Miners' Journal.

POTTSVILLE, PA.

SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 1861.

VOLUNTEERS OF SCHUYLKILL COUNTY.

Up to last Tuesday eighty companies of volunteers had arrived at Harrisburg from various sections of Pennsylvania. Of these nineteen were from Schuylkill County alone, making nearly one fourth of the whole number that had arrived there, up to the above mentioned time. Two more companies left for Harrisburg on Wednesday morning; the "Union Guards" of Pottsville, Capt. J. Anthony, numbering one hundred and twenty-five men, and the "Schuylkill Guards" of Minersville, Capt. Frank T. Bennett, numbering about eighty men. Thus twenty-one companies, with an aggregate number of nearly two thousand men, have already left this county. If the other counties of the State were to send men in the same ratio to their population, nearly seventy thousand men would be furnished by Pennsylvania alone. This outpouring is unparalleled, and demonstrates how great is the spirit of patriotism, that has so aroused the whole population. We learn that several other companies are full, and others are forming with a view of offering their services. This is all right. Every able bodied person in the County, who has the time and means to do so, ought to devote a portion of his time to drilling at home in case his services should be required. But we would not advise any more companies to leave until the Government is prepared to furnish them with arms, and they are called out by the proper authority.

We append the list of companies that have already left up to this time:

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17.

Washington Artillery, Pottsville, Capt. Jas Wren,	127
National Light Infantry, " " E. McDonald,	114

SATURDAY, APRIL 20.

Ringgold Rifles, Minersville, Capt Lawrence,	108
Minersville Artillery, Minersville, Capt. D. B. Christ,	80
Scott Artillery, Schuylkill Haven,	73
Pt. Clinton Artillery, Pt. Clinton, Capt. Dr. R. Kauffman,	70

SUNDAY, APRIL 21.

Ashland Dragoons, (changed to Rifle Co.) Capt. J. E. Wynkoop,	70
Marion Rifles, Port Carbon, Capt. J. K. Siegfried,	108
Columbia Infantry, Glen Carbon, Capt. J. Brennan,	110
Llewellyn Rifles, Llewellyn, Capt. H. Chance,	40
New Company, St. Clair, Capt. Jas. Calbert,	40
Washington Light Infantry, Pinegrove, Capt. Mathews,	60
Donaldson Rifles, Donaldson, Capt. A. Etten,	40

MONDAY, APRIL 22.

Tower Guards, Pottsville, Capt. Tower,	160
Wynkoop Artillery, Silver Creek, Capt. W. Winlack,	80
Keystone Rifles, Port Carbon, Capt. J. M. Fuller,	65
Washington Yeagers, Pottsville, Capt. Hendler,	71
Scott Rifles, Tamaqua, Capt. Echo.	85
Jackson Guards, Tamaqua, Capt. Reilly,	96
German Light Infantry, Tamaqua, Capt. Guenther,	80

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24.

Schuylkill Guards, Minersville, Capt. F. Bennett,	80
Union Guards, Pottsville, Capt. Jos. Anthony,	103
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Of this number, 873 enlisted and went with the Pottsville Companies, although some of them were from the surrounding districts.

The "Union Guards" was composed principally of the members of the Hydraulion Fire Company of this borough, and are, we believe, all Irishmen. This was unquestionably one of the most imposing companies that left Schuylkill County, and presented a splendid appearance in their Garibaldi uniforms of Red shirts and Blue pants. None of them were below 5 feet 9 inches, and many are upwards of 6 feet in height and powerfully built. Capt. Anthony, their commander, is but little inferior in size to Gen. Scott.

We learn also, that Capt. Bennett's company of "Schuylkill Guards," which left Minersville, were a fine body of men.

OUR ADOPTED CITIZENS.

The Washington Yeagers, who left this borough on Monday, are all Germans. They went off in a high state of enthusiasm, singing as they marched along a German war song, and the Union Guards, who left on Wednesday, we understand are all Irishmen. They were dressed in the Garibaldian uniform—red shirts and blue pants. Capt Brennan's company from Glen Carbon, were also all Irishmen, and none of the men less than 5 feet 9 inches, and some measured 6 feet 2 inches. In the company were five brothers with names ranging from 19 to 32 years of age, "Well, I'm glad to hear it," said an Irishman, "so it has not all run out in Ireland. Other companies left the county composed entirely of Irishmen, and also of Germans—and the English, Welsh and Scotch filled the ranks of other companies in great numbers.

