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As my position on the subject of electing a United States Senator may be misunderstood, I beg to say to my friends that Col. John W. Forney, in my opinion, will best serve my administration of all those named, and I will feel complimented and obliged for the votes of my friends in his favor for that office.

When the democratic caucus met at Harrisburg Forney was nominated on the first ballot, as had been foreseen by the friends of Mr. Forney, some of whom accordingly did not attend, and thus held themselves ready for a "free fight" on the day of election, which was fixed by law to take place on the 13th inst.

The number of emigrants arrived at New York the past year exceeds considerably that of 1855. The whole number was 141,915, of whom 44,090 were from Ireland, 55,855 from Germany, and 24,691 from England, with cash means equal to nine million six hundred and forty-two thousand dollars, or on an average, \$68 for each emigrant.

In an article in last week's paper on "Disease among Hogs," we mentioned among other distilleries where the disease had prevailed, that of the Messrs. Edelman, near this borough. This we have since been informed is incorrect, that not a single death has as yet occurred in their pens from the disease.

For Simon Cameron, 67
John W. Forney, 58
Henry D. Foster, 7
William Wilkins, 1

Winter without snow is like summer without flowers—like a desert without oases. The cold wind may cut through our garments, and chill the beating heart, the earth may become like iron, the streams like adamant, the sky a cloud of frost; yet if there be no snow—no white mantle spread over the face of nature, we lack a realization of a Winter.

This result presents a strange contrast to the proceedings a few years ago when, with a large majority on joint ballot, the opposition was unable to elect Gen. Cameron by puerile dissensions among themselves. The lesson then taught was however of some service, and a united minority has now effected what a hotch potch majority could not then do—thus in some measure making amends for the injustice then done Gen. Cameron and the injury entailed on the party.

The Iron Business of Pennsylvania. The iron business of Pennsylvania for the year 1856 may be summed up thus:—439,180 tons of iron made, of which 278,911 were anthracite pig iron, 60,970 tons hot blast charcoal pig iron; 56,225 tons coal blast charcoal pig; 24,550 tons coke do; and 12,500 tons raw bituminous coal. Of finished iron there were manufactured 227,837 tons, comprising 121,550 tons of nails, rods and bars; 82,107 tons rails; 21,505 tons sheet and plate; 2,675 tons hammered bars. The iron works at which these amounts were manufactured comprise 275 furnaces: 203 were in blast, the whole of them having a capacity to produce 624,400 tons, the anthracite furnaces alone being capable of furnishing 355,000 tons; 111 forges with 298 fires in and 61 out; 38 plate and sheet mills, all but two of which were busy; 53 merchant mills for bars, rods and nails, having 123 trains of finishing rolls, and 671 nail machines, with a capacity to produce 785,000 kegs of nails, and 10 rail mills. There are about eight counties of this State in which the ore is not sufficiently abundant for mixing and making operations.

President Pierce, in a letter to the New Hampshire Agricultural Society, declares his preference for a farmer's life. He will have a chance to go to raising potatoes after the 4th of March, and, even though he may be as miserable a farmer as he is a President, we don't believe he will ever be able to raise as small a potato as himself.

Justice Silently Administered. During the recent caucus held at Harrisburg to nominate a Senator for the United States, not a single vote was cast in favor of the present incumbent, Mr. Brodhead. We record this fact not only as creditable to the members of our Legislature, but as indicating, in the most impressive and significant manner, how strikingly, on certain occasions, "the whirligig of Time brings about its revenges."

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LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Indignation Meeting.—The Democracy burning three of their own Tribes in Effigy.—On Saturday posters announced that in the evening of that day a Locofoco meeting would be held at their Head Quarters, for the purpose of giving vent to their pent up feelings of wrath against the election of SIMON CAMERON, to condescend with and show their sympathy at the defeat of the great and glorious John W. Forney, and to pour out upon the bolting members, and three independent and real democrats—G. A. Wagonseller, William B. Lebo and Samuel Meneer, who voted for Cameron, their share of indignation rage. Such a tearing of hair and gnashing of teeth among pettifoggling leaders and neatly-mouthed office aspirants, was not seen since the fall of Lucifer, and such yelling and whining among the hangers-on of the party for party sake, was enough to produce fears that the "grand final" of terrestrial concerns was drawing nigh. After considerable "biling and cooing," a series of spicy resolutions expressive of the sense of the meeting were read and adopted, after which it was announced that Wagonseller, Lebo and Meneer, the "traitors" who could not be forced to support an obnoxious man, would be hung in effigy and consigned to flames. The crowd then moved into the Square, where a gallows was in readiness, from which the effigies of the three men above named were very unceremoniously launched out of time into eternity—we suppose, with drum and life accompaniment of the "Rogue's March." After they were pronounced "kilt," they were set on fire and cruelly burnt to ashes. So ended life, politically, of three of their own party. Terrible in appearance as the scene was, it would have appeared still more fearful, if some of those who officiated foremost, had been vested with paper caps and the sugar-loaf style, and provided with tin pans and wooden swords, à la little boys. It would certainly have given them a better appreciation of their importance.

