

An Illustration of the Working of Republican Institutions.

We have been almost four years in finding the right men for the right places in the army. When the war was precipitated, and Mr. Lincoln saw that only a resort to arms could vindicate the outraged honor of the Government...

The Secret Draft.

We alluded, some days since, to what is regarded as a serious defect in the conscription laws, namely, the public character of the proceedings of the draft. This publicity, to many men, is a real temptation to desert, or to fail to report, which they regard, mistakenly, as being no desertion.

By Telegraph.

From Nashville.

NO IMPORTANT NEWS.

The Rebels Continue Their Flight.

The "Johnnies" Dispirited.

From Havana.

Seizure of the Alexandria.

A Blockade Runner Captured.

MOVEMENTS OF VESSELS.

Galveston Being Blockaded.

New York, Dec. 22.

The steamer Columbia brings Havana advices of the 7th.

The steamer Alexandria, now called the Mary, had been seized at Nassau for a violation of the neutrality laws.

The blockade runner Hannigan, which went out of Havana, broke down and was obliged to return for repairs.

The Houston (Texas) Telegraph announces officially the seizure of the United States steamer Sonora while on her way to New Orleans from Santiago.

The English blockade running schooner Alabama was captured off Galveston, on the 17th instant.

Negotiations were going on for the exchange of 500 prisoners at Camp Grace, Texas.

The Mails Delivered to Sherman's Army.

RETURN OF THE AGENT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.

Col. Markland, the special agent of the Post Office Department, reports that the mails were landed, assorted and during the afternoon of the 16th, distributed to the entire army of Gen. Sherman.

In half an hour he sold \$2100 worth of stamps, and could, if he had them, sell double the amount.

He brought with him upward of 10,000 soldiers' letters, which have been mailed here to their respective addresses.

The rebel Legions Defeated and their Artillery Captured.

PURSUIT OF THE ENEMY.

HOPKINSVILLE, KY., Dec. 21.

Gen. Lyon's command at daylight on the 16th, defeated them and captured their artillery. He is still pursuing them.

Promotion of Rear Admiral Farragut.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.

The President has appointed Rear Admiral David G. Farragut to be a Vice Admiral in the United States Navy, from the 21st of December, 1864.

From California.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.

There have been no arrivals or departures of consequence to-day. The general markets are dull. The overland mail advices from New York, to the 19th of November, are received, being several days behind the steamer.

Arrival of Released Prisoners.

ANNAPOLIS, Dec. 21.

The steamer New York has just arrived from Charleston harbor, with three hundred paroled Union prisoners, all in such a dreadful condition that they had to be carried from the steamer to the hospital.

New Hampshire Union Convention.

DOVER, N. H., Dec. 21.

The Union Convention of the First district to-day nominated General Marston for Congress. In the Second district, Edward H. Rollins was unanimously renominated.

Arrival of a Blockade Runner.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 21.

The blockade runner steamer Old Dominion, from Wilmington in fifteen days, via Nassau, has arrived here.

Markets by Telegraph.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.

Breadstuffs dull; no change in prices. No shipping demand for flour, and sales only in retail lots at 95¢ to 100¢ for superfine, 110¢ to 115¢ for extra and 120¢ to 125¢ for extra family. Receipts and stocks very dull.

Nothing doing in rye flour or corn meal. Wheat moves slowly at 80¢ to 85¢ for red and 82¢ to 87¢ for white. Rye sells at 51¢ to 52¢.

Corn dull and sells slowly at 31¢ to 32¢ for old yellow and 31¢ to 32¢ for new. Oats in request and 2,000 bushels Pennsylvania sold at 92¢.

In groceries there is no change. Crude petroleum is wanted at 52¢; sales refined in bond at 74¢ to 76¢, and 1,000 barrels fuel at 93¢ to 96¢.

Provisions are firmer; sales mess pork at 84¢, dressed hogs at 161¢ to 171¢; 300 tierces pickled hams at 201¢ to 204¢; Lard at 241¢ to 255¢. Whisky unsettled; 100 bbls Ohio sold at 22 3/4; now held higher.

Philadelphia Stock Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.

Stocks active; Pennsylvania 92; Reading Railroad 57; Morris Canal 95; Pennsylvania Railroad 65; Gold 22 1/2. Exchange on New York par.

New York Stock Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.

