

FOR PRESIDENT,
JAMES BUCHANAN,
Subject to the decision of a National Convention.
DAILY MORNING POST.
MONDAY, MARCH 20, 1843.
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Harrisburg Correspondence.
HARRISBURG, March 15, 1843.
The House this morning, sent back the Apportionment Bill to the Senate, with amendments, which had been non-concurrent in by that body. It is supposed that the Senate will be very close. The House amendments are contained, with an exception or two, in a Bill reported some time ago by Mr. Brawley.

In the afternoon Mr. Carns called up a Bill which he had previously reported, relative to the inspection of flour in Pittsburg. It met with strong opposition at the very threshold, from members who represent the surrounding counties. They supposed that its provisions would operate onerously upon some of their constituents who attended the Pittsburg market. I believe that they were mistaken, and that some such law as was proposed in Mr. K.'s bill will be found necessary to secure the people of Pittsburgh and Allegheny from imposition. The bill was voted down on second reading.

Have the citizens of your good city seen the tail of the Comet? or is the atmosphere too murky with you, as it generally is, for stargazing? This extraordinary visitor was the subject of much speculation among the people here for an evening or two after it was first observed. The ignorant looked upon it with wonder—and the "Millions" supposed that it was the forerunner of that grand catastrophe which they have predicted is soon to befall us in the destruction of this globe of ours. This comet is said to be chasing its tail.

Catholic Institute.
This very useful and commendable Institute, formed by the exertions of Dr. O'Connor, of St. Paul's, gave a public exhibition on Friday night. From what we saw there, we did not get in, it was so densely crowded with ladies and gentlemen, the performance was highly creditable to the young men belonging to it; they having displayed much talent and industry in preparing for the occasion.—The opening address by the Very Rev. Dr. O'Connor, is highly spoken of.—Much good will result from the success of this Institute, and while under the auspices of the Reverend gentleman who founded it, it must and will succeed.

The Explosion.—There are so many and vague rumors in relation to the dreadful catastrophe of last Friday, that we feel no guaranty in making any positive statement as to the number of lives lost, the extent of the damage or the causes which produced the accident. We give all the items of information that have reached us.

The number of lives ascertained to have been lost amounts to three, viz: McCarland, Engineer; and two black men, who were drowned.

The following are the names of the persons ascertained to have been wounded: Andrew Smith, badly scalded; Michael Bready, do do; Joseph Nichols, slightly scalded; Henry Maclin, do do.

The above were part of the crew of the Manhattan, who were on board the Catter as passengers.

One black man was badly scalded, and another slightly.

Two white men were slightly scalded, and also a white woman. Their names have not been ascertained.

Joseph Hughes, 1st Engineer, very badly scalded. His recovery is much doubted.

The American of Saturday is very severe on the Captain and the Engineers, but with what degree of justice we cannot say. Public opinion, however, seems to acquit the Captain of blame.

Since the above was in type we learn that the 1st Engineer, Joseph Hughes, died at the house of J. Winton on Saturday evening last at about 9 o'clock.

The cutter left about 3 o'clock yesterday morning, having on board the dead bodies of both the Engineers.

Dreadful Accident—A Child burnt to death.
A little girl, about 8 years of age, an adopted daughter of Wm C. Hays, of Washington Hall, was burnt to death on last Saturday morning, about 9 o'clock; caused by her clothes catching fire while reaching for a comb on the mantel-piece. She only survived 15 minutes. It is thought that it was not an accidental burn, but being misled the father, that caused her death.

There are strong symptoms in Boston of the reputation of bustles.

Hon. W. W. IRWIN.
However much some may object to this gentleman for the able manner in which he has sustained and defended the administration, we think that all his constituents will be gratified with the following compliment paid him, by the Washington Spectator, and heartily respond to the friendly wish, that his journey abroad may be agreeable and happy.

Having laid by the editorial pen, last week, as is our wont, before Friday night, we were not able to make any remarks upon the final action of the Senate with regard to the nominations sent in by the President. We should, otherwise, have expressed the no common gratification which we felt at the flattering manner in which the nomination of Mr. Irwin, as Charge d' Affaires to Denmark, was confirmed. The kindness of temper and propriety of bearing so uniformly exhibited by Mr. Irwin, have won for him general regard to such a degree, as entirely to efface, in his case, the asperity of political opposition. It is for us to speak of the warmth of his heart and the generosity of his disposition, and to express our unbiased conviction that the interests of the country could not be confided to purer or more competent hands. We wish him and his amiable family an agreeable and instructive sojourn abroad, as well as a happy return to a large and attached family circle.

