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REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

NATIONAL.

FOR PRESIDENT,
HON. JAMES G. BLAINE, of Maine.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT,
GEN. JOHN A. LOGAN, of Illinois.

STATE.

CONGRESSMAN-AT-LARGE,
GEN. E. A. OSBORNE, of Luzerne.

ELECTORS-AT-LARGE.
John Leisenring, of Carbon.
James Dobson, of Philadelphia.
Calvin Wells, of Pittsburgh.

DISTRICT ELECTORS.

1. Edwin J. Stuart.	15. Jos. T. Jennings.
2. John Mundell.	16. Jos. A. Ege.
3. Wm J. McLaughlin.	17. Jos. B. Hileman.
4. Edm'd L. Levy	18. B. F. Junkin.
5. Jos. B. Altemus.	19. Thomas H. Bryson.
6. Horace A. Beale.	20. Wm. P. Duncan.
7. Alfred Tuckenthall.	21. Wm. J. Hitchman.
8. Isaac McHose.	22. Geo. T. Oliver.
9. J. P. Wickersham.	23. Josiah Cohen.
10. Sam. B. Thatcher.	24. Michael Weyand.
11. John Swabedit Jr.	25. Chas A. Randall.
12. Daniel Edwards.	26. Cyrus Kitchen.
13. P. W. Shepler.	27. Lemuan B. Wood.
14. Lane S. Hart.	

COUNTY.

FOR ASSEMBLY,
ANDREW J. COLBORN, of Somerset Bor.
WILLIAM S. MORGAN, of Jenner Twp.

FOR PROTHONOTARY,
NORMAN B. CRITCHFIELD, of Jenner Twp.

FOR SHERIFF,
JOHN WISTERS, of Somerset Twp.

FOR REGISTER AND RECORDER,
CHARLES C. SHAFER, of Somerset Bor.

FOR TREASURER,
CYRUS C. SCHROCK, of Somerset Twp.

FOR COMMISSIONERS,
PETER DUMBAULD, of Milford Twp.
ADAM C. LEPLEY, of Elklick Twp.,

FOR POOR HOUSE DIRECTOR,
JOSIAH ANKENY, of Somerset Twp.

FOR COUNTY AUDITORS,
JACOB K. BOWMAN, of Somerset Twp
JOSEPH W. MEYERS, of Milford Twp.

For the Campaign!

THE HERALD will be mailed to any address from now until November 15th for FIFTY CENTS. The campaign now opening will be an exciting and most important one. As the HERALD never gave forth an uncertain sound, it will be found as usual, in the fore-front of the column waging battle for the principles and candidates of the Republican party. It will aim to keep its readers fully informed on all important features of the campaign, and to preserve its well established reputation for being the leading journal of the county. Now is the time to subscribe—only FIFTY CENTS from now until the close of the campaign.

HENDRICKS has his letter of acceptance ready to fire off, but is holding on until Cleveland writes his, or declines.

AFTER a vigorous contest, the Republicans of Blair county last week declared in favor of Hon. Samuel McCamant as their choice for Congressman. Mr. McCamant beat Hon. John A. Lemon one vote in the Convention.

IT looks very much as if John Kelly and Tammany were going to support Butler. The New York *Sun*, the ablest Democratic paper in the land, is booming him, and Cleveland's chances of carrying New York are looking very blue.

THE best thing Cleveland can do for his party is to withdraw from the canvass, and permit it to name another candidate. His lack of morality will surely cost him thousands of votes among the decent members of his party.

THE best evidence in the world that the Democrats are getting shaky over the probable result in West Virginia at the October election, is the fact that a loud howl has been set up that the Republicans are trying to buy up Democratic voters.

A transparent campaign trick is for life long Democrats to join "Independent Republican" campaign clubs, and thus make the revolt appear larger than it really is. This is an innocent way of making political capital for the shouters to crow over.

THE Democrats are in an agony of suspense awaiting Cleveland's letter of acceptance. After consulting Tilden, he has gone off on a pleasure trip which will last several weeks. Meanwhile his party friends must possess their souls in patience. The mountain is in labor, and may produce a mouse.

