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READING, PA.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1863.

HAIL! brightest banner that floats on the gale,
Flag of the country of Washington, hail!
Red are thy stripes with the blood of the brave,
Bright are thy stars as the sun on the wave;
Wrapt in thy folds are the hopes of the Free,
Banner of Washington! blessings on thee!

DEMOCRATIC STATE NOMINATIONS.

FOR GOVERNOR:

GEORGE W. WOODWARD,

OF LUZERNE COUNTY.

FOR JUDGE OF THE SUPREME COURT:

WALTER H. LOWRIE,

OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET.

For Assembly:
JOHN MISSIMER, of Alsace.
WILLIAM N. POTTEIGER of Jefferson.
CHARLES A. KLINE, of Greenwich.

For Prothonotary:
JONATHAN L. REBER, of Reading.

For Register:
M. S. THIRWECHTER, of Marion.

For Recorder:
ISAAC LAUCKS, of Reading.

For Clerk of the Orphans' Court.
SOLOMON CLOSE, of Exeter.

For Clerk of the Quarter Sessions:
FRANCIS ROLAND, of Reading.

For County Treasurer:
DAVID L. WENRICH, of L. Heidelberg.

For County Commissioner:
JOHN KURTZ, of Caernarvon.

For Director of the Poor:
AARON GETZ, of Reading.

For Auditor:
ANDREW KURR, of Bethel.

Election, Tuesday, October 13, 1863.

DEMOCRATIC RATIFICATION COUNTY MASS MEETING,

WILL BE HELD IN THE

CITY OF READING,

ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1863,
AT 1 O'CLOCK, P. M.

RALLY! FREEMEN OF BERKS!

FOR THE UNION AS IT WAS,
FOR THE CONSTITUTION AS IT IS,
FOR THE REDEMPTION OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The following eminent speakers have been invited and are expected to address the meeting, to wit:

Hon. F. W. Hughes, Hon. C. R. Buckalew,
Hon. Wm. H. Witte, Hon. Wm. Bigler.
Hon. W. A. Porter, Hon. J. Glancy Jones,
Hon. Hiester Clymer, R. E. Monaghan, Esq.,
Dr. C. Kellner, Phila. Max Goepp, New-York,
B. F. Trexler, Allentown, and Wm. Rosenthal, Reading.

☞ EXCURSION TICKETS at reduced rates from all stations on the Philadelphia and Reading, Lebanon Valley, and East Pennsylvania Railroads to Reading and back will be issued.

By order of the Democratic *Standing Committee of Berks county.*

Notice to Democratic Clubs.

All the Democratic Clubs in the County are hereby requested to hold special meetings in the course of the week, to make suitable preparations for participation in the County Mass Meeting, and if possible, report previous to the day of the meeting to the undersigned.

JACOB H. HAIN,
Chairman of the Standing Committee.

October 3, 1863-2t

☞ MORE ABOUT THE 'LOYAL' JOURNAL," from our correspondent X, is unavoidably postponed.

☞ "JUDGE WOODWARD IS A CITIZEN OF UNIMPEACHABLE CHARACTER, AN ABLE JURIST AND A PATRIOTIC GENTLEMAN.—*Philadelphia Inquirer, (Republican,) June* 18, 1863.

This is a good endorsement of the Democratic candidate for Governor, coming as it does from one of the leading Republican journals of the State.

DEMOCRATIC MASS MEETINGS.

The seventh and eighth Democratic Ratification Mass Meetings appointed by the Executive Committee of Berks county, will be held this (Saturday) afternoon, at the Yellow House, in Amity, and at the Plough Tavern, in Robeson township.

The meeting at the Yellow House will be addressed by Hon. J. Glancy Jones, Hon. Hiester Clymer, J. Hagenman, Esq., Daniel Ermentrout, Esq., and Charles Hunsicker, Esq., of Montgomery county.

The meeting at the Plough will be addressed by Messrs. Ancona, McKenty, Getz, Bechtel, Hawley, and others.

A Mass Meeting of the Democrats of Lower Heidelberg and adjoining townships, will be held at Wernersville, on Tuesday next, October 6, at 1 o'clock, P. M. Addresses will be delivered by Hon. S. E. Ancona, J. Lawrence Getz, Hon. J. K. McKenty, and others.

A grand County Mass Meeting will be held in Reading, on *Saturday next, the 10th of October*, at which a number of eminent speakers are expected to be present; and a grand Rally of the Democracy of the city, will be held in Keystone Hall, on Monday evening, the 12th inst. This will close the meetings of the campaign.

THE ABOLITION PLATFORM.—The platform of the Abolition disunionists may be thus briefly and correctly stated:

First. *Resolved*, That we are in favor of a vigorous prosecution of the war for the restoration of the Union.

Second. *Resolved*, That we are opposed to all measures tending to such restoraton.

