

An American Cougar Killed in Genesee County—Immense "Yarn."

For some two or three years past, the sheep-pastures of Genesee County and the whole neighborhood of Tonawanda Swamp have been subject to the depredation of some mutton-loving animal, and the farmers have sustained serious losses thereby. The mischief was attributed to the dogs, and those exemplars and emblems of fidelity were brought into serious disrepute.

It was found to measure eight feet from the extremity of his powerful paws to the end of his tail, and his weight was 147 pounds. The captors of this animal brought the carcass into their village in triumph, and it was for some time a spectacle of rare interest in that locality.

A FREE-BORN WOMAN, TEN YEARS A SLAVE, ESCAPES.—The Toronto Globe gives an account of the perils of Sarah Jane Giddings, alias Young, who, about a month since, while at the Falls, concluded to leave her mistress's service, and fled across the river to Canada.

On Saturday Mr. Shears [her landlord] requested Sarah Jane to go to one of the cottages adjoining the Hotel, for the purpose of cleaning it out, accompanying her himself to the door. As soon as she entered she found to her great amazement, her old master waiting to receive her.

The Cleveland Medical Gazette contains an account of the most enormous tumor on record. The weight was about twice that of the sufferer who bore it, and was estimated at 179 pounds.

MARCH CHICK, Friday, Sept. 23, 1859.—The heavy rains which have been falling in this vicinity during the whole week has raised the Lehigh River fully eight feet above its ordinary mark.

A distressing cough causes the friends of the sufferer as much pain as the sufferer himself. Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry will certainly cure coughs, cold, and consumption, and that speedily.

A verdict for \$2,000 has lately been taken by default against the editor of the Binghamton Daily Republican, for a libel published in 1852, upon Elisha B. Smith, Democratic candidate for Congress in the Broome District.

A tavern keeper of Harrisburgh, Pa., has been arrested and held for trial, at the suit of a friend in Memphis that his winnings in England this year have topped \$440,000, to gain which he risked but \$30,000.

THE AGITATOR.

HUGH YOUNG, Editor & Proprietor. WELLSBOROUGH, PA. Thursday Morning, Sept. 29, '59.

Republican State Nominations. AUDITOR GENERAL: THOMAS E. COCHRAN, YORK COUNTY. SURVEYOR GENERAL: GEN. WILLIAM H. KEIM, BERKS COUNTY.

County Nominations. FOR SENATOR: STEPHEN F. WILSON, of Tioga County. FOR ASSEMBLY: L. P. WILLISTON, of Wellsboro. LEWIS MANN, of Coudersport.

Is It? Is modern Democracy a principle? The editor of the Bradford Herald so declares. "We sometimes run into error because we do not understand the 'wires,' he naively adds. We disagree with him there. Principle is not a puppet; it is not a thing to dance and bow at the will of some showman holding the wires behind the scenes.

Now this definition of "principle" is as lucid as the Cass exposition of the rights of adopted citizens—as clear as mud. We had been taught that principles were themselves in the nature of laws, rather than as the bridges from Mandom to the realm of universal law.

Our contemporary now grows solemnly pathetic and moves through the melancholy cadence of blank verse. "A man," says he, "had better return to clay, if he cannot find something that interests him, in his own dear country." "Try that needs some individual notice." We think he had. "Lives there a man with soul so dead, who never to himself hath said—this is my own, my native land?"

The mission of the beautiful ends not with the departure of summer. The death of its flowers but precedes their resurrection into new and yet more varied forms of beauty. A week since and the landscape lay shrouded in autumn mists, the skies bent tearfully over, habited in mourning garments of equinoctial gloom, and the east wind crooned over the bier of summer like a lost spirit.

From pathos he ascends to the lugubrious. "The pangs of danger may be engraved on the nation's good!" he cries. Bosh! who ever heard of the pangs of danger? and who ever heard of engraving a pang upon anything? Our suffering friend is distraught with grief. We deprecate as much as he can the engraving of pangs upon the nation's good!

This and much more saith the aforesaid editor, but to follow him further may not be profitable. But these, such as they are, are the notes of preparation for the fight of 1860. The hypocritical whining and the crocodile tears of 1856 are to be brought into requisition once more; knives will be busy with their "our own dear country"; the army of Union-servers will muster from the purlieus of the cities, and the appointees of Mr. Buchanan will arouse into slavish activity.

MUSCLE—AGAIN!—When, last week, we took occasion to pay our feeble tribute of admiration to King Muscle, we little thought the occasion for another eulogy would so soon present itself. It is not probable that that article came under the eyes of Mr. Frank McCabe, proprietor of a liquor-cellar somewhere in Broadway, New-York; nevertheless, that highly respectable gentleman did, on the very day that our said eulogy was indited, enter the office of the Daily News, of that city, and proceed to inquire as to the authorship of a certain article reflecting upon the character of the said McCabe, which article was published in the said paper.

Of course there will be differences of opinion in regard to the propriety of besting unarmed men with clubs for opinions' sake; and men sometimes change their views touching these trifling proprieties. For instance: When Bully Brooks butchered Charles Sumner, the editor of the News wrote Brooks down a hero. He opined that clubs were proper arguments with which to put down Black Republicans. Now that the argument is brought home to him he opines that none but cowards resort to such violence.

