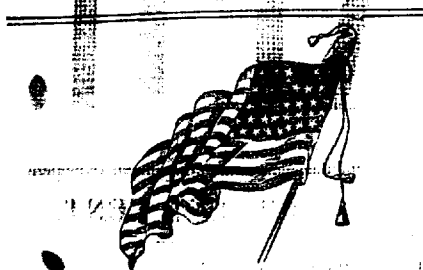


Daily Telegraph



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Address, GEORGE BERGNER, Harrisburg, Penn'a.

HARRISBURG, PA.

Tuesday Morning, December 24, 1861.

PEOPLES' STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the members of the Peoples' State Central Committee will be held at Cowley'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 presented. A full attendance is requested.

ALEX. K. MCCLURE, Chairman. GEO. W. HAMMERSLEY, Secretary. JOHN M. SULLIVAN.

TO BUSINESS MEN.

Some of our contemporaries become very eloquent on the subject of advertising, when they desire to explain what many merchants call hard times. It is a fact that advertising brings business, and it is a fact, also, that while the man who neglects to advertise, is constantly deploring the hardness of the times, he who follows the practice of liberal and judicious advertising is a stranger to what is called the stringency of business or the hardness of the times.

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ERIE AS A NAVAL DEPOT.

Whether England concludes to take part in this rebellion or resolves to "wait a little longer" for a more propitious hour to gratify the long cherished hopes of her aristocracy, of destroying the great Republic of the West, the necessity of protecting our entire range of 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 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 anticipate from the pioneers of Constitutional liberty.

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 necessity 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 communication with the great manufacturing markets and markets of supply along the Atlantic seaboard.

We give this subject our most earnest recommendation, 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 defence and preservation.

RESIGNATION AND APPOINTMENTS.

Gen. William E. Keim, for two years the Surveyor General of the State, has been appointed by the President of the United States, a Brigadier-General in the army. Gen. Keim, during his connection with the Surveyor General's Department of the State, won for himself many personal friends, by his uniform courtesy and diligence, and elicited the commendation of the people at the initiation of our national embarrassments, by promptly volunteering his services in defence of the national honor, law and authority.

CAPT. VAN SWARTOW.

The services of this gentleman, in a military sense, have been important and manifold during his entire connection with Camp Curtin, and we therefore cannot refrain from acknowledging the general obligation under which the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania rests for these services, at a time when Capt. Van Swartow retires from all connection with the camps in this region. No man labored more zealously to ensure and promote a military discipline, and to no man's energy is more credit due for the commendation which the volunteers from the Keystone state have received, than to Captain Van Swartow. He deserves well at the hands of the state and the nation, and we trust that the latter will not be long in recognizing in him a soldier worthy of both full confidence and honorable position.

The ordinance of secession was passed on the 20th day of December, 1860, and less than a year has seen the footsteps of the invader on the soil of South Carolina—the commerce of her ports destroyed—her crops given to the flames—her slaves escaping—her material wealth reduced to almost nothing—beggary and near starvation racking her people—and finally her chief city laid in ashes without even the hand of the "northern enemy" being laid upon her. Varily the nest in which was hatched the viper of secession, has fared ill, and all who may be hereafter disposed to adopt the policy of "rule or ruin" may take warning. Some way the destruction reaches them, and how it reaches them is a matter of but little consequence.

OUR NATIONAL DOCTOR'S BILL.—The Surgeon General of the army asks an appropriation for the next fiscal year of \$3,500,000, besides the pay of the surgeons, for the medical and hospital departments. His estimates are founded upon the basis of \$7 per man for an aggregate of 500,000 men. Besides this, the Paymaster General asks for \$73,000, for the payment of 600 female nurses. Add to these items the pay of 600 surgeons, and you have the doctor's bill of the Federal army, which will considerably exceed \$4,000,000 a year!

The Great Fire at Charleston.

The loss by this great fire is estimated at \$7,000,000. The following are the only extracts from Charleston papers, which have reached us since the fire:

The Courier says the most gratifying incident of the fire was the manifested by the slaves in their efforts as firemen and laborers. The entire population, male and female, worked most earnestly. Subscriptions for the poor sufferers by the terrible conflagration has been opened at the Bank of Charleston, and \$2,000 had been subscribed.

