

OUR PAPER.

Our readers must bear patiently with us for the appearance of our paper for a few weeks yet.

We are compelled to print the same advertisements on both sides. This is owing to the circumstance that Mr. Gould, the former publisher has had, and still has, a portion of our material at his office in Elmport.

The office requires overhauling. Some new type must be procured, besides other material, and we expect our friends everywhere to aid us—not alone with good words—but with the necessary wherewith to pay workmen and other necessary expenses.

THE interchange of pleasantries between the two democratic papers in this county continues without abatement. We have the kindest wishes for both parties, and hope that each may be successful in winning the other from the error of its ways.

We are not special admirers of Neal Dow or Anna Dickinson, but we think it will indicate a wholesome progressive movement in the democracy of Elk county when the Gazette and the Democrat shall stand shoulder to shoulder in the support of a prohibitory liquor law and a protective tariff.

THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION.

"The year which is drawing to a close has been free from pestilence, health has prevailed throughout the land, abundant crops reward the labors of the husbandman, commerce and manufactures have successfully prosecuted their paths, the mines and forests have yielded liberally, the nation has increased in wealth and strength, peace has prevailed and its blessings have advanced every interest of the people in every part of the Union, harmony and fraternal interest restored are obliterating the marks of past conflict and estrangement, burdens have been lightened, means have been increased, civil and religious liberty are secured to every inhabitant of this land, whose sod is trod by none but freemen. It becomes a people thus favored to make acknowledgment to the Supreme Author from whom such blessings flow, of their gratitude and their dependence, to render praise and thanksgiving for the same, and devoutly to implore a continuance of God's mercies.

"Therefore, I, ULYSSES S. GRANT, President of the United States, do recommend that Thursday, the 18th of November next, be observed as a day of thanks, giving and of praise and prayer to Almighty God, the Creator and Ruler of the Universe. And I do further recommend to all the people of the United States to assemble on that day in their accustomed places of public worship, and to unite the homage and praise due to our bountiful Father of all mercies, and fervent prayer for the continuance of the manifold blessings He has vouchsafed to us as a people.

"In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States to be affixed, this fifth day of October, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the ninety-fourth.

U. S. GRANT.

"By The President: HAMILTON FISH, Secretary of State."

The President of the United States having issued the foregoing Proclamation, I most earnestly advise that the people of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the reasons therein given, strictly observe its recommendations.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the Commonwealth, at Harrisburg, this twenty-fifth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States the ninety-fourth.

JOHN W. GEARY. By The Governor: F. JORDON, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

PERE HYACINTHE.

"The following brief statement of Father Hyacinthe's position is given as authoritative, having been written out in a personal interview on Friday last by a clergyman of the Episcopal church in New York, formerly a Catholic priest in Europe, and an old acquaintance and friend of Father Hyacinthe's many years ago in Rome. The statement was approved by the Father: 'I believe that it is possible to enjoy freedom of thought and exercise it and yet belong to the communion of the Catholic Church. I still consider myself a Carmelite monk, and as devoted as I ever was to the Holy Mother Church; but I maintain that I maintain that I exercise my priestly functions by authority of God alone, and that the Church has no right change the faith as handed down by the fathers, to add to or take from it in any way whatever. I believe Protestants to belong to the great brotherhood of faith, but I do not intend to ally myself to their peculiar views.'"

The above paragraph, which we find in the papers, is not only interesting as an illustration of the reverend Father's simplicity. It is not surprising indeed, considering his education, that a Catholic priest should be so ignorant of Protestantism as to think of keeping himself aloof from the "peculiar views" of Protestants while avowing their distinctive principles. But it does seem a little singular that he should be so ignorant of his own church as to imagine that he can remain in her communion, while holding principles which she does not tolerate. The church of Rome does not allow freedom of thought and a sense of responsibility to God alone, for this is the very essence of Protestantism. She claims the right to say what people shall believe, the Bible and common sense to the contrary notwithstanding. Even the Bible is to be believed, not because it contains in itself evidence that it is the word of God, but because she lends it the sanction of her authority! And lest any one should discover the wide difference between her teachings and those of the inspired Word, she not only restricts the reading of the Bible, but requires that it shall be understood just as she says, thus "making the word of God of none effect" like the Scribes and Pharisees of old.

