

Raftsmans Journal.



CLEARFIELD, PA. JULY 12, 1865.

THE LATEST NEWS.

The proposed restoration by the Spanish authorities at Cuba, by order of the Queen of Spain, of the rebel man Snowball to the Government of the United States, is another triumph of American diplomacy and valor.

A shocking railroad accident occurred at Elizabeth, N. J., on the 2d inst. Just as the train on the Central road was leaving the depot in that city, a stranger was seen to run toward it apparently with the intention of getting aboard.

Among the papers of Jeff Davis, captured by the Government, has been discovered several documents of vital importance in determining the guilt and complicity of Jeff Davis in the conspiracy plot.

The Unions of Charleston are petitioning that their cotton, rosin and turpentine, which they purchased under rebel rule, and hid, in hope that at the restoration of the Union something might be saved from it to purchase the necessities of life, but which had been seized at the capture of the city, may be returned to them.

It is now a question requiring the serious attention of all Christian men throughout the world which of the two is the most disgraceful—the failure of the American slave holders to establish slavery as the predominant influence in the American Government, or that of British statesmen to destroy civil liberty as it exists in the United States.

THE Democracy in Ohio are running on two tracks, with all the harmony which has formerly characterized the action of the rival factions. Two Committees are in full blast; but it makes not the least difference how many or how few they are.

HORACE GREELY had his watch stolen some time since, while riding in a New York street car, on his way to the Tribune office from the opera. The next morning the thief returned the watch to the editor with an apology to the effect that he would soon to rob so good a man.

It is estimated that the receipts from customs for the fiscal year ending with the 30th of the present month, will fall short of those of the previous year by about \$1,000,000.

Previous to burying the bodies of the conspirators, their names were written on slips of paper and put in vials, which were placed in the coffin. By this means the Government is able to identify the remains at any future period.

It is said that the hatred of some of the rebels of Washington, for the execution of the assassins, has been manifested by the exhibition of mourning drapery on their residences.

THE CONSPIRATOR'S FATE.

DAVID E. HAROLD, LEWIS PAYNE, GEO. A. ATZEROTT, and MRS. MARY E. SURRATT, having been found guilty of being accomplices in the assassination of President LINCOLN, and the finding of the Court having been approved by President JOHNSON, were hanged, on Friday, July 7th, 1865, by the authorities of the District of Columbia.

Few persons, we apprehend, will be disposed to question the finding and sentence because not in accordance with impartial and rigid justice. There is, in the sentence, as to the time of the execution, something so "sharp, quick, decisive," as almost to startle the public; nevertheless it is in perfect keeping with the heinous nature of the crime, and the stern requirements of justice.

It was said that President Johnson would disapprove of the finding of the Military Commission, and send the conspirators before a civil tribunal. Not only did he not do so, but it is very doubtful whether he ever contemplated such a thing.

Whether there is anything in the solemn circumstances which surround these stern and prompt proceedings calculated to comfort the men created rebels, who are waiting to take in turn their places at the bar of justice, we are not prepared to say.

The Harrisburg Telegraph. The Daily Telegraph made its appearance on last Thursday much enlarged in size, and having but recently been refitted with new material, is now one of the most complete papers published in the State.

Where Do They Stand? There is nothing like the crowd by which to judge men and parties. Thus, when they and their so-called Democrats are claiming to support President Johnson and his policy, in the New Hampshire House of Representatives ninety-six Democrats vote against the amendment to the Constitution abolishing slavery.

On all occasions during the past four years, whenever any one was hanged by the Government, or other severe punishment visited on a guilty rebel, the copperheads cry was that Jeff Davis would retaliate.

The coal mine of Gerard Cloos, near Liege, Belgium, was recently the scene of a dreadful accident. A sudden irruption of water took place in one of the lowest cuttings of the mine and caused the death of twenty-nine persons, men and women, who were working on the spot.

The new Constitution of Missouri has been adopted by a majority of one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two.

The story of the intended resignation of Secretary Seward is contradicted by the Washington Chronicle.

