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BY SAMUEL J. ROW. CLEARFIELD, PA., JULY 17, 1861.

THE QUESTION.

Union or disunion, is the great question before the country, and it must now be decided. If this infamous rebellion is allowed to succeed, we have disunion and our national prosperity is gone forever.

On this great question there can be only two parties; those who want the government to overcome rebellion, and those who want rebellion to overcome the government and divide the Union.

When the armed rebels rob our arsenals and take or threaten our forts, this class of disunionists will advise the government after this fashion—let the forts go—withdraw our forces—don't make war.

THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.—Hon. Galusha A. Grow, who has been elected Speaker of the House of Representatives, is perhaps more thoroughly qualified for the discharge of the duties of that position than any other member of the House.

THE ARMY BILL.—Both Houses of Congress voted 500,000 men, and \$500,000,000 for the prosecution of the war. There were 4 votes in the Senate against the bill.

The organ in the Episcopal church at Hampton, Va., was found to be sadly out of tune when it was attempted to be used on a recent Sabbath.

VIEWS OF A TENNESSEAN.

The subjoined was written, several days previous to the assembling of Congress, by Dr. Hurley, late editor of Nashville (Tennessee) Democrat, in what light the loyal citizens of the South view the present rebel movement to destroy the Union.

Editor of the National Republican: Dear Sir: I have been looking over the list of members to the Congress to assemble this week, and I fear that a few members that will be in attendance will attempt to introduce discord into that body.

Many of the Union men South have given up everything for the sake of the Union, except their honor. They have trusted to the strong arm of the Federal Government to restore them to honors again as freemen.

These Union men must be free, not nominally, but really. I once asked a prominent politician in Tennessee to attend Union meetings.

A WORKING CONGRESS.—The Baltimore Clipper of July 9th, says: For the first time in many years the gratifying spectacle is presented of a purely working Congress, an assemblage of the Representatives of the people, not to make buncombe speeches, and to lay pipe for an election; and to waste time and public money in preparations for a coming election, but actually to attend to the business of the country.

From the disposition manifested by the members generally, there is reason to believe that this business of special and pressing importance will be attended to without delay, and the extra session will be adjourned probably within ten days, or at farthest two weeks.

If the session should be as we believe it will be—continued to its close in the same spirit in which it has begun—a new and a glorious era in the political affairs of the country will have begun, when party spirit is nowhere heard; and when the din of battle shall have been hushed, and treason shall have been suppressed, and the public peace and the integrity of the Union shall have been restored, it may well be hoped that the lesson thus learned will not immediately be forgotten, and that the halls of Congress shall be no more for years disgraced by such scenes as have been too often witnessed there of late, but that patriotism and legitimate legislation may be found instead of reckless party management and rank corruption.

Interesting—the War News this week.

SUMMARY OF WAR NEWS.

St. Louis, July 11.—The battle in which Col. Wolf was killed was fought on Saturday, thirty miles from Springfield. The Springfield correspondent of the Democrat says, under date of the 6th, that immediately after the arrival of Brig. Gen. Sweeney at Springfield, he dispatched a messenger to Col. Siegel and Solomons, who were encamped at Neosho, to move their columns to Carthage, which was promptly done.

A special messenger arrived here last evening by the Pacific railroad, with despatches from Col. Siegel to Adjt. Harding, at the arsenal. The following is an abstract, written at Rolla, for the Democrat: On the morning of the 5th Col. Siegel, with a portion of his regiment, a part of Col. Solomons' and ten pieces of artillery, in all about 1100 to 1200 men, were attacked by 6000 rebels, under General Raines and Col. Parsons, about seven miles east of Carthage.

A special dispatch from Bealington, near Laurel Hill, says that brisk skirmishing was kept up with the enemy all yesterday afternoon. About two o'clock, from High Hill, in the neighborhood, two large bodies were seen marching out of the enemy's camp.

St. Louis, July 12.—J. H. Bowen, agent of the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad, brings the following account of affairs in that section of the State: About two o'clock on Wednesday morning the camp of the Federal troops, under Colonel Smith, of the Illinois Sixteenth, near Monroe station, some thirty miles west of Hannibal, embracing 300 of the Iowa Third, 200 of the Illinois Sixteenth, and about 100 of the Hannibal Home Guards, was attacked by 1600 Secessionists, under Brigadier General Harris.

At the latter place, they formed a junction with Col. Smith's force, which was entrenched in the Academy buildings. The rebels, 1,200 strong, were grouped over the prairie, on each side of Col. Smith's rifles. They had two pieces of artillery, which were brought to bear, but the distance was so great that the balls were almost spent before reaching our lines.

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Yesterday morning, the steamer Pioneer left Baltimore for her usual trip to Annapolis, West Cambridge and Easton, and on returning this evening landed four prisoners at Fort M'Henry, upon the charge of piracy, having, as is alleged, been concerned in the seizure of the steamer St. Nicholas.

The Freeborn gun-boat, Lt. Lowery commanding, arriving up from Aquia Creek. She has been cruising for several nights up and down between that point and Mouth river, preventing communication between lower Maryland and Virginia.