Of course when Father Hyacinthe claims to exercise his ministry "by authority of God alone," and does not allow the church to come between, when he puts the word of God above the teachings of the church, and claims the right to reject anything which is contrary to that word; his position is directly antagonistic to the claims of Rome, as he will very soon be given to understand.

He must either retreat from his position or be "cast out of the synagogue," just as the recovered blind man in the gospel (John 9) was cast out when he chose to follow Christ rather than the Pharisees, and just as Martin Luther was cast out when he preferred the Word of God to the word of the Pope.

Father Hyacinthe will be disappointed if he expects to find the papal church any less intolerant in this country than in France. He will labor in vain to correct "abuses" in the church, when that church is itself built on a lie—the assumption of divine authority over the minds and consciences of men. Until that false and blasphemous assumption is given up there can be no "freedom of thought" in the Romish communion. Until then, the voice of Scripture to Father Hyacinthe and all honest people in that communion, is found in Revelations 18, 4: "Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.

THE LATE ELECTIONS. Minnesota and Wisconsin roll up their usual Republican majorities. In Illinois the local elections have resulted in favor of the Republicans. The Citizens' ticket has been carried in Chicago by a large majority.

In New York State the Democrats have lost and won a victory. In the interior the Republican strength was not at the polls, and the consequence is reduced majorities, with even a falling off in the Democratic poll. Apathy has done the work, has stolen one of the best chances ever presented to the party for securing triumph, considering the great decrease of the Democratic majority in the city.

In the Legislature the Republicans still maintain their foothold, notwithstanding the fact that Tammany pushed the contest in the interior with remarkable vigor.

Returns from New Jersey indicate a gain for the Republicans in the Legislature, but not enough to overcome the Democratic majority on joint ballot. Considering everything, our friends there have done well, and one or two more such efforts will relieve the State from the great rebel incubus.

A child, at Harrison county, New Jersey was poisoned on Wednesday by eating a glazed pamphlet cover, the glaze being chiefly Paris green.

A clerk in the Boston Post office, was stamping a letter a few days ago, when it exploded, burning his hands and arms. It contained sample percussion caps.

Mysterious skeletons have been dug up on the Sing-Sing camp meeting ground. They were probably buried there by some of the sisters who purchased new ones.

Gilbert Allen, of New London, Connecticut, called Reverend Mr. Howard an "old nutton head" Howard has sued Allen for \$5,000 for defamation of character.

When the new Union Hotel in Saratoga is completed it will be the largest in the world. It will have a frontage of one thousand and fifty feet, five stories high. It is to be built of brick, and divided into nine compartments, almost fire-proof. The contractor is to finish the grand hotel by the first day of June next.

PERSONAL ITEMS.

The Boston reporters are forming a Union. Henry Ward Beecher wouldn't object to a present of a fast horse.

The practice of dueling has fallen into disrepute at the South.

Colonel Mosby is shipping tobacco from Lynchburg to the North.

Pamphlets, containing instruction on divorce, are issued by Chicago lawyers.

—Forest is playing in Central New York.

The family name of Pere Hyacinthe is Cloysen, or Goultz.

Twenty-one suits for divorce are pending at Davenport, Iowa.

Only three marriages grew out of the Newport season.

Yale College has a freshman 36 years old, who served several years in the Union army.

The last new word in the New York vocabulary is "jimfiskinism."

Duke Ernest, of Saxe Coburg-Gotha intends to visit the United States next spring.

The King of Bavaria is said to live nearly exclusively on eggs and lager beer.

Previous to her departure for Suez, Eugenie insured her life in the sum of two million francs.

A girl of eighteen is about to be beheaded at Goerlitz, Prussia, for murdering her parents.

No successor to Gen. Butterfield has been appointed as yet, and the General still does duty.

Bismark is charged with having recently had the delirium tremens.

Mr. Whitelaw Reid, a gentleman otherwise known as "Agate," is going to marry Miss Ida Field.

Prince Alsmaya, son of Theodore of Abyssinia, wears knickerbockers and eats licc like any Briton.

