

Interesting To Soldiers.

The House of Representatives last week passed two measures of considerable importance to ex-soldiers of the rebellion. One was a "bill to provide for payment of bounties to certain officers of volunteers."

The following resolution, also passed by the House, provides for the return of discharges by Government accounting officers to the owners thereof, and a matter in which every honorably discharged soldier is interested.

Be it resolved, etc., That in all cases has become necessary for any officer or enlisted man of the army to file his evidence of honorable discharge from the military service of the United States to secure the settlement of his accounts, the accounting officer with whom it has been filed shall, upon application by said officer or enlisted man, deliver to him such evidence of honorable discharge, providing his accounts shall have been duly settled; and provided that the fact, date, and amount of such settlement shall first be clearly written across the face of such evidence of honorable discharge, and attested by the signature of the accounting officer.

THE McFARLAND TRIAL.—We take the following comment from Forney's Press. It is about the sentiment expressed throughout the country: After retiring long enough to give their verdict the weight of deliberation, the jury in the McFarland case returned a verdict of acquittal.

Without wading through the somewhat purring details of the evidence in this unpleasant case, enough is known to safely assert that Mrs. McFarland violated her marriage vows, and that Richardson was her comrade in crime.

THE OLDEST INHABITANT GONE.—Miss Jelf, "the oldest inhabitant" of New Jersey, died at her residence in Elizabeth, on Saturday, April 23, in her 105th year.

THE FENIANS IN COUNCIL. NEW YORK, May 9. A Convention of all the Centres of the Circles of the Fenian Brotherhood in Manhattan district, held a Convention yesterday afternoon, at head quarters.

DEAD.—Another of our oldest inhabitants has gone to that bourne from whence no traveler returns.—Rev. John Flegal, residing near Luthersburg, and well known to many of our readers throughout the county, departed this life on the 18th instant, in the 75th year of his age.—Clearfield Republican.

HANNIBAL'S SKELETON.—Thousands of persons throughout the United States, who have gazed in wonder upon the colossal proportions of VanAmburg's famous elephant Hannibal, on exhibition in this country forty-six years, the largest specimen of the species ever imported into this country or Europe, will be interested in the final disposal of his bones, which, we understand, are to be added to the Zoological curiosities of New York Central Park.

Hannibal died at Centerville, Md., in about the ninetieth year of his age, in May 1866. The complete skeleton of an elephant being very difficult to obtain, the bones are correspondingly valuable, and great precautions were, in consequence, taken to preserve those of Hannibal, and under the charge of Albert Townsend, the carcass was dragged to a field about a mile from the village, and a large strong mausoleum of masonry erected over it.

To Mr. Hyatt Frost, director of the menagerie, is due the conception of the idea of making the unique and valuable present to the city of New York. Within a few weeks the massive bones will have been cleaned, transported to the Central Park, and set up in the zoological department, to remain an object of interest to the visitors until the tooth of time causes them to crumble to dust.

A HORRIBLE ACCIDENT.—John Hoover, residing within three miles of this place lost his life on Wednesday last while at work on Goodfellow's Sawmill under the following circumstances: He went to the mill about nine o'clock, and not coming to dinner some one repaired to the mill, about one o'clock, and there found him corded on the bullwheel, dead and mangled in the most horrible manner. It appeared from the surroundings that the first thing he done after he went on the mill, was to draw a log out of the pond; and in attempting to prevent the rope from 'piling up' on the wheel, he was evidently caught by the hand and drawn upon the wheel, and the rope wrapped around him. His legs head and arms were all pounded into jelly, caused by striking the timbers while revolving around with the wheel. The rope had broke, but he was still held tight to the wheel when found. Mr. Hoover was a single man about 35 years of age. It is not long since a death was caused at Messrs. Bigler's Mill, near this place through similar carelessness.—Clearfield Republican.

Terrible Mail Storm. PHILADELPHIA, May 8.—This afternoon the most destructive hail storm ever known passed over the city from northwest to southeast.

A HORRIBLE CRIME. NEW YORK, May 5.—The only case before the court of session to-day, was that of People vs. John D. Currie, who was placed on trial charged with committing an outrage upon his own daughter, Emma, on 3d of June, 1867. Emma was only thirteen years old. On going on the stand she related the whole circumstance of the disgusting assault in a clear and distinct manner, and also testified that he had on two previous occasions attempted the same offense. The jury has not yet rendered a verdict.

RELIGIOUS APPOINTMENTS.—Elder L. Osler, of Providence, R. I., will preach, the Lord willing, in Centerville, Elk Co., Pa., on Saturday evening, May 21st, at 7 o'clock; at Toby, Sabbath morning and evening, May 22; at Keystone, Monday evening, May 23; at Ridgway, Tuesday evening, May 24, at 7 o'clock.

CONFERENCE OF MESSIAH'S CHURCH.—The Pennsylvania Conference of Messiah's Church will hold its thirteenth annual session in Messiah's church, on Little Toby, Elk county, Pa., commencing Wednesday, May 25th, 1870, at 10 o'clock A. M., and continue over the following Sabbath. A full attendance is desired and earnestly urged. The annual sermon will be delivered by Rev. M. L. Jackson, of Shiremanstown, Pa., on Wednesday evening. Three public services each day. Themes of interest to all believers in the Pre-millennial advent of Christ will be considered. Ample accommodations will be provided for all.

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A Whiskey murder occurred in Utica Macon county a few days ago: A man named Phillips came to the village in the evening and became intoxicated and started for home with one or two companions, all more or less intoxicated. Phillips became so numb that they could not get him along, they endeavored, at a house on the road, to obtain lodging for the night, as it was raining very hard, but they refused, when they left him in the road, where he was found dead the next morning.—Isabell Co. (Mich.) Enterprise.

