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ANOTHER NEW NAME.

It is the boast of many Locofoco editors that their party never changes its name.

They are so in a limited sense; for if they have not many names for their party, yet have they an abundance of distinguishing prefixes, and we hear of a great many sorts of Democracy.

For instance, there is the Jeffersonian, the Jackson, the True, the National, the Harmonious, the Lecompton, the Hard, the Soft, the Barnburner, and it is difficult to tell how many more kinds.

And now, it seems, in order to distinguish those who adhere to Buchanan and sustain the action of the late office-holders and place-seekers convention, from those who go with Gov. Packer in carrying out the professions they made in the campaign of 1856, we are to have a new species added to the long catalogue, which is to bear the expressive appellation of "The Regenerated Democracy."

Nor is this new prefix used in a derivative manner—it comes in sober earnest from a leading organ of the "faithful"—the Harrisburg Patriot & Union—which tries, in an article under that heading, to be very severe on Gov. Packer and his friends.

An extract or two will suffice to show the style in which the editor of that paper "pitches into" the Anti-Lecompton Democrats, and threatens to demolish them in the most unmerciful manner. He says:—

"Time and again we have privately and publicly exerted every nerve and energy to win erring, guilty and recreant sons back to the fold, for fear the National Democracy might suffer by their desertion. But it has been in vain. Disorganization has continued, and corruption has stalked with head erect, until it has become the imperative duty of honest Democrats to lop off a gangrened member, lest the whole body become corrupted. We waited until the Democratic masses, through their representatives, had declared that the party with which we are connected must now, as ever, assert the position which it holds—that of righter of the wrong, defender of the oppressed, unflinching enemy of greed, and upholder of the interests of the people."

Who in the world would ever have thought that the Anti-Lecomptonites were such bad men, as the editor of the "Patriot & Union" makes them out to be—"recreant," "corrupt," "gangrened," and dishonest? Or who would have dreamed, after the long continued and determined efforts of the present National Administration to crush the popular will in Kansas, after all the developments of corruption, peculation and favoritism made the past winter, and after failing to render relief to the industrial interests of the country by a modification of the tariff, that a pet of the President—the great J. B.—would have had the brazen impudence to claim for his party such a mission as is portrayed in the last sentence of the paragraph quoted above? But so it is; and these charges and assumptions are followed by the declaration that

"The convention of the people responded; they rebuked dishonesty in high places; they re-asserted the dignity and purity of the organization; they deliberately cut loose from the dirt-bespattered and Republican gang who surround the Chief Magistrate of this Commonwealth. It is the sublimest spectacle which American partisanship exhibits."

A "sublime spectacle," we have no doubt, it must have been to behold those immanate, "pure" and "dignified" souls, old State plunderers, and the leeches that are sucking the money out of the National treasury, applying the keen-edged and inexorable scissors of party discipline, and "deliberately cut loose from the dirt-bespattered gang who surround" Gov. Packer! Unprecedented! incomparable sublimity!!! "Eye hath not seen, ear hath not heard, nor has it entered the heart of man" to conceive of such a "spectacle!"

The fate and influence of the Governor and his friends is spoken of by the Patriot & Union in the following terms:—

"Wm. F. Packer, as a politician, is dead. . . His former faction can do no harm; it expires with him. It can, at most, poll two thousand votes of sin-laden men; but the Democratic party, freed from a crushing incubus, will go proudly forward in its career of usefulness and honor."

Gov. Packer and his "former faction" may be "dead," but dead things sometimes rise again, and like Banquo's ghost, "push us from our stools," and if we are permitted to judge from recent movements, the "dead" and "sin-laden" Anti-Lecomptonites are likely to spring from their cerements, and push "the Regenerated Democracy" from the high seats which they now so haughtily occupy.

Auditor General.—Among the names mentioned in connection with the nomination for Auditor General, by the People's party in Pennsylvania, we see that of Col. S. S. Wharton, of Huntingdon. Mr. W. is a man of good ability, was once a member of the Legislature, and is doubtless well qualified for the position for which he has been named. We think the centre of the State is entitled to the prominent candidate. Last year, the Eastern part had the Supreme Judge and the West the Canal Commissioner; and it is therefore no more than right that the Auditor General should, and we think will be conceded this year to the central portion, and in this respect Col. Wharton occupies a prominent position.

