



Monday Morning, Dec. 6, 1853.

It is stated that Senator Tassara, the Special Secretary of the Government, has notified...

As Whelton hogs are selling at \$4 50 gross and \$3 75 net.

The officers of some of the churches in Milwaukee have notified the proprietors of the Compiler...

The Senate of Mississippi has passed a bill prohibiting the sale of any bank notes...

A bill has passed the House of Representatives of Georgia, by a vote of fifty-six to fifty-two...

The Jackson (Miss.) Eagle says that several years ago, a veritable Egyptian silver coin...

If a man were to set out calling everything by its right name, he would be knocked down before he got to the corner of the street.

They say it is becoming the custom "out West" for newly married people to send to newspaper publishers...

In some parts of Vermont a flogging is capital. At Northfield there is a foot of snow.

A cart load of watermelons was in market at Columbus, Ga., on the 23d ult., and the first of the season was served up at Augusta, Ga., on Friday week.

The Albany Statesman, alluding to a candidate for office, who was defeated in that city, says he had such an itching for office that his friends concluded to scratch him!

The Senate of Indiana has, by a vote of 26 to 22, passed a resolution declaring the election of Messrs. Bright and Fish to the U. S. Senate illegal, unconstitutional and void.

An accomplished young lady from Albemarle, Virginia, was baptised in the river Jordan, by Mr. James T. Barclay, missionary in Jerusalem.

If rich, it is easy to conceal one's wealth; but, if poor, it is by no means easy to conceal one's poverty. It is less difficult to hide a thousand guineas than one half in your coat.

We learn that large works are now in progress of erection at Cumberland, Md., for the purpose of making Kerosene oil out of the Cumberland coal.

Punctuality begets confidence, and is the path to honor and respect. Why is a man like a fool? Because it holds a lady's hand without squeezing it.

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The Vote of 1852. Table showing election results for various states including Missouri, Indiana, Ohio, New York, and Pennsylvania.

The vote for State Treasurer is the one counted at the recent election in Illinois, and the aggregate vote of both the Democratic candidates is set down.

From a glance at the figures it will be seen that the whole vote of 1852 is less by 293,009 than the vote at the Presidential election of 1850.

From these facts and figures it is apparent that the Democratic Party of the North and West, the Democracy are steadily gaining upon the Opposition, and that their united vote may be safely counted upon as certain for the Democratic candidate for the Presidency in 1860.

"A Reconstruction of Political Parties." This, from time immemorial, has been the cry of all disappointed politicians and of all discarded parties.

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There is one party, at least, that will not be reconstructed. It is as old and as stable as the foundations of the government, and will last as long as the constitution and the Union are perpetuated.

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The Carolina (Md.) Civilian says that the "City Bank" at that place, has closed its doors, and that James R. Ames has been appointed assignee. The circulation is estimated at 200 or 250,000, and note-holders are advised not to surrender the notes.

The President's Letter. The following truly patriotic and eloquent letter was sent by President BUCHANAN to the Dequeeno Celebration at Pittsburg:

WASHINGTON, 22d November, 1853. GENTLEMEN—I have had the honor to receive your invitation to be present on the 20th instant, at the Centennial Anniversary of the capture of Fort Duquesne; and I regret that the pressure of public affairs at a period so near the meeting of Congress, renders it impossible that I should enjoy this privilege.

Every patriot must rejoice whilst reflecting upon the unparalleled progress of our country within the last century. What was, at its commencement, the obscure Fort, far beyond the western frontier of civilization, has now become the centre of a populous commercial and manufacturing city, sending its productions to large and prosperous sovereign States still further west, whose territories were then a vast, unexplored and silent wilderness.

From the stand point at which we have arrived, the anxious patriot cannot fail, whilst reviewing the past, to cast a glance into the future, and to speculate upon what may be the condition of our country when your posterity shall assemble to celebrate the second Centennial Anniversary of the capture of Fort Duquesne.

These questions will, I firmly believe, under the Providence of God, be virtually decided by the present generation. We have reached a crisis when upon their action depends the preservation of the Union, in the letter and spirit of the Constitution; and this once gone, all is lost.

