

The Lehigh Register,

ALLENTOWN, PENNA. TO ADVERTISERS: THE REGISTER has a larger circulation than any other English paper in the county.

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WHAT IS THE MATTER?

Every man who reads the Lehigh Register, and who is not a Democrat, has a right to ask the question, "What is the matter?"

In casting about for a sign of hope, though the stars did not fall in showers, a sign was given them. It was perched upon one of the beautiful lakes about the northern line of our republic, and is called negro universal suffrage.

The Chicago Times, the most ably conducted journal in the interest of the modern democracy, seeing the handwriting on the wall, and knowing that his or any other party that goes into a contest entirely on the defensive, is doomed—has come out boldly in favor of not only adopting the constitutional amendments proposed by Congress, but goes still further, and advocates universal suffrage, and argues that by the withdrawal of all opposition to the proper securing of the rights of the colored man and a decent respect for his interests, the democratic party can yet secure their sympathy, and be able to control a large majority of their votes.

"The negro question out of the way," says the Times, "the Democrats have once more a chance. Their resistance to impartial suffrage is only to pile up stupendous majorities against them."

We do not admit the correctness of this statement, but allege that it is their opposition to the principles of liberty and justice that has compelled them to take back seats.

"The only votes made for the Democracy by persecuting the colored man and denying him his rights, are in such cities as New York."

This is true; and those who only have lived from the labor of the negro, or helped to spend his earnings to secure the success of the Democratic party, and continue his bondage, will resist in abiding, vilifying, and maltracting him.

The agents of European manufacturers who control New York, seeing a profitable trade swept from under them by the tariff and the freedom of the negro, will be compelled to seek some other mode of inducing Congress to support free trade for their benefit, than playing into the pockets of the slaveholders and aristocrats.

That the Democracy are preparing to demand the right of suffrage for the colored man is evident from the movements of their leaders in New York, who have lately visited the President, and, as is reported, endeavored to induce him to support the Constitutional amendment, doubtless having the way for that masterly stroke of Policy. They are the proper party, as they have started every political question relating to the negro.

JURY COMMISSIONERS. Some of our exchanges are again agitating the question of the election of two Commissioners, to be elected as Inspectors of election are now chosen, who shall have charge of the jury wheel, select the names of persons to serve as jury men, place them in the box, and draw every jury, leaving the Sheriff of the county to keep the key, as now provided by law, but prohibiting him from taking part in the selection of the names and the drawing. A law of this nature would remove the whole machinery of selecting and drawing juries from party politics, as it should be. Where the jury are all selected from one political party, there is always a chance for bias in the minds of persons having cause to be tried, which should not be allowed to exist. In most cases doubtless justice is done without regard to parties, but cases do occur every year that parties do of a partisan character, and care should be taken to have juries selected that there will be no chance for a partisan jury. We are in favor of such a law and would like to see it made a general law. It would not increase the expenses of the counties as the pay the commissioners now get, would pay the jury commissioners. We might say some very hard things against Lehigh county grand juries, if so disposed, for it is a well known fact, especially among the members of the bar, that in not more than one term, out of the four, can bills of indictment be procured for certain offenses. The same rule should also be applied to the election of associate judges. It would place both the jury and that portion of the judiciary above suspicion of party bias, and beyond the reach of party machinery.

COPPERHEADS AND SECESSIONISTS.—The Southern people know no difference between the word "Democrat," as applied to the Copperhead party, and "Secessionists," they believe that the Copperheads of the North all agree with them on the question of State rights, secession, &c. How necessary, then, that the patriotic people of the North should be vigilant, and not allow the enemies of liberty, of the Constitution and the Union to triumph at any future election!

It is useless to say that the South has surrendered the right of secession; it is folly to talk of the solemnity of their promises to preserve the Union, and to make use of their official position to destroy both. Their words will not do hereafter, for they have falsified in the past. We want some security for the preservation of peace in the future. That we were once deceived is a fault of our adversaries; if fooled again we have ourselves, and no one else, to blame.

Bitter experience forces the Union men of Maryland to the conviction that when their brethren of Louisiana arrived through a bloody treaty—that Impartial Suffrage is the only defense of the loyal, and the only cure of the Rebel, in the South. The issue, so long evaded and postponed, has ripened in Maryland through the heat of the contest won at the expense of those who fought to save the State which others attempted to destroy. They can now well afford to set the justice of Impartial Suffrage against the wrong of this bad treaty; we doubt if anything but defeat would have caught them, or any other large class of men in the South, the Maryland. But it would be strange if the men of Maryland could not advance to the same views which even Judge Reagan of Texas, ex-Secretary of the Confederacy, has had the decency to announce.