Household Words for April is before us. The well established reputation of this periodical renders commendation needless. It is a publication that everybody likes to read.

LETTER FROM HARRISBURG.

Special correspondence of the Raftsmen's Journal. MARCH 26, 1859.

S. B. Row, Esq.—Dear Sir: Although it may not be strictly legislative news, it is nevertheless welcome news to your readers when I assure you that the river is still up, and so is the price of lumber. Every third man you meet about the Railroad station has a bundle under his arm, and is sure to be a lumberman—"Yanks" they call them here. The river is likely to continue high for a week or two longer.

The House having fixed the 6th of April as the day for final adjournment, I had an idea that we would shut up shop about that time, but the Senate has concluded that we cannot get through before the 14th, which will not only fill up the one hundred days, but enable the members to witness the deliberations of the Democratic Convention which meets on the 12th of April to do what the Lecompton office-holders left undone on the 16th inst.

We are soon to have an additional dose of Fry divorce case. The newspapers have been keeping the interest in it alive by writing ferocious leaders, and on Wednesday the long looked for bill was reported. Mr. Hamersley, the Chairman of the committee made an affirmative report, and immediately followed it up by offering a resolution fixing a special session on Thursday and Friday evenings to act upon the bill. The resolution was voted down, and the bill is therefore likely to come up in regular order on the private calendar.

What the result will be I cannot conjecture, but that something will be done in the premises is conceded by all hands and the cook.

The supplement to the exemption law has passed the Senate, and I do not see any barrier to its becoming a law. It was amended, however, materially before it passed, so that a waiver only holds against a note or obligation given for house rent, or necessities absolutely used in a family, and when the exemption is claimed in real estate, the amount shall be \$500. I consider this a wholesome amendment—it is a bar to imprudent men squandering their money uselessly, and at the same time the dishonest man can take no more advantage of it than he could of the law as it stood heretofore.

Well, the Governor gave official notice today that he has signed the bill incorporating the Clearfield Gas Company. I presume the corporators will now go to work, get the stock subscribed, build the works, and light up—at least they ought to, whether they do or not.

The bill authorizing the people of Clearfield county to vote on the question of removing the county seat to Curwensville has been reported as committed by the House committee, on whose file it now is. Yesterday, however, a motion was made to re-commit it to the committee, which carried, and they had a meeting last evening at which H. B. Swoope, Esq., was to have a hearing. Whether it will be reported negatively or not, I hold to my original opinion that the bill will not pass. Of course it is not pleasant to me to throw cold water upon the shoulders of those who are spending their time and money in the cause, but you will perceive that I am candid.

A bill has been on the Senate file for a long time having for its object an alteration in the districts of the Supreme Court. Yesterday it came up, and an amendment was offered by Mr. Brewer making Harrisburg the permanent place for the Court to meet. This amendment was lost. The original bill contemplated two districts, Eastern and Western, and the sittings to be at Philadelphia and Pittsburg. It was lost, by a tie vote, so that the districts remain as they were except that the Northern District (Sunbury) was subsequently abolished.

A bill for the better securing of wages to laborers in several counties was passed in the House to-day. Clearfield is included. For working mines, land, &c., the laborer has a lien upon either, to a certain extent, if I am rightly informed of its provisions.

Yesterday a bill was passed in the Senate for the appointment in each county of a board of visitors who shall visit and examine the Poor House, and make report of the sanitary condition of the same.

The House has passed several stringent joint resolutions in relation to the refusal of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company to "auto" up a small balance of \$97,000 due for tonnage tax. The first authorizes proceedings for a forfeiture of charter in the Supreme Court, and the second authorizes the Auditor General to charge interest at the rate of five per cent. per month on the amount which remains unpaid. From the manner in which these resolutions went through, I don't think the Company will make any further effort for a repeal of the tonnage tax this session.