Thus we see that our adopted citizens, who have left behind the disadvantages of the monarchial and despotic governments of the old world, and have experienced the benefits which our more liberal form of Government affords to all her citizens, are not ungrateful for these advantages, nor unmindful of the duty they owe to the Government now in this hour of danger, when it is threatened with destruction.

Throughout the whole North, the same spirit of patriotism pervades the English, French, German, Scotch, Irish and Welsh citizens. They seemed to have banished all differences and to be vying with each other in their expressions of loyalty, to the country of their choice.

The ranks of almost all the companies of volunteers have been swelled by their numbers, and in some instances whole regiments are composed entirely of Germans and Irishmen.

THE MIGHTY NORTH UNITED.
THE GREAT DECEPTION IN THE SOUTH.

The Philadelphia *North American* has an article on this subject, from which we glean the following:

A northern mechanic, a native of Philadelphia, who with a number of others was lately driven out of Memphis by the secession mob which now has control of that city, on account of his being a Union man, says that the people there have been shamefully imposed upon with regard to the state of public opinion in the free States. He, a northern man, expected from what he had read and heard, to find the free States divided, and never felt more surprised than when, upon reaching them, he found but one party, and that for the Union.

The editor of the Mobile *Register*, at first doubted the reports that Douglas, Buchanan, Fillmore, Cass, Gov. Sprague, and other leading men of the North were all determined to sustain the Government, but now admits the truth, and with amazement remarks:

"Here is a representative man of every shade of northern conservatism. We confess that this coincidence and simultaneousness of action on the part of men who are wider apart by their antecedents than even by their places of residence, takes us by surprise. We endeavor in vain to explain it by the supposition that these gentlemen consider Lincoln's proclamation a declaration of war between country and country, in which they are not as loyal citizens permitted to select sides according to their own convictions as to the justice of war. Were this the explanation, why this hot haste? why the endorsement of the justice or constitutionality of the war. We are then forced to the conclusion that the whole public mind of the north has been seized with one of those manias by which Providence sometimes smites an entire people."

The *North American* remarks:

"Southerns who come up here on business errands are utterly dumbfounded at the overwhelming unanimity of the people, their calm, settled, resolute air, the coolness with which they go about their preparations for a general war, and the visible evidences that they neither expect a compromise nor will put up with one. One Alabama man, who had been looking at things here, sat down in a Market street jobbing house and shed tears. Another southwestern buyer said that he had never dreamed of such a state of things as he saw here. All who come from the South agree no adequate idea of what is the real nature of the case exists anywhere in that section. They will, however, learn it before a great while, we hope, at the point of the bayonet, since they will obey no other monitor."

FORT PICKENS.—The reports that Fort Pickens has been attacked and taken does not appear to be confirmed. The Fort has been re-inforced and several vessels of war are there. Gen. Bragg has a force of 6000 rebels there. If the rebels do not back down we may expect to hear of some hard fighting in that quarter before long.

COUNTY MEETING.

Relief of Families of Volunteers—Legislative Action Invoked—Special Tax.

Pursuant to call, a meeting was held at the Court House on Thursday last, to devise means for equalising throughout the County, the expenses for the assistant support of the families of Schuylkill County Volunteers now absent in the service of the country. Various parts of the County were represented in the persons of some of our most intelligent and substantial citizens.

The following officers were chosen:

President—BURD PATTERSON.

Vice Presidents—Thomas Foster, Hon. B. Reilly, Gideon Bast, William Lerch, George de B. Keim, Tobias H. Winterstein, Hon. William Donaldson, John Clayton, Dr. Augustus Shulize, Dr. —— Philips, Chas. Fuchs, and John J. Dovey.

Secretaries—C. Little and Wm. B. Wells, Esqs.

John Bannan, Esq., Hon. B. M. Palmer, Hon. F. W. Hughes and others suggested and discussed the best methods of effecting the object of the meeting. Finally, on motion, the President appointed John Bannan, Esq., Hon. F. W. Hughes and B. W. Cumming, Esq., a Committee to draft a bill for action at the special session of the Legislature, called for Tuesday next—the Committee to report at an adjourned meeting on Thursday, 25th.

