revilers of the Yankee-while the English aris-

tocracy have ever been the secret foes of that

system which in this government elevates

In view of these facts, and they are historical,

the necessity of protecting our border along

English territory is very important. One of

the most important features of this protection

will consist of the fleets to be maintained on the

lakes, such as will be able to cope with the

English war craft which we must sooner or later

expect to encounter in those waters. And when

this necessity is admitted, a still greater neces-

sity arises of at once establishing a naval depot

on the lakes, in such a central position as will

be a protection both against the rough weather

in that region, and afford facilities of early com-

munication with the great manufacturing marts

and markets of supply along the Atlantic sea-

board. Such a locality is presented by Erie.

In every respect, the city and harbor of Erie,

is the most desirable, as affording a bay both

deep and spacious, for a fleet to ride at anchor

could be erected to prevent the entrance of a

hostile fleet; the supply of ship timber in that

region and along the lines of railroad leading to

that point is inexhaustible ; with every facility

for obtaining coal and iron for manufacturing

purposes, combine to render the harbor of Erie

the most desirable for a naval depot of all the

We give this subject our most earnest recom-

mendation, and trust that no time will be lost

on the part of the Navy Department in at once

selecting this point for the purpose named.-

Such a selection is demanded both by economy

and the highest considerations of national de-

RESIGNATION AND APPOINTMENTS

Gen, William H. Keim, for two years the

other harbors on our lakes.

fence and preservation.

every man to the position of a sovereign.



Forever float that standard sheet ! Where breathes the foe but falls befor With Freedom's soil beneath our feet, And Freedom's banner streaming o'er us

OUR PLATFORM

THE UNION-THE CONSTITUTION-ANI THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE LAW.

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GEORGE BERGNER.

Harrisburg, Penn'a.

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Monday Afternoon, December 28, 1861,

PROPLES' STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

A meeting of the members of the Peoples' State Central Committee will be held at Coverly's Hotel, Harrisburg, on

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22d, 1862, to determine the time and place for holding a State Convention to nominate State candidates, and to transact such other business as may be sented. A fuli attendance is requested. ALEX. K. MoCLURE, Chairman.

GRO. W. HAMMERSILY, Secretaries.

TO BUSINESS MEN.

