



The Jeffersonian.

THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 1869.

The Township Election Returns will be found in this week's paper.

NOTICE.

Persons owing Bounty and Borough Tax for the year 1868, are requested to call and pay the same, on or before the 10th of April, 1869.

The Rev. Mr. Ridgway returned home from his attendance on Conference last week, and met with a hearty welcome from his many friends.

We have been informed that matters are progressing so well, as to warrant expectations that the new Lutheran Church, in this borough will be completed for dedication and religious services, early in September next.

For the last two Sabbaths the services in the Presbyterian Church have been interesting and the sermons able, eloquent and impressive.

Town Council.

A preliminary meeting of the newly elected Councils was held at Dr. Lantz's office, on Saturday evening last, when the board was organized for the ensuing year, as follows:

Chief Burgess—Jackson Lantz. Councilmen—Valentine Albert, Wm. Howard Merritt, James H. McCarty, George W. Drake, William S. Wintermute.

We observe that some of our streets are beginning to be dotted and somewhat obstructed again with piles of stones, bricks and lumber preparatory to building, of which there will be considerable done during the coming summer.

The velocipede made its appearance on our streets on Saturday last, and was viewed by our citizens with some interest, but not with undue excitement.

The many friends of Mr. Thomas H. Loehr, a former resident of this county, will be pleased to hear of him and his well doing, in the far off land in which he now resides.

"I am in good health, occupied at mining, and doing tolerably well for the winter season. I live within three miles of the summit of the Rocky Mountains. Snow is not over a foot in depth. The winter weather has been mild, and February, so far, delightful."

The letter is dated "Butte City, Montana, February 20th, 1869," was post marked March 1st, and reached our office on the 29th.

Opinion of the Supreme Court.

We publish, elsewhere, in this week's paper, the opinion of the Supreme Court in the case of Brooks and Orme, plaintiffs in error, versus Commonwealth, defendant in error.

Visitors to the Jail.

It will be seen by the following, which has been handed us for publication, that promiscuous visiting to the prisoners, under sentence of death, in our county jail, is, for the future, cut off.

"The Sheriff of the County of Monroe, the Deputy Sheriff and the Jailor having made representation to me, that the visitors to the condemned men in the County Jail are too numerous, and that unless the numbers are curtailed the safe keeping of the prisoners is rendered uncertain, it is hereby ordered that the Sheriff, the Deputy Sheriff and the Jailor admit no persons to the prison department of the Jail save the Ministers of the Gospel of Stroudsburg, the Prisoners' Attorneys, and Physicians if need be."

The Monthlies.

We have enjoyed a real feast of reason, during the past week, over the pages of the beautiful monthlies for April, with which, through the kindness of the publishers our table has been graced:

GODNY'S LADY'S BOOK, always first on hand, and always first best of the high priced monthlies, is, as usual, loaded down with good things, no matter to which department you may refer.

ARTHUR'S HOME MAGAZINE.—This is, by all odds, the cheapest, because the best, of the two dollar monthlies, and is but little, if anything behind the larger and more pretentious issues of the kind.

ONCE A MONTH, is another magazine bearing the imprint of T. S. Arthur & Sons, and is really one of the most elegant, attractive, fresh in matter, and entertaining of all the monthlies.

PACKARD'S MONTHLY, is also at hand, and right welcome is Packard. We can conceive of no greater literary luxury than a monthly set down with Greely, Louis Gaylord Clark, Junius Henri Brown, Dyer, Mark Twain, Olive Logan, and the host of like good people we are sure to meet in the punctual coming pages of Packard.

Another of the Arthur series, and one too which strongly commends itself to the attention of parents and guardians, is the CHILDREN'S HOUR, a magazine gotten up with especial regard for the wants of the little ones.

THE LITTLE CORPORAL, a magazine for boys and girls, and for older people who have young hearts, is also on our table. We have often, heretofore, spoken of this work in terms of commendation, and we see nothing in its enlarged and improved appearance to cause us to change our tone in relation to it.

At the special election held in Indiana last week to fill the places of the Democratic representatives who resigned to prevent a vote being taken on the Constitutional Amendment, nearly or quite all the former members were again chosen.

