

LOCAL NEWS.

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PATRIOT AND UNION.—THE DAILY PATRIOT AND UNION can be had by Dauphin subscribers, every morning, at the periodical store of J. S. FRAIM.

The Union Prayer Meeting will be held in the Presbyterian Church, on Market Square, this afternoon, at 4 o'clock, as usual.

APPOINTMENT.—Christian H. Hershey, postmaster at Derry Church, Dauphin county, Pa., vice Martin Hocker, Jr., declined.

Look Out!—Several of our subscribers are lodging complaints against newspaper thieves. There will be an eye open for some of them one of these mornings when they least expect it.

UNPAID LETTERS.—Careless persons and others will try to bear in mind that all unpaid letters are sent to the dead letter office now, under the new order of the Department.

A HINT FOR WASHING DAY.—It is said that a little pipe clay dissolved in the water employed in washing will clean the dirtiest clothes thoroughly, with about one half the labor and full one half less of the soap. Besides, the clothes will be much improved in color.

TAX TOTAL AMOUNT OF EARNINGS OF THE WESTERN DIVISION OF THE SUNBURY AND ERIC ROAD, FROM Sept. 1 to Nov. 1, 1860, was \$17,263.99. The heaviest week's earnings was that ending Nov. 1, \$2,581.22. Taking these two months as a criterion, we find the 66 miles finished of the Western Division will earn \$103,613.94 per annum.

A FINE PICTURE.—There is now on exhibition at Keet's gallery, a large ivorotype portrait of a deceased son of our friend Jerome K. Bayer—ex-editor—which is one of the finest specimens of the kind we have ever seen. The photograph was made by Mr. Kest, and the painting was executed by H. H. Davis. Call and see it.

PATENT TO HARRISBURGERS.—Last week the Commissioner of Patents granted to T. H. Wilson and T. D. Wilson, of this city, a patent for improvement in machines for cutting hay, &c.

THE MEERS.—Wilson carry on the business of manufacturing agricultural implements on a large scale in east State street, and add considerably to the productive industry of Harrisburg. Their invention can doubtless be seen at their works.

GOR THEIR PREMIUMS.—Yesterday Luther Simons and H. H. Davis received the premiums awarded them at the late State Fair at Wyoming. That of Mr. Simons is a silver cup, awarded for the best architectural design of a farm cottage. Mr. Davis' premiums are two massive silver medals—one awarded for cattle drawing, and the other for oil paintings—fruit pieces. The recipients of these prizes have a reasonable right to feel proud of them.

THE VINTAGE IN THE WEST.—From all sources we learn that the yield of the western vineyard's will be very great. The Iowa Republican says: "The vintage of this year will be extraordinarily rich. From every side we hear the most encouraging news, the most wonderful from Navoo, Illinois, where the yield borders on the fabulous. And yet, in spite of this immense quantity of grapes, the price of them has not fallen below ten cents per pound. At this rate the price of wine cannot fall."

THE RIVER.—The heavy rain on Friday night and Saturday morning has raised the river considerably. We took a stroll along its banks yesterday morning, and found the operators in drift very lively. Old stumps, saw logs, defunct and decayed trees, saw logs and some saved timber were coming down freely. While there, an ark loaded with apples and cider passed, and landed at the lower end of the city. It is likely that all the lumber ready for rafting this season, will come down with the present swell.

BEFORE THE MAYOR.—Three wanderers were turned out from the "home for the homeless" yesterday morning. The old story—all of them in search of work, and none to be found. Thomas Taylor and John Segor claimed to be mechanics, and from Baltimore, in search of a job. William Thomas, laborer, from Luxerne county—also in search of a job.

Pat Doyle, left over from the party of Sunday morning, was found to be so crippled up with rheumatism as to be unable to walk. He was taken to the Almshouse.

For the benefit of a number of young ladies we wot of, we would just mention that they should remember that a few more weeks will wind up leap year, and then if they have not made good use of the time, their legal period to do the courting in will have passed away, and before leap year comes again they will have become old maids, an institution which is now-a-days dreaded as much as the itch. Girls, make good use of the coming few weeks in the present year. Rig up yourselves, trim your sails and go out into the streets and captivate whom you can. N. B. Needn't come around here.

NO CIRCUS.—For the first time in a period of fully twenty years, the spring and summer passed away without the usual visitation of a circus—and so much of the autumn is gone that we can safely say that for one year we are to have no circus—probably as a sort of compensation for having two and sometimes three to visit us during the last few seasons. The circus has become stale—play-out—and it no longer enjoys the patronage that it did in days of yore in Pennsylvania; still it is an institution among the juveniles, but so far as our city is concerned, they will wait a long time to see it again. The license exacted of the circus for performing here amounts to prohibition.

WEAR OF RAILWAY CAR-WHEELS.—An examination made last year, on the Reading Railroad, in England, showed that of all the wheels in use on all descriptions of cars since 1852, the average had been that of 58,094 miles before the wheels were renewed. The life of the wheels under the passenger cars was ascertained to be 117,706 miles, a fact which not only shows the superiority of the wheels used under passenger cars, as compared with those under freight and coal cars, but also the advantage of good springs—those under the passenger cars being much the easiest on the road. The coal trains have been run at from eight to fifteen miles an hour, the passenger trains at from twenty-five to forty miles. The results, as to wear, were perfectly ascertained, and are of value to other railroad companies.

THE MONUMENT FUND.—The following is the amount collected for the Washington Monument Fund, in the boxes placed at the different polls by Col. F. K. Boas:

AMERICAN RAILROAD ENTERPRISE IN BRAZIL.—In order to convey some adequate idea of this great internal improvement in that flourishing empire of South America, we cite from the current number of *Hunt's Magazine* the subjoined statement:

"The Don Pedro II. railway is one of the main lines of railway connection now being developed in the finest empire of South America. It extends far into the interior from Rio as a grand trunk, with many branches ramifying on either side, and is being pushed forward rapidly by the Philadelphia company to whom the contract was awarded in the latter part of 1857. The first section, forty miles, was completed earlier in the year. The Empereur himself, on the 2d of June, started over the American portion of the road to inspect it. The railroad is to extend 300 miles into a coffee district.

The second section traverses a mountain range some 3,000 feet above the level of the sea. Some of the flights required are enormous, while the shafts for tunneling have to be sunk in some places upwards of 450 feet through the most solid rock. Under the skillful labor of the gentlemen who are now at work at it, it will be done properly, and as speedily as the character of the work will allow.

"Hitherto American enterprise in Brazil has been far below that of the leading nations of Europe. Remunerative contracts, requiring skill and energy, were constantly obtained by Englishmen, Germans, Frenchmen and even Portuguese; but Americans had no fair play until the railway system of Brazil was matured. Their experience in a new country was just what Brazil required. It was then that Col. Charles F. M. Garnett, of Virginia, was employed as Engineer-in-Chief; and more of our countrymen have thus been led to Brazil than ever before. On Garnett's return, he has returned to the United States, but American skill and enterprise are now well known, and appreciated in Brazil as formerly; and, if our countrymen are wide awake to their interests, they will not neglect the opening there."

"The Don Pedro road is the sixth railway begun in 1857; Pernambuco and San Francisco railway, begun in 1855, finished in 1858; Bahia railway, begun in 1857, finished in 1860; Canto Galvão railway, begun in 1859; São Paulo railway, begun in 1860.

"The Brazilian Government guarantees a certain per cent. to the stockholders of all, or nearly all, of these railroads. The enlightened policy of the intelligent head of the Empire, and the peace, which is the normal condition of Brazil, speak much for the advance of that country, and make it stand out in bold contrast with the ever-heaving, revolutionizing Spanish American Republics."

PHYSIOLOGY.—Prof. Fowler, the well known physiologist of New York, is now in England. According to a Manchester paper, the Professor, while speaking of military men, during a recent lecture, drew attention to one portrait, which he said, was of that of a man who came to him in office about fifteen years ago, with the question, "What must I do?" The professor asked him what he did, and he replied, "I take soap in a living." He then examined his head, and told him that of all professors he had ever met suited to him, and that if he ever had the opportunity he should get the command of an army in the cause of right, for there his talents would show themselves to the greatest advantage. He had done so, and Garibaldi, the man, was now telling a tale on the desity of Europe.

We copy the above merely to show what means the Fowlers will resort to bolster up and an exploded humbug. We do not believe a single word of the above—it is all a fancy sketch; but assuming that it was true, it would be an accident hit against forty thousand gross and palpable misses made when the Professor has been unable to find the prominent traits of his subject previous to an examination.

Some years ago the Professor was holding forth in a neighboring town, and at the end of his lecture, offered to undergo a blindfold test on any one selected from the audience, in order to establish the truth of Phrenology. Accordingly his eyes were bandaged, and a young man taken upon the stage. Fowler commenced fumbling about his cranium, and said "color very deficient. Can scarcely distinguish between colors." The young man was then beginning to make his mark as a painter—he is an established reputation now, and the fine coloring of his pictures are their chief attraction! So much for Phrenology.

TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.—At a special meeting of the Hope Fire Company, held on Wednesday evening, November 7th, the following preamble and resolutions, reported by the committee appointed for that purpose, were unanimously adopted:

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