THE announcement that General Butler will run as an "Anti-Monopoly-Greenback-Labor candidate," for President, has caused quite a twitter in the Democratic ranks. An electoral ticket in New York and Massachusetts would probably draw the workingmen largely from Cleveland, and tickets in Louisiana, South Carolina and Mississippi, where the colored vote is largely in the majority, might secure it and thus break the Solid South. The Democrats are alarmed at the prospect, and the Republicans disposed to be jubilant.

THAT portion of our country lying between Boston and Washington city was considerably stirred up by an earthquake shock, or rather three distinct shocks, on Sunday afternoon last, about five minutes past two o'clock. The vibrations were sensibly felt in the cities of Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Boston and Washington, and intermediate points. People were much alarmed and terrified, and the wildest rumors were set afloat. No material damage has so far been reported, although in some places houses rocked, ceilings were cracked and articles of household furniture disturbed.

HON. B. K. BRUCE, (colored,) Register of the Treasury, is on the stump in Ohio. He spoke to over 3,000 people at Cambrige on Wednesday last, mainly on the tariff question. He is one of the finest speakers in this country.

THERE is much exultation in the ranks of the "Too good for anything" reformers, that the strict enforcement of the civil service rules is preventing Government employees from making contributions to the campaign funds. Inasmuch as a canvass cannot be carried on without money for legitimate expenses, we presume that these purists intend to make liberal subscriptions from their own pockets, and that the party treasury will soon be overflowing.

Now that all the counties in this Congressional district have held their primary elections, and Bedford, Cambria and Blair have each placed a candidate in the field, we suggest that the district conference be held at an early a day as is convenient and the candidate agreed upon. The sooner the Republicans of this district know who their candidate is to be, the better will it be. Until the county tickets are supplemented by the district nominations the campaign will lag.

THE encampment of the "State Guard" on the Gettysburg battle field last week, is reported as the most beneficial and successful encampment of our State troops ever held. Seven thousand five hundred men were under arms. On Wednesday General Phil. Sheridan and Secretary of War Lincoln arrived at camp and reviewed the troops. The General afterwards declared it to be the "finest review he had seen since the disbandment of the Army of the Potomac."

WHEN George William Curtis, who was a delegate to the Republican National convention, kicked, there was a roar of Democratic delight, and he was received into the fold with shouts of applause. Now, that General Benjamin F. Butler, who was a delegate to the Democratic National convention, has kicked, he is unsparingly abused by the same journals that cheered Curtis to the echo for his "manly independence." What a difference it makes as to whose ox is gored.

THE New York *Tribune*, after looking over the field, as it presents itself to-day, concludes that Mr. Blaine is much stronger and Mr. Cleveland much weaker than at the time of their respective nominations. It asserts that the Independent revolt against Mr. Blaine, instead of increasing, has diminished, and that his position on the tariff and on the foreign policy of the government have drawn to his support large bodies of Democrats, as instance the great meeting of Irish voters in Chickering Hall, that declared in his favor. On the other hand it asserts that "it is equally clear that Governor Cleveland is weaker than he was at first. Several influential journals now oppose him which heartily favored him at first, and from others there comes only an eloquent passage of silence. The Albany *Times* admits that a hostility originating within his own party is "spreading through the country like wildfire," and "withers and shrivels the prospects of Mr. Cleveland." It appears, too, that the opposition to him on account of his vetoes is strong and persistent. The fact that his campaign is managed by "Seven Mule" Barnum, and by Mr. Hubert O. Thompson, the head of the corrupt city ring, has made it ridiculous to present him as an angel of light or a champion of purity.

It must be said, then, that the canvass has thus far gone favorably to Mr. Blaine; he has visibly gained, and his opponent has perceptibly lost ground. There are nearly three months yet, in which the tendency may be changed. But if things go on six weeks longer as they have during the month since Mr. Cleveland was nominated, he will answer the worst expectations of those Democrats who opposed his nomination at Chicago."

DEFAMATION, forgery, and mud-throwing have always been the weapons used by the Democratic party, as instance the bitter personalities indulged in against Lincoln, Grant and Garfield. Now, that Mr. Cleveland is being clubbed with the favorite weapons of his own party, in the hands of his party friends, the protest against calumny as a political weapon, being made by a portion of the Democratic press, comes with an especially ill grace.

