

ARRIVAL OF THE EMPIRE CITY AT NEW ORLEANS. LATER FROM CALIFORNIA.

Nearly two million in gold on the way to N. York. News from Nicaragua. Lockridge's retreat confirmed. His men returning home. Death of Gen. Walker's brother.

NEW ORLEANS, April 27. The steamer Empire City, with California dates to the 5th instant, is in the river coming up.

The Pacific Express Company has failed. Business at California is dull, but Chinese products are advancing in price.

The steamer Illinois left Aspinwall for New York with nearly a million and a half in gold.

Senator Foote has returned to the Democratic party. The Pacific Express Company has failed.

Private despatches received at Aspinwall also confirm the reported battle by the late steamer, and that another attack was expected on the 26th inst.

Gen. Walker's brother died on board the Empire City yesterday.

From the Boston Traveller. ANOTHER INTERESTING EXCITING SCENE IN COURT.

In the Supreme Court yesterday, the proceedings were of a deeply interesting character. Some sixteen letters were read to the jury on the part of the defence, to show the State of feeling which existed between the parties

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THE AMERICAN SUNBURY. SATURDAY, MAY 2, 1857.

H. B. MASSER, Editor and Proprietor.

TO ADVERTISERS.—The circulation of the Sunbury American varies from 2500 to 3000 copies per week.

Democratic State Nominations.

For Governor Gen. WILLIAM F. PACKER, OF LYCOMING COUNTY.

Judge of the Supreme Court, Hon. ELLIS LEWIS, OF PHILADELPHIA.

For Canal Commissioner, NIMROD STRICKLAND, OF CHESTER COUNTY.

EDITOR'S TABLE.

Business Notices.

New MILLINERY AND FANCY STORE.—See the advertisement of Miss Sarah Martz, who has opened a new store in this place.

MILL PROPERTY FOR RENT.—See the advertisement of Miss Isaac Vincent.

New Dress.—See advertisement of A. W. Fisher of this place.

CHANGE OF TIME.—The cars on the Philadelphia and Sunbury Railroad now leave this place at 7 1/2 o'clock A. M., instead of 8 A. M., as heretofore. This change took place on Monday last.

NORTHERN CENTRAL RAILROAD.—The work on this road, up to Trevorton bridge, is all graded and the track will be completed in a few weeks.

The bill separating the office of Superintendent of Common Schools from the office of Secretary of the Commonwealth has passed both Houses, and was signed by the Governor.

THE SHAMOKIN BANK BILL has passed both Houses, as have nearly all the Bank bills that have been reported in the Legislature.

A HANDSOME STORE.—Messrs. DEPPIN & HENR of Trevorton have opened their new store in the building just erected upon the site of the old store, which was destroyed by fire.

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PERSONAL. We published, week before last, the proceedings of court in brief. Our neighbors of the Gazette published the same, the week following, with some slight, though not wholly correct, alterations, in several cases in which we were a party, and the addition of the names of the attorneys, one of whom, though he figures in the Gazette, did not figure much before the Bar of Judge Jordan, except a brief interval at the head and tail end of the court.

THE MAIN LINE.—We published in another column, an article on the sale of the main line of our public works. We have, heretofore, opposed its sale, but as the prospects of making it pay are growing less every year, we think the State had better dispose of it.

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DEATHS.

In Scranton Pa., on the 17th inst. of Scarlet fever, WALTER, an interesting little son of Dr. G. W. & Amanda Messer, of that place, aged about 6 years.

The Markets.

Philadelphia Market. April 29, 1857. GRAIN.—Wheat—Sales of prime new Pennsylvania red at \$1 5/8 @ \$1 5/6 and 1 6/3 for good white. Rye—Pennsylvania at 83 cents.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. New Drugs, Paints, &c. NEW supply of Drugs, Paints, Oils, Fluid, &c., just received and for sale by A. W. FISHER.

NEW MILLINERY STORE. Miss SARAH MARTZ, respectfully informs the citizens of Sunbury and surrounding country, that she has opened a new Store of Millinery and Fancy Goods, at Sunbury, in Market street, nearly opposite Weaver's Hotel, where all kinds of Bonnets and Fancy Goods can be had at the lowest terms.

Centre Turnpike Road. NOTICE is hereby given that an election for Managers and other officers of the Centre Turnpike Road to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the house of C. S. Brown, in Northumberland, on Monday the first day of June, next, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 3 o'clock P. M.

PUBLIC SALE. SPLENDID MILL PROPERTY. WILL be sold at Public Sale, on the premises, on SATURDAY the 30th day of May next, all that certain MILL PROPERTY, known as "VINCENT'S MILL,"

situate in Delaware township, Northumberland county, but a short distance from the Watson Hotel, and the Philadelphia and Erie Railroad, and near the mouth of the Warrior Run. The MILL is erected on the Warrior Run, a short distance from its mouth—has a first rate WATER POWER—the pool covering about two acres of land, and attached to the Mill is a good building lot containing one acre.

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P. MELANCHTON SHINDEL, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, SUNBURY, PA. Office in Deer Street, immediately opposite the Public School House.

LAST NOTICE. All persons, great or small, rich or poor, indebted to the subscriber, are requested to call and settle their accounts within ten days, under the penalty of having the same placed in the hands of a Magistrate for collection.

NOTICE. The stockholders of the Shamokin Steam Ferry and Tow-boat Company will take notice that an election to choose five directors for the ensuing year will be held at the office of the Company, Sunbury, Pa., on the 4th day of May next, at 10 o'clock A. M.

PUBLIC SALE OF FOUR CANAL BOATS. THESE subscribers will sell at Public outcry on SATURDAY, the 23rd day of MAY, at one o'clock P. M., FOUR CANAL BOATS, now lying in the Trevelton Coal Company's Basin, Treton, on the Treton Canal.

Legislative News.

PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATURE. HARRISBURG, April 28, 1857. SENATE.—The nomination of Henry C. Hickock as Superintendent of the Common Schools, was unanimously confirmed.

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