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Another exploit.—Floyd, the gun stealer, turns out to have been a bold and able thief. When General Butler took command of Fort Monroe he found himself with about three thousand men at his orders. In the list of ordnance supplies of the Fort he found 176,000 cartridges—which was the amount reported to be stored there by John B. Floyd, while Secretary of War.

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cession, he entered the Sixth Louisiana regiment, which was about leaving for Virginia, and awaited his chance to get among his friends by desertion. An opportunity he found yesterday, when on picket duty near Burk's station. He gives very intelligent information regarding the position of the enemy. There were two thousand troops at Fairfax station yesterday morning, including the Louisiana regiment. He is not informed of the number of troops at Fairfax Court House.

The United States Frigate towed up to Fortress Monroe, last evening proved to be the St. Lawrence. The confederates confess to the loss of two officers killed in the encounter of thirty of Hawkins' Zouaves with a hundred and fifty of their troops a few days ago near Newport News.

One of Normansby's evaporators is being put in operation at Fortress Monroe, which will produce from sea water one thousand gallons fresh water per day.

It is stated at Washington, that the War Department has made a requisition on Governor Curtin for the fifteen regiments of Pennsylvania troops now encamped at Easton, West Chester, Harrisburg, Pittsburg, and the other camps of instructing in the State.

All is quiet in the camp at Martinsburg. Samuel J. Rca, a well-known correspondent, has been arrested by order of Gen. Patterson, probably to prevent communication with the Eastern press. All access to him is denied.

THE ORGANIZATION OF THE HOUSE.—The Baltimore Clipper, a southern paper, makes the following remarks on the organization of the present House of Representatives of the United States: The organization of the House of Representatives of the thirty-seventh Congress gives hope of a new era in our political affairs.

The election of Emmerson Etheridge, of Tennessee, to the clerkship of the House of Representatives, the most lucrative office, and the one sought after with the most avidity of any in that organization, has given evidence of the nationality of feeling existing there, and is a glorious promise to the country of the death of sectionalism in our national legislation.

It may well be regretted that a similar course was not pursued at the organization of the last Congress, but it is extremely doubtful if it could have averted the progress of the Disunion agitators who had been already months and years preparing for a dissolution of the Union by forcible means.

It is stated that Judge Barton, of Kentucky, and Hon. J. P. Blair, Jr., of Missouri, are each getting up a company of sharpshooters in their respective States for Col. Borden's regiment. The Governors do not assist, as do those of other States, but upon application to the President he expressed himself very much interested in this regiment, and promptly gave the assurance that all expenses would be met.

A dispatch from Beverly, gives the following from McClellan's column. A battle was fought yesterday afternoon at Rich Mountain, two miles east of this place, where the enemy, numbering about 2000, under command of Col. Pegram, were strongly entrenched.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Advertisements set in large type, cuts, or out of usual style will be charged double price for space occupied.

To insure attention, the CASH must accompany notices, as follows:—All Notices with \$1. Strays, \$1; Auditors' notices, \$1.50; Administrators' and Executors' notices, \$1.50, each; and all other transient Notices at the same rate.

CAUTION.—The public are hereby cautioned against purchasing or intermeddling with one yoke red oxen in the possession of Matthew and Levi L. Tate of Lawrence township, as the same are left to them on loan and subject to my order only. WILLIAM TATE.

NOTICE.—All persons having uncollected accounts on the books of the late firm of Patton Hipple & Co. will call and settle the same as it is important that the books be closed with a little delay as possible. E. A. HIPPLE.

NOTICE.—Dr. R. T. Hubbs, of Frenchville, Pa., having relinquished the practice of Medicine, would hereby respectfully request all persons indebted to him, to come forward and settle without delay, as his accounts will have to be closed. Frenchville, June 12, 1861.

TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED ACRES OF LAND AT PRIVATE SALE.—extending to the mouth of the Moshannon. An eligible property, on reasonable terms. Inquire of H. B. CHICHESTER, SWING, Dec 19-ff. Attorney at Law Clearfield, Pa.

TO BRIDGE BUILDERS.—Sealed proposals will be received for building a bridge across Clearfield creek, at Madera, Clearfield county, until the 15th day of July, 1861. The bridge is to be one span of 110 feet, single track and covered. For further particulars address the undersigned at Madera, Clearfield county, Pa. June 19, 1861-3t. CHAS. J. PUSLEY.

CAUTION.—All persons are cautioned against purchasing or meddling with the following property now in the possession of John Dressler (Union township), to-wit: One yoke of oxen 7 years old, one yoke 4 years old, and one yoke 3 years old, as the same belong to me, and have been left with said Dressler on loan. June 12, 1861-3p. PETER ARNOLD.

WOOL! WOOL!!—The subscriber would take this method of informing the citizens of Clearfield county, that he is employed by Levan & Co., of Lancaster county, to trade wool for yarn in the country. He will warrant satisfaction, and warrant the goods of the best quality. Examine the goods before trading with others, as all he asks. JOHN L. REX. New Millport, May 22, 1861-2mp.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.—The partnership of Patton Hipple & Co., was dissolved on the 13th of June, 1861, by the withdrawal of H. D. Patton. The books of the late firm are in the hands of Hipple and Patton, who are authorized to settle and collect all debts due said firm. H. D. PATTON. E. A. HIPPLE. DAN L. FAUST.