The HERALD has nothing to do with any calumny aimed at either candidate. It does not believe that mud-slinging is an effective weapon in a Presidential campaign; it has never resorted to it, and does not propose to do so now. Of the charges against Governor Cleveland's personal character it proposed to say nothing, believing that he could be readily beaten on the issues joined in the campaign. But those charges, which were first made public through a leading Democratic paper in his own State, have been so freely commented on by a portion of the Democratic and Independent press that they cannot be longer ignored by any journal purporting to be a newspaper or claiming to lay the political situation before its readers. The truth of the unsavory stories is attested by several ministers in Buffalo, Mr. Cleveland's home, and we presume no denial of them is contemplated, as the New York *Evening Post*, a warm supporter of Cleveland, in an elaborate defense of him says, as delicately as possible, "It is admitted by Governor Cleveland's friends that twelve years ago he formed an irregular connection with a widow," and the Boston *Post*, another leading advocate of his, sets up as a defense, that while he "has not lived a chaste life," "his connection with impure women has not been flaunted in the face of the public."

The bitter fruits of their own bad example, has now returned to plague the Democrats. They started into this campaign with calumnious stories against Mr. Blaine, and the open declaration that its issues should be personal ones, and lo! retribution has overtaken them. The stories against their candidate originated among themselves, have been made public chiefly through Democratic papers, and the leaders of the party were not ignorant of them when they nominated him. The engineer has been hoist by his own petard.

EDITORIAL CHATTER.

New York Times (Ind.): It is St. John against the demijohn.

St Louis Globe-Democrat (Rep.): An enthusiastic Democrat calls Cleveland a "gilt-edged candidate." Yes, he is—with a "u" in it.

New Orleans Picayune (Dem.): Ben Butler accepts more nominations and gets less offices than any man in the business.

Hartford Telegram (Rep.): If Horace Greeley were alive he would catch Whitelaw Reid by the slack of the pants and reason with him.

Hartford Post (Rep.): Grover Cleveland inaugurated the baby kissing campaign Thursday. If reports are true he should have begun it years ago.

Indianapolis Journal (Rep.): The Independents did not want to go into "a defensive campaign" with Blaine, and, therefore, they picked on Cleveland as their candidate.

Boston Pilot: If General Butler runs for President on the Labor and Anti-Monopoly nominations he can not be elected, perhaps; but most assuredly neither can Cleveland.

New York Sun (Dem.): Our grievance is of the simplest and plainest nature. There is nothing about it to require investigation. We have published it repeatedly, and will publish it again whenever it is asked for. We hold that Grover Cleveland is not fitted to be President, and that he has done nothing to merit such promotion.

THE Tolede *Blade* nails a glaring lie concerning the German press of Ohio. Democratic journals are publishing a statement to the effect that of seventeen German papers published in that State not one is for Blaine. If there are but that number of German journals in Ohio, then, according to the *Blade*, all but four are laboring hard in the Republican cause. It names the Blaine journals as follows:

Cincinnati—the *Volksblatt*, daily and weekly, the oldest and most influential German daily in that city; the *Freie Presse*, daily and weekly; *Unsere Zeitz*, daily and weekly. Cincinnati, with its enormous German population, has but one Democratic German paper—the *Volksfreund*. Cleveland—the *Anzeiger*, daily and weekly. Toledo—the *Express*, daily and weekly, is an ardent supporter of Blaine, and reports the most enthusiastic feeling among its patrons in his favor, and large accessions to the list of its weekly from Lucas county and Northwestern Ohio. Steubenville—the *Germania*, weekly. Portsmouth—the *Correspondent*, weekly. We are not certain, but are under the impression that the *Sonntagsgast*, of Columbus, an independent German paper, has also come out for Blaine. Not one German Republican paper has refused to support him and the Toledo *Express* supports the Republican ticket for the first time in several years. The German Republicans are all in line, active and full of enthusiasm.