A Windfall.—The New York American says:—The heirs of one of our oldest and wealthiest citizens, who died a few weeks since, on taking possession of his house, discovered at the top of a chimney whatever they had no previous knowledge of until the sum of one hundred thousand dollars was collected (of which there is no account left by the deceased) part in bank bills but the larger portion in checks, one two and three years old, upon our city banks—and yet every dollar upon presentation was promptly paid on disbursement at the different banks. Such windfalls are rare enough.

They have another play house in Cincinnati, called the "People's Theatre."

PITT TOWNSHIP ELECTION.
The following is the result of the election held in Pitt township last Friday, for township officers:

JUDGE.	
John Aikins	198
INSPECTORS.	
Jacob Tomer	95
Jas Woodwell	64
SCHOOL DIRECTORS.	
Robt Black	145
N. M. Cargo	235
Geo Gumbert	118
Jas Shadle	94
Robt Nelson	170
CLERK.	
J. C. Commins	116
Robt M. Gill	74
Jas A. Irwin	139
John Sutton	91
CONSTABLE.	
Jas Richardson	346
Jas M. Kelley	183
John Irwin	45
Andw Burns	15
SUPERVISOR.	
Sim S. Smith	66
Geo Clark	22
72 John Peterson	62
Patrick D. Vlin	72
Jarard M. Brush	113
John Granvagh	130
ASSESSOR.	
Wm S. Thomson	169
Robt Gallagher	224
ASST ASSESSORS.	
Thos A. Rowley	129
Jas Chambers	149
TREASURER.	
John Rea	137
Rud Mearks	102
Alex Wilson	92
Thos Jones	110
John Little	4
AUDITOR.	
Wm Arthur	130
J. D. W. White	218
Thos Daff	32

Errors Corrected.
The Gazette of Friday last, in a spirit of characteristic dishonesty, announces a previous pardon by Governor Porter, in a case of bigamy; charged against an individual at the Court of Quarter Sessions in Beaver county. Had the miserable drone of that sheet given the least intimation of the grounds upon which the Executive clemency was invoked in behalf of the person charged with the crime, no notice would be taken of the pouring of a man so regardless of truth and fair dealing.

The facts are as follows: the unfortunate individual prosecuted for the crime of bigamy is a non-compos mentis. An official record of the proceedings in the case, established by a most respectable Jury before a Commissioner of unassailed fame, was laid before the Governor; and upon due proof that the writ "de lunatico inquirendo" had reference to the person named in the charge of bigamy, the Governor very properly extended the mercy contemplated by our laws to be exercised in such cases.

The document above referred to is now on file in the executive office at Harrisburg. One additional fact may also be mentioned; Judge Bredin on hearing that a commission of lunacy had been established in this case, in the exercise of the humane discretion postponed pronouncing sentence for the purpose of enabling the counsel of the criminal to exhibit the facts of the case in extension of the charge.

RIVER NEWS.
7 feet water in the channel.
Arrivals and Departures since our last report.

ARRIVED.
Belmont, Poe, Wheeling, Michigan, Boyes, Beaver, Cleveland, Hemphill, do, Little, Bell, Gravel, Brownsville, Ouca, Kinfielder, St. Louis.

DEPARTED.
Michigan, Boyes, Beaver, Cleveland, Hemphill, do, Herschel, Allen, Washash River, May Flower, Hutcheson, Louisville, Alps, Todd, Louisville, Little, Bell, Gravel, Brownsville, Alpina, Cockburn, do.

Celebration of St. Patrick's Day
At the Hotel of Mr. Hugh Sweeney, Allegheny City.

The company was called to order by the appointment of Judge Riddle, as President of the evening, and Messrs. John Anderson, H. McCullough, P. Mulvany and John Gibb as Vice Presidents. The Secretaries chosen were J. B. Guthrie, C. Darraugh and James Callan.

We deem it unnecessary to say more than that the occasion was a "feast of reason and flow of soul." The unjoined proceedings will fully express the fraternal and friendly feelings of the friends to Ireland at the entertainment.

REGULAR TOASTS.
1. The anniversary of St. Patrick's Day—The most authentic record of the past date, the demise of St. Patrick about the 17th March, A. D. 462. While we revere his memory, may we emulate the virtue and purity of his life, and in matters of religious zeal, let us hope never in practice to exceed the boundaries of "Peace on Earth, good will among men."

2. Ireland—A great and powerful nation, held and governed as a conquered province by British despots. May the revolutionary dawn of "Repeal of the Union" be productive of moral, social and political results worthy of an intelligent and magnanimous people.

3. America—The country of our adoption, rich in every variety of soil and climate, possessing all essentials for consumption and defence, to render us a happy and independent people. Let our political sentiments be, a union of hearts, and a union of minds for the common welfare.

