Miners' Journal.

POTTSVILLE, PA.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23, 1862.

A SETTLER.

For some months past Francis W. Hughes of this Borough, Chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee, has been active in his exertions to organize a formidable opposition to the conduct of the present war. Everything in connection with the movement was placed in his hands, and as Mr. Hughes has several relatives in the rebel service, no fears were entertained by Northern sympathisers with secession, that zealous effort on his part would be spared to endeavor to obtain in Pennsylvania a verdict against the prosecution of the war to a result at once honorable and decisive. The ostensible argument used by Mr. Hughes is, that the abolitionists must be put down before peace can be restored. Even the dullest however, recognize in this but the flimsy covering of a more serious and mischievous plan—a plan intended to infuse vigor into the rebel opposition to the authority of the Government, by a palpable exhibition of Northern sympathy, and to procure finally, by thus embarrassing the Government, either a separation of the States, or reconstruction on terms that would make the North hereafter, the slave of a Southern aristocracy. Such, in brief, is Mr. Hughes's programme. The addresses recently scattered broadcast over the State, were from his pen, and are preliminary steps towards organizing active opposition to the Government. Those addresses have been considered by influential journals treasonable, and Mr. Hughes exercised at the scathing manner they have been reviewed, addressed a letter to Secretary Seward on the subject. The Secretary replies, and reads Mr. Hughes a very plain lesson on his duty at this time as a citizen under the protection of a benign Government assailed by traitors. We hope he will profit by it. Literally Mr. Seward's reply crushes Frank as effectually as a huge mastiff lays out a little cur with a wipe of his paw.

The correspondence is as follows:

Letter of Mr. Hughes.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE DEMOCRATIC STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF PENNA., PHILADA., August 11, 1862.

HON. WILLIAM H. SEWARD, Secretary of State:—Dear Sir:—With some hesitation I send the inclosed to you. It consists of three documents, viz: The Address of the Democratic State Central Committee, of this State; an Address this day issued by myself as Chairman, and the form of a call for a great Mass Meeting, about to be held in this city.

Allow me to say that the address of the committee has been much assailed by leading and influential journals, conducted by those who claim to be your political friends. The denunciation has been so decided as to pronounce it *treasonable*. Whether or not it is treasonable, you can best determine if you read it. It is lengthy, and may take up too much of your time, but the address issued by myself, this day, is comparatively short, and as it states positions sufficiently to determine the character of the former, it will relieve you of labor if you will read the latter.

As the address of the Committee as well as that by myself, as Chairman, are both from my own pen, I should bear the greater part of whatever reproach should attach to their publication. Still, allow me to assure you that they contain the sentiments of not less than three hundred thousand of the men of Pennsylvania, and I believe of over one million of men in the central states of New Jersey, Pennsylvania, New York, Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois. I will add, too, that I believe there is no other million of men in the whole country of more devoted patriotism and loyalty.

So help me God, I do, that I believe this million of men will, amid political changes, remain patriotic and loyal. If you will read one or both of the enclosed addresses, and if, in connection with the facts I have stated in regard to the Democracy, it will stimulate you or serve you in any degree to promote a policy on the part of the Administration of President Lincoln to put down the Rebellion or Abolitionism, you will be the object in addressing you this (perhaps presumptuous) note, shall be more than abundantly obtained. At all events, rest assured that I address you with the profound respect due to your high personal and official character.

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A nation, like an individual, can do only one thing effectually at one time. It cannot wisely turn aside from the chase of the fearful demon of Disunion to pursue any inferior demon, whether imaginary or real.

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The rest of the ticket is mediocre. Mr. Strouse who has received the nomination for Congress is a gentleman of some ability, affable and pleasant; but with all due respect for those interesting qualities, we cannot think that even Mr. Strouse is quite the man to represent the Tenth District in Congress, although we will cheerfully admit that he is a head and shoulders above some of his Democratic *confreres*, who in former years signally misrepresented this County in Congress. Mr. Strouse will have the kindness to consider himself shelved, if the Lebanon conferees accept the nomination, of which there is some question.

From representatives in the Legislature, such as Messrs. Kerns, Wolff, and Graber would prove, deliver us; while the interests of the County, in our opinion, will hardly be faithfully and intelligently subserved, by the persons named for the minor offices.

