Lewisburg Chronicle.

BY O. N. WORDEN & J. R. CORNELIUS.

MARCH 15, 1855.

To Business Men.—The Lewisburg Chronicle has the largest and best circulation of any Newspaper in Union County.

☞Read last page.

PHILADELPHIA, March 14.

The Pacific arrived at Sandy Hook this morning.

No important news from Sebastopol. A battle took place at Eupatoria between the Turks and Russians, in which the Russians lost 500 men.

Another Ministerial crisis in England. Gladstone, Herbet and Graham have resigned.

Breadstuffs and cotton have declined.

An Interesting Inquiry—Continued.

MR. DARLINGTON:—In the January number of the Farm Journal, under the head of "An Interesting Inquiry," by C. W. B. of Camden, N. J., on the subject of raising corn, or rather why it is that he cannot raise as much as he could twenty years back, even when his land has been limed and manured "liberally."

Though our soil differs materially from that described by C. W. B., being limestone gravel, mixed with sandy loam, naturally good for producing corn, but of late years we have experienced something of the same results; I say we, for a number of my neighbors that I have experienced the same. Corn will come up and look as well as usual, until the third or fourth leaf puts out, when it begins to assume a stunted appearance, and if a favorable season it may attain to the height of two and a half to three and a half feet high, with striped leaves, seldom having an ear on it. I have been careful to examine if it might not be affected by some worm or insect, but have hitherto discovered nothing, except the first or principal root is dead. We will perhaps not find more than two or three hills in a place, in another place we will find a half a dozen or more, and I think I may say it is only thus affected on land that has been limed *some time*; here we have been almost forced to the conclusion that too much lime is the cause. As the corn crop is an important one to the farmer, and becoming yearly more so, I would like through your useful "journal" to have the opinion of others more experienced, and the antidote, if there is one. R. H. L.

UNION CO. PA.—*Penn. Farm Journal.*

Horrible Discovery!

Ten Persons perished on the Prairies.

We are furnished by a gentleman from Lafayette, Ind., with the details of a rumor current in that city on Tuesday, which fills the mind with horror, in view of the sufferings of the party to whom it refers.

On the Saturday preceding the memorable storm of the 21st of January, two families, numbering ten persons, moving from Southern Indiana to Northern Illinois arrived at Oxford, the county seat of Benton county, Ind., about 19 miles northwest of Lafayette, with two ox-teams, and well provided with necessaries for the road. They remained through the storm, and on Monday morning resumed their journey. Last Tuesday morning a man passing over a prairie, only about five miles from Oxford, came upon a sight which filled him with horror.

The carcases of two oxen, from which the viscera had been removed, lay upon the ground. Inside of one of them were the frozen bodies of four children, and in the other the frozen corpse of the mother with a nursing infant at her breast. Under the snow was a heap of ashes, in which the iron of the wagons showed that the party had broken them up, and burned everything they had in them, in the effort to save their lives. Not far from this spot was found the body of the other woman of the party, partly concealed in a snow drift and near her one of the men. The two other men had not been found.

It is probable that the party became inextricably involved in the snow drifts od the bleak prairie and lost their presence of mind. After burning up their wagons, it would seem that the men had killed two of the oxen for a shelter for those found in them, and then, accompanied by one woman, vainly endeavored to reach the town the had left, and procure aid to rescue their companions. The two other oxen had wandered off. There was nothing about the persons to indicate who they were, and nothing more is known about them that was accidently communicated by them during their brief stay at Oxford.

Fire in Princeton.

About 8 o'clock on Saturday evening, the north or main building of the College of New Jersey was discovered to be on fire. The fire commenced in a front room on the second story, about midway of the eastern wing, and was caused, as is supposed, by a spark from a wood fire in an open fire place. The town engines were soon on the ground, but owing to the want of water, they were unable to save the building. The furniture, books and clothing of the students, with inconsiderable exceptions, were destroyed. Through the exertions of Prof. Giger, the valuable pictures belonging to the College, and which were in the building, were saved. The greatest efforts were made to save the furniture, &c., and the adjoining buildings the latter of which was happily effected. The building was insured, as we are informed, for $16,000, which will probably cover the whole loss.

