

The Homestead Bill.

The popular branch of Congress has passed this bill by a vote of 107 to 72. The bill provides—

That any free white person who is the head of a family, or who has arrived at the age of 21 years, and is a citizen of the United States, shall be entitled to enter, free of cost, one quarter section of vacant and unappropriated public land, which at the time of the application may be subject to private entry, at \$1.25 per acre, or a quantity equal thereto, to be located in a body in conformity with the legal subdivisions of the public lands, and after the same shall have been surveyed.

The person applying for the benefit of this act shall, upon application to the Register of the Land Office in which he or she is about to make affidavit before the said Register, that he or she is the head of a family, of twenty-one years of age, and upon making affidavit and filing it with the Register, he or she shall thereupon be permitted to enter the quantity of land already specified, provided that no certificate shall be given or patent issued, until the expiration of five years from the date of such entry; and if at the expiration of such time the person making such entry be dead, his widow, or in case of her death his heirs or devisee, or in case of a widow making such entry, her heirs or devisee in case of her death, shall prove, by two credible witnesses, he or she or they have continued to reside upon the same and have not alienated it or any part thereof, then in such case he or she or they shall be entitled to a patent as in other cases provided for by law; provided further, in cases of death of both father and mother, leaving an infant child or children under twenty-one years of age, the right and the fee shall inure to the benefit of the said infant child or children, and the executor, administrator or guardian may at any time within two years in accordance with the laws of the State in which such children, for the time being, have their domicile, sell said land for the benefit of the said infants, for no other purpose, and the purchaser shall acquire the absolute title by the purchase and be entitled to a patent from the United States.

All land acquired under this act shall in no event become liable to satisfaction of any debts contracted prior to the issuing of the patent therefor.

In case a person who has filed the affidavit required shall have changed his or her residence, or abandoned said entry for more than six months at any one time, in that event the land so entered to revert back to the Government, subject to appeal to the General Land Office.

If any individual now a resident of any one of the States or Territories, and not a citizen of the United States at the time of making such application for the benefit of this act, shall have filed a declaration of intent, as required by the naturalization laws of the United States, and shall become a citizen of the same before the issuing of the patent, as made and provided for in this act, such individual shall be placed upon an equal footing with the native born citizen of the United States.

No individual is permitted to make more than one entry under the provisions of this act, and the Commissioner of the General Land Office is required to prepare and issue such rules and regulations, consistent with this act, as shall be necessary and proper to carry its provisions into effect; and the Register and the Receivers of the several Land Offices shall be entitled to receive the same compensation for any lands entered under the provisions of this act that they are now entitled to receive, when the same guarantee of land is entered with money, one half to be paid by the person making the application at the time of so doing, and the other half on the issue of the certificate by the person to whom it may be issued. Provided, however, all persons entering land under the provisions of this act shall, as near as may be practicable in making such entries be confined to each alternate quarter section and land subject to private entry; and provided nothing in this act shall be construed as to impair or interfere, in any manner whatever, with existing preemption rights; and provided further, that the provisions of this act shall be so construed as to authorize the class of persons provided for who may not own over 160 acres of land to enter any public lands adjoining his or hers at the minimum price in quantity, when added to what he or she now owns equal to 160 acres, provided he or she shall cultivate the whole or part thereof.

ARRIVAL OF THE ALPS.

Two Days Later from Europe.

Success of the Turks in Asia.

Russian Loss of 2,000 Men—Seizure of the British Steamship Haidee—Wreck of the Bark Boneda—Ten Lives Lost.

Boston, March 7.—The steamer Apis arrived at her wharf this morning, at 8 1/2 o'clock, with Liverpool dates to the 18th ultimo.

The Collins steamer Atlantic, arrived at Liverpool on the 18th ult.

Omar Pasha had arrested and hanged two Greek spies from Russia.

Kalafat has been garrisoned by 30,000 troops.