Several of the Passenger Railway bills have gone through, and there has been unusual excitement. Let them fight it out. If there has been any bribery, your uncle hasn't seen the color of any of the funds, and he therefore don't care a dam-aged potato who wins.

Yours, SPECIAL.

ATLANTIC MONTHLY.—We have received the April number of this periodical, which has been daily growing in popularity, until it has attained a circulation of 40,000. This it has accomplished, not by a system of puffing and fulsome self-laudation, but by its own intrinsic merits. Its articles are high-toned, instructive and useful; besides this the publication is national in character, its contributions being all the products of American authors.

We omitted heretofore to notice the receipt of the March number of the American Freeman. As usual, it is filled with matter that cannot fail to prove both instructive and entertaining to its readers, but more especially to the members of the fraternity.

The Treasurer of Dubuque county, Iowa—one O'Brien—has defaulted to the amount of \$108,000. One of his operations was the sale of Dubuque bonds in New York for 40 cents on the dollar above the amount he paid over \$8000 being his profit on that transaction.

THE RAFTSMAN'S JOURNAL.

ANOTHER CONVENTION.

We last week briefly mentioned the fact that the Anti-Lecompton Democrats had issued a call for a State Convention, to meet at Harrisburg on Wednesday the 13th day of April, 1859. The object, as set forth in the call, is "to vindicate the name, fame and principles of the Democratic party, outraged and insulted" by the late office-holders' Convention; to resist federal political dictation and despotism; to re-assert the principle of popular sovereignty; and to sustain Gov. Packer, "who has been assailed and proscribed" by the minions of the President. This call, as it appeared in the weekly Press, had 258 names attached to it, and we learn that large additions of signatures are being made daily. The movement will, as a matter of course, meet with bitter opposition from an unscrupulous partizan press, and interested and venal politicians; but the people cannot be so easily managed, and the indications now are that the masses will spurn federal intervention in State politics. There are, however, a number of Democratic papers that come out fearlessly, with the Press and the State Sentinel, against the course pursued by the Convention of the 16th March. The Huntingdon Globe says:

"We expected better things from the assembled wisdom of the Democracy of the State. Instead of harmonizing the party, the majority of the convention thought proper to strike at Gov. Packer, because he dared to differ with the President on his Kansas policy. If the nominees of the Convention are not to receive the votes of the political friends of Governor Packer, it is easy to guess by what an overwhelming majority they will be defeated."

The Doylestown Democrat says:— "The attack upon the Administration of Governor Packer we consider the weakest and silliest move that has been made on the political chess board for some time. . . Governor Packer has hosts of friends in all parts of the State, and it is hardly possible that they will be very active in placing men in power, whose election will be considered a triumph over him.

The Lycoming Gazette remarks:— "Lecomptonism overshadowed everything, and to uphold that iniquity and its adherents, was the sole aim and work of the convention. To bestow upon it and them the most fulsome praise, upon the one hand, and to heap upon those who had the manliness to dissent from it the foulest abuse, upon the other, was the great object of the managers of the gathering. . . Even common decency was not observed in the very madness which ruled the hour. Never before was the Democratic party so grossly outraged by an assemblage."

These extracts will suffice to show the feeling that prevails in different sections of the State; and from them we may readily infer that the candidates put in nomination by the office-holders' Convention, will find that Lecompton is "a hard road to travel."

THE WARELEY NOVELS.—The well-known firm of T. B. Peterson & Brothers, 300 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, are now engaged in publishing a remarkably cheap edition of these unapproachable works of fiction. The first, "Ivanhoe," appeared on Saturday, March 5th, the next, "Guy Rannering," on March 12th, "Rob Roy," was issued on March 19th, Kenilworth on March 26th, and so on, one novel will be published regularly on each and every coming Saturday, until the whole number of volumes—twenty-six—is completed. The low price fixed by the publishers for them are only twenty-five cents a volume, or the whole twenty-six volumes for five dollars. A complete set will be forwarded, free of postage, by mail, to any part of the United States, to any one, by the publishers, on receiving a remittance of five dollars for the twenty-six volumes; or a remittance of three dollars will pay for the first twelve volumes; or a remittance of one dollar will pay for the first four volumes.