New Hampshire Election.

CONCORD, March 13.—The returns from this city and the adjacent towns, leave no doubt that the Americans have carried the State by a large majority, electing their Governor, three members of Congress, and a decided majority in both Houses of the Legislature. Concord gives 332 majority for Metcalf for Governor, over Baker Dem. The returns from the adjacent towns are all of the same stamp.

THE FREMONT CASE.—The Supreme Court of the United States, on Saturday, gave judgment in favor of Col. John C. Fremont, confirming to him his valuable property in California. The opinion of the Court was delivered by the Chief Justice, dissenting opinions being given by Justices Catron and Campbell.

The last Efforts of the New Berliners to Deceive the People.

The New Berlin papers, *last week*, stated that the "ordinary expenses of "Snyder" county, holding but one weeks Court," would be $8,334; that the *only* reduction of expense would be the cost of Court expences for *one week*. We replied to those assertions as follows:

☞Now mark how false this calculation! Look at the opposite page of this paper, and see the ITEMS which make up our present County Tax of $9,793. (Cents omitted:)

Items of Expenditure.		*In case of Division.*
Auditors pay	$42	one half
Assessors	243	do
Attorney's Fees	160	do
Election Expenses	723	do
Prothonotary's office	155	do
Registers & Recorders	14	do
Jurors	2099	do
Criers	86	do
Tipstaves attending Court	135	do
Constables making returns	90	do
Road orders	164	do
Fox Scalps (Beaver would get 'em all)	165	165
State Costs	280	one half
Road Damages	180	do
Building and repairing Bridges	2400	do
Sheriff Fees	181	do
Prison Expenses	33	do
Public Buildings	105	do
Coroner's Inquests	22	do
Scrubbing Court House!	16	16
Printing	260	one half
Interests	15	do
Penitentiary	9	do
Commissioners' Office	682	do
Miscellaneous	73	do
(say)	$9,793	(say) 5,000

—We ask any candid man to look the over above Items of Expenditure, and say if they are not all of a nature—(excepting the Fox scalps, which we give to Beaver, scrubbing court House, and other items of small amount)—which will be naturally and unavoidably *divided between the two Counties*, in case of a separation? And yet the Star would represent one week's Court as the *only* saving from the whole expenditure of $9,000. Will 11 Assessors have as much pay as 23? Will 11 Election Districts cost as much as 23? Will the fees and daily pay of Officers be as much as if they had double the work? The idea is absurd! The publication is an attempt to mislead honest, unsuspecting people!

The County—both Counties—are growing, and there can and must be an increase of expenditures, yearly, in the aggregate. There may be some items which Division will not much reduce, but all apparent losses of that nature will be more than made up to the people in other ways.

This week, the New Berlin papers come out with a *new* calculation—a *new* marshalling of figures, which we copy *verbatim*, as follows:

From the New Berlin papers.

"The whole expense of the county for the last year was		$9703,66
THESE ITEMS OF EXPENSE WILL BE AND REMAIN THE SAME IN EACH COUNTY IN CASE OF DIVISION, viz:		
Auditors pay	42,00	
Attorney's pay	160,00	
Court House	16,00	
" Expenses	2197,99	
" Cryer	86,00	
" Tipstaves	135,00	
Prison Expenses	33,73	
Public Buildings	105,25	
Printing	260,00	
Commissioner's Office	682,89	
Sheriff's fees	292,02	
Miscellaneous	73,68	4085,06
Divide the balance equally between the two counties		2)5708,60
		2854,30
Add the necessary expense above		4085,06
Ordinary tax on Snyder county in case of division		$6939,36
" " " Union " " "		6939,36
Divided must pay		$13878,72
United, do		9793,66
Yearly loss out of the People's pockets,		$4085,06

This calculation and statement we have no doubt is far below the amount that would be imposed upon the people in the shape of taxes."

Again we ask the people to LOOK AT THE ITEMS (see last page of this paper,) and observe what our County Expenditures are!