General Aurep, who commanded the Russians at Citale, has been disgraced and sent to Caucasus.

The British steamer Haidee, with some Turkish troops on board, went ashore near Sebastopol and was seized by the Russians.

Russia was still endeavoring to impress the holy character of the war on the soldiers.

They are told that they are on their way to receive Christ's sepulchre from the Infidels.

The Patriarch of Moscow had delivered an exciting address to a body of troops on leaving for the Danube, calculated greatly to influence their zeal.

From Asia, we learn that the Russians have been again repulsed before Sheffat, with a loss of 2,000 men.

The Prince of Serbia had arrived at Vienna, his object being, as was supposed, to negotiate for the temporary occupation of Serbia by the Austrian troops.

The larger part of the allied fleets have been ordered to remain in the Bosphorus.

No further operations are reported on the Danube.

ENGLAND.—The bark Bona Dee, from Savannah for Liverpool, was spoken off the coast of Ireland, water-logged. The crew had been twelve days without food or water. Ten of their number, including the master, had died of starvation. The remaining seven were landed at Swansea, and were doing well.

Advices from Africa state that the U. S. sloop-of-war Dale sailed from Bathurst, at the mouth of the river Gambia, on the 3d of February, for Porto Grande.

The preparations for war continue with the greatest activity. The troops are embarking at all points.

The British contingent land force has been increased to 20,000 men. Lord Raglan having refused the command unless thus augmented.

The Queen's Guards, a regiment of cavalry, were to embark from Southampton on the 23d. Six other regiments of cavalry are holding themselves in readiness to embark. The engineers, sappers and miners, the flying artillery and field batteries, are all in readiness to embark at the various stations. All the regiments in the service are to be raised to the full number of 1000 men each. All the artillery men are armed with the Minie rifle.

The Niagara was to receive her quota of troops at Liverpool on the 22d; and the Canada and Kingston Island on the 25th.

The war is becoming highly popular, and recruits are abundant, especially from Ireland.

The first detachment of the Baltic fleet was already at Spithead.

In the House of Commons, on Tuesday, D'Israeli asked if Napoleon's letter to the Czar was authentic? Lord John Russell replied affirmatively, and added that the British government hold themselves responsible for its sentiments.

FRANCE.—It was rumored at Paris, that the answer of the Czar Nicholas to Napoleon's letter, had been received, and was unfavorable to the prospects of peace.

Eighty thousand men, composing the flower of the French army, are ready to embark simultaneously with the British troops.

The Monitor contains an official notice of the annexation of New Caledonia.

Austria.—Austria was making great preparations for war, and her conduct excites suspicion of her fidelity to the allied cause.

EASTERN AFFAIRS.—The Vienna correspondence of the London Chronicle gives a synopsis of advices from Bucharest, of February 8th, which report that the crown Prince of Russia would supersede Prince Gortschakoff in the command of the army.

The Times publishes despatches from Constantinople, which assert that the attitude of Persia is one of quietude. M. H. Hainkoff had returned to Tabriz from Tcherou, where he had left his large staff of officers.

Prince Dalgouraki, it is asserted, seems to recover his old influence over the Shah of Persia.

The correspondent of the Chronicle at Constantinople telegraphs that journal on the 7th, the seven English and four French steamers went into the Black Sea on the previous day, for the purpose of acting as convoy to eight Turkish steamers, and ten sailing vessels, on board of which were seven thousand troops with ammunition, &c., bound to Batoum.

One English and one French steamer had also proceeded to Yarmey.

The report is repeated that an unfavorable answer is received from the Czar to the letter of Louis Napoleon.

