# Miners' Journal.

POTTSVILLE, PA.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1861.

THE UNION COUNTY TICKET.

The citizens of Schuylkill County are aware that preliminary steps were taken last week by the People's Standing Committee and a Democratic committee, to effect a perfect and thorough union on one ticket at the approaching election. We are gratified to state that the movement meets the unqualified approval of every lover of his country, in the County, and that a ticket framed with a view alone of having the respective offices filled by the best men, will receive the support of every man who is not bound in the narrow circle of party affiliation.

Throughout this State, Union tickets will be run in every County, and the result will be the defeat of every mere partizan ticket. In New York several of the candidates upon the Democratic State ticket, have declined, in order that the Union Government Administration State ticket may have a clear, fair fields It is the case everywhere. The noble and patriotic of the Democratic party join hands with the Republicans, in a common cause. The example should not only be applauded but be followed by those in our midst who declare themselves ardent advocates of the Administration and the war.

The election of delegates to the Union County Convention will be held at the following stated places, and by the following named persons, on Monday next:

*Auburn*—At the house of Val. Shellenberger.
Dr. Augustus Rhodes. Wellington Jones.
*Ashland*, East Ward—House of Mary J. Stewart.
George Haltrich, P. Langton.
" West Ward—House of Peter Keller.
William Levy, Dr. D. J. McKibbin.
*Barry*—House of Francis Deigler.
Israel Road, Francis Yarnall.
*Butler*—House of George A. Kent.
A. L. Gee, John F. Lewis.
*Blythe*—House of Thomas Seidel.
William H. Rowe, John O'Donnell.
*Branch*—House of A. T. Troutman.
Wm. H. Hopkins, Hiram Chalfoss.
*East Brunswick*—House of George Dreibelbis.
Franklin Hauser, Joshua Yost.
*West Brunswick*—House of Michael Moser.
Dan'l. Moyer, Franklin B Kershner.
*North Manheim*—House of Mrs. Margaret Conway.
Casper Hughes, Martin Pendergrass.
*North Carr*—House of Charles Walker.
Thomas Patton, John Hassl.
*Orwigsburg*—House of John F. Leonard.
Wm. A. Hammer, Henry Hassl.
*Mt. Pleasant*—House of Reuben Herb.
Jacob Hassl, Simon Kepler.
*Foster*—House of Charles Horsbarger.
John Brennan, John W. Heck.
*Frailey*—House of David Lessig.
Benjamin R. Reedy, Capt. S. Gaskins.
*Hegins*—House of Henry Miller.
Benjamin P. Miller, M. Dunkelberger.
*Hubley*—House of Jacob Umholtz.
Jacob Seitz, George F. Wiest.
*Landingville*—House of Israel Coller.
Jacob Gayner, Chs. Gayner.
*Mahanoy*—House of Emanuel Boyer.
Edward Boyer, Frank Carter.
*Minersville*—E. Ward—House of J. F. G. Kunstler.
Wm. Howar, Samuel Richards.
" W. Ward—At the House of Evan Evans.
Jacob S. Lawrence, Francis Boland.
*Mt. Carbon*—House of Mrs. Orin.
Terrence Duffy, Andrew Gray.
*North Manheim*—House of Frederick Beck.
John Plessinger, Daniel Reeder.
*South Manheim*—House of Andrew Reber.
Lewis Kimmel, Thomas Kramer, Sen.
*Middleport*—House of Harrison Derrick.
John C. Feldtrapps, D. Ritter.
*New Castle*—House of Ephriam Phillips.
Michael Madaire, Dr. B. E. Phillips.
*Norwegian*—House of Mrs. Wm. Worther.
Morgan Schwartz, Chas Kull.
*E. Norwegian*—House lately occupied by G. T. Jones.
James Fogarty, James S. Kirk.
*Orwigsburg*—House of George Shoener.
George A. Fry, Henry Reber.
*Pale Alle*—House of John Sterrett.
Joseph Bishop, W. S. Chillson.
*Port Carbon*—House of Michael Wenzel.
" House of John Sterrett.
Joseph Bishop, W. S. Chillson.
*Port Clinton*—House of Jeremiah Focht.
Wm. C. Guldin, G. Hartman.
*Pinegrove Township*—House of Daniel S. Filbert
Jacob Huber, John Hoch.
*Pinegrove Township*—House of Mrs. Yeager.
Isaac Harter, Geo. Kinsperger.
*Palmyra*, S. E.—House of Mats & Drumheller.
Dennis Brennan, A. S. Hillyman.
" S. W. Ward—House of Mrs. E. Lessig.
" N. W. Ward—House of Jos. S. Elliott.
" Middle Ward—House of John Sellon.
*Rahn*—House of Jacob Faust.
D. Messersmith, Jaspen Meyer.
*Rahn*—House of John Carr.
John Moser, J. Carr.
*Reilly*—House of Am. B. Evans.
Elliton Heath, Levi Pinkerton.
*Schuylkill*—House of Chas Blew.
Stephen Ringer, Alex. S. Fister.
*Schuylkill Haven*—E. Ward—House of S. Buts.
W. Bowman, J. Goehring.
" W. Ward—House of John C. Stanton.
Gio. Bowen, P. White.
" S. Ward—House of Mrs. Mary Koons.
Chas. Huntsinger, Jos. E. Graeff.
" E. Ward—House of S. Shoek & Son.
Jacob Delbert, Geo. Kaufman.
*St. Clair*—North Ward—House of Jno. Johnson.
Daniel K. Stobl, Chr. Evanis.
" E. Ward—House of Chs. Buechley.
Wm. Irwin, J. Schlegel.
*Tamaqua*—E Ward—House of John Shively.
S. Morgan rothe, Jacob L. Richter.
" N. Ward—House of M. Beard.
John Parker, H. T. Hezhts.
" S. Ward—House of J. K. Leavitt.
A. Landauer, Frs. Bricht.
*Tremont*—House of Weiser & Mock.
John Deibler, Isaac Lehman.
*Union*—House of John Feustermacher.
Jacob Reish, John M. Zimmerman.
*Upper Mahanoy*—House of Daniel S. Herb.
Isaac Knorr, Esq., D. Schlegel.
*Washington*—House of Isaac Bartholomew.
Jacob Shlad, Oliver Goldman.
*Wayne*—House of Charles Hummel.
Joseph Mensch, Esq., S. Sonninger, Jr.
*West Penn*—House of Daniel S. Ester.
John Bolig, Jr., David Hill.

