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Democratic Nominations.
SUPREME JUDGE.
WILLIAM A. PORTER,
PHILADELPHIA.
CANAL COMMISSIONER.
WESLEY FROST,
FAVETTE.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Court met at 10 o'clock, Monday morning last. Present, Hon. W. J. WOODWARD, Pres't Judge; KLINE and EVANS, Associates. And the following named Constables who were elected in March, 1858, were sworn and affirmed in—
Bloom, Gordon R. Goff; Berwick, Freese Fowler; Briarcreck, Adam Sutt; Beaver, Chas. B. Roy; Benton, Stephen Keifer; Cattawissa, P. G. Campbell; Centre, Chas. Deitrich; Conyngam, J. R. Jones; Fish-ingcreek, R. C. Parks; Franklin, Thomas Hower; Greenwood, J. P. Smith; Hemlock, Daniel Neyhard; Jackson, J. H. Youcum; Locust, Hamilton Fisher; Millin, Lewis Eckroat; Maine, Isaac Yeter; Montour, Evan Welliver; Madison, James Welliver; Mt Pleasant, Melchi Ruckle; Orange, M. Keller; Pine, A. J. Manning; Roaringcreek, Robert Hampton; Sugarloaf, J. R. Fritz; Scott, Joseph Lilley.

Upon calling over the civil list it was discovered that there was not a single case for trial.

The Sessions and the Orphans' Court business alone remained.
Com. vs. William Pifer, J. W. Mellon and Winterstein, for larceny. Settled by the parties.

Com. vs. Philip Springer, for malicious mischief. Settled upon payment of costs by Def't.

Com. vs. Peter Shiner and John Shiner, Assault and Battery. Settled by Defendants paying the costs.

Com. vs. Cyrus Fox, Assault and Battery. Def't paid the costs.

Com. vs. Samuel Trumport, Larceny—true bill, and continued until next term.

Com. vs. Owen McGe, selling liquor without license. No pro. and defendant pay the costs.

Com. vs. Elizabeth Struthers, selling liquor without license, verdict not guilty.

Com. vs. David Reinbold, Assault and Battery. Defendant plead guilty after hearing the evidence. Fined five dollars and costs.

Com. vs. Alexander Hughes, Abolam Jameson, Joseph Johnson and Jas. Hughes, Larceny. Not a true bill.

Com. vs. George Artz, Larceny—Defendant plead guilty after hearing the evidence, and his address will be, for some time to come, Eastern Pennsylvania.

Com. vs. Eleazar Keltner, Larceny—Defendant plead guilty after hearing the evidence and goes to situate Artz's apartment.

Mary M. Sprouls vs. James S. Sprouls—Divorce—decreed.
Which, with some minor business, was transacted up to the time of going to press.

THE MORNING MURDER CASE.—The men arrested, supposed to be the murderers of the young woman, Miss Adaline Bayer, were last week, after an examination before Alderman Mongel, in Reading, discharged; therefore leaving the origin of the murder more wrapped up in mystery than ever; and it is doubtful whether it will ever be brought to light. The bloody shirts found in a hollow tree, supposed to belong to the parties arrested, were owned and claimed by a man named John Rapp, who swore positively that the shirts were his, and that he had placed them in the hollow tree some time last December.

THE NEW YORK PRESS.—A Weekly Journal, devoted to literature, news, popular tales, miscellany, art, etc., has made its appearance in our sanctum from New York City. We are willing to give the proprietor an "even trade"—"sight as seen." Single copies are offered, including gifts, \$2.00.—I'll bet they'll have gifts for disposal, for it appears that a paper can't be established now-a-days without an inducement of that kind is held out to the people to secure patronage. The "Press" is a neatly printed Journal, containing twenty-four pages, filled with pretty good reading. It is published by Daniel Adee, 211 Centre Street, N. Y.

A HOUSE FOR THE GOVERNOR.—The day previous to the final adjournment of the Legislature, the House ratified the contract made by the committee appointed in the early part of the session, for the purpose of purchasing a mansion for the Governor.—The house is located next to the Presbyterian church (recently burned) and was the property of Mr. Bevens. The dwelling is in excellent repair, the proprietor having had it re-modelled and changed two years ago. The price paid for the same is \$10,000 including some furniture.

BLACKWOOD'S MAGAZINE.—Among the most popular and substantial publications of the day is Blackwood. The amount of reading and interesting information it produces monthly for its many readers is not rivaled by any work of the kind the present day. In its pages are to be found no light-literature; nor nothing immoral. Leonard Scott & Co., 79 Fulton street, New York, are the publishers.