The Blaine papers are teeming with shocking stories about alleged women scrapes in the private life of Governor Cleveland long years ago. —*St. Louis Post-Dispatch.*

This falsehood may as well be stopped. The Cincinnati *Commercial-Gazette* states the simple truth in saying that the serious accusations against Governor Cleveland were first made public by the Democrats themselves. The first information New Yorkers derived on the subject was from the columns of that sterling Democratic paper, the Rochester *Union*, then edited by the Hon. William Purcell, at that very moment on the Democratic electoral ticket of this State. The attention of the whole country was first directed to them by the discussions of Democrats at the Chicago Convention. They have now obtained circulation in one Independent paper in Buffalo, and in a three column article giving all the revolting details in the Cincinnati *Enquirer*, the chief Democratic organ of Ohio, if not of the whole west. The *Commercial-Gazette* adds, as to Republican editors: "They might have used it two years ago, when Cleveland was running for Governor of New York, for the facts were almost as well known then as now to the newspaper profession. But they studiously refrained from even alluding to it." At present the specific charges are made in a dispatch from the Rev. George H. Ball, of Buffalo, and in the Catholic *Universe*, of Cleveland, the organ of Bishop Spaulding. The Republican journals have been and are quite content to rest their appeal to the people upon the differences between the two great parties on the tariff and other grave questions of National policy.—*N. Y. Tribune.*

Bob Burdette is out with a piece of advice to young voters. He says:

My son, you will cast your first vote for President next November. I don't want to influence your vote. I don't want you to vote for a certain man just because certain other men do. I want you to be able to give a reason for your vote. I want you to go to the polls in good company. As a young man of progressive ideas, I want you to be abreast of the world and shoulder to shoulder with the times when you walk up to the polls. I want you, on entering politics, to align with the party that has the purest, most progressive record. I don't care a cent, my boy, whether you are a Republican or a Democrat. There are honest men, patriotic citizens, good Christians in both parties. Only, I don't want to see you walk up to the polls and cast your first vote with the party

That upheld human slavery as a divine institution;

That bought and sold men, women and babies like so many mules;

That fired on Fort Sumter and the American flag;

That for nearly five years fought to destroy the Union;

That opposed the issue of greenbacks when the Government was fairly perishing for want of them;

That organized mobs and riots to oppose the draft;

That swept American commerce from the seas with armed privateers;

That is the party of Boss Tweed and Jefferson Davis;

That polls its heaviest majorities in the most vicious and ignorant precincts;

That is strongest in the States where the percentage of illiteracy is greatest;

That has opposed every liberal and progressive measure in legislation during the last quarter of a century;

That was the defender of slavery;

That is the defender of Mormonism.

That slandered Garfield; and

That assassinated Lincoln.

Now, as I have said before, my son, I don't care whether you are a Republican or a Democrat. Choose for yourself. Just keep away from the crowd whose record I have very briefly outlined. Find the party to whom this record belongs; and then forever keep away from it. You need not be particular with which party you unite, if you don't join that one. Always vote against that party, and you will always vote about right. I am a Republican, but will shake hands with fraternal love with any Democrat who votes against that record. That kind of a Democrat is always good enough Republican for me.

P. S.—I have never found that kind of a Democrat.

The Presidential Year.

WASHINGTON, August, 6.—Secretary McPherson, of the Republican Congressional Committee said today that the reports received from New York indicate that the publication of the "Cleveland scandal" has given the Independents a chill from which they can never entirely recover. Carl Schurz's efforts to warm them up again are futile. Even the furnace of an investigating committee cannot restore their normal warmth he says. To vote with the Democrats would be inconsistan with their high moral declarations that many of them are seeking the best means of getteng out of the difficulty quietly.

Schurz and Curtis will soon be without a following, and Blaine will carry New York by 75,000 majority. Republicans who voted for Cleveland for governor, he says, tell him the same story.

The *Star* to-night says: "A German politician, who arrived in this city from Cincinnati last night says he never saw politics more mixed than they are now in and about the city. He said he went about among every class of Germans and found them very much divided. The substantial business men among them, however, he says are opposed to any change, and will vote for Blaine with a good chance of bringing back their discontented brethern."

Reports from Wisconsin and Kansas indicate a serious disaffection among the Germans and liquor men in those states. Ex-Congressman Murch says that he met a prominent Prohibitionist politician from Kansas yesterday who said that Blaine would get nearly all the Prohibition vote from that state. "St. John," he said, "would not poll more than 2000 or 5000 votes. The Germans are very much dissatisfied with Blaine, but most of them may be depended upon not to vote with the Democrats."

