

Election Returns of Northumberland County, held October 8, 1850.

Table with columns for various offices: Amendment, Canal Commissioner, Auditor General, Surveyor General, Congress, Assembly, Commissioner, District Attorney, Deputy Surveyor, Auditor. Lists candidates and their respective vote counts for each office.

MARYLAND ELECTION. The general election just held in Maryland has resulted in a glorious Democratic victory.

DEATH OF CHESTER BUTLER. The painful announcement, on Saturday afternoon, of the death of the Hon. CHESTER BUTLER, member of Congress for the Eleventh District, produced a profound sensation in our community.

MARRIAGE.—The Meredith Bridge (N. H.) Democrat states that a young gentleman and young lady at Centre Harbor, not many days since, requested Squire Thompson, of that place, to unite them in marriage.

A Parisian writer, in a eulogy on Balzac, the distinguished French novelist says: "As the greatest proof of his excellence as an author, may be mentioned the distinction which he shared with the great Moliere."

THE PRICE OF A HEN.—One hundred and twenty dollars has been paid for a hen in Massachusetts, where the poultry fever has been raging for a long time.

JENNY LIND IN PROVIDENCE.—Positive Geniu; comparative, Dodge; superlative Ross," we exclaimed involuntarily, on reading in our despatches that Col. Ross of the Providence and Worcester Express Company had paid \$650 for the first ticket for Jenny Lind's concert in Providence.

THE SNOW TRADE OF SICILY. The principal export from Catania is snow, in which a very lucrative trade is carried on with Malta, and some parts of the South of Italy.

THE SOLDIERS' BOUNTY LAND BILL, AS IT PASSED BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS. The act, of which a copy is annexed, from the immense amount of land which is disposed, and the great number of persons who are interested, may be regarded as one of the most important measures of the session.

THE CAPITOL AT WASHINGTON.—The \$100,000 voted by Congress to extend the National Capitol at Washington will, it is said, be used in the erection of a Senate Chamber, leaving the House of Representatives for another appropriation. The Senate Committee on public Buildings has offered \$500 premium for the extension of the Capitol.

ANOTHER NEW PLANET.—Mr. Hind, Secretary of the Royal Astronomical Society in London, discovered a new planet on the 18th of September. It is said to be an asteroid.

ATLANTIC WAVES.—At the late meeting of the British Association, an important paper was read by Rev. Dr. Scoresby, on the subject of the magnitude of Atlantic waves, their velocity and phenomena.

SIX DAILY PAPERS are now published at Milwaukee—two of them in German. In Chicago there are five dailies, in Detroit three, in Cleveland three, in Buffalo five, in Toledo two. There are 70 papers published in Virginia.

THE DETROIT TRIBUNE says that an English capitalist is to loan a million of dollars for the completion of the road from Fond du Lac down the Rock River Valley, Wisconsin, to Janesville, and thence to some point on the Galena and Chicago road.

OPINION OF THE COLUMBIA BRANCH OF THE HARRISBURG AND LANCASTER RAILROAD.—This road which has been making for the past year from Columbia to Middletown, in the Harrisburg and Lancaster Railroad Company, was put into operation within the past few days, and on Tuesday last was opened with quite a celebration.

VERY STRONG FAITH.—Brigham Young and two other Mormon saints, in calling the faithful to the Great Salt Lake city, close with the following appeal: "Push the Saints to Zion, and persuade all good brethren to come; who have a wheelbarrow and faith enough to roll it over the mountains."

BISHOP HUGHES has been elevated to the dignity of an Archbishop by the Pope, who, at the request of the late Provincial Council of Baltimore, has created the See of New York into an Archbishopric, with the Sees of Boston, Hartford, Albany and Buffalo, as Suffragan Sees.

OMNIBUSES IN LONDON.—Statistics just collected and published in London, state that no less than 3000 omnibuses are daily running in London, the aggregate number of horses being 30,000. The annual expenditure for harness and omnibuses is £180,000. Government duty is laid on these vehicles at the rate of 1/4, for every mile they travel daily, and as the average daily travel amounts to 60 miles, the revenue amounts to £393,750.

EMILE GIRARDIN.—The representative of France in the late Peace Congress, at Frankfurt—and who denounced war and loss of human life—shot, in a duel, the chivalrous Armand Carrel.