The Gap Gang Again.—Some two weeks ago a black fellow was arrested near Penningtonville, Chester county, on a charge of stealing some grain from Andrew Steward's warehouse. Since his confinement there he gave such information as implicates several others in the same transaction, among whom were Elias Levison, a tall yellow fellow, and Wm. Bear, of the "Gap Gang" notoriety. On searching the house of Levison, thirty bushels of wheat and eight bushels of clover seed were secreted in the cellar, but Levison was nowhere to be found.

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 attendance, representing Independent Methodist Churches in different parts of the country.

THE NEW-FRENCH UNIFORMS.—A correspondent of one of our contemporaries, writing from Washington, thus alludes to the new Zouave uniforms, recently furnished Col. McLane's and Col. Black's regiments. "On my way home from McCull's to Col. Black's regiment, on Miner's Hill, I found the road lined with Erie boys, coming out to show their new uniforms, brought from France—the real Zouave dress. It is blue. The breeches are about three feet above the hips in width, tapering down to the ankle, a sort of blue monkey jacket, a large cape down to the knees, with a hood fastened on to the back of it; one tight cloth skull cap, with a tassel, and a dress parade cap, which very much resembles our old patent-leather cap."

THE ADMINISTRATOR AND ENGLAND.—The Washington correspondent of the St. Louis Republic in reference to the war news from Great Britain, says: "A year ago, a man predicting we would ever be at war with England, on account of her complicity in slavery, had and now has been instantly treated to a straight jacket and now lies in the insane asylum. Yet there are things more than three times impossible than a war with England. They are believing very foolishly in Liverpool and the London Times, though admitting that we are right, very strongly insinuating that we are not to be allowed our rights in this matter, and that now is a very good time to tackle us anyhow. I do not think that we can be bullied into a war with England, and I understand the old gentleman who at present lives in the insane asylum there will be no sacrifice of honor or principle even to avoid a war with the swaggering Billy of the United Islands. As to being up-bitten and slurred, that may be done, as was observed of John Brown, 'after we are done with them.' If Great Britain demands them, Mr. Seward will probably reply, 'send on your burial cases.'"

Mr. POTTER, the Chairman of the House Investigating Committee, says he has come to the knowledge of facts which convince him that this war is graver and more difficult than any one would suppose. There are rebels in the army, in the cannon boundaries; rebels in the ranks, who are especially loyal men, wholly above suspicion, ought to be rebels about the high offices of the Government. He has called attention to these facts in the proper quarter.

COUNTREIFETS.—Counterfeit bills on the Citizens' Bank of Middletown, Delaware, are extensively circulated in Philadelphia. Altered notes on the bank, the denomination of \$3 have also been put into circulation. A man named Henry Hartshorn, a resident of Middletown, is believed to have been the author of the counterfeit bills. He is believed to have been the author of the counterfeit bills. He is believed to have been the author of the counterfeit bills.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

From our Evening Edition of Yesterday.

From Frederick, Md.

The Case of Lanahan, who shot Maj. Lewis.

Approval of the Finding of the Court Martial.

HIS EXECUTION ORDERED.

FREDERICK, Dec. 23. The finding of the court-martial in the case of John Lanahan for shooting Major Lewis, of the 46th Pennsylvania regiment, sentencing him to be hung, has been approved by General McClellan. The execution has been ordered to take place to-day, between one and three o'clock this afternoon, on the Hagerstown road, two miles from this city, in the presence of the whole division. Lanahan appears calm and cheerful. All is quiet on the upper Potomac this morning.

FROM FORTRESS MONROE.

Skirmish at New Market Bridge.

NO PARTICULARS RECEIVED.

FORTRESS MONROE, Dec. 22, } via Baltimore.

There has been no flag of truce to-day. A skirmish took place to-day at New Market bridge. Four companies of Federal troops went out from Newport News at nine o'clock this morning, and were attacked by a force of rebel cavalry and infantry. The Federal troops were ordered out to reinforce them and went to their aid. Col. Wardrop's regiment also went to Hampton bridge. Sergeant Rohr, of company I, Twentieth regiment, and two or three others were wounded. The fight is all over by this time, but no particulars have yet been received.

