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THE INTERESTS OF CLEARFIELD COUNTY.

The lumbering business of Clearfield county, as all here know, is immense. Away from those places with which the trade comes directly in contact, it is not known that the operations of this business are felt in so wide a range as is actually the case.

About half a century ago, the rafting business was commenced by the few persons who then dwelt along the West Branch and its tributaries in the counties of Centre, Elk and Clearfield. At that time, the bed of the stream over which the turbid waters dash at frightful speed during freshets, was full of rocks which endangered not only their property, but their lives, in navigating this part of the Susquehanna.

We have some exciting times here, occasionally, but peace and quiet and harmony are soon restored. The people, generally, are very enterprising, wide awake, and, withal, are never forgetful of their own interest.

There was considerable interest manifested in the late election for delegate to Congress. The general desire was to defeat Mr. Chapman, the late delegate, for reason of his official misdeeds. He, however, came out second best, notwithstanding the powerful influences bro't to bear against him.

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Last Saturday three slaves escaped from their masters in Missouri, and endeavored to gain their freedom by crossing the Missouri River into Nebraska. They succeeded in crossing the river safely, and had concealed themselves very snugly in the high grass and weeds. Their pursuers were not far behind them.

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to the propriety of having a bill to restrict log floating passed, it would have to give way to justice, which will certainly decide that those who expended their means to remove obstructions and render the navigation comparatively safe, who have opened roads, improved the lands, and made the wilderness to bud and blossom as the rose, should have the preference in the use of the stream.

This question, it must be evident to every individual who examines it, is one of the most vital importance to Clearfield county, so much so is it, indeed, that it is likely to absorb political considerations this fall, and it is also of no little interest to other sections of the country. In the event of a bill being passed by the Legislature next winter, it is essential that there should be a man occupying the Executive chair, who will not frustrate legislation on the subject, but who will sign a bill to protect the raftsmen.

LETTER FROM NEBRASKA.

Correspondence of the "Raftsmen's Journal." Anchor, Richardson Co., N. T., 8th Sept., 1857.

FAREWELL ROW.—Nebraska, in all of its glory and beauty, is as prosperous as when I wrote you before. The earth has yielded to its monarchs its luxuriant summer fruits, and is now exchanging its "mantle of green" for the golden one of autumn.

The Pacific overland mail contract was signed at N. York on the 19th, by Messrs. John Butterfield, William B. Dinsmore, Wm. G. Fargo, and others, and Mr. Dundas, on behalf of the government. The contract runs six years, at \$600,000 per annum, and goes into effect one year from date.

The Administration is determined to enforce the neutrality laws, and on the 18th took the initiatory steps for that purpose. In addition to information having been received of the fitting out of three several expeditions, viz: at New York, New Orleans, and Mobile, for the re-invasion of Nicaragua, under the leadership of General Walker, intelligence from an official quarter has come to hand of another expedition, having its centre in, if not nearly altogether confined to Texas, for the invasion of Mexico, and it is supposed being designed for the seizure of the State of Tamaulipas.

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SUMMARY OF NEWS.

Advices by way of California, state that Mr. Sullivan the charge d'affaires at Lima, has been murdered by six Peruvians.

The Government of Costa Rica had decreed the expected Walker expedition to be a piratical affair, and the actors, if captured, would be treated accordingly.

The Citizens Bank of Lineal Collard and Hughes, suspended on the 14th.

A special dispatch to the N. Y. Tribune from Washington City says the Commissioners of the Land and Patent offices had a conference with the Secretary of the Interior, a few days since, at which it was decided to dismiss all clerks suspected of being tainted with Know-Nothingism or Republicanism.

Advices by the Persia from Europe state that, eleven more British regiments are under orders for India.

The Mobile Register states that \$150,000 have been raised in Georgia to aid General Walker in a descent upon Nicaragua.

The election in Washington Territory resulted in the selection of 29 Democrats and 5 Republicans as Representatives.