That president Grant will shortly nominate Ex Gov. Curtin as minister to Russia, is more than probable. The tender was one of the first made by the new President, and it is understood that Mr. Curtin returned a favorable answer.

The report that Col. McClure will accompany him abroad has no foundation in truth—the idea having never been entertained.

THE BRODHEAD MURDER. OPINION OF SUPREME COURT.

Wm. Brooks and Charles Orme vs. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Writ of error to the Court of Oyer and Terminer of Monroe County. Thomas Brodhead kept the Brainerd House in Dutots burg, Monroe county; on the 25th of September last, returning home, he was informed that his bar-drawer had been robbed by two men who had left a very short time before; with his brother Theodore Brodhead, he started in pursuit of the thieves, and overtook them within a mile from home; when he came up he told them they must go back with him; that his bar had been robbed, and they were supposed to be the men. Brooks said he would go back, Orme refused.

In Pennsylvania the point was made in Wakely vs. Hart (6 Binney, 318) decided in 1814, that the common law had been altered by the constitution, which, in the seventh section of the ninth article, declares "that the people shall be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and possessions from unreasonable arrest; and that no warrant to search any place, or seize any person or thing, shall issue without describing them as nearly as may be, nor without probable cause supported by oath or affirmation."

It is argued that larceny is not such a felony as justifies arrest. The force of this distinction is not discoverable. Though sometimes a light offence, it is often grave and important in its consequences. A loss which would be grievous to a poor man, and enlist all his energy in the pursuit, might scarcely be felt by one who is rich.

The killing was evidently not the result of anger and hot blood growing out of an unwarranted assault on the persons of the prisoners. It was prompted by recklessness of heart, and a consciousness of guilt which determined the prisoners' escape, even by the sacrifice of innocent lives. It was violent, heartless, cruel, and unnecessary, the pursuers having done no violent or dangerous act, and showing no arms or intention to injure.

The killing was evidently malicious; that is the result of depravity of heart and a cruel and wicked disposition. It was murder (whether of the first or second degree) it is not material to the present question and it was not manslaughter. The inducement which the law shows in cases of manslaughter is to the weakness of human nature, not its wickedness. It looks upon men as they are—the creatures of natural impulses, and when justly provoked and transported by passion, ungovernable and deaf to the voice of reason.

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The sentence of the court is affirmed, and the record is remitted for further proceeding according to law. Chief Justice Thompson endorsed on

by, and they may justify breaking open the doors upon following such felon, and if they kill him, provided he cannot be otherwise taken, it is justifiable, though if they are killed in endeavoring to make such an arrest, it is murder. Upon probable suspicion also a private person may arrest the felon or other person so suspected. But upon suspicion of felony only he cannot break open a house or kill the suspected person."

In New York, Chief Justice Savage stated the law thus: "If a felony has in fact been committed by the person arrested, the arrest may be justified by any person without warrant, whether there is time to obtain one or not. If an innocent person is arrested upon suspicion by a private individual, such individual is excused if a felony was in fact committed, and there was reasonable ground to suspect the person arrested. But if no felony was committed by any one, and a private individual arrest without warrant, such arrest is illegal, though an officer would be justified if he acted upon information from another which he had reason to rely on." (Holley vs. Wise; 3 Wendell, 353.)

General Hancock, it is said, positively declines being a Democratic candidate for next Governor of Pennsylvania. He prefers to retain his position in the army, which is certainly a very honorable one, though the Democrats insist that Grant and Sherman have treated him very badly. Our Pennsylvania democracy are therefore reduced to a choice between Asa Packer and George W. Cass, both of whom are rich and able to come down freely with the "sinews" needed to accomplish their political elevation.

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On Thursday last the House of Representatives of this State voted upon the ratification of the Fifteenth Article of the Federal Constitution, as proposed by Congress. The ratification was carried by over twenty majority, on a strictly party vote. About a week was consumed in the debate, which presented no striking points, as the question is so stale that nothing new can possibly be said.

Several members of the Society of Friends, and other citizens who are not members, living in Philadelphia, have lately visited Washington with the object of urging upon the Government a more humane policy in dealing with the Indian tribes. Samuel K. Shipley, Eli K. Price, William Welsh and George H. Stuart were among the persons interested. They presented their views to the President and the Secretary of the Interior, and were very kindly received. There is a very strong disposition on the part of the Government to adopt the suggestions offered.