Adjourned Meeting—The meeting was called to order, pursuant to adjournment, at 3 P. M. on Thursday. As the special order of business, John Bannan, Esq., Chairman, proceeded to read the unanimous report of the Committee, submitting the bill proposed by them for immediate legislative action, which after some discussion and amendments, was approved and adopted, as follows:

SEC. 1. That the County Commissioners of the County of Schuylkill be authorized and required to assess upon the last adjusted valuation of property taxed for County purposes in the said County the additional percentage of two and a half mills on the dollar, to be collected with the other County rates and levies and in like manner for the present year, to be set apart as a fund for the benefit of all heads of families, women and children, who were dependent, or mainly so, upon the support of those who have been mustered into the service of the United States under the call of the President thereof. And should any portion of said fund remain unexpended under the provisions of this Act, then such portion shall go into the general funds of the County for County purposes.

SEC. 2. That the said fund, so assessed and collected, and as fast as the same from time to time be required, shall be distributed amongst the persons entitled thereto under the provisions of the first Section of this Act, agreeably to the ratio and regulations to be established by the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas and the County Commissioners of said County, to be convened in the Commissioners' Office for that purpose.

SEC. 3. That the better to enable the said Judges and County Commissioners to establish equal rules and regulations, and to carry into effect the provisions of this Act, the said Judges and County Commissioners shall have the power to appoint three judicious and proper persons in each of the Boroughs and Townships within said County, whose duty it shall be forthwith and without compensation to report to them under oath or affirmation the names of all those persons in their respective Boroughs and Townships entitled to the benefit of this Act, designating the persons so mustered into the service of the United States and the company to which they were attached, together with the names of their wives and children, if any, and the ages of said children; and if any person so mustered into the service as aforesaid left a mother or younger brothers or sisters who were dependent on him for their support, their respective names and ages, as near as the same can be ascertained, shall be reported as aforesaid, and also how they were supported by the persons so mustered into the service as aforesaid, and the means they now have of supporting themselves, and what provision, if any, was made for their support in the absence of persons so mustered into service.

SEC. 4. That the said Judges and the County Commissioners shall appoint one person in each Borough and Township, who may be one of the said three persons as Treasurer, to receive the fund appropriated to each respective Borough or Township, and to pay over the same agreeably to the regulations and direction of the said Judges and the County Commissioners; said Treasurer to be personally responsible to the County of Schuylkill for the faithful execution of his trust, and at all times, when required by the said Judges and County Commissioners, to settle an account thereof.

SEC. 5. All acts done by the said Judges and County Commissioners consistent with the provisions and in accordance with the spirit and meaning of this Act, previous to the passage of the same, are hereby confirmed and considered as of the same effect as if done by them after its passage.

In connection with the foregoing bill, the Committee further recommended the adoption of the following very judicious resolutions:

Resolved, That in view of the general prostration of the business pursuits of the County, and the increased taxation of the citizens, growing out of the exigencies of the Government, this meeting recommend to Geoffs (School Directors), Supervisors and those having power to impose School, Road and Borough taxes upon the citizens of the County, that the same be reduced to one half of the usual rates, considering it better that the period for keeping open the public schools should be abridged, and the roads go unimpaired for a shorter time, than that the citizens should be unduly oppressed with taxation, and that the families of our Patriotic Volunteers should be exposed to suffering for the want of means in the citizens to relieve them. Provided that the schools shall be kept open for at least the minimum period required by law.

Resolved, That inasmuch as the County of Schuylkill has already furnished five times her quota of men, under the requisition of the President of the United States, and as the army already in the field can only be sustained by continuing the industrial pursuits of the County, true patriotism requires that such pursuits should not be neglected, and whilst we encourage the formation of companies and the practice of military drill at home, it is the opinion of this meeting that no more companies from this County should be tendered to the Government until found to be necessary by a further call.

Resolved, That as the Legislature is to meet on Tuesday next, and the proposed act, being local in its provisions, and having the approbation of our members and of this meeting, will certainly be passed; the Judges of our Court and the County Commissioners are respectfully requested to anticipate its passage, and to adopt such measures as in their judgment are necessary to carry its provisions into immediate execution, by such appropriation and payment from the present funds in the Treasury of the County, as will furnish temporary relief until the anticipated legislation may be obtained.

These were also adopted by the meeting. A resolution was then offered and carried, to publish the proceedings in all the papers of the County; when the meeting adjourned *sine die*.

The proceedings throughout were characterized by a remarkable unanimity of sentiment, and a manifest earnestness of purpose, which forbode speedy and effective action.