On the whole, the Democracy must think that elections are degenerating into a farce, when they coolly place such tickets before the people for their support at the polls. The result however, may be more serious than they imagine. The people are resolved that the best and most competent men shall fill public positions in the County, of trust and responsibility.

AN APPEAL FOR A DONATION OF COAL.—The Hospital of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in Philadelphia, has now in its hands over two hundred sick and wounded soldiers, and will we suppose, during the war, continue to receive on an average, and treat, as many at one time. Among the articles imperatively needed for Hospital purposes, is Coal. We would urge that as the Reading Railroad Company, the road of which passes the door of the Institution, has generously offered to abandon the tolls on all Coal *donated* to the Hospital, that the landholders subscribe the rents on the Coal mined for such purpose, and that the operators give to the Hospital several hundred tons of stove and small egg Coal. If the Institution is compelled to buy this much needed article, it will make large inroads on the funds contributed for the comfort of the men who suffer in the field, and are wounded in "the defence of our homes." All contributions of Coal from the landowners and operators, to the Hospital, will we are sure, be most thankfully received and gratefully acknowledged. Those who will be benefitted by the donation, are the sons of a common country, without regard to creed, men from Maine, Michigan, Vermont, Wisconsin, New York, Pennsylvania, etc.—all Americans, brothers in a mutually holy cause. We urge this matter earnestly, upon the attention of landowners and operators, so that the donation may be speedily forthcoming. "God loveth a cheerful giver."

THE march of the "three hundred thousand more" is fairly commenced, and the steady tramp of its armed battalions towards the seat of war brings joy and the assurance of success to the loyal heart. Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and New York have sent the first waves of the host of fresh men who come at the call of their country, and following them are coming from the West as well as from the East the thickly thronging thousands, gathering as fast as railroad can carry them towards the fields upon which they can do a soldier's duty in defence of their country. In looking upon these new regiments it seems that the country was never so much in earnest as now. The men themselves show it. There is less of levity and more of earnestness in their demeanor, when compared with the first levies. They go to war knowing what war is, and yet they go voluntarily and cheerfully. For the spirit of adventure they have substituted the prompting of duty, and in both physical and mental *morale* they appear, in the aggregate, superior to the men who have met the first experience of the war. Between now and a month since, what a contrast. Then there was doubt and hesitating, and open questioning of the willingness of the country to respond to the call for three hundred thousand *volunteers*. Now we hear from nearly every quarter that the call has been more than answered, and within the present month two-thirds of the whole force will be in the field. Let us never despair of the Republic!

ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO THE UNION COUNTY CONVENTION.—The important matter of electing delegates to the Schuylkill County Union Convention, will take place today in the respective election districts throughout the County. We trust that there will be a full vote polled, and a special interest felt in sending to the Convention the best men as delegates. On the intelligence and earnest determination of delegates the people depend for the framing of an unexceptionable ticket, strong in all its parts; and this year we want one that is Union to the core, without qualification or reserve. This is no time for "ifs" and "buts." We have a country to be saved from the armed assaults of traitors, and our elections must in their results, afford no aid nor comfort to the enemy, as the pro-slavery party desires they should. Therefore, men of Schuylkill, go to your respective places of election to-day; select good men as delegates; let them on Monday next do their duty in framing a strong ticket, and then God defend the right.

A SOLDIER OF THE TRAITORS AT HOME.—From a letter written by a soldier of the 96th Reg., P. V., we extract the following, which contains some unpalatable truths:

"In order to effectually commence the crushing of this rebellion, we must first check the traitors at home. I predict for the County of Schuylkill serious difficulties this coming Fall election. There is no question of doubt but that P. W. Hughes, Morton McMichael, Gam Cameron, Vallandigham, Wm. Bigler, Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois, I will add, too, that I believe there is no other million of men in the whole country of more devoted patriotism and loyalty.

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WEEKLY ALMANAC.

