

WANTED.—An intelligent boy, of active and industrious habits, is wanted immediately at this office, to learn the printing business.

Thanksgiving.

To-morrow is the day set apart by Gov. Pollock as a day of thanksgiving and praise to the Almighty, for His goodness and care, as exhibited in the varied blessings of which the people of this State have been the recipients during the past year.

Railroad Accident.

On Friday last the Freight Train on the Lehigh Valley Railroad was thrown off the track, near Slatington, in consequence of the breaking of one of the trucks of the cars, injuring a brakeman so severely that he is not expected to recover.

Gov. Reeder.

Ex-Governor REEDER, late of Kansas, arrived here from Easton on Tuesday last week, and was warmly received by a large circle of friends. He looks well and seemed to be in fine spirits.

A Large Ear of Corn.

We have in our office an ear of corn of mammoth size, raised in Seneca county, Ohio, on the farm of our former townsman, Mr. JAMES GANGWELE.

Columbia Library Association.

The Columbia Engine Company has lately organized itself into a Library Association, and for that purpose they fitted up the large room on the second story of their new house in elegant style.

A Scene.

Moonlight, 10 1/2 o'clock Sunday night. Loving pair leaning up like fresh yoked steers, sauntering up Hamilton street, to near Odd Fellows' Hall.

Proceedings of Court.

Court commenced November 12th, for the trial of causes in the Common Pleas. The following cases were tried, and a number of other cases upon the list were disposed of by settlement, judgment and non-suit.

Thomas Weaver vs. William Worman & John Worman. This was an action brought to recover damages of defendants for injuries alleged to have been sustained by plaintiff, and the facts were substantially as follows: In the summer of 1853, and for a number of years before, the defendants owned and carried on the brick making business, and had their kiln in Allentown.

David Gottshall vs. George Ludwig. Action to recover \$145, the price of a horse. Gottshall bought a horse of Ludwig and paid him \$145 for it, with an agreement that if the horse got lame or unsound before he got to New York with him, the horse should be returned and the money paid back.

Thomas Wetzell's Administrators vs. William Fry.—Action to recover balance of money alleged to be due for labor performed by Wetzell in his life time. Plaintiffs alleged the service to be worth more than defendant was willing to pay.

Reuben Jacoby vs. Weiss, Ginder & Co. Action to recover wages for boating. It appeared that the parties had made a written contract, Jacoby agreeing to boat the whole season.

Charles Smith vs. Renatus Luckenbach. Action to recover a promissory note. The parties had been in partnership in the store and other business. They dissolved and referred the accounts to three men, to adjust them.

Advertisements.

To every man of business we say advertise. If you have anything good to dispose of, what is the use of keeping it in the dark, or confined to your store? Spread it out before the world with all its advantages in the advertising columns of our paper, and the public will flock to buy.

A Good Crossing.—Our energetic town-council, with commendable enterprise have had constructed a most substantial crossing across Market Square, for which they most undoubtedly have the thanks of the entire community.

The Slate Mines of Lehigh County.

A correspondent of the Ledger, writing from Slatington, Lehigh county, Pa., says:—The mines which surround this town are situated near the base of the Blue or Kittatinny Mountain, about two miles south from the Lehigh Water Gap.

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Next Congress.

Already preparations are in progress for the approaching session of Congress. Quite a number of members have visited Washington, and secured apartments for the winter, and the President has no doubt arranged the preliminary sketch of his annual Message.

The Philadelphia Inquirer says, the Slavery Question will come up in a variety of forms, and will occupy days and weeks in debate.—In the first place, there are two gentlemen who claim seats for Kansas—viz: Ex-Governor Reeder, the Free Soil candidate, and Mr. Whitfield, the pro-slavery candidate.

Another engrossing topic will be the action of the Naval Board. It will be remembered that the Bill authorizing a Retired List, was passed by last Congress, but few of whose members in the House of Representatives have been re-elected.