The Convention to place in nomination a Union County ticket, will assemble at the Court House in this Borough, on Wednesday morning next, at 10 o'clock. That the proceedings may be characterized by harmony and dignity appropriate to the time and occasion, we earnestly urge citizens throughout the County, to select their very best men as delegates. Upon their character and capacity, will depend to a great extent the value of the composition of the ticket; and a point of the first importance is the placing of an unexceptionable ticket before the people, for their suffrages. This matter of selecting good delegates to the Union County Convention, should receive due attention.

THE PATRIOTIC LOAN.

It is gratifying to know that the subscriptions to the National Loan, are going on favorably in all parts of the loyal States where agencies have been appointed. The aggregate of subscriptions is now about $10,000,000. It is unquestionably, the best and most secure opportunity now offered in this country, for investing money, on which an interest of 7 3.10 per cent. will be paid. There are in this County thousands of dollars either hoarded away, producing nothing, or loaned to institutions whose operations depress business, which ought to be tendered to the Government to assist it in paying the expenses of the present war. Patriotism alone, should indace such a course; but when we consider that as a business transaction, the investment is remunerative, we cannot see why a single person who has money that is non-productive at this time, should hesitate a moment about loaning it to the Government. We would have them emulate the example of the three months' captain, who this week threw down before John Shippen, Esq., the Agent here for the Loan, ten twenty dollar gold pieces, with the remark, "I received them from Uncle Sam, and I want to return them to him."

Mr. Shippen opened the books of subscriptions to the Loan, on Wednesday last, at the Miners' Bank, and will keep them open fifteen days only from that date. It would facilitate the business materially, if persons in different sections of the County, would collect funds from their neighbors, and then subscribe to the Loan, on their behalf.

The United States should not be behind France in patriotism or love of country. Twice Louis Napoleon called upon his people to loan him the money needed by his Government, and each time double the needed amount was tendered him. Citizens of Schuylkill County, you enjoy the blessings of a free government; your prosperity exists only as long as that government maintains its authority. Your property rises or falls in value with its rise or fall. Your very liberty is imperilled, as its existence is threatened. Remember these facts, and if patriotism has no weight—although we believe it has—let self-interest induce you to step forward immediately to Mr. Shippen, and subscribe every dollar you can spare, to the Loan. Schuylkill County can take a large amount, during the coming week, and we hope to see it done.

Remember that in business operations the Government scrip would be readily taken, and that a $50 Treasury Note, with the coupons attached, bearing 7 3.10 per cent. interest, would be as good as gold, in payment of demands.

We would also state for the information of those who would experience some difficulty in paying the full amount of their subscription at one time, that they can pay one-tenth of the amount of their subscription over $100, and the balance in three instalments, at intervals of twenty days each.

Citizens, in taking this entire loan in this country, we secure two results. We retain the interest which would go abroad, if the loan was taken in Europe; and we prove to the nations of Europe, that we have not only the physical power to crush rebellion, but that we have the financial strength within ourselves, to pay as we go, the expenses of the war. Thus we will secure the respect and admiration of all Europe. Is it not worth striving for? Assuredly.

