



BLOOMSBURG:

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6, 1839.

The permanent state debt which was \$24,330,000 32, in 1835, is now \$24,230,000 52; and though there are temporary loans to the amount of one million now due, yet they were forced on the state in opposition to the exertions of the Executive, and will sink to a small amount, when the sums of a similar kind due at the commencement of the year 1836, are deducted from them.

The state tax, which was then in existence, without hope of termination, has ceased to be collected, and nothing but the utmost profusion can make it again necessary.

The state credit which was at a low ebb in 1835, is now raised, and the commonwealth obtains even her temporary loans with ease at four per cent.

The Currency, which was on the eve of a fearful convulsion in 1835, has been carried through it with less injury than was experienced in any other State, is now restored to its usual soundness, and has secured to it the aid of an Institution which will hereafter preserve its uniformity, if no further ruinous experiments are tried.

And finally, the State has been made to occupy her proper position in the National family and in relation to the General Government, on all occasions.

I now approach the end of the term for which I was elected, with the consciousness that I have performed the duties of the Executive Department of the Government with fidelity, according to the best of my judgment and ability, and the profoundest gratitude for the confidence and support of my fellow-citizens; and I fervently hope that the Divine Author of all things will continue indefinitely to bestow his favors on them and our beloved country.

JOS. RITNER.

Executive Chamber,
Harrisburg, December 29, 1838.

Affecting Trial.—An old man, almost a centenarian, was tried in the circuit court, Mobile, on Saturday the 1st ult., for the murder of his grandson, a young man of about 19 years of age.—His own daughter, the mother of the murdered young man, was the only witness on the part of the State against him. In the course of examination she said it was her own dear father who had killed her beloved child. She said her father had been drinking—that he was lying on his bed asleep, that the young man came in and made a considerable noise that the old man sprang from his bed, drew his knife from his pocket, and stabbed her son to the heart!

While she was giving her evidence, the tears plentifully trickled down the furrowed cheeks of the sorrowing and enfeebled old man, and excited much sympathy. A verdict of manslaughter was given, and the prisoner sentenced to twenty days confinement, evidence having been adduced of honesty and industry through life. He had been a revolutionary soldier and served under Gen. Marion, in South Carolina. Being in his dotage, ardent spirits, no doubt, produced insanity; for it is evident in more sober moments he would instead of depriving his grandson of his life, protect it at the sacrifice of his own.—*Phila. Gaz.*

From the *Grand Inq.* Nov. 23.

MURDERER TAKEN.

There never has been a more heart sickening narrative of murder, than is contained in the last Jackson (Miss.) Sun. A man by the name of John W. Carter, alias Collins, has been taken in Lauderdale county, who, it is believed assisted in the murder of Silas D. Rives, near Harrisborough, in Scott county, in last September. Another villain of the name of Johnson Cook, is also implicated, who has gone to Texas. Carter has given a statement which he says he had from Cook's lips, truly horrible. According to this, he (Cook) has perpetrated as many as thirty murders, all in cold blood; and was the investigator of the Seminole war, having assisted the Indians in massacring the whites on the frontier of Florida. He has been wandering about, to and fro, throughout the southern country, on the system of Muriel, seeking whom he might murder. Circumstances go to fix the murder of Mr. Rives upon those two worthies, who were about Hillsborough at that time in the character of well-diggers in search of employment. Some provisions belonging to them have been found in the swamp where Rives was murdered. Carter denies knowing anything about this murder, although he acknowledges the fiendish character of his companion. He says that Cook has gone to Texas avowedly to pursue a life of crime, and that he has no more feeling in killing a human being than in butchering a hog. We trust that this monster in human form may be caught in Texas and that he may expiate his bloody deeds on the scaffold before he can have the opportunity of adding to them.

Johnson Cook is between 26 and 30 years of age; weighs about 140 pounds, has been blue eyed; and is very narrow between the eyes, his face and hands are badly scarred with dirks and knives, which he got by fighting, has been stabbed through the muscle of his left arm twice, with a dirk, also in his hip, his hair is sandy, and one of his fingers is broken.

Cook has two friends in Texas, named Augustus and Willis Ausin, who are linked with him in a desperate career of crime. The citizens of Texas should keep a look out for the villains.

To CORRESPONDENTS,
A "Dialogue between a Teacher and his Pupils, on the nature of Light," is received and shall appear in our next.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY MEETING.

A meeting of the Democratic citizens of Columbia County will be held at the house of Daniel Snyder, in Bloomsburg, on Wednesday next, the 9th inst, at 1 o'clock, P. M. to express their views and feelings in relation to the late disgraceful proceedings at Harrisburg, and also to take into consideration the expediency of recommending some suitable person as a candidate for the office of United States Senator.

