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Tuesday Morning & Friday Afternoon.

☞We have on hand for Friday's paper, Letters from Capt Linn, Annapolis---from Dr. Christ, and Dan. M. Reed, Port Royal, S C.---and Letter Orwig, Washington

Court Week---concluded.

R Speer vs. C Spera---verdict for Deft.

Bowes for Steel, vs. Locke---Judgment $13 52 for Plff.

Berge vs. Riebel's Adm'r---verdict for Deft.

Kline's Adm'r vs. A Gutelius---Judgment, $144 60 for Plff.

Bentley's sentence was to pay $1 fine, costs, and 6 months' imprisonment.

Kling's, to pay $1 fine and costs.

And'w Kennedy was appointed to audit accounts of Prothonotary and Register & Recorder with the State.

---Here have been nine Jury Trials, and a number of other cases on the Civil List settled, beside the usual amount of miscellaneous business. This is a handsome advance in the right direction, and satisfies us that when the new order of things is comprehended by all concerned, one year may clear the list. It is now understood that parties must come ready for trial---or be non-suited or suffered to go against them by default, or pay costs of continuance; to avoid these, clients should see their lawyers *before* Court Week and have every thing ready and witnesses present---do not attempt to crowd everything into the throng of that week, for it confuses your attorneys, embarrasses business, and---do not forget---Court costs the County Ten Dollars an Hour!

As far as we have heard, Judge Wardle has made a very favorable impression not only upon those who supported him at the polls, but also upon those who did not. He seems perfectly familiar with his new duties, decides questions promptly and as we gather evidence from members of the bar, correctly, allows no time to be wasted, off hand in charging juries, dignified, attentive, watchful, courteous, firm, and independent in action. The district may be congratulated in its good fortune of a Judge indeed---a man every way fitted for the station, the mental and physical powers, and every motive to win the confidence of all concerns, by an impartial and faithful administration of the law, and to fully merit as far as he can do so, the respect of the community.

☞Our County Commissioners have re-appointed their former Clerk, Jos. Reed, and appointed Thos Gutelius, of Mifflinburg, Mercantile Appraiser for that year.

☞Yesterday, at one Express Office in Lewisburg, we noticed a dozen boxes and parcels for Captains Church, Hassenplug, Linn, Roush, the Chamberlins, or members of their Companies, filled with clothing, provisions, &c. There will be no suffering by our boys about the Holidays, we guess. Still, there may be Soldiers who have few if any friends, and donors and receivers of these extras should not overlook them.

☞Our recent eventful skirmishes in Western Missouri look favorable for the breaking up of the Rebel power there, as in one week they lost over 2,000 men, and large amounts of munitions of war. In the last achievement noted, Col. Lewis Merrill's cavalry bore an important part, tho' the capture was made directly by that Unionist, Col. J. B. C. Davis

☞The America, at Halifax, last Saturday reports the War excitement sweeping in England---an Anti-War meeting in Dublin---breadstuffs quiet---provisions firm .....French papers say France will remain neutral in case of a war.

Advices from Washington concur that there need be no rupture with Great Britain, and the speculative excitement is already subsiding.

A PUBLIC RECEPTION will be given at the Academy, this (TUESDAY) afternoon. Exercises to commence at 2 o'clock. The Public are respectfully invited to attend.

J. RANDOLPH.

☞Sunday, the weather began to grow cold---and as we go to press (Monday, P. M.) the snow is falling in a manner indicating that the sleigh-riders may have---what we wish you all---Merry Christmas!

☞A superior property in the central portion of Buffalo Valley, is advertised at Public Sale in to-day's paper.

☞University Students are availing themselves of Excursion Tickets to Paris, this Holiday week.

SUSPENSION.---In consequence of the payment of several months' wages to the volunteers of Lehigh county, by the Government, the County Commissioners have concluded to temporarily suspended the payment of the family allowances to their families, on the ground that if the exemptions of the soldiers are properly appropriated there is no pecuniary assistance necessary from other sources.

Dr. Herbert J. Brockenbrough, uncle of the rebel Senator, is about to publish a new series of articles to prove that it is the imperative duty of the North to suppress rebellion, and sustain the Constitution, at any cost of life and treasure.

Wells' Guard---Muster Roll.

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ARMY LETTERS.

CAMP STEPHENSON, A. V., Dec. 15.

This is an every Sunday morning, we [illegible] about twenty par- [illegible] Co. We believe we have [illegible] marches, three part daily, after- [illegible], Battalion drill, evenings, dress-parade.

Notes will be very scarce, as you would judge by the way members com- [illegible] Wells' Guard in Wes- [illegible] Wagon- [illegible] and Forge- [illegible]

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C. F. IRVIN-TEMPERER,
of Camp C, 31 Wisconsin Reg.

Latest News

Gen. Scott is on his return home, from France, in our ship, "Arago."