☞ "GOVERNOR CURTIN CANNOT SECURE THE SUPPORT OF EITHER HIS OWN PARTY OR HIS OFFICE-HOLDERS.—*Speech of Alexander Cummings, before the Abolition State Convention, August 5*, 1863.

"IGNORANT AND BENIGHTED."

At a late meeting of the Union League of Philadelphia, Mr. Wayne McVeagh, Chairman of the Abolition State Central Committee, made a speech, in which he used these words:

"OUR ENEMIES ARE ACTIVE IN THE COUNTRY. THEY SHRINK FROM THE CAPITALS OF INTELLIGENCE AND WORTH. THEY HARANGUE AMONG THE IGNORANT AND BENIGHTED WITH A SHREWDNESS THAT BEFITS THEIR CAUSE. LET THEN THE LARGE CITIES DO THEIR DUTY, AND WE WILL OVERCOME WHATEVER ADVANTAGES OUR ENEMIES MAY THUS GAIN."

This is the old Federal spirit of depreciation of and contempt for "the common people," cropping out in a modified form. We used to hear a great deal about "the dumb Dutch," among whom ancient Federalism found its most determined opponents. But now that country people generally are setting their faces resolutely against the dishonesty and fraud by which the "shoddy aristocracy" of our large cities has been created, and raised to wealth and power, under the corrupt influence of Government patronage, our modern "loyalists" have discovered that the whole people of the country are "ignorant and benighted." Despairing of deceiving *them* any longer, they are now *concentrating* their forces in the large cities, "the capitals of intelligence and worth," as Mr. McVeagh calls them, in the desperate expectation that the overwhelming vote of the honest yeomanry of the State, which they foresee will be cast against them, may be overbalanced by the rowdies and ballot-box stuffers who infest the purlieus of every large city, and whose votes may at any time be had for money—of which the "shoddyites" have an abundance, and which is the only "solid argument" they can bring forward to bolster up their rotten cause. The people in the country are doubtless too "ignorant and benighted" to learn the sharp practices of the fashionable gamblers and speculators who are robbing the Government daily out of millions of the hard earnings of the people that have been patriotically contributed to the cause of the Union, and whose interest it is to prolong the war, in order that they may continue their wholesale robberies and frauds. In all these things, the country people *are* indeed "ignorant and benighted," and we hope and pray they may always remain so. But they are nevertheless shrewd enough to see through the flimsy cloak of patriotism and loyalty under which these scoundrels hide their selfish, mercenary and iniquitous hearts. Of this, they know *too much* for the comfort of the public plunderers, and hence their fears. The cities *may be* "the capitals of intelligence and worth," but they are also the head-quarters of corruption, of vice and all sorts of infamy. That the latter now predominate, the history of the last few years plainly proves. Let the aristocratic McVeagh and his adherents keep to the cities, in welcome. So long as the pure and honest masses who people the country districts are with the Democracy, the State and Nation cannot be utterly destroyed.

☞ IT WILL REQUIRE A DECIDED MAJORITY, INDEED, TO ENABLE ANY PARTY IN THIS STATE TO CARRY ON A SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGN BURDENED BY SUCH A NOMINEE AS CURTIN.—*Pittsburgh Dispatch, Republican.*

☞ "HIS NOMINATION WOULD BE DISGRACEFUL TO THE PARTY AND HIS ELECTION IMPOSSIBLE."—*Pittsburgh Gazette, Republican.*

PUTTING ON THE SCREWS.

We learn from several of our exchange papers, that the proprietors of some large manufacturing establishments in this State, are threatening the mechanics and laborers in their employ with instant discharge if they vote for WOODWARD. This is tyranny of the worst form, and deserves the severest condemnation. The American workman is no slave, but a freeman, as well as his employer; the latter has a right to his labor, during regular hours of work, but no right to control his opinions. It would be well for the tyrants who undertake to control the votes of poor men in this despicable way, to remember that there is a law of Pennsylvania (Section 51 Revised Penal Code) which affixes a severe penalty to the offence of corruptly influencing and intimidating voters. This section makes any offer of a gift or reward, or promise of office or employment to any voter, with the intent to influence his vote; or any threat of dismissal or discharge in case of his refusal to vote for a particular candidate, *a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not exceeding* $500, *and imprisonment not exceeding two years.* See Laws of Penna., session of 1860, page 396.

THE GREAT QUESTION.

The great question to be decided by the people of Pennsylvania at the approaching election, is whether this State is to be governed by civil magistrates, acting under and in obedience to the well settled principles of law and justice, or whether it is to be governed by Provost Marshals and Military guards? That is the great point at issue between the Democratic and Abolition parties. If GEORGE W. WOODWARD is elected Governor, the people will be secure in their rights, persons and property. If Andrew G. Curtin, the iron yoke of Austrian tyranny will be placed upon our necks, and every vestige of liberty of speech and of the press will be crushed with the bayonet. Freemen of Pennsylvania! are you prepared to become slaves? If not, show it by your votes on election-day.

