

The Re-Election of Douglas's Still in Doubt.

The following paragraphs in the Chicago Herald, November 6, an administration organ...

"On the eve of going to press, we have received private dispatches from Cairo Jones...

"This intelligence comes to us in such shape and from sources so reliable, that we cannot doubt it—cannot doubt that Mr. Douglas will be defeated in his efforts to secure his re-election to the United States Senate.

"The true friends of the democratic party in the legislature, rather than throw a firebrand in the national council of the party...

The Last Shall be First.

Four creditors started from Boston in the same train of cars, for the purpose of attaching the property of a certain debtor in Farmington, in the State of Maine.

He rode to a lawyer's and got a writ made and served, and his debt secure, and got back to the hotel just as the "insiders" came up puffing and blowing.

"The sold" man offered to pay that sum. If the fortunate one who found property sufficient to pay his own debt, would not tell of it in Boston.

But as both parties have told a friend of ours, thinking the story "too good to be lost," we feel at liberty "to let the cat out of the bag," more particularly so, as it illustrates a passage that we never heard fully explained but once, and then by a schoolmaster, who said:

"Scholars, this verse is plain; when you tie up the cattle, old Buck goes in first, and old Broad next. Broad went last, but will come out first, and Buck went in first, but shall come out last."

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THE AGITATOR.

M. H. Cobb, Editor & Proprietor. WELLSBOROUGH, PA. Thursday Morning, Nov. 25, 1859.

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

We cannot publish anonymous communications. Snow fell to the depth of four inches during Monday night.

The ladies will please take notice that Mrs. M. J. GRIFFIN has received her Winter styles of Millinery Goods and will be happy to exhibit them to all who may call upon her.

If you want a pair of boots that you will have to tend out to your neighbors in order to wear them out, order them at the establishment of Wilcox & Sears.

J. R. BOWEN is again in receipt of several carloads of New Goods—purchased for the especial benefit of the people hereabout.

Mr. RIBBOLE has taken possession of his fine new Tannery and is now prepared to serve the public in an extended capacity.

Mr. B. T. VANHORN is preparing to engage in the manufacture of Chairs and Cabinet Ware on an extended scale. He has recently purchased a steam Engine and machinery suited to the business and will put up new buildings with all possible despatch.

CALATHUMPIANA.—Young America was very jubilant Tuesday night week. The occasion was a wedding party at the house of one of our oldest and most respected citizens.

Briefly, we do not consider such demonstrations quite in keeping with correct principle. It betokens the want of a proper regard for the feelings of others, as well as a disposition to carry fun into rowdiness.

DUNHAM, of the Lockhaven Watchman, calls our attention to a grave article in his last paper on the moral, past, present and prospective, of Thanksgiving.

But Dunham waxed philosophical, and prophesied darkly of a coming time, when mortals, having accomplished a cycle of time, shall find themselves at the starting-point of the human race, deriving their subsistence, not from omissions of fowl, turkey, veal, beef, etcetera, but from what think you, from the essence of those savory viands? No, but from—ELECTRICITY! There's a jipping-hot dish for your g-g-grandboy's g-g-grandboy, Mrs. Grundy!

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We approach the subject with some misgivings. If the often asseverations of Wimbeldon Wimble Esq., are to be relied on, (and who doubts the word of that gentleman?) the world has treated him very shabbily—very shabbily indeed; then how can we hope to escape the charge of unjust dealing toward that gentleman?

What neighborhood had the honor of Wimbeldon's nativity does not concern the reader; nor does it concern him, or her, which of the seven prosaic hues has the honor of resembling his eyes; neither does it become the reader to wonder if Wimbeldon's hair be "raven," brown, or Auburn; if he be short and thick, or tall and slim; or, if his nose be of the Grecian, Roman, pug, or turned-up style.

We desire to do justice to the character of Wimbeldon Wimble, Esq., and so we say that Wimbeldon is a man of noble parts. Thereunto determines the current of public justice; for the world (we have heard Wimbeldon say so) studiously ignores the genius and deserts of Wimbeldon when it makes up its jewels; and thus it is that individual left to shine unseen, like the sun which, according to Herschel, possibly exist in the depths of space, but

beyond the range of the most powerful instruments.

