

The Waterloo of 1858.

We do not think that Lecomptonism or anti-Lecomptonism has had nearly as much to do with the result as has been charged.

But there is one fundamental cause which has done more than any other to bring about this result—the hard times.—Harrisburg Union, (Dem.)

Viewed in every aspect that may be properly regarded, the result of the election, on Tuesday, was one of the most extraordinary ever witnessed in this State.

The present defeat in our State is wide spread and terrible. Some of our most cherished champions have been unhorsed, and many Districts, which have heretofore been considered impregnable, have fallen before the attacks of the allied forces.

There has never been in Pennsylvania a political overthrow so overwhelming and complete as that achieved on Tuesday.

A correspondent of the Boston Traveller writing from Syria, gives an account of a serious disturbance in Damascus, arising out of an intrigue between the queen of the harem of one of the richest men of Damascus and an infidel, who was a Jew, and the dragoman to a foreign consulate.

A Row in the East, a Pretty Woman at the bottom of it.

The Pacha of Damascus requested all the consuls to meet him and consult as to the best course to be pursued to allay the excitement; for the Mahomedans had arisen, and the massacre of the entire Christian population was threatened, and hourly expected.

In this moment of peril, when their lives were in their hands, timely but unexpected assistance was rendered. The defiles of the mountains were darkened by the descent of the Maronites, who by thousands poured into the streets of the city, espousing the side of the Christians, and by their numbers and strength intimidating the angry and fanatical Turks.

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THE AGITATOR.

M. H. Cobb, Editor & Proprietor

WELLSBOROUGH, PA. Thursday Morning, Oct. 29, 1858.

All Business and other Communications must be addressed to the Editor to insure attention.

We cannot publish anonymous communications.

We are under obligations to Hon. Simon Cameron for valuable documents.

Wool, the Ambrotypist, leaves town this week; therefore those wishing pictures should call soon.

Does anybody know whether the pumpkin-shaped thing on the Academy spire is to be classed with the useful, or the ornamental?

The proceedings of the late Musical Convention at Tioga will be found elsewhere. We had not the pleasure of being present at its sessions, but learn that it proved a success.

Attention is directed to the statement of Mr. J. Parkhurst in another place. The use of his name without consulting his pleasure was a piece of unmitigated scoundrelism, eminently characteristic of that party.

See, also, the statement of Mr. Osmon and the letter of Mr. Manning.

Vic. PLOLETTE & Co., last winter bought the Legislature to annihilate Judge Wilmot's Judicial District—alleging that the people were disgusted with that gentleman.

We are now forming a Club for the New-York Weekly Evening Post, and shall be glad to receive subscriptions thereto at all times.

Very Nice!—The Daily Tribune of Saturday has an account of the execution of Ira Stout, which came off at Rochester the day before.

Our delectable friend and politically well-wisher of the Wayne County Herald waxes indignant because the Americans of Baltimore overawed and drove the democracy from the polls at the late municipal election in that city.

THE ACADEMY.—We last Saturday strolled up the hill known to our village folk as "Academy Hill," partly for exercise, but principally to learn how the work of raising, rebuilding and remodeling progressed.

The building will be put in custody of the Trustees December 1st. Wellsboro will then possess one of the best Academy buildings in the country.

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the stage of active life prematurely old, a prodigy, maybe, but a prodigy at a fearful cost; for the mind has its capacity no less than a steam engine; and if the resisting power of the engine as a whole be put upon some one of its parts, a collapse is inevitable.

These excesses arise from a widely felt yearning—ignoring caste—to reach by the shortest cut the fabled land of Nothing to Do. It has nothing in common with that hereafter of which so much is said and so little known; that is to say,—the world does not fail to make a distinction between the two.

But something may be learned from observation and comparison. To us there is a deep significance in the dreams and aspirations of nations. There can be no idle dreams nor insignificant yearnings. All national traits are so many keys to the inner temple of Human nature.

The poet's dream of Arcadia pictured a land of music and flowers and Edenic innocence. It was the dream of an age in which the soul sickened with a refined sensualism. The dream of Arcadia was but an outcropping of the soul for a higher and better life—for heaven.