Some of our cotemporaries become very elo quent on the subject of advertising, when they of the people at the initiation of our national desire to explain what many merchants call embarrassments, by promptly volunteering his hard times. It is a fact that advertising brings services in defence of the national honor, law business, and it is a fact, also, that while the and authority. His appointment to the comman who neglects to advertise, is constantly mand of a brigade was therefore well merited deploring the hardness of the times, he who and we have no doubt that the responsibility follows the practice of liberal and judicious adthus imposed will be faithfully discharged. vertising is a stranger to what is called the In view of this appointment of Gen. Keim, iness or the hardness of times. On this subject, an eastern comtemporary maintains that it is hardly worth while rary maintains that it is narring worth while for men, however modest they may be, to hide whatever light they may have, under a bushel, for the public does not take much trouble in known as an able and most reliable gentleman, cape down to the knees, with a hood fastened searching out such over modest merit. If you by whom the duties of Surveyor General will to the back of it; one tight clothskull cap, with a hood rastened by whom the duties of Surveyor General will to the back of it; one tight clothskull cap, with a tassel, and a dress parade cap, which we faithfully discharged. languish for want of appreciation. In other words, in these dull times, advertise the inducements you offer to those who have any any money to spend and if the inducements are his entire connection with Camp Curtin, and sufficient, you will insure patronage. You may we therefore cannot refrain from acknowledghave the best boots, the best clothing, the best ing the general obligation under which the dry goods, the best beef, the best groceries, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania rests for these thing. wines, or anything else, but if you keep the services, at a time when Capt. Van Swortow resecret locked up in your own breast, you may tires from all connection with the camps in this new tents, which came with the uniforms. keep all your goods upon your shelves or in region. No man labored more zealously to en- tents are pure linen, circular, some eight keep all your goods upon your shelves or in region. No man labored more zealously to en-tents are pure linen, chouse, some cigues your drawers. The great secret of success in sure and promote a military discipline, and to feet in diameter, and will accommodate sixte men; they have a pole in the centre, around the for the secret of success in sure and promote a military discipline and to feet in diameter, and will accommodate sixte business is judicious advertising. There is no man's energy is more credit due for the nothing like keeping your name and business commendation which the volunteers from the continually before the people, especially Keystone state have received, than to Captain at this season, when everybody feels lib- Van Swartow. He deserves well at the hands Washington correspondent of the St. Louis erally inclined; and yet disposed to in- of the state and the nation, and we trust that publican in reference to the war news fr vest the money they may have to spend the latter will not be long in recognizing in him to the best possible advantage. If you a soldier worthy of both full confihave holiday presents which you consid- dence and honorable position. An appointer better than those kept by any one else, and ment to a command in the army would be hail. instantly treated to a straight jacket and energy which you are willing to sell at fair prices, ed by the volunteers from this state almost as on the brain. Yet there are things more walk up to the TELEGRAPH office and tell the nub- on any of vinteers from this state almost as tirely impossible than a war with England walk up to the TELEGRAPH office and tell the pub- an omen of victory. lic so, through our columns. We will spread the fact far and wide for you, give you the benefit of the large circulation of our three editions, and thus give you more notoriety than you and thus give you more notoriety than you year has seen the footsteps of the invader on the anyhow. I do not think that we can be bull could get, if you were to go about for years, soil of South Carolina—the commerce of her into a war. But if I understand the old gent button-holing every man, woman and child ports destroyed—her crops given to the flames— man who at present lives in the Executive man you met, and foroing them to listen to you. her slaves escaping-her material wealth re-Every, dollar; judiciously invested in this duced to almost nothing-beggary and near bully of the United Islands. As to giving way, is sure to bring back ten; in fact, starvation racking her people-and finally her Mason and Slidell, that may be done, as way, is sure to bring Dack ten; in fact, starvation housing not proper and internal dobserved of John Brown, "after we are do there is no investment which pays so well as chief city laid in ashes without even the hand observed of John Brown, "after we are do with them." If Great Britain demands the that spent on the advertising department of a of the "northern enemy" being laid upon her. popular newspaper like the THIEGRAPH. The Verily the nest in which was hatched the viper space you occupy in the paper is yours. In of secession, has fared ill, and all who may be it you can say to your customers and friends hereafter disposed to adopt the policy of "rule just what you please, offer any inducements or ruin'' may take warning. Some way the you like, and thus have an immense advantage destruction reaches them, and how it reaches over those people who have so little confidence them is a matter of but little consequence. in themselves that they have nothing to say .--You cannot catch fish without bait, neither can

ERIE AS A NAVAL DEPOT. The Great Fire at Charleston. Whether England concludes to take part in The loss by this great fire is estimated at \$7. this rebellion or resolves to "wait a little 000,000. The following are the only extracts from Charleston papers, which have reached us longer" for a more propitious hour to gratify since the fire:

the long cherished hopes of her aristocracy, of The Courier says the most gratifying incident destroying the great Bepublic of the West, the of the fire was the zeal manifested by the slaves necessity of protecting our entire range of entire the provide the slaves and laborers. The In their enorts as memoria and isobrers. The entire population, male and female, worked most earnestly. Subscriptions for the poor suf-ferers by the terrible configgration has been opened at the Bank of Charleston, and \$2,000 northern border along British territory, is now and ever will be, one of vast importance. There can hereafter be no social reciprocity or commercial understanding between Great Britain and

had been subscribed. The Mercury of Friday says : Yesterday was a gloomy day for Charleston. Business was this government, simply because the English aristocracy who govern, have evinced a hatred for the free masses of this land, such as we did not antisipate from the pioneers of Constitutional the free masses of the pioneers of Constitutional antisipate from the pioneers of the prost public calamity. liberty. And in view of these facts, the necessity that has just passed over our city will cause the left of December, 1861, hereafter to be remembered as one of those dark and trying period and military fortifications along the north-east which for the moment seem to paralyze all the long cherished hopes and bright anticipations and western Canadian boundary, is daily becoming a work of imperative and instant importance. of the future. We have been visited by one of those mysterious dispensations of Providence We have no right, hereafter, to trust either the which we cannot attempt to solve. Our city has received a terrific blow which will fake the Canadian rebels or the English aristocracy. work of years to repair. Let us nerve ourselves then for another start, thankful we are still The former, when they attempted their sickly resolution a few years since, were too willing to seek refuge under our government until they left with the same bold spirit and strong arms to make a new and perhaps more substantial prosperity for our beloved city. could obtain pardon from their own, when they returned to Canada and became the bitterest

