

COLUMBIA DEMOCRAT

JESSE C. TATE, Local Editor.

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Introductory.

By an arrangement with the Proprietor, I this week assume the Editorial conduct of the Local Department of the "Columbia Democrat." In this new and responsible position, it will be my highest aim and constant ambition to furnish a correct weekly synopsis of the current local news of the day, and—if attention and perseverance can accomplish the object—I hope thereby to enhance the interest of this journal and make it more interesting to its numerous patrons. And for this purpose, I would request my young friends every where in the country, to assist my labors, by furnishing the earliest details in their vicinity of news items and local affairs, for which they will receive the hearty thanks of the under-signed.

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Bloomsburg, May 28, 1864.

THE TEN FORTY LOAN.—The subscriptions to the ten-forty loan reported to the Treasury Department for May 23d, amount to \$1,717,000.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS and Singers will find Brown's "Euchorial Troches" beneficial to clearing the voice before speaking or singing, and relieving the throat after any unusual exertion of the vocal organs having a peculiar adaptation to afflictions which disturb the organs of speech.

UNDER the head of "Dead Faith and an Apostate Church," the True Presbyterian deals some terrible blows at the head of the bloody infidel ministers of the United States who have literally turned some of the churches into *dens of thieves*.

Dick Taylor, the Rebel General who defeated Banks, is a son of Ex-President, Zachary Taylor. He seems to have pluck and brains.

Col. Freez is selling second hand books, which in the matter of type and paper, are better than new, at least than half their cost. He has also received a new consignment of Bishop Hopkins' view of Slavery; "Anthony Trollope's West Indies & Spanish Main"; Van Euvic's Negroes and Slavery; Poet's works; "Goldsmiths," Pope, Moore, Byron, and a large assortment of poetry, novels and biography.

The Lackawanna and Bloomsburg R. R. is doing a brisk and prosperous business.—Col. Fonda, a Superintendent, and H. S. Adams, Esq., the Conductor are very efficient and genial officers. Their operations are encouragingly increasing.

Mr. L. T. Sharpless, of the "Cheap Cash Store," who advertises by the column, continues the centre of attraction. It is there that youth and beauty, (with the economist) "do most congregate." Quick sales and small profits, are the safest way to success and fortune.

"THE JERSEY SHORE HERALD," is the title of a new paper, just issued in Lycoming county, by Moses, Henry W. Moore, and Frank R. Snyder. It is neutral in politics, and is neatly printed and very interesting. Mr. Snyder, is late of Bloomsburg, and his friends here will be glad to hear of his being established in business.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

At the Ninth annual meeting of the Columbia County Agricultural, Horticultural, and Mechanical Association, held on Saturday, May 21, 1864, JOHNSON H. Lanning was elected President; For Vice Presidents—Arch P. Comer, Caleb Barton, Matthias Hartman, and Elias Bollerick were elected. The Executive Committee consists of Wm. Neal, Nehemiah Ross, and Sylvester Purcell. For Librarian B. F. Hartman. For Secretary L. B. Rupert. For Treasurer E. Men dell.

On motion of William Neal, it was Resolved, That the salary of the President of this Association for the coming year be twenty-five dollars.

Resolved, That the salary of the Secretary of this Association shall be fifty dollars.

Resolved, That if the President shall attend the Fair of Lycoming county, Luzerne county and the State Fair, or either of them, this society will pay his traveling and other expenses, it being understood that he gives his time without charge to this society.

On motion of Caleb Barton, it was Resolved, That the net proceeds of the Ninth Annual Fair be paid the Sanitary Commission.

The following is a statement of the finances of the Association for the year ending May, 1864:

RECEIPTS.

Balance in hands of Treasurer, May, 1863, \$254.67

Cash paid Treasurer by B. F. Hartman, collected for tickets sold and rent of stands, \$18.87

County order, \$100.00

Cash of W. B. Kouns for rent of grounds, \$55.00

EXTRADITION FEE, \$1235.54

EXPENSES.

