was all collected and settled up within the last school year, a thing which is the more noticeable, as it has not been done before to this Borough, during a period of twenty years. Another noticeable feature is, that the exonera-tions for the past year only amounted to $282 29, while in former years they reached to between $700 and $800 per annum. We refer to this matter with especial pleasure, as not only creditable to the efficiency of the Board; but as important to the welfare of the schools, and conservative of the public interests. That this action will be continued, we are assured, from the fact that in the future all taxes for school purposes, not settled up within the year, will be charged interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum. These evidences of reform are highly satisfactory, and we trust that the Borough Council will also keep its collector up to the same mark, that our taxes may be proportionably lighter.

*Public Schools of Pottsville.*—The following is a list of Teachers in the Public Schools of Pottsville, elected for the year commencing on the first Monday of June inst., with their respective salaries, payable monthly, (the Schools are kept open about ten months in the year, but the Teachers are paid by the entire year of twelve months):

| | | *A Year.* |
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| SUPERINTENDENT— | Mr. J. P. Sherman, | $800 |
| HIGH SCHOOL— | Principal, Mr. Jackson Graves, | 600 |
| MALE SCHOOL No. 1— | Principal, Mr. Jos. E. Jackson, | 600 |
| " " | Assistant, Mr. Amos Lewis, | 294 |
| " " | do. Miss Emma S. Hirsch, | 294 |
| No. 2— | Principal, Mr. Th. A. Lambert, | 480 |
| " " | Assistant, Miss Jane E. Hartz, | 216 |
| No. 3— | Principal, Miss Rachael Dewald, | 264 |
| " " | Assistant, Miss Ellen D. McCool, | 192 |
| No. 4— | Principal, Miss Susan Boyle, | 192 |
| " " | Assistant, Miss Mary J. Eiler, | 180 |
| No. 5— | Principal, Miss Sarah A. Martin, | 192 |
| " " | Assistant, Miss Elitsh. Lirer, | 180 |
| No. 6— | Principal, Mr. David E. German, | 420 |
| FEMALE SCH'L No. 1— | Principal, Miss Sarah A. McCool, | 360 |
| " " | Assistant, Miss Emily McCool, | 276 |
| No. 2— | Principal, Miss Frances A. Couch, | 300 |
| " " | Assistant, Miss Victoria Douglass, | 240 |
| No. 3— | Principal, Miss Ella C Colt, | 204 |
| No. 4— | Principal, Miss Emily Higby, | 216 |
| No. 5— | Principal, Miss Mary J. James, | 204 |
| No. 6— | Principal, Miss Ellen Heaton, | 192 |
| No. 7— | Principal, Miss Emma A. Wilson, | 192 |
| No. 8— | Principal, Miss Matilda Nimelton, | 180 |
| No. 9— | Principal, Miss Cath. M. Smith, | 204 |
| MIXED SCH'L No. 10— | Principal, Miss S. B. Connor, | 300 |
| | Total, | $7,822 |

*Military.*—The last number of the Tamaqua *Gazette* contains an article on the disbanding of the Tamaqua Artillery, which as it reflects on the action of Brigade Inspector Negle, in the matter, calls in justice to that efficient officer, for a correct statement of the facts of the case.—While we regret as much as the *Gazette* does, that the Brigade Inspector deemed it proper and necessary to disband the company, we cannot see how, under the circumstances, he could have acted otherwise. The first duty of a soldier, is obedience to a superior officer. If discipline is not enforced, of what value is a military organization? Personal antipathy must not affect the service, or it will become demoralised.

The writer of the article in question, who claims to have organized the Artillery, writes with considerable feeling, and charges that injustice was done to the company by the Brigade Inspector, because he did not call a court of inquiry to investigate the legality of the election of Colonel Higgins, under whose command the company refused to parade. If the writer will refer to the military law of contested elections, he will find that the duty of ordering such a court devolves upon the Brigadier General, not upon the Brigade Inspector. So much for that. The writer also says, that the Artillery "alleged that his (Col. Higgin's) election was fraudulent, his own company the 'Jackson Guards,' polling 133 votes, where they have not, on the outside, more than 60 uniformed members." This is a mistake. If the writer will make the requisite examinations, he will find that when Higgins was elected Colonel, the Jackson Guards polled 59 votes. Quite a material difference.