THE GAP GANG AGAIN. -- Some two weeks ago THE GAP GANG AGAIN.—Some two weeks ago a black fellow was arrested near Pennington-ville, Chester county, on a charge of stealings some grain from Andrew Steward's warehouse. Since his confinement there he gave such infor-mation as implicates several others in the same transaction among whom were bling to the same transaction, among whom were Elias Levison, a tall yellow fellow, and Wm. Bear, of the "Gap Gang" nutoriety. On searching the house of Levison, thirty bushels of wheat and eight bushels of clover seed were secreted in the cel-lar, but Levison was nowhere to be found. On Saturday last he was heard of in Philade lphia and Mr. Steward, accompanied by another gen After some difficulty, they found that he had hired his services to a soldier company which was encamped near the city. By the aid of an officer he was arrested and lodged in prison, where he remained a day, and on Monday, was brought to the West Chester jail. He had a hearing before Esquire Whitehead, where he talked about the robbery in a very unconcerned manner, as though he thought it was a mere matter of business. Bear has left the neighbor hood but a strict watch is being kept for him Since the pardon for his last offence, which tool place about a year ago, he has been pretending to be very good, attending church very regular with banks 100 feet high, on which batteries ly, and some time ago seemed anxious to become a member. It was, however, thought advisable to put him on probation.

A NEW RELIGIOUS DENOMINATION .- The first service of the "Conference of the Independent Methodist Churches in the United States" was

held in the St. John's Methodist Church in this city on Wednesday and Thursday last. About twenty delegates, lay and clerical, were in at-tendance, representing Independent Methodist Churches in different parts of the country. Rev. M. Staple, of Brooklyn was chosen President; Rev. H. Mattison, of New York Secretary, and James M. Coburn, of New York Treasurer. Two young men were ordained to the ministry, and arrangements were obtained to the ministry, and arrangements were made for starting a periodi-cal to be called the *Methodist Independent*, to be edited by Professor Mattison. The peculiarities of this sect are that while they adhere to Metho-

dist doctrine and mode of worship, they have no "Bishops" or "Presiding Elders ;" the churches are independent of the Conference, own their church property, choose their own pastors, and Surveyor General of the State, has been appoint. Surveyor General of the State, has been appoint retain them as long as they please; and the ed by the President of the United States, a Conference, composed of ministers and lay dele-Brigadier-General in the army, Gen. Keim, during his connection with the Surveyor Gen-eral's Department of the State, won for himself of Faith of the Methodist Episcopal Church many personal friends, by his uniform courtesy were adopted by the Conference, and recom-and diligence and elicited the commendation mended to the local churchas as a doctrinal platform, and a carefully prepared plan of union or constitution was adopted and subscribed by all the delegates present.-New York Evening Post of Saturday.

THE NEW FRENCH UNIFORMS. - A correspondent of one of our cotemparies, writing from Washington, thus alludes to the new Zonave uniforms, recently furnished Col. McLane's at Col. Black's regiments :--- "On my way hor from McCall's to Col. Black's regiment, on M ner's Hill, I found the road lined with F CAPT. VAN SWORTOW. The services of this gentleman, in a military rense, have been important and manifold during MCLane were the victors. The Eric boys g theirs one day sooner than Col. Black. joy. If you you would ask them anythin they would say, 'Everybody thinks it's a thing.' I am sure it is the ugliest garment the banks of the Potomac. All day Sund Col. Black's men were busy getting up the which is a complete rack for guns, &c.



In addition to the above I have a large assortment of bound JUVENILE BOOKS. BIBLES, PRAYER BOOKS &c. PBOF, J. H. MCENTYRE,