A Union Victory on the Potomac.

Followed by Rumors of Battle.

On Friday morning last, a part of Gen. McCall's division, comprising One Brigade, the 1st Rifles, and Easton battery of four guns, were reconnoitering near Drainsville, when they encountered four Rebel regiments of infantry, a battery of six guns, and Stuart's cavalry. After a sharp fight of three hours and a half, in coming to it personally, I saw nothing of it---we returned to camp, bringing in 6 killed, 6 or more prisoners, two guns, small arms, Flannel shirts, &c. Gen. Taylor is reported their killed. They must have lost 150 or 200 in all. Our force, having lost only 10 killed and 35 wounded, returned at 9 in the evening.

The 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th Penn'a Reserves, compose Gen. Reynolds' Brigade. In the 9th are Capt. Ringle's Company, and the Rear Guard, of Lewisburg. In the latter [illegible] S. Walter [illegible] Wagon- [illegible] Capt. Ringle's Company, [illegible] and Sergeant Mark. We are [illegible] Captain Ringle's Company, [illegible] and Sergeant Mark. We are [illegible] the pa- [illegible] and when we [illegible] it, and the [illegible] Co. B, Bates, Company [illegible] from Perry [illegible] the best [illegible] Co. became [illegible] Our men were attacked from the woods---the Buck Tails were just the men for that kind of [illegible], took the initiative, and won the glory.

---Thus have the Pennsylvanians added a fresh leaf to a mirage fair laurel. Gen. Reynolds' [illegible] advanced leading to the field, also Gen. McCall's, but all returned on hearing the result, without engaging in it. Gen. McCall arrived in season, and praised most heartily all concerned. They stood like men, determined that all "Bull Runs" hereafter should be on the other side. The prisoners represent the Rebel army in a frightful condition, yet desperate.

Scattering the Rebels.

In western Missouri, Gen. Pope made a forced march on Wednesday, and got between two bodies of the enemy, the one encamped in Johnson County and the other in Clinton and Henry Counties. The Rebels retreated, leaving all their baggage and a large quantity of arms, munitions, papers, &c., which were captured by Gen. Pope. The latter pursued them so effectually that they scattered in all directions. Pope then pushed forward a strong party toward Osceola, and captured fleeing fugitives with their horses, baggage, &c. Other scouting parties also taken, raising the number of prisoners to 300.

Gen. Price has only 5000 Rebels it is said, at Osceola, his force having been reduced by the expiration of term of service of the men.

1,300 Rebels Taken!

St. Louis, Dec. 20.---In addition to the expedition of Gen. Pope against the enemy at or near Clinton, another part of his force, under Col. Jeff. C. Davis and Maj. Marshall, surprised another camp of Rebels on the 15th, near Nutford, north of Warrensburg. A brisk skirmish ensued, when the Rebels, finding themselves surrounded, surrendered. Col. Davis took 1200 prisoners, including 2 Colonels, 17 Captains, 1,000 stand of arms, 65 wagons, 1,000 horses, a large quantity of tents, baggage and supplies. Our loss was two killed and eight wounded. The Rebel loss is not known.

Information from Gla-gow states that our troops have captured about two tons of powder, buried on Claib. Jackson's farm.

Maj. Hibbard has captured sixty Rebels in Johnson county.

A movement has been made in Bainbridge, Lancaster county, to secure to fish their ancient right to navigate the Susquehanna unobstructed by the Columbia dam "and slab."

Robert W. Kerns of Snyder Co. in getting from a wagon put his hand upon the flank of his horse, which kicked, and broke the larger bone of Mr Kerns' leg. Abo.

Cotton Coming.

NEW YORK, Dec 20.---The steamer *Atlantic* has arrived, with Port Royal dates to the 19th instant. She brings 120,000 pounds of Sea Island cotton, gathered by the negroes under the direction of Government agents.

The number of troops about Port Royal is about 20,000.

Four hundred thousand pounds of cotton have been secured, and will be shipped by the next steamer.

Part of the stone fleet was off Savannah, and the rest had gone to Charlestown.

NEW YORK, Dec 20.---Advices per the steamer Atlantic state that four hundred of our men, on the 16th, crossed to the mainland, towards the Charleston & Savannah Railroad, encountered a rebel force of fifteen hundred, who retreated, after firing a volley without effect.

Universal depression is reported throughout the South, in New Orleans particularly.

A negro insurrection is reported in Mississippi by which an immense amount of property was destroyed, including $150,000 worth on the Quitman estate alone.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 17.---Two more bridge burners (Union men), were hung to-day, by order of Gen Carroll.

The Memphis Avalanche of the same date says that Galveston, Texas, has been evacuated by the Confederates!

Vague reports reach from New Orleans of the sinking of Hollins' sharp armed ship by the U. S. steamer Massachusetts.