Sorry for Cleveland.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—The withdrawal of Governor Cleveland from the Democratic ticket is beginning to be seriously discussed. Politicians coming here from various sections bring reports of the discontent among the Democratic masses, and it is said that the feeling against Cleveland is growing so rapidly that something will have to be done to stem the tide of the indignation which exists emong the honest, respectable church-going voters of the Democratic party, which threatens to sweep away all party feeling and send over to the Republican ranks hundreds of thousands of the best class of Democrats.

It is openly aserted by many that nothing can save the party except the immediate withdrawal of Cleveland from the ticket. There is also a demand made for withdrawal from another quarter. Democrats are found here who say that the support of the George William Curtis and Carl Sheurz class of politicians is doing the democratic ticket immeasurable damage, and there is considerable of a growl going up against allowing these "Holier than thou" Republicans to run the Democratic campaign as they are doing.

The leaders of the party are being loudly cursed for permitting Carl Schurz to assume leadership in conducting the campaign. A Democrat, speaking of this matter, said to-day: "The Independents have taken the cempaign in their own hands, and our leaders seem to accept the situation with good grace. It may be that they do not want to depose the dilettante stripe of politicians, and are afraid they cannot. In view of the present condition of things I cannot for the life of me see why our campaign committees might not just as well disband. The idea of a man like Carl Schurz taking the part of leader, or any part, for that matteer, in a canvass to elect Cleveland and Hendrics! Why, he abetted and aided in the fraud which deprived Hendricks of the vice-presidency in 1876, and participated in the spoils of that national robbery."

Blaine at Old Orchard.

OLD ORCHARD, Me., August 7.—Mr. Blaine and party arrived from Portland this morning. The streets were filled by a crowd which gave Blaine an ovation. Upon arrival at the hotel Mr. Blaine had a conference with Professor Downing, of Utica. It is estimated that 25,000 persons, including 5,000 old soldiers, are here to-day to attend the encampment of the Grand Army. Most of the visitors attended Blaine's public reception in the Old Orchard House. Blaine stood in the centre of the parlor and the crowd passed in single file and shook hands with him and Governor Robie. The reception ended at noon.

What Kelly Thinks of it.

SARATOGA, August 7.—John Kelly was asked what he thought of Butler, and replied:

"It puts an entirely new face on the whole situation. With three candidates in the field, the canvass will be very much complicated.,'

"What will be the result?"

"You can judge as well as I can. It is too early to make predictions."

"You know Butler well?"

"Very well. I've known him for thirty years. He is very popular, especially hith the working classes, and he will poll a large vote. No better evidence of his popularity could be given than the way he was received by crowds of people in the drenching rain on Evacuation Day. It surprised me, the way he was cheered along the line; and then, too see the reception he was given in Chicago just before the Convention Yes, Butler has many elements of strength, and personally I have a very high opinion of him as a man. Wait until his letter is published. By that time the mists will have cleared and it will be safer to make predictions.

The Huntingdon Primaries.

HUNTINGDON, Pa., August 10.—The result of the Republican primary election held in this countr last evening was a sweeping victory for the stalwart element of the party. A spirited contest was waged by the Independents, whose forces were marshalled with consmate ability, but out of twenty-one districts in the county thus far heard from only three were carried by them. This opposition was centered principally on Alexander Port, candidate for State Senator, and W. M. Williamson, candidate for renomination for Prothonatary, each of whom have secured a sufficient number of delegates to insure his nomination on the first ballot at the county convention, which meets in this city on Tuesday next. The rumor that Hon. H. G. Fisher, of this city, will be a candidate for United States Senator to succeed Hon. J. D. Cameron, seems well founded, and his friends are industriously urging his claims.

Butler Will Run.

BOSTON, August 6.—The following letter is self-explanatory. It is dated Boston, August 6, 1884, and is addressed: "Hon. Charles A. Dana, editor New York *Sun*, Dear Sir—As a means of reaching more querists than I can do in any other way, I write you this note for such use as you choose to make out of it.

"Answer—I do intend to stand by the nominations of the Greenback and laboring men, and the anti-Monopolists, and I hope everybody will vote for me who thinks that it is the best thing to do. I will give the reasons for my action, which are controlling, to the public as soon as I can have the benefit of Mr. Cleveland's letter of acceptance, so that where I disagree with him I may do him no injustice.

