

ALLENTOWN, PA. WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 1865.

Sale of Public Works. The bill for the sale of the Main Line of the Public Works, passed the House last week...

Don't Kill the Birds. As Spring advances, our youthful Nimrods feel the influence strong upon them to pop away their old fowling pieces at the birds...

KANSAS. From all accounts, the recent election in Kansas was a gross fraud perpetrated on the resident citizens of that territory...

The License Law—Important Correction. The Harrisburg Herald calls attention to an important proviso in the new license bill...

TENURE OF CHURCH PROPERTY. The bill relative to the tenure of Church property in this State, has passed the Senate...

New Counterfeits. Bicknell's Reporter publishes the following list of new counterfeits: Princeton Bank, Princeton, N. J. 5's altered from 1's...

Latest From Europe. The steamship Africa arrived on Wednesday, bringing news from Europe one week later. An official document has appeared in the Paris Monitor...

Omar Pacha and his Turks have enlarged their circle of fortifications to shelter 5000 men, and have occupied two villages a league and a half from Eupatoria...

COMMISSIONER MANTYPENNY AND GOVERNOR REEDER. Commissioner Mantypenny having referred to recent sales of land in Kansas, in which it now appears Governor Reeder was concerned...

GROWING WHEAT CHOP IN OHIO. The Dayton (O.) Journal of the 19th, says:—The rain and warm weather of the present week have had a wonderful effect on the growing wheat...

The Richmond (Va.) Whig says:—The wheat fields in the vicinity of Richmond look very well at present, giving promise of an abundant crop...

GOVERNOR REEDER OF KANSAS—A PRONOUNCED. St. Louis, April 25.—A proclamation has been issued by the people of Kansas, declaring Governor Reeder to be incompetent for the position he fills...

Open American County Meeting. In accordance with the notice given, a meeting was held at the public house of Benjamin Hagenbach, in Allentown, to take into consideration the propriety of forming an open American organization...

WHEAT. The alarming increase of a foreign pauper population yearly flooding upon our seaboard towns, has become a matter of serious apprehension to a great portion of the American people...

Our country is already burthened by this motley crowd. Our almshouses and prisons teem with them, and our citizens are enormously taxed to support them...

Resolved, That we contemplate with a sense of danger the alarming progress of foreignism and Jesuitism in this country, inasmuch as they have already established a balance power in our elections...

Resolved, That the early associations and habits of the foreign born portion of our population in the management and control of a republican form of government, and that their prejudices and predilections for and with the land of their birth are too strong and deep rooted to be forgotten in the short space of time at which our naturalization laws are at present fixed...

Resolved, That the attempts of the Roman Catholics to obtain legislative interference in their behalf, giving the Roman Catholic Church a separate school fund is only an initial step of papal priestcraft to gain power for the Pope in the Councils of the land, and an effort to subvert our constitutional guarantee of keeping Church and State separate and distinct...

Resolved, That we recognize in the Roman Catholics and Jesuits wherever they can gain a foothold the willing tools and instruments with which the pope of Rome carries on his political schemes and intrigues, at whose nod they will do any acts of violence, however heinous they may be, for which reason they are unworthy to hold any office of trust or profit, or exercise the privileges of American citizens...

THE NEXT STATE FAIR. The Executive Committee of the State Agricultural Society have resolved to hold the next annual Exhibition at Harrisburg, provided the citizens of that borough furnish the grounds, and contribute towards the expenses of the Society \$1,500.

Town and County Affairs.

PUBLIC AMERICAN MEETING. A public American meeting will be held in Centre Valley, Lehigh county, on Saturday May 19th, at 2 o'clock P. M.

COMMENCER. The summer session of the Allentown Academy commenced on Monday, and of the Seminary yesterday. We are told that both institutions opened with a fair number of scholars.

BURGLARY. We would advise our citizens to be on their guard, as our town is at present infested with midnight burglars and robbers.

SENTENCED. It will be recollected that some time since we stated that a man named Jacob Oels had been arrested on a charge of Larceny and taken to the Northampton County Jail to await his trial...

CHURCH DEDICATION. St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in this place, will be consecrated to the worship of God on Sunday next. A general invitation to participate, is extended to the people in the surrounding section of country...

ATTEMPTED ROBBERY. Between 12 and 1 o'clock on Friday night an attempt was made to burglariously enter the new store of Messrs. Haupt & Stuckert, in this borough...

"OLD DOG TRAY." At the request of a number of our little friends, we will next week publish this popular song. Coming up, town girls were sitting out on a "front step" singing sweetly as happy childhood only can—

Very sweetly sang, but though Tray is very good in his place, our little friends, we hope, will find much better friends than him.

SPRING BATTALIONS. The spring battalion parades are beginning to be announced. The first Cavalry Battalion, commanded by Maj. Thomas Ruch, will parade at Guthrieville, in South Whitehall township, on Tuesday the 15th instant.