Need it be said to any intelligent Republican that it is of the greatest importance that the Republican State ticket should triumph in the approaching election? The election this fall is to exert great influence for good or evil upon the campaign of next year, and it is not the part of wisdom to overlook this fact.

Now it appears to me that our "National" men find fault with the slave trade with an ill grace. If slavery is a good thing, the more we have of it the better. If it tends to elevate the enslaved, why not give the ignorant sons of Africa a chance of enjoying the blessings of Liberty? Do not their arguments clash when they pronounce Slavery to be a beautiful patriarchal institution, and in the same breath denounce its chief promotion. Can they reconcile their positions here? As this is the age of Hercules' feats, perhaps they may, but I pause for a reply.

Mr. Young: While looking over the Agitator of the 22d, I notice in the Court proceedings, that some defendant had to undergo the pleasure of breathing the damp, fetid atmosphere of the jail, for sixty days. Poor fellow! For sixty days will he gasp in vain for one pure breath. Unfortunate is the man, who violates the laws of the land, and has to be thrust into one of those stinking abominations, called cells, under the Court House, which would disgrace the horrors of the "middle passage," so much spoken of by Southern politicians.

Mr. Young: Dear Sir: Will you please inform your readers through the columns of the Agitator that there is to be a Public Celebration in this place on Thursday, October 6th, within the walls of the Mansfield Classical Seminary. Distinguished public speakers from abroad will address the audience on that occasion.

THE STOCKHOLDERS of the Tioga Co. Bank: The Annual Election will be held at the Banking Office in Tioga, on the third Monday of November next for the purpose of electing directors and other business. E. P. STEERS, Cashier.

Or, if it should, may we not comfort ourselves with the hope that the editor alluded to will store his tears, and prepare to quench the first flames with the briny drop! Let it not be said by gentlemen "fire! fire!" when there is no fire. And above all, don't constrain people to cry out— "Bless me! how people propagate a lie!"

The proceedings of the Senatorial Conference have not reached us in official form up to the hour of going to press. We learn that Isaac Benson, of Coudersport, was nominated on the 187th ballot.

FROM THE PEOPLE.

"Popular Sovereignty." Much ado is now being made regarding the above doctrine first conceived by Cass, full developed by Douglas, and which to-day stands before the American people as one of the most beautiful humbugs of this age, and one which has been stripped of the sophistry which has been thrown around it by its friends—the false eloquence which has been spent in its favor, it stands before the world a great cheat, by which wily politicians would dupe the masses of this Country.

Being conceived in iniquity, the repeal of the line of 1820, has been followed by its legitimate friends as the modern robbery, and arson which has rendered Kansas a by-word for the last four years can amply testify. The arguments used by the friends of this bill were of a two fold nature. They were in direct conflict—One was in favor of the Kansas Nebraska act, because it would benefit the South, another because it would benefit the North. Northern men advocated the removal of the line of 1820, because it left the slaveholder free to carry his slaves into any of the Territories of this Union.

At which time and place are to be elected the following State and County officers of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania: One person to represent the counties of Tioga, Potter, McKean and Warren in the State Senate. Two persons to represent Tioga and Potter Counties in the General Assembly.

At which time and place are to be elected the following State and County officers of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania: One person for Surveyor General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. One person to represent the counties of Tioga, Potter, McKean and Warren in the State Senate.

NEW MILLINERY SHOP. MISS PAULINA SMITH respectfully informs the public that she has bought out the entire stock of MRS. GRIERSON, and intends carrying on the MILLINERY BUSINESS in all its branches. She has on hand a choice selection of Plain and Colored Silks, and Black Ribbons, Ribbons, Flowers, Head Dresses, Fancy Goods, &c.

THE CORNING JOURNAL. Published at Corning, Steuben Co., N. Y., at One Dollar and Fifty Cents per year, in advance. The Journal is Republican in politics, and has a circulation reaching into every part of Steuben County. Those desirous of extending their business into that and the adjoining counties will find it an excellent advertising medium. Address as above.

RECEIVED at Roy's Drug Store a fresh supply of that Reliable, True, and Genuine Remedy, which has been so successful in whooping cough. DOWELL'S ASTHMA SPECIFIC.—Best remedy known for this painful and dangerous disease. Sold at

WESTER and CROCKETT.—No two characters could be more dissimilar than those of Webster and Crockett. One had penetrated to the profoundest depths of law, statesmanship and diplomacy. The other had penetrated to the profoundest depths of the forest, and was a passionate lover of its wild delights. Crockett paid Webster a compliment that both pleased and amused him. "It is related that when his celebrated speech upon Foot's resolution was published, he sent a copy to Davy Crockett. Shortly afterwards Davy called upon him to make his acknowledgments for the favor—marking that it was the only speech that he had ever been enabled to read without the aid of a dictionary. Mr. Webster, it is said, frequently remarked that although, perhaps, a compliment was not intended, none was ever bestowed upon him that he valued so highly."