Gold opened at 22 3/4, and advanced to 22 1/2; at one o'clock it was quoted at 22 1/2. Stocks lower. Chicago and R. I. 10 1/4; Cumberland preferred 4 1/4; Illinois Central 12 1/2; Michigan Southern 7 1/4; New York Central 11 1/4; Hudson River 11 1/2; Canton Company 3 1/2; Missouri 6 1/4; Comstock 18 1/2; Five Twenties 10 1/4; Ten Forties 10 1/4; One year Certificates 9 1/4.

MARRIED.

On the 20th, by Rev. John Walker Jackson, at the residence of the bride's father, Wm. Henry Eckers, Esq., to Miss Mary Ann, all of this city.

On the 21st inst., at the residence of the bride's uncle, (Charles Jack, Esq.) by Rev. Charles A. Hay, Mr. George E. Driggs, of Clearfield county, and Miss Mina B. Jago, of Harrisburg.

On the 22d inst., by Rev. John Walker Jackson, at the residence of the bride's father, W. J. Underwood, M. D., of Felton, Ohio, to Miss Hattie Shookmaker, of this place.

DIED.

At Harrisburg, Pa., on the morning of December 14th, 1864, Wm. W. Fox, only child of Augustus and Margery Hamilton, aged 2 years, 2 months and 9 days.

On the 22d inst., at the residence of the deceased, just at the dawn of day, no more than the pater of his little feet, and the sweet accents of his voice, heard, saying, "Mamma, I like you and Pa." Of a mild and retiring disposition, he never seemed more happy than when amusing himself with no other companions than his parents. But he has gone. We feel that there is a void in our affections, naught of this world can fill; perhaps our affections and hopes were too much taken up with the transitory things of our earthly existence, and our heavenly Father took him to himself, so as to cause us to set our affections more upon heavenly things. Much as it tries our faith, we try to say, thy will, O God, be done. M. E. H.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WEST HARRISBURG MARKET HOUSE

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WEST HARRISBURG MARKET HOUSE COMPANY, will be held at the Market House, on Friday morning, December 23d, at 9 o'clock.

NOTICE: CITIZENS OF THE 3d WARD.

A MEETING OF THE citizens of the Third ward will be held at the Franklin House, on Saturday evening, (Friday) for the purpose of getting the ward out of the draft.

STRAYED AWAY.

FROM the undersigned, on Saturday afternoon, the 19th inst., three cows and one heifer, the cows were red and white, the other a brown, the heifer was two years old, and of a red and white color. A liberal reward will be paid for their return to WM. G. FOLLINGER, 119 1/2 Market street, Harrisburg, Pa.

WANTED.

SEVERAL first class Carpenters and Cabinet makers, whom constant employment will be given. Apply at the Eagle Works, W. O. HICKOK, dec22-6t

For the Holidays.

LADIES' SKATING CAPS, and LADIES' FUR TRIMMED ARTICLES, MEN and BOYS' FUR CAPS and MUFFLERS, AND A LARGE STOCK OF THE LATEST STYLE OF HATS AND CAPS.

Just received, and for sale cheap, at H. H. LONG'S, Jones' Row, dec22-6t

CHESTNUTS—300 bush prime Chestnuts, for sale in any quantities, at W. A. STEINER'S, No. 3 Market square, dec22

FOR SALE.

A STORE, in one of the most flourishing towns in Schuylkill county, doing a very prosperous business, with sales averaging about eight (8) thousand dollars per month, mostly cash. A capital of from six to eight thousand dollars required. Address "STORE," dec21-1w

NEW PRODUCE & FEED STORE.

U. HAMMOND HAS OPENED A PRODUCE & FEED STORE

No. 19 MARKET STREET, Opposite Gross & Co's Drug Store, HARRISBURG.

Where he will keep always on hand Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Flour, Corn Meal, Buckwheat Meal, Oats, Corn, Hay, and all kinds of Produce, which he will sell at prices lower than they can be bought elsewhere. WM. A. MURRAY, Agent, dec22-1m

NINTH ANNUAL BALL OF THE Friendship Fire Company.

TO BE GIVEN AT BRANT'S CITY HALL, ON MONDAY EVENING, JANUARY 2d, 1865.

TICKETS—\$2.00. To be had of any member of the Company. dec22

HOLIDAY GOODS!

IN ABUNDANCE AT KELLER'S DRUG AND FANCY GOODS STORE, No. 91 MARKET STREET.

We are happy in presenting to our patrons the most beautiful display of fine goods and the greatest variety yet offered in this city. It would be vain to attempt to number or describe them; they must be seen. Call. It is our business to show goods; yours to buy, if you see proper.

