



Our Constitution—guard it ever! Our glorious Union—defend it dear! Our Liberty—defend it ever! Our Country—defend it ever!

BLOOMSBURG: Saturday Morning, Dec. 9, '66

DEMOCRACY, a sentiment not to be applied, corrupted or compromised. It knows no business, it covers to no danger, it opposes no weakness. Destructive only of despotism. It is the sole conservator of Liberty, labor and property. It is the sentiment of freedom, of equal rights, of equal obligations—the law of nature pervading the law of the land—ALAN.

Winter is on us Again.

Never were such dreary winters known to this generation of Americans as have been those through which we have passed since 1861. Never such snows, never such storms, never such cold. The clearest sky was never cheerful. There was no exhilaration in the glittering atmosphere. There was no beauty in those gorgeous mornings, "when last night's snow hangs lightly on the trees," and the wind "sends it drifting through the air like fine gold."

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Facts vs. Theories

"Give me a place to rest my lever on," says Archimedes, and I will move the world. "Give me pure and unadulterated drugs," says Medicus, of the olden time, "and I will cure disease."

In one sense both of these learned pundits were the veriest charlatans. They knew there was no place to rest their lever on, either to move the world or to cure disease. Mechanism was in a backward way, and the medical profession was but another name for sorcery and all the adjuncts of magic filters and charms of the "evil eye," &c.

But these latter days have borne unto us something more than even superstition and its crew ever dreamt of in their maddest philosophy. In these days of practical science what was theory of yesterday is fact to-day and all the old-time notions become as bubbles in the sun and burst and break with every breath we draw.

Let Archimedes shoulder his lever and we will find a resting place for it to move the world. Let mine ancient Medicus pant and toil no more for the drugs he so sorely needs for we have them at our hand ever ready to serve them at his beck.

Refined in the laboratory of Dr. Maggell, the finest materials known in the medical profession are obtainable by any one. His Biletics, Dyspeptic and Diarrhea Pills stand unrivalled and his Salve operates with magical effect upon scalds and all sores and ulcers of the skin.

In fact we think MAGGELL'S Pills and Salve are the wonder of this century, and we are happy in the thought that many others of our brethren of the craft agree with us. We would earnestly counsel that all families provide themselves with Dr. Maggell's Preparations at once, and keep them ready at hand, so as to use them at the most opportune time and as occasion serves.—Valley Sentinel.

Congress

Another session of Congress has commenced and the people of the country may judge from the first day's proceedings what is likely to be the burden of its labors. Mr. Sumner in the Senate and Mr. Stevens in the House are in the field and, from appearances are likely to have every thing they wish.

How far the apparently conservative desires and policy of the President will be supported by Congress, remains to be seen. It is by no means certain what course particular members will take; but we very much fear that some are to be found in both houses ready to declare war with the President and if they pursue this plan no one can foresee the amount of trouble and danger in the future.

A few days events will give us more light on the fate of the country.

Commonwealth vs. Eck:

This case, which has just been tried in the Court of Quarter Sessions in this County, is a very important one, and one which the voters of Columbia County should remember. The facts as proven are as follows: HENRY FRY, a citizen of Roaringcreek township, at the late election offered his ballot, but Charles C. Eck, caused its rejection on the ground of his being a non-reporting drafted man, whereupon this prosecution was commenced.

The Judge declared very distinctly that it was not the province of an election board to try cases of desertion, and that the act of Congress conferred on them no such right. In other words, the failing to report of a drafted man was no ground for the rejection of his vote.

The counsel for the Defendant, Mr. Clark, also admitted that desertion from the military service of the United States was no ground for the rejection of a ballot, and said he always maintained that opinion. The sole ground on which he rested his defence was the defendant's ignorance of the law.

The jury by their verdict of "guilty" showed they believed that "ignorance of the law excuses no man."

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PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

XXXIXth Congress—First Session.

HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8, 1865

At noon Mr. McPherson, Clerk of the House, proceeded to call, as required by law, the roll of the members elect.

While the roll was being called, Mr. Maynard, of Tennessee, whose name is not on the list, wished to suggest some motion, but the Clerk refused to be interrupted. After the roll was completed, Mr. Maynard again arose, but the Clerk again ruled him out of order.

One hundred and seventy-five members answered to their names. Mr. Brooks, New York, made a speech, characterizing the omission of the members from Tennessee from the roll as unprecedented.

If Mr. Maynard was not a loyal man from a Union and loyal State, the President himself was not loyal, but an alien, and a stranger. He charged that the adoption of the resolution by the Republican caucus was designed as antagonistic to the President's forthcoming message.

The House took no action on the subject, but under the operation of the previous question, proceeded to the election of Speaker; Mr. Colfax, of Indiana, and Mr. Brooks, of New York, being placed in nomination.