GEN. FREMONT'S PROCLAMATION.—While the President has no general objection to it, he orders that the clause confiscating slaves among other property of rebels in Missouri, be so modified, held and construed, as to conform to, and not to transcend the provisions on the same subject contained in the "act to confiscate the property used for insurrectionary purposes," passed by Congress at the late extra session. The effect of the modification will be, to confine all forfeiture of slave property in Missouri to the cases where the slaves are required by their masters either to take up arms or to labor upon some military work to be used against the United States. General Fremont's act was clearly one of *military necessity*; but in view of the critical condition of Kentucky and of Maryland, the President has doubtless done what appeared to him not only expedient but urgently necessary. What legislation may be required in the future on this subject, if the necessities of the Union require it, remains to be seen.

MARYLAND.—The strong arm of the Government was exercised this week, in breaking up the Secession Legislature of that State, so effectually, that a vast amount of mischief and suffering has been averted. On Monday a number of fresh arrests were made including most of the officers of the body; on Wednesday morning the Union members of both Houses refused to meet, and decided to return to their homes. So the Legislature is virtually dead. After twenty-four hours' confinement, the officers were all set at liberty on taking the oath of allegiance, except one, who refusing to take the oath, was sent to Annapolis with the arrested members. In addition, the secession journals of Baltimore and the State, have been suppressed. The *Sun*, formerly a very lion on the subject, now lamb-like, pursues the even tenor of its way; a striking illustration that we have a Government.

THE "TOWER GUARDS."—The Harrisburg *Union* thus speaks of a Schuylkill County Company, now at Harrisburg:

THE "TOWER GUARDS."—On Monday afternoon Captain C. Tower, of Pottsville, who brought one hundred and sixty men from Schuylkill County to Camp Curtin last April, and attached them to the Sixth Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteers, and who served through the three months' service as Captain of his Company, called the "Tower Guards," which he uniformed handsomely at his own expense, in that regiment, was in Camp Curtin again, and called out on a fifteen days service, or $430 in all, to escort and guard the Allentown Fair Ground. Sixty-six men who have come there from that county anew, and are enlisted, under the name of "Tower Guards," for three years or during the war, in the United States service. Mr. Tower had offered this same as a command of Henry Pleasants, also of Pottsville, his former Lieutenant, as their Captain. This Company contains now eighty-nine men, officers included, being six more than the required number. It is attached to the Forty-eighth Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteers, Col. James Negle, and is made up of young, hardy and in every way remarkable men; and it has been assigned to serve and guard the colors of the regiment. Mr. Tower made a short and suitable address to the company when the bounty was paid. From the appearance of the men, and their enthusiastic cheering while they listened to his patriotic exhortations, we look to see this company formost among the first in duty and skill, and always steadfast and effective around the flag of our country in battle.

We are glad to see such men as Capt. Pleasants brought to command our volunteers. We learn that he is a civil engineer of considerable experience, and is well educated and intelligent. We could see that the is, while modest and considerate, a man of prompt time first and ambitious; and considerate. As the same time first and ambitious; and he believe that with such unflinching men as are under him, he will do such service to the country as will bring him more worthy notice hereafter than we can give him here.

In the meantime, the country may well appreciate the services and expenditures of Mr. Tower, both heretofore and now also, in bringing to enlist this new company of rare manner such a Captain as Henry Pleasants, to serve until the great rebellion is at an end, and freedom shall be endangered no more.

INTERESTING FACTS.—A Washington correspondent of the New York *Tribune* says:

We have conversed with a very intelligent Virginia gentleman, a strong Unionist, who informed us that he had positive information, that for a long time before the close of the battle of Manassas, the Rebels considered themselves defeated—need only took command to avoid such a result after they were reinforced and informed of our unaccountable retreat. They even telegraphed to Richmond that they were defeated, and that the Federal army would soon appear in full force before that city.—One officer telegraphed his wife and family to leave, as the city would certainly be taken. The Unionists of Richmond, elated with the intelligence, held themselves in readiness to join our troops on their first approach, while the Rebels, for the entire night, and until the news of the victory was announced the next morning, were making preparations to leave, and many actually were fleeing from the city. My informant assured me that this was a war waged on the part of the South chiefly for the purpose of perpetuating the power of families. The wealthy, and those accustomed to rule, spirits, seeing the increase and gradual growth of the intelligence of the poorer class of whites, were fearful, without some movement of this kind, their power would be infringed by those over whom they had by a sort assumed to exercise it. Their design was to build up a Republic after the old Roman model. Slavery afforded the excuse, and their faith in the power of cotton to force England to their aid, emboldened them to strike the blow. They have now given up for to recede, but my friend thinks that the action of the hundreds who took the oath of allegiance at Harrisburg, is but a reflex of the sentiment which governs the masses in all the seceded States.

GARIBALDI.—This celebrated Italian has decided not to visit America, nor take part, in the present war. The following extract from a letter received in Washington, by Mr. Frank Vizetally, artist and correspondent of the *Illustrated London News*, and an intimate friend of Garibaldi, explains more clearly his position. The letter was written authoritatively by one of Garibaldi's officers, just after his arrival in London from Caprera:

Repeated endeavors have been made to induce Garibaldi to go to North America, to aid in defending the Union. You can positively contradict (*you are authorized to state*) those who assert that he will go there. He will never set foot in these fellow some allusions to the condition of European affairs, as restraining his departure. After which the letter continues:—Beside this, every Italian, which the letter continues:—Beside this, every Italian, who is a true patriot, and Poland were in the most flourishing state of independence and liberty, he would take no part in that struggle so long as the North failed to declare, formally, solemnly and irrevocably that it would not lay down its arms until Slavery should be destroyed to the last vestige."