In another article in the same paper, on this subject, the writer charges Major Nagle with having disbanded the Artillery, from personal spleen. It is hardly necessary for us to suggest to any person acquainted with the motives which actuate the Major in his military action, that the charge to say the least, is entirely unfounded.—What led to the performance of an unpleasant duty, was disobedience of orders, and total want of respect to the inspecting and reviewing officers. By law the company was compelled to parade for inspection, and when it became evident that it did not intend to comply with the requirements, the Brigade Inspector used his utmost exertions to induce the officers to be represented in line, if only by a few. This was rejected, and much as we regret the fact, we think it would have been a bad precedent, to have passed it over, and that Major Nagle acted right in disbanding the company. Were we Brigade Inspector, we would dist and any corps—were it the best in the County—for disobedience of orders. That is an unpardonable offence. In answer to the query, why Major Nagle did not order a court martial, and try the Captain for insubordination, we can only say, that the Inspector had a right to choose either mode, and we presume that he took the shortest and most decided way to settle the matter. As for the commissions, the Brigade Inspector does not want them. They are of no further importance. With the company goes the commissions.

We regret that the members of the Tamaqua Artillery placed themselves in a position rendering it necessary for the Brigade Inspector to act as he did; but what true soldier in the Brigade will not endorse his action under the circumstances?

*Borough Council.*—A stated meeting was held on Tuesday evening last. Present, Messrs Kienzle, Boone, Nagle, Christian, Repplier, Evert, Focht, Morris, with Mennig, President, *pro tem.*

Minutes of last meeting read and adopted.

The Street Committee reported wall in Coal street, Morris's Addition, finished.

Report of Com. of Finance, on financial condition of the Borough, was read and accepted.

Com. of Lamp and Watch reported names as candidates for watchman for North-east Ward.

Com. of Ordinances, reported an ordinance in relation to building permits, the consideration of which was deferred until next meeting.

Special Com. on list of police officers submitted to the Council by the Chief Burgess, reported the following for the present Council year, as revised, which was adopted:

SOUTH WARD.—James Russell, Joseph F. Seiders, Levi Bland, William H. Lessig, Joseph D. Jones, James B. Reed, D. A. Smith, James Sheerer, A. S. Mortimer.

MIDDLE WARD.—William Glosmer, Jno. Quinn, William Henry, Wallace Wolff, Samuel Auman, Edward McDonald, Frederick C. Epting, M. B. Bell, Samuel Miller.

NORTH-WEST WARD.—Henry Burkey, Henry Miller, Samuel Helms, Phillip Edwards, Jacob Hause, Geo. Smith, Peter E. Buck, Allen Wilkinson, Francis Huse.

NORTH EAST WARD.—Isaac Moyer, Jeremiah Lord, Joseph Derr, Jacob Chrisman, James Moore, Ferdinand Bodefeld, Charles T. Bowen, John R. Deibm, Henry Geis.

The Com. on budget of Borough expenses for 1860, recommended that the Borough tax for 1860, be nine mills on the assessed valuation. Report accepted.

On motion of Mr. Boone, it was resolved that when the Council adjourn it will be to meet again on Tuesday evening, June 12, for the purpose of considering the subjects of converting Norwegian Creek in Railroad street, and opening East Railroad street.

The petition of citizens praying for the repeal of an ordinance against exposing store goods on awning posts, was referred to the Com. of Ordinances.

A petition from citizens praying that Norwegian Creek, in northern part of the Borough, be covered, was referred to the Street Committee.

The Council then proceeded to the election of one person for watchmen of the North-east Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Wm. Riland. John M. Kienzle received 6 votes; Wm. Stout, 2, and Wm. M. Buck, 1. Mr. Kienzle was declared elected.

On motion of Mr. Focht, it was resolved that in the future, a tax of 50 cents on male, and 75 cents on female dogs, be laid.

On motion of Mr. Kienzle, the Street Com. was instructed to repair Laurel street from Third to Hill.

Mr. Focht offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the rate of taxes for the Borough of Pottsville, be fixed at nine mills on the dollar on property assessed by the Borough Assessor.