It is time that the nebula Wimbeldon was resolved into its elemental stars. Be ours the task. Now, probably some evil-disposed persons may affect to discover the key to the character of our subject in the suggestive patronymic, Wimbeldon.

We incline to agree with Wimbledon that he has been used very meanly by people and by politicians. He has adopted the injunction of Paul (discarding the reason) as a rule of action; still, the world refuses to render tribute to Cæsar. For instance, when Wimbledon met Demos Doughface, he delighted Demos with a flaming eulogy of the public acts of Mr. Buchanan.

But that which most stirs us to indignation against the world on Wimbeldon's account is, that it has neglected itself against our subject. No sooner does his genius put forth a promising bud than all the world combines and sends a white frost to nip that tender bud, or the east wind of Envy to blast it.

As a rule, a rogue does not hasten to define his position upon public questions. Wimbeldon seeks often occasion to define his position; ergo, Wimbeldon is not a rogue. We have heard him confess himself very often thus. When the question, as to what color the Pumpville Pump should be painted—whether white or black—was mooted, Wimbeldon begged leave to define his position.

Very likely this may come to the sight of some one of the genus Wimbeldon; and he may not thank us for undertaking his defence. Very well; he will not stand first on the list of those who have forgotten in what sum they stand indebted to the humble individuals who give their days and nights to the task of amusing and instructing those who patronize country newspapers.

Our peculiar friend of the Tioga Agitator prefers the Thanksgiving Feasts and ceremonies of New England to those of Pennsylvania, because they "wind up with a universal kissing of the girls."

It is not a little amusing to read the grave reasoning of our Leocompton cotemporaries touching the scope and bearing of that clause of the Constitution of this State which makes the Judiciary elective.

Good JOKE.—Bennett, the colored barber, in this village, got off a good joke on election day. He approached the polls and offered his vote; whereupon he was challenged, and the question asked by a Democrat, "Bennet, are you worth 250 dollars?"

Judge Porter, resigned, can hold over until December, 1859—thus keeping John M. Read from the seat to which he was elected by the people last October. We had been under the impression that the Constitution contemplated giving the fullest and freest expression and force to the will of the people in all things for which it provides.

Peterson's Magazine.

This popular Lady's Magazine will be greatly improved for 1859. It will contain nearly 1000 pages; from 25 to 30 steel plates; and about 800 wood engravings.

SEVERE DROUGHT.—RAIN PRAYED FOR.—The Norfolk Va., Day-Book says that the drought in that section of the State is so great that the citizens of Suffolk are forced to send three miles to the canal for water to drink; an event that was never before known by the oldest inhabitant of that town.

THE "OMNIPOTENT'S" CURSE.—We learn from the tone of the "Omnipotent"—the Washington Union—that the Administration intends dealing summarily with all who do not swallow the Buchanan creed—Dred Scott, Leocompton, the Slave Trade, and all.

SINGULAR RAILROAD ACCIDENT.—The Louisville Courier, of Nov. 6, says: "On the Ohio and Mississippi Railroad, about eighteen miles from Mitchell, a singular accident happened last night. The middle car got off the track, and crossed a bridge, breaking every tie on the road, and in that condition went a quarter of a mile.

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TEACHER'S COLUMN.

Kindness in the School-Room. The old saying is, that a smile begets a smile; a kind and benevolent look is sure to find a counterpart, and it is veritable truth.

In good old days of yore, the long beechen-rod or thick and dreared ferrule held the most prominent place in the school-room, and if perchance a truant eye scanning the group before it should discover something awakening merriment, and a suppressed giggle should tell of smothered mirth, the unfortunate urchin must be brought out in grand array before the school and pay in smart and pains for the manifestation of a generous impulse.

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A MAN BLOWN UP ON A Keg of Powder. A man whose name was not obtained with certainty, being so much injured as to be unable to give it himself, yesterday blew up a keg of powder upon which he was sitting, the force of the explosion sending him some twenty feet into the air, and into the river.

THE TAX ON MONEY AT INTEREST.—This tax ought to be removed by the Legislature. It is hostile to the interests of the producer, and benefits the shaver. It drives money out of its natural channels, and throws it into the hands of speculators and those who prey upon the people.