This dream, be it observed, was indulged in an age when the world was governed too much. The ruler was exalted high above the ruled; to have authority was to have rank; and rank constituted distinctions in society.

These dreams of the Past have a beautiful interior significance to the thoughtful. They are links in the chain of evidence showing that, in all ages, man has cherished a vivid consciousness of immortal being.

Before us is a letter from a young man, in whose companionship as student and friend, some of our happiest years were passed; one who has won enviable place in the profession of his choice and who, in a worldly point of view, has left us far behind.

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Chapin Hall's in 1858, 800. Buchanan loss, 1,471. Dimmick's majority in 1856, 6,173. Just re-elected by, 1,000.

Buchanan loss, 5,173. Leidy's majority in 1856, (Luzerne) 2,785. Scranton's, maj. in 1858, 3,837.

Buchanan loss, 6,622. Mark—these victories have been won in the very strongest Mulatto districts in Pennsylvania—where Buchanan received his heaviest vote in 1856.

In Indiana, the Mulatto-democracy elect their State ticket by about 2000; a loss of 3000 since '56. The Republicans have the Legislature and a large majority of the Congressional delegation.

Can anybody explain why the No. of the Agitator last before the election, never went into many of the townships at all?

The Paraguay Expedition.

We submit to the country that in reference particularly to the Spanish American States South America, including those of Paraguay, New Granada, Costa Rica, and Nicaragua, we have had quite enough of mere diplomatic controversy.

A little parsimony in the expenditure of the means required to enforce our just demands might be the seed of far greater outlays hereafter, besides entailing upon the country the disgrace of failure.

Our constantly increasing relations with Central and South America, and the large interests of our citizens involved therein, demand of the Government, where their intervention is required, a more decided tone and temper than we have heretofore manifested.

Marriage of a Pennsylvania Girl.

A California correspondent of one of our exchanges writes from San Francisco, under date of Sept. 5th, as follows:

Last Tuesday evening, William Stake and Miss Agatha Mandeville, the latter well known throughout the State as one of the "Pennsylvanians," were married.

Born beneath a sky whose warm breath kisses the lily from the cheek, and makes the heart the home of impulse and of passion, she had learned to love the bridegroom and had lavished upon him the undivided affections of a simple heart.

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THE HORSE TOM CORWIN RIDES.—At a public meeting in Cincinnati on Thursday last, Tom Corwin made a speech, in the course of which he said: "I think I could convince every impartial man that the horse of Popular Sovereignty was a dead horse—blown to atoms by democratic guns."

Communications.

Mr. Osmon's Statement.

LAWRENCEVILLE, Oct. 14, 1858.

Editor of the Agitator; Sir; I wish to correct some false statements, published over in the "Manning Letter" affair.

Mr. John W. Ryon called at my shop on the 4th inst., and requested me to step into his office a few moments. I did so. Said he wished to have a little private talk with me about a letter said to have been written by Mr. Manning.

To sundry other questions propounded by Mr. Ryon, I replied that Mr. Power sent one child to Sunday School, and that I knew of no more; that I could not say if Mr. Power was a regular member of the congregation, as I did not pay particular attention to that.

Mr. Ryon then drew up the article which appeared in the Democrat of the 6th inst., over my name. I knew nothing of what it was to be used for. Am no politician and do not understand the tricks of political wire-pullers and did not suppose that anything I had said could be used to the prejudice of either Mr. Power, or Mr. Manning.

In regard to the certificate signed Austin Lathrop, C. Osmon, and J. H. Satterly, Mr. Ryon wrote one which neither Mr. Lathrop nor myself would sign.

I have conversed with Mr. Chapman in relation to the letter of Mr. Manning and am satisfied not only that it is not a forgery, but that it is substantially true.

Letter from Rev. Wm. Manning to Messrs Stanton and Hurd.

PENFIELD, N. Y., Oct. 11th, 1858.

Messrs. STANTON and HURD; I am just in receipt of your letter, and though my reply will be too late (I fear) for your election, yet I will answer without delay.