1862.—August.	SUN RISES	SUN SETS	MOON'S CHANGES. By H. M.
23 SATURDAY,	5 18	6 49	
24 SUNDAY,	5 19	6 47	First Q. 2 12 Ev.
25 MONDAY,	5 20	6 45	Full M. 9 4 57 ev.
26 TUESDAY,	5 21	6 43	Third Q. 17 4 41 m.
27 WEDNESDAY,	5 22	6 41	New M. 25 4 44 m.
28 THURSDAY,	5 23	6 40	
29 FRIDAY,	5 24	6 38	

Thermometrical Record for the Week

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

		8 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	
Aug.	16—Saturday,	63°	69°	66°	clear.
"	18—Monday,	60	69	63	"
"	19—Tuesday,	60	74	72	"
"	20—Wednesday,	64	72	74	"
"	21—Thursday,	64	77	78	"
"	22—Friday,	73	80	—	rain.

Lieut. Robert Ramsey is recruiting here for Col. Davis's regiment, of Philada. Bounty $162.

Miss Allen's Seminary for young ladies, will re-open on Wednesday, September 10th, 1862.

The Schuylkill river here is very low. Opposite this Borough there is hardly enough water in it to make a clever trout stream.

If you want Glass and Queensware, of every variety and at reasonable prices, patronise Houghton, in the Arcade Building, Centre street.

Captains of the last companies that left the County, will oblige us by furnishing us copies of their muster-rolls for publication.

See advertisement of Cadwalader Regiment, 120th P. V., Col. Wm. F. Schreiber. The regiment has been regularly accepted and the bounties secured.

Dividend.—The Mine Hill and Schuylkill Haven Railroad Company has declared a dividend of 4 per cent. from the last six months' business.

Death of a Volunteer.—Alexander Boone, a private of Co. I, 48th Reg., P. V., died in camp, near Fredericksburg, Va., on the 11th day of August, 1862, after an illness of several days.

Lieut. L. Huber, Co. B, Capt. Haas, G, and Lieut. Neal Coll, K, 96th, Pa., were among the sick and convalescent soldiers that reached Fortress Monroe on Saturday last from Harrison's Landing.

Accidentally Drowned.—On Wednesday last, David Maloy, a laborer of St. Clair, aged 48 years, was found drowned in the canal at this Borough. An inquest was held, and a verdict of "accidentally drowned" rendered.

Returned.—The Band of the 48th Reg., P. V., having been discharged from the service, reached this Borough yesterday. It is in a fine condition, and plays admirably. The members were warmly welcomed by their numerous friends.

Richard D. Hodgson, of the Navy, resided his home in this Borough, on Thursday evening. He was severely wounded in the leg, in the late attack on the batteries at Vicksburg. It will be some weeks before Mr. Hodgson will regain the use of his leg.

Harman Newell is chief engineer of the iron-clad *New Ironsides*, which will sail from Philadelphia in a few days for the South. This vessel is considered one of the most powerful and serviceable in the service. It is very heavily armed.

Among the Pennsylvania soldiers buried in the Cemetery at Fortress Monroe, up to August 15, 1862, were the following:

Stephen Gross, E; August Rechett, G; Jeremiah Gould, and John Kelly, K, 96th; Reg., P. V.; Alonzo D. Kenney, K; Levi Schworty, E; John Walter, F, and Harry Hehn, C, 50th Pa.

The Girard Heirs vs. the City of Philadelphia.—It will be recollected that the late Judge Hepins, of this County, recently gave a decision adverse to the city of Philadelphia, in this case. An appeal has been filed and the Supreme Court will take cognizance of the matter at its next session. The question at issue is the ownership of valuable tracts of coal lands in this county.

Harry H. Davis, the artist, formerly of this Borough, has made additions to his Panorama of the Rebellion, which add much to its effectiveness and interest. It is now on exhibition at Harrisburg, and is attracting large audiences. We understand that it will be exhibited here in the course of two or three weeks.

The 129th Regiment composed of companies from Schuylkill, Montgomery and Northampton counties, left Harrisburg on Saturday last for Washington. The field officers of this regiment are, Colonel, J. G. Frick, of Schuylkill County; Lieutenant Colonel, J. Armstrong, of Northampton county, and Major, James Anthony, of Schuylkill County.

A beautiful sword has been presented to Capt. Royer of the 96th Pa., by his men. The scabbard bears the following inscription:

"Presented to Capt. Henry Royer by the members of Co. A, 96th Reg., P. V., for gallant conduct at Gaines' Hill, Va., June 27th, 1862; for attention and care of his command, and his proficiency as an officer. August, 1862."