A proposition to Modify the Tariff will probably be submitted by Mr. Guthrie. It will be remembered, that last year he recommended a reduction on various raw materials and gave his views at length upon such a policy.

The PACIFIC RAILROAD BILL will again come up for discussion. It was not acted upon finally during the last session, because, in the first place, there was not sufficient information in relation to the various routes before the Government; and in the second, because too many conflicting schemes were submitted to the two houses.

The COMMISSION OF UTAH and the Mormons will not be permitted to pass by in silence.—Brigham Young still officiates as Governor in that Territory, and the President, for some reason or other, has not deemed it expedient to appoint a successor, since the resignation of Col. Steptoe.

The CONDITION OF OUR FOREIGN RELATIONS will be described. Fortunately we are at peace with all the world, although several questions are pending with various Powers. The alleged violation of the Neutrality Laws by Great Britain in the case of the Foreign Legion; the Danish Sound Dues; the unpaid three millions to Mexico, and the points of misunderstanding between the United States and Spain, will all be described and commented upon.

Latest from Europe.

We have news from Europe one week later, by the arrival, at New York on Thursday, of the steamship Pacific. The London Times conjures its warlike articles against the United States, and has managed to create an extraordinary excitement in England, so that it was rumored that an actual rupture had taken place between the two countries.

The allied fleets withdrew from Odessa, the most of the Russian troops there were marched back to Nicolaieff, and the fugitive inhabitants returned. The liners of the fleet at Kinburn had left there to make a reconnaissance of Cherson. The fort and town of Kinburn were still occupied by 15,000 allied troops. The allied gunboats have been on the Bug to make a reconnaissance. General Cottington has been appointed commander of the British forces in the Crimea.

Allentown Teachers' Association.

This association convened pursuant to adjournment, in the school-room of Mr. Warner, on Monday evening, Oct. 29, 1855.

The chair being taken by the President, the minutes of the prior meeting were read and adopted.

Several new members were added to the Association. On motion, Mr. Warner delivered a lecture on Physiology, which, being illustrated by drawings designed for the purpose, was a highly interesting and instructive entertainment.

Next ensued an animated and interesting discussion upon "the best method of teaching the art of Reading."

On motion it was directed that the proceedings of the meeting be published in the papers of the borough.

On motion adjourned, to meet at the usual place on the 13th of November.

Tuesday evening, Nov. 13, 1855. The association met in accordance with the adjournment of the last meeting, and was called to order by the President.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and not objected to, were adopted.

Several additional members were added to the Association. An energetic debate then took place upon the best method of teaching orthography.

After this a discussion was entered into concerning "the most eligible mode of school discipline," in which many instructive suggestions were made inductive to the object of the discussion.

On motion the subject of School Discipline was directed to be resumed at the next meeting, together with the best method of teaching Arithmetic.

On motion adjourned, to meet at the Allentown Academy on the 26th of November, at 7 o'clock. ELIZA J. GIBBONS, Secretary.

PRICES OF PRODUCE IN NEW YORK.—The prices of flour ranged on Wednesday last at \$8.75 for the inferior grades up to \$11, which is a falling off of 25 cents per barrel. Rye flour sold at \$6 to \$7.50; and corn meal at \$4.75 per barrel. Wheat sold \$1.90 to \$2.16 per bushel; and rye at \$1.24. Oats brought 47 to 52 cents per bushel. Corn sold at 94 to 95 cents per bushel. The prices for live beef cattle were 7 1/2, 8, 9, and 10 cents per pound according to quality.

Robert Klotz is a member of the Constitutional Convention now in session in Kansas.

A VALUABLE WOMAN.

The Indianapolis Journal gives the following account of a lady residing in Paris, Tennessee. We are sorry that we cannot give her name in full. The matron in question is a Mrs. D., now eighty-seven years old. She had twenty-three living children, and prayed to the Lord to give her one more, to make the round number of two dozen.

