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Congress and the Currency.

We wish we could be permitted to hope that Congress, immediately on its assembling, would take the diseased and bloated condition of the currency in hand, and apply courageous and effectual remedies.

The ominous quaking in Wall Street, New York, a few days ago, and the heavy losses occasioned by the alarm, was but a slight external symptom of a malady which may any day break out in a more virulent manner throughout the whole country.

It is obvious that the national wealth can grow only by the profitable employment of labor. But new enterprises requiring a large immediate outlay, and looking to distant returns, will not be commenced in an era of high prices certain to be followed, at no long interval, by an era of lower prices.

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Real estate, and especially houses and stores, have gone up in an almost equal proportion. Measured by the present cost of building, such property is not too high; but the certainty of decline would prevent men from building at present rates, if the enormous rents did not tempt them to take the risk.

The general effect of the inflation is, as we have stated, to curb new enterprises requiring long investments. There is a stunting of national growth, a waiting for safer times to embark in solid undertakings, a consequent plethora of money, which is used in all sorts of speculations carrying prices up to such a pitch that in spite of high wages the laboring classes are pinched and find it difficult to live in decency or comfort.

The President without a respectable organ in his support! This is not the case. All the papers in the country which are in favor of a restoration of the Union, without the further shedding of blood and unnecessary expenditure of money, heartily support President Johnson.

Good Faith.—Colonel Frank Stewart and party from Berwick have sold a tract of coal land, in Blakesburg Township, Luzerne County, to A. P. Gordon & Co., for \$20,000.—Luzerne Union.

A Review of an Old Subject.

When the subject of holding the Philadelphia Convention was first broached we unhesitatingly opposed it, as fraught with evil and only evil for the Democratic party.

Animated by a warm love of country, desirous of not appearing factious in our opposition, and hoping that, after all, good would result and that we might be wrong in our judgment, while not endorsing or supporting the movement we ceased to oppose, more particularly adopting this course because we wished to see and hear, once more, the men of the South in a true Convention of all the States.

Among those so-called independent journals which were most zealous in getting up the Convention, and inducing the South to come into it, were the New York Times and the New York Herald. This fact was pointed out to us, and old gray-headed politicians, eloquently pictured and dilated to us of the immense power of conservative numbers represented by them, and of the advisability of league with them, for temporary effect.

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The masses listened, but there was no enthusiasm, no rime, none of the ringing old Democratic responses. They doubted; they did not like their new comrades of the "unknown quantity"—they could not forget the years of opposition, the days so recent, when they had suffered imprisonment, mobbing, a thousand outrages at the hands of the men who now came forward to claim brotherhood and affiliation.

Here is a sample of his opposition to the Democratic and Conservative forces in New York, printed just before the election in that State: "A vote for the dead Democracy will be utterly thrown away; while a vote for the Republican platform laid down at Syracuse will give the elector who casts it a pre-emption claim on the party that will be likely to control the government of the United States for the next quarter of a century."

The programme laid down by the Philadelphia Convention was faithfully carried out by the Democratic managers and leaders in the several States. The Conventions in nearly every one of the States which were to hold elections this fall, by resolutions, action, nominations, appealed not so much to the Democratic masses as to the Broad-and-Butterflies, an imaginary Conservative element, to Johnson-Republicans, and the soldiers.

What was the result? For one addition to our ranks gained, twenty Democrats refused to go to the polls. This is so—the Conservative policy was fully carried out in Minnesota, and Iowa, Michigan and Wisconsin, resulting in overwhelming defeat. In Chicago and Milwaukee we read humiliating lessons, reap a bitter experience. In Pennsylvania and Indiana the battle was fought on Democratic principles, and this is partly true of New York. Corruption, imported voters, and the immense monied resources of the Rump party secured triumphs in those Sovereignities, but the Democracy are neither cast down or discouraged. Why? Because they contended for Democratic principles and Democratic men!

But for the dead weight of the Philadelphia Convention we should have carried the great Western and Middle States! Of this there is not a shadow of doubt! We must be Democrats—not time-servers, or cowardly traitors, throwing principles to the winds, hoping thereby to secure temporary success. We should welcome gladly, enthusiastically, allies no matter what their former political ideas or opinions, but let us welcome them within the temple of Democracy, not in the huts and shanties of policy!

Letter from Senator Montgomery.

Lewis, North Carolina, Pa., Nov. 23d, 1866.

I send you herein a reply to Mr. Tate's letter of November 12th, 1866, which please insert in your next issue. I promise it will be the last, as I consider him unworthy of further notice. He inserts in his letter a resolution passed by the Northumberland County Convention of June 25th, 1866, in which he claims that the conferees of said county were instructed to support him, for Senator. Any one by reading it will see that it contains no such instructions, and consequently he stands condemned by the record.