The nominal capital of National Banks is \$356,230,985—the amount of notes in circulation, \$149,088,603.

ELECTIONS IN ENGLAND.

For some weeks past there has been no little political excitement in the two small islands which constitute "the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland." A General Election, the first in six years, will take place next month, and though no change will take place in the Upper House, all of whose members, with the exception of sixteen peers, elected in each new Parliament from the Scottish nobility, sit for life, it must be remembered that there are six hundred and fifty-eight members in the House of Commons, each of whom has to submit himself to the censure or approval of his constituency, should he desire to be re-elected.

It is a matter of some concern to us how the ensuing election will end. We have no faith in the chances that, at any rate, PALMERSTON will quit office before the meeting of the new Parliament. He will die in harness—like PITT, FOX, and CANNING—if he is allowed the opportunity.

Rebel Secrets.

The archives of the Rebel Provisional Congress, which were lately captured by General WILSON, in Georgia, reveal some interesting secrets in relation to the manner in which the "Confederacy" was established.

The imposing ceremony of laying the cornerstone of the soldiers' monument was then gone through with in due and ancient Masonic form, in the presence of a large concourse of people—many of them the relatives of the soldiers buried there.

A Black Editor's Opinion.

The Black Republican is a new paper in New Orleans, edited by a colored man (a clergyman), who, it would seem from the following, does not think that the regeneration of his brethren is to be accomplished by voting and tax-paying.

Gen. Daniel E. Sickles reported the result of his mission to South America. He states that the republicans there rejoice at the triumph of our arms and the maintenance of liberty.

THE GETTYSBURG CELEBRATION.

The Fourth was celebrated at Gettysburg with great enthusiasm. One hundred guns were fired at daylight from batteries in camp on the battle field, which awoke the citizens from their slumbers and, no doubt, reminded them of the Fourth two years ago.

The procession, headed by military, civic societies, citizens, etc., headed by General Gerry one of the heroes of the battle, moved from the town at 10 o'clock and reached the cemetery before 11.

WASHINGTON, July 7, 1865. DEAR SIR, I had promised myself the pleasure of participating in person in the proceedings of tomorrow.

A few minutes after one o'clock the outer prison door was opened, and Mrs. Surratt was supported in her way to the gallows by two military officers. Next followed Atzerott, Harold and Payne, accompanied by a guard and their respective ministers of the gospel.

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There is a book with the dangerous title of "Pocket Lawyer." We shouldn't much like a book with this title, for we are afraid if we ever got the lawyer into our pocket, we should never be able to get him out.

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New Advertisements.

NEW FIRM AND NEW GOODS.

The subscribers having purchased the stock and good will of the late firm of Curdick & Co., in Philadelphia, respectfully inform their friends and the public generally that they have added a large stock of well selected reasonable goods, which they will dispose of at the most reasonable rates.

RELIEF NOTICE. The Board of Relief for the Society of Clergymen will meet at the Commission office in Clearfield on Wednesday and Thursday, the 20th and 21st days of July, 1865.

QUARTERLY REPORT of the First National Bank of Clearfield, July 3d, 1865.

Table with columns for Assets and Liabilities. Assets include Notes and bills discounted, Due from National Banks, Other Banks, U. S. Bonds, etc. Total Assets: \$1,000,000. Liabilities include Capital stock paid in, Circulating notes, Individual deposits, etc. Total Liabilities: \$1,000,000.

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NEW MUSIC.—Patent march to the memory of AMERICAN LIONS, by the Martyr President, by Mrs. E. A. PARKER, the popular composer. The Home Journal says: "This new composition, well worthy the reputation of the writer." Very strong and impressive, and one of the best pieces of the season.

MADIRA COAL AND IMPROVEMENT COMPANY.—A meeting of the Commissioners of the Madira Coal and Improvement Company will be held at the office of Robert J. Walters, in Clearfield, Pa., on Tuesday the 18th day of July, 1865, at 2 P. M., for the purpose of organizing said company and opening books for the subscription of stock in the same.