The determination of this enterprising Philadelphia firm, to furnish the works of an author like Walter Scott, at a price so reasonable, that all persons whatever may possess a full set, and direct the especial attention of our readers to the fact, and would advise them all to call and subscribe, or make a remittance of Five Dollars at once, per first mail, to the publishers, for the entire set, who will send them complete to any one, free of postage, on receipt of that sum.

Elections for members of Congress are to be held in the course of this year, as follows: Connecticut and Rhode Island elect early in April; in Virginia on the fourth Thursday of May; on first Monday of August in Alabama, Kentucky and Texas; on first Thursday of August in Tennessee; on second Thursday of August in North Carolina, on first Monday of October in Georgia and Mississippi; on second Tuesday of October in Minnesota; on first Monday (7th) of October in Louisiana; and on first Wednesday of November (24) in Maryland. Nearly all of these States were represented in the last House by Democrats.

A CHICAGO JURY.—It is stated that the father of young Burch, acquitted of murder in Chicago, a day or two since, gave the jury who cleared him a champagne supper on the evening after the verdict was rendered. Eleven of the jurors attended, one only having the decency to stay away.

Hon. John C. Ten Eyck, Republican, was elected U. S. Senator, by the Legislature of New Jersey, in place of Hon. Wm. Wright, Democrat, whose term has expired.

Counterfeit money is getting plenty all over the country, more particularly bills of small denominations. The public had better keep a sharp lookout for them.

A precocious youngster, named O'Donnell, aged nineteen years, is on trial in St. Louis for being married to three wives at one time. The Pennsylvania Legislature has fixed on the 16th of April as the day for its final adjournment. That will be its best act.

PENNSYLVANIA ITEMS.

PREPARED FOR THE "RAFTSMAN'S JOURNAL."

INDIANA COUNTY.—On the 17th March, while G. P. Reed, Esq., of Indiana Borough, was removing a privy on his lot, he discovered the remains of a dead infant in the pit. It is thought that an infanticide had been committed, but there is no suspicion as to who the mother of the child could be. The flesh was so much decomposed as to cause it to fall from the bones. . . On the 18th, the vicinity of Wheelburg was visited by a terrific storm of wind. Some five or six stables in the town, and the barn of Mr. Robert Ray, on the hill near the town, were blown down. A part of the roof of David Henderson's house, and part of the roof of J. R. Dougherty's shop, were blown off, and a number of fruit trees torn out of root. A colored man was the only person injured. . . On the night of the 17th, the store of John Prothro & Son, in Montgomery township, and a goodly amount of the amount of several hundred dollars stolen. . . A few nights since, Kinter's mill, in Rayne township, was again broken into and some Rye carried off. . . On the 16th, the cooper shop of Mr. Wm. Richardson at Campbell's Mill was destroyed by fire—on Sunday night, the 20th, a couple scoundrels tried to get into the ticket office at the Indiana depot; they had concealed, boring out the lock of the door, when they were scared away by one of the railroad employees firing a pistol at them.

BLAIR COUNTY.—A man named Otho Harlan was lodged in the jail at Hollidaysburg on the 20th, on a charge of having poisoned several horses belonging to Mr. Harvey Stewart of Scotch Valley. Three of the horses died last October, one on Friday night and one on Saturday night. The loss to Mr. Stewart is some \$600 or \$700. . . Mr. Miller Lindsey, formerly of Hollidaysburg, but latterly engaged in one of the Altoona Shays, had one of his hands badly crushed under the wheel of a car truck on the 12th inst. . . On the 17th March, Michael Tracy, in attempting to get on the cow-catcher of a locomotive while it was in motion, slipped, and a truck wheel passed over his foot, mangling it horribly. The accident happened at Mapleton Station. . . In Altoona, on the 23d, a boy aged 13, placed the head of another, aged 7, upon a block of wood, and took an axe to the part of executioner, but fortunately the little fellow jerked away his head; the axe however cut off one of his fingers and another nearly off. The "guillotine" game is a rather dangerous one.

