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THE CHRONICLE.

MONDAY, SEPT. 28, 1857.

West Branch Fair!

\$400 in PREMIUMS! FIFTH ANNUAL FAIR OF THE UNION COUNTY Agricultural Society.

TO BE HELD AT LEWISBURG, Thursday & Friday, Oct. 8 & 9, '57.

PREMIUMS AND JUDGES.

No. 1—Horses.

BLOOD HORSES. For the best blooded stallion, having been kept within the limits of the society one year or more...

No. 2—Plowing Match.

For the best plowing match, having had the skill of workmen and discipline of teams, as well as execution of the work, rather than time, provided it be done within a reasonable time...

No. 3—Neat Cattle.

BEST SHORT HORNED BROTHERS, ALLENTON, OR best Bull 2 years old and upward...

No. 4—Oven, Steers, and Teams.

Best 2 head Beef Cattle, 2 head Cows, 2 head Steers, 2 head Teams...

No. 5—Sheep and Swine.

Best French Merino Bred, kept within the Society, 2 years...

No. 6—Poultry.

Best pair Shanghai Chickens, 25 head Chickens, 25 head Ducks...

No. 7—Crops.

Best bushel Winter Wheat, 25 bushel Corn, 25 bushel Potatoes...

No. 8—Fruit.

Best lot Winter Apples, not under 4 kinds, a peck of each kind, all raised by the person presenting...

No. 9—Dairy Products.

Best 10 lbs. or more Butter, 20 lbs. Cheese, 25 lbs. or more Milk...

No. 10—Flour and Bread.

Best barrel of Flour, 200 lbs. or more...

No. 11—Household Manufactures.

Best Fulling Cloth, 10 yards or more...

No. 12—Manufactured Articles.

Best specimen Cabinet Work, 200 lbs. or more...

No. 13—Agricultural Implements.

Best Plow, with improvements, 200 lbs. or more...

No. 14—Farm Accounts.

Best account of Farm operations for the season, giving the management of stock, crops, and improvements...

No. 15—Uncategorized Articles.

Every article for competition must be entered, and enrolled on the Secretary's Book, by noon of Thursday...

Sorghum Syrup.

We are indebted to Maj. F. A. DONACHY, of Lewisburg, for a half pint of the syrup of the Chinese Sugar Cane...

Time brings Truth to Light.

The suspension of specie payments caused by excessive importations of what we should make ourselves—do without—

"Colonel Polk and the Tariff—A Vile Whig Falsehood."

"We perceive that the Harrisburg Intelligence, with the mendacity so eminently characteristic of the coin papers, denounces Col. Polk in advance as an open Free Trade 'Democrat'..."

No. 16—Farm Accounts.

Best account of Farm operations for the season, giving the management of stock, crops, and improvements...

THE STATE DEBT—Which Party caused it?

While County and State Elections all have an influence in shaping questions of National policy, there are considerations of great weight, touching State affairs, which should not be overlooked...

PUBLIC LOANS.

STATEMENT showing the several loans of the Commonwealth, their rates per cent. interest, periods when re-imbursable, and amounts as they severally stood on the first day of December, 1856.

Table with columns: LOANS, Interest, Reimbursable, Amount. Lists various loans under Gov. SHULZE and WOLF, Gov. PORTER and SHUNK, Gov. JOHNSTON, and Gov. POLLOCK.

Total \$40,112,222 87

Ritner, Johnston, and Pollock, were elected by the Opposition to the Democratic party...

Which Party has REDUCED this Debt?

This is a very important question. We reply to it, again, by quotations from Official sources, viz.

HARRISBURG, August 18, 1838. We, the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and the Auditor General, both of whom are, with the State Treasurer, Commissioners of the Internal Improvement Fund of Pennsylvania...

Total reduction under Gov. Pollock

Table showing Total reduction under Gov. Pollock: \$10,123,618 13. Includes notes on the sinking fund and the reduction of the debt.

WHICH PARTY WILL YOU NOW ENTRUST?

Having conclusively shown, from Democratic and Official authorities, that the so-called Democracy are responsible for more than \$39 out of every \$100 of our State Indebtedness—that every Democratic Administration has INCREASED our debts—that every Opposition Administration has REDUCED the debts...

Beware of Drifting.

"Few people form habits of wrong doing, deliberately and willfully. They glide into them by degrees, and almost unconsciously, and before they are aware of a change..."

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Distressing.

We regret to learn that a son of Mr. Philip Stetler, of Penn township, this county, aged about 12 years, met with an untimely death on Wednesday last...

White Deer Mills, Sept. 24, 1857.

Steamship Disasters.

Table with columns: NAME, DATE, VARIATION. Lists steamship disasters including the Pacific, Arctic, and others.

Total, \$4,250,000. \*Exclusive of about \$1,600,000 in specie.

If the cargos be included, these figures would be more than doubled. The President was lost in the year 1841; no one knows how or where...

English steamers, in waters contiguous to the United States, have fared little better.

Within a short time we have to record the loss of the fine iron steamship Canadian, on the St. Lawrence; also the steamship Clyde, and several steamers in the West India Islands.

A calculation as to the number of lives lost in the steamers makes a total of about seventeen hundred.

This loss being irreparable, no consolation can be derived from the fact that a large proportion of it might have been prevented by a division of these ships into compartments by water-tight bulkheads...

Gov. Johnston established the Sinking Fund System, and reduced the Debt, by Half a Million of Dollars!

Gov. POLLOCK'S Administration, under the operation of the Sinking Fund, and by the Sale of the Main Line (which last has been constantly sinking and was bitterly contested to the last, by Packer's friends, and the leading men of the Democratic party), REDUCED THE DEBT OVER TEN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS!

The Sale of the Main Line under Gov. Pollock, is accompanied by a reduction of one half million on the State Tax, to take effect after this year.

The North Branch Canal was begun by Gov. Ritner, and finished under Gov. Pollock.

It was only the other day, that a man fell asleep on the Niagara river.

During his slumber, the boat broke loose from her moorings, and he awoke and was shooting down the Rapids directly towards the Cataract. In vain he shrieked for help, in vain he tried to row the boat against the current!

"A ship was wrecked at sea. The passengers and crew took refuge on a raft, the boats having been stove in the attempt to launch them.

For days and weeks, these unfortunates drifted without air or sail on the hot, unbroken, tropical ocean. At last, their provisions failed, and then their water. Still they drifted about, vainly looking for a sail, or hoping for a sight of land. The time had now come when that fearful alternative became inevitable—death from starvation, or feeding on human flesh—and they were just beginning to cast lots for a victim, when a vessel was seen on the distant horizon.

The stranger would approach. The ship came towards them; she grew nearer and nearer.

"So it is in life. The temperate man, who thinks he at least will never die a drunkard, whatever his neighbor may do, only wakes to find himself drifting down the cataract, and all hope gone. The sensualist, who lives merely for his own gratification, drifts into an emaciated old age, to be tortured with passions he can not gratify, and perish by meretricious, agonizing diseases. The undisciplined, who never learned to control themselves, who are spendthrifts, or passionate, or indolent, or visionary, soon make ship-wreck of themselves, and drift about the sea of life, the prey of every wind and current, vainly shrieking for help, till at last they drift away into darkness and death.

"Take care that you are not drifting. See that you have fast hold of the helm. The breakers of life for ever rear under the lee, and adverse gales continually blow on the shore. Are you watching how she heads? Do you keep a firm grip of the wheel? If you give away but for one moment, you may drift haplessly into the boiling vortex. Young man, take care! It rests with yourself alone, under God, whether you reach port, triumphantly, or drift to ruin."

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