THANKSGIVING.

The President has appointed the 29th of November as a day of National Thanksgiving. The President has appointed the 29th of November as a day of National Thanksgiving. The President has appointed the 29th of November as a day of National Thanksgiving.

The world moves and the Democratic party with it. By telegraph from St. Paul we learn that the chairman of the Democratic State Committee of Minnesota has published a letter advising the South to accept the Constitutional amendment. We patiently await the action of The Age, and of Mr. Wallace, the chairman of our Democratic State Committee. They will be a little backward at first, but they will take the dose.

DECLINED.—Maj. Gen. John F. Trautman, has declined the appointment of Colonel of the 37th Regular Infantry, tendered him some time since. Business engagements, occasioned partly by the ill health of the father of Gen. H., led him to refuse the position. It is his present intention to serve the term for which he was elected Auditor General.

Local Record.

TERMS OF THIS PAPER: \$2.50 per Year, or \$2.00 if Paid Strictly in Advance.

On the decline.—Gold.

See advertisement of Drug Store for Sale in another column.

COMMISSIONED.—James H. Bush, the Coroner elected this fall, has received his commission, and entered upon his duties.

The water will be taken out of the Lehigh Canal on Wednesday, the 5th day of December next.

LEW BROKEN.—Mr. George Henry, in the employ of Chas. Kline, fell into the cellar and broke his leg one day last week.

REMOVED.—The Republican and Daily News office has been moved into their new building in the rear of the book store connected with that establishment.

NOTICE.—All persons having claims upon their possession belonging to the Republican party will please return them to the undersigned.

UNION LEAGUE.—There will be a meeting of the Union League on Thursday evening next at 7 o'clock, punctual attendance is requested.

IMPROVEMENT.—The Lehigh Valley R. R. Company, are building a large and commodious machine shop at Weatherly. The size of the building is 180 by 200 feet.

"FATHER ABRAHAM," comes to us this week improved in appearance. It will hereafter be published weekly by Backus, Elliot & Shultz. It is of the right stripe, (radical all over.)

REMOVED.—Edwin Sager has removed his news agency to the American Hotel, where he is prepared to serve his customers with the daily and weekly papers, magazines, newspapers, &c., as usual.

BUFFALO ROBBER.—One night last week, Mr. Lori Bowman left his buffalo robb in his carriage, next morning it was gone. People should be careful where they leave robes of any kind at this season of the year.

LARGE AND RICH BED OF ORE.—A very large and rich bed of ore was discovered on land belonging to Charles Miller, in Maxatun township, Berks county, last week. The deposit is said to be very rich in metal.

Captain E. H. Rauch, formerly editor of the "Father Abraham" newspaper at Reading, is the presiding officer of a new division of the Sons of Temperance recently organized in that city. It is called the Phoenix Division.

Through Mails commenced running last week from New York to the west, twice every twenty-four hours, via New Jersey Canal, East Pennsylvania, Lebanon Valley and Pennsylvania railroads.

Rev. Joshua Yeager sold to Mr. Thomas Jacoby a two-story brick house and four lots on Walnut street, between Penn and Fourth streets, for \$1900.

George Lush and wife sold to Mr. Louis Mauthe, brush manufacturer, of Philadelphia, the house and lot on South Sixth street, between Hamilton and Walnut, late the estate of David Weiler, for \$2500.

Henry Kemmer sold to Miss Amelia Slemmer a house and lot, on the north side of Linden street, between 4th and 5th streets, for \$1400.

RUN OVER BY A TRAIN.—On Monday last, a man named Jacob Blank, of Emmaus, Lehigh county, was run over by a train on the Lehigh Valley Railroad and instantly killed.

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TO BE REOPENED.

The old academy building is to be repaired. The academy was one of the institutions of the town years ago, and many of our young men were educated there. It is now a ruin, and it is proposed to repair it and use it as a school building.

PATRIOTIC ACCIDENT.—On Monday of last week, Neal Malona was at work on the Lehigh Companies Railroad near Freemansburg, was hit by a stone from a blast. The impression on the surface of the body was not larger than a three cent piece, but it shook the system so great, that death was the almost immediate result. The unfortunate man was about 60 years of age.