Read the testimony furnished by the counties of Columbia, Montour, Juniata, Clinton, Carbon (on last page also)—all of which are satisfied, and more than satisfied—with the trial of Division they have made.

Since reading the above, we have examined the County Statements of EIGHT Counties—some larger, and some smaller than ours—from which we copy the cost of FIVE of the Items of Expences referred to above, and are as follows:

	Attorneys,	Auditors,	Commissioners,	Clerk Hire,	Printing,	Totals,
Smaller Counties.						
M'Kean,	36	*30	163	75	156	469
Sullivan	70	33	164	150	83	490
Wyoming	59	27	195	150	131	562
Average						$507
Union	160	42	404	250	270	1126
Larger Counties.						
Chester	387	108	1062	500	413	2469
Luzerne	*305	169	726	471	300	1971
Montgomery	395	200	1341	400	505	2841
Northampton	*305	165	438	300	573	1781
Schuylkill	224	*147	943	712	533	2551
Average						$2323

* Estimated.

Thus it will be seen that the expenses of Union, in *five* of the Items which the New Berliners say would "*be and remain the same in case of Division*," over twice as large in the amount as similar Items in three *smaller* counties; and are *half* the average of five *larger* counties.

The above figures refute the New Berlin assertions, most conclusively, as to the five items enumerated.

The "Court House" expenses, would depend upon the way in which they were kept.

The "Court Expenses—Cryer—and Tipstaves" would be paid by the day—one week's court could not possibly cost the same as TWO.

"Prison Expenses" would depend altogether upon the number of prisoners. Probably no one go or be sent to prison because of Division!

"Sheriff's Fees" would be what the law allowed for work necessarily done; and in the aggregate could not be increased by having two counties. *All* offices which are paid by fees, or *by the day*, could not have their fees or their days doubled on account of Division. Offices would, of course, be less profitable; and if they were less sought for, so much the better.

"Miscellaneous" expenses are a miscellaneous matter. They would increase or diminish according to circumstances and the vigilence and honesty of the officers.

All mileage would be less in the two counties, for the Court House would be nearer the centre of population, and the distance traveled would be reduced.

Another fraudulent Publication!

☞The three New Berlin newspapers this week assert that the following would be the cost to each County, after Division:

Snyder County.		Union County.	
Ordinary yearly tax as above	$6,939	Ordinary yearly tax as above	$6,939
Enrollment Tax for Charter	500	Ground for Court House and Jail	2,500
Ground for Court House and Jail	1,800	Expense of Court House and Offices	18,500
Expense of do same as Lewistown	13,000	" Penitentiary Jail as Schuylkill county, which cost about	60,000
" Jail	18,000		
Transcribing dockets, &c.	2,000	Inclosing and decorating ground	600
	$42,239		$88,539
Deduct subscription	10,000	Deduct subscription	10,000
Balance for Tax-Payers	$32,239	Balance for Tax-Payers	$78,539

☞We ask the reader to look at the above carefully, and then turn to the last page of this paper and learn the FACTS as proclaimed by DISINTERESTED WITNESSES in the neighboring counties of Juniata, Clinton, Wyoming, and Carbon—and particularly at the effects of Division on COLUMBIA and MONTOUR.

Experience is a safe counselor and guide in such matters.

(The above Estimates may show the sums New Berlin will expend—if she can get the chance; but Lewisburg has no design or desire to go beyond her means or the wants of the County.)

☞The reckless untruths of the New Berlin press, defy any attempt at complete refutation; but they evince the desperate nature of their cause.

We have endeavored in advocating Division to come at truths. We believe the general interests of the people will be most promoted by Division. So believing, we trust and hope a good majority will to-morrow

VOTE FOR DIVISION, and end the Strife!

An Interesting Letter.

With the *National Intelligencer*, we do not doubt that every reader will agree that the subjoined letter is not only an interesting one, but that the concluding sentence of it makes it a remarkable one. It is an exact copy of a letter written by General WINFIELD SCOTT, then a Captain in the army, during a sojourn at his home in Petersburg, Virginia, on the 18th of June, 1811, just one year before the declaration of war. The letter was addressed to an old friend in Washington city, and is now in possession of the son J. L. Edwards, Esq.

