

The Farmer.

A gentleman of some experience in the matter suggested to us yesterday that one cause of apples decaying when buried, as many have done this year, is because they are buried too deep.

Agriculture—A Proposition.

The awakening of the Farmers, and the friends of Agriculture in Pennsylvania, to their interests, is worthy of the attention of all classes and all interests.

In other States, as I am informed, the formation of Agricultural Societies, to be completely effective, is followed up by the establishment of Agricultural Fairs, at which Premiums are given for improvements, superior specimens of products, (brute and vegetable,) &c., &c.

What say you, Farmers? Merchants? Mechanics? ANOTHER MECHANIC.

The above is from a responsible source, and we will guarantee the \$5 when required by the fulfillment of the proposition. We are glad to see there is an awakening of attention to the subject.

Agricultural Fairs.

It cannot be denied that the elements of prosperity in a nation, exist more in its agriculture, than in any other branch of industry.

Then, as agriculture is the grand element of wealth to a nation, it should be the object of every American to give it his encouragement and support.

And how can agriculture be more generally brought together, and the improvements exhibited, than by Agricultural Fairs? The private knowledge which every man is likely to obtain by experience and observation, can thus be communicated, and improvements can be suggested or exhibited as they are either held in contemplation, or have been developed by actual experiment.

Lime, Plaster, and other Fertilizers.

The judicious application of manures to land, involving as it does the feeding of plants, is a matter of the greatest practical importance to the cultivator of the soil.

them, to enable the intelligent farmer to apply such fertilizers as will best promote the growth of healthy and vigorous crops.

Mr. S. Hale, of Keene, N. H., says: "Plaster is used very generally on the Connecticut river meadows in this county with good effect."

"I have used guano twice, as a manure for corn; at each time on an eighth of an acre, at the rate of 300 pounds to the acre. The soil was sandy, light, and dry."

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ADVERTISE—Essentials, Administrators, Public Officers, City and Country Merchants, Manufacturers, Mechanics, Business Men, who wish to insert or to dispose of anything—would do well to give notice of the same through the "Lewisburg Chronicle."

A Democratic Meeting was held at New Berlin, yesterday afternoon, pursuant to notice.

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"The First Annual Catalogue of the Officers and Students of the University at Lewisburg—1850-1," is before us, containing in addition, a list of the studies pursued in the several departments, terms, &c., &c.

Table with 2 columns: Class Name and Number of Students. Senior Class: 9; Junior Class: 11; Sophomore Class: 13; Freshman Class: 23; Partial Course: 5-61; Senior Academic: 30; Junior Academic: 22; English Division: 65; Female Academy: 49-166; Primary Department: 20.

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"My immediate predecessor in the nomination by the democratic party announced his determination not to be a candidate for re-election. Coinciding with him in his views so well expressed, and so faithfully carried out, I beg leave to say that no circumstance can possibly arise which would induce me again to permit my name to be brought forward in connection with the Chief Magistracy of our country."

The above extract from a letter written by Gen. Cass, after his nomination at Baltimore, has been published as a pledge against his ever running again for the Presidency. In a recent letter, however, that gentleman declares that was not his meaning, but that in case of his election only should he decline to be again a candidate.

Such was the record of the wise Preacher of old, as left in the sacred volume; and such is the observation of men, even yet. The last "invention" we have learned, is as follows: A person wishes to evade the law against Lottery Gambling, and to dispose of his property at a good round sum.

He sells tickets, and the game is won by the parties, blindfolded, guiding a wheelbarrow at or near a post at a given distance—the one dropping it nearest the given point, wins. We are informed a game of this kind came off about four miles from Milton, recently, at which many men and boys spent time that might have been more profitably used, and which wound up as usual, by misunderstanding, threats of fighting among men of whom such a thing would not be expected, the abduction of a cow, and a law-suit in perspective!

The actors in this scene may have been "blind" to the fact that it is a species of "wheeling" around the laws against gambling, but we doubt whether men with their eyes open (like a Judge and Jury) would look upon it in any other light.

To see the myriads of umbrellas juggling around the streets of a rainy day, one can hardly believe that their invention, or at least their introduction into America, was since the birth of our grandfathers.

A lady, now eighty-three years of age, remembers the great sensation its first appearance made in the fashionable city of Bristol, Eng. In London, the first man who used an umbrella, was mobbed by the populace, as an effeminate fop.

Congress is now almost inundated with applications for new lines of steamships. Proposals for the establishment of eight new lines have already been presented, viz: one from San Francisco to Canton, via the Sandwich Islands; lines from Philadelphia to Liverpool, Rio Janeiro, and to Antwerp; one from Norfolk to Gibraltar; one from Baltimore and Norfolk to the African coast; one from New Orleans to Vera Cruz, touching at the mouth of the Coatzacoahuac; and, finally, one from Tehuantepec to San Francisco.