FAYETTE COUNTY.—Quite a number of dastardly, outrageous acts have been committed in and about Connellsville. On the night of the 21st, a new coal boat belonging to Mr. Henry Walter was sent adrift, but fortunately grounded on a small island opposite the Broad ford. . . On the night of the 18th, the singletrees, butt chains and wagon hammer were stolen from the wagon of Mr. Garrison Smith, of Somerset county, who had left it standing in front of a store in Connellsville. . . About 12 o'clock on the night of the 23d, the house of Mr. William Mitts was assaulted by some ruffians with stones, and finally the family found themselves compelled to take refuge in a block of wood. . . A company of eight or ten persons left Connellsville for Pike's Peak. . . Mr. Ezekiel Franks, aged 69 years, a citizen of German township, whilst returning home from the election on the 18th inst., fell from his horse and was killed. He had been drinking and was intoxicated when he started for home.

UNION COUNTY.—A terrific tornado visited Lewisburg on the 18th March. Mr. L. H. Nice, a student of the University, writes:—"There has been the most terrific tornado here, this evening. I can witness, which covered the whole roof of the west wing of the College building, and otherwise damaged it. A large pine tree lies down at the door, torn up by the roots, and the massive roof lies in ruins at the foot of the building. We distinctly heard it coming, and when it struck the building with a tremendous crash like a million cannons discharged at once, and shook the building to its base. I for one expected to see the walls cave in upon us. The students in the fourth story had a very narrow escape. In one room a pile of brick came through the ceiling to within a foot or so of an occupant."

YORK COUNTY.—On the 23d, a little boy, aged about three years, a son of Mr. George Shetter of Wrightsville, was bitten and dreadfully lacerated in the left hand and upon the head, and the left ear nearly torn off by a vicious dog, the property of Mr. John E. Weitzell. Mr. W. had recently purchased the dog from Geo. Zeigler, who, notwithstanding the dog had last summer bitten his own child, concealed the vicious character of the animal from the purchaser. Mr. Weitzell killed the dog. . . The grain fields in the vicinity of Wrightsville look beautiful, and give promise of an abundant harvest. . . The Susquehanna & Tide Water canal was opened for business on the 23d March. . . Business is reviving, and the coal and lumber yards present a scene of activity.

HUNTINGDON COUNTY.—The Jewelry Store of J. W. Dutcher of Huntingdon, was entered on the night of the 13th inst. and robbed of watches and jewelry to the amount of some \$1500. Five watches left for repair, were taken. His own stock of watches he had taken to his home, and so saved them. . . The American says the make of Maple Sugar in that county is more than ordinarily large this season. . . The Globe reports the discovery of Gold diggings at Mill Creek;—the editor has seen a specimen of stone containing the gold, and also a piece of the pure stuff worth \$2.50. He says if all is gold that glitters, Mill Creek will rival Pike's Peak. 14—

CHESTER COUNTY.—The barn of the Messrs. Gracey, near the Maryland line, was burned on the 5th, and all the farm stock; some five head of horses, 27 sheep, and all the cattle were roasted. . . A dog of Mr. Townsend, Walter, of Valley township, went mad, a few days since, and bit a cow which subsequently died. It also bit a brother and two sons of Mr. Walter, but as no blood was drawn it was hoped no unpleasant effects would follow. . . John Harris, a colored man of bad character, was shot dead in Salisbury township, on the 8th. His murderer was drunk.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.—On the evening of the 23d March, Greensburg, usually a quiet borough, was the scene of violence and excitement. Two colored men, named Ben Ware and Gilbert Sterling, were accused of being too intimate with a white woman, and a portion of the population determined on lynch law. A crowd collected and proceeded to their homes, which were pulled down, also a house belong to Dr. Abercrombie (colored) was pulled down. About thirty or forty persons are said to have been engaged in this cruel and wicked outrage.