A Nat for Abolitionism.—A bill has recently passed the Senate of Virginia, for the purpose of allowing certain free negroes in the county of Nottoway, to enslave themselves. These negroes had earnestly petitioned to the Legislature for this privilege. Mr. Campbell, the able and estimable Senator from the Nottoway district, in making a statement of the facts to the Senate, said that they had been manumitted by the will of a gentleman in his district, and that their desire was to be sold to their late master's next of kin. A large number of respectable citizens of Nottoway, feeling an interest in the negroes for their good character, added their recommendations for the same object. The bill has passed the Senate, and we have no doubt, will pass the other House. This simple fact is an answer in itself to the thousand libellous accusations of the horrors of slavery, to which the prolific imagination of abolitionism every day gives birth.—*Richmond Dispatch.*

MARRIED.

On the 2d of March, by the Rev. G. A. Hinterleitner, Mr. Aaron Jacob, to Miss Anna Maria Gaumer, both of Macungy.

In Philadelphia on the 23d ult., by Rev. J. H. Jones, Mr. S. S. Millar, Editor of the Minersville Bulletin, to Miss Jenny J. Weidman, formerly of Union county.

On the 12th of March, by the Rev. Mr. Walker, Mr. Edward Clavell, to Miss Maria Horn, both of Allentown.

DIED.

On the 18th of March, in East Allentown, of Fever, Emma Savitz, aged 6 years.

Saddler Wanted.

An unmarried person who wishes to follow the Saddler business, can have a first rate stand, with a good run of customers in Friedensville, Saucon township, Lehigh county. For further information apply between now and the 1st of April next to, GEORGE HOFFMAN, March 15.

Rags Wanted.

BEING extensively engaged in the Manufacture of paper, we will pay to Country Merchants and others having Rags for sale, more than the present market prices.—Cash JESSE & MOORE, Paper Manufacturers, PHILADELPHIA—Nos. 24 and 27 North St. (1st St below Arch, between 6th and 7th.) Phila. March 15.

LAND FOR SALE AT PUBLIC VENDUE.

Will be sold at Public Sale, on Tuesday the 28th day of March inst., at 12 o'clock M., at the house of Frederick Miller, deceased, in Washington township, Lehigh county, the following described property, viz:

No. 1.—A Plantation, situated in said Washington township, near the old road, leading over the Blue Mountain to Mauch Chunk, adjoining lands of Mr. Schuessler, Simon Schneider, and others, containing 150 acres, more or less.

The buildings thereon are a Loo DWELLING HOUSE and Barn, a Stone Spring House with a never failing spring of water. About 7 acres are excellent meadow land, about 50 acres of the best woodland, and the remainder good arable land. There is also on the premises an excellent Apple Orchard with a large variety of trees.

No. 2.—A Lot of Land, adjoining the above tract, containing 65 acres, more or less, with a Loo DWELLING HOUSE and barn thereon, a Spring House with a never failing spring of water. About 3 acres thereof is meadow land, and the remainder is part woodland and partly arable land. A creek flows through the same, and the road leading from Balliet's Furnace to the river Lehigh passes by the house.

No. 3.—A lot of Land, situated near the above tracts, adjoining land of Mr. Schuessler and others, containing 25 acres, more or less. The improvements thereon are a Loo DWELLING HOUSE, a Barn with the tower part of stone, a Spring House with a never failing spring of water. About 3 acres thereof is meadow land, a sufficient portion woodland and the remainder arable land, with a large variety of fruit trees thereon.

No. 4.—A Lot of Land, situated in Labarville, Lehigh county, with a new two story Frame DWELLING HOUSE thereon erected.

No. 5.—A Lot of Land, also situated in said Labarville, with a new two story Frame DWELLING HOUSE thereon erected.

No. 6.—A Lot of Land, also situated in said Labarville, with a new two story Frame DWELLING HOUSE thereon erected.

No. 7.—A tract of woodland, situated in Washington township, Lehigh county, containing one acre and eighty perches, which is well timbered.

Persons wishing to view the above tracts previous to sale are requested to call at the late residence of the said deceased, being on tract No. 1.

Conditions on day of sale and due attendance given by.

PETER HORRACE, DAVID MERTZ, H. O. WILSON, Executors of Frederick Miller, dec'd March 15, 1854.

