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EBENSBURG.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 23.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

The partnership heretofore existing between the firm of Bolinger & Hutchinson, in the publication of The Allegonian, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

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Just a Word.

Well, good friends! six months have rolled away since our first number made its appearance, and—strange as it may appear to some—The Allegonian still lives.

But what shall we say or do—what can we say or do—to convince those sage philosophers of their error, who, at this late day, persist in calling our journal "a mere ephemeral concern?"

But, friends and patrons, we had intended to say a word as to our prospects.—We can still do so. Then let us assure you that our prospects are bright and cheering.

State Agricultural Society.

The State Agricultural Society held its usual annual meeting at Harrisburg, on Tuesday. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—President, Jacob S. Haldeman; Vice Presidents, George W. Woodward, George Cadwallader, James Gowen, Robert Hare Powell, Thomas P. Know, George Thomas, Adrian Cornell, George M. Lauman, Coleman Henderson, B. G. Peters, Amos E. Knapp, E. W. Sturdevant, Henry D. Maxwell, Henry Dainker, J. B. Beck, C. Eberly, William Heyser, Elias Baker, William A. Stokes, Joshua Wright, John Murdoch, John Young, Jr., Thomas J. Power, H. Souther, James Miles; Additional members of the Executive Committee, I. G. McKinley, David Teggart, Wm. Colder, Jr., Jacob Mish, John H. Zeigler; Corresponding Secretary, A. Boyd Hamilton; Chemist and Geologist, S. S. Haldeman; Librarian, Henry Gilbert.

In connection with this subject, we would ask: Are we to have an Agricultural exhibition this fall? The usual time for the election of officers has passed, and we have heard of no action being taken in the matter by the Society.

Record Your Deeds.

All deeds executed in the State of Pennsylvania, must be recorded within six months, otherwise to be deemed fraudulent and void against purchasers on mortgage for value, unless recorded before the deed under which the purchaser claims.

The People's Party State Convention met at Harrisburg yesterday.

In Starbu, a village of the district of Kaschira, a very remarkable event has taken place. The proprietor of the village, Herr Nicolai Turgenow, has entered into a voluntary contract with the sect of the Russian Slaves.

We appeal to every candid, honest mind in these United States to compare the conduct of Russia with that of our slave States and ask himself, Which is the despotic government?

Here we see a nobleman emancipating his serfs, and distributing to them one-third of his landed possessions in their own right and no government law interdicts his act—on the contrary the Emperor approves and commends the measure;—but what does our own country exhibit?

It stands before the world supreme in infamy. It professes to regard liberty as the inalienable right of all, yet holds in subject bondage nearly four millions of men, women and children, designating them as property, devoid of all rights!

Nor yet satisfied with this, they threaten to disrupt and destroy the union of these States if Congress refuse to pass a slave code for the Territories, whereby they may be secured in holding their slaves in territory which our fathers, forty years ago, devoted to freedom!

Yet further, they demand that no restriction nor punishment shall attach to the importation of persons direct from Africa, to be enslaved in this land of pretentious freedom, and doomed to the condition of brutes, to toil for any one able to buy and hold them as property!

Furthermore, they threaten to overturn the Government, defy the Constitution, and the laws, if a majority of the people should elect to the office of President any man who shall assert that "man cannot righteously hold property in man." Such is the picture which the United States at this day presents of itself to the world!

Can anything be imagined more revolting to the moral sense of right-minded persons than this exhibit of the action of our slave-holders, who yet profess to be civilized and christianized?

Compared with our slave State despots, Russia becomes a free, noble, generous government, and her people might, like the Chinese, designate us as being "outer barbarians" indeed.—State Journal.

What Democrats think of their Party.

Senator Toombs, on the floor of Congress, said:—"I do not believe, to-day there is as corrupt a Government under the heavens as that of the United States."

The Charleston Mercury says:—"To conclude the whole matter—National Democracy is corrupt, vacillating and false; it wears the garb of sanctity, that hideous deformity may be concealed; it woos but to ruin, and wins but to destroy."