The Democratic *Standard* says that in the Republican counties of the State no attempts are made by the Republicans to form Union tickets. The worthy editor of that delectable sheet, is in error. Union tickets have been formed in the strongest Republican counties of the State, and wherever the Democrats will agree to join hands in laying aside party at this juncture. Not only this; but the offices are fairly divided. Is not such conduct patriotic? Assuredly. What man then, who loves his country, will vote to keep up a distinctive organization, when the object of every good man should be to save the Government under which we live, with its manifold blessings, from the hands of those who are seeking its overthrow?

EDITOR'S TABLE.

ACCEPTED.—"Longing for Rest," "To Die and be Forgotten."

THE Philadelphia *Saturday Evening Post* commences this week, the publication of a new story. The *Post* is a good paper in every respect; one that is especially acceptable to the family circle.

"THE REBELLION RECORD."—No. 22 of this useful publication, has been published by G. P. Putnam, 532 Broadway, New York. We have already adverted at length, to its peculiar merits.—It is furnished at 10 cents a number.

GODEY'S LADY'S BOOK for October, contains sixty-six engravings, one hundred pages of reading, and sixty articles. This is a gem number, the fashion plates being unusually fine. This is a specimen of the book, quite expensive, which Godey continues. The principal illustrations, "Go it Rolla," is very fine, one of the best we have seen for some time. We are glad to see the Magazine holding its own, "amid the wrath of battles," in these out of joint times. Of course it is due to friend Godey's energy and liberality. Copies of the October number can be obtained at Benner's book store.

# Local Affairs.

WEEKLY ALMANAC.

| 1861.—Sept. | SUN RISES | SUN SETS | MOON'S CHANGES. | D. H. M. |
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| 21 SATURDAY, | 5 46 | 6 01 | New M. | 4 5 17 ev |
| 22 SUNDAY, | 5 47 | 5 59 | First Q. | 11 8 20 m |
| 23 MONDAY, | 5 48 | 5 57 | Full M. | 19 9 4 ev |
| 24 TUESDAY, | 5 49 | 5 55 | Third Q. | 27 1 28 m |
| 25 WEDNESDAY, | 5 50 | 5 53 | | |
| 26 THURSDAY, | 5 51 | 5 52 | | |
| 27 FRIDAY, | 5 52 | 5 50 | | |

Thermometrical Record for the Week.

P. R. & P. Telegraph Office, Pennsylvania Hall, Pottsville.

| Sept. | | 8 A. M. | 2 P. M. | 9 P. M. | |
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| 16 | Saturday, | 66° | 70° | 67° | clear. |
| 17 | Sunday, | 71 | 75 | 72 | rain. |
| 18 | Monday, | 68 | 70 | 67 | cloudy. |
| 19 | Tuesday, | 66 | 70 | 67 | rain. |
| 20 | Wednesday, | 64 | 73 | 62 | rain. |
| 21 | Thursday, | 67 | 75 | 72 | clear. |

*Lieutenant Farquhar* of the Army, is in town.

*Subscriptions* for the relief of volunteers, will be refunded on application to Andrew Bassel, Treasurer.

*Mr. Jesse Lord*, aged 65 years, a citizen of Port Carbon, died suddenly on Sunday last, in a chamber of his residence.

*The workmen* of Tamaqua talk of organizing an Association, to be called, "Miners' and Laborers' Mutual Aid Society."

*The Borough* market is now in successful operation, and a creditable display of meat and vegetables, is made daily. This is well.

*Mrs. Andrew Reed* will furnish yarn to all persons who will knit stockings for the Schuylkill County Volunteers, enlisted in the service of the Union.

*Change of Time.*—The time of holding the Agricultural Fair at Schuylkill Haven, has been changed to Wednesday, 9th; Thursday 10th, and Friday, 11th of October.

*Spalding & Rogers'* great Railroad Circus will exhibit in this Borough, this afternoon and evening. It is said to be a "tip top show." Of course it will be filled, for in Pottsville, a circus is "a sure card."

*If the* State Government would authorize the payment of a fair price, we believe it could obtain all the blankets it needs at present, for the troops. The subject is worth considering, at least.

*Handsome Field Glass.*—The officers and members of the late Sixth Pennsylvania Regiment, have purchased for presentation to their late Colonel, James Nagle, a handsome, serviceable field glass. It can be seen at Mr. Joseph Elliott's jewelry store. A merited testimonial to an able and gallant officer.