STEAM ENGINE FOR SALE.—The undersigned, residing in Woodward township, has on hand a twenty-five horse power engine and boiler which will dispose of. Any person in want of an engine, would do well to examine the one here, as it is a new one, and the price will be low and the terms easy. Has had on hand an excellent Shingle machine which will sell on easy terms. JOHN M. CHASE. Woodward tp., April 17, 1861-2mp.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—Letters of Administration on the estate of Mathew Conrad late of Burnside township, Clearfield county, Pa., having been granted to the undersigned, he hereby gives notice that all persons interested in said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them duly authenticated for settlement. JOHN SUMMERVILLE. June 19, 1861-6tp. Administrator.

AGRICULTURAL FAIR.—The "Clearfield county Agricultural Society" will hold its Second annual Fair, upon the Fair grounds, in the Borough of Clearfield, on the 14th, 15th and 16th days of October next. The grounds are now being put in good order, and the accommodations enlarged for the convenience of exhibitors and visitors. A premium list will shortly be published. WALTER ROBERTSON. G. B. BARETT. JOSIAH R. REED. JOHN M'GAUGHEY. WM. M'BRIDE. Clearfield, June 26, 1861. Ex. Committee.

LIST OF LETTERS, remaining in the Post Office at Clearfield, Pa., on July 1st, 1861. Bostick, Jacob. L. Dennis. Barr, Samuel. Nesterlove, Mrs. Mary. Benfer, N. A. Peck, Daniel S. Cummings, Alex. Patterson, Samuel. Carigan, Wm. Roberts, J. R. Riddle, David. Combeg, John. Randall, Wm. M. Coyle, John C. Rideout, James. Coyle, J. J. Shoff, John G. Dillman, Benjamin. Brewer, Edward. Shaver, Alan. Engers, H. P. 2. Santel, S. A. Fry, Amos V. Thesler, W. C. Hess, George D. Thomas, John. Jacobs, Mrs. Joseph. Urwin, William. Johnson, Amos. Ulrich, George. Keyhart, Rev. J. L. Watts, David E. Long, A. B. Watts, David. Long, Geo. H. Weiser, Samuel T. Lappi, W. Walther, Albert C. Persons inquiring for letters in the above list, will please say they are advertisements. M. A. FRANK, P. M. July 3.

ON HIS OWN HOOK.—JOHN GUELBIG, CABINET MAKER.—The subscriber wishes to inform his old friends and customers, that he is now carrying on the Cabinet Making business, on "his own hook," at his old shop on Market Street, nearly opposite the "old Jew Store," where he keeps on hand, and is prepared to manufacture to order, every description of Cabinetry, that may be wanted in this section of country; consisting of Sofas, Lounges, Mahogany and Common Bureaus, Writing and Wash Stands; Centre, Dining and Breakfast Tables; Mahogany and Custom Bedsteads; Sewing Stands, &c. &c. He will also repair furniture and chairs, in good style, cheap for cash. House Painting done on short notice, and easy terms. Now is the time to buy at reasonable prices, as I intend to sell every thing in my line of business at the cheapest possible rates. Way's Case has been cured by my medicine, and I judge for yourselves of the quality and finish. Country produce received in payment. April 13, 1859. JOHN GUELBIG. N. B. Coffins made to order on short notice, and funerals attended with a neat hearse, and appropriate accompaniments, when desired. J. G.

\$1,000 REWARD! Will be paid for any Medicine that will cure COLBERT'S BALM IN GLEAD!! For the Quick cure of Headache, Toothache, Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Pain in the Side, Back or Stomach, Croup, Cholera, Cramp, Frosted Feet or Ears, Burns, Fresh Cuts, Sprains, Bruises, Diarrhoea, and Sore Throat, and all similar complaints. Toothache cured in ten minutes. Earache cured in five minutes. Headache cured in ten minutes. Burns cured from smarting in two minutes. Neuralgia pains cured in five minutes. Cholera cured in ten minutes. Sprains relieved in ten minutes. Sore throat relieved in five minutes. 100 Cases have been cured by my medicine, in a single day. EVERY BOTTLE WARRANTED. Try it! Try it! Try it! Try it! Try it! 25 and 50 cts. per Bottle. A liberal discount made to Agents, and wanted in every town. Also for traveling Agents. All orders and communications should be addressed to C. S. COLBERT & CO., 123 S. 4th St., Philadelphia, Pa. Health and happiness to the sons and daughters of affliction. These things, we prove on the spot and before your eyes only bring on your faces. Philadelphia, May 1, 1861-6m.

BEST Philadelphia Sugar-Cured Hams at the new store of GRAMM, ROYSTER & CO. FOR SALE.—a new one-horse wagon. Apply to REED, WEAVER & CO., Clearfield.