ABOLITION SYMPATHY WITH TREASON!—The Harrisburg *Telegraph*—Governor Curtin's organ—in its edition of the 4th of August, 1863, contained the following infamous declaration, by which it will be seen that the Abolitionists, so far from being at heart Union men, would rather see the rebellion triumph than allow the people the freedom to choose a Democratic Governor:

"If we do not harmonize our differences and concentrate all our forces, the enemies of the Government will succeed in electing Woodward Governor, a result to be estimated as more disastrous to the cause of the country than the defeat of Meade by Lee. *Indeed, it would be far better to allow Lee to penetrate Pennsylvania* AND ESTABLISH HIMSELF IN HARRISBURG, than to allow Woodward to succeed at the ballot-box and then be inaugurated Governor of the State."—*Harrisburg Telegraph, Gov. Curtin's Organ.*

ANOTHER FALSEHOOD NAILED!—The Abolitionists are busily engaged in reporting certain prominent Democrats as opposed to Judge Woodward, and among them the Hon. John N. Conyngham, President Judge of Luzerne county.

The *Luzerne Union* is authorized by Judge Conyngham to state that, while his official position precludes him from taking an active part in politics, he has been and is, a firm supporter of the Democratic ticket, and especially desires the election of the Hon. GEORGE W. WOODWARD.

A REPENTANT CURTIN MAN.—David A. Frey, editor of the York *Pennsylvanian*, a Republican journal, says:

"WE ACKNOWLEDGE IN SHAME THAT WE VOTED FOR GOVERNOR CURTIN. GOD SPARE US FROM EVER AGAIN VOTING FOR SUCH A MAN."

JUDGE WOODWARD AND THE REBELLION.

In all our recollection of party politics, which now runs back some twenty five years, we have never known a time when the opponents of the Democracy were so bitter, malignant and utterly false in their attacks upon us as they are at present. The most bare-faced misrepresentations of our principles, the most unblushing falsifications of our records, and the most infamous libels upon our candidates, are employed against us with a reckless indecency that absolutely disgraces the whole system of American politics. And these dirty weapons of controversy are not left, as they formerly were, to the camp-followers and barroom wranglers, who, slanderers by nature, and blackguards by association and habit, are usually suffered to say and do whatever mean thing their low instincts prompt, without being called to an account. But now, we find men who claim to be respectable, and who wish to be considered of good repute for truth and honesty among their neighbors, engaged in the despicable work of retailing these misrepresentations, falsehoods and libels. As a case in point, we have *the Honorable* Lemuel Todd, of Carlisle, getting up in public and charging Judge WOODWARD, upon mere hearsay—testimony that would not convict the meanest defendant in a Court of Quarter Sessions—with having *avowed himself a secessionist.* Now, no one can doubt that *the Honorable* Lemuel Todd *knew* this to be false when he uttered it. But, no matter—a point was to be made, and, adopting the maxim of the "shoulder-hitters" and "plug uglys" of the cities, that "a lie well stuck to, is as good as the truth," he gravely makes the charge, and trusts to his *honorable* reputation to screen him from the odium that justly attaches to the common informer, the liar, and the slanderer. Judge WOODWARD himself, being appealed to, refutes this base libel, with dignity and decision, as the annexed correspondence shows:

CARLISLE, Sept. 18, 1863.

Hon. Geo. W. Woodward:

DEAR SIR—I have been informed that Hon. Lemuel Todd, who presided over the Convention which re-nominated Andrew G. Curtin, in addressing a ratification meeting held recently in this county, stated that he had been informed that a certain Judge Hall said, that in a recent conversation with him you had avowed yourself a believer in the doctrine of secession, and in favor of the immediate recognition of the South.

While I am satisfied that you have never held or avowed those sentiments, I deem it important that your friends should have authority to contradict the statement. Will you, therefore, be kind enough to inform me whether you ever held such a conversation with Judge Hall?

Very Respectfully,
RUFUS E. SHAPLEY,
Chairman Democratic Standing Committee of Cumberland County.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 21, 1863.

Rufus E. Shapley, Esq:

DEAR SIR: Just returned from Easton, where I went to attend the funeral of our much lamented friend, the Hon. Richard Brodhead, I find your favor of the 18th, informing me of a story which Mr. Todd produced at a public meeting, after obtaining it through a channel which is not specified.

There is not a word of truth in the story. I know no Judge Hall, and cannot remember that I ever knew a man of that name.

So far from ever avowing belief in secession or favoring recognition of the Southern Confederacy, I am, and always have been, opposed to both, and am in favor of suppressing the rebellion, by which both are supported.