CHURCH BURNED.—The 1st Presbyterian Church at Paterson, N. J., together with the Session House, was burned on Saturday night. No insurance.

IOWA.—Daniel E. Miller, Whig, is elected to Congress in Iowa, by about 100 majority.

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SHERIFF'S SALE. BY Virtue of certain writs of Ven. Ex. p. me directed by the Court in the Borough of Sunbury, at one o'clock, P. M., on Monday the 4th day of November, the following Real Estate to wit—A certain

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THE AMERICAN. SUNBURY. SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1850.

TO ADVERTISERS.—The circulation of the Sunbury American among the different towns in the Susquehanna is not exceeded if equaled by any paper published in North Pennsylvania.

EDITOR'S TABLE. Business Notices.

Our readers will find the card of Mr. William Rockefeller in our advertising columns. Mr. Rockefeller has opened a law office in Minersville, Pa., and judging from his business habits and good conduct while here, we have no doubt of his success in his new location.

GOSBY'S LADY'S BOOK.—The November number is already on our table. It is a gem in the periodical line that cannot readily be excelled.—The illustrations, "The Evening Star" a beautiful engraving. "The Lord's Prayer" is something new and well calculated to please. It is to be followed by "The Creed" in the next number. The "Vase of Flowers" is another handsome illustration. The Lady's Book has the merit of constant improvement, and is now the best periodical of the kind published.

THE MOSK KNIGHT is the title of a novel of nearly two hundred pages, published by Dewitt & Davenport New York, at the low price of 50 cents. Some of our Exchanges who have read it speak highly of its merits.

THE MINERSVILLE BULLETIN is new paper just started at Minersville, by George Wynkoop. It makes a favorable appearance, editorially and otherwise.

THE LEWISBURG DEMOCRAT is the title of a new paper published at Lewisburg, by Mr. Samuel Shriver, the first number of which we have received. It is got up with taste and discrimination. We should be pleased to see Friend Shriver successful in his business, although we believe him radically wrong on the subject of the tariff.

RELIGIOUS NOTICES. The Rev. Mr. Craighead, of Northumberland, will preach next Sunday-afternoon, 3 o'clock, in the Lutheran Church, at this place.

The Rev. Mr. Mosgrave will hold service in St. Matthew's Church, Sunbury, on Sunday morning at 10 1/2 o'clock.

We give in another column the official returns for this county. The yeomanry of old Northumberland are always right side up. Her honest democrats can always come up to the mark, rain or shine. She can always be depended upon.

THE ELECTION.—The 13th District is redeemed. Mr. Gamble is elected. The incubus that has rested upon the democracy of the district is shaken off, and they have again gloriously triumphed. We congratulate them upon the victory. They may well be proud of the success of their efforts to throw off the yoke of whiggery.

The democratic county ticket is elected. Mr. Packer's majority is 1310. He has triumphed over all opposition, in spite of the treason in our own camp. Letters were addressed to him by a number of citizens of Northumberland and Milton, requiring him to pledge himself to vote for caucus nominations. These letters were originated by the few enemies of Gen. Cameron, in the hope of entrapping Mr. Packer. But he treated the letters with the contempt they merited, refused to be fettered by any pledges, and has come out of the contest with a higher majority than any other candidate on the ticket. He is well known as a warm personal friend of Gen. Cameron, and his triumphant election is another mark of the high esteem the people of this county have for Mr. Cameron.

STATE AND CONGRESSIONAL ELECTION.—Carbon county elects the whole democratic ticket except District Attorney, majority for Morrison, 150; Lehigh gives about 300 majority for Morrison. Chester—the whig ticket has a majority of 700; Dickey, whig, elected to Congress. Berks gives her usual majority, and J. Glancy Jones elected to Congress. Dauphin and Lebanon elect the whole whig ticket; Bibbighaus, whig, for Congress. York—whole democratic ticket elected; Kurtz, D, elected to Congress, and Danner, D, for the unexpired term of Nes. Schuykill gives the whole democratic ticket about 290 majority. Susquehanna gives the dem. ticket about 800 majority. Westmoreland and Bedford elect Snodgrass, dem. to Congress, and the full democratic ticket. Union gives about 700 whig majority; Eyster, volunteer candidate, elected Prothonotary. Columbia and Montour—Mc Reynolds, dem. elected Representative; Backalew, dem. to Senate; beating Best, H. B. Wright elected to Congress from this district. Lycoming gives 400 for democratic candidates.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY ELECTION.—For Assembly, John Vorhis (vol.) received in Sunbury, 2 votes; Milton, 26; Turbut, 11; Chillisquaque, 15. For Surveyor General, Kimber Cleaver received in Sunbury, 8 votes; Coal, 126; Shamokin, 1; Little Mahonoy, 3; Jackson, 4. For Auditor General, Mr. Neal received in Coal, 27 votes. For Canal Commissioner, Mr. Dowdes received in Coal 21 votes; Jackson, 1.