UNDERTAKER.

The subscriber, residing at No. 32, East Hamilton street Allentown, a few doors East of the German Reformed Church, adopts this method to inform his friends and the public in general, that he has established himself as an Undertaker, and will constantly keep on hand a large assortment of all kinds of

ROSEWOOD, WALNUT, and other Coffins, trimmed and stuffed in the neatest styles. He has also prepared himself with a

Very Convenient Hearse, to convey the dead to the grave, or elsewhere.

He also keeps on hand an assortment of Shrouds, and will make it his business to attend to everything connected with a funeral, with great punctuality.

He has followed this branch of business for the last 25 years and knows the wants when a calamity occurs, thereupon invites the public to give him a call, and he will be found to render perfect satisfaction.

He returns his sincere thanks to his old friends and neighbors in Saucon, for the many favors he has received from them; and further states that his Son continues in the business at the old stand. He keeps on hand an assortment of household furniture, and attends to funerals as heretofore. His wife also prepares Shrouds.

SAMUEL SELL, March 15.

Executor's Notice.

Letters testamentary having been granted to the undersigned, in the estate of Frederick Miller, late of Washington township, Lehigh county, deceased, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment within six weeks from date; and all those having claims will present them duly authenticated for settlement, to either of the undersigned, Executors.

HUGH O. WILSON, DAVID MERTZ, PETER HORRACE, of Northampton county. March 15.

Notice to Assessors.

The several assessors of the respective wards of the boroughs and townships of the county of Lehigh, are hereby requested to meet in the Commissioners' Office, in Allentown, on Tuesday, the 21st day of March inst., to obtain the assessments, the appeal notices, and such other matters and instructions relating to the performance of their respective duties.

By order of the Board of Commissioners, EDWARD BECK, Clerk. Commissioners' Office, Allentown, March 15.

Valuable Town Lot, For Sale.

The Subscriber offers to sell at Private Sale, a Valuable Corner Lot, situated on Bridge street, adjoining the premises of Rev. Charles Becker, in the Borough of Catsaqua, Lehigh county.

The Lot is 60 feet front, and 180 feet deep with spacious alleys running along the sides and rear. The lot is handsomely fenced in and was under cultivation last season. For beauty and location the lot cannot be surpassed by any in the Borough.

For further information apply to John Boyer, Esq., corner of Church and Second streets, Catsaqua, or David G. Jones, Fogelsville, Pa.

Catsaqua, March 15.

Public Vendue.

Will be sold at Public Sale at the house of the subscriber, No. 31, East Hamilton street, Allentown, on Friday the 24th day of March inst., the following valuable property, viz:

Piano, Sideboards, Secretaries, Bureaus, Centre Table, 2 Dining Tables, Common Tables, Rush bottom and other chairs, Cupboards, Bedsteads and Bedding, Wash and Sewing stands, Clothespress, Carpets, Looking Glasses, Pictures and Frames, Stoves, Andirons, Corner Cupboard, Maps, Window Blinds. Also a large Fire-proof safe; a one-horse Wagon, Sleigh, Boat Harness, Wind Mill. Also a full set of the "American Encyclopedia" in 13 volumes—the most valuable books ever published. A set of Surveyor's Tools—altogether with many other articles, and a large variety of Household and Kitchen furniture too numerous to mention.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. Terms and due attendance given at sale by.

SOLOMON GANGWERE, Allentown, March 15.

WIEDER & BOYER.

No. 25, West Hamilton street, Allentown.

Thankful for past favors and hoping by strict attention to business and a desire to please, to merit a continuance of the patronage so liberally bestowed on them, and wishing the people to understand the fact, that they are both PRACTICAL HATTERS—both having served a long apprenticeship at the business and understanding the business thoroughly in all its various branches—they are confident they can MANUFACTURE HATS of all kinds inferior to none in the market, and also a little cheaper, because they perform a great deal of the labor themselves and buy their material from the importers for cash, and understanding the business they employ none but good workmen, and doing a large business they can afford to sell at small profits.