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An insane woman, named Jane Bow, was murdered, in the Lunatic Asylum at Middletown, Mass., on Thursday night last, by a fellow patient.

The flooring of the Episcopal Church in Thomaston, Me., gave way on Sunday evening, precipitating 150 persons into the basement. Two persons were seriously injured, and a large number sustained slight wounds.

Township Elections.

Barrett Township.—Judge of Election, E. H. Helier; Auditor, S. N. Stright; Constable, Emery Price; Town Clerk, J. P. Zabriskie; Supervisors, J. W. Sutton, Peter Sees; School Directors, G. W. Sees, Ely Utt; Overseers of the Poor, Henry Schaller, Frederick Deubler; Inspectors, Joseph N. Stright, J. M. Carlton; Assessor, Dana Price.

Chestnut Hill.—Justice of the Peace, Samuel Arnold; Constable, Kindarus Shupp; Judge of Election, Adam H. Weiss; Supervisors, Joseph Kresge, Peter Kresge, William Schlass, Frederick Siglin; School Directors, Isaac Rodenback, John Snyder; Assessor, J. E. Hoodmaker; Auditor, Abel Storm; Inspectors, Jacob Greenamoyer, James Decker; Overseers of the Poor, Christian Decker, C. H. Heaney; Town Clerk, A. S. Hinton.

Coolbaugh.—Justices of the Peace, David K. Goodenough, John P. Dowling; School Directors, John Warner, James A. Young; Supervisors, Hiram Warner, Peter W. Schlecker; Overseers of the Poor, Daniel McCarty, Jerome B. Shaw; Auditor, N. S. Brittain; Constable, Simon Grober; Assessor, Joel B. Vleet; Town Clerk, John Warner; Judge of Election, Joseph Wilton; Inspectors, Amos Anglemoyer, Charles Transue.

Eldred.—Constable, John Frabel; Auditor, Philip Drumbeller; Supervisors, Jacob Correll, Jonas Berger; School Directors, David Berger, David Correll; Judge, Reuben Frazz; Inspectors, Levi Engler, Lewis Berger; Overseers of the Poor, George E. Dodendorf, John Correll; Town Clerk, Paul Graver; Assessor, Edward Franz.

Hamilton.—Constable, William McNeal; Supervisors, Andrew Dreher, Henry Ruth, Samuel Woodling; School Directors, Alton B. Shaffer, Joseph Kemmerer Jr., Overseers of the Poor, Joseph Hinkel, Jacob Cressman; Judge of the Election, George Snyder; Inspectors, Simon Stern, George K. Slutter; Assessor, William Hancy; Auditor, Levi Slutter; Town Clerk, Jacob H. Eetherman.

Jackson.—Justices of the Peace, Samuel R. Bossard, Jonas B. Miller; Inspectors, Jeremiah Kresge, James Steen; Constable, Joseph Heller; Supervisors, George H. Singer, Philip McCusky; Overseers of the Poor, Levi Warner, James Steen; Judge of Election, Peter Fraley; Assessor, John Hay; Auditor, Amundus Possenger; Town Clerk, Elias Singer; School Directors, George H. Singer, Peter Possinger.

Middle Smithfield.—Constable, Amzi Vanauken; Supervisors, Barney Decker, Peter Decker; School Directors, Emanuel G. Mosier, Henry B. Frutcher, Isaac Strunk; Overseers of the Poor, Wm. Shoumaker, John K. Place; Assessor, Amos D. Cortright; Judge of Election, John Turpenning; Inspectors, Moses Overfield, Alfred Albert; Auditor John Clark; Town Clerk, Charles W. Angle.

Paradise.—Constable, James Wilson, Jr.; Overseers of the Poor, James Henry, Henry Heller; Inspectors, Simon Wagner, John Setzer; Town Clerk, William C. Heller; Auditor, Francis Borrem; Judge, Jacob Koerker; Supervisors, Jacob Coffman, Henry Heller; Justices of the Peace, James Wilson, Jacob Hilger; Assessor, James Heller; School Directors, William Storm, George Wagner, Wm. C. Heller.