*Charged with Passing Counterfeit Money.*—Peter Carl, an old offender, had a hearing before Squire Conrad, on Tuesday last, charged with passing counterfeit money. On his person were found spurious $10's on the Wyoming Bank; $2's on the Citizens' Bank of Delaware, and $5 in counterfeit coin. He was committed for trial.

*The St. Clair Sentinel* of Thursday, contains the following:

The Rev. Thos. Butterwick and family, accompanied by E. R. Breckon and Robert Green, started yesterday for Illinois.

On Tuesday morning, two boys named Albert Beechley and David Williams left home, and nothing has been heard of them since.

*Sheriff's Sale of Valuable Coal and Timber Lands.*—By an advertisement in to-day's *Journal* of Sheriff Hobart, it will be seen that the Big Creek Tract of the Valley Furnace Lands, situate in this County, and containing over two thousand acres of valuable coal and timber lands, will be sold on the 18th proximo. For particulars see advertisement.

*Improvements.*—The times do not impede building operations. Among the buildings recently completed and approaching completion in this Borough, that of Mr. L. Womelsdorf, on Centre street, is prominent. It is capacious and when finished will be used by Mr. W. as a dwelling and place of business. It is well constructed, and will be quite an ornament to that section of the Borough.

The frame building adjoining Mr. Murphy's property in Centre street, has been torn down, to give place to a building to be used for office purposes.

*Patriotic Movement among Railroad Employes.*—Subscription lists are in circulation among all the employes of the Reading Railroad Company, in which "it is proposed that each person in the employ of the Company contribute one day's pay in every month to a common Fund, to be loaned to the Government of the United States by a purchase of their National 7 3-10 per cent. Loan at par,—the interest on said Loan to be again invested for the benefit of the holders,—until peace be declared, when the whole sum, principal and interest, shall be divided among the holders in exact proportion to the sum originally contributed by each." Good! A worthy, patriotic movement.

*Fine Egg Plant.*—It is exceedingly gratifying to witness the increasing importance annually, of agricultural matters in this County, which is looked upon abroad as solely a mineral producing spot on the map of Pennsylvania. Weekly we have some fine specimen of the product of careful, intelligent gardening, brought to our notice, until we begin to believe that we can make our County as famous for its huge vegetables, as for its thick veins of pure Anthracite Coal. These remarks were suggested by the presentation to us this week, of an egg plant grown at the truck farm of Mr. Wm. J. Harlock, near Auburn. The plant weighed four pounds, and measured two feet in circumference. If any of our farmer friends can beat this, we should be pleased to hear from them.

*Tobacco Business.*—This is quite an item in Schuylkill County, the wholesale department being important. Mr. Wm. E. Boyer, in the business, Centre street opposite the Town Hall, received an order from Boston, for over 25,000 cigars, and his trade extends as far west as St. Louis. In this and adjoining counties his wholesale tobacco trade is heavy. Mr. Boyer's stock of tobacco on hand, is large, occupying four floors of the building back of his store. Indeed his business has increased to such an extent, that he contemplates building a brick store house at the rear of his present premises. He employs eight hands in making cigars. To whatever extent other departments of trade may be effected, Mr. Boyer's is certainly exempt, for he has on hand orders enough to keep him busy for two or three months to come.

*Hon. Hendrick B. Wright* of Luzerne County, attended Court here last week. On Saturday evening last he received at the Pennsylvania Hall where he sojourned, a serenade, the performers being the Band of Col. Cake's Regiment. In returning thanks for the compliment, Mr. Wright took occasion to advert to the rebellion against the Government, and delivered one of the most eloquent and spirit-stirring addresses to which we ever listened. It was patriotic like the speeches of Dickinson, Holt and Meagher, and like them Mr. W. cast party to the winds in this the hour of his country's trouble. What a lesson these men teach the partizan whiffets of the day, who would let the country go to destruction, rather than relinquish their selfish purposes.—But we much mistake the people, if they do not spurn the wretches from their path.

*Immense Union Meeting in Minersville.*—Pursuant to notice a meeting of the people was held in Minersville on Saturday night last, to pledge renewed allegiance to the Government, and to express their determination to support the stars and stripes to the last dollar and the last man. A pleasing and appropriate feature of the evening, was the presence at the meeting of a large number of young girls, dressed in red, white and blue, who sang in the most spirited manner, National songs. Thousands of the hard-fisted, stout-hearted, liberty-loving workingmen of the Region, were present, and the street in front of the speakers' stand, was literally packed with human beings. Patriotic speeches were delivered by Capt. Tower, Mr. Campbell, and other gentlemen. The Government need not fear for glorious Schuylkill. Thousands of her brave men are in the field, and she is true as steel to the great cause. Her great and enthusiastic Union meetings attest it.

Seth W. Gear, Esq., presided at the above meeting. The names of the other officers we have not learned.