THE TARIFF. The editor of the Lewisburg Democrat in reporting the remarks of Mr. Gamble at Lewisburg, has evidently misunderstood him. We have conversed with Mr. Gamble on this subject and know that his opinions do not widely differ from our own.—Some of the original projectors and warmest friends of the tariff of 1846, acknowledge it to be defective in many particulars. Mr. Walker's numerous orders to collectors, to prevent frauds, are of themselves a tacit admission of the fact. Without "home valuations" and in many instances "specific duties" the present tariff will never answer, and this opinion is becoming pretty general. Facts are far more important than the abstractions of theorists. Under specific duties wines and brandies that were valued at \$107 have continued to decrease in value, until they are now deemed worth at home only from 48 to 60 cents per gallon.—Shawls that are appraised at the Boston Custom House worth in England 5 1/2 shillings, are appraised at the New York Custom House worth 3 1/2 shillings. So that our revenue system must depend in a great measure upon the interested judgment of foreign merchants, and the judgment and easy conscience of some of our Custom House appraisers. Besides out of 90 Custom Houses only 5 have appraisers.

But to return to Mr. Gamble's speech, from which we quote the following extract: "What is the minimum principle? It is to fix a fictitious value upon an article far above its real value, and then tax it accordingly. For instance, under the tariff '42 every square yard of cotton goods imported into the country, was assumed to be worth 20 cents per square yard, and taxed at that rate; consequently, the poor man, who purchased a yard of muslin or calico, which in London cost only 2 cents per yard, paid just as much duty on it as though it had cost twenty cents per square yard. A being a laboring man, and scarce in money, buys a shirt, the muslin of which, in London, cost 2 cents per yard. If being in more fortunate circumstances, buys a shirt, the muslin of which, in London, cost twenty cents per yard. The minimum principle of the Tariff of 1842, assumes both these pieces of muslin to be worth 20 cents per square yard, and lays an equal amount of duty on each; consequently, the poor man, who purchases the cheap article, pays ten times the amount of duty on the first cost of his article, that his rich neighbor does upon his! Was there ever such a bill of abominations palmed off on the credulity of man. It discriminated for the rich and against the poor—for CAPITAL, and against LABOR."

We can hardly believe that Mr. Gamble gave utterance to the following for these reasons:—First that the raw material or cotton alone is worth more than two cents per yard on good muslin, and the fact is notorious that although there was a duty amounting to 6cts per yard on British muslins, yet at the same time American muslins had been sent to English markets and sold cheaper, after paying duties, than the English could sell them. Yet according to the above theory the poor man has been paying a tax or duty on his muslin, of 6 cents per yard, although it will not be denied that our own manufacturers were producing the same article at home, at from 6 to 7 cents per yard. Then what becomes of the tax of 6 cents per yard unless we presume the manufacturer steals the material and works for nothing. Mr. Walker made some amusing theoretical blunders of the same character in his report, one of which was that every one using a ton of coal paid a tax of \$1.75, and yet nearly half the coal used in the United States did not, on an average, cost the consumers more over that sum, and we, poor simple souls, were paying \$1.75 duty when but for the tariff, we should have had it for nothing. Such is the result when facts are made subservient to theory.

The Sunbury Section, No. 127; Cadets of Temperance, at their meeting on Monday night, elected and installed the following named officers, for the ensuing quarter: J. H. Zimmerman, W. P.; Samuel J. Fry, 1st W. D.; William Youngman, 2d W. D.; John E. Heller, W. A.; James A. Scupham, V. A.; Alba C. B. Fisher, S.; Alexander J. Rocketteller, A. S.; Thomas D. Grant, T.; Joseph H. McCarty, A. T.; John E. Perkins, G.; Joseph R. Bright, U.; Senarous L. Krebs, W.; Samuel S. Hendricks, A. W.