Mr. Repplier offered an amendment substituting ten mills for nine.

The amendment was lost by the following vote:

*Yeas*—Evert, Kienzle and Repplier—3.

*Nays*—Boone, Christian, Focht, Mennig, Morris and Nagle—6.

The original resolutions fixing the rate at nine mills, was then adopted by the following vote:

*Yeas*—Boone, Christian, Focht, Mennig, Morris and Nagle—6.

*Nays*—Evert, Kienzle and Repplier—3.

The subject of opening Harrison street, and repairing Fairview street, was referred to the Street Com.

Mr. Boone offered the following:

*Whereas*, The contemplated opening of East Market street, from Railroad to George street, being now before the public, the propriety of which should receive some expression from the Borough Council, be it therefore

*Resolved*, That the Council of the Borough of Pottsville approve of the opening of said street, believing the improvement important and general in its benefits, both to the citizens of Pottsville and of the County.

Adopted.

Mr. Nagle offered a resolution in reference to the future reception and awarding of contracts, which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Evert it was resolved that in the future the Street Com. pay for labor, material, etc., used for the Borough, at the current market rate.

On motion of Mr. Kienzle the Com. of Ordinances was instructed to prepare an ordinance for Minersville street, compelling the property holders on said street, to curb and pave.

The bond offered by the Borough Treasurer, for the faithful discharge of his duties, was submitted to the Council and approved.

The surety of the Tax Collector was also approved.

H. Zimmerman's bill, $32 03, was referred to the Com. of Acc.

The following bills were read and ordered to be paid:

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| S. Chrisman, | $25 72 |
| E. O. Parry, | 50 00 |
| Four watchmen, | 124 00 |
| A. K. Whitner, | 50 00 |
| Pottsville Gas Co., | 243 81 |
| C. Lord, | 11 91 |
| C. Worman and others, | 187 75 |
| Evans and Lord, | 49 24 |
| Jere. Lord, | 10 48 |
| A. Shilling, | 184 38 |
| Peter Jannigs, | 37 50 |
| Dagar and Barr, | 30 00 |
| John Hauley, | 49 50 |
| Total, | $1,038 29 |
| Previous issue, | 314 10 |
| Total, | $1,352 39 |

Adjourned.

*The Sham Democracy in Council.*—The farce of the season so far in Schuylkill County, was the Democratic conclave at the Court House on Monday last. We say farce in the most serious sense in which the word can be used, and every man who was present at the meeting, can fully endorse the appellation.

In this as in every other county of the State, the Democratic party is in a demoralised condition, and has been so for many months. It is becoming daily weakened by defection. Lacking a single great and popular principle upon which to rally; with a bad record on the Tariff question; with the fact staring it in the face that its yeomanry are leaving it in disgust, the leaders and wire-workers are casting about almost in despair, to grasp something, even a straw, to save the party from sinking hopelessly.

In this chilling mood, and far from sanguine as to the result, the pall bearers of the corpse of Democracy met on Monday last in this Borough.—With dolorous countenances they drawled out funeral dirges, extending over some two hours.—The effect would have been perfect, if the hall had been draped in crape. We were surprised at the omission. The County Committee certainly neglected its duty in the premises.

Previous to the hour of meeting, per announcement, Mr. F. W. Hughes entertained a select audience with an elaborate defence of his course as a delegate to the Charleston Convention; and it is but just to that great light of the Democracy of Schuylkill, to say that it was eminently lame and impotent. His opposition to the decided sentiment of the Democracy of this County, in that Convention, has been freely criticised, and it was generally conceded that it was exceedingly damaging to Mr. Hughes. However he made an attempt on Monday, to exculpate himself from entertaining any but the purest motives to the Union, the Constitution, and particularly, his constituency, in voting plump against the wishes of the latter, and he succeeded, as the very queer resolutions adopted at the subsequent meeting show. It was a neat piece of work, rather mosaic in character, and we can imagine the inward chuckle in which Mr. Hughes must have indulged when he observed the complacent manner in which the rank and file permitted the wool to be drawn over their eyes. Well, if they are satisfied, we are; but oh, shrewd Democracy, keep an eye on your delegate at Baltimore. Believe us, it will pay.