IMPROVING. In our walks about town we observe that quite a number of new edifices are going up, and the coming season promises to add very considerably to the size and population of Allentown. The houses are mostly designed in a liberal spirit, with a proper regard to taste, comfort and architectural beauty.

THE CIRCUS AND MENAGERIE. We presume our readers are well aware that to-morrow one of the largest travelling Exhibitions in the world will enter Allentown. This combination is endowed or conducted rather on the most liberal principles, affording to the public at large an opportunity of witnessing both a Circus and Menagerie at one time, for one price.

THIS SEASON—CHOPS. The transformation from winter to summer is making rapid progress. The fields are clothed in green, and we have seen some fruit trees in blossom.

A RIVER DESTROYED BY OVER ISSUES OF ITS BANK. The Van Buren Intelligence of the 30th says: It has been mathematically and practically demonstrated, that the Arkansas river will no more be fit for navigation. The banks have fallen in to such extent as to widen the bed of the river immeasurably, requiring a larger volume of water than usually comes down in ordinary rises, to furnish its thirsty bars, and to fill up the bed.

A VIRGINIA DIAMOND. A tough diamond, picked up near Manchester, Va., a small town opposite Richmond, has been received in New York. The stone is about the size of a hazel nut, and weighs forty-three karats. It has a flaw in the centre, but it is otherwise quite promising. The Richmond jewellers estimate its value at four thousand dollars, and claim that it is the largest diamond ever found in North America.

LOOK OUT!—COUNTERFEIT NOTES.—There are at present in circulation in this section of country, counterfeit Five on the Farmers and Mechanic's Bank of Philadelphia. These notes are entirely different from the genuine notes, and can easily be detected. The appearance of the note is rough and black, and the engravings are poorly executed. We copy from Thompson's Detector the following description of these spurious notes: "5s. Vignette State coat of arms—medallion head on the left end—a female on the right end—genuine have the word FIVE in red ink across the face."

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.—At a meeting of the Lower Saucun, held at Bethlehem, on the 9th inst., the following gentlemen were elected Managers for the ensuing year: Bernhard Fenner, Joseph Weaver, J. G. Deshler, John D. Lawall, Charles A. Luchenbach, Charles B. Weber and James T. Borlock. Matthew Krause, the present Treasurer and Secretary was re-elected. The company is in a very flourishing condition.

COLUMBIA ENGINE COMPANY.—The new Engine constructed by Mr. John Agnew of Philadelphia, for the above named company, will arrive on Monday next. It is said to be one of the most superb fire machines ever brought to this section of country. Invitations will be extended to all the fire companies in town to join in the escort.

WESTWARD, HO!—Mr. James Ganserer, of this place, sold his house and lot in Hamilton street to Messrs. Frederick and Weiler for \$3,500. He intends shortly to leave for Ohio, where he has bought lands, and will pursue the agricultural business. He has many warm friends in this country.

PRESENTATION.—Some of the friends of Police officer Hunkler, as a testimonial of regard, last week presented him with a new watch. It was made out of solid silver by our young townsman Mr. D. Klotz. The present is as complimentary and deserving, as it is creditable to the donors.

A ROGUE.—The Cincinnati Enquirer gives the history of a pretended clergyman, who, being endowed with an oily tongue and a prepossessing appearance succeeded in engaging himself to no less than eleven ladies of the village of Cleriot, of whom he borrowed money, upon the pretence of making the necessary arrangements toward housekeeping. Of one lady he obtained \$50, which he laid between the leaves of a Bible in her parlor to be used the day previous to the wedding; but when, upon hearing of the pranks of the sanctimonious Lothario, she looked in the hiding place, the bank bills were non est.

THE MANNER which led to the discovery of his multifarious engagements was that a couple of the betrothed met by accident in a fashionable dry goods establishment in this city. After mutual recognition, they proceeded to examine various fabrics and make purchases. Singularly enough their tastes assimilated so exactly that young lady numbered one remarked to young lady numbered two that she thought it very strange. Hereupon young lady number two replied that so it was; but, if she (young lady number one) could keep a secret, she would tell her one. Whereupon they proceeded, much to their astonishment, to name the SAME INDIVIDUAL! The scene that followed, may be much better imagined than described.

THE CAROB TREE, OR ST. JOHN'S BREAD.—Among the recent importations of seeds from Alicante, Spain, were those of the Carob tree, the pods of which, when ripe, contain a few drops of a substance resembling honey. From this circumstance it is supposed that this tree is identical with the one upon which St. John fed while in the wilderness, and hence sometimes is called St. John's bread. It blooms twice a year—at the end of January or the first of February, and about the middle of September—and when well watered grows to a considerable height and size, sometimes spreading to such a degree as to have a circumference of from two hundred to three hundred feet, and bearing upwards of a ton of pods. Young trees, only a year old, often have stems eight or ten inches thick, with branches ten or twelve feet long. Cattle, horses, and mules devour the pods with great avidity, and if well fed upon them will become extremely fat, or in good condition to work. The trees, doubtless, will succeed well in the southern, and perhaps in the middle States.—Washington Union.