The whig papers, with that unblushing effrontery and regardlessness of truth which has always characterized their course in political controversies, assert, that after the democratic house was acknowledged by the Senate to be the legal one, the house held a new election for Speaker and other officers, and were all sworn again.—The facts are these. After the house was recognised by the Senate, and about twenty of the seceding whig members had come in and were sworn by Speaker Hopkins, he resigned for the avowed purpose of giving the whig members an opportunity of participating in an election. But not a single democratic member was re-sworn by Speaker Hopkins after his re-election; nor were any of the other officers of the house displaced or rechosen. So much for whig statements.

The Legislature adjourned on the 29th ult. to meet again on the 12th inst. Previous to adjournment, about twenty-five of the whig members had come into the house and taken the oath.

North Eastern Boundary.—The Editor of the New York Courier and Enquirer has seen a letter by the Gladiator, dated London 9th November, to a highly respectable gentleman in New York, which says:

"I am enabled to assure you from a source which may be relied on, a new convention in relation to the Northeastern Boundary, was concluded yesterday by our Minister and this government, which will probably be forwarded to the United States by the Gladiator."

Nashville, Dec. 5.

Fatal Affray at Columbia.—Intelligence reached this city yesterday of the death of Richard H. Hayes, Esq. Attorney at Law of Columbia, and son of Oliver B. Hayes, Esq. of this city, in a rencounter in Columbia, with a Mr. William Polk, of Maury, brother of the Hon. James K. Polk. The parties met on the public square about 4 o'clock on Monday evening, each armed with pistols, and exchanged shots almost simultaneously, a buck shot from Polk's pistol piercing the brain of his ill-fated antagonist. Hayes lived through Monday night but expired at an early hour yesterday morning.

The circumstances which led to this rash and melancholy meeting are we understand as follows: On Friday a difficulty originating in a jest occurred between the parties at the dinner table of the Columbia Inn.—Hayes having unintentionally, and in a sportive remark, wounded the feelings of Polk, a slight altercation ensued, which ended in the tender of an apology from H. Whether it was accepted or not, we cannot say.—But infer not as Polk proceeded on the same evening to Hayes' office and after calling him out, inflicted personal chastisement with a whip. On Monday evening the parties again met in the street and with the fatal result just mentioned.

Thus closed the fifth bloody street tragedy in Tennessee, for 1838. How many stripes may be called upon to record in the few brief days that are left to the year it is not easy to forecast. In the case before us, the circumstances are such as to shock the public mind beyond any event of the kind that occurred in this section of the State for a number of years. The principals and their connections are highly respectable;—while the unfortunate victim has been hurried to a premature grave in the first years of manhood, full of promise, and indulgence of life that a fond and independent father could bestow.

ADDRESS OF THE CARRIER OF THE COLUMBIA DEMOCRAT, To its Patrons,

JANUARY 1, 1839.

Out upon time—it will leave no more
Of the things behind than the things before;
Out upon time—for it does but leave
Enough of the past for the future to grieve.

So felt the Austrian renegade when holding by the wall
From which Alp saw the hungry dogs his grim carnival;
So feel we all when o'er our hearts the sad conviction come
That this is not our resting place, nor our abiding home,
But far beyond yon western sky, we jump the world to come,
And stand erect or derelict—man does not know his doom.
But down with care, being forth the horse, we ride through town to-day;
To chronicle the old year's feuds, and drive dull care away;
To chant a requiem at the tomb of him whose wintry blast,
O'er man and beast and seedling gen, his withering influence cast,
And take the boon, kind Patrons, now with generous hearts impart;
It goes, you know, to fight the load from widowed mother's heart
And cheer the lad, her only son, who hopes some future day,
To take the load from off her hands, and be her prop and stay.

Time is grown old. He must be gray with age.
When one is fourscore, men account him old.
But Time is drawing nigh to ten times thirty.
There comes no weakness with its age. Each year
He moults his wings and renews his youth.
He flies as swift as when he first began,
To wing the circles of each current year.

How much of good and ill has old Time seen.
If seeing much makes wise, how wise is he.
Who can compete with him—in what he knows!
When Time was born the world began. He saw
Creation in its freshness—in its earliest glow.
When chaos yielded to the voice of God,
And angels shouted with their shouts of joy.

Since that prime hour, how many changes pass'd
Upon the earth has Time beheld. What states
Have ris'n—yea fall'n. To rise, but not to fall,
Our own Republic, spreading out its arms,
Like some deep rooted tree both high and broad,
To shelter and refresh oppress'd man.
"Esto perpetua" O our country,
Long let Time wait ere he shall see thee fall.