PETERSBURG, June 18, 1811.

I believe we have very little village news to give you, nor do I know what would please you in that way.

Of *myself*—that personage who fills so large a space in every man's own imagination, and so small a one in the imagination of every other—I can say but little; perhaps less would please you more. Since my return to Virginia, my time has been passed in easy transition from pleasure to study, from study to pleasure; in my gaiety forgetting the student, in the student forgetting my gaiety.

I have generally been in the office of my friend, connected with my present profession; but you will easily conceive my military order has suffered abatement. Indeed, it is my design, as soon as circumstances will permit, to throw the feather out of my cap, and resume it in my hand. Yet, should war come at last, my enthusiasm will be rekindled; and then, who knows but that I may yet write my history with my sword?

Yours truly,

WINFIELD SCOTT.

LEWIS EDWARDS, Esq, Washington.

LUCY GRAY.

BY CORNELIA M. DOWLING.

They twined the orange-buds among
The tresses of her hair,
And sweet the flush upon her cheek,
So beautiful and fair,
But as the bridal vow she breathed,
An echo seemed to say,
So sadly and so mournfully,
"Alas! for Lucy Gray."

For O! that simple forest girl,
Bright as the morning dew,
And lovely as the dancing hight,
Or flower that ever grew,
Had, with that vow, for ever flung
The joy of life away,
For proud and cold was he whose wealth
Had won poor Lucy Gray.

And with a quivering lip she bade
A sad and soft adieu,
To those fond hearts, whose love had been
So changeless and so true,
Then turned from that sweet cottage home—
Ah! woe betide the day
That ever won to lordly halls
Our simple Lucy Gray.

He placed a circlet on her brow
Of jewels rich and rare,
And twined with pearls the waving curls
Of her soft, silken hair;
But sad within her eyes, the light
That ever seemed to play—
The heart—the *heart* was lonely still;
Alas! poor Lucy Gray.

For all unquenched that yearning thirst
Within her woman's heart,
For love—for human *love*, that is
Of life so *sweet* a part;
And deeper grew the hectic flush,
That whispers of decay,
And like a fragile flower she drooped,
Our pretty Lucy Gray.

Now, soft and low the wailing wind
Is floating through the trees
That droop above a lonely grave
Caressed by every breeze,
And that fond, yearning, breaking heart,
Is sleeping now, for aye,
And roses bloom upon the tomb,
Of gentle Lucy Gray.

PHILADELPHIA, FEB., 1855.

Not so very Green.

A young and apparently verdant slip, who gave his hailing place as "old Varmount," found himself surrounded, upon a certain occasion, by a crowd of quizzing upstarts, who seemed bent upon displaying their own smartness, at the expense of the Yankee.

"Hello, Jonathan!" says one, "where are you bound?"

"Deoun to Bosting, on a little tramp," was the reply.

"What's your business in Boston?" continued the inquisitive gentleman.

"Oh, I'm deoun arter my pension money," responded greeny.

"Pension money!" ejaculated whiskeree, "how much do you get, and what are you drawing pension money for?"

"Oh!" answered the countryman, "I get four cents every year—tew to mind my own business, and tew to let other folks' business alone!"

The crowd had no other remarks to offer. The answer was entirely satisfactory.

Dissolution.

THE Copartnership heretofore existing in the Blacksmithing business between the subscribers, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The business will be continued by Charles M. Fisher, and old accounts settled by Harvey G. Fisher.

CHARLES M. FISHER,
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Lewisburg, March 1, 1855

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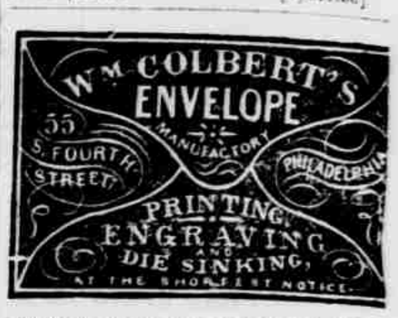

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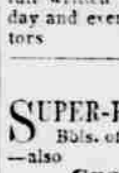

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