I regret to say that the present omens are far from propitious. In the lapse of the Republic, it was considered almost treasonable to pronounce the word Disunion. Times have since sadly changed, and now Disunion is freely prescribed as the remedy for evanescent evils, real or imaginary, which, if left to themselves, would speedily vanish away in the progress of events.

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John & County Affairs. LOCAL NEWS TO THE LATEST MOMENT. The Railroad. The track is now within a few hundred feet of the Turn-Table—the bad weather of the past week preventing the progress otherwise anticipated.

The Black Republican party is plainly showing signs of weakness both in the "back" and "the front," in spite of W. H. Seward's proclamation on the floor of the United States Senate last winter, at the time of the passage of the "English Bill," that "whoso met with our confidence its leaders all profess have exhibited and the bragging they have done, since the elections. They are evidently afraid to go fairly and squarely before the American people in the next Presidential election.

Mr. ALEXANDER ROSE has purchased a half lot of ground from Hon. S. R. RUSSELL, on York street—price \$100. —The intention is to erect a handsome private residence upon it next spring.

Mr. ABRAHAM SCOTT has sold his property in Cashtown, to Maj. JACOB MARK, for \$1,250. Mr. Scott has purchased the property of Rev. Mr. KREUZER, on the corner of Chambersburg and Washington streets, to which he intends removing in the spring, with the view of engaging in the mercantile business.

Maj. JOHN SCOTT has purchased the building immediately in the rear of his residence on Chambersburg street, formerly used for a brewery, from the heirs of WM. E. CAMP, for \$500. It is the Major's intention to fix it up and use it for a Warehouse for the reception of grain and produce.

The Rev. BASIL SHORR has become the Pastor of the Catholic Church in this place, and has his home with our neighbor Jacob Norbeck. We believe it is contemplated to have services here three Sabbaths in each month—the balance of his time to be given to the Churches at Fairfield and in "the Mountain."

Mr. SHORR is a native of this county; (son of the late John Shorr, Esq., of Union township), and is much esteemed by all enjoying his acquaintance.

On Thursday evening week, a young man named SAMUEL GEISELMAN, committed suicide, at his residence, near Abbottstown, in this county, by shooting himself with a heavily charged shotgun. The particulars of the rash act, and the manner in which he was enabled to gather them, are as follows: The unfortunate deceased had been for some time afflicted with nervous depression or melancholy, and late in the afternoon of the day above named he retired to his room. About dusk a noise, from his apartment, alarmed the housekeeper, who summoned assistance and went to ascertain the cause. Upon forcing the door, a dreadful spectacle was presented. Geiselman was lying upon the floor, writhing in his blood, and lifelessly extinct. Near the body lay the instrument of his destruction, and on the bed was a large quantity of blood. An examination of the room and the position of its contents disclosed the manner in which the deplorable act had been committed. It was evident that he had seated himself upon the side of the bed, and having drawn the rammer, placed the butt of the gun against a trunk or chest with the muzzle to one of his ears, the rammer being used for touching the trigger. The charge passed entirely through his head and lodged in the ceiling above. Death was instantaneous of course. The deceased was highly respected by his neighbors, and the funeral on Saturday was probably the largest that ever took place in that vicinity. The remains were interred in the Lutheran burial ground at Abbottstown, Rev. Messrs. Gerhart and Hoffmann officiating upon the occasion. The deceased was 33 years of age, and unmarried.

A little daughter of Mr. JOSEPH COERT, residing at the Lime Kiln of Mr. Michael Slagle, in Oxford township, fell into the kiln, one day week before last, and was so dreadfully burned as to cause her death, a few days after. Her age was only about four years.

Mr. JOHN LAWRENCE, residing in Mount Pleasant township, met with a painful accident a few days since while playing near a threshing machine. It appears that the little girl and another child were following the horses working the machine, when her clothing became entangled in the gearing, which dragged her in and lacerated her flesh in a terrible manner, so that the horses could be stopped. Though terribly bruised and cut, we are pleased to learn that no bones were broken, neither are her injuries so serious as to excite apprehension as to her ultimate recovery.—Hancock Spectator.

A Mrs. BAZZ, residing below Abbottstown, whilst stepping across a plank in the cellar, week before last, fell and broke her leg.