LEBANON COUNTY.—The late election in the borough of Lebanon resulted in the success of the Opposition ticket. . . Mr. John A. Albert, of East Hanover, made a very narrow escape from drowning, a few days ago. He was driving a buggy, and when at Landerhill's ford on the Swatara, above Palmyra, the water was so high that it ran in the road by the creek, and Mr. Albert got into the stream beyond the depth of the horse. The horse was drowned, and Mr. A. escaped by clinging to the branches of a tree, and getting to land therefrom.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

FRIGHTFUL SCENE.—At Wheeling, a young man who was working at a chimney on a roof, lost his hold on the wet roof and slid slowly down towards the eaves. The two or three persons who witnessed the accident turned away sick with terror. Although the man made every effort to get a hold, which the fear of certain death would naturally prompt, he moved slowly down, and was only checked from falling to the pavement below by a water spout, against which his feet came in contact. But for this frail obstruction he must have been dashed into a shapeless mass. Without uttering a cry for help, the young man kicked off his shoes and proceeded to ascend, which he succeeded in doing, and went to work at his chimney again, apparently taking little account of an accident which had made the eye-witnesses heart-sick and dumb with terror. Wonder what he would sell his set of nerves for?

DANGEROUS COUNTERFEIT.—A dangerous counterfeit has just been detected at the Treasury Department, in Washington, in the shape of a \$5 piece, the exterior of which is pure gold, plated upon an alloy, of which gold seems to be the base. The coin contains about three dollars' worth of pure gold, and is of such really superior execution as to make it pass readily for genuine. It was detected by the Treasury experts in consequence of a slight flatness at the edges, but which would escape unnoticed in its ordinary circulation.

The body of a gentleman—indigenous—was washed ashore a short time since from the Mississippi. In his pockets were found: "One dueling pistol; one bowie-knife, one speech of Jefferson Davis; one speech of Senator Toombs; one copy of The Mississippiian, edited by Barksdale; three copies of the President's Lecompton Message; a photographic representation of an alligator devouring an eagle—supposed to be the province of Mississippi in the act of exterminating the "stars and stripes."

A chap reading that Mexican files had been received in New York city, went into a hardware store and asked for a look at them. He is a brother of the man who inquired for a pound of Liverpool dates received by one of the steamships, and a first cousin of the gentleman who inquired what De Sauty used to ask a pound for his telegraphic currents.—Whether he is any relation to the gardener who put up flowers of speech into bouquets, we have not learned.

In Ensey, Newaygo county, Michigan, last week, two young desperadoes, Jacob Dopp and Enos Merritt, attempted to kill a father and son named White, for the money they supposed them to possess. They shot the son, but the old man escaped. Fearing detection, and preferring to die rather than to incur the penalties of the law, Dopp blew his brains out, and Merritt swallowed a large dose of strychnine.

The Shelbyville, Ind., Banner says that a farmer of that place, who had a horse of a very homely color, recently sold him to a gang of gypsies for a mere song. A few days after, he was offered a fine dark brown steed, for which he willingly paid a round price, but was shocked to find, after a short time, that he had bought back his old sorrel, with the addition of a thick coat of paint.

A MINNESOTA SNOW STORM.—The mild winter in Minnesota closed up with a furious Spring snow storm. It followed a heavy rain or the 12th inst., and raged violently all day and night. In the vicinity of St. Paul the snow was three feet deep on the morning of the 13th. The Mississippi was rising rapidly, the ice was breaking up, and a flood was anticipated.

MONROES.—The Utah correspondent of the Chicago Tribune has taken notes of the social status of that Territory. The result footed up as follows: Three hundred and eighty-seven men with seven or more wives; of these 18 have more than 19 wives; 750 men with five wives; 1100 men with four, and 1400 with more than one wife.

A person in Millville, N. Y., has prosecuted his neighbor for trespass, the defendant being a pretty lass of "sweet sixteen" and the trespass a mark on the plaintiff's fence with a lead pencil. Of course it was not the damages he was after, but revenge. The same roguish defendant "mittened" the plaintiff's son a little while previous.