*Excise Stamp Frank Trees.*—The subscriber has for sale about 200 extra sized choice Apple Trees, which will bear in a year from planting.—Also Cherry and Pear Trees, extra sized, together with a large assortment of choice Fruit Trees, Ornamental Trees, for Fall planting. Also a lot of choice Strawberry Plants, all of which will be sold low at the Greenwood Nursery, Pottsville.

B. BANNAN.

*A severe "sea-sickness"* set in on Tuesday morning, and continued through the day. Rain fell heavily and continuously, swelling the small streams of the County, and causing a freshet in the Schuylkill River. Norwegian Creek overflowed its banks in this Borough, and at the foot of Church Alley there was a foot in depth of water on the railroad track. Trains of cars loaded with coal, plunged through the water, in the most approved nautical style, while the teams took the street. At Patterson's storehouse, opposite the Reading Railroad depot, quite a pond was formed. A large number of cellars of houses on Railroad and Market streets, were flooded, in consequence of the overflowing of the creek. Rats were routed from their cosy retreats, along those streams, and the mortality among the pests must have been heavy. We are not aware that any serious damage to property in this Borough, was the result of this unusually severe storm.

*Military Affairs.*—About 150 recruits for Negle's, Christ's, and other regiments, left here on Monday, for Harrisburg.

Capt. J. Seibert is recruiting a company for Col. George Wynkoop's regiment of cavalry.

Assistant Surgeon R. Weber has been ordered to one of the new gunboats, recently launched at New York. He left here on Saturday for his post of duty.

Dr. John Carpenter paid a brief visit to his home this week.

We understand Col. Christ's Regiment is nearly made up, perhaps by this time is complete, and under marching orders.

Capt. Brandt's company of Llewellyn, we understand, was the first from this County, uniformed and mustered into the three years' service. This company and that of Capt. Burkert of Schuylkill Haven, are connected with Colonel Christ's regiment. Three companies of this regiment are from Reading, two from Potter county, two from Bradford and vicinity of Bradford Co.

The energy displayed by the officers of this regiment cannot be too highly commended.

Col. Christ during the three months' service, exhibited a high degree of administrative ability, and much of the deliberation, coolness and decision necessary to a military officer, and being a gentleman of very clever abilities as a speaker and writer, he will be perfectly competent to meet the enemy either in diplomacy, with the pen, upon the stump, or on the battle field. The Col. we understand, is a popular officer, and must always have the esteem of all who appreciate worth, courage and intelligence.

*Proceedings of the Borough Council.*—A stated meeting of the Council was held on Tuesday evening last. Present, Messrs. Ebert, Kienzle, Pitman, Morris, Focht, Inners, Derr, Beveridge, Lucas, and Boone, President.

Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted.

The Street Com. presented specifications and proposals for culvert in Callowhill street, from Coal to Railroad, which were adopted.

On motion of Mr. Focht, after the Survey Com. had reported on grade of East Market street, the Council resolved to visit that street in Committee of the Whole, on Wednesday morning, to view its condition.

A communication from several farmers asking for a modification of the 2d section of the Market ordinance, was referred to the Com. on Markets.

A communication from the Borough Solicitor in reference to the road tax of the Norwegian Addition to the Borough of Pottsville, was read, accepted, and ordered to be filed.

Mr. Inners offered the following:

*Whereas*, It has been decided by the Court of Common Pleas that the Township of Norwegian has the right to collect the Road Tax levied by them for the year 1861, and by refusing will have no claim on the Borough of Pottsville, for contribution for repairs of Roads in said township, therefore

*Resolved*, That the Borough Collector be instructed to remit three of the seven mills assessed on the duplicate of 1861, to persons residing in that portion of Norwegian Township lately annexed to the Borough of Pottsville.

Adopted.

Mr. Derr offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the Street Com. be authorised to construct a culvert of suitable size across East Market street, above Jackson street.

Adopted.

The contract for building a culvert in Callowhill street, from Coal to Railroad, was awarded to John Schenck, at $1 13 per foot.

Borough Treasurer's statement was read and ordered to be filed.

Mr. Lucas offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the Street Committee be instructed to construct a plank sidewalk in Centre street from the old gas house to McKeown's tavern.

On motion referred to Street Com. for consideration of subject.

Mr. Kienzle offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the Street Com. be authorised to receive proposals for the construction of a culvert in Third street, from the present culvert below Prospect street, to terminate at or near Minersville street, and that the proposition of the County Commissioners, to pay the Borough fifty dollars for taking away the water from the County Prison waste pipe, be hereby accepted.

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Focht it was resolved that $48 50, balance of Mr. Shilling's bill for stone delivered at culvert in Railroad street, be paid, provided Mr. S. signs receipt in full.

Bill of J. Madara, $5 83, was referred to Street Com.

The following bills were read and ordered to be paid:

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| John Schraeder, | $2 00 |
| Street Laborers, | 47 70 |
| J. & S. Derr, | 8 82 |
| John Schenck, | 231 55 |
| Atkins & Bro., | 53 10 |
| Work on Culvert R. R. street, | 90 57 |
| J. Madara, | 5 84 |
| Fox & Bro., | 6 77 |
| L. C. Thompson, | 1 75 |
| Total, | $448 10 |
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Adjourned.