Towns, cities, villages, rear'd by interest
Convenience or ambition, has he seen
Uptur'd in his eventful life. In these
How strong has been of good with ill the struggle.
Vice oft has seem'd to have the upper hand,
While virtue has been vanquish'd in the strife.
What one, more dear to us, among them all,
Than thou delightful Bloomsburg. Not the place
Of our satiety, but lov'd withal.
Thou art our choice abode. Time smiles upon thee,
And joins us when we say—forever bloom.
Let not corruption gnaw thy inmost heart.
Nor vice drive virtue far away, the salt
That stays the secret course of putrefaction.

But Time has seen the flow of human tide,
People and realms have sunk beneath his eye.
And gone, like shadows, from the earth.
The great, the learn'd, the rich, the proud and vain,
Has Time seen number'd with the dead.

He has a scythe—the world's his field—his swathes
Are ranks of men. He mows them down without
Distinction. Soon and we must meet, his coming.
Long, long may that dark advent be deferred.
But when it comes, O may the genial light
That immortality throws back to cheer
The pathway to the grave of those alone
Who have been great as they are good, be thine.

HYMENIAL.

MARRIED.—In Cattawissa, on Thursday evening last, at the house of Mr. Joseph Brobst, by the Rev. Mr. Drake, Mr. George B. Stearnes, of this place, to Miss Delilah Annania Taylor, lately of the same place. In this town, by the Rev. D. S. Tobias, on the 1st inst. Mr. Joseph Hartman, from the state of Indiana, to Miss Celine Wiltona, of Bloom township.

LOST,

On Saturday last, supposed in the village of Bloomsburg, a
SHEEPSKIN WALLET,
containing two 10 Dollar bills on the United States Bank, one 5 on Northumberland and two 5's on the Schuylkill bank, and several papers of no consequence in any one but the owner. The name of "Baltis Appleman, jr." was written in the inside of the Wallet twice. The finder will be handsomely rewarded by returning it to the subscriber, or leaving it at the Democrat office.
BALTIS APPLEMAN, jr.
Bloomsburg, Jan. 5.

CREDITORS TAKE NOTICE

That I have applied to the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the county of Columbia, for the benefit of the Insolvent Laws of this commonwealth, and that they have appointed the third Monday of January next, (being the 21st day of the month,) for hearing me and my creditors at the court house in Danville; at which time and place you can attend if you think proper.
MOSES M. GIBBS
Jan. 5, 1839.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Post Office at Bloomsburg, Jan. 1st, 1839.

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| Boone Benjamin Esq. | Nagle John |
| Boger Daniel | Phillips George W. |
| Crisling Andrew | Peter Charles |
| Davis David M. | Painter Wm. P. L. |
| Davis Catherine | Roopard Henry |
| Drayer Frederick | Ramsay Mary A. |
| Dun William A. B. Esq. | Rudy Daniel |
| Fisher Caleb B. | Riswick Jacob |
| Gaskins James 2 | Strawn James |
| Guild Aaron D. | Silverthorn Marshall |
| Gross Daniel Esq. | Stiphan Mathias |
| Hand Patrick | Squire Ebin |
| Harts Daniel | Squire E. |
| Hefter Hannah | Swartz Peter 2 |
| Herring Christian | Sheffhamar Jesse |
| Knoas Phoebe | Sloan Margaret |
| Kner George | Tomlinson Samuel J. |
| Kolchauer George | Talnage J. R. Rev. |
| Melk Andrew | Vanderstoep Hester |
| Mouser Joseph | Wunsch John B. |
| M'Carry Alexander | White Samuel |
| Nagle Michael | Walker D. J. Rev. |

D. RUPERT, P. M.
Persons calling for letters on the above list, will please say they are advertised.

NOTICE To Bridge Builders.

Proposals will be received at the Commissioners Office in Danville on Thursday the 21st day of January next until 12 o'clock at noon of said day, for rebuilding the wood work of a bridge, and repairing the abutments, across the Catawissa Creek, on the road leading from Millburg to Pottsville at or near Brobst's Mill.
N. B. The plan and specification can be seen after the 16th of January at the office.
CORNELIUS CLACKNER,
JOSEPH BROBST,
JOHN McHENRY,
Commissioners.
January 5, 1839.

Notice

IS hereby given to all who are indebted to the subscriber, either on Book, Notes, or Judgments on Dockets, that they must come forward and settle off their respective dues between now and the first day of February, 1839, or they will be severely dealt with.
DANIEL GROSS.
Bloomsburg Dec. 29th 1838.