At 1 o'clock, rather uncourteously we thought, to the "shining light," who was still explaining the beauties of "how not to do it," Mr. Hendler the male agent, jumped up, and interrupted Mr. Hughes by moving an organisation, by the appointment of Judge Rahn of Ashland, as chairman. Other gentlemen also had their preferences; but amid much excitement in which we began to tremble for the gas-fixtures of the hall, and for the clothing of the "unterrified," it was decided that Judge Rahn was chosen.

After the appointment of the other officers and of a committee on resolutions, the audience was highly edified by speeches from the lesser lights of the Democracy. First rose Mr. John Hughes, "nephew of my uncle," with the grace, dignity and suavity characteristic of the chevalier. In manner he is magnificent—in matter, well probably the least said about that the better. "It's of no consequence." All that we could glean from the gist of his remarks, was, that he had joined the Democratic party because it was the only national party in the country, and that he advised us all to vote the Democratic ticket, or we would go to the "demnition bow-wows," like a certain nation of old that did not stick to correct principles. We observed several of the "faithful" wearing perplexed countenances at Mr. Hughes's speech. No wonder.

Mr. F. B. Gowen made his maiden political speech. It was very beautiful; very poetical, and all that; but there was "nothing in it." Beauty is a weak substitute for bread and butter facts.—Poetry we are afraid will not give us the requisite Democratic strength to pass the Morrill Tariff bill in the Senate. Facts, next time, Mr. Gowen; facts.

Mr. F. P. Dewees, a refreshingly confident young Democratic politician, enlightened us on the question of Slavery extension, during which he enunciated the doctrine that it ought to go in this country, wherever it would pay. How like your the doctrine, workingmen? Slavery would possibly pay in Pennsylvania. Therefore, notwithstanding it might blight your prosperity and degrade your labor, it is good Democratic doctrine that it ought to come here. Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Wirt and Clay deplored the spread of slavery as a great national evil, but the Democracy think it ought to go wherever it will pay. Surely, those eminent Americans would be traitors and abolitionists in these days of slave progressive Democracy.

Mr. Geo. M. Dallas, Jr., was unfortunate in the choice of his topic, when he addressed the meeting. When he endeavored to show the Democratic a Tariff party, his name unfortunately, suggested a casting vote in the Senate of the United States in 1846, which prostrated the industry of Pennsylvania, and paralyzed the strong right arms of her sons of toil. Alas! Mr. Dallas, was it not cruel to add insult to injury?

Mr. Charlemagne Tower—an expectant of Congressional honors—like his young friend, Mr. Dallas, was born, nursed and bred a Democrat.—He was ready to hurl himself into the breach, and perform more puzzling tricks than funny Signor Blitz, so that the Democratic banners should no longer trail in the dust. Mr. T. was quite David-Paul-Brownish in voice and manner, as his eagle eye looked down upon his fellow Democrats, and if he failed to create any particular amount of enthusiasm among the auditors, he worked himself to an oratorical frenzy. The gentleman imagined himself, we presume, a tower of strength. He certainly, worked himself into a towering rage against the poor Black Republicans.

As Mr. Thomas H. Walker rose to address the meeting, we hoped for the sake of his prestige, that no *lapsus linguæ* would put a fatal check on his Congressional aspirations, and we felt relieved as gliding smoothly through a mass of verbiage, he sank into his seat amid the slow nods (approving we suppose) of the occupants of the surrounding seats.

Our report of these melancholy proceedings—last tokens of respect to the deceased Democratic party—would be incomplete, were we to omit noticing the only speech in the batch, which fairly infused a little vitality into the body. Mr. James Ellis, a promising young member of the bar, made it. The part was well conceived, and acted in a masterly manner. He was decidedly, a Douglas man, but disposed to yield for the sake of harmony. This was the gist. It prepared the meeting for the resolutions endorsing at once the action of Mr. F. W. Hughes at Charleston, and declaring Douglas more acceptable to the Democracy of Schuylkill than any other candidate in the field. That speech carried Mr. Hughes through with flying colors; but robbed the Douglas men of the honor they might have gained, had they stuck to the "Little Giant" stoutly through the whole proceedings. As it is, they have endorsed Mr. Hughes's action at Charleston—all that he cared about—and he goes to Baltimore uninstructed. If he supports Douglas, we will believe the Millenium near at hand. Somebody has been badly fooled. Who is it? We shall see.