Pocano.—School Directors, John Woodling, Charles Arnold; Town Clerk, Samuel Shick; Judge of Election, John Algeger; Supervisors, Samuel Warner, John Arnold; Auditor, Jacob Lonn; Inspectors, Sebastian Singer, George S. Kupe; Overseers of the Poor, Peter Shick, Peter H. Metzger; Constable, Frank W. Giersch; Assessor, George Transue.

Polk.—Justices of the Peace, Joseph Gruber, Charles H. Bartholomew; Constable, Reuben Dotter; Supervisors, Harrison W. Dull, Charles Hawk; Assessor, Peter S. Hawk; Overseers of the Poor, George W. Kresge, Jacob Boyer; Auditor, Joel Berlin; School Directors, Amos Shaffer, James Kunkel; Judge of Election, John Berger; Inspectors, Rudolph Hawk, Thomas Altomose.

Price.—Justice of the Peace, Samuel Postens; Assessor, John L. Brush; Overseers of the Poor, Josiah B. Snow, Isaac Postens; Judge of Election, Daniel Long; Supervisors, Leonard Lessome, Peter Miller; Town Clerk Samuel Postens; Inspectors, Jacob Miller, Joseph Price; School Directors, John L. Brush, Daniel Long; Auditor, Lewis Price.

Ross.—Constable, Dana Roth; Judge of Election, Joseph Altomose; Inspectors, John D. Smith, Adam Correll; School Directors, William Smith, Philip Remel; Assessor, Samuel Lessig; Overseers of the Poor, Peter Lessig, Charles Buskirk; Auditor, William Smith; Town Clerk, Peter Lessig; Supervisors, Charles Buskirk, Charles Altomose.

Smithfield.—Constable, Lewis V. Williams; Justices of the Peace, Oscar Lakin, Peter M. Eilenberger; Overseers of the Poor, Benjamin Taylor, M. Strunk; Auditor, H. Yeisley; Assessor, D. A. Bush; Supervisors, P. Nowhart, M. Walter, Bennet Morgan; Inspectors, Joseph Staples, M. Shaler; Judge, G. Shannon; School Directors, Thomas Brodhead, E. P. Crossdale, Jacob B. Transue; Town Clerk, John Brodhead.

Stroud.—Constable, William Most-Cret; Supervisors, Abraham Metzger, Chas. Swink, Charles Plattenberger; Assessor, Amzi Coolbaugh; Overseers of the Poor, John S. Van Vleet, John Frankenberg; Inspectors, Philip S. Lee, Edward J. Mott; Judge of Election, John W. Huston; School Directors, Amzi Coolbaugh, J. S. Angle; Auditor, John W. Van Vleet; Town Clerk, Silas L. Drake.

Stroudsburg.—Chief Burgess, Jackson Lantz; Town Council, Valentine Albert, Wm. H. Merritt, James H. McCarty, Geo. W. Drake, W. S. Wintermute; School Directors, George F. Heller, Wm. Wallace, Theodore Schach; Judge of Election, Geo. La Rue; Inspectors, John Keener, Darius Dreher; Assessor, O. B. Gordon; Overseers of the Poor, Peter H. Robeson, Reuben Thomas; Constable, William E. Kiefer; Auditor, Charles R. Andre.

Tolyhanna.—Judge of Election, William Adams; Supervisors, Jacob Bonser, Jacob Smith, Josiah Dieter; School Directors, Frederick P. Miller, John Shaler; Constable, William Shiffer; Town Clerk, Samuel G. Eschenbach; Auditors, William Adams, Isaac Stouffer; Assessor, John White; Inspectors, Charles Blakelock, John B. Eschenbach.

Tunkhannock.—Constable, Josiah Merwine; Supervisors, George Altomose, Philip Greenamoyer; Judge, Perry Altomose; Inspectors, James Kresge, Thomas Altomose; Town Clerk, Jacob E. Altomose; Assessor, George W. Merwine; School Directors, Mathias George, George Altomose; Auditor, Thomas Altomose; Overseers of the Poor, Peter Merwine, Philip Greenamoyer.

Independent School District.—School Directors, Daniel Clark, Jacob H. Place,