WHAT IS SALERATUS.—What is saleratus? Wood is burned to ashes: ashes are lissivated—ley is the result. Ley is evaporated by boiling—black salts is the residuum. The salts undergo purification by fire, and the potash of commerce is obtained. By another process we change potash into pearl ash. Now put these in sacks and place them over a distillery wash tub, where the fermentation evolves carbonic acid gas, and the pearl ash absorbs it and is rendered solid; the product being heavier, drier and whiter than the pearl ash. It is now saleratus. How much salt of ley and carbonic acid a human stomach can bear and remain healthy, is a question for a saleratus eater. Some people say saleratus will not harm the stomach. It is a ley!

A NEGRO AT NORFOLK, on the 10th inst., was struck on the top of the head by a barrel of oats, which fell from the third story. The negro was knocked down by the concussion, but was more frightened than hurt, thus affording another remarkable instance of the solidity of the negro's cranium.

A SEA MONSTER was caught near Punta Rossa, on the Florida coast, on the 23d, which had a month three and a half feet long, and wide enough to swallow a canoe. The space between its eyes measured four feet four inches, its length of body nineteen feet, and breadth nineteen feet, and weighing 3000 pounds.

SAUSAGES.—A few days since, two German Jews, residing in the 16th Ward, New York city, purchased from a milkman the remains of a cow that had sickened and died, for the sum of nine shillings. Mr. Reynolds, the meat Inspector for the Eastern District, having become aware of that fact, investigated the matter, and ascertained that the entire carcass had been cut up into, and, with an addition of pork, was made into sausage-meat. This meat had been placed in cloth bags preparatory to being dried and smoked, when it was taken possession of by the Meat Inspector. As the parties had not yet offered this meat for sale, they could only be made to bury it, which was done under the supervision of Mr. Reynolds.

Our Chip Basket.

The New Jersey Agricultural Fair is to be held this year at Camden.

It is stated that the March earnings of the Panama Railroad were about \$120,000.

There are 2000 Homoeopathic physicians in the United States.

A lawyer has been suspended from practice for six months in Boston, for calling a juror a skunk.

The whole number of applicants for bounty land under the new law, is thus far, 90,600.

Hon. Morris Longstreth died at his residence in Pleasant Valley, Montgomery county, on Thursday last.

The expense of educating children in the common schools of New York city, last year, averaged \$15 each.

Utter up knowledge with a diligent hand, it is the only earthly good that will not sometimes give you pain.

London extends over an area of 78,029 acres or 122 square miles, and the number of its inhabitants, rapidly increasing, was some 2,365,239 on the day of the last census.

Two thousand unpaid letters have been received at the Philadelphia Post Office. They will be forwarded to the dead letter Department at Washington, on the 1st proximo.

Gen. Sutter, once the richest, is said to be now among the poorest men in California.—To poverty are added the infirmities of old age.

Never give counsel where it is not asked of you, especially to those who are incapable of appreciating it.

An Irishman remarked that a true gentleman never looks at the faults of a pretty woman without shutting his eyes.

Let the motto of every man be punctuality. Let this virtue be manifested in a high degree in all our actions, and life's rugged pathway will be much more pleasant.

A bright young chap down east, has expressed the opinion that sooner than marry a woman of fifty, he would take two at five-and-twenty.

During the storm on Wednesday, at Corning, N. Y., hail stones fell that measured nine inches in circumference, weighing eight ounces, or thereabouts.

Pleasure is sometimes only a change of pain. A man who has the gout thinks he feels first rate when he gets down to the rheumatism again.

Mrs. W. Evans, of Bedford, Va., has now on one of her trees a lemon, which, at the present time, measures 11 1/2 inches either way across its centre.

A dovetailing machine has been invented, and is in use in Boston, which enables a single workman to dovetail with ease from eight hundred to one thousand bureau drawers a day.

Rothschild's Agents are said to have made large purchases of copper at Lake Superior for shipment to Franco. The proportion of silver found in the copper makes it a profitable speculation at present.

The 19th of May is now designated by Millites or the Second Adventists for the coming of the Saviour and the end of the world. In the eastern States many converts are being baptised.

NEWS FOR BREAD EATERS.—Under the reciprocity treaty Canada is enabled to furnish us flour. Sixty-six thousand barrels were received at Oswego, N. Y., since the opening of navigation.

There is a Swedish Lutheran Church in Wilmington, Del., which, from its antiquity, is much venerated by the inhabitants. The house was built in 1689, by the Swedes, and is one of the oldest meeting-houses in the country.

Some idea may be formed of the sun-drying effect of a Liqueur Law, from the fact that the profits of the New York Astor House on wines and liquors is \$40,000 per annum. The average receipts of the bar in the Astor House Exchange are \$250 per day.

Mr. Richard M. Grann, has entered upon a very heavy contract, viz: To complete the grading, masonry, bridging and ballasting of some thirty-three miles of the North Pennsylvania railroad. One cut of solid rock will exceed \$250,000.

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