From Porto Rico.

SPANISH TROOPS FOR MEXICO.

New York, Dec. 23.

An arrival at this port furnishes St. Johns, Porto Rico, advices to Dec. 9th. A Spanish steamer loaded with troops had arrived and left for Mexico. Several companies garriooned at Porto Rico had volunteered their services for the expedition and sailed in the same steamer. Gen. Brin was daily expected en route to take command of the Spanish forces.

ARRIVAL OF REGULARS FROM NEW MEXICO.

SAKETT HARBOR, Dec. 23.

One company of the Seventh regiment of U. S. regulars from New Mexico, under Lieutenant Ryan, arrived here on Saturday for garrison duty at Madison barracks.

FROM ST. THOMAS.

New York, Dec. 23.

St. Thomas advices to Dec. 7th, have been received by an arrival at this port. The United States steamer Troquois was at St. Thomas to sail on the 8th on a cruise. The United States ship Shephard Knapp was also in port.

XXXVIIth Congress—First Session.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.

IN SENATE. Mr. GRIMES, (Iowa), gave notice that he should introduce a bill to have one of the hospitals in Washington placed under the care of a homoeopathic physician.

Mr. LAMB, (Ind.), presented the credentials of the Hon. Garrett Davis, Senator elect from Kentucky, in place of Breckinridge, expelled.

Mr. DAVIS appeared and took his seat. Mr. SUMNER, (Mass.), presented the memorial from citizens of Boston, praying that the freedom of the press had been abridged and asking for relief.

Mr. FESSENDEN, (Me.), from Committee on Finance, reported a bill making appropriations for gun-boats on the Western river. The bill which appropriated 1,500,000 was passed.

Mr. KNOX, (N. Y.), offered a resolution that the President be requested to institute proceedings in the courts of law against persons who may have been arrested by the executive authority, and who are now remaining in custody so that a judicial examination may be had in each case to ascertain who are allowed to take the oath of allegiance and who detained. Laid over.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. Mr. PERRY, (N. J.), introduced a bill providing for the better organization of the Military Establishment. Referred.

Mr. BARRITT, (Pa.), presented a bill for the preservation and improvement of the harbor of Erie. Referred.

New Advertisements.

JUST OPENED, A LARGE STOCK OF FURS! RICH DARK SHADES. VERY CHEAP GOODS FOR THE HOLIDAYS

At CATHCART'S, de23 Next door to the Harrisburg Bank.

ANOTHER ARRIVAL

FANCY GOODS FOR THE HOLIDAYS!

A FEW FANCY BOXES. Suitable for work boxes. A FEW SMALL CABAS, For little Girls. LADIES FURSES and PORTEMONAIS, A splendid assortment. NEW STYLES FINE TOILET WATERS. BOXES FINE TOILET SOAP for \$1.00

Call and see the varieties that we are unable to notice in our advertisements.

A STOLEN HORSE AND WAGON.

The undersigned hired a Horse and Wagon on Wednesday the 11th inst. at Williamsport, Md. to three Soldiers of company "C," 1st Virginia Regiment stationed at that place, to come to Hagerstown, and return on the same evening, since which time they have not been heard from, but are supposed to have gone in the direction of Harrisburg. The horse was a dark bay, with hind feet white near the pastern joint, white star on the forehead, and roan color at the root of the tail. The horse answers to the name of "Roub," and is about 10 or 12 years old. The wagon is a one horse spring, with a single wheel, and I will give a reward for the recovery of the horse and wagon, and there has also been a reward offered for the arrest of the soldiers as deserters. Any information addressed to me at Williamsport, Md., will receive due attention, and will be liberally rewarded.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

The undersigned having been appointed by the Orphan's Court in and for the County of Dauphin, an auditor to make a distribution among creditors of the amount in the hands of Daniel Kiser, administrator of the estate of Mark L. Whitin a dec'd, who was the administrator of the estate of Emmaus' widow, late of Westport township, and among the creditors of said Emmaus, will attend to the duties of his appointment at his room in Third street, city of Harrisburg on Thursday the 10th day of January, A. D. 1862, at 10 o'clock A. M., when and where all parties interested may attend, and will be liberally rewarded.