These are some of the reasons why you often hear the remark that "Wieder & Boyer sell such beautiful Hats at such astonishingly low prices. They always have the latest Philadelphia and New York styles on hand, so you need not be afraid of having an old fashioned Hat stuck on you.—Give us a call. It don't matter what is the shape of your head, we will insure a fit.

Country Merchants would do well to give us a call, as we will wholesale them hats and caps cheaper than they can get them in the city. Also a large assortment of all kinds of straw goods which they will sell cheap. TERMS CASH.

Allentown, March 15.

Map of Lehigh County.

From actual Measurement and Surveys throughout the whole County by Adolph Aschbach, C. E.

The Subscriber will publish shortly, provided a sufficient number of signers be obtained, a new and complete

Map of Lehigh County.

The surveys are just commenced, all the public roads, and the locations of the places for worship, Post Offices, School-houses, County stores, Mills, Public Houses, Smith Shops, Wheelwrights, Ore beds, &c., are to be marked. The names of the property holders generally (including all those in the county) who will subscribe in advance to the map) are also to be inserted upon their places, to be illustrated with vignettes of views in Lehigh County.

Plans of the principal Villages on a large scale will be inserted in the margin, also a beautiful Marginal-map of Allentown.

The plan will be plotted to a suitable scale so as to make a large and ornamental Map. To be engraved and delivered to subscribers handsomely colored and mounted for FIVE DOLLARS per copy.

JAMES D. SCOTT, Publisher. No. 110 Chesnut St. Philadelphia. Allentown March 15.

Northampton Water Company.

All persons using the water of the Company for family or other purposes, will please take notice, that the time to renew their permits is the first of April next, and it is expected that they will call upon the undersigned Treasurer and renew their permits. Those persons who have not settled for their permits from the 1st to the 10th of April, must not complain if the water is stopped from them after that time.

The Board reserves the right where the Water is used by joint Hydrants, if not paid by all joined, to stop it if they see proper, as they consider such arrangements solely advantageous to those who connect in using the Water, consequently cannot interfere with arrangements of this kind.

Notice is also given to persons who wish to use Hydrant Water for building purposes, that they must take out their permits before they commence building, and if this rule is not strictly observed the charge will be double for the Water.

By Order of the Board, JOHN J. KRAUSE, Treasurer. March 15.

Prices Current.

ARTICLES.	Per	Allentown	Easton	Phill
Flour	Barrel	8 50	8 00	8 60
Wheat	Bush	1 60	1 60	1 80
Rye	"	90	95	1 10
Corn	"	70	72	90
Oats	"	40	40	44
Buckwheat	"	50	50	60
Flaxseed	"	1 37	1 25	1 50
Cloverseed	"	5 00	5 00	6 00
Timothyseed	"	2 50	2 50	2 70
Potatoes	"	70	60	80
Salt	"	65	45	30
Butter	Pound	24	18	30
Lard	"	19	10	9
Tallow	"	10	10	5
Beeswax	"	23	22	25
Ham	"	12	11	15
Hickory	"	10	9	8
Fitch	"	8	8	7
Tow-yarn	"	12	12	20
Eggs	Gall.	33	33	33
Rye Whiskey	"	30	30	30
Apple Whiskey	"	60	60	95
Linseed Oil	"	4 50	0 00	8 00
Hickory Wood	Cord	14 00	15 00	25 50
Hay	Ton	4 00	4 50	5 50
Egg Coal	"	3 00	3 50	4 00
Nut Coal	"	4 00	4 50	5 00
Lump Coal	"	4 50	5 00	5 50
Plaster	"	4 50	6 00	2 60

Public Sale Of Valuable Real Estate.