4. The President of the United States—We honor the constituted authorities of our country, and we salute President Tyler, patriotism and ability in his exposition of American views, about the "Right of search upon the high seas."

5. The Army of the United States—No standing army beyond the necessary protection to forts is required, where the breasts of freemen form a bulwark of defence.

6. The Navy of the United States—"Live oak turns our Ships, Free Tars are our men, We have no need of British force, We can whip the ocean."

7. The Governor of Pennsylvania—We commend the fidelity of Gov. Porter, in sustaining the public faith, by payment of the State debt.

8. The Right of Search upon the high seas—A solemn claim asserted by England in favor of her Colonial Navy. Our Star Spangled banner and "bit of striped bunting" deserves every effort and every sacrifice in the protection of Sailer's rights, in resistance to a revival of "Impressment."

9. The cause of public education—As the body when debarr'd from fresh air, clearing light and wholesome food droops and dies, so the omnipotent powers of mind are paralyzed when the means of education are denied to the young.

10. Civil and Religious Liberty—The one a virtuous purpose to maintain free institutions, founded upon law and order, the other the supreme law of the soul as asserting freedom of mind and adjusting spirit and tyranny.

11. Commerce and Mechanics—The producers of national wealth, the bone and muscle of the body politic.

12. The cause of Temperance throughout the World—Every moral enterprise, tending to elevate human character and advance human happiness, has our hearty assistance.

13. Woman—"Her voice's last best gift" to man. The Order of Nature and indications of Providence incite us to love them: "Honor—An Irishman's heart" &c.

St. Patrick's Day.
This day, so memorable in the annals of Ireland, and which is observed by Irish men in every Country as their National Jubilee, was celebrated by the Irishmen of this city and their friends, with more than their usual enthusiasm. The festivities at the Washington Hotel were of the most sumptuous kind, and reflected additional honor, (if that were possible), upon that Prince of caterers, Mr. Armstrong, his gentlemanly and obliging proprietor.

Judging from the rapid demolition of the numerous rich, spicy, and well savored dishes which loaded the tables, the guests seemed to well appreciate both the taste and flavor of the good things spread before them. The Committee of arrangement, who deserve much praise for their efforts in getting up this splendid entertainment, announced the officers of the meeting to be

William McElroy, Esq. President.
Col. E. Trivello, Vice Pres't.
Thos Wadsworth, John O'Neil, John Lafferty, John Taylor, Thomas Phillips, Secretaries.

On the right of the President was seated the Hon. Judge Shibley of the District Court, and on his left, the Hon. Judge Porter of the Common Pleas. After ample justice had been done to the feast, and the cloth removed, the following toasts, prepared by the committee previously appointed for that purpose, were read by the Secretaries from each end of the table, and drunk by the company, with rapturous applause.

Regular Toasts.
1. The 17th of March—Consecrated by the efforts of the firm as successful in dissolving the union between Ireland and England, as have been those of the latter in breaking the seductive influence of the "craze of the law," and regenerating the country from a moral thralldom, more ruinous and degrading than the injustice of England.

By R. H. Kerr—Samuel W. Black—the worthy and talented Son of a true Irishman; his goodness of heart is only equalled by his love for the freedom of Ireland.

By Robert Gray, jr.—Robert Emmet—the Washington of Ireland. Success made the one a Hero, Defeat made the other a Traitor.

By John A. Montague—Daniel O'Connell—the Champion of Liberty, whose illustrious name will shine bright in the pages of Ireland's history, as the truly independent and invincible advocate of even handed justice to all the children of Erin.

By M. Tracy—The ancient seat of Irish Legislation, College green, occupied by money changers, may their tables be soon overturned, and Ireland's representatives take their place.

By the Company—Samuel W. Black, Esq. We honor him, because that he is the son of a patriot of '82, but more, because of his own personal worth, high talents and the ardor and devotion with which he dedicates himself to every thing pertaining to the welfare of Ireland and of Irishmen.

Mr. Black replied to this in a few appropriate remarks, and concluded by offering the following: The union of Irishmen here for the sake of distinction at home.

By David Ritchie—Irishmen in America, may their motto be, Union without respect to politics or Religion.

By James Lindsay—O'Connell, Ireland and her own Legislative Government, with a *crida* *de* *faulthe*.

Wm B. Thompson—Peace, plenty, Liberty and Union.

By H. Duffy—General Jackson—Almost an Irishman by birth, though an Irishman in spirit and moral independence. His character will ever be defended and his memory cherished by every true hearted Irishman.

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By Matthew Sloan, Salt merchant—Ireland the Garden of the World—Her products the salt of the Earth.