"Very truly your friend and servant;

"BENJ. F. BUTLER."

The Fight for Congress.

WASHINGTON, August 9.—A great deal of quiet work is being done by the Republican Campaign Committee to overcome the Democratic majority in the House, which is now 77.

Those who have been occupied in looking over the field saw that by actual figures there are 78 districts that can be turned by 500 votes.

If 40 of these can be carried by the Republicans this fall, they will have a majority in the next Congress. This they are working hard for and expect to accomplish. They have a list of the districts in the various States which give small Democratic majorities. Energy and the necessary funds will be applied to carry them. The Republicans expect to make gains in Wisconsin, Ohio, Indiana, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Iowa and Massachusetts.

A Reception to Mr. Blaine.

PORTLAND, August 6.—The reception to Mr. Blaine by the business men of this city, at the city hall tonight, was a brilliant one. The hall was packed, seats being removed and the audience standing, while the galleries were filled with ladies. Mr. Blaine held a reception in the Mayor's office. At 8 o'clock he was conducted to the platform and was received with great cheering. Congressman Reed in a neat speech presented the business men of Portland to Mr. Blaine.

Mr. Blaine replied in a short speech, in which he spoke of his long and pleasant connection with the people of Portland and spoke encouragingly of its commercial interests. After his address he was presented to a large number of people.

The Everett Iron Furnace.

HUNTINGDON, August 6.—The furnace of the Everett Iron Company, on the Huntingdon and Broad Top Railroad, south of this city, is completed and ready to put in blast. Since the company was organized, in October, 1882, it has made most rapid progress with its improvements. Work was begun but little more than eighteen months ago, and in that time, it has built one of the largest and best furnaces in the state, made a narrow gauge railroad to its iron and coal mines, put up 110 coke ovens, erected a residence for its superintendent and master mechanic and forty-fieve double dwellings for its operatives, begun mining operations on a large scale and has had a large supply of material, iron ore, limestone and coke delivered at the furnace. Arrangements are speedily going forward for the lighting of the fires, which event is expected soon to take place.

Death by Coal Oil.

WHEELING, August 6—This evening at supper time, Nettie Heinlein, a young lady aged 17, living with her parents below Benwood, about five miles from this city, attempted to start a fire with coal oil. The can exploded and the burning oil was thrown all over the girl's clothes. Before assistance could reach her she was scorched and blackened beyond recognition, and died shortly afterwards. The room was set on fire and considerable damage was done before the blaze was extinguished.

The Washington Monument.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—It is expected that by the close of working hours to-morrow, the main shaft of the Washington monument will be completed and ready for the roof. The shaft will thus have attained the height of 500 feet.

Every House Shaken.

PHILADELPHIA, August, 10.—For the first time since January 8, 1817, a very perceptible shock of earthquake was felt in Philadelphia at 9 minutes after 2 this afternoon. It was of about ten seconds' duration and the undulation apparently extended from northeast to southwest increasing in intensity with each succeeding second and subsided gradually. The strongest buildings in the city were shaken, rickety chimneys toppled over on roofs, and bricks tumbled down upon the pavements in all parts of the city. The plaster fell from the ceilings of houses, chinaware rattled in closets, doorbells began ringing, glasses clinked lively tunes upon sideboards, and clocks were set to running down. In some instances people were prostrated upon the floors of their dwellings. Nervous people were frightened to such an extent that many thought the destruction of the world was at hand. Everywhere the populace became excited. Every house in the city was affected more or less, their occupants running into the street, thinking a terrible explosion had taken place. A few moments later three fourths of the entire population were in the streets. Everywhere, men, women and children were congregated upon the sidewalk and street corners, and eagerly discussed affairs. This was more noticeable in the thickly populated districts of Kensington and Southward. Gradually the impression that an earthquake had occurred grew upon the citizens, and each inquired of his neighbor if he had felt the shock. Many timid people were so much alarmed that they hesitated to re-enter their houses, and did not do so until assured by stronger minded neighbors that a repetition of the remarkable event was unlikely. In a short time after the occurrence, the people flocked from all parts of the city to Chestnut street, and there gathered around the different newspaper and telegraph offices to ascertain the news from other parts of the city and surrounding places. The shipping was likewise affected by the shock. Large ships loaded with petroleum in the Schuylkill river snapped their hawsers and were only prevented going ashore by the united efforts of their crews. Several large steamers were thrown strongly against the wharves in the lower section of the city, and the crews thrown out of their bunks. Huge waves, backed up by a rising tide, overflowed many wharves, and considerable property was flooded thereby. In several instances where persons were watching the river from the docks, they found themselves suddenly overtaken by huge waves, and were thoroughly soaked. Deeply laden steamers lying in the Delaware trembled without apparent injury during the existence of the shock.