*The Southern Reign of Terror—Narrow Escape from Hanging of an Old Soldier, a Native of Reading, Berks County.*—If the personal experience so far, of the hundreds and thousands of Union men in the South, and those who have recently received an order from Boston, for over 25,000 cigars, and his trade extends as far west as St. Louis. In this and adjoining counties his wholesale tobacco trade is heavy. Mr. Boyer's stock of tobacco on hand, is large, occupying four floors of the building back of his store. Indeed his business has increased to such an extent, that he contemplates building a brick store house at the rear of his present premises. He employs eight hands in making cigars. To whatever extent other departments of trade may be effected, Mr. Boyer's is certainly exempt, for he has on hand orders enough to keep him busy for two or three months to come.

*Hon. Hendrick B. Wright* of Luzerne County, attended Court here last week. On Saturday evening last he received at the Pennsylvania Hall where he sojourned, a serenade, the performers being the Band of Col. Cake's Regiment. In returning thanks for the compliment, Mr. Wright took occasion to advert to the rebellion against the Government, and delivered one of the most eloquent and spirit-stirring addresses to which we ever listened. It was patriotic like the speeches of Dickinson, Holt and Meagher, and like them Mr. W. cast party to the winds in this the hour of his country's trouble. What a lesson these men teach the partizan whiffets of the day, who would let the country go to destruction, rather than relinquish their selfish purposes.—But we much mistake the people, if they do not spurn the wretches from their path.

*Immense Union Meeting in Minersville.*—Pursuant to notice a meeting of the people was held in Minersville on Saturday night last, to pledge renewed allegiance to the Government, and to express their determination to support the stars and stripes to the last dollar and the last man. A pleasing and appropriate feature of the evening, was the presence at the meeting of a large number of young girls, dressed in red, white and blue, who sang in the most spirited manner, National songs. Thousands of the hard-fisted, stout-hearted, liberty-loving workingmen of the Region, were present, and the street in front of the speakers' stand, was literally packed with human beings. Patriotic speeches were delivered by Capt. Tower, Mr. Campbell, and other gentlemen. The Government need not fear for glorious Schuylkill. Thousands of her brave men are in the field, and she is true as steel to the great cause. Her great and enthusiastic Union meetings attest it.

Seth W. Gear, Esq., presided at the above meeting. The names of the other officers we have not learned.

*Ellen Hannon vs. Anthony Garner*—The plaintiff brought this action to recover damages from the defendant, for an alleged malicious prosecution of the plaintiff for keeping a disorderly house. It appeared that defendant several years ago had prosecuted the plaintiff for keeping a disorderly house, on which the Grand Jury found a true bill and on trial before the full Jury, the plaintiff was acquitted and the costs put on the defendant. The principal question in the case was, whether or the defendant had probable cause for bringing the prosecution. The jury were out for a long time and finally resolved to disagree. They were discharged and the case must be tried over again.

*Dunbarger & Blair vs. David P. Brown*—This was an action on a promissory note for $250, drawn by C. C. Boyer, endorsed by the defendant, and protested at maturity for non payment. The defendant alleged that the note had been subsequently paid by the delivery of coal by Boyer to the plaintiffs—under an arrangement for that purpose made with him. The plaintiffs adduced evidence to prove that no arrangement had been made to appropriate the coal to the payment of this note, but that it had been appropriated by them to another account which they had against Boyer. It was principally a question of fact for the jury to decide, under the evidence which was somewhat contradictory. The jury found a verdict in favor of the defendant.

*David Billman vs. John Kessler*—This was an action brought to recover the amount of a judgment note of $100, with the interest due on it; drawn by a certain John Eisenhart, in favor of the defendant, and by him transferred by endorsement to the plaintiff, and the payment verbally guarantied. The defendant sought to be relieved on several grounds—first, that there was no proof of guaranty, which was a question for the jury; next, that the guaranty, being a verbal one, and having been made at the transfer of the note, one July 11 years ago, the statute of limitations would prevent the plaintiff from recovering; and next, that the plaintiff should have pushed the claim long ago against Eisenhart, and, having failed to do so, that the defendant was thereby released. It was proved by the plaintiff, that defendant, within the last six years, had promised to pay it, which would take the case out of the statute of limitations, and in the other questions in the case they were decided in favor of plaintiff. The jury gave a verdict in favor of plaintiff for the whole amount of his claim.

LETTER FROM WASHINGTON.

CORRESPONDENCE OF THE MINERS' JOURNAL.

WASHINGTON CITY, September 18th, 1861.

Being absent one week, of course, the regular appearance of my letter was interfered with, and being among scenes so different from those transpiring around me at present, it will require a few days to regain my familiarity with the multitudinous incidents and events which render this city so attractive, and the object of such wide-spread solicitude.