We acknowledge the receipt of the *Latino Home Magazine*, published by T. S. Arthur & V. F. Townsend, at Philadelphia, for two dollars a year, in advance, for a single subscription; by club it comes considerable cheaper. We are pleased to enter it upon our exchange list, and value it highly; for it is just such a work as the country demands; strictly moral and high-toned, and interesting to both old and young.

THE EXECUTION OF WM. MULLER. took place in the jail yard at Williamsport, on Friday, April 30th, in accordance with the time appointed by the Governor. The Military Companies were on parade, and long before the hour of execution arrived, the tops of the houses, adjacent to the jail yard, were literally covered with human beings, eager to gratify their curiosity.

A few minutes before 12 o'clock, Muller made his appearance, accompanied by the Sheriff. His step was far from being solemn, but ran up the steps of the scaffold in the manner a hotel guest would run up to his room. After speaking a few minutes he turned to the Rev. Valse, with a look, as much as to say, proceed. The Divine read the first chapter in Revelations in a very affecting and solemn manner; he then read a hymn, which had been a favorite one of the prisoners; after which a statement was read by Rev. Mr. Miles, which had been made by the prisoner, acknowledging his guilt in the murder of Matthias. The Rev. Miles also read an appropriate prayer, when they took their leave. The Sheriff then adjusted the rope, drew the cap over his face, when the counsel of the prisoner all shook hands with him, and also did the Sheriff, and took their final leave. At 12 o'clock no one stood upon the scaffold but the doomed man, and in a few moments he was launched into eternity without a struggle.

SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR.—The bill to sell the North and West Branch and Delaware Divisions of the State Canals to the Sunbury and Erie Railroad Company, for three and a half millions of dollars, has been signed by the Governor, and is therefore a law. As soon as the sale is completed the State will have parted with all its improvements. It has been queried whether the State will ever get any proceeds from this sale—and on this point we are not at all sanguine, as the intricate manner in which the bill is drawn tends to create a strong suspicion that there is a big "cat under the meal." It looks as if the author of the bill was an adept at the patent safe game—as on reading it we were forcibly reminded of "now you see it and now you don't see it!"

COL. BENTON'S ESTATE.—Colonel Benton, contrary to the general opinion of his means, has died poor. Some time since, his house on C Street was burned down, and he went to the expense of having it rebuilt; but there is a mortgage of \$10,000 on it, which will almost absorb the value of the property. Col. Benton was anxious that congress should purchase 1,000 copies of his Abridgement of the Congressional debates, for distribution among the various State libraries and foreign exchanges. He was of the opinion that such a purchase would be constitutional, and would tend to diffuse a knowledge of the political history of the country.

MORALS IN WASHINGTON.—We see it stated by letter writers, and others, that the morality of the Federal City is at a very low ebb. Since the first of March, no less than thirteen murders have been perpetrated or attempted, and in a recent debate in Congress upon the propriety of increasing the police force of that City, several Congressmen stated that they were not armed with revolvers. There is at this time one place licensed to sell liquor for every twenty-four voters in that city. Gambling houses, rum holes and dens of darker infamy abound in almost every street. And yet in spite of such a demoralized state of society, the opposition to the administration positively refused to pass any bill for the increased force, on the ground that it will throw additional patronage into the hands of the President.

Comment is unnecessary.
SPLENDID GIFTS.—There will be found in our advertising columns the advertisement of G. G. EVANS' Original Gift Book Store, 439 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia. It contains all the popular works of the day.—And the purchaser of each book will receive a gift, valued at from 25 cents to \$100, consisting of watches and jewelry. A complete catalogue will be sent through the mail, free of postage, to any person, by addressing G. G. Evans, 439 Chestnut Street, Phil'a.

HARPER'S MAGAZINE.—This well-known work has been received for May; and too much cannot be said in praise of this publication. It is as interesting as ever; and we commend it to all lovers of good literature, that which is chaste, dignified, and entirely free from everything that can vitiate or in the least deprave the mind. Published by Harper & Brothers, Franklin Square, N. York.

DEATH ON LIGHTNING.—During a thunder gust on Monday evening a young man named Samuel D. Hall, son of Samuel Hall, residing on the Philadelphia road, about seven miles from Baltimore, was struck by lightning and instantly killed. He was crossing a field, was not under a tree, and within a hundred yards of his father's door, when he was struck down.

Letters from Kansas say that the political agitation in the Territory absorbed the attention of the squatters, that they have neglected their crops and private affairs, and so exhausted their means, that a large portion of them will be unable to pay for their land before it will be offered for sale under the proclamation of the President.—Many persons of those who are unable to pre-empt will lose their lands, and will have endured their sacrifices and labored in vain to secure a home. People must pay the penalty of folly. The political demagogues have everything to gain in keeping up a violent excitement, the people everything to lose.

The Specie held by the Banks of Philadelphia amounts to nearly seven millions of dollars. The circulation is under two millions and a half.

