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IS IT NOT SO!

Corruption, swindling, peculation, robbery, debauchery, perjury, wantonness, murder—these are just now a few of the distinguishing features of our National Capital.

Now is the more prevalence of crime and corruption the worst of it. That it should, in its most dangerous and hideous forms, be permitted to prevail under the very noses of, and even be in effect sanctioned by those high in authority, is still more deplorable.

All this is wrong—it is shocking—and indicates the woful demoralization that pervades society in the capital of the Nation.

FARMERS' HIGH SCHOOL.—Our attention has been called to a paragraph in the letter of our Harrisburg correspondent, published last week, in which it is alleged that the Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania, is a kind of private speculation.

T. B. Peterson & Co., of Philadelphia, are publishing a cheap edition of Sir Walter Scott's novels—the price being 25 cents each.

WAR IN EUROPE.—The indications are now that there will before long be a general European war.

On Thursday evening last, a little after nine o'clock, Gov. Packer had a very severe attack of Congestion of the Lungs.

Postmaster General A. V. Brown died at Washington City on the 8th instant.

The Whigs of North Carolina propose to run a ticket at the next election.

LETTER FROM HARRISBURG.

Special correspondence of the Raftsmans' Journal. MARCH 12, 1859.

MR DEAR ROW:—Pine county is leader than a Chesapeake shad or a Scotch herring—whereas some will sorrow, while others will rejoice.

When the bill was called upon—Mr. Taylor offered the following amendment: strike out all after the word "beginning," in the first section, till the word "street," in the eighth line, and insert the following:

"At a point on the line of Indiana and Jefferson counties, midway between the line of Clearfield county and the corner of Canoe and North Mahoning townships, in Indiana county, and running thence along the said line of Indiana and Jefferson counties, to the corner of the townships of Canoe and North Mahoning, in said county line, and to continue the same course of the line between said townships of Canoe and North Mahoning."

Mr. Taylor said—There seems to be quite a rage for the erection of new counties, at the present session, as well as for the removal of seats of justice. These new county projects are, doubtless, sometimes meritorious; but frequently they are not.

Mr. Boyer, of Clearfield, said—Mr. Speaker: I do not know that I shall attempt to reply at length to the arguments of the gentleman from Indiana, (Mr. Taylor), for any discerning mind cannot help but see at a glance, the certain fact of this meritorious question, for this simple matter of right and justice which the people praying for this new county have so long had refused them, at the hands of preceding Legislatures, has not, I am confident, suffered much from the arguments advanced by the gentleman from Indiana.

MR. SPEAKER:—I only desire to raise at this moment my earnest objections to the amendment offered by the gentleman representing the opposition to this bill; for this under-handed mode of slaughter, is certainly extremely unkind; for the gentleman well knows that this amendment has the virtual effect of killing the bill, and we would prefer resting the matter here, to having it slaughtered by this side thrust, under the hypocritical pretence of good feeling and sincerity towards those who are asking this new county, and who have suffered great inconveniences for the want of it.

One word in reply to the assertion that the people of Indiana county, embraced in the proposed boundaries of this new county, are generally all opposed to it. Now the facts are just the reverse, for more than nine-tenths of all the people of Indiana county included in the lines of Pine county have petitioned this House for, and asked to be included in, the boundaries of the new county, which, however, this House, as well as the gentleman of Indiana, well knows; but we see the influences against this bill, and therefore can only ask this last simple act of justice, and that is, that this bill be not defeated, by accepting the amendment of the gentleman of Indiana, but permit the bill to pass, if it is to be a real benefit; for it is the only bill we can offer consistent with the constitution, and can therefore not consent to any other proposition.

YEAS—Mess. S. Abbott, Acker, Barnsley, Barlow, Bayard, Boyer, (Schuylkill), Burley, Campbell, Dods, Duboraw, Eckman, Ellman, Fisher, Foster, Galle, Graham, Gratz, Hamersly, Harding, Irish, Kinney, Mann, McClure, McCarly, McDowell, Nill, Patterson, Peirce, Proudfoot, Quigley, Ramsdell, Rohrer, Rose, Rouse, Shafer, Taylor, Thompson, Thoro, Walker, Warden, Wigton, Williams, (Bucks), Williston, Wilson, Withrow and Zoller—46.

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It is an admitted fact that traveling Quack Doctors kill more persons than they cure.

PENNSYLVANIA ITEMS.

PREPARED FOR THE "RAFTSMAN'S JOURNAL."

CAMBRIA COUNTY.—A man named W. E. was frozen to death one night last week in Allegheny township, near Buck's Mill. His remains were discovered in the morning when all attempts to revive him proved abortive; the vital spark had fled.

LAWRENCE COUNTY.—George Martin, son of Wm. Martin, of Washington township, aged about 25 years, was dangerously shot, at his father's residence, on the 7th inst.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.—A little boy, four years of age, a son of Mrs. Oyer recently strayed from home. The whole neighborhood started out on the search, scouring the surrounding mountains through the day, and displaying light torches after night.