The certainty of the passage of the Act, effecting mere local interests, with its restrospective operation, enables the plan of relief to be put into *immediate* operation, without waiting for the positive authority of the law. The Judges and Commissioners propose to meet forthwith, and proceed to the appointment of the District Committees, &c. And it was stated at the meeting on Thursday, apparently by authority, that our Banks (Miners', and Farmers') were ready to advance all the money needed, till the requisite machinery could be got into operation for the collection of the special tax.

As to the voluntary subscriptions throughout the County,—inasmuch as in many cases, no doubt, the subscribers have taxed their patriotic generosity to the full extent of their means, and it would be palpably unjust to enforce the payment of their quota of the special tax in addition,—it seemed to be understood by the meeting, although no formal notice was had thereon, that contributions so paid in, should be regarded simply as advances or loans for immediate use, and until the legislative plan can be rendered effective—when the amounts will be returned to the several contributors, out of the general fund raised by taxation.

The following Committees were appointed by the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas and County Commissioners, under the resolution of the County Meeting, to report the families of volunteers who require aid during their absence:

Ashland.
Col. J. A Connor,
J. K. Conner,
J. G. Gamel.

Auburn.
Dept. A. Schaling,
Sam. K. Moyer,
Isaac Hoffmaster.

Blythe.
John Bovey,
Richard Wolack,
Michael Rowery.

Butler.
Cyr Wilson,
Jonathan Faust,
John Hower.

Barry.
Israel Reed,
Frank Dengler,
Charles Mervine.

Branch.
A. T. Twitmann,
Wm. Kendrick,
W. H. Hagelnt.

Wall Branch.
Michael Moser,
Joseph Albright,
Frederick Haessler.

East Brunswick.
Joshua Boyer,
Dett. K. Yost.
Dect. J. F. Trexler.

Cass.
Jacob Glover,
Daniel R. Bennett,
Robert Patton.

Orwigsburg.
S. A. Wilder,
Asst. Keller,
Wm. A. Hausner.

Eldred.
Joseph K. Maurer,
Geo. Boyer,
Elias Hepler.

Pinegrove.
Edward O'Connor,
Conrad Seltzer,
Michael Lacey.

East Norwegian.
Robert Wall,
John Dorner,
O. Malley.

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W. H. Schatt,
Wm. M. Bickel,
J. S. Pulsifer.

Pine Alle.
P. D. Barnett.
J. G. Haven.
W. Benninger.

Pinegrove Township.
Leonard Fahs, Jr.
Geo. W. Matchen,
Peter Stein.

Pinegrove Borough.
Levi Miller.
Dect. Kitzmiller,
Dect. Robason.

Port Carbon.
S. Eschelman,
H. Guitterman,
U. Gans.

Port Clinton.
Samuel Boyer,
Jonas Rabenbold,
John S. Rick.

Porter.
Jacob Schwatz,
Alex. Thompson,
Levi Fahler.

Pottsville.
Benjamin Haywood,
Andrew Russel,
Lepi Huber.

Reilly.
Charles Howett,
David Muir.
Edw. Connelly.

Rush.
Daniel Wernitz, Esq.
Abraham Boughner,
H. B. Gardner.

Schuylkill.
Stephen Ringer,
Charles Shew,
Conrad Wiebe.

Schuylkill Haven.
Dect. F. S. Shannon,
John Stanton,
Charles Hunsinger.

St. Clair.
Dect. Coryell,
Christian Seelly,
Daniel K. Scobby.

Tremont.
Adam Wolf,
J. P. Bechtel,
C. L. Pinkerton.

Tamaqua.
Michael Beard,
Benj. Heebner,
H. S. Graff.

Rahn.
Robt. A. Abbot,
Andrew Bosser,
Evan E. Jones.

Union.
Isaac Davis.
Michael Kistler,
M. Barron.

Wayne.
Dan. Faust,
Charles Hummel,
Jacob Minnie.

Washington.
John Conrad,
D. E. Seidel,
Isaac Dadorf.

West Penn.
Peter Seiberling,
Reuben Leiby,
A. Fradirici.

Norwegian.
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EDITOR'S TABLE.

BLACKWOOD'S EDINBURGH MAGAZINE.—We have received the April number of this old and valuable magazine. Blackwood has long and deservedly, been acknowledged to have maintained a pre-eminent position among periodical literaters, and judging from the earnest and hearty manner with which the present number is conducted, we think that it is not likely to fall from its pre-eminence. The contents are, A paper on "Spontaneous Combustion;" "Italy," by Marc Mounier; "Americanisms;" "Life in Central Africa;" "The World of Weimer;" "Norman Sinclair—Part XV.;" "General Patrick Gordon, the Russian Scot;" and "The Punjab in 1857."