OUR TRIP TO ORANGEVILLE.—In company with a friend we paid a flying visit to the ancient town of Orangeville, a few days since, and had quite a pleasant time—found the people stirring about briskly, and all, apparently, enjoying themselves to their hearts content, with plenty to eat and drink, and a fair prospect of there being more; therefore they entertain no cause to complain of hard times, without they have more than they can consume, then it is *had times to see things waste.*
In a country town like Orangeville we should like to live in 1858, for, from appearance of the fields and trees, "round about" the town, there'll be an abundance to live upon. The fruit will be plenty if the frost does not kill it. We cannot recollect when we ever saw the fruit trees so full of blossoms before.

Repeat of the Usury Law.

The following is a copy of a bill relative to the rates of interest on money, which originated with Mr. Ingram, one of the State Senators from Philadelphia, and passed both branches of the Legislature previous to the adjournment. Although apparently designed to check the practice of loaning money upon usurious interest, its real object is to facilitate such transactions. It repeals those portions of the old law that forbid the taking of more than 6 per cent, and indirectly legalizes contracts or 'shaves' for the use of money at any rate of interest the parties may agree upon; which means, at any rate the cold and calculating lender has the conscience (or rather, the want of conscience) to exact, and the necessities of the borrower oblige him to pay. This is all the usurers want, and all they have been striving to obtain from the Legislature for so many years. It may suit Philadelphia well enough, where money is required for many purposes that will bear a heavier interest than 6 per cent., but should this bill receive the Governor's approval, its operation among the farmers of the country districts cannot be otherwise than pernicious.

An Act Regulating the rate of Interest.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same. That from and after the fourth day of July next, the lawful rate of interest for the loan or use of money, in all cases where no express contract shall have been made for a less rate, shall be 6 per cent. per annum; and the first and sections of the act passed 2d March, 1823, entitled "An Act to reduce the interest of money from eight to six per cent. per annum," be, and the same are hereby repealed.

Sec. 2. That when a rate of interest for the loan or use of money exceeding that established by law shall have been received or contracted for, the borrower or debtor shall not be required to pay to the creditor the excess over the legal rate; and it shall be lawful for such borrower or debtor, at his option, to retain and deduct such excess from the amount of any such debt; and in all cases where any borrower or debtor shall heretofore or hereafter have voluntarily paid the whole debt or sum loaned, together with interest exceeding the lawful rate, no action to recover back any such excess shall be sustained in any Court of this Commonwealth, unless the same shall have been commenced within six months from and after the time of such payment.—Provided always, That nothing in this act shall affect the holders of negotiable paper, taken bona fide, in the usual course of business.

Stupendous Libel Suit.

The Herald states that Fernando Wood, ex-Mayor of New York, is about to bring against the New York Tribune, the most magnificent libel suit ever instituted in this country. The alleged libels were published in the Tribune in the course of the three or four years that Mayor Wood was in office, and includes many charges against him both in his public and private capacity.—When the Mayor was in office he did not feel called upon to notice these publications; but now that he has retired from all political excitements, since the recent election, he feels obliged, out of regard for the reputation of himself and family, to demand a complete and thorough investigation, which will result, he is convinced, in a complete vindication of his character in public and private life. In pursuance of this resolution he is informed, says the Herald, that Mr. Wood has secured the services of several eminent lawyers, and that the case will not contain less than seven hundred and fifty distinct libels—principally charges of swindling, thieving, forgery and other opprobrious offences, and founded upon certain note commercial transactions which can be easily explained. The array of counsel in this case is one of the greatest ever known in the bar, and the parties will be proceeded against by criminal indictments as well as in the civil courts, and thus the whole matter will be thoroughly investigated.

We Sustain Our Patriotic President.

We have the proud satisfaction of knowing, says the *Genius of Liberty*, and regard it as a matter to be boasted of, that the incorruptible and lion hearted Democracy of Fayette county stand firmly by the position of President Buchanan, and sustain him in the present trying crisis. Wherever meetings have been held in our county resolutions unequivocally sustaining the President have been adopted and the utmost enthusiasm has prevailed whenever the name of the gallant old chieftain who sits in the executive chair has been mentioned. Why should it be so? We see the veteran statesman of sixty years experience, conscious of the right and firm in his purpose to maintain it. Like the Patriot Jackson, in the days of his warfare against the mammoth Bank, President Buchanan is violently assailed by all the enemies of the Democratic party, and opposed by many leading men of his own party, and like "Old Hickory" Mr. Buchanan calmly awaits the final struggle and sits unmoved against the thousand thunder-bolts that are aimed at his devoted head. We are proud to stand by such a man. He has sworn to support the laws, and firmly resolves to do it, regardless of threatenings and abuse, deserves the support and encouragement of the people; and it is gratifying to know that the majority of the Democratic masses of the country are determined to stand by and sustain our worthy Chief Magistrate.