My life has been spent, thus far, in upholding the Constitution of the United States as the Fathers framed it—the Union they formed—and the Constitution and laws of the State; and whatever of life remains to me will be devoted to the same ends, whether it be spent in public or private station. *Neither secession nor the malignant fanaticism that caused it, will ever find an advocate in me.*

Trusting that this is a sufficient answer to the calumny you allude to, I remain, dear sir,

Very truly yours,
GEO. W. WOODWARD.

A SENSIBLE PROPOSITION.

This Louisville *Journal* makes a very sensible proposition to the Southern people; one which will have to be acted upon and carried out to the letter before we can have peace, re union and constitutional government. Here is the proposition:

"The government cannot endure permanently half slave and half free," said Mr. Lincoln. "A Union between free States and slave States is impossible," responded Jeff. Davis. Now rebs, if we put down all such of our fellows as think with Old Abe, and you put down all such of yours as think with Old Jeff, no doubt we will be able to get along very well together again. Let's try it.

We are trying it now, in Pennsylvania; our neighbors in New York, Ohio, and other Northern States are trying it, and with a fair prospect of success. Over the line, in North Carolina, they show a strong disposition to try it, as they do also in some other southern States, and courage and perseverance will carry them through. Then, fanaticism and despotism in both sections being strangled, the good old times will be restored, and the nation start forward on a new career of happiness, prosperity and glory, refined and sublimated by the fiery ordeal through which it will have passed. The people of Pennsylvania who like this proposition, and wish to see it carried out, can do much toward helping it along, by voting for GEORGE W. WOODWARD at the election now close at hand.

☞ THE ABOLITION PAPERS are publishing the following paragraph from the *Chambersburg Repository*, which the veracious Aleck. McClure puts forth as having come from Senator CLYMER, in his late speech at Somerset:

He was also indiscreet enough to say that "*if Woodward and Vallandigham were elected, with Seymour and Parker, they would unite in calling from the army the troops from their respective States, for the purpose of compelling the administration to invite a convention of the States to adjust our difficulties.*"

We have the authority of Mr. CLYMER himself for pronouncing the above an impudent fabrication. He used no such expression, or anything like it, either at Somerset or any other place where he has spoken. When *will* Abolition editors stop *lying?*

HAVE WE A DISUNIONIST AMONG US?—It is even so; for if language like the following is not disunionism of the rankest kind, there can be no such crime:

"*If the hour of dissolution has come then in God's name let us separate in peace. There should be no appeal to brute force. That government which does not live in the just consent, and in the affection of the governed, is a tyranny. The hand of brother should not be arrayed against brother.*"

These treasonable words appeared in the *Berks & Schuylkill Journal* of December 15th, 1860. The man who uttered them is still at large. Can it be possible? Can such things be, and "loyal leaguers" rest quietly in their beds at night? Where's the heroic Schenck? Where's Burnside, with his Order No. 8?

☞ SOLDIERS, read the address of the Democratic State Central Committee, on our first page. There has been a studious and dishonest effort made on the part of interested parties to deceive you. Remember those who were mean enough to cheat you with "shoddy pants" and "paper shoes," can have no scruples against practising deception to secure your votes as a means of enabling them to continue their vile scheme of making princely fortunes at your expense, and out of the necessities of the Government. Look at facts as they are—think for yourselves; and we know you will spurn your deceivers.

City Affairs.

☞ EPISCOPAL SERVICE AT THE COURT HOUSE.—Divine service will be held at the Court House, to-morrow (Sunday) morning, at 10 o'clock; also in the evening at 7½ o'clock. In the afternoon at St. Barnabas at 3 o'clock. Seats free at both places.

☞ REV. DR. E. V. GERHART, from Lancaster, will preach to-morrow (Sunday) in the First German Reformed Church, in the morning in the German, and in the evening in the English language.

☞ THE UNION PRAYER MEETING will be held to-morrow (Sunday) afternoon, in the Church of the United Brethren, South Ninth street, at 3 o'clock. All persons are respectfully invited to attend.

☞ THE EXETER SUNDAY SCHOOL will hold their annual celebration this (Saturday) afternoon, in Lincoln's Woods, near Exeter Station. Addresses, in English and German, will be delivered, and a Band of Music will be present.

☞ CLERICAL CHANGE.—The Rev. M. C. Lightner, former Rector of Christ Church, Reading, and for two years past in charge of an Episcopal Parish at Binghamton, in Western New-York, has accepted a call to Detroit, Michigan, and removed to that city, with his family, on the first of this month.

☞ HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT.—The eighth annual Commencement of the Reading High School, will be held in St. James's Lutheran Church, South Fifth street, on Tuesday evening, October 6th, commencing at 7 o'clock. Children to whom these exercises have no other interest than novelty, will not be allowed admittance.

Parents and patrons of the School are particularly invited to be present.

PROGRAMME.

