

Raftsmen's Journal.



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The Roman Question.

Elsewhere we publish an account of the defeat of Garibaldi's forces, by the Papal army, and of the capture of Garibaldi and his sons, besides the greater portion of the invading army.

The Vice Presidency.

On this subject the Pittsburg Gazette says that "many Republican journals are insisting, thus early, upon the necessity that exist for the next National Convention to select a candidate for Vice President in whom the most undoubted confidence can be reposed."

AGAIN ENLARGED.—The Pittsburg Gazette, last week, added four columns to its size. It is now the largest daily published in Western Pennsylvania, if not the largest in the State.

BETTER THAN BASE BALL.—Friday, November 1st, a great contest of wood sawing came off at Layayette, Indiana.

REBEL REJOICINGS.—Upon the receipt of the news of the recent election, at Libertytown, Frederick county, Maryland, the rebel flag was flung to the breeze by the rebels of that place.

Southern rebels accuse Johnson of lacking courage to punish the men who bear treason on the battle-field.

A terrible accident has befallen the town of St. Thomas, in the West Indies, the town being nearly destroyed by a tornado, and 500 lives being lost.

In Ohio there is a whole family in the penitentiary for burglary—the father and three sons. Thieving seems to be the failing of that family.

Defeat of Garibaldi.

A cable dispatch from Rome, dated November 3d, 1867, says: During the past few days, General Garibaldi concentrated his forces around his former position at Monte Rotondo.

A Turin dispatch of Nov. 4th says: Hundreds of wounded men are arriving here from the scene of the late engagement, between the Garibaldians and the Papal troops.

There are rumors about here to the effect that Garibaldi's mind is affected. Garibaldi, and his two sons, are reported as prisoners at Varazana.

The Italian Government has complied with the French ultimatum and recalled its troops from the Papal territory.

THE LATEST ADVICES FROM ITALY state, that Garibaldi was victorious at Monte Rotondo, until the Papal army was reinforced by the French.

IT IS NOT SO.—It having been charged that the colored vote in many of the Southern States where elections were held far exceeded the colored population, Gen. Howard has written a letter to the Washington Chronicle, in which he gives facts to dispel the allegation.

EXECUTION OF LENA MILLER, ON NOVEMBER 13TH, 1867.

For the Poisoning of her husband, Xavier Miller, in July, 1866.

Below we publish an account of the execution of Lena Miller, in the jail yard of this place, to-day, for the poisoning of her husband, Xavier Miller, in the month of July, 1866.

This was the first execution that has ever taken place in Clearfield county.

THE GALLOW.

The gallow was constructed of white pine, and consisted of two upright pieces, six by eight inches, and about twelve feet high, with a cross beam at the top, of same dimensions.

THE EXECUTION, ETC.

At nine o'clock, the spiritual advisers of the prisoner were admitted to her cell, and continued with her nearly the whole time until the execution.

At a quarter before 1 o'clock, a hymn was sung at her request, and a prayer offered in her behalf by Rev. Harrison. At 1 o'clock, Sheriff Faust appeared in the cell and announced to her "that the hour had come."

Mr. Archer then said: "The prisoner wishes, through me, to express publicly her thanks to the Sheriff and his wife for their kindness to her during her imprisonment, and also to say that she confesses this great sin for which she suffers, and trusting in the forgiveness of God she is willing to die."

After this statement, the Sheriff, and those who attended the scaffold with him, took their leave of the condemned, and all retired except Sheriff Faust.

The Sheriff, after having pinioned the prisoner's feet, directed her to arise, when he tied her hands behind her back, and then adjusted the noose, with the knot on the left side of the head, and drew the cap over her face.

In the fall, the knot of the noose drew around to the back of her head, and after remaining suspended, in this manner, for 25 minutes, the physicians, Doctors Hartwick, Burchfield and Fetzer, examined the body and pronounced life extinct, and ten minutes thereafter the body was taken down and placed in a neat coffin, having remained suspended 35 minutes.

The following is the statement and confession of Lena Miller, as furnished us by Revs. Archer and Harrison:

As the spiritual advisers of Mrs. Miller, during her imprisonment, it seems right and fitting that we should give to the public

some account of her former life, as preliminary to her confession of the crime.

HER FORMER LIFE.