Competition is the life of trade, and we enter the arena with pleasure, determined to out our part well. Please notice, that we are offering some goods cheaper, in reality, than former good prices, and if you want bargains, go at once to KELLER'S DRUG AND FANCY GOODS STORE, dec22

SHAFER & BROTHER, PAPER HANGERS, AND DEALERS IN WALL PAPER, WINDOW SHADES, &c.

Market Square, Harrisburg, Pa. dec21-1y

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

THE HISTORY OF THE PENNSYLVANIA RESERVE CORPS will be ready for delivery to subscribers in a short time. Canvassers and Agents, are requested to send in their orders for the total number of copies wanted, and, also, for the number of copies subscribed, for before the 15th of August, 1864.

LOST.

ON Sunday night, near the "Telegraph" printing office, a Pocket Book, containing papers, and a number of railroad passes, of no value except to the owner. A suitable reward will be paid on its return to THIS OFFICE. dec22-6t

BRIDGE ELECTION.

OFFICE OF THE HARRISBURG BRIDGE COMPANY, HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 19, 1864.

A meeting of the Stockholders of the Harrisburg Bridge Company will be held at their Eastern Toll House, in the city of Harrisburg, on Monday, January 2, 1865, between the hours of 10 and 2 o'clock, when an election will be held for a President, a Secretary, and Treasurer, and 12 Directors, to serve for the ensuing year.

GRAND CHRISTMAS BALL.

TO BE GIVEN AT THE HOPE ENGINE HOUSE, ON FRIDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 23, 1864. Managers: F. M. Coy, Wm DeWitt, S. H. Kirtz, Michael Gerberich.

Floor Managers—Dan' Farr, Geo. Varney. Tickets \$1.00—can be procured from the managers. dec21-6t

State Capital Restaurant, Corner of Third and Walnut Streets, HARRISBURG.

OYSTERS of the best quality served in any MEALS served up at all hours. Choice Liquors, Ales and Cigars, always on hand at the bar. (dec23-6t) J. L. BAYZ, Proprietor.

PHILOSOPHY OF MARRIAGE.—The Proprietors of the New York Museum of Anatomy have determined, regardless of expense, to give (for the benefit of suffering humanity, and suppression of quackery) four of their most interesting and instructive lectures on Marriage and its disqualifying nervous and physical debility, premature decline of manhood, indigestion, weakness or depression, impotency, loss of energy and manly power; the great social evil, and those maladies which result from youthful excess, intemperance, intemperance, or ignorance of Physiology and laws of Nature.

These invaluable lectures have been the means of enlightening and saving thousands of lives, and are now offered free, on receipt of four stamps, by addressing SECRETARY, New York Museum of Anatomy and Medicine, 618 Broadway, New York. dec21-6t

An Elegant and Varied Assortment OF HOLIDAY GOODS, JUST RECEIVED, consisting in part of Albums, Writing Desks, Work Boxes, Ladies' Purses, Portfolios, Bonnets, Juveniles, Photographs, Pocket Books, Chequer Boards, Alphabets Blocks, and novelties which must be seen to be appreciated, and to which I respectfully call the attention of the public. All of which will be sold at small profits, and satisfaction guaranteed. GEO. L. WALTER, 116 Market street. dec21-6t

BANK NOTICE.

WHEREAS, the Auditor General, as required by the 11th section of the act entitled "An act enabling the banks of this Commonwealth to become associations for the purpose of banking under the laws of the United States," passed on the 22d day of August, A. D. 1864, has certified to me that the "HARRISBURG BANK" has furnished satisfactory evidence of its ability to meet all the requirements of said act and has become an association for the purpose of banking under the laws of the United States.

I do, therefore, cause this notice thereof to be published in accordance with the provisions of the said 11th section of the said act, and to the effect that the charter of said bank by the terms of said act, is deemed and taken to be surrendered subject to the provisions of the first section of said act.

Governor of Pennsylvania. EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, HARRISBURG, December 20, 1864. dec20-1m

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

THE special list of 5 per cent tax on incomes comes for the year 1865, is now in my hands for collection, and is hereby demanded for Berks county at my office in Harrisburg.

To all those who neglect to pay after ten days, a special demand will be levied under the law provided in section 20 of the act, and four cents per mile and 10 per cent penalty, after that, to be collected by distraint, check, or by a warrant for the sale of the property of the delinquent, or by the hands of friends will be received.

No fees will be charged for notices issued before the first day of January, 1865, and a good business now doing. Possession given on the 1st of April next. Enquire at dec20-2w3w THIS OFFICE

Public Sale.