Prayer,	By Rev. F. A. M. Keller.
Music,	By the Mozart Musical Union.
Introductory Remarks,	By John S. Richards, Esq.

ESSAYS AND ORATIONS BY CLASS.

1. A Glance Backward,	By Miss Margaret W. Rowe.
2. Never too late to Learn,	" Miss Clara S. Lott.
3. What shall I say?	" Miss Ellen M. Heckler.
4. A Lesson from History, (Oration)	" Mr. C. Wheeler Durham.

MUSIC.

5. A Little More,	By Miss M. M. C. Shaaber.
6. Time's Changes,	" Miss Mary C. M'Curdy.
7. Think before you act,	" Miss Sallie O. Harper.
8. Childhood,	" Melissa E. Howell.

MUSIC.

9. Unwritten Music,	By Miss Amanda G. Jones.
10. Ever Onward,	" Miss Sarah E. Gossler.
11. Sunshine and Shadow,	" Miss Emma C. Arnold.
12. The Torch of Liberty, (Oration)	" Mr. Jonathan Jones.

MUSIC.

Presentation of Diplomas.
By Hon. Warren J. Woodward.

MUSIC.

Benediction.

☞ AN INTERESTING INCIDENT.—Senator Clymer, of Berks, who has been, and still is, doing gallant service throughout the State for WOODWARD and the CONSTITUTION, addressed an immense mass meeting of the Democracy of Western Pennsylvania, at Brookville, Jefferson county, on the 15th of September. Among other noteworthy incidents of the occasion, as described by the Brookville *Jeffersonian*, was a procession of "thirty-four interesting little girls, enrobed in white, spotless and pure as their innocent natures, who approached the Speakers' stand, and presented to Mr. Clymer, through Mr. Jenks, a rich and beautiful banner, which the Democratic ladies of Brookville had gotten up for the occasion, and their liberality, taste and high-toned patriotism were visible in all its parts. The banner bore on one side the impressive inscription, "*Fathers, give us back our Union as you received it,*" to which Mr. Clymer replied, eloquently and with deep feeling, and concluded by saying he would take it with him to the Mecca of the Democracy, Berks county, and preserve it in his house as long as the roof sheltered him against the storm, and ever cherish it as one of the most pleasing incidents of his life.

"Mr. Clymer then addressed the assembled multitude for about two hours, in arguments incontrovertible, and with eloquence and power unsurpassed."

☞ HANDSOME IMPROVEMENT.—The North-West corner of Sixth and Walnut street has been greatly improved, this season, by the erection of a large three-story brick building, intended for the offices of the East Pennsylvania Railroad Company. It has a front on Sixth street of 40 feet, and a depth on Walnut (main building) of 108 feet 4 inches. The back building is also 3 stories high, 50 feet deep and 18 feet wide. Each floor is supported by 9 inch girders and 6 inch beams, with 4 inch brick arches from beam to beam, with a span of 7 feet 7 inches. The inside will be finished in a style to correspond with the exterior. The lower floors will be laid with tiles, and the other floors and wood-work generally, will be of the best material. The building is as near fire-proof as it can be made. Messrs. Eisenhower and Fink, who are celebrated for "good jobs," are the builders, and the brick-work, which is very neat, was done by Messrs. Maltzberger, Hoffmaster & Co. Our city is indebted, for this improvement, to the taste of E. M. Clymer, Esq., the energetic President of the East Penna. Railroad, who believes in and acts upon the old proverb that "whatever is worth doing, is worth doing well."

☞ THIRD PENNA. RESERVES.—The following promotions have been recently made in Company F, 3d Pennsylvania Reserves:

Albert P. Moulton, to be Captain, vice Capt. Washington Richards, resigned, and appointed Captain in the Invalid Corps.
Henry S. Moulton, to be First Lieutenant, in place of A. P. Moulton, promoted.
Benjamin D. Hemmig, to be Second Lieutenant.
Robert Smith, First Sergeant.
John Van Doran, Second Sergeant.
John M. Berg, Third Sergeant.
James M. Phillips, Fourth Sergeant.
Edward Clayton, Fifth Sergeant.

The 3d Reserve Regiment was lately paid by Major Reynolds, and the men belonging to the Companies from this city have sent a large portion of their money home. Major William Briner, one of the best soldiers in the army of the Potomac, continues in command of the 3d Reserves, and has the respect and affection of all the officers and man under his command. Capt. Lenhart and the rest of the officers of our Companies continue to enjoy good health.

☞ DOINGS OF COUNCILS.—Our City Councils sometimes move along crab-fashion, or advance backward. Thus, after having resolved upon the improvement of Fifth, Sixth, Eighth and Kissinger streets, and actually entered into a contract for the work, at a specific price, they have defeated the whole thing by voting down the appropriations for it. This is the veriest child's play, unworthy of men, sensible business men, who set up for the legislators of a city like Reading.