My idea of a "regular member" of a congregation, is one who goes to one place of Divine worship in preference to all others, and pays regularly for the support of the gospel in that congregation, in preference to others.

This, Mr. Powers did, especially during the last year I was in Lawrenceville, not occasionally, but more frequently than some of the members of the Methodist church.

Very truly yours, WM. MANNING.

Mr. Parkhurst's Statement.

ELKLAND, Oct. 13, 1858.

M. H. COBB; Sir; The use of my name as a candidate for Congress in this District was entirely without my knowledge or consent. I know of no such organization as "Whig Party" in the State of Pennsylvania; but do not shrink from an acknowledgement that I belonged to that order so long as it existed.

tegration of the party with which I most nearly agree. The movement in Bradford and Susquehanna was all ex parte, until the programme and tickets were circulated in those counties.

Musical Convention at Tioga.

At a meeting of the Musical Convention held at Tioga Village, Oct. 16, 1858, upon motion it was

Resolved, that we form ourselves into an Association called "The Tioga County Musical Association."

Upon motion H. E. Smith of Tioga was elected President. Dr. Webb, Wellsboro; L. B. Smith, Covington; N. B. Kinzie, Lawrenceville, Vice Presidents. Chas. O. Eitz, of Tioga, Secretary. H. H. Borden, of Tioga, Treasurer.

Com. of Arrangements for Covington.—H. M. Jerrolds, John Blair, L. B. Smith, Sullivan.—Wm. Hutchinson, C. S. Hager, Calvin Reynolds.

Lawrenceville.—Parson Darling, B. Geer, Freeman Phippen. Wellsboro.—M. H. Cobb, W. W. Webb, Thos. Allen.

Manfield.—D. L. Sherwood, J. S. Hoard, D. H. Cooper. Tioga.—A. S. Turner, O. B. Lowell, E. D. Mitchell.

The Committee of Arrangements desire to express their thanks to Prof. L. M. Fox, for the very able and dignified manner in which he has conducted this Convention, therefore

Resolved, That in Prof. Fox, we recognize the gentleman, a perfect master of music, and as such would cheerfully recommend him to the favorable consideration of all who may desire an accomplished teacher to instruct them.

Resolved, That with hearts full of delight we have listened to the musical tones that have poured from his lips, and as they fell upon our enraptured ears, made us forget for the while that we were but enjoying earthly pleasures.

Resolved, That the music which has been introduced, and the manner in which it has been executed under his skillful leadership, will have a bearing upon all our relations in life, and the high moral and exalted tone which has characterized all his acts, the earnestness which he has breathed into every line of music, has cast a halo of joy on all our hearts, and will leave an impress of gladness upon all our minds as long as life shall last and music linger upon our ears.

Resolved, That in our separation at this time we feel that we are parting with true friends, for music has entwined our hearts together as with cords of love, and whilst we realize that we are mortal and may never meet to sing on earth, may we all fondly hope to meet where we can

"Shout the glad tidings! Exultingly sing! Jerusalem triumphs! Messiah is king!"

Resolved, That the proceedings and resolutions of this Convention be published in the Tioga Agitator.

H. E. SMITH, Pres't. CHAS. O. EITZ, Sec'y.

Damaging Disclosure.

The Hon. F. P. Stanton, Secretary of Kansas under Gov. Walker, in a late speech at Lawrence made the following statement.

He (Mr. Stanton) came to Kansas in '57, believing it to be the intention of Mr. Buchanan to deal fairly with the people. Had not this been his opinion, he would never have accepted the position of Secretary, nor Walker that of Governor of the Territory.

This letter was written at the special request of Mr. Buchanan, who was anxious to shield himself from the assaults then being made upon him by the South.

The Republicans are obliged to get up a new set of principles every year. The Democrats do not wait a year. They have a dozen different set of principles as many platforms as there are States.

What Democracy is and you will receive totally different answers, according to whether you inquire in New York or in New Orleans, Mobile or Albany. They are for the West in Pennsylvania, against it in Alabama.