Mrs. Lena Miller was (as she told us) about 40 years old. She was born in Hannover, Germany. Her maiden name was Lena Fadden. Her parents both died when she was very young—having no recollection of either of them.

I know and feel that I have committed a great sin, and acknowledge my punishment to be just; but I look to the mercy of God, and trust that he will forgive me.

I then took it and put it in my pocket-book, and carried it two days, when one morning, going over to Mrs. Pretz's, I found it in my pocket, out of the pocket-book, with my tobacco, and fearing that I might poison myself I threw it away, where I said I had done it; but as I was noticing especially those who were with me, and not where I was throwing it, I could not tell exactly the spot.

My motive for killing him was, because he treated me badly and abused me so. He made me work hard out doors, on the farm. He would some times get mad and knock me down, and the marks of abuse could often be seen upon my body.

How the Tribune Managed New York.

As the New York Tribune was so captious in reference to the management of Republican interests in the late Pennsylvania election, insisting on the right to find fault, depreciate and even ridicule the manner in which the Republicans of the Keystone State managed their affairs, we did expect that the astute scribe who dictates political actions through its columns would set us "dumb duteh" as an example in their management of the New York election which we might hereafter follow with profit.

Her general appearance was that of a large, strong, well-developed woman. Her face was rather masculine, her mouth expressive of determination, with dark skin, high cheek-bones, deep-sunken eyes, of a brown color, and hair of a grayish tinge.

With these remarks, we give her confession substantially as she related it to us:

HER CONFESSION.

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A Good One.

The Greensburg Herald of November 6th, tells the following story, on one of Andy Johnson's appointees in Westmoreland county, which is too good to be lost:

Some twenty-five cigar makers, one of their number bringing up the rear with a musket, marched to the office of the Assessor of Internal Revenue, in Lancaster, Monday morning, to make a return of the number of cigars made by them during the last month. Of course, the carrying of the musket was done as a joke.

Boston is suffering from a lack of dwelling houses, and a Boston paper says that so great is the demand, that when a wheelbarrow of bricks, passes along the streets the progress of the vehicle is checked, until a curious crowd has elicited from the propler thereof where the house is to be built, and its probable rent.

It is alleged by old trappers and hunters that the Indians who have lately signed treaties with the Government did so in spring time for a campaign early in the spring. The red man is not prepared for war in the winter. He will be ready to fight in the summer.

The Late Elections.

Below we give a brief synopsis of the elections held on November 5th: Massachusetts gives about 27,000 Republican majority, and elects the whole Republican State ticket. The legislature is largely Republican.

Wisconsin gives a Republican majority of about 4,000, and elects the whole Republican State ticket. The legislature is Republican, which secures the U. S. Senator.

Minnesota is Republican by about 5,000 majority, and has chosen the Republican State ticket. The Radicals have a majority in the legislature, thus securing a U. S. Senator.

Kansas has chosen a Radical majority in the legislature, and gives a Republican majority of about one thousand.

Illinois has pretty generally chosen Republican county officers—no State officers were elected this year.

Michigan has adopted a new constitution embracing a clause in favor of impartial suffrage.

New York has gone Democratic by about 42,000 majority. The Democracy have a majority of two in the legislature, on joint ballot.

New Jersey gives a Democratic majority of about 12,000. The legislature is largely Democratic.

Maryland gives about 45,000 Democratic majority. The rebel State Constitution was thus fully ratified.

The Copperheads of Ohio announce that all thoughts of contesting the election of Hayes has been abandoned. The majority was rather too large to be got rid of even by a Copperhead Senate.

A bread riot broke out at Exeter and Arminster, England, on the 1st. The military was called out to quell the riot.

AGENTS WANTED—throughout the State of Pennsylvania, for the UNITED STATES LIFE INSURANCE CO. OF NEW YORK.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.—By virtue of a writ of A. L. Lewis, Facias, issued out of the Court of Clearfield county, and to me directed, there will be exposed to sale at the Court house in the borough of Clearfield, on MONDAY, the 23d day of DECEMBER, 1867, the following described Real Estate, to wit:

TRIENNIAL ASSESSMENT APPEALS.—Notice is hereby given, that the Commissioners of Clearfield county, Pa. will meet at the following places, at 10 o'clock, A. M. of each day named, for the purpose of hearing Appeals from the Triennial Assessment, to-wit: