

LOCAL NEWS

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THE MAILS.—Under the change of schedule on the different railroads, the time of closing the mails at the Harrisburg Post Office, April 20, 1863, is as follows:

NORTHERN GENERAL RAILROAD.—For all places between Harrisburg and Philadelphia, at 12.00 p. m.

NORTH-WAY MAIL.—For all places between Harrisburg and Baltimore, Md., and Washington, D. C., at 7.00 p. m.

WEST-WAY MAIL.—For all places between Harrisburg and Altoona, at 12.00 p. m.

EAST-WAY MAIL.—For all places between Harrisburg, Easton and Philadelphia, at 12.00 p. m.

FOR READING AND POTTSVILLE, at 12.30 p. m.

FOR PHILADELPHIA AND LANCASTER, at 9.00 p. m.

FOR PHILADELPHIA AND LANCASTER, at 12.00 p. m.

"LAY ON, MACDEFF!"—The press all over the country is making a simultaneous attack upon Harrisburg, charging her with extortion and all manner of unpatriotic and villainous crimes, and heaping mountains of obloquy and maledictions upon her citizens. There is something extremely uncharitable and unfair in all this. Because a few of those soulless speculators and sharpers, who follow the wake of military movements, like jacks snatching over the field of the dead, have been taking advantage of the wants of some of the soldiers, the whole community is denounced and placed under the ban of our righteous sister cities. There is no city in the Union which has suffered more or done more for the cause during the war than this same Harrisburg. From the very first blast of the war trumpet, her streets have been thronged day and night with armed men, whose wants and requirements have been a constant drain upon her liberality and hospitality. Amid these trials and sacrifices she has not swerved one hair's breadth from her devotion to the interests of the soldiers and to the advancement of the cause which he so bravely defends. And yet her paragon sisters, safely removed from the ordeal of turmoil and trial through which she has been and is now passing, pause for a moment from their vigorous prosecution of shoddy and gun contracts, and cast stones at her! The action of every man and woman belonging to this city is a rebuke to her gib-tongued traducers. But we will not pursue the subject. These slanders are not worthy to be dignified with a refutation. They are uncharitable, libellous, insulting. Their refutation stands written upon our past record—in our hospitals for the sick and wounded, attended and supplied by our women, in the thousands of helpful deeds and in the kindly cheer which the soldier has received at the hands of the daughters of our city. Upon the lintels of many a door, which has ever stood open to the soldier, through which he might enter and share the hospitality of the family without money or price, is written the answer to our slanders. To these records we appeal. They speak louder than the anathemas of newspaper penny-annalists. Let the wolves howl on.

OUR MARKETS.—It is hard to account for the high prices that rule in our produce market at present. Situated in the midst of a country that is fertile, populous and well cultivated, and accessible by rail and wagon roads from all points of the compass, Harrisburg is abundantly able to furnish the very best inland market in the country. And yet it is a singular fact that our market is slimly supplied, and that prices range out of all reason. We took a stroll among the stalls on Saturday morning, and came away somewhat surprised and puzzled at the result of our observations. The supply of vegetables was slim, and all kinds of country produce quite scarce and high, and this, be it remembered, at a time of year when such things should be cheapest and most abundant. Peas and beans were scarcely to be had. Radishes and onions retailed at five and six cents per bunch. Lettuce was more moderate. Strawberries sold at prices varying from five to ten cents per box. Baltimore early cabbage sold readily at eight to fifteen cents per head. Cherries at six to ten cents per quart—quite too much. Butter, which ought to be plenty and cheap in this splendid grazing month, was scarce, and actually sold at forty and fifty cents! A dozen of eggs cost twenty-five cents—about as much as the fowl that laid them ought to bring. There was no perceptible falling off in the meat market, but the prices were formidable enough to cast a shade even over the face of a government contractor. Beef was fifteen cents and upwards, and mutton eighteen.—Spring chickens had mizzled—soared heavenward—and we fear we "ne'er shall look upon their like again."

These stunning prices may be attributed to various causes, such as the present crowded and disturbed state of the country round about us, the flight of the farmers from the rich valley of the Cumberland, and the monopoly of the cattle market by contractors and speculators. We sincerely pray, in common with all good citizens, that these causes may be done away, and that right speedy.

OLIGARCHY.—Accounts from the Venango county oil regions represent that country as flooded with strangers, anxious to invest in the oil business. Every hotel is filled to overflowing, and it is with the greatest difficulty that the adventurers can find lodgings. Persons desiring horses to take them to the wells are often necessitated to engage them for many days beforehand, so great is the demand for them. Immediately after breakfast, speculators mount their pags and may be seen in groups on the road, very much reminding one of a party of cavalry out on a scouting expedition. The amount of oil produced and sold at these wells is immense, some of them flowing steadily from five hundred to a thousand barrels a day.—This oil now sells at the wells at about three dollars per barrel, and in Pittsburg brings over six dollars per barrel, according to quality. It now constitutes one of the largest items of freight on the Pennsylvania road, over three hundred thousand barrels having passed over that road during the last six months. A thousand barrels of it may be seen at our depot almost any day, in transit to the eastern markets. Both the demand and supply are steadily increasing. Railroads are being constructed to Franklin from three different points for the purpose of securing this great trade.

As an instance of the magnitude of oil operations, we note the sale made last week of a well recently struck upon the Caldwell farm, on Oil Creek. This well had been flowing about a thousand barrels a day, but its yield was lately reduced one half in consequence of the vein being tapped by another well a few rods distant. The owners of the new well made a proposition to buy out the Caldwell concern, and finally agreed upon a price, which was \$145,000, part down, and the balance in forty days from date. The parties selling offered to take their pay in oil at \$3.00 a barrel, but the purchasers preferred to pay the cash. The price paid may seem extravagant, but should the well continue to yield, it will pay for itself inside of three months.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—Yesterday afternoon two lads, named Gillet and Hancock, living in Meadow Lane, were seriously injured by carelessly setting fire to a bunch of musket cartridges, which had been given to them by the authorities for quite a different use. Gillet, who is a young man of seventeen, was warned not to attempt the experiment, but persisted. Both of his eyes are badly injured, and his neck, arms and legs much burned by the explosion. Young Hancock also suffered severe burns in the face, hands and arms. Their wounds were dressed by Dr. Reilly, who has some fears that young Gillet will lose the sight of both eyes. Warning upon warning against the careless use or handling of explosives accumulates, but there seems always to be a residue who will not profit by such examples.

HOPE FIRE COMPANY VOLUNTEERS.—The Hope fire and hook and ladder company are forming an organization, the duties of which will be to stay in town and at all hazards prevent conflagrations which may arise from bombardment or other causes. This company is being raised at the request of General Couch and of the Mayor of this city. The Hope boys respond with alacrity, and the ranks are almost full. All the men are armed.

They will be under the command of Harry Hummel, a competent officer and a tried soldier, with Carson and Sample as lieutenants. A meeting will be held at the engine house this morning at 9 o'clock. All willing to join will be on hand at that hour.

We understand that the other five companies of the city are raising similar companies. The object is an important one, and the service they are to perform calls for men of mettle and muscle.

PLEASE EXCUSE.—The gentle reader will please excuse our meagre local report this morning, as we have "gone a sojoring," and are now a militia man "all so bold." Carrying a musket in one hand and taking notes with the other is not a state of affairs favorable to news-gathering, and "eyes fifteen paces to the front" can hardly be expected to wander at the same time through street and camp in quest of items. The pleasant humming that "the pen is mightier than the sword" played out now-a-days, and finds a lodgment only in the breasts of Quakers and blow-hards. It is not well enough to write high sounding philippic against treason and traitors, but it ain't just that the Governor's proclamation calls for. The breath of man is a poor effort against the force of powder in times like these. Arguments and newspaper broadsides are good in their season, but just now it can be said, in the language of Uncle Toby, "one good horse thrust of the bayonet is worth it all."

ORTHODOXY.—Most of the religious congregations in this place met at their respective places of worship yesterday, and, after very short exercises, were dismissed by their pastors, with the recommendation to gird the sword upon the thigh and do battle against the Philistines. We understand that the Rev. Mr. Gans, of the German Reformed church, after a brief prayer, led the men of his congregation to the entrenchments. This is orthodox preaching, suited "to the emergency." The patriotic clergyman rightly thinks the time has come for such "preachers" as Miles Standish counted upon the top of the log church in the old Plymouth colony, for the conversion of hostile Indians—preachers throwing arguments weighing six pounds apiece—preachers, as Miles forcibly remarks,

"Let him speak to the purpose, Steady, straightforward and strong, with most irresistible logic— Orthodox, flashing conviction right into the hearts of the heathen!"

The excitement yesterday transcended anything yet witnessed. It was a repetition of Tuesday a week ago, on a scale indefinitely enlarged. The rumors which flew from mouth to mouth were contradictory, countless, bewildering. Scouts from every quarter reported the enemy in force and advancing. Rebels were coming upon us from every where—from York, along the North Mountain, along the South Mountain, from Oyster's Point, from the skies, and from the bowels of the earth. Even the dreaded reality would be a relief from another such day of disquiet and uncertainty.

DEMOCRATIC CLUB MEETINGS.—The Democratic Club of the respective wards in this city will meet weekly as follows, viz:

First Ward—On Saturday evening of each week.

Second Ward—On Monday evening of each week.

Third Ward—On Tuesday evening of each week.

Fourth Ward—On Wednesday evening of each week.