Course of Lectures. We are informed that a series of Lectures will be delivered this winter under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association. The course will open on the 24th inst., with a Lecture in the St. James Church, by Rev. Dr. BAUGHER. The Lectures will be on Friday evening of each week, alternating in the churches, as last winter. They will be free to the public, but at each a collection will be taken for the benefit of the Association. We are authorized to state that no Lecture will be postponed on account of the weather, or for like cause.

The Lectures thus far seemed are Rev. Dr. BAUGHER, Rev. Dr. CONVERSE, Rev. Mr. DRAKE, Rev. Mr. McPHERSON, R. G. HARPER, Esq., Prof. M. L. STOWER, D. WILLS, Esq., Rev. J. R. KEISER, Dr. H. S. HUBER, Prof. M. JACOBS, Dr. CHAS. KORNOR, Rev. Dr. SMITH, D. McCONEAGHY, Esq., and Rev. J. R. WORMER. It is expected that the Lectures will be delivered in the order of names given above.

There will also be monthly Sermons preached before the Association, on the last Sabbath evening of December, January, February, and March. The first will be by Rev. Dr. SCHUBERT, on the 20th inst., in the Presbyterian Church. On those occasions it is expected that the other churches of the town will be closed.

Musical Convention. We understand that a number of Ladies connected with different Churches in this place are about getting up a "Musical Convention"—after the fashion of those had in the larger towns around us during the last few years. The project has, we are glad to be informed, already met with sufficient encouragement to warrant the employment of an eminent professor in New York, who will have the aid of several assistants. The Convention will continue a week, the programme to consist of lectures, practising, and concerts. To become a member, a contribution of one dollar will be required.

The idea is a good one, and will doubtless result in the development of musical talent in our community which might otherwise have remained dormant. The instruction and pleasure which the Convention promises are certainly to be had at a cheap enough rate.

Young Men's Christian Association. The first Annual Meeting of this Association was held on Saturday evening week, for the election of officers, receiving Reports, &c. The following gentlemen were elected, to serve the ensuing year: President.—R. G. McCreary, Esq., of Presbyterian Church.

Vice Presidents.—Rev. J. R. Keiser, St. James Church (Lutheran); J. L. Schick, Methodist Episcopal; Dr. Charles H. Cramer, Presbyterian; R. A. Lytle, German Reformed; D. A. Baullier, Christ Church, (Lutheran).

Recording Secretary.—Wm. B. Meals, St. James Church, (Lutheran). Corresponding Secretary.—M. S. Converse, Presbyterian.

Librarian.—J. C. Thompson, Methodist Episcopal. Treasurer.—J. I. Schick, Methodist Episcopal.

The Annual Report of the President of the Association was ordered to be published in the papers of the Borough, and will be found in our next.

The County Superintendent of Common Schools has handed us the following decision of the State Superintendent, to which the attention of the School Directors in the several districts of the county is directed:—"The four months' certificates for the current school year will be so worded, as to require the President of the Board to testify that the schools have been kept open for four months; that no teacher has been employed without a valid certificate from the County Superintendent; that a uniform series of text books has been selected and decided upon, according to the 25th section of the general school law, (page 15); and that every school in the district has been visited once each month, by at least one Director. It is respectfully suggested to Presidents, to see that these requirements of the law are complied with, in order that the prescribed affidavit may be safely made."

On account of the death of Mr. HARPER's mother-in-law, Mrs. SHIRMAN, at his residence, yesterday, the Sentinel will not be issued until to-morrow evening.

Dear. We are told that Deer are quite plenty in the South Mountain, and that a number have already been shot. Oh, for "a day's shooting" among the "hannimals."

Mr. JACOB STROCK, of this place, shot, on Thursday last, a large Owl, nearly white, from the top of a chimney on Washington street. It measured 5 feet 8 inches from tip to tip.

Mr. SAMUEL MARTIN, of Liberty township, slaughtered, a few days ago, two hogs, two years old, which weighed just one thousand pounds!

Judge HEPBURN, long a resident of Carlisle, and occasionally in attendance at the Courts in this place, has removed to Philadelphia, and permanently located, to continue the practice of the law.

Gov. BISEL, of Illinois, has issued his proclamation for a special election on the 4th of January, to all the voters in Harris' district.

