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MENTALLY.

MENTALLY, the fearful effects on the mind are much to be dreaded:—Loss of Memory, Confusion of Ideas, Depression of Spirits, Evil Forebodings, Aversion to Society, Self-distrust, Love of Solitude, Timidity, &c., are some of the evil effects.

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YOUNG MEN

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MARRIAGE,

effect that a sound mind and body are the most necessary requisites to promote connubial happiness. Indeed without these, the journey through life becomes a weary pilgrimage; the prospect hourly darkens to the view; the mind becomes shadowed with despair, and filled with the melancholy reflection that the happiness of another becomes blighted with our own.

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WINTER TIME TABLE.

FIVE TRAINS DAILY TO AND FROM PHILADELPHIA.

ON AND AFTER

MONDAY JANUARY 27th, 1862.

The Passenger Trains of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will depart from and arrive at Harrisburg and Philadelphia as follows:—

EASTWARD.

THROUGH EXPRESS TRAIN leaves Harrisburg daily at 3.20 a. m., and arrives at West Philadelphia at 7.40 a. m.

FAST LINE leaves Harrisburg daily, (except Sunday,) at 1.00 p. m., and arrives at West Philadelphia at 5.10 p. m.

MAIL TRAIN leaves Harrisburg daily (except Sunday) at 5.55 p. m., and arrives at West Philadelphia at 11.00 p. m.

ACCOMMODATION TRAIN, via Mount Joy, leaves Harrisburg at 7.30 a. m., and arrives at West Philadelphia at 12.35 p. m.

HARRISBURG ACCOMMODATION TRAIN, via Columbia, leaves Harrisburg at 2.00 p. m., and arrives at West Philadelphia at 7.20 p. m.

WESTWARD.

THROUGH EXPRESS TRAIN leaves Philadelphia at 10.30 p. m., Harrisburg at 3.05 a. m., Altoona 8.40, a. m., and arrives at Pittsburg at 1.25 p. m.

MAIL TRAIN leaves Philadelphia at 8.00 a. m., and arrives at Harrisburg at 1.20 p. m.; leaves Harrisburg at 9.00 a. m., Altoona, 3.30 p. m., and arrives at Pittsburg at 9.30 p. M.

FAST LINE leaves Philadelphia at 11.25 a. m., Harrisburg 4.05 p. m., Altoona at 9.10 p. m., and arriving at Pittsburg at 1.40 a. m.

HARRISBURG ACCOMMODATION TRAIN leaves Philadelphia at 2.30 p. m., and arrives at Harrisburg at 8.00 p m.

MOUNT JOY ACCOMMODATION via Mount Joy leaves Lancaster at 11.33 a. m., arrives at Harrisburg at 1.30 p. m.

The NEWS EXPRESS and PASSENGER TRAIN will leave West Philadelphia at 4.00 a. m.; Lancaster 7.07 a. m.; Mount Joy at 7.43 a. m., Middletown at 8.25 a. m., and arrive at Harrisburg at 8.55 a. m., connecting with Mail Train west, from Harrisburg, at 9.00 a. m.

SAMUEL D. YOUNG, Supt. East. Div. Penna. Railroad.

Harrisburg, January 24, 1862 —dtf

Northern Central Railway

CHANGE OF SCHEDULE.

WINTER ARRANGEMENT.

THREE TRAINS DAILY TO AND FROM

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Close Connection made at Harrisburg TO AND FROM NEW YORK.

SLEEPING CARS RUN ON ALL NIGHT TRAINS.

ON AND AFTER SUNDAY, NOV. 24, 1861, the Passenger Trains of the Northern Central Railway will arrive at and ddpart from Harrisburg and Baltimore as follows, viz:

GOING SOUTH.

MAIL TRAIN arrives at Harrisburg			1.05 P. M.
and leaves	"		1.20 P. M.
EXPRESS " arrives at	"		2.47 A. M.
and leaves	"		3.20 A. M.

GOING NORTH.

MAIL TRAIN leaves Baltimore at		8.25 A. M.
and arrives at Harrisburg:		1.00 P. M.
and leaves North at		1.20 P. M.
EXPRESS TRAIN leaves Baltimore at		3.00 P. M.
and arrives at Harrisburg		8.00 P. M.
and leaves North at		8.10 P. M.