Since the Harrisburg Convention Mr. Buchanan's friends claim that he should be the candidate, as being the most available man, having been endorsed by Pennsylvania. The course of Mr. Douglas towards the Anti-Lecompton Democracy of Pennsylvania, will be watched with interest. Neutrality by his part is inadmissible.

The Washington Union is about to have an accession of two more editors. That's all right. "Biddy, did you put an egg into the coffee to settle it?" "Yes, ma'am, I put in four; they were so bad I had to use the more of 'em."—Louisville Journal.

The Troy Times gives an account of a "young America" runaway match from school—the boy 15, the girl 14. Pappy caught and spanked him. Miss, handed over to her mother—she returned her doll and picture books and shut her up.

Information has been received of several fights between the U. S. Troops and the Camanche Indians, near Fort Arbuckle. The Camanches number 3000. The troops are hastening to the seat of war, and trouble is anticipated.

The Cambria Tribune calls the late Locofoco assemblage at Harrisburg, which endorsed Buchanan, and at which the New England Soft Soap Man made a speech, "the Soap Convention." A good hit, that.

A LOSS OF THREE THOUSAND LIVES.—Near

Taganrog, on the Sea of Azoff, a catastrophe occurred, about the beginning of February last, which involved a loss of life unparalleled except by memorable earthquakes or volcanic eruptions. It appears that some three thousand inhabitants of Taganrog, relying upon promise of fair weather made by the genial atmosphere and the cloudless sky, proceeded to the Azoff Sea to indulge in the sport of fishing beneath the ice—a favorite past time of that region. The atmosphere continuing serene, the party were lulled into a feeling of security, and ventured further than usual upon the ice, in the hope of obtaining a good haul. Suddenly a breeze sprang up from the east, which, growing bold and fine particles of ice in all directions, and before long succeeded in detaching the ice from the shore. The large ice field then broke into numerous pieces, which, with their terrified and helpless human freight, drifted towards the open sea. No assistance could be rendered the unhappy beings by their frantic relatives and friends on shore, and within two hours not a sign of life was visible on the surface of the sea. On the following day a cake of ice drifted in shore upon which were five of the unfortunate—three of them dead, and the other two numb and insensible. The two latter—a girl and an old man—were restored by means of the usual appliances, the girl, however, survived but a few hours; the man recovered, but lost the use of his tongue—a consequence, probably, of the fright caused by the scene he had passed through. He prepared a written narrative of the occurrences of that fearful night on the Azoff. By this catastrophe at least three thousand persons found a watery grave.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.—Mr. Samuel Yeager, a prominent merchant of Easton, left home on the 14th inst. to go to New York and return the following day. He went to Newark, and left the City Hotel there at two o'clock on the 14th for New York city, since which time he has not been heard of, and no trace of his whereabouts can be found. He had a large sum of money with him, and it is feared he has been foully dealt with. A liberal reward is offered for any tidings concerning him.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.—On the night of the 15th March, the barn of Mr. Michael Gonca, in Southampton township, with a lot of hay and grain, two wagons and a number of agricultural implements, besides one horse and seven young cattle, was destroyed by fire. It is not known how the fire originated.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

CARR, GIESE & CO., COMMISSION MERCHANTS, for the sale of Flour, Grain, &c. BALTIMORE, Md. Keep constantly on hand for sale, Salt, Plaster, Cement, &c. Warehouse—No. 10 West Baltimore. Lumber Office—West Falls avenue. Cash advances on consignments. (march 26)

WASHINGTON HOUSE, MIDDLETON, Pa.—The undersigned, having become proprietor of the above Hotel, recently kept by Mrs. C. Grillee, solicits a continuance of the custom which has heretofore been so liberally extended to him, especially by the citizens of Clearfield county, trusting that he will be able to render satisfaction to all who may favor with a call, by strict attention to the wants and comfort of his guests. L. R. DEER. Middleton, Pa., March 26, 1859—3m.