As Mr. James J. Seibert seemed to be the funny man of the day, we need only say that he raised a ghostly laugh or two. Without wishing to underrate the ability of Mr. Seibert to excite the risibilities of an audience, we must say that if his efforts in that line on Monday had been mediocre—they were one degree removed from that—he would not have failed. The Democracy was so overpowered by weight of woe, that it was glad for relief, to find wit even as dull as Mr. Seibert's, at which to laugh. We do not think Mr. S. entitled to so much credit after all, for the mirth he excited.

Of the resolutions we will not speak further.—They amounted to nothing, so long as the Democratic party opposes a Protective Tariff, and is wedded to the extension of Slavery. The truce patched up on Monday, is so transparent, so unworthy the mass of that party in the County, that it cannot last. The action of the Baltimore Convention may blow it to flinders.

While the Democratic party is thus bending beneath the weight of its iniquities, the Republican party like a young giant, firm, compact, invincible, has sprung into the arena. "FREEDOM AND PROTECTION TO AMERICAN INDUSTRY," is the motto inscribed on its bold and lofty front.—With that also inscribed upon our banners, we will march to victory for CURTIN, LINCOLN and HAMLIN.

## PROCEEDINGS OF COURT.

REPORTED FOR THE MINERS' JOURNAL.

Our regular Court of Quarter Sessions for the June term, has been busy during the last week in disposing of the criminal business of the County. But few of the cases were for crimes of a high grade, most of them being of a trifling character. We give our usual report:

*Com. vs. Jacob Leinbach.*—Surety of the peace, on oath of Solomon Malteen. After a hearing the case was dismissed and the prosecutor ordered to pay the costs.

*Com. vs. Jane Harris.*—Assault and battery, on Margaret Mucklow. The defd. got into a quarrel with the prosecutrix, and from words came to blows. She plead guilty and was fined 6 cents, and directed to pay the costs.

*Com. vs. John Mott.*—Assault and battery on a child of Susan Thomas. The child had given some provocation and the defd. inflicted a rather severe punishment. He plead guilty and was sentenced to pay 6 cents fine and the costs.

*Com. vs. Christian Hanker and George Spencer.*—The defts. were Supervisors of the public roads of Washington township last year, and were indicted for not keeping a public road in that township in repair. A good deal of testimony pro and con was given with reference to the condition of the road, and the jury found the defts. not guilty and put the costs on John B. Reed and Daniel Zerbe, the prosecutors.

*Com. vs. Enterline Mill and Com. vs. Mary Millett.*—These were two Surety of the peace cases, the defts. bringing cross actions against each other. Their difficulties arose from a quarrel about the paternity of a child of the first defendant, and there appeared to be a good deal of angry feeling between the parties. Each was directed to pay the costs in her own case, and to give $200 bail for her good behavior for two years.

*Com. vs. Adam Kline.*—Surety of the peace on oath of A. H. Wilson. After hearing the defendant was directed to pay the costs and give $300 bail for his good behavior for one year.

*Com. vs. Charles Walker and Com. vs. David Welsh.*—The defts. instituted cross actions against each other for Surety of the peace. After a hearing of the cases, which were of a trifling kind, Welsh was ordered to pay the costs in both cases.

*Com. vs. Thomas Alexander.*—Selling liquor without license, on oath of James Breslin. The defendant plead guilty and was sentenced to pay a fine of $10, and the costs.

*Com. vs. Peter Berger.*—Assault and battery on Michael J. Thomas. The deft. had loaned the prosecutor a horse, which he had driven pretty hard. They quarreled about it and got into a scuffle at Berger's house, on the porch. Berger appeared in court with a cane. The prosecutor alleged that he drew a knife, though it was denied on the part of the defence. The jury found the deft. guilty and he was sentenced to pay a fine and give $500 bail for his good behavior for one year.