HOGS,

LIVE OR DEAD, to be had at the Black Horse Tavern, Front & Paxton streets, by Wm. Meigs. Private families supplied cheaper than can be had elsewhere, for cash. de23-24

BOY WANTED in a Store, must be of industrious habits, and of good character, preferred to one who speaks German. Address 244 Harrisburg Post Office. de23-24

BOOKS FOR CHILDREN!

A new and large assortment of BOOKS suitable for Children, has just been opened at BERGNER'S BOOKSTORE. Among the assortment will be found an endless variety of TOY BOOKS!

Indestructible Pleasure Books with Colored Pictures.

A full assortment of these popular Children's Books printed on fine linen, consisting of Stories from the Scriptures—Zah, Stories from the Scriptures—David, Stories from the Scriptures—Samson, Childs Fictorial Reader, Homes that Jack Built, Cock Robin and Jenny Wren, Old Woman and Pig, Farmer Boy's Alphabet, or "Speed the Plough," Old Mother Hubbard, Little Man and Maid, Little Bopeep, Jenny Wren, &c., &c.

BIBLES, PRAYER BOOKS &c.

BIBLES for 87 cents, BIBLES for 60 cents, BIBLES for 75 cents, BIBLES for \$1, BIBLES for \$1 25, BIBLES for \$1 50, BIBLES for \$2, BIBLES for \$3, BIBLES for \$4, BIBLES for \$5, BIBLES for \$6, BIBLES for \$7, BIBLES for \$8, BIBLES for \$10, BIBLES for \$15, BIBLES for \$25.

PRAYER BOOKS AT ALL PRICES.

All the latest Books published are daily received and sold at the lowest publishers rates. Examine the stock. GEO. BERGNER

THE PEN MIGHTIER THAN THE SWORD.

THE MOST BEAUTIFUL STYLES AND PATTERNS OF Gold and Silver Pencil and Pen Cases. In the market, is to be found at BERGNER'S CHEAP BOOKSTORE.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS!

A FINE VARIETY of selected Goods suitable for Presents now open at KELLER'S 91 Market street. TERRA-COTTA and FINE MARBLE VASES. TOILET and COLOGNE BOTTLES. MARBLE MATCH STANDS. MARBLE SEAR STANDS. MARBLE ASH-HOLDERS.

Dressing Cases, Shaving Cases, Toilet Cases, unfurnished, Work Cases or Ladies Companions. Splendid Double and Single Hand Mirrors. Beautiful Powder Puff Boxes. Handsome Shell Bags. All sizes, best Leather Traveling Satchels, Satchels with Caba Furniture. A fine assortment of Ladies and Gents Purses and Portmonaies.

A large lot of Fancy Balls, A Fresh stock of that elegant Confectionary. Also, with other articles not mentioned, Pocket Knives, Thermometers, Cans, Portfolios, Card Cases, Segar Cases, Segars, Pipes, Gum Tobacco, Pouches, (double and single). And the largest and best stock of PEUMERY and TOILET ARTICLES in this market. de13 KELLER'S Drug and Fancy Store.

NOTICE.

All persons indebted to the estate of John Bower, late of Susquehanna township, deceased, are required to make payment to the administrator and all persons having claims against the said decedent, to present them for settlement to the Administrator on the estate of John Bower, dec'd, at the Harrisburg, on Monday, the 24th day of December, 1861. J. W. SEAL, Administrator on the estate of John Bower, dec'd. de13-24

New Advertisements.

Holiday Presents!

A LARGE ASSORTMENT of HOLIDAY GOODS, has just been opened at BERGNER'S CHEAP BOOK STORE. Among the best publications will be found—

PHOTOGRAPHIC ALBUMS.

UNEXCEPTIONABLE IN STYLE, UNSURPASSED IN BEAUTY, UNEQUALLED IN QUALITY. Albums bound to suit all tastes, in CLAY, WITH IMITATION MOROCCO, WITH TURKEY ANTIQUE, WITH VELVET AND GOLD, WITH CARVED WOOD SHIMS.