Prince Alfred presented the Six Nations with an ox for making him a chief; and an ox ass was the result.

The Mobile Tri-une accuses Mrs. Stowe of "beating the devil's tattoo with the skin bones of a dead poet."

Sunday horse racing is very popular in Texas among the freedmen, and in Paris among the aristocracy.

A Cincinnati boy crawled into an empty steam boiler the other day, when it rolled down hill and he was taken out with a broken neck.

The Egyptian Viceroy, still impecunious, neglects to pay that little sum of \$35,000 he ran up in Paris for overcoats.

The Rev. James Lyuch, a colored presiding elder of Methodist Episcopal church, is the Republican for Secretary of State in Mississippi.

TERRIBLE CALAMITY.

Burning of the Steamer Stonewall on the Mississippi—over Two Hundred Lives Lost—Scene and Incidents.

St. Louis, Oct. 28.—A terrible disaster occurred on the Mississippi River last evening, in which it is supposed over 200 lives were lost. The steamer Stonewall, Capt. Scott, which left here on Tuesday last for New Orleans, when about 45 miles above Cairo, was discovered to be on fire. The boat had a deck load of hay, and the fire spread so rapidly that all attempts to extinguish the flames proved unavailing. The Stonewall was then run aground, but owing to the depth of water between the boat and the shore, only about 30 passengers succeeded in reaching it. The announcement of the disaster has caused great excitement here, many of the passengers being residents of this city and further particulars are awaited with great anxiety.

Second Dispatch—Statement of one of the Passengers.

St. Louis, Oct. 28.—Mr. Phelps, a planter of Shreveport La., has arrived here from the wreck of the steamer Stonewall, and furnishes the following brief particulars of the terrible disaster to that boat.

The boat caught fire at 6 1/2 o'clock on Wednesday evening at a point a little below Neely's Landing, and 125 miles below St. Louis, from a candle which the deck passengers had placed near some hay while they were engaged playing cards. The Stonewall was run on a gravel bar, the pilot stopping, and the passengers could wade ashore. Unfortunately the bar there was sough, and here it was that the larger number of them were drowned. The boat was run on the bar but two feet, and the shallowest point about her had five or six feet of water. She had so much hay on board that she burned very quickly, and all attempts to extinguish the fire were without avail. The Belle of Memphis came up at 9 o'clock (three hours after the accident), and rendered all the assistance possible.

Out of 252 passengers and crew only 30 are known to be saved. The last seen of Capt. Scott, he was floating down stream on a log. The people at Neely's Landing saw the light, and hastened to assist the unfortunate passengers. One man rescued 16 persons with a skiff. Had it not been for their help all would have been lost. A gentleman from Paducah Ky., swam ashore with a lady on his back, and at her entreaty returned to save her child. While swimming ashore he was grasped by a drowning man, and compelled to shake him off in order to save himself. One man was taken from the wreck so badly burned that he died as soon as he reached the shore. Capt. Dandy of Shreveport, La., was saved. There were 39 cabin passengers and 60 of the crew. There were quite a number of ladies on board, and all are supposed to be lost except one. Fulkerson, the pilot, and one of the carpenters, were the only members of the crew saved.

The Stonewall was owned by Capt. John Shaw and Dennis Long, the latter of Louis. ville, and was valued at \$45,000. She had about 800 tons of freight, including 270 cattle, horses, and mules. They were insured. Capt. Shaw had stopped off this trip, and Capt. Tom Scott was in command of the boat.

A New York belle, who bestowed her heart and hand upon an "English Lord," found after marriage that her "lord" was only Dick Radford, a gambler.

The road to eminence and power from obscure condition ought not to be made too easy nor a thing too much of course. If rare merit be the rarest of all rare things, it ought to pass through some sort of probation. The temple of honor ought to be seated on an eminence. If it be open through virtue, be it remember that the virtue is never tired but by some difficulty and some struggle.—BURKE.

Several vandal boys in Cincinnati stole the inside part from an organ grinder's machine, some time since, and being deaf, the poor fellow ground away as jolly as ever the next morning in blissful ignorance of what had happened.

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