We observe a petition presented by Col. Slifer, "from Capt. Hummel and others, that the dams on the Susquehanna may be so altered as to prevent the passage of lead to the head waters of the river." We fear that had in our rivers can no more be preserved than deer in our mountains, but if the Captain has any plan to bring back those "good old days," let him enlighten the Legislature as to the *modus operandi*.

In the House of Representatives, Harrisburg, Friday last, the usual motion to observe the 22d by reading Washington's Farewell Address was passed, nem con. A motion to print the Farewell Address, had no objection; but a motion to print Gen. Jackson's Farewell Address in the same pamphlet, was passed against the opposition of the Whigs.

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A River and Harbor Appropriation Bill, giving about Two and a Half Millions, principally to improvements in the West and North, passed the House by about 29 majority. The South opposed it. It is thought the passage of this bill is favorable to a modification of the Tariff.

The Democrats of Lyeonning Co. have appointed Henry Clinger, Esq., and J. M. B. Petrikin, Esq., Representatives, Delegates, to the gubernatorial Convention, Reading, and the latter to the Judicial Convention, Harrisburg.

Seven persons have been arrested and held to heavy bail on the charge of aiding in rescuing the fugitive slave Slad, rich, at Boston. Among them are Mr. Wright, editor of the Commonwealth, and the keeper of one of the large hotels there.

Monday, the Main line of the State Canal was to be open, but the recent rains must have made it impossible for horses to walk on the towpath. A few such bright days as yesterday, however, would soon set all our canals in operation.

"Linepin" assures us that there was a chimney burned out in town recently, and that if "Zinculus" is not more prompt in furnishing "City Items," he will have to—"stop my paper."

Thanks to Hon. Jos. Casey for the Agricultural portion of the Patent Office Report, for the past year, from which we have made a liberal extract for our Farmer's corner.

The University Society for Inquiry meets at the usual place, at 2 1/2 P. M., next Sunday. A Report on the Moral and Religious condition of Seaman, is expected from Mr. Castle.

Thanks to Mr. Cunningham or Mr. Slifer, for a copy of the last Report of the Superintendent of Common Schools—when received.

The population of the United States, is not known as yet, but is probably 20,000,000.

News & Notions.

President Fillmore's father is now on a visit at Washington. The gentleman who taught Mr. Fillmore his trade as a clerk, now represents Carlisle county in the Legislature of New York.

On Sunday morning last, a hay-rick and barn in Philadelphia were consumed by fire, and with it two men who had probably crept into it for rest, whose remains could not be identified. The fire is said to have communicated to it by nauties or tobacco pipe or cigar.

There was one man to try at the late session of the Sullivan county court. It is now 100 years since George Washington received his first commission in the army.

A man named Woodside was last week (invited into the company of a woman named Fell, in Philadelphia, where he was arrested, it is supposed by her husband, and his person manum so as to preclude the necessity of any future judicial action. The perpetrator of the crime is under arrest.

The Hudson, Mohawk, Lehigh, and other rivers were at a great height by late accounts. A schooner was launched in the Susquehanna at Harrisburg on Tuesday last by Messrs. Tilt & Main. She is to be taken down to the Chesapeake. The same firm is building a steamboat to be used at Clark's Ferry.

Justice Walworth has decided in the celebrated Wheeling Bridge case, that it is an obstruction to the proper navigation of the Ohio, and that it must be elevated 28 feet above its present height—a decision, some think, equivalent to the destruction of the bridge.

Com. Stockton, the richest man in New Jersey, is elected U. S. Senator by the vote of 37 Democrats and 2 Whigs.

Rachel Markie, a child, was recently burned to death at Welch Hill, Danville, by her clothes accidentally taking fire—the second sad accident of the kind in that town the present season.

A New Post Office has been established in Lyeonning county, called "Texas," and Wm. Foote appointed Post Master.

John Bigler, brother of Col. Wm. Bigler, has been re-elected a member of the California Legislature, from Sacramento city.

The Virginia convention has agreed to adopt a clause in the new Constitution in favor of Universal Suffrage—dispensing with the property qualification.

Com. Jones Suspended—The verdict of the Court Martial upon Com. Jones is disclosed; he is suspended for five years; half that time without pay, chiefly for speculating with the public money in California gold dust. The President approves the judgment.

Jesse Hutchinson, Sr., father of the celebrated Hutchinson singers, died recently at his home in New Hampshire, aged 73.

During last week, the river was higher here than it has been known before in the present century. The piers to the new bridge, which are 35 feet above low water mark, were submerged.—[Pittsburg Gazette, 21st inst.]

Martin P. Tupper, author of "Proverbial Philosophy" and other Poems, will visit the U. States within the next six months.