The only business of interest done by Councils at their last meeting, was the passage of an Ordinance appropriating $500 for building a tower on the City property in Franklin street, above Fifth, for oiling and drying Hose.

☞ BARN BURNT.—On Friday evening last, at about 8 o'clock, a Swiss barn on the farm of Mr. Reuben Lorash, in Lower Macungie, Lehigh county, was set on fire by sparks from a locomotive passing over the East Penna. Railroad, and entirely consumed, together with a large quantity of hay, grain, farming implements, eight head of cattle, a mare and a young colt. Some outbuildings, filled with grain, were also destroyed. The barn stood only about one hundred feet from the Railroad. The loss was considerable. The stock was insured in the Lehigh Insurance Company.

☞ NEW PRIMARY SCHOOLS.—To accommodate the increasing number of children applying for admission into the Primary Schools of the Third and Fifth Wards, the Board of Controllers have authorized an additional Primary School to be opened in each of said Wards, to commence on Monday next. The Episcopal Mission School of St. John, in "Ricktown," and the basement of the Evangelical Mission Church in Chestnut street, above Fifth, have been temporarily rented for the use of these Schools.

☞ A GOOD PORTRAIT.—A portrait of John B. Reber, Esq., of Mount Pleasant, Penn township, has been on exhibition in the window of Mr. Godfrey Graf's Picture Store, in East Penn street, for several days, and has attracted a good deal of attention. It is a photograph of life size, painted by Mr. F. D. Devlan, an artist whose reputation is well established. The likeness is admirable, and the picture itself is something superior, as a work of art.

☞ WILD CAT SHOT.—A large Wild Cat, weighing 15 lbs., and measuring 3 feet in length, was shot on the 17th ult., by Mr. Daniel G. Strauss, of Penn township, in the woods of Mrs. Peter Human, about 2 miles above Bernville. It is not known that one of these animals has been seen in this neighborhood for the last 35 years.

☞ NEW ROLLING MILL.—A large Rolling Mill, for the manufacture of Russia Sheet Iron, is about to be built on the Canal, near Chestnut street, by Messrs. Lauth, Berg & Co. Messrs. Mellert and Kinsey are now making an engine of 250 horse power for this Mill; which, it is stated, will be the largest stationary engine ever built in this city.

☞ AMERICAN MECHANICS' PARADE.—Neversink Council, No. 127, Order of United American Mechanics, will parade in the borough of Womelsdorf, on Saturday next, October 10th. All the Councils of the Order in Berks county, are expected to be represented. Several distinguished members of the Order have been invited from abroad, and are expected to deliver addresses.

The Wants of our Sick and Wounded Soldiers.

The Ladies' Aid Association have received earnest appeals for articles for our sick and wounded soldiers, from Mrs. Holstein, who has been indefatigable in her attention to them at Gettysburg. Rusks, crackers, butter, eggs and *sugar*, are *chiefly* wanted, and our citizens are again solicited to add their contributions to those already so liberally forwarded. All articles sent to the undersigned before next Thursday, 8th inst., will be immediately forwarded.

ROSA C. NICOLLS, President.

Reading, October 2d, 1863.

BOARD OF CONTROLLERS.

A special meeting of the Board of Controllers of the Reading School District, was held on Thursday evening, October 1, 1863.

The following members were in attendance:—Messrs. Briner, Crecilius, Frees, Getz, Gernand, Hagenman, Hain, Hoff, Hooker, McCurdy, Moers, Mulligan, Maxton, Richards, Robinson, Roland, Stout, Turner—15.

The Committee on Buildings and Repairs, Mr Gernand chairman, reported that the Committee had leased the buildings they were instructed to lease at last meeting, for additional Primary Schools, and that they are ready for use.

He also presented the proposition of Hezekiah Briner, to sell a lot of ground on Kissinger street for $366; also the proposition of Catharine Dorn, to sell her property adjoining the above, for $325.

Mr. Hoff moved that the Committee be authorized to purchase the properties named at said prices.

The ayes and noes were demanded on the motion, by Messrs. Stout and Frees, and were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Briner, Crecilius, Gernand, Hagenman, Hain, Hoff, Hooker, Moers, Mulligan, Maxton, Richards, Robinson, Roland, Turner—14.

Noes—Messrs. Frees, Stout—2.

Mr. Stout offered a series of resolutions, for the appointment of a special committee to take into consideration the subject of dividing the Grammar Schools of the city into two districts, and the erection of two buildings large enough to accommodate all the Grammar Schools; and also to inquire whether the present Grammar School buildings would not be large enough for all the Primary and Secondary schools of each Ward, and whether any property vacated by this arrangement should not be sold, and the proceeds appropriated to the erection of the new Grammar School buildings.

On motion, the resolutions were laid on the table.

Mr. Hooker moved that the next regular meeting of the Board be postponed one week. Adopted.

