



The Jeffersonian.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1869.

The Rev. Dr. Macle delivered two very able and impressive sermons in the Presbyterian Church on Sabbath last.

Fowler's Appointment Festival.

A festival for the benefit of the Rev. G. L. Fowler, Pastor in charge, will be held at the residence of Aaron Stone, (late A. Lord's), in Stroud township, on Tuesday evening, March 2nd.

Fatal Accident.

Mr. Reuben Swink, brother of Charles and Robert Swink, and formerly a resident of Tannersville in this county, but latterly of Hollisterville, in Wayne county, was instantly killed at Reifsnyder's Sawmill, about seven miles from Sand Out, in Luzerne county, on the 19th inst.

The 22nd of February.

Monday last was the anniversary of the birth of him who "first in peace, first in war and first in the hearts of his countrymen"—the great, the immortal Washington; and yet, what token of the fact was visible in our borough on that day.

Lecture.

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Our Table.

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"Arthur's Home Magazine," for March, is also on our table. This is a new visitor to our sanctum, and is really a most welcome one.

The same publishers have also graced our table with the March number of "Once a Month," a very neat monthly, filled with articles of more than usual literary and scientific merit.

We are also indebted to the same publishers for the March number of the "Children's Hour," a magazine filled with choice and instructive reading matter for the "little ones."

"Packard's Monthly," for March is also on hand, and when we announce that Junius Henri Brown, Horace Greeley, Louis Gaylord Clark, Mark Twain, and a host of writers of like celebrity write for it, we think the reader will agree with us that it is dirt cheap, at \$1 per annum.

The Democracy.

The leaders of the Democracy opened a vent for the relief of the party, at the Court House, on Monday evening last, and appeared to have a very pleasant time of it.

For Vice Presidents we had Richard S. Staples, of Stroudsburg, Isaac S. Case, of Coolbaugh, Frederick Siglin, of Chestnut Hill, and Robert W. Swink, of Stroud.

Nor was less care displayed in the selection of the lesser lights of the meeting. Our excellent friend, John S. Fisher, would grace any position, whilst the meeting might have gone a great way from home, and failed to have found one who would have so worthily filled the remaining Secretaryship as our amiable friend, Amandus Orevus Greenwald, of the Monroe Democrat.

The meeting being thus beautifully and ably officered, Mr. John M. Coolbaugh, of Middle Smithfield, moved the appointment by the chair of a committee of one from each township, to draft resolutions expressive of the sense of the meeting, which was done, and Mr. C., for his motion, rewarded with the chairmanship.

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Barrett for the Supreme Bench. On motion of one of the old fossils of Democracy, — the only one permitted to take part in the meeting, — they were adopted en masse.

Taking it all in all, the meeting was "a thing of beauty," and should be to the Democracy "a joy forever." There was nothing said about the regular nomination of county officers, as we were led to suppose would be the case.

Bathelordom.

Reader, have you ever attended a trial in the Court of Bathelordom? If you have not we have, and, though we paid particular attention to the sayings and doings, we could not begin to tell of a hundredth part of the good things that were said and done.

The Court, on Monday last, granted licenses to all our saloon applicants. This was somewhat of a disappointment to our temperance folks, whilst to the lovers of the "refreshing beverage," who have been living under a "heavy dry" for nearly a year, it seems to be somewhat of a cause for rejoicing.

Court Proceedings.

Court convened on Monday the 22d. All the Judges were present.

The Grand Jury appointed E. H. Gunsauls, of M. Smithfield, foreman. They disposed of the following cases, viz:

Commonwealth vs. John A. Quaco. Assault and battery, on complaint of William Huff. Bill returned ignoramus and prosecutor to pay costs.

Commonwealth vs. James Haldeman. Fornication and Bastardy, on oath of Catharine Huffaker. True bill.

Commonwealth vs. Balduz Glogler. False pretence, on oath of D. M. Slutter. Bill ignoramus and prosecutor to pay costs.

On Monday P. M. the license applicants were taken up and all granted. A long remonstrance was presented against the granting of licenses to any Eating Houses in Stroudsburg — but it was disregarded — and Geo. L. Walker licensed to keep a Hotel a la European style; Christian Hiller to keep an Eating House; Peter Born and Jesse Albert, the same. The Judge, however, intimated very strongly that if either of them should be convicted at any future time of any infringement of the law under which their licenses were granted, they should be prepared to pay the full extent of the fine which the law allows to be imposed, and with an extra suit, to go to jail.