TAR WAR OF 1812.—NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The Defenders of the Country, in the War of 1812, who met last January, in the City of Washington, are requested to assemble there again on the approaching anniversary of the resolution adopted at their last session, to which time and place the Convention adjourned.

President of the Convention, elected 1855.

J. B. SUTTERLAND, President of the Convention, elected 1855.

ERIE RAILROAD.—The whole number of cars and locomotives on this road is 3,168, which, coupled together in one train, would reach a distance of twenty-one miles, and be able to carry 150,000 persons in one day from New York to Lake Erie.

A NEW COUNTERFEIT.—A new counterfeit note made its appearance on Saturday. It is on the \$5 of the Commercial Bank of Philadelphia, and is of a character to deceive, being well executed.

INSTANTANEOUS GINGER BEER.

Fill a bottle with pure cold water, then have a cork ready to fit it, also a string or wire to tie it down with, and a mallet to drive the cork, so that no time may be lost; now put into the bottle sugar to your taste (syrup is better), and a teaspoonful of good powdered ginger; shake it well, then add the sixth part of an ounce of super-carbonate of soda; cork rapidly, and tie down—shake the bottle well—cut the string—the cork will fly—then drink your ginger beer.

AN OCEAN OF BLOOD.—It is said that within a radius of five miles around Sebastopol more blood has been shed, more lives sacrificed and more misery inflicted within a year, than on any other equal extent of the earth's surface in the same space of time, since the days of Noah's flood.

THE HOG MARKET.—We have heard (says the Louisville Journal) of no transactions, but learn that an offer of \$6 net for a round lot of hogs, averaging 200 lbs., for early December delivery, was made and refused. The market may be quoted from \$6 to \$6 25 for November and December delivery—sellers asking \$6 50 to \$6 75.

AWFUL CRIMINALITY.—Some wretches recently formed the following plan of blowing up a passenger train on the Milwaukee and Mississippi railroad: The plan was to sink a joint of stove-pipe filled with powder and stopped up at the end, under the track—to have a train of powder leading from the mine several yards alongside of the track, mixed with percussion caps; so that when the locomotive crushed and ignited the caps and fired the train of powder the passenger car would be directly over the mine, and suffer a destructive explosion.

SALE OF WILD ANIMALS.—Seth B. Howe's collection of wild animals, which were exhibited in Allentown last May, were sold at auction, in the Hippodrome, in New York, on Monday last. Four elephants were sold for \$1,000 to \$1,400 each; a rhinoceros for \$575; a Polar bear for \$450; a royal Bengal tiger for \$225. These prices were considered very low.

GRAIN FOR FRANCE.—There are now in store in Chicago, and the sea-board, between 600,000 and 700,000 bushels of wheat, bought on account of the French Government, purchased, it is understood largely in Milwaukee, paying prices from four to five cents higher than the same descriptions of wheat have been sold for in that market at any time this season.

WINE PRODUCED IN THE UNITED STATES.—The New York Mirror predicts that within twenty-five years the United States will not only supply the American people with the pure juice of the grape, but will become the largest wine exporting nation in the world.

A TRUMP WASTED.—Mrs. Margaret Trump of Massillon, wishes information of her husband, G. A. Trump, who left his home on the 15th day of November, 1854, saying he would return next day. Any information of the missing Trump would gladly be received by his distressed wife in Massillon, Ohio.

MORE NEW TERRITORIES.

The times seem prolific of new territorial projects. There is a scheme to divide New Mexico, and make the Spanish settlements in the Gadsden purchase the nucleus of a new organization; then another to divide Utah and make the western half a non-Mormon territory, with the Carson valley settlements as a nucleus; then another to divide Oregon and make a new territory in the eastern half; and still another, to organize the Indian territory west of Arkansas into an independent State with the name of Neosho.

A TRAIN OF CARS BLOWN OFF THE TRACK BY A GUST OF WIND.