Mr. Curtis' resignation as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, has been accepted.

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During the latter part of the week ending on the 12th, and the beginning of the past week, there were heavy gales on the Atlantic Ocean, and several vessels were lost.

The Mutiny in India is the absorbing topic of the English press. The mail by the Baltic reports no new events, but brings a mass of interesting details.

The reinforcements from Great Britain to India amounted to 40,000 men.

Through the arbitration of England and France the difficulties between Spain and Mexico are upon the eve of settlement, and the preparations for the invasion of the latter by the former country have consequently been suspended.

The allied Powers—England and France—are entirely agreed as to their policy in Chinese affairs, and will declare war simultaneously in case Lord Elgin fails to obtain satisfaction.

SENATOR BIGLER'S SPEECH.

The Post and Union of this city, published the Pittsburgh Gazette, of Sept. 14, says on Saturday, a speech of Senator Bigler, delivered by that gentleman on Tuesday, the 8th inst., at Clarion. The telling speeches of Judge Wilmot during the last two or three weeks, in which he has held up the record of that recent Senator to the people, has made a commotion in the camp of the "Democracy," and his blows have tingled so sharply that even the tough back of a man so used to political flaying as is Mr. Bigler, has bent under them.

It is not our design to make any general reply here to this effort of the Senator. We wish simply to allude to one portion of it. It is known by all who have heard or read any of the recent speeches of Judge Wilmot that he lays before us the record of William Bigler who, at the time of the introduction of the Wilmot Proviso—1847-48, was a member of our State Senate, and in that record we find this Senator Bigler voting and speaking for a resolution fully endorsing that Proviso, which resolution was subsequently adopted by the unanimous vote of the Senate.

Admitting all that Mr. W. alleges, I do not see that he makes out any man's destruction. The wisest men in the nation have often been wrong in their first impressions as to the expediency of suddenly proposed measures, and to be mistaken on a constitutional question, is no uncommon thing among able lawyers. As to the Pennsylvania resolution, it certainly did not receive that consideration to which it was entitled. I do not believe it was under consideration in the Senate exceeding one half hour before it passed finally.

Reflection upon these things soon after, and long before I knew that Mr. Wilmot intended to press the principle as admissible when applied to territory which had been long previously acquired by the common blood and treasure of all the States, without any such original condition, convinced my mind that its practical operation would do injustice to the slaveholding States, and I discarded its doctrines entirely.

Senator Bigler certainly deserves all the credit such an explanation can reflect upon him. He deserves all the boot he can win in a bargain between inconsistency and incompetency.

But we are not willing to grant him what little comfort his newly chosen position may afford. "The resolution endorsing the Wilmot Proviso was not under consideration in the Senate exceeding half an hour before its final passage," says Mr. Bigler! That is a lame dodge. How long was he watching its progress through the House, and how long discussing it in the quiet knot of politicians gathered at the street corners; politicians who thought, at that moment, they saw Senatorships, Consulships and fat salaries shining through the Wilmot Proviso?

He has since administered the wonderful remedy to thousands of sufferers in all parts of the world, and he has never failed in making them completely healthy and happy. Wishing to do as much good as possible, he will send to such of his afflicted fellow-beings as request it, this receipt, with full and explicit directions for making it up, and success in using it. It requires no application to inclose him one shilling—three cents to be returned as postage on the receipt, and the remainder to be applied to the payment of this advertisement. Address, Dr. H. JAMES, No. 19 Grand street, Jersey City, N. J.

REMOVAL OF ROBINS' LITERARY DEPOT. Thomas Robins, having removed his Book and Drug Store to the Store Room formerly occupied by Richard Shaw & Son, one door West of the "Mansion House," where he is prepared to accommodate his former customers and the public generally, with every description of Groceries to his former stock, he is now prepared to accommodate all who may favor him with a call, with COFFEE, SUGAR, TEA, MOLASSES, &c. &c.