Fifth Ward—On Thursday evening of each week.

Sixth Ward—On Friday evening of each week.

The hour and place is left discretionary with the Clubs or their officers. By order of the City Executive Committee.

Geo. W. WEAVER, Sec'y.

Pennsylvania Militia and Recruiting Claims, United States pension, bounty, arrears of pay and subsistence claims, &c., &c., made out and collected by order of the War Department, at the Pennsylvania Law Office, Office, Third street, Harrisburg, Pa. EUGENE SNYDER, Attorney at Law, Office, Third street, Harrisburg, Pa. oct28-1y

We have taken over on the 1st of April the balance of goods bought of Mr. Roger, to our own store, where we will continue to sell the balance left at very low prices, until the whole are sold. Among these goods are 1,000 yards remnants delaine and calico, 16, 18 and 20 cents. 500 yards remnants lawn and other dress goods, 16, 18 and 20 cents. 200 yards of barge and lustre, 20 and 25 cents. 1,000 yards of linen crash, 16, 18 and 20 cents. 100 yards of brown and gray cloth for summer coats. 1,000 yards of linen, cotton and wool pants stuff, cloth and corded. 300 dozen of the very best spool cotton, white and corded. 1,000 papers of the very best of Smith's needles, 5 cents a paper; also stockings, gloves, pocket handkerchiefs, hoop skirts, all kinds of combs, patent shoes, tapes, socks, &c., &c., in dozens or pieces. We have also on hand yet about 10 pieces of CARPET, which we will sell at 75 cents per yard. 20 pieces of straw matting, cheap. 20 pieces of splendid figured window curtains. S. LEWY.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

EDITOR OF PATRIOT AND UNION:

Dear Sir:—With your permission I wish to say to the readers of your paper that I will send by return mail to all who wish it, (free) a Recipe, with full directions for making and using a simple Vegetable Balm, that will effectually remove, in 10 days, Pimples, Blisters, Tars, and all Impurities of the Skin, leaving the same soft, clear, smooth and beautiful.

I will also mail free to those having Bald Heads or Bare Faces, simple directions and instructions that will enable them to start a full growth of hair, without Whiskers, or a Moustache, in less than 30 days. All applications answered by return mail without charge. Respectfully yours, THOS. F. O'BAPMAN, Chemist, No 831 Broadway, New York. je28 3md

MOTHERS! MOTHERS!

Don't fail to procure Mrs. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP FOR CHILDREN TEETHING. This valuable preparation is the prescription of one of the best female physicians and nurses in the United States, and has been used for thirty years with never failing safety and success by millions of mothers and children, from the feeble infant of one week old to the adult. It not only relieves the child from pain, but invigorates the stomach and bowels, corrects acidity, and gives tone and energy to the whole system. It will almost instantly relieve

GRIPE IN THE BOWELS AND WIND COLIC. We believe it the best and surest remedy in the world in all cases of DYSENTERY AND DIARRHOEA IN CHILDREN, whether it arises from teething or from any other cause.

Full directions for using will accompany each bottle. Now genuine unless the fac simile of OURS is perceived. Sold by all Medicine Dealers. Principal Office, 48 Day Street, New York. Price only 25 cents per bottle. my28-d&w

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THE ONLY PREPARATION that will instantly produce a splendid brown or black in ten minutes, without injury to the hair or soiling the skin of the face or head, is

CRISTADORO'S HAIR DYE.

It has been certified by the first Chemists in America, including Dr. R. OHLTON, to be free from every deleterious substance, and has no equal in the certainty and rapidity of its operation. Manufactured by J. CRISTADORO, 4 Astor House, New York. Sold everywhere, and applied by all Hair Dressers. Price \$1, \$1.50 and \$3 per box, according to size.

Cristadoro's Hair Preservative

Is invaluable with all Dyes, as it imparts the utmost softness, the most beautiful gloss, and vitality to the Hair. Price 50 cents, \$1 to a dozen, &c. &c.

AYER'S COMPOUND EXTRACT SASSAPILLA.—No remedy is more needed in this country than a reliable Ateric, but the sick have been so outrageously cheated by the worthless preparations of Sarsaparilla or any thing else, that they are almost dumb. Yet the drug cannot be blamed for the impostures of those who have suffered. Most of the so-called Sarsaparilla or any thing else, they are mere slops—ineffectual and worthless, while a concentrated extract of the active variety of Sarsaparilla compounded with the called Sarsaparilla, is a truly wonderful cure of the greatest of the ailments of the human system. An alternative medicine has abundantly shown. Do not, therefore, discard this invaluable medicine, because you have been imposed upon by something pretending to be Sarsaparilla, while it was not. When you have used Ayer's—then and not till then, will you know the virtues of Sarsaparilla. For minute particulars of the diseases it cures, refer you to Ayer's American Almanac, which the agents below named will furnish gratis to whomsoever they call for it.

AYER'S CATHARTIC PILLS—for the cure of Constipation, Jaundice, Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Dysentery, Roul Stomach, Headache, Piles, Rheumatism, Heartburn arising from indigestion of stomach, Pains or Morbid Irritation of the Bowels, Flatulency, Loss of Appetite, Liver Complaint, Dropsy, Worms, Gout, Neuralgia, and for Bilious Piles.

They are sugar-coated, so that the most sensitive can take them pleasantly, and they are the best aperient in the world for all the purposes of a family physic. They have imposed upon, or five boxes for \$1. Do not be put off by unprincipled dealers with other preparations which they make more profit on. Demand AYER'S EXTRACT OF SASSAPILLA, which will bear the test there is for them, and they should have the best aid prepared by Dr. J. C. AYER & Co., Lowell, Mass. Sold by J. BOWMAN, Druggist and Co., G. K. KELLOGG, J. BOWMAN, Druggist and Co., G. K. KELLOGG, Druggist and Co., Harrisburg, Pa. je4-d&w

BRANDRETH'S PILLS, New Style.

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ONE OF MANY CASES.

Original Letter at 294 Canal Street, New York:

J. I. C. COOK, publisher of the State Banner, Bennington, Vt., says he was attacked with DYSENTERIA, and suffered so severely from it that not a particle of food could be swallowed without excruciating and uncomfortable sensation in his stomach. For five years he suffered from this dreadful complaint, when he used BRANDRETH'S PILLS. The first box did not seem to benefit him much, but the second produced a change and by the time he had taken six boxes, a COMPLETE CURE was effected. He says: "My dyspepsia was gone, and my expectations of an early death vanished."

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Principal office, 294 Canal Street, New York. Sold by Harrisburg by GEO. H. BELL, No 6-d&w

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DR. DUPONCE'S GOLDEN PILLS FOR FEMALES!

Infallible in Correcting, Regulating and Removing all Obstructions, from whatever cause, and always effectual in its operation.

These PILLS have been used by the Doctors for many years, both in France and America, with unparalleled success in every case. It is a singular fact that the ladies who used them, to make the Pills public for the alleviation of those suffering from any irregularities whatever in their system, and to prevent any further health will not permit it. Females particularly situated, or those supposing themselves so, are cautioned against these Pills while in that condition, as they are not to produce miscarriage, and the proper season no responsibility for this admonition, although their mildness would prevent any mischief to health—other than the production of a healthy and regular menstruation each month. Price \$1.00 per box.

Sold wholesale and retail, by CHARLES A. BARNYARD, 294 Canal Street, New York, and G. K. KELLOGG, Druggist, Harrisburg, Pa. Ladies, by sending them \$1.00 to the Harrisburg Post Office, can have the PILLS sent free of observation to any part of the country (continually and free of postage) by mail.

Sold also by J. L. LEONARD, Lebanon; J. A. WOLF, Wrightsville; T. H. HARRIS, New York; J. D. FOSTER, J. C. ALYON, Shippensburg; J. SPANGLER, Chambersburg; S. G. WILCOX, Newville; A. J. KAYMAN, Mechanicsburg; BOWEN & BOWEN, Harrisburg; Liberty Street, Harrisburg; and by "one Druggist" in every town and city throughout the United States. Sole Proprietors, H. H. HALL, No 218 Greenwich Street, New York. General Wholesale Agents, N. B.—Look out for counterfeits. Buy no Golden Pills of any kind unless they are signed by S. D. Foster. All others are a base imposition and unsafe; therefore, you value your lives and health, (to say nothing of your reputations) be sure you get the Golden Pills, which show the signature of S. D. Foster on every box, which has recently been added on account of the Pills being so counterfeited. The ingredients of the above Pills are made known to every Agent. They will tell you the Pills are perfectly harmless, yet will do all that is required for them. Sole Proprietor, New York. jyl-4ly

To Horse Owners.

Dr. Sweet's Infallible Liniment for Horses is unrivaled by any, and in all cases of Lameness, arising from Sprains, Bruises or Wrenching, its effect is instantaneous and certain. It cures all kinds of scratches, Swellings, &c. It will also cure speedily. Sprains and Pains may be easily prevented and cured in their incipient stages. It is confirmed cases are beyond the possibility of a radical cure. No case of Lameness, however, is so desperate or hopeless but it may be alleviated by this Liniment, and its faithful application will always remove the Lameness, and enable the horse to travel with comparative ease. Every horse owner should have this remedy at hand, for its timely use at the first signs of Lameness will effectually prevent those formidable diseases, which, to which all horses are liable, and which render so many of our valuable horses almost worthless. See advertisement next page. je28-d&w

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