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Advertisements: Executive, Administrators, Public Officers, City and County Merchants, Manufacturers, &c.

Rev. A. K. Bell will preach in the Baptist meeting-house, Lewisburg, this (Wednesday) evening.

Chamberlin's Journal.

This week completes Mr. Chamberlin's California Journal, a narrative, we venture to say, of more interest and graphic freshness than any similar publication that has appeared for some years.

Mr. C's predicament is very similar to an incident in the early history of Gen. Washington. After his return in his twentieth year from his dangerous mission to the French Governor at Fort Duquesne, and to Venango, his private journal was placed in the hands of Gov. Dinwiddie of Virginia, for his perusal.

Burglaries.

We learn that the Store of L. N. Muir, of Jersey Shore, Lycoming Co., was broken into by burglars on the night of the 29th ult., and the iron safe robbed of \$3,000 in specie and bank notes.

In thirty-four years the entire expenditure of the Colonization Society has been \$1,250,000. With this small amount, six hundred miles of sea coast have been redeemed from the slave trade, and a flourishing Christian State founded on the African coast, with a population of about 150,000, chiefly natives.

Down on the Lawyers.—At a meeting of the workmen and mechanics of Cincinnati, on the 9th ult., the following resolution was adopted: Resolved, That the legal profession can be dispensed with, and to this end we advocate the repeal of all laws for the collection of all debts, well knowing that our useless litigation is a tax upon the labor of the people of Ohio, amounting to more than \$2,000,000 a year.

Unequal Taxation.

We understand that the fare on the Packet Boats has been established this season, at the following rates, viz:

Table with 2 columns: Route and Fare. Between Junction and Selingsgrove \$1.25; Northumberland 1.50; Lewisburg 1.90; Milton 2.00.

Some of our citizens would like to know how it comes that 40 cents should be exacted for the eight miles from Northumberland to Lewisburg, while only 25 cents is charged for the seven miles from Selingsgrove to Northumberland, and only 10 cents for the four miles from Lewisburg to Milton.

The April No. of the "United States Monthly Law Magazine," is at hand, embellished with a portrait of its Editor, John Livingston, Esq.—a striking, but more youthful countenance, than we had expected to see—and presenting the following interesting table of contents: Nature and Method of Legal Study; The Copyright Law; &c.

The anecdote is from the Harrisburg Union: "The plan of some of the shakers congregated about Harrisburg, to fleece a gentleman of thirty or forty thousand dollars, has blown up, and the operators left to pursue some other game."

California dates to 5th ult., state that the Legislature has adjourned, after near 150 ballots for U. S. Senator, without effecting a choice.

Good news, that! Guess there will be something of a jubilee among the taxpayers of the commonwealth when they discover that the state debt is paid off, and three millions left.

The Fugitive Slave Case in Boston has resulted in sending the slave Sims on board the Acorn, to be transported to his master in Georgia. The effort was closely contested throughout, and the excitement intense, and pervading, but the removal was effected without violence or any breach of the peace.

The alarm of fire on Monday evening last, proved to be caused by the burning of a large amount of rubbish, up the river, on the Milton side.

Rev. C. Sperry has been lecturing in this Borough, on Roman Catholicism.

The Board of Trustees of the University at Lewisburg, is now in session.

Harrisburg, April 12, 1851. Mr. Editor: At the risk of wearying your patience, I trouble you with another letter. If not acceptable you can easily consign it to the flames, you know.

The Senate some days ago passed a bill making a moderate appropriation for the completion of the Geological Survey of the State, and publication of the Final Report. It has not yet been acted on in the House.

Gov. Johnston has appointed George Chambers, Esq., (a member of the Constitutional Convention) of Chambersburg, a Judge of the Supreme Court, in place of Judge Burnside, dec'd.—and James T. Hale, Esq., (a son-in-law of the late Judge Huston,) of Bellefonte, President Judge of the District of Centre, Clinton, and Clearfield, late Judge Woodward's; both satisfactory and creditable appointments.

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Tracy E. Waller. Rising-Sun, Philadelphia county, Pa., March 31, 1851.

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and a neighbor who was very weak before he came under my care, was washed twenty times in one night.

Warm water is more soothing and agreeable than cold water—which (latter) ought not to be applied in this disease, on account of its inducing re-action.