Mr. Hagenman, Chairman Committee on Primary Schools, presented the following nominations of Teachers:

First Ward—Principal 2d Male Primary—Maggie Berstler. Assistant, Emma Werner.

Third Ward—Principal Male and Female Primary, Martha Stahl.

1st Assistant Male Primary, Mary E. Shaaber; 2d Assistant, Martha E. McCauley.

Fourth Ward—1st Assistant Female Primary, Amanda Nein; 2d Assistant, Maggie W. Rowe.

Fifth Ward—Sixth and Walnut street, Principal, Emma Stauffer.

Ricktown—Principal, Louisa Satley.

Washington School—Assistant Male Primary, Sarah E. Gossler.

The Committee on Primaries were, on motion, authorized to organize the School in the Church on Chestnut street, below 6th, for two teachers, and appoint an assistant for said school.

Mr. Hain, from the Committee on Janitors, nominated Mrs. Robinson, janitor for the "Ricktown" School, and Mrs. Jacob Miller, for the Chestnut street School.

The nominations were confirmed by the Board.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

LEWIS BRINER, Secretary.

☞ AMOUNT OF COAL transported on the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, during the week ending Thursday, October 1, 1863.

	Tons.	Cwt.
From Port Carbon,	26,795	07
" Pottsville,	1,501	05
" Schuylkill Haven,	23,314	19
" Auburn,	5,626	04
" Port Clinton,	10,658	14
" Harrisburg,	4,673	00
Total for week	72,569	10
Previously this year,	2,296,377	14½
TOTAL,	2,368,947	04
To same time last year,	1,509,670	15

☞ LIEUT. A. M. BROWN, of the 15th U. S. Infantry, who has been on recruiting service in this city for some months past, and has also acted, during the same time, as Military Provost Marshal under Maj. General Sigel, to the entire satisfaction of all who have had any business transactions with him, has been ordered to join his Regiment, now in the field, under General Rosecrans, in Georgia. The Lieutenant takes with him the respect and good wishes of many friends in this city.

☞ HARVEY BIRCH & BROTHER continue to push along their News Agency with commendable enterprise. They have already received the New-York Illustrated papers for October 10th, and the October Nos. of the monthly Magazines. They also continue to supply the New-York and Philadelphia dailies.

☞ HAMBURG AFFAIRS.—The Town Council of Hamburg have appointed Mr. John Knittel as Collector of the borough taxes for the present year.——The School Board of the same borough have declared the seat of William S. Deisher vacant, and appointed Dr. George M. Miller a School Director in his place.

EYE AND EAR.—(From the *National Intelligencer*, Washington.)—Dr. Von Moschzisker's little book on medical and surgical science has been extensively read and quoted by journals in other cities with high remarks of approval for the acuteness of its observations, the clearness of its statements and its independent tone.

The book is mainly devoted to subjects in which his knowledge is great, and his experience has given him a title to speak with confidence. The part of the work which is of most value to the public, is its notices of the state of the science and practice of medicine in "Eye and Ear" diseases, to which Dr. Von Moschzisker has giv'en special attention, with a great deal of success and reputation.

Dr. Von Moschzisker feels gratified to state that he has met with the most distinguished success in Philadelphia. Numerous acknowledgments of cures of Deafness, Blindness and Throat Diseases can be examined at his office, No. 1027 Walnut street, Philadelphia, which will give the very utmost satisfaction to those who require his services.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

ASTRAY.

TWO RED COWS, MARKED WITH WHITE, the younger has one horn broken. A suitable reward will be paid by informing of their whereabouts, or returning to DAVID McKNIGHT,
oct 3-1t] North Fifth Street.

$25 REWARD

WILL BE PAID BY THE UNDERSIGNED, to any one giving such information as will lead to the detection and conviction of the person who stole a Giant of Italie rose bush from the flower bed of Mr Charles Reitz's lot, in the Charles Evans Cemetery, a few days ago. This is the third offence of the same nature, in the same lot, during the present Summer.

ALEXANDER BURNETT,
oct 3-1t] Strawberry Hill Nursery.

2nd Ward Democratic Club.

DEMOCRATS AROUSE!

THE STATED MONTHLY MEETING OF THE Club will be held next Thursday evening, October 8th, at their rooms, Chestnut street below Third. Every Democrat in the Ward is requested to attend, as business of importance will be transacted.

oct 3-1t] GEO. M. ERMENTROUT, Secretary.

Democratic Meeting in Maidencreek.

THE DEMOCRATIC CLUB OF MAIDENCREEK Township will meet on Thursday, October 8, at 7 P. M., at Molltown. All Democrats are invited to attend. Several speakers will be present. Arrangements for the election and for participating in the County Mass Meeting are to be considered.

By order of the President,
Oct. 3-1t J. D. STITZEL.

Bernville and Penn Democratic Club.