HARRISBURG ACCOMMODATION TRAIN

Leaves Harrisburg for Baltimore at		8.45 A. M.
Returning—leaves Baltimore at		3.30 P. M.

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Harrisburg, Nov. 23, 1861.—dtf

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ON AND AFTER MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1861, the Passenger Trains will leave the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Depot, at Harrisburg, for New York and Philadelphia, as follows, viz:

EASTWARD.

EXPRESS LINE leaves Harrisburg at 3.30 a. m., on arrival of Pennsylvania Railroad Express Train from the West, arriving in New York at 11.5 a. m., and at Philadelphia at 9.00 a. m. A sleeping car is attached to the train through from Pittsburg without change.

MAIL TRAIN leaves Harrisburg at 8 a. m., arriving in New York at 5.30p. m., and Philadelphia at 1.25 p. m.

FAST LINE leaves Harrisburg at 1.40 p. m., on arrival of Pennsylvania Railroad Fast Mail, arriving in New York at 9.50 p. m., and Philadelphia at 6.40 p. m.

WESTWARD.

FAST LINE leaves New York at 6 a. m., and Philadelphia at 8 a. m., arriving at Harrisburg at 1 p. m.

MAIL TRAIN leaves New York at 12.00 noon, and Philadelphia at 3.15 p. m., arriving at Harrisburg at 8.10 p m.

EXPRESS LINE leaves New York at 8 p. m., arriving at Harrisburg at 3.10 a. m., and connecting with the Pennsylvania Express Train for Pittsburg. A sleeping car is also attached to this train.

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Pennsylvania Legislature.

REPORTED EXPRESSLY FOR THE TELEGRAPH.

SENATE.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

TUESDAY, April 1, 1862.

The Senate re-assembled at three P. M., the Speaker in the Chair.

Several private bills were taken up and disposed of—nothing of a general importance.

Mr. CONNELL called up Senate bill, entitled "An Act relative to the Tioga railroad company.

Passed to third reading and laid over.

The act to incorporate the Winslow collery, was passed.

The supplement to the bill relative to advertising delinquent tax-payers in Philadelphia, was passed, but subsequently reconsidered.

A large number of private bills were disposed, but none interesting our readers.

The Senate at 5½ P. M.

Adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, April 1, 1862.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House re-assembled at three o'clock, P. M.

PRIVATE CALENDAR.

House bill No. 19, an act repealing an act appointing commissioners to repair and keep in order the East and West State road, in M'Kean county.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 620, an act establishing the Peach Bottom ferries.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 621, a supplement to the act incorporating the Watsontown bridge company.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 622, an act relative to the use and disbursement of road taxes in Rose township, Jefferson county.

Passed finally.

Senate bill No. 393, an act relating to the selling of the repairing of the public roads in the township of Blakely, in Luzerne county.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 655, a supplement to an act providing for the completion of a public road in Tioga county.

Passed finally.

Senate bill No. 357, a supplement to the act incorporating the Township Line road company.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 628, an act relative to vacating of a certain public road in the township of Reed, Dauphin county, and township of Watts, Perry county.

Passed finally.

Senate bill No. 348, an act to provide for the collection of additional road taxes in the township of Clara, in the county of Potter.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 630, an act to incorporate the Shenango Valley coal and transportation company.

Passed finally.

Senate bill No. 431, an act to incorporate the Altoona academy.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 632, an act to incorporate the Standard Petroleum refining company of Allegheny county.

Passed finally.

Senate bill No. 422, an act to extend the act incorporating the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance society of Warminster, in Bucks county.

Passed finally.

Senate bill No. 402, an act to incorporate the Chartiers cemetery, of Allegheny county.

Passed finally.

Senate bill No. 436, a further supplement to the act to incorporate the city of Philadelphia, relative to the board of health.

Passed finally.

Senate bill No. 328, a further supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to incorporate the city of Carbondale," passed the 15th day of March, A. D. 1851.

Passed finally.

Senate bill No. 326, an act supplementary to an act, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Goshenhoppen mutual fire insurance company," approved the 3d day of March, 1843.

Passed finally.