FORT SUMPTOR.—The Engineer Department will shortly commence work in rebuilding Fort Sumpter, which yet remains in the condition in which it was left at the close of the rebellion. It is proposed to use it as a battery rather than as a fort, and consequently the works will not be rebuilt in the original dimensions, but of less height and greater thickness, and better fitted to withstand the effects of a continued bombardment. Much of the original material is available, and the expense of rebuilding will not be exorbitant. It appears fit and proper that the Government should again establish this defense, not only on account of its value in time of war, but for reasons of a national character.

PAYING THE FREIGHT.—The miners in the new territories are victimized without mercy by the Jew traders that they are compelled to buy supplies of. An English miner who went to buy a darning-needle, selected one, stuck it in the lapel of his coat and asked the price.

"Four bits, (half a dollar), my teah." "Four bits! four devils," said the miner; "why, where I come from you can buy a dozen for one bit." "Yere you come from?" said the trader. "Birmingham, England." "Yaas, dat ish so, but this is America, you know." "Suppose it is, what difference does that make?" said the sooty worker of ores. "Ah! you forget the freight, my teah," said the peddler, with a deprecatory shrug.—Com. Bulletin.

Pleasant Paragraphs.—A man in Council Bluffs is both a liquor saloon keeper and an undertaker. One business supports the other!

Woodford County, Kentucky, has the only cross-eyed cat on record. A brick struck her between the eyes one night as she was entertaining company by singing, "When you and I was young," and she has looked cross ever since.

Just think of a poor Rothschild having been robbed of over two million dollars! They will have to live now on less than ten millions a year. A crocodile who wouldn't weep at this, hasn't a heart to his back!

A bereaved Kentucky parent, who had recently lost his son, was consoled by the reflection that the youngster could not join a base-ball Club in the place to which he had gone.

A crazy man is about Iowa City, armed with a live polecat, which he carries under his arm. When he asks for something to eat at a house and it is not forthcoming, he immediately gets his battery into position in front of the premises, and calls for a surrender.

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Car Time at Ridgway. Erie Express East..... 9:41 p. m. do do West..... 8:56 a. m. do Mail East..... 2:50 p. m. do do West..... 2:00 p. m. Local Freight East..... 11:00 a. m. do do West..... 6:55 p. m. Elk Lodge, A. Y. M.

The Regular meetings of Ridgway Lodge, No. 258, held every Wednesday evening at their Lodge Room. H. A. PARSONS, W. S.

J. W. Oyster will please accept our thanks for the nice string of pigeons sent us fresh from the Warren Woods.

We did not receive our Advocate last week. How is it Cal?—Gazette. Don't know—perhaps a slip of the eye or pencil.

Dr. W. James Blakely, formerly of St. Mary's has been appointed Physician to city of Erie, a tribute to merit and—Homoeopathy—Gazette.

A halibut visited the eastern part of the State on Sunday last. It was not more than ten miles wide, and seems to have started from the northwestern lakes.

CORRY DAILY REPUBLICAN.—The first issue of this neat little Daily is on our table. The publishers deserve success; we wish them a liberal patronage.

THE FOREST REPUBLICAN comes to us this week enlarged from six to a seven column paper and otherwise improved. It reflects credit on its editor, Mr. R. J. McQuillen.

We received this week the first number of The Bee, an after-noon penny paper published in Philadelphia, by Charles W. McClintock, formerly connected with the Press, and subsequently of the Post.

Mace and Allen have arrived at New Orleans and are preparing for the great tussle for the championship of the world. Joe Cobura will challenge the winner, he says.

A married man in New Hampshire has adopted a singular method of economy. One morning recently, when he knew his wife would see him, he kissed the servant girl. The house expenses were instantly reduced \$200 a year.

The weather this week has been too wet for our gardeners and farmers, which accounts for the large crowd at Powell & Kime's. They either have 'good backers' or a liberal supply of 'stamps' or they would not carry off such loads of goods, even at the low figures P & K are selling their new stock at.

On Monday last the 2d, inst, Congressman Selenk introduced a joint resolution declaring the 30th of May, being the day appointed for the decoration of the graves of soldiers who died in defense of the Union, a public holiday, to be forever observed as such by the people of the United States. The resolution passed the House without division.

PIGEON SHOOTING.—Messrs. H. B. H. R., F. S., C. L. B., M. L. R., J. W. O. and J. S., returned from the Warren woods on Tuesday, where they have been slaughtering the pigeons at a fearful rate. The party spent a week near Spring Creek, about three miles from the Warren pike, where acres are covered with pigeons and their nests. They used 30 pounds of powder and 150 pounds of shot and killed 375 doz. pigeons. A party of Indians have camped there and are living high. Mr. O. says he don't like their style of cooking pigeons: They boil them in a 'ten pail kettle,' tossing them in 'feathers and all,' after boiling awhile the feathers come off and raise to the surface when they are skimmed off, leaving all the delicious flavor with the birds. This might appear dirty to some people, but the Indians relish the dish, besides it is a labor-saving mode of cooking. We understand that Mr. H. B., has concluded to purchase a piece of land in this pigeon district, take to himself a wife, settle down and clear up a farm. We wish him and the whole party success.

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Notice is hereby given that agreeable to an Act of Assembly, passed 18th March, 1815, entitled "An act to amend an act directing the mode of selling unseated lands for taxes," &c., the following tracts in Elk county will be sold for arrears, at the Court House, in Ridgway, on the second Monday of June next.

Table with columns: No. of Acres, Warrantee, Owners, and Amt due. Includes entries for Geo Mead, Jas Stokes, etc.