On the civil list the following case was disposed of: John D. Frailey vs. Jackson township. This was an appeal from the settlement of the Township Auditors. Frailey was Treasurer of the Bounty Fund. Verdict for Plaintiff of \$85 00.

Philip Krege vs. Peter Merwine, Jr. Ejectment for land in Tunkhannock township. On trial as we go to press.

The remainder of the proceedings will be given next week.

Widening the Delaware Canal.

A corps of engineers are engaged in making surveys along the line of the Delaware Division Canal, with a view to the widening it between Easton and New Hope, a distance of thirty-five miles.

The Portsmouth (N. H.) Journal has a subscriber who has appeared in that office nearly every Friday afternoon for thirty-eight years, with his coppers for pay for the paper. The Journal estimates that the coppers would weigh one hundred pounds, and would make a column of over fifty feet in height if piled one upon the other.

It was recently decided by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue that building or loan associations were liable to pay a special tax as brokers or moneylenders. That decision has since been revoked, and such associations are now released from tax.

The largest man on record in modern times was Miles Darden, a native of North Carolina, born in 1790. He was seven feet and six inches high. At his death, in 1857, he weighed over 1,000 pounds.

The track of the Central Pacific Railroad is again clear through the deepest snow of the Sierras.

A horrible tragedy occurred on Friday night, three miles northeast of Raleigh Springs, Tenn. A party of white men went to the house of Col. Thomas Dickens, while he and two men named Wilson and Humphrey were eating supper, and knocked at the door, which was opened by Humphreys. Without saying a word, the party shot Humphrey through the body, and with knives and pistols in their hands rushed into the room and put out the lights.

THE MORRIS AND ESSEX RAILROAD. The lease of this road to the Delaware Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company having been ratified by the Legislature, the latter company have promptly inaugurated measures for increasing the facilities of the road with a view to the comfort and safety of the passengers, and the accommodation of the increasing freight and coal business.

Of the Supreme Court decision, in the Oregon case, which is to the effect that greenbacks are not legally a tender for what is not a debt, the New York Post observes: "The most curious and sweeping result is to destroy utterly the Pendleton doctrine of payment of the five-twenty bonds in greenbacks. These bonds are redeemable at the pleasure of the United States after five years, but payable only at the expiration of twenty years from their date."

A case involving the right of conductors to eject passengers from cars, under certain circumstances, was recently tried in the Erie County Court. The case was this: Mr. Tabor, a passenger, having neglected to purchase a ticket at the office the conductor demanded of him the usual excess charged when fare is taken on the cars, which he refused to pay, in consequence of which he was put off the train.

The Supreme Court of the United States has just decided that a contract entered into before the passage of the Legal Tender act, and made specially payable in coin, is valid and can be enforced. It was further held by the Court that when the kind of currency is not specially mentioned in the contract, payment can be lawfully made in legal tender notes.

Illinois has some mean thieves. At Muscatine in that State, a Miss McCarron recently died and was buried. A day or two afterwards it was discovered that thieves had broken through and stolen a gold watch and chain and some articles of jewelry which had adorned the corpse and the silver nails of the coffin.

A number of prominent Cuban refugees have addressed a protest to the Governor of Louisiana, against the charges made by the Spanish consul. They declare that notwithstanding their political opinions, they would not infringe upon the laws in any manner.

Mrs. Starkweather of West Rutland, Vt., although as well as ever on Tuesday last had a presentiment of evil, and told her husband that if she should happen to die suddenly she wished to have him take the plain gold ring from her finger and keep it. She died that afternoon.

Our State Senate, on Friday last, by a decided majority, voted to abolish the present State tax on all debts secured by bond, mortgage or other security. This is expected to give relief to such an extent as to increase the willingness of capitalists to loan their money at the legal rate of six per cent.

The political campaign of 1869 will open with the following State elections; New Hampshire, March 9; Connecticut, April 4; Rhode Island, April 7. A Governor is to be chosen in each.

Lewis Lane, colored, was on Saturday, sentenced at Pittsburgh, Pa., to be hanged for the murder of his wife. He had been granted a second trial by the Supreme Court, but was a second time convicted.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Barnum is engaged in writing another book. The Moravian mission in Greenland is 136 years old.