As the Albany Express train on the Harlem Railroad left Chatham Four Corners, on Monday evening, and being about midway between Copake and Boston Corners, at an elevation of some 35 feet above the level ground, the entire train, with the exception of the engine and tender, was suddenly precipitated down the embankment, with a violent gust of wind, landing upside down, with their load of human freight snugly secured within. The train consisted of the engine, tender, baggage car, and three passenger cars. Two persons were killed, and a great many wounded.

A SOFT-BRAINED SUICIDE.—Samuel Weir, said to have been a highly respectable citizen of Clinton county, Indiana, committed suicide a few days since for a most singular reason. He had been drawn as a juror, but owing to his limited knowledge of the language, he was set aside as incompetent; and considering this a reflection upon his honesty, he put an end to his life.

AWKWARD PREDICAMENT FOR A KNOW-NOTHING EDITOR.—Mr. Van Antwerp, editor of The Repository, a Know-Nothing paper at Hudson, New-York, on election day went to the polls to deposit his vote, and when he got there it was challenged, on the very consistent ground that he was not a citizen! Mr. Van Antwerp "acknowledged the corn" and retreated.

NEW SYSTEM OF COUNTERFEITING.—Bank notes are now counterfeited by the photographic process so skillfully as almost to defy detection. The only protection against this mode of counterfeiting is said to be by using red paper instead of white, which is said to be effectual. Photographic counterfeits on the Merchants' Bank of Philadelphia, are in circulation, which have deceived good judges of shimpsters.

GRACE BEFORE BUSINESS.—At Davenport, Iowa, recently, when some lots of ground were to be sold at auction, for non-payment of taxes, the sale, by direction of the authorities, was opened with prayer.

DISGUISED SALE.—The head of Joaquin Murietta, a noted brigand of California, was recently sold at auction, by the Sheriff of San Francisco county, for thirty-six dollars. The purchasers were Judge Lyon and V. J. Plume.

Our Chip Basket.

He is pure blackguard who will chew tobacco and spit on the floor in church. During the first six months of the present year, nearly \$20,000,000 of Australian gold has been shipped from Melbourne.

Men of the noblest dispositions always think themselves happiest when others share their happiness with them.

Eighteen newspapers are published in Minnesota, though it contains but 60,000 people.

Substance of the verdict of a recent coroner's jury, on a man who died in a state of inebriation; "Death by hanging—around a rum shop."

A farmer at Hopkinsville says he has been offered \$1 per bushel for his next year's crop of wheat. Fast country this.

180 tons of ivory are used, annually, in Sheffield, England; and 18,000 elephants are killed, annually, to make up the supply.

It is estimated that 2500 barrels of flour are manufactured daily by the mills of San Francisco.

The following laconic epitaph, carved upon a Spanish tombstone, should be remembered: "I was well—tried to feel better—took physic—and here I am."

A baby boy is on exhibition in Pittsburg who is only a year old, weighs 109 pounds, and is 3 feet high. We pity the woman that has to nurse him.

A magnificent, baby-biting correspondent of the London Charivari writes that he will subscribe ten guineas to a baby show, if they will draw all the unsuccessful candidates for premiums.

Dr. Kane the great arctic explorer is below the medium height, with a spare and delicate frame. His grey hairs and furrowed face plainly indicate two score and ten, but in reality he has just entered his 35th year.

There are 40,000 fugitive slaves in Canada. Those who escaped early in life are industrious, moderately enterprising, and prosperous in their circumstances. Those who had remained longer under the depressing influence of slavery are shiftless and indolent but all are decidedly opposed to returning to bondage.

The latest estimates of the population of the world make it eleven hundred and fifty millions, viz: Pagans, 676,000,000; Christians, 320,000,000; Mohammedans, 148,000,000; Jews, 14,000,000. Of Christians, the Church of Rome numbers 170,000,000; the Greek and Eastern Churches, 60,000,000; Protestants, 90,000,000.