It is a well merited testimonial.

A Prisoner in North Carolina.—John M. Rich, of this County, writes to his father under date, "Salisbury Prison, North Carolina, July 23, 1862," that he has been confined over thirteen months, but that his health is good. He cannot say what prospect there is of his release, but we think that under the recent arrangement for a general exchange of prisoners, that he will be released shortly, if he has not been already.

Leg Broken.—On Thursday of last week, John Shantz, aged 19 years, a laborer working on the streets, had his leg broken in Mahantango street, in consequence of an embankment falling upon him. Several ladies residing in the vicinity acted in the kindest manner to the sufferer, who is very grateful. Council should provide for the man's necessities while he is confined to the house by this accident.

Mr. Field, Deputy Marshal for Schuylkill County, desires us to state that he will appoint persons to enroll all the able bodied men between the ages of 18 and 45, in the different districts of Schuylkill County, and requests that all persons so appointed, when notified, will call upon him immediately at Schuylkill Haven, to receive the necessary instructions, so as to enter upon their duties at once.

Fatal Accident.—On Wednesday last, Mr. Henry Zerby, postmaster and hotel-keeper at Swatara, Reilly township, this County, died from the effects of injuries received at Minersville, while unloading a truck of prop-timber. Some of the timber rolled off upon him, crushing him. Mr. Zerby was 35 years old, and leaves a wife and several children. He was a useful, highly respected citizen.

Schools.—The Public Schools of the Borough will commence on Monday next. Tickets of admission issued to-day, and also next Saturday.

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Capt. Weidman, of the Cavalry, who participated in the recent battles before Richmond, is writing an account of the events. Of Monday's fight, in which crowds of stragglers were fleeing to the rear, the Captain says: "Capt. Herron filed us out, and also moved us down the road, at a steady trot, calling on the infantry to stop, threatening to shoot them with his raised pistol, and otherwise doing his best to reform the men. It was, however, in vain. The remonstrances of the Rev. Mr. Colt, Chaplain of the Ninety-Sixth, P. V. (Col. Cake), who displayed the most perfect coolness in all the turmoil, seemed to have some effect, but not much."

The following companies and squads from this County, for the new regiments, to serve for nine months, have arrived at Camp Curtin, Harrisburg, since August 1:

August 7—Capt. John A. Devers,	MEN.
" 8— " L. C. Lieb,	86
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" 9—Capt. Wm. Fox,	15
" 10— " E. G. Rehrer,	44
" 11— " D. McGlaughlin,	106
	42
Total,	606

This is one company more than we were called upon to furnish under the first call of the Governor.

Recruits from Schuylkill County for the Anderson Troop.—This fine body of cavalry has been increased to a regiment. The members of the original company from this County, are, Henry Jones, Ivens R. Jones and Wellington J. Kram. Those recruited here during the past fortnight for the Troop, are John Guldin, David Holmes, Robert C. Morris, Alfred M. Halberstadt, Horace Moore, Edward Farne, William Gable, Charles E. Beck, Theodore Beck, Henry W. Morgan, Richard C. Kear, J. N. Bannan, Oscar Rahn, Charles C. Potts, Samuel Beard. The recruits are now at Carlisle Barracks, where each man will become almost a centaur before going into active service. The material of this troop is splendid.

Bounty for the Militia—An Idea that Should be Acted on at Once.—Yesterday's *Press* contains the following communication from Tamaqua. The suggestions contained in it are excellent, and should be adopted:

SIR:—I beg leave to suggest the following plan to raise bounty for the drafted militia:

Let those who are liable to perform military duty form themselves into companies, each member contribute a certain sum towards raising a fund, to be divided among those of their number that should be drafted.—For instance, a club of one hundred, paying ten dollars each, would raise a thousand dollars; this, divided between ten, which is above the ratio of the draft, would give to each man a clear bounty of ninety dollars.

The pursuit of this method would be the means of alleviating a great deal of suffering and distress in the families of the drafted poor. Workingmen of Pennsylvania, I enjoin you to adopt this plan. Your country demands your services, and you cannot evade the issue. Meet it like men with patriotic wisdom, and your glorious country will yet be safe. Very respectfully yours,

TAMAQUA, August 13, 1862. E. D. S.