Ex-Gov. Foote, Mississippi, says:—"In fact, the Democratic party, now in existence, is dishonest, corrupt and imbecile in the extreme, confessedly so. Party organs and party leaders openly avow it—the Washington States had repeatedly charged it, and had exposed the peculations, frauds, and thefts of Government officials."

PRESIDENTIAL.—Horace Greely is at present on a lecturing tour through the Western and North Western States, and in a recent letter to the Tribune, he makes the prediction that Douglas will be nominated for President by the Charleston Democratic Convention, and that he will receive the united vote of the Southern States. He also says, that altho' Seward, Bates, Cameron, Reed, Banks and the other Presidential aspirants on the Republican side, may have ardent friends and supporters, that it will in all probability be ascertained that Fremont and Dayton will be the most acceptable candidates that can be presented by the Chicago Republican Convention.

EDITORIAL NOTINGS.

Read new advertisements. Reading matter on every page. Going off—the snow. Going to go off—the mud.

A protracted meeting is now being held in the M. E. Church, of this place.

A sleighing party from Johnstown visited our village on Tuesday last.

A fixed fact—that a rolling mill is to be established at Hollidaysburg.

We have received another exquisite poem from "Jennie," which we will lay before our readers next week.

A Poore appointment—Ben Perley Poore has been appointed Clerk to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Lent commenced yesterday, and Easter will fall on Sunday, the 8th of April—a fortnight earlier than usual.

A man named Nicholas Peightal was run over and instantly killed by a passenger train, near Huntingdon, one day last week.

The Order of Sons of Temperance located at this place is steadily increasing. It numbers at present about 230 members.

A bill is now before the Legislature of the State, to exempt property to the amount of \$1,000 from levy and sale.

Yesterday, the 23d, was the anniversary of the birth of "the father of his country"—WASHINGTON.

It is generally conceded that the Ground-Hog saw his shadow on the 2d inst., as we have had some very wintry weather since.

Godey for March is on our table. It is full of overflowing with the infinitesimal variety of good things for which Godey is so famous. Success to the "Book!"

The machine shop of the Pittsburg and Connellsville Railroad, at Connellsville, was destroyed by fire on the 4th inst. Four locomotives were destroyed by the fire.

A box containing the leg and two feet of a human body, was found in a ravine near the railroad depot at Scranton, on the evening of the 15th inst. Suspicions of foul play have been excited.

If our friends throughout the county will furnish us with lists of the lately elected officers for their respective boroughs and townships, we will take pleasure in publishing them.

A meeting was recently held in Mississippi, at which it was proposed to expunge parts of the Bible, on the ground of their being incendiary. The motion was lost by only three majority.

A young man named Alonzo Ross, of Curwensville, Clearfield county, while laboring under mental aberration, committed suicide on the 4th inst., by cutting his throat with a razor.

The Cambria county Courts commence on Monday, March 5th. Individuals in attendance will enjoy a flattering opportunity to roll in and subscribe for The Allegonian.—The more, the merrier—plenty of room left.

All the rage—Sleighing parties, for some time past. The coward may prate of the sweets of home, and the fire-side's grateful ease: Give us o'er the whitening hills to roam, And to sport with the mountain breeze.

Our thanks are due Hon. S. S. Blair, of Congress, Hon. Louis Hall, of the Senate, Hon. R. J. Proudfoot, of the House, and T. H. Cremer, Revenue Commissioner for Huntingdon, Blair and Cambria counties, for numerous favors.

Henry Pritts, indicted for the murder of Eli Weaver, in October last, was recently put upon trial in the Somerset county court, and convicted of murder in the first degree. He has made a confession, in which he acknowledges that he shot Weaver, but says it was done accidentally.

A great many speculations have been advanced as to the why and wherefore of numerous candidates not having been elected to fill borough offices on Friday. The most satisfactory solution of the mystery we have yet heard of, is—because they didn't get enough votes.

So Blanche, don't forget us.—Dem. & Sent.

Our friend Bitters saith the above injunction is totally unnecessary, for that he is officially informed that Blanche will certainly be run out of man-script when she is for getting you.