There were 570 Methodist churches dedicated in 1868.

A "Newsboys' Home" has been organized in Philadelphia.

Sing Sing prison contains 1288 male and 184 female convicts.

General Lee is to set up a farm in connection with his college.

A fountain at Bennington, Vt., throws a stream 163 feet high.

Glascow has a chimney 454 feet high, the tallest in the world.

New Orleans has had a wedding between a youth of eighty and a matron of 15.

A house in Lewiston, Me., was robbed of several hundred dollars' worth of jewelry on Friday night.

Francis McQuade, a machinist of Iowa, is under arrest in Boston, charged with making bogus five cent pieces.

Three men were killed by the explosion of a locomotive at Rich Station, on the Union Pacific Railroad, last Friday.

A man recently brought in a bill of \$4 against his brother's estate in San Francisco, "for loss of time in attending the funeral."

San Francisco despatched five hundred vessels in 1868 with cargoes valued, in the aggregate, at a little less than twenty-three million dollars.

None of the barons appointed to enforce the provisions of Magna Charta has a descendant to represent him in the present House of Lords.

At a recent fashionable wedding in Paris, one of the handsomest dresses was one "blue from bonnet to shoe," worn by a pretty American girl.

The steamer Nellie Stevens was burned in Caddo Lake, Red River, La., on Thursday night of last week. Sixty-three lives are reported lost.

The salaries of Queen Victoria and the family amount to \$3,006,000 annually, in gold. The prices of coal and flour never trouble them.

At an agricultural dinner a farmer gave as his toast: "The Game of Fortune—Shuffle the cards as you will, spades must win."

California's population is only one-fourth female. In Nevada there are eight men to one woman, and in Colorado twenty to one.

It is said that 120 velocipede patents have been applied for already in this country. One hundred patents, in addition to the above, are also on file.

The appearance of a popular singer with a Grecian bend was preceded at a Chicago concert by the orchestra playing "The Camels are coming."

One district in Kentucky has 24 distilleries, of which 25 were in operation in January. The product of 27 of them was 314,000 gallons of whiskey.

The position of arbitrator upon a boundary question between Great Britain and Portugal, has been accepted by the President of the United States.

It is rumored from Charleston that filibustering parties, including Cubans, are leaving various points on the Georgia and Florida coasts for Cuba.

Paris, Kentucky, which manufactures more whiskey than any other place of its size in the country, is making preparations to hold a temperance meeting.

No one is allowed to attend school in Evansville, Indiana, who does not present a certificate of vaccination to the teacher. Small pox is prevalent there.

Eighty persons have applied for divorce at the February term of the Fort Wayne (Indiana) Common Pleas Court—a large per centage from adjoining States.

General Kilpatrick said at Holyoke, Mass., the other day, that the proceeds of his lectures this Winter had been \$10,000 for himself and \$20,000 for the "Grand Army of the Republic."

Prof. Goldwin Smith has not only given his time and services gratuitously to the Cornell University, but purposes depositing his valuable historical library with the new institution.

Mr. James Doyle, a well known lawyer of Philadelphia, was found in the street early Sunday morning, badly wounded in his head. He died in a few minutes after being carried home.

Three men were arrested at Odin, Ill., on Friday night, in the act of robbing the mails while being transferred from one train to another. The mails have been robbed at that point for over a year.

The Okalona, (Miss.) News says that Mr. Hares of that place has knocked velocipede wagons and locomotives out of existence by the invention of a self-propeller that runs fifteen miles an hour over ordinary roads.

Robert Dale Owen comes out in the Boston Advertiser in vigorous opposition to the latest constitutional amendment, on the ground that it prohibits discrimination on account of education. He thinks the amendment ought to be defeated if proposed to the legislature in its present shape.

A remarkable suit is on trial in the Superior Court, Chicago, involving some city property valued at \$1,500,000. The suit is brought by Henry Ulrick, eldest son of the late Carl Gottfried Ulrick. The deceased had three sons. Henry disagreed with his father, and the two younger sons were of weak intellect. Old Ulrick, just before his death, confided in Jon H. Mulike and entrusted his affairs to his management. The millionaire died intestate, though he had given directions that his son Henry should receive \$50,000 worth of property, and his second a small monthly allowance, while the remainder should be divided between his youngest son and Mulike; the latter thus receiving about \$700,000. Henry claims that his father was completely under Mulike's influence, and appeals against such division of the property. The two younger sons and Mulike defend the case.