ATLANTIC MONTHLY.—The May number of this valuable and talented publication, has been received from the publishers, Messrs. Ticknor & Fields, 135 Washington street, Boston. The contents are, "Agnes of Sorrento;" "Rest and Motion;" "Lights of the English Lake District;" "Pink and Blue;" "Pomegranate Flowers;" "The Prairie State;" "Concerning Future Years;" "Brother Jonathan's Lament for Sister Caroline;" "Original Memorials of Mrs. Piozzi;" "The Niger and its Explorers;" "Reviews and Literary Notices," and "Recent American Publications."

We take pleasure in announcing that "Agnes of Sorrento," is the title of the New Romance just written by Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe, for the *Atlantic Monthly*. The first pages are given in the present number of that work, and the manner in which the story opens, assures us that its publication will add to the already brilliant reputation of this most popular of American authors.

The story is one of love and duty, joy and trial. Its heroine is a young girl, born in a Catholic country, and educated under the influence of Catholic institutions, and in the development of the plot, the author has sought to illustrate the influences of that creed upon the lives and characters of its votaries.

From the intense interest in this subject which has been manifested by the people of the United States within the past few years, and the fact that it has entered so largely into the discussion of the political as well as the religious questions of the time, it cannot be doubted that Mrs. Stowe's elucidation of it, through the medium of fictitious narrative, will cause it to be as widely sought for, and as eagerly perused as her previous brilliant contributions to American literature have been.

Local Affairs.

Thermometrical Record for the Week Ending April 27, 1861.

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

		8 A.M.	2 P.M.	7 P.M.	
Apr.	20—Saturday,	55°	58°	49°	clear.
"	22—Monday,	60	55	49	"
"	23—Tuesday,	75	67	78	"
"	24—Wednesday,	75	85	98	"
"	25—Thursday,	68	78	67	"
"	26—Friday,	65	69	—	"

Arcadian Institute.—The Summer Session of this Boarding School, located at Orwigsburg, Schuylkill County, will open on Wednesday, May first.

Star Spangled Banner.—We have struck off a lot of slips of the Star Spangled Banner, which can be had at our office by those who desire them.

Mr. Walter Sedgwick, of St. Clair, desires us to publish the following:

Notice to My Friends:—I am not the Sedgwick who refused to act as Captain of the St. Clair Rifle Company. WALTER SEDGWICK.

Breaker Burned.—We regret to learn that the Breaker attached to the Colliery of Jeremiah Seltzinger, on the West Branch, was burned down on Thursday night. We could not obtain any of the particulars, or the cause of the fire, loss, or whether insured or not.

"K." who is out of employment, and who advertises in our paper for a situation, desires us to state that he cannot go as a volunteer to serve his country, which we know is correct, and therefore desires some situation to enable him to support his family. He is steady and energetic, and can fill some situation to greater advantage at home.

Sweet and Clean.—The cake of Maple Sugar, of which we are the recipients, from Stichter & Thompson. They desire us to notify that portion of the public who are lovers of sweet things that they have consigned the sale of the Maple Sugar to G. H. Berkamp, Fruit and Vegetable Dealer, corner Centre and Norwegian Streets, where a pure article can be obtained.

The Union Guards of Pottsville, Captain Joseph Anthony, composed largely of members of the Hydraulian Fire Company, attended Mass at St. Patrick's Church, last Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, immediately before their leaving. Rev. Father Nugent, the resident Irish Catholic Priest, addressed them in a most patriotic strain, and with thrilling effect—urging their stalwart defence and maintenance of our national Government as the highest service to their religion.

The Ledger of Thursday contained the following:

"James Winters, aged thirty-eight years, one of Capt. Nagle's corps, of Pottsville volunteers, was stabbed yesterday by private Wallace Cake, of the same company, while in boxing, it is said, under an attack of mania-a-pota. The wound, which is in the side, was inflicted with a bowie knife. Winters being at the time in charge of Cake. It is thought to be dangerous. Winters was taken to the Hospital. The unfortunate affray took place at the Baltimore depot."

Winters died at the Hospital a short time after receiving the wound.

The cause of religion and of our country seem to go hand in hand. Everywhere throughout the churches of the land, prayers are offered for the success of our arms against the enemies of the national Government; and ministers of the Gospel of peace give parting counsel to our soldiers, inspiring their courage and directing their quiet to the God of battles; and in some instances, themselves heading the columns for actual service. Such scenes smack of Revolutionary fire.

