

TO ADVERTISERS: THE "LEHIGH REGISTER" HAS A LARGER CIRCULATION BY SEVERAL HUNDRED THAN ANY OTHER ENGLISH PAPER IN THE COUNTY.

FOR GOVERNOR: Col. Andrew G. Curtin, OF CENTRE COUNTY.

Our Representative in Congress. The Allentown Democrat of last week complains that the Hon. Henry C. Longnecker, the Representative in Congress of this Congressional District, did not vote on the motion of Mr. Morrill of Vermont, to introduce his tariff bill.

Notwithstanding the tremendous efforts of the Democracy to carry Connecticut, despite a lavish expenditure of money, and regardless of sordid appeals to the avarice of her people, the election in Connecticut on Monday last has resulted in a decided Republican victory.

Populists revolutions never go backwards and the Democracy will be well prepared for a signal defeat next fall both in State and nation.

The President's Protest. The House of Representatives at Washington some time since passed the following resolution: "Resolved, That a Committee of five members be appointed by the Speaker for the purpose, first, of investigating whether the President of the United States, or any other officer of the Government has, by money, patronage, or other improper means, sought to influence the passage of any law pertaining to the rights of any State or Territory; and second, also to inquire into and investigate whether any officer or officers of the Government have, by combination or otherwise, prevented or defeated, or attempted to prevent or defeat, the execution of any law or laws now upon the statute-book, and whether the President has failed or neglected to compel the execution of any law thereof."

The Homestead Bill.—The Homestead bill which has passed the House of Representatives at Washington, and is at present awaiting the action of the Senate, provides as follows: That any person who is the head of a family, or who has arrived at the age of twenty-one years, and is a citizen of the United States, or who shall have filed his intentions to become such, shall be entitled to enter free of cost, one hundred and sixty (160) acres of public land, upon which the said person may have filed a pre-emption claim, or which may, at the time the application is made, be subject to pre-emption at one dollar and a quarter, or less, per acre, or eighty acres at two dollars and a half per acre. No certificate to be given or patent issued until after the expiration of five years from the date of said entry; and on the payment of ten dollars the rights secured by the actual settler shall issue to the heirs and devisees. The land thus acquired in no case to become liable to the satisfaction of any debts contracted prior to the issuing of the patent.

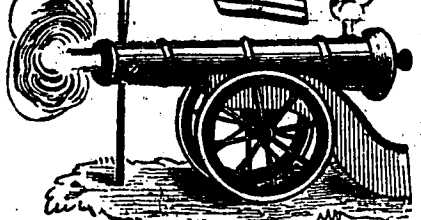
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U. S. DISTRICT ATTORNEY.—The President has removed James C. Vandyle Esq., United States District Attorney for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, and has appointed in his stead George M. Wharton Esq. Mr. Vandyle has been a lifelong Democrat, and devoted friend of the President, but was removed, as supposed, because he would not bow to all the President's wishes in reference to the action of the Charleston Convention. Mr. Wharton came into the Democratic party in 1856.—Thus gradually has the President been driving from his friendship his former friends and taking to his embraces his bitter enemies.

ANOTHER REPUBLICAN VICTORY. CONNECTICUT, O. K. BRING OUT THE BIG GUN.

DEMOCRATIC MIS-MANAGEMENT. Wholesale Plunder and Corruption.



We copy the following from the report of Mr. Harkin, made to the House of Representatives, showing how the Government under Democratic management has been plundered, and how under the present administration money has been secured for the purpose of carrying the elections. We suppose our friends in the county may find in the report a clue to one of the methods, in which at elections the Democracy of this section raise funds to carry the county. The report will take considerable space in our paper, but more can be learned from it, than from anything we can say on the subject of politics.

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Senate, House and executive—and the work costs over fifty cents on the dollar. As an evidence of this, I did the work, I think for two years for fifty cents on the dollar, and made money by it. I took it, I think, from the estate of General Armstrong, who died while he was a printer. That was the House printing alone. I had facilities then, for I was doing the Senate printing as manager for Tucker, and took the work from the Armstrong estate and from Judge Nobson, who succeeded General Armstrong.

The President, the Printing Plunder, and his organ. Q. By the chairman. Was there any condition annexed to your doing the work of the 35th Congress, by which you were to own and conduct the Government organ, "The Constitution"?

A. No, sir. Q. Was there a voluntary enterprise? A. Yes, sir. The editor of the organ is generally supposed to command the patronage of the President. There is a good deal of this work at the disposal of the President.

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The witness interrupting. By my election as Senate printer, there was no appropriation made in any way to the support of any newspaper out of the profits thereof.

PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATURE. MARCH 30th.—The Senate proceeded to the consideration of the General Appropriation bill.

The 26th section, relative to common schools, had been amended yesterday in committee, on the motion of Mr. Yardley, to graduate the salaries of the county superintendents as follows: Five dollars for each school in the several counties, not exceeding one hundred schools.