A MEETING OF THE DEMOCRATIC CLUB of Bernville and Penn township, will be held at the public house of John Yeager, in Bernville, on Wednesday, October 7, 1863, at 4 o'clock, P. M., to make arrangements for attending the Democratic Mass Meeting, at Reading, on Saturday, October 10th.

By order of the Club.
oct 3-1t*] DANIEL BILLMAN, Prest.

DEMOCRATIC CLUB MEETINGS.

THE WINDSOR CLUB WILL MEET THIS (Saturday) evening, Oct. 3, 1863, at 6 o'clock, at the public house of Mahlon A. Sellers, Windsor Castle.

THE NORTH HEIDELBERG CLUB will meet this (Saturday) afternoon at 1 o'clock, at the public house of Jonathan S. Klopp. Addresses by Messrs. Wm. M. Goodman and F. B. Lancks.

THE MUHLENBERG CLUB will meet this (Saturday) afternoon, at 2 o'clock, at the public house of James Schmeck. Addresses by Hon. S. E. Ancona and others.

THE UNION TOWNSHIP CLUB, and the Democrats of adjoining townships, will meet on Friday evening, October 9th, at 7 o'clock, at the public house of Herman Umstead, Mount Airy. Addresses by Hon. J. K. McKenty, Jesse O. Hawley, Esq., and others. [oct 3-1t

Family Horse and Carriage for Sale.

A FIRST RATE FAMILY HORSE, AND Carriage in excellent order, for sale by the subscriber, very cheap. Apply at the Clothing Store, corner of Sixth and Penn street.

oct 3-1t] JAMES JAMESON.

FOR SALE.

Dwelling House in North Fifth Street.

THE RESIDENCE OF THE LATE DR. JOHN P. HIESTER, next to the Old Jail property, is offered for sale on desirable terms. The house is large and convenient, with modern improvements. A large two-story brick building is on the rear of the lot, which can be converted into a dwelling at moderate expense—lot 31 feet, 8 inches wide and 230 feet deep. Terms easy. Apply in Court street, to DAVID McKNIGHT,
oct 3-3t] Commercial Broker.

PUBLIC SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC SALE, ON Saturday, the 31st day of October, A. D. 1863, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the public house of Michael B. Bollman, in the borough of Womelsdorf, Berks county: All that certain two-story frame DWELLING HOUSE, one-story and three-quarter BRICK SHOP and Stone Barn, and the lot of ground on which the said buildings are erected, situate in said borough of Womelsdorf, on North side of High street, containing 255 feet in depth; and 66 feet in front. Late the property of *Jacob Reifsnyder*, deceased.

Conditions of sale made known on the day and place of sale, by

oct 3-1t] DAVID L. REIFSNYDER.

OLD LEAD, BRASS AND COPPER WANTED. Highest prices paid by

J. L. STICHTER,
oct 3-3t] 505, 507 and 508, West Penn street.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BEVERLY INSTITUTE FOR BOYS.

PLEASANTLY LOCATED AT BEVERLY, N. J., 15 MILES FROM PHILADELPHIA.

Rev. M. L. HOFFORD, A. M., Principal.

From Rev. Dr. Maclean, President of the College of New Jersey, Princeton.

From his knowledge of the Rev. M. L. HOFFORD, Principal of Beverly Institute, the undersigned is confident that this Institution is worthy of the patronage of parents who desire for their sons a School conducted by a Christain gentleman, and a competent teacher.

JOHN MACLEAN.

oct 3-1mo]

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of JOHN D. KNABB, late of Oley township, Berks county, deceased.

THE UNDERSIGNED AUDITOR, APPOINTED by the Orphans' Court of Berks county, to audit, restate and resettle the account of Peter S Knabb, Administrator, &c., of John D. Knabb, deceased, and make distribution of the balance in his hands to and among the persons legally entitled thereto, hereby gives notice that he will meet the parties interested, at his office in Court street, Reading, Pa., on Saturday, the 31st of October, 1863, at 1 o'clock, P. M., when and where they may attend, if they see proper,

oct. 3-3t] F. LEAF SMITH, Auditor.

Valuable Real Estate at Public Sale.

ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31ST, 1863, AT 1 o'clock, P. M., will be sold at public sale, at the Keystone House, in the city of Reading: All that certain three-story Brick DWELLING HOUSE, situate on the East side of south Sixth street, North of Laurel street, in the said city. The house has been recently built, and has attached to it a two-story brick back building with all the necessary conveniences. The lot on which the buildings are erected is nineteen feet six inches in front, and one hundred and fifteen feet deep. An abundance of Plum, Cherry and Peach trees, and Grapes, on the premises. Conditions made known at the time and place. [oct 3-4t

Executor's Sale of Valuable Real Estate.

ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31ST, 1863, WILL be sold at public sale, on the premises: All that valuable farm, late the estate of Da