Resolved, That the Chairmen of this Committee be authorized to secure, if possible, the services of the following named persons as class instructors and lecturers at the Institute: Prof. Henry T. Carver and Rev. J. B. Dixon, of the Bloomsburg Literary Institute; Prof. C. W. Walker, of the Millville Seminary; Prof. H. D. Walker, of the Orangeville Academy; Prof. Forsyth, of the Catawbas Academy; and D. A. Beckley, A. B.

Resolved, That an invitation is hereby extended to all Ministers of the Gospel in the county to attend the Institute and participate in the exercises. Resolved, That the publishers of the several newspapers in the county be requested to publish these proceedings. On motion, the meeting was adjourned.

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Very respectfully, DAVID M. MONTGOMERY.

WE DECLINE.—A Philadelphia publishing house asks us to publish a synopsis of their catalogue, for which they promise to send us a beautiful likeness of the celebrated A. Lincoln. In the first place they promise that which is impossible, if it is like the original, ("beautiful") and in the second place, we will remember the jester as long as we live, without a likeness before us. We have our own possession of a number of mementoes by which we can refresh our memory if it should happen to get rusty.

Southern Opposition to Negro Suffrage and the Amendment. Governor Worth, of North Carolina, has sent a message to the legislature, in which he opposes negro suffrage and the Howard Amendment, and recommends the northern states to encourage the emigration of the freedmen from the South.

United States Senator. The dominant party in Pennsylvania is having quite a lively time, in its ranks, in regard to the successor of Hon. Edgar Cowan, in the United States Senate. There is quite a number of aspirants for that position, and every week produces more. The leaders of the Disunionists only seek for two qualities in the man whom they wish to elect.

GEN. BREAUFORT.—This late Confederate officer in a late letter remarks: "When I surrendered to the Confederate forces at Greensboro, N. C., I buried the hatchet, not to be buried again, except in defence of the country and its constitutional government."

Meeting of the Teachers' Executive Committee.

At a meeting of the Columbia County Teachers' Executive Committee, held at Bloomsburg, on Saturday, November 24th, 1866, the following resolutions were unanimously passed:

Resolved, That a County Teachers' Institute be held at Bloomsburg, on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, the 26th, 27th, 28th and 29th days of December next.

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LAST NOTICE!

Notice is hereby given, to all persons indebted to the establishment of the Columbia Democrat, that immediate payment must be made, or credit will cease without respect to persons.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Estate of Mrs. Lanah Fidler, deceased. Letters of administration on the estate of Lanah Fidler, late of Bloomsburg, deceased, have been granted to the Register of Columbia County, Frederick Letler, of Greenport, Ohio, and all persons indebted to the estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned, and those having claims against the estate will present them duly authenticated to FREDERICK LETLER, Adm., October 24, 1866—w.

SUPERB HOLIDAY PRESENTS!

Watches! Watches! Watches! Gold and Silver Watches of all descriptions, 34 Liberty Street, N. Y.

BROWN & PERKINS, Pianos for the People! 420 Broome St., N. Y.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT. We would respectfully call the attention of Choir Leaders and Singing School Teachers to our establishment, where all kinds of Church Music, Glee and Anthem Books can be obtained on the most favorable terms.

TRADE AT MEMPHIS.—The Memphis Post says that trade is very dull at present, and adds an explanation: "The alarming shortness of the cotton crop, the receipts diminishing instead of increasing at the height of the season, and the heavy indebtedness with which the South will close the year, is creating a little uneasiness in commercial circles."

General News Items. Col. W. H. Taylor, who was recently appointed postmaster at Cincinnati, is a son-in-law of the late President Harrison.

That clamorous Radical, Gen. Logan, is now in Washington, and announces that he intends using every means on earth to impeach the President.

Hon. Hiram V. Wilson, United States Judge for the Northern district of Ohio, died at Cleveland, on the 12th, of consumption. He was appointed by President Pierce.

BROWN & PERKINS, GENTL AGENTS FOR THE UNITED STATES, No. 420 Broome Street, N. Y.

OSCAR P. GIRTON, Respectfully informs the public that he is now prepared to manufacture all kinds of Boots and Shoes, at the LOWEST Possible Prices; and at short notice and in the very best and latest styles.

NEW GOODS AT C. C. MARR'S NEW STORE. THE undersigned has just returned from the city with a full and complete supply of Dry Goods and Groceries, Nations, Groceries, Tin-ware, Hardware, Canned Goods, Wares, Drugs, Confectionery, Glass-ware, Tobacco, Hats and Boots, Flour, Salt, Fish and Meat, by mail, which is for sale at a very low figure for cash or produce.

COMPOUND INTEREST NOTES WANTED AT THE First National Bank OF BLOOMSBURG. Full interest allowed. Bloomsburg, Nov. 7, 1866—lm.

WILLIAM ROGERS, Respectfully announces himself to the public as an experienced WELL-DIGGER and WATER-SMELLER, and is prepared to locate where water can be easiest found, and all who have wells will be benefited by his services. Contracts will be taken by the foot or by the day, to suit the employer. Address: WILLIAM ROGERS, Bloomsburg, Pa. July 23, 1866—ly.