Senate bill No. 242, an act to incorporate the Downington cemetery.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 640, an act incorporating the Pleasant View church, in Fayette county.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 641, a supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Farmer's mutual fire insurance company.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 642, a supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Western clinical infirmary."

Passed finally.

House bill No. 465, an act to prohibit the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore railroad company from running locomotives in the city of Philadelphia.

Postponed.

House bill No. 652, a further supplement to the act incorporating the borough of Washington, in the county of Lancaster.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 654, an act to attach a part of Carroll township, in the county of Washington, to the borough of Monongahela city, for school purposes.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 655, an act to authorize the Mill Creek independent school district to borrow money.

Passed finally.

Senate bill No. 340, an act to annex a part of Penn township, in Lycoming county, to Davidson township, in Sullivan county, for school purposes.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 658, an act to enable the citizens of the borough of Sholocta, in Indiana county, to elect three additional school directors.

Passed finally.

Senate bill No. 375, an act to change the lines of the Mercer school district, in Mercer county.

Passed finally.

Senate bill No. 477, an act to incorporate the Funkville bridge company, in Venango county.

Passed finally.

Senate bill No. 350, an act to annex certain real estate to Clarion township, in Clarion county.

Senate bill No. 461, an act to change the township line between Washington and Wiconisco townships, in the county of Dauphin.

Passed finally.

Senate 227, an act supplementary to an act incorporating the Cleveland and Pittsburg railroad company.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 767, supplement to the act incorporating the Mahoning railroad company.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 569, supplement to the act to incorporate the citizens' Passenger railroad company of the city of Pittsburg.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 672, an act to incorporate the Journeymen's Union manufacturing company.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 673, an act to authorize the trustees of the Society of Friends, in West Caln township, Chester county, to sell certain real estate.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 675, an act supplementary to an act, entitled "An Act to require corporators to give bail in certain cases, and relative to the commencement of suits against foreign corporations; to the accounts of John Sloan, late treasurer of Lycoming county, and Pittsburg and Connellsville railroad company, approved the 16th day of March, 1847.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 683, resolution for the payment of expenses of the committee in the contested election case of Charles F. Abbot.

Disagreed to.

Senate bill No. 290, an act for the relief of the sureties of Stephen Drake, late treasurer of Pike county.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 685, an act for the relief of George Conrad, one of the bail of Jacob Young, former treasurer of Northumberland county.

Passed finally.

House bill No. 687, an act for the relief of John F. Donaldson, late treasurer of Tioga county.

Passed finally.

Pending the discussion of the bills on the private calendar, the hour of six arrived and the House

Adjourned.

BY TELEGRAPH.

From our Morning Edition.

From Island No. 10.

The Rebels Erecting an Entrenched Camp in Front of Our Gunboats.

MASKED BATTERIES.

ACTIVITY AMONG THE REBELS.

Shells Thrown Upon the Island Every Fifteen Minutes.

The Rebels Make No Reply.

Engagements Between the Batteries at New Madrid.

CHICAGO, April 1.

[*Special Despatch to the Times.*]

OFF ISLAND No. 10, March 31.—River falling several inches to day. The rebels have erected a large entrenched camp in the bend of the river directly in front of our gunboats. An enbankment half a mile long has been thrown up on shore, behind which guns are mounted. Large numbers are being masked.

As yet there are no means of ascertaining what artillery they have posted at this point. Several batteries, however, are plainly visible. The entrenchments extend from the centre of the bend to the upper point of the island.

They are constantly busy both with steamboats and men.

Mortars arrived yesterday and to-day, they are fired every fifteen minutes, but with what effect we are unable to decide. The shells are all thrown upon the Island. The rebels make no answer except an occasional shot at the transports.

Occasional firing is heard in the direction of New Madrid, caused by engagements between the batteries which are placed at opposite sides of the river below that place. We get no news from there.

From Washington.

THE KNIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN CIRCLE,

INTERESTING DEVELOPMENTS.

Ex-President Pierce Charged with being a Member of the Circle.

HIS DENIAL OF THE CHARGE.

WASHINGTON, April 1.

It appears, from official correspondence, that toward the close of the last year, a letter written by a Doctor Hopkins came into possession of the State Department. It was therein stated that an organization had been formed by which the members of the Knights of the Golden Circle were to rush into the army and service of the Federal Government, and thus gain influence and position for carrying out their treasonable schemes, and, further, that Ex-President Pierce was among its prominent members.