BOOKS OF ALL KINDS AND STYLES, FANCY ARTICLES AND CONFECTIONARIES, TOBACCO AND CIGARS, DRUGS, MEDICINES, DYE STUFFS, PAINTS, &c. &c. Among his stock will be found Histories, Biographies, Sketches, School Books, Poetical, Scientific, Mechanical, Medical and Law works; the latest publications always on hand or procured to order; all the Magazines furnished monthly, at publishers prices; fancy and common letter paper; plain and ruled cap paper; perforated paper; note paper; fancy and common envelopes; blank Books; a great variety of Steel Pens, Quills, and other Pen-holders, pencils, &c. &c., which he will sell at the most reasonable prices.

His stock of Drugs, Medicines, Dye-stuffs, Paints, &c., is large and well selected; among which are Calomel, Blue Mass, Quinine, Morphia, Real Precipitate, Rhubarb, root and pulverized; Rochelle and Epsom Salts; Cream of Tartar, Sulphur, Senega, Pink Root, Sup. Carbonate Soda, Tartaric Acid, Sulphate of Zinc; Liquorice, Columbo and Cassia root; Logwood, Oil of Turpentine, Blue Vitriol, Copera, Alum, Red Lead, Prussian Blue, Chrome Green and Yellow, Vermilion, Terra de Sienna, and in fact a general assortment.

He has also a fine lot of Ladies' Gold Breast Pins, Ear Drops, Rings, &c. Also Wash Guards and Keys, Penknives, Hair oils; Hair Reading, Fine and Pocket combs, Tooth-picks, Razors and Straps, Saddle's SIK, Pearl powder, Fancy Soaps and Perfumery, a great variety.

Also, Prunes, Figs, Raisins, Almonds, Peasants and Filberts; Candies a general assortment; Cinamon, Cloves, Pepper, and other spices; Blacking, and Sperm Cotton; the most popular Patent Medicines of the day; a quantity of which will be sold at the very cheapest rates.

Call and examine the stock and judge for yourselves. [Sept 23] THOMAS ROBINS.

servant girls for some time past, soon, servant girls will look earnestly for places, and be very glad to find them. Soup-houses for hungry laborers who can find no labor will be wanted here before January.

We state these ungracious truths in order that the evil day being foreseen, it may be measurably obviated. We entreat the intelligent and benevolent on all sides to warn the poor against coming to this or any other commercial city in quest of work before March next. Better work till Spring for their board in the Country than to trust their luck in a great City. If laborers flock hither as usual when farm work is over in the adjacent country, three-fourths of them will eat up their Summer savings and be virtual paupers by midwinter. Let them be entreated to stay away, and let artists, performers, and those who hope to live by teaching languages, do likewise. Get together labor and rude fare in some rural neighborhood than the chances of one who drops into a great city just when its people are generally intent on retrenching their expenditures to meet the exigencies of hard times.

"THE GOLD BOX PANG" has ended in a "ridiculous mess," and Andrew Jackson, Jr., disgusted with the rudeness and conditions of the "bravest men," has left New York and taken the "sawmill" with him. The "milling-tar," meanwhile, are in an awful sweat. The friends of Maj. Dickman, whom the City Councils had officially pronounced "the bravest man," are cursing like troopers, while the adherents and partisans of that other "brave," Maj. Burnett, (who also served in the Mexican war), are decidedly jolly. Andrew Jackson, Jr., is said to have gone up to West Point, and the probability is that he will take the gold box back with him to Tennessee.

New Advertisements.

ASSEMBLY.—Mr. Row.—N. Y. You will please announce that Hon. JAMES T. LEONARD, of Clearfield, will be presented as an independent candidate for Assembly, irrespective of party, by SEPT. 23. MANY CITIZENS OF CLEARFIELD CO.