On Tuesday morning of last week, the jail, court-house, and city hall of Carbonate, Pa., were set on fire by a prisoner named Higgins, and totally destroyed. Higgins, although very anxious to leave for other dignities, was unable to effect his escape, and perished in the flames.

The newly-elected Burgess and Town Council, and other officials of our borough, were inducted into office on Tuesday last, and have assumed the reins of government. From the well-known energy of the various members, we are inclined to think they will make capital officers. The outgoing "Fathers" will have the thanks of our citizens generally, for the efficient manner in which they performed the onerous duties devolving on them.

From the report of the Superintendent of Common Schools, it seems there are at present 137 schools in this county, and that 106 male and 35 female teachers were employed during the last year to teach the young ideas how to shoot. The average salary of males per month, \$22.59; average salary of females per month, is \$19.82. Wholenumber of male scholars, 3,177; females, 2,868. Average number of scholars attending school, 4,362; cost of teaching each pupil per month, 38 cents.

Assault upon Mr. Hickman.

Last evening, (10th inst.) after adjournment of the House, the Hon. Henry A. Edmundson, of Virginia, attempted to draw the Hon. John Hickman, of Pennsylvania, into a personal rencontre. The matter has been kept close by all the parties concerned, but it is learned that the gentleman from the 11th Virginia District has been nursing his wrath ever since Mr. Hickman made his famous speech stating that eighteen millions of the North would not permit the South to dissolve the Union.

The attack upon Mr. Hickman creates a great deal of excitement among the Opposition members. The attack was entirely unprovoked, and was made by a large, stout man, accompanied by two of his friends, upon a weak, slight, sick man, who was alone. Mr. Hickman was walking down the Capitol steps, when Edmundson approached him, saying: "You made a speech the other night at Willard's Hotel." "I did," replied Mr. Hickman. "And, d—n you, you slandered my State, you liar and coward," continued Edmundson, at the same moment striking him with his cane across the head. Mr. Hickman was about to retaliate the assault, when he was caught by Vice-President Breckenridge, who led him away; Keitt, and Bonling, of New Orleans, taking care of Edmundson. It is reported that Keitt called out to Breckenridge, alluding to Hickman: "Take the hoodlaway!" It will be recollected that both Keitt and Edmundson were the instigators of the attack upon Sumner, and stood sentinel while Brooks did his bloody work. No one thinks Mr. Keitt had anything to do with the recent outrage, except to separate the parties. Mr. Hickman bled at the lungs freely the night and morning after the brutal attack upon him. It was remarked yesterday that Mr. Breckenridge was in the House for half an hour, and all the time sat laughing with Edmundson, who, overcoat on and cigar in mouth, sat upon one of the sofas in the extremity of the Hall, and finally the Vice President went out with his Virginia friend, as if he meant to testify to the House his approbation of the attack on Mr. Hickman. It must be remembered that the brutal attack was unprovoked, and if the excuse be offered for Edmundson that he was tipsy, it will be replied that when sober he offered no apology.

MYSTERIOUS.—The Clearfield Republican, of last week, says:—"We have been informed that Wm. Housler, a citizen of this county, residing generally in Karthaus tp., lost his life in Lock Haven, in a somewhat mysterious manner, one night last week, giving rise to suspicions that he had been murdered and robbed. The circumstances, as we have heard them, are, that Mr. Housler had been to Philadelphia where he had received a sum of money, amounting to about \$250; that he had been followed by two men from that place on his return; that they had been in company with him in Lock Haven, and on the night in question he was found in one of the hotels, in a dying condition, with evident marks of violence upon him.—One of the men had disappeared, and the other attempted to explain that the injuries to Mr. H. had been caused by his falling down stairs—a statement which the dying man had only breath to contradict, but not to give the real facts. Only sixteen dollars were found upon Mr. H. at his death. Our informant did not state, but we presume the person found so near him at the time of his death was arrested."