☞The annexed comprehensive, telling article, is from that leading journal of Lancaster---the *Examiner & Herald*---a paper, conducted by a State Senator, that has always ranked among the most conservative of the old-line Whig and Republican organs of Pennsylvania:

In a Quandary.---Such, among us, as have a "fellow feeling" for their brethren down south who are busy trying to break up the Union, are in great trouble, just now, what "shape" to put themselves in on the great question which this rebellion is forcing the Government to take upon the confiscation of *all rebel property*, including slaves. The New York *Herald* has been trying hard to make up the issue for them, but the sands are gradually sliding from under the foundation upon which it has been building, and nothing will seem to be left to hold upon but open *hostility* to the War and the Government. This being rather trying, we shall expect them to come out in favor of "peace on the basis of the Southern brethren." This will cost them much more sacrifice of feeling and deeper hypocrisy than their lip service in favor of a "vigorous prosecution of the war." But "the people," under our Democratic form of government, make even the most consummate rascals seemingly unanswerable by their silence. Men, who, while this Secession Rebellion was culminating, had the hardihood to say that, if the South seceded, a majority of the people would go with the South, and Pennsylvania would join the Southern Confederacy, must acquiesce with "gnashing of teeth" in the demands of the sovereign people. They readily admit the right to take the traitors' *lives* and *estates*, but they are very slow to admit the right and duty of the government to confiscate to freedom *the men* who plants and hoes the corn, or plants and picks the cotton. This is all because he is a *black man and a slave*, things they have devoted much of their lives to perpetuate and extend.

The small party-men who here and there have resolutions passed, or write letters about being "equally opposed to the Abolitionism of the North and Secessionism of the South," are too stupid to see that such leading Democrats as John Cochrane, Daniel S. Dickinson, George Bancroft, Gen. Butler, and others, have seen the fallacy of *clothing their party to the care of Slavery Extension*, but, on the other hand, that the only possible chance for the continuance of its existence as a party is to bring it back to where it was under Jefferson, Madison, and Jackson, and before the Jefferson Davis's made it the instrument through which to extend and perpetuate slavery. There need be no trouble with any, if they will but make up their minds, and acquiesce in it gracefully, *that slavery as a controlling element in our government is a doomed institution.* Other issues will divide parties, and now is the time for *all* to say, Let us wipe out this curse---this bone of contention, for *no other* can ever engulph us in secession wars.---*Lancaster Examiner.*

A. A. Von Puttkammer, Pastor of the German Baptist Church, Albany, N. Y., is turning his fine military education to the best account. A graduate of the Berlin Military Academy, and for twenty-three years in the Prussian service, where he attained to the rank of Captain of Artillery, he is now in command of the Havelock Battery of Flying Artillery, comprising one hundred and sixty men and six guns, very soon to take the field against the enemy.

Gen. Carey, the noted temperance lecturer, says he is personally acquainted with the majority of the leaders of the Southern rebellion, and that they are all slaves to strong drink---poor, besotted, rotten drunkards.

The best cure for hard times, is to cheat the doctor by being temperate; the lawyer by keeping out of debt; the demagogue, by voting for honest men; and poverty by being industrious.

Some one wants to know whether the initials "C. S. A." means, Can't Stand Abe.

☞To PREVENT TOOLS FROM RUSTING.---Thousands of dollars are lost each year by the rusting of plows, hoes, shovels, etc. Some of this might be prevented by the application of rosin and lard to all steel and iron implements. Take three times as much weight of lard as rosin, and melt them together. This can be applied with a brush or cloth to all surfaces in danger of rusting, and they can be easily kept bright. If tools are to be laid away for the winter, give them a coating of this, and you will be well repaid. It can be kept for a long time, and should always be on hand and ready for use.

LECTURE.---Rev. R. A. FINK will [illegible]

THE UNION COUNTY TEACHERS' INSTITUTE [illegible] annual meeting in NEW [illegible] on the 30th of Jan. 1862.

In addition to the usual preparation of Essays, Reports and Addresses, the Teachers are requested to take notice of such defects of different kinds as may present themselves to them, and hand them in to the Executive Committee [illegible] to the Examination proper [illegible]

Additional Common Schools are desired [illegible] Teachers of all will please send their names to the undersigned that it may be known who want a proper district in the region.

D. HARTMAN, Co's Ex. Com.

New Berlin, Dec. 21, 1861

Lewisburg Market.

Corrected Weekly

Wheat	$115	Eggs	$ 15
Rye	50	Tallow	10
Corn	50	Lard	
Oats	30	Ham	12
Flaxseed	1,25	Shoulder & Side	8 & 9
Dried Apples	$1,00	Cloverseed	$4,00
Fallen Butter	10	Potatoes	45
Fresh Butter	11	Country Scrap	3 & 6
Flour	5,00		

MARRIED.

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DIED,

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Independent FLYING ARTILLERY.

Thirty Men wanted [illegible]

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