When this letter was received, a note was sent to Ex-President Pierce, enclosing an extract from it saying, "your name is connected with a secret league, the object of which is to overthrow the government. Any information on the subject will be acceptable."

Pierce in reply expressed his surprise that even seeming credence should have been given to the charge. Appeals to his general course as a complete refutation of the slander, and remarks that he never belonged to any secret league society or association, and further objects to the form of the note.

Secretary Seward, in reply, explains that this was written by Wm. Hunter, chief clerk of the department. It explaines the circumstances under which he signed it, regrets that it gave offence and offered an apology.

The sickness of Representative Conway, of Kansas, is a serious attack of pleurisy.

FROM THE MISSISSIPPI.

Gallant Dash upon Union City.

THE REBEL ENCAMPMENT DISPERSED.

Several Rebels Killed and a Number Taken Prisoners.

150 Horses and Commissary and Quarter-Masters Stores Captured.

UNION LOSS ONE ACCIDENTLY KILLED.

CHICAGO, April 1.

[Special to the *Journal* from Cairo.]

Col. Buford yesterday, accompanied by Twenty-seventh and Forty-second Illinois, and part of the Fifteenth Wisconsin, from Island No. 10, with a detachment of cavalry and artillery from Hickman, under Col. Hege, made a descent upon Union city, and after a forced march of thirty miles fell upon the rebel encampment at seven o'clock in the morning and dispersed the entire force stationed there under Clay and King, both cavalry and infantry. They fled in every direction. Several of the enemy were killed, and a number taken prisoners. A large amount of spoils were captured, including one hundred and fifty horses, commissary and quartermaster's stores, &c. Our loss is one man killed from the explosion in a burning tent. The rebel force numbered seven hundred infantry, and between seven and eight hundred cavalry.

XXXVIIth Congress--First Session.

WASHINGTON, April 1.

SENATE.

The bill for the abolition of slavery in the District of Columbia was taken up.

Mr. WRIGHT spoke against, and Mr. FESSENDEN favored its passage.

Various amendments were made, but without a vote on its final passage, the Senate went into executive session and subsequently adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House then went into committee of the whole on the state of the Union, and took up the tax bill.

An amendment was adopted exempting from taxation, under the railroad, omnibus and steamboat section, all foreign emigrants traveling at a required rate of fare into the interior of the country.

During the proceedings the House found itself without a quorum and much time was consumed in securing one.

Several amendments were made to the above section including a tax of one and a half per cent. on the gross receipt of bridge corporations.

An amendment was adopted including trust companies with the banks, savings institutions, &c., paying the duty of three per cent.

A new section was added that on and after May next there shall be paid for and in respect to every insurance policy which may be made, renewed or continued, or every endorsement on an open policy a duty of ten cents for every hundred dollars insured for one year, &c.

Mr. COLFAX, (Ind.,) moved to strike out the section levying a duty on advertisements.

Mr. WRIGHT, (Pa.,) thought the press ought to come up to the mark.

Mr. COLFAX was of the same opinion, but he thought that by this bill without taxing the advertizements, publications were taxed more than they ought to be. They pay more than their proportion on the articles used and are taxed for paper, telegraphic messages, gas light, &c. We might as well impose a tax on boarders at a hotel or on lawyers for every criminal or civil suit.

Mr. WRIGHT said that persons engaged in every branch of business, merchants as well as mechanics, were not taxed less than newspapers which ought to bear their just proportion.

Mr. STEVENS replied that in England a large income was derived from the tax on advertisements as well as the newspaper stamp. The committee he thought had already made large concessions by reducing the tax on printing paper and striking out that on ink.

Mr. COLFAX said that experience had shown that the English tax on newspapers and books was a tax on knowledge, and that the people had demanded and secured a reform in this particular.

The committee disagreed to the motion of Mr. COLFAX to strike out the advertisement section, which was finally amended as follows, and then retained in the bill: The tax is to be assessed only on the amount received, not on that charged, and is reduced from 5 per cent. to 3 per cent. Newspapers with less than two thousand circulation or with less than one thousand dollars receipts from advertisements, are exempted from paying any advertising tax.

The committee then rose and the House

Adjourned.

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