A VERY YOUNG MOTHER.—In the return of indigent children supported by the town of Taunton, recently made to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, the overseers certify that "Elizabeth Drayton was eleven years old the twenty-fourth day of May, 1858; and became the mother of Horace White Drayton, on the first day of February 1859—three months and twenty-four days before she was eleven years old;" and on the 30th of September the mother and child were living at the public charge, in the town of Taunton, Massachusetts.

MOTHER AND DAUGHTER.—The editor of the Utica Herald says he once knew a woman who cut out her own daughter in the good graces of her lover, and married him herself. To obtain revenge for this mean unmotherly trick, the daughter set her cap for the young man's rich father—of whom he was the only heir—and actually married him and had children, to the infinite annoyance of the other parties. This occurred in Oondaga county.

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The following singular story is told of a man named Beach, who had swallowed a snake in Michigan: For the past seventeen years, the sufferer has been satisfied that there was a living animal in his stomach. He drank liquor, the animal would seem to become drunk. This, he judged from the fact that it remained perfectly quiet until the effects of the spirits wore off.

Having tried many physicians without being relieved, Beach was induced to apply to a German doctor, who recommended the process of starving the intruder out. This advice was adopted, and the patient succeeded in inducing the animal to come up into his throat, but fear of strangulation, he swallowed vinegar and drove it back. For four months, means were tried to relieve the man's throat of its unwelcome guest, and finally, on Friday of last week, he passed an entire snake measuring just three feet in length. It was somewhat decomposed, and had evidently lost four or five inches of its tail.

CARRIED AWAY BY A KITE.—An Irish paper says: "A young man named Power, residing at Castlecomer, went a few evenings ago, to fly, what he termed a Spanish kite, of very large dimensions. Having adjusted the cord and tail, it rapidly ascended with a brisk breeze, until it had taken the full length of the cord, which became entangled round Power's hand. The wind increasing, he was drawn a distance of nearly half a mile to the greatest agony, the cord cutting into the bowels. The Rev. Mr. Penrose, the curate of the parish, seeing the man running along at full speed, perceived that he was dragged by the kite, and followed him as fast as he could, but being unable to come up with him, he shouted at the top of his voice, 'What goes there was a man killed in a thunderstorm by the lightning of a kite.'" When Power heard these words, he shouted with redoubled vigor, but could not extricate himself, until after the distance mentioned, he was stopped by a high stone wall, the top of which being capped, cut the cord, and set at liberty the kite and its owner, who was almost lifeless with fatigue and fright.

DARING ROBBERY.—On Friday night of last week, a rather daring robbery was committed at N. Y. & E. R. Depot at Elmira. The circumstances are these.—A gentleman, a merchant of Havana, Schuyler County, had arrived at Elmira, from Havana, on the Canandaigua R. R., and had in his possession, about \$1,700, which the robbers, to doubt, were aware of, and was on his way to New York, to purchase goods. He went into one of the Depot Water closets, and while there was attacked by two stout men, ragged, and robbed of his money. Men should be careful how they let others know about money being on their person.

THE BURNING OF THE AUSTRIA.—Mr. Phillip Berry, of the Theological Seminary, at New Brunswick, N. J., who was one of the passengers on the Austria, gives a new theory of the manner in which the fire on that vessel originated. He says that vessel had been making but 211 miles per day, but on the day previous to the burning there was a report that the Captain had bet he would be in New York at a certain time, which would require 290 miles a day to be made. Soon afterwards the smoke stacks showed by their heat and the columns of ascending smoke and flames that great exertions were being made to keep hot fires. He thinks, therefore, that the vessel may have caught from the furnaces, particularly as the statement concerning the burning is supported by very limited and indistinct testimony.

Not long ago, a blooming pair from Bridge water presented themselves before one of our Montrose clergymen, and expressed a wish to be joined in the holy bonds of matrimony. Accordingly the clergyman proceeded to tie the indissoluble knot, in the most approved style, and the twain became one according to law. After the ceremony was concluded, the gallant bridegroom informed the clergyman that he intended to kill a sheep soon, and would bring a fine piece of mutton to pay for the job that had just been performed, and thereupon took his departure with his lovely bride. It is inferred that he was satisfied with his bargain, for the mutton (a fore quarter) was paid, according to contract, a few days after.

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