IN pursuance of an order of the Orphans' Court of Berks county, will be sold at public sale on SATURDAY, the 24th day of December, 1864, at the Court House, in Harrisburg, at 2 o'clock P. M., the following real estate:

A certain lot of ground on Race street, in the city of Harrisburg, and fronting on said street ninety feet, and extending in depth one hundred and ninety-three feet, whereon is erected a House, &c.; the interest of Thomas Fagan, (a minor).

Attendance will be given and conditions of sale made known by Guardian, &c., of said minor. JNO. RINGLAND, Clerk O. C. Harrisburg, December 8, 1864. dec21-6t

TURKISH ELECTION.

THE stockholders of the Middletown and Harrisburg Turnpike Road Company, are hereby notified that the annual election for President and Managers of said company, will be held at the office of the Secretary, No. 5 South Front street, Harrisburg, on Monday, January 2, 1865, between the hours of 10 and 12 o'clock A. M.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that an election for seven directors of the First National Bank of Harrisburg, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking office, on Tuesday, the 3d of January next, between the hours of 10 and 4 o'clock.

G. H. SMALL, Cashier. HOUSES FOR SALE.

THREE NEW FRAME HOUSES, SITUATE on Foster street, above North. Enquire of JACOB WALKER, Corner of Third and North streets. dec22-6t

CATAWBA GRAPES.—A new lot of fine Catawba Grapes, by the box or pound, just received from the grower and Loehman's old stand, Market square. WM. M. GRAY & CO., dec22

HAVANA, ORANGES.—Fine Havana Oranges, by the dozen or single, just received at (House and Loehman's old stand, Market square. dec21

BUTTER AND EGGS always on hand at (House and Loehman's old stand, Market Square) WM. M. GRAY & CO. dec21

FRESH CRANBERRIES received this morning at (House and Loehman's old stand, Market square.) WM. M. GRAY & CO. dec22

FINE Sugar Cured Hams and Dried Beef, just received at (House and Loehman's old stand, Market square.) WM. M. GRAY & CO. dec21

AMUSEMENTS.

SANFORD'S OPERA HOUSE!

THIRD STREET, BELOW MARKET.

FIRST appearance of JIMMY QUINN, the people's favorite Ethiopian Comedian and Song and Dance Man.

THE TROUPE OF MINSTRELS, in which are given the highest order of merit. The most excellent comedy, chestnut and drawing room amusements, by MILLER'S NATIONAL MINSTREL TROUPE, comprising a combination of Vocalists, Musicians, Comedians and Artists of the highest order of merit. The most excellent locality of this elegant Institution recommends it to every citizen and stranger. Music, song and poetry is the theme for all, in the manner presented by Miller's National Minstrel Troupe, fathers, mothers, sisters and brothers may attend and enjoy a treat free from all that could offend the most fastidious. The same attention is given in the selection of pieces and songs for his Star Troupe of Minstrels.

Great success of MILLER'S NATIONAL MINSTREL TROUPE! Open every Night. First night of the Great Comic, THE OVERLAND RUTE. First night of the YOUNG MEN'S SEMINARY. First night of THE OIL BURGERS!

To conclude with the Roaring Farce, entitled THE MUSICIAN! Characters by the Company.

Admission, 25 cents. Gallery, 15 cents. (Reserve Seats, 50 cents. Seats in Parquet Boxes, \$1.00. Doors open at 7 1/2. Commence at 7 1/2. dec20-6t

WANTED.

TWO BARKEEPERS, who understand the restaurant business. Good wages paid. Apply at the National House, Market street, near Fourth. dec20-6t

WANTED.

ON the 1st of April, 1865, a large House, suitable for a boarding house, at Mechanicsburg, Pa. MARY B. HOUSTON, Mechanicsburg, Pa. dec20-6t

MOULDERS WANTED.

GOOD WAGES and a permanent situation will be given to stone moulders at the Mechanicsburg Foundry, Mechanicsburg, Pa. S. & G. HAUG, dec20-6t

WANTED.