*Com. vs. Christian Stock.*—The deft. was convicted at the March court of fornication and bastardy on Cecilia Hall. The case was called after the examination of testimony on the part of the defence, a new trial was granted. The case was warmly contested on both sides. The jury, after a long deliberation brought in a verdict of guilty. Not yet sentenced.

*Com. vs. Catharine Cohn.*—Assault and battery on Catharine McAvoy. The deft. plead guilty and was sentenced to pay the costs and give $100 bail for her good behavior for one year.

*Com. vs. Edward Ward.*—Larceny of a ham, the property of Edward Weigand, who alleged that defendant broke into his cellar through the window in the side wall, and taken it from thence. The ham found, was not found in the defts possession, and was not satisfactorily identified. The jury found the deft not guilty.

*Com. vs. John Schwaim.*—Assault and battery on Jonathan R. Willard, a tenant of his. It appeared that there was a dispute between the parties with regard to the ownership of some sheep, which Willard had offered to sell at a public sale; and Schwaim committed an assault and battery on the prosecutor. He plead guilty, and was sentenced to pay $10 fine, and the costs.

*Com. vs. James Tobin.*—The defendant, whilst in a state of intoxication, committed a very violent assault and battery on Jeremiah Black well and his wife, living in Minersville. It appeared that defendant and wife, on that the obtained the liquor at their house. He plead guilty, and was sentenced to pay the costs, and undergo 30 days' imprisonment.

*Com. vs. William Keane.*—Assault and battery on Sent Ryan. Deft. plead guilty. Sentence deferred until Sept. term, next.

*Com. vs. John Secrison.*—Assault and battery on Elizabeth Kenilah, a sister-in-law of the defendant. It appeared that deft. went into prosecutor's house, and there they had a quarrel about something that had been previously said between the parties. Prosecutor alleged that Stevenson attempted to strike her, and that she in defending herself, hit him on the mouth, and that then he kicked her. The defence disproved the allegation, and showed that the prosecutor had run at defendant and hit him when he was not able to do her any harm; her husband, father and brother, all having interfered to stop the dispute. The jury found deft. not guilty, and directed each to pay half the costs.

*Com. vs. Charles Cromwell.*—Burglary by breaking into the house of C. F. Shindel, in Tamaqua. The evidence against the deft. was entirely circumstantial, though pretty conclusive. He did not take anything. The defence set up by his counsel—he had attempted to hang himself whilst in prison, and only failed by the breaking of the rope and the timely coming of the keeper. The jury found him not guilty on the ground of insanity.

## THE SONG OF THE CITY.

DAISIES *versus* DUST.

BY THE BARD OF TOWER HALL.

The country is fair, nature's beauties are there,
In blossoms and sweet, scented flowers;
The fields, clad in green, full of promise are seen,
And birds sweetly sing in their bowers.
Then blessings of God on the sons of the sod,
Their hearts have attuned to his praises;
But while *they* rejoice in harmonious voice,
We sigh, in the dust, for the daisies.

There's life in the breeze that has fra[illegible] with trees
Discussing their balms on the mountains;
There's health in the air, which is Adam's best pale,
And flows from the cool, mossy fountains.
The country, alone, gives the system a tone—
The invalid march ll amaze—
Then pack up your things, take the cars for your wings,
And fly from the dust to the daisies.

Let husbands and wives, if they value their lives,
Pack up, and be off for the season:
I write for their good, be it wedded or wood,
In Rhymes which are ringing with reason.
It really is sweet, in a cozy retreat,
To laugh at the sun when it blazes;
And better, I trust, than the bowling of dust,
Is snuffing the air o'er the daisies.

The husbands will all, at the great Tower Hall
Procure, at a bargain, their raiment;
Then each of them all on his lady can call
For bye, and succeed in a claimant.
Sa round she will feel, to her lord she'll reveal
Her feelings in all of their phases:
If not, "would be just if he "kicked up a dust,"
Though dust he had left for the daisies.

My wife, standing near, with her lips to my ear,
Says, "Bardie," while others you are teaching,
Remember, I pray, what the moralists say:
That practice is better than preaching."
Well! leave for awhile my melancholy smile,
While on me she lovingly gazes,