Two dollars for each school not exceeding three hundred. One dollar and fifty cents for each school over three hundred, and not exceeding four hundred.

One dollar for each school over one hundred. Provided no salary shall be less than three hundred. Mr. Landon moved to strike this out, and restore the old law—the people of each district to fix the salary of the superintendent themselves.

The motion was advocated by Messrs. Landon and Ketchum; and opposed by Mr. Finney, and was negatived—yeas, 11; nays, 20. The section then passed.

In the House the bill for the relief of the Sunbury and Erie Railroad company was lost by a vote of 45 to 48. MARCH 27th.—In the Senate a bill authorizing the Lehigh and Delaware Water Gap Railroad company to build a bridge over the Delaware at Easton connected with the New Jersey Central Railroad was reported favorably.

Mr. Schindler read in place a bill to incorporate the Robert's Iron Company of Lehigh county. The bill to incorporate the Dime's Saving Institution of Allentown passed.

MARCH 29th.—In the Senate the bill incorporating Saugorville Railroad Company of Lehigh County passed finally.

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LOCAL AFFAIRS.

THE GONTER RESTAURANT.—See advertisement of Col. Hammersly in another column.

LECTURES AT BETHLEHEM.—Bayard Taylor lectures at Bethlehem on Tuesday evening the 1st of April, having accepted an invitation from the Young Men's Missionary Society at that place.

The Rev. Mr. Justin of Philadelphia, who has lately been traveling through Europe, in company with Bishop Potter, will hold episcopal service in the Academy of this place, on next Sunday morning and evening, at the usual church hour. All persons are cordially invited.

FIRE ON THE LEHIGH MOUNTAINS.—The Lehigh Mountains in the neighborhood of our borough caught fire during last week, whether from sparks from a locomotive, or from some other cause, is not known. The Blue Mountains about the same time were on fire, and for several days the atmosphere was densely clouded with smoke.

We would call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of Joseph Stopp in another column. He has just returned from Philadelphia and New York with a new stock of Spring and Summer Goods, and says he can sell as cheap as any other house in Allentown. Give him a call and examine his stock before purchasing elsewhere.

MILITARY HALL ASSOCIATION.—A bill incorporating the Military Hall Association of the House on the 30th, and the Senate on the 31st, and was immediately signed by the Governor. The measure is a project of Captain Yeager who has employed the command of the 1st Regiment of the 10th Infantry.

RICHES, THOUGH HARD TO GAIN, ARE STILL MORE HARD TO KEEP.—The great statesman, philosopher and economist, says "Spent only when necessary and gain as much as possible, but not more than you need." It is a frequent occurrence that "They who buy what they do not need, have to sell what they cannot spare," while the frugal and industrious are sure to prosper for they buy their goods of GERMAN & SON.

SALE OF THE READING COTTON MILL.—On Wednesday last the Reading Cotton Mill was exposed to public sale, and purchased by Thomas P. Seabrook, of the firm of Seabrook, Gardner & Co. of New York city, the sum of \$152,400 00. The original cost of the mill was \$220,000 00. It is said that the new firm has in contemplation the erection of dyeing and printing works in connection with the mill, so as to be able to finish the class of goods upon which it is worked, ready for the market.

DROWNED.—Mr. Thomas Totten, more familiarly known as "Tom Totton," was found drowned in the lock of the Lehigh canal near Allentown on Monday last. He had been missing for two weeks, and was last seen at a boarding house along the Lehigh near Clarks' Lock. A hat was found the next morning about the lock, but it was not known that it was the hat of the deceased.

CARRIAGE FOR SALE.—A RARE CHANCE.—We would call the attention of all persons in want of a carriage to a most superb, durable and convenient family carriage offered for sale by the undersigned. The carriage, manufactured in Philadelphia, was made to order of the best materials and in the most fashionable style; is suited for one or two horses and contains all the conveniences and comforts which it was in use but a short time and will be sold at one-half its first cost. The carriage can be seen and price will be given at Hagenbuch's Hotel.

EXPLOSION OF THE BOILER OF A LOCOMOTIVE.—About a quarter past six on Wednesday morning, the boiler of the locomotive "Excelsior," on the Lehigh Valley Railroad, exploded, near South Easton, with a report that startled the whole town and caused much alarm. Many persons in Easton supposed that the report was from a heavy blast in the cut, and others again that the cannon had been fired. It caused the windows of most houses to rattle, and three articles from mantles and tables in some houses were scattered by the force of the explosion.

The locomotive, with a train of empty cars and one passenger car at the rear, stood a short distance below the cotton mill when the explosion took place. There were three men on it, Geo. Winters, an engineer, Jack Bullman and William Pharo, brakemen. The fireman, Wm. Nichols, had gone to breakfast and the other men were getting things in readiness to proceed up the Valley. They had on one hundred and ten tons one hundred and fifteen pounds of steam at the time, which is about what they usually carry. The locomotive was used on the Road constantly, and from what we have learned since the explosion, it was in no way considered unfit for service or dangerous in any way.