STARTLING OCCURRENCE.—SNAKE IN A LADY'S DRESS.—The London Court Journal says:—"A lady who had returned from India three years ago, and was the other day opening a drawer in what is termed a bullock trunk, to her amazement and horror a snake reared up his head; her first impulse was to push the drawer to, but it was stiff and heavy. She ran, screaming, down stairs for help. Her brother, who was in the drawing room, went to her assistance and preceded her again up stairs. The snake was not to be seen, and the gentleman thought it must have been his sister's imagination; so after some little time, the search was given up. The following morning a canary that always hung in the lady's room was missing, and looking into the cage, the snake lay curled up at the bottom of it, and all that remained of the bird by his side. There was no difficulty in destroying the snake, and it was discovered to be what is termed a green snake, whose nature is to make a spring at the eye, when death immediately ensues. The marvel is how the reptile lived so long and the lady escaped."

CAPTURE OF AN AMERICAN SLAVER WITH A CARGO OF NEGROES.—Capt. Mathews of the ship Alarm arrived at this port to-day, from Calcutta, reports having left at St. Helena, December 27, the American bark Orion, of New York, Capt Morgan, which vessel had been captured by the British steamer Pluto, while engaged in the slave trade. When the vessel was brought into port she had on board eight hundred and seventy-one negroes, of which number sixty were women, one hundred and twenty-seven girls, two hundred and seventy-three men, three hundred and ninety-six boys, and seven sex unknown. Before the vessel arrived one hundred and fifty-two had died, which would make the total number taken on board when she left the coast of Africa ten hundred and twenty-three. Among those who died were sixty boys, forty men, eight women, twenty-four girls, and twenty others, sex unknown.

The slaver, after her arrival at St. Helena, was delivered up to the United States steamer Mystic. The Mystic reached that port on the 21st of December, from St. Paul de Loando, officers and crew all well. The slaver would probably be sent home for adjudication. The captain and first and second officers of the Orion were in prison at St. Helena when the Alarm sailed. They had been delivered into the custody of the United States steamer Mystic, and would be brought to this country for trial. The captain of the slaver appeared disposed to make a clean breast of the whole affair.

The slaves remained on board the Orion when the Alarm left St. Helena.

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Sentenced to be Hung.

CHARLESTOWN, Feb. 14.—The Court room was crowded yesterday morning, to hear the sentence of the law passed upon Hazlett and Stevens.

The clerk having asked them if they had anything to say why sentence should not be passed upon them, both responded that they had.

Stevens then said, "May it please the Court, I have a few words to say. Some of the testimony against me was untrue.—One of the witnesses stated that I said, 'Let us kill the — of —, burn the town.' To those who know me, it is useless to make a denial of this charge, but I deny here before God and man, ever having made such a proposition. I wish to say I am entirely satisfied with the conduct of my counsel, Mr. Bennett. I desire also to return my thanks to the officers who have had charge of me, for their universal kind treatment, and to my physician for the services rendered me whilst suffering from my wounds. When I think of my brothers slaughtered and my sisters outraged, my conscience does not reprove me for my actions. I shall meet my fate manfully."

[This reference is understood to be the treatment of his Northern brethren and sisters during the Kansas broils.]

Hazlett then spoke as follows:—"I have a few words to say. I am innocent of the charge on which I have been convicted. I deny ever having committed murder, or ever having associated with any one with such intentions. Some of the witnesses have sworn to things which I deny, and which were positively false. For instance, in reference to my beard; I have never in my life, until my imprisonment in jail, allowed my beard to grow more than three weeks without shaving, and all testimony, therefore, as to the length of my beard is false. Again, Mr. Copeland testified that I was sitting on a stool when I entered the cell at Carlisle; this I deny. I was sitting on a blanket, my back against the wall, and another man was on the stool. Copeland also said there were only two men in the cell; this is false, as there were four other white men in the cell with me, and we comprised all the white prisoners in the jail. Others of the witnesses made false statements, but I forgive them all. I have been treated kindly since my confinement—much better than I had expected—and I must say I think better of Virginia. I wish also to return my thanks to the counsel who have so ably defended me; they have done more in my behalf than Northern counsel could possibly have done. I repeat, I am innocent of murder but am prepared to meet my fate."