To Hold Twelve Cards, To Hold Twenty Cards, To Hold Thirty Cards, To Hold Forty Cards, To Hold Fifty Cards, To Hold Sixty Cards, To Hold Eighty Cards, To Hold One Hundred Cards, To Hold Two Hundred Cards. From SEVENTY-FIVE CENTS To TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS.

HYMN BOOKS! HYMN BOOKS!

New School Presbyterian Hymn Books, Old School Presbyterian Hymn Books, Lutheran Hymn Books, Methodist Hymn Books, German Reformed Hymn Books. In various styles of Binding can be had at BERGNER'S BOOK STORE.

ORDER No. 33.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, Harrisburg, Dec. 20, 1861. I. Oliver W. Sees is appointed Adjutant of the Transportation and Telegraphic Department, to assume the duties of his position on Monday the twenty-third day of December next. If he will take charge of all arrangements and contracts with railroad and telegraph companies, make and return a regular and complete settlement of their accounts, and perform the regulations necessary to the efficient conduct of the business of his department. By the Governor and Commander in Chief, EDWARD M. BRIDGES, Adjutant General.

GENERAL ORDER, No. 7.

HEAD-QUARTERS PENNSYLVANIA MILITARY ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, HARRISBURG, Dec. 20, 1861. All officers and commanders of military organizations, are hereby ordered to transmit these Head-Quarters, the number of men and accounts of every description, in a separate session, the number fit for service, and the unit. By order of Governor, Commander in Chief, E. M. BRIDGES, Adjutant General.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

NOW IS THE TIME FOR CHEAP PRESENTS! SUITABLE FOR THE HOLIDAYS. LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS, from 25c up to \$1.00. Beautiful Linen Handkerchiefs, from 25c up to \$1.00. Beautiful Linen Handkerchiefs, from 25c up to \$1.00. Beautiful Linen Handkerchiefs, from 25c up to \$1.00.

TO THE AFFLICTED.

HAS arrived in town with a full supply of roots and herbs, also prepared for Cough Drops, and other home remedies. He is located at the White Hall, and will remain until he gives examination and advice free of charge. He would be well for the afflicted to give him a trial, if he has no charge. He writes those who have tried his lines if they have not given satisfaction, to return them and have their money returned. His medicines are sold by Geo. & Co., Market street. de13-24

ANOTHER NEW STOCK!

Portable Writing Desks, Backgammon Boards, Traveling Bags, Purses, Wallets, Toilet Cases, and a general assortment of FANCY ARTICLES. Call at BERGNER'S CHEAP BOOKSTORE.

RUBBER GOODS!

Rubber Balls, Rubber Watches, Rubber Bottles, Rubber Toys generally at BERGNER'S CHEAP BOOKSTORE.

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98 MARKET STREET, HARRISBURG, DEALER IN PIANOS, MELODEONS, ACCORDEONS, FLUTES, VIOLINS, GUITARS, MUSICAL MERCHANDISE IN GENERAL. PICTURE AND LOOKING GLASS FRAMES. OVAL AND SQUARE ROSEWOOD AND GILT SHEET AND BOOK MUSIC.

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THE LARGEST AND MOST VARIED STOCK OF RARE CONFECTIONS, OF THE FINEST QUALITY. NOW READY FOR THE PUBLIC. CHOICE MIXED SUGAR PLUMS. Put up neatly in boxes, from one to five pounds. FINE CHOCOLATE CONFECTIONS, IN GREAT VARIETY. TOGETHER WITH A BRILLIANT IMPORTATION OF RICH FANCY BOXES. STEPHEN F. WHITMAN, No. 1210, Market street, Philadelphia.

BUILDING STONE.

A GOOD ARTICLE of LIME Stone for building purposes, on hand, delivered in any quantity at prices to suit the times. J. W. B. est notice at Keystone Farm, lower end of the city. de13-24

MINGE PIES,

BAKERS, CRISPER, CRISPER, CRISPER, CRISPER. Suitable for Mince Pies for table use. WM. DOCK, JR., & CO. de13-24