By John Gray—Ireland, may the arms of her tyrant taskmasters become careless by the moral energy of her sons; may she be free as the air that surrounds her, which can only be effected by her children mutually agreeing to expel the fiends, bigotry, superstition and party spirit from among them, and may their motto be, that of the United States, Virtue, Liberty and Independence.

By F. Thomas—Emmet's request—It is time his Epitaph should be written.

By John Conolly—The Memory of the illustrious dead—The Apostle of Ireland—He preached and disseminated the religion of the Cross, without the aid of persecuting associations.

By John Ferrall—The living saint of Ireland—Father Matthew. His peaceful teachings banish discord and dissension and excite to union and return. The tree of Knowledge flourishes most where fanaticism is succeeded by persuasion, and from Knowledge only can Liberty and Equality come forth. Ireland temperate must soon be Ireland free. Rejoice friends of justice and of man, Emmet's epitaph is prepared. The writing is being done by Ericus son of MATTHEW, the spelle of Temperance.

By B. McKenna—An Irishman's heart requires no knacks, it is as open as his hand.

By G. W. Jameson—Peace and prosperity to America, that Irishmen may live happily in the land of their adoption.

By Wm Paul—Evan's Safety Valve—A stitch in time saves nine.

By R. H. K.—Evan's Safety Valve—With it we are free from explosion, but, may the British government collapse, and Ireland apply the American remedy—Liberty, Freedom or death!

EAST LIBERTY, March 17, 1843.
Gentlemen:—I had fully intended in compliance with your invitation, to take part with you this evening in the celebration of the anniversary of Ireland's patriot saint. But circumstances have intervened, which put it out of my power.

Although I must deny myself the pleasure of being with you in person, I am heartily with you in every sentiment of admiration for the character of the great Missionary, whose name you meet to honor, and in every feeling of kindness and harmony that will, no doubt, characterize your proceedings.

The country, for years past, has been so wracked and soured by the outpouring of political bitterness, that it must be a relief to our citizens to meet each other "without distinction of party," to celebrate the praises of one, whose whole life was one course of universal benevolence, and good will towards his fellow men.

Permit me to offer the following sentiment: St. Patrick, and Father Matthew, their names will go down together to posterity, as the spiritual representatives of Ireland.

I am, with much respect,
Yours truly,
BENJ. FAYTON, Jr.

To Geo. W. Jackson, Thos. Hamilton, and others.

Resolved, That the proceedings be signed by the officers, and published in all the papers friendly to the occasion.

(Signed by the Officers.)

LAW SCHOOL.
Western University.
The next term will commence on the first of August. In April next, and in the middle of August, there will be a public examination, and the successful candidates will receive their diplomas in advance.

Persons desiring of entering are requested to apply to the Professor, Warren H. Lewis, at his residence, Fourth street, near the Mayor's office, March 20, 1843.

NEW ESTABLISHMENT.
Aphrodisy Furnishing.
The Public that has just opened the West No. 20, between the Erie and Allegheny streets, and adjacent to the Erie Canal, where he intends to manufacture in the best style, and have ready for sale a full assortment of the first quality of Fabrics, such as: Hats, Suits and Straw Mattresses; Feather Beds, Sackings, &c. which he will sell for Cash at 100 percent less than former prices.

2500 Sofas, Chairs, &c. upholstered, carpets, &c. and Custom made after the newest fashions, which he offers to execute in a manner unequalled in this or any other city.

A. AARON WATSON.
The undersigned, citizens of Lower St. Clair township respectfully certify, that Aaron Watson, the above named applicant, is a gentleman of good repute for honesty and temperance, and is well provided with honest labor and conveniences for the accommodation and lodging of strangers and travelers, and that it is necessary for the accommodation of the public.

John D. Miller, John McIlwain, John McClurg, James C. McCreary, George Hoffman, Robert Cunningham, John Brown, March 20, 1843.

The Honorable the Judges of the County of Allegheny, General Quarter Sessions of the Peace, in and for the County of Allegheny.

The petition of Moses Dunlavy, of Upper St. Clair Township, in the County aforesaid, sheweth—

That your petitioner has provided himself with materials for the accommodation of travelers and others, at his dwelling house in the township aforesaid, and prays that your Honor will be pleased to grant him a license to keep a Public House of Entertainment, and your petitioner, as in and to be set forth in the accompanying petition, do certify that the above petitioner is of good repute for honesty and temperance, and is well provided with honest labor and conveniences for the accommodation and lodging of strangers and travelers, and that said tavern is necessary.

Wm. Kerr, Saml. Fryer, John Ritzgarden, Alexander Park, Wm. Fryer, Wm. Nixon, Samuel Conner, March 20 31.