Since my last, nothing of very particular interest has transpired, excepting an occasional skirmish among the pickets along the Potomac, and the exciting accounts from Western Virginia, many of which, however, up to this time, want official confirmation.

The city and its surroundings continue to be perfectly inundated with fresh arrivals of troops, and so constantly is the stream pouring in upon us, that, Sunday or no Sunday, the entire extremities of the city, the country is studded with encampments, buried here and there from sight in the rich variegated foliage of an autumn landscape. To witness a review such as this from some elevated position, as the dome of the Capitol, is at times full of the most exciting interest. As far as the eye can reach along the Potomac, stretching North's and South, is one continuous camp of encampments, and on a clear, cloudless day, the picture is well worth the effort to look upon.

We are still kept in painful suspense as to the exact movements of the forces concentrated along the Potomac. All we do know is, that a mighty army is collecting, under the vigilant command of McClellan; that the finest of preparations for the comfort of the troops, and expeditious prosecution of warlike measures are progressed, and that when it is time to move it is more determined upon, that where it is time to move it is more determined upon, that where a success will deceive such a regime as will render it to every morally out of the question. When the order to every morally out of the question. When the order to move is once issued, and the welcome tocsin reverberated from the advance column to the extreme left of the rear guard, you can depend upon it, there will be no defeat, no more retreats, but one unbroken, silent column shall press on and onward, the emblem of victory and a restoration of peace. Everything of value will be staked upon every bill proposition, and the shadows of every mountain range, that shall cross their pathway.

The bold, patriotic course of the Kentucky Legislature in doing much to restore what else would have been a fearful state of uncertainty. The late proclamation of General Magruder, &c., the unconditional removal of the Quartermaster, detailing that the same is full of significance, and detailing that the patriotism of Gaines, of Clay is not forgotten, while the patriotism of Guthrie, Holt and Crittenden, not been in vain, nor their examples unappreciated by the unerring return of the second, sober thoughts of the people. What a withering rebuke is being much to restore what else would have been a fearful state of uncertainty. The late proclamation of General Magruder, &c., the unconditional removal of the Quartermaster, detailing that the same is full of significance, and detailing that the patriotism of Gaines, of Clay is not forgotten, while the patriotism of Guthrie, Holt and Crittenden, not been in vain, nor their examples unappreciated by the unerring return of the second, sober thoughts of the people. What a withering rebuke is being dealt to traitors, Breckinridge, whose complicity with the present armed rebellion is as deep and infamous as that of Benedict Arnold, and the beautiful Southern Belle, the most active leader of the band of the Secret Service. It is full of significance, detailing that the same is done by the patriotism of Gaines, of Clay is not forgotten, while the patriotism of Guthrie, Holt and Crittenden, not been in vain, nor their examples unappreciated by the unerring return of the second, sober thoughts of the people. What a withering rebuke is being dealt to traitors, Breckinridge, whose complicity with the present armed rebellion is as deep and infamous as that of Benedict Arnold, and the beautiful Southern Belle, the most active leader of the band of the Secret Service.

Our readers can imagine how severe his sufferings were. Through the kindness of a gentleman in Columbus, Ohio, and the conductors of railways, he finally reached his home, destitute however, of everything but the clothes on his back.

We believe that it is Mr. Henry's intention to endeavor to get work, and failing in that he will enlist in one of the volunteer regiments for the war. His experience as an orderly sergeant, would certainly, be invaluable to a company drilling up. In the meantime he is stopping with Mr. Adam Snyder in Schuylkill Haven.

We have enlarged somewhat on this case, as we consider the escape of Mr. Henry from death narrow, and because we think that the people should know to what extent men innocent of crime, are persecuted by the rebels.

PROCEEDINGS OF COURT.

REPORTED FOR THE MINERS' JOURNAL.

Our Court of Common Pleas has been in session during the past week, engaged to the trial of civil causes.—The Court adjourned on Wednesday, all the business having been disposed of by that time. The case which attracted the most interest was one which was removed from Northumberland county for trial, and occupied several days of last week. It was the case of

*Peter Baldy vs. The Bloomsburg and Lackawanna Rail Road Company*—This was an appeal from the report of viewers to assess damages for land taken by the defendants in the construction of their Railroad, and for injury done to the adjoining farms of the plaintiff, about three and a half miles from Danville.

The cause had been removed to this County for trial. The property of the plaintiff is situated along the Susquehanna, and the Canal of the Wyoming Company runs through it, leaving about fifteen acres of land lying between the Canal and the River. The Railroad is constructed along the bank of the Canal, and on a level with it. Almost the only question involved in the case was the amount of damage which had been caused by the construction and location of the road, and the evidence varied in a most remarkable manner. The Railroad Company had taken between two and three acres in the construction of the road, and evidence was brought forward that the plaintiff, by the depreciation of the property between the river and canal, by the destruction of some old buildings, by the construction of bridges over the Railroad eight or ten feet higher than they had been over the Canal, and by the prevention of the plaintiff from watering his cattle in the Canal, had suffered damage to