Grand Jurors for December Term.

BLOOM—John Penman, Robert Ross, BELLEVILLE—Peter Shellenbarger, George P. BENTON—Abraham A. Klein, CONYNGHAM—Isaac W. Howe, GREENE—Charles H. Ingersoll, FISHINGCREEK—William Hughes, Columbus, GREENWOOD—Andrew J. Albrecht, HELLBROCK—John M. Barton, Hugh A. H. WILLIAM Appleton, Levi Wright, JACKSON—John F. Derr, LOCUST—Leonard Adams, George Raup, HERBERT, MADISON—James Welliver, Stephen ELLIOTT—Austin Barnhart, Joseph Geiger, SAGHAROE—James Ross.

Traverse Jurors for December Term, 1866. BLOOM—Thomas Knorr, Abraham Fry, Lewis Munn, Isaac Hartman, William Raub, BELLEVILLE—Samuel Fisher, Jacob Keller, BENTON—Emanuel Lambach, GREENE—JOHN BERWICK—Isiah Bower, Levi Brodhead, John F. Derr, FISHINGCREEK—David Miller, John Franz, FISHINGCREEK—Isaac Estwing, Allen Shellenbarger, FRANKLIN—Daniel Knittle, GREENWOOD—David H. Ammerman, LOCUST—Cornelius Reinhold, MADISON—Keller A. Smith, John Demott, Gait, Levi Weaver, MONTICU—William Hollingshead, John G. Conk, Levi Weaver, ST. PLEASANT—Adam Welliver, Benjamin Kirtler, Samuel Johnson, BELLEVILLE—William Gitting, MIFFLIN—Stephen Geislar, ORANGE—Michael Hagenbuch, Isaac Dittler, FISHINGCREEK—Daniel Evans, BOARINGCREEK—Daniel Levin, FOUNT—Thomas Trenc, Eliza D. Kluge.

NEW CLOTHING AND GENTLEMEN'S FURNISHING STORE. THE undersigned respectfully announces to his many friends that he has opened a new Clothing and Gentlemen's Furnishing Store, in the lower room of the Hartman Building, southeast corner of State and Market Streets, Bloomsburg, Pa.

Fall and Winter Clothing and Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods, &c. &c. He has taken himself that he can please all. His stock comprises: MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING, such as DRESS COATS, SACK COATS, OVERCOATS, PANTS, VESTS, SHIRTS, UNDERSHIRTS, DRAWERS, COLLARS, COLLAR NECK TIE, HOSIERY, SUSPENDERS, HANDBKERCHIEFS, UMBRELLAS, &c.

LADIES' FANCY FURS! JOHN FAIREIRA'S. Old Established Fur Manufactory No. 7th, ARCH Street, above 7th, PHILADELPHIA. Have now in store of my own manufacture a full assortment of the largest and most beautiful selections of FURS for Ladies' and Children's wear, and also a full assortment of Gent's Fur Goods and Gloves. I am enabled to dispose of my goods at very reasonable prices, and I would therefore solicit a call from any friends of the Columbia County and vicinity.

LATEST FASHIONS DEMAND J. W. Bradley's Celebrated Patent DUPEX ELLIPTIC (OR DOUBLE SPRING) SKIRT. The Wonderful Flexibility and great comfort and pleasure to any Lady wearing the Duplex Elliptic Skirt will be experienced particularly in crowded Assemblies, operas, Carriages, Railroad Cars, Arm Chairs, Churches, &c. The Duplex Elliptic Skirt, as it is called, is the only one of the kind that can be worn in any position, and will preserve its perfect and graceful shape when three or four ordinary skirts will have become shabby and worn out. The Duplex Elliptic Skirt is a great favorite with all ladies, and is universally recommended by the Fashionable and the World.

LOOK TO YOUR INTEREST IN A NEW CHAIR SHOP. J. H. BATES, Respectfully informs the public generally that he has opened a first-class CHAIR ESTABLISHMENT in Bloomsburg, on Main Street, (opposite Snyder's Hall), where he has just received from Philadelphia, a large assortment of ROCKING CHAIRS, NURSE CHAIRS, CANE SEATED CHAIRS, Arm Chairs and Windsor Chairs, all of which he offers to the public at reasonable prices.

AGENTS WANTED FOR THE PICTORIAL BOOK OF ANECDOTES AND INCIDENTS OF THE REBELLION. There is a certain portion of the war that will never go into the regular histories, nor do we find in the romance or poetry, which is a very real part of it, and will, if preserved, convey to succeeding generations a better idea of the spirit of the conflict than many dry reports or careful narratives of events, and this part may be called the goings on, the fun, the pathos of the war. This illustrates the character of the leaders, the humor of the soldiers, the devotion of women, the bravery of men, the pluck of our heroes, the romance and hardships of the service.

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