DOCT. CAHEN HOYER,

French Rheumatism Doctor,
From Reading.
Informs the public that he has returned to Bloomsburg, after an absence since July last, and can be found at the Hotel of Daniel Snyder, where he will be at all times ready to attend to patients who are afflicted with Rheumatic pains in the limbs or body.
Bloomsburg Dec. 29th 1838.

Stone Coal.

400 TONS
Of superior Stone Coal, received and for sale by
RUPERT & BARTON.
Dec. 22d.

FOR SALE, A TWO STORY

HOUSE AND LOT,
SITUATED at the east end of the village of Bloomsburg, in Hopkinsville. The above property will be sold cheap, and on reasonable terms, upon application to the subscriber.
JACOB KENDIG.
Bloomsburg, Dec. 22, 1838.

Strays.

CAME into the inclosure of the subscribers, on or about the 15th of July last 4 SHEEP; (2 yews, 1 lamb, and 1 weaver,) marked with a notch in the right ear, and a slit in the end. The owner must prove property, pay charges, and take them away, or they will be sold according to law.
BENJAMIN C. MORRIS.
VINCENT ARWINE.
Fishing Creek, Dec. 22, 1838.

DR. LEIDY'S MEDICATED EXTRACT

OF SARAPARILLA, having become so deservedly popular, on account of its superior strength to any other preparation of Saraparilla in existence, it is thought unnecessary to make much comment upon its virtues. Suffice it to say, one bottle of the above contains twice as much of the active principles of Saraparilla and other ingredients, as any extract in existence, in the same quantity, and is equal to one gallon of Syrup of Saraparilla, for making which druggists and others purchase the above preparation. Price one dollar per bottle.
It is recommended in all diseases of the skin and Bones; affections of the Liver, Stomach, Spleen and Kidney; Eruptions, breaking out of Dry and Watery Pimples on the face, neck and body; ulcerations of the nose, mouth and throat; running at the Ears and Eyes; Erysipelas, Scrofula rheumatic pains, swelling or hardening of the Glands, constitutional disease produced by the use of mercury or other minerals. In short, Saraparilla is known to the world, as being the most powerful agent ever discovered for purifying the blood and Animals Fluids, and expelling the most violent of all diseases, resulting from impurities of the Blood, and other fluids of the body.
Caution.—Persons should be particularly careful in getting a preparation that may be relied upon; there being many in existence, not properly prepared, unfit for use, and almost inert; possessed of no medicinal qualities whatever.
Dr. N. B. Leidy candidly declares his preparation to be what it is represented to be, and is prepared by himself, a regular Druggist and Apothecary, and is besides a regular Physician, attested by Drs. Physic, Chapman, Hare, Cox, Dewees, Jackson, James, Horner, Gibson, &c. (See directions and recommendations around each bottle.)
Upwards of 3000 bottles of the above have been sold, during the past six months, a strong proof of its good qualities, &c. For sale in this city at
Dr. Leidy's Health Emporium, 2d street, below Vine, No. 1st.
Frederick Klett's Drug store, corner of 2d and Callowhill streets.
J. Smith & Co's. Drug store 3d street above Noble.
J. Gilbert & Co's. Drug store, 2d at out above Vine.
Also by
J. F. Long, Druggist Lancaster, Pennsylvania.
G. W. Oakley, Druggist, Reading, do.
J. B. Moser, do. Allentown do.
F. & W. H. Pamp, do. Easton, do.
E. Bringham, Druggist, Wilmington, Delaware.
And by the principal Druggists and Merchants in the United States.
37th

ALSO SOLD BY

P. S. TOBIAS.
Bloomsburg Jan. 5 1839.

Wholesale Dealers and Retailers of Foreign Merchandise.

IN THE COUNTY OF COLUMBIA

TAKE NOTICE,

THAT in compliance with an act of the General Assembly, approved the 7th day of April, A. D. 1836, the Associate Judges and Commissioners of the county of Columbia, will meet at the Commissioners' office, in Danville on Wednesday, the 2d day of January, 1839, at one o'clock P. M. for the purpose of taking up the returns of the several Constables of said county, that are to be made to the Court of Quarter Sessions on or before the first day (21st) of the January term 1839, and to place each of the Merchants that may thus be returned, dealing as aforesaid, in a strong box that may appear to be right and just, as provided for in the 3d section of said act, whenever where one of you may attend if you think proper either in person by agent or attorney.

WM. MONTGOMERY,
LEONARD RUPERT,
Associate Judges,
COR. CLACKNER,
JOSEPH BROBST,
JOHN McHENRY,
Commissioners.

January 5, 1839.