TO RENT—A house containing six rooms, located anywhere between North and Chestnut Sts. Rent paid in advance. Address Box 41, P. O. Possessors wanted on the first of April, 1865. dec21-6t

HARRISBURG BRIDGE STOCK, Gold Silver and U. S. Bonds. B. GLEK & CO., Stock and Exchange Brokers, 86 Market street. dec19-6t

WANTED.—A good two-horse team Wagon. Enquire at THIS OFFICE. dec19-6t

\$70 A MONTH! I want Agents everywhere, to introduce the new Sewing Machine, the only one in the country which is patented by Grover & Baker, Wheeler & Wilson, Howe, Singer & Co., and Patchelder, Salary and expenses, or large commissions, for each machine now sold for less than forty dollars each, are in Fringements, and the seller and user liable. Illustrated circulars sent free. Address, S. H. & J. L. BARKER, Bradford, Maine. dec19-6t

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, the Honorable JOHN J. PEARSON, Justice of the Peace for the County of Lebanon and Dauphin, and the Honorable SAMUEL LAYMAN and Honorable MOSES K. YOCUM, Associate Justices in said county, having been duly sworn, bearing date the 16th day of December, 1864, to do and to perform, for holding a Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery and Quarter Sessions of the Peace of Harrisburg, for the County of Dauphin, and to commence on MONDAY or JANUARY NEXT, being the 16th day of January, 1865, and to continue two weeks.

Notice is therefore hereby given to the Coroner, Justices of the Peace, Aldermen and Constables of the said county of Dauphin, that they be then and there in their proper persons, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, to receive their requisitions, examinations, and their own remembrances, to do those things which to their office appertain, to do those things which to their office appertain, to do those things which to their office appertain, to do those things which to their office appertain.

Given under my hand, at Harrisburg, the 19th day of December, in the year of our Lord, 1864, and in the eighth ninth year of the independence of the United States of America. WM. J. BARNES, Sheriff. Supt. of Prison, Harrisburg, Dec 19, 1864. dec19-6t

LIVERY! LIVERY!

The undersigned, successor of Murray & Co., and who respectfully solicit a part of the public patronage, as he intends keeping a first class livery. He will keep none but sober and accommodating drivers. Stables in Fourth street, between Third and Second streets. Also offers the entire livery for sale on reasonable terms. Persons wishing to purchase will please call and examine the stock. WM. F. MURRAY, dec19-6t

Holiday Presents!

Boyer & Kerper, NO. 3 MARKET SQUARE.

HAVE just received from New York a large and well selected assortment of China ware, (pure French China,) suitable for Holiday presents. They invite the public to call on them, while the stock is full with a good selection. dec21

Neutral Sulphate of Lime, FOR PRESERVING IDEEL.

WE ARE selling the very best article of the kind, prepared according to directions of E. H. KELLER, of Philadelphia, for the preservation of wool, silk, &c. It is perfectly reliable and free from impurities. Directions accompany each package. KELLER'S Drug and Fancy Goods Store, No. 91 Market street, Harrisburg. dec21

NATIONAL HOUSE RESTAURANT.

HAVE re-fitted and opened the above named restaurant, where all the delicacies of the season will be served up, such as Oysters, Game, Terrapin, &c. The public are most respectfully invited. Families supplied with food. A. J. WALKER, N. B.—Five cents given every day from 10 1/2 to 11 1/2. A. M. dec19-6t

CHRISTMAS!

HAVING returned from New York and Philadelphia with our usual stock of goods for the holidays, would respectfully invite early attention thereto. dec21

J. M. WIEHLING, A ATTORNEY AT LAW, has removed his office to Walnut street, 2d door above Second, nearly opposite First National Bank. Prompt and careful attention will be given to all business intrusted to him. dec19-6t

Valuable Building Lots FOR SALE.

SEVEN LOTS, fronting on Third street, above Herr street, 20 feet front, extending back 135 feet to a twenty feet alley. For terms apply to WM. M. GRAY & CO. dec21-6t

FOR SALE.

SEVERAL FINE Improved farms in Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana and Illinois, and several large tracts of unimproved land in Illinois, Iowa and Wisconsin. Catalogues with full descriptions and prices of each, will be sent by mail, free of charge, upon application. SAMUEL A. BARGENT, N. W. corner 5th and Walnut streets, Cincinnati, O. dec19-6t

RAGS! RAGS! RAGS!!!

FIVE cents per lb. cash paid for good mixed Rags. SAMUEL A. BARGENT, N. W. corner 5th and Walnut streets, Cincinnati, Pa. dec20

SAP SAGO, English Dairy, Pine Apple, Nutmeg and New York State Butter, just received at SHELTER & FRAZER, successors to W. Dock, Jr., & Co. my6

MINCED MEAT received fresh every week from the celebrated manufacturer, Atmore Philadelphia, at BOYER & KERPER, dec21