Of all the laughable farces ever enacted here, this excels. If some itinerant showman could cage those who played prominent parts, his fortune would be made. A dozen good sized menagerie cages would hold them all. Much has been heaped upon Cameron—he being about the best abused man in Pennsylvania; and whatever has and will be said against the three independent democrats who cast their votes for him, they are better men at all times than some of their calumniators in the face on Saturday night, for we know some who first of all badly need "clean sweeping before their own doors."

Great Snow Storm.—The heaviest snow storm that has occurred in this vicinity for many years, prevailed during Sunday night and Monday, ceasing late in the afternoon. It commenced on Sunday afternoon, and was accompanied throughout with a violent wind. From the time of its commencement till its close there was no interruption in the fall of snow, and as it was light and dry, the high wind carried clouds of it from the roofs and other places, and the atmosphere was for the greater part of the time filled with blinding drifts. Portions of the streets and sidewalks were heaped up with snow banks from six to ten feet high, while but a few yards distant the ground was as bare as in summer. Houses along the streets presented a desolate appearance, especially those on the northern and eastern sides, where the snow had piled up over the steps, and in some instances clear over the door: many a citizen emerged from his dwelling early on Monday morning, sinking breast high in snow.—The tracking of the L. V. Railroad was so obstructed that no trains could get through, during the day,—consequently we received no mails.

This storm will long be remembered for its fierceness. The howling of the wind at times was terrific, reminding one of the shrieks of the doomed described in the "Inferno" of Dante, and again resembling the wailing of mourners by the grave of the departed. After the storm ceased on Monday, and soon after glimpses of the blue sky could be seen through the dispersing clouds, the terms of it vanished in the prospect of sleighing, and at an early hour the streets resounded with the merry music of the sleigh bells. The snow, which is always a welcome visitor when it indulges the insatiable desire for sleigh riding, was welcomed with more than usual enthusiasm, although the presence of its boisterous and unruly companion—the wind—could very well have been dispensed with.

Number of Taxables in Lehigh County.—The following is a list of the taxable inhabitants in the different boroughs and townships of our county, as returned into the Commissioners' office by the Assessors for the purpose of being forwarded to the seat of government as the basis for an Apportionment of the State for Senators and members of the House of Representatives:

Table with 2 columns: Location and Number of Taxables. Includes Lehigh Ward, North, South, Upper Milford, Lower, South Whitehall, North, Lynn, Hanover, Salisbury, Weisenburg, Lowell, Upper Macungie, Lower, Heidelberg, Catsaquana, Washington, Upper Saucon, and Total (10,666).

At the last septennial assessment, in 1849, the number of taxables in Allentown was 802, and at present is 1066, showing an increase of 1066; in the county the number was 7,286, and at present is 10,666, showing an increase of 3288.

Election of Officers.—The annual meeting of Columbia Engine Company, No. 1, for the election of officers for the ensuing year, was held at the Engine House, on Tuesday evening, 13th inst. The following were elected officers: President—Charles B. Haintz. Vice President—E. R. Newhard. Treasurer—Wm. H. Blumer. Secretary—John P. Dillinger. Assistant Secretary—Alex. F. Muir. Directors—Jere. Strahley, C. A. G. Keck, Chas. Losch, F. R. Billheimer, J. H. Grim, F. Kramer, D. J. Smith, Emanuel Huffert, Frank C. Balliet, Jacob Goundie, Oliver Huffert, Jos. W. Dietrich.

Accident in an Ore Pit.—On Wednesday last, Mr. GEORGE RUFF, a laborer in an ore pit of Messrs. Stettler & Heist, on the Lehigh Mountain, met with an accident by the caving in upon him of a large mass of earth and stone, a portion of which however only struck him, breaking one of his legs in two places above the knee, and causing several other severe bruises.