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AS HONEST CONFESION.—Senator Tombs, with all his errors, is a bold man, and sometimes says what is not agreeable to his political associates. In his late speech, of the revenue question, he thus spoke of the wastefulness of the National Administration:

"Your appropriations for navy-yards have gone to the building of houses for officers and making of flower pots and all that kind of thing, at a cost of \$2,000,000; and it will go no less as long as you will pay it, but will go up to \$4,000,000 if you have no need for it. You have \$2,000,000 that you do not stop it. There are 8,000 men in your navy-yards, you have 8,000 men in your navy-yards to help them,—citizens. You have carried their number up from 3,000 to 8,000. You have eight navy-yards. England has over 350 ships and she has two navy-yards. You have eight conveniently located all about the country, and it is a cause of reproach to good Democrats, for the enemy say keep people there to cheat them in elections, and as God is my judge, I am afraid there is something in it."

A CHILD'S INFLUENZA.—In Mariopoli, California, there lived a large-eyed, beautiful prattler—Mary Cameron. One evening, when all was silent, she looked up anxiously into the face of her backsliding father, who had ceased to pray in the family, and said, "Pa, is God dead?" "No, my child, why do you ask that?" "Why, pa, you never talk to him as you used to do." These words haunted him until he was reclaimed.

A California paper states that an expressman in that State, who was chased by eight wolves on the 20th of January, dropped his letter bag, ran to a pine stump, and set it on fire. The wolves tore up the mail bag, and then, being frightened by the blaze of the pine wood, ran away. This is taking the stump to some advantage.

POPULAR WITH THE LADIES.—We learn from the Pittsburg papers that Meyers, the bigamist, was visited in the Calaboose on the 11th by about one hundred German ladies, who seemed to regard him as a physical wonder and an object of admiration. As the hero of five living wives, he was regarded with intense curiosity.

The annual election for Governor, Railroad Commissioner, three members of Congress, and Members of the Legislature took place in New Hampshire, on Monday a-week. The Republicans carried the State, electing all their candidates. The majority in the Legislature will be large for the same party.

The remains of Charles J. Thurston the grocer, who met his death by his unfortunate ascension from Adrian, Michigan, on the 16th of September last, were accidentally found on Sunday a-week, about ten miles from the place of ascent. His remains were brought to Adrian and fully identified.

The exploit of William Tell has stimulated a weaver at Spire to try his hand at rifle practice on his young son, on whose head he placed a potato, and brought down the tuber at one hundred yards, but was had up before the police and sent to jail for a week by the indignant magistrate.

It is said that the Committee in the Fry Divorce case have reported a bill granting the petition of Mrs. Fry; but we do not believe that it will be adopted by the Legislature. Money seems to have had something to do with carrying the matter as far as it has gone.

Delazon Smith, who was admitted as United States Senator from Oregon a few weeks since, for the short term, which expired on the 4th inst., will make a profitable job out of his two weeks service. He will get full pay, and about \$6,000 mileage!

A Virginia paper says that the portion of the Old Dominion called the Panhandle is inhabited by abolitionists. If the abolitionists have got hold of the handle of the pan, isn't there danger that they may upset the whole utensil?—Pretence.

On the 27th Feb., the steamer Princess, on her way from Vicksburg to New Orleans, exploded her boiler and then took fire and burned up. She was crowded with passengers, and it is supposed that from 75 to 100 persons perished.

Sick Headache can be cured by the use of Du Vall's Galvanic Oil in from five to twenty minutes. Sores breasts and sore nipples are cured soundly by the use of this article, and it will remove all sore and pain in a few minutes.

On the 9th inst., the floor of the first Catholic Church in Oswego, New York, gave way, causing considerable consternation among the congregation. In attempting to escape four or five persons were killed and much injured.

High tariffs, says the Washington Union, are a necessity whenever enormous sums of money are to be raised. And enormous sums always have to be raised when the Democratic party is in power.—Lon. Journal.

The population of California, according to the best estimates, amount to 600,000. When the next apportionment comes to be made, the State will have six members of Congress.

In South Carolina the slave population is 383,000. The white population 283,000. The increase of population among the blacks is three times as great as it is among the whites.

John Marron, Esq., the Third Assistant Postmaster General of the United States, died suddenly at Washington, on Thursday night last.

Mexico is still convulsed with intestine commotions. It seems to be "a free fight," and there is no telling who will come out winner.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

DEATH NURSERY.—The undersigned, residing three miles above the town of Clearfield in Lawrence township, has about Two Thousand young and thrifty peach trees which he will dispose of at reasonable terms.

HIGHLY IMPORTANT INFORMATION.—L. A. W. REIZENSTEIN, corner of 7th and 8th streets, opposite William Barker's "Mansion House," LOCK HAVEN, PENNA.

REMY-MADE CLOTHING. ALSO FURNISHING GOODS.—HATS AND CAPS.—BOOTS AND SHOES.—Established Twenty Years.—Every description of Building, Mechanical, Painting and Household Hardware, is now in store, and will be offered at the lowest market prices.

THE CLEARFIELD ACADEMY WILL be opened on the FIRST TUESDAY OF MAY, under the supervision of the Rev. J. M. Gallowsay, and the immediate care of a competent teacher. TERMS per session of twenty-two weeks: Arithmetic and Geography, \$3.

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