FROM HAYTI.—CORONATION OF THE EMPEROR.—Hayti advices to the 16th ult., received at Boston, represent that the Emperor Soulouque, so far from having been assassinated by his Prime Minister, was actively engaged in preparations for his coronation, which was soon to take place with great pomp and ceremony. A large amount of rich furniture from France, for the furnishing of the palace, had lately been landed. No official order to stop the cutting of mahogany had yet appeared, and the report of that effect is doubted. Political matters remained perfectly tranquil.

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FREIGHT IN STEAMERS.—There is to be a large reduction in the price of freight on the American ocean steamers running between New York and Liverpool. This will further tend to take business from sailing vessels.

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or detachment in the services of the United States, in the war with Great Britain, declared by the United States on the eighteenth day of June, 1812, or in any of the Indian war since 1790, and each of the commissioned officers who was engaged in the military service of the United States in the late war with Mexico, shall be entitled to lands, as follows:—Those who engaged to serve twelve months, or during the war, and actually served nine months, shall receive one hundred and sixty acres; and those who engaged to serve six months, and actually served four months, shall receive eighty acres; and those who engaged to serve for any or an indefinite period, and actually served one month, shall receive forty acres. Provided, That where, over any officers or soldier, was honorably discharged in consequence of disability in the service before the expiration of his period of service, he shall receive the amount to which he would have been entitled if he had served the full period for which he had engaged to serve. Provided, the person so having been in service shall not receive said lands, or any part thereof, if it shall appear by the muster rolls of his regiment of corps that he deserted, or was dishonorably discharged from service, or if he had received or is entitled to any military land bounty under any act of Congress heretofore passed.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, &c., That the period during which any officer or soldier may have remained in captivity with the enemy, shall be estimated and added to the period of his actual services, and the person so detained in captivity shall receive land under the provision of this act in the same manner that he would be entitled, in case he had entered the service for the whole term made up by the addition of the time of his captivity, and had served during such term.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, &c., That each commissioned and non-commissioned officer, musician, and private, for whom provision is made that the first section hereof, shall receive a certificate or warrant from the Department of the Interior, for the quantity of land to which he may be entitled, and which may be located by the warrants, or his heirs at law, at any Land office of the United States, in one body, and in conformity to the legal subdivisions of the public lands, upon any of the public lands in such district, subject to private entry; and upon the return of such certificate or warrant, with evidence of the location thereof having been legally made, to the general land office, a patent shall be issued therefor. In the event of the death of any commissioned or non-commissioned officer, musician, or private prior or subsequent to the passage of this act, who shall have received bounty land for said services, a like certificate or warrant shall be issued in favor, and inure to the benefit of his widow who shall receive one hundred and sixty acres of land, in case her husband was killed in battle, but not to her heirs. Provided, she is unmarried at the date of her application. Provisions of this act shall not be laid upon any land of the United States to which their shall be an actual settlement and cultivation, except with the consent of such settler, to be satisfactorily proven to the proper land office.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, &c., That all sales, mortgages, letters of attorney, or other instruments of writing going to effect the title or claim to any warrant or certificate issued, or to be issued, or any land granted, or to be granted, under the provisions of this act, made or executed prior to the issue, shall be null and void, to all intents and purposes whatsoever; nor shall such certificate or warrant, or the land obtained thereby, be in anywise affected by, or charged with, or subject to, the payment of any debt or claim incurred by such officer or soldier prior to the issuing of the patent: Provided, That the benefits of this act shall not accord to any person who is a member of the present Congress, provided, further, That it shall be the duty of the Commissioners of the General Land Office, under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior, to cause to be located, free of expense, any warrant which the holder may transmit to the General Land office for that purpose, in such State and land district as the said holder or warrantee may designate, and upon good farming land, so as the same can be ascertained from the maps, plates and field notes of the surveyor, or from any other information in the possession of the local office; and upon the location being made as aforesaid, the Secretary shall cause a patent to be transmitted to such warrantee: And provided, further, That no patent issued under this act shall be delivered upon any power of attorney or agreement dated before the passage of this act, and that all such powers of attorney or agreements be considered and treated as null and void.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 2. ITEMS FROM WASHINGTON.—The President has withdrawn his objections to the Bounty bill, and it has now become a law. Wm. R. Thompson has declined the appointment of Recorder in the Land office, and Nathan Sargent has been reappointed.