A Fearful Encounter.

ST. LOUIS, August, 7.—A dispatch from Fredonia, Tex., says: A desperate fight occurred ten miles north of this place on Monday evening in which one man was killed and three mortally wounded. Samuel Faulkner and Henry Allen met two brothers named woodall on the road and attacked them with winchester rifles. The party dismounted and fought from behind their horses. Nearly twenty shots were exchanged. Allen was shot through the heart. Faulkner then turned to look after his dead companion, Allen, and he did so he received a bullet in his breast from the pistol of the elderwoodall, who was dying dying on the ground with his neck and shoulder split open. Faulkner may possibly recover, but both Woodalls will die. The fight was the result of an old feud, The parties were going to camp meeting when they met.

A Mendent-Miser Worth $40,000.

TROY, O., August 6.—Sick and helpless and lying in a coal yard at the south end of the town, last night an old man in tatters was found. He was taken to the city building, and while being prepared for a bath it was noticed that he clung desperately to his old clothing and to some bundles wrapped in rags which he had in his pockets. Superintendent Duncan took the packages and found they contained bills and United States bonds. On further examination more bills were found sewed up in the clothes. There was found in all $4,000 in money, $4,000 in United States bonds, and $8,000 in promissary notes. The miser proved to be John Swims of Champaign county, O., aged 92 years, a relative of J. W. Winger, living a short distance south of here. Swims is the owner of real estate in three or four different counties, and is said to be worth $40,000. One of his ways of accumulating was to beg an egg or two at each farmhouse as he walked through the country, and then dispose of them at the next town.

A Big Black Bear.

ALLENTOWN, Aug. 6.—The appearance of a bear in the upper end of Lehigh County is the cause of a great deal of excitement among the farmers and other residents along the line of the Lehigh and Schuylkill Railroad. It was first discovered in the woods near Kempton. It is of large size and black in color. A few days ago it was seen near the house of Elias Mageman, and when he gave the alarm the bear leisurly made his way into the dense woods. About fifty of the neighbors, armed with rifles, pitchforks, clubs, etc., and accompanied by dogs, started out in pursuit of buin, but the search was fruitless, and when darkness came on the hunt was abandoned.

There is great fear in the community and many do not venture out of the house after dark, fearing that the bear might be concealed along the wooded roads and might suddenly attack passers-by. Dogs have lately returned to their homes bleeding and mangled, and the presence of the bear makes clear the source of the injuries. It is said that sheep and pigs and calves have disappeared in several instances, and there seems to be no doubt that the bear committed the depredations.

Lepers Sent Back.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 7.—Nineteen lepers were sent back to China to-day on the steamer Oceanic. One of them escaped before the sailing of the vessel, but was recaptured. The city paid the full passage money of the lepers, and gave each one five dollars.

Suicide of a Farmer.

LIGONIER, Pa., August 8.—Samuel Beatty, a wealthy and respectable farmer of good moral habits, living six miles south of Ligonier, Pa., on the road to Knupp's Tunnel, Southern Pennsylvania railroad, shot himself in the head, and when found at about 2 p. m., was dead.

The facts, as near as we could learn, are these: After partaking of a hearty dinner he took down his rifle and started out, saying he would take it with him to the oats field. Shortly afterwards John Nicely, a drover, who had taken dinner with them and who had bought cattle of deceased, started after Beatty and when coming up to the field quite close to the road discovered him lying close by the open bars, his hat and bullet pouch hanging on the fence and he dead with the blood oozing from a round hole in the centre of his ferehead. Deceased was a man of elegant stature and appearance, and about 50 years of age. He had a family of six or seven girls and one boy, most of whom are grown. He had been married but a short time to his second wife. It is supposed to be a case of suicide caused by family troubles. An inquest will be held this evening.