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Accident.—In consequence of the determination of Judge Maxwell not to officiate until a decision of the Supreme Court is made upon the question of his tenure, no Court for the disposal of civil causes was held last week. They will lay over until February term. The decision of the Supreme Court is expected daily.—We think it highly probable that the decision will be in favor of Judge Maxwell, but it is impossible to say anything certain upon the matter. Just before going to press we received a telegraphic dispatch stating that the Supreme Court had decided in favor of Maxwell.

Coal Shipments.—The shipments of coal over the Lehigh Valley Railroad for the week ending January 10th, amounted to 2,845 tons; total for the year, 20,411 tons.

Thanks.—Hon. Samuel C. Bradshaw, M. C., from the District, has our thanks for public documents. To Gen. Herman Eupp, our representative at Harrisburg, we are under obligations for similar favors.

Job Work.—We are prepared to do all kinds of Job Work on short notice, in the best style, and at the lowest prices. All our job type are new and of the best quality, and for neatness and cheapness we defy competition in this department, out of the cities.

Ice.—Such of our citizens who have ice houses have taken advantage of the cold weather of late to get them well filled. The ice appears to be very fine, and next summer we will appreciate this great luxury, thus illustrating that "tis an ill wind that blows nobody good," although the cold at present causes much suffering to the poor. What a luxury it will prove during the heats of summer. Blessings on the man to whose foresight we are indebted for packing away the lumps for that period of the year when it is most needed.

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Now is the Time.—Just now is the time to subscribe for a newspaper. Throughout the country there is not much out-door work—the days are short—the evenings long, thus giving excellent opportunities for reading; and nothing can contribute more to mutual improvement and pleasure than a good newspaper in the midst of a family—such for instance as the Register!—Borrowers—one and all—we invite you especially, to send in your names. There is no doubt but many persons who habitually borrow papers are considered rather mean by those who are called on to lend them. Subscribers frequently complain at our office of the annoyance of borrowers.

The Weather.—Cold.—The cold on Saturday and Sunday was extreme. The thermometer on Sunday was 10 degrees below zero, and at present writing, (Monday) we are froze in, snowed in and blowed in. The oldest inhabitant will have to tax his memory to remember a week such as this just past—taking all things into consideration. Nevertheless, with good houses, plenty of fuel, warm clothing, and a well spread board, there is no diminution of enjoyment. All may be happy at the cheerful fireside. But the home of the needy and destitute is a fearful one, at such inclement weather—children shivering from cold and crying for food—these things appeal to the hearts of those who have an abundance. During this cold weather we must all remember the poor!

Frozen Gas Meters.—As the sudden extreme cold weather last week caused much inconvenience to the gas consumers in our town, by obstructing their supply pipes and meters, it may be useful to many of them to know how to remove the obstruction and obtain their usual light. This can in most cases be done in a few minutes by the application of a few quarts of boiling water. The best method of applying it is to cover the meter and the pipe that comes in through the front wall with a piece of cloth, (the common tow linen house cloth answers very well), and pouring the hot water upon the cloth until it is thoroughly soaked. The cloth serves to retain the hot liquid, and thus in a short time the coating of frost within the pipe and meter is thawed, leaving all clear for the flow of gas.

Independent Order of Odd Fellows. INTERESTING STATISTICS.—The last fiscal year of the Order, in the United States, ended on the 30th of June last. The annexed tabular statement relative thereto, which is compiled from the annual returns of State Grand Lodges to the United States Grand Lodge, at its last annual session, in September last, cannot but prove interesting to both those within and without the pale of the Order:

Table with 2 columns: Category and Amount. Includes Number of Subordinate Lodges (3,397), members (103,614), initiations during year (20,206), deaths (1,971), brothers relieved (21,743), amount paid for relief of same (\$335,831.28), number widowed families relieved (2,491), amount paid for education of orphans (71,715.99), amount paid for burying dead (74,572.66), total relief for the year (\$492,786.21), total receipts of lodges during the year (\$1,189,325.22).

SCHOOLMISTRESS FINED.—Miss Susan Howard, of North Bridgewater, was tried on Thursday before Justice Isaac Hersey, on a charge of whipping one of her scholars, named Jesse Packard, and fined \$3 and costs. She paid up and left.

DEATHS IN NEW YORK.—The total number of deaths in the city of New York during 1856, has been 21,263, being about 1000 less than in 1855, and 6000 less than in 1854. Consumption, as usual, carried off the greatest number, its victims reaching 4,432.

A trader in Hartford distributed to the poor children of that city, 1000 pairs of rubbers on Christmas day.