Outstanding orders, \$11.50

Orders for rent of ground, \$23.05

Order of J. K. Ikeler, Pres., \$40.00

Order of L. B. Rupert, Secy., \$50.00

Order of P. John, for printing, \$5.00

Order of J. S. Sanders, \$2.00

Order of L. T. Tate, \$3.00

Order of W. H. Jacoby, \$2.65

Premiums and expenses of the Eighth Annual Fair, \$33.37

BALANCE IN HANDS OF TREASURER, \$352.95

Debt due and uncollected for, \$8.50

The Ninth Annual Fair will be held on the 13th, 14th, and 15th days of October next.

L. B. RUPERT, Secy.

U. S. 10-40 Bonds.

These Bonds are issued under the Act of Congress of March 3d, 1864, which provides that all Bonds issued under this Act shall be EXEMPT FROM TAXATION by or under any state or municipal authority. Subscriptions to these Bonds are received in United States notes of National Banks. They are TO BE REDEEMED IN COIN, at the pleasure of the Government at any period not less than six months from their date, and until their redemption FIVE PER CENT. INTEREST WILL BE PAID IN COIN, on Bonds of over one hundred dollars annually and on all other Bonds semi-annually. The interest is payable on the first days of March and September in each year.

Subscribers will receive either Registered or Coupon Bonds, as they may prefer. Registered Bonds are recorded on the books of the U. S. Treasurer, and can be transferred only on the owner's order. Coupon Bonds are payable to bearer, and are more convenient for commercial uses.

Subscribers to this loan will have the option of having their Bonds draw interest from March 1st, by paying the accrued interest in coin—or in United States notes, or the notes of National Banks, adding fifty per cent (for premium) or receive their drawing interest from the date of subscription and deposit. As these Bonds are payable to bearer, and are more convenient for commercial uses;

Exempt from Municipal or State Taxation; their value is increased from one to three per cent, per annum, according to the rate of tax levies in various parts of the country.

At the present rate of premium on gold they pay One Eight Per Cent Interest in currency, and are equal convenience as a permanent or temporary investment.

It is believed that no securities offer so great inducements to tend as the various descriptions of U. S. Bonds. In all other forms of indebtedness, the faith or ability of private parties or stock companies or separate communities only is pledged for payment, while for the debts of the United States the whole property of the country is held to secure the payment of both principal and interest in coin.

These Bonds may be subscribed for in sums from \$50 up to any magnitude, on the same terms, and are thus made equally available to the smallest lender and the largest capitalist. They can be converted into money at any moment, and the holder will have the most of the interest.

It may be useful to state in this connection that the total Funded Debt of the United States on which interest is payable in gold, on the 31st of March, 1864, was \$708,065,000. The interest on this debt for the ensuing fiscal year will be \$55,971,250, while the customs revenue in gold for the concurrent year, ending June 30th, 1864, has been so far at the rate of over \$100,000,000 per annum.

It will be seen that in the present gold values of the Government are largely in excess of the wants of the Treasury for the payment of gold interest, while the recent increase of the tariff will doubtless raise the amount of customs receipts on the same amount of imports, to \$100,000,000 per annum.

Instructions to the National Banks using as loan agents were issued from the United States Treasury on March 25th, but in the first three weeks of April the subscriptions averaged more than TEN MILLIONS A WEEK.

Subscriptions will be received by all NATIONAL BANKS throughout the country, giving as agents of the National and Post Office Banks, will furnish further information on application and

AFTORD EVERY FACILITY TO SUBSCRIBERS.

May 7, 1864.—2m.

RECEIPTS FOR APRIL,

TO THE

COLUMBIA DEMOCRAT.

The following payments have been made to the Columbia Democrat office, during the month of April, 1864:

For Dr. J. H. Johnson, \$100.00

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