Shooting Match.

ST. LOUIS, August 7.—A dispatch from Fredonia, Tex., says: "A desperate fight occurred ten miles north of this place on Monday evening, in which one man was killed and three mortally wounded. Samuel Faulkner and Henry Allen met two brothers named Woodall on the road, and attacked them with Winchester rifles. The party dismounted and fought from behind their horses. Nearly twenty shots were exchanged. Allen was shot through the heart at about the fifth round. One of the Woodalls was shot in the shoulder and neck, and disabled. The other Woodall and Faulkner then closed with bowie knives, and a fearful combat ensued, in which Woodall was stabbed just below the heart. Faulkner then turned to look after his dead companion, Allen, and as he did so he received a bullet in his breast from the pistol of the elder Woodall, who was lying on the ground with his neck and shoulder split open. Faulkner may possibly recover, but both the Woodalls will die. The fight was the result of an old feud which originated in Arkansas, where all the men onee lived. Both parties were going to a camp-meeting when they met."

The Kemble Coal and Iron Company Goes Under.

BEDFORD, Pa., August 8,—The most disastrous failure that has ever occurred in this county is that of the Kemble coal and iron company, of Riddlesburg. Late last evening a mortgage of $200,000 was entered against the company and a number of writs placed in the hands of the sheriff. The mortgage was a first mortgage seven per cent. bond, and was executed on the 1st day of September, 1870, in favor of William Chamberlain and Samuel Sloan, of New York. This morning a *fi fa* was issued by the attorneys for Nimick, Slagle & Co., of Pittsburg, for over $132,000. Among the creditors who have instituted proceedings are William Kelly, William Trevorton, Wm. Lauder, The Dauphin Deposit bank, of Harrisburg J. Don Cameron and others. The liabilities will, it is thought, reach over $700,000. The Kemble company has always enjoyed the confidence of the community and was looked upon as one of the most substantial institutions of the kind in the country.

A Brutal Husband.

OIL CITY, August 6.—A colored man named Johnson, living in Franklin, conceived a hatred for another negro, named Banks, and he determined to use his wife as an instrument by means of which to punish his imaginary rival. He demanded of her that she should go before a magistrate and prefer a charge of assault. Upon her refusing to make the false charge he beat her cruelly with a club, and when she still refused he procured three hickory withes and platting them together forced her to take off all her clothing and then he whipped her till the blood ran down her limbs.

Finally, by threatening her life, he accomplished his design and the charge was made and Banks was incarcerated to await trial. A little girl, who had witnessed part of the cruel treatment, told the story, and Banks has been discharged and Johnson imprisoned.

A Mother's Terrible Act.

SCHWENKSVILLE, Montgomery Co. Pa., Aug. 5.—Mrs. Ephraim Scheffy, who resides in this village, arose early yesterday morning, prepared breakfast for her two sons, who work at Zieglerville, and, while they were eating, she prepared dinner for them in their kettles. After they left she went up stairs, where her four little children were sleeping, and kissed them in their beds. She then went up into the garrett, took a clothes line and hanged herself to the rafters. One of her daughters saw her kiss the lifile ones and go up stairs, but had no idea of her mother's intentions. Becoming alarmed at her long stay she went up about 5 o'clock to see what was the matter, but her mother was already dead. The deceased was forty-six years old, and no cause is given for the terrible deed.

Horse Thieves.

WHEELING, W. Va., Aug. 6.—There is a great deal of excitement in the counties of Gilmer, Doddridge, Calhoun, Ritchie, Braxton and others in this State, over the rapid and numerous disappearance of fine horses. From time to time the most valuable and best bred animals have been taken, and so successfully have their tracks been concealed that it is now thought that a regular organized gang of thieves exists in the counties named, composed of some of the best farmers in them. Detectives are hard at work upon the case and some better developments are anticipated. The latest thefts have been within a day or two, when Lloyd Powell, of Gilman county, lost a valuable animal.

Barn Burned.

WASHINGTON, Pa., August 6.—The barn of William Ailes, near Carmichaels, Greene county, was burned to the ground this morning with all this year's harvest and a lot of Agricultural implements. The origin of the fire is a mystery. The loss is about $5,000. There is no insurance.

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