The strength of the patient should be most carefully preserved, hence neither bleeding nor strong cathartics are admissible. Some indeed, live through such improper treatment, because scarlet fever is one of the most variable diseases in regard to intensity: on some being very light, and on others very severe.

After the fever has ceased, children often become pale and bloated: a neighbor lost a fine boy under the care of a regular physician, when the disease seemed over and past. In all cases however, that have come to my knowledge, a dose of calomel when given, has roused them from that torpid state, and they have rapidly recovered.

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I happened in the lobbies of the House shortly after, and found the friends of the bill in high spirits, and its opponents deeply mortified at having been caught napping.

Harrisburg I find to be a beautiful and pleasant place. The hordes of black-legs, borers, and other lazzaroni who infest this place in the winter time, give it a bad name abroad. But the resident population will be found upon acquaintance, to be as sociable, moral and intelligent as any equal number of people in the Union.

Perhaps I may write you again, before long, but can't say now, when or where from. Yours, V. S. W.

P. S. The bill to publish the Geological Report has passed; a fortunate thing for the reputation of this Legislature, as well as the Commonwealth.

Foreign News. The Ecclesiastical Titles Bill had been carried on second reading by a vote of 433 to 95.

Prof. Silliman's arrival in London is recorded in the papers.

The taking of the census in Great Britain commenced on the 31st ult.

The preparations for emigrating from the Electorate of Hesse this year, are made on a large scale in all ranks.

Accounts from Vienna announce that arrangements have been made with Prussia upon the question of the Presidency. Austria will preside in the Diet, and the two powers will share the Presidency of the Executive Committee.

A very destructive hurricane visited Lyons, France, on the night of the 22d ult. Several houses were very much damaged.

There have been numerous Social disturbances in France.

A serious riot and insurrection in Switzerland had been suppressed.

The Austrian troops in the Papal States are said to have received considerable reinforcement.

Protestant worship is now permitted publicly in the American Chapel at Rome—a great, but gratifying concession for Rome to make.

A large number of Bibles imported into Rome in the days of the Republic, contrary to the laws of the Papal government, and deposited with the American Charge des Affaires, under seal, when the Pope was reinstated, have been taken possession of by the Pope's officers, as contraband goods, but paid for at their wholesale price.

The receipt at Rome of the news of the reintegration of the Russell Ministry had caused no little consternation among the ultra-mountain party.

News & Notions.

Court in Sunbury, this week, also.

We learn that the dwelling house of Mr. Jonas Bilger, in Middlecreek township, Union county, was, with nearly all its contents, destroyed by fire on Friday week. It originated from some clothes taking fire which were carelessly placed near the stove-pipe.

The warrant for the execution of George Pharoah, convicted in Chester county, for the murder of Rachel Sharpless, has been issued by Gov. Johnston. It fixes Friday, the 29 of August, as the day for his execution.

A steambot is building to run this summer between Lock Haven and Clearfield, on the West Branch.

Breach of Promise.—Ossian E. Dodge, the vocalist, was arrested in Lowell on Tuesday last, on the suit of Mrs. M. Macomber, for a breach of promise, damages laid at \$9,000.

If you make love to a widow who has a daughter twenty years younger than herself, begin by declaring that you really thought they were sisters.

In thirty years crime in Great Britain and Ireland has increased 590 per cent, while the population has increased only 30 per cent.

Mr. Francis Jos. Gessner and Lady, thro' the persuasion of their friends, gave a concert at the Court House, on Monday evening last, to a large and highly delighted audience. Mr. G. has for some time been giving lessons at this place, on the Piano, Guitar, &c., and is a gentleman of correct musical taste, and well versed in the science. Mrs. G. has a very fine voice, and sings most sweetly. Mr. Gessner is about to remove to Lewisburg, where we believe he will be employed in teaching music and the German Language. He leaves this, after a residence of two years, with the reputation of an unassuming and worthy man.—[Bellefonte Whig.]

The Hon. Henry Clay, after a pleasant voyage from New York to Havana, where he spent several days, has reached New Orleans in safety.

A Foundry at Halfmoon, Centre Co., belonging to Mr. Gray, was destroyed by fire a few days ago. The loss was covered by insurance.

An Apprentice to the Printing Business, wanted at this office.

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