By this explosion, Geo. Winters, the engineer of the "Excelsior," received two or three rather severe cuts on the forehead, but was otherwise injured, but not dangerously. William Hampden, fireman on the engine "Bushkill," which stood a short distance ahead of the "Excelsior," was cut severely on the head, and on one of his arms, and was struck by one of the flues from the latter locomotive. Thos. Evans, who was passing along near the track, when the accident occurred, had his hat cut pretty badly, but was otherwise unharmed.

Jack Bullman, a brakeman, who was on the "Excelsior," had his right arm dislocated, the muscles of the same divided, his left hand cut out, and his left leg injured below the knee. He also received some other bruises, but they were slight. Wm. Pharo, brakeman, was also on the locomotive when it exploded. He received a very severe cut on his left arm, was bruised on his left side, and had his right hand burned.

None of the above are in any danger of losing their lives, but their escape was narrow indeed. Had the boiler blown out with explosion to place, as was the case with Winters, Bullman and Pharo, instead of the way in which it did, the lives of these three men would surely have been sacrificed. The locomotive is a complete wreck. The flues were thrown about the smoke stack, presenting a strange appearance, and the boiler was spread out flat. Some parts of the locomotive were thrown to the distance of four or five squares from the spot where the explosion took place. Several pieces of iron, flues, &c., were picked up afterwards on the hill near the German Catholic Church, and the shore on this side of the Lehigh.—The bell of the "Excelsior," weighing about 400 pounds, and the same of eight or ten 175 pound, were found after the accident, two or three squares from where it occurred. A number of windows were broken in the houses on this side of the river by the shock.

Crows have been going over all day from here to view the wreck.—Easton Express.

WARD'S ICE BOAT.—An Ice Boat, patented by Mr. Norman Ward of Janesville, Wisconsin, and built by Messrs. Messersmith & Birney of Jersey City, passed through our Borough, on Thursday last, en route for Prairie De Chien, where it is destined for use during winter on the Lakes. The Northern Lakes during four or five months in the year are frozen over and this boat is intended for transportation on the ice. It remained at the Depot of the Lehigh Valley Railroad on a car for some time previous to its being taken over the East Pennsylvania Railroad, and was examined by an opportunity of examining it. It is 28 feet long, 7 feet wide, resembling in shape a city railway car, and is intended to run on four runners, 16 feet in length, attached to pedesals. The hull is constructed of galvanized sheet iron, and being divided into eighty-four watertight compartments, fifty of which would displace sufficient water to sustain the boat, it constitutes a perfect life-boat. In the forepart of the hull, there is a cabin and pilot-house, the former furnished with comfortable seats for twenty-five passengers. The forward runners are operated by gearing, and enable the boat to steer the bow. The rear runners are steam, and 2 to 3 cords of wood are calculated to last 12 hours. The driving wheel is a disc of wrought iron, sharp upon its periphery, with projecting flanges, alternating on either side and back, which are driven by a shaft and are made to penetrate the ice only so far as may be necessary to give the proper adhesion. Steam can, when necessary, be admitted to the driving wheel, which is hollow, to melt an ice off with which it may become clogged. The boat is named the "Lady Franklin," and cost about \$2,500 00. It will be tested on Lake Pepin, near the source of the Mississippi river.

We compile from official sources, the following list of Post-offices in Pennsylvania which yield a net revenue to the Government of more than a thousand dollars, or of which the compensation of the Postmaster exceeds \$1,000.

Table with 3 columns: Annual compensation, Net to Postmaster, and Net revenue. Lists various locations like Allentown, Altoona, Altoona, Bethlehem, etc.

THE HISTORY OF THE LEHIGH VALLEY.—The last number of this interesting work has come to hand. It contains interesting accounts of Stratford, and the slate quarries, of the Lehigh Valley, of Weissport, Mauch Chunk, Eckley, Penn Haven, Stockton, furnishing a full and complete history of settlements, of the Carbon county, and the development of the coal regions. A history of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company, and of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, is given, and an appendix furnishes interesting outlines of the lives of the eminent and distinguished men of the Valley, of the past and the present, both living and dead; of the Hon. Samuel S. May, Washington McCarty, John W. Cass, James Maxwell, the Hon. Henry King, Asa L. Foster Esq., and Hon. Asa Packer. The Publishers are prepared to furnish the entire work, bound in a handsome and durable style, at the price of fifty cents, or one dollar, in accordance with the style of binding. Old numbers can be returned, and a bound copy secured by paying the additional expense. The work forms an interesting volume, and a copy should be found in the home of every resident of the Valley of the Lehigh.