Capt. Nagle, (now Colonel of the Sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers) has three brothers in the field—one a Captain and two in the ranks in this Regiment. The Nagles were born soldiers. Their father was a magnificent drummer in the service of his country—and it has been alleged that they were ushered into this world at the tap of the drum. One thing is certain, they are always ready when the drum calls to arms. Another family in this Borough has three brothers in the field.

The Agricultural Districts.—We learn that the war feeling in the agricultural districts is as great as in the towns. We have been informed that in one instance in our County, a son absolutely choked his father for an expression in favor of secession, and in an adjoining county, a man who expressed a feeling in favor of the rebels, was compelled to drop on his knees and take a solemn oath to support the Flag of his country, or die. The rope was ready. He preferred the former.

Up to the firing on the Stars and Stripes at Fort Sumter, every person was free to express an opinion he thought proper in the free North—but from that hour, there was no alternative but to be openly loyal to the Flag of the country, or be treated as a traitor.

Patriotic Presbyterianism.—On last Sabbath evening, Rev. Mr. Colt, pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, of this Borough, delivered to a full house, a most seasonable and happily conceived sermon on *the state of the church and country*, abounding in passages of eloquent christian patriotism; showing that the principle involved in the war, is nothing less than the *life of the nation*.

In this connection we note, from *The Presbyterian* of to-day, this declaration, as the feeling of the great body of that Church:—"Looking on the events of the day, our motto is, as it ever has been, our CONSTITUTION, our UNION, the RIGHTS OF ALL UNDER THE CONSTITUTION, and an UNDIVIDED COUNTRY FOREVER."

Delegates have been appointed generally, from the Presbyteries South, to the General Assembly, to meet in Philadelphia next month.

Borough Election.—This election will take place one week from next Monday. In the mean time it is important that the citizens should select good candidates for the different offices, who will conduct the affairs of the Borough as economically as possible in the present state of the country.

A vote will also be taken by the citizens of the Borough, by order of Council, for and against removing the present Market House in Market Street.

As an additional County Tax will be assessed this year, to be termed a War Tax, for the support of the families of the volunteers during their absence, it is strongly urged that the different Boroughs and Townships lessen their duplicates for Road Taxes particularly. In nearly all districts this tax might be reduced the present year equal to the increase of the County Tax for War purposes, and in some considerably more.

The Clay Monument—A Thrilling Scene in Pottsville.—In these exciting times the eyes and thoughts of the people of Pottsville are often turned to contemplate the statue and column erected by them to the memory of Henry Clay; and on Tuesday last, it was suggested, that as that great man would never permit dishonor to the flag of his country while living, the Stars and Stripes would be an appropriate decoration to be appended to the iron column erected to his memory. The idea took. The daughters of John Bannan, Esq., furnished the Flag, and an Alexander S. Faust was found, who, supported by his men, was willing to mount the column some eighty feet in height. Amidst the shouts and cheers of the multitude, assembled upon a few minutes notice, the Flag of our beloved, but now distracted country, was placed by him to the iron hands of the statue, and it is now floating gracefully in the breeze, held by the statue as a solemn rebuke to those who would tarnish its lustre. Would that this incident could reach the view and penetrate the hearts of those who once cherished his virtues, and who now seem to falter, in the honored State of Kentucky.

PATRIOTIC FUND,

Subscribed by our citizens up to yesterday, for the support of the families of our volunteers:

Announced before,		$3,915
P. M. Reese,	50	
David Beveridge,	100	
Jacob Christian,	10	
Jacob Huntzinger, Jr.	10	
H. Boerstler,	10	
J. W. Cake.	10	
Geo. Patterson,	10	
Roch & Evans,	10	
Whitfield & Dornan	20	
E. H. Wheeler,	10	
John Stine,	10	
P. B. Luther,	10	
Abright & Burkhard.	10	
Mrs. E. Lewis,	10	
B. Bartholomew,	10	
C. F. Glover,	10	
Lewis Herwig,	10	
Solomon Hoover,	10	
John P. Hofman,	10	
Charles Boehmer,	10	
J. D. Cochran.	10	
Mike Windsor,	10	
D. J. Brown & Son,	10	
Daniel Shertle,	10	
C. Hunsicker,	10	
Richard Lee,	10	
Jacob Obenreuit,	10	
Joseph Schaar,	10	
D. L. Esterly,	10	
R. C. Green,	10	
D. D. McGlaney,	10	
M. Palmer,	10	
John R. Houghton,	5	
H. Gerr,	5	
Peter Jennings,	50	
Silas Strouse,	20	
J. H. Lippe,	5	
Jos. Morgan,	50	
N. Wetzell,	20	
J. Rabenson,	50	
Wm. K. Boyer,	100	
H. Boshmer,	20	
Jos. Wollison,	10	
Jos. Wollison,	10	
John G. Betz,	20	
John Moser,	10	
Daniel Hill,	10	
F. Obenauer,	10	
Jacob Ulmer,	50	
John Koomer,	10	
A. K. Hosmer,	10	
Saml. Huntzinger,	20	
W. H. & J. M. Huntzinger,	100	
Thos. Peacock,	100	
Saml. Harrison,	50	
Christopher Loeser,	20	
Jabez Parks,	10	
Lary Dengler,	10	
J. Seltzinger,	10	
B. Christian,	10	
D. H. Schoener,	20	
S. Wren,	10	
Tousant,	10	
J. C. Conrad,	20	
W. Pollock,	10	
Simon Derr,	25	
L. Schwenk,	5	
W. B. Hodgson,	20	
J. K. Hepton,	10	
C. Harper,	10	
M. Mortimer,	10	
J. Trough,	10	
E. K. Ransap,	10	
J. M. Beatty,	20	
E. K. Bland,	10	
Vandevanter,	10	
A. Allen,	10	
S. Langdon,	10	
C. Little,	10	
K. Kaercher,	10	
P. Rutherford,	20	
Morston,	10	
Lee,	10	
D. W. Miller,	10	
S. Bowen,	10	
Faber,	10	
B. Green,	10	
Geo. Byerly,	10	
F. Patterson,	10	
L. Heilfenline,	10	
Jesse J. Hawley,	10	
John Troyer,	10	
D. S. Wenrig,	10	
Henry Shelly,	10	
G. W. Bell,	10	
George Hadesty,	10	
Brumbach & Landefelt,	20	
J. B. McCammant,	10	
Wm. L. Whitney,	10	
John Hoebner,	10	
L. Lautenstein,	10	
Edward Harris,	10	
R. D. Shoener,	10	
Chas. T. Bowen,	10	
Morris Robinson,	10	
Chas. A. Rahn,	10	
F. H. Hickert,	10	
Chas. Lee,	10	
Michael Murphy,	50	
Total,		$3,625

Volunteers' Fund.—Subscribers to the fund for supporting the families of the volunteers in the service of their country, are required to pay ten per cent. of their subscriptions to A. Russel Tresurer, at his office corner of Mahantango and Second streets. A. RUSSEL, *Treasurer.*

The Stars and Stripes.—The number of flags displayed in the borough is very large. Near all the machine shops, factories, and principal places of business have unfurled the "Stars and Stripes." In addition to the large flag which floats from the tall staff at the corner of Centre and Mahantango Streets, and the one displayed on Court House Hill, which was raised with imposing ceremonies on the 22d of February, we would notice the large and fine flags raised on the machine shop of Mr. Geo. W. Snyder, on Palo Alto Rolling Mill, on the machine shop of Mr. Yeatman, on the Brewery of Mr. Geo. Lauer, on the Centre Street Public School House, at the Pioneer Furnace, on the livery stable of Mr. Bell, and on the depot of the Pulls. & Reading Railroad Co. Almost all the Hotels and many of the private residences are beautifully decorated with flags. Large flags are also suspended across all the principal streets, and from almost every available place floats the "Stars and Stripes." A large and beautiful flag was suspended across Schuylkill Avenue, in that part of the borough known as "Sunker Hill," on Monday last. It was manufactured by the daughters of American who reside in that vicinity, and the whole neighborhood feel very proud of it. An appropriate address was delivered by Rev. Jos. McCool on the occasion, and several songs were sung by the ladies present.

The number of flags of all sizes displayed, is so great, that we find it impossible to enumerate all the points at which they are exposed, and have only been able to mention the most prominent and conspicuous.

The flag on the Clay Monument, (which was the first erected to his memory in the country after his death,) is the most beautiful display of all. Its position is very appropriate, and expresses the great love and veneration with which the immortal statesman always regarded his country's flag. The staff is placed in the hands of the statue which surmounts the iron column, and represents the great patriot in the attitude of speaking, and he seems, as he holds on high his country's banner, to be appealing to all the people, exhorting them always to remain true and loyal to it, and never permit it to be insulted with impunity.