Low Prices at the West.—A correspondent of the *Burlington Free Press*, writes from St. Charles, Illinois:
"Times are hard and dull. Produce is worth nothing; wheat 42 cents, corn 24 cents, oats 19 cents, butter 12 cents per lb., eggs 5 cents per doz., and other things in proportion."
Messrs. Everett, Bell, Crittenden Fillmore, Fremont, and Cobb have all been named for the Presidency in 1860. It will thus be seen that it is not likely that there will be any lack of candidates.

DEBT OF HARRISBURG.—According to the Statement of the Borough Treasurer of Harrisburg, the debt now owing by that town to bond holders, is \$141,158 75. That's a right smart debt for a town like Harrisburg.
"He that giveth to the poor lendeth to the Lord." He who payeth the printer his just dues layeth up treasures in heaven—that of being an honest man. Bring on your dollars.

Exciting Scene in a Church.
The Episcopal Mission Church, corner of South Third Street and Union Avenue, Brooklyn, was the theatre of an exciting scene, on the evening of the 18th inst., during the services. A young man walked leisurely up the middle aisle, and, after viewing the congregation for a while, walked up to a young lady in the choir; and, drawing a dagger, made a desperate thrust at her breast. The lady shrieked, and the stranger was about making a second thrust when the organist interposed between the assassin and his intended victim. A policeman was called in, and the man was conveyed to prison.

It turns that the name of the assassin is Josiah Newman; that of the lady, Frances J. Bennett. The fellow according to his own story, was deeply in love with her, but she not being disposed to reciprocate, and having given him notice that she did not desire a continuance of his acquaintance, he grew excited, and determined to kill her out of revenge; though when informed that she would have to go to the State Prison, he said, "Well, I love her just as much as ever!"

The Kansas Difficulty Settled.

The Report of the Committee of Conference on the disagreement of the two Houses on the bill admitting Kansas into the Union, was yesterday adopted in both branches of the National Legislature, and thus the Kansas controversy has been brought to a close so far as Congress is concerned. The announcement of this fact, so gratifying to the true friends of the American Union, caused the most intense feeling among all classes of the community. Men shook each other by the hand as they did during the war of 1812, when they were rejoicing at the news of a victory gained over the forces of the ancient enmity of the nation and its liberties. Old and young, politicians and those who do not mingle in active movements of a political character; all joined in the general joy which filled the public mind on the happy termination of a struggle which at one time was full of threatenings for the future, and menaced the Republic with consequences that must be fatal to that union and harmony upon which the prosperity of its people alone depends.

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MARRIED.

On Saturday, May 1st, by Rev. Thomas Sherlock, at the residence of John R. Moyer, Esq., in Bloomsburg, Pa. MADONN HAVENSTUR, to Miss REBECCA PATON, both of Orangeville, Columbia co., Pa.
On the 30th ult., by the Rev. Wm J. Eyer, Mr. ANTHONY JOHANNES, to Miss ROSINA REHM, both of Danville, Pa.
On the 21st, ult., in Beaver Valley, by Rev. I. Bahl, Mr. HENRY HOFFMAN, to Mrs. ANN HARPER, both of that place.

DIED.

In Clearfield county, Pa., on the 23d ult., CLARENCE AUGUSTUS, youngest Son of Joshua J. Tate, aged 8 years, 9 mo. and 3 days.
In West Buffalo, Union co., Pa., formerly of Columbia county, in the morning of the 24th ult., MARGARET S. SIPLEY, in the 33d year of her age.

NOTICE.

IS hereby given that two men came to the premises of the subscriber on Wednesday the 28th day of April, 1858, in Fishersburg township, Columbia county, near Jones' Mills. The owner or owners of the mules are requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take them away, otherwise they will be disposed of according to law. JAS. B. PARIS, Fishersburg, May 5, 1858.

NEW MILLINERY GOODS.

THE undersigned respectfully informs the Ladies of Bloomsburg and vicinity, that she still continues the Millinery business at the old establishment on Main st., in Bloomsburg, where she is prepared to execute all orders in the Millinery and Mantua-making line, in the most fashionable and latest style. She has just received a large and fashionable stock of Spring Millinery Goods, from the Eastern cities, comprising all kinds of Millinery
DRESS GOODS, BONNETS, RIBBONS, Trimmings, Silks, &c., to which the attention of the public is invited. She has on hand Misses bonnets, hats and caps, of various styles and prices.
I am a share of public countenance solicited, which it will be her aim to give general satisfaction.
APRIL 14, 1858. MARY BARILEY.

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