DR. A. C. JACKSON, INDIAN PHYSICIAN. CAN BE CONSULTED AT THE FOLLOWING PLACES. MARK THE TIME AND DAY. As he will not remain longer than the time specified, he will be absent from the following places: Wellsboro, Pa., United States Hotel, Wednesday, September 29th. Covington, Pa., "Covington Hotel," Thursday, September 30th. Bloomsburg, Pa., "United States Hotel," Friday afternoon and Saturday forenoon, October 1st and 2nd. Tioga Pa., "Goodrich House," Tuesday, September 28th. In Scrofulous diseases, and all diseases arising from impure blood, Dr. Jackson's medicine is very successful in treating them. Also, ALL WEAKNESS, and female diseases generally, are fully treated by Indian Remedies.

NEW GOODS. FALL & WINTER HATS & CAPS. Just received, and having bought my Silk Hats unusually LOW PRICES, I am enabled to give my customers the benefit of Look at these figures: Best \$4.50 Silk Hat, City Fall Style reduced to \$3.50. Best \$4.00 Silk Hat, City Fall Style reduced to \$3.00. \$3.50 Hat warranted equal to those usually sold for \$4.50.

VERMONT & ITALIAN MARBLE. I would respectfully solicit the patronage of this and adjoining counties. Having a good stock on hand he is now ready to execute all orders with neatness, accuracy and dispatch. All work delivered if desired. JOHN BLAMPELD. Tioga, Tioga Co., Pa., Sept. 28, 1859.

PROCLAMATION. GENERAL ELECTION. WHEREAS by an act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An act to regulate the General Elections of this Commonwealth," enacted on the second day of July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, it is enjoined on me to give public notice of such election to be held, and enumerate in such notice what officers are to be elected. Therefore, I, S. I. POWELL, High Sheriff of the County of Tioga, do hereby make known and give this public notice to the Electors of said County of Tioga, that a General Election will be held on Tuesday, the 11th day of October next, at the several districts within the County of said county, to-wit:

1st. Delmar, at the Court House. 2d. Tioga, at the house of Lyman H. Smith. 3d. Deerfield, at the house of A. Purdie. 4th. Nelson, at the house of W. G. B. Short. 5th. Covington, at the house of A. L. Johnson. 6th. Sullivan, at the house of D. James. 7th. Jackson, at the house of Geo. W. Taylor. 8th. Lawrence, at the house of C. Slosson. 9th. Middlebury, at the Holiday School House. 10th. Shippert, at the Big Meadow School House. 11th. Vestry, at the house of J. H. Woodruff. 12th. Westford, at the house of J. K. Saylor. 13th. Richmond, at the house of J. B. Short. 14th. Rutland, at the house of R. Ross. 15th. Brookfield, at the South Road Schoolhouse. 16th. Union, at the house of Geo. W. Taylor. 17th. Farmington, at the house of John A. Kemp. 18th. Charleston, at the Park Settlement School House. 19th. Morris, at the house of W. G. B. Short. 20th. Clifton, at the house of E. P. Dingman. 21st. Gaines, at the house of H. C. Verilynia. 22nd. Wellsboro, at the Court House. 23rd. Bloss, at the Union School House. 24th. Lawrenceville, at the house of C. Slosson. 25th. Clymer, at the house of P. B. Short. 26th. Elkland Boro, at the house of A. Culver. 27th. Covington Boro, at the house of A. L. Johnson. 28th. Knappa, at the house of H. G. Short. 29th. Ward, at the house of W. R. Lyon. 30th. Elk, at the Schoolhouse of John Smith's. 31st. Osceola, at the house of Fred K. Culver. 32nd. Mansfield, at the Schoolhouse. 33rd. Mansburg, at the house of D. James.

1859. NEW DIRECTORY. PARTICULAR attention is called to the fact that the subscriber will issue as usual the necessary information can be collected a FULL general Directory of Elmira, with a complete BUSINESS DIRECTORY of Corning County. No pains or expense will be spared to make this the most reliable work of the kind ever issued.

BRIDGE TO LET. The Burr plan will be received by the Commission up to the 1st of October, at 3 o'clock P. M. when the Bridge will be let. Said Bridge is to be built across Tioga River, in Tioga township, near Douglas Mill; the abutments to be 19 feet high, 10 feet wide at the bottom and 8 feet across the top. The superstructure to be 12 feet long on upper side and 10 feet on lower side, on the west side and 10 feet on upper side and 10 feet on lower side, on the east side. The abutments to be placed on 10 inch plate timber, and to be 10 feet high from low water mark; and the abutments to be 110 feet. The superstructure to be in all respects like the Bridge across Crooked Creek near James Merceurs'. D. G. STEVENS' Care. I. D. SEELY. Sept. 22, 1859.

F. W. KRISER. SADDLE AND HARNESS MAKER. WELLSBORO ST. TIOGA, PA. TAKES this method of informing the citizens of Tioga, and of the County generally, that he has established himself at Tioga, where he has a good stock of Saddles, Bridles, Heavy Carriage Harness, Collars &c. All work warranted. Repairing done on short notice. Tioga, Sept. 1, 1859—ly.

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