DISSOLUTION.—The firm of S. A. Gibson & Co., in Bellefonte, was on the 4th day of March dissolved by mutual consent. The books, notes and accounts are in the hands of William Mahagan for collection, to whom payment must be made. S. A. GIBSON. W. MAHAGAN. Mar. 23, 1859-3c.

EXECUTORS' NOTICE.—Letters Testamentary on the Estate of Isiah H. Warrick, late of Beccaria township, Clearfield county, Pa. dec'd, having been granted to the undersigned; all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them duly authenticated for settlement. SARAH WARRICK, Executor. Beccaria tp., March 23, 1859. Executors.

EXECUTORS' NOTICE.—Letters Testamentary on the Estate of Isaac Bloom, Sr. late of Pike township, Clearfield county, Pa. dec'd, having been granted to the undersigned; all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them duly authenticated for settlement. JAS. A. BLOOM, Executor. Pike tp., March 9, 1859-5c.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.—In the matter of the Estate of Alexander Stone, late of Pike township, Clearfield county, deceased.—THE UNDERSIGNED Auditor, appointed by the Orphan's Court of Clearfield county, to examine and report upon the partition of the estate of Alexander Stone, the above named deceased, hereby gives notice that he will attend to the duties of said appointment on Saturday, the 16th day of April next, at the office of Larimer & Test in the borough of Clearfield, at 10 o'clock, A. M., in the presence of JOHN BLOOM, Esq., who will attend when and where all persons interested can attend if they see proper. JAS. H. LARIMER, Auditor. March 23, 1859.

SHERIFF'S SALES.—By virtue of sundry writs of Venditioni Exposita issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Clearfield co., and to me directed, will be exposed to public sale, at the Court House in the borough of Clearfield, on MONDAY THE 13TH DAY OF APRIL, 1859, the following described real estate, to-wit: The undivided fourth part of all that certain messuage, tenement and tract of land situate in, being and being on the waters of Trout Run and Moshannon creek, in the townships of Rush and Beccaria, in counties of Centre and Clearfield, State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a post near the Moshannon creek, thence south 21 deg. west 28 perches to hemlock, thence south 23 deg. west 35 perches to pine, thence N. 15 deg. west 27 per. to white oak, thence N. 24 deg. W. 48 per. to hemlock, thence N. 2 deg. east 66 per. to post, thence north 0 east 12 per. to pine stump, thence north 35 deg. west 50 per. to hemlock, thence south 25 deg. W. 50 per. to hemlock, thence N. 66 deg. west 47 per. to post, by hemlock, thence N. 45 deg. W. 64 per. to hemlock stump, thence S. 52 deg. east 14 per. to post, thence S. 69 deg. E. 39 per. to post, thence S. 69 deg. E. 22 per. to post, thence S. 81 deg. W. 23 per. to post, thence N. 37 deg. W. 58 per. to post, thence N. 12 deg. W. 9 per. to post, thence south 46 deg. W. 724 perches to post all white oak, thence S. 88 deg. east 272 per. to a beech stump, thence S. 88 deg. east 338 per. to stones, thence S. 83 deg. 214 perches to post, thence north 52 deg. south 194 per. to a laurel on left or western bank of Trout Run, thence down said stream to its junction with Moshannon creek and down east or right bank of said creek to the course and distance thereof to southern line of John Harrison tract opposite the town of Ocoela, thence 60 deg. east—along said line to place of beginning, containing seven hundred and five acres and allowance. Also—the defendant's interest in being one undivided fourth part of the town of Ocoela on Tyrone and Clearfield Railroad, including within town plot eighty acres and allowance. Seized, taken in execution, and to be sold as the property of J. Lingle. FREDERICK G. MILLER, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office, Clearfield, March 23, 1859.

SALT.—A large quantity of SALT just received, and which will be sold very cheap. Cash, by the sack at a full price. W. F. IRWIN'S.

READ! READ!—A full supply of London's Feb. 23, 1859. THOMAS ROBINSON.

RYE, CORN & BUCKWHEAT, will be taken at the highest cash price, at the store of Clearfield, Dec. 5. W. F. IRWIN.