DISMEMBERMENT.—A new history of the United States by an Englishman, is said to contain the following:

"Before I went to America, I had heard much of American natural scenery; but confess I was sadly disappointed when I came to see it myself. I have traversed the country from the colonial dependence of Her Most Gracious Majesty in Canada to the Rocky Mountains, and I saw nothing that could be called worthy of the artist or poet's observation. It is true that Canada has some charming scenery, which has been much improved by British taste and art—the natural consequence of the cultivation and refinement of the inhabitants, but whenever one crosses into the States the country exhibits either wild forests or naked prairies, both of which are dangerous to travel through, in consequence of the quantities of the voracious animals they contain. A distinguished member of the United States Parliament informed me that a railroad train last year, was attacked by a drove of raccoons while crossing a prairie, and every passenger destroyed. These raccoons are the terror of this wild country, and have depopulated thousands of miles of its surface."

THRILLING ADVENTURE.—A Party Carried off upon the Ice.—On Monday a party of gentlemen visited the bay for the purpose of seeing the Indians, and others fish for trout. About two o'clock some of the party observed a singular motion of the ice. It appeared that there was a strong current in the water, but an examination disclosed the fact that the upon which they were standing had parted between them and the shore, and they were rapidly floating into Lake Huron. They at once put their horses in motion to find some point where they could get to the main land, but could find no such place. In the meantime they were going very rapidly, the wind blowing a gale from the shore. Their situation was very dangerous, both as regards the danger of the breaking up of the ice upon which they were, and the severe cold. Great excitement existed at Bay View amongst the inhabitants generally, and many plans for their relief were talked of and canvassed. They floated some fourteen miles, when one end of the ice broke, and they were grounded on Squaw Point. They made a rush for the shore, after first getting off their horses and sleighs. The ice was much broken, and they had to travel some distance over separate cakes to reach the shore.—East Saginaw Courier.

The Contemplated Southern Convention.

The Legislature of South Carolina, a few weeks ago, passed resolutions and forwarded them to all the slaveholding States, requesting the appointment of Commissioners to a Convention to arrange for a division of the union, on the occurring of certain contingencies.

The Legislature of Mississippi has responded affirmatively. That of Virginia regarded the proposed measure as unconstitutional, and declined action. In Maryland, the proposition was received with great disfavor. We have not seen any statement of the action of the representatives in other States, except in Texas.—There, Gov. Houston sent in the emancipation, accompanied by a special message, strongly condemning the proposed measure. The following resolutions were then introduced in the Legislature, with a probability of their being passed by a very strong vote:

SECTION I. Be it Resolved, by the Legislature of the State of Texas, that we do not concur in the opinion with the Legislature of South Carolina, that any such alarming exigency exists in our national affairs, as to justify the revolutionary action recommended by them to their sister slaveholding States; nor do we assent to the doctrine of secession, by one or more States, from our national confederacy, as constitutional right.

Resolved, That this Legislature is first attached to the Union of these States, and not concur in the opinion with the Legislature of South Carolina, that any such alarming exigency exists in our national affairs, as to justify the revolutionary action recommended by them to their sister slaveholding States; nor do we assent to the doctrine of secession, by one or more States, from our national confederacy, as constitutional right.

Resolved, That this Legislature beholds in the proposed secession of the Southern slaveholding States, or any of them, from their sister States—as in the dissolution of our glorious Union—no remedy for any alleged evils, real or imaginary, but a great aggravation of them all, and contemplating that deplorable event as the parent of other calamities, far transcending in magnitude and fatal consequences any now pending or us.

Resolved, That, as far as depends upon us, we will stand by, support and uphold the Union against all attacks, from without or within, and against all ultraisms, whether at the North or the South.

Resolved, Therefore, that we respectfully, but most emphatically, decline to participate in, or in any way sanction the proposed meeting of the slaveholding States, for the purposes indicated by the Legislature of South Carolina.

Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be requested to communicate this preamble and resolutions to each of our sister States, with the expression of our earnest hope that they will all unite with us, in cultivating brotherly feeling, observing justice and obeying the Constitution and laws of the United States.

Disunion movements are evidently unconstitutional, and tend to treason, and the indications are, that they are growing into disaster throughout the land.

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