Will be sold at Public Sale, on Saturday the 25th day of March next, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, on the premises, in the Borough of Catsaqua, Lehigh county, the following valuable property to wit:

2 Two-Story Brick Dwelling HOUSES,

situated in the said Borough of Catsaqua, Lehigh county, adjoining each other, each containing 20 feet front by 32 feet deep, on a lot situated in Main Street, 200 feet front and running along an alley 200 feet, also bordering on an alley on the east.

The houses are new and the lot is in good fence, with stables and other outbuildings, excellent well water, &c. &c., all calculated to make them a comfortable home.

There is a vacant lot of 20 feet on the corner, which is admirably calculated for any business establishment.

The conditions will be made known on the day of sale and due attendance given by.

WEAVER & MICKLEY, Catsaqua, March 8.

Fogelsville Works, Grist Mill, Foundry, and Machine SHOPS.

The subscribers respectfully inform their friends and the public in general, that they have put the above works in full operation on the 1st of March last, where they will be prepared to execute all kinds of

Grist Work,

having engaged a competent miller, and other assistants. It will be their aim to manufacture Flour, Rye Meal, &c., that cannot be surpassed by the best brought into market.

The Foundry and Machine Shop will also be attended to with the full purpose of accommodating their customers at the shortest possible notice. They will be prepared to furnish Steam Engines, Force Pumps, Saw Cutting Machines, Ploughs, Parlor and Cooking Stoves, and all kinds of castings the public may require.

The undersigned being machinists themselves will attend personally to the business.

MICKLEY & JONES, Fogelsville, March 8.

Straw Goods—Spring 1854.

The Subscribers are now prepared to exhibit at their

SPLENDID NEW ESTABLISHMENT.

just completed, on the site of their former stand.

No. 41 South Second Street, Philadelphia, an entire new and beautiful Stock of Straw, Fancy and Silk Bonnets and Platts, Flowers, &c.; and Panama, Palm and Summer Hats for Gentlemen, which our old patrons, Merchants and Milliners generally, are invited to examine, confidently promising them in extent, in variety, in novelty, and in styles a stock unequalled.

Orders carefully and promptly executed.

THOMAS WHITE & Co. Phila. March 15.

Thomas Brown, DENTAL SURGEON.

Attends to all operations on the Teeth in the most careful and scientific manner, and inserts Teeth on an entirely new and improved plan with contiguous Gums. These Teeth are far better and superior to the best block or single Gum Teeth now in use.

Please call and examine specimens. Office No. 15, West Hamilton Street, (up stairs,) opposite the Odd Fellows' Hall. Allentown, Nov. 9.

20,000 Apple Trees for Sale.

The Trees are all of extra size and quality, warranted true to the name, with a general assortment of all sorts of

FRUIT TREES,

Grape-vines, Gooseberries, Raspberries, Strawberries, of the best selections, ripening in succession from the earliest to the latest.

Also—Ornamental Trees, Evergreens, &c., suitable for ornamenting public and private grounds.

Orders sent direct to the "Fair View Nursery," Moorestown, New Jersey, or left with John F. Halbach, Esq., authorized Agent in Allentown, Pa., will receive prompt attention.

Reference.—George Butz, Philadelphia JOHN PERKINS, Proprietor. February 15, 1854.

AUCTION.

Will be sold at public auction, on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the 20th, 21st and 22d of March, next, in the afternoon and evening, at J. W. Grubb's Store, in the Borough of Allentown, his entire stock of

Store Goods,

consisting of Cloths, plain, black, and fancy Cassimeres, Cashmerets, cotton paintings, Mouslins, Ginghams, Laces, Gloves, Mohair Mitts and Gloves, Hose, Cravats, Neckchiefs, Shawls, Mouslin Delaines, Alpaca, Checks, Linens, Jaconets, Cambrics, Lawns, &c. A large lot of

Queensware, Glassware, Groceries

AND SUGARS. Also: Molasses, Oil, Salt, Fish, Wine, Brandy, Gin, &c. A large assortment of

Ready Made Clothing,