Contributions of the Ladies of Pinegrove for Sick and Wounded Soldiers.—The following is a list of the contents of two boxes sent by the ladies of Pinegrove to Washington, for the benefit of the sick and wounded soldiers of the army of the Union. It is infinitely creditable to the patriotism and humanity of the ladies of our sister Borough:

25 lbs. dried apples, 40 lbs dried cherries, 17 lbs. sugar, 3½ lbs. castile soap 50 rolls bandages, 12 boxes and packages lint, 12 rolls old muslin and linen, 1 keg gooseberry, blackberry and currant jelly, 14 bottles currant, blackberry, lemon and raspberry syrup; 16 jars strawberry, raspberry, blackberry, currant and apple jellies; 1 box eggs, ½ lb. black pepper, 1 bottle Cayenne pepper, 5 bottles blackberry and currant wines, 9 lbs. rice, 12 packages farina, 2 cans French peaches, 1 keg apple butter, 2 doz. fans, 8 lbs. pickles, 1 jar apple sauce, 1 jar tomatoes, 1 jar quinces, 14 bottles beef, 13 lbs. dried peaches, 4 lbs. dried onions, 1 lb. tea, ½ lb. chocolate, 4 lbs. sugar, 1 package pins, 12 packages tracts, 3 towels, 4 sheets, 4 shirts, 1 large bundle religious papers, 21 bran bags, 10 lbs. spiced ginger crackers.

Harry H. Davis, the artist, formerly of this Borough, has made additions to his Panorama of the Rebellion, which add much to its effectiveness and interest. It is now on exhibition at Harrisburg, and is attracting large audiences. We understand that it will be exhibited here in the course of two or three weeks.

The 129th Regiment composed of companies from Schuylkill, Montgomery and Northampton counties, left Harrisburg on Saturday last for Washington. The field officers of this regiment are, Colonel, J. G. Frick, of Schuylkill County; Lieutenant Colonel, J. Armstrong, of Northampton county, and Major, James Anthony, of Schuylkill County.

A beautiful sword has been presented to Capt. Royer of the 96th Pa., by his men. The scabbard bears the following inscription:

"Presented to Capt. Henry Royer by the members of Co. A, 96th Reg., P. V., for gallant conduct at Gaines' Hill, Va., June 27th, 1862; for attention and care of his command, and his proficiency as an officer. August, 1862."

It is a well merited testimonial.

A Prisoner in North Carolina.—John M. Rich, of this County, writes to his father under date, "Salisbury Prison, North Carolina, July 23, 1862," that he has been confined over thirteen months, but that his health is good. He cannot say what prospect there is of his release, but we think that under the recent arrangement for a general exchange of prisoners, that he will be released shortly, if he has not been already.

Leg Broken.—On Thursday of last week, John Shantz, aged 19 years, a laborer working on the streets, had his leg broken in Mahantango street, in consequence of an embankment falling upon him. Several ladies residing in the vicinity acted in the kindest manner to the sufferer, who is very grateful. Council should provide for the man's necessities while he is confined to the house by this accident.

Mr. Field, Deputy Marshal for Schuylkill County, desires us to state that he will appoint persons to enroll all the able bodied men between the ages of 18 and 45, in the different districts of Schuylkill County, and requests that all persons so appointed, when notified, will call upon him immediately at Schuylkill Haven, to receive the necessary instructions, so as to enter upon their duties at once.

Fatal Accident.—On Wednesday last, Mr. Henry Zerby, postmaster and hotel-keeper at Swatara, Reilly township, this County, died from the effects of injuries received at Minersville, while unloading a truck of prop-timber. Some of the timber rolled off upon him, crushing him. Mr. Zerby was 35 years old, and leaves a wife and several children. He was a useful, highly respected citizen.

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Gov's Appointment.—N. P. Jones, Esq., Civil Engineer, has been appointed Superintendent of the Mahanoy and Broad Mountain Railroad. Mr. Jones has entered upon the duties of his office.

The damages caused by the recent accident, have been repaired, and the first train of coal passed over this road on Monday last, and the first car of coal from the Girard lands, was dispatched to the Mayor Henry of Philadelphia, by Col. J. J. Connor, on Monday last.

Melancholly Occurrence.—