AS arrived in town with a full supply of roots and herby the built of roots and herby BIBLES for 87 cents, of roots and herby, also his celebrated Data in and worm destroyers, Tooth Powder, and Peters onta, Cough Drops, and other boisnic medicines. He s 10 ted at the White Hall, and will remain until the 10 Asia and 10 ted at the White Hall, and will remain until the 10 Asia and 10 ted at the well for the afflicted to give bin so asis, as there is no charge. He invites those who have u-el he medicines if they have not given satisfaction, to con averand have their money returned. His medicates are fi \$1 25, or \$1 50, for \$2. ES for \$8, BLES for \$4, ale by Gross & Co., Market s'reet. del7-dlw* IBLES for \$5, BIBLES for \$6. ANOTHER NEW STOCK! Portable Writing Desks, Backment BIBLES for \$7, BIBLES for \$8, BIBLES for \$10, Backgammon Boards, BIBLES for \$15, BIBLES for \$25 Traveling Baga, Purses, Wallets, Toilet Bottles, ALL PRICES. and a general assortment of published are daily re-FANCY ARTICLES, lowest publishers rates. Call at BERGNER'S CHEAP BOOKSTORE. GEO. BERGNEB. RUBBER GOODS! HTIER THAN THE Rubber Balls, Rubber Watches 'ORD." Rubber Rattles, Rubber Toys generally at GEST STOCK, STYLES AND PATTERNS BERGNER'S CHEAP BOOKSTORE. WM. KNOCHE er Pencil and Pen 98 MARKET STREET, HARRISBURG, ies. DEALER IN be found at PLANOS. OHEAP BOOKSTORE. MELODEONS, ACCORDEONS, FLUTES, FIFES, AS GIFTS TY of selected Goods GUITARS, VIOLINS, and now open at KELLER'S 9 MUSICAL MERCHANDISE IN GENERAL PICTURE AND LOOKING GLASS FRAMES. RIAN MARBLE VASES OVAL AND SQUARE BOSEWOOD AND GILT, SHEET AND BOOK MUSIC. COLOGNE BOTTLES. **FANDS**. dell-2wd ANDS. GIFTS FOR THE HOLLIDAYS. ERS. THE LARGEST AND MOST VARIED STOCK OF RARE CONFECTIONS, infurnished. or Ladies Companions. OF THE FINEST QUALITY Single Hand Mirrors. for Puff Boxes. NOW READY FOR THE PUBLIC me Shell Bags. All sizes, bert CHOICE MIXED SUGAR PLUMS, Put up neatly in boxes, from one to five pounds. tchels. Furniture, FINE CHOCOLATE CONFECTIONS, ient of Ladies and Gents IN GREAT VARIETY. ses and Portmonsies. TOGEIHER WITH Balls. in stock of that elegant Confectionary. BRILLIANT IMPORTATION les not mentioned, OF RICH FANCY BOXES. rmometers, STEPHEN F. WHITMAN, Card Case No. 1210, Market street, ars, Pipes, Gum Tobacco Philadelphia. able and single,) est stock of PEFUMERY de7 d1m BUILDING STUNE, GOOD ARTICLE of Long Stolid for Building purposes, on hand, delivered in the short-set notice at prices to suit the times. J. MSB. ES in this market. Drug and Fancy Store. TICE. J. MICH, Keysione Farm, lower end of the city. ebted to the estate of Susquebanna township, deceas-myment to the subscriber and against the said decedent will del9-giw MINOE PIES, i RABBER, CTRON, URRANTS, SPICES, &c., Selitable for Minse Pies for sole low by WM. DOCK, JR., & CO. nt to). W. SEAL, of Harrisburg. estate of John Bower, dec'd. Boy18-d04-11m+

TO THE AFFLICTED.

his resignation as Surveyor General becomes imperative, and therefore Gov. Curtin has at once boys, coming out to show their new uniform selected a successor in the Land Department, in brought from France-the real Zouave dress.

sense, have been important and manifold during

OUR NATIONAL DOCTOR'S BILL.-The Surgeon you do business without advertising. Those General of the army asks an appropriation for above suspicion, ought to be-rebels about the you do business without advertising. Those General of the army asks an appropriation for high offices of the Government. He has call who know, the benefits of the system should the next fiscal year of \$3,500,000, besides the attention to these facts in the proper quart take advantage of it now ; those who do not, pay of the surgeons, for the medical and hospi should try it just once. Do not be modest; tal departments. His estimates are founded come right out and tell your story, the public upon the basis of \$7 per man for an aggregate will be sure to be interested in it, if it is a good of 500,000 men. Besides this, the Paymaster tensively circulated in Philadelphia. Alte one. Do not wait till all the holiday luxuries are purchased, all the presents made, but strike boldly for a chance to sell your share of them. Our advice may seem selfish, but it is sound nevertheless. Follow it once, at any rate.

Great Britain, says :

"A year ago, a man predicting we won sion there will be no sacrifice of honer or pr

Mr. Seward will probably reply, "send on ye burial cases.'

MR. Porrar, the Chairman of the House estigating Committee, says he has come the knowledge of facts which convince him the this war is graver and more difficult than a one would suppose. There are rebels in army, in the cannon foundaries ; rebels in Bureaus, where especially loyal men, who

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up	the same offence of any one once discharged on	Work Cases
Vise	a writ of habeas corpus, and prohibits also the	Splendid Double and a Beautiful Powde
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WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.