ASSEMBLY.—Robert Matson, of Rose town, Jefferson county, is presented as an independent candidate for the Assembly, at the ensuing election. Sept. 23-24

HATHAWAY STOVES.—A good article at low prices at the "corner." WM. IRVIN.

STONE AND EARTHENWARE.—A large assortment of Jugs, Stone-pipe Collars and Crooks of all kinds, for sale at the "corner." Curwensville, Sept. 23. WM. IRVIN.

WANTED.—Two teachers to teach the Public Schools, in the Borough of Curwensville, for the term of six months, to commence about the 1st October. Application to be made to JOSIAH EVANS, Secretary of the Board of Directors. Sept. 23.

CAUTION.—Stolen from the subscriber, on or about the 1st of September, a Bag given by Andrew Moore, in or near James Cross, containing \$29.00. All persons are hereby cautioned against receiving, or taking any assignment of the same. D. S. MOORE, Lumber City, Sept. 10, 1857-sept23-31

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned against buying or in any way meddling with a yoke of oxen, now in possession of A. L. Murphy, of Penn township, said oxen belong to me, and have only been loaned to said A. J. Murphy. NATHAN MOORE, Union tp., Centre Co., Pa., Sept. 16, 1857-23-31

THE SUBSCRIBER PROPOSES OPENING a school for youth, male and female, on the 12th day of October, 1857, provided sufficient encouragement be given. For this purpose, in connection with the "Board of Trustees," he is fitting up a room in the lower story of the "Clearfield Institute," where he hopes to render his pupils comfortable in the pursuit of their studies. No effort will be spared to promote the moral and intellectual improvement of the pupils attending this school.

TUITION PER TERM OF ELEVEN WEEKS, Orthography, Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Geography and English Grammar, \$4 00. Higher branches of an English Education \$6 00 and the Classics. No scholar received for less than a term, and no deduction made for absence, except in cases of protracted sickness. J. BUCHANAN, Clearfield, September 23, 1857-41.

RETIREMENT PHYSICIAN 75 years of Age whose sands of life have nearly run out, discovered while in the East Indies, a certain cure for Consumption, Asthma, Bronchitis, Coughs, Colds, and General Debility. The remedy was discovered by him when his only child, a daughter, was given up to die. He had heard much of the wonderful restorative and healing qualities of preparations made from the East India Hemp, and the thought occurred to him that he might make a remedy for his own child, he studied hard and succeeded in realizing his wishes. His child was cured, and is now alive and well. He has since administered the wonderful remedy to thousands of sufferers in all parts of the world, and he has never failed in making them completely healthy and happy. Wishing to do as much good as possible, he will send to such of his afflicted fellow-beings as request it, this receipt, with full and explicit directions for making it up, and success in using it. It requires no application to inclose him one shilling—three cents to be returned as postage on the receipt, and the remainder to be applied to the payment of this advertisement. Address, Dr. H. JAMES, No. 19 Grand street, Jersey City, N. J.

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MR. WILLIAM GARAHAN, one of the firm, may be found at the public house of D.M. Weaver, in Old Town, during each Court, for the purpose of receiving orders, and will deliver a few words through all the different parts of the county. Persons in want of work, will do well to retain their orders until called upon, or send them by mail.

This work will be delivered to any part of the county, free of freight. Address, S. A. GIBSON & CO., Belleville Marble Works, May 13, 1857-60. Clearfield, and Levi Speare, Curwensville, authorized agents for this county, will all orders promptly.

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BRICK, on hand and for sale by WM. IRVIN, Curwensville, Sept. 9, 1857.

ATTENTION REGULARS.—You are ordered to meet for parade, on Saturday, September 26th, at 10 o'clock, P. M. By order of the Captain, GEO. W. FHEEM, 1st Sergeant, Sept. 23.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE.—The residence of J. M. Ploutz in Pennsylvania, may be bought cheap by immediate application to me. [dec10-17] J. B. McENALLY.