The result was announced as follows: Colfax 139, Brooks 65.

Mr. Colfax was declared elected amid applause from the floor and galleries, and was conducted to the chair by Mr. Moril and Mr. Brooks.

Mr. Colfax made a brief but eloquent and patriotic speech.

Having taken the oath of office himself, the Speaker administered it to other members, who were called up by delegations.

Mr. Wilson, Iowa, introduced a resolution declaring McPherson clerk, Mr. Ordway sergeant-at-arms, Mr. Goodnow door keeper, and Mr. Given post master until their successors shall be duly qualified. The yeas and nays being ordered, Mr. Wilson's resolution was adopted—yeas 138, nays 35.

Those officers of the House were then sworn in.

Mr. Stevens offered a bill approved in the Republican caucus, for the appointment of a committee to examine and report whether any of the so-called Confederate States are entitled to representation in Congress.

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This body, agreeably to the constitutional provision, met to day, says the Patriot & Union. On Saturday night a caucus embracing 121 of the Shoddy members was held, in which it was resolved that no members elected from the late so-called Confederate States should be admitted. The resolution and proceedings will be found in another column.

This action does not astonish the country, as it was anticipated there was sufficient disunionism lurking in the so-called Republican party to keep the Southern States out and the Union unrestored. The action of this caucus is but the precursor of what is to take place in the Halls. It is probably impossible for the Democracy and the very few conservative Republicans to marshal a sufficient number to successfully uphold the President and secure a thorough Union of the States.

It is thus most clearly apparent that the present is to be a "rump" Congress—fanatical, revolutionary and disastrously destructive. As desperate diseases require desperate remedies, there are very many who believe that President Johnson should at once assume the position that the Radicals are acting in a revolutionary manner; that they have secretly and devilishly conspired to set the Constitution and laws at defiance and to breed anarchy and disorder; and that he ought, in the speediest and most effectual manner, apply to them the force of that gigantic power which they themselves justify and have so long used for the accomplishment of their partisan objects.

To be consistent, they could not object, and the people, who long for peace and quietness would not say nay—more particularly since long usage has accustomed them to the rulings of the "higher law." What will the President do?

Restoration of the Writ of Habeas Corpus.

The following proclamation has just been issued by the President of the United States of America:

Whereas, By the proclamation of the President of the United States, of the fifteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, the privilege of the writ of habeas corpus in certain cases therein set forth was suspended throughout the United States, and

Whereas, The reasons for that suspension may be regarded as having ceased in some of the States and Territories; now, therefore, be it known, that I, Andrew Johnson, President of the United States, do hereby proclaim and declare that the suspension aforesaid, and all other proclamations and orders suspending the privilege of the writ of habeas corpus in the States and Territories of the United States, are revoked and annulled, excepting as to the States of Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas and Texas, the District of Columbia, the Territories of New Mexico and Arizona.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. Done at the City of Washington, this first day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, and of the Independence [U.S.] of the United States of America the nineteenth.

ANDREW JOHNSON, By the President: WM. H. SEWARD, Secretary of State.

MARRIED.

On the 25th, by Thos. J. Welliver, Esq., HARMAN KING, of Ulster, N. Y., to SARAH J. PARKER, of Light Street, Col. Co.

In Orangeville, Nov. 30, by Rev. N. Spear, ISAAC M. DEMOTT, to MISS SARAH A. GALLAGHY, both of Greenwood.

DIED.

In Sugarloaf twp., Columbia county, Nov. 6th, 1865, Mrs. CHARLOTTE MOORE, wife of C. L. Moore, aged 49 years, 11 months and 23 days.

In Burlington, N. J., on the 26th of November last, Miss SARAH ANN, daughter of Wm. Howell, Esq., of Mt. Pleasant township, Columbia county, Pa., aged about 41 years.

In Sugarloaf township, Columbia county, on the 26th of October last, Mrs. CATHERINE E. HESS, aged 22 years, 6 months and 25 days.

In Washingtonville, Pa., on the 15th inst., Mrs. Mary W. McAllister wife of N. W. McAllister and daughter of the late Rev. D. M. Barber, aged 38 years 2 mos. and 2 days.

She left a husband and four children to mourn her loss.

At this place on 1st inst., David Parry aged 28 years, 3 months and 16 days. [He had been through Sherman's campaign but has been sick since the taking of Savannah and continued to grow worse until he died.]

New Advertisements.

Stolen. \$50 DOLLARS REWARD. Stolen from the stable of the undersigned in Catawissa twp., Columbia county, Pa., on 21st day evening Dec. 3, 1865.

H. D. Hark Bay Mare.

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