A DAY'S FAST IN BETHLEHEM.—Our neighbor, Gottlieb, of the Bethlehem Chronicle, announces that he will commence the publication of a penny daily paper, as soon as the requisite number of subscribers can be obtained. It is to be published in a plain, independent style, and to be devoted to the interests of the Lehigh Valley. The people of Bethlehem can and should give this enterprise a cordial support.

RISK IN THE LEHIGH.—The heavy rain last week caused the Lehigh river to rise so that the old bridge could not be crossed by foot passengers. Fortunately for those having occasion to cross the river, the new foot bridge was so far completed as to allow its use for pedestrians. It will soon be completed, then we will have a beautiful and substantial bridge. It consists of five spans, 18 feet wide in the clear, with side walks on both sides.

ACCIDENT.—On Sunday afternoon last John Jacoby was driving in a carriage, he overtook Mr. Henry Paff who is engaged in the Central Valley, this county, and took him in the carriage, they had not proceeded far when in passing a team the carriage came in contact with a runaway and general. The carriage was overturned, and the driver and passengers were injured. The carriage was damaged, and the driver was taken to the hospital.

A SWINDLER.—A man named Kline, calling himself a Southern refugee, gained the confidence of a man named Stern, and obtained goods from him, and started out peddling. From Westport, Carbon county, he telegraphed to Mr. Stern that his wagon had been broken open and robbed of \$250. Stern immediately sent a man to investigate, and found that Kline had been swindling him. Stern's loss is about \$1,000.

TEMPERANCE.—On Saturday evening last, a temperance meeting was held in New Texas, in this county, and quite a goodly number of the people of that community were in attendance. After the meeting was over the pledge was handed around, and many of the people of that community are to be made to start a new division of Sons of Temperance between that place, Trexlertown and Millerstown, and we doubt not that if those who are in the pledge will carry it out, that the object can be accomplished.

INTERNAL REVENUE COLLECTIONS.—The receipts at the U. S. Collector's office for the month of October, 1866, in this (6th) District, amounted to \$54,703.71, of which \$8,811.20 were collected in Lehigh Co., and \$45,892.51 in Montgomery Co.—Tax on cigars, \$7,222.17; on Wine Manufacturers, \$1,650.93; on Woolen Manufacturers, \$3,091.26; on clothing, \$789.66; on Fermented Liquors \$1220.00; on Gunpowder \$128.70; on Iron Manufacture \$2,114.45; on Paper \$1,238.81. Total \$50,540.43. The above items refer to the whole District. The collections at the same office for the month of September, 1866, amounted to \$222,427.74, and for the same month, one man alone paying \$64,943.00.

NOTICE.—For the benefit of the officers of the First Soldier's National Union, the following extract from the By-Laws is published: Article 4th. Sec. 9th.—The officers of this Local Union, shall be punctual in attendance at the hour appointed for opening a meeting, and if not present within fifteen minutes after the time of opening, they shall be fined fifty cents. The Secretary failing to have his books present at the hour appointed, he shall be fined one dollar. Each member is liable to be fined.

It is hoped all officers and members, will be punctual in attendance hereafter if possible. J. W. REXEN, Assistant Secy.

A SUPRISE.—On Friday evening last, the ladies and gentlemen of the English Reformed Church of this place, in the absence of their Pastor, took possession of the church, and held a meeting. The pastor was not present, and the ladies and gentlemen of the church, who were present, were surprised and pleased. The pastor was not present, and the ladies and gentlemen of the church, who were present, were surprised and pleased.

SALE OF REAL ESTATE.—Mr. Stephen Hafford sold to Messrs. T. J. Keck & Bro., a vacant lot on the East side of Penn street, between Walnut and Union streets, for the sum of \$240.

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COMMON SCHOOLS.—The County Superintendent of the County will meet in convention at Harrisburg on Tuesday, the 4th of December next, at 10 o'clock, a.m., and remain there until the 10th of December next, unless otherwise ordered.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Board of Education, at a meeting held on Monday, the 13th of November, 1866:

1. That the County Superintendent of the County should sustain to the State Normal schools in their districts; and the County Superintendent should sustain to the County Superintendents.

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AN ORDINANCE.—An Ordinance relating to the Department of the County.

Be it enacted and ordained by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Lehigh, that the following be and they are hereby enacted and ordained:

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Head of Competition.

Every family should have a good Sewing Machine, and those who intend to buy should get the best, which is the Howe Sewing Machine, sold by Wm. F. Weller, at Allentown.

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