Suspension of the fourth National Bank of Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 23.—The doors of the Fourth National Bank were not opened this morning owing to the default of Chester Mac Mullen. The suspension caused a large crowd to collect in the vicinity of the Bank. Mac Mullen is here, but refuses or is unwilling to give any information. The police have him in their possession. The bank has been in bad order for some time and the event has not caused much surprise. The capital of the bank is \$225,000, the deposits \$500,000, and the circulation \$130,000 at the last report.

The case of Hon. Leonard Myers, Republican contestant against Dr. John Moffett, in the Third Congressional District, was closed on Thursday. Mr. Myers proved during the examination over seven hundred fraudulent votes as having been polled for Dr. Moffett. The latter proved that but twenty five had been cast for Mr. Myers. The majority of Moffett was less than two hundred, and hence Mr. Myers will obtain the seat to which he was chosen by over five hundred majority.

The D. L. & W. Railroad.

Oswego, Feb. 18.—The Delaware, Lackawanna, & Western Railroad Co., of Pennsylvania, have purchased the Morris & Essex, and the Syracuse & Binghamton R. R's., and have obtained a perpetual lease of the Oswego & Syracuse R. R., thus forming an independent and direct route by rail from the seaboard to Lake Ontario.

The grant of public lands to the Pacific railroads are: Union and Central, all branches, 35,000,000 acres; Northern Pacific, 47,000,000; Atlantic and Pacific, 43,000,000—total 124,000,000 acres—

Under instruction from the United States Attorney General, nolle prosequit has been entered, at Richmond, in the case of Jefferson Davis and thirty eight other persons indicted for treason. Among these persons are William Smith Shelden, Breckinridge, Longstreet, Early, Ewell and Faulkner. The securities of Davis are released from their bond.

Commodore Vanderbilt made ten million dollars in one day recently; so it was stated in open court. If this is true, and it probably is, it is undoubtedly the largest sum ever made in the same time by one man since the beginning of history.

It is reported that the Cashier of the 4th National Bank, of Philadelphia is a defaulter in a sum said to exceed \$100,000, and that he has made his escape. There was a slight run on the bank, yesterday, but the doors were not closed.

They have submitted shooting for hanging out in Utah, Judge Drake recently sentenced Chauncey Millard, for murder "to be shot by the sheriff at Provo City, on the 29th." Truly the world moves.

The association for the prevention of gambling closed three hundred and seventeen houses in New York City last year. It is estimated that thirty millions are spent yearly in gambling at the "hells" of that city.

An oak tree was recently cut in Canada, N. H., which was four feet in diameter and yielded four tons of ship timber. It had a hollow in which eighty pounds of honey was found.

Ex-King Ferdinand, of Portugal, has consented to be a candidate for the Spanish Throne. It is understood that a majority of the members of the constituent Cortes are opposed to the Duke of Montpensier.

Quite a large armed Spanish force has arrived at Havana, and the Spanish Government will send out, as soon as transportation can be furnished, an additional reinforcement of at least 6,000 men.

Abner C. Wood, of Little Britain township, Lancaster county, drove to market, on the 12th inst., eight head of fat cattle, averaging the extraordinary weight of 2,100 pounds each.

While the people of the North are skating, and in many places sleighing, at this fore part of February, they are eating ripe water-melons down in Florida.

Gov. Geary, of Pennsylvania, on Saturday respited a man named Gerald Eaton, who had received the death sentence for murder.

Harry E. Chamberlain, aged 15, hung himself, on Tuesday, at Akron, Ohio.—His father committed suicide several years since.

A Buffalo despatch of Tuesday night told us of a snow storm, in that city and vicinity, which lasted for twenty-eight hours, and delayed all the triars.

At Harrisburg, on Monday last, Geo. Church and Marshall Quay had a hand blown off by the premature discharge of a cannon while firing a salute.

The Kansas Senate, refused, on Wednesday last, to strike out the word "white" from the State Constitution.

A bill locating the Capitol of West Virginia at Packerburg, has passed the West Virginia House.

A fashionable New York lady, recently in the course of two months, ran up a bill of more than \$22,000 at Stewart's.

Plowing has already commenced in some parts of Chester county.

Marriages in Philadelphia for the year 1868, 6,381. Deaths, 11,633.