AMBROTYPES.—P. C. PERVIANCO, Proprietor of Photographic Chemistry, Galleries at his residence, 141 Street, one door East of Merrell & Carter's Tin-ware establishment, Clearfield, Pa. Days of operation: Friday and Saturday of each week. june18/56

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE.—The house occupied by J. H. Lutzinger, Esq., situate on the road from Clearfield to Curwensville, near Welch's saw-mill, will be sold very low. It is suitable for a store and dwelling. Terms apply to J. J. CRANE, Clearfield, Pa. sep9

HARVEST HOME.—A Harvest Home will be held on Saturday the 26th inst., in the grove on the opposite side of Anderson Creek from the town of Curwensville. Several addresses will be delivered. The Curwensville Brass Band will also be in attendance. A dinner will be served at 2 o'clock. STEPHEN GRAFF, September 16.

NOTICE TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE PILGRIMS PROGRESS MUTUAL BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION.—A Letting of the funds of the Association will be held at the house of Jacob Mock, in Klyburntown, Morris town ship, on Saturday, the 31 day of October next, at 10 o'clock, A. M. WM. L. SHAW, Goshen tp., Sept. 15, 1857. Secretary.

FARMERS LOOK AT THIS! The undersigned, agent for the sale of WILSON'S THRESHING MACHINES, gives notice that he is prepared to supply the Farmers of Clearfield county, on the shortest notice, with TWO, THREE or FOUR HORSE MACHINES, at the most reasonable prices. These machines are not surpassed by any in the United States, and will thresh in one day, if properly attended, from 100 to 100 bushels. Repairing done to order. Clearfield, August 12, 1857-3m-pd. SAMUEL WHEATMAN

FOR SALE.—The undersigned offers for sale, on reasonable terms, his entire interest in that valuable Saw-mill property situated on Little Anderson's creek, one and a half miles below Moore's Mill, on the road leading from Pennville to Curwensville. There is in connection with the saw-mill, a good frame house, barn, spring house and other out-buildings on the premises. For further particulars apply to the subscriber, residing in Penn township, one mile south-east of Pennville, Clearfield county. SAMUEL WHEATMAN, Aug. 27-3m.

NOTICE.—All persons indebted to Samuel N. Rice, by note, bond or book account, are requested to make immediate payment, and persons with unsettled accounts will call and settle before the 15th of November, and save costs. Bills will be taken in payment at the highest rate of discount. SAMUEL RICE, N. B. All business from this date will be transacted in the name of S. Rice & Junod. Thankful for past favors, they respectfully solicit a continuation of custom from the friends of the firm. New Washington, Aug. 20, 1857-2m

VALUABLE FARM AND SAW-MILL OFFERED FOR SALE.—The undersigned offers that valuable property on which he now resides, for sale, on reasonable terms. The property is situate 2 miles above Clearfield on the Susquehanna river, comprising 270 acres of land, of which 70 acres are cleared and under the plow, having thereon two orchards, a good frame two-story dwelling house, also another smaller two-story house, an excellent bank barn 60 feet by 40 feet, also a Saw and Lath Mill, with good water power. The balance of the land is wooded, of which a considerable portion is well timbered. Apply to J. B. McEnally, at Clearfield, or to the subscriber on the premises. PHILIP INTES, sep9-3m

NEWS FOR BAREFOOTED FOLK.—THE SUBSCRIBERS WISH TO INFORM THEIR FRIENDS AND THE PUBLIC GENERALLY, that they have bought out Frank Short of the "SHORT SHOE SHOP" in Shaw's Row, and mean to continue the FOOT and SHOE making business, as heretofore. Customers wishing to be supplied with substantial work, if they will give us a call before purchasing elsewhere, will find it to their advantage. All kinds of ready made work, and custom made, on short notice. Repairing done on short notice. Likewise, all work sent out from our establishment is warranted not to be superseded by any in the country, be they Yankee or any body else. GEORGE NEWSON, Clearfield, Pa., August 26, 1857.

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