BALLOON ASCENTION.—J. Posey, made another ascention in his balloon, on Saturday afternoon, from Reading, Pa. He started at half-past three o'clock, proceeded forty miles, and landed at twenty minutes before five, having made the voyage in one hour and ten minutes.

FIRE IN JERSEY SHORE. We learn from private sources that a terrible fire broke out in Jersey Shore Lycoming county on last Friday night, and destroyed a greater part of a large building called the "Arcade," owned by Col. Geo. Crane, and containing the following establishments, all of which were burnt out, viz: the "Republican" printing office, Shoop & Norton's tinners shop, H. C. Gibson's drug store, Ray's barber shop, and the house occupied by Col. S. S. Seely, as a dwelling; also, Lechler's Arcade, containing a cabinet maker shop, the office of Drs. M. Murry and Pious, and Leckler's tailor shop. We have not been able to gather any further particulars, nor learned the amount of the loss, or the origin of any fire.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That each of the surviving, or the widow or minor of deceased commissioned and non-commissioned officers, musicians, or privates, whether of regular, volunteers, rangers of militia, who performed military services in any regiment, company

of the British Association, an important paper was read by Rev. Dr. Scoresby, on the subject of the magnitude of Atlantic waves, their velocity and phenomena. In this paper Dr. Scoresby, who is a veteran sailor as well as a sound divine, gave a vivid description of a storm which he had witnessed on the Atlantic; and stated that the result of his observations on that occasion was, that he had discovered that the height of the waves from the trough to the crest was forty-three feet, and that their average velocity was thirty-two and a fraction miles per hour. This it was stated, confirmed the observations made on the velocity of waves reported to the association in 1843, by Mr. Scott Russell, who set down their velocity at from thirty to thirty-two miles an hour.

SIX DAILY PAPERS are now published at Milwaukee—two of them in German. In Chicago there are five dailies, in Detroit three, in Cleveland three, in Buffalo five, in Toledo two. There are 70 papers published in Virginia. In Pennsylvania there are 318 daily and weekly newspapers, 3 semi-weeklies, 6 monthlies, 25 monthly magazines, and 5 quarterlies.

THE DETROIT TRIBUNE says that an English capitalist is to loan a million of dollars for the completion of the road from Fond du Lac down the Rock River Valley, Wisconsin, to Janesville, and thence to some point on the Galena and Chicago road.

OPINION OF THE COLUMBIA BRANCH OF THE HARRISBURG AND LANCASTER RAILROAD.—This road which has been making for the past year from Columbia to Middletown, in the Harrisburg and Lancaster Railroad Company, was put into operation within the past few days, and on Tuesday last was opened with quite a celebration.

VERY STRONG FAITH.—Brigham Young and two other Mormon saints, in calling the faithful to the Great Salt Lake city, close with the following appeal: "Push the Saints to Zion, and persuade all good brethren to come; who have a wheelbarrow and faith enough to roll it over the mountains."

BISHOP HUGHES has been elevated to the dignity of an Archbishop by the Pope, who, at the request of the late Provincial Council of Baltimore, has created the See of New York into an Archbishopric, with the Sees of Boston, Hartford, Albany and Buffalo, as Suffragan Sees.

OMNIBUSES IN LONDON.—Statistics just collected and published in London, state that no less than 3000 omnibuses are daily running in London, the aggregate number of horses being 30,000. The annual expenditure for harness and omnibuses is £180,000. Government duty is laid on these vehicles at the rate of 1/4, for every mile they travel daily, and as the average daily travel amounts to 60 miles, the revenue amounts to £393,750.

EMILE GIRARDIN.—The representative of France in the late Peace Congress, at Frankfurt—and who denounced war and loss of human life—shot, in a duel, the chivalrous Armand Carrel.

CHURCH BURNED.—The 1st Presbyterian Church at Paterson, N. J., together with the Session House, was burned on Saturday night. No insurance.

IOWA.—Daniel E. Miller, Whig, is elected to Congress in Iowa, by about 100 majority.

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SHERIFF'S SALE. BY Virtue of certain writs of Ven. Ex. p. me directed by the Court in the Borough of Sunbury, at one o'clock, P. M., on Monday the 4th day of November, the following Real Estate to wit—A certain

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