

COLUMBIA DEMOCRAT.

Local and Special.

John G. Freeze, Editor.

SATURDAY MORNING, MAY 4, 1861.

To-morrow is Rogation Sunday, so called from rogare to ask, the three following days being for supplication and prayer.

Alexander Humboldt died May 6, 1859.

The battle of Neabit was fought May 7, 1402.

Gen. Stark died May 8, 1822.

Ascension Day.

All the banks stop specie payments May 19, 1837.

Lord Chatham died May 11, 1777.

We had some snow on the first day of May.

A wet April and cold May.

Fill the barns with grain and hay.

The Home Guard met for parade and drill on Saturday evening last, the 27th. John M. Chamberlin, Esq., was elected Captain and Dr. Geo. Yost, First Lieutenant.

"The Democratic Standard," published at Doylestown, Bucks County, has been discontinued. Reason, one of the Proprietors has gone to the war; and the "Doylestown Democrat" has bought out the other.

We call attention to the very excellent article, condensing the history of Mexico for several years, on our first page. It is one we may ponder with profit. Let no one pass it by. It is pregnant with food for thought.

The new station and the continuation of Market Street, are coming on famously. We have not learned how soon the trains will stop at the permanent depot, but we should think a few days more would put things in order there.

Capt. F. Stewart of Borwick, was in Harrisburg last week offering the services of himself and Company to the Government. He would fight as he does everything else, with all his might; and if he got a company into the wars, would give a good account of them.

We understand that it is proposed to call the Company of Volunteers under Capt. Ricketts, "The Iron Guards." It is a good name in itself, and well illustrates the name and metal of the young men composing the Company; but we submit whether it would not have been judicious to have adopted some name which would indicate to all readers, the locality whence they came? Columbia county will follow with pride the course of her gallant sons, and will rejoice in the honest fame they may earn.

The present year, 1861 is the first of the 660th Olympiad.

There will be an annular eclipse, that is, one in which the apparent diameter of the moon, being less than that of the sun, the border of the latter will be visible all around the moon, which too takes place on July 7th, will be visible in America. On the 31st of December following there will be a total eclipse of the sun, partially visible in America. The 17th of December, 1861 will witness a partial eclipse of the moon, visible here; and on the 12th of November a transit of Mercury invisible here will take place; a somewhat rare occurrence in astronomy, though not so rare and important as a transit of Venus across the sun's disc, the last of which occurred in 1769, nor will another be observable until 1874.

The Ladies of Bloomsburg prepared and presented to Capt. Ricketts' Company, on Saturday afternoon last, a splendid flag.

The presentation address was made, on behalf of the ladies, by the Rev. Mr. Dinn, of the Lutheran Church. It was happily conceived and well delivered.

On behalf of the Company, Ensign Knorr received the flag and replied to the address, in a most patriotic and eloquent style. Both speeches were fully up to the occasion, and were listened to by a large crowd of ladies and gentlemen.

Among the members of the Company are one Physician, two Lawyers, two Law Students, three printers, all now or lately from the Democrat office, who will no doubt handle the "Shooting Stick" on the field of battle as steadily as they did here. We shall try and procure a full list of the names and occupations of the members before they leave.

On Monday next, May 6th, court begins. The commonwealth business is not so heavy as usual, and the civil list less formidable; but there is a good deal of miscellaneous business, and a large number of people are expected to be in town. The Sheriff has a few borders of whom doubtless he desires to be relieved. Such pleasant weather as this, it must be extremely hard work to sit in jail. Just to think of the apple trees in full bloom, the flowers opening, the grass springing, and they not able to see or enjoy the beauties and sweets of spring.

W. M. KOONS, Proprietor.

IMPROVE YOUR S.O.O.K.

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TON, was stamped the present season in this
set, and can be seen in the window of Mr.
Hartman's stable, Washington-street, at Wash-
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by Peter Snyder, Esq., to seven years old, stands
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WATCH MAKER'S SHOP!

PRICES REDUCED.

THE undersigned respectfully inform his friends and the public generally, that he has reduced a
considerable portion of his goods, and
will do so again, whenever he may be compelled
to do so.

HENRY ZUFFINGER.

BLOOMSBURG, April 10, 1861.

EXCHANGE HOTEL

THE Proprietor of this well-known and centrally located Hotel, on the corner of Main and Broad Streets, in Bloomsburg, respectfully informs his friends and the public in general, that his House is now in the hands of his son, John H. Hartman, Esq., who has agreed to pay him a sum equivalent to his former compensation, and every effort will be made to keep it in good condition.

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Bloomsburg, April 20, 1861.

GRAPE VINES.

NOTICE:—Vines of two years of Miller's Burgon

with beautiful roots, can be had also. Peach

Vine from seed of the choicer varieties, called for

Henry Zuffinger.

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