

THE AGITATOR.

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THE LATE CONGRESS.

The XXXVIth Congress which ought to have adjourned by Constitutional limitation on the 3d, prolonged its existence through a night session till noon of the 4th inst., and then brought its labors to a close.

Of the acts of this last session but very few, if any, have contributed to the good of the country or advanced in any manner the national prosperity.

They succeeded in passing by the votes of a few dough-faces from Pennsylvania (Al. Wittig among the rest) the Forty Million Loan Bill, a debt which the next administration will have to pay.

The admission of Oregon as a State of the Union is the only measure of importance to the country (if we except the Loan Bill above referred to) which signified this Session.

The New York Tribune in an able editorial review of the closing hours of Congress, pays the following merited compliment to the gentleman who represents us at Washington:

"And here, in closing, let us pay a tribute of gratitude to two Members of this Congress for their services at the late Session. Where so many did well, it may seem invidious to specify; but we feel that no true Republican will dispute the justice of our award to Senator Wade of Ohio and Mr. Grow of Pennsylvania of the highest honor.

Giddings Testimonial Presented.

The testimonial to Joshua R. Giddings, now completed, is an exhibition at Messrs Galt & Bro., the manufacturers, of this city.

Whether the commission of a crime against society and the honor of a household justifies the injured party in the commission of a crime far more heinous; whether a person who believes he has been injured by another, however deeply, may take the law into his own hands unmindful of it provides for the punishment of every crime, and upon an ex parte statement, ruthlessly slay the offender.

We give elsewhere some articles from the prominent Republican journals of the country indicative of the sentiment of the masses in relation to Mr. Grow's great measure, the Homestead Bill.

But it is not so with the Democratic leaders at Washington. They openly combat the passage of this measure, because as they wisely assume, its passage would throw open the public domain to thousands and tens of thousands of poor laboring men who would gladly immigrate from the more thickly settled parts of the country.

If anything were needed to defend the Republican party of this country from the charge of being a sectional party, based upon the single idea of hostility to the extension of slavery, the earnestness with which the Republican papers of the whole country have advocated this measure ought to be sufficient.

THE CONTAGION OF EXAMPLE.—In Chicago there has lately been a Convention of blacks, to revise Hoyle, reform the laws of poker, and we suppose also, to compare notes on the subject of "stacking" cards and cheating roulette.

VERY LIKELY TRUE.—The following important extract from a letter, dated Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 30, we find in an exchange:—"A barque left here a few weeks ago for the coast of Africa, to take in a cargo of negroes for this State and Georgia. A brig left port yesterday to meet the vessel and transfer the cargo to the brig at sea. The slaves will probably be landed in Florida, as it is believed here that the slave trade has been reopened."

The Washington Tragedy.

The elements of wickedness that are gathered and combined in the City of Washington during the winter, and that are allowed free access to, and operation within, whatever calls itself "society" there, are, undoubtedly, unparalleled on this continent elsewhere.

"Presented by One Hundred and Four Members of the Thirty-fifth Congress to JOSHUA R. GIDDINGS, as a token of respect for his moral worth and personal integrity."

"J. B." have been famous in history as representing or rather suggesting the names of two personages of various, but equal distinction.

"The SKUNK TRADE.—We do not learn that the new business of hunting skunks for their skins, has prevailed to any great extent in Chemung County this winter."

State Legislature. Feb. 25. Mr. WILLISTON, on leave, read in his place and presented to the Chair "An Act repealing certain supplements to the act to incorporate the Wellsboro and Tioga Plank Road Company."

THE MICHIGAN LEGISLATURE has "put its foot into it" by voting six hundred and fifty acres of land to Mrs. Rogers, because she produced four little Rogettes at one and the same time.

M-A-R-R-I-E-D.

March 3d, at the residence of Samuel D. Cobb, Esq., near this Borough, by Rev. A. M. ... and Miss BETSEY D. BIXBY.

Notice is hereby given to the citizens of Delaware and all others interested, that all accounts due said township must be presented to the Auditor previous to the Auditor's meeting for the current year otherwise they will not be paid.

Lost and Found. A mine-strayed away from Five Creek, Pa., were white—one of them a buck. Any information which will lead to their recovery will be thankfully received.

Auditor's Notice. The Auditor appointed by the Orphan's Court and for the County of Tioga, to make and distribute the fund arising from the sale of the real estate of B. E. Chapman, deceased, late of said township, in said County (said order of said Orphan's Court) will meet the parties interested in the same at the School House near Bath, on Wednesday the 6th day of April next, at o'clock P. M., when and where all persons having claims against said estate are required to appear and make proof of the same or be debarred from claiming in for a share of such assets, or fund.

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