On this (Saturday) afternoon, at 4½ o'clock, a large and beautiful National Flag, 20 x 133 feet, will be raised on the shop of the Schuylkill County Lumber Company. A band of music will be in attendance, and addresses of an appropriate character will be delivered.

A large and handsome flag will be thrown to the breeze from the machine shop of the Washington Iron Works, this (Saturday) afternoon, at 4 o'clock by Thomas Wren, in honor of Capts. McDonald and James Wren, who led their noble men, in [illegible] and were the first to enter the Capital at Washington. Appropriate addresses will be delivered, and a band of music will also be in attendance. The flag will be hoisted by our worthy citizen John McDonald, who loves the Stars and Stripes.

On Saturday last, the 20th inst., at 11 o'clock, A. M., a beautiful flag, sixteen by nine feet, was swung to the breeze on the Public School Edifice in Tremont. The Flag was furnished by contributions from the pupils. A large number of ladies and many citizens of the place, together with a large number of pupils, were assembled at the building, which occupies a very imposing site, to celebrate the interesting event, and to manifest their patriotic feelings, which at present appears to animate every heart. As the emblem of our nationality, the "Stars and Stripes," was drawn up, cheer after cheer rent the air and reverberated on the mountain top. The pleasing event was enlivened by the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner," "Hail Columbia," and other National Airs, by the pupils, accompanied by Mr. Tice and the ladies. In fine, the occasion was one of much interest and full of enthusiasm.

A flag will be raised on the top of the Sharp Mountain Public School building, this (Saturday) afternoon, at 3 o'clock, P. M. The flag is eighteen feet long, by ten wide. The staff will be about thirty feet high. Good speakers will be provided for the occasion. The money necessary to defray the expenses, has been raised by the scholars, who cheerfully gave their contribution to show their patriotism. The scholars will sing some patriotic airs. The public are invited to attend.

[FOR THE MINERS' JOURNAL.]

VOLUNTEER COMPANIES.

MR. BANNAN—*Sir:*—Please favor me with the insertion of the following in the *Journal* of this week. In deference to the judgment and request of older citizens whose patriotism is beyond all question, I will not state my views, and whose opinion is, that "our Borough and County *is doing too much*" in the recruiting of volunteers on the first requisition—having already furnished more than four times our *quota*). please say that the enrollment of volunteers for the proposed Company of *Patterson Light Guard* will be suspended, until the relative proportion of a new requisition makes it proper that we increase our numbers in support of the State, the Union and laws.

In the meantime those who feel disposed to volunteer for active service in the proposed Company, can call on me for the opportunity.

I may here mention that the selection of the Captain will be left to the pleasure of the signers, the undersigned being content with a Lieutenancy, as he is six years over the limit, and therefore not admissable in the ranks.

Failing in this expectation, no further effort will be made in my case to go beyond the limits of our State, and my military propensities and love of Union must give place to younger and more fortunate aspirants. Yours, respectfully, &c., in the good cause, JOHN M. CROSLAND.

[NOTE—Our suggestion was to organize Companies, offer their services, and perfect them in drill, as far as possible, without interfering too much with their daily avocations—but not to leave home until a requisition is made by the proper authority, and the Government prepared to receive them.—ED. JOURNAL]

[COMMUNICATED.]

MR. EDITOR:—The undersigned upon the part of the Committee on Subscription for the equipment of the "Union Guards," (Hydraulian Company,) begs leave to report the following state ment:

Am't cash rec'd,		$71 75
Paid for flannel,	$14 14	
" " caps,	13 00	27 14
Ballance in hand,		$44 61
Cash paid to Capt. Anthony,		44 61

In addition to the above contributions the following goods were contributed for the cause:

30 yds red flannel,	$0 30
31 " do	9 61
32 " do	9 92
1 shirt,	75
	$20 58

The undersigned returns thanks to those who contributed so *freely* in the above object, but at the same time regrets to state that a *very few* of wealthy men, who are abundantly able to do so, positively refused to contribute one cent.

JAMES GLENN.

ENTHUSIASM AT AUBURN.

We have received the following communication dated Auburn, April 24th, 1861:

The greatest excitement is prevailing in Auburn. Volunteers have been leaving every day, for the last few days, and the borough is in a blaze