What Defeated Us? The Pennsylvania of a recent date contained a lengthy article on the success of the recent defeat of the Democratic party in this State. It was very substantially entitled "What Defeated Us?" (which no interposition of the Government could avert,) had more influence in bringing about this disaster, than all the other causes combined. We make the following extract from the Pennsylvania article:—"Take for evidence, the vote in the counties of Allegheny, Beaver, Bradford, Butler, Erie, Elk, Indiana, Jefferson, Lawrence, McKean, Mercer, Potter, Susquehanna, Tioga, Venango, Warren, Washington, Wyoming and Wayne, in all twenty, being those in which the question of slavery has uniformly wielded the greatest influence, and it appears that the majority against Mr. Frost, the Democratic nominee for Chief Commissioner, and an open and avowed Leocompton man, was but 18,185 votes, whilst the same counties, in 1850, cast a majority of 29,478 against Mr. Buchanan for President, being a Democratic gain in the Free Soil counties of the State, since 1850, of 10,600!"

Then turn to the manufacturing and mining districts, composed of the counties of Carbon, Chester, Chester, Clarion, Huntingdon, Blair, Loyalsock, Schuylkill, Luzerne, Montgomery, Philadelphia, Monroe, Berks, Dauphin and Armstrong, fifteen in all; and it is seen that in these Mr. Frost was beaten by 6,500 votes, whilst in the same counties in 1850, Mr. Buchanan had 23,001 majority, being a change of 20,016 votes!

By deducting from this aggregate the total majority against Mr. Frost in this State, 23,478, it will appear that the entire change since 1850, was produced in these fifteen counties."

Senator Douglas and his friends have been rejoicing over their victory in Illinois. In a speech that he made on that occasion, he speaks of the triumph of his party as a triumph of the National Democracy of the Union, constitutional non-eror fanaticism and disunion." Illinois, he says, is the only State which stands true to Democratic principles and Democratic organization, and the only one which, when the dark "cloud" of fanaticism rose over the "land, turned back the tide," and kept the flag of the constitution and the Union floating. He is now for burying all angry feeling and contending "party," so as to show an irreconcilable front to the common enemy. The Republican papers severely criticize Mr. Douglas's speech, and think it looks as if he were desirous of getting back into the regular ranks.—Lodge.

The Pittsburg Chronicle says that Colonel Samuel W. Black, one of the supreme Judges of Nebraska, was dangerously wounded with a gun in the hands of a friend, a few days ago. It appears that, accompanied by another gentleman, he was out hunting on the prairie, and passing into a clump of bushes with a view of driving some prairie hens from their cover, his comrade, who did not observe his presence, discharged his gun twice in succession, the first load—a heavy charge of buckshot—taking effect in the head, and the second in the arm, inflicting two serious, though not dangerous, wounds. At last accounts, the Colonel was rapidly recovering, and his speedy return to convalescence was confidently looked for.

A Singular Accident.—Mr. LOONARD Middlekuff, near Hagerstown, was night last week lost a fine Bull and Cow by a somewhat singular accident.—They had eaten a hole into a bank of straw, and lay down to rest in it. During the night a rain fell which caused the bank to cave in upon them, and the straw being wet and heavy, they could not extricate themselves and were smothered.

Good Shooting.—On Friday morning last, says the Reading Times, Mr. J. S. Bickley, of 6th street, below Washington, made some shooting which has never been equaled in this State. Mr. V. Lowe held an apple 11 inches in diameter, between two fingers at arm's length, and Mr. Bickley, with a double-barrelled pistol at a distance of thirty feet, knocked the apple out of his position. Both parties must have been ordered with great courage, the one to fire and the other to be fired at.

Visit of Officers from Japan.—It is stated that the President has received information from Japan that a steamer from that country will make its appearance in Washington some time in May or June next. They will be brought to Panama in an American steam frigate, and thence proceed to New York. It will be marked by special presents to the government from the Japanese Emperor.

Besides the new Territory, already organized, it is supposed that three more are anxiously waiting admission from Congress, viz: Arizona, Decatur, and Superior, or Ontario. A nice little family will be added to the number of these days, and the Thanksgiving dinner table will be the more the merrier; if the new territories themselves, and do not trouble in the family.